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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Public

DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.

369

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Dated

30-3-

1870.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
30th March 1870.*

No. 122. Read the following letter from the Officiating President of the Municipal Commissions in Madura, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Madura, 9th March 1870, No. 292.

I have the honour to forward enclosed copy of a letter from the Vice President of the Dindigul Municipality accompanied by draft of a Notification for a change in the boundaries of the town of Dindigul with the Budget and Police Estimate for the year 1870-71, and to request you to be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government for the same.

From the Vice-President of the Dindigul Municipal Commission, to the Acting President of the Municipal Commissions in Madura, dated Dindigul, 25th February 1870, No. 47.

I have the honour to forward, herewith, for submission to Government, the Municipal Budget for the town of Dindigul, for the year 1870-71, accompanied by an estimate of probable expenditure on Police purposes prepared by the Superintendent of Police, and by a draft of a notification to be published in the *Fort Saint George Gazette* in the event of Government according their approval to the proposals made by the Commissioners.

2. I regret the considerable discrepancies which will be found to exist between the Budget before forwarded to the Secretary to Government in the Department of Public Works, and that now submitted. The former was prepared by the Commissioners during my absence at Ramnad and appeared correctly framed, and I, therefore, forwarded it as it stood on receipt of an urgent call from Government. On reconsideration, however, of the whole matter after a careful examination of the accounts, the Commissioners agree with me that their former figures require modifications, which have accordingly been made. Extensive alterations have also been found necessary owing to the delay which has taken place in the commencement of the market and slaughter-houses which the Commissioners have long proposed to erect, and had made provision for in the current year's Budget; but which they have been unable to take in hand owing, first, to the delay which has occurred in deciding on suitable plans; and, secondly, to the non-receipt of the sanction of

Government to their proposals contained in the letters marginally noted. As these important works are not yet commenced, and as I have no means of knowing when it will be possible to put them in hand, I have entered the whole of their estimated cost in the Budget herewith forwarded.

3. I will briefly notice such of the items of the Budget as seem to require explanation.

4. RECEIPTS.—In passing orders on the Budget for 1869-70, Government noticed, apparently with some disapproval, that the chief source “of income is still derived from tolls on traffic.” As the same remark would hold good of 1870-71, I beg to submit an explanation, which I request you will lay before Government.

5. That the system of raising a municipal revenue by tolls on traffic is indefensible I quite admit, and I think the Commissioners would agree with me. But, in this town, if we do not raise a revenue in this way, we cannot do it in any other. The townspeople pay existing taxes without opposition, but the imposition of further ones would be felt as a great hardship. In no case can uneducated people be expected to submit cheerfully to fresh taxation, but the people of Dindigul have a special reason for feeling that they have not been treated fairly in the matter, since their town has been made into a Municipality, not because it was more in need of conservancy or Police supervision, or because it was better able than other towns to bear incurred taxation, for it is none of these, being a miserably poor place, and to be compared with many other non-municipal towns in the district; but because it so happened that it was the only considerable town, except Madura, where a resident European officer could be found to undertake the lead in municipal management. That this is the case is no exaggeration, and may be proved by the way in which the Municipal boundary was distorted in order to make it include the Sub-Collector's house.

6. If the above considerations are not a sufficient reason against the increase of the house rate to 7½ per cent., and the imposition of a professional tax under Schedule A., there is yet another reason which, I think, is—namely, that if the alterations were made—if even the rates provided for all taxes in the new Bill were adopted, the funds at the disposal of the Commissioners

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would not suffice for ordinary repairs, &c., without allowing any thing for improvements. The imposition of tolls will, therefore, be necessary in Dindigul under any circumstances. On the other hand, if these extra taxes be now imposed, and tolls added (as they now must be) at full rates, we shall have more money than can be conveniently and economically spent within the year.

