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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 3rd November 1866.

Read the following papers :—

No. 74. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd October 1866.

Read letter from the Collector of Malabar, dated 13th August 1866, No. 241.

1. The Board observe, from the foregoing letter, that sufficient funds are available for the execution of the works entered in the supplemental Budget already sanctioned by Government. The Collector also states that there will be no difficulty in meeting the proposed charge of Rupees 3,700 for repairing Elatur bridge, but before recommending this charge, he should ascertain whether the Superintending Engineer has submitted the Plan and Estimate, and obtained the sanction of Government for the remaining moiety of the cost from Imperial Funds. The annual rent of the toll at the Elatur bridge is stated to be Rupees 2,200.

2. It appears from the Collector's letter that he included in the assets of the District Road Fund the balance of Rupees 15,020, standing at credit of the Jungle Conservancy Fund, and he requests sanction for incorporating this amount with the District Road Fund in his account, as needless confusion is occasioned by keeping it separate. The Board are of opinion that in the Districts of South Canara and Malabar, where all the forests are in charge of the special department, and where the receipts usually appertaining to the village Jungle Conservancy Fund are few and exceptional, while the circumstances of the districts render the maintenance of such a separate planting fund superfluous, there is no necessity or good end to be attained by maintaining any such separate head in the Local Fund books. The Board therefore request the sanction of Government for its amalgamation with the District Road Fund, on the understanding that the road avenues are to be maintained from that Fund. The same rule should apply to Ganjam and Vizagapatam.

No. 75. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 24th October 1866.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Malabar, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Vytry, Wynad, 16th October 1866, No. 293.

25th June 1866, No. 196.
6th July ,, ,, 211.
13th Aug. ,, ,, 241.

With reference to my letters marginally noted, I must solicit the immediate orders of the Board regarding the allotment of Rupees 3,700, from the District Road Fund for the Elatur bridge, as it is reported to be in a dangerous condition. The matter is one admitting of no further delay.

Ordered that the foregoing letter be submitted to Government, in continuation of Board's Proceedings of 22nd October 1866.

No. 76. ORDER THEREON, 3rd November 1866, No. 2,986.

Local Funds, No. 2.
Account.

1. The Government sanction the allotment of Rupees 3,700 from the District Road Fund for repairing the Elatur bridge, but as remarked by the Board, the Plan and Estimate for this work must receive the approval of Government in due course.

2. The Government sanction the incorporation of the balance of the Jungle Conservancy Fund in Malabar, amounting to Rupees 15,020, with the District Road

Fund, but they cannot authorize any exception from the rule requiring a separate account for the former Fund, in the case of the Districts alluded to by the Board. The Government have already ordered that all proceeds from avenue trees should be credited to the District Road Fund. All other sources of income, properly appertaining to the Jungle Conservancy Fund, should be credited to that account, and in the event of a surplus not required for the legitimate purposes of that Fund accruing, and it being deemed expedient to spend it wholly or partially on local roads, the Board will apply for sanction to transfer the available balance to the District Road Fund account, as is now done, in the case of the surplus under "Pound Fund."

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

CALICUT, 21st June 1866.

No. 190.

From G. A. BALLARD, Esq.,
Collector of MALABAR,

To R. A. DALYELL, Esq.,
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

1. I have the honor to submit my Report on the Administration of the several Local Funds of this District for the official year 1865-66.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Ferry rents	63,800	6	9
Sale of Avenue clippings	5,972	3	10
Fees on the Ponani Groyne	912	1	2
Ten per cent. of the net sale proceeds of escheat lands allowed by Government to this Fund	29,226	2	9
Private contributions to certain District roads and bridges	785	5	4
Sundry items	537	2	4
Total...	1,01,233	6	2

2. The collections on account of this Fund during the year aggregate Rupees 1,01,233-6-2, and consist of the items noted in the margin.

