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Municipal Budget.

No. 72. Read the following letter from J. B. PENNINGTON, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Srirangam, Trichinopoly, to the Honorable D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Srirangam, 9th February 1875, No. 95 :—

I have the honor to submit the accompanying Budget Estimates for the town of Srirangam for 1875-76.

2. The following table is an abstract of the estimates compared with those of the preceding year :—

Receipts.	1874-75.	1875-76.
	Rs.	Rs.
Balance...	500	500
Assignment by Government ..	600	850
Rates on Houses	8,200	8,100
Tax on Arts	800	...
Tax on Vehicles	400	500
Registration of Carts	300	300
Tolls	1,000	...
Fees	350	450
Fines	150	75
Contribution from Local Funds	2,600	4,600
Miscellaneous	1,275	1,225
Total ...	16,175	16,600

Charges.	1874-75.	1875-76.
	Rs.	Rs.
Grant I.—		
New Works—		
Communications	500	500
Buildings	1,349	1,150
Repairs—		
Communications	1,610	850
Buildings, &c.	...	500
Establishment	120	168
Grant II.—		
Municipal Schools	...	350
Results Grants	350	250
Other items	...	25
Grant III.—		
Hospitals	5,400	5,400
Vaccination	000	000
Registration of Births and Deaths	100	180
Conservancy	3,456	4,224
Grant IV.—		
Lighting	900	900
Other purposes...	600	600
Grant V.—		
Supervision	1,490	1,203
Total ...	16,175	16,600

3. Receipts—*Assignment by Government.*—The allotment of the preceding year provided only for the payment of one-fourth of the salary of the Native Surgeon in charge of the Dispensary—*vide* G.O., No. 395, dated the 24th March 1873—while the provision made in the Budget under notice includes also one-fourth of the salary of the Subordinate Medical Establishment—*vide* G.O., No. 1213, dated 27th August 1873—*plus* a moiety of the probable net savings under the Pound Fund payable to the Municipality on account of the pounds situated within its limits.

	Rs.
1874-75	600
1875-76	850
Increase ...	250

4. *Rates on Houses.*—The difference arises from the estimated outstanding arrears at the close of 1874-75, being less than those expected to remain uncollected at the close of the preceding year by Rupees 100.

	Rs.
Estimated arrears at the close of 1873-74	1,800
Estimated arrears at the close of 1874-75	1,700
	100

		Rs.
1874-75	... ...	400
1875-76	... ...	500
	Increase ...	100

5. *Tax on Vehicles.*—The increase arises from the increased number of vehicles, &c., in the town. The Commissioners safely calculate on realizing Rupees 500 under this head for the new year.

6. *Tolls.*—This being a grant from Local Funds given from their income under Tolls for the up-keep of the roads in the town, the amount has been

Rupees 1,000.

transferred to "Contributions from Local Funds" as its proper head.

		Rs.
1874-75	... ...	350
1875-76	... ...	450
	Increase ...	100

7. *Fees.*—The increase forms the amount of fees expected to be collected from the pupils of the Girls' School recently established by the Municipality in the town.

8. *Fines.*—The penalties levied in those cases in which the payment of Tax on Arts was persistently refused, formed hitherto a moiety of our income under the head "Fines." Now that the tax in question has been dispensed with, the income has been reduced in the Budgets from Rupees 150 to Rupees 75.

		Rs.
1874-75	... ...	150
1875-76	... ...	75
	Decrease ...	75

9. *Contributions from Local Funds.*—The increase of Rupees 2,000 consists of the following items :—

		Rs.
1874-75	... ...	2,600
1875-76	... ...	4,600
	Increase ...	2,000

	Rs.
Amount transferred, *vide* paragraph 6 above, or grant for the up-keep of the roads in the town	1,000
Balance of the one-fourth of the expenditure on the Dispensary and Hospital buildings which the Local Fund Board have agreed to give in aid of the project	1,000
Total ...	2,000

10. *Miscellaneous.*—The difference was the contribution expected from the Pagoda Funds in aid of the Sanitary, &c., arrangements made during the annual feasts at Srirangam; the Trustees having failed to contribute it, it has been omitted from the Budgets.

