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Government of Madras.

Public DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Department,
14th March 1871.*

No. 81. Proceedings of Government, dated 14th March 1871, No. 334.

The Local Funds' Bill having been passed by the Legislative Council and submitted for the assent of His Excellency the Viceroy, the Government, in anticipation of its becoming law, and in order that no time may be lost in initiating the measures necessary for bringing it into operation, resolve to forward to the Board of Revenue copies of the Bill as passed by the Council, and to request that the attention of the several Collectors may be at once drawn to the Bill, and that they be directed to submit, without delay, proposals on the points referred to in the following paragraphs.

2. The first is the number of Circles to be constituted in each District, if the division of the District into more than one Circle is considered advisable. The majority of the Collectors had suggested that the Local Fund Circles should be continuous with the revenue divisions. As a general rule, the Government would incline to two Circles in each District (one comprising what is usually called the principal division, *i. e.*, the portion of the District not in charge of the Sub-Collector; and the other, the sub-division, or, where there is no Sub-Collector, perhaps the charge of the Head Assistant Collector); but they are ready to consider any proposals which may be made by Collectors or the Board on this point. An important consideration with reference to it is that there must be in each proposed Circle the elements of a competent Local Fund Board, since the establishment of these bodies is compulsory under the Bill. The Collectors must be called on to submit at once the names of persons to be appointed Members of the Board in each Circle. The Collector himself is to be ex-officio President; the Revenue Officer in charge of the Division, the Inspector and Deputy Inspector of Cattle, the Medical Officer, where one is available, the Executive Engineer, and one or more native officials should be named as official members; and the non-official members, who must form at least half the Board, should, if possible, be residents of different parts of the Circle for which they are to be appointed. Where it is not possible to secure a sufficient number of non-official persons to serve on the Board, so as to equal in number the officials designated above, a smaller number of official members must be named. With reference to Section 6, the Collectors should name a Vice-President for each Circle.

3. The Collectors of the several Districts should also state their opinions as to the date from which the rate on the annual rent value of lands should be imposed, and also as to the amount of the rate, *i. e.*, whether the maximum should be levied in the whole District or not, and, if not, in what parts a lower rate should be fixed, and at what amount. The reasons for specially treating any portion of a District should be clearly stated.

4. Instructions will hereafter be issued regarding the imposition of the house-rate for educational purposes.

5. Revised recommendations with reference to the levy of tolls are also needed. The Collectors, in making these recommendations, should bear in mind that this tax is to be sparingly availed of, and that a careful selection should be made of localities. Under ordinary circumstances, bridges over difficult rivers, ghauts, and other places where advantages are offered to the transit, and where the payments of tolls can with difficulty be avoided, are suitable places for toll-gates.

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6. Separate instructions will be issued hereafter regarding the preparation of the Local Fund Budgets and educational operations under the Act. With regard to roads, the Government will now merely state that the distinction between imperial and local roads will cease, and that the sums which will be assigned for communications from Provincial funds will be as grants in aid of local resources.

7. The Government will impress upon Collectors the necessity of promptly replying to this order, as the information called for is urgently required.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue, with the Bill.

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

Dated March, 14th.

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G. O., 14th March 1871, No. 334.

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No. 81.

Forwading copies of the Local Funds Bill with
a request that the attention of the several Collect-
ors may be drawn to the Bill, in view to their sub-
mitting, without delay, proposals on certain points.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government.

Order 14th March 1871 No 334.

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 to submit a statement of
 the progress of the appointment
 of members of each circle. The
 collector himself is to be
 the President of the
 revenue officer in charge
 of the division, the Inspector
 of Schools, the medical Officer, where
 one is available and the

non native officials, they
be named as official mem-
bers, and the non official
members, who must form
the majority of the board, should
be residents of different
parts of the district for which
they are appointed. With
reference to the election of the
collectors should name
a Vice President for each
circle. The collector of the lower
district should also state
their opinions as to the rate
per which the rate in the
annual meeting of the board
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Memorandum of points to
which the attention of the
Commissioner should be drawn
in connection with the Local
Fund Bill in anticipation
of its coming the subject of the
General Journal.

Members of Local Funds wish
to be consulted in such Districts
if it be deemed advisable to
establish such funds in the
District in which they are
wishes.

Majority of Collectors wish
to suggest that the Local Fund
wishes should be continuous
with the Revenue Division.
As a general rule the Govt. would
wishes to two Divisions. and
impressing that is usually called
the Transport Division & the
other the Subdivision where
there is a Sub Collector. There
there is no Sub Collector the
Sub Collector Division
might be the second Division

the first houses are nearly to
 consider any proposition
 the Committee may make.
 It is to be maintained but in each
 circle there must be the elements
 of a complete Local Fund
 Board for the appt. of these
 Boards is now compulsory
 the official members of these
 Boards should if possible
 be residents in different parts
 of the circle. names to be submitted same
 the Committee is the official President

Official members should be named
 Revenue Officer in charge
 of each Division
 Inspector of Schools for Education
 Division
 Deputy Inspector of Schools
 for District
 Executive Engineer
 District Officer & are
 available.
 are a more active officials.

how official members must be named
 members to official members.
 (Committee must name a Vice
 President for each circle)

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Rate on houses must value of
 land. either the maximum
 rate is 2% levied in the
 District. If not in short paid
 is lower rate 1% levied &
 short amount

show statistics of the principles
 on which houses are to be
 levied.

Period communication with
 Revenue & Tolls are needed.
 Tolls are not to be given
 local circle are the committee.
 this tax is 2% may vary by
 amount of population which
 should regulate the rate of
 toll. rates of toll
 are fixed within the
 maximum.

General instructions will be issued
 regarding the presentation of
 the Local Fund & subject
 with names. Educational
 operations under the Act.
 maintain the in financial progress
 with the price as a guide in the
 & with the Government.

imperial & Local Boards
will cease; and the
[unclear]

necessity of promptly replying
to this order; as the infor-
mation called for is
urgently required.

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The Board of Revenue - with the Bill - [unclear]