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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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No. 407. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th May 1868, No. 3,315.

Read the following letter from the Acting Collector of South Canara, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated on Circuit at Adhur, in Cassergode talook, 29th February 1868, No. 228:—

1. With reference to the Board's Proceedings, dated the 24th ultimo, No. 594, I have the honor to state that no provision has been made for tools and plant in the Budget of the current year, or that lately submitted for the ensuing year 1868-69, on account of works to be executed by the Public Works Department, their requirements in this respect not having been pointed out by the Superintending Engineer. With regard to such works as are assigned to the Revenue Department, and which consist chiefly of the most ordinary repairs to roads, &c., the cost of any tools required for carrying out the same has hitherto been debited to the very allotments for the respective roads, the unserviceable tools being sold on the completion of the works, and their sale proceeds deducted from the aggregate outlay on the road. This practice seems objectionable, and I propose, therefore, hereafter to open a separate account of "Tools and Plant."

2. The sum of Rupees 1,500,* which the Superintending Engineer now wishes to be transferred from the Local to the Imperial Funds, on account of the above head, cannot be met from the reserve of the current year, as the whole available amount has been distributed to several works of importance, as may be seen from the revised Budget, submitted for sanction with my letter† of the 5th September last, No. 157. Looking, however, to the slow progress made by the Public Works Department with their works this year, I anticipate large unexpended balances at the end of the year, out of the allotments made to that department, from which the proposed charge can, if sanctioned, be met. I beg, however, to observe, in reference to paragraph 2 of the Board's Proceedings under reply, that I do not anticipate any difficulty in finding so small a number of carts as six, to be employed on monthly hire on the road-work referred to, either in or near the villages adjoining the roads in question.

	Rs.
* New tools or stock	1,200
Repairs, &c.	300
	1,500

† Board's Procs., dated 30th October 1867, No. 7,052.

3. The requirement for tools for the ensuing year can well be met from the reserve of that year, amounting to Rupees 5,570.

Enclosure No. 1.—Estimate.

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1. The Acting Collector is referred to paragraphs 5 and 12 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 16th March 1868, No. 1,897, from which he will see that due provision has been made for "Tools and Plant" required for the District Road Fund Works to be executed by both the Revenue and Public Works Departments during 1868-69.

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16th May 1868.

2. Under the opinion expressed by the Acting Collector in the concluding part of his letter, the Board approve that of the Public Works Range Officers engaging on monthly hire such country carts as may be required for the Road Fund works, and charging the same to the cost of those works proportionately. The Board, accordingly, return to the Collector the estimate for the purchase of six bandies with bullocks, at a cost of Rupees 1,200, submitted with the Superintending Engineer's letter to the Secretary to Government, Department of Public Works, dated 15th March 1867, No. 129.

No. 408. ORDER THEREON, 16th May 1868, No. 1,380.

Miscellaneous. Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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No. 3,315.

Referring Acting Collector of South Canar to Board's Proceedings 16th March No. 139 regarding provision made for "Tools and Plant required for District Road Fund works, an returning estimate for the purchase of si bandies with bullocks, at a cost of Rupees 1200

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