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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

3rd October 1881, No. 1869.

Budget Estimate.

Read the following paper :—

From J. H. TAYLOR, Esq., Lieut., R.N.R., Master Attendant, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated 15th September 1881, No. 8100 [Current No. 2556].

Administrative Department.

I have the honor to submit the following Budget Statements of the Marine Department for the ensuing official year 1882-83 :—

1. Estimate of Receipts and Charges, Port Fund.
2. Do. Receipts, Provincial.
3. Do. Charges, do.
4. Do. do. Imperial and Port Fund.
5. Do. Light-houses, Port Fund.

2. As directed in Official Memorandum, Marine Department, No. 1437, dated August 24th last, the estimates have been prepared in accordance with the scheme to make Port Funds bear all but exceptional charges connected with the ports of this Presidency, keeping Pilotage receipts and charges under a distinct head, Provincial.

3. As compared with the estimates sanctioned for 1881-82, the receipts for the ensuing official year 1882-83 stand as follows :—

	Actuals, 1880-81.	Estimates.	
		1881-82.	1882-83.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Imperial	1,013	5,000	..
Provincial	16,921	14,000	33,000
Port Fund	2,95,258	2,64,900	3,98,600

4. It will be seen that the actuals of Imperial receipts for 1881-82 are not more than Rs. (1,013) one thousand and thirteen. The greater portion of the same were realized at Pámban, viz., hire of warps and grapnels, &c., but since that port was brought under the Port Fund, those items have been credited to this head. Hence the decrease in Imperial receipts, and the transfer of the same to the Port Fund in the estimate for 1882-83 represents only Rs. (1,000) one thousand.

5. The Provincial receipts for 1882-83 under the head of Pámban form the average of three years, and show a slight increase over the estimate for 1881-82. The amount put down for Madras has been calculated upon the collections made during the last few months that Pilotage fees are levied at that port, and may be taken as a fair estimate.

6. The next division of receipts is under the head of Port Fund, which shows an increase of Rs. (1,33,700) one lakh thirty-three thousand and seven hundred over the estimate for 1881-82, a large portion of which forms the anticipated result of the extension of the Ports Act, 1875, to all the ports of this Presidency under the Notifica-

tion of Government, dated June 18th last. The following details show how the increase specified is obtained :—

	RS.
Excess in the average adopted for 1882-83 over the estimate of 1881-82	8,931
Transferred from Imperial receipts	1,000
Additional receipts from new ports to which the Ports Act has been extended	32,103
Additional receipts from ports at which port dues have been raised to 3 annas	38,800
Additional receipts at Madras from increased rate of 6 annas	52,911
	<u>1,33,745</u>
or in round numbers	1,33,700

Apportioning the estimated receipts for 1882-83, viz., Rs. (3,98,600) three lakhs ninety-eight thousand and six hundred, and the balance, viz., Rs. (7,60,738) seven lakhs sixty thousand and seven hundred and thirty-eight, expected to remain on hand at the beginning of that year between the Presidency and the outports, they stand as follows :—

	Estimated Receipts, 1882-83.	Credit Balance brought forward.	Total.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Madras	1,48,500	1,49,349	2,97,849
Outports	2,50,100	6,11,389	8,61,489
Total	<u>3,98,600</u>	<u>7,60,738</u>	<u>11,59,338</u>

It will thus be seen that the receipts in the aggregate, including the balance to credit for 1882-83, will amount to Rs. (11,59,338) eleven lakhs fifty-nine thousand and three hundred and thirty-eight.

7. Turning now to the estimates of charges for the ensuing official year, they are as follows :—

	Actuals, 1880-81.	Estimates.	
	RS.	1881-82.	1882-83.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Imperial Establishments	56,393	66,829	7,816
Light-houses	11,451	11,171	..
Provincial Establishments	15,254	11,164	43,218
Port Fund Establishments	1,87,165	1,84,235	2,32,767
Light-houses	17,661	13,924	24,929
Total		<u>1,98,159</u>	<u>2,57,696</u>

8. The estimate under the head of Imperial excludes the portion of the charges hitherto borne by it on account of the Madras Marine, the entire cost of the same being debited against Port Fund. The sum of Rs. (7,816) seven thousand eight hundred and sixteen represents the expenditure of the S.S. *Margaret Northcote* and the *Prince*. The former belongs to the Revenue service, in which department the accounts of that vessel are adjusted, and nothing is debited in this office against Marine. It is a question whether the charges of that vessel might not in future be transferred to the Revenue Budget. The *Prince* belongs to the Public Works Department, and her expenses might likewise be budgeted for in that department.

