

Public Works (1899) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

G.O., No. 364. Ry
DATED 15th April 1899

[Despatch Abstract.]

Revised Budget Estimates of the
Madras Ry & its Extensions

Coming: to the Agent, orders of the
Govt of India on the — (Capt. Secy) for
1898-99 & 1899-1900, & requesting that the
final issue of the budget may be
furnished not later than the 10/4/99

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SUBJECT.

Budget, Estimates, Inquiry
open line & extensions

Budget orders on the
revised + — Capital
+ Revenue for 1898-99 +
1899-1900.

Order - N 364. Dated 1/4/99.
Communicated to the
Agent & Enclosure 14 R
with the request that
the final copies of the
revised and budget esti-
mates of the 2u R and
extensions may be fur-
nished to the office not
later than 10 April/99.

The Applicant to be sworn PB
" Examined by the R. A. C. C.
" Answered the R. A. C. C.

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Calcutta, the 21st March 1899.

MADRAS RAILWAY.

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

Revised Estimate for 1898-99, with Budget Estimate for 1899-1900.
and again—

Read again—

Public Works Department Resolution No. 86 A.—R., dated the 22nd March 1898.

Read also—

Letter	No. 39 Ry.,	dated 10th January 1899,	from the Govt. of Madras.
P. "W. D. letter	" 56 Ry.,	" 12th	" " " "
Letter	" 077 A.—R.,	" 31st	" " " "
"	" 141 Ry.,	" 6th February	" to " "
"	" 143 Ry.,	" 6th	" from " "
"	" 206 Ry.,	" 21st	" " " "
		" "	" " " "

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 :—

Accepted by the Government of India : —						
Service.	Head of account.	Budget Estimate, 1898-99.	REVISED ESTIMATE, 1899-99.		BUDGET ESTIMATE, 1899-1900.	
			As proposed.	As accepted.	As proposed.	As accepted.
MADRAS RAILWAY.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Receipts—						
Administrative . . .		1,10,00,000	1,03,00,000	1,02,50,000	1,08,78,000	1,09,00,000
Suspense . . .		16,00,000	18,00,000	18,00,000	18,00,000	18,00,000
Financial . . .		1,26,00,000	1,21,00,000	1,20,50,000.	1,26,78,000	1,27,00,000
Withdrawals—						
Administrative . . .		55,00,000	54,00,000	53,00,000	54,63,000	53,00,000
Suspense . . .		16,00,000	18,00,000	18,00,000	18,00,000	18,00,000
Financial . . .		71,00,000	72,00,000	71,00,000	72,83,000	71,00,000
Net Receipts—						
Administrative . . .		55,00,000	49,00,000	49,50,000	53,95,000	56,00,000
Suspense . . .		...	...	...	...	...
Financial . . .	XXVII	55,00,000	49,00,000	49,50,000	53,95,000	56,00,000
Waste of surplus profits, etc.	39	...	1,41,000	1,43,000	1,53,000	1,00,000

Service.	Head of account.	Budget Estimate, 1898-99.	REVISED ESTIMATE, 1898-99.		BUDGET ESTIMATE, 1899-1900.	
			As submitted.	As accepted.	As submitted.	As accepted.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
CAPITAL.						
OPEN LINE—						
Outlay in India . . .		28,25,000	22,00,000	22,00,000	21,03,000	13,71,000
Receipts in India . . .		28,00,000	30,00,000	30,00,000	25,00,000	25,00,000
Net . . .		25,000	—8,00,000	—8,00,000	—3,97,000	—11,29,000
Outlay in England . . .		18,92,000	13,20,000	10,01,000	9,97,000	17,29,000
Net outlay . . .		19,17,000	5,20,000	2,01,000	6,00,000	6,00,000
EXTENSIONS—						
Outlay in India . . .		26,50,000	6,00,000	6,00,000	8,85,000	7,50,000
Outlay in England . . .		9,38,000	72,000	1,06,000	1,15,000	12,54,000
Total outlay . . .		35,88,000	6,72,000	7,06,000	10,00,000	20,04,000