7. I trust, therefore, that, considering the poverty of the place and absolute inability of the inhabitants to contribute more largely, the Government will not object to the continuance by the Commissioners of the levy of tolls, at all events until the passing of a new law may render a change unavoidable.

8. The estimate of receipts under the head of tolls has been reduced for safety's sake, as I hear the present Contractor is making no profit out of the collections. His rent is Rupees 1260 for the half-year.

9. The estimated receipts from the market entered in the Budget before submitted have been omitted, as there now seems no probability of the market being finished in sufficient time to allow of a revenue being derived from it during the coming year.

10. EXPENDITURE.—Estimates for the proposed market and slaughter-house have already been forwarded to you for submission to Government. The cost of the market has been entered under "Purposes other than those specified in Section 25;" but as the slaughter-house is to be erected for sanitary reasons, I have assumed that Government will contribute their quota, as in the case of other similar charges.

11. The other items of expenditure require no remark. It will be noticed that the expenditure on conservancy is being gradually increased.

12. In Enclosure No. 3, (Draft Notification,) I have provided for change in the boundaries which the Commissioners are agreed in thinking absolutely necessary. The object of the changes is partly that the boundaries, which are now so ill-defined that no one can exactly tell where they are, may be clearly described, and on the eastern and northern side, that certain fresh hamlets and houses may be included within the Municipality. The hamlets are named Muthu Rajapathi and Muthupolliem. They are very poor and the Commissioners have no expectation of deriving any increased revenue from them, as there is hardly a single house in them of sufficient value to be taxable under our rule of remitting house-tax on all houses of less than a certain annual value; but their inclusion within the boundaries is necessary for purposes of sanitation. The houses referred to lie along the north side of the Palni road, (present northern boundary,) and are as much a part of the town as any other houses in it. I cannot understand how they were originally omitted, and it was only lately that I ascertained that they were. Their inclusion is imperatively necessary as the locality is in a filthy state, and the Commissioners have no power to cleanse it, though separated from the rest of the town by only the breadth of a street.

13. I have ascertained that all the gentlemen named in the Draft Notification are willing to act. The only changes I would recommend from last year are the exclusion of the names of those persons who have since left the town, and the addition of the Rev. William Hickey, who has lately come to reside here, and of Abdul Kader Saib, Moonsiff's Court Vakeel, on behalf of the Mahomedan population which has hitherto been unrepresented.

No. 123.

ORDER THEREON, 30th March 1870, No. 369.

The Municipal Commissioners of Dindigul intend to raise, in 1870-71, Rupees 3900 by taxation, and with a balance of Rupees 6000, petty receipts, and the Government contribution, will have for expenditure during the year Rupees 11,300.

Rate on Houses and Buildings.....	Rs.
Tolls.....	900
Tax on Vehicles and Animals.....	2,200
Registration of Carts.....	400
Fines.....	300
	100
	3,900

Pound Funds and Road Cess.....	100
Balance.....	6,000
Government contribution.....	1,300
Total..	11,300

2. The Government contribution has been wrongly calculated by the Commissioners. It is to be struck on the sums raised and expended, and is,

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therefore, limited by whichever is the less. Here the current receipts raised under the Act amount to Rupees 5200, which, as will be shown, is less than the expenditure under Section 25; and the State contribution will, therefore, be Rupees 1300, not Rupees 1910.

3. The Government will not at present interfere with the levy of tolls, which, they note, are estimated to yield in 1870-71 Rupees 1000 less than during the current year, but still produce nearly two-thirds of the whole Municipal revenue from taxation. The Commissioners must be prepared to surrender a considerable portion of this revenue when the new law comes into force. From the large balances which have accumulated, it would seem that the income of the Municipality is in excess of its wants. This should have been more fully explained.

