GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

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Enclosure.

Minutes of the Proceedings of a Meeting of the Trustees of the Madras Harbour, held at the Board's Office on Tuesday, the 11th September 1888.

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(True Extract.)

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Exd. A. Raitt.

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3RD DECEMBER 1886, No. 1280, FINANCIAL.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

From G. HAMNETT, Esq., Inspector-General of Registration, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 15th September 1886, G. No. 2601 (*a*).

I have the honor to submit the budget estimates of revenue and expenditure for the year 1887-88, viz.—

		RS.
	Receipts.	
X.	Registration	8,65,000
	Expenditure.	
3.	Refunds and Drawbacks	3,000
14.	Registration	6,32,700
30.	Stationery and Printing	300
48.	Civil Buildings, Roads and Services	3,500
	Total ..	6,39,500

and to request that the sanction of His Excellency the Governor in Council may be obtained for the estimates.

2. The instructions conveyed in paragraph 1 of G.O., Financial, No. 1457, dated the 31st October 1885, have been carried out in preparing the estimates.

3. The revenue for the year includes Rs. 8,50,000 from registration fees. The average fees for the three years ending 1885-86 amounted to Rs. 7,36,037, and the actuals for 1885-86 to Rs. 8,39,081. The estimate for 1886-87 was fixed at Rs. 8,00,000 in G.O., Financial, No. 1457, dated the 31st October 1885. The actuals for four months of the year amount to Rs. 2,90,452; adding thereto Rs. 5,53,321, the actuals for the latter eight months of the year 1885-86, the aggregate amounts to Rs. 8,43,773. I have taken it at Rs. 8,50,000, as I am not at all certain that the results in 1886-87 and in 1887-88 will equal those of 1885-86. In the first month of 1886-87 (April), there was a decline of Rs. 7,558. In the three following months (May, June and July), there was an advance of Rs. 12,250. The net advance is only Rs. 4,692, or, say, 14,076 for the year. But whether this amount will be realised or not is doubtful, as the new proviso to article I, clause 4, of the tables of fees in respect of searches has already begun to tell against the receipts from that source, while floods and other causes in the provinces indicate that the progress in registration in 1886-87 and 1887-88 is not likely to be so good as in the year 1885-86.

The estimate of fees for the registration of Joint Stock Companies is fixed at Rs. 15,000. The Registrar considers the receipts (Rs. 87,272) realised in 1885-86 to have been abnormal, and not to be relied upon. The average for the three years ending 1884-85 was Rs. 9,230, and the amount realised during the first four months of 1886-87 is Rs. 8,680, against Rs. 20,275 in the corresponding period of 1885-86.

4. CHARGES—3, *Refunds and Drawbacks.*—The estimate for the year is Rs. 3,000. The average expenditure for the three years ending 1885-86 amounted to Rs. 2,256. The actuals for 1885-86 were Rs. 2,497. The estimate sanctioned for 1886-87, as

revised by the Government of India, is Rs. 2,000, but it is feared that this amount will be exceeded. The Registrars in the provinces estimate Rs. 3,500 for 1887-88, but I have reduced it to Rs. 3,000.

5. 14, *Registration*—(*a*) *Superintendence.*—The average expenditure for the three years ending 1885-86 amounted to Rs. 33,751. The actuals for 1885-86 were Rs. 34,685. The estimate sanctioned for 1886-87 is for Rs. 36,100, while the estimate for 1887-88 is for Rs. 35,400, or Rs. 700 less.

(*b*) *District Charges*—(i) *Establishments.*—The average expenditure for the three years ending 1885-86 amounted to Rs. 2,12,900. The actuals for 1885-86 were Rs. 2,27,477. The estimate sanctioned for 1886-87 is for Rs. 2,51,310. The estimate for 1887-88 has been determined at Rs. 2,64,500. The estimate exceeds the sanctioned scale by Rs. 15,134. The excess provides for the following charges to be incurred with the sanction of the Government :—

	Rs.
Registrar of Anantapur	1,800
His establishment	552
Twenty Sub-Registrars for new offices to be opened	7,200
Their establishments	2,484
Anticipated increase of Registrars' establishments	1,674
Do. of Sub-Registrars' do.	864
Clerks employed temporarily for indexing Court registers	560
Total ..	15,134

(ii) *Commission to Registration Officers and their Establishments.*—This is a fluctuating charge, and is dependant upon the fees realised and paid into the treasury. The average expenditure for the three years ending 1885-86 amounted to Rs. 2,49,165. The actuals for 1885-86 were Rs. 2,81,296. The sanctioned estimate for 1886-87 is Rs. 2,69,000, and the estimate for 1887-88 is assumed at Rs. 2,86,000, or Rs. 17,000 in advance of 1886-87.

(iii) *Contingencies.*—The average expenditure for the three years ending 1885-86 amounted to Rs. 34,987. The actuals for 1885-86 were Rs. 37,482. The estimate sanctioned for 1886-87 is for Rs. 47,590. The estimate for 1887-88 is for Rs. 46,800, or Rs. 790 less than the estimate for 1886-87. The estimate for 1887-88 provides for the expenditure which will be required for the equipment of the new offices to be opened during the year.

6. 30, *Printing at Private Presses.*—The estimate for Rs. 300 is 200 rupees less than the estimate sanctioned for 1886-87.

