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Public DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
9th April 1866.

No. 33. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Revenue Department.

Passing orders on the Budget Estimate } (Dated 22nd January 1866, No. 187.)
of the Board of Revenue, for 1866-67.

No. 34. ORDER THEREON, 9th April 1866, No. 355.

In the Budget for 1866-67, prepared by the Board of Revenue, provision is made

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Bellary.....	1510
Tanjore.....	5380
Trichinopoly..	864
Madura.....	480
Coimbatore ...	216
	8444

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2. The items marginally noted are sanctioned.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, Revenue Department.
,, Accountant General.

Exd. J. H. Burns.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
22nd January 1866.*

No. 368. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue :—

Submitting Budget Estimate of charges for } (Here enter 16th December 1865, No. 8,058.)
1866-67.

No. 369. ORDER THEREON, 22nd January 1866, No. 187.

Miscellaneous.

1. With these Proceedings the Board of Revenue submit the Budget Estimate of charges of the Revenue Department for 1866-67.

2. ALLOWANCES, REFUNDS, AND DRAWBACKS.—The Board's estimate under this head amounts to Rupees 1,22,000, that of the current year being Rupees 1,44,200, and the actual expenditure of 1864-65 having been Rupees 1,21,100.

3. The Government accept the Board's estimate under the heads of "Land Revenue" and "Miscellaneous," but consider that those for "Customs" and "Stamps" may very safely be reduced to Rupees 10,000 and Rupees 40,000, respectively. Under the head "Drawbacks" also the Board's entry seems unnecessarily large. In many Districts no expenditure is incurred on this account, and an allowance of Rupees 27,000 seems ample. The total estimate now passed amounts to Rupees 1,15,000, as shewn below:—

	Actual of 1864-65.	Estimate of 1865-66.	Estimate for 1866-67, as submit- ted by the Board.	Estimate for 1866-67, as revised by Govern- ment.
<i>Refunds.</i>	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Land Revenue	32,226	22,300	18,000	18,000
Customs	16,952	11,800	11,000	10,000
Stamps	30,538	51,000	43,000	40,000
Miscellaneous	18,281	18,800	20,000	20,000
Total ...	98,047	1,03,900	92,000	88,000
Drawbacks	23,053	40,300	30,000	27,000
Total ...	1,21,100	1,44,200	1,22,000	1,15,000

4. The Land Revenue charges, are estimated by the Board at Rupees 39,41,193, against Rupees 37,04,190, the estimate of the current year, and Rupees 34,60,900 the actual expenditure of 1864-65.

Salaries and Expenses.

	Estimate for 1865-66. RS.	Estimate for 1866-67. RS.
Assistant Collectors' allow- ances included	2,41,740	1,76,820
Hoozoor and Talook Esta- blishments	19,72,980	21,79,712
Temporary Establishments.	45,000	1,07,023

5. LAND REVENUE.—The items under this head in which there is any material increase over the estimate for 1865-66, are specified in the margin. In regard to the first, the Board explain that they have adopted the Collectors' estimates for thirty Assistants, in consideration of large number of these officers now

being posted to the several Districts. The Government are of opinion that the grant of Rupees 1,23,900, sanctioned by the Government of India for 1864-65, will be sufficient, as any extra expenditure that may be found necessary can be met from savings. They observe that the actual expenditure in 1864-65, on account of Collectors, Sub-Collectors, and Head Assistants amounted to Rupees 8,74,876, and assuming that the similar expenditure in 1866-67, will not exceed Rupees 9,00,000, the saving out of the estimate which provides for the authorized number of Officers will afford a sufficient margin to meet any extra expenditure on account of Junior Assistant Collectors, which may be incurred. The excess of Rupees 25,200, entered by the Board, will therefore be struck out, and a corresponding reduction will be made in the fixed tent allowance and house-rent for these Officers.

6. The increase in the second item is owing chiefly to the progress of Mr. Pelly's revision of the revenue establishments. The estimate apparently includes Rupees 11,880 for increasing the salaries of Attenders and Talook Masaljees, which sum will be struck out, as the Government in their Order dated 22nd December 1865, No. 3,097, did not adopt Mr. Pelly's recommendation to this effect. Mr. Pelly's revision is now being closed, and the necessary Statements will shortly be submitted to the Government of India, so that further remarks on this item of the Budget are unnecessary here. The Board have also entered a sum of Rupees 22,116 for District Survey Establishments. Regarding these the Government have not yet arrived at any decision, and the provision of funds in the Budget is therefore premature, and must be omitted.

7. The increase in the third item, viz., "Temporary Establishments," amounts to Rupees 62,023. The greater portion of this increase (Rupees 50,000) is on account of establishments for the revision of the assessment in the Tinnevely and Nellore Districts. This sum will be transferred to the Revenue Settlement Budget, to which it properly belongs.