3. The demand on account of the ferry rents* for the year was Rupees 63,076, being Rupees 7,346 less than that of the previous year. There was a decrease of Rupees 1,130 in the re-sale of the Cochin ferry, which the former renter relinquished on account of the heaviness of the rent, against an increase of Rupees 307 in the rents of the Wynaad ferries which were sold in the year under notice, the term of their former leases having expired. But otherwise the decrease is rather apparent than real, being due to the demand of 1864-65, comprising the last two kists of the previous years' leases under the re-arrangement of the kists which was then made.

* Inclusive of fees in the Pyolle lock.

4. Inclusive of the arrears outstanding at the beginning of the year, viz., Rupees 6,526, the demand was Rupees 69,602. The collections of the year amounted to Rupees 63,684,† leaving a balance at its close of Rupees 5,918. This comprises Rupees 2,448-5-11, the loss by the re-sale of the farm of the Irriti bridge, for writing off which sanction was applied for in paragraph 4 of my last year's report, but was not accorded through an oversight in paragraph 28 of the Board's general report, and Rupees 462 erroneously included twice in the demand of the last year, on account of the ferry rents of the Kurumbranad Taluk. I now beg to request sanction for writing off both these sums in my accounts. The remaining balance of Rupees 3,008-2-8 to be carried forward to the accounts of the next year appertains entirely to the year under report.

† To which a sum of Rupees 116 must be added on account of interest, fines, &c., making up the sum of Rupees 63,800-6-9 mentioned in paragraph 1.

5. Of the other items of fluctuation noticeable, the increase in the ten per cent. on the sale proceeds of escheats, and the sale proceeds of avenue clippings is owing to these items having been brought‡ to account under this head during a portion only of the previous year. The decrease in the fees collected at the Ponani Groynes results simply from dulness in the trade of this port during the season under notice.

	1864-65.	1865-66.
‡ Ten per cent. on Escheats	11,887	29,226
Avenue Clippings	1,970	5,972
Fees at Ponani Groynes	1,161	912

Ten per cent. on Escheat from January 1865.
Avenue Clippings from May to August 1864.

6. The private contributions were chiefly made for the two works marginally noted by the inhabitants of the Kottiem Taluk in the Sub-division, for whose benefit the works were intended.

Rupees 381-11-1 for re-building Ponani Pallam on cross road No. 19. Rupees 383-10-3 for repairing the cross road from Kotiem to Imperial road No. 4 leading to Cannanore. Besides, 20 Rupees for certain bridges in the Ponani Taluk.

7. The balance at the credit of the Fund at the commencement of the year was Rupees 52,989-14-9,* which added to the receipts, Rupees 1,01,233-6-2, gives a total of Rupees 1,54,223-4-11, available for expenditure during the year.

* Inclusive of Rupees 2,988-13-1, unadjusted balance of previous year.

8. The amount expended was Rupees 1,05,561-10-9, leaving a balance of Rupees 48,661-10-2† to be carried forward to the next year. This balance, however, must be further reduced by the ten per cent. for general supervision of the Public Works Department, which was sanctioned at Rupees 6,225 in the Budget orders of Government, but which may require alteration with reference to the larger expenditure incurred upon Supplementary Budgets. These amounts, as well as any recoveries from the expenditure shown in the Engineer's Progress Reports, and embodied in the present report, can only be adjusted hereafter upon the annual account current which may be furnished to the Board by the Controller of the Public Works Accounts.

† Inclusive of last year's unadjusted balance of Rupees 2,988-13-1, and this year's unexpended balance with Revenue officers of Rupees 1,584-3-1.

	1864-65.	1865-66.
Establishment under Collector ...	690	528 13 0
Ferry charges	1,975	2,730 6 8
Sundry items...	773	1,192 1 2
Miscellaneous public improvements...	...	1,551 0 0
Roads and Communications... ...	70,024	99,559 5 11
	...	1,05,561 10 9

9. I shall now proceed to offer a few remarks upon the several items of expenditure which are given in the margin in comparison with those of the previous year.

Establishment.

10. The establishment kept in the Collector's Department consists only of a Writer on a monthly salary of Rupees 45 and his travelling allowances and contingencies.

Ferry Charges.

