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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
21st May 1864.*

No. 505. Read the following Proceedings of the Governor General of India in Council, Public Works Department, dated Fort William, 19th April 1864, Circular No. 17 :—
Read North-Western Provinces Budget Orders for 1864-65.

Ordered, that a copy of the above orders be forwarded—
To the Government of North-Western Provinces for information and guidance.
To the Home, Financial, Foreign, and Military Departments for information.
To the Quarter Master General of the Army, and to the Accountants General, Military Department and Public Works Department, for information.

Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, and Punjab.
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To the Local Governments and Administrations marginally noted.

Ordered also, that it be intimated to all the Departments and Governments named, that complete sets of the Budget orders for 1864-65, with the General Resolution of the Government of India on the subject will be forwarded to them hereafter.

(Signed) E. C. S. WILLIAMS, Captain, R. E.,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

N. W. P. BUDGET ORDERS, 1864-65.

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As per Budget-Estimate	Rs. 3,24,801
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Total Military	10,98,234

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Total Civil Buildings	7,05,673

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For minor works, share of Reserve	
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25. *Item No. 90.* The grant for this may be reduced to Rupees 88,816 to meet part of the cost of land for Oudh and Rohilkund Railway (see paragraph 43), which must be met from the ordinary Public Works assignment as to the nature of these estimates, and exactly what works they provide for. It must be understood that the appropriations now granted for this road are only applicable to works sanctioned by the Government of India, and the detailed appropriations on specific works must be made by the same authority.

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Rohilkund Trunk Road Rs. 2,50,000
Collection of materials for Setee and Ghat bridges on Great Deccan Road, Rs. 30,000.

26. *Item No. 92.* Explanation is desired as to what are the particular works going on without estimates.

27. *Item No. 95.* Approved on understanding that complete estimates will come within the sanction of the Lieutenant-Governor.

28. *Item No. 99.* Forms part of the general scheme, and seems therefore hardly a legitimate sanction.

29. *Items Nos. 96, 100 and 101,* as per margin. Form part of the same project, and have to be considered in connection with each other. The Government of India will be glad to have the promised reports on these roads, as soon as the Lieutenant-Governor considers that he is in a position to commence operations.

Road Chowkees on Kawnpoor and Jhansi Road, Rs. 18,000
Roads in Bundelkhand
Road from Gwalior to Jhansi Rs. 1,20,000
Do. from Jhansi to Seepre 50,000
... .. 50,000

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103. Road from Ramnuggur to Khyrwa 10,000
105. Roads in Gurhwal 10,000

31. *Item No. 104.* This, which is a grant-in-aid to local works, is approved. But it will be desirable to state whether any further grant is likely to be required. At the same time it may be observed that the previous application to this work of so-called local funds, which in fact were a part of the Imperial revenue, took place without the knowledge of the Government of India, and was irregular.

32. *Item No. 106.* *Completing bridge over Hindun River, Rupees 30,000.*—May stand, subject to the result of the enquiry which is now being made as to whether an iron bridge might not be substituted for the masonry bridge under construction.

33. The total expenditure under Communications will be—

As per Budget-Estimate	...	...	RS.
Deduct amount disallowed from Item No. 90	...	...	13,14,323
For minor works, share of Reserve	...	...	1,11,154
	...	...	12,03,169
	...	...	2,78,900
Total	...	...	14,82,069

REPAIRS.

34. The grant for repairs is taken this year at Rupees 18,46,016, or upwards of 4½ lacs more than last year.

35. It is urged as a reason for this increase that the grants in former years were insufficient, and that thus the necessary repairs to be done have accumulated, and that the state of the Grand Trunk Road which has been yearly deteriorating, is due to insufficient grants for its maintenance. It is also urged that a large proportion of the Military buildings now occupied are only temporary

and imperfect, and not intended to last so many years as they have been actually in use. This last argument appears to a certain extent valid, but it may be expected that the large expenditure of the last three years on new Military buildings should lead to a reduction in the use and consequently in the charges for repairs for some of these temporary buildings. As regards the Grand Trunk Road its rapid deterioration is certainly very deeply to be regretted, but so far as is known, its present unsatisfactory state is mainly due to the failure of ill-considered contract arrangements, and not to the want of the appropriation of funds. At any rate this much is certain that the present rate of expenditure on new works cannot be maintained simultaneously with an increased expenditure for repairs.

