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APRIL.

Contribution towards the Pay and Allowances of the Medical Subordinate, Chicacole.

Permitting the Municipal Council, Chicacole, to contribute three-eighths only of the pay and allowances of the medical subordinate during 1897-98; and stating that the full contribution of three-fourths will be levied from 1st April 1899.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following papers:—

G.O., No. 179, Financial, dated 20th February 1897.

G.O., No. 565, Financial, dated 22nd July 1897.

ABSTRACT.—Deferring, with remarks, until the 1st April 1898, the introduction of the arrangement sanctioned in paragraph 5 of G.O., No. 179 of 1897, respecting the contribution towards the pay and allowances of the medical subordinates of the Chicacole dispensary.

Read—also the following paper:—

G.O., No. 529 M., dated 8th March 1898.

Read—the following papers:—

From M.R.Ry. Rao Bahadur T. V. SIVARAO Pantulu Garu, Chairman, Municipal Council, Chicacole, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Principal Assistant Collector), dated 13th December 1897, No. 1017.

I have the honour to submit, herewith, the revised and budget estimates of the Chicacole Municipality for the years 1897-98 and 1898-99, respectively * * * *.

58. *Grant 3, Hospitals and Dispensaries—Establishment.*—* * * * The council further regrets that it has not been able to provide funds for contribution towards the medical officer's pay and allowances in spite of the explicit orders of the Government on the subject contained in G.O., No. 565, Financial, dated 22nd July 1897. The council has left no stone unturned for the purpose of raising their funds sufficiently high and sanctioned the levy of almost all the taxes and fees at increased rates, many of them such as tolls and the tax on carts having been raised to their maximum rates and the house and land taxes having been brought very near to the maximum rates. With all these, I regret to state that the year under budget is expected to close with a balance of Rs. 700, which is far less than 10 per cent. There is no doubt that the tax-payers of this town feel the action of the council in raising almost all the taxes very much, especially because the year under budget happens to be the successor of a very severe famine year. The council, however, was driven to the necessity of raising them owing to the very bad condition of its finances.

Under the above-mentioned circumstances, I request that the Government may be pleased to defer the introduction of the arrangement sanctioned in paragraph 5 of G.O., No. 179, Financial, dated 20th February 1897, for a further period of at least one or two years when it is hoped that the financial position of the council may be far better and it can afford to pay the contribution towards the pay and allowances of the medical officer.

From Surgeon-Major-General C. SIBTHORPE, C.B., F.R.C.P.I., Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department, dated 20th January 1898, No. 59.

With reference to Grant 3 of the budget estimate of the Chicacole Municipality for the year 1898-99, I have the honour to state that no provision is made to meet the pay and allowances of the medical officer in accordance with the orders of Government noted in the margin.

2. As the financial condition of the municipality appears to be very unsatisfactory and cannot admit of the pay and allowances of the present medical officer, senior Assistant Surgeon S. C. White, which amounts to Rs. 480 per mensem being met from municipal funds, I have posted a civil apothecary on Rs. 150 per mensem. By this arrangement the municipality would be considerably relieved of its difficulties.

Order—No. 529 M., dated 8th March 1898.

4. *Charges.*—(4) *Grant 3.*—* * * * The municipal council's request in the same paragraph [58] that it may be exempted for a further period of one or two years from payment of the contribution fixed in paragraph 5 of G.O., No. 179, Financial, dated 20th February 1897, on account of the medical officer's pay and allowances will be considered in the Financial Department. Meanwhile, a provision of Rs. 1,290 will be made under hospitals and dispensaries to meet this contribution, as proposed by the Surgeon-General in paragraph 3 of his letter read above. * * * *

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. TREMENHEERE,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

ORDER—No. 396, Financial, dated 22nd April 1898.

In the circumstances represented, the Municipal Council, Chicacole, will be permitted to contribute three-eighths only of the pay and allowances of the medical subordinate during 1897-98; but the full contribution of three-fourths will be levied from 1st April 1899.

(True Extract.)

A. T. ARUNDEL,
Chief Secretary.

To the Local and Municipal Department.

„ Surgeon-General.
„ Accountant-General.

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G.O., No. 529 M., 8th March 1898.

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Municipal Budget.

Reviewing the Chicacole — for 1898-99.

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I have the honour to submit, herewith, the revised and budget estimates of the Chicacole Municipality for the years 1897-98 and 1898-99, respectively, with the prescribed statements, which were read and passed at the meeting of the councillors held on the 13th December 1897.

2. The opening balance of the current year is Rs. 2,290 against Rs. 760, the balance expected in the budget, and the receipts according to the revised estimate are Rs. 25,870, making a total of Rs. 28,160. It is estimated that the total expenditure will be Rs. 27,760 against Rs. 27,290, the amount budgeted. The year 1898-99 is therefore expected to begin with a balance of Rs. 400.

