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Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
11th October 1870.

No. 81. Read the following endorsement of the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated 20th July 1870:—

Read the following letter from the Special Executive Engineer, Wynaad, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Vythery, 14th July 1870, No. 494.

In paragraph 4 of the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th February 1870, No. 1,147*, I find that it is stated that the collection of the tolls on the Wynaad ghauts is to be appropriated as well to the building of the toll-houses as to the conservancy of the road, though in Item No. 670 of the Budget of 1870-71 the sum of Rupees 5,400 (which was estimated to be the balance of tolls, after paying expenses of collection) is entered as only for maintenance. I am therefore in doubt whether, in distributing this allotment of Rupees 5,400 to the ranges, I have to provide for the cost of building the toll-houses, or make it over entirely for conservancy of the road; the doubt being increased by the fact that Rupees 1,015-2-11 of the estimated cost of the toll-houses was expended in the past official year, the allotment for the purpose being made out of the General District Road Funds.—*Vide* Proceedings of Board of Revenue, No. 630, dated 28th January 1870.

* G. O., No. 167, dated 30th May 1870.

2. I have hitherto treated these buildings as incomplete works, for which funds have again to be allotted from the unexpended balances of last year's grant; but at the same time refrained as yet from making use of the Rupees 5,400, in case it is held to be liable for the cost.

3. I may mention that, putting aside building the toll-houses, I believe the cost of collection of tolls in salaries does not exceed Rupees 22½ per month per each ghaut, or Rupees 810 for the year. Other contingent expenses may, perhaps, increase it to Rupees 900; so that, perhaps, in estimating Rupees 5,400 as the balance, and Rupees 3,600 as the cost of collection, the cost of the toll-houses was taken into consideration; and I may add that the annual proceeds of the tolls are more likely to exceed than fall short of the estimate of Rupees 9,000. On the Tambercherry ghaut, for instance, the collection for the four months, from 1st December to 31st March, was no less than Rupees 3,654; and by the time the toll has been established twelve months, I expect it will certainly reach over Rupees 6,000—an amount that may be expected to be greatly added to as soon as the new road in the Mysore country is opened. I will therefore take advantage of this opportunity to ask the question whether, in estimating for future conservancy of the road, I may count on the whole balance accruing from tolls, or only for a fixed sum of Rupees 5,400 annually.

Referred to the Revenue Department, with reference to the orders in that Department, No. 3,044, dated 25th November 1869, approving of the Local Fund Budget of the Wynaad for the current official year.

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government, P.W.D.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
11th October 1870.

No. 82. ORDER THEREON, 11th October 1870, No. 1,540.

Local Funds, No. 5.
Account.

THE Government observe that the cost of constructing the toll-houses was apparently sanctioned as an advance from the District Road Fund. The full amount collected at the several tolls during the past official year should, however, have been credited to the District Road Fund, the cost of collection and the cost of buildings being debited to the same head, and the balance only being annually placed at the disposal of the Special Executive Engineer as required as a grant-in-aid for the maintenance of the roads. This course should be followed in future, and the Board of Revenue will be good enough to reply to the query of the Special Executive Engineer as to the disposal of the Rupees 5,400, referred to in the spirit of these observations.

(True Extract.)

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

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

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Govt. of {1870} Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

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Dated October, 1870.

Recd. Encl.

G. O., 11th *October* 1870, *No.* 1,510.

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