7. 48, *Civil Buildings, Roads and Services.*—The estimate for 1886-87, amounting to Rs. 3,500, and passed by the Madras Government, was reduced by the Government of India to Rs. 2,000. In consequence of this reduction, works absolutely necessary have to be put off for another year. The estimate for 1887-88 is for Rs. 3,500. It is to be hoped that it will not be cut down again.

8. The Superintendent, Government Press, will no doubt include in his budget estimate the charges for printing and binding work done for, and debited to, this department.

9. The Public Works Department will have to provide for the buildings already in progress, and for the construction of new buildings for which plans and estimates have been sanctioned by the Government. That department is best able to decide what works it can undertake, and to provide funds accordingly.

ORDER—dated 3rd December 1886, No. 1280, Financial.

The *Receipts* under X, Registration, in 1887-88, are estimated by the Inspector-General at Rs. 8,65,000, including Rs. 15,000 on account of fees levied under the Joint Stock Companies' Act. The actual realisations, as compared with the estimates, are given below for a series of years :—

Years.	Actuals			Estimates.
	Registration proper.	Joint Stock Companies.	Total.	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1880-81	5,67,695	3,830	5,71,525	5,00,000
1881-82	5,82,988	5,228	5,88,216	5,70,000
1882-83	5,73,200	6,246	5,79,446	5,90,000
1883-84	6,24,353	7,714	6,32,067	6,00,000
1884-85	7,44,682	13,725	7,58,407	6,30,000
1885-86	8,39,083	87,270	9,26,353	7,00,000
1886-87	..	..	..	8,25,000
1887-88	..	..	..	8,65,000

The above figures show that the revenue under the Joint Stock Companies' Act has been progressing steadily.* But the receipts in 1885-86 must be regarded as abnormal, owing to an unusual number of companies,† under the name of "Benefit Societies," having been started in that year. Assuming the normal receipts under this head in 1885-86 at Rs. 15,020 (Rs. 13,725 actuals of 1884-85 + 1,295, the average annual increase between 1881-82 and 1884-85), the total Registration revenue of 1885-86 would be Rs. 8,39,083 + 15,020, or Rs. 8,54,103. The six months' estimate of the current year is taken at Rs. 8,65,000. The same amount may, therefore, be safely adopted for 1887-88. This is the Inspector-General's estimate.

* *Increase over preceding years.*

Years.	Registration.	Joint Stock Companies.
	Rs.	Rs.
1881-82	+ 15,293	+ 1,398
1882-83	— 9,788	+ 1,018
1883-84	+ 51,153	+ 1,468
1884-85	+ 1,20,329	+ 6,011
1885-86	+ 94,401	+ 7,545

† G.Os., Judicial .. No. 3308, dated 7th Dec. 1885. ,, 1744, ,, 2nd July 1886. ,, 2368, ,, 1st Sept. ,,

Years.	Actuals.
	Rs.
‡ 1880-81	2,234
1881-82	2,829
1882-83	1,977
1883-84	2,153
1884-85	2,116
1885-86	2,497
Average of 4 years ..	2,186
Sanctioned budget, 1886-87 ..	2,000

2. EXPENDITURE — "*Refunds and Drawbacks.*"—A provision of Rs. 3,000 is made, but with reference to past actuals,‡ a sum of Rs. 2,000 should suffice.

3. "12, *Registration*"—*Superintendence.*—The charges are estimated at Rs. 35,400, or Rs. 700 less than the grant for the current year. The estimate is approved. It compares as follows with the figures of previous years :—

	Years.	Salaries.	Establishments.	Travelling allowance.	Contingent charges.	Total.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Actuals ..	1880-81	19,680	6,011	3,298	4,144	33,133
	1881-82	18,000	7,275	2,207	(*a*) 8,146	35,628
	1882-83	18,000	9,329	4,016	3,940	35,285
	1883-84	18,000	9,387	2,347	3,272	33,006
	1884-85	18,000	9,329	2,178	4,054	33,561
	1885-86	18,000	9,481	3,250	3,954	34,685
Estimates .	1886-87	18,000	10,572	3,000	4,528	36,100
	1887-88	18,000	10,056	3,000	4,344	35,400

(*a*) Increase due to the purchase of 267 time-pieces for the use of Sub-Registry offices.

4. *District Charges*—(i) *Salaries.*—In paragraph 5 of his letter, the Inspector-General states that the provision under this head for 1887-88 includes certain unsanctioned charges, amounting to Rs. 15,134, chiefly for the opening of twenty new offices and the strengthening of clerical establishments. This increase has been objected to by the Finance Committee, but the Government of India have been asked to allow it to stand (paragraph 5 [2] of G.O., Financial, No. 1198, dated 19th November 1886). This amount includes Rs. 1,800 on account of the Registrar, Anantapur, which was provided in the budget of the current year. The increase over the grant of 1886-87 under Salaries and Establishments is thus only Rs. 13,000.

