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No. 176. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Department of Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce, (Forests,) dated Simla, 31st July 1876, Nos. 17/670—683 :—

Read again the following papers :—

Resolution, No. 253, dated the 2nd March 1875, reviewing the Budget Estimates of the Forest Department in the British Provinces under the Government of India for 1875-76.

Resolution, No. 30—1,310-1,323, dated the 15th December 1875, reviewing the actual receipts and expenditure of the Forest Department in 1874-75.

Read also—

The Budget Estimates of the Forest Department in the British Provinces under the Government of India for 1876-77.

RESOLUTION.

It is matter for regret that the detailed orders on the Budget Estimates of the Forest Department for 1876-77 have, owing to exceptional and unavoidable circumstances, been issued at a much later date than usual. The form adopted in reviewing each Budget separately has again been maintained, in order that the several local Governments and Administrations may be made acquainted with the grounds in detail upon which the local estimates have been modified.

2. A tabular statement is appended to this Resolution showing the figures proposed by the local Governments and Administrations and those which have been admitted by the Government of India. The statement as well as the present review relate only to the British Provinces under the Government of India, separate orders having been passed on the Forest Estimates of Mysore and Berar and on those of the Presidencies of Madras and Bombay.

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3. The actual receipts and expenditure of 1874-75 which have already been reviewed separately are as follow:—

	Budget Estimate.	Regular Estimate.	Actuals.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Bengal...	1,21,800	2,23,131	1,85,933
North-Western Provinces...	11,50,000	10,69,907	10,85,947
Punjab...	8,77,575	8,45,250	8,34,874
Oudh...	3,18,200	3,18,200	2,77,411
Central Provinces...	5,50,000	6,66,544	6,61,779
Burma...	11,03,000	11,03,000	10,74,802
Coorg...	1,00,300	88,300	58,012
Ajmere...	3,000	500	203
Assam...	1,33,200	55,200	64,749
Surveys...	...	...	...
Total, Receipts...	43,57,075	43,70,032	42,43,710
Bengal...	35,450	61,657	39,062
North-Western Provinces...	7,88,415	7,58,980	7,16,878
Punjab...	4,36,650	4,26,904	4,19,305
Oudh...	1,91,900	1,57,000	1,58,161
Central Provinces...	2,24,000	1,92,610	1,78,513
Burma...	4,51,000	4,51,000	5,31,841
Coorg...	41,200	34,100	23,773
Ajmere...	20,772	26,550	17,753
Assam...	29,800	29,320	31,138
Surveys...	8,000	5,200	3,906
Total, Charges for Conservancy & Working...	22,27,187	21,43,321	21,20,330
Bengal...	72,402	64,061	60,341
North-Western Provinces...	1,56,429	1,50,005	1,38,997
Punjab...	2,72,717	2,42,242	2,27,175
Oudh...	50,200	50,000	46,666
Central Provinces...	1,00,000	1,16,740	1,15,726
Burma...	1,59,000	1,59,000	1,30,797
Coorg...	12,740	12,740	14,226
Ajmere...	17,990	9,210	8,813
Assam...	41,848	37,815	28,385
Surveys...	59,500	62,300	57,614
Total, Charges for Establishments...	9,42,826	9,04,113	8,28,740
GRAND TOTAL OF CHARGES...	31,70,013	30,47,434	29,49,070
Surplus...	11,87,062	13,22,598	12,94,640

4. The figures of the Regular Estimate of 1875-76, as compared with the Budget Estimates, are as follow:—

RECEIPTS.	Budget Estimate.	Regular Estimate.
	RS.	RS.
Bengal...	1,99,000	2,38,000
North-Western Provinces...	9,66,000	9,38,000
Punjab...	7,85,000	7,95,000
Oudh...	2,90,000	2,80,000
Central Provinces...	6,73,000	7,15,000

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	Budget Estimate.	Regular Estimate.
	RS.	RS.
British Burma ...	10,40,000	14,50,000
Coorg ...	54,000	76,500
Ajmere ...	3,000	500
Assam ...	82,000	1,10,000
Survey Branch ...	...	...
Total, Receipts ...	41,24,000	46,03,000
CHARGES.		
Bengal ...	1,33,000	1,72,000
North-Western Provinces ...	6,36,000	5,40,000
Punjab ...	6,58,500	6,04,000
Oudh ...	1,72,000	1,83,000
Central Provinces ...	3,44,000	3,73,000
British Burma ...	7,18,000	9,50,000
Coorg ...	48,240	41,000
Ajmere ...	29,500	29,000
Assam ...	61,000	62,000
Survey Branch ...	67,500	67,000
Total, Charges ...	28,67,740	30,21,000
Surplus ...	12,56,260	15,82,000

There seems good reason to expect a larger surplus in 1875-76 than what was realised in 1874-75.