11. Under the system of renting out the Ferries, there is generally no charge incurred under this head, except occasional repairs to the rafts, of which there were none, the half of the ferry rent of the Mahe river payable to the French Government, which amounted to Rupees 1,555, and the pay of boatmen (Rupees 40-13-0) employed during the rainy months at certain ferries in Wynad not rented. But in this year a further charge of Rupees 1,134-3-8 had to be incurred on account of compensation to the renter of the Koodakadavu bridge on the high road to Cannanore. The bridge broke down and the cost of maintaining boats had to be defrayed by Government.

Sundry Items.

12. Of the expenditure shown under this head, Rupees 1,078-8-6 are due to a mere adjustment of accounts. The remainder was incurred for the rent and repairs of the Pudiengadi Jail where convicts are kept for the repair of roads in the neighbourhood (Rupees 91-3-0), for the rent of the Soldiers' play ground (Rupees 17-11-8), and a few other minor items.

13. The remaining expenditure was all incurred directly upon works of public improvement.

Miscellaneous Public Improvements.

14. Under the head of Miscellaneous Public Improvements a sum of Rupees 1,551 was most usefully spent, Rupees 101 in connection with the improvement of the bandy stands at Gudalur, Tellicherry, and Tambercherry, and the remaining Rupees 1,450 in planting avenue trees along certain main and cross roads in all the Taluks of the District. Much of this useful work, which has been vigorously and systematically pressed forward since the latter part of the year 1864-65, is done by the Ryots; but grants-in-aid have been made to the several Tahsildar The number of avenue trees planted in the several Taluks up to the end of the year, nominally deducting failures, is given below :—

Taluks.	Cocoanut.	Mango.	Jack.	Other kinds.	Total.
Chirakal	332	2,006	593	610	3,541
Kottiyam...	...	207	590	...	797
Kurambranad	...	326	678	30	1,034
Calicut	63	5,952	5,474	2,477	13,966
Ernad	No return has been as yet received from the Taluk.				
Ponani	...	4,299	815	1,227	6,341
Wallavanad..	...	3,666	10,750	...	14,416
Palghat...	Details not given... ...		...	...	8,976

But I fear the failures are much more numerous than have been allowed for; nevertheless, a great deal has been done and the trees in due time will add materially to the comfort of travellers and the wealth of the District. The work will be pressed on this monsoon, and I cannot but mention the especial success that has attended the very praiseworthy exertions of Ramuni Marar, Tahsildar of Ernad, with respect to avenue planting in his Taluk.

Roads and Communications.

15. The rest of the expenditure was upon Roads and Communications. The individual works undertaken in the year are detailed in Statement No. 2, accompanying the report.

16. The works undertaken by the Revenue Department were few and were all completed, with the exception of the five wooden bridges on the road from Manantoddy to Panamarum in Wynad, which, having been sanctioned late in the year, were not commenced before its termination.

The whole expenditure incurred was Rupees 3,882-13-9.

17. The Budget sanctions for the works undertaken by the Public Works Department amounted to upwards of Rupees 1,10,000. The actual expenditure to Rupees 95,676-8-2. The difference is in part attributable to a large provision having been made in the Budget for certain works then in progress than turned out to be necessary, but principally to the Department Public Works having its hands more than full. I notice some of the principal works.

Taliparamba to Baliampatam, District Road No. 7.

Rupees 5,462 has been expended on this road. A considerable amount of earth-work, cutting, and occasional metalling has been done and seventeen culverts constructed. I am not sure if the road is open throughout for carts The work done has not come up to what was hoped and expected would be done.

District Road No. 9.

Cherakal via Veluth Trukur Perumparamba, and Keparamba to the Coorg boundary.
Expenditure in 1865-66, Rupees 1,827.

The most important section of this road is that to be opened from the important town of Trukur to the trunk road No. 4. The country is difficult, and a trace has been slowly opened. Captain Bailey informs me it will require some alteration. An estimate will be submitted for the completion of the work in due course. It will be expensive.

District Road No. 24.

Quilandi via Ulleri to Tamberacheri.

Quilandi to Backwater (completed.)
Expenditure in 1865-66, Rupees 1,453.