(ii) *Commission.*—Under this head, there is an excess of Rs. 17,000, due partly to increased receipts and partly to the opening of new offices. The expenditure for a series of years compares as follows with the fixed salaries paid, 1st, to registering officers, and 2nd, to their establishments:—

Years.	Registrars and Sub-Registrars.		Establishments.		Total.		Grand Total.
	Pay.	Commission.	Pay.	Commission.	Pay.	Commission.	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1880-81	1,07,023	97,413	28,549	1,09,139	1,35,572	2,06,552	3,42,124
1881-82	1,16,554	98,771	30,324	1,10,397	1,46,878	2,09,168	3,56,046
1882-83	1,37,086	99,285	37,261	1,11,714	1,74,347	2,10,999	3,85,346
1883-84	1,59,257	98,925	41,479	1,17,716	2,00,738	2,16,641	4,17,379
1884-85	1,66,762	1,10,118	42,852	1,40,315	2,09,614	2,50,433	4,60,047
1885-86	1,78,505	1,23,349	48,973	1,57,947	2,27,478	2,81,296	5,08,774
1886-87	1,96,152	1,17,000	55,158	1,52,000	2,51,310	2,69,000	5,20,310
1887-88	2,03,112	1,25,000	61,388	1,61,000	2,64,500	2,86,000	5,50,500

District Charges—Contingencies.

Years.	Estimates.	Expenditure.
	Rs.	Rs.
1880-81	19,958	19,942
1882-83	25,846	27,661
1883-84	33,582	30,947
1884-85	39,246	32,249
1885-86	37,538	35,230
1886-87	49,226	37,481
1887-88	47,590	..
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Years.	Grants.	Actuals.
	Rs.	Rs.
1881-82	7,000	1,655
1882-83	8,000	2,123
1883-84	6,000	1,726
1884-85	3,200	1,663
1885-86	3,000	..
1886-87	* 3,500	..
1887-88	3,000	..

* Reduced by the Madras Government to Rs. 2,000.

	Rs.	Rs.
1881-82	..	50
1882-83	200	38
1883-84	300	124
1884-85	300	309
1885-86	200	138
1886-87	500	..
1887-88	300	..

(iii) *Contingencies.*—Though provision is said to be made under this head for the additional expenditure which will be required for the equipment of the new offices to be opened during 1887-88, the total amount provided by the Inspector-General (Rs. 46,800) is less than the grant sanctioned for the current year (Rupees 47,590). The estimate is passed in full.

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6. The expenditure under "30, Stationery and Printing," is put down at Rs. 300. The actuals, however, of previous years seldom came up to this amount. Rs. 200 will be provided.

7. The estimates as modified in these orders will be passed for inclusion in the consolidated budget as follows:—

Receipts.

	Rs.
X. Registration	8,65,000

Expenditure.

	Rs.	
1. Refunds		2,000
12. Registration—		
Superintendence	35,400	
District charges	5,97,300	
Petty construction and repairs	3,000	
		6,35,700
30. Stationery and Printing		200

(True Extract.)

H. E. STOKES,
Ag. Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector-General of Registration.
" Accountant-General.
" Public Works Department.

Exd. A. Raitt.

Govt. of {1886} Madras.

FINANCIAL.

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G.O., 3rd December 1886, No. 1280.

DECEMBER.

Budgets.

Reviewing the budget estimate of the Registration Department for the year 1887-88.

24TH SEPTEMBER 1887, No. 1049, FINANCIAL.

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FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

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From G. HAMNETT, Esq., Inspector-General of Registration, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 13th September 1887, G. No. 3660.

I have the honor to submit the budget estimates of the revenue and expenditure of the Registration Department and Joint Stock Companies for the year 1888-89, prepared in accordance with the extracts from the printed civil estimates furnished by the Accountant-General, as directed in G.O., Financial, No. 915, dated the 16th August 1887, paragraph 4, viz.—

Receipts.

	RS.
X. Registration	9,00,000

Expenditure.

I. Refunds and Drawbacks	3,000
XII. Registration	6,41,080
XXX. Stationery and Printing	400
Total ..	6,44,480

and to request that the sanction of His Excellency the Governor in Council may be obtained for the estimates, which do not call for any special explanation, as I have cut down the requisitions sent up by local officers so as not to let the expenditure exceed, to any considerable extent, the amount sanctioned for 1887-88, viz., Rs. 6,38,150.

2. The estimated value of articles, &c., not to be paid for in cash, is Rs. 43,300, exclusive of Public Works charges.

RECEIPTS.

3. The annexed statement shows the actuals for three years, the estimate and revised estimate for 1887-88, and the estimate for 1888-89:—

—	Registration.	Joint Stock Companies.	Total.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
1884-85	7,44,676	13,731	7,58,407
1885-86	8,39,081	87,272	9,26,353
1886-87	8,55,261	15,958	8,71,219
Estimate for 1887-88	8,50,000	15,000	8,65,000
Revised estimate for 1887-88 ..	8,75,000	10,000	8,85,000
Estimate for 1888-89	8,90,000	10,000	9,00,000

The revised estimate for 1887-88 is made up by taking the actuals for the first four months of 1887-88, viz., Rupees 3,12,769,* and Rs. 5,72,087,† the actuals for the last eight months of 1886-87. To this revised estimate have been added Rs. 15,000, the probable increase of registration revenue during 1888-89, and the estimate for 1888-89 has been fixed at Rs. 9,00,000.‡

	RS.
* Registration	3,10,204
Joint Stock Companies	2,565
† Registration	5,64,809
Joint Stock Companies	7,278
‡ Registration	8,90,000
Joint Stock Companies	10,000

The Registrar of Joint Stock Companies says: "The receipts for 1887-88 and 1888-89 are each estimated at Rs. 10,000 only, as the actuals for 1886-87—which are made up of fees received on account of the recording of special resolutions of Benefit or Provident Societies started in 1885-86 in good numbers, and which have been, and are being, wound up—could not now be relied on."

Charges.

