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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 23rd November 1865.

No. 395. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Works Department:—

Communicating Proceedings of the Government of India considering the probable requirements of 1866-67 for Public Works, and distributing the total grant that will be necessary among the different Governments and Administrations, for the preparation of Budget Estimates in accordance therewith. } (Here enter 18th November 1865, No. 3,492.)

No. 396. ORDER THEREON, 23rd November 1865, No. 2,866.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Revenue Board.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Acting Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, with Proceedings Public Works Department, No. 3,492,

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 435. Read the following Proceedings of the Governor General of India in Council, Public Works Department, (Account), dated Simla, 24th October 1865, Circular No. 107 :—

Public Works Grants for 1866-67.

Read again Public Works Circular No. 69 of 1865, publishing the Accountant General's Report on the Budget Estimate for 1865-66, and stating that the grants for 1866-67 would if possible, be distributed to the different Local Governments and Administrations in October, so that they may be able to frame well considered estimates for the application of the sums actually available, and to submit them punctually to the Government of India by the required date—viz., the 1st February 1866.

Resolution.—In pursuance of the above Resolution, the Governor General in Council now proceeds to consider the probable requirements of the coming year for Public Works, and to distribute the total grant that will be necessary among the different Governments and Administrations.

2. The services to be provided for, are divided under the following heads, which may be dealt with separately :—

I.—Military Works.
II.—Civil Buildings.
III.—Tools and Plant.
IV.—Establishment.
V.—Works of Public Improvement.

I.—Military Works.

3. A statement of probable requirements under this head was lately called for,* and has been furnished from every Government and Administration, with the exception of Madras and Bombay, from which Governments only the gross sum likely to be required, has been reported by telegraph. The substance of these approximate estimates is detailed below :—

* Public Works Circular No. 84 of 1865.

Local Governments and Administrations.	Special Works.	Ordinary Works.	Repairs.	Total.
	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.
Madras	Not repoted	1½	1½	10
Bombay...	Not	reported.		40
Bengal	14	3¼	4	21¼
North-Western Provinces	30	3	5	38
Punjab	32¼	4½	3¼	40
Oudh	10½	6¼	1	17¾
Central Provinces	8¼	1	1	10¼
British Burmah...	6½	1¾	¾	9
Hyderabad	4½	1¼	¾	6½
Straits Settlements	.....	¾	¼	1
Rajpootana	4¼	1	¾	6
Central India	4¾	1¼	½	6½
Coorg	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total...	.....	.....	.....	206¼

4. The total demand is 206¼ lakhs, but the sum named for expenditure in Bombay, 40 lakhs, appears to the Governor General in Council excessive, with reference to the strength of the garrison in that Presidency, and the amount of work to be undertaken, and the allotment to it will be reduced to 30 lakhs. If, however, it should appear that a larger sum can be profitably applied, the necessary funds will, if possible, be made available, either by re-appropriation from other Provinces in which savings can be made, or by an extra grant. The demand for Oudh is also considered excessive, and is reduced by 6 lakhs. That for the Straits may stand at the same sum as was given last year, namely, three-quarters of a lakh.

19. Distributing the charges for Tools, and Plant and Establishment on the remaining three heads of service, which are in fact the ultimate object of the whole expenditure, the anticipated distribution of the total grant according to the above figures, will be as follows:—

	Lakhs.
State Works, Military	225½
Do. Civil	84½
Works of Public Improvement	251
Total ...	561

so that the virtual grant for Military Works will be 2¼ millions sterling, and that for Public Works proper, 2½ millions sterling.

20. It now remains to distribute the grant among the different Provinces. The whole grant being 561 lakhs, of which 190 lakhs is for Military Works, and is already distributed, as detailed in the 4th and 5th paragraphs of this Resolution, there remains 371 lakhs, which the Governor General in Council determines shall be divided as follows:—

	Lakhs.
Madras	59
Bombay	62
Bengal	63
North-Western Provinces	64¾
Punjab	45
Oudh	12¾
Central Provinces	27¼
British Burmah	18
Hyderabad	6½
Straits Settlement	2¼
Rajpootana	4
Central India	5
Coorg	1¼
Total	371

21. The table attached to this Resolution, shows the total grant assigned to each Province as obtained by the foregoing figures. The Budget Estimates should now be framed in accordance therewith, the following conditions being understood:—

I.—That the part of the estimate of each Province to be devoted to Military Works must not be considered to be transferable to any other object; the sums herein named for that purpose, being part of a general fixed grant for Military Works; although, if the share assigned to each Province be not required in full, it may be reduced, a corresponding reduction being made in the total of the Budget Estimate of that Province.

II.—That the sums indicated for other services, will be distributed by each Local Government and Administration, according to the requirements of the case, upon the four heads—Civil Buildings, Tools and Plant, Establishment and Works of Public Improvement. Special provision must, however, be made for the Ganges Canal, the Canals in Punjab, and the Upper Godavery Works, to the extent noted in this Resolution, so that the sums allowed for these objects are to be regarded in the light of special grants not applicable to any other purpose.

III.—That the estimate for Works of Public Improvement will be made to include all provision for land required for Public Works, and all State expenditure on guaranteed Irrigation Works and Railways not guaranteed, and the value of all Stores to be supplied on indent from London.

IV.—That the State expenditure on guaranteed Railways is to be in addition to the grants now assigned, the estimate for each Local Government being framed as usual on the actual requirements of the year. Attention should be specially given to the recent orders requiring that this part of the estimate may be carefully considered, and made as precise and definite as possible.

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V.—That the grant to Bombay for special works debitable to the land sales fund, will be additional to the grant now allotted to that Presidency, and will be included in the Budget Estimate when it is prepared. The amount of this special grant must depend on the assets from the sales of land, in the manner which has already been explained to the Bombay Government.

Abstract of Public Works Grants for 1866-67, *excluding State expenditure on Guaranteed Railways.*

Local Governments and Administrations.	Grant for 1866-67.			Total.
	Military.	Other Services.	Total.	1865-66.
	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.
Madras	10	59	69	63¼
Bombay	30	62	92	86
Bengal	21¼	63	84¼	73
North Western Provinces	38	64¾	102¾	80¼
Punjab	40	45	85	60
Oudh	11¾	12¾	24½	19½
Central Provinces	10¼	27¼	37½	30
British Burmah	9	18	27	25¾
Hyderabad	6¼	6¼	12¾	11½
Straits Settlements	¾	2¾	3½	3½
Rajpootna	6	4	10	5¾
Central India	6½	5	11½	7½
Coorg	... ...	1¼	1¼	1
Unappropriated	... ...	... ...	... ...	3
Total ...	190			470

Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, North-Western Provinces and Punjab.
Chief Commissioners of Central Provinces, British Burmah and Oudh.
Resident at Hyderabad.
Commissioner of Coorg.
Governor, Straits, Settlements.
Agents, Governor General, Rajpootana and Central India.

ORDER.—Ordered that the foregoing Resolution be forwarded to the Local Governments and Administrations marginally noted, for information and guidance.

Ordered also, that a copy of the above be forwarded to the Financial Department, for information.

(Signed) C. H. DICKENS, Lieut.-Colonel, R. A.,
Secretary to the Govt. of India, P. W. D.,

No. 436. ORDER THEREON, 18th November 1865, No. 3,492.

ACCOUNT, No. 46.

Communicated to the several Departments of the Secretariat and to the Superintending Engineers.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Public, &c., Departments.
,, Revenue Department.
,, Military Department.
,, Superintending Engineers.
,, Controller of Public Works Accounts.

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