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Read the following papers :—

No. 177. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 27th April 1874, No. 980.

Read the following letters :—

From the President of the Local Fund Boards, Chingleput District, dated 14th October 1873, No. 72.

ABSTRACT.—Forwarding the Budget of the Sydapet Circle for the year 1874-75.

From the same Officer, dated 23rd October 1873, No. 76.

ABSTRACT.—Forwarding the Budget of the Chingleput Circle for the year 1874-75.

From the same Officer, dated 12th November 1873, No. 85.

ABSTRACT.—Forwarding a letter from the Vice-President of the Conjeveram Municipality, consenting to pay Rupees 500 to the Chingleput Circle for Educational Inspection.

From the same Officer, dated 21st January 1874, No. 2.

ABSTRACT.—Requesting to alter in the Budget of the Chingleput Circle for 1874-75 the Municipal contribution on account of Educational Inspection from Rupees 500 to 100.

From the Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, dated 10th November 1873, No. 1,797.

ABSTRACT.—Remarking on the Budget of Local Fund Board (Chingleput) for the year 1874-75.

From the Director of Public Instruction, dated 12th November 1873, No. 2,285.

ABSTRACT.—Remarking that the provision in the Budget Estimate for 1874-75 of the Sydapet Circle is sufficient.

From the Secretary to Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department, dated 14th March 1874, No. 1,522.

ABSTRACT.—Submitting remarks on the Budget for 1874-75 of the Sydapet Local Fund Circle.

From the same Officer, dated 14th March 1874, No. 1,523.

ABSTRACT.—Submitting remarks on the Budget Estimate of the Chingleput Local Fund Circle for 1874-75.

Read again Board's Proceedings, dated 20th January 1874, Miscellaneous No. 350.

Read also letter from the Accountant-General, dated 27th January 1874, No. 9,110.

ABSTRACT.—Stating the circumstances under which Rupees 48,645-14-4, the balance at debit of District Road Fund on 31st March 1871, was adjusted to the debit of Local Funds by the Collector of Chingleput; that the receipts and charges of Cochrane's Canal for 1865-66 were included under District Road Fund, then designated Local Funds; that if the adjustment of these transactions be objected to the difference between the amount specified in paragraph 2 may be reversed in the accounts of the Collector; and that beyond adjustment entries no expenditure has been directed to be charged to Local Funds.

The Local Fund Budgets of the Sydapet and Chingleput Circles for 1874-75 will be submitted for the approval of Government.

SYDAPET.

2. Statement I.-A., Revenues and Receipts.—The assets of the year are estimated at Rupees 1,73,210, made up as follows :—

	Rs.
1. Balances	—28,740
2. Allotments from General Revenue	1,47,010
3. Rates and Taxes	47,000
4. Fees in Schools...	3,890
5. Contributions from other Circles, etc.	2,670
6. Receipts from Endowments	410
7. Miscellaneous	970
Total...	1,73,210

3. The sum given under the head "Balances" consists of—

	Rs.
Road Fund	—31,850
Endowment Fund	3,770
General Fund	—660
Total...	—28,740

The deficit of Rupees 31,850 entered in the Road Fund is due to the following circumstances :—The Accountant-General, in winding up the late District Road Fund on the introduction of the Local Funds Act, forwarded to the President on the 20th March 1873 a statement showing the transactions of that fund from 1855-56 to 1870-71, closing with a deficit of Rupees 48,645-14-4, and requested him to debit that amount in the Local Fund accounts for 1872-73. This adjustment caused a deficit of Rupees 25,600 at the commencement of 1873-74, and it was estimated that the year would close with a deficit of Rupees 31,850. Rupees 39,850 of the above debit is excess expenditure incurred on account of the Cochrane's and Sadras Canals in 1855-56. The President, with the approval of the Circle Board, questions the propriety of debiting the charges incurred on account of those canals in 1855-56 to the Local Fund constituted under Act IV. of 1871, and requests that a special grant of Rupees 39,850 may be made on this account from Provincial Funds. In their Proceedings of the 20th January 1874, Miscellaneous No. 350, the Board requested the Accountant-General to explain how the mistake occurred. After assigning his reasons for directing the debit the Accountant-General states that if the charge is inadmissible as a charge on the Local Fund the debit may be reversed. It is of course altogether out of the question that the Local Fund should be saddled with charges incurred upon canals in 1855-56, especially when those charges amount to so considerable a sum. The charges were incurred before the Canal Fund was in existence, and the fund is not in a position to pay them. The Board would remind Government that a large accumulated surplus of the canal receipts prior to 1865-66, viz., Rupees 3,92,550, which had been credited to the General revenues, was not handed over when the Canal Fund was made local, so that the deficit must be debited to Imperial or Provincial Funds. The Board accordingly resolve to request Government to sanction some arrangement of this sort, and in the meantime they will review the budget on the supposition that the improper debit of Rupees 39,850 made in 1872-73 will be refunded in 1874-75.

