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Municipal—Budgets.

Read the following papers :—

~~No.~~ . *From A. CRUICKSHANK, Esq., President of the Municipal Commissions, South Arcot, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Cuddalore, 23rd February* 1881, *No.* 44. Cmnt No. 488

I have the honor to forward, herewith, the Budget Estimate of the Chidambaram Municipality for 1881-82, together with copy of the Vice-President's letter, dated 22nd January 1881, No. 225, submitting it.

2. The regular estimate for the current official year, as made out by the Commissioners, is, under "Receipts," Rs. 23,719, against the budget estimate Rs. 24,660, and under "Expenditure" Rs. 23,674, against the budget estimate Rs. 26,060.

3. The opening balance adopted for the regular estimate for the current official year is the sum of Rs. 765 arrived at by the calculation explained in the concluding part of paragraph 3 of my letter, No. 185, dated 8th November last, reporting on the working of the Municipality during the past official year. This sum added to Rs. 23,719, the estimated receipts during the year 1880-81 according to the regular estimate, gives a total of Rs. 24,484. Deducting therefrom the expenditure of Rupees 23,674, the anticipated closing balance of the current official year is Rs. 810, and this sum has been adopted as the opening balance of the ensuing year 1881-82 for the purposes of the present budget estimate.

4. The receipts for the ensuing year are estimated by the Commissioners to amount to Rs. 16,400 against Rs. 23,719, the regular estimate for the current year, showing a decrease of Rs. 7,319. The decrease is chiefly due to credit having been taken in the budget of the current year for certain contributions from other funds particularized below, which do not recur in the estimate for the ensuing year :—

	RS.
1. By the Local Fund Board for the construction of a Hospital building	2,000
2. By the Local Fund Board for the construction of a Dead-house	310
3. Funded capital consisting of subscriptions originally raised for the construction of the Hospital	4,000
Total ..	6,310

5. The following statement exhibits the collections expected to be made by the Commissioners during the ensuing year under the several major heads of receipt as

compared with the amounts under these heads in the regular estimate for the current year :—

Items.	Receipts.			
	Regular Estimate for 1880-81.	Estimate for 1881-82.	Increase of Column 3 over 2.	Decrease of Column 3 below Column 2.
1	2	3	4	5
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Rates on Houses and Lands	7,968	7,575	..	393
Taxes on Arts, &c.	2,170	2,200	30	..
Taxes and Tolls on Vehicles and Animals ..	3,473	3,398	..	75
Imperial License Tax and Penalties	325	350	25	..
Surplus Pound Fund	53	60	7	..
Contribution from other Funds—				
(a) On account of Hospital	1,500	1,500	..	..
(b) Do. of Public Works	2,310	..	..	2,310
Fees and Fines (Magisterial)	292	302	10	..
Rent on Houses, Markets, &c.	430	450	20	..
Hospital (Funded Capital with interest) ..	4,255	25	..	4,230
Miscellaneous	943	540	..	403
Total ..	23,719	16,400	92	7,411

6. No explanation of the variations is given in the statement received from the Vice-President, but the only variation calling for any special remark is the decrease of Rs. 403 under "Miscellaneous." The decrease, however, occurs in the following minor heads, from which no fixed receipts can be expected :—

	RS.
Sale of sweepings	70
Do. of old materials	20
Do. of avenue clippings	25
Refunds or recoveries	181
Other sundry items	107
Total ..	403

7. The estimate of expenditure as framed by the Commissioners on account of next year is Rs. 22,535 against Rs. 23,674 provided for in the regular estimate for the current year. The expenditure provided for by them in both the above estimates under each major head is compared below :—

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No.	Items.	Expenditure.			
		Regular Estimate for 1880-81.	Estimate for 1881-82.	Increase of Column 3 over Column 2.	Decrease of Column 3 below Column 2.
	1	2	3	4	5
		RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
	New Works—				
1	Communications	4,000	..	..	4,000
2	Buildings. { Dispensary .. RS. 4,833 Dead-house .. 310 Latrine .. 200 }	5,343	7,830	2,487	..
	Repairs—				
3	Communications	463	1,200	737	..
4	Miscellaneous, &c.	268	200	..	68
5	Cost to be paid to Local Funds on account of feeder roads	..	1,163	1,163	..
6	Education	1,479	1,548	69	..
7	Sanitation and Medical Services ..	4,191	3,602	..	589
8	Vaccination	122	135	13	..
9	Death and Birth Registration	122	..	..	122
10	Conservancy	3,513	3,276	..	237
11	Lighting	731	440	..	291
12	Market	20	30	10	..
13	Avenues	250	250	..	..
14	Police charges	1,030	1,080	50	..
15	License Tax	309	333	24	..
16	Establishment	965	978	13	..
17	Contingencies	200	96	..	104
18	Office-rent	84	84	..	..
19	Remuneration to Auditor	100	70	..	30
20	Cost for printing Proceedings	..	120	120	..
21	Miscellaneous	169	100	..	69
22	Tolls	315	..	..	315
	Total ..	23,674	22,535	4,686	5,825

8. The opening balance of, and the estimated receipts during the next official year give a total of Rs. 17,210, while the estimated expenditure is Rs. 22,535, or Rs. 5,325 in excess of the available assets. The deficit is caused by the large amount of outlay required for the construction of the hospital; and, in order to meet it, the Commissioners desire me to apply to Government for a loan of Rs. 5,350, and at the same time to move the Local Fund Board for a further grant of Rs. 4,200 on account of the hospital, as it is utilized by a large number of persons in the taluk residing outside the Municipality. A loan from Government is, however, out of the question, as the Government of India in their Resolution, dated 26th May 1879, No. 747, communicated in G.O., dated 26th June 1879, No. 1202, have announced that, as a rule, loans will no longer be granted from the public treasury to Municipalities and other corporations for the construction of public works and other public purposes, and that in general such bodies must henceforth borrow independently in the money market any money which they may be authorised to raise. If the Local Fund Board agree to give the money asked for, and their proceedings are approved by Government, the deficit above referred to will be reduced to Rs. 1,150, and it will not then be necessary to contract any loan to this extent, as the expenditure to be incurred on the construction of the hospital during the next official year may be conveniently

reduced by that sum, it being provided for in the budget for 1882-83. I am averse to any loan being raised by the Municipality at present, as the money is not very emergently required, and as it would entail further expenditure on the Municipal funds in the shape of interest which may be very high as the loan has to be obtained in the market. The application of the Commissioners for a further grant from Local Funds will be laid before the Local Fund Board for their consideration at their next meeting in the end of this month, and the result reported. I would, therefore, reduce the budget provision under "Buildings" from Rs. 7,830 to Rs. 2,305 for the present.

9. *Grant I.*—The Commissioners provide for an expenditure of Rs. 1,163, being cost of the construction of the feeder road to the Railway station at Chidambaram which branches off from the Natarajapuram road. This road was first constructed by the Local Fund Board, but it was since discovered that it lay within the limits of this Municipality. The Commissioners were, therefore, asked by the Local Fund Board for a reimbursement of this outlay. Hence this provision under Grant No. I. I have little doubt that the Local Fund Board will not press the Municipality for payment of this amount till it is in a position to pay it.

10. The provision made under Grant II, "Education," is Rs. 69 in excess of the regular estimate for the current year. This will be ample.

11. *Grant III—Hospitals and Dispensaries.*—The Commissioners have resolved to effect certain retrenchments in the working charges of the hospital during the next official year, but the Assistant Surgeon in charge strongly protests against their being carried out. The retrenchments proposed are—

	Annual Saving.
	RS.
1. The dispensing with the midwife who now draws Rs. 15 per mensem	180
2. Closing the female ward (for which a rental of Rs. 54 is now paid annually), and placing the female sick along with the male sick in the second apartment of the same building	54
3. Reducing the cost of the diet of the in-patients from Rs. 447 sanctioned for current year to Rs. 350	97

Copies of the Assistant Surgeon's letter to the Commissioners and of their Proceedings thereon are submitted. The midwife is a native caste woman, and the Assistant Surgeon states that she has done good work and her services are appreciated by all classes of people. Under such circumstances, it would be very unadvisable to deprive the people of the benefit of her services, nor is it desirable to carry out the other retrenchments contemplated by the Municipal Commissioners and go back instead of forward. The Local Fund Board, if appealed to, might be willing to increase their contribution rather than see the usefulness of this institution impaired. The provision of Rs. 1,200 made by the Commissioners under "Repairs to Communications" might, I think, be reduced considering the state of their finances without any great detriment arising therefrom. It is Rs. 737 more than the regular estimate for the current year, and Rs. 950 more than the original budget estimate. The necessity for such a large increase is not explained. The maintenance of the trunk road, the metalling of which is expected to be completed by the end of this official year, is the only additional cost which the Municipality would have to incur under this head over and above the ordinary grant, Rs. 250, under this head, and I have little doubt but a provision of Rs. 600 will meet all requirements. The excess (Rs. 600) is thus available for utilization for other purposes, and I would recommend that of this sum Rs. 350 be transferred to Grant III, to render it unnecessary for the Municipality to carry out the three retrenchments above noticed.

12. No allotment has been made by the Commissioners for the registration of births and deaths, as they are of opinion that it can be arranged to have the work done by one of the office clerks, and accordingly they have resolved to dispense with the services of the present Special Registrar. The registration of births and deaths cannot be entrusted to an office clerk as proposed, as it involves out-door work, and would occupy the whole or the greater part of the clerk's time if he discharge his duties properly. Moreover, persons coming to the Registrar's office to report births and deaths would have to wait till the clerk could find time to register the requisite particulars, and this would often put them to much inconvenience. Further, accuracy and completeness in the record of these statistics are of very great importance, and they cannot be attained unless there is a special officer for the work. Under these circumstances, it seems unadvisable to adopt the proposal of the Commissioners. The cost under this head is only Rs. 144, and can be met from the savings pointed out in the preceding paragraph.

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13. The amendments proposed by me may be summed up as follows :—

Items.	As proposed by Commissioners.	As proposed by me.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Buildings	7,830	2,305	..	5,525
Repairs to communications	1,200	600	..	600
Sanitation and Medical Services ..	3,602	3,952	350	..
Registration of Births and Deaths Establishment	..	144	144	..
Total ..	12,632	7,001	494	6,125

14. The provision under "Expenditure" will then be reduced from Rs. 22,535 to Rs. 16,904, which will leave a balance of Rs. 306 at the end of the year.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From S. VENKATASOOBBIAH, Vice-President of the Municipal Commission, Chidambaram, to the President of the Municipal Commissions, South Arcot, dated 22nd January 1881, No. 225.

I have the honor to submit, herewith, the Budget Estimate of Chidambaram Municipality for 1881-82.

2. The opening balance for the current year is taken to be Rs. 765 (*vide* paragraph 2 of your letter, No. 182, dated 9th November last). The receipts according to the regular estimate come up to Rs. 24,484 including the opening balance, while the expenditure on the same calculation amounts to Rs. 23,674, leaving the closing balance of Rs. 810 to commence the next year with.

3. *Rates and Taxes.*—The rates on houses and lands are anticipated to amount to Rs. 7,575 against Rs. 7,968 shown in the regular estimate, which includes arrears of previous years nearly amounting to Rs. 400, which is expected to be collected before the close of the current official year.

4. *Tax on Arts.*—It is anticipated that the receipts under this item will amount to Rs. 2,200, which very nearly tallies with the figure shown in the regular estimate.

5 Tax on vehicles and animals and the registration of carts are expected to yield Rs. 1,048 against Rs. 1,033 shown in the regular estimate.

6. The revenue from tolls is estimated to amount to Rs. 2,300 deducting the usual Local Fund contribution.

7. License Tax is anticipated to yield Rs. 350.

8. The usual contribution from Local Fund Board of Rs. 1,500 for the maintenance of the Dispensary has been entered in the budget.

9. *Rents of Houses and Markets.*—Vegetable and fish markets are anticipated to realise Rs. 450 against Rs. 430 shown in the regular estimate.