9. The charges under Provincial Services show a large increase. This occurs in the case of Madras, which for the first time appears in this estimate, as the expenses connected with pilotage newly introduced at that port on account of the artificial harbour, have been placed under that head. The charges at Pámban have been considerably reduced since the departure of the Steam Dredge *Albuquerque*. The present allotment is expected to be sufficient to carry on the dredging of the channel

by means of the hand dredge and for its general maintenance. Comparing the total estimated receipts, viz., Rs. (33,000) thirty-three thousand with the charges, viz., Rs. (43,218) forty-three thousand two hundred and eighteen, there is a deficit of Rs. (10,218) ten thousand two hundred and eighteen, but it is hoped that on the completion of the Madras Harbour the receipts under the head of Pilotage will improve and be found sufficient to cover the expenses, at any rate the Port Fund will be available to fall back upon, if necessary.

10. The Port Fund estimate for 1882-83 exhibits a large increase owing to the transfer to that fund of the proportion of cost of Marine establishments hitherto borne by Imperial Funds, together with the cost of the upkeep of light-houses debited entirely to the same head, and the saving thus accruing to Imperial Funds is Rs. (70,372) seventy thousand three hundred and seventy-two. The estimate provides for all charges connected with the ports of this Presidency amounting to Rs. (2,57,696) two lakhs fifty-seven thousand six hundred and ninety-six for 1882-83, and the excess over the estimate for 1881-82 is Rs. (59,537) fifty-nine thousand five hundred and thirty-seven which may be explained as follows :—

	Decrease.	Increase.
	RS.	RS.
One Diver reduced, Madras	210	..
Pensions reduced owing to the demise of pensioned Head Accountant, and allowing for pension recommended for a Diver's widow, Madras	505	..
Difference in contingencies between 1881-82 and 1882-83	9,036	..
Pension and Gratuity, Outports	..	12
Percentage to Conservators at minor ports for collection of port dues	..	8,000
Omission of portion of salary of Port Officer and Superintendent, Sea Customs, Gopálpur, paid from Sea Customs revenue, allowing for increase to Port Officers, Masulipatam, Vizagapatam, and Pámban	1,800	..
Addition to establishments at Mangalore, Pámban, and Negapatam, deducting the reduction of a Lascar at Pámban	..	672
Sum provided for Conservator proposed for Coringa withdrawn as not likely to be utilized	360	..
Decrease in contingencies of the S.S. <i>Albuquerque</i>	3,280	..
Increase under the heads of Dredge <i>Cocanada</i> and <i>Lady Mary Grenville</i> according to average of three years	..	1,080
Proportion of cost of establishments and light-houses transferred from the head of Imperial, allowing for difference between the estimates of 1881-82 and 1882-83	..	64,964
	<u>15,191</u>	<u>74,728</u>
		<u>15,191</u>
Total		<u>59,537</u>

Deducting the estimated charges for 1882-83 Rs. (2,57,696) two lakhs fifty-seven thousand six hundred and ninety-six from the estimated receipts Rs. (3,98,600) three lakhs ninety-eight thousand and six hundred, the excess in receipts amounts to Rs. (1,40,904) one lakh forty thousand and nine hundred and four; but setting aside the yet untried results of the additional receipts to be realized by the levy of port dues at new ports, and the enhancement of the rates at the other ports, the actuals of receipts for 1880-81 amounted to no less than Rs. (2,95,258) two lakhs ninety-five thousand and two hundred and fifty-eight, and comparing this sum with the estimated charges of 1882-83, it would be sufficient to cover the whole, leaving a surplus of Rs. (37,562) thirty-seven thousand five hundred and sixty-two. The new scheme therefore bids fair to prove a complete success, and while the ports will be reduced self-supporting, the burthen on the Imperial Exchequer will be removed. In conclusion, I beg to observe that, according to the estimates for 1882-83, the balance to credit expected to be outstanding at the end of that year will be Rs. (9,01,642) nine lakhs one thousand and six hundred and forty-two.

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ORDER THEREON, 3rd October 1881, No. 1869.

The Budget Estimates of receipts of the Marine Department for 1882-83 under the heads Provincial and Port Funds amount to Rs. 33,000 and Rs. 3,98,600.

