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Local Funds—Budget.

No. 77. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 10th December 1875, No. 3340 :—

Read letters from the President of the Local Fund Boards, Kistna District, dated 10th and 30th November 1875, Nos. 238 and 264, submitting Local Fund Budget of Guntoor Circle for 1876-77 and District Map.

THE Local Fund Budget Estimates of the Guntoor Circle for 1876-77 will be submitted for the approval of Government.

2. **REGULAR ESTIMATE FOR 1875-76—RECEIPTS.**—The total receipts, including the opening balance of Rupees 91,098, amount to Rupees 2,63,358 up of—

	Rs.
Road Fund... ..	1,25,655
Endowment Fund	2,286
General Fund	1,37,417
Total	2,65,358

3. **EXPENDITURE.**—The expenditure on New Works, Communications, is estimated at Rupees 64,297, made up of Rupees 59,400 out of the budget grant of Rupees 60,400 and of Rupees 4,897 for incomplete works. It is observed from Board's Proceedings, dated 8th September 1875, No. 2,519, that Rupees 3,691 out of the sum of Rupees 4,897 asked for for the incomplete works have been sanctioned by a transfer from the allotments for certain new works in the current year's budget. The correct allotment sanctioned up to date for new works according to the registers kept in this office is Rupees 61,606, which, without any deduction for short outlay, will be taken as the probable expenditure on New Works during the current year. It is expected that the whole of the budget grant, Rupees 31,780, for road repairs will be spent. The cost of Public Works Department Supervision should be Rupees 24,929, and the allotment for Tools and Plant Rupees 1,170. The provision of Rupees 300 for refunds of excess collections of Land-cess will be removed to Grant IV. The President has set apart a sum of Rupees 2,794 under the General Reserve for contingencies likely to arise during the year, but the Board think it better to raise the Reserve to Rupees 4,073. A

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special report should be made regarding the proposed increased contribution to the Civil Dispensary. The Regular Estimate of expenditure will be as follows:—

	Road Fund.	Endowment Fund.	General Fund.
<i>New Works.</i>			
Communications ...	Rs. 61,606	Rs.	Rs.
Sanitary and Miscellaneous ...	...	...	415
<i>Repairs.</i>			
Communications ...	31,780	...	...
Sanitary and Miscellaneous ...	...	2,143	5,912
Cost of Public Works Department Supervision ...	23,347	...	1,582
Tools and Plant ...	1,080	...	90
Contribution to other Circles ...	2,730	...	...
Grant I. ...	1,20,543	2,143	7,999
Grant II. ...	...	...	12,314
Grant III. ...	...	100	12,915
Grant IV. ...	1,120	...	1,116
General Reserve ...	1,21,663	2,243	34,344
	...	...	4,073
Receipts ...	1,21,663	2,243	38,417
	1,25,655	2,286	1,37,417
	3,992	43	99,000

These balances will be taken to the budget of 1876-77.

4. BUDGET FOR 1876-77.—STATEMENT I.-A, REVENUES AND RECEIPTS.—There are two budgets submitted—one prepared by the Vice-President and passed by the Local Fund Board, and the other by the President, as he found it necessary to make some alterations in the Vice-President's budget. The President's budget being more carefully prepared and complete, the Board will proceed to review it, noticing the main points of differences between the two budgets.

5. The Provincial grant for roads is rightly taken at Rupees 19,430 with reference to Board's Proceedings, dated 16th September 1875, No. 2,590, but the Vice-President enters in his budget the grant for the current year. The receipts from school-fees are shown as Rupees 100, but, according to Statement III., they amount to Rupees 300, which will now be inserted. The contribution from the Gunttoor Municipality for tolls is taken at Rupees 2,450, or one-third of their Municipal receipts as directed in G.O., Financial Department, dated 13th August 1875, No. 1,663. The receipts from endowed choultries and tanks are put down at Rupees 290, instead of Rupees 60 in the current year's budget. The increase is owing to the transfer to the Local Fund Board of the marginally-noted institutions.

1. Choultry at Pundugal—G.O., Financial Department, dated 27th Feb. 1874, No. 327.
2. Drinking-water Tanks at Vangipuram and three other villages—G.O., Financial Department, dated 10th July 1875, No. 1,033.
3. Mutialampad Charitable Tank—G.O., Financial Department, dated 19th February 1875, No. 373.

