

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

29th March 1881, No. 547.

Local Funds—Works.

Read the following paper:—

No. 132. *Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 4th March 1881, No. 380*
[Current No. 637].

Read the following letter from N. A. ROUPELL, Esq., President, Local Fund Board, Nilgiris, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Ootacamund, 12th February 1881, No. 5:—

I HAVE the honor to enclose extract from Proceedings of the Local Fund Board, Nilgiris, at a meeting held on 31st January 1881, in which it was resolved—

- (1) to raise the allotment for the Engineering Department from Rs. 11,800 to Rs. 13,500 from 1st January to 31st March 1881, as well as during the official year 1881-82;
- (2) to fix the salary of the Local Fund Engineer at Rs. 500 + 150 regular travelling allowance from 1st January to 31st March 1881, as well as during the official year 1881-82.

2. I have the honor to request the Board's sanction to these proposals with retrospective effect from 1st January 1881.

3. The extra amount can be provided for the current as well as for the coming official year from the savings under "Road Fund Reserve."

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

EXTRACT from the Proceedings of the Nilgiri Local Fund Board's Meeting held on Monday, the 31st January 1881.

11. The meeting recorded its opinion that, having regard to the extra works and large expenditure carried on by the Local Fund Engineering Establishment, the amount allotted for such establishment should be raised to Rs. 18,000. The normal expenditure of the Local Fund Board and the two Municipalities of Ootacamund and Coonoor is now about Rs. 1,00,000, and in the coming year it is probable that a considerable sum even in excess of this will be expended by the Engineering Department. The Board would, therefore, raise their contribution from Rs. 11,800 to Rs. 13,500, and consider that the difference between the latter figure and Rs. 18,000 should be contributed by the two Municipalities. They understand the Municipal Commissioners of Coonoor have taken credit for Rs. 1,500 on this account in their budget for 1881-82, and their promised contribution during the current year will, if aided by the Ootacamund Municipal Commissioners, allow of the Local Fund Board giving effect to what appears to them very desirable, viz., the introduction of this enhanced allotment from 1st January 1881. The Board are of opinion that the difficult and extensive work thrown upon the Local Fund Engineer entitles that officer to a higher salary than at present. They would fix his salary for the coming year, 1881-82, and from the 1st January to the end of the current official year at Rs. 500 + a fixed travelling allowance of Rs. 150. The surplus, viz., Rs. 1,200, still available out of the increased grant for the Engineering Establishment can be applied towards procuring the services of a superior subordinate executive, the present staff, in the opinion of the Local

Fund Engineer, not possessing the requisite efficiency. It is distinctly understood that the salary, Rs. 500, and regular tentage, Rs. 150, now fixed upon is to cover all claims on the part of the Local Fund Engineer for all and every work in his department required to be done for the Local Fund Board and the Municipalities of Ootacamund and Coonoor.

(Signed) N. A. ROUPELL,
President.

(True Extract.)

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SUBMITTED for the sanction of Government.

2. The Board support the President's proposals.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) E. GIBSON,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

No. 133.

ORDER THEREON, 29th March 1881, No. 547.

Sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

P. Davidson
Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.

„ Public Works Department.

„ Accountant-General.

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To
THE BOARD OF REVENUE,
&c., &c., &c.

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Local Funds—Works.—The President's proposals to raise the allotment for Local Fund Engineering Department of the Nilgiri Circle from Rs. 11,800 to Rs. 13,500, and to fix the salary of the Local Fund Engineer at Rs. 650 with travelling allowance with retrospective effect from 1st January 1881, sanctioned.

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