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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
7th May 1866.*

No. 111. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the
Public Works Department:—

Communicating, with remarks, letter from the
Government of India forwarding Orders of
that Government passed on the Public Works } (Here enter 30th April 1866, No. 1,375.)
Budget-Estimate for 1866-67.

No. 112. ORDER THEREON, 7th May 1866, No. 1,075.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,

Under Secretary to Government.

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No. 725. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account), to the Secretary to Government of Madras, dated Fort William, 27th March 1866, No. 344 A:—

I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 406, dated 1st February 1866, and in reply to forward herewith, for information and guidance, the orders passed on the Public Works Budget-Estimate for 1866-67.

MADRAS BUDGET ORDERS, 1866-67.

1. The estimate is, on the whole, well prepared and in proper form.
2. The amount assigned to Madras for expenditure on Public Works during 1866-67, as per Public Works Circular

No. 107 of 1865, was 69 lakhs,* which the Government of that Presidency propose to distribute as follows:—

	ORIGINAL WORKS.			REPAIRS.	TOTAL.
	Major.	Minor.	Total.		
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Military	7,17,000	1,50,000	8,67,000	1,33,000	10,00,000
Civil Buildings	2,20,926	1,29,000	3,49,926	1,32,471	4,82,397
Agricultural	3,02,122	2,15,000	5,17,122	9,63,454	14,80,576
Communications	5,51,636	1,40,000	6,91,636	11,41,330	18,38,966
Miscellaneous Public Improvements	14,950	50,000	64,950	26,745	91,695
	18,09,634	6,84,000	24,93,634	24,00,000	48,93,634
	Establishment			...	17,98,294
	Tools and Plant			...	1,50,000
	Irrigation and Canal Company			...	58,072
	Total... ..			...	69,00,000

3. To this amount His Excellency the Governor General in Council is pleased to add a sum of one lakh, to be applied to any of the irrigation works referred to in the 11th paragraph of Colonel Orr's letter No. 406, dated 1st February 1866, on which the money can be spent with the greatest advantage, making the total Public Works grant of the year 70 lakhs. Proposals should be submitted for the appropriation of the additional lakh now given, as soon as possible.

4. The proposed distribution of the grant is approved, subject to the following remarks.—

ORIGINAL WORKS.

MILITARY.

5. Items Nos. 1, 6, 7, and 8 as per margin. As no standard plans of these buildings have yet been approved, it is

	Proposed grant.
	RS.
1.—Regimental Workshop at Bellary...	5,000
6.—Accommodation for do. at do. ...	6,000
7.—Musketry Instruction Room ...	5,000
8.—Two day-rooms for women...	6,000

requested that the works may not be put in hand until the orders of the Government of India have been passed on the designs.

6. The same remarks apply to those parts of Items Nos. 12 and 13 which relate to gymnasium and association rooms.

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7. *Item No. 16. Race-course Barracks. Proposed expenditure, Rupees 1,75,000.*—The original estimate for these barracks was sanctioned in 1857 to the extent of Rupees 5,92,250.* The computed expenditure up to 30th April 1865 was set down in the Budget-Estimate of 1865-66, at Rupees 5,20,445, and it was therein noted that a “revised estimate will be considered by Government shortly.” In the present estimate, the computed expenditure to 30th April 1866, is entered at Rupees 6,20,445, and the rough estimate at 12 lakhs, more than twice the original estimate. In this Budget the same remark appears, “revised estimate will be considered by Government shortly.” This can hardly be regarded as satisfactory, and it is hoped that no further delay will be allowed to occur in the submission of this revised estimate.

8. *Item No. 23. Military Prison at Coimbatore. Proposed grant, Rupees 15,000.*—This project should be submitted to the Government of India for orders; the general question regarding the provision of District Military Prisons being now under consideration by this Government, in the Military Department.

9. *Item No. 29. Putting up wooden stands in the Stationery Depot, Fort Saint George, Rupees 2,510.*—This does not appear to be a Military work. The mere fact that the work is to be executed within the Fort does not make it so, if it is required for purely civil purposes. If not a Military work, it should be charged to the grant for Civil Buildings.

10. *Item No. 37. Lawrence Asylum Buildings. Proposed grant for 1866-67, Rupees 1,47,740.*—Computed expenditure to 30th April 1866, Rupees 2,78,319. The irregularity of carrying on this work, without estimate, was noted in the Budget Orders of 1864-65, and again in those of 1865-66. In the estimate of the latter year it was said the “revised estimate will be considered shortly;” a similar remark is again made now after a year has passed. Here again there appears to have been great delay. The amount involved is very large, and the Governor General in Council must desire that the project may now be submitted, and that it may be reported when this will be done.

