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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department, 11th July 1863.

No. 21. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Military Department, dated 3rd July 1863, No. 2,159.

Forwarding, in continuation of Proceedings, dated 21st February 1863, *No.* 580, *certain papers relating to the Budget Estimate of the Medical Department for* 1863-64. (Vide Proceedings Military Department, dated 3rd July 1863, Nos. 43—46.)

No. 22. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated Fort Saint George, 11th July 1863, No. 451.

I am directed by the Governor in Council to transmit to you, for submission to the Honorable the President in Council, the accompanying Budget Estimate,* prepared by the Principal Inspector General and revised by the Controller of Military Finance, exhibiting the charges Personnel of the Medical Department for the year 1863-64. The orders passed on them have already been communicated to the Government of India in the Military Department in a letter, dated 3rd instant, No. 2,160.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

* With two enclosures.
Chapter VII, Section I, Medical Department, Pay and Allowances, Indian Troops.
Do. Section II, do. British do.

Exd. T. McMootry.

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MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers :—

Memorandum from the Officiating Adjutant General, Fort Saint George, 19th June 1863, *No.* 1361 ; *to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.*

Forwarded for the information of Government, as requested by the Principal Inspector General Medical Department.

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From the Principal Inspector General, Medical Department, Fort Saint George, 9th June 1863, *No.* $\frac{1455}{36}$; *to the Controller of Military Finance.*

With reference to your Circular, No. 3 of 15th ultimo, and copy of the Budget Estimate of the current year for Madras, therewith forwarded, I have the honor to request your attention to a note by the Chief of the Military Finance Department, at page 13, which is quoted in the margin for reference.

The Madras Medical Department is now undergoing great changes, especially as respects the number of local Medical Officers. The present Estimate indicates a large decrease as compared with the Budget and Regular Estimates of 1862-63, but it is based on a Statement received from the Principal Inspector General Medical Department, which, however, does not afford any information as to the number of Medical Officers in the several grades for whom Pay is provided. The Controller of Military Finance, Madras, has complained, in strong terms, of the delay and difficulty in obtaining any correct information as to the details of Military Expenditure from the Principal Inspector General Medical Department. The Controller has laid the whole correspondence before the Government of Madras. In consequence of this absence of information, no reasons for the variations between the Regular and the present Estimate can be given beyond the general one above assigned, and the transfer to the Civil Estimate of the salaries of Medical Officers in Civil employ, agreeably to the Orders of Government, No. 391G, dated 4th September 1862, (Financial Department.)

2. I do not understand how the Medical Estimate of the Madras Presidency can be said to be based on a Statement received from my Office, as I am not aware that any thing of the kind was furnished.

3. On the 26th December 1862, in letter No. 3180, I transmitted to your address the General Budget of "Personnel," with the exception of the Estimates for the Divisions marginally named, intimating that a *supplemental* Budget for those Divisions would be furnished on receipt of the detailed Budgets. In your letter No. 2383, 27th December, you returned the incomplete General Budget, intimating that it was inaccurate and useless, and that your Budget would be closed without waiting for data from the Medical Department.

Hyderabad Subsidiary Force.
Nagpore Force.
Straits Settlements for Pegu Division.

4. In letter, No. 2383 of 27th December 1862, you intimated, that you had entered in your Budget the amount from the Medical Department, at the same figure as in the preceding year.

5. The Chief of the Military Finance Department has been led into a mistake as to the figures entered from the Medical Department, being based on a Statement made by myself, considering that I never rendered any Statement which could be looked upon as a complete Budget, until long after the date assigned for forwarding the annual Estimates.

No. $\frac{1155}{35}$.

6. The corrected Estimate, as submitted to you by myself on 13th May 1863, shows the following totals :—

Indian Medical Establishment.....	Rupees	9,08,164	0	0
British do.	„	5,47,450	0	0
Total	„	14,55,614	0	0

The figures entered by the Chief of the Finance Department as "proposed by the Controller" are :—

Indian Establishment.....	Rupees	8,04,027	0	4
British do.	„	3,28,538	7	1
		11,32,565	7	5

or a sum of Rupees 3,23,048-8-7 short of the actual requirements of the combined Medical Department.

7. The Regular Estimate of the Military Medical Establishment of the Presidency for 1862-63, was..... Rupees 15,13,833 0 0

For 1863-64, the Budget Estimate as submitted by myself..... .... „ 14,55,614 3 8

Decrease..... .... „ 58,218 12 4

accounted for chiefly by the transfer of Military Pay of Medical Officers in Civil employ to the Civil Budget, and also in some degree to the diminished numbers of the Assistant Surgeon, and Subordinate grades.

8. The increase under the head of British Medical Establishment, and the decrease under that of Indian Medical Establishment, is accounted for by the new mode of debiting Pay and allowances of Medical Officers of the Indian Establishment, serving with European Troops, to the former head.

9. The reason assigned by the Chief of the Military Finance Department, for the great decrease in the amount entered, "as proposed by the Controller," for the Medical Department, *viz.*, that "the Department was undergoing great changes as respect the number of local Officers," does not account for more than a trifle of the decrease.

On the 1st October 1861 and 1862, the numbers of Medical Officers of the Local Service, stood as follows:—

	1861.	1862.
Supervising Officers.....	10	10
Surgeons and Surgeon Majors.....	66	66
Assistant Surgeons.....	145	136 (decrease nine Assistant Surgeons.)

