

Despatch to be read in proceedings:--

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Financial (1897) Department.

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G.O., No. 94

DATED 29-1-97

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Considers with remarks to the A.G.
pro: of the B. & R. (A. R.) repre-
-sents any large reduction
in the budget grant under
grants for 1897-98.

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Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 249



Order

From The Board of Revenue
Land Revenue,
Madras.

Forst No. 79 Mis

Dated 25-1-97

Received 25-1-97

Registered 26-1-97

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SUBJECT.

Replying to the Memo from Govt
Financial Dept. requesting the Board
to adduce satisfactory grounds to
show why the Budget Estimate
of the Forst Dept for 1897-1898
under 'A Conservancy Works'
should not be reduced to nine
Lakhs.

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INDIAN TELEGRAPHS. Monthly Number.

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To

(Office)

Words.

Day.

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Minute.

Official Instructions.

To

(Person)

From

(Person)

Harrison has been with me about the budget he wants to cut down the provision under salt and excise and forest establishment and to raise the receipts under Customs I have told him had better go to you please look into the matter in communication with Rev. Dept and the Board.

64 Word Form.

F.C.2.

Informed A.C. Paul
by telephone that
Ch. will not be in
office today

J.B.B.

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in round numbers.

The Board of Revenue

BACK PAPERS.

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1,000-3-12-06.

Very Urgent

Financial Dept.



Memorandum No. 18367/23 January 1897

Read the following paper:—

The Accountant General proposes to reduce the budget estimate of expenditure under II. Forest - Conservancy works - for 1897-98 from 10.28 to 9.00 lakhs. He has taken the revised estimate at 7.50 and concludes that, adding .62 for the new survey party, the actual expenditure will not exceed 8.12 lakhs, but that it may be placed at 9.00 lakhs in round numbers.

The Board of Revenue

and adduce satisfactory
proofs to show why
the estimate should
not be reduced as
proposed -

A. R. Knapp.

As Assistant Secretary

* not later than the
25th instant

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23-3-96.

Financial Dept.



Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue),

Dated 25th January 1897.

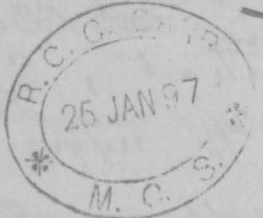
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Miscellaneous.

To the Board of Revenue Land Revenue
through Rev. Dept.

AG
20/1/97.

To be kindly returned with
reply not later than 25th inst.



Received 25th

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note. The AG. came up to CS
for a reply on the 25th.

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READ Memorandum from Government Financial Dept.
dated 23rd January 1897 No 186.

Resolution

In reply to O.M. from Govern-
ment, Financial Department No 186, dated 23rd
Instant just received, the Board submits that
it is unable to carry out any detailed scrutiny of
the Budget in view to gauging the correctness
of the Accountant General's reductions, without
consulting the Conservators, upon whose estimates
the Board's figures were based. The Government
requires an answer today and the following -

remarks are submitted for consideration.

2. The Budget Estimate under 11-A as accepted by Government, in the Revenue and Financial Department exceeds the Revised Estimate by 1.37 and it will be observed from the explanations furnished in para 15 of B.P. I No. 482, dated 16. 10. 96 that the principal item of increase (.62) occurs under I 'Departmental felling'. If Government considers it necessary to reduce the estimate, the Conservators will be instructed to revise their plans of operations accordingly. But taking into consideration the fact that the subordinate Forest Establishment is expected to be strengthened shortly by the introduction of the revised scale, the Board considers that there will be scope for some increased expenditure under 'Works' and would therefore deprecate any larger reductions such as that proposed by Government.

(True Extract)

Recd

To The Chief Secretary to Govt. Secretary
Financial Department 25. Jan. 97

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Financial DEPARTMENT.

C. No. 249

H. E. THE GOVERNOR.

THE HON'BLE MR. BLISS, C.I.E.

THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.