6. The receipts are—

Road Fund ..	Rs. 1,17,390
Endowment Fund ..	330
General Fund ..	1,43,220
Total ...	2,60,940

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7. STATEMENT I.-B., EXPENDITURE, GRANT I., PUBLIC WORKS, STATEMENT II.—The President proposes an additional appropriation of Rupees 35,040 from the one-third Land-cess to provide for certain road-works. The Circle Board do not make any such proposal, and, as it is also against the orders of Government, it is disallowed. The Road Fund receipts will thus be Rupees 1,17,390. The disallowance of the additional appropriation renders it necessary to reduce the allotment for New Works from Rupees 72,000 to Rupees 50,000, which is only Rupees 1,000 less than the amount proposed by the Vice-President. The allotment for Petty Establishment should be Rupees 5,570 as detailed in paragraph 1 of the President's letter. The share of the cost of General Management chargeable to the Road Fund should be Rupees 930, and the allotment for Tools and Plant Rupees 830. A contribution of Rupees 490 is entered as payable to the Nellore Local Fund Board for the maintenance of three and a-quarter miles of the Inkole and Chinna Ganjam Road. The current year's grant, Rupees 2,730, is intended for the re-making of the road. It is observed, from paragraph 13 of the President's letter, that the entire length of the road is eight miles, of which a portion (three and a-quarter miles) lies in the Nellore District. There is a provision of Rupees 1,200 in Part II. of the budget for the whole road at Rupees 150 a-mile, which includes the maintenance grant for the portion lying in the Nellore District. The necessity for the additional provision not being apparent, the President is requested to explain. In the meantime the entry will be allowed to stand. The Road Fund Reserve should be Rupees 11,340. The Road Fund expenditure amounts to Rupees 1,16,970, leaving a balance of Rupees 420.

8. PART I., NEW WORKS.—Part I. contains twenty-three items with an aggregate allotment of Rupees 98,740, of which Rupees 72,000 appertains to Communications, Rupees 22,700 to Educational, and Rupees 4,040 to Sanitary and Miscellaneous. For the items marginally noted the allotments for the year will be altered thus:—

No. 1 from Rupees 28,000 to Rupees 15,000	
" 2 " 7,500 " 7,000	
" 3 " 5,000 " 4,000	
" 4 " 8,000 " 5,000	
" 8 " 5,765 " 3,000	
" 9 " 2,820 " 1,500	
" 10 " 1,240 " 1,000	
" 11 " 2,175 " 2,000	

Nos. 7, 9, 10, 12 to 22.

The items marginally noted are unsanctioned. An estimate for the first of these items is now before the Board of Revenue, and will be shortly laid before Government. Items Nos. 14 to 16 are for the construction of the dispensaries at Chirala, Datchapalli, and Vinukonda, the estimates of which are also with the Board, but on which no action can take place pending the settlement by Government of a standard plan for a dispensary as notified in their Order, dated 24th August 1875, No. 1,715. Items Nos. 19 and 20 should be shown in the Appendix as their allotments do not exceed Rupees 1,000. The President is requested to expedite the submission of estimates for the remaining unsanctioned works.

9. PART II., REPAIRS.—Rupees 32,620 are allotted for Road repairs against Rupees 31,780 in the current year's budget, making an increase of Rupees 840. The excess is owing to a fresh entry of Rupees 180 for the Gunttoor Ring Road, and to the provision for Petty Repairs in the Appendix having been raised from Rupees 1,160 for the current year to Rupees 1,820.

10. APPENDIX TO PART II.—There are two allotments of Rupees 160 and Rupees 500 for improvements to the Vangipuram and three other village tanks and to the Mangalagiri Koneru. These are works of water-supply, and should be shown in Statement IV.-B.

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11. Grant I. is—

Road Fund	Rs. 1,16,040
General Fund	41,240
Total...	1,57,280

12. GRANT II., EDUCATION.—The whole of the twenty-four schools that appeared in the present year's budget are repeated, and the present provision for them under 21 heads is exactly the same as in 1875-76. In reviewing the current year's budget, the Board remarked that the statements of the Vice-President and President regarding the educational scheme were not clear, and the Government, concurring with the Board's remarks, allowed the entries in connection with the schools to stand pending consideration of the subject after the receipt of the opinion of the Director of Public Instruction. The Board of Revenue since received the Director's opinion, but it went simply to show that he approved the principle of paying masters partly by fixed salaries and partly by results grants, but that he was unable to say more in the absence of detailed information. * Dated 23rd February 1875, recorded in The Board thereupon communicated the Board's Proceedings, dated 13th April Director's letter* to the President, and 1875, Miscellaneous No. 2,887. called for a special report. Alluding to these facts, the President now explains that the masters are to be paid fixed salaries at the rates given in the margin Rupees 10, 7½, and 5. in addition to results grants to such amounts only as will double their pay. These rates are decidedly high, but the entries are allowed to stand subject to orders of Government.

13. Grant II. is Rupees 14,930 chargeable to the General Fund. (C. SANITATION.—Rupees 870 are provided for the Hospital Apprentice in charge of the dispensary at Chirala. The pay and allowances of a Hospital Apprentice amount to Rupees 900, and the provision is accordingly raised. In addition to the three Dispensaries already opened, the Circle Board propose to establish three more at the places Narsarowpet, Tummurucota, and Krossoor. noted in the margin. Considering the assets of the General Fund of the circle and the usefulness of the institutions proposed, the Board recommend the Circle Board's proposal for the sanction of Government, but it is doubtful whether medical subordinates will be available to take charge of the dispensaries. The sum of Rupees 18,750 allotted for Sanitation includes Rupees 500 for the maintenance of lunatics. The provision should be shown under (g) "Miscellaneous." Rupees 660 are shown under this head as mentioned above. The contribution to the Guntoor Municipality for the Civil Dispensary is raised from Rupees 1,500 to Rupees 2,000, and it appears this increase was made in consideration of the large unutilized balance under the General Fund. This is no reason for raising the contribution, which is reduced to the current year's figure. A report on the proposed enhancement in the current year has been called for above in connexion with the Regular Estimate.