10. Credit has also been taken in the budget on account of the following items :—

	RS.
Surplus Pound Fund	60
Magisterial Fees and Fines	100
Demand Notice Fees	100
Fees for temporary erections on occasions of festival ceremonies ..	100
Fees for renumbering carts	2

11. Hospital receipts have been put down at Rs. 25 expected to be realised from the sale of medicine and other property belonging to the hospital.

12. Other miscellaneous receipts are anticipated to amount to Rs. 540 as detailed below :—

	RS.
School fees	120
Sale of sweepings	100
Sale of old materials	20
Sale of avenues	50
Sale of fish	200
Other sundry receipts	50

13. The entire receipts from all sources are thus expected to aggregate to Rs. 16,400.

14. *Expenditure—Grant I—Public Works—New Works—Communications.*—No provision has been made under this item, as the Commissioners have not had sufficient funds at their disposal, they being necessitated to spend a very large sum towards the hospital construction during the next year.

15. Rs. 7,830 under "Buildings" are provided for the completion of the hospital construction in addition to Rs. 5,143 likely to be spent on this account before the close of the current official year, the Local Fund Engineer in charge of the work having requested the Commissioners to allot the balance of the estimate in the next year's budget. The amount of estimate as prepared by him is Rs. 11,100, and the additional amount provided for is intended for the cost of the site and the remuneration to be paid to him for preparation of the plan and estimate and for complete executive superintendence.

16. *Repairs—Communications.*—Rs. 1,200 under this head are intended for the maintenance of the trunk road that is being metalled up and other streets and lanes of the town, and Rs. 200 under "Miscellaneous" are set apart for the repair of a few dust-bins and some of the tunnels which are in bad order.

17. The sum of Rs. 1,163 under the head of "Cost to be paid to Local Fund Board" in this grant is provided for the payment of the cost incurred by that Board in forming the railway feeder road that branches off from the Natarajapuram road (*vide* Resolution, No. 1, of the Proceedings of the Commissioners at their meeting held on the 14th August 1880).

18. No provision has been made under the head of Establishment in this grant, as the Commissioners have deemed it unnecessary to maintain a separate establishment owing to the low finances of the Municipality and resolved to dispense with the services of the Road Superintendent, as the Sanitary Inspector can conveniently look after this man's duties without prejudice to his sanitation work.

19. The total expenditure under Grant I is thus anticipated to amount to Rs. 10,393.

20. *Grant II—Education.*—Rs. 798 under the head of Establishment will be spent as follows :—

Municipal Anglo-Vernacular School.

	RS.	A.	P.	
Head Master	13	0	0	
Three Assistant Masters on 10 rupees each	30	0	0	
One Peon	1	8	0	
Total	44	8	0	per mensem.
	534	0	0	per annum.

Girls' School.

	RS.	A.	P.	
One Master	10	0	0	
One Mistress	10	0	0	
One maid servant	2	0	0	
Total	22	0	0	per mensem,

or Rs. 264 per annum. Rs. 200 under the head of Contingencies are provided to cover the rent of the school-buildings and other contingent expenses including the cost of prize books to be distributed among the lads and girls of the two institutions. Twelve boys of the Anglo-Vernacular School have passed the Upper Primary Examination and nineteen the Lower Primary. Both the schools are working satisfactorily under the able management of Commissioner M.R.Ry. S. Kistnamachariar, B.A.

21. The sum of Rs. 400 is provided for on account of results grants, and Rs. 150 on account of the usual contribution to the Local Fund Board for inspectorate. The total expenditure under this grant is anticipated to amount to Rs. 1,548.

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22. Rs. 7,013 are allotted under Grant III. Rs. 3,602 for Medical Services, Rs. 135 for Vaccination, and Rs. 3,276 for Sanitary purposes. The details of establishment under "Hospital" and "Conservancy" are given in the Statement II-B hereto appended. It is to be observed in connection with this item that the Commissioners have resolved to dispense with the services of the Registrar of Births and Deaths and the midwife attached to the Dispensary, as it is deemed that the duties of the former can be conveniently managed by one of the clerks in the office establishment in addition to his own work, and that the latter's services are resolved to be temporarily dispensed with, as there seems to be no sufficient work for her, the people not appreciating her services much. All the Commissioners except M.R.Ry. Parasurama Naiker, Assistant Surgeon in charge of the Civil Dispensary, in consideration of the low finances of the Municipality have also resolved upon reducing the number of in-patients from ten to five during the next year, and to reduce the salaries of four of the servants of the Dispensary as detailed below.—

	Present Salary, Per Mensem.			Proposed, Salary.		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Waterman	5	0	0	3	0	0
Cook	6	0	0	4	0	0
Female Ward Cooly	4	0	0	3	0	0
Toty	5	0	0	3	8	0

23. The particulars of expenses under Grant IV call for no special remarks, the total cost being Rs. 2,133 as detailed below :—

Lighting charges Rs. 440, Market contingencies Rs. 30, Avenues Rs. 250, Police charges Rs. 1,080, and License Tax Rs. 333. Rs. 30 under "Market Contingencies" are intended for the repair of the vegetable market, a temporary shed of palm leaves, a pucka building not having been constructed owing to want of funds.

24. The total expenditure under Grant V is anticipated to amount to Rs. 1,448.

Rs. 100 under the head of "Miscellaneous" in this grant are intended for the payment of charges to be incurred by this Municipality for the upkeep of the establishment in Government office for checking Local Fund and Municipal accounts, to pay the teerwa for the new burial and cremation ground purchased by the Commissioners, and to cover the cost of certain printed forms required for the office.

25. The total expenditure under all grants, as detailed above, is anticipated to aggregate Rs. 22,538, whereas the receipts from all sources including the balance are expected to amount to Rs. 17,210. This leaving a deficit of Rs. 5,328, the Commissioners have unanimously resolved upon requesting the President to apply to Government for a loan of Rs. 5,350 to be repaid in three instalments.

EXTRACT from the Proceedings of the Municipal Commissioners of Chidambaram at their Meeting held on the 29th January 1881.

Read letter, No. 7, dated 22nd instant, from the Assistant Surgeon in charge of the local Civil Dispensary offering objections on the proposed curtailments in the medical charges during 1881-82.

The Commissioners observe that a reduction was proposed not only in this item but also in several others. They paid a careful attention to the low finances of the Municipality, and, after mature consideration, they were obliged to make all possible reductions, notwithstanding which they have been forced to borrow a large sum. The Assistant Surgeon's suggestion that, as the Commissioners have resolved to borrow a certain sum, an additional amount may be borrowed to maintain his department without a reduction does not seem desirable to them, because they consider it their duty to use all possible economy, and have consequently resolved to dispense the services of the Registrar of Births and Deaths and the Road Superintendent, and to put off to make provision for the following very important works, viz. :—

(1.) Completion of the metalling of the trunk road.
(2.) Repairing the Ilamayakkinar Tank in the centre of the town, for which a respectable resident has already offered to contribute about Rs. 4,000, being a third of the sum needed for its repair, and even now prepared to pay a moiety of the expenditure. This was considered a very good work by the late President, Mr. J. H. Garstin (*vide* his letter, No. 118, 20th October 1876, to the late Vice-President).
(3.) Construction of the vegetable market.
(4.) Construction of tunnels in several places absolutely needed.
(5.) The purchase of rubbish depôt.

The above are works purely relating to the town improvement. The dispensary was opened for in-patients only about a year ago, and not since the introduction of the Municipality.

The charge under this item is very heavy, about 25 per cent. of the Municipal revenue being spent for the maintenance of the dispensary. The Commissioners cannot, therefore, allot for medical charges more than what has been put down in the budget already submitted, in which provision has been made to admit very poor in-patients absolutely requiring help, and which they consider sufficient for the maintenance of such invalid paupers.

As regards the Assistant Surgeon's complaint about the reduction in the pay of the Hospital Establishment amounting to Rs. 78, the Commissioners consider that the sum of Rs. 400 provided in the budget for "Medicines and Supplies" be reduced to Rs. 322, the saving thus effected being spent to cover the salary of the establishment without reduction.

As regards midwife, the Commissioners are still of opinion that her services may be dispensed with for the present, as the services of the female nurse now employed to attend upon in-patients can be conveniently utilized for the purposes pointed out by the Assistant Surgeon in the latter portion of paragraph 5 of his letter.

And, as regards cooking shed, the Commissioners regret to observe that the Assistant Surgeon has committed a mistake totally. They not at all propose a shed for cooking near latrines in the backyard, as they opined that one of the three rooms in the second compartment may be used for cooking purposes.

(Signed) S. VENKATASOOBBIAH,
Vice-President.

From Assistant-Surgeon PARASARAMA NAIKER, in charge of Civil Dispensary, Chidambaram, to the Vice-President of the Municipal Commission, Chedambaram, dated 22nd January 1881, No. 7.

As requested personally, at the budget meeting held on Sunday the 16th instant, to give my opinions and objections in writing on certain medical reduced items, I have the honor to offer the following observations and objections, for communication to the President as suggested, on the proposed curtailments in the medical charges to be incurred during the official year 1881-82.

Sanctioned Expenditure for 1880-81.				Expenditure proposed by me for 1881-82.	Retrenchment resolved upon for 1881-82.
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	RS.
I. Dieting Charges	447	6	11	700	350
II. The Salaries of Establishment ..	236	0	6	240	78
III. House-rent for the female ward ..	54	0	0	54	60
IV. Furniture	..			100	50
V. Midwife	180	0	0	180	180
Total ..	917	7	5	1,174	718

The items noted in the margin regarding which a reduction of expenditure has been decided upon are the following, and the savings which it is proposed to effect thereby amount only to about Rs. 718 as a setoff against a deficit of Rs. 5,350 :—

I. The dieting charges of in-patients.
II. The salaries of certain establishment.
III. Closing the female ward and placing the female sick along with the male sick in the second apartment of the same building.
IV. Constructing a hut in the small compound of the same building for cooking close by the side of two latrines for both male and female sick, and also erecting tatties for both the male and female sick.
V. Dispensing away with the services of the native caste midwife.

1. On frequent representations from time to time of the difficulty and inconvenience arising from the want of a provision to admit for in-door treatment very poor and helpless cases as well as those sent in by the Police and the Magistracy, and at the suggestion of Dr. Cornish, the then Sanitary Commissioner, whose proceedings was communicated by Government for the information and guidance of the Municipality, the Municipal Commissioners, at their meeting held on 31st May 1879, resolved, after mature consideration, to open the institution for in-patients, the second apartment of the building being used for the treatment of the male sick, and the opposite house taken on rent to accommodate the female cases. From the 15th November 1879, the date on which effect was given to this resolution to the close of the past year, the number of in-patients treated and dieted came up to 208. A gradual increase is being daily noted in the number of the necessitous poor thus taken in, that is, that require medical and surgical aid and food; to refuse to admit men in such extremely helpless cases, which, in fact, would be the result of the proposed reductions, will, to a great extent, not only detract from its usefulness, but tend to retard, I fear, the future progressive popularity of the institution. I would, therefore, urge a reconsideration of the subject on the part of the members who have taken actual and personal interest in the working of the dispensary by witnessing its operations, especially as the sum required is a mere trifle when compared with other heavy items of expenditure.

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2. To reduce the salaries of the cook, waterman, nurse, and toty is not desirable, as I find from experience that it is absolutely difficult to get servants, especially for hospital work, which, as the general impression goes, is considered very mean and disagreeable; each one of them has distinct duties to do, and if their duties are to be efficiently well done, the offer of a decent pay as an inducement is unavoidable and indispensable. The welfare and well being of an institution of this kind depend solely upon the efficiency and strength of its servants. The toty who gets Rs. 5 now is to get by the proposed reduction Rs. 3-8-0 per mensem, and the cook, waterman, and nurse would have to work on lower pay than they get now, Rs. 4, 3, 3, respectively. I cannot say whether it would be at all possible to procure the services of proper men for these places, if at all, on such stinted scale of pay. They like it better to be employed as cultivators, railway or road coolies or on daily wages, &c., than to work in hospital.