SUBJECT. Proposed reduction

in the Forest budget, 1897-98.

FOR ORDERS.

The main reason for the short expenditure (in the past as compared with the grants) under Conservancy and works, is the inadequacy of the establishments, the reorganisation of which is progressing very slowly, as admitted by the Accountant-General himself in para 48 of his appropriation reports for 1895-96.

The Board of Revenue now reports that the subordinate Forest establishment is expected to be strengthened shortly by the introduction of

in para 1 are

also be seen from the notes of His Excellency the Governor (flagged A+B) and of the Honble Mr. Bliss (flagged C) in L.O. No 25-26 dated 12th January 1897, that it is proposed to exercise greater freedom of action in administering the Forests in the interest of the ryot class, to go as far as existing contract arrangements will permit, and to relax the Forest rules as far as possible.

The revised estimate cannot therefore be taken as the basis for determining future expenditure.

If the budget for 1897-98 is reduced as proposed by the Accountant General, the contract figures for 1897-1902 will also in all probability be reduced and the hands of Govt.

be tied for five years
The Chief Secretary to Govt.
Financial Department 25 Jan 97

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go. No. 2478 Rev.
of 10 June 1896

Note for the Secy

The A.S. proposes a lump deduction
 1.28 lakhs from the '97-98 Forest budget.
 amounts to make the necessary cor-
 responding deduction from receipts, which
 will inevitably follow as the 1.28 comes
 of A. Conservancy & works. It is
 undesirable to restrict profitable
 operations & the expected increase in the
 subordinate establishment is likely to
 result in their expansion. In these circumstances
 is submitted that the A.S.'s proposal must
 be rejected either without reasons or for
 reasons given above. The draft sent for
 master's initials does not state the correct
 reasons for the conclusion. Do
 28-7-97

To the Secy (a)

Copy to the Rev depts with copies
 of the notes of H.E. the Secy
 & Hon. Mr. Miss C.S.E.
 in go. No. 2478 of 12 July 1897.

27/1/97

Communicated to the
 Secy with the Rev
 remark that, in view
 of the strengthening of
 the subordinate ~~establishment~~
 and the relaxation of
 Forest rules, contemplated
 in the immediate future
 for the benefit of the ~~public~~
 classes the Government
 is unable to consent to the
 proposed reduction of
 the budget grant for
 1897-98.

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To Secy to the Rev depts
for forwarding counterministry

para 2; the reasons
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has been paid for five years
 Financial Department 25 Jan 97
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NO. 100 FOR THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

It won't do to reject the Adj.
proposal, without reason
 as proposed by the Rev: Dept.
 the mistake really lies
 with the Revenue Dept. and
 the Board, who will not utilise
 the sanctioned grants, but
~~always~~ allow large lapses
 to occur every year. The
Adj. takes advantage of
 this and proposes to go by
 actuals. The Forest estimates
 are always over-pitched
 and as it is for the interests
 of Imperial to overrate
 the receipts and cut-down
 the charges, in connection
 with the contract, The Adj.
 will not hear of reducing
 the receipts.

The Rev: Dept. remarks have
 however been added as
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ORDER.

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G.O. No. 247-8 Pres.
of 10th June 1896
and the probable expansion of
profitable operations which it is
undesirable to restrict,

Communicated to the Pres.
with the remark that, in view
of the strengthening of
Subordinate Staff and the
relaxation of Forest rules &
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future for the benefit of
Agricultural classes the Govt
is unable to consent to
proposed reductions in
budget grant for 1897-98.

2. If the programme of
expenditure is curtailed
Allowance should be made
for the necessary Correspondence
deduction from receipts, the
will inevitably follow &
it is undesirable to restrict
profitable operations as

increase in the
establishment is
to result in their expansion

Accountant General (a) copied 29/1/97
the Prov Dept. letter copies
of the notes by H.E. the Governor
H. Hon. Mr. Rio in G.O. No 25
7/2 January 1897.
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Financial (1897) Department.