4. The item "Slaughter-houses" will be transferred to "Purposes other than those specified in Section 25." The Government have invariably refused to

	Rs.	A.	P.
New works.....	2,080	0	0
Repairs.....	750	0	0
Conservancy.....	1,332	0	0
Police.....	2,245	11	11
Establishment.....	510	0	0
	6,917	11	11
Purposes other than those specified in Section 25--			
Market.....	2,700	0	0
Slaughter-houses.....	750	0	0
Total...	10,367	11	11

contribute on such expenditure. Particulars of the proposed expenditure under Section 29 should have been given, but the Government assume, from Mr. Bliss' letter, that the allotment is intended for the market, and, on this understanding, pass it. The proposed expenditure, as revised, is given in the margin. The allotment of Rupees 1500 on three latrines

seems excessive. The nature of these buildings, and the reason why they are so costly, should be explained in the annual report.

5. The Governor in Council is pleased to approve the proposed revision of the Municipal boundary, which is said to be necessary, in order more exactly to define the limits, and to bring within them two small hamlets which are now separated from the rest of the town only by the width of a street, and the inclusion of which is necessary for the purposes of sanitation; and he directs that the necessary notification be published in the *Fort Saint George Gazette*.

6. The estimates of receipts and disbursements are approved and sanctioned. The usual notifications will be published in the *Gazette*.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commissions in Madura.
" Inspector-General of Police.
" Accountant-General.
" Public Works Department.
" Board of Revenue.
" Sanitary Commissioner.

Exd. J. Wright.

Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONS IN
Madras.
Secy Secy &c.

dated March, 30th.

Ref.

Enc.

G. O. 30th March 1870. No. 369.

MARCH.
Nos. 122-123.

Sanctioning the Budget Estimates of the District Municipality for 1870-71, and directing that usual notifications be published in the Fort St. George Gazette.

Notification
Fort Saint George

1870.

The Right Honorable the Governor
of Fort Saint George in Council, having resolved
to send the provisions of the Land Improvement
Act, 1865 (Madras Act No. X of 1865) in the
manner hereinafter set forth, doth hereby
declare, in modification of the Notification
dated 15th September 1866 and published at page
380 of the Fort Saint George Gazette for that year
and in accordance with the provisions of
Section 4 of the said Act, that Karabundigul,
in the District of Madras, in the Presidency of
Fort Saint George, together with the several
Villages, and suburbs which heretofore have been,
and now are, called and known by the several
names of

1. Karabundigul,

2. Nagalanaikeppatti,

3. Melkuppatti,

4. Begumbar,

5. Melkoraipatti,

6. Melkoraipatti,

and all other places situated and lying
within the boundaries hereinafter specified
that is to say.

East - From the Eastern side of the
Agulanaikupitli's Market place East
of the existing houses & take up to the
Attam Road; thence along the Road
to the Tall Lake; thence along the Eastern
side of the Road leading to Mutturajaputti;
thence along the Eastern side of Mr. Campbell's
property to the Road leading to the
Sub-Collector's garden; thence East of the
Mooniff's Court along the path leading
to the Trichinopoly Road

North - Thence along the Southern side of
the Trichinopoly and Palani Roads as
far as the first Tunnel, then along a
path through the fields Northward
for 100 yards, thence parallel to the Palani
Road to the Vadasendoor Road, thence
a straight line to the Northern end of
the Agulanaikupitli's Market;

West - Along the Agulanaikupitli's Market to the
Rock to the Southwest corner of
Virabudra Pillai's property; thence along
the Pullaputti Cudai to the lane leading
into the Butlapondoor Road West of
Begum. Bai's Mosque;

South - Thence the Sambayandirai
Cheruvu thence along the pathway
and

and Road leading to Agulanaikupitli's Market
place including the houses opposite to the
Goa Church.

Shall be united for the purposes
of the said Act, and shall be hereafter
designated for the purposes of the said Act,
by the name of the "Town of Dividyal"; and
that all persons residing within the said
boundaries shall be deemed to be inhabitants,
within the meaning of the said Act, of the said
Town of Dividyal, so declared to be united as
aforesaid. The Governor in Council, in
accordance with the provisions of Section 5 of the
said Act, doth hereby & send the said Act to the
said Town of Dividyal, so declared to be
united as aforesaid.

