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No. 282.

FROM

A. J. ARBUTHNOT, ESQ.,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

Referring to paragraph 6 of your letter of the 29th March last, No. 1585, regarding a retrenchment of Rupees 20,000 made from the Budget Estimate of the Superintendent of Revenue Survey, I am directed by the Governor in Council to forward to you copies of the Proceedings of Government, in the Revenue Department, noted in the margin, pointing out that the amount so retrenched is absolutely necessary to carry on the Survey, and that it cannot be provided from savings in the Departmental Budget.

Proceedings,	19th May	1866,	No. 1195.
Do.	13th June	,,	,, 1439.
Do.	29th July	,,	,, 1854.

2. It will be seen that the Superintendent of the Survey, not having been consulted regarding the reduction, had no opportunity of affording the explantion which he has now submitted.

3. The necessity for the grant of the sum retrenched being clearly shown, I am to request that the sanction of the Government of India may be obtained for the same.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
4th August 1866.

Chief Secretary.

Encl. J. H. Burns.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
26th April 1866.

No. 52. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Fort William, 29th March 1866, No. 1585.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 61, dated the 6th February 1866, forwarding the Budget Estimates of the Revenues and Receipts and the Civil Expenditure of the Madras Presidency for the ensuing official year, 1866-67, and, in reply, to communicate, for the information of the Madras Government, the following orders and observations.

2. The figures in the subjoined table shew the estimate of Revenues and Receipts as adopted by this Department.

	Local.	Financial.
	RS.	RS.
Land Revenue...	4,22,75,000	4,22,75,000
Tributes and Contributions from Native States...	34,46,400	34,46,400
Forest...	4,00,000	4,00,100
Abkarry...	40,00,000	41,00,000
Income Tax...	.....	10,000
Customs...	20,00,000	21,00,000
Salt...	1,98,00,000	1,21,50,000
Stamps...	29,00,000	29,00,000
Mint...	9,16,500	9,16,500
Law and Justice	7,21,000	7,21,000
Police...	3,45,000	3,15,000
Marine...	32,000	32,000
Education	46,500	46,500
Interest	1,08,500	1,08,500
Miscellaneous...	4,60,000	5,50,000

3. Under Abkarry and Customs, the figures of the Regular Estimate for 1865-66 have been retained for 1866-67. Under Salt, thirteen and half lakhs have been added for the additional duty of 3 Annas a maund. Miscellaneous Revenue has been raised from Rupees 4,60,000 to Rupees 5,50,000 with reference to the Budget Estimate for 1865-66, which it is anticipated will be borne out by the Actuals of that year.

4. As regards the estimate of expenditure, the table at the end exhibits the grants sanctioned by this Department under the several major heads, from which it will be seen that, with the exception of the heads noted in the margin, the estimates under all the other heads have been accepted in full, with the slight variations caused by turning them into round sums.

"Land Revenue."
"Administration and Public Departments."
"Law and Justice."
"Police."
"Marine" and
"Stationery and Printing."

5. The estimate of the Land Revenue charges amounts to Rupees 41,47,410, of which Rupees 5,62,500 is for Khusreh or Demarcation Survey, against a provision of only Rupees 3,94,000 on the same account for the current year, 1865-66. The large increase of Rupees 1,68,500 is chiefly on account of new Survey Parties in two Districts, on which head there is an addition of Rupees 1,09,500. This item has been struck out as an unsanctioned charge, and with reference to the expectation expressed in Financial Resolution, No. 2752, dated 7th October 1865, paragraphs 8 and 9, that the alteration in the mode of survey would be attended with a large saving.

6. The remainder of the excess under "Survey" includes a provision for increases of salary for three Officers, which have been recommended to the Secretary of State, and an additional cost for Field Parties, on account of enhanced rates of wages. With the altered mode of survey above alluded to, however, the enhancement of wages should be partly compensated by reduction of strength. Apart from this consideration, the Accountant General, Madras,

has suggested that, with reference to the actuals of previous years, Rupees 20,000 may be retrenched, which has accordingly been done.

7. For Settlement charges, the sum of Rupees 4,50,300 has been provided, which includes Rupees 22,200 for merely the salaries of the Inam Commissioner and his Assistant, besides a provision for Establishments and Contingencies, which is mixed up with the other Settlement charges. Past expectations that the expense for the Commission would soon cease have indeed been annually disappointed, but before formally sanctioning provision for yet another year, the Governor General in Council would be glad to receive a detail of the contemplated scale of charge, and for what period in 1866-67, with an explanation of the progress in the work during the past two years, and of the amount of work still remaining to be done. Pending this explanation, Rupees 40,000 have been struck out, and any necessary expenditure in the next two months may proceed meanwhile against the general grant for Land Revenue.