CIVIL BUILDINGS.

11. <i>Items Nos. 63 and 64. Central Jails at Rajamundry and Coimbatore, vide margin.</i> —The estimates for both these works should be submitted to the Government of India for orders. It is observed that the rough estimate of the Coimbatore Jail, which was entered in the Budget of the current year at Rupees 1,80,000, has been increased to Rupees 2,57,000. It will be desirable	
63. Jail at Rajamundry—Estimate Computed expenditure to 30th April 1866 Proposed grant	rs. 2,08,030 1,64,351 43,679
64. Jail at Coimbatore—Estimate Computed outlay to 30th April 1866 Proposed grant	2,57,000 2,07,000 50,000

that an explanation of the cause of this large increase may be furnished with the estimate.

12. In the detail of original works, there are upwards of 50 items with the remark “estimate will shortly be considered by Government,” of which about 20 are apparently in progress.

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AGRICULTURAL.

13. The grant under Original Works “Agricultural” will be increased by Rupees 1,10,800, as per margin. The grant under this head will then stand at Rupees 6,27,922, instead of Rupees 5,17,122. Proposals should be submitted for utilizing this sum.	
Additional grant as per paragraph 3 of these orders	rs. 1,00,000
Amount available from establishments as per paragraph 19 of these orders	10,800
	1,10,800

REPAIRS.

14. The estimate for repairs compared with that of the current year shows a decrease of one lakh. This decrease is due, as explained in the transmitting letter, first, to the exclusion from the estimate of certain temporary charges which are now provided for under their own proper head; and secondly, to the grants which were heretofore allotted from Imperial Funds for the maintenance of certain roads at the Presidency having been transferred to the debit of Municipal Funds, in accordance with the wishes of the Government of India, as expressed in Public Works letter No. 433 A, dated 12th May 1865.

15. Referring to the orders passed by the Government of India on the annual appropriation and outlay account of Madras for 1864-65, in which it was suggested that as the outlay on repairs for that and the two preceding years had fallen short of the Budget allotment, the grant under this head might, in future, be reduced; it is observed in the 9th paragraph of Colonel Orr’s letter that the saving referred to was effected, not because there were no repairs to execute, but because the works requiring repairs are so numerous and are so scattered as to make it impossible for any officer so to arrange his operations as to bring his expenditure exactly up to the limits of his assignment.

16. But it is very desirable that the grants and expenditure should correspond as closely as possible. Of course if every Officer makes it a point of working within the specific allotment, the aggregate saving will be considerable, but if the practice can be fairly calculated on in this and subsequent years to produce such a result, it will be always open to the Government of Madras to propose a transfer from Repairs to Original Works, and to carry it out in anticipation of sanction. It is certainly very desirable that the whole public works grant of the year should be utilized.

ESTABLISHMENT.

17. The estimate for establishment shows an excess of Rs. 2,35,294* over that of the current year as follows—	
* 1865-66 1866-67	rs. 15,63,000 17,98,294 2,35,294
Direction	rs. 4,626
Construction	1,30,268
Accounts	8,760
Collection and Police (Conservancy of Canals)	82,196
Decrease in charge to Local Funds	9,444
	2,35,294

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18. The first item provides for the sanctioned increase* to the pay of the Chief Engineer and Secretary to the Government of Madras, in the Public Works Department, and for two additional Clerks for his Office. The latter being in excess of the authorized scale of 32 Clerks, the addition should not be made without the special sanction of the Government of India being previously obtained.

19. The detail of the second item is shown in the margin. The appointment of a Superintendent of Works not having yet been authorized, the item is struck out, and the amount Rupees 10,800 added to the grant for Agricultural works.

20. The increase of Rupees 3,760 under "Accounts" is allowed to stand, subject to the orders which may be passed on the proposal lately made to the Government of India, in connexion with this branch of the Establishment.

21. The item Collection and Police is a proper Public Works charge, but was omitted by the Madras Government from the Public Works Estimate of 1865-66, under the impression that it should have been provided for in the estimate of the Revenue Department.

22. The last item, reduction in charge to Local Funds, calls for no special remark.

23. *Presidency Store Department, Rupees 20,904.*—This seems an expensive establishment merely to look after the Public Works stores, which it is presumed are not very extensive. It appears to the Government of India worthy of consideration, whether it would not be practicable to place these stores in charge of one of the Public Works Officers at the Presidency.