5. The estimates of Receipts and Charges for 1876-77, proposed by local Governments and Administrations and admitted by the Government of India, are as follow:—

	Proposed by Local Govts.	Admitted by Govt. of India.
	RS.	RS.
Bengal ...	2,39,000	2,40,000
North-Western Provinces ...	7,79,477	8,00,000
Punjab ...	7,42,870	7,45,000
Oudh ...	3,00,000	3,00,000
Central Provinces ...	6,50,000	7,00,000
British Burma ...	11,68,000	13,00,000
Coorg ...	75,800	66,500
Ajmere ...	1,600	500
Assam ...	1,10,170	1,10,000
Survey Branch ...	...	...
Total, Receipts ...	40,66,917	42,62,000

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CHARGES FOR CONSERVANCY AND WORKING.

	RS.	RS.
Bengal	97,000	97,000
North-Western Provinces	3,70,511	3,70,000
Punjab	3,66,891	3,67,000
Oudh	1,46,922	1,40,000
Central Provinces	1,94,000	1,94,000
British Burma	6,04,800	5,39,000
Coorg	26,500	23,500
Ajmere	18,512	12,000
Assam	42,493	42,000
Survey Branch	12,140	12,140
Total, A Charges ...	18,79,769	17,96,640

CHARGES FOR ESTABLISHMENTS.

	RS.	RS.
Bengal	1,16,148	1,16,000
North-Western Provinces	1,52,880	1,50,000
Punjab	2,62,618	2,53,000
Oudh	53,078	52,000
Central Provinces	1,41,000	1,41,000
British Burma	2,07,900	2,08,000
Coorg	15,000	15,000
Ajmere	16,126	12,000
Assam	56,898	53,000
Survey Branch	55,360	55,360
Total, B Charges ...	10,77,008	10,55,360
TOTAL, EXPENDITURE ...	29,56,777	28,52,000
Surplus ...	11,10,140	14,10,000

6. The amounts which have been admitted, compared with the actuals of 1874-75, are as follow:—

	1874-75.	1876-77.
	RS.	RS.
Receipts	42,43,710	42,62,000
Charges { A	21,20,330	17,96,640
{ B	8,28,740	10,55,360
Total ...	29,49,070	28,52,000
Surplus ...	12,94,640	14,10,000

7. The estimated receipts are very nearly the same as the actuals realised in 1874-75, but the total charges are less by one lakh of Rupees, which consequently increases the estimated surplus by that amount.

8. The working charges are Rs. 3,23,690 less than the actuals of 1874-75. In that year Rs. 18,37,894 were expended for the production of revenue, and Rs. 2,82,436 for the organisation and improvement of the forests. For 1876-77 the proportion is estimated at Rs. 13,75,400 for the production of revenue, and Rupees 4,21,240 for the organisation and improvement of the forests. It is satisfactory that it is intended to devote a larger proportion of the expenditure to increase the productive powers and the capital value of the Government forests.

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9. The estimated establishment charges are considerably higher than the actuals of 1874-75, thus:—

	1874-75.	1876-77.	Increase.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Salaries	6,61,994	8,63,646	2,01,646
Travelling allowances	1,23,434	1,42,800	19,366
Contingencies	43,312	48,520	5,608
Total ...	8,28,740	10,55,360	2,26,620

10. The largest increase is in Bengal (Rs. 56,000) and Burma (Rs. 77,000). A considerable increase is also estimated in Assam (Rs. 25,000). In these three Provinces the demarcation of the reserves is in progress, and the strength of the superior and subordinate staff must, therefore, necessarily be increased. In Burma, moreover, the work has considerably augmented since the permit system was abolished in the greater portion of the more valuable forests. In the Central Provinces an addition of Rs. 25,000 is estimated, mainly with the view of increasing the subordinate establishments of rangers, foresters, and forest guards, and giving them better prospects of promotion,—a measure which has become necessary by the progress made in the improvement and working of the reserves. In the Punjab an increase of Rs. 26,000 and in the North-Western Provinces of Rs. 11,000 is estimated under establishment charges.

