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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
3rd December 1868.

No. 39. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Works Department:—

Communicating, to the Departments and Officers concerned, Circular from the Government of India fixing the Public Works Budget Grant for 1869-70. } (Here enter 25th November 1868, No. 3,692.)

No. 40. ORDER THEREON, 3rd December 1868, No. 3,027.

Miscellaneous. Communicated to the Revenue Board.

[(True Extract.)

(Signed) F. BRANDT,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, with Proceedings Public Works Department, No. 3,692.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Govt. of India.

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated December, 3rd.

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G. O., 3rd December 1868, *No.* 3,027.

DECEMBER.

Nos. 39-40.

Public Works Budget Grant for 1869-70.—Order communicating Circular from Government of India fixing the amount, communicated to Revenue Board.

6. The grant under "Ordinary" provides for all irrigation works debitable to Revenue including embankments in Bengal and British Burmah, and State outlay on guaranteed and aided irrigation works, as also for the maintenance of agricultural works generally.

7. Special care should be taken that in the preparation of the Budget Estimate for 1869-70, a fair proportion of the charges for establishment and tools and plant is provided for from the grant for Extraordinary Irrigation Works. This was not done in all cases in the Budget Estimates for the current year, and it is therefore considered desirable that the attention of the several Local Governments and Administrations concerned should be directed to this point.

Other Services.

8. The addition of 26 lakhs to the grant for other services has been made with special reference to the large expenditure involved in the construction of Jails and other Civil buildings required for the proper administration of the country, as also for the construction and maintenance of roads.

9. On a careful consideration of the wants of the several Local Governments and Administrations, the Governor General in Council has distributed the extra grant of 26 lakhs as shown in the following table, which also shows the distribution of the total grant for other services for the year 1869-70, as compared with that of the current year. It may be noted that this grant is not intended to provide for the value of Stores to be supplied from England.

	Grant for 1868-69.	Add additional grant for 1869-70.	Total for 1869-70.	
	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	
Madras	46	5	51	
Bombay	47½	2	49½	
Bengal	60½	8	68½	
N. W. Provinces	37¼	4	41¼	
Punjab	32	5	37	
Central Provinces	26	1	27	
British Burmah...	15¼	1	16¼	
Oudh	12¾	...	12¾	
Hyderabad	1½	...	1½	
Rajpootana	5	...	5	
Central India	14¼	...	14¼	
Coorg	2	...	2	
	300	26	326	

10. The grant assigned to Madras includes, on the conditions specified in Public Works Department letter No. 701C., dated 24th September 1867, a special provision of three lakhs for the line of road between Madras and Cuttack. In like manner the allotment to the Central Provinces comprises a grant, exclusive of establishment, but inclusive of that for Tools and Plant, of seven lakhs for the Upper Godavery works. These two sums must be considered inalienable allotments available only for the special purposes for which they have been given.

11. Connected with this matter is the question of funds for the construction of Post Office and Telegraph Department Works, on which point representations have been received from the heads of these Departments, to the effect that grants for such works have heretofore not been sufficiently provided for in the Public

Works Budget Estimate. To avoid similar complaints in future, the Governor General in Council desires that such of the works entered in the accompanying schedule of Telegraph works as are likely to be sanctioned during the year may be provided for in the Provincial Public Works Budget Estimates concerned, and that as regards Post Office Department Works the Post Office authorities should be consulted as to their demands for next year, and Budget provision made for them accordingly. It is to be understood that the grants made by the Government of India are conditional on a reasonable provision being made for the demands of these branches of the service.

Bombay Special Fund Works.

12. The grant assigned for this head of service, including State outlay on Railways, for 1867-68 amounts to 47 Lakhs as per margin. For next year a sum of 50 lakhs is sanctioned, which is exclusive of the value of stores to be received from England. It is left to the Government of Bombay to distribute the sum granted according to the necessities of the case, but it must be borne in mind that the amount allowed is intended to provide for State outlay on Railways debitable to the special fund. If there is likely to be no charge on this account then the whole amount of the grant may be appropriated to the construction of Public Works.

Military	16 lakhs.
Other services	24 do.
Railways	7 do.
	47 lakhs.

13. The table attached to this Resolution shows the total grant assigned to each Presidency and Province agreeing with the foregoing figures. The Budget Estimates should now be framed accordingly, the following usual conditions being observed :—

I.—That the grant assigned to each Presidency or Province for Military Works must be considered to be fixed so far that it is not available for increasing the other grants, although, if the share assigned to any Province be not required in full, it may be reduced, a corresponding reduction being made in the total of the Budget Estimate of that Province.

II.—That in like manner the grant assigned for Agricultural Works classed under the head "Extraordinary," as defined in paragraph 5 of this Resolution, is not to be diverted from that purpose, but there is no objection to its being increased, if thought proper, from the amount allotted for "Ordinary Agricultural Works."