	REPAIRS.	RS.
Military		38,017
Civil buildings ..		16,988
Agricultural		32,153
Communications ..		60,888
		1,46,046
Saving on Item 90		1,11,154
Total ..		2,57,200

36. It is hoped that by a careful scrutiny of the detailed estimates, a saving may be made without sacrificing any necessary work, and under this view the grant is reduced to Rupees 17,00,000; the saving thus made will, with the reduction on Item 90, make up the additional charge brought into the Budget for land for Railways; vide margin.*

37. Should this grant after careful enquiry be found insufficient, then a proposal for re-appropriation of grants from original works to the necessary extent should be made.

38. It may here be again prominently noticed that eventually it will doubtless be necessary to make some provision for transferring a considerable share of the cost of maintenance of all roads, as a charge to local revenues, and to restrict the application of Imperial funds as much as possible to the construction of new lines. The serious attention of the Lieutenant-Governor should be directed to this point. It is obviously impossible for the Imperial revenues to provide for the constantly increasing charge for road maintenance all over India.

ESTABLISHMENTS.

39. The sum taken, Rupees 13,24,704, is Rupees 20,697 in excess of last year's estimate; the items of increase are detailed in the Memorandum which accompanies the Budget.

40. Information is requested as to the nature of the present employment of the Surveyor, Irrigation Department, the charges for whose establishment amount to Rupees 12,538.

41. It is noticed that the petty establishments on the Northern and Meerut Divisions of the Ganges Canal are larger than that of the entire Eastern Jumna Canal. This appears to call for information.

42. So do the charges of extra Office Establishments of the Benares and 2nd Allahabad Divisions, Rupees 1,464 and 3,264 respectively, which appear exceptionally high.

RAILWAYS.

43. The charges against Imperial revenues in connexion with the guaranteed Railways for which a special appropriation is required in addition to the General Public Works assignment, are estimated and passed as follows:—

	RS.	RS.
1. Purchase of land as per estimate	3,73,700	
Deduct for N. W. portion of Oudh and Rohilkund lines, to be met from ordinary grant.	2,50,000	
Total for purchase of land		1,23,700
2. Controlling Establishment as per Estimate	83,900	
Deduct for exploration of country for lines of branch railway and search for coal. Disallowed	10,000	

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	Rs.	Rs.
Deduct for Collector's extra Establishment for measuring and taking up lands for N. W. portion of Oudh and Rohilkund lines, to be met from regular P. W. D. assignment...	7,200	17,200
Total for Controlling Establishment...	...	66,700
Total additional grant...	...	1,00,400
Add for Oudh and Rohilkund Railway as above...	...	2,57,200
Grand Total, Railway...	...	4,47,600

The above is exclusive of the loss by exchange which will be dealt with separately.

44. It is proposed to increase the allowance for office house-rent to Consulting Engineer from Rupees 80 to Rupees 150 per month. A separate proposal should be submitted for this, stating whether this allowance is intended to cover the cost of hiring the whole or part of a house. Meanwhile, the item, may stand, subject to approval of the proposal as above.

45. The item Rupees 360 for a Police guard should be struck out, as the Police are not paid by other departments.

46. The expenditure from guaranteed capital will be as follows:—

CONSTRUCTION.

	Estimated.	Passed.
	Rs.	Rs.
East Indian Railway (Main Line) ...	35,96,662	30,00,000
" " (Jubbulpore Extension) ...	51,81,000	50,00,000
Delhi and Umballa Railway ...	13,00,000	13,00,000
Total...	1,03,80,662	93,00,000

47. The following is an abstract of the Imperial Budget-Estimates as now passed:—

	New Works.	Repairs.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Military Works. ...	10,98,231	4,19,215	15,17,479
Civil Buildings. ...	7,05,673	1,97,732	9,03,405
Agricultural. ...	5,32,120	3,74,251	9,06,371
Communications. ...	14,82,069	7,08,772	21,90,841
Miscellaneous, Public Improvements. ...	...	...	...
Total...	38,18,096	17,00,000	55,18,096
Establishments. ...	...	...	13,21,701
Railways. ...	...	...	4,47,600
Total...	...	...	72,90,400

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LOCAL FUNDS.

48. The Local Budget-Estimate shows probable receipts and expenditure of Rupees 22,63,319, to which should be added* the 1 per cent. Income-Tax, Rupees 6,00,000, and the receipt and expenditure on account of boat bridges and ferries. The result will be an estimate of—

	Rs.
Local Funds. ...	22,63,319
Income-Tax. ...	6,00,000
Boat Bridges and Ferries ...	1,50,000
	30,13,319
Receipts. ...	30,13,319
Expenditure. ...	29,88,319

FORT WILLIAM,
19th April 1861.