4. Until the receipt, on the 29th August 1887 at Trichinopoly, of the orders of the Government, Financial Department, dated the 16th August 1887, No. 915, it was not known that the Registration Department would have to furnish any "revised estimate," and it was too late then to obtain any precise information from the several district registrars as to what items would be exhausted during the year and what items would not be. Upon a rough calculation, it is found that a sum of Rs. 10,260 might be deducted from the estimate for 1887-88 under Registrars, Sub-Registrars, and Establishments. On the other hand, an increase of Rs. 8,000 would have to be provided for under Commission, owing to the revised estimate of receipts. It does not appear advisable, therefore, that the aggregate of the estimate for 1887-88, viz., Rs. 6,38,150, should be disturbed in the revised estimate.

The expenditure, exclusive of items not paid for in cash, during the last three years, was:—

	Rs.
1884-85	5,32,926
1885-86	5,86,522
1886-87	6,17,574
Estimate for 1887-88	6,38,150
Revised estimate for 1887-88	6,38,150
Estimate for 1888-89	6,44,480

The several items which make up the estimate will be explained below.

5. *Refunds and Drawbacks, Rs.* 3,000.—The estimate for 1888-89 has been fixed with reference to the actuals * for 1886-87, and shows an increase of Rs. 30.

* Rs. 2,970.

There is no increase under Superintendence, Establishment and Travelling Allowances.

Under *Office Contingencies*—Rs. 4,570—there is a net increase of Rs. 226, consequent on an addition of Rs. 100 under Service Postage, and Rs. 130 under Furniture required in connection with records and stationery stores.

District Charges—Salaries.

Registrars, Rs. 52,800.—There is a decrease here of Rs. 1,800, as the provision of Rs. 1,800 made in the budget estimate for 1887-88 for a registrar at Anantapur has been struck out, there being no immediate prospect of the registrar being appointed.

Sub-Registrars, Rs. 1,41,180.—There is a decrease here also of Rs. 3,132, as it is not in contemplation to open any new offices in 1888-89. This explanation applies also to Establishments—Rs. 58,182—which is less than the estimate for 1887-88 by Rs. 3,206.

Travelling Allowance, Rs. 6,000.—The estimate has been fixed with reference to the actuals (Rs. 5,688) for 1886-87. The increase is small, viz., Rs. 312.

Supplies and Services, Rs. 3,00,550.—The increase of Rs. 13,850 is accounted for chiefly by an increase of Rs. 14,000 under Commission, which varies with the amount collected.

Petty Construction and Repairs—Rs. 4,000, against Rs. 3,250 sanctioned for 1887-88. Increase, Rs. 750.—The larger provision is indispensably necessary to admit of the repair of certain buildings being carried out during 1888-89.

Contingencies, Rs. 38,600.—This is less than the estimate for 1887-88 by Rupees 2,500, and the actuals for 1886-87 by Rs. 399.

Printing, Rs. 400.—The actuals for 1886-87 amounted to Rs. 349; the additional 51 rupees will be required to meet the charges in connection with extra work caused by an increase in the number of registration offices.

6. The Superintendent, Government Press, will have to provide in his budget for the work to be done for this department.

7. The Public Works Department will have to provide for the buildings under construction, and for the construction of new buildings for which plans and estimates have been sanctioned.

8. A list of the new buildings in the order of their urgency will be submitted to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.

Enclosure.

Estimate of Charges for Petty Construction and Repairs—Registration, for 1888-89.

Districts.	Amount. Rs.
Ganjam	100
Vizagapatam	50
Godávari	200
Kistna	200
Nellore	100
Cuddapah	75
Kurnool	75
Bellary and Anantapur	75
Chingleput	25
North Arcot	200
South Arcot	800
Tanjore	200
Tinnevelly	200
Madura	150
Trichinopoly	100
Salem	150
Coimbatore	150
South Canara	550
Tellicherry	400
Calicut	200
Total ..	4,000

Order—dated 24th September 1887, No. 1049, Financial.

The budget estimate of the receipts of the Registration Department for 1888-89 is set down at Rs. 9,00,000, of which Rs. 10,000 are on account of Joint Stock Companies.

The Inspector-General has made an addition of Rs. 10,000 to the revised estimate (Rs. 8,90,000) of the current year, this latter being based on the receipts during the last eight months of 1886-87 and the first four months of 1887-88. In 1886-87, the actual revenue * for the whole year was much in proportion to that † of the first four months, and there seems to be no reason for anticipating that the higher rate during the first four months of the current year will not, on the whole, be maintained. The collections during this period came to Rs. 3,12,000; the proportionate receipts for the twelve months would therefore amount to Rs. 9,36,000. A decrease of Rs. 5,000 (perhaps over-estimated by the Madras Registrar, as the receipts in 1884-85—the year before that in which the Benefit Societies now in course of winding up were started—totalled nearly Rs. 14,000) is expected on the Joint Stock Companies' budget estimate of Rs. 15,000; this will be allowed for, and a further deduction of Rs. 21,000 made for safety. The revised estimate will then stand at Rs. 9,10,000. Basing the

* Rs. 8,55,000.

† Rs. 2,83,000.

budget estimate for 1888-89 on this, and allowing for the expansion of registration, the Government are of opinion that the receipts of next year may be calculated at Rs. 9,20,000.

2. The Inspector-General is averse to placing the revised estimate of charges for the current year below the budget estimate, and as the grant for *Commission* will probably be exceeded by an amount at least equal to the probable savings under the head of *Establishment*, his opinion will be accepted.

