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17th July 1869.*

No. 135. Read the following letter from the President of the Conjeveram Municipal Commission, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Sydapet, 6th July 1869, No. 153.

I have the honour to forward, for the information of Government, the annual report of the President Municipal Commissioners of the town of Conjeveram.

2. Taking all things into consideration, I am of opinion that the result of their labours is satisfactory.

3. There is still much to be done in the shape of roads throughout the town and a better water supply. I, therefore, mean to urge upon the Commissioners the expenditure of a sum of about 3000 rupees on these two objects alone during the current year. The money will be forthcoming as, in addition to the surplus of 4452 rupees, as per statements now sent, an additional revenue of 4000 rupees is expected this year from the high rent obtained for the tolls.

4. The Government will be glad to observe that the effect of the conservancy has been to keep off all epidemics, and as it is evident that there is no surer way of doing this than the constant removal of all impurities to some distant place and there burying them, I have also urged upon the Commissioners the necessity for the erection of an increased number of latrines, and the employment of as many more scavenger-carts as may be required.

5. All these improvements, together with the additional allowance noted to the Dispensary, will, I suspect, quite absorb the funds of the Municipality for the year.

From the Vice-President of the Conjeveram Municipal Commission, to the President of the Conjeveram Municipal Commission; dated Conjeveram, 24th June 1869, No. 36.

I have the honour to submit the annual report on the state and progress of this Municipality, during the year commencing from 1st May 1868 to 30th April 1869.

2. The sources of income by which the Municipality is supported are, rate on houses and buildings, tax on arts, trades, and professions, tolls on animals, &c., entering the municipal limits, fee on registration of carts, and miscellaneous receipts, such as fines, &c.

3. The actual amount of receipts from the above, during the year under report, was Rupees 11,142-15-10, which with the Government contribution of Rupees 4637-6-11 received in advance for the first three-quarters of the year, and with the balance of Rupees 1117-13-3 remaining at hand on the last day of April 1868, amounts to Rupees 16,898-4-0.

4. The expenditure incurred for the improvement of the town under Section 25 of the Act was Rupees 11,879-7-9, which, with the item of lighting charges of Rupees 566-10-6 as headed under "Charges for purposes other than those contemplated under Section 25 of the Act," and upon which Government decline to calculate the State grant, makes up the total expenditure of Rupees 12,446-2-3, while the balance of Rupees 4452-1-9 left unexpended remains to be paid to the police force maintained by this Municipality.

5. I beg to enclose herein a detailed statement of receipts and disbursements, agreeably to the instructions conveyed in the Order of Government, dated 11th July 1867, No. 820.

6. The contemplation of the Commissioners to erect twelve latrines of a permanent nature in this town for the convenience of the public having met with shortness of funds for their completion, they had to rest contented with the erection of five latrines on a simple plan, leaving the remainder to be built in the ensuing year after obtaining plan of latrines from the Sanitary Commissioner of Madras.

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7. The attention of the Commissioners having been directed by the President and the Sub-Collector of the district to the filthy state of the pond situated opposite to the tramway station-house for abating the nuisance or otherwise filling up the pond, energetic measures were immediately taken, and a sum of Rupees 199-3-3 was sanctioned to enclose the pond with a wall all round.

8. In consequence of the subscriptions and donations by which the Civil Dispensary of Conjevaram had been, from its organization, fed, having fallen owing to the pressure of the times and the trifling relief of Rupees 30 which the Municipality marked as its monthly subscriptions having been also found insufficient for the relief of the sick poor that resort to this charitable institution in great numbers, the Commissioners at once sanctioned a liberal sum of Rupees 100 a month for the Dispensary ; but it is to be regretted that the Dispensary building is horribly in a dilapidated state, and it is feared that human life may, perhaps, be endangered.

9. For a similar safety of human life, which had been hitherto endangered by the prevalence of small-pox annually in the town, a Vaccinator has been engaged by the Municipality on a pay of Rupees 120 per annum, whose sphere of duties extends up to the very skirts of the Municipality. This professional man has been placed under the charge of Mr. Chadwick, a Commissioner, and the Medical Officer in charge of the station.

10. During the grand festival which took place in May 1868, the Commissioners voted a sum of Rupees 597-8-6 for the conservancy and sanitation of the town at a time especially when multitudes of people poured into the town in great numbers from different parts of India. The effect of the conservancy arrangement is vividly seen, inasmuch as the epidemic cholera has not had its outbreak in the town.

11. The lighting in the town that came into operation during the preceding year under report has been properly superintended.