8. The other variations have been clearly explained by the Board, and need no special notice. The total sum passed under "Salaries and Expenses" is Rupees 37,23,300 in round numbers.

9. MISCELLANEOUS.—The items under Miscellaneous, which shew a large increase over the estimate for 1865-66, are specified in the margin. The first item is raised with reference to the actual expenditure of Rupees 10,570 in 1864-65, and will not therefore be disturbed. The increase under "Pearl Fishery" is owing to the addition to the salary of the Superintendent recently authorized by the Secretary of State, and to the employment of the Steamer "Godavery" at the Fishery. The provision made for the Ameendei Establishment is according to the revised scale sanctioned in the Order of Government, dated 14th December 1863, No. 2,281. The rise in the price of rice, which the Islanders receive in part payment for their Coir, has also raised the esti-

	Estimate for 1865-66. RS.	Estimate for 1866-67. RS.
Law charges...	3,800	6,800
Pearl Fishery ...	6,901	10,312
Ameendei Estab- lishment and Coir	26,970	29,848
Niraneecum Estab- lishment ...	...	2,591

mate. The last of the items is not a new charge, but a transfer from the Public Works Budget, as ordered by Government in their Proceedings dated 4th November 1865, No. 2,687.

10. The other items show small variations not requiring special notice with one exception, viz., the pay of the gardeners employed at the Roshum Bagh. Now that the property is in the charge of the Farm Committee the Peons may be dispensed with. The sum passed under "Miscellaneous" is Rupees 1,01,656 against Rupees 1,09, estimate for 1865-66.

11. The grand total passed under "Laid Revenue" is Rupees 38,24,968, of which Rupees 7,44,660 is chargeable to Law and Justice.

12. ABKARRY.—The estimate under this head requires no revision. The raising of the salaries of the watching Peons from 4 to 6 Rupees was sanctioned in the Order of Government, dated 22nd December 1865, No. 3,097. The rise in the price of Arrack justifies the entry of Rupees 1,20,000 for the purchase of that article against Rupees 95,396, the estimate for 1865-66. The sum passed is Rupees 1,94,400.

13. CUSTOMS, SEA.—The Board's estimate for Sea Custom shews an increase of Rupees 3,306, which occurs wholly under establishments.

	Estimate for 1865-66. RS.	Estimate for 1866-67. RS.	The provision of Rupees 3,144 for raising the salary of the Peons and Masaljees will be struck out, as Mr. Pelly's proposal was disallowed in the Order of Government dated 22nd December 1865, No. 3,097. The remainder of the increase is owing chiefly to the necessity of entertaining Boat Lascars at certain ports in the Godavery District for preventive service. The round sum of Rupees 1,59,000 is passed as in the current year.
Establishments	1,53,022	1,57,506	
Country Stationery	2,064	1,300	
Contingencies ...	3,914	3,500	
Total ...	1,59,000	1,62,306	

14. CUSTOMS, LAND.—The estimate on account of "Land Customs" shews a decrease under all items. That under establishments is owing to the abolition of the frontier duties between the British Territories and the Native States of Travancore and Cochin, and the consequent discharge of the establishment. The entry of Rupees 252 for a small establishment for Soonkaravoo in the Godavery District is passed provisionally pending specific sanction.

	Estimate for 1865-66. RS.	Estimate for 1866-67. RS.	
Establishment ...	9,632	7,776	
Country Stationery	516	250	
Contingencies ...	352	180	
	10,500	8,206	
* Sea ...	...	1,59,000	
Land ...	...	8,200	
Total...		1,67,200	15. The total sum passed under Customs is Rupees 1,67,200* against Rupees 1,69,500, the estimate for 1865-66, and Rupees 1,67,633 the actual expenditure of 1864-65.

16. SALT.—The estimate for "Salt" amounts to Rupees 14,83,543, and varies little from the estimate of the current and expenditure of the preceding year. The only items which require notice are specified in the margin. The small increase under establishments is owing to the pay of some clerks attached to the Deputy Collector, being raised in connection with revision of establishments by Mr. Pelly. The entry for the

	Estimate for 1865-66.	Estimate for 1866-67.
Establishments for Deputy Collectors...	Rs. 10,320	Rs. 13,476
Purchase, &c., of Salt	11,48,464	11,78,000
Charges for export- ing Salt	39,700	49,000

provision of Salt shews an increase of Rupees 29,536 over the estimate of the current year. The demand owing to the extension of the Railway, the improvement of the communications, and the increased prosperity of the people, is rising so rapidly that the Government quite approve of the supply which the Board have provided for. One item, however, is capable of reduction, viz., that for the export of salt, which is set down at Rupees 49,000. As the Government levy no duty on salt exported, such a charge should not be incurred. The Board will, therefore, revise the price of salt for export so as to cover all charges; meanwhile a sum of Rupees 15,457 will be allowed, in order to give time for the necessary arrangements and for notice to shippers. The total Salt Budget will thus stand at 14,50,000 Rupees.