3. The charges of the department for next year are set down at Rs. 6,41,078, against a three years' average expenditure of Rs. 5,76,214; an actual outlay of Rs. 6,14,255 in the last year of the series; and a revised estimate for the current year of Rs. 6,34,950: this last being Rs. 1,000 less than the budget estimate. The total estimate is made up as shown below:—

	Rs.
(*a*) Inspector-General	18,000
(*b*) Establishment	10,056
(*c*) Travelling Allowances	3,000
(*d*) Contingencies	4,570
(*e*) District Officers	1,98,120
(*f*) Establishment	58,182
(*g*) Travelling Allowances	6,000
(*h*) Commission and other charges	3,00,550
(*i*) Contingencies	38,600
	6,37,078
(*j*) Add—Petty Works of construction and repair	4,000
	6,41,078

The estimates for (*a*) and (*b*) call for no remark, as they are on account of fixed establishments.

The estimate for (*c*) agrees with the latest actuals, and is very little over the average.

For (*d*) a provision of Rs. 4,570 has been entered. This is above the average and the latest actuals by Rs. 560 in round numbers, but a little less than the revised estimate (Rs. 4,604). The latter includes an unforeseen charge for some country-made locks. It is proposed to spend Rs. 130 on furniture—an item on account of which there has been no recent expenditure. The estimates for *Telegrams* and *Postage* appear to be rather above the mark, so far as the charges in past years serve as a guide; but these items can hardly be exactly estimated. A deduction of Rs. 126 will be made under (*d*) to round the grant for *Superintendence*. The estimates under (*e*) and (*f*), the former of which includes charges on account of probationary sub-registrars, are, respectively, Rs. 19,745 and 9,183 above the average, and exceed the revised estimates for the current year by Rs. 1,680 and Rs. 382. In the case of (*f*), the sanctioned budget estimate for the current year was more than Rs. 3,000 above the present estimate. The Inspector-General's figures will be merely reduced by Rs. 302 to round the total. The estimate for (*g*) is accepted. Under (*h*), the estimate for *Commission* amounts to Rs. 3,00,000; the payments on this account in 1886-87—the last year of the series on which the average (Rs. 2,73,060) has been calculated—came to Rs. 2,87,451, and the estimate for the current year has been raised from Rs. 2,86,000 to Rs. 2,94,000 by the Inspector-General: an amount which will be exceeded if the calculations in the second paragraph of this order prove to be correct. An addition of Rs. 7,450 will be made with reference to the alteration in the estimate of the revenue of 1888-89 above ordered, and the grant for (*h*) *Supplies and Services*, including the petty provision for law expenses and fees to female examiners, will then stand at Rs. 3,08,000. Under (*i*)—the estimate for which amounts to Rs. 38,600, as compared with an average of Rs. 33,631; an actual outlay in 1886-87 of Rs. 38,999; and the current year's estimate of Rs. 41,100—the following provisions require notice:—

	More than current Budget Estimate.	Less than current Budget Estimate.
	Rs.	Rs.
		4,000
Furniture	700	..
Postage	..	..
Packing and Carriage of Books	100	..
Binding	200	..
Fixed Stationery Allowances	500	..
Miscellaneous	..	..

The decrease in the first case is, no doubt, due to the unusually high outlay in 1886-87 (Rs. 13,443, as compared with an average, for the two years preceding, of about Rs. 8,000). The addition in the second case has been made with reference to the increased number of offices and larger correspondence. The estimate of Rs. 4,000 in the third case agrees with that for the current year; it is, however, about Rs. 800 above the average and 600 above the actuals in 1886-87, and a reduction may be feasible. Reasons are assigned for raising the estimates in the remaining cases, but the Government are inclined to think that there may be savings. They will, however, generally accept the Inspector-General's estimates for contingencies, striking off Rs. 600 to round the total.

For (*j*), Petty Works of construction and repair, an assignment of Rs. 3,500 will be made. Should this be worked up to before the year ends, the additional five hundred rupees asked for will be sanctioned. The actual outlay in 1886-87 was only Rs. 1,610, and the average is Rs. 2,074.

4. The estimate of Rs. 3,000 for *Refunds*, based on the actuals (Rs. 2,970) of 1886-87, is accepted.

5. The estimates and grants are passed as shown below for entry under the budget heads:—

Revenue.

	Rs.
X. Registration	9,20,000

Expenditure.

	Rs.	Rs.
1. Refunds and Drawbacks		3,000
12. Registration—		
Superintendence	35,500	
District Charges	6,08,000	
Buildings	3,500	
		6,47,000
30. Stationery and Printing		400

(True Extract.)

H E Stokes

Ag. Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector-General of Registration,
" Accountant-General.
" Public Works Department.

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Reviewing the budget estimate of the Registration Department for 1888-89.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From G. HAMNETT, Esq., Inspector-General of Registration, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 14th September 1888, G. No. 3834.

I have the honor to submit for the sanction of the Government the budget estimate of the receipts and charges of the Registration Department and Joint Stock Companies for the year 1889-90 :—

Receipts.

	RS.
X. Registration	9,33,000

Charges.

I. Refunds	3,000
XII. Registration	6,40,700
XXX. Stationery and Printing	300

2. The estimated value of articles, &c., not to be paid for in cash, is Rs. 42,600, exclusive of the charges which may be incurred by the Public Works Department for the construction of new offices.