		Rs.
1874-75	... ...	1,275
1875-76	... ...	1,225
	Decrease ...	50

		Rs.
1874-75	... ...	350
1875-76	... ...	625
	Increase ...	275

11. CHARGES—*Grant II.*—The increase under this head arises chiefly from the establishment of a Girls' School by the Municipality in the town.

		Rs.
1874-75	... ...	9,256
1875-76	... ...	10,104
	Increase ...	848

12. *Grant III.*—The increase occurs chiefly in the item "Conservancy." The number of Sweepers has recently been increased from four to eleven for the better cleanliness of the town;

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provision has also been made for the employment of two night soil carts and for the services of two male and two female toties. The pay of the Registrar of Births and Deaths has been raised from Rupees 8 to Rupees 10 a-month, and arrangements have been made with the individuals in charge of the Burial Grounds in the town in view to information, regarding the dead bodies brought to those grounds, being given daily to the Registrar, on payment of an allowance of one Rupee a-month for each ground. Hence the increase.

13. *Grant V.*—The decrease occurs in the items "Contingencies" and "Commission to Bill Collectors." The transfer of the Municipal office from the private building hitherto rented, to the accommodation provided in the Dispensary compound, and the abolition of the Tax on Arts, on the collection of which the Municipal Bill Collectors drew a commission at 5 per cent., chiefly led to the decrease.

		Rs.
1874-75	... ...	1,490
1875-76	... ...	1,203
	Decrease ...	287

No. 73. ORDER THEREON, 5th March 1875, No. 515.

In the annexed abstract are compared the Budget Estimates of the Srirangam Municipality for 1875-76 and 1874-75 :—

RECEIPTS.	1874-75. Rs.	1875-76. Rs.
Balance brought forward	500	500
Assignment by Government ...	600	850
Rate on Houses, &c.	8,200	8,100
Tax on Arts, &c....	800	...
Tax on Vehicles, &c.	400	500
Registration of Carts	300	300
Tolls	1,000	...
Fees	350	350
Fines	150	75
School fees	...	100
Endowments, &c.	...	1,200
Contributions from Local Funds	2,600	4,600
Miscellaneous	1,275	25
Total ...	16,175	16,600

CHARGES.	1874-75. Rs.	1875-76. Rs.
Grant I.—		
New Works—		
Communications	500	500
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	1,349	1,150
Repairs—		
Communications	1,610	850
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	...	500
Establishment	120	168
Other items		...
Grant II.—		
Municipal Schools	...	350
Results Grants	350	250
Contributions for Inspection.	...	25
Grant III.—		
Hospitals	5,400	5,400
Vaccination...	300	300
Registration of Births, &c.	100	180
Conservancy...	3,456	4,224
Grant IV.—		
Lighting	900	900
Other purposes	600	600
Grant V.—		
Office	1,490	753
Miscellaneous		450
Total ...	16,175	16,600

2. The last column of Statements I. and II. should have been filled up with the regular estimates for 1874-75. Statement I.-A is not submitted. The omission should now be supplied, and in future the accounts should be stitched together and submitted in a book form.

3. Under "Assignment by Government," a sum of Rupees 200 is estimated for the Hospital, in excess of the amount shown in the current year's Budget and is explained as being the one-fourth grant payable on the pay of the Subordinate Medical Establishment excluding the Native Surgeon; but a reference to Statement II.-B shows that the expression is wrongly used as applicable to other than Medical Officers. The total grants on account of the department will be Rupees 675 and need not appear at all in the Municipal accounts, as explained in paragraph 6, G.O., dated 28th January 1875, No. 164.

4. The increase in the contributions from Local Funds is due to the lump payment of Rupees 1,000 made by the Local Fund Board in lieu of the tolls formerly levied by the Municipality and now transferred to the Circle Board, and to the latter having also agreed to pay one-fourth of the expenditure on Dispensary and Hospital buildings.

5. The proposed increase to the Conservancy and Registration of Births, &c., establishments is approved.

6. The question of Cess-pools noticed in paragraph 3 of G.O., dated 11th May 1874, No. 808, has not yet been reported upon. Government desire to know what has been done on the matter.

(True Extract.)

W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Srirangam.
,, 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, Trichinopoly.

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THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
Srirangam,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated March 5th.

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