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Municipal—Report.

No. 136. Read the following letter from A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., President of the Municipal Commissions, Coimbatore, to the Hon. W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Coimbatore, 23rd April 1875, No. 27 :—

I have the honor to forward the report on the Municipality of Erode, compiled by the Vice-President, Mr. McWatters.

2. The report is a satisfactory one, and does not seem to call for any special remark.

3. As Government, however, expect that special improvements should be brought to notice, I may mention, as one of the chief, the construction of an hospital and dispensary, the site of which I selected, and superintended the digging of foundations, in December 1873. It is now completed, and has apparently, since September 1874, had eleven in-patients, while the out-patients have (no previous records having been kept) amounted to 3,469.

4. The plan is an economical one which I submitted for Government approval, and the building consists of a dispensary, operating and store-room, and two wards, for the treatment of male and female patients.

There is plenty of available space for the erection of other wards when funds admit and circumstances require them, but this plan is very suitable, in the beginning, to small places like Erode, costing only Rupees 3,000, instead of Rupees 19,000, as per the Standard Plan.

5. I superintended the first lighting of the town in January of last year, and there can be no doubt of the successful results of the operations of the late Vice-President, Mr. A. M. MacGregor, in the general improvement of the town.

From G. McWATTERS, Esq., Vice-President of the Municipal Commission, Erode, to A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., President of the Municipal Commissions, Coimbatore, dated Erode, 17th April 1875, No. 132.

The Municipal Commissioners of the town of Erode have the honor to submit the annual report of their proceedings with the usual statements for 1874-75.

2. The year opened with a larger balance than was anticipated, and a supplemental budget for Rupees 730 was submitted to Government and sanctioned in G.O., dated 17th July 1874, No. 1186.

3. Including this balance (Rupees 1,630-2-4) the receipts of the year were Rupees 8,916-0-2, and the total expenditure Rupees 8,789-0-3, leaving a balance in favor of the Municipal Fund of Rupees 126-15-11.

4. The actual receipts compared with the Budget Estimates are as follow :—

	Actual.			Budget.		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
1. Allotments by Government	282	5	2	210	0	0
2. Rates on Houses, &c.	2,513	10	8	3,000	0	0
3. Taxes on Vehicles, &c.	517	12	0	500	0	0
4. Registration of Carts	492	0	0	500	0	0
5. Tolls	1,430	0	0	1,000	0	0
6. Magisterial Fines	204	8	0	50	0	0
7. Fees	250	12	0	500	0	0
8. Endowments	192	0	0	190	0	0
9. Miscellaneous	502	14	0	10	0	0
Total ...	6,385	13	10	5,960	0	0

According to Statement IV. the current demand assessed on houses, &c., was Rs. 2,335-0-11; of this a sum of Rupees 2,018-9-10 was collected, and a sum of Rupees 34-15-5 written off as irrecoverable, leaving a balance uncollected at the end of the year of Rupees 281-7-8. The old arrears of previous years amounted to Rupees 557-11-6; of this Rupees 495-0-10 were collected, and Rupees 62-10-8 written off as irrecoverable. A great part of the current arrears have been collected since the close of the year. The difference between the receipts from houses and the Budget Estimate is attributable to far too large a sum having been entered in the estimate as likely to accrue from the tax on lands which was for the first time imposed. This imposition created great opposition, and the Commissioners felt themselves bound to fix the annual rental of the lands at a very low but not at an unreasonable rate. The propriety of retaining the tax on lands will most probably be considered by the Commissioners before the close of 1875-76, and if necessary specially reported on to Government. The tolls realized Rupees 430 over the estimate, and the collections from fines were over four times the estimate. Rupees 50 was, however, far too low an estimate under this head if the conservancy clauses of the Act were to be properly worked. Government, on the whole, will notice an improvement in the matter of collections. The Commissioners, to effect what they have done and to guard against future arrears accruing, have been obliged to recommend the dismissal of one of the bill collectors, whose inefficiency has been a source of trouble from the commencement of the Municipality. Nothing was entered in the Budget under the head Assignments by Government. The sum of Rupees 216 entered under Statement I. 5. has been transferred to its proper head, and this with the surplus Pound funds makes the Government assignments Rupees 282-5-2. A sum of Rupees 900 received from the Local Funds towards the Dispensary subsequently to the submission of the Budgets is entered under Statement I. 5 opposite Hospitals. This and the increase in tolls accounts for the unusually large receipts of the year.

