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

No. 244. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Rvenue, dated 29th October 1869:—

Read the following letter from the Collector of Vizagapatam, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Vizagapatam, 11th September 1869, No. 547.

I HAVE the honour to forward herewith my Local Fund Budget for 1870-71, and to inform you that Parts I. and II. have been forwarded to the Superintending Engineer, who will submit the same with his countersignature.

2. The map is being filled in by the Range Officers, and will be sent in shortly.

3. The separate Budget for Jungle Conservancy will be transmitted as soon as certain information called for from Mr. Mackie at Palcondah is received. With reference to the statement showing the sums to be contributed by Government towards masonry works over Irrigation channels, I beg to observe that this has been submitted as prepared by the Superintending Engineer. I beg, however, to bring to notice that the Irrigation channels in question are the property of Zemindars, through whose lands almost all our District Roads run, and it is doubtful whether Government can be called upon for the contribution.

4. An expression of opinion on the subject from the Government would strengthen my hands, and perhaps enable me to obtain the contribution in question, at least from the more public spirited of the Zemindars of the district.

THE above letter with its enclosures is submitted 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 nine works with an aggregate allotment of Rupees 67,250, and with a provision of Rupees 1,500 for Miscellaneous Public Improvements. Of the nine works, three as per margin need not be shown in the Budget, as they are expected to be completed within the current year (1868-69.)

1. Road from Gajapatinagram to Parvatipur, 40 miles.
2. Road from Vizagapatam to Gopalapolam on the Kasipur line, 6½ miles.
3. Road from Narsipatam to Thallapolem, 19½ miles.

3. The fifth work is an unsanctioned one. An estimate amounting to Rupees 61,220 was submitted to Government with the Board's observation that it was an extremely expensive work. In their Order of the 14th January 1869, No. 101, Government deferred sanctioning the estimate. A rough estimate, amounting to Rupees 40,000, was afterwards submitted; but Government declined to sanction it and called for a regular revised estimate, which has not as yet been received.

Order, dated 3rd July 1869, No. 1,910.

4. The ninth work is an unsanctioned one, and an estimate for it is now before the Board. It will be laid before Government as soon as some information

which has been called for is furnished by the Collector. This is the only work on which nothing has been hitherto expended, but it is part of a line of road which the Board had reason to believe was completed before it was transferred from the Imperial to the Local list.

5. Part II. contains nine repair-works with a total assignment of Rs. 22,590.

6. The maintenance allowance proposed for the fifth work is at the rate of 200 rupees a mile, which is allowed for important Imperial lines of communication. As the Road Fund cannot afford to keep District Roads up to that standard, the Collector will, in communication with the Acting Superintending Engineer, state if the maintenance grant cannot be reduced from Rupees 200 to Rupees 100 or 125 a mile. Pending the receipt of the information the item will be allowed to stand.

7. The seventh work need not be shown in the Budget as the line has been abandoned.

8. As the abstract of Receipts and Charges of the several Local Funds is not prepared in the new form lately furnished to all Collectors, the Board have caused a revised abstract to be prepared in their office. In this document the expected income of the fund is given as Rupees 1,16,520. The total proposed expenditure amounts to Rupees 1,16,520, leaving no balance.

9. In the column of remarks of the abstract of Receipts and Charges of the Road Fund it is stated that the Superintending Engineer requests that the allotment for tools and plant be fixed at Rupees 2,000 for the ensuing year. The necessity for this large grant is not shown, and, therefore, the Board have only allowed the authorized per-centage on the total expenditure proposed to be incurred by the Public Works Department. Should the allotment be found insufficient in the course of the year, a special application should be made by the Superintending Engineer through the Collector.

10. The question as to whether a share of the cost of bridges should be borne by Imperial funds does not appertain to the Budget, and it would be inconvenient to discuss it in these Proceedings. The Collector should submit the matter in a separate communication. The Superintending Engineer's statement, referred to in paragraph 3 of the Collector's letter, will accordingly be returned.

No. 245. ORDER THEREON, 22nd November 1869, No. 3,014.

Local Funds, No. 16.
Account.

THE Board of Revenue submit the District Road Fund Budget of the Vizagapatam district for 1870-71.

2. Part I. requires revision. The immediate necessity for work No. 9 is not shown in the papers before Government. It should, therefore, be struck out, and the provision of Rupees 15,000 saved thereby distributed among the other works, the estimates for all of which are high and the allotments comparatively small. The Government observe that a large sum has already been spent on No. 5, an unsanctioned work. This un autho-

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rized expenditure is the cause of great inconvenience in revising the Budgets and should be put a stop to in all districts.

3. Part II. needs no remark, and is approved subject to such revision as the Board may deem necessary with reference to paragraph 6 of their Proceedings.

4. With these remarks the Budget statements will be returned to the Board of Revenue.

(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.

Govt. of Madras.

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To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

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Dated November, 22nd.

Read.

G. O., 22nd November 1869, No. 3,014.

NOVEMBER.

Nos. 244-245.

Viagapatam Local Fund Budget.—Estimates for 1870-71, submitted by the Board of Revenue, returned with remarks.

Revenue Department

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Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 22nd November 1869.

Read the following

Proceedings of the Board of

Revenue.

Salaries of Road Fund Budget of Vizagapatam District for 1870/71. } No. 6. 29th Oct. 1869.

The Board of Revenue submit the District Road Fund Budget of the Vizagapatam District for 1870/71.

2. Part I requires no remark. The amounts are necessary for the purposes shown in the papers before Government. It should therefore be sanctioned, and the provision

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