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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
23rd October 1869.*

No. 269. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 11th October 1869, No. 7,573 :—

Read the following letter from the Acting Sub-Collector in charge of Coimbatore, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 16th September 1869, No. 173.

WITH reference to the Orders noted in the margin, I have the honour to forward the Budget-Estimate of Local Board's Circular Memorandum, dated 24th August 1869, No. 6,352. Funds for the year ending 31st March 1869, together with enclosure No. 1. Do., dated 2nd September 1869, No. 6,352A.

2. Parts I. and II. which form enclosures Nos. 2 and 3, and which have been prepared in communication with the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, have been forwarded for his countersignature as directed in paragraph 3 of the Board's Circular Memorandum, No. 6,352. As Colonel Walker is now in Cochin, I have requested him to countersign and send these papers direct to the Board with as little delay as possible.

3. The map of the district sent by the Board is returned with the lines of newly proposed roads duly marked upon it.

4. On the 8th of this month, the papers connected with the Budget were sent to the Superintending Engineer for his remarks and approval; he being then on circuit, they were not returned to this Office till yesterday, in consequence of which it has been found impossible to send off the Budget in time to reach the Board's Office on the 15th of this month.

5. The Board will observe that in Part II. a sum of Rupees 2,500 is provided as contribution towards the maintenance and improvement of the lower portion of the Kotagerry Ghaut Road, 14 miles in length, in the Neilgherry District, but chiefly used for the conveyance of Coimbatore produce to the Hills. Colonel Walker's letter as to the necessity for this provision is enclosed.

6. In Enclosure No. 1, under the head Jungle Conservancy Fund, a sum of Rupees 1,200 is provided as the estimated charges. The usual statement of details for this expenditure will be submitted on receipt of the sanctioned Budget for the current official year, referred to in paragraph 6 of the Board's Proceedings of the 27th July 1869, No. 5,481, without which it is impossible to ascertain which of the avenues will have to be provided for in the next year's Budget.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From Colonel G. W. WALKER, R. E., Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, to the Collector of Coimbatore, dated 13th September 1869, No. 91.

The two lists referred to in your letter, No. 147, of 8th instant, and herewith returned, are correct as to mileage, except in item No. 2 of the Public Works List, which should be 40 instead of 32, and the allotment increased accordingly.

2. I am opposed to any reduction of the existing rates of maintenance allowances, believing on the contrary that many of them should be doubled in amount. I do not know of any other roads to be added to the District List of Maintenance Allowances, but I am of opinion that a con-

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tribution of, say, Rupees 2,500 annually might judiciously be made towards the maintenance and improvement of the lower portion of the Kotagerry Ghaut Road, 14 miles in length, in the Neilgherry District, but chiefly used for the conveyance of Coimbatore produce to the Hills, and which the limited local resources of the Neilgherry District are insufficient to provide for adequately.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.—Budget-Estimate of Local Fund Receipts for the year ending 31st March 1871.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Abstract of Receipts and Charges (estimated) of Local Funds for the year ending 31st March 1871.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.—Part I., Original works to be executed out of District Road Fund in 1870-71.

ENCLOSURE No. 5.—Part II., Repairs to works to be executed from District Road Fund in 1870-71.

ENCLOSURE No. 6.—Map.

THE District Road Fund Budgets for 1870-71, received with the foregoing letter, are submitted, with certain alterations noticed below, for the approval of Government, with reference to paragraph 1 of their Order, dated 16th March 1869, No. 711.

2. Part I. of the Budget contains four works, with a total allotment of Rupees 30,000, and with a further provision of Rupees 2,000 on account of "Miscellaneous Public Improvements." Of the four works, the second is a fresh proposal, but no information is given with regard to it.

The Acting Collector is requested to state when the estimate for the work is likely to be submitted. Pending the receipt of the information, the item will remain undisturbed.

3. The third and fourth works are also unsanctioned, and the sums of Rupees 2,200 and 3,960 set down opposite to each of them as the computed expenditure up to 31st March 1870, are those allotted by the Board in their Proceedings of the 7th August 1869, No. 5,810, for the two works marginally noted, on the recommendation of the Superintending Engineer, who proposed to open the bridle-paths first, and then to frame estimates for roads of full width for next year's Budget.