Letter to the Government of India, dated 17th November 1874, No 2,180.
G. O., Revenue Department, dated 22nd January 1868, No. 183.
G. O., Revenue Department, dated 2nd April 1868, No. 832.

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4. The grant from Provincial Funds for roads for 1873-74 is repeated. The special grant of Rupees 39,850 is passed for the reasons given in the foregoing paragraph.

5. Along with the ordinary grant of Rupees 3,300 for schools the Circle Board have taken credit for the special grant of Rupees 8,470 allowed in G. O., Financial Department, dated 11th July 1873, No. 971, and it seems to be required if the schools are sanctioned.

6. The Cess on land is estimated at Rupees 45,000, or Rupees 1,430 more than in 1873-74.

7. The Receipts from "Tolls" are estimated at Rupees 2,000, or Rupees 3,000 less than in 1873-74. The cause of the decrease is the removal of the toll-bar to another site, which has been sanctioned by Government.

G. O., Financial Department, dated 21st June 1872, No. 795.

8. School fees are expected to amount to Rupees 3,890 against Rupees 2,700 in 1873-74. It must be reduced to Rupees 3,740 with reference to observations made further on. Even then there will be an increase of Rupees 1,040, which is dependent on the establishment of the schools shown in Statement III.

9. Rupees 2,670 are entered as the contribution from the tolls collected by the Chingleput Local Fund Board.

10. The receipts are—

	Rs.
Road Fund	1,36,510
Endowment Fund...	4,100
General Fund	32,450
Total...	1,73,060

11. Statement I.-B., Expenditure.—The total expenditure proposed for the year amounts to Rupees 1,68,790, as follows:—

	Rs.
Grant I.	1,36,850
,, II.	23,350
,, III.	6,700
,, IV.	1,890
Total...	1,68,790

12. Grant I., Public Works, Statement II., Road Fund Receipts and Expenditure.—The Road Fund receipts amount to Rupees 1,36,510.

13. Rupees 2,680 are provided for the Petty Establishment, the details of which are given in paragraph 12 of the President's letter.

14. The cost of Public Works supervision, calculated at 25 per cent. on the proposed expenditure by that department, is Rupees 22,520.

15. The estimated value of the tolls having decreased from Rupees 5,000 to Rupees 2,000 the allotment for establishment is reduced from Rupees 800 to Rupees 530, as detailed in Statement II.-C.

16. The share of the cost of General management chargeable to the Road Fund is Rupees 1,420.

17. The total Road Fund expenditure amounts to Rupees 1,35,320, leaving a balance of Rupees 1,190.

18. Statement II.-A., Part I., New Works.—Part I. contains three Road Fund items, with a total allotment of Rupees 13,550. All the items appear in the Budget of 1873-74. The President observes in paragraph 9 of his letter that the Circle Board are unable from want of funds to make allotments for other incomplete works, and for the construction of two feeders to

the Carnatic Railway as directed in G. O., Financial Department, dated 28th November 1872, No. 1,588.

19. PART II., REPAIRS.—The allotment for the repairs of roads is slightly in excess of that provided for 1873-74, owing to the rates of maintenance having been raised in the case of two roads.

20. Under "Educational" Rupees 70 are entered for Petty repairs to the Sydapet High and Primary School buildings.

21. Under "Sanitary and Miscellaneous" Rupees 1,000 are provided for the maintenance of avenues in the Circle.

22. The following entry under Grant I. has to be altered—

	RS.
Cost of Public Works Supervision	22,890

23. Grant I. is thus—

	RS.
Road Fund	1,33,900
General Fund	1,950
Total...	1,35,850

24. GRANT II., EDUCATION.—Against "Payment for Inspection" Rupees 1,850 are entered, which provide for three Inspecting Schoolmasters on Rupees 35 each. There are at present two Inspecting Schoolmasters on Rupees 35 each, and a third on the same pay is said to be wanted. The sanction of Government is requested for this new appointment, which the Inspector of Schools considers essential.

25. The sum of Rupees 14,210 provided for Local Fund Schools is made up of the following items—

	RS.
Salaries...	11,200
Servants...	1,250
Miscellaneous	1,760
Total...	14,210

The President forwarded at the end of the year 1872 a Supplemental Budget for the formation of eleven Union Schools in the Sydapet and Trivellore Taluqs of the circle, which, together with Mr. Farmer's report on the state of Elementary education, was laid before Government in Board's Proceedings, dated 27th August 1873, No. 1,676. The Government in their Order, dated 17th September 1873, No. 1,323, communicated both the Supplemental Budget and the Educational Report to the Director of Public Instruction, and the proposals to establish schools which were not specially mentioned in the Board's Proceedings are still undisposed of. The above eleven schools, together with the Sydapet School, and those (four in number) which the Local Fund Board now propose to establish in the Ponnery Taluq, are entered in the present budget. The Board have not before them the papers connected with the proposals to form the schools, and can only say generally that they seem to be far too expensive, and that the General Fund of the circle is inadequate to provide many similar schools. The four Ponnery Schools are entered subject to further report which is promised, and under the circumstances will be struck out. The other entries will be allowed to stand pending orders from Government.

