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Read the following papers :—

No. 180. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th January 1872, No. 101.

Read letter from the President of the Local Boards, Cuddapah District, dated 22nd December 1871, No. 9, submitting Local Fund Budgets for the Cuddapah and Madanapally Circles for 1872-73.

The Budgets of the Cuddapah and Madanapally Circles for 1872-73 will be submitted for the orders of Government.

2. The two Boards differ as to the proportion of the grant from Provincial Funds which should be credited to each. On behalf of Cuddapah it is urged that the Principal Division has hitherto been neglected in favour of the Sub-Division,* that it is comparatively roadless, that road-making and maintaining are unusually expensive in this Circle, and that, considering its area, revenue, and wants, it should have at least two-thirds of the district grant. On behalf of Madanapally it is urged that it requires half the district grant of the current year simply to maintain roads already in existence.

3. By a recent Order of Government the grants have been fixed at Rupees 12,460 for Cuddapah and Rupees 26,880 for Madanapally, but the Road Fund of both Circles is still unequal to the demands upon it for the mere maintenance of roads, and the President should call upon the Circle Boards to consider the expediency of establishing tolls. At present they are too dependent on the Government grants-in-aid.

4. In a letter recorded with Government Order, 28th November 1871, No. 712, Mr. Horsley said "I am surprized that the Madanapally Board have resolved to establish no tolls in the state of their roads, though they are now Rupees 3,000 during the remainder of the official year."

CUDDAPAH.

5. RECEIPTS.—Actual and not budget balances should have been shown.

6. The Road Fund allotment from Provincial Funds is Rupees 12,460. To this must be added Rupees 280 the Government Grant for the Rate School at Sidhout.

7. The estimates of receipts from land cess for the two Circles are more than double the average collections under the old Act and may be accepted.

8. Only half the surplus Pound Fund or Rupees 2,000 has been granted by Government to the Local Fund.

9. It is proposed to raise Rupees 4,500 by a house-tax in nine Unions two of which are to be formed round the old Rate Schools at Sidhout and Budwail, and the rest round Jamalamadugu, Proddatur, Pullampett, Pulivendla, Vempalli, Chetwail and Kamalapur. Six are to be "first class" Schools costing Rupees 800, and three "second class" Schools costing Rupees 500. The President assumes in paragraph 7 of his letter that Government will aid all these Schools with grants amounting to Rupees 1,800 (though the sum is not entered in Statement I.-A). In this, of course, he is mistaken. Government will only aid Unions from Provincial Funds in the case of Rate Schools established under the repealed Act VI. of 1863. From a note to Statement III.-A, it seems that the intention of Government that Union Schools shall be Elementary Schools has been over-looked. In Statement III. a long list of Schools is given which may in the opinion of the Acting Inspector of Schools be supported by Results Grants or by forming Unions. No proposition has been made regarding them to higher authority and they are out of place in Statement III. Altogether there has been so much misconception about Unions that the figures shown in the budget of 1871-72 which refer only to Sidhout and Budwail must be retained.

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Road Fund	RS.
Union Fund	96,670
General Fund	1,480
	48,420
EXPENDITURE, ROAD FUND	1,46,570

13. With the repair list it is difficult to deal. The President states that it has been hitherto the practise to draw maintenance allowances for roads which had no existence and to make roads out of them. The Circle Boards have objected to this unsound system, and it is to be altered, but in the meantime, as it was too late to get regular estimates framed they have consulted the Superintending Engineer as to the amount really wanted for each *budget* road and assigned the whole sum available for repairs. Thus the 7th item is new in the list and the allotments of others have been raised as follows:—

3. Rupees 1,020	9. Rupees 8,300
5. " 2,700	10. " 7,750
7. " 5,000	11. " 2,775
8. " 1,000	

17. GRANT I.—The only work to be done out of General Funds is the repair of avenues at a cost of Rupees 2,000. Grant I. will be—

Road Fund	RS.
General Fund	1,07,340
	2,000
Total...	<u>1,09,340</u>

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20. Grant JL will be—

									RS.
Union Fund ...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	880
General Fund ...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5,760
								Total...	6,640

24. GRANT IV.—The cost of Controlling establishments at the Presidency will be Rs. 420. The total Grant is—

Road Fund	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	ES.
										580
General Fund	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	200
Total										780

25. The following is an abstract of the revised R-1

Receipts.		Expenditure.			
	RS.		RS.	RS.	
Road Fund	96,670	Grant I. ... { Road Fund... ..	1,07,340		
Union Fund	1,480	{ General Fund	2,000		
General Fund	48,420			1,09,340	
		Grant II. ... { Union Fund	880		
		{ General Fund	5,760		
					6,640
<i>Road Fund.</i>		Grant III. ... General Fund ...	...		9,100
Receipts	96,670	Grant IV. ... { Road Fund... ..	580		
Appropriation. 11,500		{ General Fund	200		
					780
Total... 1,68,170		General Reserve	...		4,120
		<i>Balances.</i>			
		Road Fund	250		
		Union Fund	600		
		General Fund	15,740		
				16,590	16,590
Total...	1,46,570	Total...	...		1,46,570

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26. RECEIPTS.—As no Union Fund is yet in existence the opening balance must be struck out. The other balances should have been not the balances of the last Budget but the real balances expected to remain at the close of the current year.