REVISED ESTIMATE.

Receipts.

3. *Tax on Arts, &c.*—There is a considerable decrease of Rs. 1,200 under this head, which is due to levy of the tax in accordance with schedule A of the Act IV of 1884 as amended by Act III of 1897 which came into force from 2nd May 1897.

4. *Tax on Buildings.*—The increase is due to some new houses having been taxed.

5. *Tax on Animals.*—The decrease is due to some animals having been sold to outsiders during the late famine and some having died of cattle disease.

6. *Tolls.*—The heavy fall under this head is due to a considerably small traffic owing to both famine and cholera which played havoc in these parts.

7. *Sale-proceeds of old Materials, empty oil-cans, packing cases, &c.*—The increase is due to the sale of a large number of unserviceable articles, &c.

8. *Fees from Educational Institutions.*—The decrease under this head is due to the rate of fees having been reduced temporarily for a period of three months in all the schools under the management of the council on account of famine.

9. *Sale-proceeds and Composition Fees of Medicines.*—The decrease in number of subscribers to the hospital accounts for the decrease under this head.

10. *Income from Markets.*—The increase is due to the bid for market fees having been higher than usual.

11. *Income from Slaughter-houses.*—The right of collecting slaughter fees was sold in public auction for Rs. 290. Hence the decrease.

12. *License-fees.*—The decrease is due to less number of licenses having been granted this year.

13. *Cart-stand Fees.*—The right of collecting cart-stand fees has been leased out for this year for Rs. 530. Hence the increase.

14. *Fines under Municipal and other Acts.*—The actuals of the first eight months amounted to Rs. 218-14-0. The probable receipts have been provided with reference to the actuals. Hence the increase.

15. *Grants and Contributions—Municipal Schools.*—The decrease is due to the fact that a less amount of grant was earned by the teachers of the high school who acted in higher appointments during the absence of the headmaster, for a period of three months, on other duty.

16. *Refunds of Expenditure of previous year.*—The amount is the costs recovered from one Kandukuri Sanyasi Razu Garu who instituted a suit against the council.

17. *Other Advances.*—The sum of Rs. 1,180 paid in advance for the purchase of timber for the high school buildings last year has been adjusted this year.

18. *Deposits.*—Rs. 50 is the sum deposited by the hospital diet contractor, and the remainder is the sum deposited by the appellants of several taxes.

19. The other items are either repetitions of the budget estimates or show variations that are too trifling to require any explanation.

Expenditure.

20. *Grant 1, Public Works—New Works—Buildings.*—Rs. 1,180 is the amount paid in advance last year and adjusted this year. The provision of Rs. 450 made in the budget has been withheld for want of funds.

21. *Repairs—Communications.*—The less provision made under receipts from tolls accounts for the decrease under this head.

22. *Repairs—Water-supply—Repairs to Works, Machinery, &c.*—The amount spent under this head during the past eight months having been only Rs. 17-4-0, a provision of about Rs. 13 is found sufficient for the remaining four months. Hence the decrease.

23. *Water-supply—Establishment.*—The increase under this head is due to famine batta having been sanctioned to low-paid servants in G.Os., Mis. No. 1265 M., dated 24th May 1897, and Mis. No. 1797 M., dated 18th August 1897.

24. *Tools and Plant and other Stores.*—The increase is due to an additional number of tools having been purchased.

25. *Grant 2, Municipal Schools on the Salary System—Establishment.*—There is a decrease under this head in spite of the famine batta having been drawn by the low-paid staff and it is due to the minimum salaries paid to the teachers promoted to the higher classes for a period of three months when the headmaster was on other duty and to the post of the drawing master having been left vacant for about three months.

26. *Municipal Schools on the Salary-result System—Fixed Payments.*—It is proposed that the salary-result upper primary school No. IV may be converted into a salary-result lower primary school, the present strength thereof being only thirty and that another new lower primary school may also be started from 1st February 1898.

Increase is, therefore, due to the provision made for the extra charges to be incurred accordingly and to the famine batta allowed to the staff of all the salary-result schools.

27. *Grant 3, Hospitals and Dispensaries—Establishment.*—Decrease is due to the posts vacated by the female apothecary and midwife attached to the hospital by the resignation of the former and the death of the latter, having been left vacant nearly for the last six months.

The district board, who have been paying hitherto a moiety of the salary of the female apothecary, asked the council to provide a separate building for female hospital and to pay one-half of the charge allowance of the female apothecary to which she will be entitled if she is in charge of a separate hospital. The council could not afford

to comply with the requisition of the board, who have, therefore, refused to pay their contribution towards her salary. Hence no provision has been made for her salary for the last four months of the current year.

28. *Hospitals and Dispensaries—Diet of Patients.*—Rs. 400 have been found sufficient under this head.