3. *Receipts.*—In the annexed statement are shown the actuals for three years, the estimate and revised estimate for 1888-89, and the estimate for 1889-90 :—

—	Registration.	Joint Stock Companies.	Total.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
1885-86	8,39,081	87,272	9,26,353
1886-87	8,55,261	15,958	8,71,219
1887-88	8,99,642	7,977	9,07,619
Estimate for 1888-89	9,10,000	10,000	9,20,000
Revised estimate for 1888-89	9,16,000	7,000	9,23,000
Estimate for 1889-90	9,26,000	7,000	9,33,000

The revised estimate for 1888-89 is made up in the usual way, viz., by taking the actuals * of the first four months of the year and the actuals † of the last eight months of 1887-88, to which have been added Rs. 10,000 on account of probable increase in the registration revenue, and the estimate for 1889-90 fixed at Rs. 9,26,000. If the revenue progresses in the same ratio as it has done in the first four months of 1888-89, the probable income during the remaining eight months may be taken at about Rupees 6,24,000, but I think it is safer to adhere to the actuals and not place too much reliance on probable increases. The receipts during the month of July were very good, but the returns for August, which are coming in, show that the results are not likely to be as good as they were in the month of July.

	RS.
	* 3,26,711
	† 5,89,437
Total ..	9,16,148

The receipts from the registration of Joint Stock Companies were estimated at Rs. 10,000 for the current year, but judging from the actual receipts ‡ for the first four months, and the actuals § for the last eight months of last year, the revenue is not likely to exceed Rs. 8,000. The Registrar's estimate is Rs. 7,000 for 1888-89, which may be taken for both the revised estimate for 1888-89 and for the estimate for 1889-90.

	RS.
	‡ 2,299
	§ 5,411
Total ..	7,700

4. *Charges.*—The charges paid for in cash during the last three years were as follow:—

	RS.
1885-86	5,86,522
1886-87	6,17,574
1887-88	6,24,006
Estimate for 1888-89	6,50,400
Revised estimate for 1888-89	6,64,800
Estimate for 1889-90	6,44,000

The revised estimate for 1888-89 is higher than the actuals for 1887-88 and the estimate for 1888-89, because it includes the salaries of the establishment of clerks which were not disbursed during the year 1887-88. The estimate for 1889-90 is, however, less than the estimate for 1888-89 by Rs. 6,400, and the revised estimate by Rs. 20,800.

5. The sum of Rs. 3,000 provided under Refunds and Drawbacks is necessary.

In the revised estimate for 1888-89 and in the estimate for 1889-90, the Inspector-General's salary has been reduced from Rs. 1,500 to Rs. 1,250, as my connection with the public service will probably cease on the 31st December 1888. My authority for the reduction is the note on page 160 of the Madras civil list for July 1888.

The charge under Office Contingencies shows an increase in the revised estimate for 1888-89, and in the estimate for 1889-90, of Rs. 300 and Rs. 500, respectively, which is due partly to an increase under office rent, &c., and partly to an increase in the charges under packing and carriage of books and miscellaneous. The rent of the building in which the office is held on the Mount Road is Rs. 100, of which the office pays Rs. 80 and I pay Rs. 20, under the sanction of the Government in Order, Judicial, dated the 23rd February 1886, Mis. No. 491. The payment by me will be continued to the end of December 1888. After that date the office will have to bear the charge, if my successor does not want the room which I had occupied whenever I came into Madras.

The charge—Rs. 52,800—under Registrars, calls for no remark.

The charge—Rs. 1,41,180—under Sub-Registrars for 1889-90, includes the pay * of a seventh-grade sub-registrar required for an office to be opened at Madura to relieve the registrar of Madura of some of his original work. The charge under Probationary Sub-Registrars shows an increase of Rs. 290. The increase is due solely to the inclusion of the pay of two additional probationers at Rs. 20, sanctioned by Government in their Order, Judicial, No. 1639, dated the 3rd August 1888.

* Letter to Government, G. No. 3660, dated 9th September 1888.

The charge under Establishment for 1889-90 is Rs. 2,18,920. It is less than the estimate for 1888-89 by Rs. 1,960, and the revised estimate for that year by Rupees 18,330. Only two items call for any explanation, viz., the increase under night watchmen of Rs. 150 and Rs. 1,000, and the charge for temporary clerks. The night watchmen and sweepers are required for sub-registry offices removed to private buildings, or to buildings specially constructed. The second item has been provided under the authority conveyed in G.O., Judicial, No. 230, dated the 27th January 1888. There are not sufficient data at present upon which to fix this charge, but the experience of one or two years will admit of its being done. Meanwhile I have issued the orders † marginally noted, and have not complied with any requisition for additional aid until I was perfectly satisfied that the increase in work was such as to justify the employment of an additional clerk. The salaries for clerks, peon, &c., are in accordance with the sanctioned scale.

† Proceedings, T. No. 2649, dated 19th August 1888.

Under "Allowances," the increase of Rs. 1,000 is caused by an addition of that sum under Commission, which depends upon the collections.

The small increase of Rs. 50 under "Supplies and Services" is owing to an addition of an equivalent sum to the item "Remuneration for the service of females" employed to examine gosha ladies and women. The provision for petty construction and repairs, Rs. 3,500, cannot be reduced.

The charge of Rs. 35,100 under Contingencies is less than the actuals for 1887-88, the estimate and the revised estimate for 1888-89, and requires no explanation.