26. In Statement III. the Government Grant (special), Rupees 8,470, should be shown as given for all the schools except Sydapet. The "Balance" column is useless now that the House-tax is in abeyance.

27. The last four schools in Statement III.-A. must be struck out.

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28. An increase of Rupees 40 per annum in the pay of the Peon and Sweeper of the Primary School at Sydapet is proposed, and the Board think it should be sanctioned.

29. Rupees 460 are provided for Salary grants, which are to be given to the three Girls' Schools detailed in Statement III.-B. This amount will be disallowed, as Government have engaged to take the liability on themselves in G. O., Financial Department, dated 14th January 1874, No. 42.

30. The Director of Public Instruction considers the grant sufficient.

31. Grant II. will thus be Rupees 21,160, chargeable to the General Fund.

32. GRANT III., SANITATION, ETC.—Rupees 720 is provided for the Hospital Assistant who is now in charge of the dispensary at Sydapet. Under recent orders from Government Hospital Assistants are to be withdrawn from independent charges and replaced by men of the Hospital Apprentice or Warrant Grade. The allotment for dispensary salaries must, therefore, be raised to Rupees 900. The Surgeon-General states that the new building, which is being prepared for the dispensary, was to be ready by the beginning of 1874-75, and proposed an increase of allotments of Rupees 380 on this account. The Collector says nothing on the subject, but the Board think it will be best to make the allotments proposed by the Surgeon-General.

33. Rupees 1,570 are provided for the Vaccine Establishment. The details are given in paragraph 18 of the covering letter.

34. The sum of Rupees 3,850 allotted for Sanitation is distributed thus—

	RS.
Improvement of Water supply	1,500
Do Village site ...	1,500
Scavengering of large Villages, etc.	850
Total...	3,850

35. From Statement IV. it is observed that Rupees 70 is the cost of the establishment and sundries for the travellers' bungalow at the Red Hills, which was kept on experimentally for one year. The President will report the number of travellers that halted at the bungalow and the fees realized in 1873-74, and whether it is the Circle Board's intention to keep it up.

Vide paragraph 1 of the President's letter recorded in G. O., Financial Department, dated 7th October 1872, No. 1,356.

36. Grant III. is Rupees 7,260, chargeable to the General Fund.

37. GRANT IV., MISCELLANEOUS.—The contribution for Controlling Establishments is raised to Rupees 670.

38. There is at present attached to the Collector's Office one Accountant on Rupees 50 a month. In asking for another Accountant on Rupees 20 a month the President observes in paragraph 21 of his letter that the account work connected with the Collector's Office is steadily increasing, and is more than what one man can possibly do; but the Board do not think there can be any necessity for the increase. The existing establishment costs as much as those sanctioned for each of the districts noted in the margin, where the Local Fund has a greater income and entails more account work.

Madura, Tinnevelly, Salem, and North Arcot.

39. Grant IV. is—

	RS.
Road Fund	1,420
General Fund...	380
Total...	1,800

40. The General Fund reserve should be Rupees 3,310, but only Rupees 1,700 are available.

41. The following is an Abstract of the Budget as revised by the Board :—

Receipts.		Charges.			
	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	
Road Fund	1,36,510	Grant I ... Road Fund	1,33,900		
Endowment Fund ...	4,100	General Fund... ...	1,950		
General Fund	32,450			1,35,850	
		Grant II ... General Fund ...	...	21,160	
		Grant III... General Fund ...	...	7,260	
		Grant IV... Road Fund	1,420		
		General Fund ...	380		
				1,800	
		General Reserve	...	1,66,070	
				1,700	
		Balances.			
		Road Fund	1,190		
		Endowment Fund	4,100		
		General Fund...	...		
Total...	1,73,060		...	5,290	
		Total...		1,73,060	

CHINGLEPUT CIRCLE.

42. Statement I.-A., Revenues and Receipts.—The Local Fund assets of the year are estimated at Rupees 1,88,030, as follows :—

	Rs.
1. Balances...	36,930
2. Allotment from General Revenue	81,360
3. Rates and Taxes	65,040
4. Fees in Schools	2,470
5. Contribution for Educational Inspection ...	500
6. Receipts from Endowments	440
7. Miscellaneous...	1,290
Total...	1,88,030

43. The grant from Provincial Funds for roads for 1873-74 is repeated.

44. The Circle Board request that the special grant of Rupees 8,910 made by Government for Education in G. O., Financial Department, dated 11th July 1873, No. 971, may be continued so as to meet the charges in the fifty-four schools which the Circle Board wish to establish. The schools are still unsanctioned, but the estimates in the Debit and Credit sides are allowed to stand, in the expectation that some scheme may be approved hereafter.

45. The Cess on land is estimated at Rupees 53,120 against Rupees 51,880 in 1873-74.

46. The Receipts from tolls amount to Rupees 10,920, which is calculated with reference to the actual income derived during the first five months of the past year.

