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Read the following papers:—

No. 290. From G. D. LEMAN, Esq., President of the Municipal Commissions, Kistna, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Bapatla, 20th February 1874, No. 9.

I have the honour to submit, for sanction, the Budget Estimates of the Masulipatam Municipality for 1874-75.

2. RECEIPTS—*Balances*.—As was proposed in the current year's Budget, the "Funded Capital" (Rupees 2,204-11-0) of the dispensary has been appropriated for building caste wards, &c., in connexion with it. A small balance of Rupees 200 is expected to remain when the next year opens.

3. *Rates and Taxes*.—Agreeably to the orders of Government nothing is entered against "Arts, &c." The Commissioners expect the "Rates on Houses" will amount to Rupees 8,500 (not including arrears) as against Rupees 6,500 of the current year. The increase of Rupees 2,000 will be the effect of the revision of house measurements that is now in progress but not of any enhanced rate of taxation.

4. The other items call for no remark excepting "Miscellaneous," under which Rupees 800 are entered for the first time against "(a) Rent of Municipal Markets." The fish and meat market proposed in the current year's Budget to be built at an estimated cost of Rupees 4,600 has been taken in hand and has made considerable progress. It is hoped that it will soon be completed sufficiently to be used.

5. The total revenues of the Municipality are estimated to amount to Rupees 24,500.

6. EXPENDITURE.—The total expenses are estimated at Rupees 23,900 in round numbers, as shown under—

	RS.
Grant I.	8,400
" II.	1,830
" III.	8,900
" IV.	3,050
" V.	1,716
Total ...	23,896

7. The Commissioners have endeavoured to face the much-reduced receipts by curtailing expenditure in every possible way. No new roads will be made next year, and in addition to sundry retrenchments here and there the office establishment has been reduced.*

8. I enclose a list of Commissioners. As will be seen from the Vice-President's note at the foot of the list, an addition of two non-official members is necessary to counterbalance the excess in the number of official members. This excess is caused by the recent appointment of Vetcha Gopalakrishnamma, hitherto a non-official member, to be Nazir of the Court of Small Causes.

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9. I have already forwarded an application to Government to appoint these people.

No. 294. ORDER THEREON, 28th April 1874, No. 718.

The Budget Estimates of the Masulipatam Municipality for 1874-75 are compared below with those for 1873-74 :—

RECEIPTS.			CHARGES.		
	1873-74.	1874-75.		1873-74.	1874-75.
	RS.	RS.		RS.	RS.
Balance brought forward ...	4,204	1,200	Grant I.—		
Assignment by Government...	200	200	New Works—		
Tax on Houses ...	6,500	9,000	Communications. }	9,310	3,392
Tax on Arts (Arrears) ...	6,500	500	Buildings. }		
Tax on Vehicles ...	1,000	1,000	Repairs—		
Registration of Carts ...	600	600	Communications. }	1,500	2,800
Tolls ...	8,000	7,000	Buildings. }		450
Fees ...	1,400	1,400	Other items ...	1,300	1,758
Fines ...	350	400	Grant II.—		
Endowments, &c. ...	1,100	1,100	Municipal Schools ...	600	652
Contribution from Local			Salary Grants ...	1,420	624
Funds ...	890	1,000	Results Grants ...	600	500
Miscellaneous ...	56	1,100	Other items ...	180	54
			Grant III.—		
			Hospitals ...	3,400	3,600
			Vaccination ...	300	300
			Registration of Births, &c. ...	250	280
			Conservancy ...	6,350	4,720
			Grant IV.—		
			Lighting ...	1,000	840
			Other Purposes ...	2,200	2,210
			Grant V.—		
			Supervision ...	2,390	1,716
			Balance ...		604
Total ...	30,800	24,500	Total ...	30,800	24,500

2. The attention of the President is called to paragraph 3 of G. O., dated 2nd June 1873, No. 765, pointing out that the Statement I.-A. was not correctly prepared for the current year. A similar error has been made in the statements now submitted, and it is desired that care may be taken to avoid a further repetition of the mistake. The funded balance should not be shown in Statements I. and II., and the Municipal appropriation for the dispensary should be represented by the deficit balance of Rupees 1,500, which will appear in Statement I.-A. when correctly prepared. The Government also observe that the entries relating to the establishment for the registration of births and deaths shown in Statement II. do not correspond with the details shown in Statement II.-B.

3. Notwithstanding a considerable increase in the income from Rates on Houses resulting from a revised assessment, the total income of the Municipality for 1874-75 is expected to fall short of that of the current year by Rupees 6,300

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owing to the loss of the profession-tax and a decrease of Rupees 3,004 in the opening balance.

Decreased allotments—

	RS.
New Works ...	5,918
Education ...	970
Conservancy ...	1,630
Lighting ...	160
Supervision ...	672
	9,352

Deduct increased allotments—

	RS.
Repairs ...	1,750
Other Public Works items ...	458
Dispensary ...	200
Miscellaneous ...	40
Balance ...	604
	3,052
	6,300

(True Extract.)

D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Acting Chief Secretary.

4. On the expenditure side the marginally-noted decreased and increased allotments are proposed and appear to have been carefully considered. The reduction in the provision for education, however, is much to be regretted, and the Government hope that the Commissioners may see their way to increase it during the year from the unallotted balance.

5. The non-official members referred to in the report will be shortly appointed.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Kistna District.
 " Public Works Department.
 " Revenue Department.
 " Board of Revenue.
 " Accountant-General.
 " Sanitary Commissioner.
 " Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
 " Director of Public Instruction.
 " President of the Local Fund Board, Kistna District.

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TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION

Attn: Director

Re: 1904-1905

21 May

G. O. 2504 April 1904, No. 718

APRIL
No. 230-234

Notwithstanding the fact that the subject of this report is a matter of the 1904-1905 period, it is considered

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