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Local Funds—Tolls.

No. 213. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 4th October 1875, No. 2774 :—

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With reference to the Proceedings of Government, No. 40, dated 11th January 1875, I have the honor to report that the subject having been fully discussed and considered by the several Local Fund Boards and Municipal Commissioners of the district, the Local Fund Boards do not consider that they have any claim on the Municipalities for a portion of the proceeds of the toll collections levied by the latter.

2. The town of Tuticorin is a terminus and emporium for outside traffic; the Municipality of Tinnevelly is completely surrounded by looplines, and that of Palamcottah nearly so. Little or no through traffic passes through the latter, the same being diverted at long distances through Local Fund roads.

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2. The Acting Collector merely reports that the Local Boards waive their claim on the grounds that Tuticorin is a terminus and emporium for outside traffic, and that Tinnevelly and Palamcottah are surrounded, or nearly so, by loop-lines which accommodate the through traffic. It appears however from the papers submitted with the second letter, that an arrangement has been made with the

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(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

No. 214. ORDER THEREON, 26th October 1875, No. 2090.

The Governor in Council approves and sanctions the recommendation of the Board of Revenue (paragraph 4) for the division of tolls between the Local Fund and Municipal Boards in the Tinnevelly District.

(True Extract.)

Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue, with enclosures.
,, President of the Municipal Boards in Tinnevelly.
,, Accountant-General.

Exd. J. Wright.

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To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

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Local Funds—Tolls.—The recommendation of the Board of Revenue for the division of tolls between the Local Fund and Municipal Boards in the Tinnevelly District, sanctioned.

No. 2,774.

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Acting Secretary.

To the Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department,
with eight original enclosures to be returned.
.. the President of the Local Fund Boards, Tinnevelly District.

Engd. J. Wright.

Financial Department. Proceedings, 4th October 1875, No. 2,774.

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OCTOBER.
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Municipal Tolls.—Certain papers relating to division of—between Municipal and Local Fund Boards in Tinnevelly District, submitted to Government, with recommendation that one-half of Tuticorin tolls, one-third of those at Tinnevelly, and one-fourth of those at Palamcottah be made payable to Local Funds from April 1876.

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Order thereon. 26 Oct. 75 No 2090

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Local Fund Sales

Recommendation of the Board of Revenue (~~for~~) for the division of Sales between the Local Fund and Municipal Boards in the Tinnevelly Dist. Sanctioned.