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Municipal—Budget.

No. 265. Read the following letter from G. D. LEMAN, Esq., President of the Municipal Commissions, Kistna District, to the Honorable D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Masulipatam, 25th February 1875, No. 261 :—

I have the honor to submit the Budget Estimates of the Masulipatam Municipality for 1875-76.

2. RECEIPTS. *Balance.*—There will be no opening balance.

3. *Rates on Houses.*—The estimated income from this source is Rupees 7,000 as against Rupees 9,000 put down for 1874-75—a portion of the Rupees 9,000 was the arrear of the previous years. No arrears are expected to be outstanding when the current year is over.

4. *Tolls.*—Rupees 8,000 are entered under this head, the present year's Farm having fetched Rupees 7,900 nearly.

5. *Contributions.*—The Masulipatam Local Fund Board have been asked to enhance their contribution towards the expenses of the Municipal Dispensary; but as their answer is not yet known, the contribution is entered the same as last year.

6. The claim for an increase is based on the fact that a great portion of the patients that resort to the institution for treatment come from places outside the Municipal limits.

7. The other items call for no explanation.

8. EXPENDITURE.—The total assets of the Municipality for next year thus amount to Rupees 22,500; the whole of which is proposed to be expended for the purposes of the year as detailed in the statements. The only item requiring notice seems to be "Lighting," the cost of which is put down at Rupees 1,900, as in next year kerosine oil will be used instead of cocoanut oil as at present.

9. The sum estimated for 1874-75 for this purpose is Rupees 840. But the actual expenditure will not be less than Rupees 1,100.

10. The Commissioners propose paying Government the sum charged to them annually (Rupees 1,364) for the cost of the water supply for the year 1874-75, in the next, viz., 1875-76, and so on. The funds in their hands will not admit of any other course. No provision was made in the Budget of 1874-75 for

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a larger payment than Rupees 1,364. The Commissioners also are of opinion that the claim for the year's interest on the expenditure that was made for the water supply should not be made till the year, in which it is due, is over. But with reference to G.O., No. 1600, dated 24th September 1874, payments will be made monthly in future.

11. There will be no closing balance.

12. Subjoined is an abstract of the Budget:—

ABSTRACT.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE.	
1874-75.	1875-76.	1874-75.	1875-76.
RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Balance brought forward ...	1,200	Grant I.—	
Assignment by Government ..	200	New Works—	
Tax on Houses	9,000	Communications } ...	3,392
Tax on Vehicles	1,000	Buildings } ...	800
Registration of Carts... ..	600	Repairs—	
Tolls	7,000	Communications	2,800
Fees	1,400	Buildings	450
Fines	400	Other items	1,758
School Fees	100	Grant II.—	
Endowments, &c.	1,100	Municipal Schools	652
Contribution from Local		Salary Grants	624
Funds	1,000	Results Grants... ..	500
Miscellaneous (including		Other items	54
arrears of Arts Tax for		Grant III.—	
1874-75	1,600	Hospitals	3,600
		Vaccination	300
		Registration of Births ...	280
		Conservancy	4,720
		Grant IV.—	
		Lighting	840
		Other purposes... ..	2,210
		Grant V.—	
		Supervision	1,716
		Balance... ..	604
Total ...	24,500	Total ...	24,500

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No. 266. ORDER THEREON, 31st March 1875, No. 683.

The Budget Estimates for the Masulipatam Municipality for 1875-76, received with the foregoing letter, are compared in the subjoined abstract with those for 1874-75:—

RECEIPTS.		CHARGES.	
1874-75.	1875-76.	1874-75.	1875-76.
RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Balance brought forward ...	1,200	Grant I.—	
Assignment by Government..	200	New Works—	
Rate on Houses	9,000	Communications	...
Tax on Arts, &c., (arrears) ...	500	Educational	...
Tax on Vehicles	1,000	Sanitary and Miscel-	
Registration of Carts	600	laneous	3,392
Tolls	7,000	Repairs—	
Fees	1,400	Communications	2,800
Fines	400	Sanitary and Miscel-	
School Fees	100	laneous	450
Endowment Receipts	1,100	Establishment	1,758
Contribution from Local		Tools and Plant	50
Funds	1,000	Grant II.—	
Miscellaneous	1,000	Municipal Schools	652
		Salary Grants	624
		Result Grants	500
		Contribution for Inspec-	
		tion	54
		Grant III.—	
		Hospitals	3,600
		Vaccination	300
		Registration of Births, &c.	280
		Conservancy	4,720
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		Lighting	840
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		Grant V.—	
		Supervision and Manage-	
		ment	1,716
		Balance	604
Total ...	24,500	Total ...	24,500

2. The estimated receipts amount to Rupees 22,500 against Rupees 24,500 for the current year. The decrease of Rupees 2,000 under House-tax is explained to be owing to no arrears being expected to remain for collection in 1875-76 as in the current year. The increase under Tolls is based on the experience of the current year.

3. Under Charges an increase of Rupees 1,060 and Rupees 680 appears in the estimates for Lighting and Conservancy, respectively. Explanation is furnished with regard to the former to the effect that the proposed substitution of kerosine for cocoanut oil will lead to a larger outlay, it being also stated that the provision for the current year was under-estimated. The Government observe that the

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establishment is to be increased from five to seven persons which would seem to indicate extended operations. A mere change from cocoanut to kerosine oil ought not to lead to an increase of 73 per cent. in the expenditure.

4. The Government do not understand paragraph 10 of the President's letter, as the regular estimate of expenditure for the current year shown in the last column of Statement II., seems to provide for the payment of the sum due to Government for water supply for two years. G.O., dated 24th September 1874, No. 1600, was not intended to do more than direct that the full amount should be paid before the close of the year for which the supply is made.

(True Extract.)

W. HUDLESTON,
Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Masulipatam.
,, Public Works Department.
,, Revenue Department.
,, Board of Revenue.
,, Accountant-General.
,, Sanitary Commissioner.
,, Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
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THE PRESIDENT OF THE
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