24. The establishment estimate reduced as per paragraph 19 of these orders will stand at Rupees 17,87,494.

TOOLS AND PLANT.

25. The item "*Public Works Store purchase, Rupees 30,000*," is not understood. If the articles are tools and plant, they should be included under their proper heads. If *not* tools and plant, they should be charged to stock, and not appear at all in the Budget-Estimate.

MADRAS IRRIGATION AND CANAL COMPANY.

26. The proposed establishment charges under this head amount to Rs. 38,072, of which Rupees 11,290 is for the establishment employed in making over land to the Company, the value of the land to be made over being Rupees 20,000. This seems a very high charge for the work to be done, and the Government of Madras is requested to report whether it may not be practicable to dispense with this establishment altogether, and to place the duty on the ordinary district establishments.

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RAILWAY.

27. In the separate orders* which have been passed on the Madras Railway Budget-Estimate for 1866-67, it was stated, paragraph 6, that pending the receipt of details, the estimate for State outlay on land could only be passed provisionally. The necessary details having now been furnished, the estimate is passed for Rupees 1,54,255 as proposed, viz:—

	RS.
Control	50,555
Land	1,03,700
Total ..	1,54,255

28. The distribution of the Public Works grant under the foregoing orders will stand as follows:—

	ORIGINAL WORKS.			Repairs.	Total.
	Major.	Minor.	Total.		
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Military	7,17,000	1,50,000	8,67,000	1,33,000	10,00,000
Civil Buildings	2,20,926	1,29,000	3,49,926	1,32,471	4,82,397
Agricultural	4,12,922	2,15,000	6,27,922	9,63,454	15,91,376
Communications	5,54,036	1,40,000	6,94,036	11,44,330	18,38,966
Miscellaneous Public Improvements	14,950	50,000	64,950	26,745	91,695
	19,20,434	6,84,000	26,04,434	24,00,000	50,04,434
Establishment					17,87,494
Tools and Plant					1,50,000
Total Public Works proper					69,41,928
Add Irrigation and Canal Company					58,072
					70,00,000
Railway Estimate as passed above					1,54,255
Grand Total Imperial Estimate ..					71,54,255
Local Funds to be disbursed by Public Works Officers:—					
				RS.	
Civil Buildings (Educational Department)				75,746	
Other services not detailed, vide paragraph 10 of transmitting letter				3,69,360	
Establishment				40,556	
					4,85,662
Grand Total					76,39,917

29. The Local Fund outlay to be supervised by Public Works Officers should have been detailed under the prescribed service heads in Parts II. and III. of the estimate, as required by the pattern form.

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REVENUE.

* To be realized in Public Works Department.

Tolls, &c.	51,300
Rents of Buildings	200
Sales of produce, &c.	500
Do. of Buildings and Tools and Plant.	50,000

1,02,000

To be realized in Civil Department.

Canal collections	77,215
Fines, Recoveries, and Refunds	9,350
Sales of Buildings and old materials	15,194
Rents of Buildings	179

1,01,968

Total... 2,03,968

30. The Public Works receipts for the year 1866-67, are estimated at Rupees 2,03,968,* against Rupees 2,95,634 for 1865-66. The decrease occurs under the following heads, viz.:—

Tolls, Dues, Fees, Fines, and Refunds	40,679
Sales of Buildings and Tools and Plant	51,637

The cause of the falling off under Tolls, &c., should be enquired into and reported to the Government of India in this Department.

31. Paragraphs 11, 12, and 13 of the transmitting letter† will be replied to separately.

† No. 406, dated 1st February 1866.

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

FORT WILLIAM,
23rd March 1866.

No. 726. Minute by the Right Honorable the President.
(Here enter No. —, dated 22nd April 1866.)

No. 727. ORDER THEREON, 30th April 1866, No. 1,375.

ACCOUNT, No. 102.

1. Resolved that the detailed orders of the Government of India on the Imperial Public Works Budget for 1866-67, received with the letter above recorded, be communicated to the Officers concerned for information and guidance with the following remarks.

2. Paragraphs 3, 13, and 19. The additional grant of Rupees 1,00,000 which has been assigned to this Presidency for new works of irrigation, and the sum of Rupees 10,800 which has been transferred to that class of works from the original Budget allotment for establishments will be appropriated, on the receipt of the approval of the Government of India, to the project* for the storage of water

in the Sholavaram and Red Hill tanks with a view of increasing the capacity of those reservoirs for irrigation, as well as of providing the city of Madras with its garrison and public establishments with an abundant and wholesome supply of water.

