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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
5th February 1866.*

No. 142. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Financial Department :—

Communicating correspondence from the Govern-
ment of India conveying certain instructions
for the preparation of the Annual Budget } (Here enter 30th January 1866, No. 45.)
Estimate of Local Funds.

No. 143. ORDER THEREON, 5th February 1866, No. 444.

LOCAL FUNDS, No. 13.
<i>Account.</i>

No. 3,370, dated 10th November 1865.

Communicated to the Superintend-
ing Engineers and the Controller of
Public Works Accounts, with reference
to the Orders noted in the margin.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineers.

„ Controller of Public Works Accounts.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Financial Department,
30th January 1866.*

No. 49. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India, in the Financial Department, dated the 13th January 1866, No. 35.

Read again Financial Resolution, No. 2580, dated 16th September 1865, defining the relations of the Civil and Public Works Departments of Accounts, with regard to the Estimates and Accounts of the receipts and expenditure from Local Funds.

Read the Proceedings of Government in the Public Works Department, No. 622a, dated 13th July 1865, regarding the Oude Local Fund Public Works Budget Estimate for 1865-66, and the Order passed thereon, calling upon the Accountant General, North-Western Provinces, to explain the cause of the difference between the sums which he showed in his Local Funds Budget for 1865-66 as available for expenditure on Public Works by the Public Works Department, and those which were exhibited in the Public Works Budget of expenditure from Local Funds in 1865-66 as having been allotted to that Department from Local Funds.

Read letters from the Accountant General, North-Western Provinces, Nos. 2763 and 3685, dated, respectively, the 11th October and 27th November 1865, furnishing the explanation required.

OBSERVATION.

The Governor General in Council observes that the proposal made by the Chief Commissioner of Oude, that, with regard to Local Funds, the total available amount should be taken as the estimated expenditure of the year, seems to be incorrect in principle, and is subversive of the object for which the preparation of a Budget Estimate of expenditure is prescribed, the Estimate being for a definite amount of probable expenditure, and not for an amount that may afterwards prove to be available.

2. The proper plan, therefore, for the prevention of discrepancies like those apparent in the Oude Local Funds Budget, is for the several Local Governments to communicate timeously to the Civil Accountants General, in accordance with paragraph 3 of Financial Resolution, dated 16th September 1865, the sums which it is proposed to allot to the Public Works Department, from each of the Local Funds, for expenditure in the year for which the Budget is made up.

Ordered that a copy of the foregoing Observation and of the letter from the Accountant General, North-Western Provinces, No. 3685, dated 27th November 1865, with enclosure, be sent to the Public Works Department, in continuation of the communication from this Department, No. 3019, dated 19th October 1865; also, that a copy of the Resolution be sent to the several Local Governments and Administrations, and to the several Accountants General and Deputy Accountants General in independent charge.

(A true Extract).

(Signed) J. E. COOKE,

Assistant Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 50.

ORDER THEREON, 30th January 1866, No. 45.

Communicated to the Public Works and Revenue Departments, with reference to the Order of Government dated the 3rd November last, No. 514.

(True Extract).

To the Public Works Department.

„ Revenue Department.

Ed. J. H. Burns.

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