5. The expenditure as a consequence was much above the estimates especially under Grant I. The actuals and the estimates are compared in the margin under the different grants. The largest increased expenditure was under New Works, Sanitary, as the Local Fund contribution was devoted entirely to this purpose. Rupees 550 were entered in the Budget opposite New Works, Communications, instead of under Repairs, Communications, under which head the expenditure is shown (*vide* Statement II.). The works contemplated and undertaken, such as widening and improving a street and repairing certain roads, fall properly under this head. There was an unavoidable increase in the expenditure under Grant IV., Lighting, of nearly Rupees 200. No other items need explanation.

	Actuals.			Budgets.		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS	A.	P.
Grant I.	2,992	8	6	1,950	0	0
Do. II.	218	0	0	250	0	0
Do. III.	4,013	14	4	3,854	0	0
Do IV.	1,001	9	9	810	0	0
Do. V.	562	15	8	570	0	0
Total ...	8,789	0	3	7,434	0	0

6. The report of the Medical Officer in charge of the Dispensary on the working of that institution during the year is submitted for information. There has been an increase in the number of out-patients compared with the previous year of 2,253, the comparison is shown in the margin, and during the year under report eleven in-patients were treated. The usefulness of the dispensary is unmistakeable, and the officer in charge of it is deservedly popular.

1873-74.	1874-75.
1,256.	3,469.

7. The return of births and deaths for the year is also forwarded. There were 139 deaths and 185 births in a population of 7,817 against 171 deaths and 200 births on the previous year. Only two cases of small-pox occurred against nine the year before. The year under report was a healthy one. The percentage of births and deaths relative to the population might be considered too low, but the percentage of deaths to births seems to be correct enough and favors the correctness of the return.

8. The incidence of taxation (omitting tolls) was Rupee 0-6-10 per head of the population, and Rupees 1-15-1 per head of the taxpayers. In either case it was reasonably light.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
18*th May* 1875.

9. *Sanitation.*—The Sanitary Commissioner visited Erode during the year under report, and has placed on record his opinion (*vide* his letter to Government, dated 10th August, No. 1) that great improvements have been carried out for the good of the town, and that Erode is in an efficient sanitary state. During the year, besides the ordinary conservancy work, the Hospital latrine, kitchen, and dead-house were completed, the two Chuttrums at the Railway Station were put in thorough repair, two toll-gates were built, a new well was sunk, and several roads and one street were repaired. The combustible rubbish is still used for filling pits along the roadsides. The most important improvement was probably that effected in the Chucklers' hamlet, heretofore the abode of filth and nastiness. With some pecuniary assistance from Municipal funds the chucklers were induced to remove their abominably dirty huts. House-sites were then marked out by the Nuisance Inspector and Revenue Inspector so as to turn what was a huddled mass of dirty houses into wide and airy streets. The improvement was only commenced at the close of the year and met with great opposition. A rumour got abroad that the chucklers were to be removed out of the town, and it was not till a street was laid out and assistance really given that they were appeased. They now singularly enough demand far larger space to build on than can be given them. This is the way in which Government desire that the dirty and objectionable parts of the town inhabited by the poorest classes should be improved. The Commissioners intend to improve the pariah settlement in a similar way.

10. The accounts of the Municipality have been audited by Mr. Shepherd, and his report is forwarded for the information of Government.

No. 137. ORDER THEREON, 18th May 1875, No. 1081.

With his letter above recorded, the President of the Erode Municipality submits the annual report for the year 1874-75. The actuals of the year are compared with the estimates in the subjoined table:—

RECEIPTS.	1874-75. Estimate.	1874-75. Actuals.
	RS.	RS.
Balance	1,630	1,630
Allotment by Government ...	210	282
Rates on Houses and Lands ...	3,000	2,514
Tax on Vehicles, &c.	500	518
Registration of Carts	500	492
Tolls	1,000	1,430
Fees	100	1
Fines	50	204
Contributions	...	900
Endowments	190	192
Miscellaneous	410	753
Total ...	7,590	8,916