12. The system of tolls came into operation in this Municipality during the second half of the year, and a round sum of Rupees 1000 has been realized. The collection of tolls during the above period proves that this can be relied upon as a source of income in this Municipality in future years.

13. The Commissioners contemplate having roads made through all the public streets in this Municipality on a large outlay of Municipal Fund, and thereby attempting to impress upon the public the benevolent operations of the Municipality in return for the tax collected from them.

14. It will not be deemed unjust that proper consideration should also be obtained from the temple trustees of this town whose gigantic cars annually plough up the streets and thereby cause greater damage than it will otherwise happen. This amount may be fairly put towards the repairing of streets thus damaged.

15. In closing the report, I have to bring to your notice the willingness with which the Commissioners cooperated with me in all the municipal matters and the aid afforded by the town Sub-Magistrate, the Inspector of Police, and other local officials, and I beg to acknowledge the due discharge of the municipal servants in their respective duties.

No. 136. ORDER THEREON, 17th July 1869, No. 997.

In submitting the annual report and abstracts of the audited accounts of receipts and expenditure in the Conjeveram Municipality for the year 1868-69, the President states that there is still much to be done in the shape of roads and a better water-supply, and that he proposes to urge upon the Commission the expenditure of Rupees 3000 for these purposes, and he adds "the money will be forthcoming as in addition to the surplus of 4452 rupees * * an additional revenue of 4000 rupees is expected this year from the high rent obtained for the tolls."

17th July 1869.

2. The actual receipts during the year 1868-69 fell short of the estimate by Rupees 1157. This is to be ascribed chiefly to the rate on houses and buildings not having been realized to the full extent of the estimate.

on Houses and Buildings.....	Rs	A.	P.
on Arts, Trades, and Professions.....	5,566	0	6
.....	2,514	0	0
.....	1,000	0	0
on Carriages and Animals.....	1,196	8	0
on Carriage Carts and Vehicles without	510	12	0

3. The total outlay in 1868-69 is less than the estimate by Rupees 3954, no expenditure having been incurred on account of "refuse carts" and "repairs to streets," and the full amount of the cost of maintenance of the police force not having been paid.

4. In the detailed Statement A. and Abstract B. the cost of "Lighting" Rupees 566-10-6, and "Refund of Security" Rupees 115, should not have been entered under the heads of "Conser-vancy" and "Miscellaneous," but under "Purposes other than those specified in Section 25." Upon the necessary transfer being made, the amount on which the Government contribution should be calcu-lated twenty five per cent thereof is Rupees 2941-1-11, or Rupees 1696-5-0 in excess of the advance* received "for the first three quarters."

5. It seems to Government that there must be some mistake in treating the whole of the advance referred to as the State contribution for the first three quarters for 1868-69, as by a reference to the orders, dated the 12th May 1868, No. 973, and 2nd September 1868, No. 1106, the Municipality had to receive a sum of Rupees 2442-12-8 on account of State contribution on the expenditure up to the 30th April 1868. As this amount was received by the Municipal Commissioners only in 1868-69, it is presumed that it has been considered as an advance, and shown in the accounts as such. The President is requested to inquire into this matter and report the result for the information of Government, in order that the accounts rendered may be corrected.

6. The President, it is observed, is not correct in supposing the "surplus of Rupees 4452," as available for the objects referred to in paragraph 3 of his letter, as it appears from the returns, and from paragraph 4 of the Vice-President's report, that the balance of the cost of the police force "remains to be paid" from the surplus.

7. The Government approve of the measures adopted by the Commissioner for the conservancy of the town, especially those adopted during the Conjeveram festival which took place in May 1868, and they trust that the Commissioners will be able to carry out, during the current year, the improvements urged upon them by the President.

	RS.	A.	P.
Rate on Houses and Buildings.....	5,556	4	6
" " on Arts, Trades, and Professions.....	2,514	0	0
" " on Mills.....	1,000	0	0
" " on Carriages and Animals.....	1,198	8	0
Registration of Carts and Vehicles without springs.....	510	12	0
Fines and other Miscellaneous receipts.....	365	7	4
	11,149	15	10
Government contribution for the first three quarters.....	4,637	6	11
	15,780	6	9
Balance on hand on the 30th April 1868.....	1,117	13	3
	16,898	4	0
Deduct total disbursement.....	12,446	2	3
Remaining on hand... ..	4,452	1	9
	RS.	A.	P.
Repairs.....	6	1	9
Conservancy.....	6,185	10	0
Police.....	2,511	8	1
Establishment.....	1,772	2	7
Miscellaneous charges.....	1,316	1	4
	11,764	7	9
For purposes other than those specified in Section 25.....	631	10	6
Total....	12,446	2	3

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8. The Commissioners will be informed that their revenue from tolls may be affected by the revision of the Towns' Improvement Act.
(True Extract).