3. To place the female sick along or by the side of the male patients in the same building is wholly improper, and it is against the views of Medical authorities, who are sure to condemn and visit with their strongest disapproval any steps taken to place them together in a building whose measurement is about thirty-three by twenty-four feet, though the Commissioners that were present on the occasion expressed their opinion that this can be done so without objections and inconvenience.

4. To build a hut for cooking in the same compound where the male and female latrines and two bath-rooms are to be erected is very objectionable, as the compound is very small (about fifty-four by fifty-one feet), and the people, the patients, and the Medical authorities cannot like the arrangement on general and sanitary grounds. In addition to these a portion of the ground is, as the Commissioners are aware, being utilised for conducting *post mortem*.

5. The Municipal Commissioners that were present at a meeting held on the 25th November 1876, finding an urgent necessity there was for the services of a midwife in this large populous town to prevent the mortality of child-birth cases caused by entrusting the lives of females in labor to ignorant classes of country midwives, resolved to send for one from the Lying-in Hospital, Madras, through the President. After her arrival she has attended on several cases of labor, both natural and difficult, and her services are being gradually appreciated by all classes and ranks of people. The female patients that come to the hospital more freely express their feelings and complaints, without shame, bashfulness or hesitation, to her, and, this being communicated to me, their ailments are immediately attended to. To deprive the public in general of this boon will be a great hardship and good loss, which, I think, the President or Government will not allow to pass without being noticed, especially at present, when each dispensary is provided with a midwife to attend to the wants of the people in obstetric cases.

In conclusion, I beg to state that Rs. 718 is not a large sum that should be cared for by the Municipality when the several advantages and benefits accruing from them are taken into consideration. If this sum cannot be procured, at least the Local Fund Board may be moved to allot it annually, as most of the in-patients treated are persons coming from outside the Municipal limits. If this is impracticable this trifling sum I can suggest may be borrowed with the loan from Government which the Municipal Commissioners intend to do for the construction of the hospital buildings.

No. . *From Surgeon-Major M. C. FURNELL, M.D., F.R.C.S., Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated* 23rd *February* 1881, *No.* 248.

Cmml No 479

I have the honor to report, for the information of Government, that a sum of Rs. 3,563 has been set apart by the Chidambaram Municipality for sanitary purposes for the year 1881-82. This gives a percentage of 20·7 on income, and may be accepted as ample for the purposes for which it is intended. The greater portion of the allotment is to be devoted for conservancy, leaving Rs. 153 and Rs. 50 for festival expenses and repairing dust-bins and tunnels, respectively. No provision has been made for drainage and construction of latrines, of which the town would appear to be much in need of.

2. Rs. 135 are allotted for vaccination. The Commissioners employ only one second-class vaccinator on Rs. 10 a-month, and Rs. 15 are set apart for contingencies. The provision appears to me to be insufficient, more especially as vaccination in general, and infantile vaccination in particular, I have found to be backward in Chidambaram.

Exd. J. Wright.

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The PRESIDENT of the
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
Chidambaram,
&c., &c., &c.

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Municipal—Budgets.—Budget Estimate of the Chidambaram Municipality, South Arcot District, for 1881-82, reviewed.

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Extract from the Proceedings of the Local Fund Board South Arcot Circle passed at a meeting held at Tirukoilur on the 28th February 1881.

Present

A. Cruickshank Esquire, President
Surgeon-Major C. Robertson M.D. Zillah Surgeon.
A. M. Jones Esquire, Dy. Collector on General Duties.
W. G. Mackenzie Esquire.
M. R. Ry. A. Venkoba Row Avergal Tahsildar of Tirukoilur
" Varadachariar Avergal, Assistant Dy. Inspector of Schools.
" Govinda Row Avergal
" Krishna Row "
" Potti Naidu "
" Ramasawmi Udayar "
" Streenivasa Iyengar "
" Guzuffer Hussain Sahib.

19. Read letter from the Vice-President

Municipal Commission, Chidambaram, dated 26th Ultimo No 228 requesting the President to move the Local Fund Board to contribute a moiety of the amount required for building a hospital at Chidambaram.

Resolved that half the cost of constructing the hospital be given to the Municipality.

A Cruickshank
President.

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President's Office
Cuddalore
23rd February 1881

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From

A Cruickshank Esquire,
President of South Arcot
Municipalities.

To

The Honorable R. Davidson C.S.I.
Chief Secretary to Government
Madras

Sir

I have the honor to forward herewith the Budget Estimate of the Chidambaram Municipality for 1881-82 together with Copy of the Vice President's letter dated 22nd January 1881 No 225 submitting it.

2. The Regular Estimate for the current official year as made out by the Commissioners is, under "Receipts," Rs 23719 against the Budget Estimate Rs 24,660, and

under "Expenditure" Rs 23,674 against the Budget estimate, Rs 26,060.

3. The opening balance adopted for the Regular estimate for the current official year is the sum of Rs 765 arrived at by the calculation explained in the concluding part of para 3 of my letter No. 185 dated 8th November last, reporting on the working of the Municipality during the past official year. This sum added to Rs 23719, the estimated receipts during the year 1880–81 according to the Regular estimate, gives a total of Rs 24,484. Deducting therefrom the expenditure of Rs 23674, the anticipated closing balance of the current official year is Rs 810, and this sum has been adopted as the opening balance of the Ensuing year 1881–82 for the purposes of

of the present Budget estimate.

4. The receipts for the ensuing year are estimated by the Commissioners to amount to Rs 16400 against Rs 23719, the Regular estimate for the current year showing a decrease of Rs 7319. The decrease is chiefly due to credit having been taken in the Budget of the current year for certain contributions from other funds, particularized in the margin, which do not recur in the estimate for the Ensuing year.

1. By the Local Fund Board for the Construction of a Hospital building	2000
2. Do. Do. for a deadhouse	310
3. Funded Capital Consisting of subscriptions originally raised for the Construction of the Hospital	4000
	6310

5. The following statement exhibits the Collections expected to be made by the Commissioners during the Ensuing year under the several major heads of receipt as Compared

with the amounts under these heads in the regular estimate for the Current year.

Items	Receipts			
	Regular estimate for 1880-81	Estimate for 1881-82	Increase of Column 3 over 2	Decrease of Column 3 below Column 2
1	2	3	4	5
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
Rates on Houses and Lands	7968	7575	"	393
Taxes on Arts &c	2170	2200	30	"
Taxes and Tolls on vehicles and animals	3473	3398	"	75
Imperial License Tax and penalties	325	350	25	"
Surplus Pound Fund	53	60	7	"
Contribution from other Funds.				
(a) on account of Hospital	1500	1500	"	"
(b) " of Public Works	2310	"	"	2310
Fees and fines (Magisterial)	292	302	10	"
Rent on houses, markets &c	430	450	20	"
Hospital (Funded Capital with interest)	4255	25	"	4230
Miscellaneous	943	540	"	403
Total	23719	16400	92	7411

6. No explanation of the variations is given in the statement received from the Vice President,

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but the only variation calling for any special remark is the decrease of Rs 403 under "Miscellaneous". The decrease however occurs in the following minor heads from which no fixed receipts can be expected

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Sale of sweepings	Rs 70
" of old material	" 20
" of avenue clippings	" 25
Refunds or recoveries	" 181
Other sundry items	" 107
	403

7. The estimate of Expenditure as framed by the Commissioners on account of next year is Rs 22535 against Rs 23,674 provided for in the Regular Estimate for the Current year. The expenditure provided for by them in both the above estimates under each major head is compared below.

No.	Items	Expenditure			
		Regular estimate for 1880-81	Estimate for 1881-82	Increase of Column 3 over Col. 2	Decrease of Column 3 below Column 2
	1	2	3	4	5
		R	R	R	R
	New Works				
1	Communications	4,000	„	„	4,000
2	Buildings Dispensary 4833 Dead house 310 Latrine 200	5343	7830	2487	„
	Repair				
3	Communications	463	1200	737	„
4	Miscellaneous &c.	268	200	„	68
5	Cost to be paid to Local Funds on account of feeder roads	„	1163	1163	„
6	Education	1479	1548	69	„
7	Sanitation and Medical services	4191	3602	„	589
8	Vaccination	122	135	13	„
9	Death and Birth Registration	122	„	„	122
10	Conservancy	3513	3276	„	237
11	Lighting	731	440	„	291
12	Market	20	30	10	„
13	Avenues	250	250	„	„
14	Police charges	1030	1080	50	„
15	License Tax	309	333	24	„
16	Establishment	965	978	13	„
17	Contingencies	200	96	„	104
18	Office rent	84	84	„	„
19	Remuneration to auditor	100	70	„	30
20	Cost for printing proceedings	„	120	120	„
21	Miscellaneous	169	100	„	69
22	Tolls	315	„	„	315
	Total	23674	22535	4686	5325

8 The opening balance, and the estimated receipts during the next official year give a total of Rs 17210, while the estimated expenditure is Rs 22535 or Rs 5325 in excess of the available assets. The deficit is caused by the large amount of outlay required for the construction of the Hospital; and in order to meet it, the Commissioners desire me to apply to Government for a loan of Rs 5350, and at the same time to move the Local Fund Board for a further grant of Rs 4200 on account of the Hospital, as it is utilized by a large number of persons in the taluq residing outside the Municipality. A loan from Government is however out of the question as the Government of India in their Resolution dated

26th May 1879 No 747 Communicated in G. O. dated 26th June 1879 No 1202, have announced that, as a rule, loans will no longer be granted from the Public Treasury to Municipalities and other Corporations for the Construction of Public Works and other public purposes, and that in general such Bodies must henceforth borrow independently in the money market any money which they may be authorized to raise. If the Local Fund Board agrees to give the money asked for, and their proceedings are approved by Government, the deficit above referred to will be reduced, to Rs 1150, and it will not then be necessary to Contract any loan to this extent, as the expenditure to be incurred on the Construction of the Hospital

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during the next official year may be conveniently reduced by that sum, it being provided for in the Budget for 1882-83. I am averse to any loan being raised by the Municipality at present as the money is not very urgently required and as it would entail further expenditure on the Municipal funds in the shape of interest which may be very high as the loan has to be obtained in the market. The application of the Commissioners for a further grant from Local Funds will be laid before the Local Fund Board for their Consideration at their next meeting in the end of this month and the result reported. I would therefore reduce the Budget provision under "Buildings" from Rs 7830 to Rs 2305 for the present.

9. Grant I. The Commissioners

provide for an expenditure of Rs 1163, being Cost of the Construction of the feeder road to the Railway station at Chidambaram which branches off from the Nataraj[illegible]puram road. This road was first constructed by the Local Fund Board but it was since discovered that it lay within the limits of this Municipality. The Commissioners were therefore asked by the Local Fund Board for a reimbursement of this outlay. Hence this provision under Grant No. I. I have little doubt that the Local Fund Board will not press the Municipality for payment of this amount till it is in a position to pay it.

10. The provision made under Grant II "Education" is Rs 69 in excess of the Regular estimate for the Current year. This will be available.

11. Grant III. Hospitals and dispensaries. The Commissioners have resolved to effect certain retrenchments in the working charges of the Hospital during the next official year, but the Assistant Surgeon in charge strongly protests against their being carried out. The retrenchments proposed are:—

	Annual Saving Rs
1. The dispensing with the midwife who now draws Rs 15 per mensem—	180
2. Closing the female ward (for which a rental of Rs 54 is now paid annually), and placing the female sick along with the male sick in the 2nd apartment of the same building—	54
3. Reducing the cost of the diet of the inpatients from Rs 447 sanctioned for current year to Rs 350—	97

Copies of the Assistant Surgeon's letter to the Commissioners and of their Proceedings thereon are submitted. The midwife is a native Caste woman, and the Assistant Surgeon states that she has done good work and her services are appreciated by all classes of people. Under such circumstances it would be very unadvisable to deprive the people of the benefit of her services, nor is it desirable to carry out the other retrenchments contemplated by the Municipal Commissioners and go back instead of forward. The Local Fund Board, if appealed to, might be willing to increase their contribution rather than see the usefulness of this institution impaired. The provision of Rupees 1200 made by the Commissioners under "Repairs to Communications" might, I think, be reduced considering the state of their finances without any great detriment arising therefrom.

