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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
7th September 1867.

No. 155. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department:—

Sanctioning the revised Local Fund Budget of the Trichinopoly District for the current official year. } (Here enter 2nd September 1867, No. 2,046.)

No. 156. ORDER THEREON, 7th September 1867, No. 2,754.

LOCAL FUNDS, No. 15.
Account.

Communicated to the Superintending Engineer of the 6th Division.

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

To the Superintending Engineer, 6th Division.
„ Controller of Public Works Accounts.

No. 5. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 23rd August 1867, No. 5,453.

Read the following letters:—

From the Acting Collector of Trichinopoly, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 28th May 1867, No. 131.

1. I have the honour to forward the accompanying Supplemental Local Fund Budget,* and the Map† called for in Board's Proceedings as per margin.

* Board's Proceedings, 5th February 1867, paragraph 2, No. 718.
† Do. 30th January 1867, No. 641. Circular Memorandum, 25th March 1867, No. 321.

2. The first two items in the accompanying Budget were completed during the last year, but the amounts set opposite to them in column 5 were not expended pending a settlement of accounts.

3. The Item No. 3, relative to the road from Manapara to Culutalay, needs no special remark. As funds are forthcoming, I have allotted 15,000 Rupees for expenditure during the current year. The work is already in progress, and the Officer in charge of the Range is capable of spending this allotted sum within this year. In their Proceedings, dated 21st of March 1867, Government have sanctioned the estimate for the first six miles of this road. The estimate for the remaining portion will shortly be submitted to the Board.

4. The Item No. 4 relates to the road from Perambalur to Keelapalur. This project has already been sanctioned. I have requested the Superintending Engineer to provide, in the estimate, for taking the line by Arealoor, which is, as I have already represented, the best eligible locality for the head quarters of the Officer having charge of the Northern Division of the district consisting of the Perambalur and Woodiarpolliem talooks. As the estimate for this line is not yet ready, I have allotted a sum of Rupees 7,000 only for the current year's expenditure. The estimate will be forwarded to the Board on its receipt at this Office.

5. The fifth project refers to the formation of a road from Perambalur northwards to Kristnapuram. This line passes over black cotton soil, and several large villages are, during the rains, cut off from communication with each other, and with Trichinopoly. The estimate for this road, amounting to Rupees 33,200, is herein enclosed. When I had charge of the district during the last year, Captain Oakes and myself, after discussion, agreed, as explained in my predecessor's letter to the Board, No. 56, reviewed in their Proceedings, No. 1,899, dated 26th March 1867, on substituting this road for the line between Perambalur and Keelapalur. As funds are now available for carrying out both these projects, I have entered them in this Budget.

6. Item No. 6 is an Imperial work under the terms of paragraph —— of the Order of Government quoted in the margin, and the amount allotted will eventually be repaid from the Imperial to Local Funds.

12th February 1866, No. 370. Board's Proceedings, 17th February 1866, No. 1,131.

7. The seventh item provides for the formation of a road along the Coleroon bank from the lower anicut to the road between Woodiarpolliem and Combaconum. This road would be very useful not only as a communication, but also as a protection to the lands under the Ponnairy channel and to the adjacent villages. Though the river-bank has been formed lately for the protection of these lands and villages, the Superintending Engineer states that the bank has not been raised sufficiently to resist extraordinary floods, owing to the large sums required for the purpose, and which he was not able to spare from the allotment for agricultural repairs. The estimate for this work is under preparation, and will be submitted to the Board in due course.

Government Order, 26th March 1867, No. 717.
Board's Proceedings, 15th April 1867, No. 2,382.
Government Order, 8th August 1866, No. 2,196, Department Public Works.

8. The importance of Project No. 8 has been already recognized in the Orders marginally quoted. I have allotted 10,000 Rupees for expenditure during the current year. I have called for an estimate, and will submit the same to the Board when received at this Office.

9. The Item No. 9 is fully described in paragraph 3 of my predecessor's letter reviewed by the Board in their Proceedings, No. 2,109, dated 3rd April 1867. It is one of the Railway feeders adverted to in the Government Orders quoted in the margin of the preceding paragraph. The estimate and plans were sent to the Board with my letter—*vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 2,309, dated 11th ultimo.

10. The Item No. 10 requires no special remark. Paragraph 5 of my predecessor's letter above quoted describes this work. The estimate prepared is herein enclosed.

11. The allotments made for the execution of the above projects during the current year amount to Rupees 66,496. The superintendence of Department of Public Works at ten per cent. is Rupees 5,960. The total, therefore, of new works amounts to Rupees 72,456.

