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Read the following papers:—

No. 241. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd March 1873, No. 304.

Read the following letters:—

From the President of the Local Fund Boards, Kistna District, dated 23rd November 1872, No. 2,733.

ABSTRACT.—Submitting the Local Fund Budget of the Masulipatam Circle for 1873-74.

From the same officer, dated 18th December 1872, No. 2,970.

ABSTRACT.—Submitting Local Fund Budget of the Guntur Circle for 1873-74.

From the same officer, dated 17th January 1873, No. 84.

ABSTRACT.—Submitting copy of the Masulipatam Local Fund Board's resolution requesting sanction to place at their disposal the services of a 1st Class Hospital Assistant to be stationed at Juggiapett.

From the Sanitary Commissioner, dated 6th February 1873, Nos. 337 and 338.

ABSTRACT.—Remarking on the provision made for sanitary purposes in the Budgets of the Masulipatam and Guntur Circles for 1873-74.

The Budgets of the Masulipatam and Guntur Circles of the Kistna District for 1873-74 will be submitted for the orders of Government.

2. The Budgets are framed on the supposition that Repalli will continue in the Northern Circle. To make the Circles continuous with Public Works Ranges it would have to be placed in the Southern Circle, but the Collector objects to the transfer on the ground that it would make one Circle too rich and the other too poor. So far as the Board can see at present this objection is well founded. Further information was called for by Official Memorandum on the 19th November 1872, and when it is received the question will be submitted for the final orders of Government.

MASULIPATAM.

3. STATEMENTS I.-A., RECEIPTS.—No modifications in the estimate of receipts seem to be required. They are as follows:—

	RS.
Road Fund	1,98,310
Union Fund	2,930
Endowment Fund	960
General Fund	47,200
Total...	2,49,400

4. EXPENDITURE, STATEMENT II., ROAD FUND.—The Road Fund assets as shown above are Rupees 1,98,310.

5. The cost of Petty Establishment, according to the President's letter of the 20th December 1872, No. 2,977, which has been disposed of separately, is Rupees 6,288, so the allotment should be Rupees 6,290 instead of Rupees 6,400.

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6. The cost of Public Works supervision at 26.0842 per cent. on Rupees 1,31,250 is Rupees 34,241. The Local Board press for a decision on Mr. Boswell's proposal to maintain a separate engineering staff for Local Fund work. The consideration of the subject was postponed in G. O., 6th November 1871, No. 2,800, Public Works Department, but the time for disposing of it finally seems to have arrived.

7. The cost of Controlling Establishments being Rupees 2,530, the Road Fund share will be Rupees 2,010.

8. The allotment for Tools and Plant at one per cent on expenditure should be Rupees 1,340.

9. The Road Fund expenditure is thus Rupees 1,90,210, leaving a balance of Rupees 8,100.

10. STATEMENT II.-A., PART I, NEW WORKS.—Items 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 15, and 16 of the current year's Budget are omitted, most on the sound principle that it is better to finish works in hand than begin new ones.

11. The following, however, are salt roads and are omitted on the ground that the sandy tracks to Manganapudi "are infinitely better to travel on than unmade country roads" :—

12. Manganapudi to Peddana.

13. Masulipatam to Manganapudi.

No provision is made for the road to Nizampatam because "no money can be afforded" at present, and it already has means of access by a canal. The Revenue Board think that the Local Board's opinion with regard to these roads may be accepted.

14. Under "Educational" Rupees 5,000 is entered for petty works. From Statement III. the Board learn that Rupees 4,000 of this is for Unions which may be established hereafter and which are to be dealt with in a supplemental Budget. The allotment has accordingly been reduced to Rupees 1,000.

15. Rupees 2,000 is to be spent in enlarging the Paddapatnam Choultry. Only Rupees 840 of this can be paid from the Endowment Fund.

16. Statement II.-A., Part II, and Statement II.-B. call for no remark.

17. In Grant I. the total cost of Department of Public Works Supervision will be Rs. 37,780, and the allotment for Tools and Plant Rupees 1,400.

18. With the other modifications which have been suggested the grant will be—

	RS.
Road Fund	1,88,200
Union Fund	1,270
Endowment Fund	840
General Fund	16,280
Total	2,06,590

19. The item in (d) "Rent of School, Rupees 1,000," appears from Statement III. not to refer to schools now established. It has accordingly been struck out. In any case it should not appear under "Grants in-aid."

