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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 2970 Press Mis.

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Dated 16 th November 1869

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No. 157. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 27th October 1869, No. 7,986:—

Read the following letter from G. THORNHILL, Esq., Acting Collector of Madras, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapet, 21st September 1869, No. 320.

ABSTRACT.—Forwards his Local Fund Budget for 1870-71, duly countersigned by the Superintending Engineer.

PARTS I. and II. of the District Road Fund Budget for 1870-71, received with the foregoing letter, are submitted for the approval of Government, with reference to paragraph 1 of their Order, dated 16th March 1869, No. 711.

2. Part I. contains eight works, with a total allotment of Rupees 21,870. None of these are really new works, though no previous expenditure is shown opposite the sixth and seventh.

3. An estimate for the fourth work, amounting to Rupees 6,720, is submitted by the Acting Collector with the Budget. It is observed that this work appeared for the first time as Item No. 8, in the Supplemental Road Fund Budget* of 1867-68; and that an estimate, amounting to Rupees 3,550, was sanctioned in Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 31st October 1867, No. 2,567. In paragraph 2 of his letter, dated 14th June 1867, No. 173, printed with Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 21st October 1867, No. 2,481, the Acting Collector proposed to form the road below the Conarycoopum tank-bund, in lieu of the one running over it, which was pronounced to be very narrow and unsafe for cart-traffic. The present estimate is sent without any allusion whatever to the former one, and is intended to improve the road mainly on that portion of it lying on the tank-bund. No information is given as to what has become of the first estimate, and why the original proposal of forming the road below the tank-bund, which has been approved of both by the Board and Government, has been set aside. The Board therefore resolve to return the estimate for re-submission, with information on the points noticed.

Road from Conjeeveram to McLean's Choultry on Imperial Road No. III.

* Sanctioned in Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 21st October 1867, No. 2,481.

4. The eighth work is an unsanctioned one. An estimate, amounting to Rupees 35,870, was submitted to Government in the Public Works Department; but in their Order, dated 13th July 1867, No. 2,105, the Government did not sanction it for want of funds, but directed it to lie over. A sum of Rupees 19,280 is shown as the computed expenditure up to 31st March 1870, which appears, from a statement received with the Acting Collector's letter of the 1st

Road from the 41st mile-stone on Trunk Road No. 8 to Tatry on the road from Thellaur to Conjeeveram, *via* Ootramulloor.

July 1869, No. 215, which has been disposed of separately, to be made up of the following particulars :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
In 1867-68, from Famine Funds.....	818	1	4
In 1868-69, do. do.	7,250	0	0
Do. from Road Fund	3,194	4	4
In 1869-70, proposed from District Road Fund, inclusive of the allotment of Rupees 2,720 in the Budget of the year	8,000	0	0
	19,562	5	8

The estimate was again submitted to the Board in July 1869; but as it was prepared in 1866, and as there was an expenditure of Rupees 11,562 on the work up to the close of 1868-69, the estimate was returned to the Acting Collector for revision.

5. Part II. of the Budget contains twenty-nine repair-works, with an aggregate allotment of Rupees 26,900, and with a provision of Rupees 2,200 for Miscellaneous Public Improvements. The latter sum includes an allotment of Rupees 200 for lighting the Marmalong Bridge. This bridge is on the Great Southern road from Madras to the Travancore frontier, which is styled as Imperial Road No. II. The Board are therefore of opinion that the cost of lighting the bridge should be met from Imperial Funds, and accordingly strike it out of the Budget.

6. From the Abstract of Receipts and Charges it will be seen that the available assets of the year are given as Rupees 69,680, which includes Rupees 80, the balance expected at the beginning of the year.

7. Under the head "Expenditure Proposed" the allotment of Rupees 4,320 for the Public Works Executive Range Establishment has been reduced to Rupees 4,140, with reference to a revised scale proposed by the Superintending Engineer, supported by the Acting Collector, and approved of by the Board in their Proceedings of the 23rd instant, No. 7,901.

8. The alterations in the allotments for the Travelling Allowance to Local Fund Overseers and Maistries and establishment of Lascars have been made with reference to the re-distribution of the establishment noticed in the preceding paragraph.

9. The provision on account of Contingent Charges has been raised to the scale fixed by the Board.

10. With the aforesaid alterations the proposed expenditure amounts to Rupees 69,410. This deducted from Rupees 69,680, the expected income of the Fund, there will remain Rupees 270.

11. A separate Budget of the Cochrane's and Sadras Canal Fund for 1870-71 is also herewith submitted to Government. No provision is made for the extension of the canal, as there are no funds available. The Budget assumes that the canal will be open and in good working order throughout the year; but this will depend on the orders issued by Government on the subject of providing funds for deepening the canal during the present year.

12. There is an allotment of Rupees 3,600 proposed for the maintenance of the Northern Canal from Dugurazapatam to Kanapoor, a distance of twelve miles, at 300 Rupees a-mile. The provision is made under the belief that this portion of

the canal will be opened for traffic by the end of 1869-70. The increased rate of maintenance allowance is proposed, because the canal has only just been made.

13. As regards the sum of Rupees 16,000, allotted for the deepening of the canal from the Elephant-Gate-Bridge to the Pulicat Lake, it is observed that this forms a portion of the estimate of Rupees 37,610, submitted to Government with Board's Proceedings, dated 17th September 1869, No. 6,963.