2. The Governor in Council, in accordance
with the provisions of Section 6 of the said Act,
hereby appoints the undermentioned persons,
being inhabitants of the said Town of Dividyal,
so declared to be united as aforesaid, to be
Town Commissioners, in addition to the
Magistrate of the District of Madras, and
the Officer of the Public Works Department,
in Executive charge of the Range in which the
said

Said Town of Dindigul, so declared to be
united as aforesaid, is situated, who are
ex-officio Commissioners, under Section 8 of
the said Act, for carrying out in such Town
the purposes of the said Act during the year ending
on the 30th April 1871. that is to say

1. Henry William Blip Esq^r
2. William George Esq^r
3. Revd. William Hickey
4. D. Soobies
5. B. Srinivada Moorthi Gungar
6. Shand Row
7. Abdul Kader Saib
8. Thythianada Pillay
9. S. Srinivarama Chetti
10. Vellian Achari.

3. The Governor in Council in accordance
with the provisions of Sections 23 & 27 of the
said Act, further determines and directs
that the number of Police to be maintained
in the said Town of Dindigul shall be
17, and that such Police shall be of the
description hereinafter mentioned, and shall
be paid at the rates hereinafter specified.
that

that is to say,

1. European Head Constable at Rs. 32 per house
 2. Deputy Head Constables at Rs. 12 1/2 each do
 3. 1st Class Constables at Rs. 8 — each do
 4. 2^d Class Constables at Rs. 7 — do.
- and that the total amount to be raised and
expended in the said Town of Dindigul, during
the year ending on the 30th April 1871, shall
be Rs. _____ of which
25 per cent, or Rupees _____ shall be
contributed by Government & the Municipal
Fund.

4. In accordance with the provisions of
Section 36 of the said Act, the Governor in
Council, authorizes the Commissioners for
the said Town of Dindigul to levy, during
the year ending on the 30th April 1871, for
the purposes of the Act, the following rates
and taxes — that is to say,

1. Rate on Houses at 5 per cent
2. Tolls on carriages, carts & other animals under
Schedule B
3. Taxes on carriages, horses and other animals
as provided in Schedule C.
4. Fees for the registration of carts without
springs.

(True Copy)
M. S. Srinivasa
Officially Presided

Bill of Estimates for new works and repairs
 which are proposed to be carried out by the Municipal
 Commissioners for the Town of ...
 1870-71 for the purposes specified in Section 25
 of Act X of 1865

Description		Amount Estimated	Probable Expenditure for 1870-71
Buildings			
3 Latrines at Rs 500		1500 0 0	1500 0 0
10 Dust Boxes at Rs 3		30 0 0	30 0 0
1 Slaughter House		750 0 0	750 0 0
2 Police Huts at Rs 75		150 0 0	150 0 0
Roads			
Tunnels		300 0 0	300 0 0
Repairs			
Drains		100 0 0	100 0 0
			2830 0 0
			5530 0 0
Description		Amount Estimated	Probable Expenditure for 1870-71
Buildings			
Police Huts and Station, Rs 50		50 0 0	50 0 0
Roads			
Repairs of main roads		500 0 0	500 0 0
Repairs of lanes		200 0 0	200 0 0
			700 0 0
Nature of Charges		Amount	Probable Expenditure
4 Scavengers' Costs at 14 Rupees each per month			672 0 0
12 Sweepers at 4 Rupees do			576 0 0
1 Kungari at 7 Rupees per do			7 0 0
			1332 0 0

Provisional

Repairs

Conservation

Estimate 1869/70

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V Cadastre

Cost of Police as by Superintendent's Co.		2255	11	4
Municipal Police House		17	0	0
		2272	11	4
Particulars	Salary		Total	
	Per month	Per Annum		
Supervision and Management				
1. Gunpowder	17	8 0	210	0 0
1. Tax Collectors	8	0 0	96	0 0
1. Vaccinators	7	0 0	84	0 0
2. Watchmen for the tanks	6	0 0	72	0 0
Saddimard	1	0 0	12	0 0
Contingent Charges	3	0 0	36	0 0
			510	0 0

B

Abstract of Charges under all heads to be incurred by the Municipal Commissioners for the Town of Diindigul during the year ending on the 30th April 1871.