Imperial.		RS.	The estimates having been prepared in accordance with the Port Fund scheme sanctioned in G.O., No. 287, dated 18th June 1881, no receipts appear under "Imperial," but those under Port Funds have been correspondingly raised.
Actuals ..	1878-79 ..	4,646	
	1879-80 ..	3,858	
	1880-81 ..	1,013	
Estimates ..	1881-82 ..	4,700	
	1882-83 ..	..	

Provincial.		RS.	The Provincial receipts at Pámban are based on the average of the past three years and are Rs. 1,000 higher than those for the current year. The Pilotage receipts expected to be realised at Madras are fixed at Rs. 18,000 as calculated on the actuals of the past few months.
Actuals ..	1878-79 ..	12,331	
	1879-80 ..	17,650	
	1880-81 ..	16,921	
Estimates ..	1881-82 ..	14,000	
	1882-83 ..	33,000	

Port Funds.		RS.	The Port Fund receipts are estimated at Rs. 1,33,700 more than for the current year, owing principally to the extension of the Ports Act of 1875 to all the ports of the Presidency and to the increase in the rate of port dues at certain ports.
Actuals ..	1879-80 ..	2,79,777	
	1880-81 ..	2,95,258	
	1881-82 ..	2,64,900	
Estimates ..	1882-83 ..	3,98,600	

2. The estimates of charges under Imperial, Provincial, and Port Funds amount to Rs. 7,816, Rs. 43,218, and Rs. 2,57,696, respectively.

The charges on account of the Madras Marine and of Light-houses hitherto borne by "Imperial" having been transferred to the debit of Port Funds, only Rs. 7,816 are provided for charges in connection with S.S. *Margaret Northcote* and the *Prince*. As the former belongs to the Revenue Department and the latter to the Public Works Department, provision will be made for their upkeep in those departments.

Imperial.		RS.
Actuals ..	1878-79 ..	84,367
	1879-80 ..	76,093
	1880-81 ..	67,844
Estimates ..	1881-82 ..	78,000
	1882-83 ..	7,816

The increase in the estimated charges under Provincial is chiefly due to the cost of the establishment of the Madras Harbour. The charges at Pámban are estimated at Rs. 4,396 against Rs. 19,564 for the current year. The decrease is on account of the departure of the Steam Dredge *Alluquerque*. The amount is considered sufficient for the general maintenance of the channel.

Provincial.		RS.
Actuals ..	1878-79 ..	10,610
	1879-80 ..	13,539
	1880-81 ..	15,254
Estimates ..	1881-82 ..	11,164
	1882-83 ..	43,218

The charges under Port Funds are estimated at Rs. 59,537 more than for the current year, mainly on account of the transfer of the proportion of the cost of Marine establishments and the cost of the upkeep of light-houses hitherto borne by Imperial Revenues, the latter being thus relieved of a charge of about Rs. 70,000.

Port Funds.		RS.
Actuals ..	1878-79 ..	2,19,539
	1879-80 ..	1,90,869
	1880-81 ..	2,04,826
Estimates ..	1881-82 ..	1,98,159
	1882-83 ..	2,57,696

3. The estimate of works to be executed from Port Funds amounts to Rs. 20,920. Two of these works, viz., the construction of a beacon at False Point, Divi, and of a lower platform to the wharf at Porto Novo, are to be carried out by the Public Works Department at a cost of Rs. 5,540 and Rs. 970, plus Rs. 1,790 for establishment and tools and plant.

4. Setting the estimated outlay against the receipts, there is expected to be a surplus of Rs. 1,40,904, raising the outstanding balance at the close of 1882-83 to Rs. 9,01,642.

5. The estimates are passed as follows:—

Provincial.		RS.
Receipts ..	..	33,000
Charges ..	..	43,218

Port Funds.		RS.
Receipts ..	..	3,98,600
Charges ..	..	2,57,696

(True Extract.)

John Newis
Chief Secretary.

To the Master Attendant, Madras.
" Accountant-General.
" Public Works Department.
" Revenue Department.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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Proceedings of the } No. 1869 of 3rd Oct. 1881.
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the Officers concerned.

2. The amount to be
transferred to the cre-
dit of the P. W. Dept^{ts}
from Post Funds
for expenditure in
1882/83 is as follows

1. Kistna. Construction of a beacon
at False Point, Divi; --- Rs. 5540

2. South Arcot. Do. for a
platform to the wharf at.

Parts novo --- 970

Establishment --- 1628

Tools & plant --- 162

Rs. 8300

3. As the work for
which appropriations
have now been made

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