29. *Registration of Births and Deaths—Contingencies.*—The increase is due to a provision having been made for the construction of two boards, which have been proposed to be fixed, at conspicuous places, in the town, with the Telugu translation of the sections of the District Municipalities Amendment Act, relating to the registration of births and deaths for the information of the public.

30. *Conservancy Establishment.*—The increase is due to the famine batta allowed to the conservancy staff and to a provision of Rs. 60 made for two months for the salary of a substitute for the present sanitary inspector who has been ordered to join the sanitary inspector's class, Medical College, at Madras, on or before the 7th January 1898 for training.

31. *Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering—Other Charges, such as purchase or hire of Carts, Dry Earth, purchase and maintenance of hire or Bullocks, &c.*—The increase is due to dearness of fodder and horse-gram owing to famine.

32. The increase is due to the famine batta allowed to the private scavenging establishment.

33. *Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering—Contingencies.*—A provision of Rs. 25 has been made for the travelling charges of the sanitary inspector for his journey to Madras.

Rupees 102-9-11 having been already spent for the removal of prickly-pear, it is found necessary that a further provision of Rs. 55 should be made for the purpose. Hence the increase.

34. *Grant 4, Public Garden, Purchase of Seeds, &c.*—Rs. 40 have been provided under this head for the purpose of a compound wall being raised to the municipal garden, which has been leased out, and the well in the garden being supplied with a picotta. Of this amount, a sum of Rs. 25-8-0 has already been spent.

35. *Grant 5, Establishment.*—The sanitary inspector, who is also one of the two toll inspectors, is going for training and only a provision of Rs. 15 per mensem has been made from January of 1898 for the reasons given in paragraph 69 below.

36. All the variations in Grants 4 and 5 under Establishments, except 3 (a) in Grant 4, are due to the famine batta allowed to them.

The right of collecting cart-stand fees has been leased out for the current year. Hence the provision made in the budget under 3 (a) Establishment in Grant 4 has been left unutilized.

BUDGET FOR 1898-99.

Receipts.

37. In consequence of the heavy fall of receipts under the tax on arts for the reason stated in paragraph 3 *supra* and under tolls on account of famine and cholera and of the additional expenditure incurred during the current year on account of famine, the council propose to develop the sources of their revenue by levying the undermentioned taxes and fees at increased rates as mentioned below.

38. *Tax on Buildings.*—It is proposed to raise this tax from 6 per cent., the existing rate, to $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on the annual value of the buildings.

39. *Tax on Carts and other Vehicles without springs.*—This tax is proposed to be raised to Rs. 2 for each half-year, the maximum rate, from Rs. 1-8-0 for each half-year, the existing rate.

40. *Tolls.*—The income under "tolls" is expected to be much larger than in the current year, during which severe famine prevailed in this part of the country. Hence the increase under this head.

41. *Produce of Lands and Gardens, &c.*—The increase under this head is due to the municipal garden having been leased out for three years for an annual rent of Rs. 33.

42. *Fees from Educational Institutions.*—The increase is due to the usual provision having been made, as the decrease in the revised estimate was due to the rate of school-fees having been temporarily reduced for a short period owing to famine.

43. *Income from Markets.*—The increase is due to the existing rate of market fees having been proposed to be doubled and to a further provision of Rs. 300 having been made under market godown rents with the view of raising the rents in the manner which will be settled hereafter.

44. *Slaughter-houses.*—It is proposed to raise the slaughter-house fees from half anna to one anna in the case of sheep or goat, and from two annas to six annas in the case of cattle per head.

45. *License-fees.*—The increase is due to the schedule of license-fees having been revised of late under sub-section (2) of section 267 of the District Municipalities Amendment Act.

The revised schedule has been forwarded to Government for approval.

46. *Grants and Contributions from Government—Educational Buildings.*—A provision of Rs. 660 has been made under this head with the hope of getting a third grant from Government in accordance with the provisions of the Grant-in-aid Code out of Rs. 2,030 set apart for constructing the school building, of which a sum of Rs. 800 was spent last year on purchasing wood for the purpose and the remaining sum of Rs. 1,230 has been provided now.

47. (5) *Grants and Contributions from Government—Municipal Schools.*—The increase under this head is due to the provision having been made according to the existing staff of teachers eligible for grants towards their salaries and to the additional grants expected for the increment to which the first assistant master and the gymnastic instructor of the high school will be entitled in the year under budget.

Charges.

48. *Grant 1, New Works—Buildings.*—Rs. 500 have been provided for the school buildings, the provision of Rs. 250 made for which in the current year to begin with has been withheld for want of funds.

It is expected that a new pucca building can be either purchased or constructed with the amount.

Rupees 160 have been provided for the purchase of a corrugated iron latrine and Rs. 40 for corrugated iron dust-bins.