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27. The allotment from Provincial Funds is Rupees 26,880.
28. Only half the surplus Pound Fund or Rupees 1,000 can be credited to the Local Fund.
29. It is proposed to levy house-tax in the four cusbahs, and it is said that the Circle Board have already proposed to take over the *Anglo-Vernacular* Schools situated there. It is evident that the intentions of Government have been misunderstood in this Circle as well as in the other. What is wanted is not that *Anglo-Vernacular* Schools should be taken up by Local Boards but that Elementary schools should be established. In Statement III.-B., the proposed Union Schools are shown a second time as Salary Grant Schools because the salaries of the masters and servants are to be granted from Union Funds. The local officers should make themselves acquainted with the Government orders on this subject. In the meantime the Union entries will be expunged from the budget.

30. The assets of the year will be—

	RS.
Road Fund...	69,930
Endowment Fund...	1,320
General Fund...	23,270
Total...	94,520

31. EXPENDITURE, ROAD FUND.—An additional appropriation of Rupees 5,000, is necessary to enable the Road Fund to maintain existing roads. The Local Board propose Rupees 10,000, but they did not expect so large a Government grant as has been assigned to the Circle.

32. No new works are proposed and the cost of repairs is reduced from Rupees 58,030 to Rupees 50,350 chiefly by reducing the allowances of the trunk roads which have been lately transferred from Imperial to Local Funds.

33. The charge for Petty establishments at the Presidency Rupees 450. The Reserve Rupees 12,180 and for Controlling establishments at the Presidency Rupees 450. The Reserve will be Rupees 7,330.

34. The Road Fund expenditure will thus be Rupees 73,310 leaving a balance of Rupees 1,620.

35. GRANT I.—The cost of maintaining avenues is Rupees 1,050 so that Grant I. is—

	RS.
Road Fund...	72,860
General Fund...	1,050
Total...	73,910

36. GRANT II.—Two-thirds of the cost of a Deputy-Inspector is Rupees 1,520, not Rupees 1,464 and the allotment for Educational inspection should be Rupees 2,760. Considering how little there is to inspect this money will be thrown away unless some feasible scheme for Unions is submitted soon.

37. The entries connected with Union Schools have been struck out and the allotment for grants-in-aid has been raised from Rupees 500 to Rupees 1,500.

38. The Grant will amount to Rupees 4,260 payable from General Funds.

39. GRANT III.—This Grant is Rupees 8,570 of which Rupees 1,320, a portion of the cost of the Madanapully Dispensary, are payable from Endowment Funds.

40. GRANT IV.—The contribution for the cost of Controlling Establishments at the Presidency being Rupees 270 this Grant will be—

	RS.
Road Fund...	450
General Fund...	120
Total...	570

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41. The following is an abstract of the revised budget:—

Receipts.		Expenditure.		
	RS.		RS.	RS.
Road Fund...	69,930	Grant I. ... { Road Fund...	72,860	...
Endowment Fund...	1,320	General Fund ...	1,050	73,910
General Fund ...	23,270	Grant II. ... { General Fund ...	...	4,260
Road Fund.		Grant III. ... { Endowment Fund...	1,320	...
Receipts ...	69,930	General Fund ...	7,250	8,570
Appropriation...	5,000	Grant IV. ... { Road Fund...	450	...
	74,930	General Fund ...	120	570
		General Reserve ...	...	1,040
		Balances.		
		Road Fund ...	1,620	...
		General Fund ...	4,550	6,170
Total...	94,520	Total ..	...	94,520

(A true Extract)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 181. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th March 1872, No. 1,663 (Miscellaneous.)
From Surgeon G. BIDIE, M. D., Secretary to the Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department,
to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Fort Saint George, 23rd February 1872,
No. 1,189.

I HAVE the honour, by desire of the Inspector-General, to submit to the Board the following remarks on the Budget Estimate for 1872-73 of the Cuddapah Local Fund Circle.

2. Under Grant III. there is an allotment of Rupees 1,604 for (a) Hospitals and Dispensaries, which it is presumed is a contribution to the Cuddapah Dispensary. Government in Paragraph 9 of G. O., F. D., No. 712 of 28th November 1871. their order marginally noted directed that this Hospital should be handed over to the Municipality, and under these circumstances the grant should have been exhibited under head (g) of this Section. The Hospital has an annual revenue of upwards of Rupees 2,500 from invested capital, and this together with the Local Fund contribution will leave a balance of about Rupees 1,202 to be provided by the Municipality.