8. The total retrenchments thus amount to Rupees 1,09,500, and the grant under the major head of "Land Revenue" to Rupees 39,77,910.

9. The estimate for "Administration and Public Departments" has been reduced by Rupees 6600, and the grant fixed at Rupees 13,01,610. The amount retrenched is from the provision for the Currency Department, which includes Rupees 10,200 for the salaries of three Assistants to Deputy Commissioners of Paper Currency. For this item, Rupees 1200 for each of the three Assistants have been allowed, or Rupees 3600 against an estimated provision of Rupees 10,200.

10. The estimate for "Law and Justice" includes a sum of Rupees 49,920 on account of the proportion of the charges for convicts in the Eastern Settlements. This sum has been transferred to the Estimates of the Government of India, as the entire charge for convicts, from whatever Presidency or Province they may be sent, will hereafter be borne on those estimates. The grant under the head of "Law and Justice" has, accordingly, been fixed at Rupees 41,17,970.

11. The Estimate for the Police Department, as proposed by the Madras Government, is Rupees 39,53,600, being Rupees 53,600 in excess of the estimate for the current year. The excess is caused by the transfer of a charge for Police huts from the Public Works Budget to the Civil Estimates. For a similar transfer to any other head than Police, this explanation would have been sufficient; but, with regard to Police, the Governor General in Council is constrained to adhere to the limit of 39 lakhs for the charges of the Madras Police, providing as that grant does for some items which, in the opinion of the Government of India, are susceptible of retrenchment.

12. From the Marine Estimate, the sums of Rupees 6183, Rupees 50,000, and Rupees 21,000 (amounting to Rupees 77,183) have been deducted, and the grant fixed at Rupees 1,72,217. The first item of deduction is the increase in Miscellaneous Establishments for new boats for Coconada and new lanterns for certain Light-houses, the cost of which is chargeable to the Port Funds. Any other expenses similarly chargeable to Port Funds and included in the Estimate, should, in communication with the Accountant General, be also retrenched and reported to this Department. The next item of deduction is the excess provision for value of coal and Marine stores to be received from England over that for the current year. The Estimate of the Secretary of State gives only Rupees 16,740 as the value of stores to be provided from England. The last item is from the large provision for miscellaneous charges said to be necessary for incidental charges on account of the Steamers of the Bengal Marine. There is no vessel on the establishment of the Madras Presidency, and the working expenses of any Steamer of the Bengal Marine that may be partially employed at Madras are fully provided for in the Bengal Estimate, from which any necessary transfer of Budget provision can be made for meeting local payments.

13. The estimate for Stationery and Printing is large compared with the grant for the current year. The sum of Rupees 14,000 has, therefore, been deducted from the provision for Stationery, and Rupees 9000 from that for Printing Establishments and charges, thus reducing the grant to Rupees 3,33,400.

14. The sanctioned grants will accordingly be as follows:—

Number of Grants.	Expenditure.	As sanctioned by the Government of India, Financial Department.
2	Interest on Service Funds, &c.	9,13,660
3	Allowances, Refunds and Drawbacks	1,15,000
4	Land Revenue	39,77,910
5	Forest	3,08,500
6	Abkarry (Excise)	1,94,400
8	Customs	1,67,200
9	Salt	14,50,000
11	Stamps	1,19,000
12	Mint	2,21,370
15	Allowances to District and Village Officers	4,22,890
16	Administration and Public Departments	13,01,610
17	Law and Justice	41,17,970
18	Police	39,00,000
19	Marine	1,72,220
20	Education, Science, and Art	9,00,000
21	Ecclesiastical	4,00,000
22	Medical services	5,72,560
23	Stationery and Printing	3,33,400
24	Political Agencies and other Foreign Services	1,00,970
25	Allowances and Assignments, &c.	30,67,150
26	Miscellaneous	6,86,930
27	Superannuation, Retired, and Compassionate Allowances	23,44,500

15. The above grants are exclusive of Stores from England, which have been provided for in a distinct heading of "Stores," to the extent of Rupees 3,02,670 or £30,267, as follows:—

		Stores.	Freight.	Total.
		£	£	£.
Stamps		2,892	40	2,932
Stationery		21,683	400	22,083
Marine		1,673	1	1,674
Miscellaneous		1,296	10	1,306
Mint exclusive of copper	58,199			
Stores	300			
Freight		2,222	50	2,272
	58,499			
		29,766	501	30,267

No. 53. ORDER THEREON, 26th April 1866, No. 164.

Resolved that the Accountant General, to whom a copy of the foregoing letter has been sent direct, be requested to communicate to the Heads of the several Departments and Officers concerned, the grants sanctioned by the Government of India in the Budget Estimate for 1866-67. Mr. Lushington's attention is called to paragraph 12.

2. Paragraph 7 will be considered in the Revenue Department.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
26th April 1866.