12. There is a good deal of masonry works to be executed in carrying out the above projects; and as the Revenue Establishment in this district is not accustomed to superintend work of this description, I propose for this year, at all events, to leave as heretofore the execution of these projects in the hands of the Department of Public Works, as indeed I have been strongly recommended to do by Captain Oakes.

13. The works entered under the head "Repairs" require no special mention. I will endeavour to have the greater portion of them executed by the Revenue Department.

14. I have set down in the Budget Rupees 5,000 as a Reserve Fund, to defray such local repairs as may hereafter be brought to notice, and which we cannot at present foresee.

Enclosure No. 1.—Supplemental Budget.

Enclosure No. 2.—Abstract Estimate.

Enclosure No. 3.—District Map.

Enclosures Nos. 4 to 9.—Plans and Estimates.

From the same Officer, dated 20th June 1867, No. 152.

1. Referring to the Board's Proceedings, No. 3,342, dated 31st ultimo, I have the honour to state that none of the roads, specified in the statement therewith forwarded, are situated within the Trichinopoly Municipality.

2. Out of the thirteen items entered in the above statement in connection with this district, I am prepared to undertake the maintenance of Nos. 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 8, 10, 11, 12, and 13, from the District Road Fund, at a cost of Rupees 9,501 per annum. The remaining three items, which I have omitted to provide for, relate to the maintenance of the undermentioned works:—

1. Road between Trichinopoly and Callagoody.
2. Road from Trichinopoly to Salem frontier *via* Torriore.

3. The above two roads, not being of strictly local importance, should, in my opinion, be treated on the principle on which the trunk roads are maintained.

4. The annual cost of maintaining these two roads amounts to Rupees 4,026. This sum, if added to the amount I have proposed in paragraph 2 to transfer to the District Road Fund, would absorb nearly one-third of our available resources under that Fund, and I much doubt whether the remaining two-thirds would prove sufficient to meet the future requirements of the district, including the maintenance of the Local Fund roads completed, in progress, already proposed, and in contemplation.

5. My Supplemental Budget was despatched to the Board prior to the receipt of their Proceedings under acknowledgment. From the wording of paragraph 2 of the Government Order annexed to the above Proceedings, I conclude that provision is required to be made in the next Local Fund Budget, *i. e.*, for the year 1868-69, for the amount proposed to be transferred to the District Road Fund.

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1. With the first of the foregoing letters, the Acting Collector submits his supplemental or rather revised District Road Fund Budget for 1867-68, containing the entire provision of the original Budget.

2. Mr. Vans Agnew estimates the receipts of the year at Rupees 41,800, calculating on a sum of Rupees 35,400 from the Road Cess alone. As the actual receipts from this source in 1865-66, when the Road Cess was at the rate of two per cent., were Rupees 37,157, the receipts up to 31st March next ought to be in excess of the present estimate. The Collector is requested to explain how he has arrived at the conclusion that the Road Cess collections will amount only to Rupees 35,400.

3. The balance on the 31st March last is given as Rupees 48,480, which added to the Rupees 41,800 raises the total estimated receipts to Rupees 90,280; but if from this a sum of Rupees 7,207, the adjusted portion of the expenditure incurred by the Public Works Department in 1866-67, as appears from the Local Fund

Annual Report, and another sum of Rupees 1,818, being the cost of Public Works supervision at ten per cent. on the total expenditure incurred by that department during that year, be deducted, the balance will be Rupees 81,255,* which may be considered available for expenditure in the current year.

	Rs.
	* 90,280
7,207 + 1,818 =	9,025
	81,255

4. The present Budget provides for a total expenditure of Rupees 84,126, exclusive of the reserve of Rupees 4,180 which the Collector seems to have omitted to include in it. The total expenditure amounts to Rupees 88,406, which is Rupees 7,151 in excess of the available balance of Rupees 81,255. The Board have, therefore, no alternative but to reduce the allotments proposed for certain works, and thus bring the expenditure within the available assets. These reductions will be noticed below.

5. Part I. of the Budget, which is not prepared in the proper form, and which has, therefore, been revised in the Board's Office, contains ten works, which appear to have been selected with great care and judgment. They are as follow:—

6. The first two works, though stated to have been completed during the past year, have been entered in the Budget with allotments of Rupees 1,906 and Rupees 460 respectively, as these amounts have not been adjusted in the Collector's accounts. These entries are unnecessary, and are, therefore, struck out of the Budget, as they form a portion of the unadjusted expenditure of Rupees 7,217 noticed above.

