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No. 123. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 28th June 1872, No. 1145:—

Read again Board's Proceedings, dated 4th May 1872, No. 715.

Read the following letter from C. T. LONGLEY, Esq., President of the Local Fund Boards, Salem Circle, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd January 1872, No. 89:—

ABSTRACT.—Forwarding for orders certain correspondence between the Department of Public Works and the Local Fund Board in regard to the Devattiputty and Sooramungalum roads.

WITH the foregoing letter the President submits, for the orders of Government, correspondence between the Superintending Engineer and the Local Fund Board of the Salem Circle regarding certain claims preferred by that officer to the extent of Rs. 2,330-4-6 expended by the Department of Public Works in excess of the estimates sanctioned for the roads marginally noted, which have remained unadjusted ever since 1867-68. These roads were formed by the Public Works Department from Imperial Funds, but since completion their maintenance grants have been defrayed from the Road Fund of the district.

Description of work.	Amount of Estimate.	Amount paid.	Amount to be paid.
	RS.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
No. 1. Road from Sooramungalum to Taramungalum.	14,300	14,299 0 0	667 7 2
,, 2. Do. from Devattiputty to Ahtur Railway station	5,500	5,496 13 8	1,662 13 4
Total ...	...	.....	2,330 4 6

2. The claims appear to have been brought to notice for the first time in September 1871 by the Officiating Superintending Engineer, 5th Division, who in submitting them to the Local Fund Board requested an allotment of funds in view to their adjustment. The Local Board are of opinion that they should not be held liable for the amount, because the charges had been incurred previous to the passing of Act III. of 1866, and because the original estimates had been exceeded without authority.

3. The Officiating Superintending Engineer admits that "the Range Officers concerned were, to some extent, wrong in exceeding the amounts sanctioned without supplemental assignments of funds and in leaving the claims so long unsettled."

4. The Board of Revenue see no occasion to trouble Government in the matter. The claims are such as would have been settled from the District Road Fund had they been brought forward earlier as in the similar case disposed of in Board's Proceedings, dated 10th November 1870, No. 6,584. The President will point out a source from which the sum of Rupees 2,330-4-6 can be provided, it being very desirable that it should be paid, without further loss of time, to the parties concerned.

5. The plans and estimate for constructing tunnels on the road from Sooramungalum to Taramungalum, received with the foregoing letter, are herewith returned, as no allusion to them is made by the President.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

In these Proceedings the Board rule that certain sums expended by the Public Works Department in excess of the estimates for the road from Sooramangalam to Taramangalam and from Devattiputty to the Ahtur Railway Station should be paid from the Road Fund constituted under Act IV. of 1871.

2. The Local Fund Board were of opinion that they ought not to be called upon to pay the amount because "the roads were commenced in the years 1862 and 1864 respectively and were made by the Public Works Department from Imperial Funds." It appears that the charges were incurred before Act III. of 1866 was passed.

3. On re-consideration the Board of Revenue are of opinion that the Local Fund Board were right. In G. O., 6th May 1872, No. 633, Government admit their liability to pay from Provincial Funds sums expended on roads made from Imperial Funds before Act IV. of 1871 was passed.

4. The Board accordingly resolve to request Government to sanction payment of Rupees 2,330-4-6 from Provincial Funds.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 124. ORDER THEREON, 20th July 1872, No. 932.

The Accountant-General is authorized to arrange for the additional grant of Rupees 2,330-4-6 from the "Provincial" surplus to the Department Public Works.

(True Extract.)

Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Board of Revenue.
" Public Works Department.
" Accountant-General.

Enl. J. Wright.

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To

The BOARD of REVENUE,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated July, 2nd.

Read

G. O., 2nd July 1872, No. 932.

JULY.
Nos. 123-124.

Directing that the excess outlay on certain roads in the Salem District, amounting to Rupees 2,330-4-6, be paid from the Provincial grant.

No. 1,145.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 28th June 1872.

Read again Board's Proceedings, dated 4th May 1872, No. 715.

ABSTRACT.—*Roads.*—President of Local Fund Boards, Salem District, requested to point out a source from which Rupees 2,330-4-6 claimed by Superintending Engineer on account of work done in excess of sanctioned estimates on roads from Sooramangalum to Taramangalum, and from Devattiputty to Ahtur Railway station, can be provided.

IN these Proceedings the Board rule that certain sums expended by the Public Works Department in excess of the estimates for the road from Sooramangalum to Taramangalum and from Devattiputty to the Ahtur Railway station should be paid from the Road Fund constituted under Act IV. of 1871.

2. The Local Fund Board were of opinion that they ought not to be called upon to pay the amount because "the roads were commenced in the years 1862 and 1864 respectively and were made by the Public Works Department from Imperial Funds." It appears that the charges were incurred before Act III. of 1866 was passed.

3. On re-consideration the Board of Revenue are of opinion that the Local Fund Board were right. In G. O., 6th May 1872, No. 903, Government admit their liability to pay from Provincial Funds sums expended on roads made from Imperial Funds before Act IV. of 1871 was passed.

4. The Board accordingly resolve to request Government to sanction payment of Rupees 2,330-4-6 from Provincial Funds.

(A true Extract.)

J Gnse.

Secretary.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, F. D.,
with copies of Board's Proceedings, No. 715 of 1872.

Copy to the President of the Local Fund Boards, Salem.

Exd. G. A. Turien.

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Board of Revenue,

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PROCEEDINGS, 28TH JUNE 1872, No. 1,145.

Encl. /

Received 8. July/72

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No. 1,145.

Roads—from Sooramangalum to Taramangalum and from Devattiputty to Ahtur Railway station, in Salem District.—Government requested to sanction payment from Provincial Funds of Rupees 2,330-4-6, expended by Public Works Department in excess of estimates for—.

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To

The Board of Revenue

Dated 24th. July. 20.
Read.

G. O. 20 July 1872. No. 932

Nos. 123. 124.

Directing that the repairs to the bridges on certain Roads in the Salem Dt. amounting to Rs. 2331-4-6 be paid from the Provincial grant.