Backwater to Tambersacheri.
Expenditure in 1865-66, Rupees 9,315.

Very satisfactory progress has been made on this important line. The section from Quilandi to the backwater is now completely opened with masonry culverts throughout. A great deal of work has been done onwards for some ten or twelve miles, and I hope the line may be completed to Tamberacheri at the foot of the Ghat

to Wynad in the course of the year now current. This opens a country to cart traffic that has hitherto been entirely without it.

District Road No. 34.

Tamberacheri to Ariakod.
Expenditure in 1865-66, Rupees 4,141.

On this line also excellent work has been done. A fine trace has been taken through difficult country, and opened to a width of fourteen feet, and several culverts have been built. Two heavy bridges will have to be built ere the road is satisfactorily complete; but with the tunnelling and earthwork that will be done this season the road will be passable for carts, and some eighteen miles be opened to wheel traffic, mostly through Amshoms where wheels have been hitherto absolutely unknown.

Manjeri to Edawana.
Expenditure in 1865-66, Rupees 4,291.

A fine road has been opened, tunnelled throughout, which wants but completion of a bridge (in course of construction) near Edawana to render it open for carts. Edawana is on the great Karkur road from Mysore and the Wynad to Calicut, and the section now mentioned will be an important communication from that line into the heart of the Ernad Taluk.

The road has now been classed as an Imperial Road.

District Road No. 35.

Manjeri to Mangoth at 22nd mile on Mallapurom to Calicut.
Expenditure in 1865-66, Rupees 5,399.

A very important section of road constructed on a good trace, and complete throughout. Cart traffic rapidly springing up upon it.

District Road No. 56.

Palghat via Pudunagaram to Kolungod.
Expenditure in 1865-66, Rupees 7,937.

A very important road; the section to Pudunagarom, an important town, put in good order.

District Road No. 57.

Palghat via Allatur and Vadakancheri to Vaniyampara.

District Road No 66.

Tirtala via Kutnad to Chowghat.
Expenditure in 1865-66, Rupees 6,977.

Also a most important road, carries a heavy cart traffic.

A section of this road passes through the Cochin State, and the line puts Chowghat and several important places in communication with Pattambi Railway station. A great deal of good work has been done on the road.

Besides the above a number of the District lines are undergoing a course of gradual repairs which almost amount to re-construction.

In an undulating country traversed by deep streams, and liable to extraordinary floods, lik Malabar, it is essential that traces should be most carefully and judiciously selected; yet this consideration does not seem to have been sufficiently kept in view. The roads I have noted have been, or are being now, constructed or repaired on traces adapted throughout for cart traffic, and the results are already visible from the marked increase in the number of carts about the district in the last year or two, an increase which must strike the most casual observer.

Expenditure in 1865-66, Rupees 2,170.

Do. do. Rupees 1,518, for Kadannath District Road No. 25.

Do. do. Rupees 1,229 Tiruvet Kakotri District Road No. 30.

The Anakayom bridge has been again completed, and in a manner that promises to secure it against a recurrence of the accident it met with in 1863. Several other smaller but very useful bridges have also been completed in the year. We still wantexceedingly a number more.

Expenditure in 1865-66, Rupees 6,471.

Do. do. Rupees 7,285.
Do do. Rupees 1,400.

The Tuta bridge, a very large and important work, has been far advanced, and will be very soon open to traffic.

I must not omit to mention the deepening of the Canal from Tanur to Kuttai, and of the section from Ponam to Chowghat.

On the whole I consider the progress of Local Fund works in 1865-66 in the Calicut and Palghaut ranges to have been highly satisfactory.

There are some important works on hand, which will require considerable sums to complete, and there are many waiting to be taken up when the most pressing of those in progress are completed or sufficiently advanced to admit of other expenditure.

Jungle Conservancy.

19. There have been no transactions under this head. The balance shown at the credit of this Fund was the proceeds of avenue trees temporarily credited to this head between August 1864 and May 1865, under the orders of the Board of Revenue of the 3rd August 1864. Sanction will be again asked for transferring the amount to its proper head of District Road Fund.