Road from Trichinopoly to Allitorai.
Do. Lalgudi to Shergariore.

7. The third work appears with an estimated cost of Rupees 34,000, and with an allotment of Rupees 15,000. The Board observe that this work should have been divided into two parts and shewn separately. The first part, estimated to cost Rupees 9,070, is for the formation of the first six miles of the road, and was sanctioned in Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 21st March 1867, No. 681. For the remaining portion† of the road, another estimate, amounting to Rupees 15,100, is now before the Board, and will be shortly submitted to Government. The necessary entries have accordingly been made in the Board's Office.

Road from Manapara to Culutalay.

† From the 7th to the 14th mile.

8. The fourth work appears in the original Budget, and the Collector proposes to raise the allotment for the work from Rupees 6,110 to Rupees 7,000. This line is also an important one, and the estimate for it should be submitted as soon as practicable, but the allotment is reduced from Rupees 7,000 to Rupees 6,000.

Road from Perambalur to Keelapalur.

9. The estimate for the fifth work is now before the Board, and will shortly be submitted to Government. The allotment of Rupees 10,000 proposed for the work has been reduced to Rupees 9,000.

Road from Perambalur to Kistnapuram.

10. The sixth work is an Imperial one with an allotment of Rupees 6,890. Mr. Agnew is requested to make timely arrangements with the Superintending Engineer of the 6th Division for the recovery of the total expenditure incurred on the work, as directed in Government Order, Revenue Department, 12th February 1866, No. 370. It should be borne in mind that the ten per cent. allowance on the above expenditure is not chargeable to the Road Fund.

Road from Trichinopoly to Salem *viâ* Torriore.

11. The estimate, amounting to Rupees 10,100, for the seventh work was sanctioned in Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 8th August 1867, No. 1,838. The Collector states that this road would be very useful not only as a communication but also as a protection to the lands under the Ponnairy channel, and to the adjacent villages. The Board, therefore, request the Collector, in communication with the Superintending Engineer, to state what grant-in-aid may equitably be claimed from the Imperial Treasury, in consideration of the greater security afforded to the river bank which the Public Works Department admit to be weak.

Road along the Coleroon bank from the Lower Anicut to the road between Woodiarpolliem and Combaconum.

12. The estimate for the eighth work received the sanction of Government in their Proceedings, dated 8th August 1867, No. 1,838. The allotment proposed by the Collector is 10,000 Rupees, which has been reduced to Rupees 9,000.

Road from Museri to Cannanore and Torriore.

13. The other two items do not call for any remark. The estimates for these works are now before the Board, and will be shortly submitted to Government.

Road from Tottiem to the Ferry opposite to the Railway Station at Lalpet.
Completion of the road between Madencoorchi and Jeyencondahsolapuram.

14. Part II. of the revised Budget, not being in the proper form, and otherwise incomplete, has been revised in the Board's Office.

15. The several repair works entered in this Budget have been retained with the exception of the following:—

	Rs.
Petty repairs below 200 Rupees	1,000
Do. Miscellaneous	800
Repairing Culverts and Bridges	300
Local Repairs	5,000

The object of making separate provisions on account of minor repairs, as shewn above, is not apparent. The Board direct that in lieu of these items one entry styled "Petty Repairs," with an allotment of 3,000 Rupees, be made in the revised Budget.

16. In the second letter above recorded, which is a reply to Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 28th May 1867, No. 1,207, the Collector states that of the thirteen items entered in the list, which accompanied the Order, he is prepared to undertake the maintenance of ten works* from the District Road Fund at a cost of Rupees 9,501. The Map furnished is on too small a scale to enable the Board to decide upon these works, and they will, therefore, report on this point separately.

	Rs.		Rs.
* 1...	2,155	10... ...	173
2 }	1,335	11... ...	2,480
3 }		12... ...	950
5...	173	13... ...	285
6...	370		
8...	1,580		9,501

17. An abstract of the revised Parts I. and II. of the Budget is given below:—

		Rs.
By Public Works Department	Original Works ...	61,230
	Repairs	1,800
		63,030
By Revenue Department ...	Original Works ...	...
	Repairs	7,970
		71,000

Add—

For Public Works supervision at ten per cent. on the estimated expenditure to be incurred by that department, less Rupees 689 to be deducted on account of Item No. 6.	5,614
Reserve at ten per cent. on the estimated receipts of Rs. 41,800	4,180
Total...	80,794

18. The Board accordingly request that the Government will be pleased to accord their sanction for the above expenditure of Rupees 80,794, the provision made in the original Budget being considered as cancelled. This amount being deducted from the available balance of Rupees 81,255, leaves a surplus balance of Rupees 461.*

Rs.
* 81,255
80,794
461

19. The Board request the Collector to submit, as soon as convenient, a large Road Map. They would propose that the list of Imperial roads should be restricted to the following:—

Trunk Road No. 8 to Madras,
Do. to Salem *viâ* Torriore,
Do. from Trichinopoly to Madura,
Do. from do. to Dindigul,
Do. from do. to Tanjore,

and that the completion and maintenance of all other lines in the district should devolve on the Road Fund. They request Mr. Agnew's opinion on this proposal.

