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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 7th October 1869.

No. 136. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Revenue Department :—

Madura Road Fund Budget for 1869-70.—Revised statements submitted by the Board of Revenue, sanctioned. (Here enter 29th September 1869, No. 2,682.)

No. 137. ORDER THEREON, 7th October 1869, No. 3,242.

LOCAL FUNDS, No. 15.
Account.

COMMUNICATED to the Superintending Engineer of the 8th Division.

(True Extract.)

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

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 29th September 1869.

No. 446. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 13th September 1869, No. 6,874 :—

Read the following letter from J. R. ARBUTHNOTT, Esq., Officiating Collector of Madura, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 17th June 1869, No. 229:—

With reference to the Board's Proceedings, dated 14th June 1869, No. 4,233, I beg to forward a Revised Budget of the Road Fund for 1869-70, and to state that the Superintending Engineer approves of the alterations now proposed.

2. The chief alteration has been caused by the transfer of several roads from the Imperial to the Local list, and which now require to be maintained from the Local Funds.

3. I have entered Rupees 3,970 in Part I. as being required to complete the sum of Rupees 10,000, sanctioned for the construction of the Ghaut Road to Periyar (*Vide* Board's Proceedings, dated 17th May, 1869, No. 3,365). Rupees 3,270 have been entered under the head "Miscellaneous Public Improvements;" this sum is required for planting and maintaining avenues and for other miscellaneous purposes.

4. Rupees 9,000 have been provided for making the road between Dindigul and Batlagoontah. This is an important line, which helps to connect the Cumbum Valley and the Palani Hills with the Railway feeder now under construction between Dindigul and Caroor.

5. The estimate for this work amounting to Rupees 24,000, is herewith forwarded for sanction.

6. The additional sums required as above stated were met by reducing the allotments sanctioned for certain new works in Part I. and by omitting the items Nos. 139 and 142.

Rupees 180 from the Reserve Fund for constructing a tunnel on ... No. 18, from Pullaputty to Batlagoontah. The work is urgently required.

8. In conclusion, I beg to observe that the sums provided in the Budget abovementioned are the whole available assets of the Road Fund for the present year, and that the amount of excess expenditure, Rupees 86,812-6-4, incurred up to last year can only be made good when payment is made by Government as promised in paragraph 5 of their Order in Revenue Department, dated 3rd March 1869, No. 553, communicated by the Board, under date the 22nd April, No. 2,754.

9. The Board will observe that my present proposal reduces the sanctioned allotment by Rupees 5,700. I propose to reserve this sum for emergent petty repairs and other contingencies.

Enclosures Nos. 1 to 7.—Estimates.

With the foregoing letter, the Acting Collector submits his Revised District Road Fund Budget for 1869-70. The revision has been necessitated by the transfer of several roads from the Imperial to the Local list, which must now be maintained from the Road Fund.

2. The effect of this revision is the suppression of two works in Part I. of Original Budget, and the reduction in the allotments of all the other works except item No. 144, which is retained undisturbed, while on the other hand an addition is made of three new works with a total allotment of Rupees 16,240.

	Rs.
Item No. 139.—Road between Tercomungalum and Oosilamputty, Allotment	100
Item No. 142.—Road to Alagar Covil from the seventh milestone on the road from Madura to Nattam, Allotment	5,000

3. From Part II. of the Original Budget, the maintenance allowance to the road on the Andiputty Pass at a cost of Rupees 980 has been omitted. No reason is assigned for the omission. The allotment for the work marginally noted has been raised from Rupees 1,500 to Rupees 2,325. Six fresh items which do not find place in the Budget have been added.

Road from Tercomungalum to Oosilamputty.

4. Of the nine works entered in Part I. of the Collector's Budget, the seventh has been struck out by the Board as the requisite allotment has in separate Proceedings been placed at the disposal of the Public Works Department. The Board however note that the allotment and the expenditure of Rupees 6,130 incurred in 1868-69, complete the loan of Rupees 10,000 to Imperial Funds authorised by Government to be given from the Road Fund, as already reported in their Proceedings of the 4th instant, No. 6,645.