47. Rupees 1,000 are expected from the House-tax due for 1871-72 and 1872-73.

48. School fees are estimated at Rupees 2,470.

49. The sum of Rupees 500, entered as the contribution from the Conjeveram Municipality for Educational Inspection, is disallowed with reference to paragraph 4 of the G. O., Financial

Department, dated 7th April 1874, No. 550, reviewing the budget of the Municipality for 1874-75.

50. The receipts are—

	Rs.
Road Fund	1,49,410
Endowment Fund	440
General Fund	37,680
Total ...	1,87,530

51. Statement I.-B., Expenditure.—The expenditure proposed for the year amounts to Rupees 1,80,570, classified as follows :—

	Rs.
Grant I	1,49,790
,, II	20,370
,, III	8,420
,, IV	1,990
Total...	1,80,570

52. Grant I, Public Works, Statement II., Road Fund Receipts and Expenditure.—The Road Fund receipts are Rupees 1,49,410.

53. The allotment for New Works is reduced from Rupees 62,600 to Rupees 54,650 for reasons which will be given further on.

54. Rupees 2,900 are provided for the Petty Establishments, details of which are given in paragraph 10 of the Vice-President's letter.

55. The cost of Supervision by the Department Public Works, calculated at 25 per cent. on the proposed expenditure by that department, is Rupees 23,330.

56. The share of the cost of General management chargeable to the Road Fund should be Rupees 1,550.

57. The allotment for Tools and Plant should be Rupees 930.

58. The total Road Fund expenditure is Rupees 1,37,690, leaving a balance of Rs. 11,720.

59. Statement II.-A., Part I., New Works.—None of the items entered in Part I. call for remark except the 6th and 9th. Opposite to the 6th item the same remarks which appear in the printed budget of 1873-74 are repeated. The attention of the President is called to the Board's Proceedings, dated 15th October 1873, Miscellaneous No. 6,973, and he is requested to expedite the re-submission of the plans and estimates for the work after revision, if necessary, by the District Engineer.

60. The allotment for the 9th item has been reduced from Rupees 9,100 to Rupees 1,150, which, together with Rupees 4,000, the computed expenditure from the Road Fund up to the close of 1873-74, as per G. O., Public Works Department, dated 2nd February 1874, No. 237, makes a total of Rupees 5,150, a moiety of the cost of the work ; the other moiety being met from Imperial Funds, Agricultural—*Vide* G. O., Public Works Department, dated 29th December 1873, No. 3,081-B.

61. The supplementary estimates for Items Nos. 1, 2 and 3, and the estimates for Items Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 10, should be submitted as soon as possible.

62. Part II., Repairs.—The items in Part II. are the same as in the budget of 1873-74.

63. The following entries under Grant I. have to be altered.

	Rs.
New Works—Communications	54,650
Cost of Public Works Supervision	23,330
Tools and Plant	960

64. Grant I. is thus—

	Rs.
Road Fund...	1,36,140
General Fund...	2,530
Total...	1,38,670

65. Grant II., Education.—Against "Payment for Inspection" Rupees 1,710 are entered, and it is said that this is intended to provide for three Inspecting Schoolmasters on Rupees 35 each. Two Inspecting Schoolmasters on Rupees 35 a month were sanctioned for this circle in G. O., Financial Department, dated 29th January 1872, No. 108, and a third Inspecting Schoolmaster on Rupees 30 was sanctioned in G. O., Financial Department, dated 8th May 1873, No. 603. No explanation is given of the increase in the salary of the third Inspecting Schoolmaster, nor is sanction requested for it, and as the allotment is insufficient the Board are inclined to think a mistake has been made. The allotment for the sanctioned establishment for Educational inspection should be Rs. 1,790, as per margin.

	Rs.
Pay of two Inspecting Schoolmasters at 35 Rupees and one at Rupees 30 each	1,200
Travelling and Office allowance for them	590
Total...	1,790

66. Under the head "Local Fund Schools" Rupees 10,800 are entered for fifty-four schools, of which eleven are sanctioned, and appear in the budget of 1873-74, and the rest (forty-three) are unsanctioned. The Circle Board's proposal for the establishment of the above forty-three schools has been laid before Government, and in their Order, Financial Department, dated 5th January 1874, No. 10, Government have called for a report on the subject. Pending the sanction of Government the Board will allow the entries to remain undisturbed.

67. A sum of Rupees 900 is provided for Salary grants. Rupees 450 of the above amount are proposed to be given to the Girls' School at Chingleput. This part of the provision need not be made.—*Vide* G. O., Financial Department, dated 14th January 1874, No. 42.

68. Grant II. is thus Rupees 20,000, chargeable to the General Fund.

69. Grant III., Sanitation, etc.—The provision made for the dispensary at Chingleput is the same as in 1873-74.

70. Rupees 1,450 are provided for Vaccine Establishment. The details are given in paragraph 8 of the President's letter giving cover to the budget.