	Expenditure		Total
	Amount		
1. New works and Improvements	2836	0 0	
2. Repairs	750	0 0	
3. Conservancy	1332	0 0	
4. Police	2245	11 11	
5. Establishment	510		2667 11 11
6. Purposes other than those specified above			2700 0 0
			10367 11 11

C

Estimated Receipts for the year ending 30th April 1871.

	Amount		
1. Tax on Houses &c at 5 per cent	900	0 0	
2. Tolls under Schedule B	2200	0 0	
3. Tax on carriages, horses and other animals under Schedule C	400	0 0	
4. Fees for the registration of Carts without Springs	300	0 0	
5. Miscellaneous receipts:-			
Road Cess	10	0 0	
Polling fines	90	0 0	
Fines	100	0 0	
Government Contribution at 25 per cent on the charges	1916	0 0	
Expected Balance in hand from the year 1869-70	6000	0 0	
	11,916	0 0	

Diindigul - 25th February 1870 } signed / R. M. Collins
Vice President

(True Copy)
M. M. M.
Opps President

Madras Police

Madura District

Estimate of the probable Expenditure to be incurred by
the Municipal Town Police of Pondicherry for the year 1870-71.

Particulars of Summs drawn. Amount. Total

Pay of 1 European Head Const for 1 year @ Rs 32-0-0 per mensem. 384 ..

Do 2 Deputy Head Const for do @ Rs 12-8-0 per do 300 ..

Do 3, 1st Class Const for do @ Rs 8-0-0 per do 480 ..

Do 9, 2nd class Const for do @ Rs 7-0-0 per do 756 .. 1920 ..

Contingencies at 5 per Cent on the Total Pay 96 .. 96 ..

Clothing and accoutrements

For a European Head Const for 1 year 24 2 1

Do 2 Deputy Head Const for do do 24 12 "

Do 14 Constables for do do 171 13 10 217 11 "

Total Expenditure 2233 11 "

M. A. M. S. Captain

Madura Police Officer
1st October 1869

Superintendent of Police

W. M. S.

Magistrate of

(Here enter _____ 186 , No.)

ORDER THEREON, 5th April. 1870.

Under the provisions of Section 36, Act X. of 1865 (the Towns' Improvement Act), the Governor in Council authorizes the Municipal Commissioners for the town of *Mineral* in the *Madras* District, to levy during the year beginning 1st May 1870, and ending 30th April 1871.

A rate ~~not exceeding~~ ~~per cent.~~ on houses, buildings, ~~and lands~~, according to the annual value thereof.

~~A tax upon arts, professions, trades, and callings.~~

Tolls on carriages, carts, and animals entering the Municipal limits.

Taxes on carriages, horses, and other animals as described in Schedule C. to the above Act annexed.

Fees on the registration of carts.

To

The President of the Municipal Commission in

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President of
Diuidigul.

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Arthur H. J. Deft
From.

The Offs President
of the Diuidigul
Municipality

To
The Chief Secretary
to Govt
Madras

Dated 29 March/70
No 38

Ex. two
No 292

For forwarding copy of
a letter Budget and
Police Estimate for
the year 1870-71 also
notification for a
change in the boundary
of the Town of Diuidigul
received from the Vice.

Inscribed
3 April 1870

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from the

Magistrate of

(Here enter 186 , No.)