3. A contribution of Rupees 500 to the Cuddapah Municipality for the training of Medical pupils is entered under head (g), but no other information as to the scope or ultimate object of this scheme has been communicated to this office, and the Inspector-General is therefore unable to offer any opinion on the subject.

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No. 101.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

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No. 182. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th March 1872, No. 1,674 (Miscellaneous). From Surgeon-Major W. R. CORNISH, F.R.C.S., Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to the Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Madras, 20th February 1872, No. 229.

I HAVE the honour to report for the information of the Board of Revenue, that the Local Funds Board of the Cuddapah District, in their estimates for 1872-73, have provided as follows for sanitary expenditure:—

	RS.
Cuddapah Circle...	5,000
Madanapally do.	1,720

The amounts in question are allotted for the scavenging of eight towns in the former Circle and four in the latter.

2. The provision is satisfactory so far as it goes, though I feel it my duty to point out to the Board that there must be hundreds of villages of more than 1,000 inhabitants in this as in other districts, which are unprovided with scavengers, and that the arrangements for village conservancy have yet to be settled by Local Fund Boards before any satisfactory progress in the general sanitation of the country can be made.

SUBMITTED to Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 12th January 1872, No. 101.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

No. 183. ORDER THEREON, 23rd March 1872, No. 350.

With the foregoing Proceedings the Revenue Board submit the Local Fund Budgets of the Cuddapah and Madanapalli Circles for 1872-73.

2. The question as to the distribution of the Provincial grants has, as stated by the Board, been settled by G. O. 15th January 1872, No. 30. The Government observe that the Budgets now submitted contain (besides Union Funds) large funds unallotted, in Cuddapah not less than Rupees 19,040 and in Madanapalli Rupees 5,820 exclusive of Road Fund reserves of the full amount. The Government do not, under these circumstances, consider that the request of the local authorities for larger provincial grants, or the recommendation of the Revenue Board that the expediency of levying tolls should be considered, are, at present at least, well founded. The Collector's description of the system under which the Road Fund has hitherto been expended shows most extraordinary mal-administration, the responsibility for which ought to be fixed somewhere. No time should be lost in submitting the detailed report called for by the Revenue Board and the Superintending Engineer should also be called on for report and explanation through the Public Works Department. At the same time proposals for utilizing the unallotted balances should be submitted, and the Revenue Board should satisfy themselves that the reductions which have been made in the maintenance allowances of trunk roads in the Madanapalli Circle are feasible and allowable.

3. The Board of Revenue have, under the circumstances detailed, rightly expunged the Union receipts and charges entered in the Cuddapah Budget. The question as to the Anglo-Vernacular Schools which the Local Fund Board wish to take over, has been made the subject of separate communication, which will be disposed of in due course. The state of elementary education in the Cuddapah District calls for immediate attention from the Local Boards and the Education officers of Government.

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4. The allotments for Educational inspection entered by the Revenue Board, provide for two Deputy-Inspectors and for four Inspecting Schoolmasters as recommended by the Director of Public Instruction. With reference to the remark of the Revenue Board as to the absence of necessity for a Deputy-Inspector for Madanapalli, the Government think that the Local Board will find his services very useful as an organizer; and resolve to retain the provisions for two officers of this class.

5. The allotments for Vaccination may stand.

6. CUDDAPAH.—The entries in this Budget require no further remark. The Government have increased Grant IV. to provide for the establishment which it is proposed to give to the Accountant-General, and the Road Fund share is modified accordingly. The following is an abstract of the Budget:—

<i>Receipts.</i>		RS.
Balances		8,030
Allotments, etc.		15,150
Rates and Taxes....		1,23,340
Fees		50
		1,46,570.

<i>Expenditure.</i>		
Grant I		1,10,260
Do. II.		3,610
Do. III.		9,100
Do. IV.		930
		1,26,930

<i>Balances.</i>		
Road Fund		240
Union Fund		600
General		18,800
		19,640
Total...		1,46,570

7. MADANAPALLI.—In Statement I.-A., credit is taken for Rupees 1,320, endowment receipts. Statement IV. shows only Rupees 1,020. The receipts are therefore only Rupees 94,220. The Government have raised the allotment for results grants and for controlling establishment, and with the revised charges the Budget is as follows:—

<i>Receipts.</i>		RS.
Balances		4,580
Allotments, etc.		28,110
Rates and Taxes....		60,510
Endowments, etc.		1,020
		94,220

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<i>Expenditure.</i>		Rs.
Grant I.		74,470
Do. II.		4,700
Do. III.		8,570
Do. IV.		660
		88,400

<i>Balances.</i>		
Road Fund ...	1,000	
General ...	4,820	
		5,820
Total...		94,220

(True Extract.)

[Signature]

Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.

- .. Revenue Department. ✓
- .. Collector of Cuddapah.
- .. Accountant-General.
- .. Public Works Department.
- .. Inspector-General, Indian Medical Department.
- .. Director of Public Instruction.
- .. Sanitary Commissioner.

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