71. The sum of Rupees 2,700 allotted for Sanitation is made up of—

	Rs.
Improvement of Water supply	1,150
Do. of Village-site	1,150
Scavengering of large Villages, etc...	400
Total...	2,700

It appears from Statement IV.-B. that the 3rd item (Rupees 400) is intended for sanitary arrangements during the festival at Conjeveram. As this sum will have to be contributed to the Conjeveram Municipality it should be entered under (g) Miscellaneous contributions to other Circles, etc. The necessary rectification has been made.

72. The Sanitary Commissioner thinks the Conjeveram Municipality are not entitled to the proposed contribution, and that the total allotment is not large enough to do much good. As funds are available the Board have increased the allotment by Rupees 2,000.

73. Grant III. is—

	Rs.
Endowment Fund	440
General Fund...	9,980
Total...	10,420

74. Grant IV., Miscellaneous.—The contribution for Controlling Establishments is raised to Rupees 590.

75. With reference to the remarks made in paragraph 38 the share of the cost of Collector's establishment chargeable to this circle is reduced to Rupees 310.

76. Grant IV. is—

	Rs.
Road Fund	1,550
General Fund	390
Total...	1,940

77. The following is an Abstract of the Budget as modified by the Board of Revenue :—

Receipts.			Charges.				
		Rs.				Rs.	Rs.
Road Fund...		1,49,410	Grant I. ...	Road Fund... ...		1,36,140	
Endowment Fund ...		440		General Fund ...		2,530	
General Fund		37,680					1,38,670
			Grant II. ...	General Fund ...		...	20,000
			Grant III. ...	Endowment Fund.		440	
				General Fund ...		9,980	
							10,420
			Grant IV. ...	Road Fund... ...		1,550	
				General Fund ...		390	
							1,940
							1,71,630
			General Reserve			...	3,180
			Balances.				
			Road Fund		11,720		
			Endowment Fund		...		
			General Fund		1,600		
						...	13,320
Total...		1,87,530		Total...		...	1,87,530

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 178. Minute by the Hon W. ROBINSON, C.S.I., dated 13th May 1874.

As I understand the resolution no educational expenditure of a new character and connected with Local Fund Schools is to be incurred until a scheme for both circles is submitted and approved.

2. I had rather that less emphatic approval had been given to Mr. Powell's new half-measure as respects payment of aid and the measure of that payment. It in no way touches the real question, viz., what scheme and policy are we going to adopt for diffusing education amongst rural bodies. Until this is done, schemes for distributing money can be but ephemeral and possibly embarrassing if not mischievous.

(Signed) W. ROBINSON.

No. 179. ORDER THEREON, 19th May 1874, No. 865.

The Budget Estimates of the Sydapet Circle for the year 1874-75 are compared below with those for 1873-74 :—

RECEIPTS.

	1873-74.	1874-75.
	RS.	RS.
Balances—		
Road Fund	4,930	—31,850
Endowment Fund ...	3,640	3,770
General Fund	1,840	— 660
Allotments from General Revenue—		
Refund of erroneous debit	...	39,850
Provincial—		
For Roads	92,400	92,400
For Schools (ordinary)	3,300	3,300
For Schools (special).	230	8,470
For General purposes	1,150	1,150
Special Funds	1,870	1,840
Cess on Land...	43,570	45,000
Tolls	5,000	2,000
Fees in Schools	2,700	3,740
Contributions from other Circles, &c...	3,940	2,670
Endowment receipts ...	410	410
Miscellaneous	1,590	970
Total ...	1,66,570	1,73,060

EXPENDITURE.

	1873-74.	1874-75.
	RS.	RS.
Public Works.		
New Works—		
Communications ...	18,910	13,550
Educational	...	500
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	...	...
Repairs—		
Communications ...	75,810	76,730
Educational	50	70
Sanitary and Miscellaneous... ...	1,070	1,000
Cost of Public Works Establishment ...	24,670	22,890
Petty Establishment ...	2,360	2,680
Toll do.	800	530
Tools and Plant	960	910
Contingencies	150	150
Road Fund Reserve ...	13,470	16,840
	1,38,250	1,35,850
Education—		
Inspection...	2,760	1,850
Training Schools ...	2,000	...
Local Fund Schools...	7,530	12,480
Purchase of Books, &c.	1,200	1,130
Salary Grants... ...	210	...
Result ,, ...	4,000	5,700
Miscellaneous	140	...
Sanitation—		
Dispensary	890	1,680
Vaccination	1,730	1,570
Sanitary Establishment	780	3,850
Choultries and Bungalows	170	160
Establishments	1,890	1,800
General Reserve	...	1,700
Balances—		
Road Fund...	970	1,190
Endowment Fund ...	3,970	4,100
General Fund	80	...
Total ...	1,66,570	1,73,060

2. The opening deficit is owing to the Accountant-General having directed a debit of Rupees 39,850 on account of expenditure incurred on the Cochrane's and