Actg. Secy. to Govt.

To the President of the Conjeveram Municipal Commission.

- „ Accountant General.
- „ Board of Revenue.
- „ Public Works Department.
- „ Inspector General of Police.

Ed. J. Wright.

A

Detailed Statement of actual expenditure incurred by the
Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Conjevaram from 1st May
1868 to 31st April 1869.

Description		Amount expended	
Buildings			
Roads			
Grains			
Buildings			
Roads or Stairs			
Stairs			
Total		6	19
Hire of refuse carts with bullocks		2589	39
Pay of sweepers		597	86
Whitening & cleaning streets during the grand festival		40	
For making a refuse cart		284	139
Contracting cartmen		1	2
Incensing fees in latrines		1	
Cost of paper for latrines			
Lights			
Establishment	240		
Cost of brass vessels	12	9	6
Expediting charges	309	11	
Printing additional posts	3	6	
Repairs to a post	1		
Total		568	106
Total		6725	46
Total		2511	81
Other	Maintenance		
Supervision & management			
Miscellaneous			
Office rent		40	
Water & servants		87	10
Printing charges		200	20
Printing street boards		20	2
Office furniture		36	17
Stationery		12	17
Travelling for registration of carts		3	
Subscriptions to Police weekly Circular		115	
Refund of security		18	
Subscriptions to the Fort Saint George Gazette		46	51
Clothing cartmen		62	108
Pay of Messengers		640	
Subscriptions to the Conjevaram Girl Dispensary		199	33
Enclaving small round the road of boats to Conjevaram		150	
Fees to the Auditor		57	211
Contingencies			
Total		12446	23

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To

THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONJEVARAM
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION.
&c., &c., &c.

Dated July, 17th.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O., 17th July 1869, No. 997.

JULY.
Nos. 135-136.

Reviewing the annual report, &c., of the
Conjevaram Municipality for 1868-69.

B
Abstract of Charges under all heads incurred
from 1st May 1868 to 30th April 1869.

Particulars	Amount expended.
1 New works and improvements	
2 Repairs	6 19
3 Conservancy	5158-10- 8725 26
4 Police	2511 81
5 Establishment	7772 27
Miscellaneous Charges	12 31 14
Total	12446 23

C
Statement of Receipts from 1st May 1868
to 30th April 1869.

Particulars	Amount of Collection
1 Rate on houses & buildings	5558 4 6
2 Tax on arts Trades and Professions	2514 ..
3 Tolls	1000 ..
4 Tax on carriages and animals	1196 8 ..
5 Registration of carts & vehicles without springs	570 12 ..
6 Fines & other miscellaneous receipts	365 7 4
	11142 15 10
Government Contribution for the 1 st three quarters	4637 6 4
	15780 6 9
Balance at hand on the 30 th April 1868	1117 13 3
	16898 4 ..
Deduct Total disbursement	12446 2 3

Remaining on hand 4452 1 9

Municipal Commissioners Office
Corywallan
24th June 1869.

(signed) Mr. Sawney Nair
Vice President.

(A true copy)

J. S. Nair
President

Public Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from the
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Jeyveram.

/Here letter 6th July 1869 No. 153/

Order thereon. No 997 - 17 July/69.

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Fines & other miscellaneous receipts	365	7	4
Government contribution for the 1 st three quarters	1142	15	10
Balance on hand on the 30 th April 1868	4637	6	11
	15780	6	9
Debet Total disbursement	1117	13	3
Remainder on hand	16898	4	"
	12446	2	3
	4452	1	9

Repairs	Rs. 619
Conservancy	6158 10 "
Police	2571 8 1
Establishment	1772 2 7
Miscellaneous charges	1316 1 4
	11766 7 9
For purposes other than those specified in Sec. 25	681 10 6
Total	12446 2 3

Rs. 4,637-6-11.

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To the Presd. Convegeram Mr. Comm^r.
 — Accountant Genl.
 — Board of Revenue.
 — Pub Works Deptl.
 — Insp^r. Genl. of Police.

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To
The Hon. J. Ferguson Esq.
Secy. to the Govt.
Madras

Dated July 17. }
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Nos. 135-136.

Reserving the annual
report of the Com.
to the Hon. Secy.

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