CHARGES.	1874-75. Estimate.	1874-75. Actuals.
	RS.	RS.
New Works—		
Communications	550	...
Sanitary and Miscellaneous...	390	1,206
Repairs—		
Communications	700	1,281
Sanitary and Miscellaneous...	280	419
Other Public Works Items. ...	30	87
Education	250	218
Hospitals and Dispensaries ...	1,270	1,490
Vaccination	50	50
Registration of Births and Deaths	90	82
Conservancy	2,240	2,391
Lighting	590	772
Choultries	120	120
Miscellaneous	300	110
Supervision and Management...	570	563
Balance	160	127
Total ...	7,590	8,916

2. The income of the year exclusive of the opening balance amounted to Rupees 7,286, or Rupees 1,326 in excess of the estimate, a result which is mainly due to an increase of Rupees 430 under Tolls, and to a contribution of Rupees 900 on account of the Dispensary having been sanctioned from Local Funds during the year. The explanation given regarding the variation in the different items of receipt is satisfactory, and, as remarked by the Vice-President, a considerable improvement took place in the proportion of the demand realized within the year.

3. Additional funds being available, the expenditure exceeded the estimate (original and supplemental) by Rupees 1,359, of which Rupees 1,043 were devoted to Public Works, the Local Fund contribution of Rupees 900 having been on account of the Dispensary building. The difference between the estimate and the actuals under New Works and Repairs, Communications, is chiefly owing to a difference in classification, but the Government must point out that a project such as widening and improving a street was correctly shown in the estimate as a new work and not as a repair.

4. The operations of the Commissioners appear to have been very satisfactory, the principal work of the year being the completion of the new dispensary building, and the improvement of the "Chuckler Hamlet," the sanitary condition of which was formerly very objectionable.

5. The Government observe with pleasure that the new dispensary seems to be much appreciated by the people.

(True Extract.)

D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Erode.
,, Public Works Department.
,, Revenue Department.
,, Board of Revenue.
,, Accountant-General.
,, Sanitary Commissioner.
,, Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
,, Director of Public Instruction.
,, President of the Local Fund Boards, Coimbatore.

Rxd. J. Wright.

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FINANCIAL.

To THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
Erode,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated May, 1875.
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G.O., 18*th May* 1875, *No.* 1061.

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Municipal Report.—The annual report on the working of the Erode Municipality during 1874-75, reviewed.

Encl to Municipal Dpro 57/19-475

Coimbatore
17th April 1875.

To,

G. McWatters, Esquire
Vice President
Erode Municipal Comm.

Sir,

I have the pleasure to report that the Municipal Accounts for the year 1874/5 have been duly examined and checked by me. The total expenditure during the year is Rs 8789. 0. 3 and is duly supported by the necessary Vouchers.

The accounts are quite correct and satisfactory. The balance sheet is herewith enclosed.

The amount of balance on hand Rs 126. 15. 11.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
your obedient servant
Signed W.E. Shepherd
Auditor.

/True Copy/

Madras
Recd 19th

In a letter from the President of the Local Board, Exmouth, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 28th April 1875 - No 21,

Copy of letter of Rev. J. Shepherd and Auditors Report and Municipal Accounts -

Rec'd 29 April 1875.

Enc. to Municipal Exmo 57
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Mortality in the town of Exmouth during the year 1874/75

Diseases.	Deaths		Total		
	Males	Females	Males	Females	
Small-pox	2	"	2	"	The No of deaths registered in the previous 1873/74 was 149 —
Fevers.	16	23	16	23	
Bowel Complaints	11	13	11	13	
Sudden deaths	1	"	1	"	
Wounds.	2	"	2	"	
Other Diseases.	39	32	39	32.	
Total	"	.	71	68	-139-

Exmouth
1st April
1875.

Edwin Shepherd
Medical Officer
Exmouth District

Encl. to Municipal Govt. No 57 / 19-4-75

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Statement I Revenues and Receipts of the Municipal Fund of the Town of Erode during the Official year 1874-75

	1874-75 Detail of Minor heads	1874-75 Totals of Major heads	Budget allotment for the year
1. Balance brought forward			
(a) Municipal Fund	1433 3 10		
(b) Endowments	196 14 6	1630 2 4	900 . .
2. Assignments and Allotments by Govt.			
(a) Surplus Pound Fund	66 5 2		
(b) Contribution to Pay of Medical Officers	216 " "	282 5 2	210 . .
3. Rates and Taxes &c.	Arrears	Current	
(a) Rates on houses &c (Section 40)	495 " 10	2018 9 10	2513 10 8	3000 . .
(b) Taxes on Vehicles (Section 63)		517 12 .	517 12 .	500 . .
(c) Registration of Carts (Section 73)		492 . .	492 . .	500 . .
(d) Tolls (Section 74)		1430 . .	1430	1000 . .
(e) Magisterial Fines (Section 14)		204 8 .	204 8 .	50 . .
(f) Fees, Sections 106-122, 125, 130, 131, 136, Bye-laws and Schedule A.		" 12 .	" 12 .	5158 10 8	100 . .
	495 " 10	4663 9 10	7071 2 2	7071 2 2	6260 . .
4. Fees in Schools & Training Institutions			" " "		" "