Pound Fund.

20. The receipts from this source were Rupees 2,626-2-3, which added to the balance Rupees 1,095-8-3, gives Rupees 3,721-10-6. Rupees 1,122-14-4 were expended in the pay of Pound establishment, and Rupees 450-3-1 in the repairs of the Pounds, leaving a balance to be carried forward of Rupees 2,148-9-1. I request sanction for transferring Rupees 2,000 out of this balance to the credit of the Road Fund.

Public Bungalow Fund.

The list of Public Bungalows directed to be forwarded with this Report, in Board's Miscellaneous Circular, dated 20th July 1865, No. LXXXVI, is not yet complete, as several returns are still due from the Taluks. It will be sent when ready.

21. The balance in favor of this Fund at the beginning of the year was Rupees 1,296-2-0. The receipts from fees, inclusive of the rent of the Calicut Bungalow leased out for a Hotel, were Rupees 2,033-2-1; from grant-in-aid from Government, Rupees 2,050; and from the sale of furniture, Rupees 28-12-0, aggregating (with the balance) Rupees 5,048-0-1. The expenditure for the Bungalow establishment incurred during the year was Rupees 1,869-3-9, but this does not include one month's pay which was in arrear at the close of the year under review, and will have to be defrayed in the year now current, and for the purchase and repair of furniture Rupees 170-6-3. The balance left at the credit of the Fund at the end of the year would have been Rupees 3,368-6-1. But out of this sum Rupees 3,012 had to be advanced for emergent Monsoon repairs, for most of the Bungalows for which no adequate provision was made in the Imperial Budget. Regarding the reimbursement of this advance to the Fund, I have addressed the Board in my letter of the 15th May 1866, No. 149.

22. Excluding the Calicut Bungalow leased out for a Hotel, there are eight first class Bungalows and twenty-three second class Bungalows at which establishments are maintained, a maty on Rupees 6 and a sweeper on Rupees 4 at the former, and a sweeper only at the latter, their pay being raised to Rupees 8 and 6 respectively for the Bungalows in Wynad, where wages are high. The annual cost of this establishment, Rupees 2,232, at Rupees 186 per month, has been very nearly reached by the fees and collections in the year, and it is expected that within the next year or two these institutions may become self-supporting so far as the cost of establishment and furniture is concerned. But the cost of keeping the buildings in repair must continue to be borne as a charge upon the Imperial Revenues, for a long time to come. The latter becomes disproportionately heavy in this District owing to the heavy wear and tear during the Monsoon and the imperfect condition of the buildings which, with the exception of the eight first class and twelve second class Bungalows, are mere thatched huts. If liberal grants were allowed for a few years and masonry Bungalows built at well selected places as advocated in my letter dated 6th July 1864, a great benefit would be conferred on the district and the public, and very unsatisfactory expenditure would be saved in the end.

Lakadi.—Looked after by the Police.
Teriot — Do. do. by Department Public Works.
Bavali.—Out of repair, and not worth keeping a man at, until a Bungalow is built.
Cholakal.—Out of repair.
Manjeri.—Looked after by the Kacheri Masaljee, as it is close to the Cutcherry.
Madalagam.—Not wanted.
Gudalur.—Made over to the Civil Dispensary Apothecary.

Chuttrums.

* Rupees 7½ per month.

23. At five Bungalows where establishments have been sanctioned by Government, none are maintained at present.

Nine Bungalows have been made over to the District officers to be kept in repair at their own expense under the sanction accorded by Government, and two more have been given up.

24. The Bungalow Fund had further to bear the cost of a small Establishment* maintained at five Mosafarkanas as halting sheds for native travellers. There are eleven of these charitable buildings for which a Sweepers Establishment of Rupees 528 per annum having been sanctioned by Government under the head of grants for Native Chuttrums from 1866-67, the Bungalow fund will in future be relieved of this charge.