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It is ~~any~~ Rs 737 more than the Regular estimate for the Current year, and Rs 950 more than the original Budget estimate. The necessity for such a large increase is not explained. The maintenance of the trunk road, the metalling of which is expected to be completed by the end of this official year, is the only additional Cost which the Municipality would have to incur under this head over and above the ordinary grant Rs 250 under this head, and I have little doubt but a provision of Rs 600 will meet all requirements. The excess (Rs 600) is thus available for utilization for other purposes, and I would recommend that of this sum

Rs 350 be transferred to Grant III, to render it unnecessary for the Municipality to carry out the 3 retrenchments above noticed.

12. No allotment has been made by the Commissioners for the registration of Births and Deaths as they are of opinion that it can be arranged to have the work done by one of the office clerks, and accordingly they have resolved to dispense with the services of the present special Registrar. The Registration of Births and Deaths cannot be entrusted to an office clerk as proposed as it involves out-door work, and would occupy the whole or the greater part of the clerk's time if he discharge his duties properly. Moreover persons coming to the Registrar's office to report Births and Deaths would have

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to wait till the clerk could find time to register the requisite particulars, and this would often put them to much inconvenience. Further, accuracy and completeness in the record of these statistics are of very great importance and they cannot be attained unless there is a special officer for the work. Under these circumstances it seems unadvisable to adopt the proposal of the Commissioners. The cost under this head is only Rs 144 and can be met from the savings pointed out in the preceding paragraph.

13. The amendments proposed by me may be summed up as follows

Item	As proposed by Commissioners Rs	As proposed by me Rs	Increase Rs	Decrease Rs
Buildings	7830	2305	"	5525
Repairs to Communications	1200	600	"	600
Sanitation and medical services	3602	3952	350	"
Registration of Births and Deaths establishment	"	144	144	"
	12632	7001	494	6125

14. The provision under "Expenditure" will then be reduced from Rs 22535 to Rs 16904 which will leave a balance of Rs 306 at the end of the year.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

A. Cruickshank

President

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The President of
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The Chief Secretary
to Government
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Forwarding the Budget Estimate of the Chidambaram Municipality for 1881–82 together with copy of the Vice-President's letter.

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22nd January 1881.

From
The Vice President
Municipal Commission
Chidambaram

To
The President of
South Arcot Municipalities

Sir,

I have the honor to submit herewith the Budget Estimate of Chidambaram Municipality for 1881-82.

2. The opening balance for the current year is taken to be Rs 765-.. (vide para 2 of your letter no. 182 dated 9th November last). The receipts according to the Regular Estimate come up to Rs 24,484 including the opening balance, while the expenditure on the same calculation amounts to Rs 23674 leaving the closing balance of Rs 810 to commence the next year with.

3. Rates & Taxes. The rates on Houses and Lands are anticipated to amount to Rs 7575 - - against Rs 7968 - - shown in the Regular Estimate, which includes arrears of previous years nearly amounting to Rs 400 which is expected to be collected before the close of the current official year.

4. Tax on Arts. It is anticipated that the Receipts under this Item will amount to Rs 2200 which very nearly tallies with the figure shown in the Regular Estimate.

5. Tax on Vehicles and Animals and the Registration of carts are expected to yield Rs 1048 against Rs 1033 shown in the Regular Estimate.

6. The Revenue from Tolls is estimated to amount to Rs 2300 deducting the usual Local Fund Contribution.

7. License Tax is anticipated to yield Rs 350.

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8. The usual contribution from Local Fund Board, of Rs 1500 for the maintenance of the dispensary has been entered in the Budget.

9. Rents of Houses and markets. Vegetable and fish markets are anticipated to realize Rs 450 against Rs 430 shown in the Regular Estimate.

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10. Credit has also been taken in the Budget on account of the following items.

Surplus Pound Fund	Rs 60
Magisterial fees & fines	Rs 100
Demand Notice fees	Rs 100
Fees for temporary erections on occasions of festivals ceremonies	Rs 600
Fees for renumbering carts	Rs 2 -

11. Hospital Receipts have been put down at Rs 25 expected to be realized from the sale of medicine and other property belonging to the Hospital.

12. Other miscellaneous receipts are anticipated to amount to Rs 540

Rs540 as detailed below.

School fees	Rs20
Sale of sweepings	Rs100
Sale of old materials	Rs20
Sale of avenues	Rs50
Sale of fish	Rs200
Other sundry receipts	Rs50

13. The entire receipts from all sources are thus expected to aggregate to Rs16400 - - ..

14. Expenditure. Grant I.

Public Works - New Works. "Communications".

No provision has been made under this item, as the Commissioners have not had sufficient funds at their disposal, they being necessitated to spend a very large sum towards the Hospital construction during the next year.

15. Rs7830 under "Buildings" are provided for the completion of the Hospital construction in addition to Rs5143 likely to be spent on this account before the close

close of the current official year, the Local Fund Engineer in charge of the work having requested the Commissioners to allot the balance of the estimate in the next year's Budget. The amount of Estimate as prepared by him is Rs 11,100 and the additional amount provided for, is intended for the cost of the site and the remuneration to be paid to him, for preparation of the Plan and Estimate and for complete executive superintendence

16. "Repairs" "Communications." Rs1200 under this head are intended for the maintenance of the Trunk Road that is being metalled up and other streets and lanes of the Town and Rs 200 under "Miscellaneous" are set apart for the repair of a few Dust bins and some of the Tunnels

which are in bad order.

17. The sum of Rs 1163 under the head of "cost to be paid to Local Fund Board" in this Grant, is provided for the payment of the cost incurred by that Board in forming the Railway feeder Road that branches off from the Natarajapuram Road. (Vide Resolution No. 1 of the Proceedings of the Commissioners at their meeting held on the 14th August 1880.)

18. No provision has been made under the head of Establishment in this Grant as the Commissioners have deemed it unnecessary to maintain a separate establishment owing to the low finances of the Municipality and resolved to dispense with the services of the Road Superintendent

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Superintendent, as the Sanitary Inspector can conveniently look after this man's duties without prejudice to his sanitation works.

19. The total expenditure under Grant I is thus anticipated to amount to Rs 10393.

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20. Grant II. Education

Rs 798 under the head of Establishment will be spent as follows.

Municipal Anglo Vernacular School.

Head Master Rs 13 – –
3 Assistant masters on 10 Rs each } 30 – –
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or Rs 44 8 – per mensem or Rupees 534 – – per annum.

Girl School
1 Master Rs 10 –
1 Mistress Rs 10 –
1 maid servant Rs 2 –
Total Rs 22 – – per mensem or Rs 264 per annum.

Rs 200 under the head of Contingencies are provided to cover the rent of the school buildings and other contingent expenses including the cost of prize books to be distributed among the lads and girls of the two institutions. 12 boys of the Anglo Vernacular School have passed the Upper primary examination and 19 the lower primary. Both the schools are working satisfactorily under the able management of Commissioner M.R.Ry S. Kistnamachariar B.A.

21. The sum of Rs 400 is provided for on account of Result's Grants and Rs 150 on account of the usual contribution to the Local Fund Board for inspectorate. The total expenditure under this grant is anticipated to amount to Rs 1548-

22. Rs 7013 are allotted under Grant III.

Rs 3602 for medical services, Rs 135 for vaccination and Rs 3276 for sanitary purposes. The details of Establishment under "Hospital"
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and "Conservancy" are given in the statement II B hereto appended. It is to be observed in connection with this Item that the Commissioners have resolved to dispense with the services of the Registrar of Births and Deaths and the midwife attached to the Dispensary, as it is deemed that the duties of the former can be conveniently managed by one of the clerks in the office Establishment in addition to his own work and that the latter's services are resolved to be temporarily dispensed with, as there seems to be no sufficient work for her, the people not appreciating her services much. All the Commissioners except M.R.Ry
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M. Parasurama Naiker, Assistant Surgeon in charge of the Civil Dispensary, in consideration of the low finances of the Municipality have also resolved upon reducing the number of inpatients from 10 to 5 during the next year and to reduce the salaries of 4 of the servants of the Dispensary as detailed below.

	Present salary per mensem	Proposed salary
Waterman	Rs 5 — - —	Rs 3 — -
Cook	Rs 6 — - —	4 — -
Female ward Cooly	Rs 4 — - —	3 — -
Totty	Rs 5 — - —	3 — 8 —

23. The particulars of expenses under Grant IV call for no special remarks; the total cost being Rs 2133 as detailed below.

Lighting charges Rs 440, Market Contingencies Rs 30, Avenues Rs 250, Police charges Rs 1080 and License Tax Rs 333. Rs 30 under "Market contingencies" are intended for the repair of the vegetable market, a temporary shed of palm leaves, a pucka building not having been constructed owing to want of funds.

24. The total expenditure under Grant V is anticipated to amount to Rs 1448.

Rs 100 under the Head of "Miscellaneous" in this Grant are intended for the payment of charges to be incurred by this Municipality for the upkeep of the establishment in Government office for checking Local Fund and Municipal Accounts, to pay the teerwa for the new burial and cremation ground, purchased by the Commissioners and to cover the cost of certain printed forms required for the office.

25. The total expenditure under all grants as detailed above is anticipated to aggregate to Rs 22538 whereas the receipts from all sources including the balance are expected to amount to Rs 17210. This leaving a deficit of Rs 5328 the Commissioners have unanimously resolved upon requesting the President to apply to Government for a loan of Rs 5350 to be repaid in 3 instalments.

I have &c
(signed) S. Vencatasoobiah
Vice President

(True Copy)

President

Extract from the Proceedings of the Municipal Commissioners of Chidambaram at their meeting held on the 29th January 1881

Read letter No. 7 dated 22d Instant from the Assistant Surgeon in charge of the local Civil Dispensary offering objections on the proposed curtailments in the Medical Charges during 1881 – 82

The Commissioners observe that a reduction was proposed not only in this item but also in several others. They paid a careful attention to the low finances of the Municipality and after mature consideration they were obliged to make all possible reductions; notwithstanding which they have been forced to borrow a large sum. The Assistant Surgeon's suggestion that, as the Commissioners have resolved to borrow a certain sum, an additional amount may be borrowed to maintain his department without a reduction, does not seem desirable to them, because they consider it their duty to use all possible economy and have consequently resolved to dispence the services of the Registrar of Births and Deaths and the Road Superintendent and to put off to make provision for the following very important works, viz.

(1) Completion of the metalling of the Trunk Road
(2) Repairing the Ilamayakkinar Tank in the centre of

the Town for which a respectable resident as already offered to contribute about Rs 4000 being a third of the sum needed for its repair and even now prepared to pay a moiety of the expenditure. This was considered a very good work by the late President Mr J. H. Garstin (Vide his letter No. 118 dated 20 October 1876 to the late Vice President)

(3) Construction of the Vegetable Market

(4) Construction of Tunnels in Several places absolutely needed.

(5) The purchase of rubbish Depôt.

The above are works purely relating to the Town Improvement. The Dispensary was opened for inpatients only about a year ago and not since the introduction of the Municipality. The charge under this item is very heavy about 25 per cent of the Municipal Revenue being spent for the maintenance of the Dispensary. The Commissioners, cannot, therefore, allot for Medical charges more than what has been put down in the Budget already Submitted, in which provision has been made to admit very poor inpatients absolutely requiring help and which they consider sufficient for the maintenance of such invalid paupers.