Statement I Revenues and Receipts of Municipal Funds (Concluded)

	1874-75 Details of minor heads.	1874-75 Totals of major heads.	Budget allotment for the year
5 Endowments, Sundry Contributions and Donations			
(a) Hospitals	" " "		
(b) Choultries	192 . .		
(c) Educational	. . .	192 . .	190 . .
6. Contributions from Local Funds			
(a) Public Works			
(b) Educational			
(c) Miscellaneous			
Hospitals	900 . .	900 . .	
7. Miscellaneous			
(a) Rents and Fees in Municipal Slaughter house	160 . .		
(b) Rents and Fees in Municipal Cart Stand	90 . .		
(c) Sale of Sweepings	. . .		
(d) Private Scavenging	. . .		
(e) Sale of Material, Tools & plant	131 4 6		
(f) Sale proceeds of old Chuttrams Compound	23 13 .		
(g) Avenues	22 6 6		
(h) Sale of European Medicines	15 6 .	752 14 .	410 . .
		8916 . 2	6860 . .

Statement I Revenues and Receipts of Municipal Funds (Concluded)

	1874-75 Details of minor heads.	1874-75 Totals of major heads.	Budget allotment for the year
8. Advances Recoverable			
(a)			
(b)			
(c)			
Total		8916 . 2	6860 . .

Note to Statement I

1. House and land rates are levied at 6 per cent
2. Taxes on vehicles are levied at the rates specified in Schedule C
3. Carts are registered at 2 Fs per cart per half year
4. Tolls are levied at half the rates specified in Schedule D.
5. Licence fees are at the rates sanctioned in G.O. dated 29th September 1871 No 1478.

Statement II Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Erode for the Official year 1874-75 1/3

		1874-75 Detail Minor heads	1874-75 Total Major heads	Budget allotment for the year
Grant I (Public Works)				
1. New Works.				
	(a) Communications			
	(b) Sanitary and Miscellaneous	1906 0 10		
2. Repairs				
	(a) Communications	1281 " 3		
	(b) Sanitary and Miscellaneous	418 13 5		
3 Establishment				
4. Tools and Plants and Contingencies		86 10.		
5. Contribution to Local Funds		" "	2992 8 6	1950
			2992 8 6	1950
Grant II Education				
1. Results grants		168 . .		
2. Contribution to Local Fund for Educational Inspectorates		50 . .	218 . .	250 . .
			218 . .	250 . .
Grant III Sanitation and Medical Services				
1. Hospitals and Dispensaries				
	(a) Establishment	963 6 "		
	(b) Medicines and Supplies	176 6 4		
	(c) Sundries and Contingencies Furniture	351 2 9	1490 15 1	1270 . .

Statement I-A. Expenditure entrusted to the Municipal Councils Sections 15 and 16 for the Official year 1874-75

Name of Institution	Amount Funds entrusted	Balance	Interest on Endowments & Contributions	Deficiency from Estates in Execution	Contributions & Donations of all kinds	Total Academic Charges	Total (Columns 3-7)	Sundry Receipts	Total Charges (Statement II A)	Total Charges	Balance	Remarks
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13.
1. Hospitals													
2. Charities	" "	9614 6	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	388 4 6	120 . .	274 9 "	3949 "	-5	106.
3 Educational													
4. Miscellaneous													

Statement II Expenditure from Municipal Funds.— (Concluded)

	1874-75 Detail minor heads	1874-75 Totals major heads	Budget allotment for the year
Grant III Sanitation. (Continued)		1490 15 1	1270 . .
2. Vaccination			
Contribution to Local Funds	50 . .	50 . .	50 . .
3 Registration of Births and Deaths			
(a) Registrar	82 . .		
(b) Contingencies	. . .	82 . .	90 . .
4. Conservancy.			
(a) Establishment	1764 10 .		
(b) Sanitary Service (Cost of Conservancy carts &c)	43 15 14		
(c) Cleansing Tanks, Wells & Drains	47 . .		
(d) Sinking new wells	489 . .		
(e) Feeding Municipal Bullocks	34 12 8		
(f) Contingencies	11 9 3	2390 15 3	2444 . .
		4013 14 4	3854
Grant IV Miscellaneous Municipal purposes.			
1. Lighting			
(a) Establishment	578 .		
(b) Contingencies	5 12 1		
(c) Lamp posts, Lanterns and Kerosene oil	708 13 .	772 1 1	590 .