20. STATEMENT III.—A column should be entered between 11 and 12 giving the cost of Public Works supervision and Tools and Plant. This will be—

	RS.
Avanigadda	108
Nizampatam	108
Kykalore	54
Total	270

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In the appropriation column (5) Rupees 12 must be entered opposite to Avanigadda, and its balance will then be *nil*. The balance of Nizampatam will be Rupees 374, and that of Kykalore Rupees 40.

21. The item "other Unions" must be struck out.

22. Statements III.-A. and III.-B. need no remark.

23. Grant II. will be—

	RS.
Union Fund	1,260
General Fund	9,100
Total	10,360

24. GRANT III.—The Local Board propose to establish two dispensaries, one at Juggiapett and the other at Bezvada. The places are well selected. The Inspector-General has not yet furnished the Board with any comment on the allotment of Rupees 4,000.

25. The allotment for vaccination is Rupees 5,200, the current year's allotment being Rupees 1,650. The increase is intended to provide for the scheme of entertaining a 3rd Class Hospital Assistant in each taluq, and a 1st Class Apothecary as Vaccination Superintendent. In submitting the current year's Budget the attention of Government was called to the Local Board's views on this point, but no orders were passed. The President's remarks in submitting the Budget were as follow, "The Local Fund Board were of opinion that it would be far more acceptable and popular if for Taluq Vaccinators could be substituted 2nd Class Hospital Assistants. As most of the Vaccinators get Rupees 18, and as the salary of a 3rd Class Hospital Assistant is only Rupees 35, the net increased expenditure in each taluq will be only Rupees 7 a month, but the Hospital Assistants who secure popularity by the success of their treatment will possess the confidence of the public, who will on that account, it is believed, subject themselves and their children to vaccination more cheerfully than at present." This scheme does not account, however, for so large an allotment as Rupees 5,200, and the President will be requested to explain it in detail.

26. The allotment for Sanitary Establishments and cleansing tanks and wells is disproportionately small, and provides only for cleansing in Juggiapett and Bezvada, and for festivals. The Board have raised it to Rupees 5,000, and the surplus should be spent in the manner indicated by the Sanitary Commissioner in the letter disposed of in G. O., Financial Department, dated 22nd October 1872, No. 1,437.

27. STATEMENT IV.—The dispensaries at Bezvada and Juggiapett and "other choultries" not being endowed institutions should be omitted.

28. The appropriation in favour of the Paddapatnam Choultry should be Rupees 1,260 and the balance *nil*.

29. STATEMENT IV.-B.—A miscellaneous allotment of Rupees 2,500 is entered.

30. GRANT III. is—

	RS.
Endowment Fund	120
General Fund	15,600
Total	15,720

31. GRANT IV.—The first item should be Rupees 930 and the second Rupees 740.

32. Grant IV. is—

	RS.
Road Fund	2,010
General Fund	520
Total	2,530

33. The General Reserve must be Rupees 3,520.

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34. The following is an abstract of the revised Budget :—

Receipts.		Expenditure.			
	RS.		RS.		RS.
Road Fund ...	1,98,310	Grant I. ...	1,88,200		
Union Fund ...	2,930	{ Road Fund ...	1,276		
Endowment Fund ...	960	{ Union Fund ...	840		
General Fund ...	47,200	{ Endowment Fund ...	16,250		
		{ General Fund ...			
		Grant II. ...	2,06,590		
		{ Union Fund ...	1,260		
		{ General Fund ...	9,100		
		Grant III. ...	10,360		
		{ Endowment Fund ...	120		
		{ General Fund ...	15,660		
		Grant IV. ...	15,720		
		{ Road Fund ...	2,010		
		{ General Fund ...	520		
		General Reserve ...	2,530		
		Balances. ...	2,35,200		
		Road Fund ...	3,520		
		Union Fund ...	8,100		
		Endowment Fund ...	400		
		General Fund ...	2,180		
Total...	2,49,400	Total...	10,480		
			2,49,400		

GUNTOOR.

35. RECEIPTS.—The amended Budget made out by the President has been of the greatest assistance to the Board, but their observations in these Proceedings will refer to the original Budget. Great inconvenience would have been saved if the sheets of paper had been stitched together, and if the paper had been less flimsy.

