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29th August 1870.*

No. 433. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd August 1870, No. 5,150:—

Read the following letter from the Collector of North Arcot, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Chittoor, 6th May 1870, No. 181.

I HAVE the honour, with reference to paragraph 6 of the Proceedings of the Board, dated 7th January last, No. 109, to inform you that the official year having closed, the actual cash balance of the District Road Fund is found to exceed very considerably the balance anticipated when my Local Fund Budget for 1870-71 was prepared. This result is partly due to an increase in the year's receipts over those estimated in my revised Road Fund Budget of 1869-70, and partly to the actual expenditure during the year having fallen short of the estimated amount.

Vide Board's Proceedings, 19th October 1869, No. 7,780.

2. The actual cash balance as now ascertained is Rupees 69,313, as shown below:—

Items.	1869-70.		Increase.	Decrease.
	Estimated.	Actual.		
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Cash balance at the beginning of the year ...	6,682	6,682	...	...
Road Cess	1,13,355	1,20,170	6,815	...
Surplus Pound Fund	7,000	7,000	...	...
Grass Rent	50	574	524	...
Sale of Manure	100	...	...	100
Rent and sale of reeds	30	...	...	50
Fish Rent	7,000	8,414	1,414	...
Avenue Clippings	30	9	...	21
Miscellaneous Receipts	3,500	19,972	16,472	...
Amount transferred from special funds under Government Order, dated 9th April 1869, No. 977	20,000	20,000	...	...
Annadana Chuttrum Surplus Fund	3,000	...	...	3,000
Total...	1,60,767	1,82,821	25,225	3,171
Deduct the amount of decrease	...	...	3,171	...
Net...	...	...	22,054	...
<i>Deduct—</i>				
Portion of expenditure of 1868-69 by Department of Public Works	46,993	46,993	...	...
Amount of Road Cess, which it was anticipated would remain uncollected in 1869-70	7,274	...	...	7,274
Total...	54,267	46,993	...	7,274
Net amount which was available for expenditure in 1869-70	1,06,500	1,35,828	22,054	7,274
Expenditure in do.	1,02,570	66,515	...	36,055
Balance...	3,930	69,313	22,054	43,329
Add savings in expenditure	...	...	43,329	...
...	...	...	65,383	...
Add anticipated balance	...	...	3,930	...
Actual Cash balance on the 31st March 1870...	...	...	69,313	...

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3. The above statement is, with one exception, sufficiently explanatory of the circumstances which led to there being a larger cash balance than was anticipated. The exception in question is the item "Miscellaneous Receipts." The increase under this item includes two sums of Rupees 1,267-8-0 and Rupees 12,000* contributed by the Mahant of the Tripathy Pagoda for the restoration of the "Dome of thousand pillars," and for improvements to be made in the towns of Upper and Lower Tripathy.

4. From this actual cash balance of Rupees 69,313, Rupees 31,631 will be required to meet that portion of the expenditure incurred by the Public Works Department during the past official year, which has not yet been debited in the Treasury accounts. Deducting also Rupees 4,000, the anticipated balance, the net cash balance available is Rupees 30,682. With a view of utilizing this balance during the current official year, I have prepared a Supplemental Budget for the current official year, and forwarded it to the Superintending Engineer, with a request that he will, if he approves of it, countersign it, and submit it direct to the Board.

5. It has been my steady policy to distribute this class of expenditure as far as was compatible with some well-devised system of intercommunication over the whole rate-paying area. A glance at the District Road Map will, I think, satisfy the Board that this principle has been observed, and that the result is a fairly distributed net-work of local intercommunication.

6. The fund has been in difficulties since Act III. of 1866 extended the cess to the Zemindaries; and during the famine years it became necessary to extend relief funds largely in the Kalastri, Punganor, and Kungundi Zemindaries, and in the Arnee Jaghire, and these estates thus came in for their share of the benefits of the general road system. In Carvetnuggur Zemindary alone has there been no expenditure in this direction, and the Zemindar not unreasonably complains that of the Rupees 20,000 levied as road cess in his estate, no portion of it has been laid out in opening out its communications. I have therefore among other important works, entered in the Supplemental Budget the two following roads for execution in this estate during the current year:—

Road from Nagarum Zemindar's head-quarters to Puthoor.

Do. from do. to Palliput, a point on road from Chittoor to North-West Railway, to be continued hereafter to Ramakristnapurum on road from Sholinghur to Tirutany.

7. For the first of these roads, seven miles in length, an estimate and survey are ready; and the second, which is likewise a short link, should be put in hand as soon as these can be framed.

8. Both branches are highly important works in the general interests of the estate, and will be doubly acceptable to the Zemindar as affording access to his capital from the railway and central tracts of the estate.

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9. The second branch will have eventually to be prolonged from Palliput (where it meets the line from Chittoor to the North-West Railway) to Ramakristnapurum on the road from Sholinghur to Tirutany and the frontier of the Madras district. It will thus tap the central tracts of the estate.

10. I must here mention that the Item No. 174 in the Imperial Budget of 1870-71 is an incorrect entry, and should be expunged. It is entered as "Road from Cooppum through Venkatagirrikota, Palmanair, Punganor, to the Cuddapah frontier (Section 5); Rupees 2,500 estimate awaited." The southern portion of this road is provided with a sum of Rupees 5,000 as Item No. 173, and the section of it from Palmanair to Punganor and Cuddapah frontier is an Imperial line with Rupees 6,875. I would now propose to divide the allotment of Rupees 2,500, thus incorrectly appropriated, equally between the road from Cooppum to Venkatagirrikota, No. 173, and the new cross line from Punganor, *via* Saddam, to Trunk Road No. XI., No. 175.