Statement II Expenditure from Municipal Funds &c (Concluded)

	1874-75 Detail minor heads	1874-75 Totals major heads.	Budget allotment for the year
Grant IV Miscellaneous Municipal purposes (Continued)		772 1 1	590 . .
2 Choultries			
(a) Establishment	96 . .		
(b) Contingencies	24 . .	120 . .	120 . .
3. Watering Streets and planting avenues	92 1 6	92 1 6	100 . .
4 Clearing prickly pear	17 7 2	17 7 2	. . .
		1001 9 9	810
Grant V Supervision and Management.			
1. Office.			
(a) Establishment	240 .		
(b) Tax Collectors	144 15 11		
(c) Contingencies	41 14 6		
2 Miscellaneous.			
(a) Printing Charges	53 9 6		
(b) Court Costs, &c	34 15 9		
(c) Tin tickets	32 8 .		
(d) Auditors' Fee	15 . .	562 15 8	570 . .
		562 15 8	570 . .
Grand Total Expenditure		8789 3 7	7434 . .
Balance			
(a) Municipal Fund		126 15 11 6	. . .
(b) Endowments.		. . .	150 . .
Total.		8916 . 2	7590

Statement II A Detail of Allotment for Expenditure on Public Works Estimated to Cost Rs 100 or upwards

Part I New Work.

No	Project	Amount of Estimate	Past Expenditure	Expenditure in 1874-75	Remarks.
(a)	Sanitary and Miscellaneous				
1	For the Completion of the Dispensary building including out houses &c	" "	" "	1015 15 6	
			Total.	1015 15 6	

Part II Repairs

	Project	Grant	Remarks
(a)	Communications		
1	Repairing Carungalpolliem road	120 5 1	
2	Repairing the road leading from the Brunswick Court to the Railway Station	170 11 11	
3	Repairing the road leading from the Railway Station to Bhowany	103 14 .	
4	Repairing the Goldsmiths Street	130 5 10	
	Total	525 4 10	
(b)	Sanitary and Miscellaneous.		
1	Repairing the Chuttrams near the Railway Station	274 9 .	
	Total	274 9 .	
	Grand Total.	799 13 10	

Statement II B. Detail of Municipal Establishment

No		Salary per Mensem	Salary per Annum	Total Grant heads
	Grant I Public Works.			
	Overseers.	" " "		
	Maistries	" " "		
	Road Coolies	" " "		
		" " "		
	Grant II Education			
	1 Training Schools.	" " "		
	Masters	" " "		
	Clerks	" " "		
	Servants.	" " "		
	2 Municipal Schools.			
	Masters	" " "		
	Clerks	" " "		
	Servants.	" " "		
	Grant III Sanitation and Medical Services.			
	1 Hospitals and Dispensaries			
	Medical Subordinate	1	72 . .	864 . .
	Clerks	1	. . .	. . .
	Servants	2	12 . .	996 .
				9636 . .
	2 Vaccination			
	Vaccinators	" " "		
	Peons	" " "		

Statement II B Detail of Municipal Establishment

	No	Salary per Mensem	Salary per Annum	Total Major heads
Grant III Sanitation and Medical Services (continued)				
3 Registration				
Registrars	1	7 ..	82 ..	
Pens	..	.. ..	.. ..	
			82 ..	
4 Conservancy.				
Nuisance Inspector	1	30 ..	360 ..	
Maistries	5	30 ..	857 14	
Scavengers	6	30 ..	357 8 8	
Do	6	24 ..	285 5 9	
Sotties	6	36 ..	403 13 7	
			1764 10	
Miscellaneous.				
Grant IV. Municipal purposes				
1. Lighting				
Moussalgies	1	5 ..	57 8	
			57 8	
2 Markets.				
Superintendents	..	.. ..		
Servants	..	.. ..		
	..	.. ..		