As regards the Assistant Surgeon's Complaint about the reduction in the pay of the Hospital Establishment amounting to Rs 78, the Commissioners consider that the Sum of Rs 400 provided in the Budget for "Medicines and Supplies" be reduced to Rs 322, the saving thus effected being spent to cover the salary of the Establishment without reduction.

As regards midwife, the Commissioners are still of opinion that her services may be dispensed with for the present, as the services of the female nurse now employed

to attend upon inpatients, can be conveniently utilized for the purposes pointed out by the Assistant Surgeon in the latter portion of para 5 of his letter.

And as regards cooking shed, the Commissioners regret to observe that the Assistant Surgeon has committed a mistake totally. They not at all propose a shed for cooking near latrines in the backyard, as they opined that one of the 3 rooms in the 2nd Compartment may be used for cooking purposes.

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(Signed) S. VenkataSoobbiah
Vice President

(True Copy)

President

In a letter from the President of South Arcot Municipalities to the Chief Secretary to Government dated 23rd February 1881 No.

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Civil Dispensary
Chidambaram

No. 7. 22nd January 1881.

To

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The Vice-President
Municipal Commission
Chidambaram

Sir,

As requested personally at the budget meeting held on Sunday the 16th Instant to give my opinions and objections in writing on certain medical reduced items, I have the honor to offer the following observations and objections, for communication to the President as suggested, on the proposed curtailments in the Medical Charges to be incurred during the official year 1881-82.

The items listed in the margin regarding which a reduction of expenditure has been decided upon are the following and the savings which it is proposed to effect thereby amount only to about Rs 718, as a set-off against a deficit of Rs 5350

	Sanctioned expenditure for 1880–81	Expenditure proposed to be incurred for 1881–82	Retrenchment for 1881–82
	Rs. A. P.		
I. Dieting charges	1147-6-11	700 - -	350 - -
II. The salaries of establishments	236 - 4 -	210 - -	78 - -
III. House rent for the female wards	54 - -	54 - -	60 - -
IV. Furniture	- - -	100 - -	50 - -
V. Midwife	180 - -	180 - -	180 - -
Total	917-7-5	1174 - -	718 - -

I. The dieting charges of in-patients.

II. The salaries of certain establishments.

III. Closing the female ward and placing the female sick along with the male sick in the 2nd apartment of the same building.

IV. Constructing a hut in the small compound of the same building for cooking close by the side of two latrines for both male and female sick and also

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also erecting tatties for the bath of the male and female sick.

V. Dispensing away with the services of the Native Caste Midwife.

1. On frequent representations from time to time of the difficulty and inconvenience arising from the want of a provision to admit for in-door treatment very poor and helpless cases as well as those sent in by the Police and the Magistracy and at the suggestion of Dr. Cornish, the then Sanitary Commissioner, whose proceedings was communicated by Government for the information and guidance of the Municipality, the Municipal Commissioners at their meeting held on 31st May 1879 resolved, after mature consideration, to open the institution for in-patients, the 2nd apartment of the building being used for the treatment of the male sick and the opposite house taken on rent to accommodate the female cases. From the 15th November 1879, the date on which effect was given to this resolution to the close of the past year, the number of in-patients treated and dieted came up to 208. A gradual increase is being daily noted in the number of the necessitous poor thus taken in, that is that require medical and surgical aid and food; to refuse to admit men such extremely helpless cases, which, in fact, would be the result of the

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proposed reductions will to a great extent not only detract from its usefulness but tend to retard, if no, the future progressive popularity of the institution. I would, therefore, urge a reconsideration of the subject on the part of the members who have taken actual and personal interest in the working of the Dispensary by witnessing its operations, especially as the sum required is a mere trifle when compared with other heavy items of expenditure.

2. To reduce the salaries of the cook, waterman, nurse and boy, is not desirable, as I find from experience that it is absolutely difficult to get servants especially for

hospital work, which as the general impression goes, is considered very mean and disagreeable; each one of them has distinct duties to do, and if their duties are to be efficiently well-done, the offer of a decent pay as an inducement is unavoidable and indispensable. The welfare and well-being of an institution of this kind depend solely upon the efficiency and strength of its servants. The Aya who gets Rs 5 now is to get by the proposed reduction Rs 3-8-0 per mensem and the cook, waterman and nurse would have to work on lower pay than they get now,— Rs 4, 3, 3 respectively.

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I cannot say whether it would be at all possible to procure the services of proper men for these places, if at all, on such stinted scale of pay. They like it better to be employed as cultivators, railway or road coolies or on daily wages &c. than to work in hospital.

3. To place the female sick along or by the side of the male patients in the same building is wholly improper and it is against the views of medical authorities, who are sure to condemn and visit with their strong disapproval any steps taken to place them together in a building whose measurement is about 33 by 24 feet, though the Commissioners that were present on the occasion expressed their opinion

that this can be done so without objections and inconvenience.

4. To build a hut for cooking in the same compound where the male and female latrines and two bath rooms are to be erected is very objectionable as the compound is very small (about 54 by 51 feet) and the people, the patients and the medical authorities cannot like the arrangement on general and sanitary grounds. In addition to these a portion of the ground is, as the Commissioners are aware, being utilized for conducting post-mortem

5. The Municipal Commissioners that were present at a meeting held on the 25th November 1876, finding

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an urgent necessity there was for the services of a midwife in this large populous town to prevent the mortality of child-birth cases caused by entrusting the lives of females in labor to ignorant classes of country mid-wives, resolved to send for one from the lying-in-hospital, Madras, through the President. After her arrival she has attended on several cases of labor, both natural and difficult, and her services are being gradually appreciated by all classes and ranks of people. The female patients that come to the hospital more freely express their feelings and complaints, without shame, bashfulness or hesitation, to her and this being Communicated to me, their ailments are immediately attended to. To deprive the public in general of this boon will be a great hardship and good loss which I think the President or Government will not allow to pass without being noticed, especially at present, when each dispensary is provided with a mid-wife to attend to the wants of the people in obstetric cases.

In Conclusion I beg to state that Rs 718 - - is not a large sum that should be cared for by the Municipality when the several advantages and benefits accruing from them are taken into consideration. If this sum can not not be procured; at least the Local Fund Board may be moved to allot it annually as most of the in-patients treated are persons coming from out-side the Municipal limits. If this is impracticable this trifling sum I can suggest may be borrowed with the loan from Government which the Municipal Commissioners intend to do for the Construction of the Hospital buildings.

I have &c.

(Signed). Parasurama Naicker

Assistant Surgeon.

(True Copy)

A Cruickshank

President.

In a letter from the President of South Arcot Municipalities to the Chief Secretary to Government dated 23 February 1881 No.

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Office of Sanitary Commissioner
Madras 23d February 1881

No 248.

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From

The Sanitary Commissioner
for Madras

To

The Chief Secretary to Government
Public Department
Fort St. George

Sir

I have the honor to report for the information of Government that a sum of Rs. 3563 has been set apart by the Chidambaram Municipality for Sanitary purposes for the year 1881/82. This gives a percentage of 20.7 on income, and may be accepted as ample for the purposes for which it is intended. The greater portion of the allotment is to be devoted for Conservancy, leaving Rs 153 and 50 for festival expenses and repairing dust bins and tunnels respectively. No provision has been made for drainage and Construction of latrines of which the town would appear to be much in need of.

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Rs. 135 are allotted for Vaccination.

the Commissioners employ only one 2nd Class Vaccinator on Rs. 10 a month and Rs. 15 are set apart for contingencies. The provision appears to me to be insufficient more especially as vaccination in general and infantile vaccination in particular I have found to be backward in Chidambaram.

I have the honor to be
Sir
your most obt Servant
M. C. Furnell M.D. F.R.C.S.
Sanitary Commissioner for Madras

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Finl. (1881) Dept.
(Munl. – Sanitary)

From.

The Sanitary Commissioner
Madras

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To

The Chief Secretary to
Government
Public Department
Fort Saint George

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Dated 23d }
Despd 24 } February 1881
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No. 248.

No. 479

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Subject

Remarking on the Budget Estimate
of the Chidambaram Munici-
pality for the year 1881/82.

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In a letter from the President of South Arcot Municipalities to the Chief Secretary to Government dated 23rd February 1881 &c.

G O (Fin'l) 792/81.

In Encl. 4 88/81

Statement No I. Revenues and Receipts of the Municipal funds of the Town of Kurnool for the Official Year 1881-82.

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Items	1881-82 Detail of minor heads	1881-82 Total of major heads	Probable actual receipt of the major heads of the year 1880-81
Balance			
1. a. Municipal funds	.. ..	.. ..	183 .. ..
b. Endowments	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
2. Assignments and allotments by Government			
a Surplus pound fund	20		6 .. ..
b. Ferry Rents	.. ..		.. ..
c Fishery	.. ..		.. ..
Total		20	
3. Rates and Taxes			
a Rates on houses &c under Sec 40	6000		5968 .. ..
b. Tax on Arts under Sec 57	3200		3049 .. ..
c. Do on Vehicles &c under Sec 63	1300		1320 .. ..
d Registration of Carts Sec 73	880		440 .. ..
e. Tolls under Sec 77 Exclusive of 1/4 Contribution to L. F. B	6000		5574 .. ..
f. Fees under Sec 106-123-125 131 and 136	300		310 .. ..
g. Magisterial fees & fines	150		180 .. ..
Total		17,830	
4. Fees in Schools and training Institutions	.. ..	..	.. ..
5. Madras Imperial Licence tax	3000	3000	2945 .. ..
6. Endowments & Sundry Contributions and donations	.. ..	.. ..	.. ..
a Dispensary	130		130 .. ..
b Education	.. ..		.. ..
c. Miscellaneous	.. ..	130	.. ..
Carried over		20,980	20,105 .. ..

Statement No I Continued

Items	1881-82 Detail of minor heads	1881-82 Detail of major heads	Probable receipts of major heads of the year 1880-81
Brought forward		20,980 ..	20,105 ..
7. Contribution from Local Funds—			
a. Public Works			
1 Communications—	75 ..		75 ..
2. School buildings—	.. ..		.. ..
b. Miscellaneous			
1. Hospital	2000 ..		2830 ..
2. Lying-in-hospital	90 ..		70 ..
Total		2165 ..	
8. Miscellaneous			
a. Rent of Municipal Market	.. ..		
b. Rent fees on Slaughterhouse	.. ..		.. ..
c. Sale of Sweepings & Refuse	1000 ..		1690 ..
d. Private Scavenging—	1000 ..		.. ..
Sale of Materials, Tools &c—	.. ..		22 ..
e. Sale of Avenues—	20 ..		20 ..
f. Traveller's Bungalow	100 ..		108 ..
Loan from Dispensary Capital	.. ..		.. ..
		2120 ..	
Grand Total		25,265 ..	24,920 ..

President

Note to Statement No I

1. House and land taxes are levied at 4 per Cent
2. Tax on Arts.

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3. Tax on Vehicles are levied at the rate mentioned in Schedule C. Section 64 of the Act.
4. Carts are registered at 4 Rs per year.
5. Tolls are levied at the following rates.

On every four-wheeled Carriage on springs	8
Do two Do do do	4
Jutka or hackney on springs or Carts drawn by men, bullocks, buffaloes, horses, ponies Asses or Mules laden	4
Do Do Do not laden	2
Buffaloe or bullock laden	1
Horse laden or ridden	2
Do not laden or ridden	1
Pony or Ass laden or ridden	1
Elephant	1
Camel	4

Licence fees on offensive trade are at the rates sanctioned by Government

Statement No I a.