3. Ordered that a copy of the letter from the Government of India be furnished to the undermentioned Departments, for information :—

Revenue Department.
Public Works do.
Public do.
Judicial do.
Political do.
Educational do.
Ecclesiastical do.
Marine do.

(True Extract)

Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
„ Public Works do.
„ Public do.
„ Judicial do.
„ Political do.
„ Educational do.
„ Ecclesiastical do.
„ Marine do.
„ Accountant General.

Exd. J. H. Barns.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
19th May 1866.

No. 348. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Department :—

Referring, for consideration in this Department, letter from the Government of India, requesting, with reference to the Civil Budget of 1866-67, a detail of the contemplated scale of charges, &c., on account of the Inám Commission. (Here enter 26th April 1866, No. 164.)

No. 349. ORDER THEREON, 19th May 1866, No. 1,195.

Miscellaneous.

1. Ordered to be communicated to the Board of Revenue, the Director of Revenue Settlement, the Superintendent of Revenue Survey, the Conservator of Forests, and the Inám Commissioner.

2. With reference to paragraph 5, the Government observe that the Supreme Government are under a mistake. The recent arrangements effected by this Government and approved by the Secretary of State, diminish the expense of Settlement, but increase that of Survey, which now has to perform the duty of Demarcation, in addition to that of Survey.

3. The Government are unable to reconcile the figures in paragraph 5 with those in their Estimates and Orders. The Accountant General is requested to specify the items in which he recommended a retrenchment of Rupees 20,000, and to state whether he consulted Major Hessey on the subject. A copy of his letter, if not already before the Government, should be submitted at the same time.

4. With reference to paragraph 7, the Government observe that they estimated Rupees 3,75,000 for Revenue Settlement, and Rupees 75,300 for the Inám Commission. The former sum has been passed in full, and the latter reduced to Rupees 35,000 for the present. Mr. Blair will furnish the comprehensive report called for by the Government of India as soon as possible.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Director of Revenue Settlement.
„ the Superintendent of Revenue Survey.
„ the Conservator of Forests.
„ the Inám Commissioner.
„ the Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
13th June 1866.

No. 304. Read the following letter from the Accountant General, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Fort Saint George, 31st May 1866, No. 46:—

1. With reference to paragraph 3 of the Proceedings of Government, in the Revenue Department, No. 1,195, dated the 19th instant, I have the honor to annex, for the information of Government, an extract from my "Memorandum" of Explanatory Remarks upon the variations between the Budget Estimates for 1865-66 and 1866-67, from which it will be seen that it was proposed that the reduction of Rupees 20,000, of which I thought the Revenue Survey estimate susceptible, should be made in the provision for Contingent charges, amounting to Rupees 74,461, which appeared to be excessive.

2. I beg to state that as the Survey Estimate was received in this Office so late as the 18th January last, and had to be immediately incorporated in the General Estimate, I had no time to consult Major Hessey on the subject of the above reduction prior to the completion of the General Budget Estimate, which was despatched to Government on the 6th February last.

Extract from Memorandum of Explanatory Remarks upon the variations between the Budget Estimates for 1865-66 and 1866-67.

Grant.	Items of charge.	Page of estimate.	Amount. 1865-66.	Amount. 1866-67.	Increase.	Decrease.	Remarks.
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
	Professional Survey.	395	56,000	53,500	.....	2,500	The estimate for 1866-67 has been generally framed with reference to the sanctioned scale of charges, with an addition of Rupees 1,09,500 on account of new Survey and Demarcation parties in Ganjam and Madras. Excluding this item, the amount passed by Government, viz., Rupees 5,06,500 is in excess of the actual charges in 1863-64 and 1864-65 by Rupees 65,000, and of those in 1862-63 by Rupees 87,000 nearly. Even after making due allowance for increased Regimental allowances, and for higher rates of pay likely to be sanctioned to some of the Deputy and Assistant Superintendents, as also for the present increased rates of labor for the field establishment, the estimate seems to be susceptible of a reduction of at least Rupees 20,000, which may be effected in the provision for contingent charges, viz., Rupees 74,461, the actuals for 1864-65 having amounted to Rupees 40,266 only.
	Khusreh or Demarcation Survey.	396	3,94,000	5,62,500	1,68,500	.....	

No. 305. ORDER THEREON, 13th June 1866, No. 1,439.

Miscellaneous.

Referred to the Superintendent of Revenue Survey for his remarks.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Officiating Superintendent of Revenue Survey.
„ the Accountant General.

Rd. S. T. Augustin.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 20th July 1866.

No. 489. Read the following letter from the Acting Superintendent Revenue Survey, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Chepauk, 28th June 1865, No. 986-33 :—

1. Agreeably to the Order of Government, dated 13th June 1866, No. 1,439, I have the honor to make the following remarks on a letter from the Accountant General, explaining his reasons for striking off 20,000 Rupees from the Budget Estimate of the Madras Revenue Survey.

