

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
22nd November 1862.*

Read the following papers :—

No. 277. From H. A. MANGLES, Esq., Acting Accountant General, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Fort Saint George, 23th October 1862, No. 252.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Order of Government, No. 2,093, dated 25th ultimo, referring for my opinion and remarks, a letter from the Chief Engineer, No. 2,299, dated 28th July 1862, in which he suggests that the collections from grass rents should, like all other local collections, appear under one head of account, namely, Local Funds.

2. In reply, I beg to acquaint you, that I entirely concur in the suggestion made by the Chief Engineer, as to the collections from grass rents being, like all other local collections, credited to "District Conservancy Fund" (late Local Fund) instead of to a separate head of account.

3. The receipts so credited can be appropriated, with the sanction of Government, for works which they may see fit to order, on distinct propositions being submitted to them. This will differ from the course now followed in respect to the receipts of the "District Conservancy Fund," which are expended for local purposes according to the requirements of the District upon the joint approval of the Collector and the District Engineer, without reference to Government, as provided in Rule 5 of the "Rules for the management of the Ferry and other Local Funds," *Vide* page 290 of Grant's Circular Order Book.

4. In the event of Government directing that the sum of Rupees 16,352-8-5 (stated to be the amount of grass rents realized in the Godavery District, and credited to "Extra Revenue" in the accounts of that Treasury from May 1860 to May 1862, as mentioned in paragraph 2 of the Collector's letter to the Chief Engineer, No. 8, dated 28th June 1862,) be transferred to "District Conservancy Fund," the necessary adjustment will be made in the books of this Office for bringing the amount to the credit of that head.

No. 278. From W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 6th November 1862.

SIR,

1. Referring to the Government Order dated 25th September 1862, No. 2,093, Revenue Department, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to submit the annexed Statement of grass rents credited to the Local Funds in 1860-61 and to extra Revenue in Fasli 1270.

2. The total amount ostensibly credited to the Local Funds was Rupees 2,645, derived from the petty grazing rents in particular localities. It is however not unlikely that some other trifling amount of the same nature may be included in the miscellaneous receipts.

3. Generally it may be assumed that the income is derived from renting out the grazing in such spots as public Bungalow or Kacheri compounds or on the ditches and slopes of forts.

4. There are only two items of this nature credited to extra Revenue, aggregating Rupees 10,070 in Fasli 1270, one being in the Godavery District, and probably derived from the grazing on the Canal banks referred to in the Government Order, and the other being the trifling rental of the grazing in the Vellore Fort.

5. There appears no reason whatever for carrying this last sum to General Revenue. It would properly appertain either to the Local Cantonment Fund if such exist, or to the general District Fund for local purposes.

6. The Board beg leave strongly to support the Chief Engineer's recommendation for the assignment to the District Local Funds of the Canal grazing rents in the Godavery District, and of any similar funds arising elsewhere. These rents are essentially of the nature of casual income properly appropriable to the Local Funds and to the purposes to which those funds are devoted, while their inclusion in the general revenues of the State seems uncalled for and inconsistent with general practice.

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7. Their expenditure on the Public Works of the District in which they exist will be their most suitable and legitimate employment.

Districts.	Grass rent credited to Local Fund in 1860-61.	Grass rent credited to Extra Revenue in Fasli 1270.	
Ganjam.....			
Vizagapatam.....			
Godavery.....	2	9,715	Grass rent.
Kistna.....	379		Rent of grazing in certain places.
Nellore.....			
Cuddapah.....			
Bellary.....			
Kurnool.....			
Madras.....	1,079		Grass rent on the Esplanade.
North Arcot.....		355	Realized from the grass rent of the Vellore fort.
South Arcot.....			
Tanjore.....			
Trichinopoly.....	1,160		This is realized by the renting out of the fort ditch grass.
Madura.....			
Tinnevely.....			
Coimbatore.....	25		
Salem.....			
South Canara.....			
Malabar.....			
Total.....	2,645	10,070	

No. 279. ORDER THEREON, 22nd November 1862, No. 2,463.