Statement II-B Detail of [illegible]

	No	Salary per Mensum	Salary per Annum	Total Major heads
Grant IV Miscellaneous Municipal purposes.				
3 Choultries				
Servants		2 8 . .	96 . .	
			96 . .	
Grant V Supervision and Management				
1. Office				
Manager		" " "		
Clerks		1 20 . .	240 . .	
Accountants		" " "		
Peons		" " "		
Tax Collectors		2 15 . .	1444 15 11	
			384 15 11.	

Statement III. Municipality of Erode

Abstract of Deposits Account for 1874-75

Deposits as security by Municipal Servants	350 . .	Returned to Municipal Servants	150 . .
		Balance	200 . .
Total	350 . .	Total	350 . .

Statement IV. Municipality of Erode

Demand, Collection and Balance Statement for the Current Official year 1874-75

	Demand Specified	Collected	Remitted on appeal or Otherwise	Written off as irrecoverable.	Total (Columns 2-3-4)	Balance
Rates on houses &c	2335 « 11	2018 9 10	« « .	34 15 5	2053 9 3	281 7 8
Tolls	1430 . .	1430 . .	« « .	« « .	« « .	« « .

Statement IV. (Continued)

Arrears.

	Balance of Old Demand	Arrears of previous year	Total Demand	Collected	Remitted	Written off	Total (Columns 4.5.6)	Balance
Rates on houses	3. 74 10 7	483 . 11	557 11 6	495 . 10	62 10 8	« « .	557 11 6	« « .

Incidence of the Various Rates and Taxes in the Municipality of Erode 1874/75

District and place in which levied	Population	Description and object of Tax	Classes from whose property upon which levied	Number of Tax payers	Amount of Tax	Per head of Population	Per head of Tax payers	Reference under which date from which levied
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Coimbatore District Erode Town.	7817	1 Rates on houses and buildings at 6 per cent		1312	2279 15 1	. 4 8	1 4 9	Government Order dated 29th September 1871 to 1478
		2. Do on lands at 6 per cent		147	55 1 10	. . 1 1 2 9		
		3 Taxes on Carriages, Horses &c		238	57 7 12 .	. 1 1 2 29		
		4 Fees on registration of carts		122	492 . .	. 1 . 4 . 6		
		5 Tolls at half rates.			1430 . .			

Erode Municipal Office
1875

Geo Wootton
Vice President

Registry of Births and Deaths in the Municipality of Erode for the official years 1873-74 and 1874-75.

	Population			Cholera		Small pox		Fever		Bowel Complaints		Suicide		Bowels		Accidents		Snake Bite		Man killed Leach		Ill Treat	Casualties	Total	Births		
	In	F	Total	In	F	In	F	In	F	In	F	In	F	In	F	In	F	In	F	In	F				In	F	Total
1873-74	3892	3925	7817	.	.	9	3	26	23	18	13	.	.	1	.	3	.	.	.	.	.	41	34	171	82	118	200
1874-75	.	.	.	.	.	2	.	16	23	11	13	.	.	2	.	1	.	.	.	.	.	39	32	139	89	96	185.

A Shanmuga
President

Encl: to Municipal Report 57
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Annual Report on the working of the Civil Dispensary at Ennore for the year 1874.75.

1 Name of Town - Population of Town & Dist.
Ennore — 7817 — 232911.

2. Date of Establishment &c.
The Hospital was first established in the month of September 1872, but the real working of the institution did not commence till December of the same year, as no medicines were available for treating the sick.

3. "By whom originated"
The funds for building the new Hospital was raised by subscriptions from the inhabitants of the town & taluq, but as the amount thus obtained was found to be insufficient to complete the building the Local Funds Committee contributed a small amount towards its completion — As Ennore was made a municipal town, the institution originated through the Commissioners —

4 The Annual working expenses of the Dispensary is borne by the Municipality; the Local Fund board contributes a moiety towards the discharge of the sick.

5 2nd class Hospital Assistant Flumbore Pillay No 740 was in charge from the 7th Sept 1872 to the 31st Augt 73 when I relieved him & have been in charge ever since.

6 Statement shewing the no of sick healed since the opening of the Dispensary.

Encl to a letter from the President of the Ennore Municipality to the Chief Secretary to Government, Dated 23rd April 1875 (illegible)

18 Augt 75 No 1087

Statement of Receipts and Charges of the Ennore Municipality for the year 1874-75.