17. STAMPS.—The Board's estimate under this head is moderate, and will not be disturbed; but the Government do not understand the large expenditure of Rupees 2,275 under "Contingencies" in Malabar in 1864-65, and the consequent provision of Rupees 2,500 under the same item for 1866-67. The Board will be requested to submit an explanation on the subject. The sum passed under "Stamps" is Rupees 1,19,000.

18. ALLOWANCES TO DISTRICT AND VILLAGE OFFICERS.—The provision for the payment of these establishments was struck out by Government from the Budget for 1865-66 on the ground that the Government of India had transferred it to the "Debt Account," and decided that the village fees and cesses should be formed into a Local Fund. Since then, however, the propriety of the charge has been admitted by that Government, and a grant of Rupees 3,67,609 sanctioned for 1865-66. The estimate proposed by the Board for 1866-67 amounts to Rupees 4,17,89, the increase occurring chiefly in the

	Estimate for 1865-66.	Estimate for 1866-67.
Godavery ...	Rs. 13,309	Rs. 28,940
Tanjore ...	1,86,254	2,23,008

Districts noted in the margin. The Board explain that the increase in the Godavery District is an extra charge only in appearance and is owing to a change in the mode of the settlement of the land revenue of that District. Under the "Joint-rent" system the usual money allowances of village servants are deducted from the settled demand, and the net receipts only are carried to the credit of Government, while under the Ryotwar system, now being introduced, the gross demand constitute the revenue of Government, and payments have to be made to the servants

from the Treasury. Under these circumstances the sum entered by the Board will not be reduced. In the case of Tanjore the proper entry should be Rupees 2,28,087, which comprises the sanctioned and commuted allowance for village Officers, viz., Rupees 69,191 for Potails, Rupees 1,24,051 for Curnums, and Rupees 34,845 for Nat Curnums. The total sum passed under "Allowances to District and Village Officers" is Rupees 4,22,868.

ADMINISTRATION AND PUBLIC DEPARTMENTS.

19. BOARD OF REVENUE.—The Board's estimate under this head amounts to Rupees 2,60,900 against Rs. 2,47,256 the estimate for 1865-66, and Rupees 2,34,792 the actual expenditure in 1864-65.

	Estimate for 1865-66.	Estimate for 1866-67.
Establishment ...	Rs. 66,462	Rs. 74,904
Cloth for Table- covers and Peons' belts.	300	700
Printing Selections from Records. ...		5,000

The items under which there is an increase above the estimate for the current year are specified in the margin. The increase under Establishment is stated to be necessary for strengthening the Board's Account Department for the efficient performance of the large amount of work which has been recently assigned to it. The sum entered for this addition, viz.,

Rupees 705 per mensem, or Rupees 8,460 per annum, must be struck out, as the Government of India have repeatedly prohibited the entry of fresh charges not sanctioned by them. The estimate of the Board of Revenue now passed amounts to Rs. 2,52,400.

EDUCATION, SCIENCE, AND ART.

20. AGRICULTURAL EXHIBITION.—The sum of Rupees 19,000 entered by the Board under this head is for holding Agricultural Exhibitions in certain Districts, and for the management of the Government Farm at Saydapet. The Government have in a recent Order directed an addition of Rupees 10,000 for holding Exhibitions in fresh Districts, with reference to the Secretary of State's Despatch, dated 31st October 1865, No. 3,067. As, however, the Board have provided for Exhibitions in four Districts, a further provision of Rupees 3,000 will be sufficient.

21. The allowance for the Farm should be fixed at Rupees 8,000, as the Committee will have to set up and work the machinery received and expected from England, and to conduct experiments on a larger scale than has yet been practicable. The total round sum passed is Rupees 30,000. The Board will report to Government the result of their communication with the Collectors on the subject of the Exhibitions, with reference to the Order dated 20th December 1865, No. 3,067, so that the general arrangements which may be made for the purpose may receive their previous approval.

STATIONERY AND PRINTING.

	Estimate for 1865-66.	Estimate for 1866-67.
Establishment ...	Rs. 43,104	Rs. 43,104
Saderwarid ...		1,900
Printing Materials and other charges.	15,000	14,250
Total...	58,104	59,254

22. The items under this head need no special notice. The increase under Saderwarid is only nominal, owing to the separation of the sum hitherto entered under "Land Revenue." The sum of Rupees 59,300 is passed.