III.—That the grant assigned for "Ordinary Agricultural Works," as defined in paragraph 6 of this Resolution, is only available for the specific objects for which it has been given, and for "Extraordinary Agricultural Works."

IV.—That the sum assigned for other services will be allotted by each Local Government and Administration according to the requirements under each head, to Civil Buildings, Communications, Miscellaneous Public Improvements, Repairs to Works (not Military and Agricultural), State outlay on Railways not guaranteed, Tools and Plant and Establishment, excepting that portion chargeable under the heading Extraordinary Agricultural Works.

V. That the grant assigned to Bombay for Special Fund Works is only available for works properly debitable to that Fund.

VI. The Budget Estimate should be prepared to represent expenditure on Public Works in India, and in this sense should exclude the value of stores to be

No. 542. Read the following Circular from the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Accounts), dated Simla, the 24th October 1868, No. 90 :—

Public Works Budget Grant for 1869-70.

Read the following papers :—

Public Works Budget Estimates from 1864-65 to 1868-69.
Account of Expenditure on Public Works from 1864-65 to 1866-67.
Public Works Department Circular No. 67 of 1868.
Replies thereto from all Local Governments and Administrations.
Public Works Department Resolution to Financial Department, No. 707A, dated 23rd Sept 1868.
Financial Department Resolution No. 2,237, dated 7th October 1868.

RESOLUTION.—The Governor General in Council having had under consideration the demands of the several Local Governments and Administrations for funds for the prosecution of Public Works during the year 1869-70, has decided that the Public Works Grant for the ensuing year, excluding the probable outlay on State and Guaranteed Railways, which will be separately provided for, shall be fixed at 800 lakhs, being 89 lakhs more than the grant for the current year, the amount to be apportioned thus :

	1869-70. Lakhs.	1868-69. Lakhs.
Military	224	224
Agricultural	200	140
Other Services	326	300
Special Fund Works, Bombay	50	47
	800	711

Increase for 1869-70 ... ... 89 Lakhs.

2. The further distribution of the grant as compared with the provincial Estimates will be as follows.

Military Works.

3. The sketch Estimates of requirements of the several Local Governments and Administrations under this head amount to 317¼ lakhs, exclusive of the charges debitable to the Bombay Special Fund. Considering however the large* proportion of the Military Grants of the last three years which has lapsed, and having regard to the urgent and increasing demands for other services, the Governor General in Council is not disposed to give a larger grant for Military Works for 1869-70 than that allowed for the current year, namely 224 lakhs. This does not include provision for works chargeable to the Bombay Special Fund, or for the value of Stores to be received from England. Should however it be found possible to spend during 1869-70 more money on Military Works than has now been allotted, the Governor General in Council will be prepared to take into consideration any representation on a moderate scale that may be submitted to that effect, if made when the year is sufficiently advanced to allow of an opinion being

* 1865-66	27·2 per cent.
1866-67	16·5 do.
1867-68	22·9 do.

formed of the progress of the outlay generally. The amount granted is distributed as follows:—

Provinces.	Amount of sketch Estimate, 1869-70.	Grant for 1869-70.	Grant for 1868-69.	Remarks.
	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	
Madras	12	12	12	
Bombay...	77	29	39½	Excluding Special Fund.
Bengal	36	25	25	
N. W. Provinces	44	35	31¾	
Punjab...	60	48	45	
Central Provinces	21½	18	16	
British Burmah	6	6	6½	
Oudh	12¾	11	11	
Hyderabad	5¼	5¼	5¼	
Rajpootana	7½	7⅓	7	
Central India	35	27	24¾	
	317¼	224	224	

Agricultural Works.

4. The demands of the several Local Governments and Administrations under this head for 1869-70 aggregate 307¼ Lakhs, but the Governor General in Council considers that this is very much more than can be profitably spent during the year, and has accordingly reduced the amount to 200 lakhs, which is 60 lakhs more than was allowed for expenditure on works of this class during the current year. The distribution of the grant as compared with the provincial Estimates, and the grant for the current year is as follows:—

	Extraordinary.			Ordinary.			Total.		
	Amount of sketch estimate for 1869-70.	Amount granted by the Government of India for 1869-70.	Grant 1868-69.	Amount of sketch estimate for 1869-70.	Amount granted by the Government of India for 1869-70.	Grant 1868-69.	Amount of sketch estimate for 1869-70.	Amount granted by the Government of India for 1869-70.	Grant 1868-69.
	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.
Madras ...	15	15	15	20	20	15	35	35	30
Bombay ...	59	30	25	8¾	8½	7½	67¾	38¼	32½
Bengal ...	32	18	15	12	12	6	44	30	21
N. W. Provinces ...	77¾	34	24¼	9¾	9½	6¾	87½	43¾	31
Punjab	24¼	23	10¼	8¼	6	5⅝	33	29	16
Central Provinces ...	12	5	5	½	½	½	12½	5½	5½
British Burmah ...	...	...	...	4½	3	3	4½	3	3
Oudh	22½	15	...	...	...	...	22½	15	½
Rajpootana ...	...	...	½	½	½	½	½	½	½
	243	140	95	64½	60	45	307½	200	140