Stationery and printing at private presses has been reduced by Rs. 100.

6. The Superintendent, Government Press, will have to provide in his budget for the work to be done on account of this department, and the Public Works Department will have to do the same for the buildings under construction, and to be constructed, for this department. A list of the new buildings in the order of their urgency will be submitted to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.

ENCLOSURE.

STATEMENT showing the estimate for Petty Construction and Repairs for the year 1889-90.

	Estimate for 1889-90. RS.
Ganjam	35
Vizagapatam	170
Godávari	200
Kistna	400
Nellore	70
Cuddapah	..
Kurnool	50
Bellary and Anantapur	50
Chingleput	25
North Arcot	100
South Arcot	200
Tanjore	200
Tinnevelly	350
Madura	150
Trichinopoly	100
Salem	50
Coimbatore	150
South Canara	150
Tellicherry	600
Calicut	250
Reserve	200
Total ..	3,500

ORDER—dated 4th October 1888, No. 762, Financial.

Excluding refunds and a small grant for printing at private presses, the budget estimates of the Registration Department for 1889-90 amount to Rs. 9,33,000 for receipts and Rs. 6,40,700 for charges.

RECEIPTS.

2. The actual revenue in 1887-88 amounted to Rs. 9,07,619, or Rs. 2,381 less than the revised estimate adopted by Government in G.O., No. 1049, 24th September last.

3. The Inspector-General places the revised estimate for the current year at Rs. 9,23,000, against the budget estimate of Rs. 9,20,000, and the budget estimate for 1889-90 at Rs. 9,33,000.

4. There is force in what Mr. Hamnett says in regard to the fluctuations of revenue, and the income of a single month such as last July, when the receipts amounted to Rs. 97,524, cannot be a guide. It is noteworthy, moreover, that the returns of the last quarter of 1887-88 contrasted unfavorably with those of the previous months. Making, however, full allowance for all this, the Government are disposed to raise the Inspector-General's estimates, and prefer to place the revised estimate at Rs. 9,32,000, and the budget estimate for 1889-90 at Rs. 9,45,000.

5. The steady, and at the same time rapid, increase of the revenue from registration of recent years, is very satisfactory.

6. The receipts from Joint Stock registration continue to decline. A loss of Rs. 3,000 is expected on the budget estimate of Rs. 10,000 for this year, and the Inspector-General advises placing the estimate for next year at Rs. 7,000. This seems proper.

CHARGES.

7. The estimate of expenditure comprises the following items:—

	RS.	RS.
Superintendence—		
(*a*) Salaries	15,000	
(*b*) Establishment	10,056	
(*c*) Allowances	3,000	
(*d*) Contingencies	4,944	
		33,000
Presidency and District charges—		
(*e*) Salaries	1,98,130	
(*f*) Establishment	2,18,920	
(*g*) Allowances	1,51,450	
(*h*) Supplies and Services	4,100	
(*i*) Contingencies	35,100	
		6,07,700
Total ..		6,40,700

Under (*a*), allowance has been made for the reduction in the Inspector-General's pay which will follow Mr. Hamnett's retirement from office.

Under (*f*), the sum of Rs. 4,974 has been provided for temporary clerks; the estimate is necessarily a rough one, as the yearly charge cannot be closely calculated for some time to come. Anticipating the substitution of paid clerks for clerks drawing commission, the Inspector-General has cleared the item *Commission* under (*g*) of charges on this account, and has transferred them to (*f*), altering the actuals of past years to correspond. This renders a comparison much easier. The estimate for *Commission* is now entered at Rs. 1,45,000. An addition of Rs. 1,475 will be made to this, with reference to the alteration which Government have made in the estimate of revenue.

The other items, with the exception of (*e*), will not be altered, as the Inspector-General's letter contains full information regarding each of them.

To (*e*), an addition of Rs. 9,875 will be made, as a reserve from which to meet the additional charges which certain arrangements now under consideration may cause.

8. The estimates for *Refunds* and *Stationery and Printing* require no remarks.

9. The revenue estimate and grants will stand as shown below:—

Revenue.

	RS.
X. Registration	9,45,000

Expenditure.

	RS.
1. Refunds and Drawbacks	3,000
12. Registration	6,52,000
30. Stationery and Printing	300

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Ag. Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector-General of Registration.
„ Accountant-General.
„ Public Works Department.
„ Superintendent, Government Press.

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XXX. Stationery and Printing	300

2. The estimated value of articles, &c., not to be paid for in cash, is Rs. 42,600, exclusive of the charges which may be incurred by the Public Works Department for the construction of new offices.

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The charge—Rs. 1,41,180—under Sub-Registrars for 1889-90, includes the pay * of a seventh-grade sub-registrar required for an office to be opened at Madura to relieve the registrar of Madura of some of his original work. The charge under Probationary Sub-Registrars shows an increase of Rs. 290. The increase is due solely to the inclusion of the pay of two additional probationers at Rs. 20, sanctioned by Government in their Order, Judicial, No. 1639, dated the 3rd August 1888.

* Letter to Government, G. No. 3660, dated 9th September 1888.