Construction of the Ghaut road from Cumbum to Peryar, Allotment Rupees 3,870.

5. None of the repair works provided in Part II. of the Collector's Budget call for remark, except the one for repairing the streets in Cusbah towns with an allotment of Rupees 200. This sum cannot be spent until the Townsmen interested in the work contribute an equal sum, agreeably to the Standing Order No. 30, published in page 16 of the Board's Circular Orders.

6. As the Columns of Remark in Parts I. and II. of the Collector's Budget do not furnish complete information regarding the works appearing in them, the Board have caused those documents to be revised in their Office. An abstract is given below:—

			Rs.
By Public Works Department ..	Original works		31,000
	Repairs		2,500
			33,500
By Revenue Department	Original works		52,590
	Repairs		26,100
Add—			
Cost of Public Works Supervision			3,356
Public Works Executive Range Establishment			3,600
Establishment on account of Ferries			600
Do.	in Collector's Office		600
Do.	in Board's Office... ..		150
Tools and Plant.	Public Works Department		340
	Revenue Department		790
Contingencies ...	Public Works Department		200
	Revenue Department		50
		Total ...	1,36,720

7. The Board request that the proposed expenditure of Rupees 1,36,720 may be sanctioned at an early date, in lieu of Rupees 1,48,390 provided in the Original Budget, which should be considered cancelled.

8. The estimated income of the fund according to the Original Budget is Rupees 1,48,500, and the proposed expenditure Rupees 1,36,720 being deducted, Rupees 11,780 remains unappropriated.

9. With reference to paragraph 8 of the Acting Collector's letter, the Board observe that the calculation of the available assets at Rupees 1,48,500 excludes the liability of the fund to the extent of Rupees 86,812, which will be adjusted on the re-payment of the actual expenditure of Rupees 1,15,395 up to 31st March 1869, on the Imperial line No. XII. (Vettanum on the Madura coast to Dindigul) promised in paragraph 5 of Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 3rd March 1869, No. 553. The Board will address Government on this subject shortly.

10. In compliance with the request contained in paragraph 7 of the Acting Collector's letter, the Board sanction the sum of Rupees 180 from the Reserve for constructing a tunnel on Road No. 16 from Pullaputty to Batlagoontah.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 29th September 1869.

Revised Part I. of Original Works for 1869-70.

District.	Number.	Projects. Description.	Amount of Estimate.	Computed expenditure up to 31st March 1869.	Amount required for 1869-70. By Public Works Department.	By Revenue Department.	Total.	Remarks
		Communication.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
	1	Road between Andiputty and Allinagaram.	33,680	21,400	...	12,280	12,280	Item No. 140 of the original Budget of 1869-70, Government Order, Revenue Department, 24th February 1868, No. 513.
	2	Do. do. Shivagunga and Tiruputur.	41,050	19,500	...	16,550	16,550	Item No. 141 of the original Budget of 1869-70, Government Order, Revenue Department, 25th February 1868, No. 519.
	3	Do. do. Dindigul and Caroor.	15,500	4,010	...	11,490	11,904	Item No. 143 of the original Budget of 1869-70. This* is the amount of the rough estimate, Government Order, Revenue Department, September 1868, No. 2,445. Regular estimate will be submitted.
Madura.	4	Andalore ghaut.....	...	...	6,000	...	6,000	Item No. 144 of the original Budget of 1869-70. Estimate will be submitted.
	5	Road No. 5 from Pullaputty by Periacolum, Cumbum and Gudaloor to Travancore frontier.	...	...	15,000	...	15,000	Item No. 145 of the original Budget of 1869-70. Estimate will be submitted.
	6	Road from Shivagunga to Tondy.	...	...	10,000	...	10,000	Item No. 146 of the original Budget of 1869-70. Estimate will be submitted.
	7	Do. from Dindigul to Batlagoontah.	24,000	...	...	9,000	9,000	Estimate will shortly be submitted.
		Total Communication.	...	...	31,000	49,320	80,320	
		Miscellaneous Public Improvement.						
		Planting and maintaining avenues on roads.	...	...	...	3,270	3,270	
		Total Miscellaneous Public Improvement.	...	...	...	3,270	3,270	
		Grand Total..	...	...	31,000	52,590	83,590	