11. The actuals of 1874-75 under this head, placed side by side with those of 1873-74, stand as follow:—

	1873-74.	1874-75.
	RS.	RS.
Salaries	6,70,842	6,61,994
Travelling allowances	1,30,340	1,23,434
Contingencies	44,938	43,312
Total ...	8,46,120	8,28,740

12. There was thus no considerable increase in 1874-75, and it is hoped that the actuals of 1876-77 will show a less increase over those of 1874-75 than has been admitted in the estimates. The Governor-General and Council desires to urge upon all local Governments and Administrations the necessity of closely watching over the expenditure on establishments in the Forest Department with the view of keeping down those charges at as low a figure as possible.

ORDER.—Ordered that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded for information to the local Governments and Administrations noted in the margin, and to the Superintendent of Forest Surveys, the Financial Department, and the Comptroller-General.

Madras.
Bombay.
Bengal.
N.-W. Provinces.
Punjab.
Oudh.

Central Provinces.
Burma.
Coorg.
Ajmere.
Assam.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. O. HUME,
Secretary to the Government of India.

No. 17/650.

To the Secretary to the Government of Madras.

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ORDER THEREON, 17th August 1876, No. 1,120.

Forests, No. 7.

COMMUNICATED to the Board of
Revenue and the Conservator of Forests.
Especially attention is called to paragraph
12 of the Resolution.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Conservator of Forests.

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BUDGET ESTIMATE
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Nos. 176-177.

Budget Estimate of the Forest Department in the Bengal Presidency for 1876-77. — Communicated to the Board of Revenue and the Conservator of Forests Resolution of the Government of India reversing the —; and calling special attention to paragraph 12 of the Resolution.

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BUDGET HEADS.			BENGAL.				
	Actuals, 1874-75.	Sanctioned Budget Estimate, 1875-76.	Actuals, 1874-75.	Sanctioned Budget Estimate, 1875-76.	Regular Estimate, 1875-76.	Budget Estimate, 1876-77.	Amendments by the Government of India.
RECEIPTS.			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
I. Revenue from wood	...	...	1,26,990	1,65,800	2,05,300	2,03,700	2,04,700
II. Revenue from minor produce	...	...	49,543	31,900	25,100	27,000	27,000
III. Duty on produce of foreign or private forests imported into British territory	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
IV. Miscellaneous...	...	...	9,400	1,300	7,600	8,300	8,300
Total Receipts	...	...	1,85,933	1,99,000	2,38,000	2,39,000	2,40,000
EXPENDITURE.							
A.—CONSERVANCY AND WORKS.							
I. Cost of timber operations	...	...	16,227	36,000	42,150	43,350	43,350
II. Cost of collecting minor produce	...	...	2,062	3,650	1,590	1,350	1,350
III. Cost of forest organization	...	...	933	2,690	5,617	4,500	4,500
IV. Cost of the treatment and creation of forests	...	...	8,577	11,060	14,580	12,700	12,700
V. Rent of leased forests	...	...	...	...	11,000	10,000	10,000
VI. Cost of collecting duty on produce of foreign or private forests imported into British India	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
VII. Works of utility for the development of forests	...	...	1,579	1,750	3,689	2,400	2,400
VIII. Cost of departmental cattle	...	...	7,046	12,300	12,800	8,200	8,200
IX. Cost of departmental plant and tools	...	...	1,441	550	2,696	13,400	13,400
X. Miscellaneous charges	...	...	1,197	1,000	878	1,100	1,100
Total of A.—Conservancy and Works	...	...	39,062	69,000	95,000	97,000	97,000
B.—ESTABLISHMENTS.							
I. Salaries	...	...	50,606	53,110	62,846	92,600	92,500
II. Travelling allowances	...	...	8,038	8,800	10,973	17,550	17,500
III. Contingencies	...	...	1,697	2,090	3,181	5,998	6,000
Total of B.—Establishments	...	...	60,341	64,000	77,000	1,16,148	1,16,000
GRAND TOTAL OF ALL EXPENDITURE			99,403	1,33,000	1,72,000	2,13,148	2,13,000
Surplus	...	...	86,530	66,000	66,000	25,852	27,000
Deficit	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

