

Marine (1897) Department.

G.O., No. 380 Marine

DATED 27 April 1897

Removal of funds 65th

[Despatch Abstract.]

Port and Marine funds

Letter from the Presidency Port officer
submitting explanation as to certain points
noticed in the budget estimate of — for
1897-98, recorded with remarks.

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Letter from the Presidency Port Officer submitting explanation as to certain points noticed in the budget estimate of -- for 1897-98, recorded with remarks.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
MARINE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

From Commander H. A. STREET, R.I.M., Presidency Port Officer, Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Marine Department, dated 30th March 1897, No. 118 G.

I have the honour to furnish below the explanation called for in G.O., No. 190, Marine, dated 3rd March 1897:—

- (1) *Paragraph 3 of Government Order.*—A sum of Rs. 70,000 was repaid as loan to Tinnevely District Port funds and included in receipts in 1893-94 (*vide* G.O., No. 236, Financial, dated 13th March 1895), and this adjustment accounts for the decrease noticed in the total receipts for the two subsequent years.
- (2) *Paragraph 4 of Government Order.*—Particulars of items which account for the increase of Rs. 37,000 in general administration charges in the revised estimate for 1896-97 are contained in page 11 of the Government Order under reference. Provision for works in connection with lighthouse improvements under contemplation was not made in the estimate for 1897-98, as estimates for the same had not been received from the Executive Engineer in charge Lighthouse division.
- (3) *Paragraph 9 of Government Order.*—An excess of Rs. 3,500 in the revised estimate for 1896-97 is anticipated in the receipts of the landing and shipping dues at Vizagapatam, and the sum put down as Rs. 11,000 was arrived at with reference to the *actuals* of the past three years. The decrease of Rs. 6,000 noticed in the budget estimate for 1897-98 is due to anticipated decrease in receipts of the landing and shipping dues at Cocanada and Negapatam arrived at by the *actuals* of the past three years. The reduction of Rs. 12,500 in the revised estimate of charges of the Negapatam landing and shipping dues is due to provision for charges for working the dredger "Havelock" having been made for only the last two months of the year 1896-97.
- (4) *Paragraph 12 of Government Order.*—The report called for in G.O., No. 68, Marine, dated 23rd January 1897, cannot be supplied till the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, submits plans and specifications.

ORDER—No. 380, Marine, dated 27th April 1897.

Recorded with the following remarks.

The explanation in regard to the decrease in Port fund receipts is accepted.

The increase of Rs. 37,000 in general administration charges has not been sufficiently explained. The Presidency Port Officer merely refers to the statement on page 11 of G.O., No. 190, Marine, dated 3rd March 1897. The following is an extract of the items making up the difference:—

Particulars.	Budget estimate, 1896-97.	Revised estimate, 1896-97.
	RS.	RS.
Share of assessment on Port office building	...	460
Repairs to Port office building	...	3,000
Stationery and printing	...	1,600
Miscellaneous charges in connection with establishment for lighthouses	1,500	10,000
Lighthouse mechanic's pay and travelling expenses	...	1,700
Dredger Wenlock—Establishment	...	10,000
Do. Contingencies	...	12,000
Total	1,500	38,760
Difference	Rs. 37,260	

There is nothing to show the causes of difference between the revised and budget estimates.

The absence of budget provision for lighthouse improvements is not satisfactorily explained. It was known that certain expenditure on lighthouse improvements was contemplated in 1897-98. Provision for this expenditure, details of which could have been ascertained from the Executive Engineer, Lighthouse division, should accordingly have been made. It is not always practicable, or desirable, to disturb a budget after it has once been fixed. Application for the requisite funds is now being made in the Public Works Department.

It is stated that the revised estimate of Rs. 11,000 under receipts, Vizagapatam, was framed with reference to the *actuals* of the past three years. This being so, it is not clear why the budget estimate should have been fixed at the exceptionally low figure of Rs. 7,500.

As regards the absence of provision for the Calicut pier, it has since been explained by the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, that observations over a lengthened period will be necessary before any estimate for a new pier can be framed. As there is thus no likelihood of any expenditure on the work during 1897-98, no provision of funds need be made.

(True Extract.)

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Presidency Port Officer.
" Financial Department.
" Public Works Department.

Exd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following

From the Presidency Port Officer, Madras, No. 118 G., dated 30th March '97.

No 380 Marine 27 April 1897
Recorded with the following

remarks:

The explanation in regard to the decrease in Port Fund Receipts is accepted.

The increase of Rs. 37,000 in general administration charges has not been sufficiently explained. The Presidency Port Officer merely refers to the statement on page 11 of G.O. 190 Marine dated 3rd March 1897. The following is an extract of the items making up the difference:-

Particulars.	Budget Estimate 1896-97.	Revised Estimate 1896-97.
Share of assessment on Port Office building.	"	460
Repairs to - do -	"	3,000
Stationery and printing.	1,500	1,600
Miscellaneous charges in connection with establishment for light houses.	"	10,000
Light house mechanic's pay and travelling expenses.	"	1,700
Dredger Wenlock-Establishment.	"	10,000
- do - Contingencies.	"	12,000
	<u>1,500</u>	<u>38,760</u>
Difference	-----	37,260.

There is nothing to show the causes of difference between the ^{revised} budget and budget estimates.

The absence of budget provision for light house improvements is not satisfactorily explained. It was known ^{that} certain expenditure on light house improvements was contemplated in 1897-98. Provision for this expenditure, details of which could have been ascertained from the Executive Engineer, Light House Division, should accordingly have been made. It is not always practicable, or desirable, to disturb a budget after it has once been fixed. Application for the requisite funds is now being made in the P.W. Department.