Sadras Canals in 1855-56. As pointed out by the Board of Revenue it is impossible that the Local Funds under Act IV. of 1871 can be debited with charges on account of the canal at a time when the work was not carried out from Local Funds, the more especially when the accumulated surplus of the Canal receipts was not handed over when the Canal Fund became local, and the Budget has been correctly prepared on the understanding that the enormous debit would be refunded. The Accountant-General will make the necessary arrangements. The entry of Rupees 8,470 as a special grant from Provincial Funds on account of schools must be disallowed. The schools which it is proposed to establish are based on a scheme for Union Schools supported by the House-tax prepared by Mr. Farmer, and are obviously on far too expensive a scale for the funds now available. The scheme should be reconsidered with reference to the suggestions contained in paragraph 3 of the letter from the Director of Public Instruction, circulated with G.O., dated 30th April 1874, No. 746. The reconsidered scheme should be submitted through the Director of Public Instruction, and when the matter is being finally disposed of it will be considered whether or not a grant is available from Provincial Funds. It is observed that although it is proposed to draw a grant of Rupees 8,470 for the schools in question, and to realize Rupees 890 from fees, the budgeted expenditure on account of them is only Rupees 5,670, and the effect of striking out the unsanctioned portion of the Educational Budget is that the General Fund is left with a deficit of Rupees 1,900. Care must be taken that such a diversion of funds does not occur in any subsequent Budget. The deficit will be adjusted *pro formâ* by a reduction of Rupees 650 in the allotment for Sanitary Establishment, &c., and by striking out the provision of Rupees 1,000 for avenues with the concomitant charge of Rupees 250 for Public Works Supervision. The adjustment will be finally effected in any manner which may seem more appropriate to the Local Board, but if the expenditure on account of avenues is to be incurred, it should be considered whether it is worth while to pay Rupees 250 for the benefit of Public Works Supervision in such a matter. The appointment of a third Inspecting Schoolmaster is sanctioned, but the proposal for an additional Accountant to be attached to the Collector's Office has been rightly disallowed by the Board of Revenue.

3. The abstract of the Budget, as modified by Government, is as follows :—

RECEIPTS.

	RS.
Road Fund	1,36,510
Endowment Fund	4,100
General Fund	23,090
Total ...	1,63,700

EXPENDITURE.

	RS.
Grant I.—	
Road Fund...	1,33,900
General Fund	70
Grant II.—	
General Fund	16,120
Grant III.—	
General Fund	6,610
Grant IV.—	
Road Fund	1,510
General Fund	290
	1,58,500
Balances, &c.—	
Road Fund 1,100	
Endowment Fund 4,100	
	5,200
Total ...	1,63,700

4. CHINGLEPUT.

Receipts.	1873-74.	1874-75.
	Rs.	Rs.
Balances—		
Road Fund	3,690	31,030
Endowment Fund ...	...	...
General Fund	3,150	5,900
Allotments from General Revenue—		
Provincial Funds—		
For Roads	70,580	70,580
For Schools	...	8,910
Special Funds	1,870	1,870
Cess on Land	51,880	53,120
Tolls	12,000	10,920
House-tax	...	1,000
School Fees	490	2,470
Contribution from other Circles, &c.	450	...
Endowment receipts ...	410	440
Miscellaneous	1,730	1,290
Total ...	1,46,250	1,87,530

Expenditure.	1873-74.	1874-75.
	Rs.	Rs.
Public Works.		
New Works—		
Communications ...	40,160	54,650
Educational	...	...
Sanitary	...	...
Repairs—		
Communications ...	38,670	38,670
Educational	2,500	...
Sanitary	...	2,500
Cost of Public Works Establishment	20,560	23,330
Petty Establishment ...	2,540	2,900
Toll Establishment ...	1,000	1,000
Tools and Plant	810	960
Contingencies	150	150
Road Fund Reserve ...	11,900	11,840
Contributions to other Circles, &c.	2,940	2,670
Education—		
Inspection	3,280	1,790
Local Fund Schools ...	2,340	10,800
Purchase of Books ...	400	...
Salary Grants	450	450
Result Grants	5,000	6,380
Miscellaneous	1,100	580
Sanitation—		
Dispensaries	2,210	2,200
Vaccination	1,730	1,450
Sanitary Establishment	1,500	4,300
Choultries and Bungalows	670	670
Miscellaneous	1,400	1,800
Establishments	1,850	1,940
General Reserve	...	3,180
Balances—		
Road Fund	2,440	11,720
Endowment Fund ...	...	...
General Fund	650	1,600
Total ...	1,46,250	1,87,530

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7. An abstract of the Budget, as modified by Government, is as follows :—

Receipts.	Rs.
Road Fund	1,37,410
Endowment Fund	440
General Fund	26,840
Total ...	1,64,690

Expenditure.	Rs.	Rs.
Grant I.—		
Road Fund		1,34,940
General Fund		2,530
Grant II.—		
General Fund		2,790
Grant III.—		
Endowment Fund	440	
General Fund	9,980	
		10,420
Grant IV.—		
Road Fund		1,620
General Fund		320
		1,52,620
General Reserve		2,100
Balances—		
Road Fund	850	
General Fund	9,120	
		9,970
Total ...		1,64,690

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. Wright.

