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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 13th July 1867.

No. 355. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department :—

Sanctioning the Supplemental Local Fund Budget Estimate of the Kistna District amounting to Rupees 87,190. } (Here enter 28th June 1867, No. 1,448.)

No. 356. ORDER THEREON, 13th July 1867, No. 2,115.

LOCAL FUNDS, No. 50.
Civil Works.

1. Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 2nd Division.

2. Provision should be made in the rough estimate called for in G. O. No. 1,790 of the 14th June 1867, for the construction of the road dam alluded to in paragraph 5 of the Board's Proceedings.

3. The estimates referred to in paragraph 6 have already come under the consideration of Government, and in G.O. No. 1,502 of 2nd June 1865, sanction was refused to them on the ground of the works for which they provided being purely of a local character and such as should be carried out from Municipal and Income Tax Funds. No Income Tax Funds are now available, and the works must necessarily lie over till the Municipal and Local Funds are in a state to meet their cost.

4. With reference to the project noticed in paragraph 7, His Excellency in Council observes that the completion of the High Level Canal in the Kistna District was abandoned on the grounds that the Commamur channel would effect at a smaller cost all that the former was designed to accomplish, and afford increased facilities of navigable communication. The excavation of a canal from the Toomboodra channel to Namboor, or to within three miles of the town of Guntoor, is therefore no longer intended to be carried out for imperial purposes, and as, if now made, it would be chiefly useful for mere local traffic, it comes within the category of a local work.

Vide paragraph 7 of Colonel Anderson's letter, No. 1,010 of 30th October 1863, embodied in G. O. No. 3,699 of the 15th December 1863.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 2nd Division.
,, Revenue Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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KISTNA DISTRICT.

Revised Supplemental Local Fund Budget for the official year 1867-68.

Executive Division or District.	Project. No.	Locality.	Description.	Amount of Estimate.	Computed expenditure up to 30th April 1867.	Amount required in 1867-68. By Public Works Department.	By Revenue Department.	Total.	Remarks and References.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
			Communications.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
KISTNA DISTRICT.	1	.....	Road from Guntoor to Sattinapally.	43,930	...	12,000	...	12,000	In addition to the sum of Rs. 6,000, provided for in the original Budget, Item No. 9. G. O., Revenue Department, dated 15th May 1867, No. 1,092.
	2	.....	Roadway across a swamp between Masulipatam and Sullapally.	8,870	...	8,870	...	8,870	Portion of Rupees 60,620, noticed in paragraph 10 of G. O., Revenue Department, dated 23rd November 1866, No. 3,213.
	3	.....	Road from Sandole to Ponnur ...	16,600	...	8,000	...	8,000	Item No. 41 of the Budget of 1866-67, G. O., Revenue Department, dated 11th April 1867, No. 839.
	4	.....	Road from Vinukonda to road No. 7, towards Nursarowpet.	...	...	...	2,000	2,000	Plan and Estimate will be submitted shortly.
	5	.....	Road from Dachapally to Gurzala.	10,530	...	...	2,500	2,500	G. O., Revenue Department, dated 7th November 1866, No. 3,032. In addition to the sum of Rs. 6,000 provided for in the original Budget, Item No. 22.
	6	.....	Road from Amravaty to Guntoor...	...	...	...	2,000	2,000	In addition to the sum of Rs. 4,000, provided for in the original Budget, Item No. 20. Estimate will be submitted shortly.
	7	.....	Road between Bezwada and Hyderabad to Mylavaram.	38,260	...	6,000	8,000	14,000	G. O., Revenue Department, 15th May 1867, No. 1,093.
	8	.....	Road from Nursarowpet to Chinnapalakalur.	...	...	8,000	...	8,000	In addition to the sum of Rs. 4,000, provided for in the original Budget, Item No. 10. Estimate will be submitted shortly.

