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14th December 1867.

No. 51. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Revenue Department, dated 23rd November 1867, No. 2777.

Passing orders on the Budget Estimate of the Revenue Survey Department for 1868-69. } (Vide Proceedings, Revenue Department, dated 23rd November 1867, Nos. 420 & 421).

No. 52. ORDER THEREON, 14th December 1867, No. 559.
To be recorded.

(Signed) R. S. ELLIS,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

No. 420. Read the following letter from the Superintendent of Revenue Survey, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Chepauk, 17th October 1867, No. 1,968/57 :—

* With a Memorandum of explanation.

I have the honor to submit the Budget* Estimate for 1868-69, and to state in explanation of the delay in its submission that I only returned to Madras on the 9th instant.

MEMORANDUM TO ACCOMPANY THE BUDGET ESTIMATE FOR 1868-69.

No. I. COIMBATORE.—The sum estimated for exceeds that sanctioned for 1867-68 by Rupees 2,880, under the items noted in the margin. The increase under the first and fourth heads has been made with reference to the actual expenditure. The full amount of measurement allowance for work performed in 1866 not having been drawn, the sum estimated for, for the next official year, is necessary. The 1868-69 being leap year, the small increase under the third head will be required.

	RS.
I. Travelling allowance	500
II. Measurement do.	2,226
III. Office do.	4
IV. Service labels	170

The actuals of 1866-67 exceeded the Budget grant, inasmuch as the expenditure on account of the Neilgherry Demarcation and Survey, ordered in G. O. No. 425, of 17th February 1866, for which no separate provision was made, has been debited to this party.

No. II. KURNOOL.—The estimate for this party shews a decrease of Rupees 1,900, and therefore calls for no explanation ; but as regards the actuals being smaller than the estimate, it may be stated that owing to the absence of the Superintendent Revenue Survey on sick leave, the pay of a Deputy Superintendent has not been debited to this party throughout the year. The explanation given regarding measurement allowance in connection with No. 1 Party, is applicable also to No. 2 (Kurnool).

No. III. CUDDAPAH.—The estimate compared with the allotment for the current year appears to need no explanation ; but the variation between the actuals and estimate may be thus accounted for :—In 1866-67 no Military Assistant Superintendent did duty with the party. Field work in the Kistna District having come to a close, expenditure under heads "Servants," "Contingencies," and "Measurement allowance," has been reduced.

	Increase. RS.	Decrease. RS.
I. Deputy Superintendent...	2,100	...
II. Regimental allowance do.	...	3,524
III. Do. Assistant do.	1,409	...
IV. Travelling allowance ...	...	637
V. Measurers	6,000	...
VI. Office allowance... ...	4	...
VII. Service labels	...	52
	9,513	4,213

No. IV. TINNEVELLY.—The estimate amounts to Rupees 94,000 against Rupees 88,700, as particularized in the margin. The first is rendered necessary by the transfer of an Uncovenanted Deputy Superintendent, in receipt of Rupees 750, from Nellore to the district, the third by the promotion of a Military Assistant Superintendent to Captain on Staff Corps, and the fifth by scarcity of

village labor. The sixth has already been explained. During 1866-67 Ameens having been chiefly engaged in testing, no measurement allowance has been drawn for them.

No. V. MADRAS AND NELLORE.—The increase of Rupees 2,600 is the combined result of the total increase in two items and decrease in four. By the promotion of the Officer in charge to the rank of Major, an addition to the estimate of Rupees 3,084 is rendered necessary. No expenditure has been incurred under the head "Measurers;" but the party having been moved into the Madras District, and difficulty in procuring village labor experienced, the same sum, Rupees 4,000, has been estimated for.

	Increase. RS.	Decrease. RS.
I. Civil pay of Deputy Superintendent	..	2,100
II. Regimental allowance do.	6,608	...
III. Do. Assistant do.	...	1,410
IV. Measurement allowance to Ameens ...	...	492
V. Office allowance ...	4	...
V. Service labels ...	...	10
	6,612	4,012
	4,012	
Excess...	2,600	

No. VI. GANJAM SURVEY AND DEMARCATION.—Explanation for the variation between the actuals and estimate is given in the column of Remarks.

