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Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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No. 241. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 15th November 1870:—

Read the following letter from the Collector of Malabar, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Calicut, 30th September 1870, No. 333.

I HAVE the honour to submit my Local Fund Budget-estimates* for the ensuing official year, accompanied by a Map showing the district lines for which allotments have been made in Parts I. and II. of the Budget.

2. It will be seen from Part II. of the Budget that the items noted in the margin have been proposed by the Acting Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.

3. Of these, Item No. 1 was inadvertently shown in the Local Fund Budget for 1870-71 as one road, though it comprised two as shown below:—

	RS.
1. Cannanore Cantonment to Kakat, two miles, at Rupees 55 per mile	110
2. Do. to Beliapatam by Chalat, six miles, at Rupees 55 per mile	330
	440

4. Of these, the allotment for the first section being less than Rupees 250, it was not individually provided for. The second section has been provided for in Part II. of the Budget (*vide* Budget Item No. 3).

5. As regards the second item above referred to, I beg to state that in the Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 1st March last, communicated with the Board's Proceedings, dated 12th idem, No. 1,708, it was explicitly stated that a sum of Rupees 11,440 was to be contributed from Local Funds for the additional maintenance to the Imperial lines noted†. No provision was consequently made for the salt road in question in the Local Fund Budget.

6. It will be seen that the Item No. 3 has been already provided for by me in Part II. of the Budget (*vide* Budget Item No. 5). The line is reported to be only twelve miles in length, and the allotment made is at the rate of Rupees 55 per mile. The Acting Superintending Engineer has probably overlooked this and provided for it Rupees 770, viz., for 14 miles at Rupees 55 per mile as per old District Road List.

7. With regard to the Item No. 4, I have the honour to observe that, though an allotment of Rupees 770 was made in the current year's Local Fund Budget for the

* 1 Part I. showing the new works.
1 do. II. do. repairs.
1 Abstract showing the receipts and charges on account of Local Funds.

	RS.
1. Cannanore Cantonment to Kakat.	490
2. Branch Salt Road from Imperial Road No. XXIII. to Tellicherry...	1,760
3. Kiroor (Perambaramba) to Nedumbruyal on Periah road ...	770
4. Road from Kavai, *via* Nednad and Kunhimangalam, to Taliparamba, 14 miles, at 55 Rupees per mile (Budget Item No. 2)... 770	
Deduct amount provided for by the Collector for the portion from Kunhimangalam to Taliparamba. 330	
	440

† Beliapatam to Beyporo 7,700
Cannanore to Coorg 3,740
11,440

Kavai, *via* Nedanad and Kunhimangalam, to Taliparamba.

road as per margin, it is reported that a portion of the allotment is superfluous, because the road as far as Kunhimangalam is the same as the road No. 1 from Kavai, *via* Madai, to Beliapatam (*vide* Budget Item No. 1).

8. I shall, however, communicate with the officers concerned in regard to Items Nos. 1 and 4, and the result will be communicated to the Board of Revenue as soon as possible.

THE District Road Fund Budget-estimates for 1871-72, received with the foregoing letter, are submitted for the approval of Government, with reference to their Order of the 16th March 1869, No. 711.

2. Part I. contains fifteen works, with an aggregate allotment of Rupees 46,780, and separate provisions of Rupees 2,200 and Rupees 6,800 on account of Minor New Works and Miscellaneous Public Improvements.

3. Of the fifteen works, the first, which is unsanctioned, is for the construction of the road from Taliparamba by Cherikandapuram to Irkur. An estimate, amounting to Rupees 4,725, was sanctioned in Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 18th August 1870, No. 1,292, for the tracing of the road which appears as Item No. 138 in Part I. of the current year's Budget.

4. The works marginally noted are sanctioned. It will be observed that of the estimated cost of the seventh work, viz., Rupees 32,500, one-half is provided for from the Road Fund, and that the other half is to be included in the Public Works Budget of 1871-72, agreeably to the Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 6th August 1870, No. 1,173.

Item Nos. 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 10 and 11.

5. The remaining seven works are unsanctioned. Of these, estimates for the items marginally noted are now before the Board, and will be disposed of shortly.

8th, 9th, and 14th.

6. A provision of Rupees 800 is made under the head "Miscellaneous Public Improvements" on account of rafts at the Wynaad ferries. A similar allotment appears in Part I. of the current year's Budget.* The necessity for the repetition of the item is not apparent, as two new iron pontoon rafts have already been supplied for use at those ferries. Pending the receipt of further information, the item will remain undisturbed.