More provision ought to have been made for the latrines and dust-bins, especially as the allotment made in the current year for them has been withheld, but the funds do not admit of any further provision being made.

Rupees 200 have been provided for the reconstruction of the kitchen and latrines attached to the hospital. The council is unable to make a further provision for want of funds though they are alive to the fact that the female ward of the hospital building requires reconstruction which should be done on the standard plan as advised by the Surgeon-General to Government, Madras.

Rupees 730 have been allotted for the purpose of having the thatched portion of the high school buildings replaced by a tiled roof. The whole amount estimated for the purpose is Rs. 1,530 and the estimate has been approved by the Superintending Engineer, 1st Circle. Of the amount of Rs. 1,530, Rs. 800 were spent last year on purchasing timber, and the remaining sum has now been provided. The council think it very necessary to have the thatched portion replaced by a tiled one in the interests of the school boys. It may not be out of place to state that the cattle shed belonging to the council requires reconstruction badly and the town has not been provided with a slaughter-house for which provision was made in several years and also withheld for some reason or other, not to speak of the office building of its own in need of which the council stands.

It is to be regretted that the financial position of the council does not admit of any provision being made even for one of the above-mentioned works.

49. *Repairs—Communications.*—Fifty per cent. of the income expected under tolls has been provided under this head.

50. *Repairs—Buildings.*—A sum of Rs. 200 has been provided under this head for the purposes shown in the Statement II-A, part II.

51. *Repairs—Water-supply.*—Rupees 50 have been found necessary for the expenses to be incurred in conducting the river water to the several drinking-water tanks in the town.

52. *Water-supply—Establishment.*—The decrease is due to the exclusion of famine batta which is included in the provision made in the revised estimate.

53. *Establishment.*—The decrease under this head can be explained as follows :—

The supervisor of works who is also the sanitary inspector has been hitherto drawing Rs. 5 as his horse allowance in the capacity of supervisor of works. He has been now ordered to join the sanitary inspector's class, Medical College, at Madras, as stated elsewhere, and the council propose that he may be given a horse allowance of Rs. 15 after his return from training as sanitary inspector. Hence the provision under this head has been reduced. The discontinuance of famine batta, which the allotment in the revised estimate includes, also accounts for the decrease.

54. *Tools and Plant and other Stores.*—Rs. 30 is considered sufficient for the year under budget.

55. *Grant 2, Municipal Schools—On Salary System—Establishment.*—The increase is due to the biennial increment of the first assistant of the high school having been converted into an annual increment, to the increment of Re. 1 which the gymnastic instructor of the high school will be entitled in the year under budget, and to the promotions given to the sixth and seventh assistants of the same school at Rs. 5 each per mensem.

The first assistant of the high school is an L.T. and also a science graduate. His efficiency in teaching has been highly spoken of on more than one occasion by Mr. Flanagan, the Inspector of Schools, Northern Circle, in my conferences with him on educational matters of the town during his visits to the place in his inspection tours. The headmaster of the high school recommends his first assistant may be allowed an annual increment instead of a biennial increment. The council is of opinion that he deserves encouragement and that his biennial increment may be converted into an annual increment. The sixth and the seventh assistant teachers of the high school, M.R.Ry. S. Subbanna Sastri and B. Gopalan, have been long-standing teachers working in the educational department of this municipality without any promotion or increment for the last six and five years, respectively, producing good results in the classes of which they have been in charge. The former is a trained Matriculate and the latter is a possessor of untrained teachers' certificate. They applied for a promotion of Rs. 10 each per mensem and their applications have been strongly supported by the headmaster. They no doubt deserve encouragement, but the council only granted their request partly, owing to the poor condition of their finances.

56. *Municipal Schools—On Salary-result System—Fixed Payments.*—Provision has been made for the whole year for the two salary-result lower primary schools proposed to be newly started from the 1st February 1898 as mentioned in paragraph 26 *supra*. There is, however, a decrease under this head, which is due to the amount of famine batta allowed in the current year having been larger than the provision made for the abovementioned new schools.

57. *Municipal Schools—On Salary-result System—Contingencies.*—The increase is due to the provision made for house-rent, &c., of one of the two new schools, the building belonging to the council of the salary-result upper primary school No. IV, whose conversion into a salary-result lower primary school has been sanctioned (*vide* paragraph 26 *supra*), being available for the other.

