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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 22nd November 1869.

No. 224. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 10th November 1869, No. 8,327 :—

Read the following letters :—

From G. ELLIS, Esq., Acting Collector of Ganjam, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Chetterpore, 21st September 1869, No. 955.

In the Local Fund Budget for the ensuing year 1870-71 provision to the extent of Rupees 168 has been made for the payment of ferrymen at four stations in the Russelcondah or Goomsur Range.

2. The Tahsildar reports that no one will rent the ferries, and as Mr. Lever, the Range Officer, declares that, to ensure safety and communication, it is absolutely necessary to have the establishment, I have the honour to request the Board's sanction for employing twelve boatmen for four months of the year at Rupees 3-8-0 the month, or Rupees 168 for the entire period.

3. The ferries are—at Demeripully, across the Mahanuddy ; at Chodeapully, across the Badanuddy ; and at Sooradah, across the Joranuddy, and also across the Rooshkoolia.

From the same officer, dated Chetterpore, 21st September 1869, No. 156.

I have the honour to submit the Budget estimates for the year 1870-71 for all the Local Funds of this district under the Board's control.

2. Parts I. and II. of the Road Fund Budget have been forwarded to the Superintending Engineer for countersignature and despatch to the Board, as directed in their Circular Memorandum, No. 6,352, of the 24th ultimo, received on the 10th instant. A copy of my letter of this date to the Superintending Engineer is also submitted for information.

3. No "Petty New Works" or "Petty Repairs" costing less than 250 rupees have been entered in the lists because funds are not available to meet such expenditure.

4. The old Road Map of the district is herewith returned with the necessary additions up to date shown in it.

5. The new forms of Local Fund Budgets were received on the 17th instant.

Enclosure No. 1.

From G. ELLIS, Esq., Acting Collector of Ganjam, to the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, Dowlaishweram, dated Chetterpore, 21st September 1869, No. 954.

With reference to paragraph 3 of the Board's Circular Memorandum of the 24th ultimo, No. 6,352, received on the 10th instant, I have the honour to forward for countersignature and despatch to the Board Parts I. and II. of the District Road Fund Budget for 1870-71.

2. I beg to subjoin an abstract showing the amount of estimated receipts and charges on account of the fund for the ensuing year:—

Available Receipts.	Rs.	
Balance expected at the beginning of the year	16,580	
Receipts estimated to be realized during the year	80,340	
		96,920
Expenditure proposed.		
Original works, as particularized in Part I. of the Budget	50,070	
Repairs, as particularized in Part II. of the Budget	23,470	
Establishment at 10 per cent. on the expenditure to be incurred through the Department Public Works	6,998	
Establishment for ferries	168	
Reserve at 10 per cent. on the estimated receipts for the year.	8,034	
Local Fund Establishment employed in Board's office	150	
Allotment at 1 per cent. on the proposed expenditure by the Department Public Works on tools and plant	700	
Petty establishment, Public Works Department	3,600	
Travelling allowances to Local Fund Overseers and Maistries, and wages of Lascars	1,116	
Survey of Local Roads	1,200	
Establishment provided in the Collector's Department	564	
		96,070
Balance...		850

3. Part I. has been prepared in strict accordance with the principle laid down in paragraph 3 of the Board's Circular Memoranda of the 24th ultimo and 2nd instant, viz., that, as a general rule, works in progress are to be finished before new roads are commenced.

4. Of the three roads entered in Part I., No. 1 is altogether a local work. As regards No. 2 you are aware that, when it was begun, the Government promised to bear half the cost of the work; but on the classification, towards the close of the last year, of all the roads throughout the Presidency, this road was brought under "Local" and the entire cost thrown on the District Road Fund. In like manner, Road No. 3, an incomplete one, has been in the present year transferred from "Imperial" to "Local." You will, however, note that the road is "Local" only up to Sooradah; the cost of its completion from Sooradah to Pippalapenka is still chargeable to "Imperial Funds."

5. With respects to "repairs" I beg to state that the "one-mile road to the Surla Pans," inserted in your list of the 3rd instant, being a salt road, has been provided for in the list of works under "Petty Construction" submitted by the Salt Deputy Collector; it, therefore, finds no place in the list now going through your office to the Board. I have also to point out that the nine (not seventeen, miles of road from Bommally to Suntooshapore is an Imperial not a Local road. However, 900 rupees have been provided under repairs for this road, as the Range Officer declares that he is obliged to keep it in repair from Local Funds. I further beg to state that an uniform rate of Rupees 100 the mile has been allowed for the ordinary annual repairs of all the roads except the one from Russelcondah to Kollada, for which the Range Officer's estimate, Rupees 370 for the five miles of road, has been accepted. A glance at the "Abstract" of Receipts and Expenditure appended to paragraph 2 of this letter will show that funds are not available to increase the allotment per mile. You will also not fail to observe that a sum of Rupees 1,200 has been provided to cover the charges for surveying Local Fund Roads during next year.