36. The reasons given by the President for raising the opening balance of the Road Fund to Rupees 20,000, and that of the General Fund to Rupees 2,000, are conclusive.

37. The unsanctioned Unions must be provided for when they are sanctioned in a supplemental Budget. The only Unions now in existence are Nundoor and Chinna-Ganjam, and the house-tax collected in them, which is all that should appear in Statement I.-A, is Rupees 1,410.

38. No entry is made (in spite of the remarks made in reviewing the current year's Budget) on account of the contribution of the Guntur Municipality for educational supervision. The Board have again entered Rupees 100. The proper amount should be determined as soon as possible.

39. As the transfer of the Seetanagaram Choultry to the Local Fund Board is certain to take place, the endowment receipts, viz., Rupees 10, may appear in the Budget; but the sanction of Government for the transfer should be obtained immediately.

40. As suggested by the President, Rupees 500 is entered as proceeds by the sale of books in elementary schools.

41. The receipts are thus :—

	RS.
Road Fund ...	1,19,720
Union Fund ...	1,410
Endowment Fund ...	60
General Fund ...	36,380
Total...	1,57,570

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42. GRANT I., STATEMENT II., ROAD FUND.—The additional appropriation to the Road Fund, proposed by the Local Fund Board, is unnecessary as the Budget stands.

43. Avenue receipts belong to the General Fund.

44. The Road Fund receipts are thus, as already mentioned, Rupees 1,19,720.

45. The Repair allotment is raised to Rupees 22,600 as proposed by the President.

46. The cost of the Petty Establishment, according to the President's letter of the 20th December 1872, No. 2,977, is Rupees 4,720.

47. The cost of Department of Public Works supervision at 26.0842 per cent. on expenditure is Rupees 20,240.

48. The Road Fund share of the cost of general management will be Rupees 1,260.

49. The allotment for Tools and Plant should be Rupees 780, and the Reserve, Rupees 9,970.

50. The Road Fund expenditure is thus Rupees 1,14,770, leaving a balance of Rupees 4,950.

51. STATEMENT II.-A., PART I., NEW WORKS.—An allotment of Rupees 24,520 is provided for the Great Northern Road, and the Local Fund Board urge that "the great need of an increased expenditure on the part of the Great Northern Road, which lies within the Circle, and the general expensiveness of road-making in the delta" are

reasons for a special grant from Provincial Funds. The subject is before Government

52. PART II., REPAIRS.—The allotment of Rupees 1,000 for unspecified petty repairs proposed by the President is approved, as also that of Rupees 200 for repairing the Seetanagaram Choultry.

53. The charge for Public Works supervision in Grant I. will be Rupees 21,150, and the allotment for Tools and Plant Rupees 810.

54. With the other modifications already suggested the grant will be—

	RS.
Road Fund ...	1,13,510
General Fund ...	4,640
Total...	1,18,150

55. GRANT II.—The charges in the sanctioned Union Schools will be—

	RS.
Salaries ...	810
Servants ...	60
Miscellaneous ..	370
Total...	1,270

It may here be mentioned that the exclusion of unsanctioned Unions from the Budget necessitates the exclusion of all allotments connected with them, as, for instance, the Rupees 1,000 proposed by the President for building school-houses.

56. As proposed by the President Rupees 1,000 is entered for salary grants, Rupees 600 for purchasing books to be sold in elementary schools, and Rupees 1,000 as a contribution to the Masulipatam Circle for a training school.

57. STATEMENT III.—All the Unions, except Nundoor and Chinna-Ganjam, must be struck out in Statement III.

58. The salaries of the Masters should not be entered as salary grants, which are a form of aid given to schools not wholly supported by the Local Fund.

59. It is observed that the balance in each Union is devoted to sanitary purposes. The amount, which in the case of the Unions retained, is Rupees 142 should be shown under Grant III. and not under Grant II.

60. STATEMENT III.-A.—The Rupees 142 devoted to sanitary purposes should not be shown in this statement, which is restricted to charges in Local Fund Schools.

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61. All the Unions, except Nundoor and Chinna-Ganjam, must be struck out.
62. GRANT II. is thus—

Union Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	RS.
General Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,270
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	10,600

Total... 11,870

63. GRANT III.—The Local Fund Board propose to establish dispensaries at Dachipalli, Vinukonda, and Cherala. There can be no objection to the first two situations, and it is very desirable that there should be a dispensary somewhere in the line of coast villages which includes Cherala. The Board are inclined to think, however, that it would be better to place the dispensary at Bapatla, the Tahsildar's head-quarters, as being more accessible to supervision. The President will be good enough to report on this point.