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NORTH-WESTERN PROVINCES.					PUNJAB.				
Actuals, 1874-75.	Sanctioned Budget Estimate, 1875-76.	Regular Estimate, 1875-76.	Budget Estimate, 1876-77.	Amendments by the Government of India.	Actuals, 1874-75.	Sanctioned Budget Estimate, 1875-76.	Regular Estimate, 1876-76.	Revised Estimate, 1876-77.	Amendments by the Government of India.
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
9,27,863	7,99,853	...	6,87,793	7,09,000	6,12,546	5,89,740	6,14,600	5,52,810	5,54,900
1,49,426	1,60,302	...	87,304	87,000	1,98,937	1,84,685	1,68,200	1,81,220	1,81,250
...	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...
8,658	5,845	...	4,380	4,000	23,389	10,575	12,200	8,840	8,850
10,85,947	9,66,000	9,38,000	7,79,477	8,00,000	8,34,874	7,85,000	7,95,000	7,42,870	7,45,000
6,24,284	3,64,250	...	2,60,145	2,60,000	3,06,419	2,66,449	2,35,694	2,35,863	2,35,870
17,422	21,190	...	15,590	15,500	3,500	4,450	710	670	670
4,451	6,650	...	4,570	4,500	8,791	28,438	21,938	21,987	22,000
14,795	22,780	...	24,050	25,000	47,099	64,574	59,931	63,901	64,000
10,351	10,000	...	10,351	10,000	32,086	29,215	29,015	28,000	28,000
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
33,170	40,940	...	41,740	42,000	15,696	17,617	12,746	13,624	13,600
8,022	9,140	...	8,100	8,000	372	200	300	340	350
2,756	1,720	...	3,145	3,000	4,654	2,552	2,566	2,356	2,360
1,627	2,330	...	1,920	2,000	688	5	100	150	150
7,16,878	4,79,000	...	3,70,511	3,70,000	4,19,305	4,13,500	3,63,000	3,66,891	3,67,000
1,13,544	1,27,000	...	1,23,776	1,23,000	1,76,872	1,94,000	1,89,000	2,08,520	2,02,000
18,553	22,000	...	20,469	20,000	38,039	40,000	40,000	41,740	40,000
6,900	8,000	...	8,635	7,000	12,264	11,000	12,000	12,358	11,000
1,38,997	1,57,000	...	1,52,880	1,50,000	2,27,175	2,45,000	2,41,000	2,62,618	2,53,000
8,55,875	6,36,000	5,40,000	5,23,391	5,20,000	6,46,480	6,58,500	6,04,000	6,29,509	6,20,000
2,30,072	3,30,000	3,98,000	2,56,086	2,80,000	1,88,394	1,28,500	1,91,000	1,13,361	1,25,000
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BUDGET ESTIMATE FOR THE FOREST

BUDGET HEADS.		RUPEES.				
		Actuals, 1874-75.	Sanctioned Budget Estimate, 1875-76.	Regular Estimate, 1875-76.	Budget Estimate, 1876-77.	Amendments by the Government of India.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
RECEIPTS.						
I.	Revenue from wood	...	...	...	...	...
II.	Revenue from minor produce	2,26,571	2,77,686	...	2,58,500	2,58,500
III.	Duty on produce of foreign or private forests imported into British territory	31,483	7,000	...	86,000	86,000
IV.	Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...	...
		19,357	5,314	...	5,500	5,500
Total Receipts		2,77,411	2,90,000	2,80,000	3,00,000	3,00,000
EXPENDITURE.						
A.—CONSERVANCY AND WORKS.						
I.	Cost of timber operations	...	...	...	...	91,100
II.	Cost of collecting minor produce	1,09,356	80,800	90,800	98,022	3,200
III.	Cost of forest organization	3,321	1,200	1,200	3,200	2,400
IV.	Cost of the treatment and creation of forests	8,006	5,000	5,000	2,400	12,000
V.	Rent of leased forests	6,477	12,000	12,000	12,000	...
VI.	Cost of collecting duty on produce of foreign or private forests imported into British India	...	...	...	...	...
VII.	Works of utility for the development of forests	...	...	...	...	20,000
VIII.	Cost of departmental cattle	25,804	15,000	15,000	20,000	7,500
IX.	Cost of departmental plant and tools	4,812	4,200	4,200	7,500	3,000
X.	Miscellaneous charges	4,094	8,000	3,000	3,000	800
		1,491	800	800	800	...
Total of A.—Conservancy and Works		1,58,161	1,22,000	1,32,000	1,46,922	1,40,000
B.—ESTABLISHMENTS.						
I.	Salaries	...	...	...	...	42,000
II.	Travelling allowances	...	...	...	...	8,000
III.	Contingencies	...	...	...	...	2,000
		35,388	30,000	39,000	42,378	...
		8,818	8,000	9,800	8,500	...
		2,460	3,000	2,200	2,200	...
Total B.—Establishments		46,666	50,000	51,000	53,078	52,000
GRAND TOTAL OF ALL EXPENDITURE		2,04,827	1,72,000	1,83,000	2,00,000	1,92,000
Surplus		72,584	1,18,000	97,000	1,00,000	1,08,000
Deficit		...	...	...	...	...