It is stated that the revised estimate of Rs. 11,000 under Receipts, Vizagapatam, was framed with reference to the actuals of the past 3 years. This being so, it is not clear why the budget estimate should have been fixed at the exceptionally low figure of Rs. 7,500.

As regards the absence of provision for the Calicut Pier, it has since been explained by the Suptg. Engineer, IV Circle, that observations over a lengthened period will be necessary before any estimate for a new pier can be framed. As there is thus no likelihood of any expenditure on the work during 1897-98, no provision of funds need be made.

To The P.F.O.
Financial Dept.
P.W.D.

Figures - Explanations as to Budget

From the Presidency Port Officer, Madras, No. 118 G., dated 30th March '97

The Hon Mr. P. H. C. J. E.

FOR ORDERS.

With reference to G.O. 190 Marine dated 3rd March 1897.

Para 3 of G.O. It would appear that the receipts in 1893-94 were enhanced by an ^{enactment} ~~experimental~~ refund. Leaving this year out for purposes of comparison, the receipts were as follows, as compared with the previous year:-

1892-93	Rs.
~~1893-94~~	3.93
1894-95. ----	4.36.
1895-96. ----	4.40.

Para 4. In regard to the increase of Rs. 37,000 in general administration charges, the Presidency Port Officer refers to the statement on page 11 of the G.O. The following is an extract of the differences there given-

Particulars.	Budget Estimate 1896-97	Revised Estimate 1896-97.
Share of assessment on Port Office building.	"	460
Repairs to - do -	"	3,000
Stationery and printing.	1,500	1,600

Miscellaneous

FOR ORDERS.

Miscellaneous charges in connection with establishment for light houses.	"	10,000
Light house mechanic's pay and travelling expenses.	"	1,700
Dredger Wenlock-Establishment.	"	10,000
- Do - Contingencies.	"	12,000
	1,500	38,760
Difference - -----		37,260

The Presidency Port Officer offers no comments on the differences between the figures of the budget and revised estimates.

The explanation given as to the absence of provision for light house ~~improvements~~ ^{experiments} does not seem satisfactory.

It should have been ascertained from the Executive Engineer, Light House Division, what expenditure was likely to be incurred in 1897-98. If it was certain that no expenditure was to be incurred then the Presidency Port Officer's budget would be a correct forecast; but when it was expected that certain works would be ready for execution during the year, provision for outlay on them should have

been made. It is not always practicable, or desirable, to disturb a budget after it has once been fixed.

Para 9. The Presidency Port Officer states that the revised estimate of Rs. 11,000 under Receipts, Vizagapatam,

was

Quite so. It must now be ascertained what money can be spent in 1897-98. Provision be made in the Budget accordingly, it being revised for the purpose. I understood from Mr. Aspinall that he can probably spend Rs. 6000 on Falmouth Pier & Rs. 10000 on Munro's Pier. Total Rs. 16000 - If so, provision should be made to this extent.

Just so - Once we have settled on these included L. F. Budget, I apprehend that the Asst. Port Officer will allow alteration.

was framed with reference to the actuals of the past three years. This being so, there was apparently no reason why he should have fixed his budget estimate at the low figure of Rs. 7,500.

Para 12. It has since been explained by the Suptg. Engineer, IV Circle, that observations over a lengthened period will be necessary before any estimate for ^a new pier at Calicut can be framed. It will thus be no use, apparently, making any provision for the work in the current year.

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. Marine (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 497

From,

The Presidency Post Office,
Madras

No. 1184.

Order

Dated 30 March 1897

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with the Port and
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Heading.

PRESIDENCY PORT OFFICE,
Madras, 30 March 1897.

From

Commander H. A. Street R. I. M.

PRESIDENCY PORT OFFICER,

Madras,

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

MARINE DEPARTMENT,

Chennai.

SIR,

I have the honor to furnish below the explanation called for in G.O. No 190, Marine dated 3rd March 1897:

(1) Para 3 of G.O. - A sum of Rs 7,000 was repaid as loan to Tirunelveli District Port Funds and included in receipts in 1893-94. Vide G.O. No 236, Financial, dated 13 March 1895, and this adjustment accounts for the decrease noticed in the total receipts for the two subsequent years.

(2) Para 4 of G.O. - Particulars of items which ~~which~~ account for the increase of Rs 37,000 in General Administration charges in the Revised Estimate for 1896-97 are contained in page 11 of the G.O. under reference. Provision for works in connection with

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Light House improvements under con-
-templation was not made in the Estimate
for 1897-98, as Estimates for the same had
not been received from the Executive Engi-
-neer in charge Light House Division.

(3) Para 9 of G.O. — An excess of Rs 3,500 in the Revised Estimate for 1896-97 is anticipated in the receipts of the Landing and Shipping Dues at Vizagapatam, and the sum put down as Rs 11,000 was arrived at with reference to the actuals of the past three years. The decrease of Rs 6000 noticed in the Budget Estimate for 1897-98 is due to anticipated decrease in receipts of the Landing and Shipping Dues at Coconada and Negapatam arrived at by the actuals of the past three years. The reduction of Rs 12,500 in the Revised Estimate of Charges of the Negapatam Landing and Shipping dues is due to provision for charges for working the Dredger "Harclock" having been made for only the last two months of the year 1896-97.

in G.O. No 68 Marine, dated 23^d January
1897, cannot be supplied till the Super-
-intending Engineer 4th Circle submits plans
and specifications.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Obedient Servant

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 Commander R. I. M.
 Presidency Port Officer