The charge under Establishment for 1889-90 is Rs. 2,18,920. It is less than the estimate for 1888-89 by Rs. 1,960, and the revised estimate for that year by Rupees 18,330. Only two items call for any explanation, viz., the increase under night watchmen of Rs. 150 and Rs. 1,000, and the charge for temporary clerks. The night watchmen and sweepers are required for sub-registry offices removed to private buildings, or to buildings specially constructed. The second item has been provided under the authority conveyed in G.O., Judicial, No. 230, dated the 27th January 1888. There are not sufficient data at present upon which to fix this charge, but the experience of one or two years will admit of its being done. Meanwhile I have issued the orders † marginally noted, and have not complied with any requisition for additional aid until I was perfectly satisfied that the increase in work was such as to justify the employment of an additional clerk. The salaries for clerks, peon, &c., are in accordance with the sanctioned scale.

† Proceedings, T. No. 2649, dated 19th August 1888.

Under "Allowances," the increase of Rs. 1,000 is caused by an addition of that sum under Commission, which depends upon the collections.

The small increase of Rs. 50 under "Supplies and Services" is owing to an addition of an equivalent sum to the item "Remuneration for the service of females" employed to examine gosha ladies and women. The provision for petty construction and repairs, Rs. 3,500, cannot be reduced.

The charge of Rs. 35,100 under Contingencies is less than the actuals for 1887-88, the estimate and the revised estimate for 1888-89, and requires no explanation.

Stationery and printing at private presses has been reduced by Rs. 100.

6. The Superintendent, Government Press, will have to provide in his budget for the work to be done on account of this department, and the Public Works Department will have to do the same for the buildings under construction, and to be constructed, for this department. A list of the new buildings in the order of their urgency will be submitted to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.

ENCLOSURE.

STATEMENT showing the estimate for Petty Construction and Repairs for the year 1889-90.

	Estimate for 1889-90. RS.
Ganjam	35
Vizagapatam	170
Godávari	200
Kistna	400
Nellore	70
Cuddapah	..
Kurnool	50
Bellary and Anantapur	50
Chingleput	25
North Arcot	100
South Arcot	200
Tanjore	200
Tinnevelly	350
Madura	150
Trichinopoly	100
Salem	50
Coimbatore	150
South Canara	150
Tellicherry	600
Calicut	250
Reserve	200
Total ..	3,500

ORDER—dated 4th October 1888, No. 762, Financial.

Excluding refunds and a small grant for printing at private presses, the budget estimates of the Registration Department for 1889-90 amount to Rs. 9,33,000 for receipts and Rs. 6,40,700 for charges.

RECEIPTS.

2. The actual revenue in 1887-88 amounted to Rs. 9,07,619, or Rs. 2,381 less than the revised estimate adopted by Government in G.O., No. 1049, 24th September last.

3. The Inspector-General places the revised estimate for the current year at Rs. 9,23,000, against the budget estimate of Rs. 9,20,000, and the budget estimate for 1889-90 at Rs. 9,33,000.

4. There is force in what Mr. Hamnett says in regard to the fluctuations of revenue, and the income of a single month such as last July, when the receipts amounted to Rs. 97,524, cannot be a guide. It is noteworthy, moreover, that the returns of the last quarter of 1887-88 contrasted unfavorably with those of the previous months. Making, however, full allowance for all this, the Government are disposed to raise the Inspector-General's estimates, and prefer to place the revised estimate at Rs. 9,32,000, and the budget estimate for 1889-90 at Rs. 9,45,000.

5. The steady, and at the same time rapid, increase of the revenue from registration of recent years, is very satisfactory.

6. The receipts from Joint Stock registration continue to decline. A loss of Rs. 3,000 is expected on the budget estimate of Rs. 10,000 for this year, and the Inspector-General advises placing the estimate for next year at Rs. 7,000. This seems proper.

CHARGES.

7. The estimate of expenditure comprises the following items :—

	RS.	RS.
Superintendence—		
(*a*) Salaries	15,000	
(*b*) Establishment	10,056	
(*c*) Allowances	3,000	
(*d*) Contingencies	4,944	
		33,000
Presidency and District charges—		
(*e*) Salaries	1,98,130	
(*f*) Establishment	2,18,920	
(*g*) Allowances	1,51,450	
(*h*) Supplies and Services	4,100	
(*i*) Contingencies	35,100	
		6,C7,700
Total ..		6,40,700

Under (*a*), allowance has been made for the reduction in the Inspector-General's pay which will follow Mr. Hamnett's retirement from office.

Under (*f*), the sum of Rs. 4,974 has been provided for temporary clerks; the estimate is necessarily a rough one, as the yearly charge cannot be closely calculated for some time to come. Anticipating the substitution of paid clerks for clerks drawing commission, the Inspector-General has cleared the item *Commission* under (*g*) of charges on this account, and has transferred them to (*f*), altering the actuals of past years to correspond. This renders a comparison much easier. The estimate for *Commission* is now entered at Rs. 1,45,000. An addition of Rs. 1,475 will be made to this, with reference to the alteration which Government have made in the estimate of revenue.

The other items, with the exception of (*e*), will not be altered, as the Inspector-General's letter contains full information regarding each of them.

To (*e*), an addition of Rs. 9,875 will be made, as a reserve from which to meet the additional charges which certain arrangements now under consideration may cause.

8. The estimates for *Refunds* and *Stationery and Printing* require no remarks.

9. The revenue estimate and grants will stand as shown below :—

Revenue.

	RS.
X. Registration	9,45,000

Expenditure.

	RS.
1. Refunds and Drawbacks	3,000
12. Registration	6,52,000
30. Stationery and Printing	300

(True Extract.)

Ag. Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector-General of Registration.
„ Accountant-General.
„ Public Works Department.
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