

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
10th July 1861.*

No. 155. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Financial Department, dated 6th July 1861, No. 346:— .

*Fixing upon the 31st August as the latest date
by which the Supplemental Budget should reach
the Accountant General's Office.* } (Vide Financial Proceedings, 6th July
1861, Nos. 18, 19.)

No. 156. ORDER THEREON, 10th July 1861, No. 1,382.

Ordered to be recorded.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

Office have forwarded to me supplemental estimates for expenditure for which no provision has been made in the Budget. As I have no authority to receive such estimates, I have in some instances returned them with intimation that they should be submitted to Government with explanation of the causes which rendered them necessary. It occurs to me, however, that this course may be productive of some delay and inconvenience, and that if the Government authorize the submission of supplemental estimates, they may direct that they should be forwarded through this Office.

2. Owing to the forms having been imperfectly understood, and the hurried manner in which the estimates were prepared, and to the very little time which remained to this Office for their check and examination in consequence of the late date on which most were received, numerous mistakes and omissions have occurred, many of which were not discovered till the bills for May were audited and charges disallowed, because not provided for. As an instance I may mention that with one or two exceptions all the Collectors have omitted to include in their estimates the house rent of their Covenanted Assistants, which is a fixed charge and forms part of the regular allowances of the Assistants.

3. It will not perhaps be considered desirable that supplemental estimates for different Offices or Departments should be sent separately for the sanction of the Government of India, and I therefore suggest that all Offices should be required to submit, by the date which the Government determine, supplemental estimates (those of Collectors to be sent through the Board of Revenue) for any authorized charges omitted to be provided for, with full explanation of the causes of omission, and also for charges which have been sanctioned since the Budget was prepared. From these estimates one general supplemental estimate should be prepared in this Office and submitted to Government, together with the original returns.

ORDER THEREON, 6th July 1861, No. 316.

The Government have already in their Order dated 4th instant, No. 1,339, Revenue Department, requested the Accountant General to prepare, in communication with all Heads of Departments and Officers who have submitted budget estimates, one supplemental budget for all Departments of the Service. This letter does not therefore need orders. Mr. Harrison will at once issue his circular instructions on the subject. The Government would fix upon the 31st August as the latest date by which the supplemental budget should reach the Accountant General's Office. All Heads of Departments and Officers will be warned that the Government expect that the greatest care be taken in the preparation of these supplemental estimates, and that they will be held personally responsible for any errors or omissions that may occur in them.

(True Extract.)

T. PYCROFT,

Chief Secretary.

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