

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
16th July 1870.*

No. 173. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 31st May 1870, No. 3,702 :—

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2. From the Abstract Statement given below it will be observed that the actual balance of the Fund on the 1st April 1870 was Rupees 2,19,620, the expected receipts of the year amount to Rupees 1,23,240, making a total of Rupees 3,42,860. The proposed expenditure is Rupees 1,77,270, which deducted from the available assets, leaves an unappropriated balance of Rupees 1,65,590 :—

Districts.	Actual balance on the 1st April 1870.	Receipts estimated to be realized during the year.	Total.	ESTIMATED CHARGES			Balance.
				By Public Works Department.	By Revenue Department.	Total.	
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Ganjam ...	1,400	520	1,920		100	100	1,820
2. Vizagapatam	1,990	2,000	3,990		3,000	3,000	990
3. Godavery ...	5,380	1,500	6,880		900	900	5,980
4. Kistna ...	5,130	12,100	17,230	9,900	6,650	16,550	680
5. Nellore ...	54,170	14,000	68,170		28,860	28,860	39,310
6. Cuddapah...	10,570	5,500	16,070		2,550	2,550	13,520
7. Bellary ...	11,460	3,450	14,910		3,250	3,250	11,660
8. Kurnool ...	13,490	4,000	17,490		7,000	7,000	10,490
9. Madras ...	6,430	1,600	8,030		5,040	5,040	2,990
10. North Arcot	8,710	13,200	21,910		11,000	11,000	10,910
11. South Arcot	13,610	6,300	19,910		11,470	11,470	8,440
12. Tanjore ...	9,100	1,400	10,500		2,680	2,680	7,820
13. Trichinopoly	4,540	3,520	8,060	3,400	1,570	4,970	3,090
14. Madura ...	7,150	5,100	12,250		11,000	11,000	1,250
15. Tinnevely...	11,210	10,050	21,260		12,000	12,000	9,260
16. Coimbatore.	990	1,000	1,990		1,200	1,200	790
17. Salem ...	48,870	30,000	78,870		47,700	47,700	31,170
18. South Canara	900	2,000	2,900		2,000	2,000	900
19. Malabar ...							
20. Neilgherries	4,520	6,000	10,520		6,000	6,000	4,520
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portion of the accumulated surplus collections of the fund to the credit of the District Road Fund, as is done in the case of the Pound Fund.

4. The Collectors of the districts marginally noted propose certain allotments in favour of the Public Works Department for the formation of Topes, etc., but the Board have deemed it proper to transfer the amounts to the credit of the Revenue Department, which can and ought to superintend the outlay of these small sums.

5. In his Budget the Collector of Tanjore provides a sum of Rupees 500 to be appropriated by the Superintending Engineer, as occasion may require, for planting-operations on river-heads. This provision has been disallowed in the absence of detailed proposals for utilizing the allotment. The Collector is, however, at liberty to apply to the Board in the course of the year for any sum which he may determine should be placed at the disposal of the Public Works Department, specifying the particular purpose for which the allotment is required.

6. The Collector of Trichinopoly proposes an allotment of Rupees 3,400 in favour of the Public Works Department for the maintenance of certain nurseries which have been formed and carefully maintained by that department in localities specially selected for the purpose, and strongly advocates their retention by the officers of that department. The appropriation has been allowed.

7. After the Budget is approved by Government the Board will have it printed and circulated to Collectors for their information and guidance. Left in manuscript the document is very bulky and the information contained in it is inaccessible; by printing it the Board hope it will become readable and obtain a wider circulation. The operations of the Fund in all their detail can then be seen at one view, and the officers of one district may benefit by the suggestions or improvements of those of another. Thus in course of time some system and uniformity may be introduced in all districts.

No. 174. ORDER THEREON, 16th July 1870, No. 1,096.

Local Funds, No. 5.
Accounts.

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THE Budget-Estimate of expenditure from the Jungle Conservancy Fund in 1870-71, submitted by the Board of Revenue with their Proceedings above recorded, is approved.

2. The Board point out that in this Budget large sums are proposed to be spent on account of road-avenues, the cost of which is, under the Order of Government, dated 7th March 1865, No. 431, debitable to the Road Fund, and remark that if these items are omitted a considerable portion of the Jungle Conservancy Fund will remain unutilized. They therefore request that the Order above alluded to may be relaxed, and that they may be authorized to transfer some portion of the accumulated surplus collections of the Fund to the credit of the District Road Fund, as is done in the case of the Pound Fund.

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4. Judging from the Budgets the avenues are frequently formed of trees which need watering, fencing, and careful tending for years. The expense of such avenues must be very heavy, and the returns are necessarily small. The Government are confident that the formation of topes with wells at distances of 5 or 10 miles along each road of consequence would administer far more to the comfort and convenience of the people at a less cost than avenues; and if the topes are formed of valuable trees, such as the Tamarind, Mango, Soapnut, Pinnay, etc., the annual receipts, after they reach maturity, should make them self-supporting, if not remunerative. There is also less risk of topes being suffered to go to ruin, as is too often the case with avenues; as a rule, where avenues are planted, trees which do not require much watering or care should be selected. The planting of avenues along roads seems to have been carried to the greatest extent in North Arcot, and the Board will be requested to call for and submit a report on the general condition of these, their extent, the cost of formation per mile and that of maintenance per mile, and the total cost to the end of last year from the Road and Jungle Funds.