5. In order to prevent misconception it may be explained that the grant for Extraordinary Works is intended to provide for all works debitable to loan under the provisions of Public Works Department Circular No. 94 of 1867, including a proportional share of the cost of Establishment and Tools and Plant employed on such works.

Punjab ...	Derajat	15	Signal Office at Dera Ismail Khan.	3,000	500	2,500	Estimate not received. If a house which it has been proposed to purchase be found suitable, the new building will not be required.
Central Provinces.	Nimar	16	Do. at Khundwa ...	9,000	.....	9,000	Estimate not received. The Office is to be a large one.
Do. ...	Southern Division ...	17	Do. at Hingunghaut ...	10,592	.....	10,592	
Madras ...	Travancore (Native State.	18	Telegraph Office, Trevandrum.	10,000	.....	10,000	Estimate not received. Under present arrangements half of what would be considered fair interest on the money expended will be chargeable to the Travancore State as rent.
Do. ...	Tinnevelly, 1st Range...	19	Do. Palamcotta ...	12,000	.....	12,000	Estimate not received.
Do. ...	Do. do. ...	20	Do. Tuticorin ...	15,400	.....	15,400	
Do. ...	.....	21	Signal Office at Negapatam.	11,000	.....	11,000	Estimate not yet received.
Bombay ...	Presidency Division ...	22	Telegraph Office, Bombay	Not known.	.....	2,00,000	Lease of present premises expires in 1870, and it is expected that the Department will be called on to vacate. Plan of new building not yet decided on.
Do. ...	Lower and Central Sind Division.	23	Signal Office at Taroosha	7,540	.....	7,540	It is possible that this may not be required, as application is being locally made for an existing building.
Do. ...	Kotree	24	Junction houses at Kotree.	2,970	1,000	1,970	The local Superintendent of Telegraphs considers the estimate too high.
Do. ...	North Canara	25	Telegraph Office, Coompta.	17,500	4,059	4,059	The work was stopped by the local Government in May 1867. It is now proposed to complete it.
Do. ..	Deesa and Aboo ...	26	Signal Office at Booar ...	8,000	.....	8,000	Estimate not received.
Do. ...	Mitrow Canals	27	Do. at Omerkote ...	8,000	.....	8,000	Do. do.
Central India ...	Agra and Bombay Road.	28	Piers in Chumbull River at Dholpore.	8,000	.....	8,000	Estimate not received.
Do. ...	Mhow Division... ...	29	Piers in Nerbudda at Burwai.	7,331	.....	7,331	Executive Engineer reports that a revised estimate will be necessary for the new site; but the revised estimate has not been received.
			Total Rupees ...	.....	.....	6,81,072	
			Ten per cent. for minor works.	.....	.....	68,107	
			Total amount required.	.....	.....	7,49,179	

(Signed) D. G. ROBINSON, Colonel, R. E.,
Director General of Telegraphs in India.

No. 543. ORDER THEREON, 25th November 1868, No. 3,692.

ACCOUNT, No. 35.

Communicated to the several Departments of the Secretariat and to the Superintending Engineers; also to the Controller of Public Works Accounts, and to the Consulting Engineer for Railways and for the Madras Irrigation and Canal Company.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Public, &c., Departments.
,, Revenue Department.
,, Military do.
,, Superintending Engineers.
To Captain R. B. Kennedy.
To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.
,, Consulting Engineer for Railways.
,, Do. for Irrigation and Canal Company.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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received from England. But a memo. should be attached to the Estimate to show under the prescribed heads of service the value of Stores expected to be received in 1869-70.

VII.—That the grant for State expenditure on Guaranteed Railways, as also outlay on State Railways, with exception of the portion debitable to special fund, will be in addition to the allotments now assigned, the estimate for each Local Government and Administration being framed as usual on the actual requirements of the year. Attention should be specially given to the various recent orders requiring that this part of the estimate may be considered carefully, and made as precise and definite as possible.

14. In conclusion the Governor General in Council requests that Local Governments and Administrations will submit their Public Works Budget Estimates in proper form and with complete punctuality. Special attention should be paid to the preparation of the estimate of Public Works Revenue, and care should be taken to see that due allowance is made therein for the interest on the Capital and Profits of the several Government Public Works Workshops; as also for value of stores expected to be received from England for Foreign States, Local funds and manufacturing establishments.

