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Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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Dated 25th Novemb 1869

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No. 311. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th November 1869:—

Read the following letter from the Collector of North Arcot, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Chittoor, 4th October 1869, No. 302.

I HAVE the honour to submit (just received back from the Superintending Engineer's office) the Local Fund Budget Estimates of Receipts and Charges for 1870-71 with Parts I. and II. These have been prepared in accordance with the instructions contained in the Board's Circular Memorandum, No. 6,352, dated 24th August last, and in consultation with the Acting Superintending Engineer, who has countersigned them as directed by the Board.

2. The District Road Map received with the above memorandum is likewise returned with the necessary alterations.

3. A statement showing the particulars of the aggregate allotment for works below 250 rupees entered in Part II. of the Budget is enclosed.

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

Part I. of the Budget contains fifteen works with an aggregate allotment of Rupees 40,800.

2. The first twelve items are those included in the list printed with Government Order, dated 19th July 1869, No. 2,098. In this Order Government stated their inability to assign any further special funds for their prosecution, and left it to the Board to provide for such expenditure as might be immediately needed to place them in such a position that further outlay on them may be discontinued without loss.

3. The amount of the estimate for the tenth item is entered as Rupees 7,204 instead of Rupees 5,300, sanctioned by Government. The former amount appears to have been obtained by adding Rupees 1,904, the cost of tunnels, which is a component part of the estimate of Rupees 5,300. The correct amount has been inserted. The allotment of Rupees 2,100 has been raised to Rupees 3,670 to complete the work during the year. The amount added has been taken from the unappropriated balance shown in the abstract of Receipts and Charges.

4. The thirteenth item is a fresh unsanctioned work, and the necessity for it is not apparent. In the revised Road Fund Budget of the current Official year (1869-70) sanctioned in Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 12th October 1869, No. 2,774, there is an allotment of Rupees 2,100 for the repair of the road, Rupees 1,100 to come out of the Amadana Chuttrum Funds, and Rupees 1,000 from the Road Fund of the district as a grant-in-aid. In the present Budget a sum of Rupees 1,500 is provided for the same road, and no information of any kind is given in the column of Remarks opposite to the work. The Collector is requested to state why the present provision is made, and when an estimate is likely to be submitted.

Road from Sholingur to Amadana Chuttrum	RS.
Allotment	1,500

5. The fifteenth item, with an allotment of Rupees 1,000, is for work executed on the Ammanoor road and not paid for. The authority under which the work was executed is not quoted, nor any information given about it. Full particulars should be supplied at once.

6. Part II. contains fifty-three items with a total allotment of Rupees 68,170. The allotments proposed for Items Nos. 16, 24, and 40 are above the maximum rate of Rupees 100 allowed for the maintenance of important local lines. The Collector should have explained the necessity for the larger grants proposed. The rate proposed for the last item is Rupees 250 a mile, which is unusually high. The length of the road is given as eleven miles. The Collector will state if any portion of it lies within the limits of the Vellore Municipality, and, if so, whether that portion should not be excluded from the Budget.

7. Items Nos. 51, 52, and 53 are for sanitary improvements in the towns of Chittoor, Goodiattum, and Tripati. These items should appear in Part I. of the Budget, and the necessary transfers have accordingly been made. It must be borne in mind that the allotments for the improvements cannot be spent unless an equal amount is contributed by the towns-people, agreeably to Standing Order, No. 30, published at page 16 of the Board's Circular Orders.

8. From the Abstract of Receipts and Charges it will be seen that the available assets of the Fund are given as Rupees 1,46,000, which includes Rupees 4,000, the balance expected at the beginning of the year.

9. Under the head "Expenditure proposed" the Reserve is shown as Rupees 14,600 instead of only Rupees 14,200. According to No. XXV. of the Road Fund Rules the Reserve is to be calculated on the income of the Fund for the year. The correct amount has been inserted.

10. The allotment of Rupees 150 proposed for contingent charges of the Revenue Department has been reduced to Rupees 50, the scale fixed by the Board, the necessity for the larger grant not being shown.

11 The total proposed expenditure amounts to Rupees 1,45,500, which, deducted from the available assets of Rupees 1,46,000, leaves a balance of Rupees 500.

No. 312. ORDER THEREON, 25th November 1869, No. 3,047.

Local Funds, No. 26.
Account.

THE District Road Fund Budget lists of the North Arcot 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.
,, Accountant-General.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

Rev. Depart.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 25th Novr 1869.

Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Submitting for approval District Road Fund Budget of North Arcot District for 1870-71

} P.L. 19th November 1869

The District Road Fund Budget List of the North Arcot District for 1870/71 revised by the Board of Revenue, are approved.

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To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated November, 25th.

Read.

Encl.

G. O., 25th November 1869, No. 3,047.

NOVEMBER.

Nos. 311-312.

North Arcot Road Fund Budget.—Estimates for 1870-71, revised and submitted by the Board of Revenue, approved.