Pro:- 8 May 1873 — N:81-82 N. W.S.
" - 31 October 1873 - " - 280-81.
" - 22 January 1868 - " 368-69. Rev.
" - 2 April 1868 - " - 75-79. Rev.
" - 17 November 1868 - " - 213. Rev.
" - 11 July 1873 - " - 71. W.S.
" - 21 June 1873 - " - 70-71.
" - 28 November 1872 - " - 137-38.
" - 17 September 1873 - " - 102-103.
" - 14 January 1874 - " - 66-67 W.S.
" - 17 September 1873 - " - 46-48. P.L.
" - 4 October 1872 - " - 78-79 W.S.
" - 4 April 1874 - " - 29-31. W.S.
" - 29 January 1872 - " - 126-28.
" - 5 January 1874 - " - 18-19. W.S.
Ins 9 February 1874 - " - 41-42.
" - 24 January 1874 - " - 83-84
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1874
Finance Dept.

Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue

Dated 27th April 1874
Desp. 7 — " —
Rec'd 6th May/74
Encls No 975

Submitting for ap-
-proval of Government
Local Fund Budget
of the Saidapet and
Chingleput Circles for
1874-75.

Drafts sent to Body
16-6-74

No 177. —

Govt. of 1874 Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To

THE PRESIDENT OF THE
LOCAL FUND BOARDS,
Chingleput,
&c., &c.

Dated May, 1874.

Read.

Encl.

G.O., 19th *May* 1874, *No.* 865.

MAY.
Nos. 177—179.

Saidapet and Chingleput Circles.—The Budget Estimates of these Circles for the year 1874-75, reviewed and passed.

Ord. prot. nr. 820 – 12/4/78

Govt. of Madras. 1874

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G.O. No. May. 19. 1874. No. 865

Nos. 177. 179.

Cuddapah & Chingleput Circles. The Budget Ests. of these Circles for the year 1874-75, reviewed & passed.

Orig. sent to Coll. 16-6-74

R. 21. 160— I said about how by the means such they claim as State aid as other districts. and I think the L. F. Board should be told to rely on themselves here.

Similarly Chingleput with an income of 14.500- has a Budget of 24 thousand for the year of 19730.

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If they can show a good reason for exemption in the case I would make Provincial Funds, as they now to expend as follows, viz (very pressing) reducing the Prov. grant for roads to Rs 12000, which party at our disposal with the equivalent amount.

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Govt. of 187 } Madras.

To

Dated
Recd. } 187 , No.

Nos.

Pudukkottai 178

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Sundapet and
Tiruthuppattur
Budget 1874-75

As I understand the resolution - no Educational expenditure - of a new character connected with L.F. Schools is to be incurred until a Scheme for Local Circles is submitted & approved - I had rather that less emphatic approval had been given to Mr. Powell's new half-measure as to Special Payment - said & the reason of that payment - I in no way touches the real question - viz what Scheme & Police can be got & would be desirable to establish Rural bodies - until this is done, Schemes for distributing money can be but ephemeral & possibly embarrassing & mischievous

15/5 J.H. Robinson

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Dft. 7/5
Board of Revenue with Endorsement dated 6/5

The B. of Rev. of 29/4 not in the Bundle.

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Financial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 29th April 1874. No. 980

Minute by the Hon'ble W. Robinson — dt. 13 May 74

Order thereon, Ordered, 19th May 1874, No. 865.

The budget estimates of the Sundapet Circle for the year 1874-75 are compared below with those for 1873-74

		1873-74 Rs.	1874-75 Rs.
Receipts			
Balances		4,930	31,850
	Road fund	3,640	3,740
	Endowment fund	1,840	660
	General fund		
Allotments from General Revenue.			39,850
Refund of erroneous debit			
Provincial	Roads	92,400	92,400
	Schools (ordinary)	3,300	3,300
	Schools (special)	230	8,470
	General purposes	1,150	1,150
Special Funds		1,870	1,840
Cess on land		43,570	45,000
Tolls		5,000	2,000
Fees on Schools		2,700	3,740
Contributions from other funds &c.		3,940	2,670
Endowment receipts		410	410
Miscellaneous		1,590	970
Total		1,66,570	1,73,060