MADRAS DEMARCATION.—The estimate amounts to Rupees 60,200 against Rupees 56,000. The particulars of the increase are shewn in the margin. By the transfer of a Military Assistant Superintendent, and promotion of a Lieutenant to Captain on Staff Corps, the first is rendered necessary. The fourth has already been explained. The actuals are less than the allotment, as the party, though organized in January 1866, has been gradually raised to the sanctioned strength.

	Increase. RS.	Decrease. RS.
Regimental allowance ...	4,488	...
II. Servants	...	170
III. Travelling allowance ...	...	60
IV. Office do. ...	2	...
V. Service labels ...	...	60
	4,490	290
	290	
Excess...	4,200	

COIMBATORE DEMARCATION.—The organization of this party on the same scale as Madras Demarcation Party was ordered in G. O. No. 328, of 8th February 1867, and work began in July 1867.

CHEPAUK,
17*th October* 1867.

(Signed) F. J. B. PRIESTLEY, Lieut.-Colonel,
Superintendent Revenue Survey.

No. 421. ORDER THEREON, 23rd November 1867, No. 2,777.

Land Revenue.

1. The Budget Estimate of the Superintendent of Revenue Survey for 1868-69, submitted with his letter above recorded, amounts to Rupees 7,18,880 against Rupees 6,51,000, the sanctioned estimate for the current year 1867-68, and Rupees 5,44,588, the actual expenditure of the eleven months of 1866-67. The entry of the Superintendent's original provision in the column "Budget Estimate for the current year," instead of the amounts sanctioned

by Government, is contrary to rule. The particulars of the Budget are shewn in the subjoined table:—

	Budget Estimate for 1867-68.	Budget Estimate for 1868-69.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Central Office	53,500	53,500	...	...
Party No. 1 (Salem and Coimbatore)... ...	96,800	99,680	2,880	...
Do. No. 2 (Kurnool)...	94,000	92,100	...	1,900
Do. No. 3 (Cuddapah)	99,000	98,600	...	400
Do. No. 4 (Tinnevelly)	88,700	94,000	5,300	...
Do. No. 5 (Madras and Nellore)	95,000	97,600	2,600	...
Do. No. 6 (Ganjam)...	48,000	48,000	...	...
Madras Demarcation Party	56,000	60,200	4,200	...
Ganjam do. do.	20,000	20,000	...	...
Coimbatore do. do.	...	55,200	55,200	...
Total ...	6,51,000	7,18,880	70,180	2,300
Net ...	...	...	67,880	...

2. The estimate for the Central Office does not include the increase of Rupees 1,265 per mensem, recommended to the Government of India in letter dated 30th August 1867, No. 2,035. An addition of Rupees 15,180 for the whole year will therefore be made, and the sum passed for the Central Office is Rupees 68,700 in round numbers.

3. The review of that portion of the Budget which relates to the several parties, is much simplified by the explanatory memorandum submitted by Colonel Priestley. The increase under No. 1 Party is the result of a larger provision made under "Travelling allowance" and "Service labels" and "Measurement allowance." The excess under the two former items is found necessary, with reference to the actual expenditure in 1866-67, and is approved; but that under the third head cannot be allowed. Colonel Priestley states that the full amount of measurement allowance for work performed in 1866 not having been drawn, the sum estimated for, for the next official year, is necessary. The adjustment of expenditure for work done in 1866 ought not to be put off till 1868-69. This must be completed in the current year, and any charge above the estimate will be debited to savings. The increase of Rupees 2,226 in the estimate for the next year will therefore be struck out. The sum passed for No. 1 Party is Rupees 97,600 in round numbers.

4. The decrease of Rupees 1,900 under the 2nd Party is owing chiefly to the smaller estimate under measurers and hired laborers. The Superintendent's estimate of Rupees 92,100 is passed.