Endowments Intrusted to the Municipal Commissioners Sec 15 & 16 for the Official Year 1881-82

Name of Institution	Amount of funded Capital	Balance	Interest on proceeds of Capital	Appropriation from Capital for expenditure	Contribution & donation of all kinds	Sale of medicines and sundry property	Total Cols 3 to 7	Current Charges Statement 2 & 3.	Allotment for public works statement	Total Charges	Balance	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Civil Dispensary	5750	„	130	„	2090	„	2220	3180	50	3230	-1010	

Statement II. Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Kurnool for the official year 1881-82

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Items	1881-82 Detail of Minor heads	1881-82 Total of Major heads	Probable expenditure of Major heads of 1880-81
Grant I. Public Works			
1. New Works			
a Communications	„ „		„ „
b Buildings	„ „		„ „
c Sanitary & Miscellaneous	„ „		„ „
2. Repairs			
a Communications	460		740
b Buildings	50		2
c Sanitary & Miscellaneous	100		14
3. Establishment	„ „		„ „
4. Tools, plant & Contingencies	„ „		„ „
5. Contribution to L. F. Board	„ „		„ „
Total		610	
Grant II. Education			
1 Training School	„ „		„ „
a Establishment	„ „		„ „
b Contingencies	„ „		„ „
2 Municipal Schools	„ „		„ „
a Establishment	„ „		„ „
b Contingencies	„ „		„ „
3 Salary grants under Combined System	60		60
4 Results grants	450		449
5 Contribution to L. F. Board for Educational Inspection	20		20
6 Miscellaneous	„ „		„ „
Total		530	
Grant III			
Sanitation & Medical Services			
1. Hospital & Dispensaries	„ „		„ „
a Establishment	1428		1395
b Medicines & Supplies	500		944
	1928	1140	3674

Statement C II (Continued)

Items	1881—82 Detail of minor heads	1881—82 Total of major heads	Probable expenditure of major heads of 1880-81
Brought forward	1928	1140	3674 .. ..
Grant III Continued			
c. Diet of patients	1000		1712 .. ..
d. Sundries & Contingencies	72		189 .. ..
2. Lying-in hospital			
a Establishment	180		141 .. ..
b. Contingencies	.. .. ..		.. .. ..
c Lunatic Charges	20		50 .. ..
3 Contribution to Medl College	120		160 .. ..
4 Vaccination			
a. Establishment	168		} 180 .. ..
b. Contingencies	12		
5 Registration of Births & Deaths			
a Establishment	156		} 156 .. ..
b Contingencies	4		
6 Conservancy			
a Establishment	3576		3500 .. ..
b Sanitary Service, Cost of Conservancy Carts &c	1896		1800 .. ..
c Cleansing of Tanks, wells &c	78		238 .. ..
d. Contingencies	50		66 .. ..
7 Charges on Account of private Scavengering	1000		.. .. ..
Total		10,260	
Grant IV Miscellaneous Deptl purposes			
1 Lighting			
a Establishment	72		} 260 .. ..
b Contingencies	248		
2 Markets			
a Establishment	.. .. ..		.. .. ..
b Contingencies	.. .. ..		.. .. ..
	320	11,400	12,126 .. ..

Grant IV Continued

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Items	1881—82 Detail of minor heads	1881—82 Total of major heads	Probable expenditure of major heads of 1880-81
Brought forward	320	11,400	12,126 .. ..
3. Traveller's bungalow			
a Establishment	96		} 104 .. ..
b Contingencies	14		
4. Contribution for Town Police	4200		4112 .. ..
5. License tax	2790		2739 .. ..
6. Avenues & watering roads	120		139 .. ..
7. Madras I. C. & Co's water supply	3,500		4000 .. ..
Total		11,040	
Grant V Supervision & management			
1 Office	.. .. ..		.. .. ..
a Establishment	1404		1316 .. ..
b Contingencies	146		354 .. ..
2 Miscellaneous			
a Auditor's fee	50		50 .. ..
b Toll establishment	.. .. ..		.. .. ..
c Refund of taxes	.. .. ..		.. .. ..
Advances recoverable	.. .. ..		.. .. ..
Refunds of other than Current taxes	.. .. ..		.. .. ..
Repayment of dispensary loan	.. .. ..		.. .. ..
Total		1600	
Grand total expenditure	.. .. ..	24,040	24,920 .. ..
Budget Closing balance		1225	.. .. ..
Total		25,265	.. .. ..

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Statement II A. detail of allotment for Expenditure on Public Works Estimated to Cost Rs 100 or upwards.

Part I New Works.

Project	Amount of Estimate	Past expenditure	Expenditure in 1881-82	Remarks.
A. Communications	a a a	a a a	a a a	
Nil	a a a	a a a	a a a	
B. Buildings	a a a	a a a	a a a	
Nil	a a a	a a a	a a a	
C. Sanitary & Miscellaneous	a a a	a a a	a a a	
Nil	a a a	a a a	a a a	
Total	a a a	a a a	a a a	

Part II Repairs

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Project	Grant			
A. Communications				
1. Mapoondurga Road 3 furlongs —	17	8	a	@ 50 Rs a mile.
2. Gunnuz road 4 — do —	20	a	a	@ 40 Rs a mile
3. Road from Police Office to Eddigate 3 furlongs —	26	4	a	at 70 — do.
4 do do Gopaulgate	10	a	a	at 56 — do.
5. Gopala Kristnamah Chetty Street 1½	12	12	a	at 80 — do
6 Jummah Mazeed Street 6 — do	11.	4	a	at 90 — do
7 Jogga Veedi Street 6 — do	59	6	a	at 79 — do
8 Chack Street — 6 — do	22	8	a	at 30 — do
9 Russool bazaar street 2 ~~miles~~ do	16	14	a	at 67-8 — do
10 Butchers street Road 1 mile —	50	a	a	at 50 — do
Petty works & Reserve	210	a	a	
	456	8	a	or in round figures 460 Rs.
Maintenance of Dispensary building —	50	a	a	
Sundry And Miscellaneous —				
1 Repair of Latrines —	50	a	a	
2 Petty works & Reserve —	50	a	a	
	100	a	a	
Grand total	606	8	a	or in round figures Rs 610.

Statement II B Detail of Municipal Establishment.

	No.	Salary per Mensem	Salary per Annum	Remarks
Grant I Public Works		.. ..	.. ..	
Overseers	..	.. ..	.. ..	
Maistries	..	.. ..	.. ..	
Road Coolies	..	.. ..	.. ..	
Total	..	.. ..	.. ..	
Grant II Education				
1 Training School	..	.. ..	.. ..	
Masters		.. ..	.. ..	
Clerks	..	.. ..	.. ..	
Servants	..	.. ..	.. ..	
Total	..	.. ..	.. ..	
2 Municipal School	..	.. ..	.. ..	
3. Salary System under Combined system	..			
Masters	3	5 ..	60 ..	
Clerks	..	.. ..	.. ..	
Servants	..	.. ..	.. ..	
Total	3	5 ..	60 ..	
Grant III Sanitation and medical Service				
1. Dispensary	..	.. ..	.. ..	
Medical Subordinate	1	25 ..	300 ..	
	1	20 ..	240 ..	
Clerks	1	15 ..	180 ..	
Servants	7	49 ..	588 ..	
Temporary Establishment	2	10 ..	120 ..	
Total	12	119 ..	1428 ..	

Statement II B Detail of Municipal Establishment (Continued)

	No.	Salary per Mensem	Salary per Annum	Remarks
Midwife	1	15 ..	180 ..	
Servants	..	.. ..	.. ..	
Total	1	15 ..	180 ..	
2 Vaccination				
Vaccinator	1	14 ..	168 ..	
13 Registration of Births & Death				
Peons	2	13 ..	156 ..	
4. Conservancy				
Nuisance Inspector	1	50 ..	600 ..	
Maistry	1	15 ..	180 ..	
Peons	4	29 ..	348 ..	
Scavengers or Totties	10	80 ..	960 ..	
Sweepers	34	124 ..	1488 ..	
Total	50	298 ..	3576 ..	
Grant IV Miscellaneous Municipal purpose				
1 Lighting				
Mashalchi	1	6 ..	72 ..	
2. Markets	1	6 ..	72 ..	
Total	..	.. ..	.. ..	
3. Traveller's Bungalow				
1 Maly	1	5 ..	60 ..	
1 Sweeper	1	3 ..	36 ..	
Total	2	8 ..	96 ..	
Grant V Supervision and management				
Manager	1	60 ..	720 ..	
Accountants	2	30 ..	360 ..	
Peon	1	6 ..	72 ..	
Tax Collectors	3	21 ..	252 ..	
Total	7	117 ..	1404 ..	

Statement III. Abstract of Deposits for the official year 1881-82

Balance brought forward	.. ..	Credited to Municipal Funds	..
Deposits by application	.. ..	Returned to Applicants	..
Do. by Renters	.. ..	Do to Renters	..
Do by Contractors	755		
Do as Security	.. ..	Works done	..
Do for the execution of works for which private parties are liable	.. ..	Returned to parties	..
		Paid to Claimants	..
		Balance	755 ..
Do. under Secs. 55-76-79 122, 143 & 149 or bye laws	.. ..		
Total	755 ..	Total	755 ..

President

Regular Estimate of Receipts

	Actual of first 11 months of 1880-81	Actual of last one month of 1879-80	Probable receipts for the last one month of 1880-81	Total of Collections 2 and 4	Budget estimate 1880-81	
1. Balance on 1st April 1880.	"	"	"	183	70	
2. Pound Fund Receipts	"	7	6	6	20	
3. Rates and Taxes	"	"	"	"	"	* The decrease of Rs 151 under the Budget figures is due to the remission made on appeal during the year.
A Rates on houses & lands	4748	747	1220	5968	6000	
B. Taxes on arts	2539	460	510	3049*	3200	
C Tax on Vehicles	1289	21	31	1320	1300	
D. Registration of Carts	429	1	11	440	400	
E. Tolls gross for 11 months 6847 —						The decrease under this head is owing to a slackness in traffic this year as compared with previous years and also to the opening of the Canal for goods and passenger traffic.
Deduct 1/4 payable to L.F.B 1711-12 5135-4	5135	150	439	5574	6500	
Tolls for one month						
Deduct 1/4 payable to L.F.B						
F. Fees under sec 106, 123, 131 & 136.	278	68	32	310	250	
G. Magisterial fines	164	4	16	180	50	The receipts under Magisterial fines are more than thrice the Budget amount owing to more energetic action in prosecuting offences.
H License Tax	2945	201	"	2945	3500	Realizations of the Madras Imperial License tax is under the Budget amount owing to reduction of assessment in the case of some persons who were taxed high on account of their profits during famine.
IV Fees in schools & Training institutions	"	"	"	"	"	
V Endowments & Sundry Contribution to Dispensary	"	127	130	130	130	
VI Contribution from L.F. for the Civil Dispensary	"	2658	2830	2830	" 2,200	Excess over Budget allotment is in consequence of increased expenditure for the hospital.
for the Lying in Hospital	"	"	70	70 ⊗		
for Roads	75	"	"	75	"	⊗ This was paid by Local Fund Board for the maintenance of Secunderabad road lying within the Municipal limits
VII Miscellaneous						
Sale proceeds of Sweepings	1516	117	174	1,690	1,500	
Private Scavengering	"	"	"	"	1000	
Do of materials Tools &c	22	"	"	22	"	
Do of Avenues	20	3	"	20	20	
Fees from travellers bungalow	102	"	6	108	50	
Loan from Dispensary Capital	"	"	"	"	"	
Total	19,262	4,644	5,475	24,920	26,190	

Charges for the Official year 1880-81.