(Signed) R. STRACHEY, Colonel, R. E.,
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List of minor works estimated to cost Rupees 2,500 and under provided for in North-Western Provinces Budget for 1864-65.

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Provision in Budget for minor Military buildings at Jhansi not likely to be wanted.			
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CIVIL BUILDINGS.			
43	Building for the Treasury guard at the Collector's Cutcherry, Muttra. ...	1,852	
53	Peshkaree buildings at Khotar District, Shajehanpore. ...	2,163	
74	New Hospital for Jail at Goruckpore. ...	1,090	5,105

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ORDER THEREON, 21st May 1861, No. 1,491.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

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Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Expenditure.	Rs.
Military	30,017
Civil buildings	16,888
Agricultural	22,153
Communications	60,888
	1,46,016
Saving on item 90	1,11,154
Total	2,78,900

36. It is hoped that by a careful scrutiny of the detailed estimates, a saving may be made without sacrificing any necessary work, and under this view the grant is reduced to Rs. 17,00,000; the saving thus made will with the reduction on item 90 make up the additional charge brought into the Budget for land for Railways vide margin.*

37. Should this grant after careful enquiry be found insufficient, then a proposal for re-appropriation of grants from original works to the necessary extent should be made.

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LOCAL FUNDS.

48. The Local Budget-estimate shows probable receipts and expenditure of Rs. 22,63,319, to which should be added* the 1 per cent. Income Tax, Rs. 6,00,000, and the receipt and expenditure on account of boat bridges and ferries. The result will be an estimate of—

	Rs.
* Local Funds	22,63,319
Income Tax	6,00,000
Boat bridges and ferries ...	1,50,000
	<u>30,13,319</u>

Receipts Rs. 30,13,319
Expenditure „ 29,88,319

FORT WILLIAM; }
19th April, 1864. }

R. STRACHEY, Colonel, R. E.
Secy. to the Govt. of India,
P. W. D.

(9)

List of minor works estimated to cost Rs. 2,500 and under provided for in North West Provinces Budget for 1864-65.

List of minor works estimated to cost				
North West Provinces Budget for 1861-62.				
No. of ITEM.	ITEMS	AMOUNT.	TOTAL.	
		Rs.	Rs.	
MILITARY.				
8	Powder Magazine for European Infantry Regiment at Bareilly	1,726	10,872	
12	Enclosure wall to Artillery Hospital Compound, Bareilly	2,351		
15	Single Five' Court for European Artillery, Bareilly	1,759		
17	Filtering tanks, Nance Tal	2,137		
22	Strengthening road of Artillery Hospital, Cawnpore	1,785		
23	Two dry store-rooms at Futtehgurh	1,114		
Provision in Budget for minor military buildings at Jhansi not likely to be wanted				
2	Retaining walls to embankments of three bridges in the cantonment of Jhansi	2,489		
27	Rooms to barracks for the accommodation of Sergeants of Artillery at Jhansi	1,400		
30	Cook and wash-houses, privy, and covered way for European Infantry Female Hospital, Jhansi	1,914	5,803	
CIVIL BUILDINGS.				
43	Building for the Treasury guard at the Collector's Cutcherry, Muttra	1,852	5,105	
53	Peshkaree buildings at Khetar District, Shajehanpore	2,163		
74	New Hospital for Jail at Goruckpore	1,090		

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
Fort William, 27th April, 1864.

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N. W. P. Budget Orders, 1861-65.

ERRATUM.

In para. 2, for Rupees 2,90,400 read Rupees 1,90,100.

„ for Rupees 73,90,400 read Rupees 72,90,400.

E. C. S. WILLIAMS, Captain, R. E.,

Unac. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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The amount allotted for new works, civil
buildings. Agricultural & communi-
-cation is R 27,14,862 which must
be a good deal more than is want-
-ed for us. - The establishment
is R 13,24,704 - 13 1/2 lacs - or equal
to what we want for us. - & this then
must be less for them to do - The rec-
-ommendation of the N.W.P. is I suppose about
the same as ours. It may be use-
-ful to note these facts for future
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Forwards copy of the Public Works Department
orders on the North-Western Provinces Budget for
1864-65, for information and guidance.

*Chapman
2nd May 1864*

No. 505.506

c. 11th May 1864 Pr. 16th

John