SUPPLEMENTAL LOCAL FUND BUDGET FOR 1867-68.
Original Works to be executed out of the District Road Fund.

District.	No.	Locality.	Project. Description.	Amount of Estimate.	Actual expenditure up to 31st March 1867.	Amount required in 1867-68. By Public Works Dept.	By Revenue Dept.	Total.	Remarks.
				Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Trichinopoly.	1	.....	Portion of the road from Kullitallay to Manapara, lying between the 1st and 6th mile.	9,070	2,003	7,000	...	7,000	Item No. 59 of the original Budget. G. O., Revenue Department, dated 21st March 1867, No. 681. Estimate will shortly be submitted.
	2	.....	Do. do. between the 7th and 14th mile.	15,100	...	8,000	...	8,000	
	3	.....	Road from Perambalur to Keelapalur..	18,000	...	6,000	...	6,000	Includes the sum of Rs. 6,110 allowed. Item No. 60 of the original Budget. Estimate will shortly be submitted.
	4	.....	Road from Perambalur to Kistnapooram.	33,200	...	9,000	...	9,000	Estimate will shortly be submitted.
	5	.....	Road from Trichinopoly to Salem viâ Torriore.	50,000	43,110	6,890	...	6,890	Item No. 58 of the original Budget. G. O., R. Dept., 12th Feb. 1866, No. 370.
	6	.....	Road along the Coleroon bank from the Lower Anicut to the road between Woodiarpolliem and Combaconum.	10,100	...	10,100	...	10,100	G. O., Revenue Department, 8th August 1867, No. 1,838.
	7	.....	Road from Musери to Cannanore and Torriore.	19,000	...	9,000	...	9,000	Do. do. ...
	8	.....	Road from Tottiem to the Ferry opposite to the Railway Station at Lalpett.	2,540	...	2,540	...	2,540	Estimate will shortly be submitted.
	9	.....	Completion of the road between Madenkoorchi and Jeyncondasolapuram.	2,700	...	2,700	...	2,700	Do. do. ...
			Total...	...	...	61,230	...	61,230	

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Secretary.

MADRAS,
23rd August 1867.

SUPPLEMENTAL LOCAL FUND BUDGET FOR 1867-68.

Repairs to be executed out of the District Road Fund.

District.	Project. No.	Locality.	Description.	Amount of Estimate.	Actual expenditure up to 31st March 1867.	Amount required in 1867-68. By Public Works Dept.	By Revenue Dept.	Total.	Remarks.
				Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Trichinopoly.	1	.....	Repairing the road from Trichinopoly to Arealore, passing over the tank bank of Mahadanum Ponnavassel.	1,310	737	...	573	573	
	2	.....	Do. between Sirdiyur Tope and the Town of Lalgudy.	485	213	...	272	272	
	3	.....	Do. from Covilputty to Manapara...	1,800	...	1,800	...	1,800	Provided for in the original Budget.
	4	.....	Do. from Terumanacovil Tepparalam to Meylur as far as the limits of Streerangum.	1,000	...	...	1,000	1,000	
	5	.....	Do. from Streerangum south gate to the village of Meylur.	1,425	...	...	1,425	1,425	
	6	.....	Roads leading to fort	1,000	...	...	1,000	1,000	Do. do.
	7	.....	Local Petty repairs	...	...	...	3,000	3,000	
			Total Communications...	...	...	1,800	7,270	9,070	
			Miscellaneous Public Improvements. Clearing tanks for drinking purposes in the district.	700	...	...	700	700	Do. do.
			Grand Total...	...	...	1,800	7,970	9,770	

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Secretary.

MADRAS,
23*rd August* 1867.

No. 6. ORDER THEREON, 2nd September 1867, No. 2,046.

The Budget Estimates submitted with the above Proceedings are sanctioned, as revised by the Board.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

Local Funds, No. 1. *Account.*

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Public Works Department.
,, the Accountant General.

Esd. F. R. Bamfield.

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Command of the
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of the S. Div

Fort St George
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