64. The Board agree with the President that the allotments are too low, and have raised them to Rupees 5,930, as shown below.

65. The President thinks the allotment for Vaccination should be raised as in the other Circle; but this cannot be done unless the Circle Board wish to introduce the same scheme into Guntoor.

66. Nothing is entered for the employment of Medical Practitioners. From the current year's Budget, and the information submitted with it, the Board are under the impression that certain men have been already engaged and are being trained, and, if so, they must be paid. The current year's allotment of Rupees 360 is, therefore, repeated.

67. The allotment of Rupees 3,000 for sanitary expenditure is raised to Rupees 5,000, as shown below.

68. The expenses in Choultries and Public Bungalows must be exhibited separately. The President seems to be under a mistake when he says that nothing is provided for them. Rupees 500 is allotted in Statement II.-A., Part II., for repairs, and the other allotments, which are retained though they seem to be small, are—

Establishment...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	RS.
Contingencies	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	290
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	60

69. STATEMENT IV.-A.—The allotment for Medical Subordinates in the dispensaries is raised from Rupees 480 to Rupees 720, as the Board agree with the President that a better paid officer should be in charge of such institutions.

70. Two servants will certainly be needed, and the provision on this account is raised from Rupees 48 to Rupees 156.

71. If there are to be in-patients at all, Rupees 100 will not be enough for their diet. The provision is raised to Rupees 400.

72. The total expenditure in the three dispensaries will thus be Rupees 5,930.

73. STATEMENT IV.-B.—The allotment for general sanitary purposes is raised to Rupees 4,860, which should be expended as the Sanitary Commissioner has advised in the letter disposed of in G. O., Financial Department, dated 22nd October 1872, No. 1,437. The Rupees 140, which it appears from Statement III. is to be spent from Union Funds for sanitation in Unions, is entered.

74. GRANT III. is thus—

Endowment Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	RS.
Union Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	60
General Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	140
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14,300
Total...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14,500

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75. GRANT IV.—The Circle's share of the sanctioned cost of the Collector's office establishment, viz., Rupees 1,200, is Rupees 160.

76. Grant IV. is—

Road Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	RS.
General Fund	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,260
	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	400

Total... 1,660

77. The General Fund Reserve should be Rupees 3,440.

78. The following is an abstract of the revised Budget :—

Receipts.			Expenditure.		
	RS.			RS.	RS.
Road Fund ...	1,19,720		Grant I. ... { Road Fund ...	1,13,510	
Union Fund ...	1,410		General Fund ...	4,640	1,18,150
Endowment Fund ...	60				
General Fund ...	36,380		Grant II. ... { Union Fund ...	1,270	
			General Fund ...	10,600	11,870
			Grant III. ... { Endowment Fund ...	60	
			Union Fund ...	140	
			General Fund ...	14,300	14,500
			Grant IV. ... { Road Fund ...	1,260	
			General Fund ...	400	1,660
			General Reserve ...		1,46,180
					3,440
			<i>Balances.</i>		
				RS.	
			Road Fund...	4,950	
			Union Fund ...	...	
			Endowment Fund ...	...	
			General Fund ...	3,000	7,950
Total...	1,57,570		Total...		1,57,570

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 342. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 13th March 1873, No. 1,492 (Miscellaneous).

Read the following letter from Surgeon G. BIDIE, M.B., Secretary to the Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Fort St. George, 8th March 1873, No. 1,589 :—

In compliance with No. XX., Local Fund Rules, I have the honour, by desire of the Inspector-General, to submit to your Board the following remarks on the Budget Estimate for 1873-74 of the Masulipatam Circle.

2. The Local Fund Board propose to open new dispensaries at Bezwada and Juggiapett, and enter a grant of Rupees 2,000 for each of these. This allotment,

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I am to remark, will not be sufficient, and the Inspector-General thinks that some addition should be made in each instance to the sum of Rupees 400 set apart for the purchase of medicines and instruments.

3. A grant of Rupees 1,000 is entered as a contribution to the Municipality of Masulipatam for the Dispensary there. This will leave about Rupees 2,010 to be provided from Municipal funds.