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BUDGET ESTIMATE OF THE FOREST

BUDGET HEADS.	ASSAM.				
	Actuals, 1874-75.	Sanctioned Budget Estimate, 1875-76.	Regular Estimate, 1875-76.	Budget Estimate, 1876-77.	Amendments by the Government of India.
RECEIPTS.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
I. Revenue from wood ...	46,096	29,250	...	44,650	44,500
II. Revenue from minor produce ...	2,451	40,700	...	45,300	45,300
III. Duty on produce of foreign or private forests imported into British territory	15,000	15,000	...	20,000	20,000
IV. Miscellaneous... ..	1,202	50	...	220	200
Total Receipts ...	64,749	85,000	1,10,000	1,10,170	1,10,000
EXPENDITURE.					
A.—CONSERVANCY AND WORKS.					
I. Cost of timber operations ...	2,373	1,500	...	2,900	2,900
II. Cost of collecting minor produce ...	1,774	...	...	...	...
III. Cost of forest organization ...	93	1,467	...	2,970	2,900
IV. Cost of the treatment and creation of forests ...	12,768	5,387	...	9,469	9,300
V. Rent of leased forests ...	50	1,716	...	1,750	1,700
VI. Cost of collecting duty on produce of foreign or private forests imported into British India ...	...	...	...	...	...
VII. Works of utility for the development of forests ...	4,106	3,000	...	6,439	6,400
VIII. Cost of departmental cattle ...	7,123	6,000	...	17,052	17,000
IX. Cost of departmental plant and tools ...	1,807	1,000	...	1,463	1,400
X. Miscellaneous charges ...	1,044	100	...	450	400
Total of A.—Conservancy and Works ...	31,138	20,500	...	42,493	42,000
B.—ESTABLISHMENTS.					
I. Salaries ...	22,332	32,000	...	47,148	45,000
II. Travelling allowances ...	5,390	7,000	...	7,900	7,000
III. Contingencies ...	663	1,500	...	1,850	1,000
Total of B.—Establishments ...	28,385	40,500	...	56,898	53,000
GRAND TOTAL OF ALL EXPENDITURE ...	59,523	61,000	62,000	99,391	95,000
Surplus ...	5,226	24,000	48,000	10,779	15,000
Deficit ...	...	...	...	...	...

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Actuals, 1874-75.	Sanctioned Budget Estimate, 1875-76.	Regular Estimate, 1875-76.	Budget Estimate, 1876-77.	Amendments by the Government of India.	Actuals, 1874-75.	Sanctioned Budget Estimate, 1875-76.	Regular Estimate, 1875-76.	Budget Estimate, 1876-77.	Amendments by the Government of India.
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
31,553	59,800	47,500	48,500	39,200	2	1,300	...	100	...
22,743	24,000	24,000	22,000	22,000	96	500	500	1,200	500
3,716	200	5,000	5,300	5,300	105	200	...	300	...
58,012	84,000	76,500	75,800	66,500	203	2,000	500	1,600	500
17,411	23,800	17,800	17,500	14,500	...	...	...	45	...
2,056	5,000	5,000	4,600	4,600	11	...	...	...	...
3,766	5,150	4,150	3,100	3,100	207	1,000	2,220	1,055	1,000
...	...	...	...	...	21	9,400	9,500	12,247	7,800
471	1,150	1,150	...	...	...	700	...	1,166	...
69	200	200	900	900	970	2,600	1,700	3,279	2,500
...	200	200	...	...	178	800	440	404	400
...	500	500	200	200	260	250	70	216	200
28,773	36,000	29,000	28,500	23,500	16	250	70	100	100
8,414	7,740	8,000	9,300	9,300	6,000	11,500	12,000	13,116	10,000
4,170	3,500	3,000	4,500	4,500	1,789	2,000	2,000	2,064	1,000
1,642	1,000	1,000	1,200	1,200	1,024	1,600	1,000	946	1,000
14,226	12,240	12,000	15,000	15,000	8,813	14,500	15,000	16,126	12,000
37,999	48,240	41,000	41,500	38,500	26,566	29,500	29,000	34,638	24,000
20,013	35,760	35,500	34,300	28,000	...	...	...	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	26,363	27,500	28,500	33,038	23,500

