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**Municipal—Budget.**

No. 357. Read the following letter from A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Erode, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated 25th January 1875, No. 3 :—

I have the honor to submit the Budget Estimate of the Erode Municipality for 1875-76.

2. The estimated income may be thus summed up :—

| | 1875-76. | 1874-75. |
|---|---|---|
| | Rs. | Rs. |
| Balance brought forward ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | ... | 900 |
| Assignments and Allotments by Government ... ... ... | 280 | .. |
| Rate on Houses ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 2,750 | 3,000 |
| Tax on Vehicles ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 500 | 500 |
| Registration of Carts ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 500 | 500 |
| Tolls ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1,300 | 1,000 |
| Fees ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 10 | 100 |
| Fines ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 70 | 50 |
| Endowments, &c. ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 190 | 400 |

The receipts and charges of the Erode Municipality for 1874-75 and 1875-76 are shown below :—

| Receipts. | 1874-75. | 1875-76. |
|---|---|---|
| | Rs. | Rs. |
| Balance brought forward ... ... | 1,630 | ... |
| Assignment by Government ... | ... | 280 |
| Rate on Houses, &c. ... ... | 3,000 | 2,750 |
| Tax on Arts, &c. ... ... ... | ... | ... |
| Tax on Vehicles, &c. ... ... | 500 | 500 |
| Registration of Carts ... ... | 500 | 500 |
| Tolls ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1,000 | 1,300 |
| Fees ... ... ... ... ... ... | 100 | 10 |
| Fines ... ... ... ... ... | 50 | 70 |
| Endowments, &c. ... ... ... | 400 | 190 |
| Contributions from Local Funds | ... | 700 |
| Miscellaneous ... ... ... ... | 410 | 310 |
| Total ... | 7,590 | 6,610 |

| Charges. | 1874-75. | 1875-76. |
|---|---|---|
| | Rs. | Rs. |
| Grant I.— | | |
| New Works— | | |
| Communications ... ... | 550 | 690 |
| Sanitary and Miscellaneous ... ... ... ... | 390 | 160 |
| Repairs— | | |
| Communications ... ... | 700 | 505 |
| Miscellaneous ... ... ... | 280 | ... |
| Other items ... ... ... ... | 30 | ... |
| Grant II.— | | |
| Results Grants ... ... | 200 | 200 |
| Contributions for Inspection | 50 | 50 |
| Grant III.— | | |
| Hospitals ... ... ... ... | 1,270 | 1,528 |
| Vaccination ... ... ... | | |
| Contribution to Local Funds ... ... ... | 50 | 50 |
| Registration of births and deaths ... ... ... ... | 90 | 84 |
| Conservancy ... ... ... ... | 2,440 | 1,996 |
| Grant IV.— | | |
| Lighting ... ... ... ... | 590 | 726 |
| Other purposes ... ... ... | 220 | 185 |
| Grant V.— | | |
| Supervision and Management | 670 | 496 |
| Balance ... ... ... ... ... | 160 | ... |
| Total ... | 7,590 | 6,610 |

8. The expenditure is estimated as follows :—

| | 1875-76. | 1874-75. |
|---|---|---|
| | Rs. | Rs. |
| Grant I.— | | |
| New Works— | | |
| Communications | 600 | 350 |
| Sanitary and Miscellaneous | 100 | 100 |
| Repairs— | | |
| Communications | 495 | 700 |
| Other Items | ... | 30 |
| Grant II.— | | |
| Rendis Grant | 200 | 200 |
| Contribution to Local Funds for Educational Inspection | 50 | 50 |
| Grant III.— | | |
| Hospitals and Dispensaries | 1,528 | 1,270 |
| Vaccination | 50 | 50 |
| Registration of births and deaths | 84 | 80 |
| Conservancy | 1,930 | 2,190 |
| Grant IV.— | | |
| Lighting | 720 | 500 |
| Choultries | 120 | 120 |
| Miscellaneous | 63 | 100 |
| Grant V.— | | |
| Supervision and Management | 450 | 370 |
| Balance | ... | 160 |
| Total | 6,610 | 6,860 |

leaving no balance at the end of the year.

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No. 360 Ootacamund, 27th February 1875, No. 456.

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|---|---|---|
| Miscellaneous | 510 | 410 |
| Total | 6,610 | 6,860 |

3. The estimate under "Assignments and Allotments by Government" comprises the surplus collections of the Cattle pound, and the contribution from Provincial Funds towards the pay of the Medical officer, which the Government directed should be exhibited under this head—*vide* paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 441, of 13th March 1874, Financial Department.

4. There is a decrease under House-tax as compared with the estimate of the current year; but as Rupees 2,163 were only realized in 1873-74 against the estimate of Rupees 3,000 for that year, the Commissioners' estimate of Rupees 2,750 for the ensuing year is as near as can be expected, after raising the house-tax from 6 to 7½ per cent. which the Commissioners have found it necessary to propose so as to meet the expenses.

5. The Tolls realized Rupees 1,400 in 1873-74; so that the Commissioners' estimate of Rupees 1,500 is nearer the mark than the current year's estimate of Rupees 1,900.

6. The decrease under "Endowments, &c.," is caused by the transfer of the Provincial Fund contribution on account of the Medical officer's salary from the head of "Endowments, &c.," to that of "Assignments by Government"—*vide* paragraph 3.

7. Seeing that no opening balance is expected, the anticipated aggregate receipts of the ensuing year do not show any decrease.



2. Statement I.-A does not appear to be correctly prepared; the current expenditure on choultries being shown as Rupees 190, while Rupees 120 only are entered on that account in Statement II. The grant from Provincial Funds towards the pay of the Medical Subordinate in charge of the Hospital need not in future be shown in the Municipal accounts, as the portion of the salary borne by Government will be debited direct to Provincial Funds and not brought on the Municipal books.

3. Notwithstanding a proposed enhancement of the house rate from 6 to 7½ per cent. which the Government sanction, the receipts during the year are estimated to be less by Rupees 250 than in the current year, the Commissioners being of opinion that they over-estimated the proceeds of the house-tax in the current and previous years; the actuals of 1873-74 having been only Rupees 2,163 against Rupees 3,000 estimated.

4. Under Tolls, an increase of Rupees 300 is estimated, and it is observed that the allotment for Public Works Communications do not fall far short of the receipts from that source.

5. The other items do not call for any remark in detail, and the Budget is passed accordingly.

(True Extract.)

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