2. *Major Head XXVII.—Net Traffic Receipts.*—The decrease of Rs. 7,50,000 in the Revised Estimate of administrative earnings as compared with the Budget Estimate is due to the prevalence of plague and to the precautionary measures taken to prevent its spread exercising an injurious effect on passenger traffic. The Revised Estimate of working expenses is Rs. 2,00,000 less than the provision made in the Budget Estimate. The reduction is due to smaller consumption of stores by revenue in consequence of smaller renewals of rails and rolling stock during the half-year ended June 1898. It is expected that the traffic will improve during 1899-1900, and the Budget Estimate is placed at Rs. 6,50,000 above the Revised Estimate of the current year. The Budget Estimate of working expenses is the same as the Revised of the current year. The estimates of suspense, receipts and expenses are placed at Rs. 18,00,000 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. 1,43,000. No provision was made in the Budget Estimate as it was not considered probable that the net earnings would yield a surplus. In the Budget Estimate a sum of Rs. 1,00,000 has been provided to cover the contribution to the Provident Fund and any small amount of surplus profits that may be declared as it is considered improbable that the Company will earn surplus profits to any large extent in the year 1899.

4. *Capital Account of Indian Railway Companies.*—The Revised Estimate of Capital outlay in India on the Open line is placed at Rs. 22,00,000 against a Budget provision of Rs. 28,25,000. The reduction is due principally to short outlay on works and stores owing to the late receipt of sanction to some works and to several others having for various reasons been postponed, and to reduced renewals of vehicles. The estimate of Capital receipts on the Open line is placed at Rs. 2,00,000 in excess of the Budget. The increase is due to provision having been made for the recovery of a portion of the outlay incurred on the Extensions from Open line funds. The Revised Estimate of outlay on the Extensions is Rs. 20,50,000 below the Budget Estimate. The reduction is due to the delay in the acquisition of land and in starting works.

5. The outlay in England on Capital Account of the Open line and Extensions is based on the estimates received from the India Office, viz.:—

	£	Rs.
Open line	91,800	=10,01,000
Extensions	7,000	=1,06,000

6. In Public Works Department letters Nos. 607 A.—R., dated 21st December 1898, and OS A.—R., dated 5th January 1899, provisional grants to the extent of Rs. 6,00,000 and Rs. 10,00,000 were allotted for expenditure on the Madras Railway open line and extensions, respectively, during 1899-1900. The Budget Estimates were accordingly submitted for—

	Open line.	Extensions.
Outlay in India	21,03,000	8,85,000
„ in England	9,97,000	1,15,000
TOTAL	31,00,000	10,00,000
Deduct—		
Receipts in India	25,00,000	...
Net outlay	6,00,000	10,00,000

7. On a reconsideration of the distribution of the total sum available for expenditure on the construction of Railways during 1899-1900 the Government of India have been able to apportion a further sum of Rs. 10,04,000 for outlay on the Calicut-Cannanore Extension during the ensuing official year. With this addition the grant for the Extension for 1899-1900 will stand at Rs. 20,04,000.

8. The expenditure in England during the ensuing year is estimated by the India Office at £158,500 and £82,400, respectively, which at the rates of exchange applicable is equivalent to Rs. 17,29,000 and Rs. 12,54,000. The Government of India therefore accept the Budget Estimates for the following amounts:—

	Open line.	Extensions.
Outlay in India	13,71,000	7,50,000
„ in England	17,29,000	12,54,000
TOTAL	31,00,000	20,04,000
Deduct—		
Receipts in India	25,00,000	...
Net outlay	6,00,000	20,04,000

9. 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 1899.

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 of 50* printed copies of the final issue of the estimates, as now passed, may be submitted in the usual course.

W. B. R. S.
Depy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

To The Secretary to the
Government of Madras,
Public Works Department,
Railway Branch.