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17*th December* 1866.

No. 39. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Revenue Department, dated 13th December 1866, No. 3356.

Passing orders on the Budget Estimate of the Superintendent Government Chinchona Plantations for 1867-68. } (Vide Proceedings, Revenue Department, dated 13th December 1866, Nos. 196 & 197.)

No. 40. ORDER THEREON, 17th December 1866, No. 480.

To be recorded.

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

Exd. J. Tulloch.

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

No. 196. Read the following letter from the Superintendent Government Chinchona Plantations, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Ootacamund, 24th November 1866, No. 81 :—

1. I have the honor to forward the Budget Estimate for this Department for the official year 1867-68, which I trust will meet with the approval of Government.

2. The estimate provides for 150 additional acres of land being brought into cultivation during 1867-68, the construction of a Hospital for the Neddivuttum Jail, and quarters for the Jailer; but as the land first planted can now be maintained at a comparatively small cost, the Budget shews a decrease on that of last year of Rupees 13,570. The cost will now yearly decrease as the work approaches completion, and the plants become established.

3. There is an increase in the cost of establishment of Rupees 2,300, arising principally from the increased pay sanctioned* to the Deputy Superintendent.

* G. O. dated 11th September 1866, No. 2,430.

No. 197. ORDER THEREON, 13th December 1866, No. 3,356.

Miscellaneous.

1. With this letter the Superintendent of the Government Chinchona Plantations submits his Budget of receipts and charges for 1867-68.

2. BUDGET OF RECEIPTS.—The Superintendent's estimate of receipts continues to be prepared in an incorrect form. In paragraph 2 of the Order, dated 5th January 1866, No. 24, the Accountant General was requested to issue the necessary instructions on the subject, and if he has not done so as yet, he will be good enough to furnish a correct form to Mr. McIvor, with full instructions for filling it up.

3. Mr. McIvor estimates the receipts of 1867-68 at Rupees 11,250 against Rupees 20,000, the estimate for the current year, and Rupees 2,334, the actual of the past year. He calculates upon the sale of 50,000 Chinchona plants at one anna each, and 25,000 plants at two annas each. In adopting the latter rate, he has altogether lost sight of the Order of Government dated 12th March 1866, No. 617, in which he was directed to "charge one anna per plant in all cases." The estimate will therefore be reduced to Rupees 10,000 in round numbers.

		Rs.
Chinchona Plants		5,000
Tea do.		5,000
	Total ...	10,000

4. BUDGET OF CHARGES.—The Budget of charges should have shewn the estimate for 1866-67 for twelve months, instead of eleven, to facilitate comparison. The total of this Budget amounts to Rupees 70,530 against Rupees 79,836, the actual of 1865-66, and Rupees 84,100, the sanctioned grant for 1867-68. Mr. McIvor attributes this decrease, which is anticipated notwithstanding that the estimate includes provision for bringing 150 additional acres under cultivation, and for constructing a Hospital for the Neddivuttum Jail and quarters for the Jailer, to the comparatively smaller cost of the plantations as the work approaches completion and the plants become established.

5. Mr. McIvor will report what addition he proposes to each plantation, and what steps have been taken to lay out the plantations in the manner proposed in paragraph 14 of Sir W. Denison's Minute dated 30th October 1865, and approved by the Secretary of State in his Despatch dated 16th June 1866, No. 22.

6. The increase to the salaries of the Deputy Superintendent, the Office Manager, and the Pay Clerk, and the union of the offices of Superintendent of Pykara and Neddivuttum, have been recently sanctioned,* and will be reported to the Government of India in the usual course.

* G. O. 11th September 1866, No. 2,430.
,, 12th December 1866, No. 3,355.

7. Mr. McIvor has, however, provided for a new Assistant Superintendent on a salary of Rupees 125 per mensem; in the absence of any explanation as to the necessity of such an Officer, the sum entered in the Budget will be struck out.

8. The Jail at Neddivuttum has been recently established in connection with these plantations. The provision made for this establishment differs from the scale given in the letter from the Inspector General of Jails, dated 17th March 1866, No. 900, and approved in the Order of Government in the Judicial Department, dated 23rd March 1866, No. 425. Mr. McIvor will be requested to submit an explanation on the subject, and his estimate now before Government is passed subject to such modifications as may then be ordered.

9. The other items entered in the estimate require no particular notice. The sum of Rupees 12,000 will be added for the salary (£1,000) of the Quinologist expected from England and for the provision of accommodation for him.

10. The round sum of Rupees 81,000 is passed, as shewn below:—

Chinchona plantations.	1866-67.	1867-68.
	Rs.	Rs.
Salaries	10,900	11,700
Establishments	34,450	16,764
Saderwarid and Contingent charges	4,000	4,000
Temporary Establishment	.....	7,012
Working charges	23,000	9,000
Buildings	7,500	5,720
Travelling allowance to Superintendent	1,100	1,100
Clothing	550	500
Jail	.....	10,648
Total	81,500	66,444
Quinologist	.....	12,000
Annual allowance to Botanical and Horticultural Gardens	1,200	1,200
Tea plantation	1,400	1,356
Grand Total	84,100	81,000

11. Mr. McIvor will in future submit his Budget Estimates with greater expedition, and be careful to afford full explanation for new items, as well as for

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items which may be in excess of the Budget for the current year, quoting in each case the authority for the expenditure.

12. With these remarks the Budget, as now revised, will be transmitted to the Accountant General.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Accountant General, with Budget.
,, the Superintendent Government Chinchona Plantations.
,, the Financial Department.
,, the Judicial Department.

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