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No 94 dated 29 Jan 97. (p)
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From Rev. Dept

Order

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In para 1 of the Order
read above

Dated 4 Feb 97

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By Asst. Secretary
29/1/97

SUBJECT.

Suggesting the omission
of certain words in the
G.O. No 94 dated 29 Jan 97,
and the transmission to
the Accountant General
of an amended copy.

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Financial Department.



PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following paper:-

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue),
No.79, dated 25th January 1897.

Read Memorandum from Government,
Financial Department, dated 23rd January 1897, No.186.

RESOLUTION.

In reply to O.M. from Government, Financial
Department, No.186, dated 23rd Instant, just received, the
Board submits that it is unable to carry out any detailed
scrutiny of the Budget in view to gauging the correctness of
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under I 'Departmental fellingings.' If Government considers it
necessary to reduce the estimate, the Conservators will be
instructed to revise their plans of operation accordingly. But taking into consideration the fact that

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expenditure 'Works' and would therefore deprecate any large reduction such as that proposed by Government.

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O.R.D.E.R. No. 94, dated 29th January 1897.

Communicated to the Accountant-General with the remark that, in view of the strengthening of the subordinate Staff and the probable expansion of profitable operations, which it is undesirable to restrict, ~~contemplated in the immediate~~ the Government is unable to consent to the proposed reductions in the budget grant for 1897-98.
2. If the programme of expenditure is curtailed, allowance should be made for the corresponding deduction from receipts, which will inevitably follow.

(True extract)

/Signed/ J.F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To be substituted for copy already sent, which, if requested, may be returned.

Ag. Assistant Secretary

To the Accountant-General. ✓

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Office note

From The Chief Secretary

To The Secretary to Govt.
Revenue Dept.

The words objected to were adopted from a note by the Honorable Mr. Bliss C. J. E., who apparently meant to indicate one of the methods of exercising "the greater freedom of action in administering the forests in the interests of the ryot class" advocated H.C.E. the Governor. As copies of these have been furnished the Revenue Department it seems desirable

Note. The H.M. said that if we chose to relax the forest rules in the interests of the ryot, it would not be in the interests of India to object. This cannot quite be said to support the relaxation one contemplated.

prepared by the former

In any case it is essential that energetic steps should be taken to expand departmental operations in every direction, so as to utilise the large budget provision which has been retained in full in spite of the repeated protests of the steel General. So far as this

and which are not likely to be realized"

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because the Act
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are said to be in contemplation.

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REVENUE SECRETARIAT

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From

The Secretary to Govt.
Rev. Dept.

To

The Chief Secretary to Govt.

(Reference: — S. O. no: 94 File,
d/29th Jan'y. 1897).

The undersigned has the honour to suggest the omission from the G.O. under reference of the words "and the relaxation of Forest Rules for the benefit of the agricultural classes contemplated in the immediate future". No such relaxation is now under contemplation, and the remark appears to have been inserted with reference to a note by His Excellency the Governor which is couched in general terms and has not been brought to the notice of the Honourable Member in charge of the Revenue Portfolio. In these circumstances it appears expedient to delete the words and to submit an amended Bill prepared in conformity to the former

expenditure 'Works' and would therefore deprecate any large reduction such as that proposed by Government

therwise expectations created which are no likely to be realized.

H. M. S.
As: Secretary to Gov

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NOTE FOR THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

The Revenue Dept. April
to the statement made
in G.O. No 94 Financial
d. 29. 1. 97 that relaxation
of forest rules for the benefit
of the Agricultural classes
is "contemplated in
the immediate future"
They explain that in the
note on the draft at
NT they meant to say
that all the reasons given
in the draft were wrong.
I took the note as merely
suggesting additional reasons.
The accompanying draft
gives some rather poor
reasons for declining to
alter the G.O. I submit
that it would perhaps be
better to alter it as the
Rev. Dept. wishes. Should
an officer who he drafted
in that sense, or should
a person who he prepared

expenditure 'Works' and would therefore

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