SUBMITTED to Government in continuation of the Board's Proceedings, dated 3rd March 1873, No. 304.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE.
Secretary.

No. 343. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th March 1873, No. 1,527 (Miscellaneous).

Read the following letter from Surgeon G. BIDIE, M.B., Secretary to the Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Fort St. George, 8th March 1873, No. 1,588 :—

WITH reference to No. XX., Local Fund Rules, I have the honour, by desire of the Inspector-General, to submit to the Board the following remarks on the Budget Estimate of the Local Fund Board, Guntur Circle.

2. In Form B, Grant III., there is a proposed appropriation of Rupees 6,500 for "Hospitals and Dispensaries." Of this amount Rupees 4,000 are apparently destined for the opening of three new dispensaries in the district, and regarding the provision for these, I am to remark that the sums allotted for medicines and medical apparatus are much too small. Another item in this grant is a sum of Rupees 500 said to be for travelling allowance of Zillah Surgeon, but as none of his official duties, in connection with the dispensary, require him to leave his station, it seems desirable that this sum should be added to the insufficient grants for medicines for the new dispensaries.

3. The two proposed grants, alluded to in paragraph 2, viz., that for new dispensaries and that for travelling allowance for Zillah Surgeon, dispose of Rupees 4,500 of the total sum allotted for hospitals and dispensaries, and there thus remains a balance of Rupees 2,000, the object of which is not clearly understood as it does not appear in Form IV.-A.

4. The grant to the Guntur Municipality, in aid of the dispensary there, is Rupees 1,500, which will leave a sum of about Rupees 800 to be provided from the Municipal funds of the town.

SUBMITTED to Government in continuation of the Board's Proceedings, dated 3rd March 1873, No. 304.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

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No. 244. ORDER THEREON, 24th May 1873, No. 728.

WITH their Proceedings above recorded, the Board of Revenue submit the Local Fund Budgets of the Masulipatam and Guntur Circles for 1873-74. The Budgets have been prepared on the assumption that the transfer of the Repalli Taluq to the Guntur Circle will not be insisted on, and in G. O., dated 25th April 1873, No. 533, the Government have acceded to the view of the Collector and the Board of Revenue in this respect.

2. MASULIPATAM.—The following abstract shows the Budget for 1873-74 compared with that for 1872-73 :—

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURE.	
	1872-73. RS.	1873-74. RS.
Balances	66,840	92,800
Allotments—		
Provincial	37,780	37,950
Special	18,000	11,000
Rates and Taxes—		
Cess on land	1,26,000	1,00,000
House-tax	550	2,440
Miscellaneous	5,520	5,210
	2,32,950	2,06,590
Public Works—		
New Works	1,19,000	99,000
Repairs	46,380	49,950
Establishment	47,760	41,070
Road Fund Reserve	17,960	11,830
Other items	1,850	1,740
	2,32,950	2,06,590
Education—		
Inspection	2,760	3,100
Training Schools	2,000	2,000
Local Fund Schools	930	1,260
Grants-in-aid	3,500	3,000
Purchase of books	...	1,000
Sanitation—		
Dispensaries	...	4,000
Vaccination	1,650	5,200
Medical Practitioners	300	400
Sanitary Establishment		
—Cleansing tanks and wells	2,500	5,000
Contributions to Municipality	890	1,000
Other items	100	120
Controlling Establishment, etc.	2,150	2,530
	2,49,730	2,35,200
Balances and General Reserve	4,960	14,200
Total... ..	2,54,690	2,49,400

3. The very excessive opening balance is explained by the fact that allotments were made in the current year for several new works for which it was found impossible to get the estimates ready in time. A recurrence of such an impediment to the utilization of funds has been avoided in the preparation of this Budget.

4. In the Order of Government reviewing the Budget for 1872-73 it was distinctly intimated that the grant assigned for roads in G. O., dated 15th January 1872, was made with special reference to the salt roads, and that but for these the Masulipatam Circle with its large balances would have had no claim to any grant. In the present Budget the two most important of these works have been omitted, and the Board of Revenue recommend the acceptance of the Local Board's opinion. The Government will not insist on their prosecution under the circumstances, but the greater portion of the allotment from Provincial Funds will not be renewed only Rupees 5,000 being given (in addition to the establishment grant of Rupees 12,610) on account of Item No. 9, Statement II.-A, and Part I., and Item No. 3,

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Part II. This, with the grant for schools, will make the Provincial allotment Rupees 17,950.

