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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
13th September 1866.

No. 299. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 24th August 1866.

Read the following letter from the Officiating Collector of Tanjore, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Vellum, Tanjore Talook, 18th August 1866, No. 208:—

1. In paragraph 12 of my Report on the operations of the Local Funds in this District, dated 3rd July 1866, No. 169, I represented that I was in communication with the Superintending Engineer with a view of making proposals to lay out, during the current year, the large balance carried forward from the previous year under the District Road Fund. As stated in my former letter, the actual balance on 30th April 1866 was Rupees 38,865, to which must be added the sum of Rupees 11,192, being the unexpended portion of the amount transferred to the credit of Public Works Department in 1865-66, and which has to be re-credited to the Fund in question on receipt of instructions from the Accountant General. The total thus formed, viz., Rupees 50,057, with the estimated receipts of the current year as now revised, amounting to Rupees 35,650, makes up an aggregate of Rupees 85,707. From this should be deducted the sum of Rupees 33,828 already provided in the current year's Budget, thus reducing the available assets to Rupees 51,879.

2. It is for laying out this sum that I have now the honor to submit a supplemental Budget in the prescribed forms, and to request that the Board will be pleased to obtain the sanction of Government for the same.

3. The several works in Parts I. and II. have been entered in communication with, and with the approval of, the Superintending Engineer of the 6th Division. In Part I. the following three items alone require special notice. First, with regard to No. 1 Railway feeder from Sengipatti to Budalore. I beg to observe that Government in their Order No. 1,316, of the 26th April 1866, enquired if funds could be provided for this work from the Local Funds, and in my reply* to the Board's Proceedings thereon, I have stated that Captain Oakes and I had already agreed that Rupees 12,000 should be laid out in the current year for the feeder in question. I have also entered the feeder from Kordacherri to Road No. 23, from Munnargudi to Tiruvalur, as the Superintending Engineer considers its construction very desirable. The estimates of for boththese feeders have already been approved by Government in their Orders noted in the margin. As there are no assets available from the Imperial Funds for these feeders, which are Imperial lines, this outlay from the Local Fund is proposed, with the request, however, that the amount actually spent should be re-imbursed to the latter Fund in subsequent years.

* Embodied in Board's Proceedings, dated 7th instant, No. 5,453. The amount herein given is Rupees 1,200, which is a clerical error. It must be Rupees 12,000.

From Budalore to Sengipatti, amount of estimate Rupees 14,200, in G. O. No. 3,116, of 31st October 1864.
From Kordacherri to Road No. 23, amount of estimate Rupees 12,100, in G. O. No. 3,516, of 12th December 1864.

4. I found this system of borrowing from Local Funds for Imperial work extant in Tanjore, and not wishing to disoblige the Engineer's Department, I have acceded to the arrangement in these instances. But I deprecate the system most heartily; it destroys the main object and main element of the Local Funds, and

is in point of fact anticipating and forestalling Imperial sanction for works which may perhaps never find a place in the authorized Imperial Budget.

5. The estimate for the cross-road from Pulienchari in Road No. 2 to the Coleroon, viâ, Tiruperambiyam, had to be revised after it was sanctioned by Government, in the Order No. 3,023, dated 14th December 1865. The original estimate did not provide for bridging the Manniyar river which intersects the road, and as without the bridge the road was practically of little use, the people interested offered to bear a moiety of any additional cost, and further undertook to execute the work at a reduced rate. The original estimate was, therefore, considerably reduced, and provision made for the bridge in question, thus raising the amount of the estimate to Rupees 5,700.

6. I take this opportunity of replying to the Board's Proceedings, dated 11th April 1866, No. 2,471. The Superintending Engineer informed me that Rupees 208, or 5 per cent. of the estimated expenditure by his Department, viz., Rupees 4,160, would be sufficient to cover the cost of petty establishment, and I have accordingly included this sum in the present Budget.

7. The total sum that will have to be placed at the credit of Public Works Department by the Accountant General for expenditure during the current year is Rupees 4,784, as shewn below. The remaining works will be carried out by the Revenue authorities:—

	Rs.
Works to be undertaken by Department Public Works as finally revised in the present Budget	4,160
Public Works supervision at ten per cent. on the estimated expenditure	416
Petty extra establishment at five per cent. on do. do.	208
	4,784

8. I beg, in conclusion, particularly to request that the Board will be pleased to obtain speedy sanction of Government to the supplemental Budget now submitted, as the current official year closes one month earlier than formerly.

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1. Submitted for the sanction of Goverument.

2. With reference to Mr. Banbury's remarks at paragraphs 3 and 4, the Board observe that the Supreme Government have expressed the opinion that Railway feeders are legitimate objects for the expenditure of Local Funds.

No. 300. ORDER THEREON, 13th September 1866, No. 2,450.

Local Funds, No. 9.
Account.

1. The supplemental Budget, submitted with these Proceedings, is sanctioned.

2. As stated by the Board, the cost of Railway feeders must be met from Local Funds, but when necessary, grants-in-aid may be made from Imperial Funds.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Public Works Department.
,, the Accountant General.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Dated 24 August 1866.
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Submitting for the
Sanction of Govt Supple
mental Budget of the
Local Funds of the
Tanjore Dt for the
Current Year.

No 2450. 13th Sept

With an order