Revised Supplemental Local Fund Budget for the official year 1867-68.—*(Concluded.)*

Executive Division or District.	Project. No.	Locality.	Description.	Amount of Estimate.	Computed expenditure up to 30th April 1867.	Amount required in 1867-68. By Public Works Department.	By Revenue Department.	Total.	Remarks and References.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
			Communications.—*(Concluded.)*	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
	9	.....	Road from Perekeed to Nuzvid ...	...	...	2,000	3,000	5,000	Estimate will be submitted shortly.
	10	.....	Road between Prattipad to Ir kole.	...	...	...	3,000	3,000	Do. do.
	11	.....	Road No. VII. to Nursarowpet ...	...	...	...	2,000	2,000	Do. do.
	12	.....	Metaling the road-way from Sultanagram bridge to Robertson's pettah.	...	...	3,640	...	3,640	Do. do.
	13	.....	Road from the Police Station-house at Inuguduru to Chintaguntapoliem bridge across Masulipatam canal.	...	...	2,100	...	2,100	Do. do.
	14	.....	Road from Robertson's pettah to the junction of Cantonment road on the causeway beyond the Chinnapur canal basin.	...	...	2,800	...	2,800	Do. do.
			Total Communications...	...	...	53,440	22,500	75,910	
KISTNA DISTRICT.—*(Concluded.)*			Miscellaneous Public Improvements.						
	15	.....	Few Ferry boats at 350 Rupees each for crossing Kummamoor channel and Bunder canal.	3,500	...	3,500	...	3,500	Do. do.
	16	.....	Excavating a branch channel from Buntoomully to supply water for drinking purposes.	740	...	740	...	740	G. O., Revenue Department, dated 1st February 1867, No. 288.
			Total Miscellaneous Public Improvements...	...	...	4,240	...	4,240	
			Total of Communications and Miscellaneous Public Improvements...	...	...	57,650	22,500	80,150	
			For Public Works Superintendence at 10 per cent. on the estimated expenditure.	...	...	5,765	...	5,765	
			Extra Establishment for the Revenue Department.	...	...	...	1,275	* 1,275	* At three per cent. on the proposed expenditure by the Revenue Department, viz., Rs. 22,500, 675 One Clerk at 50 Rupees a month for 12 months 600 1,275
			Grand Total...	...	...	63,415	23,775	87,190	

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Secretary.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
23th June 1867.

No. 426. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 18th June 1867, No. 3,766.

Read the following letter from the Collector of the Kistna District, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Masulipatam, 4th April 1867, No. 91 :—

1. With reference to the Board's Proceedings of the 5th February last, No. 718, I have the honour to forward, herewith, a Supplemental Budget of Local Fund Works for the current official year 1867-68, amounting to Rupees 91,266, together with a Map shewing the Local Fund roads completed, in progress, and contemplated. This Statement has been prepared with reference to the actual balance of Road Fund remaining at the commencement of the current official year, as directed in paragraph 2 of the said Proceedings. A short Memorandum of the receipts and disbursements under this head is annexed, from which the Board will observe that there will still be a probable balance of Rupees 24,547 at the close of the current official year.

2. Of the above allotment works to the extent of Rupees 33,500 will be undertaken by the Revenue Department, and the rest by the Public Works Department.

3. As a sum of Rupees 51,950 has been proposed to be expended by the Revenue Department, I propose to employ an English Clerk in the Huzoor on a monthly salary of Rupees 50, for checking the reports of work performed in the talooks and preparing bills, &c., of the actual expenditure. I request the sanction of the Board to meet this charge from the District Road Fund, for which provision is made in the Supplemental Budget now sent.

4. Under the head of Jungle Conservancy, a sum of Rupees 8,400 has already been estimated. [illegible]g to increase the same to Rupees 18,100. Measures will be adopted to utilize the same in the manner proposed.

5. More detailed explanation of the works will be submitted with the estimates, but some further information in respect to a few of the works proposed appears necessary in this place.

No. 14.

In constructing the main canals of this district, very inadequate provision was made for crossing the local traffic.

The Cummamur channel has no bridge between Chabrole and the Inkole and Chinna Ganjam road, a distance of forty miles; and very serious inconvenience is the result. At the least five or six ferry boats are required on this line; the remaining four are needed on the Bander and Ellore canals. The villagers have proposed in some instances to purchase boats, in which case the proceeds will be re-credited to the Local Fund; in other cases a small charge for ferrying over goods and passengers will be made to maintain the requisite establishment. The boats proposed to be used are suited to convey one loaded cart across the canal at a time, and will be made up in the Bezwada Workshop. In the event of bridges being hereafter built, the boats can be usefully employed elsewhere. The present need of them is very urgent.

Nos. 15 and 16.

This line was a portion of the high level canal, originally projected to follow the line of the high northern road, but abandoned in 1860. It is proposed to fit it for traffic and extend it to the nearest point possible to Guntoor about three miles to take the cotton and other produce now sent by cart from Guntoor to Bezwada.