25. There are no other grants from Government for the support of Chuttrums or other charitable institutions of the sort, in this District. There is a great number of Ootaparas or charitable feeding houses where Brahmins and the higher castes of travellers are fed gratis. But there are private institutions maintained at the cost of the founders and no control is consequently exercised over them by Government. Accommodation for the lower castes who have not admission to the just mentioned Establishments is greatly needed, especially in the Wynad and wilder portions of the District. There is no doubt that not a few lives are lost by the want of shelter in these localities. The provision is essentially one that should be made from Imperial funds and the question will be brought forward again in connection with the preparation of the Budget for 1867-68.

Exd. J. Wright.

No. 4,293.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 24th July 1865.

Read the following letter from G. A. BALLARD, Esq., Collector of Malabar, to R. A. DALYELL, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Calicut, 18th May 1865, No. 88:—

1. Adverting to the Board's Standing Circular, No. XXVII., dated 31st March 1864, I have the honor to state that no report on the administration of "Jungle Conservancy Fund" has been submitted, as "Jungle Conservancy," in the proper acceptation of the term, does not exist in this District.

2. Under the Board's orders noted, the proceeds of avenue clippings have been credited to "Jungle Conservancy Fund" from August 1864, and the receipts, owing to the unexpectedly large returns from the sale of some old abandoned avenues, amounted up to April to Rupees 15,021. No expense was incurred on account of formation and improvement of avenues during the year 1864-65, though a good deal was done without payment in several Taluks; but advantage is being taken of the ensuing rains to carry out fresh planting on an extended scale. A sum of Rupees 700 has been advanced for this purpose, and I hope to be able to submit favorable accounts in a future report.

Standing Circular, dated 3rd August 1864, No. LVI.

3. Rupees 2,000 were entered in my Budget Estimate of Local Funds for 1865-66, under the head "Jungle Conservancy Fund" for the formation and improvement of avenues. As under the orders of Government quoted marginally, proceeds of avenue clippings are to be credited to "District Road Fund," and the charges connected with avenues defrayed from it, I request sanction for the expenditure of the above-mentioned sum from the "District Road Fund," and to transfer to it the receipts from avenue clippings in 1864-65, now standing credited to "Jungle Conservancy Fund." For the expenditure of the increased assets recommendations will be submitted in due course.

No. 481, dated 7th March, received with the Board's Mis-

The Collector will be informed that the sale of avenue clippings, already credited to Jungle Conservancy Fund in the accounts of 1864-65, need not now be transferred to the District Road Fund. The Board see no objection to the sum of Rupees 2,000 being spent from the Conservancy Fund for the formation and improvement of avenues, as already provided for in the Local Fund Budget for 1865-66.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Acting Secretary.

To G. A. Ballard, Esq., Collector of Malabar.

Exd. J. Wright.

Malabar Collector's Office
Calicut, 13th August 1866

No 241

From,
G. N. Ballard Esqr,
Collector of Malabar

To,
W. Huddleston Esqr,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

Sir,

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 31st July 1865 and the Order of Government thereon dated 22 August 1865 No 1944 upon my Supplemental Local Fund Budget for 1866/67, I have the honor to submit the following remarks.

2. The Funds available for my Supplemental Budget Consists of Sixteen 15020, the Balance under the head of Jungle Conservancy which the Government, in their review of the Local Fund Budget for 1866/67 directed should be utilized as much as possible, - Of Rs 11391 the unexpended balance on unfinished works at the close of 1865/66 which could not reasonably be foreseen at the date of submitting my Budget for 1866/67, - and of a further sum of Rs 13,000 which became available at the beginning of the year in receipt of my anticipated balances; re-building charges from increased receipts of 1865/66 and

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 24th July 1865.

No. 4,293.