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Ennore 10th April 75

	Total admissions		Average daily sick		Total deaths		
	In Patients	Out.	In	Out.	In	Out.	
1872.	home.		home		home		No records kept -
From Sept. 73 to 31st March 1874	home 1256		"	33·4	"	4	
1874–75	11	3469	8·5	44·6	2	2	

7 Dimensions of Hospital -
1 Male Ward 24' X 12' ft.
1 Female Ward 15 X 12 "
1 Dispensary 12 X 12 "
1 Operating Room 12 X 12 "
1 Store Room. 12 X 9 "
2 Bath Rooms - 8 X 8 "

8 - No Police or Lying Hospital in the town - The Police attend as ordinary but Patients at the Disp^y - Severe cases requiring hospital treatment are usually sent in to Coimbatore A separate Ward for treating the men of the force would be very desirable, as this being the H^d Q^rs of the Taluq, men reporting sick at outstations are sent in here for treatment - & under existing arrangements it is not possible to exercise anything like control over them -

A Lying Ward attached to the Disp^y would I think prove a success especially if a native nurse was in charge - The state of Midwifery among the indigenous midwives is extremely low - The women who practice here belong to the lower castes & are an ignorant lot - Very few of them are old

and decrepid & are scarcely strong enough to perform the work they undertake -

If a Lying ward is opened out here, I would suggest that the system of giving batta for cases at the beginning should be adopted until the institution becomes popular -

9 From enquiries I have made I believe there are a few Native practitioners in the surrounding villages who are considered to be clever men, but if one was to judge from some of the cases which have passed through their hands, I should certainly not feel inclined to trust them - The chief merit - if it could be considered such - of their practice consists in a strict diet & the regimen & those cases treated by these Physicians are brought to death's door more from starvation than from the actual disease.

10 No European medicines are available in the local market - & I am not aware that the Physicians ever obtain them from any where else

Q 11 I am informed that there are native occulists (Mahomedans) who occasionally visit the Ewode Taluq - There men I believe come from the Kharapooram & Bhowany Taluqs - They only operate for Cataract - The method adopted is that of Reclination - No Lithotomists in the Taluq -

I The working of the local Disp^y at Ewode during the past year has been on the whole very satisfactory - The total No of patients treated during the year was 11 In-patients & 3469 Out-patients No comparison can be drawn with the previous year, as the Hospital Ass^t who was in charge kept no records of the patients treated by him -

On the 1st of May 74 - the Disp.y was removed from my 2nd to the Subsidiary jail Hospital, & on 8th September the new buildings was occupied which is found sufficient for the present requirements of the Division

II The monsoons during the past year set in earlier than usual, the total fall of rain was 26.90 Inches - The hot season was very oppressive as it usually is in March April & May Fevers & Rheumatic affections were the chief prevailing diseases - One case of typhoid fever occurred at the station - The months of Jany Febr & March are usually very unhealthy & this year has not been any exception The fever which for the last two months was of an intermittent type did not yield readily to antiperiodics -

III Small-pox prevailed to a slight extent during the earlier months of the year, - Two deaths were registered from this disease - No other Epidemic prevailed - A mortality table is appended -

IV Seven Surgical Operations were performed during the year - One a case of Amputation of the leg - One Amputation of the finger - One removal of Stone from the lower portion of the urethra One Amputation of the Penis One removal of a fatty tumour. & two were cases of circumcision

V Financial statement of the receipts & expenditure of the Dispensary is attached with Annual Return of Sick - The expenditure it will be seen has exceeded the the income by Rs 35-6-5-7 -

VI The Sanitary condition of the Lines has greatly improved during the past year - Several narrow lanes formerly resorted to by the people of the neighbourhood for the purposes of nature have been closed & thus nuisance has been thus prevented - The lines is cleaned twice a day - The streets are now well lighted - & the lines now presents a clean & brighter appearance than it did in the previous year -

Edwin Bluett Lt
Offg Hosp. Asst
In charge Civil Disp.y

Exd
1st April 1875

No. 27.

Municipal President's office
Coimbatore 23rd April 1875.

From,

A. Wedderburn Esquire,
President of the Municipal Commission,
Coimbatore.

To,

The Honorable W. Hudleston,
Chief Secretary to Government,
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward the report on the Municipality of Erode compiled by the Vice President Mr. Mc Watters.

