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No. 283. Read the following letter from J. H. GARSTIN, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Chellumbrum, to the Honourable D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Cuddalore, 9th March 1874, No. 8:—

I have the honour to submit, herewith, the Chellumbrum Municipal Budget for 1874-75.

2. The Municipal Commissioners propose to raise a revenue from—

1. A rate on houses;
2. A tax on carriages and animals;
3. Tolls; and
4. The registration of carts.

3. The total sum available for expenditure during the year is estimated at Rupees 13,644. The expenditure is only expected to amount to Rupees 8,462.

4. The Municipality borrowed from Government during the current year a sum of Rupees 1,440-1-10. This sum being still unpaid, and the cash balance at the end of the year being estimated at Rupees 1,404, I have entered the repayment of the debt to Government as a charge on the income of the coming year.

5. I do not at all approve of the imposition of tolls at Chellumbrum at present, firstly, because there are no roads worthy of the name in the town, secondly, because nearly all the northern traffic passes through the Cuddalore Municipality, not more than twenty-two miles distant, where tolls are levied, and, thirdly, because the Municipality do not seem to be in want of the money; their income, irrespective of tolls, being sufficient to meet their budgeted expenditure. Perhaps next year, after the town of Chellumbrum is able to boast of some good metalled roads, carts may be slightly mulcted in return for the privilege of cutting them up.

6. The Municipality have made no provision for relieving the Local Fund Board of the Virdachellum Circle of the cost of the up-keep of the Dispensary in that town, an institution much appreciated, where a Hospital Assistant on Rupees 60 is entertained; but their funds will hardly admit of their taking the whole of this charge on themselves this year. Next year, if they are in a position to do so, they should relieve the Local Fund Board of the charge of this institution, and they will then receive a grant-in-aid from that Board.

7. With these remarks, I beg to submit the budget for the sanction of Government.

No. 289. ORDER THEREON, 28th April 1874, No. 717.

The subjoined abstract shows the estimated receipts and expenditure of the Chellumbrum Municipality compared with those for the six months of the year 1873-74 during which the Municipality was in operation.

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RECEPTS.			CHARGES.		
	1873-74. RS.	1874-75. RS.		1873-74 RS.	1874-75. RS.
Balance	...	1,101	Grant I.		
Assignment by Government ...	74	110	New Works—		
Rate on Houses	5,000	7,500	Communications	600	2,000
Tax on Vehicles	50	800	Buildings... ..	800	200
Registration of Carts	150	300	Repairs—		
Fees	...	200	Communications	800	800
Fines	100	200	Establishment	350	...
Miscellaneous... ..	...	130	Other items	100	100
			Grant II.		
			Grant III.		90
			Vaccination... ..	...	
			Registration of Births and		
			Deaths	68	156
			Conservancy	1,566	3,296
			Grant IV.		
			Grant V.		
			Supervision... ..	1,104	3,260
			Balance	8	742
Total ...	5,374	10,614	Total ...	5,374	10,614

2. The President has not forwarded any resolution of the Commissioners adopting the budget nor any explanation of the grounds for the proposals made by them; but the Government agree with the President in considering it quite unnecessary to raise any income from tolls when the estimated receipts from the existing taxes are in excess of the budgeted expenditure. They must remark, however, that, as the expenditure proposed for the current year makes no provision either for education or for the up-keep of the Dispensary, an extension of the operations of the Municipality must soon be made, and it may very probably then be necessary to have recourse to tolls. The allotments, so far as they go, are approved, and the budget is passed as submitted by the President.

(True Extract.)

D. F. CARMICHAEL,

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Chellumbram.
 .. Public Works Department.
 .. Revenue Department.
 .. Board of Revenue.
 .. Accountant-General.
 .. Sanitary Commissioner for Madras.
 .. Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
 .. Director of Public Instruction.
 .. President of the Local Fund Boards, South Arcot.

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To,
THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
Chittagong,
Cc, cc, cc.

Dated April 25th.

Per. Mayors.

G. O., 28th April 1874, No. 717.

APRIL.
Nos. 288-289.

Chittagong Municipality.—The budget estimates of this Municipality for 1874-75 reviewed and passed.

22.4.74.
Signed
B. Mayors. CMC.