5. The Government desire the Board to arrange for these orders being carried into effect this year.

6. These remarks do not apply to planting canal and channel-banks, but to road-avenues on which large sums of money have been and are being spent.

7. Referring to the concluding paragraph of the Proceedings the Government will not object to printing the Budget, if the Board desire to do so, but it seems to them to be of very questionable utility.

(True Extract.)

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To the Board of Revenue.
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REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Secy, Acy, &c.

Dated July, 1870.

Recd. Ind.

G. O., 16th July 1870, No. 1,036.

JULY.

Nos. 173-174.

Jungle Conservancy Fund.—Board's Proceedings submitting Budget-Estimate of expenditure from it in 1870-71, with orders thereon.

Recd Sept 11

Memo: for orders
on No 1648-

I would not disturb
the all statements for
the year. but I would
point out to the H^h
that the fund is
not raised for this
purpose and that
are used also not, for
the same thing to their
cost, as for the same Road fund, and produce
advantages as before. and that the proceeds
The fund was established
for the curer.
remedy & retention of
Village purposes - but
it is in Kallia

There are two
points in the Road
Pro: which elyise or
orders - the Govt in para
8 of their order dated
7th March 1865 No 481 el
marked that they "do
not agree with the Road
in considering that the
formation of avenue
is not a legitimate
charge on the "district
fund," and order
that "the proceeds
of avenue clippings
should continue to be
debited to that fund,"
the charge connected
with planting & watering
avenue

Cont. of 18703

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

By, Secy, As.

Dated July, 1868.

Recd.

Encl.

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in "the Jungle Conservancy
Fund Budget for 1870-71
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to be spent on account
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items are omitted the
Jungle Conservancy Fund
will have to remain idle,"
that "there seems to be no
other means of utilizing
it" & request that the Pro-
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of the accumulated sur-
plus collections of the
fund to the credit of
the District Road
Fund as is done
in the case in similar
cases and in the other
Districts.

It is such a question
as to the Pri.
mary & chief work.
I would direct the
Govt to draw the at-
tention of C. Secy to
this and advise them
to follow the example
of Kallur. as far as
means permit. The
large balance in
C. Secy's hand - Kallur
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lecting suitable spots
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admit that the fund
must remain idle
as has been done in
Arunachal.

Judging from
the budgets, the areas
are frequently formed
of trees which need

care of the Bound Fund.

2. Under the circum-
stances stated it is sub-
mitted that both the Board's
requests may be complied
with.

3. The Government in
para 1 of their order dated
20th August 1869, No 2383,
questioned the utility of
printing the Jungle Conser-
vancy Fund Budget for
1869/70 which was imperfect
and bulky, and remarked
that the portion relating
to each district might
be furnished to each collector

in manuscript, if his original list had been revised by the Board.

4. The Budget for 1870/71 is equally bulky, and though not quite perfect, is much better prepared than the one of the previous year. The Board propose to print the whole of it and circulate it to the collectors. They remark that "left in manuscript, the document is very bulky and the information contained in it is inaccessible. By printing it, the Board hope it

obtain

will be a saving - being & can be taken during for years. The expenses of such an issue must be very heavy - and the returns are necessarily small. I am confident that the formation of these - with walls - at distances of 5 or 10 miles along each road of an highway would administer for more to the comfort & convenience of the people & of a large proportion (for travellers are few comparatively - & only visit during the heats of the day) at a less cost

than are now - And if the trees are formed of noble ~~fast~~ trees such as the Samard - the large Soft wood - Primarily for the annual receipt - as the they reach maturity should enable them to self-maintenance if not remunerative - and there is less risk of their being forced to be to ruin, as is to often the case with avenues - As a rule,

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I don't think I think seedlings should be used. Perhaps make up for the loss of trees.

along roads

in N. Asst. I would
 call for a report on the
 present condition of
 the - this extent - the
 cost of formation per
 mile & that of main-
 tenance per mile & the
 total cost to the end of
 last year - from the Road
 & Jungle Funds.

My view as to the
 suitability to planting
 canals & channels
 from the - but to look
 at them - on which I
 am confident to a deal
 of money has been & is
 being wasted.

Whatever decision is
 arrived at, the Bd. should
 be desired to arrange for
 some thing being done this
 year, in furtherance of
 the work.

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 to printing the Budget
 if the Bd. desire but it
 seems to me to be a
 questionable utility.

Small Capital
 for 1872-73

(As I should like
 to see the last report
 on the Kellere Plan.
 & others. J.D.S.)

I agree with much that
 Mr. Sim says but I should
 not discourage measures too
 much or order absolutely
 that any measures
 are never to be used for them

Rev. Department
 No. 1096
 Proceedings of the Madras Government
 Under date the 16th July 1870.

Read the following
 Proceedings of the Board
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Sub. detailed Budget
 of proposed expenditure during
 Current year, out of Jungle
 Conservancy Fund.

(P.L. 31st May/70 No. 3702)

J.D.S.

The Budget
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