15. Grant III. is—

Endowment Fund	Rs. 260
General Fund	34,520
Total...	34,780

16. GRANT IV., MISCELLANEOUS.—The contribution for the cost of the Controlling Establishments at the Presidency should be Rupees 610. The share of the cost of Collector's Office Establishment chargeable to this circle is Rupees 660, and that chargeable to the Masulipatam Circle is Rupees 540. The budget of the latter circle is now before Government, and it is requested that the necessary alterations may be made therein.

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17. The present Local Fund Establishment consists of a clerk on Rupees 40, and a peon on Rupees 7 a-month. It is proposed to raise the pay of this clerk to Rupees 45, to entertain an assistant clerk on Rupees 10, and to reduce the pay of the peon from Rupees 7 to Rupees 5. The Board agree with the President in thinking that no increase is necessary to the head clerk's pay, and that the peon's pay should not be reduced. The entertainment of an assistant clerk on Rupees 10 may be sanctioned.

18. Grant IV. is—

Road Fund	Rs. 930
General Fund	1,130
Total...	2,060

19. The following is an abstract of the budget as revised by the Board :—

Receipts.		Expenditure.			
	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	
Road Fund	1,17,390	Grant I. { Road Fund	1,16,040		
Endowment Fund	330	{ General Fund	41,240		
General Fund	1,43,220				1,57,280
		Grant II. { General Fund			14,930
		{ Endowment Fund			
		Grant III. { General Fund			
					2,060
		Grant IV. { Road Fund	930		
		{ General Fund	1,130		
					2,09,050
		General Reserve			4,400
		Balances—			
		Road Fund	420		
		Endowment Fund	70		
		General Fund	47,000		47,490
Total...	2,60,940	Total...			2,60,940

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

No. 78. ORDER THEREON, 14th January 1876, No. 61.

The Local Fund Estimates of the Guntoor Circle for the ensuing year have been amply criticized, having been commented on successively by the Vice-President, the President, and the Board of Revenue. The most important variation appearing in the three papers thus before Government is in connection with a proposal of the President to transfer a sum of Rupees 35,040 from the General Fund to the Road Fund. This the Board of Revenue object to on general grounds, and make

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reductions in the allotments for New Works to compensate for the withdrawal of the amount. The Government approve of the Board's decision, but observe that the balance estimated by the President increased by the sum of Rupees 35,040 is too large an amount to rest unutilized. The local Circle should submit supplementary plans for turning the sum to account. It is observed that three if not six additional Dispensary buildings are contemplated.

2. The Board's figures for 1876-77, compared with the passed Budget figures of the current year, stand as below:—

RECEIPTS.		CHARGES.	
1875-76.	1876-77.	1875-76.	1876-77.
RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Balances—		GRANT I.	
Road Fund... ..	13,000	New Works—	
Endowment Fund ...	40	Communications ...	60,400
General Fund	35,000	Educational	4,000
Allotments from General Revenue—		Sanitary and Miscellaneous	9,000
Provincial Funds ...	26,250	Repairs—	
Special Funds*... ..	6,000	Communications ...	31,780
Cess on Land	1,30,000	Educational	...
Tolls	...	Sanitary and Miscellaneous	5,000
Fees in Schools	300	Cost of Establishments	
Receipts from Endowments	60	Public Works Dept.	21,100
Miscellaneous	1,600	Petty Establishment ...	5,400
		Road Fund Reserve ...	11,990
		Contributions to other	
		Circles	2,730
		Other Items	1,960
		GRANT II.	
		Inspection	1,860
		Local Fund Schools ...	7,910
		Grants-in-aid	4,150
		Miscellaneous	600
		GRANT III.	
		Hospitals	7,610
		Vaccination	1,450
		Sanitary Establishment	6,500
		Choultries	60
		Miscellaneous	1,200
		GRANT IV.	
		Supervision and Management	1,860
		General Reserve	4,430
		BALANCES.	
		Road Fund	420
		Endowment Fund	70
		General Fund	24,550
Total ...	2,12,250	Total ...	2,12,250
			2,60,940

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3. The Budget figures are passed, though further orders may hereafter be necessary in connection with education. The amounts of fixed salary mentioned in paragraph 12 may stand for the present. The proposal to establish Hospitals at Narsarowpet, Tummurukota, and Krossur, is approved, and the establishment of an additional clerk on Rupees 10, as mentioned in paragraph 17, is sanctioned.

4. The Masulipatam Circle Budget having been already reviewed by Government, the alterations referred to by the Board in paragraph 16 should be made in their office.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue, with papers.
Revenue Department.

- .. Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
- .. Sanitary Commissioner.
- .. Director of Public Instruction.
- .. Accountant-General.
- .. President of the Municipal Commissions, Kistna District.

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