(True Copy)

(Signed) G. ELLIS,
Acting Collector.

Enclosures Nos. 2 and 3.—Parts I. and II. of District Road Fund for 1870-71.

Enclosure No. 4.—Abstract of Receipts and Charges (estimated of Local Funds for 1870-71.

Enclosure No. 5.—Budget Estimate of Local Fund Receipts.

With the second of the foregoing letters the Acting Collector forwards Parts I. and II. of his District Road Fund Budget for 1870-71. They are submitted for the approval of Government, with reference to their Order, dated 16th March 1869, No. 711.

2. Part I. contains three works with an aggregate allotment of Rupees 48,930 and with a provision of Rupees 1,140 on account of Miscellaneous Public Improvements. Of the three works, two have been brought forward from the Budget of 1869-70, and the third is a sanctioned work not appearing in any previous Budget. The description of this work is given by the Acting Collector as the "road from Aska to Pippalapenka *viâ* Sooradah," which is incorrect. It should be "Bridging the principal streams on the road from Aska to Pippalapenka up to Sooradah," as will be seen from the Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 14th July 1869, No. 2,039. The Board have altered the description of the road accordingly. The sum required to complete the work is Rupees 2,500, which the Board have added to the allotment of Rupees 5,000 proposed in the Budget, as there is a sum of Rupees 2,100 saved from the allotments for other works which will be noticed further on, and the remainder can be provided from the unappropriated balance.

3. Part II. contains twenty-one repair works, besides a separate item for repairs of ferry boats with a total allotment of Rupees 23,470.

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4. The sixth work with an allotment of Rupees 900 has been struck out of the Budget as it forms a portion of the Imperial line No. 1, the great northern road from Madras to the Bengal frontier.

5. The ninth and tenth works need not be shown separately, as their respective allotments are below Rupees 250. They should be shown in a lump sum as directed in the Board's Circular Memorandum, dated 2nd September 1869, No. 6,352-A. The items are accordingly shown under "Petty Repairs."

6. The maintenance grants for items Nos. 2, 17, and 19 are above the maximum rate of allowance allowed to local roads, viz., 100 rupees a mile. The Acting Collector is requested to explain why larger mileage grants should be provided for these roads. Pending the receipt of the information the allotments will remain undisturbed.

7. In the Abstract of Receipts and Charges the available assets are given as Rupees 96,920, which includes Rupees 16,580, the balance expected at the beginning of the year.

8. Under the head "Expenditure proposed" there is an allotment of Rupees 168 for establishment on account of ferries. From the first letter above recorded the Board learn that it is for the employment of twelve boatmen for four months of the year at Rupees 3½ each at four different places in the Russelcondah or Goomsur Range. The Acting Collector does not say whether any tolls are to be paid by individuals using the ferries. The Board are of opinion that light tolls should be collected, and request Mr. Ellis to report upon the subject.

9. No provision has been made for contingent charges either of the Public Works or Revenue Department. The Board have inserted the fixed amounts for both the departments.

10. An allotment of Rupees 1,200 is made for the survey of local roads. This provision has been struck out as the Superintending Engineer can incur the Survey charges from the general funds at his disposal, and recover the amount from the Road Fund by quarterly Contingent bills in accordance with the orders of Government.

11. With the foregoing additions and omissions the total proposed expenditure amounts to Rupees 96,900, which, deducted from the available assets of Rupees 96,920, leaves a balance of Rupees 20.

No. 225. Order thereon, 22nd November 1869, No. 3,004.

Local Funds, No. 13.
Account.

The District Road Fund Budget lists of the Ganjam district for 1870-71, revised by the Board of Revenue, are approved.

(True Extract.)

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

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

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

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THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated Madras, 22nd

From

To

G. O. No. dated 1869, No. 3004.

LOTTERY
Nos. 224-225.

Copies sent for Final Report.—Estimates for 1870-71, [illegible] Estimates, approved.

No. 3004 Rev. Dept.

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Under date the 22nd Nov 1869.

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