*Item No. 173.
Vide G. O., Revenue Department, 21st May 1870, No. 754.

7. Part II. contains fifty-eight repair-works, with an aggregate allotment of Rupees 66,990, and a provision of Rupees 3,500 on account of petty repairs including those of Musaferkhanas.

8. Items Nos. 53, 54, 55, and 56, with an allotment of Rupees 9,460, belong to the Wynaad Division. They should have been shown separately in the Budget, agreeably to paragraph 3 of the Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 8th January 1868, No. 52.

9. The allotment of Rupees 3,500 is intended for minor repairs of roads and Musaferkhanas. It is not stated how much of the amount is for roads, and how much for Musaferkhanas. In the absence of this information, the Board resolve to retain Rupees 2,000 for the former, and transfer Rupees 1,500 for the latter works, under the head "Miscellaneous Public Improvements."

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10. At the foot of the Budget, the Acting Superintending Engineer has inserted four works, which are noticed in detail by the Collector.

11. Under the circumstances explained in paragraph 4 of the Collector's letter, the Board have disallowed Item No. 1 in the Superintending Engineer's list, retaining provision for the same work in the Collector's list.

12. The allotment of Rupees 1,760, proposed by the Superintending Engineer for the second work,* is disallowed, as it is for a salt road. A portion of it from Tellicherry to Cotapuramba (12 miles) is included in the list of salt roads, embodied in the Government Order, Revenue Department, dated 11th November 1868, No. 2,831, and a grant of Rupees 1,000 is provided in the Public Works Budget for its maintenance. Moreover, in their Proceedings of the 22nd November 1869, No. 8,282, when the Board recommended the continuance of the grant-in-aid from Local Funds for the maintenance of the imperial roads Nos. 20 and 23, they omitted to notice the road in question under the impression that its maintenance should be charged to Imperial Funds.

*Branch salt road from imperial road No. XXIII. to Tellicherry.
Item No. 22.

Recorded in G. O., Revenue Department, 1st March 1870, No. 302.

13. For reasons stated in paragraph 6 of the Collector's letter, the Board retain his provision of Rupees 660 for the† third work, and disallow the Superintending Engineer's allotment of Rupees 770 for it.

†Item No. 5, Kirur (Peramparamba) to Nedumpoya on Periah road.

14. With reference to paragraph 7 of the Collector's letter, the Board have reduced the maintenance grant of the fourth work‡ from Rupees 770 to Rupees 440.

‡Item No. 2, road from Kavai, *via* Nedanad and Kunhimangalam, to Taliparamba.

15. The Collector does not make any mention of the road from Paronny to Betuthpoodiengady, for which the Superintending Engineer proposes a maintenance grant of Rupees 330. As this item is not included in the Collector's list, the Board have retained it.

16. In the abstract of receipts and charges, the available assets of the Fund are given as Rupees 1,79,040, which includes the balance of Rupees 940 expected at the beginning of the year.

17. Under the head "Expenditure proposed," the reserve is entered as Rupees 17,960, which appears to have been calculated on the total available assets of the year. The attention of the Collector is drawn to No. 25§ of the district Road Fund Rules, which rules that the reserve should be reckoned on the bare estimated income of the year. The correct amount has accordingly been inserted.

§Published at page 52 of the Board's Standing Circular Orders.

18. The allotment of Rupees 150 on account of the establishment entertained in the Board's Office has been raised to Rupees 230, the scale fixed by them.

Vide Board's Proceedings, dated 2nd December 1869, No. 8,888A.

19. There is an allotment of Rupees 500 provided for Musaferkhana Establishment. This provision is the first of the kind, and there appears to have been no reference whatever made by the Collector on the subject. Should an establishment be found necessary, the Collector will make a special application for it. The item is disallowed.

20. With the foregoing alterations, the total proposed expenditure amounts to Rupees 1,65,120, which, deducted from the available assets of Rupees 1,79,640, leaves an unappropriated balance of Rupees 14,520.

No. 242. ORDER THEREON, 17th November 1870, No. 1,796.

Local Funds, No. 14.
Account.

THE Budget-estimate (Road Fund) is sanctioned as passed by the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)
(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Public Works Department.

Exd. F. R. Gantleman.

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Dated November 17th.

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G. O., 17th November 1870, No. 1,796.

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Malabar Road Fund Budget-estimate for 1871-72, as passed by the Board of Revenue, sanctioned.