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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 1867 Press Mis.—

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No. 347. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 10th November 1870 :—

Read Local Fund Budget-Estimate of Receipt, with its enclosures, from the Collector of Kurnool, dated 10th September 1870, No. 298.

Read also the following letter from the Collector of Kurnool, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras, dated Kurnool, 15th October 1870, No. 343.

I HAVE the honour to return the road map of the district, which was received with the Board's official memorandum, No. 883, dated 19th August 1870, completed in the manner required in paragraph 3 of the memorandum as far as practicable.

2. The delay in returning this map was caused by my having waited for the report of the Superintending Engineer, 3rd Division, regarding the mileage of the roads, which has not yet been sent to me.

PARTS I. and II. of the District Road Fund Budget are submitted for the approval of Government, with reference to their Order of the 16th March 1869, No. 711.

2. Part I. contains five works, with an aggregate allotment of Rupees 99,800, and a provision of Rupees 3,000 for Miscellaneous Public Improvements. Of the five works, two are sanctioned, and the rest are unsanctioned.

3 The items given below are being brought forward from one Budget to another, but no estimates have been submitted for any of them. In paragraph 2 of their Proceedings, dated 19th October 1870, No. 6,229, reviewing the Bellary Budget, the Board remarked upon a similar condition of affairs, and the Government* were pleased to call upon the Superintending Engineer, through the Public Works Department, to expedite the submission of some of the estimates, so that the District Road Fund might be utilized :—

* *Vide* Order, dated 31st October 1870, No. 1,679.

No. of Items.	Budget Item No. of				
	1866-67.	1867-68.	1868-69.	1869-70.	1870-71.
First	56	29	80	76	53 & 57
Second	.....	7	85	80 supplemental	56
Fifth	.....	.....	.....	10	58

4. Part II. contains fourteen repair-works, with a total allotment of Rupees 22,010, and provisions of Rupees 1,660 for petty repairs, and Rupees 3,500 on

account of Miscellaneous Public Improvements. The latter sum is made up of the following items:—

		RS.
1.	Clearance of jungles on the Nandikanama ghaut ...	1,500
2.	Maintaining avenues	2,000
	Total...	3,500

In paragraph 11 of their Proceedings of the 17th November 1869, No. 8,499, the Board disallowed the first item, as the Nandikanama Pass is on the imperial road No. VII., and the charge of clearing jungles on the sides of the Pass should be met from Imperial Funds. The Government, however, directed the item to be retained in the Road Fund Budget.

Vide G. O., Revenue Department, dated 23rd November 1869, No. 3,025.

The Board take this opportunity to request Government to re-consider their Order, as the Local Funds have already contributed largely towards clearing jungles, sinking wells, and building choultry and halting places on the ghaut. The present provision is apparently to prevent the new growth of jungles cut down alongside of the ghaut, which is maintained out of a provision in the Public Works Budget.

5. The several items of petty repairs need not be separately given, as each of their allotments is below 250 Rupees. They should all be put together and shown in a lump sum. The necessary entry has accordingly been made.

6. In the abstract of Receipts and Charges, the available assets are given as Rupees 1,63,600, inclusive of the balance expected to result at the beginning of the year, which amounts to Rupees 68,000.

7. The Collector puts down Rupees 100 for the contingent charges of the Revenue Department. It has been reduced to Rupees 50 in the absence of any explanation for the larger allotment.

8. The total proposed expenditure amounts to Rupees 1,58,100, which, deducted from the available assets of Rupees 1,63,600, leaves a balance of Rupees 5,500.

9. Greater care must be taken in the preparation of the map. Several names given in the Budget do not appear in it.

No. 348. ORDER THEREON, 23rd November 1870, No. 1,847.

Local Funds, No. 20.
Account.

THE District Road Fund Budget Lists of the Kurnool District for 1871-72 are approved. The Government have already decided* that the clearing of the Nandikanama Ghaut jungles may be fairly viewed as a local charge, and the provision of Rupees 1,500 for that purpose should be retained.

* Order, dated 23rd November 1869, No. 3,025.

2. The serious attention of the Superintending Engineer will be called to paragraph 3 of the Board's Proceedings through the Public Works Department.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
23rd November 1870.

The delay in preparing estimates renders the District Road Fund, in great measure, useless to the public who provide it.

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

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

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Revenues Department

No. 1547

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Under date the 23. November 1870.

Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Submitting Road Fund Budget of Kurnool Dist. for 1871-72 for approval. (G. O. 10th November 1870)

Copies sent to Collr. & Dist. Engr.

To the District Road Fund Budget lists of the Kurnool District for 1871-72 are approved. The Govt. have already decided* that the clearing of the Nandikanama Ghaut jungles may be fairly viewed as a local charge and the provision of Rupees 1500 for that purpose should be retained.

2. The Collr's attention & the Superintending Engineer will be called

* Order dated 23rd November 1869 No. 3025.

I should be inclined to reverse the order. The Ghaut is an Imperial work. It is being made out of State funds. I do not know we can properly or constitutionally charge the Road Fund with the cost of clearing jungle on its sides. A. D. C.

Govt. of Madras. Confdl.

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THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

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Fort St. George, November, 23rd.

Read.

G. O., 23rd November 1870, No. 1,547.

From the Secretary to Govt.

To Collr. Kurnool & Dist. Engr.

Kurnool Road Fund Budget for 1871-72 submitted by the Board of Revenue approved.

called to para 3 of the Board's Proceedings through the Public Works Department. The delay in preparing Estimates and Drawings for Public Edifices in Great measure retards the Public Services of

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to the Board of Revenue with a Trace Dated 22nd Nov. 1828

& P. W. Department