5. The decrease of Rupees 400 under the 3rd Party is the result mainly of the smaller sum entered for the Regimental allowance of the Assistant Superintendent. The estimate of Rupees 98,600 is passed.

	RS.
Deputy Superintendent	2,100
Regimental allowance of Assistant Superintendent	1,409
Measurers	6,000
Office allowance	4
Total...	9,513

6. The net increase of Rs. 5,300 under No. 4 Party is the combined result of an increase of Rupees 9,513 under the three items noted in the margin, and a decrease of Rupees 4,213 under three other items, as shewn in Colonel Priestley's explanatory memorandum. The first is only a nominal increase, as it is owing to the transfer of an Uncovenanted Deputy Superintendent in receipt of Rupees 750 per mensem from the 5th to the 4th Party, and there is a corresponding decrease in the estimate for the former. The second is the result of the promotion of a Military Assistant

Superintendent to be Captain in Staff Corps. The third is a new entry altogether, and is found necessary in consequence of village labor not being available in the Tinnevelly District to assist the Survey Department. The estimate of Rs. 94,000 is passed.

7. The increase of Rupees 2,600 under No. 5 Party, notwithstanding the decrease of Rupees 2,100 in the salary of the Deputy Superintendent, already alluded to, and a further decrease of upwards of Rupees 1,900 in other items, is owing to the promotion of the Officer in charge of the party to the rank of Major. The Superintendent's estimate of Rupees 97,600 is passed.

8. The estimate for No. 6 Party requires no particular notice, and is passed, amounting to Rupees 48,000.

9. The increase under the Madras Demarcation Party is the result of the larger estimate on account of Regimental allowance, rendered necessary by the transfer to this party of a Military Assistant Superintendent, and the promotion of a Lieutenant to be Captain in the Staff Corps. The estimate of Rupees 60,200 is passed.

10. The estimate of Rupees 20,000, which is the same as that for the current year, for the Ganjam Demarcation Party, is passed.

11. The Coimbatore Demarcation Party was struck out of the Budget for 1867-68, for want of the requisite sanction. This, however, formed the subject of subsequent correspondence, and the necessary application was submitted to the Government of India. The entire cost of the party, inclusive of all charges, amounted to Rupees 50,200 in round numbers, according to the scale submitted by Colonel Priestley with his letter dated 18th January 1867, No. 134-2, and transmitted to the Government of India. The estimate now submitted amounts to Rupees 55,200, in consequence of the provision for boundary pillars having been raised from Rs. 10,000 to Rs. 15,000. In the absence of any explanation to account for this increase, the excess of Rupees 5,000 will be struck out. The reduced estimate of Rs. 50,200 is passed for this party.

To Government of India, dated 8th February 1867, No. 329.

12. The total of the Budget Estimate for the Survey Department, as now revised, is Rupees 7,27,000 as follows :—

	Rs.
Central Office	68,700
Survey Party No. 1	97,600
Do. do. ,, 2	92,100
Do. do. ,, 3	98,600
Do. do. ,, 4	94,000
Do. do. ,, 5	97,600
Do. do. ,, 6	48,000
	5,27,900
Demarcation Parties.	
Madras	60,200
Ganjam	20,000
Coimbatore	50,200
	1,30,400
Grand Total...	7,27,000

13. This sum exceeds the sanctioned Budget for the current year by Rupees 76,000, of which Rupees 65,380 constitutes the increase to the Central Office, and the cost of the new Demarcation Party at Coimbatore not provided for in the Budget for the current year. The remainder, or Rupees 10,620, is the aggregate of the increase in the several parties already explained.

	Rs.
Central Office	15,180
Coimbatore Demarcation Party	50,200
Total ...	65,380

14. With these remarks the Government resolve to transmit the Budget to the Accountant General.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Accountant General, with Budget Estimate.
,, the Superintendent of Revenue Survey.
,, the Officiating Director of Revenue Settlement.
,, the Board of Revenue.
,, the Financial Department.

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