BUDGET ESTIMATE OF THE FOREST

BUDGET HEADS.	SURVEY BRANCH.				
	Actuals, 1874-75.	Sanctioned Budget Estimate, 1875-76.	Regular Estimate, 1875-76.	Budget Estimate, 1876-77.	Amendments by the Government of India.
RECEIPTS.					
I. Revenue from wood ...	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
II. Revenue from minor produce ...	...	...	...	...	...
III. Duty on produce of foreign or private forests imported into British Terri- tory ...	...	...	...	...	...
IV. Miscellaneous ...	...	...	...	...	...
Total Receipts ...	...	...	...	...	...
EXPENDITURE.					
A.—CONSERVANCY AND WORKS.					
I. Cost of Timber operations ...	...	...	...	...	...
II. Cost of collecting minor produce ...	...	...	...	...	...
III. Cost of forest organization ...	...	...	9,000	8,940	8,940
IV. Cost of the treatment and creation of forests ...	...	...	...	...	...
V. Rent of leased forests ...	...	...	...	...	...
VI. Cost of collecting duty on produce of foreign or private forests imported into British India ...	...	...	...	...	...
VII. Works of utility for the develop- ment of forests ...	...	...	...	...	...
VIII. Cost of Departmental Cattle ...	3,906	6,620	2,500	2,700	2,700
IX. Cost of Departmental Plant and Tools ...	...	...	500	500	500
X. Miscellaneous Charges ...	...	...	...	...	...
Total of A.—Conservancy and Works ...	3,906	6,620	12,000	12,140	12,140
B.—ESTABLISHMENTS.					
I. Salaries ...	45,885	48,380	45,000	44,840	44,840
II. Travelling allowances ...	8,824	9,300	8,000	8,000	8,000
III. Contingencies ...	2,905	3,200	2,000	2,520	2,520
Total of B.—Establishments ...	57,614	60,880	55,000	55,360	55,360
GRAND TOTAL OF ALL EXPENDITURE	61,520	67,500	67,000	67,500	67,500
Surplus ...	...	...	...	...	...
Deficit ...	61,520	67,500	67,000	67,500	67,500

DEPARTMENT FOR 1876-77—concluded.

TOTAL.					REMARKS.
Actuals, 1874-75.	Sanctioned Budget Estimate, 1875-76.	Regular Estimate, 1875-76.	Budget Estimate, 1876-77.	Amendments by the Government of India.	
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
31,59,095	31,03,542	...	30,94,378	32,66,125	
7,02,075	7,26,702	...	6,40,024	6,64,050	
2,35,937	1,95,000	...	2,00,000	2,00,000	
1,46,603	98,756	...	1,32,515	1,31,825	
42,43,710	41,24,000	46,03,000	40,66,917	42,62,000	
16,11,013	13,25,139	...	12,24,030	11,54,020	
63,323	30,490	...	23,855	23,720	
27,837	75,225	...	85,522	85,340	
1,57,531	1,95,991	...	2,31,267	2,26,900	
42,508	48,131	...	55,267	53,700	
1,381	2,500	...	2,000	2,000	
97,068	1,16,117	...	1,09,532	1,09,000	
75,703	96,910	...	97,296	97,150	
21,731	15,272	...	32,280	32,060	
22,235	11,345	...	18,720	12,750	
21,20,330	19,17,120	...	18,79,769	17,96,640	
6,61,994	7,74,996	...	8,76,614	8,63,640	
1,23,434	1,30,300	...	1,47,523	1,42,800	
43,312	45,324	...	52,871	48,920	
8,28,740	9,50,620	...	10,77,008	10,55,860	
29,49,070	28,67,740	30,21,000	29,56,777	28,52,000	
12,94,640	12,56,260	15,82,000	11,10,140	14,10,000	
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Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Department of Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce,—dated Simla, the 31st July 1876.

FORESTS.

READ again the following papers :—

Resolution No. 253, dated the 2nd March 1875, reviewing the Budget Estimates of the Forest Department in the British Provinces under the Government of India, for 1875-76.

Resolution No. 30-1310-1323, dated the 15th December 1875, reviewing the actual receipts and expenditure of the Forest Department in 1874-75.

Read also—

The Budget Estimates of the Forest Department in the British Provinces under the Government of India, for 1876-77.

RESOLUTION.

It is matter for regret that the detailed orders on the Budget Estimates of the Forest Department for 1876-77 have, owing to exceptional and unavoidable circumstances, been issued at a much later date than usual. The form adopted in reviewing each Budget separately has again been maintained, in order that the several Local Governments and Administrations may be made acquainted with the grounds in detail upon which the local estimates have been modified.