58. *Grant 3, Hospitals and Dispensaries—Establishment.*—A provision of Rs. 108 has been made for an additional compounder whose entertainment has been proposed by the council with reference to the remarks of the Assistant Surgeon in clause (i) of paragraph 5 of his report embodied in G.O., No. 1695 M., dated 31st July 1897, reviewing the administration report of the municipality for the last year and to which the attention of the council has been drawn by Government. The medical student who has been undergoing training in the Medical College at the cost of the council will complete his course of training in March 1898 and will be ready to serve as the local hospital assistant. Hence Rs. 240 have been provided for his salary. The council quite agrees with the Assistant Surgeon in his opinion expressed in his report embodied in the above-mentioned Government Order that there should be a female hospital, but it deeply regrets that it is not in a position, financially speaking, to afford to provide a sum of Rs. 800, which is the least amount required for the absolutely necessary expenses to be incurred in the case of a female hospital being established. The council further regrets that it has not been able to provide funds for contribution towards the medical officer's pay and allowances in spite of the explicit orders of the Government on the subject contained in G.O., No. 565, Financial, dated 22nd July 1897. The council has left no stone unturned for the purpose of raising their funds sufficiently high and sanctioned the levy of almost all the taxes and fees at increased rates, many of them such as tolls and the tax on carts having been raised to their maximum rates and the house and land taxes having been brought very near to the maximum rates. With all these, I regret to state that the year under budget is expected to close with a balance of Rs. 700, which is far less than 10 per cent. There is no doubt that the tax-payers of this town feel the action of the council in raising almost all the taxes very much, especially because the year under budget happens to be the successor of a very severe famine year. The council, however, was driven to the necessity of raising them owing to the very bad condition of its finances.

Under the above-mentioned circumstances, I request that the Government may be pleased to defer the introduction of the arrangement sanctioned in paragraph 5 of G.O., No. 179, Financial, dated 20th February 1897, for a further period of at least one or two years when it is hoped that the financial position of the council may be far better and it can afford to pay the contribution towards the pay and allowances of the medical officer.

59. *Hospital and Dispensaries—Sundries and Contingencies.*—The increase of Rs. 120 is due to the provision having been made for replacing some of the wooden cots in the hospital by iron ones.

60. *Vaccination—Contingencies.*—Rs. 30 are considered sufficient.

61. *Registration of Births and Deaths—Contingencies.*—It is thought that a provision of Rs. 10 will do for the year under budget.

62. *Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering—Contingencies.*—Rs. 100 are considered sufficient.

63. The decreases under vaccination, registration of births and deaths, conservancy, road-cleaning and road-watering, and private scavenging are due to the discontinuance of famine batta which is included in the provision made under these heads in the current year.

64. (5) *Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering—Establishment.*—A provision of Rs. 180 has been made under this head for the horse allowance of the inspector as explained in paragraph 53 *supra*. Only Rs. 240 have been provided for his salary as it is proposed to pay him Rs. 20 per mensem besides the horse allowance. It is proposed to raise the number of the conservancy carts by two and Rs. 70 have been provided for the cartmen's pay at Rs. 3 each per mensem.

65. *Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering—Other Charges, such as purchase or hire of Carts, Dry Earth, purchase and maintenance or hire of Bullocks, &c.*—A provision of Rs. 530 has been made for the maintenance of bullocks and Rs. 100 for the purchase of two pairs of bullocks and two carts.

66. *Grant 4, Lighting—Establishment.*—It is proposed to increase the salaries of the lamp-lighters by As. 4 each per mensem as the existing number of lamps will be increased shortly by about 15.

67. *Work done for private individuals other than private scavenging.*—The decrease is due to the famine batta allowed in the current year having been discontinued.

68. *Other Charges—Compensation for Lands.*—Rs. 100 have been provided with the view of acquiring a piece of dry land to the extent of one acre near the Badhva toll-gate for rubbish and night-soil depôts in accordance with the suggestion of the District Medical and Sanitary Officer.

Rupees 120 have been provided for the acquisition of two sites that are required for burial-grounds for Muhammadans.

69. *Grant 5.*—All the variations in the grant are under establishments under several heads and they are all due to the famine batta provided in the current year having been excluded from the provision made in the year under budget.

Establishment.—It is proposed to engage one full-timed toll inspector on Rs. 15 per mensem instead of two on Rs. 10 per mensem each as has been the case hitherto; of the two inspectors, the sanitary inspector is one and it is thought that one full-timed man can work more satisfactorily.

70. The total receipts for 1898-99 are estimated to be Rs. 28,560. The opening balance of the year is estimated to be Rs. 400. The grand total is therefore Rupees 28,960. The expenditure is estimated to be Rs. 28,260, leaving a balance of Rs. 700.

No. 579-Rev.

Forwarded.

27th December 1897.

(Signed) R. W. D'E. ASHE,
Ag. Senior Assistant Collector.

Dis. No. 83-Eng.

Forwarded.

2. Provision should be made for at least two additional watchers for conserving the bed of the Langulia river, and preventing its pollution by men and cattle.

The council has apparently, in framing this budget, paid very inadequate attention to the question of sanitation, notwithstanding the fact that Chicacole and its surroundings are seldom entirely free from cholera. It is proposed to reduce the pay of the sanitary inspector and the hospital assistant, and to raise the salaries of three schoolmasters.