ORDER.—Ordered, that the foregoing Resolution be forwarded to the several Local Governments and Administrations noted in the margin for information and guidance, and to the Financial and Foreign Departments for information.

(Signed) C. H. DICKENS, Colonel, R. A.,
Secretary to the Government of India.

Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, North-Western Provinces, and Punjab; Chief Commissioners, Central Provinces, British Burmah, and Oudh; Resident at Hyderadad; Agents, Governor General Rajpootana and Central India and Commissioner of Coorg.

Abstract of the Grants assigned for expenditure from Imperial funds for expenditure on Public Works for 1869-70, as compared with 1868-69, excluding ordinary State expenditure on Guaranteed Railways and expenditure on State Railways.

	Special grant for Military works.		Special grant for Agricultural works.		Special grant for Bombay special fund.		Grant for other services.		Total.	
	1869-70.	1868-69.	1869-70.	1868-69.	1869-70.	1868-69.	1869-70.	1868-69.	1869-70.	1868-69.
	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.	Lakhs.
Madras	12	12	35	30	...	...	51	46	98	88
Bombay	29	39½	38½	32½	50	47	49½	47½	167	166½
Bengal	25	25	30	21	...	...	68½	60½	123½	106½
N. W. Provinces ...	35	31¾	43½	31	...	...	41¼	37¼	119¾	100
Punjab	48	45	29	16	...	...	37	32	114	93
Central Provinces ...	18	16	5½	5½	...	...	27	26	50½	47½
British Burmah ...	6	6½	3	3	...	...	16¼	15¼	25¼	24¾
Oudh	11	11	15	½	...	...	12¾	12¾	38¾	24¼
Hyderabad... ...	5½	5½	...	...	...	...	1½	1½	7	7
Rajpootana ...	7½	7	½	½	...	...	5	5	13	12½
Central India ...	27	24¾	...	...	...	...	14¼	14¼	41¼	39
Coorg	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	2	2
	224	224	200	140	50	47	326	300	800	711

Schedule of probable wants of the Telegraph Department in Public Works Expenditure for the official year 1869-70.

Province.	Division of Public Works.	No of work.	Name and locality of proposed work.	Amount of Estimate.	Amount, if any, likely to be expended on the work before the official year begins.	Amount required during the ensuing official year.	Remarks.
				RS.	RS.	RS.	
Bengal	.....	1	Head Offices and Signal Office, Calcutta.	4,50,000	1,00,000	2,25,000	Estimate not yet received.
Do. ...	Midnapore	2	Signal Office at Atcheepore.	10,000	.....	10,000	Do. do.
Do. ...	Do.	3	Signal 'Office' at Saugor Island.	15,000	.....	15,000	Do. do.
Do. ...	Bhaugulpore	4	Improving Signaller's Barrack at Sahibgunge.	2,000	.....	2,000	Do. do.
Do. ...	.....	5	Signal Office, Dhobree...	20,000	.....	20,000	Very high rates ; said to be unavoidable.
Do. ...	.....	6	Do. Goalpara	18,390	.....	18,390	Do. do.
Do. ...	Shillong	7	Do. Shillong	10,000	.....	10,000	Revised Estimate not received.
Do. ...	.....	8	Do. Debrooghur ...	10,000	.....	10,000	Line not yet sanctioned, but applied for by the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal.
Do. ...	.....	9	Do. Cooch Behar ...	10,000	.....	10,000	Estimate not received. The cost of this Office will probably be met by contributions of the Maharajah of Cooch Behar.
North-Western Provinces.	Allahabad	10	Do. at Allahabad ...	25,000	.....	25,000	Estimate not yet received (urgently required).
Do. ...	Rohilcund Trunk road...	11	Wells in Ramgunga River at Bijpoorea near Futtygurh.	2,125	1,000	500	
Do. ...	Nuseerabad	12	Adding four rooms to the Signal Office, Ajmere.	4,789	.....	4,789	
Punjab ...	3rd Division Lahore and Peshawur Road.	13	Signal Office at Attock...	8,000	.....	8,000	Estimate not received.
Do. ...	Derajat...	14	Do. at Dera, Ghazee Khan.	7,000	.....	7,000	Estimate not received. The amount entered considered the probable cost.

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Govt. of {1868} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE PUBLIC, &c., DEPARTMENTS.

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Dated November, 25th.

Recd. 1st Decemr. Encl.

G. O., 25th November 1868, No. 3,692.

NOVEMBER.

Nos. 542-543

Public Works Budget Grant.—Circular from the Government of India fixing the Public Works Budget Grant for 1869-70, communicated to the Departments and Officers concerned.

No. 3027. 3rd Decr

with order