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No. 31. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Revenue Department, dated 30th November 1863, No. 2155.

Communicate remarks passed on the revised Budget Estimate, submitted by Major Priestley, Superintendent of Revenue Survey. (Vide Proceedings Revenue Department, dated 30th November 1863, Nos. 390 and 391.)

No. 32. ORDER THEREON, 7th December 1863, No. 792.

To be recorded.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. O'Connor,

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No. 390. Read the following letter from Major F. J. B. PRIESTLEY, Superintendent of Revenue Survey, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Chepauk, 14th November 1863, No. 821/43:—

SIR,

In obedience to the Order of Government of the 6th ultimo, No. 1,832, I have the honor to submit a revised Budget Estimate for 1863-64.

No. 391. ORDER THEREON, 30th November 1863, No. 2,155.

1. The Government of India having disallowed Rupees 20,000 out of the sum of Rupees 31,000 entered in the Budget for 1863-64 under "*Instruments, Lithographic Stores and Presses*" (Revenue Survey), pending the explanation of the cause of the large increase over the similar item of Rupees 10,000 entered in the previous year's Budget, the Superintendent of Revenue Survey was called* upon to show what necessity existed for the large sum struck out, and to revise his estimate by omitting supplies by other Departments of Government for which under recent orders cash payments are not required. With his letter above recorded he submits the Budget so revised.

* Order dated 20th July 1863, No. 1,348.
Do. „ 6th October 1863, No. 1,832.

2. The total of the Budget Estimate for the Survey Department as submitted to the Government of India was Rupees 5,23,629, and the sum sanctioned by them is Rupees (5,23,629 — 20,000) 5,03,629. The Government observe that the Superintendent has limited the total of his revised Budget to the latter amount, and any further correspondence with the Government of India in order to procure an additional grant is therefore unnecessary.

	Rs.
Instruments	8,000
Office rent and camp equipage ..	4,000
Stationery	12,500
Printing Paper	6,000
Total ..	31,000

3. The sum of Rupees 31,000 originally entered in the Budget for instruments, &c., consisted of the items noted in the margin, but omitting stationery and medicines the aggregate of the remaining entries is Rupees 18,000. In his revised Budget now before Government, the Superintendent has reduced this sum to Rupees 14,000 by providing only Rupees 4,000 in lieu of Rupees 8,000 for instruments. The other two items have not been reduced, and considering the actual expenditure† during the first four months of the year under all the three heads the Government pass the aggregate sum of Rupees 14,000.

	Rs.
† Instruments	1,156
Office rent and camp equipage ...	993
Printing Paper	3,444
Total ...	5,593

4. Major Priestley has made alterations in the revised Budget which raise the cost of several parties over the respective sums entered in the original Budget, though the Government in their Order dated 6th October 1863, No. 1,832, directed the revision to be confined to the omission of supplies for which no cash payments are required. The Civil Paymaster will not pass these alterations until they are supported by separate specific sanction.

(True Extract.)

J D Sim

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintendent of Revenue Survey.
„ Acting Director of Revenue Settlement.
„ Acting Accountant General.
„ Acting Civil Paymaster.
„ Financial Department.
„ Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Rec'd 18 Dec.

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-ted by Major Keatly
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