10. Holding myself in no degree responsible for the amounts entered in the General Budget of the Presidency, by the Chief of the Finance Department, I cannot but observe, that a correct Estimate, as in the previous year, could have been furnished, as regards Pay and allowances of Medical Officers, without any delay or trouble, had I been permitted to procure and submit the information after my own method; instead of in the manner which the Finance Rules laid down.

11. In future years, I shall take measures to obtain the necessary data for a correct Budget, as regards "the Personnel" of the Establishment, on my own responsibility, and which I trust will serve to prevent any such errors as have crept into the present Budget.

12. The Chief of the Military Finance Department observes, that you have complained in "strong terms" "of the delay and difficulty in obtaining any correct information, as to the details of Medical Expenditure, from the Principal Inspector General Medical Department," I have the honor to request, that you will do me the justice to point out any instances in which I have neglected to afford you any information you have desired of me, and which I have been able to give, in order that I may be prepared to rebut so serious a charge as that implied in the statement just quoted of the Chief of the Finance Department. If it refers only to the delay in rendering the Budget of my Department, the charge is amply refuted in my letter to Government, and the Proceedings of Government and Order thereon, No. 1718, dated 27th May 1863.

13. A copy of this communication will be forwarded for the information of Government, through His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief.

Forwarded to the Adjutant General, for the information of His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief and Government.

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
15th June 1863.

(By order.)
(Signed) W. R. CORNISH,
Secy. to the Pl. Inspr. Genl., Medl. Dept.

From the Controller of Military Finance, Fort Saint George, 19th June 1863, J; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

In my letter to your address A, of the 5th February 1863, forwarding the General Estimate for the Military Expenditure of the Presidency for the year 1863-64, I pointed out that the Medical Department portion had not been received, and that I had in consequence been obliged to adopt the previous year's Estimate as the nearest approximation to the ensuing year's requirement.

2. The items so adopted were as follows:—

Personnel Indian Troops.....	Rupees 13,08,548
„ British Troops.....	„ 2,33,552
	Rupees... 15,42,100

3. On the 15th of May 1863, the Medical Departmental Estimates reached me; the items were as follows:—

Personnel Indian Troops.....	Rupees 9,08,164
„ British Troops.....	„ 5,47,450
	Rupees... 14,55,614

4. Notwithstanding the time which had been occupied in the preparation of the Estimates, (extending to nearly 6 months) they were far from accurate, and very defective in details, which involved a further delay of a month in checking and correcting them and in supplying defective data.

5. The result after this process was as follows:—

Indian Troops.....	Rupees 8,75,609
British Troops	„ 4,89,849
	Rupees... 13,65,458

Or Rupees 90,156, less than the Estimates prepared by the Principal Inspector General Medical Department. One item in the difference arises from the transfer of Her Majesty's 91st Regiment to Bengal, the other items were caused by over and double charges, many of the items having been already estimated for in the Military portion of the Budget.

6. The documents now forwarded are:

(1) Title I, charges Personnel Medical Department.

(2) Pay and Allowances, &c., Indian Troops, prepared in the Medical Department and corrected in this Office.

(3) Pay and Allowances, &c., British Troops.

7. These documents have also been forwarded to the Military Finance Department, with the Appendices containing the data on which the Estimates are based, and duplicates are retained for reference in this Office, should they be required.

8. Funds for the supply of "Materiel" for the Medical Department are included in the Commissariat Budget, the quantities being based on the requisitions of the Medical Officers: that portion of the Medical Budget is still under examination, and comparison with the Commissariat Estimate, but as Funds have already been provided in the Commissariat Grant, its submission is not so urgently required, although no time will be lost in forwarding it as soon as it is checked.

ORDER, No. 2159, *3rd July* 1863.

Ordered that the foregoing letter from the Controller of Military Finance, with the undermentioned documents pertaining to the Budget Estimate of the Medical Department for 1863-64, be forwarded to the Financial Department, in continuation of the Proceedings in this Department, dated 21st February 1863, Order No. 580.

(1) Title I, charges Personnel Medical Department.

(2) Pay and Allowances, &c., Indian Troops, prepared in the Medical Department, and corrected in the Office of the Controller of Military Finance.

(3) Pay and Allowances, &c., British Troops.

2. The Governor in Council learns with regret the extreme delay which has occurred in the submission of the Medical Budget, and the inaccuracies therein mentioned in paragraphs 4 and 5 of the Controller's letter. He trusts that Dr. Cole will adopt timely measures for preventing such delay and errors in the preparation of future Budgets. It will be made distinctly known that Government will not pass over any neglect hereafter, on the part of the Officers concerned, of the orders issued in this matter.

To the Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India, Mily. Dept. | Here enter 3rd July 1863, No. 2160.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Financial Department, with three documents. 10 Spare Copies
- ,, Adjutant General.
- ,, Controller of Military Finance.
- ,, Prinl. Inspr. Genl. Medl. Department.
- ,, Examiner of Medical Accounts, for information.

Exd. J. E. Cashart.

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Forwarding in continuation of Pros. of 21st Feby 1863 No 580, certain papers relating to the Budget Estimate of the Med. Depart. for 1863/64.

With a letter

Financial Department

No. 457.

To the Secretary to the Government of India
Financial Deptt.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor in Council to transmit to you, for submission to the Hon'ble the President in Council the accompanying Budget Estimate, prepared by the Principal Inspector General of Medical Departments, revised by the Controller of Military Finances, exhibiting the Charges Personnel of the Medical Department for the year 1863/64. The Orders passed on them have already been communicated to the Govt. of India in the Military Deptt. in my letter dated 3rd Instant. No. 2,160

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