5. No reason is assigned for the decrease in the estimated assignments from Special Funds. The house-tax must disappear from the Budget under recent orders. The allotment for New Works must be decreased by Rupees 8,000 on account of the reduction in the Provincial grant. The amount can probably be best spared from Item No. 4, but it is open to the Local Fund Board to adopt any other arrangement. This will reduce the charge for Establishment to Rupees 41,980, and the Road Fund Reserve to Rupees 9,830. The Local Board and the Board of Revenue press for a decision with regard to Mr. Boswell's scheme for a separate establishment for public works, the consideration of which was deferred in G. O., dated 6th November 1871, No. 2,800. The Government need hardly say that the adoption of any such scheme (which could not be confined to a single district) would be somewhat premature before a fair trial had been given to the working of the present arrangements under the new organization of the Public Works Department, and on this ground alone they would be prepared to negative the proposal.

6. It must also be pointed out, however, so far as the difference in cost is concerned, that the normal saving under the proposed scheme would not be so great as appears when the comparison is made with allotments for establishment calculated rateably on the expenditure entered in a Budget, framed, as the present one is, with the view of working out the greater portion of an overgrown opening balance aggregating Rupees 1,14,800 in the two Circles. When the balances have once disappeared the annual amount allotted for expenditure by the Public Works Department in the two Circles is not likely at the utmost to exceed Rupees 1,40,000, the cost of supervision for which would be about Rupees 36,500. This, with the petty establishment costing Rupees 11,000, would make the charge under the present arrangements only about Rupees 5,000 in excess of the Rupees 42,408 proposed by Mr. Boswell. The latter, it is also to be observed, makes no allowance for a Pension Fund which would be a necessity were a separate establishment entertained, and which, in the case of the regular officers of the department, falls, under the present arrangement, entirely on Imperial Funds. The question of inefficiency through neglect of road for irrigation work, raised, and apparently well-supported, in the papers incorporated with G. O., dated 25th May 1871, No. 919, Revenue Department, and G. O., dated 6th November 1871, No. 2,800, Public Works Department, will receive serious consideration in the Public Works Department, and the Local Fund Board may rest assured that the Government fully realize the obligation to provide thoroughly competent and sufficient supervision which they have assumed by negating the proposal for a separate establishment.

7. The Circle Board's proposal to employ a 1st Class Apothecary and 3rd Class Hospital Assistants instead of ordinary vaccinators is referred for the consideration of the Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department, who will consult the Superintendent General of Vaccination. In the meantime the provision may remain in the Budget. The allotment for Hospitals will be raised to Rupees 5,000 with reference to the remarks of the Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department. The attention of that officer is drawn to the Circle Board's appli-

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cation for the services of a 1st Class Hospital Assistant from the commencement of the next official year.

8. The abstract of the budget, as modified by Government, is as follows:—

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.		
	RS.			RS.	RS.
Road Fund	1,78,310		Grant I.—		
Endowment Fund	960		Road Fund	1,76,110	
General Fund	47,690		Endowment Fund	840	
			General Fund... ..	17,550	1,94,500
			Grant II.—		
			General Fund... ..		10,360
			Grant III.—		
			Endowment Fund	120	
			General Fund	16,600	16,720
			Grant IV.—		
			Road Fund	1,990	
			General Fund	540	2,530
					2,24,110
			Balance—		
			Road Fund	210	
			General Fund	2,640	2,850
					2,26,960
Total...	2,26,960		Total...		2,26,960

9. GUNTOOR.—An abstract is appended of the Budget for 1873-74 compared with that for 1872-73:—

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.		
	1872-73. RS.	1873-74. RS.		1872-73. RS.	1873-74. RS.
Balances... ..	5,670	22,000	Public Works—		
Allotments—			New Works	55,000	55,000
Provincial	26,250	26,250	Repairs	26,900	26,300
Special	4,800	6,600	Establishment... ..	24,270	25,870
Rates and Taxes—			Road Fund Reserve	11,340	9,970
Cess on land	1,00,660	1,00,000	Other items	1,020	1,010
House-tax		1,410		1,18,530	1,18,150
Miscellaneous	660	1,310	Education—		
			Inspection	2,760	3,000
			Local Fund Schools	660	1,270
			Grants-in-aid	3,500	6,000
			Other items	1,000	1,600
			Sanitation, etc.—		
			Dispensaries		5,930
			Vaccination	1,300	1,300
			Medical Practitioners... ..	360	360
			Sanitary Establishment		
			—Cleansing tanks and wells... ..	3,000	5,000
			Contribution to Municipality	1,000	1,500
			Other items	60	410
			Controlling Establishments, etc.	1,390	1,660
				1,33,560	1,46,180
			Balances and General Reserve	4,480	11,320
Total ..	1,38,040	1,57,570	Total...	1,38,040	1,57,570