2. A tabular statement is appended to this Resolution showing the figures proposed by the Local Governments and Administrations, and those which have been admitted by the Government of India. The statement, as well as the present review, relate only to the British Provinces under the Government of India, separate orders having been passed on the Forest Estimates of Mysore and Berar and on those of the Presidencies of Madras and Bombay.

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been reviewed separately.

Expenditure of 1874-75 which have already

	Budget Estimate.	Regular Estimate.	Actuals.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Bengal	1,21,800	2,23,131	1,85,933
North-Western Provinces	11,50,000	10,69,907	10,85,947
Punjab	8,77,575	8,45,250	8,34,874
Oudh	3,18,200	3,18,200	2,77,411
Central Provinces	5,50,000	6,66,544	6,61,779
Burma	11,03,000	11,03,000	10,74,802
Coorg	1,00,300	88,300	58,012
Ajmere	3,000	500	203
Assam	1,33,200	55,200	64,749
Surveys	...	...	...
Total Receipts	43,57,075	43,70,082	42,43,710
Bengal	35,450	61,657	39,062
North-Western Provinces	7,88,415	7,58,980	7,16,878
Punjab	4,36,650	4,26,904	4,19,305
Oudh	1,91,900	1,57,000	1,58,161
Central Provinces	2,24,000	1,92,610	1,78,513
Burma	4,51,000	4,51,000	5,31,841
Coorg	41,200	34,100	23,773
Ajmere	20,772	26,550	17,753
Assam	29,800	29,320	31,138
Surveys	8,000	5,200	3,906
Total Charges for Conservancy & Working	22,27,187	21,43,321	21,20,330
Bengal	72,402	64,061	60,841
North-Western Provinces	1,56,429	1,50,005	1,38,997
Punjab	2,72,717	2,42,242	2,27,175
Oudh	50,200	50,000	46,666
Central Provinces	1,00,000	1,16,740	1,15,726
Burma	1,59,000	1,59,000	1,30,797
Coorg	12,740	12,740	14,226
Ajmere	17,990	9,210	8,813
Assam	41,848	37,815	28,385
Surveys	59,500	62,300	57,614
Total Charges for Establishments	9,42,826	9,04,113	8,28,740
GRAND TOTAL OF CHARGES	31,70,013	30,47,434	29,49,070
Surplus	11,87,062	13,22,598	12,94,640

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4. The figures of the Regular Estimate of 1875-76, as compared with the Budget Estimates, are as follows:—

	Budget Estimate.	Regular Estimate.
	Rs.	Rs.
Bengal	1,99,000	2,38,000
North-Western Provinces	9,66,000	9,38,000
Punjab	7,85,000	7,95,000
Oudh	2,90,000	2,80,000
Central Provinces	6,73,000	7,15,000
British Burma	10,40,000	14,50,000
Coorg	84,000	76,500
Ajmere	2,000	500
Assam	85,000	1,10,000
Survey Branch	...	...
Total Receipts	41,24,000	46,03,000
Bengal	1,33,000	1,72,000
North-Western Provinces	6,36,000	5,40,000
Punjab	6,58,500	6,04,000
Oudh	1,72,000	1,83,000
Central Provinces	3,44,000	3,73,000
British Burma	7,18,000	9,50,000
Coorg	48,240	41,000
Ajmere	29,500	29,000
Assam	61,000	62,000
Survey Branch	67,500	67,000
Total Charges	28,67,740	30,21,000
Surplus	12,56,260	15,82,000

There seems good reason to expect a larger surplus in 1875-76 than what was realised in 1874-75.

5. The estimates of Receipts and Charges for 1876-77 proposed by Local Governments and Admitted by the Government of India, are as follows :—

and Charges for 1876-77 proposed by Local Governments and Admitted by the Government of India.

RECEIPTS	Proposed by Local Govts.		Admitted by Govt. of India.	
	Rs.		Rs.	
Bengal	2,39,000	...	2,40,000	...
North-Western Provinces	7,79,477	...	8,00,000	...
Punjab	7,42,870	...	7,45,000	...
Oudh	3,00,000	...	3,00,000	...
Central Provinces	6,50,000	...	7,00,000	...
British Burma	11,68,000	...	13,00,000	...
Coorg	75,800	...	66,500	...
Ajmere	1,600	...	500	...
Assam	1,10,170	...	1,10,000	...
Survey Branch	...	...	...	...
Total Receipts	40,66,917	...	42,62,000	...

CHARGES FOR CONSERVANCY AND WORKING.