At the same time the council has declined to provide a separate building for the female apothecary, or to bear half her charge allowance as requested by the district board.

From the minute of dissent however forwarded by two of the municipal councillors, it will be observed that the council is by no means unanimous, and I consider that the female apothecary should be retained on the terms mentioned by the district board, by which provision has been duly made.

It is however essential that the female apothecary should be located in a separate building, which will entitle her to charge allowance.

3. The proposals of the council for increase in house-tax and tax on vehicles has my support. I consider an increase of 25 per cent. in the house-tax sufficient for the present.

4. The present system of free distribution of medicines requires revision.

CAMP, GANGAPUR,
17th January 1898.

(Signed) H. D. TAYLOR,
Acting Collector.

From the Hon'ble Mr. D. DUNCAN, M.A., D.Sc., LL.D., Director of Public Instruction, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department, dated Madras, 14th January 1898, No. 239.

Referring to the budget estimate of the Chicacole Municipality for 1898-99, I have the honour to state that the allotments made therein under the several heads of Grant 2 may be accepted. The net expenditure proposed, excluding the building grant of Rs. 660 for which credit has been taken (I am not, however, able to see how this sum was arrived at), is Rs. 2,400 (10,720—8,320) or about 15 per cent. of the estimated income of the municipality from taxation, markets and rents.

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3. The amount provided against establishment in statement II of the budget estimate should be raised from Rs. 1,190 to Rs. 2,484 to meet the above proposal.

4. The suggestions of the medical officer regarding the construction of a female ward and a cook-house have not been carried out for want of funds.

From the Acting Collector of Ganjam, dated 17th January 1898, R.C. No. 330-Eng., of 1897, forwarding, with remarks, a petition from two councillors requesting to place certain suggestions before Government in regard to the budget estimate of the Chicacole Municipality for the year 1898-99.

From Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel W. G. KING, M.B., C.M., D.P.H., Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department, dated Fort St. George, 28th January 1898, No. 153-S.

I have the honour to state that the conservancy expenditure proposed by the Chicacole Municipality for the ensuing year amounts to only 17 per cent. of the estimated receipts. This, as has already been pointed out in previous budgets, is inadequate for requirements. Statement II-B shows that there are no less than 39 sweepers, against only 22 scavengers. The numbers should be reversed. Epidemic charges are placed at Rs. 700, instead of at Rs. 730. It is not known if any steps have been taken to put a stop to the practice of removing night-soil in open baskets. If not, I would advise the immediate purchase of iron night-soil carts for the purpose.

From the Collector of Ganjam, forwarding letter from the Chairman, Municipal Council, Chicacole, passing remarks on the petition presented by two councillors in connection with the budget estimate of the municipality for 1898-99.

ORDER—No. 529 M., dated 8th March 1898.

The estimated receipts and charges of the Chicacole Municipality for 1898-99, as passed by Government, are compared below with the budget and revised estimates for the year 1897-98 and the actuals of 1896-97:—

	Actuals, 1896-97.	Budget estimate, 1897-98.	Revised estimate, 1897-98.	Budget estimate, 1898-99.
Receipts.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Balance brought forward ..	3,206	760	2,290	330
Tax on Arts ..	1,969	2,000	800	800
" on Buildings and Lands ..	3,227	3,330	3,380	4,040
" on Vehicles and Animals ..	1,193	1,270	1,150	1,150
" on Carts ..	564	800	800	1,050
Tolls ..	5,318	6,270	4,800	5,510
Rent of Lands, Buildings, &c., and Sale-proceeds of Lands, &c. ..	162	110	180	90
Conservancy Receipts ..	28	30	30	30
Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions ..	7,394	7,380	7,140	7,380
Income from Markets and Slaughter-houses ..	134	150	90	90
License Fees ..	2,529	2,540	2,570	3,680
Other Fees ..	187	180	150	650
Fines under Municipal and other Acts ..	266	540	560	560
Interest on Investments and Premium on Loans ..	194	200	300	300
Grants and Contributions from Government ..	70	70	70	70
" from Local Boards ..	1,014	960	880	1,430
Recoveries for services to private individuals ..	900	900	900	900
Miscellaneous ..	780	770	770	770
Advances Recovered ..	22	..	40	..
	129	..	1,190	..
Total ..	29,286	28,260	28,090	28,830
GRANT 1—				
New Works—				
Buildings ..	982	450	1,180	1,130
Drainage ..	207	..	..	..
Repairs—				
Communications ..	2,133	2,590	1,820	2,150
Buildings ..	113	200	200	200
Water-supply ..	215	210	160	230
Establishment ..	324	320	330	260
Tools and Plant and other Stores ..	23	30	50	30
Total ..	3,997	3,800	3,740	4,000
GRANT 2—				
Training Schools ..	..	..	20	..
Municipal Schools—				
On the Salary System ..	6,653	7,330	7,170	7,390
Result System ..	2,285	2,290	2,410	2,230
Grants-in-aid—				
Result Grants ..	255	330	330	330
Building, Furniture, &c., Grants ..	16	20	20	20
Inspection ..	251	260	260	260
Miscellaneous ..	160	160	160	160
Total ..	9,620	10,390	10,370	10,390
GRANT 3—				
Hospitals and Dispensaries ..	2,836	3,410	3,000	4,320
Contributions ..	211	210	210	210
Vaccination ..	209	210	230	210
Registration of Births and Deaths ..	123	130	150	130
Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering ..	4,257	4,600	5,380	5,030
Total ..	7,636	8,560	8,970	9,900
GRANT 4—				
Lighting ..	802	760	790	770
Markets and Slaughter-houses ..	20	30	10	10
Cart-stand ..	97	100	10	..
Public Garden, Survey of Land, Fire and other Charges ..	523	570	640	640
Total ..	1,442	1,460	1,450	1,420
GRANT 5—				
Supervision and Management ..	3,089	3,080	3,190	2,990
Advances Recoverable ..	1,210	..	20	..
Refunds ..	..	..	20	..
Total ..	26,994	27,290	27,760	28,700
Grand Total ..	2,292	970	330	130
Balance ..	..	..	..	..