Intimating that sale of avenue clippings already credited to Jungle conservancy Fund in accounts of 1864-65, need not now be transferred to District Road Fund, and stating that there is no objection to expenditure of Rupees 2,000 from conservancy Fund for formation and improvement of avenues.

and partly from some works originally intended to have been undertaken in that year having been given up. A Memo accompanies shewing how the balance at the beginning of the year 1866/67 according to Para 8 of my Local Fund Report for 1865/66, and the expected receipts during the year have been appropriated in my Original and Supplemental Budgets. This balance is sufficiently correct for the purpose, but an exact adjustment of the accounts can only be made after the receipt of the annual account Current for 1865/66 from the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

3. With reference to the remarks of the Board in Para 2 of their Proceedings I beg to explain that in my monthly and annual Local Fund Accounts rendered to the Board the actual expenditure being alone debited the unexpended portions of Budget sanctions stand at the Credit of the Fund and it is with reference to these accounts my Budget provisions are made. The Treasury accounts in which the whole amount of Budget sanctions are debited necessarily shew a smaller balance than is really available. The Memo at the foot of my monthly account of receipts and charges for April 1866 shews the extent of the difference between the two accounts which will be adjusted in communication with the Accountant General on the receipt of the annual account Current from the Controller. These differences need not occur for the future under the system of Monthly adjustment for the Local Fund expenditure in the Public Works Department recently ordered by the Government of India.

4. The Board will observe from the Memo at the foot of my April account and from Para 8 of my Local Fund Report that the sum of Rupees 1584-3-1 referred to was balanced with revenue Officers, and not with Executive Officers of the Public Works Department. Ordinarily there will be no occasion for such balances under the system ordered by the Board of charging the actual expenditure only in the months Treasury Accounts but the work having been in charge of the Deputy Collector Wynad who is not a Treasury Officer, an advance had to be made which remained unexpended at the end of the year.

5. The Board are correct in remarking that I omitted to make provision for the

10 per cent for Public Works Supervision on the amounts of the Supplemental Budgets; but it will be seen that the balance left on a more accurate calculation of the assets and expenditure is Rupees 2341, and as there is still the 10 per cent reserve on the estimated receipts of the year (Rs 10,500) available, it will not be difficult to meet the proposed expenditure on the Elatur Bridge.

6. I have not heard distinctly from the Superintending Engineer that he has provided imperial funds for the other moiety of the Elatur Bridge, but as it was his suggestion that a moiety of the estimate amount should be provided from local funds I presume he sees his way clear to the remainder. The work is of first class importance being as already stated on the great coast line 7 miles north of Calicut.

7. Under the system that has hitherto prevailed of renting out together a number of Ferries in a Taluk rather according to the conveniences of the renters than of any connection between the ferries themselves, it is not possible to give separately the proceeds of the rents of the Ferries on the coast line of Road alone. The annual rent however of

of the Elatur Bridge which has been given out separately is Rs 2,200.

8. I take this opportunity of requesting the sanction of the Board for incorporating the balance of Jungle Conservancy with the District Road Fund in my monthly accounts as needless confusion is occasioned by keeping it separate. As already explained in my letter of the 18th May 1865 No 88 this fund consists of the sale proceeds of avenue clippings during a portion of 1864/65 which have been credited to this head under the orders of the Board dated 3rd August 1864, but which item both before and subsequent to that period have been credited to District Road Fund and expended under that head upon the District Roads and the planting of avenue trees and other Miscellaneous Public improvements.

I have &c
(signed) G. A. Ballard
Collector

(True Copy)

Secretary

Lt. Col. Campbell
Offg Commissioner &c

(Enclosure in Proceedings
of the Board of Revenue & the
Secretary to Government, Revenue
Department, dated 22nd October
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Copy of a Letter from the
Collector of Malabar &
the Secretary to the Board
of Revenue dated 13th August
1866 No 241 submitting for
reference of the Proceedings
of the Board of Revenue
dated 31st July 1866, his
remarks upon his application
- Mutual Local Fund
Budget for 1866/67 -

Explanatory Memo of appropriation of Local Funds.