Expenditure

Expenditure

		1873-74 Rs	1874-75 Rs
Public Works			
New Works	Communications	18,910	13,550
	Educational		500
	Sanitary & Miscellaneous		
Repairs	Communications	75,810	76,730
	Educational	50	70
	Sanitary & Miscellaneous	1,070	1,000
Cost of P.W. Establishment		24,670	22,890
Petty Establishment		2,360	2,680
Tolls do		800	530
Tools and plant		960	910
Contingencies		150	150
Road fund reserve		13,470	16,840
		1,38,250	1,35,850
Education			
Inspection		2,760	1,850
Training Schools		2,000	"
Local Fund Schools		4,530	12,480
Purchase of books &c		1,200	1,130
Salary grants		210	"
Result grants		4,000	5,700
Miscellaneous		150	"
Sanitation		17,810	24,160
Dispensary		890	1,680
Vaccination		1,730	1,570
Sanitary Establt.		780	3,850
Choultries & Bungalows		170	160
Establishments		1,890	1,800
General reserve		"	1,700
Balances			
Road fund		970	1,190
Endowment fund		3,970	4,100
General fund		80	"
Total		166,570	173,060

The opening deficit is owing to the Accountant General having directed a debit of Rs

Rs 39,850 on account of expenditure incurred on the Cochrane's and Sadras Canal in 1855-56. As pointed out by the Board of Revenue it is impossible that the Local Funds under Act II of 1871 can be debited with charges on account of the canal at a time when the work was not carried out from Local funds the more especially when the accumulated surplus of the Canal receipts was not handed over when the Canal fund became local, and the budget has been correctly prepared on the understanding that the enormous debit would be refunded. The Accountant General will make the necessary arrangements. The entry of Rs 8,470 as a special grant from Provincial funds on account of schools must be disallowed. The schools which it is proposed to establish are based on a scheme for Union Schools supported by the House tax prepared by Mr. Farmer and are obviously on far too expensive a scale for the

Note

The charge such it is submitted is debited to Imperial Funds but this point need not be noticed in this order as the Accountant General speaks of a report to be sent in on the closing of the old "District Road Fund" under which head the amount in question appears to have been incorrectly debited in the Accountant Generals Books.

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the funds now available. The scheme should be re-considered with reference to the suggestions contained in para 3 of the letter from the Director of Public Instruction circulated with G.O. dated 30th April 1874. No 746. The re-considered scheme should be submitted through the Director of Public Instruction and when the matter is being finally disposed of it will be considered whether or not a grant is available from Provincial funds. It is observed that although it is proposed to draw a grant of Rs 8,470 for the schools in question, and to realize Rs 890 from fees the budgetted expenditure on account of them is only Rs 5,670, and the effect of striking out the unsanctioned portion of the educational budget is that the general fund is left with a deficit of Rs 1,900. Care must be taken that such a diversion of funds does not occur in any subsequent budget

Note

In some drafts the immature or unsatisfactory proposals have been allowed to remain on the index pending report. Such a different course is supposed in this draft as the schools suspend entirely on a Provincial grant for their support.

I think need to be some where on the 4th head to be used as a caution by Govt. but this is an object to the assignment needed

Note

There is an allotment of Rs 5700 for results grants and it is in connection with the working of this system that Inspecting Schoolmasters are required.

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~ pro forma

The reduction must be effected in the items chargeable to General Fund and it is difficult to say what can first be spared. As it is said further down that the Local Board may make their own arrangements the reductions specified in the draft are little more than explanatory of the method by which financial equilibrium is obtained in the Budget Estimates

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budget. The deficit will be adjusted pro forma by a reduction of Rs 650 in the allotment for sanitary establishment &c., and by striking out the provision of Rs 1,000 for Avenues with the concomitant charge of Rs 250 for Public Works supervision. The ~~(it will not affect the)~~ adjustment can not be finally effected in any manner being effected in any manner which may seem more appropriate to the Local Boards, but if the expenditure on account of Avenues is to be incurred it should be considered whether it is worth while to pay Rs 250 for the benefit of Public Works supervision in such a matter. The appointment of a third Inspecting Schoolmaster is sanctioned, but the proposal for an additional Accountant to be attached to the Collector's office has been rightly disallowed by the Board of Revenue.

The abstract of the budget

budget as modified by post is as follows:—

Receipts		Expenditure		
Road fund	Rs 1,36,510	Grant I		
Endowment fund	4,100	Road fund	Rs 133,900	
General fund	23,090	Gent. fund	70	
		Grant II Gent. fund	16,120	
		Grant III do	6,610	
		Grant IV Road fund	1,510	
		Gent. fund	290	
			1,58,500	
		Balances &c		
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		Endowment fund 4,100	5,200	
	1,63,700		1,63,700	

Chingleput

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Receipts

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Endowment fund	440	Grant I { Sent. fund	2,530	
Sent. fund.	26,840	Grant II Sent. fund	2,790	
		Grant III Sent. fund	10,420	
		Grant IV { Road fund	1,620	
		Grant IV { Sent. fund	320	
			1,52,620	
		Sent. reserve	3,180	
		Balances.		
		Road fund — 850		
		Sent. fund — 8,040	8,890	
	1,64,690		1,64,690	

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The Educational Grant for the Sindhet Budget Division. Their receipts seem to be

Balance	0.	(a deficit in dark)
Sent. Grant —	3,300.	
Fees ———	2700	
1/3 Land Cess less Sanitation *	8,740	(* 6260 out of 15.000
	14740	

And then Revised Estimates 4