REVISED ESTIMATE FOR 1897-98.

2. The current receipts and charges are now estimated at Rs. 25,800 and Rupees 27,760, respectively, against Rs. 27,500 and Rs. 27,290 anticipated in the sanctioned budget. The decrease in the receipts which occurs chiefly under the tax on arts, tolls and school fees is partly made good by an increase under advances recovered, while the increase in the charges appears mainly under grant 3. The sanction of Government should have been obtained for the reduction in the rate of school fees referred to in paragraph 8 of the Chairman's letter. This should now be done. The reduction of the Municipal upper primary school No. IV to the lower primary grade, the abolition of the post of female apothecary, the entertainment of a toll inspector on Rs. 15 in lieu of the present two inspectors on Rs. 10 each and the reduction of the cart-stand establishment, proposed in paragraphs 26, 27, 35 and 36 are sanctioned, but the last two of these proposals should have also been shown in the proposition statement. The proposal in paragraph 26 to open a new lower primary school, however, cannot be approved, in the absence of any explanation as to its necessity.

BUDGET ESTIMATE FOR 1898-99.

3. *Receipts.*—The receipts for the ensuing year are placed at Rs. 28,670 against Rs. 25,800 in the revised estimate, the increase which occurs under the taxes on buildings and carts, tolls, school fees, income from markets and slaughter-houses, license fees and grants from Government being partly counterbalanced by a decrease under advances recovered. The municipal council's proposals in paragraphs 38 and 39 to increase the rate of the tax on buildings from 6 to 7½ per cent. of their annual value and that of the tax on carts from Rs. 1-8-0 to Rs. 2 for each half-year are sanctioned. The attention of the municipal council is drawn to the remark of the Collector in paragraph 4 of his endorsement and to that of the Director of Public Instruction in his letter read above. The provision of Rs. 500 made for the construction of a primary school building having been struck out in paragraph 4 (2) *infra*, the credit taken under provincial grants for education on this account will be reduced by Rs. 170.

4. *Charges.*—(1) The probable charges are put down at Rs. 28,260 against the revised estimate of Rs. 27,760, the increase which appears under grants 1 and 2 being partly met by a decrease under Grant 3.

(2) *Grant 1.*—For want of funds, the provision of Rs. 500 made for the construction of a primary school building will be struck out. The discontinuance of the horse allowance of Rs. 5 paid to the supervisor of works, referred to in paragraph 53, is approved. With reference to paragraph 2 of the Collector's endorsement, the entertainment of two river watchmen on Rs. 3 each is sanctioned, the allotment for water-supply establishment being raised by Rs. 70.

(3) *Grant 2.*—The proposals in paragraph 55 of the Chairman's letter to grant an annual increment of Rs. 4 to the first assistant of the high school instead of a biennial increment, and to increase the salaries of the sixth and seventh assistants of the same school by Rs. 5 each cannot be approved in the present state of the municipal finances.

