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No. 90. Read the following Circular from the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Revenue—Forests,) dated Simla, 5th July 1866, No. 6:—

Date of submission of Budget Estimates, and reduction of those for 1866-67, *consequent on the change in the Official year.*

Read again—

Public Works Department Circular, No. 13 F of 1864, transmitting copy of Financial Department Resolution, No. 2,331, dated 15th September, laying down rules for the preparation and submission of Budget Estimates in the Forest Department.

Public Works Department Docket, No. 405 F, dated 7th August 1865, forwarding Financial Department Resolution, No. 1,693, dated 3rd idem, intimating, with reference to an application made by the Madras Government, that, if the Budget Estimate of that Presidency is received by the 20th December, all requirements would be met.

Public Works Department letter to Government of Punjab, No. 556 F, dated 22nd November 1865, postponing the date of submission of the Budget Estimate of that Province to 15th December.

Read also—

Financial Department Extract Proceedings, No. 270, dated 1st May 1866, changing the financial year by antedating it by one month.

Circular from Comptroller General of Accounts, No. 33, dated 15th June 1866, requesting that a deduction may be made from the Forest Budget Estimates for 1866-67 on account of fluctuating charges for the month of April 1867.

Resolution.—It has been resolved by the Government of India that the official year shall terminate on the 31st March, instead of on the 30th April. It becomes necessary, therefore, to consider what changes are called for in the date of the submission of the Forest Budget Estimates to the Public Works Department, and in the amounts of the estimates of expenditure and receipts as passed for the current year, in consequence of its being curtailed of one month.

2. Under present orders, the Forest Budget Estimates should reach the Government of India, in the Public Works Department, by the 15th November.

Exceptions have, however, been made in favor of Madras and the Punjab, those Governments having represented the inconvenience of that date to Forest Officers, and the submission of their Budget Estimates having been permitted to be deferred till the 20th and 15th December respectively.

3. There appears to the Governor General in Council to be no need for altering the general date, as at present fixed, on which the Forest Budget Estimates should be submitted to this Department; but as it is now ordered that they should reach the Financial Department by the 31st December, it is essential that the Governments of Madras and the Punjab should conform to the originally prescribed date, *viz.*, the 15th November, and the Governor General in Council, therefore, desires that those Governments will so arrange that their Forest Estimates shall reach the Public Works Department by that date.

4. Regarding the grants for annual expenditure, there is no doubt that April is generally a busy month in the Forest Department, in which more than the average expenditure takes place. This is more true in certain Provinces than in others; but the Governor General in Council considers that it will be sufficient if the expenditure for 1866-67 be restricted to $\frac{1}{11}$ths of the establishment charges, and to $\frac{1}{10}$ths of the working. The estimated receipts for the year, in like manner, should suffer reduction of $\frac{1}{10}$th of the total amount.

5. The accompanying Statement exhibits the result of the restriction now placed on expenditure in the Forest Department from Imperial Funds during 1866-67.

ORDER.—Ordered, that copy of this Resolution be forwarded to Local Governments and Administrations for information and guidance.

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

Ordered, moreover, that copy be forwarded to the Comptroller General of Accounts, with reference to his Circular, No. 33, dated 15th June 1866.

(Signed) C. H. DICKENS, Lieut.-Colonel, R. A.,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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No. 91. ORDER THEREON, 4th August 1866, No. 1,956.

Forests, No. 3.

Communicated to the Conservator of Forests and Board of Revenue.

True Extract.)

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

To the Officiating Conservator of Forests.
,, the Board of Revenue.

Exd. T.Cartledge.

Abstract of the modified Budget Estimates of the Forest Department throughout India for 1866-67.

Governments and Administrations.	Sanctioned charges for 1866-67.			Modified charges for 1866-67.			Receipts.		Surplus.	
	Working. (*a*)	Establishment. (*b*)	Total.	Working. (9-10*ths a*)	Establishment. (11-12*ths b*)	Total.	As per Budget Orders. (*c*)	As now modified. (11-12*ths c*)	As per Budget Orders.	As now modified.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Government of India	...	31,460	31,460	...	28,838	28,838	...	...	31,460	28,838
Madras	1,77,000	1,31,500	3,08,500	1,59,300	1,20,542	2,79,842	4,00,000	3,66,667	91,500	86,825
Bombay and Sindh	6,19,709	2,22,207	8,41,916	5,57,738	2,03,690	7,61,428	14,45,125	13,24,973	6,03,509	5,63,515
Bengal	4,35,897	18,948	4,54,845	3,92,307	17,369	4,09,676	5,14,845	4,71,941	60,000	62,265
North-Western Provinces	3,35,831	1,07,049	4,42,883	3,02,251	98,128	4,00,379	6,88,775	6,31,377	2,45,892	2,30,998
Punjab	1,79,260	1,02,237	2,81,497	1,61,334	93,717	2,55,051	2,71,570	2,48,939	9,927	6,112
Straits	720	...	720	648	...	648	3,184	2,919	2,464	2,271
Oudh...	59,300	21,336	80,636	53,370	19,558	72,928	1,04,600	95,883	23,964	22,955
British Burmah	2,22,100	1,15,694	3,37,794	1,99,890	1,06,053	3,05,943	8,21,700	7,53,225	4,83,906	4,47,282
Central Provinces	99,700	89,934	1,89,634	89,730	82,439	1,72,169	2,09,127	1,91,700	19,493	19,531
Hyderabad	3,500	11,712	15,212	3,150	10,736	13,886	15,212	13,944	...	58
Coorg...	10,100	9,313	19,413	9,090	8,537	17,627	73,500	67,375	54,087	49,748
Central India	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rajpootana	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total British...	21,43,120	8,61,390	30,04,510	19,28,808	7,89,607	27,18,415	45,47,938	41,68,943	15,43,428	14,50,528
Mysore	78,050	68,886	1,46,936	70,245	63,145	1,33,390	3,93,348	3,60,569	2,46,412	2,27,179

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