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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
11th January 1863.*

No. 180. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Military Department:—

Reviewing the Military Budget Estimate for } (Here enter 6th January 1863, No 16)
1868-69

No. 181. ORDER THEREON, 11th January 1863, No. 93.

ACCOUNT, No. 23.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

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

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following papers:—

From the Controller of Military Accounts, Fort Saint George, 23rd December 1867, D; to the Secretary to Government, Military Department.

I have the honor to submit the Military Budget Estimate of this Presidency for the year 1868-69, with appendices.

2. The form of the estimate is the same as that of last year, with the addition of explanatory notes, containing information regarding the causes of increase and decrease of expenditure where such is anticipated—an arrangement which obviates the necessity for any lengthened report.

3. The estimate of the year 1868-69 exceeds that of 1867-68 by Rupees 12,25,542.

4. It will be observed that the excess is due to the following increases:—

Grant 3	12,28,677
" 6	1,07,795
" 9	1,08,605
" 10	65,232
" 13	3,73,000
" 14	1,46,344
	20,29,653

20,29,653
7,61,634

12,68,019

Increases.
Grant 3, G. O. G. 15th November 1867,
No. 475.
G. O. G. 20th September 1867, No. 398.

of Artillery and Native Regiments has been provided for, as those serving in the Straits may, it is anticipated, be shortly relieved. There is also an increase in the item of hutting money, in consequence of the numerous reliefs proposed.

Grant 6.
Differential compensation for clothing.

partially counterbalanced by a decrease of Rupees 7,61,634 in Grant 4.

5. The increase in Grant 3 arises from increased rate of pay now authorised to British troops, and issue of bounty under the enlistment Act of 1867, after expiration of two-thirds of the first term of service. The full complement

6. The increase in Grant 6 is in the item "Compensation" payable to British troops, under the provisions of G. O. G. No. 98, dated 11th March 1864.

7. The increase in Grant 9 is due to enhanced rate of salary to Medical Commissioned Officers, and a larger number of Staff Assistant Surgeons, Her Majesty's British Service.

It has been necessary in this Grant to take the amount in the budget of 1867-68 under the head Station Hospitals and Medical supplies, in consequence of the non-receipt of the appendices of the Medical estimate of the British troops, which will be forwarded to Calcutta as soon as received.

8. The increase arises chiefly from the provision for Camp Equipage, under
Grant 10 Proceedings of Government, No. 3422,
dated 12th September 1867.

Grant 13.

9. The increase in this Grant is
due to the numerous reliefs proposed for
1868-69.

10. The increase under Grant 14 is owing principally to the provision made

Grant 14

Rupees 57,000

„ 5,760

for the Bonus Compensation Committee,
and for the payment of the sums award-
ed, and for the expense of the arrange-
ments now adopted in this Presidency
for examination of Military Officers in

the Native languages—other increases in the various items are warranted by the
experience of the current year.

11. The decrease in Grant 4 arises from the fact that malt liquor is now

Decrease
7,61,634.

paid for by the Home authorities, and
there is no provision for tea, there being
a sufficient quantity in store, to meet the

requirements of the ensuing year. It appears to me that the rates have been
generally over-estimated with reference to the prospects of the present season
compared with the last, and probable requirements, and that reductions as follows
might safely be made :—

	From	To
Provisions for Europeans ...	13,05,843	12,60,000
Compensation to Natives for dearness of provisions	22,126	20,000
Reserve stock	3,75,018	3,70,000
Contingent expenses	33,692	20,000
Feed of Commissariat cattle	5,58,525	5,25,000
Railway charges	2,45,136	2,30,000
Feed of horses	5,84,007	5,50,000
Camp contingencies	9,395	500
Cattle gear, and implements	45,288	40,000
	31,79,080	30,20,000
	30,20,000	
	1,59,080	

12. The actuals of 1866-67 represent the expenditure of eleven months only.

13. A copy of the estimate will be forwarded to the Controller General by
the steamer expected from Suez.

14. It is due to Mr. Mitchell, the Head Assistant in the Budget Department,
to notice the continued zeal and ability with which he has applied himself to the
details of the estimate.

ORDER, No. 16, 6th January 1868.

With his letter above recorded the Controller of Military Accounts submits the
Madras Military Budget Estimate for 1868-69.

2. The estimate amounts, in the aggregate, to Rupees 3,23,42,932, the provi-
sion under the head "Personnel" being Rupees 266,73,421, and that under
"Material" Rupees 56,69,511.

3. Compared with the budget for 1867-68, the expenditure under the former
head is estimated at Rupees 18,22,201 in excess, and, under the latter, at Rupees
5,96,659 less, making a net increase on the preceding year's estimate of Rupees
12,25,542.

4. This excess is fully explained in the Controller's letter, and in the explana-
tory notes given in the estimate, and does not appear to call for special remark.

5. With reference to paragraph 11, the Government observe that no reasons
are assigned for the proposed reductions, which at present appear arbitrary, and,
owing to the failure of the monsoon and the numerous reliefs proposed for the year,
not likely to be realized.

6. The provision of Rupees 50,000 for the purchase of a site for the lines of
the Native Infantry Regiment now
Proceedings of Government, No. 4891, 19th located in Vepery, belonging properly
December 1867. to the budget of the Public Works Depart-

ment, the Government of India will be requested to transfer it accordingly.

7. The Governor in Council requests that the Controller of Military Accounts
will submit the budget estimate in future in sufficient time to admit of its being
disposed of by Government, and posted for dispatch to the Government of India
before the commencement of the Christmas holidays.

To the Secy. to the Govt. of India, M. D. | Here enter 6th January 1868, No. 17.

(True Extract.)

Marshall Major General,
Secretary to Government.

To the Controller of Military Accounts
" Quarter Master General, } for information
" Public Works Department, }

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