(4) *Grant 3.*—The entertainment of an additional compounder on Rs. 9 for the municipal hospital, proposed in paragraph 58, and the increase from Rs. 12 to Rs. 15 in the pay of the midwife, which from statement II-B and the proposition statement appears to be contemplated, but to which no reference has been made in the Chairman's letter, will be disallowed for want of funds. The reduction from Rs. 25 to Rs. 20 in the pay of the hospital assistant referred to in paragraph 58 is ill-advised and cannot therefore be approved. The municipal council's request in the same paragraph that it may be exempted for a further period of one or two years from payment of the contribution fixed in paragraph 5 of G.O., No. 179, Financial, dated 20th February 1897, on account of the Medical officer's pay and allowances will be considered in the Financial Department. Meanwhile, a provision of Rs. 1,290 will be made under hospitals and dispensaries to meet this contribution, as proposed by the Surgeon-General in paragraph 3 of his letter read above. The reduction from Rs. 30 to Rs. 20

in the pay of the sanitary inspector, the payment to him of a horse allowance of Rs. 15 and the entertainment of two cart men on Rs. 3 each, proposed in paragraph 64, are sanctioned. The attention of the municipal council is drawn to the remarks of the Sanitary Commissioner in his letter read above, regarding the revision of the number of sweepers and scavengers and the purchase of iron night-soil carts. The provision for epidemic charges will be raised from Rs. 700 to Rs. 730, as recommended by him.

(5) *Grant 4.*—The increase from Rs. 3-8-0 to Rs. 3-12-0 in the pay of the lamp-lighters proposed in paragraph 66 cannot be approved as the Government is not satisfied of its necessity.

(6) *Grant 5.*—With reference to G.O., No. 2473 L., dated 22nd December 1897, the contribution for the central office establishments will be reduced from Rs. 260 to Rs. 226 or Rs. 230 in round figures.

5. As revised by Government, the budget closes with a balance of Rs. 130 or only 0.5 per cent. of the estimated receipts. This should be increased in the course of the year by effecting savings wherever practicable or by increasing the revenues.

(True Extract.)

S. S. Roberts
for Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Chicacole.

- " Collector of Ganjam.
- " President, District Board, Ganjam.
- " Accountant-General.
- " Director of Public Instruction.
- " Surgeon-General.
- " Sanitary Board.
- " Sanitary Commissioner.
- " Sanitary Engineer.
- " Financial Department, with reference to paragraph 4 (4).

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SUBJECT.

~~HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR.~~

~~THE HON'BLE SIR HENRY BLISS, K.C.I.E.~~

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

Contribution towards the pay and allowances of the medical subordinate, Chicacole.

FOR ORDERS.

A

In para 5 of G.O.No.179 Finl.,d/ 20th February 1897, the practice under which Provincial funds ~~contributed~~ the whole pay (Rs.450 per mensem) of the medical subordinate attached to the Chicacole hospital, was ~~ordered to be discontinued~~.

~~the~~ Govt.undertaking to contribute only one-fourth of the pay and allowances. The introduction of this arrangement was, however, deferred, by G.O.

No.565 Finl.,d/22nd July 1897, until the 1st April 1898, in consequence of a ~~representation~~ *directed* representation made by the Municipal Council. ~~The~~ Honourable Members then ~~that~~ that no further time should be granted

[Vide note in G.O.No.565 Finl.,d/22nd July 1897] ~~that~~.

In para 58 of the *covering letter to the* Budget Estimates for 1898-99 the Municipal Council states that it has not found it possible to provide for its share ^(3/4) of the contribution towards the medical officer's pay and allowances in spite of its having raised the taxes, and that the year is expected to close with only a balance of Rs.700. The Council accordingly

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accordingly requests that the introduction of the arrangement may be deferred for a further period of at least one or two years. With a view to relieve the Municipality as far as possible the Surgeon-General has now posted a Civil Apothecary on Rs.150 per mensem and ^{the} of this salary or Rs.112½, will have to be defrayed by ^{The Municipality} The Local & Municipal Dept. transfers the proposal for consideration of the Financial Dept, after making the necessary provision for the item in the budget, which closes with a balance of Rs.130.

page 9 ibid.

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Orders are solicited

AB 14/4/98 Perhaps the Municipality might be defrayed

Perhaps the payment by the Municipality of its share of the pay and allowances of the Medical Subordinates might be deferred for when its financial position may be better, a year or two, the Municipality then paying in instalments the arrears due by it since 1st April 1898.

Curb.
16.4.98.

They might be debited with half the amt this year $\frac{1350}{2} = 675$ & required to provide the whole sum next year.

16.4.98

Verywell
18/4/98

Financial Dept

Read again G.O. 179 Dtd 20.2.97 (para 5). - (R)

G.O. No. 565 Dtd 22.7.97 - (P)

C. No. 1031 portion marked A

C.S.

Order No. 396 dated 22nd April 1898 P.S.

In the circumstances represented, the Municipal Council, Chucacate, will be ~~permitted~~ permitted to contribute ~~the~~ 3/8th of the pay & allowances of the Medical subordinates during 1897-98; but the full contribution of 3/4th will be levied from 1st April 1899.

(From Orders)

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