Particulars.	Amount	Total	Grand Total
	Rs.	Rs	Rs
Balance of District Road Fund at the end of 1865/66. as per para 8 of Local Fund Report for 1865/66	"	48662	
Deduct unadjusted balance of 1864/65 under cr reference to Superintending Engineer	2989		
Do Amount of 10 per cent for supervision of cr Public Works Department for 1865/66 which has to be settled upon the receipt of annual account cr current from Controller	9567	12556	
Balance available at the beginning of the year 1866/67.		36106	
Add expected receipts for Do	"	105000	
Balance of Jungle Conservancy Fund	"	15020	
Total available	"		156126
Particulars of appropriation.			
Original Budget of 1866/67.			
1 New Works	60770		
2 Miscellaneous Public Improvements for cr construction of Rafts	3004		
3 Repairs	29395		
4 Miscellaneous Charges	4870		
5 10 per cent supervision of P.W.D. Department Nos 1 & 3	9017 ⊕	104352	
Supplemental Budget of 1866/67-			
1 By Public Works Department	33922		
2 Do Revenue Do	1619		
3 10 per cent supervision on No 1	3392	38933	
10 per cent reserve on the Income of the year	"	10500	153785
Balance available for Elatur Bridge	"	"	2341

Malabar Collr's Office,
Calicut 13th Augt 1866.

(Signed) G. A. Ballard.
Collector.

+ To be done by Revenue Department.
⊕ This is less than the Boards Budget by Rs 30.
the 10 per cent on item No 2 which is to be done by Revr Deptt -

(True Copy)

Secretary

Revenue Department

No.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
dated 24th October 1866.

Read the following

No. 293

From,
G. A. Ballard Esqre,
Collector of Malabar

To,
W. Hudleston Esqre,
Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Sir,

With reference to my letters marginally noted, I must solicit the immediate orders of the Board regarding the allotment of Rupees 37 from the District Road Fund for the Elatu Bridge, as it is reported to be in a dangerous condition. The matter is one admitting of no further delay.

25th June 1866 No. 196
6th July — — 211
13th August — — 241

I have &c.
(signed) G. A. Ballard
Collector

Malabar Collector's Office,
On Circuit
Vythry
& Wynad 16th October 1866

Ordered that the foregoing letter be submitted to Government in continuation of Board's

Enclosure in Proceedings of the Board of Revenue & the Secretary to Govt's B.O. dated 22nd Octr 1866 No.

Rev. 3/30/66.
Sam. Thackeray 11th Nov. 66

Collectorate Memo
of application of
Local Funds.

P. S. [illegible]

Board's Proceedings of 22d October 1866 No —.

(A true Copy & Extract)

Secretary

To,

The Secretary to Government

Revenue Department

Ens. P. Allen &
Capt Ramsay &c &c

C.A. 3730/66

Rev. & Ag. Dept. 1866
Pro of G. of M. for Navs
No 3775.

Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue

Dated 24th
Desp. 24th } October 1866
Rec'd 25th

No

SC No. 2986 - 3 November

Submitting letter from
Coll.r of Madabar requesting
early orders on his application
for an allotment of Rs. 3700
from Dt. Road Fund for Cla-
-ture Bridge.

No 75.

sanction the allotment of Rs. 3700 from the District Road Fund for repairing the Elatur Bridge, but as remarked by the Board the plan and Estimate for this work must receive the approval of Govt. in due course.

2 The Govt. sanction the incorporation of the balance of the Jungle Conservancy Fund in Malabar amounting to Rs. 15020 with the District Road Fund, but they cannot authorize any exception from the rule requiring a separate account for the former fund in the case of the Districts alluded to by the Board. The Govt. have already ordered that all proceeds from Avenue trees should be credited to the District Road Fund. Absolute sources of income [illegible] properly appertaining to the Jungle Conservancy Fund should be credited to that account and a sum in the event of surplus plus not required for the current [illegible] to repair roads, [illegible] the Board will apply for sanction to transfer the available balance to the District Road Fund account as is now being done in the case of the surplus under "Pound Fund".

+ Legitimate Revenue. Rules of that Fund [illegible] it being

14 To the Board of Revenue dtd 5 Nov
21 The Board's Pl S

Revenue 1866 Depte
Pro of Govt for Nov.

No 2986.

Pro of the Madras Govt
of 3 November 66.

Allotment of
Rs 3700 from the Dt
Road Fund for the
repairs of the Elatur
Bridge in Malabar
District -

Pro. No. 224.225. D 9-8-66.
" 65-66 & 3-8-66.
" 104.105-8 6-2-66

No 74@76.