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	Actuals of the 1st 11 months of 1880-81	Do of 1 month of 1879-80.	Probable charges of the last one month	Total of Collections 2 & 4	Budget Estimate 1880-81.	
Grant I						
New works						
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	"	"	"	"	700	The Slaughter house has not been built during the year for want of funds.
Repairs						
Communications	740	34	"	740	630	Rs 806 under Repairs include Rs 266 paid this year on acct of gravel supplied to the Municipality last year, & Rs 75 spent for the Secunderabad Road for which L. F Board contributed.
Buildings	2	"	"	2	50	
Sanitary & Miscellaneous	64	10	"	64	100	
Total	806	44	"	806	1480	
Grant II						
Result grants	449	11	"	449	400	
Schools on the Combined System	55	5	5	60*	80	Increase of Rs 49 is due to large attendance of boys in Schools and more efficient teaching of Masters.
Contribution to L. F Bd for inspection	"	20	20	20	20	
Total	504	36	25	529	500	* only 3 Masters were employed instead of 4.
Grant III						
Hospital and dispensary	3865	1000	375	4240	3,000	Increase over Budget allotment is in consequence of the increase of patients during the year and large quantity of medicines supplied. Many patients come from the Nizam's Country & the type of fever prevalent among the natives requires large quantities of quinine for its successful treatment.
Lying-in Hospital	141	15	"	141	400	
Lunatic charges	40	"	10	50	"	
Contribution to Med. College	50	"	110	160	80	
Additional Sanitary Estt	"	"	"	"	80	
Vaccination	166	14	14	180	180	
Registration of Births & deaths	143	13	13	156	190	
Conservancy	5154	464	450	5604	6800	This includes 1000 Rs Sanctioned for private Scavengering which has not been expended during the year.
Total	9559	1506	972	10,531	10,730	
Grant IV						
Lighting	243	27	17	260	300	
Traveller's Bungalow	96	8	8	104	110	
Town Water Supply	2000	2000	2000	4000	4000	
License Tax	"	"	2739	2739	3250	Vide Remarks under Receipt of Mu. L. Tax – This is less Commission due to Municipality –
Avenues & watering Streets	122	20	17	139	200	
Contribution for Town Police	3416	1399	696	4112	4200	
Compensation for lands taken up during famine	"	"	"	"	"	
Grant V Supervision & management	1563	134	137	1700	1440	The increase over the Budget allotment is due to a payment of the Contribution on account of pension & leave allowances of controlling establishment at Madras for 1880-81, to the employment of an additional Clerk on Rs 15 & to the Contingent cost incurred on account of Census.
Repayment of debt to Dispensary Capital	"	500	"	"	"	
Total	7440	4,088	5,614	13,054	13,500	
Grand Total	18,309	5,674	6,611	24,920	26,210	
Balance	"	"	"	"	"	

[illegible] Municipal Commissioner
Approved
May 1881

President

South Arcot.

No. 56

No. 648

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President's office
Camp Tiruvannamalai
9th March 1881.

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From

A. Cruickshank Esquire,
President of South Arcot
Municipalities.

To

The Honorable R. Davidson C.S.I.
Chief Secretary to Government,
Madras.

× R. No. 488 Budget
1881-2

Sir,

With reference to para 8 of my letter No. 44 of the 23rd ultimo, submitting the Budget estimate of the Chidambaram Municipality for the ensuing official year, I have the honor to report that the request of the Commissioners for a further grant of Rs 4200 on account of building an hospital, from Local Funds was considered at the meeting of the Local Fund Board held on the 28th ultimo and that the Board have agreed to pay a moiety of the cost of constructing it. The Contribution the Local Fund Board will have to pay will be about

Vide Copy of Resolution 2019 Enclosed.

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about Rs 4200 as detailed in the margin* besides what they have already paid.

2. The amount will be provided for in the supplemental Budget of the South Arcot Circle for 1881-82.

	Rs
* Amount of estimate for hospital including dead house	11100
Compensation for lands	763
Remuneration to Local Fund Engineers	1110
Total	12973
Half of this total amount	6486
Amount already paid by Local Fund Board	2310
Remainder to be paid	4176

or 4200 in round figures.

I have the honor to be
sir,
Your most obed^t servant

President

Fuel. (1881.) Depb.
(L.F. - Medical)

From
The President of
South Arcot
Municipalities

R. Dis.
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To
The Chief Secretary
to Government,
Madras.

Dated 9th
Despr 10th } March 1881
Recd 14 —

No. 56

Enclosures. One

To 792/01

No: 648

Print this.

Subject

Stating that the Local Fund Board have at their meeting held on the 28th February 1881 agreed to pay a moiety of the Cost of Constructing an hospital at Chidambaram and that the amount will be provided for in the Supplemental budget of the South Arcot Circle for 1881-82.

In a letter from the President of South Arcot Municipalities dated 9th March 1881 No. 56.

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FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letters.

from the President, Municipal Commission, South Arcot dated 24th February 1881 No. 44. From the Sanitary Commr. Madras, dt. 23rd Feby 1881: 248. From the Presdt. Municipl Comm. dt. 9th March 1881 - No. 56

ORDER. 7th May 1881. No. 792.

1 The estimated receipts and charges of the Chidambaram Municipality for 1881-82 are contrasted below with the sanctioned and regular estimates for 1880-81.

Receipts.	Budget 1880-81	Regular Estimate 1880-81	Proposed Estimate 1881-82
Balance brought forward ..	"	760	810 650
Rates on Houses and Lands at 7½ per cent ..	7910	7970	7570
Taxes on Arts at schedule rates	3000	2170	2200
Taxes on Vehicles and Animals at schedule rates	650	650	650
Registration of Carts at one rupee per cart for the half year	350	390	400
Tolls at ¾ the schedule rates	2000	2380	2300
Licenses	50	60	50
Licence Tax	1000	350 ~~410~~	350
Assignments by Government ..	70	50	60
Contribution from Local Funds ..	4460	3810	5700 1500
Fines and Fees	270	290	300
Endowments	4100	4250	30
Miscellaneous	800	1290	990
Loans	"	"	
Advances Recoverable	"	"	
Total ..	24,660	24420 ~~24480~~	21260 ~~14210~~

Charges.			
GRANT I.			
New Works.			
Communications	4000	4000	4510
Buildings	7160	5340	~~3340~~
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	"	"	"
Repairs.			
Communications	250	460	600
Buildings	"	"	"
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	50	50	200
Establishment	180	170	"
Tools and Plant	50	50	"
Contributions to Local Funds	"	"	1160
GRANT II.	11690	10070	8470
Training Schools	"	"	"
Municipal Schools	800	980	1000
Salary Grants	"	"	"
Results Grants	200	350	400
Schools on the combined system	"	"	"
Inspection (Contribution)	150	150	150
Miscellaneous	"	"	"
GRANT III.	1150	1480	1550
Hospitals and Dispensaries	4160	4060	3870
Medical College	110	~~120~~ 110	80 80
Sanitary Inspection	"	"	"
Vaccination	130	120	140
Registration of Births & Deaths	140	130	140
Conservancy	3630	3510	3280
GRANT IV.	8170	8040	7590
Lighting	740	730	440
Markets	"	20	30
Choultries	"	"	"
Traveller's Bungalow	"	"	"
Avenues and Watering Roads.	250	250	250
Police	1040	1030	1080
Licence Tax	930	310	330
Miscellaneous	"	"	"
GRANT V.	2960	2340	2130
Supervision and Management.	1440	1830	1450
Repayment of Debt	"	"	"
Advances Recoverable	"	"	"
Refunds	"	660	70
Balances	−750	~~840~~	~~300~~
Total	24660	24480	17210

2 The incidence of taxation, according to the regular estimate, excluding tolls is ~~annas~~ 11 & pies 7 per head. The taxation still open to the Municipality under the law & as yet unutilised is one rupee of the maximum fee for registration of carts & one fourth of the schedule rates under Tolls. The assets of the Municipality on the 31st March 1880 amounted to Rs 6531. There were no unpaid liabilities on that date

Rs

3 In the regular estimate the opening balance is taken at the figure given by the President in his report for 1879-80. This is accepted subject to any orders

that may be issued hereafter on the accounts of that year. A sum of Rs 63 is erroneously included in the receipts as remuneration for collecting License tax instead of being simply deducted from the amount to be paid to Government. ~~The~~ It ~~amount~~ should be struck out from the Regular Estimate.

The budget ~~amount~~ figure Rs 110 should be adopted in the regular estimate as contribution for the Medical College, & a similar provision made for "Sanitary Inspection". The regular estimate is otherwise correctly prepared & calls for no remark.

4 The receipts under ~~—~~

contribution

"Contribution from Local Funds" in the Budget for 1881/82 ~~should~~ will be raised from Rs 1500 to Rs 5700 to provide for the grant ~~to be made~~ by the Local Fund Board of half the cost of the hospital building.

5 Compared with the Regular estimate for 1880-81 the estimate for 1881-82 shews a decrease of Rs 400 under Land & House rate, ~~which~~ is due to the anticipated absence of arrears in the latter year

6 A provision similar to that for the medical College should be made for Sanitary Inspection. The note to Statement II shewing the position of the municipality should have been omitted, it being intended for

for Submission only with the annual report & accounts.

7 The reduction made by the President in the allotment for "Buildings" – "New Works" from Rs 7830 to Rs 2305 is no longer necessary, the Local Fund Board having since consented to pay half the cost of the hospital building. The allotment will stand at Rs 6510. The Grant for repair of roads is passed at Rs 600. The provision of Rs 1160 under "Contribution to Local Funds" for repayment of the cost incurred by the Local Fund Board in the construction of the railway feeder road is

noted

noted, as also the proposal to dispense with the services of the Road Superintendent. The educational charges are fully explained by the Vice President. The Government agree with the President that it is undesirable to carry out the retrenchments proposed by the Commissioners in the hospital charges & that a separate clerk for the registration of births & deaths is necessary. The remarks of the Sanitary Commissioner regarding the provision for Sanitation & Vaccination will be communicated to the Commissioners for attention.

8 The unallotted balance provided in the budget is very small being only Rs 70. The Government however note the President's statement in para 9 of his letter that the Local Fund Board will not press for the payment of Rs 1163 due to them from the Commissioners.

9 With these remarks the Right Honorable the Governor in Council passes the budget of the Chidambaram Municipality for 1881-82

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To
The President of the Municipal Commission Chidambaram
" Revenue Department
" Board of Revenue
" Surgeon General with the Govt. of Madras
" Sanitary Commissioner
" Director of Public Instruction
" Accountant General
" Inspector General of Police
" President of the L. F. Board, South Arcot.

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Statement 1 Revenues and Receipts of the Municipal Fund of the Town of Chidambaram during Official year 1881-82

	For 1881-82		Regular Estimate for 1880-81
	Detail of minor Hds	Total of major Hds	
Rates and Taxes &c.			
Rate on Houses	5150 „ „		5450 „ „
Rate on Lands	2425 „ „		2518 „ „
Taxes on Arts	2200 „ „		2170 „ „
Taxes on Vehicles	48 „ „		108 „ „
Taxes on Animals	600 „ „		600 „ „
Registration of carts	400 „ „		385 „ „
Tolls (less Local Fund share)	2300 „ „		2380 „ „
Licenses	50 „ „		60 „ „
License Tax	350 „ „		325 „ „
		13523 „ „	
Contribution from Provincial Fund &c	„ „	„ „	„ „
Contribution from special Funds			
Surplus Pound Fund	60 „ „		53 „ „
		60 „ „	
Contribution from Local Fund			
For Hospital	1500 „ „		1500 „ „
For Public Works	„ „		2310 „ „
Fees and Fines Sec. 17. Bye laws and Schedule A.		1500 „ „	
Magisterial fees & fines	100 „ „		70 „ „
Demand Notice fees	100 „ „		100 „ „
Fees for temporary erection	100 „ „		120 „ „
Fees for renumbering carts	2 „ „		2 „ „
		302 „ „	
Rent on Houses Markets &c.			
Rent from Fish & Vegetable markets	450 „ „		430 „ „
		450 „ „	
Carried over		15	8521 „ „

Brought forward	15835	18521
Payment for Municipal Services to private		
Endowments, private contribution		
Donations & Miscellaneous Receipts		
Hospital		
Interest from Funded Capital		225
Sale of Medicines & Sundry property	25	30
By transfer of Funded capital		4000
	25	
Miscellaneous		
Fees in Schools	120	120
Sale of Sweepings	100	170
Sale of old Materials	20	40
Sale of Avenue	50	75
Sale of Fish	200	200
Refunds		
	540	
Loans	~~5350~~	
	~~5350~~	
Total	16400 ~~21750~~	23719
Balance brought forward		
Municipal Fund	810	765
Total	17210 ~~22560~~	24484

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Note to Statement 1

House Rates are levied at 7½ per cent
Land Rates are levied at one Rupee & ½ Rupee per acre of wet & dry land respectively
Taxes on Arts are levied at Schedule rates
Taxes on Vehicles & animals are levied at Schedule Rates
Carts are Registered at 1 Rupee per cart for the half year
Tolls are levied at ¾ the Schedule Rate
Licenses & fees are at the Rates in G. O.