REVISED Part II. of Repairs for 1869-70.

No.	Description of work.	AMOUNT REQUIRED FOR 1869-70. By Public Works Department.	By Revenue Department.	Total.	Remarks.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
	Communication.				
1	Maintenance allowance to road from Terumungalum to Oosilamputty.	.. ..	2,330	2,330	Raised from Rs. 1,500 in Part II. to Rupees 2,330.
2	Do. do. from Oosilamputty to Andiputty.	.....	1,300	1,300	Newly proposed.
3	Do. do. between Pullaputty and Periacolum.	.....	2,800	2,800	As in Part II.
4	Do. do. from Melur to Puducottah towards Tanjore.	.....	1,500	1,500	Newly proposed.
5	Do. do. from Tirumungalum to Junction with Dindigul road.	....	4,800	4,800	Do.
6	Do. do. Allinagaram to Chinnamineto road from Batlagoondah to Dindigul.	....	700	700	As in Part II.
8	Do. do. from Dindigal to Caroor.	.....	2,400	2,400	Newly proposed.
9	Do. do. from Manalur to Sivagunga.	.....	2,890	2,890	Do.
10	Do. do. Sivagunga to Tiruputur.	.....	2,200	2,200	As in Part II.
11	Do. do. to Palani Hill roads.	.....	1,500	1,500	Do.
12	Do. do. from Pambar to Kristnama Naiks Tope.	.....	350	350	Do.
13	Do. do. from Madura to Chekanoorani.	.....	1,300	1,300	Do.
14	Repairing roads from Chinnamanur to Oottampalliem.	.....	500	500	Do.
15	Do. streets in Cusbah Towns.	.....	200	200	Do.
16	Do. road from Toverimam to Nelacottah.	.....	730	730	Newly proposed.
17	Blasting and removing rocks on Periacolum Ghaut.	1,500	.....	1,500	As in Part II.
18	Do. Sirumalay Ghaut.	500	.....	500	Do.
19	Annual repairs from Periacolum via Poombaray to Palani.	500	.....	500	Do.
	Total Communication...	2,500	26,100	28,600	

No. 447. ORDER thereon, 29th September 1869, No. 2,682.

Local Funds, No. 11

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Andaloor Ghaut 2,000
From Pullaputty to Periacolum Roads 13,000
Do. Sirumalay Ghaut 10,500
Do. Dindigal to Periacolum 3,000

The revised Budgets submitted by the Board of Revenue are approved, and sanction is granted for the expenditure of Rupees 1,30,725. The Government must, however, remark that these Budgets are not likely to prove of any practical use. For four of the seven works in Part I. with large allotments estimates have not yet been submitted, although nearly half of the year has expired; and the probability is either that the works will not be undertaken for want of sanction, or if sanctioned later in the year, that very small portions of the allotments will be spent.

2. Under special circumstances, the Government in their order, dated 21st September 1868, No. 2,115, sanctioned the immediate expenditure of Rupees 15,506, on the condition that the estimate in proper form was submitted as early as possible. Although twelve months have expired, the estimate has not yet been received. The Board will call for an explanation of the delay.

3. The particulars of the sum of Rupees 3,270 for Miscellaneous and Public Improvements should be examined by the Board.

(True Extract.)

Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Public Works Department.
„ the Accountant-General.

Ed. F. R. Bantleman.

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