2. The Accountant General has stated that a reduction of that amount could be made under the head of Contingencies. The reasons for an increased amount being estimated for under each head, are given below :—

Description of charge.	Actuals for 1864-65.	Amount sanctioned by the Madras Government.	Remarks.
Ordinary contingencies.	Rs. 8,607	Rs. 9,000	This is at the rate of 150 Rupees per party per month ; it is not at all too much for the ordinary expenditure. Two parties will change their head quarters this year, the whole sum will be wanted for the carriage of office records, &c.
Travelling allowance to Officers and establishment.	1,282	3,500	In the year 1864-65 the order for travelling allowance for officers and subordinates when moving from one District to another on duty was issued. No provision, however, had been made for that in the Budget. No moves of any consequence were made during that official year. During 1866-67, as mentioned before, the head quarters of two parties No. 3 and No. 5 will be moved ; 3,500 Rupees will be not more than sufficient to meet all charges.
Measurement allowance to Ameens.	14,004	30,000	During 1864-65 a great deal of work was in progress for which measurement allowance had not been drawn. The allowance is payable on the work proving ; for work actually performed 29,000 Rupees are due, and will have to be met during the official year 1866-67, leaving but 1,000 Rupees for work done during that year. No saving is practicable.
Measurers and hired laborers.	13,859	20,000	During 1864-65 No. 3 party was not working at its usual rate, as the survey of the District was approaching completion. The full strength of Ameens will be set at work in Cuddapah during the current official year. The rates of hired labor in Kurnool and Cuddapah have much increased so that no saving is possible under this head.
Office accommodation.	2,523	7,300	In 1864-65 the amount *actually expended* on house rent for office accommodation was charged. In G. O. dated 12th May 1865, No. 1,004, an allowance of 4 Rupees per diem for each party was sanctioned, $5 \times 4 \times 365 = 7,300$, no saving is possible

3. The Accountant General is mistaken in his statement that there will be sufficient in the Budget Estimate, as sanctioned by the Madras Government, to cover the increased rates of pay likely to be granted to some of the Deputy and Assistant Superintendents. To meet that charge the submission of a Supplemental Budget will be necessary.

4. The Government of Madras have thought it advisable to increase the rates of payment to Peons. The most rigid economy in the expenditure of the funds allotted to the survey will be necessary, in order to meet this increased expense out of the amount estimated in the Budget.

5. The division of the charges into two heads "Professional Survey" and "Khusrah or Demarcation Survey" is inaccurate, and is not to be accounted for by any thing which appears in the Budget.

6. As pointed out by the Government of Madras in G. O. 19th May 1866, No. 1,195, there are no new survey parties in any District. No. 5 Party will be transferred to the Madras District, and a small party, formerly employed in the survey of the Purla Kimedy Estate, will be employed in the Government Talooks of the Ganjam District.

7. The extra charge for demarcation is met by a corresponding reduction in the charges of the Settlement Department.

No. 490. ORDER THEREON, 20th July 1866, No. 1,854.

Land Revenue

1. From the foregoing explanation it is clear that the amount of Rupees 20,000 retrenched by the Accountant General from the Revenue Survey Budget without consulting the Superintendent of Revenue Survey, as stated in the Accountant General's letter, recorded in G. O. of 13th June 1866, No. 1,439, is absolutely necessary to carry on the work, and it cannot be provided from savings in the Department.

2. The division of charges into "Professional Survey" and "Khusrah or Demarcation Survey." noticed in paragraph 5, will be found in the Budget Estimate for 1866-67, pages 11 and 12.

3. Ordered that these Proceedings and G. O. of 19th May 1866, No. 1,195 paragraph 3, be forwarded to the Government of India, with a renewed application in the Financial Department for the grant of Rupees 20,000 retrenched from the Revenue Survey Budget under the head of Contingent Charges.

(True Extract.)

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Superintendent of Revenue Survey.
,, the Accountant General.
,, the Financial Department.

Ord. T. O'Connor.

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Financial Department.

No. 282.

To

The Secretary to the Government
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Financial Department.

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Pro. 19th May 1866 No. 1195
" 13th June " " 1434
" 20th July " " 1804

Pro. 13th June 1866 No. 1434
to Govt. of India F.D.
dated 4th July 1866 No. 282

Pro. 20th July 1866
Copies of papers and orders
to be received by letter
being made to the Govt. of
India in the Financial Dept.
No. 282 dated 4th July 1866
Revenue Survey Dept.

provided from Savings
in the Departmental
Budget.

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Fort St. George
4th August 1858

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Dated 6 August 1866.

Application made to
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