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under sections 138 & 1 for the Official year 1881-82

Name of Institution	Amount of Funded Capital	Floating Balance	Interest	Appropriation from capital for expenditure	Private contribution & donations	Sale of Medicines & Sundry Property	Total (Column 4 to 7) (Statement 1, 9)	Contribution Local Fund Board	Total Receipts	Invested	Current charges	Total Statement 11 Grand 12	Debits for Public Works Statement 11, 16	Total charges	Floating Balance	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Civil Dispensary Chilambaram Municipality	" "	" "	" "	" "	" "	25	25	1500	1525	" "	3522	3522	7830	11352	-9827	To be met from Municipal funds.

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Statement II Expenditure from the Municipal Funds of the Town of Chidambaram South Arcot District for the Official year 1881-82

	For 1881-82		
	Detail of minor heads	Total of major heads	Regular estimate for 1880-81
Grant I Public Works			
New Works Communications	" " "		4000 " "
Buildings	2205 ~~[illegible]~~ " "		5340 " "
Miscellaneous	" " "		" " "
Repairs			
Communications	600 ~~1200~~ " "		463 " "
Miscellaneous	200 " "		50 " "
Establishment	" " "		168 " "
Tools Plant & Contingencies	" " "		50 " "
Cost to be paid to L Fund on [illegible] Road	113 " "		" " "
Total Grant I		10393 " "	10074 " "
Grant II Education			
Municipal Schools			
Establishment	798 " "		738 " "
Contingencies	200 " "		241 " "
Result grant	400 " "		350 " "
Contribution to L F for Inspection	150 " "		150 " "
Total Grant II		1548 " "	1479 " "
Grant III Sanitation and Medical Services			
Hospitals & Dispensaries			
Establishment	2508 ~~2250~~ " "		2782 " "
Medicines & Supplies	322 ~~400~~ " "		350 " "
Contingencies	1042 ~~872~~ " "		946 " "
Contribution to Medical College	80 " "		133 " "
Carried over	3952 ~~3802~~ " "		4191 " "

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Brought forward	3600	14[illegible]	4191
Vaccination			
Establishment	120		120
Contingencies	15		2
Registration of Birth & Death			
Establishment	144		122
Contingencies			
Conservancy			
Establishment	1950		1947
Cost of conservancy carts	1080		1098
Cleansing Tanks & Wells			
Establishment	76		192
Contingencies			105
Festival Expenses	150		153
Conservancy Contingencies			15
Total Grant III	3276	~~40[illegible]~~	7740
IV Lighting			
Establishment	210		231
Contingencies	200		586
[illegible]			
Contingencies	30		20
[illegible]	250		251
Police Charges	1080		1030
License Fees	333		359
Total Grant IV		2133	2340
Grant V Head Office			
Establishment	978		965
Contingencies	96		206
Office rent	84		84
Collection			
Carried over	1158	~~21087~~ 15456	1249

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Brought forward	1158	2187	1249
Remuneration to Auditor	72		100
Cost for printing Proceedings	120		—
Miscellaneous	100		169
Total			315
Total Grants		1448	1833
Balance Total		16904 ~~22530~~	23674
Municipal Fund		306 ~~25~~	811
Total		17310 ~~22560~~	24484

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Note to Statement 11

Position of the Municipality of Chidambaram on the 31st March 1882

Balance — Cash ———— Rs. 306 ~~25~~

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Statement II A Detail of Allotment for expenditure on Public Works estimated to cost Rs 100 or upwards — Part I New Works

Project	Amount of Estimate	Past expenditure	Expenditure in 1881 82
Building			
Constructing Hospital & dead House	11100 0 0	4000 0 0	2305 ~~7100~~ 0 0

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Part II Repairs

Project	Amount of Estimate	Past expenditure	Expenditure in 1881 82
Repairs			
Repairing Roads & Streets	1200 0 0	0 0 0	500 1200 0 0
Repairing Dust Bins & Tunnels	200 0 0	0 0 0	200 0 0
Total	1400 0 0	0 0 0	1400 0 0 500

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Statement II B Detail of Municipal Establishment for 1881-82

	No	Salary per mensem	Salary per Annum	Total for Major Hd
Grant I	„	„ „ „	„ „ „	„ „
Grant II Education				
Anglo Vernacular School				
Head Master	1	13 „ „	156 „ „	
2d Do	1	10 „ „	120 „ „	
3d Do	1	10 „ „	120 „ „	
4th Do	1	10 „ „	120 „ „	
Sweeper	1	1 8 „	18 „ „	534 „ „
Girl School				
Master	1	10 „ „	120 „ „	
Mistress	1	10 „ „	120 „ „	
Maid Servant	1	2 „ „	24 „ „	264 „ „
Grant III				
Hospital and Dispensary				
Medical Officer	1	150 „ „	1800 „ „	
Compounder	1	12 „ „	144 „ „	
Peon	1	6 „ „	72 „ „	
Surgery Cooly	1	6 „ „	72 „ „	2148
Cook	1	4 „ „	48 „ „	
Water Man	1	3 „ „	36 „ „	
Female Ward Cooly	1	3 „ „	36 „ „	
Toty	1	3 8 „	42 „ „	2250 „ „
Vaccination				
Establishment Vaccinator	1	10 „ „	120 „ „	120 „ „
Conservancy				
Sanitary Inspector	1	25 „ „	300 „ „	
Overseers	4	10 „ „ each	480 „ „	
Scavengers	20	4 8 „	1080 „ „	
Jalbury	1	2 8 „	30 „ „	
Toty	1	5 „ „	60 „ „	1950 „ „
Carried over				5118 „ „

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Brought forward				5118 " "
Clearing Tanks Wells				
Tank Watchers	2	4 " "	96 " "	
				96 " "
Grant 11th Lighting				
Lamp Lighters	4	5 " "	240 " "	
				240 " "
Grant 1st Head office				
Managers	1	35 " "	420 " "	
Head clerk	1	20 " "	240 " "	
2d Do	1	14 " "	168 " "	
Peons	2	each 6 " "	144 " "	
Sweepers	1	" 8 "	6 " "	978 " "
		Total Rupees		6432 " "

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Statement VI A Regular Estimate of Receipts of Chidambaram Municipality for 1880-81.

Item	Actuals of the 1st 9 months of 1880-81	Actuals of the last 3 months of 1879-80	Probable of the last 3 months of 1880-81	Total of Columns 2 & 4	Budget Grant for 1880-81	Explanation of Variations between Columns 5 & 6
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Rate on Houses	2361	1610	3039	5450	500	
Do Lands	1995	158	523	2518	410	
Taxes on Arts	1775		395	2170	3000	Though this was the sum provided for in the Budget, the demand here arrived at the figure shown in column 5 after disposal of objection petitions by the commissioners
Taxes on Vehicles	36		12	48	50	
Taxes on Animals	586	18	14	600	600	
Registration of Carts	378	19	7	385	350	
Tolls	1801	1310	779	2580	000	This small increase is due to the competition among the bidders at the sale of the farm
Licenses	52	10	8	60	50	
License Tax						
Collection for Govt.	305		20	325	1000	The collection under this head has considerably fallen off as the 1st class was omitted in the Amendment Act
Penalties	24			24		
Remuneration			63	63		
Surplus Pound Fund	23	57	30	53	70	
Contribution from L F						
For Hospital	1500	1500		1500	500	
For Public Works	2310			2310	760	The Estimate for the construction of the Dead House having been reduced to Rs 210 a proportionate decrease was made in the contribution from the Local Fund Board
By transfer of Funded Capital			1000	1000	00	
Carried over	12946	4682	5740	21980	470	

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Brought forward	12946	4682	8940	21886	3490
Magisterial fees & fines	46	37	24	79	150
Police fees	42	19	58	100	50
Fees for Temporary Licence	13	15	27	120	70
Fees for Numbering Carts	1	1	1	2	
Endowments					
Interest	90		135	225	100
Sale of Medicines &c	23	2	7	30	
Rent from Markets	430	22		420	400
Fees in Schools	90	30	30	120	90
Sale of Sweepings	145	17	25	170	100
Sale of Avenues	55	30	20	75	
Sale of Fish	191		9	200	150
Sale of Old Materials	21	22	16	40	10
Miscellaneous	63	55	7	70	50
Refunds	181	29		181	
Total	14420	1961	9299	22711	660
Opening Balance	765			765	
Grand Total	15185	1961	9299	24486	660

Vice President

Statement VI A Regular Estimate of Expenditure for 1880-81

Items	Actuals of 1st 9 months of 1880-81	Actuals of last 3 months of 1879-80	Probable actuals of last 3 months of 1880-81	Total of columns 2 & 4	Budget grant for 1880-81	Explanation of variations between columns 5 & 6
Grant I Public Works						
New Work						
Communication	1119	4910	2881	000	4000	
Buildings						
Hospital	333		4500	833	6000	The site for the building not having been handed over as yet, more than 5143 cannot be expected to be spent before the close of the year. This sum includes the cost of the site also.
Dead House			310	310	960	
Latrine		1000	200	00	200	
Miscellaneous		200				
Repairs						
Communication	363	174	100	63	250	The increase over the Budget allotment is due to the unforeseen expenditure incurred in clearing breaches caused by the recent floods and inundations.
Miscellaneous		200	50	0	50	
Establishments	123	40	45	8	180	
Tools Plant & Contingencies			50	0	50	
Grant II Education						
Municipal Schools						
Establishments	588	168	200	88	681	Owing to the increase in the strength of the Municipal [illegible] School an additional master on Rs 10 was appointed and the school was provided with additional furniture. Hence the increase.
Contingencies	211	30	30	41	120	
Result grants	3	319	347	50	200	
Contribution for Inspection		150	150	50	150	
Hospital						
Establishment	1635	616	1077	62	2496	The increase is due to the payment of salary to the Assistant Apothecary who was in charge of the dispensary during the absence of the permanent medical officer on three months' privilege leave.
Contingencies	541	267	405	46	1264	
				61	17901	
Carried over	4916	7916	10345			

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Brought forward	4916	7916	10345	152	17000
Medicines & Supplies	300	1	50	35	400
Medical College	13	109	120	13	110
Vaccination					
Establishments	90	30	30	12	120
Contingencies	1	1	1	2	10
Registration	86	30	36	12	160
Conservancy Establisht.	1460	678	687	174	2036
Do Carts	828	324	270	109	1080
Do Contingencies	2		11	1	[illegible]
[illegible]			48	19	2
Do Contingencies	15	100	93	10	108
Festival Expenses	127		26	15	200
				251	3630
Lighting Establisht.	171	52	60	22	240
Do Contingencies			315	50	540
				20	
Market Do		35	20		250
Avenues	210	2	60	25	1040
Police Force	730	271	300	10	930
License Fees			307	5	976
[illegible] Establishment		218	244	9	200
Do Contingencies	160	13	60	2	84
Do Rent	63	21	21		
				10	100
Remuneration to Auditors		100	100	13	
					25980
Carried over	10204	9816	12986	25	

Brought forward	10204	9876	12986	231 13	25980
Miscellaneous	135	31	34	1	80
Tolls	315	224		31 /18	
Total	10654	10131	13020	231	26060
Balance	810				
Grand Total	11464	10131	13020	24	26060

This amount was spent for the payment of the salary of the Toll collectors for March 1880 and the cost of Toll Tickets bought during the year.

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