4. The roads are now entered with allotments of Rupees 2,500 and 5,000. The full amount of the allotment sanctioned for making the paths will, it is computed, be spent before the end of the current year, and the additional allotment entered in the Budget are, the Board presume, for improving the paths into roads,

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On this supposition, the allotment of Rupees 2,500 for the third work has been allowed; but the Board have thought it necessary to transfer the whole of the allotment of the fourth work, viz., Rupees 5,000, to the first work, which, in accordance with the orders of Government, should be finished before new works are commenced. The remainder of the sum required to complete this road is provided from the proposed allotment for the Kotagerry Ghaut which will be mentioned further on.

5. Part II. of the Budget contains fifty repair-works, with an aggregate allotment of Rupees 55,890, and with a separate provision of Rupees 3,500 for "Miscellaneous Public Improvements."

6. It will be observed that the maintenance grants for six of the roads have been doubled. The increased allowances have been sanctioned by the Board during the current year on the recommendation of the Superintending Engineer supported by the Acting Collector.

7. The items, as per margin, which do not find place in the current year's Budget, are maintenance grants for the roads transferred from the Imperial to the Local List, and sanctioned in Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 27th April 1869, No. 1,126.

8. The fiftieth item is entered in the Budget on the suggestion of the Superintending Engineer, who states that the contribution of Rupees 2,500 "annually towards maintenance and improvement of the lower portion of the Kotagerry Ghaut road, allotment Rupees 2,500."

"might judiciously be made towards the maintenance and improvement of the lower portion of the ghaut, fourteen miles in length, in the Neilgherry District, but chiefly used for the conveyance of the Coimbatore produce to the Hills, and which the limited local resources of the Neilgherry District are insufficient to provide for adequately."

9. Under Section 19, Act III. of 1866, however, the proceeds of the road-cess must be exclusively applied to roads in the district where it is levied. The item is accordingly disallowed, and Rupees 2,160 of the amount is added to the allotment of the first of the new works entered in Part I.

10. In the Abstract of Receipts and Charges, the available receipts, including the balance expected at the beginning of 1870-71, are given as Rupees 1,17,100.

11. Under the head "Expenditure proposed," the provision on account of "Contingent Charges" is made as follows:—

	RS.
Public Works Department...	300
Revenue Department	140

These sums are in excess of those fixed by the Board and provided for in the current year's Budget. No reason is assigned for the increased allotments, and they have therefore been reduced to the fixed scale.

12. With the alterations made in the Budget as noticed above, the proposed expenditure amounts to Rupees 1,16,030, which, if deducted from the available assets of Rupees 1,17,100, leaves a balance of Rupees 1,070.

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13. Orders will shortly be issued regarding the Jungle Conservancy Budget of the current official year, referred to in paragraph 6 of the letter recorded at the head of these Proceedings.

No. 270. ORDER THEREON, 23rd October 1869, No. 2,829.

Local Funds, No. 8.
Accounts.

THE District Road Fund Budget Lists of the Coimbatore District for 1870-71, as revised by the Board of Revenue, are approved.

2. Parts I. and II. of the revised Budgets amount to Rupees 91,050, as shown below:—

	By the Public Works Department.	By the Revenue Department.	Total.
Part I.	RS. 32,160	RS. 2,000	RS. 34,160
" II.	42,440	14,450	56,890
	74,600	16,450	91,050

(True Extract.)

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

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

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

*Revenue Department
No. 2829*

*Proceedings of the Madras Government,
Under date the 23rd October 1869.*

*Read the following
Proceedings of the Board
of Revenue.*

*Submitting for
approval Road Fund
Budget of Coimbatore
District for 1870/71.*

(J.E. 11th Oct. 1869.)

W.A.

R.A.

*The District
Road Fund Budget
lists of the Coimbatore
District for 1870/71,
as revised by the
Board of Revenue
are approved.*

J. A. Dalzell

2. Parts I and II of
the revised Budgets

amount to Rs 91,050

as shown below

	By the P. H. Dept.	By the Rev. Dept.	Total
Part I	Rs 32,160	2,000	34,160
" II	124,400	14,450	56,890
	74,600	16,450	91,050

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Deputy Secretary

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in connection with the *1st* *1880*