14. The allotment of Rupees 846 for the Shadiencoopen Lock Establishment has been transferred from the Revenue to the Public Works Department, as was done last year, with reference to Government Order, Public Works Department, dated 17th November 1868, No. 3,579.

15. The total proposed expenditure amounts to Rs. 39,510, which, deducted from the available assets of Rupees 40,200, leaves a balance of Rupees 690.

16. The annual cost of the Cochrane's Canal Establishment is given as Rupees 2,156, made up as follows:—

	Rs.
1 Superintendent	1,200
1 Writer	360
1 Shroff	120
4 Peons, at 7 Rupees each	336
1 Mussalchee	60
Contingencies	80
	2,156

This establishment is large compared with the limited income from tolls. The Acting Collector is requested to report whether the establishment cannot be reduced so as to bring it to a fair proportion of the income realized. Mr. Thornhill is further requested to state if the Superintendent and the Shroff have given any tangible security.

No. 158. ORDER THEREON, 16th November 1869, No. 2,970.

Local Funds, No. 9.
Account.

THE Board submit the District Road and Canal Fund Budgets of the Madras District for 1870-71.

2. Part I. of the Road Fund Budget requires revision. Of the estimate of Rupees 21,300 for No. 2,* the expenditure up to March 1870 will amount to Rupees 17,220, and the whole of the remaining sum, viz., Rupees 4,080, should be allotted for expenditure in 1870-71; so that the road may be completed in that year. The supplemental estimate for No. 3† should be submitted at an early date, and, if it is sanctioned, the allotment should be raised if possible. No. 5‡ is an unsanctioned work, though the computed expenditure on it up to 31st March 1870 is put down at Rupees 4,280. Explanation should be afforded

* Road from Oothoocottah to the 22nd mile on Imperial Road No. I., *viâ* Periapoliam.

† Road from 1st mile west of Vulloor to the 12th mile of Imperial Road No. I.

‡ Road from Cooum, etc., villages to Thundalum on Imperial Road No. III., 20th mile.

as to the circumstances under which any outlay was incurred on the road in the absence of the requisite authority. No. 6§ is an unsanctioned work, estimated to cost Rupees 14,000, and the proposed allotment is only Rupees 2,000, it can be deferred for the present, and funds provided for No. 2 as already stated. No. 8‖ is also an unsanctioned work, and the estimate, amounting to the sum of Rupees 35,870, was ordered to lie over, as the Local Funds of the District were insufficient to meet the large outlay. The work was nevertheless commenced in 1867-68, and a sum of Rupees 8,068-1-4 was spent upon it in that year and in 1868-69 from the Famine Funds. This outlay might have been necessary to relieve distress, but no explanation is given as to the authority under which the further sum of Rupees 3,491 was expended on the road in 1868-69 from the District Road Fund, and why the work was allowed to proceed from the same source in 1869-70. The Board will report on the subject when the estimate is submitted.

§ Road from Wallajahbad to Sunkuwar Choultry on Imperial Road No. III.

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Public Works Order, dated 13th July 1867, No. 2,105.

3. Part II. includes several roads in Part I., and provision appears to have been made in some cases for the maintenance of the entire lengths. Any allowance for the repair of a portion of the road in the year in which it is under construction is clearly unnecessary, and the Board will be requested to examine Part II. of the Budget more closely on this point.

4. The Government observe from the paper noted in the margin that the cost of lighting the Marmalong Bridge is to be debited to the Local Fund. The sum of Rupees 200 struck out from the Budget should therefore be restored.

Proceedings, dated 11th May 1864, No. 810.

5. The Board will revise the District Road Fund Budget of the Madras District with reference to the above remarks, before its incorporation with the General Budget.

6. The Canal Fund Budget will receive consideration after orders are passed on Board's Proceedings, dated 17th September 1869, No. 6,963.

(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.

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Madras Collectors Office
by dispatch Despatched 18th September
Disp.d 27 - 9 - 69.

From

George Stanhill Esqr.
Actg Collector of the Madras Dist.

To

J. Grose Esqr.
Actg Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

Sir

I have the honor to forward herewith
with my Local Funds Budget for 1870-71
duly countersigned by the Superintending
Engineer and to state that the Road Bdge.
Statement is in course of preparation and the
Superintending Engineer Officiating, will be
forwarded in a day or two.

I have &c.

Registd. G. Stanhill
Actg Collector.

True Copy

Grose
Sub Secretary.

Govt. of {1869} Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated November, 16th.

Read. &c.

G. O., 16th November 1869, No. 2,970.

Trans. to Revenue 24 November by
No 3992.

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Nos. 157-158.

District Road and Canal Fund Budgets of Madras District.—Estimates for 1870-71 reviewed and returned to the Board of Revenue for revision.

Pro- 19 July 67 No 315-6
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District Road Funds
Budget - of Roads
for 1870-71 - Parts I
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Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 2nd Nov. 1869

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Reasons

Submitting for sanction Estimate
and Plan of Bridal Road from Nuddy
to Madras for 1870/71.

The Board submit this

Estimate, and Plan for Bridal Road from Nuddy to the Madras Frontier

Budget of the Madras Presidency

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Nuddy to the Madras Frontier

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P. W. Order dated 13th July 1867. No 2105

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