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10. The high opening balance in this Circle appears to be chiefly owing to unexpected receipts during the current year, and not, as in the Masulipatam Circle, to failure to work out the allotments. Excluding the opening balance, the receipts of the year, however, are only expected to exceed those of the preceding year by Rupees 3,200, of which it was intended that Rupees 1,410 should come from house-tax. This item must now disappear from the Budget. The Circle Board ask for an increased allotment from Provincial funds on account of the great need of an increased expenditure on the part of "The Great Northern Road which lies within the Circle and the general expensiveness of road-making in the delta." The Masulipatam Circle Board, on the other hand, are of opinion that this road is one of the last in the Circle likely to be taken up on purely local grounds, and on this strong expression of opinion the Government hesitated to direct the prosecution of the work by the Local Boards of any Circle, and called for reports from all Collectors through whose districts the line passes. Pending the consideration of these reports the Government are not prepared to make any special grant on account of the line, and think that, for the present, it would be as well only to incur such expenditure on the line as may be necessary to meet local requirements. The other items in the Budget call for no special remark.

11. The abstract of the Budget, as modified by the omission of the house-tax, is as follows:—

RECEIPTS.			EXPENDITURE.		
	RS.			RS.	RS.
Road Fund ...	...	1,19,720	Grant I.—		
Endowment Fund ...	...	60	Road Fund ...	1,13,510	
General Fund ...	...	36,380	General ...	4,640	
					1,18,150
			Grant II.—		
			General ...		11,870
			Grant III.—		
			Endowment ...	60	
			General ...	14,440	
					14,500
			Grant IV.—		
			Road Fund ...	1,270	
			General ...	390	
					1,660
			Balances—		
			Road Fund ...		1,46,180
			General ...	4,940	
				5,040	
					9,980
Total ...	1,56,160		Total .	1,56,160	

(True Extract.)

(Signed.)

J. STURROCK,
Acting Under Secretary,
for Chief Secretary.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
5th July 1873.*

No. 88. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government, in the Financial Department:—

Roads.—Passing orders on Proceedings in the Financial Department reviewing the Budget Estimates of the Masulipatam and Guntur Local Fund Circles for 1873-74. (Here enter No. 728, dated 24th May 1873.)

No. 89. ORDER THEREON, 5th July 1873, No. 1,737.

ACCOUNT, No. 7.

THE subject referred to in paragraph 6, viz., neglect of road for Irrigation work, is not understood to be now

the matter of complaint that it was two years ago. It is probable too that at that time ill-considered plans for multiplication of subsidiary roads were brought forward, instead of first devoting available funds as far as they would go to the completion of the principal arteries of traffic. This mistake now appears to have been rectified.

2. Now that Superintending Engineers have been superseded by District Engineers whose knowledge of their charges should be more complete, and their local interest in them stronger, it is hoped that all cause of complaint will be removed without the necessity of resorting to the expedient of Special Engineer Establishments for Local Fund Works, which, in the Madras Presidency with its scattered Imperial works, would be specially anomalous, besides being financially objectionable. Engineers in charge of Irrigation Districts and Ranges will be careful not to subject themselves to the reproach that they neglect one important branch of their duties for another in which they may happen to be more interested and experienced, and the Inspecting Engineer for Communications will do his best to secure for them a fair share of the attention of the officers employed to carry out the wishes of the Local Fund Boards. It will also, however, be his duty to report to Government if any tendency be shown by these latter bodies to diffuse unduly the outlay of their funds instead of concentrating them upon completion of the more important lines; so multiplying works out of proportion to the agency available for planning and carrying them out.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,

Secretary to Government.

To the Financial Department.

To all District Engineers.

To Major R. B. Kennedy.

To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

„ Inspecting Engineer for Communications.

Exd. W. H. French.

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