1. In these letters the Acting Accountant General and the Board of Revenue support the proposal made by the Chief Engineer to credit the "grass rents" of the Godavery and other Districts to "Local Funds" instead of to "Extra Revenue," as ordered by Government in their order in the Department Public Works, dated 12th November 1860, No. 2,342. The Governor in Council concurs with them in this view and resolves to direct that it be adopted. The Board properly remark that these rents are essentially of the nature of casual income appropriable to purposes to which "Local Funds" are devoted. It is to be understood, however, that the items to be thus treated are to be limited to those specified by the Board. The rent of tracts of lands taken up for pasturage is to be regarded as Imperial Revenue.

2. The Governor in Council sees no reason to prescribe any separate course for expenditure from the grass rents. The rules under which disbursements are made from the General Local Funds are sufficient.

3. Authority is granted for transferring to the "Local Funds" the proceeds of the grass rents already collected and carried to Extra Revenue in the accounts of the Godavery District, under the order of Government in the Public Works Department, dated 12th November 1860. The Acting Accountant General will issue the necessary instructions on the subject.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

the accounts of the Treasury, from May 1860, to May 1862, as mentioned in para 2 of the Collector's letter to the Chief Engineer, No. 5, dated 28th June 1862) to be transferred to "District Conservancy Fund," the necessary adjustment will be made in the Books of the office, for bringing the amount to the credit of that Fund.

Have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your Obedient Servant,
W. Munger
Acting Accountant General

Comp'd for

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Proceedings of the Marwar State
under date the 22^d November 1862

Read the following papers:-

From the Dy. Acct^y General.

Reporting on the
Chief Engineer's letter
suggesting that the
collections from grass
rents should, like all
other local collections,
appear under one head
of account, namely Local
Sunds -

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From the Secy to the Dy.
of Revenue -

Submitting State-
ment of grass rents cre-
dited to the local Sunds
in 1860/61 and to Extra
Revenue in Rs 1270,
and supporting the Chief
Eng^r's recommendation
for the assignment to
the District Local Sunds
of the usual grazing rents
in Lodhwar & of similar
Sunds arising elsewhere.

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(Here enter 6th Nov.
1862 No -)

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Decr. 25th 1862/62 No
1490-49

Decr. 25th 1862 Dy. Acct^y
Genl. to Secy to Dy. of Rev.

To Dy. Acct^y Genl.

To

The Secretary to

Government.

Chief District Officer

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In these letters the Acting Accountant General and the Board of Revenue support the proposal made by the Chief Engineer to credit the "grass cents" of the Godavary and other districts to "Local Funds" instead of to "Extra Revenue" as ordered by Govt in their Public Works order dated 12th November 1860. No. 2342. The Governor in Council concurs with them in this view and resolves to direct that it be adopted. The Board properly remark that these cents are essentially of the nature of casual income applicable to purposes to which "Local Funds" are devoted.

2. The Governor in Council does no reason to prescribe any separate course

Vide orders P.W.D. dated 15th Augt and Revd Sept dated 25th Sept 1862 Nos 1947 & 2093.

It is to be understood however that the items to be thus treated are to be limited to those specified by the 18th. The rent of tracts of land taken up for pasturage are to be reported as Imperial Revenue.

course for the collection of these from the grass cents. The rules under which disbursements are made from the general Local Funds are sufficient.

3. Authority is granted for transferring the "Local Funds" the proceeds of the grass cents already collected and carried to Extra Revenue in the accounts of the Godavary district under the order of Govt in the Public Works Department dated 12th November 1860. The Acct. Accountant General will issue the necessary instructions on this subject.

J.D.

21 Copies to The Public Works Department
14 " " Board of Revenue
3 " " Acting Acct. Genl.