Nos. 17, 18, and 19. These three roads are within the town of Masulipatam, and might appear to be Municipal rather than Local Fund works; but they both carry a large amount of through traffic from the interior to the port for shipment by sea, and to the main canal for inland transport, and are, therefore, fairly chargeable to Local Funds. Moreover the funds of the Municipality barely suffice to meet the very heavy Police charges and ordinary Conservancy Establishment; so, if these roads be not made from Local Funds, they will probably never be constructed.

Memorandum.

DISTRICT ROAD FUND.

Receipts.

	Rs.	A.	P.
1. Ferry Rents	6,000	0	0
2. Road Cess	1,45,225	0	0
3. Surplus of Pound Fund	10,000	0	0
4. Ferry Rents	5,000	0	0
5. Avenue Clippings	100	0	0
Total...	1,66,325	0	0
Add actual balance up to the commencement of the official year 1867-68	56,000	0	0
Grand Total ...	2,22,325	0	0

Disbursements.

Amount already allotted for expenditure, viz.:—

	Public Works Department. Rs.	Revenue Department. Rs.	Total. Rs.	Rs.	A.	P.
1. For Original Works and Repairs	61,608	18,450	80,058			
2. Repairs to Ferry Boats	1,000	...	1,000			
3. Ferry Establishment...		2,000	2,000			
4. Extra Establishment		662	662			
5. Reserve of ten per cent. on the estimated income		...	16,632			
6. Public Works Supervision, at Rupees 10 per cent.		...	6,160			
				1,06,512	0	0
Balance				1,15,813	0	0

As per Supplemental Budget.

1. For Works	49,700	33,500	83,200			
2. Public Works Superintendence ...		...	4,970			
3. Petty Establishments	1,491	1,005	2,496			
4. Huzoor Clerk		600	600			
				91,266	0	0
Balance supposed to remain at the close of the current official year				24,547	0	0

(Signed) G. THORNHILL,
Collector.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Supplemental Budget.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Map.

1. With the foregoing letter, the Collector submits a Supplemental Budget of District Road Fund Receipts and Charges for 1867-68, with a Map shewing the Imperial and Local roads completed, in progress, and contemplated.

2. The whole estimated receipts of the Road Fund for the year amount to Rupees 2,22,325, which, it will be observed, is Rupees 38,057 in excess of that given in the original Budget. This increase is owing to the cash balance having been found to be Rupees 56,000 on the 1st April last, instead of Rupees 17,943, as expected when the original Budget was prepared.

3. The appropriations made in the original Budget amount to Rs. 1,05,515, leaving an estimated surplus of Rupees 1,16,810.

2,22,325
1,05,515
1,16,810

4. The Supplemental Budget comprises nineteen items, which are noticed below.

5. The estimate for the first work, viz., the road dam near Prattipaud, on the road between Guntoor and Ongole, received the sanction of the Board in February 1867, and was ordered to be included in the Supplemental Budget; but on re-consideration, the Board do not now consider it to be fair charge on the Local Funds, as they find it is situated on an Imperial line, the Government Trunk Road. The item is accordir uck out.

6. The third item amounts to 60,620 Rupees for erecting a drainage channel from Lunkapully to the Tidal Creek. Of this amount, (1) Rupees 18,660 are admitted by the local authorities to be for purely Municipal objects; (2) Rupees 8,870 are for a roadway across a swamp between Masulipatam and Lalapully; (3) Rupees 20,740 for draining a tract of country; and (4) Rupees 12,350 for scouring out the tidal creek. The Board observe that the second item alone is admissible as a charge against the Road Fund, and it will, therefore, be retained, pending the submission of a regular estimate, the other items being struck out as Imperial and Municipal charges. The Collector is accordingly requested to place himself in communication with the Superintending Engineer of the division, and call for an estimate for the work as now revised. Though it is possible that the third and fourth items of the original amount entered by the Collector in the Budget for the whole work are of local consequence, they clearly are not proper charges on the Road Fund; and the expenditure of so large a sum in one locality would not be fair to the rate-payers of the district.

7. The Board must also disallow Items 15 and 16 for "Improving the high level channel from Nizampatam canal to Namboor," and for extending it to Guntoor and Chabrole road, as they are essentially Imperial works, and as the license fees levied on the canals of the Kistna and Godavery Districts are credited to the Imperial Revenues.