	Rs.		Rs.	
Bengal	97,000	...	97,000	...
North-Western Provinces	3,70,511	...	3,70,000	...
Punjab	3,66,891	...	3,67,000	...
Oudh	1,46,922	...	1,40,000	...
Central Provinces	1,94,000	...	1,94,000	...
British Burma	6,04,800	...	5,39,000	...
Coorg	26,500	...	23,500	...
Ajmere	18,512	...	12,000	...
Assam	42,493	...	42,000	...
Survey Branch	12,140	...	12,140	...
Total A Charges	18,79,769	...	17,96,640	...

CHARGES FOR ESTABLISHMENTS.

	Rs.		Rs.	
Bengal	1,16,148	...	1,16,000	...
North-Western Provinces	1,52,880	...	1,50,000	...
Punjab	2,62,618	...	2,53,000	...
Oudh	53,078	...	52,000	...
Central Provinces	1,41,000	...	1,41,000	...
British Burma	2,07,900	...	2,08,000	...
Coorg	15,000	...	15,000	...
Ajmere	16,126	...	12,000	...
Assam	56,898	...	53,000	...
Survey Branch	55,360	...	55,360	...
Total B Charges	10,77,008	...	10,55,360	...
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	29,56,777	...	28,52,000	...
Surplus	12,10,140	...	14,10,000	...

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6. The amounts which have been admitted, compared with the actuals of 1874-75, are as follows :—

	1874-75.	1876-77.
Receipts	Rs.	Rs.
...	42,43,710	42,62,000
Charges { A B	...	...
...	21,20,330	17,96,640
...	8,28,740	10,55,360
Total	29,49,070	28,52,000
Surplus	12,94,640	14,10,000

7. The estimated receipts are very nearly the same as the actuals realised in 1874-75, but the total charges are less by one lakh of rupees, which consequently increases the estimated surplus by that amount.

8. The working charges are Rs. 3,23,690 less than the actuals of 1874-75. In that year Rs. 18,37,894 were expended for the production of revenue, and Rs. 2,82,436 for the organisation and improvement of the forests. For 1876-77 the proportion is estimated at Rs. 13,75,400 for the production of revenue, and Rs. 4,21,240 for the organisation and improvement of the forests. It is satisfactory that it is intended to devote a larger proportion of the expenditure to increase the productive powers and the capital value of the Government forests.

9. The estimated establishment charges are considerably higher than the actuals of 1874-75: thus—

	1874-75.	1876-77.	Increase.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Salaries	6,61,994	8,63,640	2,01,646
Travelling allowances	1,23,434	1,42,800	19,366
Contingencies	43,312	48,920	5,608
Total	8,28,740	10,55,360	2,26,620

10. The largest increase is in Bengal (Rs. 56,000) and Burma (Rs. 77,000). A considerable increase is also estimated in Assam (Rs. 25,000). In these three Provinces the demarcation of the reserves is in progress, and the strength of the superior and subordinate staff must therefore necessarily be increased. In Burma moreover the work has considerably augmented since the permit system was abolished in the greater portion of the more valuable forests. In the Central Provinces an addition of Rs. 25,000 is estimated, mainly with the view of increasing the subordinate establishments of rangers, foresters and forest guards, and giving them better prospects of promotion—a measure which has become necessary by the progress made in the improvement and working of the reserves. In the Punjab an increase of Rs. 26,000 and in the North-Western Provinces of Rs. 11,000 is estimated under establishment charges.

11. The actuals of 1874-75 under this head, placed side by side with those of 1873-74, stand as follows :—

	1873-74.	1874-75.
	Rs.	Rs.
Salaries	6,70,842	6,61,994
Travelling allowances	1,30,340	1,23,434
Contingencies	44,938	43,312
TOTAL	8,46,120	8,28,740

12. There was thus no considerable increase in 1874-75, and it is hoped that the actuals of 1876-77 will show a less increase over those of 1874-75 than has been admitted in the estimates. The Governor General in Council desires to urge upon all Local Governments and Administrations the necessity of closely watching over the expenditure on establishments in the Forest Department with the view of keeping down those charges at as low a figure as possible.

ORDER.—Ordered, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded for information to the Local Governments and Administrations noted in the margin, and to the Superintendent of Forest Surveys, the Financial Department and the Comptroller General.

Madras.
Bombay.
Bengal.
N. W. Provinces.
Punjab.
Oudh.

Central Provinces.
Burma.
Coorg.
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Secretary to the Government of India.

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DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE,
AGRICULTURE, AND COMMERCE.

FORESTS.

RESOLUTION.

To

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