2. The report is a satisfactory one, and does not seem to call for any special remark.

3. As Government, however, expect that special improvements should be brought to notice, I may mention, as one of the chief, the construction of an hospital and dispensary, the site of which I selected, and superintended the digging of foundations, in Decemb

1874. 75.
Annual Report on the Municipality of the Erode
Chief Secretary to Govern-
ment, dated 23rd April
1875, No. 27.

Annual Report on
the working of the Erode
Municipality for
1874-75.

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1873 - It is now completed, and has apparently, since September 1874, had 11 in-patients, while the out-patients have (no previous records having been kept), amounted to 3,469 -

4 - The plan is an economical one which I submitted for Government approval, and the building consists of a dispensary, operating, and store room, and two wards, for the treatment of male and female patients -

There is plenty of available space for the erection of other wards, when funds admit, and circumstances require them, - but this plan is very suitable in the beginning, to small places like Erode, costing only Rs. 3,000, instead of Rs 19,000 as per the standard plan -

5 - I superintended the first lighting of the town in January of last year

and there can be no doubt of the successful results of the operations of the late Vice President, Mr. A. Mr Macgregor, in the general improvement of the town -

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedt servant.

A Macdonald
President -

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Financial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from the President, Erode Municipality, dated 23rd April 1875 No. 27.

Order thereon - Ordered
18 May 1875. No 1081.

With his letter above recorded, the President of the Erode Municipality submits the annual report for the year 1874-75. The actuals of the year are compared with the estimates in the subjoined table.

Receipts

	Estimate.	Actuals.
Balance	1,630	1,630
Allotment by Govt.	210	282
Rate on Houses & Lands	3,000	2,514
Tax on Vehicles &c	500	518
Registration of Carts	500	492
Tolls	1,000	1,630
Fees	100	1
Fines	50	204
Contributions	"	900
Endowments	190	192
Miscellaneous	410	753
	7590	8916

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12 Enclosures to Govt. No 1081 dated 18 May 1875.
17 Receipts — 1 to 18 pages.
24 " — 19 to 22 pages.
2 " — 23-24 pages.
1 Statement — 25 to 30 pages.

From the Chief Secretary to Government
To the President of the Erode Municipality
Dated 18 May 1875.
Received 26 May 1875.
No 1081
Enclosures No. 5.

Forwarded to the Accountant General.
Head of the Department
Municipality
Erode
Year 1874-75
W. Thurnall

Expenditure

	Estimate	Actuals.
New Works		
Communications	550	"
Sanitary & Miscellaneous	390	1,206
Repairs		
Communications	700	1,281
Sanitary & Miscellaneous	280	419
Other Public Works items	30	87
Education	250	218
Hospitals & Dispensaries	1270	1,490
Vaccination	80	50
Registration of births & deaths	90	82
Conservancy	2260	2391
Lighting	590	772
Choultries	120	120
Miscellaneous	300	110
Supervision & management	570	563
Balance	160	127
	7,590	8916

2. The income of the year exclusive of the opening balance amounted to Rs. 7,286 or Rs. 1326 in excess of the Estimate, a result which is mainly due to an increase of Rs. 1430 under tolls, and to a contribution of Rs. 900 on account of the dispensary having been sanctioned from Local Funds during the year. The explanation given regarding the

the variation in the different items of receipt is satisfactory, and as remarked by the Vice President, a considerable improvement took place in the proportion of the demand realized within the year.

3. Additional funds being available, the Expenditure exceeded the Estimate (original and Supplemental) by Rs. 1,359, of which Rs. 1,043 were devoted to Public Works, the Local Fund Contribution of Rs. 900 having been on account of the Dispensary building. The difference between the Estimate and the Actuals under New Works and Repairs Communications is chiefly owing to a difference in classification, but the Government must point out that a project such as widening and improving a street was

Correctly

correctly shown in the Estimate as a New work and not as a Repair.

4. The operations of the Commissioners appear to have been very satisfactory, the principal work of the year being the completion of the New Dispensary building, and the improvement of the "Chuckler Tank"; the Sanitary condition of which was formerly very objectionable.

5. The Government observe with pleasure that the New Dispensary seems to be much appreciated by the people.

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To
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" Presd. I.M.D. (combatant) —
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To

Dated 18 May
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