

Public Works (1898) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Received & Budget Estimates Madras
Railway, (Capital & Revenue)
Govt of India orders on the — for 1897-98
& 1898-99, Committed to the Agents & Managers
for information.

Calcutta, the 22nd March 1898.

MADRAS RAILWAY.

XXVII.—Guaranteed Railways (Net Traffic Receipts).
(Capital Account of Indian Railway Companies.)

Revised Estimate for 1897-98, with Budget Estimate for 1898-99.

Read again—

Public Works Department Resolution No. $\frac{1}{B.O.}$ A.—R., dated the 19th March 1897.

Read also—

No.		dated 10th January 1898, from the Govt. of Madras.			
Letter	52 R.	11th	"	"	"
"	57 R.	20th	"	to	"
P. W. D. letter	78 A. - R.	27th	"	to	"
" tel.	91 A. - R.	28th	"	from	"
"	11 B.	5th February	"	to	"
Telegram	121 A. - R.	22nd	"	from	"
P. W. D. letter	308 R.				
Letter					

RESOLUTION.—The following table shows the grants assigned in Budget Orders for Capital and Revenue transactions, together with the amounts for which the Revised and Budget Estimates have been submitted and those for which these estimates are accepted by the Government of India :—

which these estimates are accepted by the GOVERNMENT						
Service.	Head of Account.	Budget Estimate, 1897-98.	REVISED ESTIMATE, 1897-98.		BUDGET ESTIMATE, 1898-99.	
			As proposed.	As accepted.	As proposed.	As accepted.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
MADRAS RAILWAY.						
Receipts—		1,09,00,000	1,12,80,000	1,14,00,000	1,09,80,000	1,10,00,000
Administrative . . .		16,00,000	16,00,000	16,90,000	16,00,000	16,00,000
Suspense . . .						
Financial		1,25,00,000	1,28,80,000	1,30,00,000	1,25,80,000	1,26,00,000
Withdrawals—		56,00,000	55,80,269	57,00,000	55,74,460	55,00,000
Administrative . . .		16,00,000	16,00,000	16,00,000	16,00,000	16,00,000
Suspense . . .						
Financial		72,00,000	71,80,269	73,00,000	71,74,460	71,00,000
Net Receipts—		53,00,000	56,99,731	57,00,000	54,05,540	55,00,000
Administrative . . .		...	...	...	...	...
Suspense . . .						
Financial	XXVII	53,00,000	56,99,731	57,00,000	54,05,540	55,00,000
Moiety of surplus profits, etc.	39	...	1,10,000	1,00,000	60,000	...
CAPITAL.						
Outlay on open line		27,25,000	22,94,343	21,00,000	28,28,040	28,25,000
Outlay on Extensions		...	1,44,000	1,50,000	2,45,915	26,50,000
Refunds to treasury		27,00,000	28,00,000	28,00,000	28,00,000	28,00,000
Net receipts in India . . .		—25,000	3,41,657	5,50,000	—26,73,955	—26,75,000
Outlay in England on open Line.		11,93,000	14,54,636	8,15,000	9,83,636	18,92,000
Ditto on Extensions . . .		...	...	13,000	...	9,38,000
Net outlay		12,18,000	11,12,979	2,78,000	36,57,591	55,05,000

2. *Major Head XXVII.—Net Traffic Receipts.*—The increase of Rs. 5,00,000 in the Revised Estimate of administrative earnings over the Budget Estimate is due to large movements of grain to the north of India and in the northern districts of the Madras Presidency in consequence of the famine. The Revised Estimate of working expenses is Rs. 1,00,000 in excess of the original provision the increase is due to improvement in traffic. The estimates of suspense transactions are the same as the Budget Estimates. The gross receipts during 1898-99 are not expected to be as good as those of 1897-98, and the Budget Estimate is placed at Rs. 4,00,000 below the Revised Estimate of the present year. The Budget Estimate of working expenses is placed at Rs. 2,00,000 below the Revised Estimate consequent on the reduction in the estimate of earnings. The estimate of suspense receipts and expenses are placed at Rs. 16,00,000 in each case.

3. *Moiety of surplus profits.*—The Revised Estimate of surplus profits and contribution to the Provident Fund payable to the Company is placed at Rs. 1,00,000 for which no provision was made in the Budget Estimate, as it was not considered probable that the net earnings during the half-year ended 30th June 1897 would result in a surplus.

4. *Capital Account of Indian Railway Companies.*—The Revised Estimate of Capital outlay is placed at Rs. 22,50,000 against a Budget provision of Rs. 27,25,000. The decrease is due chiefly to works, except those considered absolutely necessary having been postponed in accordance with the instructions of the Government of India. The difference would have been more but for the provision of Rs. 1,50,000, for outlay on extensions. The Revised Estimate of Capital receipts is placed at Rs. 1,10,000 above the Budget Estimate owing to larger refunds.

5. The Budget Estimate of Capital outlay in 1898-99 is more than the amount adopted as the Revised Estimate of 1896-97 by Rs. 32,25,000. The increase is due to provision to the extent of Rs. 26,50,000 having been made for outlay on the extensions. The Government of India will be prepared to allot additional funds during the year if they can be spent with advantage on the Extensions. The Budget Estimate of Capital receipts is placed at Rs. 1,00,000 in excess of the amount of the Revised Estimate of the present year, viz., Rs. 28,00,000.

6. The outlay in England on Capital Account is based on the estimates received from the India Office, viz.:—

Revised Estimate, 1897-98—	£	Rs.
Open line		
Extensions	74,700	=8,15,000
	£00	=13,000
Budget Estimate, 1898-99—		
Open line		
Extensions	173,400	=18,92,000
	60,000	=9,38,000

7. The final issue of these estimates should be prepared and submitted so as to reach the Government of India not later than the 1st May 1898.

ORDER.—Ordered, that a copy of the above be forwarded to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, for information and guidance, with the request that 10* printed copies of the final issue of the estimates, as now passed, may be submitted in the usual course.

Chetwether
Depy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

*spare copies
will follow*

G. I. C. P. O.—No. 592 A. G. P. W. D.—17-3-98.—222—T. C. S.

To,
The Secretary to the Govt. of Madras
Public Works Dept.
Railway Branch.