11. Should the Board approve of the Supplemental Budget, I now forward the abstract of the entire Budget would be as follows:—

		RS.	RS.
By Public Works Department.	{ Original Works... ..	54,940	1,20,860
	{ Repairs	65,920	
By Revenue Department.	{ Original Works... ..	18,690	18,090
	{ Repairs	0	
Cost of supervision	...	...	12,087
Reserve	...	...	14,200
Public Works Range Establishment	...	...	7,860
Establishment in the Collector's Office	...	...	570
Do. in the Board's Office	...	...	230
Tools and Plant for Public Works Department	...	...	1,080
Do. do. for Revenue Department	...	...	20
Contingencies.	{ Public Works Department	200	250
	{ Revenue Department.	50	
Total...			1,75,847

ENCLOSURE No. 1.
Supplement.
NORTH ARCOT DISTRICT.

Details of Estimate for Original Works for the year 1870-71 to be executed out of District Road Fund.

PROJECT.		ALLOTMENT, 1870-71.			Remarks and References.
No.	Description of Works.	Amount of Estimate.	Computed expenditure up to 31st March 1870.	By Public Works Department.	
		RS.	RS.	RS.	
1	Communications. Constructing road from Carvatinagaram to Puthoor... Do. do. from do. to Palliput.	.....	.....	6,000	Estimate will be submitted. Do. Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 24th August 1869, No. 2,411. Board's Proceedings, dated 11th April 1870, No. 2,435.
2	Metalling the road from Vellore Railway Station to Vellore.	6,100	.....	2,500	
3				2,500	
4	Constructing three tunnels on the road from Sholin-ghur to Annadana Chuttrum.	233*	.....	.....	* A moiety of the estimate is to be met from Imperial Funds, as the tunnels are over irrigation channels. Estimate will be submitted.
5	Cutting the new water-way to Gurraba Madugu bridge on the Penney road.	370	.....	.....	
6	Annual repair to road from Arconum to Puthoor on the Conjeveram line.	.....	.....	1,080	
7	Total, Communications... Miscellaneous Public Improvement. Restoration of the dome of a thousand pillars, and improvement and embellishment of the Town in Upper Tripathy.	.....	.....	2,570	
8	Sanitary improvements in the Town of Lower Tripathy Do and water-supply in Town of Gudiatthum.	.....	.....	.....	Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 4th March 1870, No. 310. Board's Proceedings, dated 7th March 1870, No. 1,603.
9	Total, Miscellaneous Public Improvements...	.....	.....	12,940	Moiety is grant-in-aid of local subscription.
	Total...	.....	.....	12,940	
	Grand Total...	.....	.....	25,510	

CHITTOOR,
6th May 1870.

(Signed) J. BEAN, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Supg. Engr. in charge of 4th Division.

(Signed) J. D. ROBINSON,
Collector.

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With the foregoing letter the Collector submits for sanction a Supplemental Road Fund Budget for the current official year.

2. The Budget contains 11 items, with a total allotment of Rupees 30,267. Such of the items as call for remark are noticed below.

3. Items Nos. 1, 2, and 5 are unsanctioned works, and cannot be commenced until their estimates are sanctioned.

4. Items Nos. 7 and 8 are improvements proposed to be made in Upper and Lower Tripathy out of the contribution of Rupees 12,000, given by the Mahant of the Tripathy Pagoda. The allotments proposed for these items cannot be expended until the special estimate called for in Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 4th March 1870, No. 310, is sanctioned.

5. The 10th item, with an allotment of Rupees 3,500, is the compensation to be paid to the contractor of the stone quarries at Banaveram. This item is struck out, as it is an imperial charge, and as, in Board's Proceedings, dated 11th July 1870, No. 4,822, Government were requested to sanction it from Imperial Funds.

6. The last or 11th item, with an allotment of Rupees 1,257, is apparently for the cost of Public Works supervision, though it is called "Petty Establishment for Department of Public Works." This item is also struck out of the Budget, as the cost of supervision is to be charged for monthly, with reference to the actual expenditure incurred by the Public Works Department.

7. Omitting the two items noticed above, the total allotment of the Budget is Rupees 25,510, which is sanctioned from the unappropriated balance of the fund shown in paragraph 4 of the Collector's letter, viz., Rupees 30,632. The Accountant-General is requested to place the sum of Rupees 12,570 at the disposal of the Public Works Department.

8. The attention of the Superintending Engineer will be requested to paragraph 10 of the Collector's letter.

No. 434. ORDER THEREON, 29th August 1870, No. 1,347.

Local Funds, No. 16.
Accounts.

ORDERED to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Under-Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman,

North Arcot Supplemental Road Fund
Budget for 1870-71.—From Public Road
Revenue collected in 1870.

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W. J. Tulloch
Acting Secretary

To the Acting Collector of North Arcot.
,, the Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.
,, the Controller of Public Works Accounts.
,, the Accountant-General.

Copy to the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

W. J. Tulloch

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Supplemental Road Fund Budget—of North Arcot District, for 1870-71, reviewed.—Rupees 30,682, total of allotments in Budget, minus those provided for items Nos. 10 and 11 which have been struck out, sanctioned from unappropriated balance of fund; and Accountant General requested to place amount at disposal of P. W. Department.

AUGUST.
No. 5,150.

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Board of Revenue,
MADRAS. No. 2420

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