8. It must be borne in mind that the Road Funds are now chiefly dependent upon the Road Cess, and it is most important that precedents should not be estab

lished for diverting a special fund, which is raised from the people, in addition to their regular taxes, under the sanction of a special law, from its legitimate purposes.

9. In the cases of Items 2 and 9, the Board have thought it proper to double the allotments proposed by the Collector. The remaining works in the Budget call for no special remark.

10. The works are all of an important character, and the Collector and the Superintending Engineer deserve credit for the judicious selection they have made. There are, however, several works entered in the Budget for which estimates have not been submitted; but the allotments proposed for them will not be disturbed. They are of course not to be commenced until the estimates are sanctioned in the usual course.

11. Under the head "Establishment," the Collector has made four distinct provisions as follows:—

First.—For Public Works Supervision at ten per cent. on the estimated expenditure.

Second.—Petty Establishment at three per cent. for the Public Works Department.

Third.—Extra Establishment at three per cent. for the Revenue Department.

Fourth.—One Huzoor Clerk, at Rupees 50 per month, for twelve months.

The first provision is necessary for Public Works Supervision. The second item is quite unnecessary, as the first item is all that is authoriz[illegible]o be allowed for Public Works Supervision.

The third and fourth items should have been shewn as one, and the requisite particulars should have been given in the Column of Remarks. Now that the District Road Fund is largely increased by the Road Cess collections, the Board admit the need of a separate Clerk, attached to the Collector's Office, to insure the efficient management of all details connected with the Local Funds of the district, and they have, therefore, retained in the Budget the amount proposed as the salary for the Clerk, as well as three per cent. on the expenditure to be incurred by the Revenue Department.

12. With reference to the foregoing remarks, the Board have caused a revised Supplemental Budget to be prepared in their Office, which is now submitted for the consideration of Government. An abstract of the Budget is given below:—

	RS.
For New Works	80,150
For Public Works Supervision	5,765
Petty Establishment	1,275
	87,190

The Board accordingly request that Government will be pleased to sanction the expenditure of Rupees 87,190, which if deducted from the surplus balance* shewn in paragraph 3 of these Proceedings, leaves a balance of 29,620.

* 1,16,810.

13. The Board are of opinion that the line of road from the Nellore frontier to Pondigul on the Kistna might be transferred to the list of district roads. The Imperial lines would then be the Great Northern Trunk Line from Inkole to Perikeed through Guntoor and Bezwada, and the Military line from Masulipatam to the Hyderabad frontier. The District Road Fund would be charged with the construction and maintenance of all other roads including the Salt lines. In their Proceedings, dated 31st May 1867, No. 3,342, the Collector has been requested to report specially upon the possibility of making such transfers, and when doing so, he should state what amount of the balance of Rupees 29,620 will be absorbed by maintenance charges for the roads to be newly taken under the Road Fund, and what amounts in the Imperial Budget will be thus made available for other purposes.

14. The Board request the Collector also to furnish them with a large Map copied from the Ordnance Map, with all the roads and works clearly marked and numbered.

15. As regards the allotment of funds, in the Budget under reference, out of the Jungle Conservancy Fund, the Collector is requested to address the Board separately, with information as to whether the sums allotted are in addition to, or in supercession of those provided for in the original Budget.

No. 427. ORDER THEREON, 28th June 1867, No. 1,448.

Local Funds, No. 6.
Account.

1. The Government sanction the Supplemental Local Fund Budget Estimate submitted with the above Proceedings, amounting to Rupees 87,190.

2. Paragraphs 5, 6, and 7 of the Proceedings will be considered in the Public Works Department.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
" the Accountant General.
" the Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" the Department Public Works.

Erd. S. T. Augustin.

Public Works Department

No 2115.

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 13th July 1867

Read the following

Pro. of the Madras Govt

in the Revenue Department

H. E. Dated 28th June 1867

(No 1448)

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 2nd Division –

Provision should be made in the Estimate called for in G. O. No 1790 of the 14th June 1867, for the construction of the road dam alluded to in para 5 of the Board's Proceedings –

The estimates referred to in para 6 have already come under the consideration of Government, and in G. O No 1502 of 2nd June 1865 Sanction was

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To the Supt Engr 2nd Dist. Sixth Circle of the Kistna Local Funds Irrigation — Revenue Dept.

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