3. Paragraphs 5 and 6. The Superintending Engineers concerned will be careful to see that these orders are strictly attended to.

4. Paragraph 7. Plans and estimates for some of the works connected with the "Race Course Barracks" at Bangalore have been received and approved by Government. On those for the remainder being sanctioned, Colonel Foord will

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submit a clear statement of all the works which make up the entire project, and he will quote the orders of Government in which they have been severally sanctioned. A copy of this statement and the plans and estimates for the various buildings will then be forwarded to the Government of India.

5. Paragraph 8. The estimate for the proposed Military prison at Wellington is now under consideration in the Military Department.

† Rupees 2,510.

6. Paragraph 9. The cost† of putting up wooden stands in the Stationery Depot, Fort Saint George, will be charged against the Reserve of 1866-67, under the head "Civil Buildings." The Superintending Engineer of the 4th Division will apply for the requisite funds after the 1st May, and he will report, in due course, to what other Budget work* he proposes to appropriate the grant of

* Military.

Rupees 2,510 which is available for transfer, under these orders, from Part II. of the Budget under "Military."

7. Paragraph 10 will be communicated to the Educational Department. The plans and estimates for the Lawrence Asylum buildings are still under reference to Mr. Chisholm.

8. Paragraph 11. The plans and estimates for the Central Jails at Coimbatore and Rajahmundry are under revision to fit them for the accommodation, on the present standard of space, of 1,000 men each, instead of the smaller number which, according to the original designs, they could be made to hold.

9. The Government of India will be informed that there has been no actual increase in the sanctioned establishments of the Secretariat, the two Clerks referred to having been transferred, with the correspondence of the Railway Branch, from the Departments under the Chief Secretary to the Public Works Department. The Controller of Public Works Accounts is authorized to pass the pay abstracts of this Office, as heretofore, in anticipation of the sanction of the Government of India.

10. The item "Public Works Store purchase," Rupees 30,000, which is referred to in paragraph 25, represents charges to be incurred by the Public Works Store Department at the Presidency on account of landing, shipping, setting up and repairing machinery, &c., and in the purchase of articles which may be required during the year. The Government of India will be informed accordingly; but the Officer in charge of the Store Department will endeavour, in the preparation of

Purchase.
Repairs.
Carriage, &c.

future annual estimates, to enter the charges to be incurred by him in the proper place, and under the heads noted in the margin.

11. Adverting to paragraph 26, the Government of India will be furnished with a copy of the Proceedings in the Revenue Department, No. 371, dated 12th February 1866, permitting the continuance of the employment of the Special Deputy Collector in Karnool until further orders, and their attention will be drawn to the Proceedings of the Government of India, in the Financial Department, No. 843, dated 19th February 1866, sanctioning the entertainment, under that Officer, of a Surveyor on Rupees 120 per month for a period of two years.

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The Government note that, of the total sum of Rupees 11,290 which is provided for the establishments to be employed in making over land to the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company, Rupees 10,130 appertain to the Kurnool District, the balance being distributed between Cuddapah and Nellore in the proportions marginally noted. Should any portion of these establishments be found to be unnecessary during the year, arrangements should be made for reducing the expenditure to actual requirements.

Cuddapah...	...	Rupees 640
Nellore ..	...	" 520

Cuddapah and Nellore in the proportions marginally noted. Should any

12. Paragraph 30. The Controller of Public Works Accounts will explain the cause of the falling off in revenue under the head "Tolls, &c."

13. The distribution of the total imperial allotment for Public Works in this Presidency is given at paragraph 28 of the orders above recorded.

Ordered that the following letter be sent:—

(Here enter No. 1,376, dated 30th April 1866.)

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,

Secretary to Government.

- To the Superintending Engineers.
- „ Controller of Public Works Accounts.
 - „ Accountant General.
 - „ Public, &c., Departments.
 - „ Revenue Department.
 - „ Military Department.
 - „ Inspector General of Police.
 - „ Store Department.
 - „ Special Executive Engineers.
 - „ Consulting Engineer for Railways.
 - „ Do. for Irrigation and Canal Company.
 - „ Board of Revenue.
 - „ General Superintendent Public Works Stores and Workshops.
 - „ Director of Public Instruction.

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