23. The total estimate now passed under heads which strictly constitute

charges of the Revenue Department is Rupees 65,20,176, or more than that of the current year by Rupees 2,31,338 as shown below :—

Items.	Actual of 1864-65.	Budget of 1865-66.	Budget of 1866-67 as now passed.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
<i>Allowances, Refunds, and Drawbacks.</i>					
Refunds	98,047	1,03,900	88,000	...	15,900
Drawbacks	23,053	40,300	27,000	...	13,300
Total...	1,21,100	1,44,200	1,15,000	...	29,200
LAND REVENUE.					
<i>Salaries and Expenses.</i>					
Collectors and other Covenanted Officers	10,13,316	11,30,446	11,28,446	...	2,000
Deputy Collectors	1,74,316	1,78,800	1,78,800	...	...
Collectors' Establishments	6,14,511	6,31,968	6,88,760	56,792	...
Country Stationery	22,339	34,238	20,000	...	14,238
Medical charges	20,119	31,640	34,396	2,756	...
Talook establishments	12,63,211	13,41,012	14,56,956	1,15,944	...
Do. Country Stationery... ..	65,118	87,835	40,000	...	47,835
Extra and Temporary Establishments	26,015	45,000	57,023	12,023	...
Travelling charges	93,513	90,630	91,600	970	...
Contingencies	26,411	15,200	5,700	...	9,500
Other items	16,011	8,000	21,631	13,631	...
Total...	33,35,310	35,94,769	37,23,312	1,28,543	...
Miscellaneous... ..	86,631	1,09,421	1,01,656	...	7,765
Total Land Revenue...	34,21,940	37,04,190	38,24,968	1,20,778	...
Abkarry	1,56,112	1,70,000	1,94,400	24,400	...
Customs	1,67,613	1,69,500	1,67,200	...	2,300
Salt... ..	14,28,215	14,47,323	14,50,000	2,677	...
Stamps	1,08,912	1,14,000	1,19,000	5,000	...
Allowances to District and Village Officers	5,06,816	3,67,465	4,22,868	55,403	...
<i>Administration of Public Departments.</i>					
Board of Revenue	2,34,102	2,47,336	2,52,440	5,104	...
<i>Education, Science, and Art.</i>					
Agricultural Exhibitions	2,666	11,000	30,000	19,000	...
Stationery and Printing	45,170	58,104	59,300	1,196	...
Grand Total...	60,73,996	62,88,838	65,20,176	2,31,338	...

MISCELLANEOUS.

24. The sums entered under this head are those items which, though not

strictly charges of the Revenue Department, come under the cognizance of the Board. The items noted in the margin appertain to the Judicial Department. The provision of Rupees 42,000 under "Contributions to Municipal Funds," is necessary. The excess of Rupees 4,632 entered under District Tappal Establishment for the increase of the salary of the Delivering Peons, disallowed by the Order of Government dated 22nd December 1865, No. 3,097, will be struck out. The sum passed under this head, Country Stationery included, is Rupees 1,21,000. "Freight and Landing Charges" can be reduced from 4,000 to 3,000 Rupees. The other items noted in the margin are passed for entry in the General Budget. The second item will not be available till the establishments are sanctioned by the Government of India. The Board will report for sanction the particulars of the establishment proposed for the Sadras Canal.

25. CONSERVANCY.—The first item under this head will be considered in the Public Department. The other two items are passed. The total cost of the revised Establishments attached to Travellers' Bungalows, amounts to Rupees 15,330. The deficiency in the provision in the Budget will be met from the fees realized. The Board will keep in view the request of the Government of India in paragraph 2 of their Financial Secretary's letter, dated 10th July 1865, No. 1,256, that if the combined results of the revision of the Establishments and the increase in the scale of fees do not render the annual grant from General Revenue unnecessary, the scale of fees will be again revised. The Board will report on the subject after a year's experience of the present rules.

26. Paragraphs 30 and 31 of the Board's Proceedings will be considered in the Judicial and Public Departments respectively.

27. TREASURY AND PREVENTIVE GUARDS.—The estimate under this head, amounting to Rupees 2,80,900 according to the Statement furnished to the Board by the Inspector General of Police, is passed.

28. With these remarks the Government resolve to transmit the Budget to the Accountant General.

(True Extract.)

[Signature]
Secretary to Government.

To the Accountant General, with Budget.

.. the Board of Revenue.

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Public Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following Proceedings
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(Here enter 22nd January 1866 A. 1867)

Order thereon 9 April 1866 N^o 355-

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In return marginally what are submitted.

Amount for Printing & Press	24250
(Charge for returning papers)	540
Less amounts	1753
Establishment & Contingent charges	8484
Subsistence & Contingencies	521

To the Board of Revenue.
 " Revenue Department.
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PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

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