ORDER THEREON, 5 April 1870

Under the provisions of Section 6, Act X.
of 1865 (the Towns' Improvement Act), the
Governor in Council hereby appoints the
undermentioned persons to be Town Commis-
sioners, for carrying out in the town of
Dindigul in the *Madura*
District, the purposes of the said Act, during
the year beginning 1st May 1870, and ending
30th April 1871.

- S. D. S.*
N *MA*
1. Henry William Bliss Esq.
 2. William Gorte Esq.
 3. Rev. William Kieley.
 4. P. Soobier
 5. B. Sreenivasa Moorthi Esq.
 6. Dhond Row
 7. Abdulkarim Saib
 8. Vythianada Pillay
 9. Andimaraina Chetti.
 10. William Achari.
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Public Department

Notification

Fort Saint George 5 April 1870.

In modification of
paragraph 1 of the notification
dated 15 September 1869
and under section 4 of the
Madras Town Improvement
Act of 1865, His Excellency the
Governor of Fort Saint George
in Council is pleased to
define the limits of the town
of Pondicherry in the Madras
District as follows, that is to
say:—

On the East. From the Eastern
side of the Nagula-
markupathu mark
from end of the ex-
isting houses and up
up to the Nattam Road
thence

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Thence along the road to
the Toll Gate, thence
along the Eastern side of
the road leading to Met.
- turayaputti; thence along
the Eastern side of Mr.
Campbell's property to
the road leading to the
Dist. Collector's garden;
thence east of the Iron-
- sippi Court; along the
path leading to the Lock-
- sippi road.

the North. Thence along
the Southern side of the
Trichinopoly and Palani
roads as far as the first
turning, then along a
path through the fields
Northward for 100 yards,
thence parallel to the
Palani road to the Vada-
- siddur road, thence
a straight line to the

Northern

Northern end of the
Sunkobun Tank bund,
On the West. Along the Sunkobun Tank bund and
the Rock, to the South-
- west corner of Vira.
- budra Pillay's property,
thence along the Kullar-
- putti Odai, to the lane
leading into the But-
- lagoundoo road west
of Begum Bibi Moynun.

On the South. Thence the
Sambayan ruined
Chuterauns, thence along
the pathway and road
leading to Nagulanai.
- Kerpatti Market place
including the houses op-
- posite to the Goa Church.

By order of the Go-
- vernor in Council.

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Read the following letter from
the H^{on}. President of the Municipal Commission. Dindigul
(See entry of March pp. No 292)

Order thereon 30 March 1870. No 369

The Municipal Com.

Rate on houses & buildings	900-0-0	=	missioners of Dindigul in-
Tolls	2,200-0-0	=	tend to raise in 1870-71, the
Tax on vehicles & animals	400-0-0	=	pees 3900 by taxation and
Registration of Carts	300-1-0	=	with a balance of Rs 6000,
Fines	100-0-0	=	petty receipts, and the go.
	3900-1-0	=	permanent Contribution,
Police fund & Road cess	100-1-0	=	
Expenses	6000-0-0	=	will have for expenditure
Govt. Contribution	1300-0-0	=	during the year Rs 11,300.
	11,300-0-0	=	

2. The Government con-
- tribution ^{has been} ~~was~~ wrongly
calculated by the Commis-
- sioners. It is to be struck on
the sums raised and expended

S. D. S.
A. A.

Shreebhat
5 April 1870

R 1500 on these latrines, seems
excessive. The nature of
these buildings, and the
reason why they are so
~~excessive~~ should be explained
in the annual report.

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is pleased to approve the
proposed revision of the Mu-
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George Gazette.

6. The estimates of receipts
and disbursements are
approved and sanctioned.
The usual notification will
be published in the Ga-
zette.

To the Secy of the Mun: Comm: in Madras
Maj: General of Police.
Maj: General.
By the Secy of the Mun: Comm: in Madras
Maj: General of Police.
Maj: General.

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