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Local Funds—Bungalows.

Read again G.O., dated 2nd December 1874, No. 2023.

Read also the following papers:—

No. 143. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 2nd July 1875, No. 5961,
(Miscellaneous.)

Read the following letter from C. T. LONGLEY, Esq., President of the Local Fund Boards, Salem, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Salem, 1st May 1875, No. 574:—

I have the honor to request that the Board of Revenue will be good enough to submit, for the reconsideration and orders of Government, the proposal of this*

* Salem Circle.

Board to employ a Sweeper in each Traveller's Bungalow in the Circle.

2. At present there is only a sepoy in each bungalow and this servant, who may be a Pensioned Havildar, cannot be expected to sweep and keep the bungalow and its compound clean. Hitherto it has been left undone until the arrival of a traveller, when the sepoy procured the services of a person and paid two or three pice for the occasion. To avoid this, the Board proposed to have a sweeper attached to each bungalow and fixed his pay at Rupees 0-12-0, as he will have to attend only at stated times, viz., once a day. This additional establishment costs only Rupees 90 per annum from which should be deducted Rupees 40, the saving caused in the present establishment, owing to no sepoy being entertained in the bungalow at the foot of the Shevaroy Hills.

Submitted for the orders of Government, with reference to paragraph 7 of their Order, dated 1st February 1875, No. 194.

(True Copy and Extract.)

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

No. 144. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 26th August 1875,
No. 2417.

Read again—

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th June 1875, No. 5243, (Miscellaneous.)
From A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Coimbatore, 25th May 1875, No. 146.

I have the honor to request that the Travellers' Bungalow at Pothanore may be sold. It does not appear that its maintenance is of such importance as to be under local supervision.

2. The Government ordered the retention of this building when the other bungalows in the district were transferred to the Local Board in 1872—vide G.O., No. 865, of 5th July 1872, Financial Department.

3. When the Local Board proposed to take over the bungalow in 1873, the Revenue Board desired that the proposal should be deferred until the effect of the Nilgiri Branch Railway on the special character of the bungalow becomes apparent—vide their Proceedings, No. 6972, of 15th October 1873.

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Receipts ...	1872-75.	Rs.
Expenditure ...	...	467
	...	363
Receipts ...	1874-75.	
Expenditure ...	...	146
	...	329

4. Since the through line to Mettopolliem, the receipts have diminished by two-thirds, and have not equalled a moiety of the charges.

The Collector will report whether the Local Fund Board are still willing to take over the bungalow, how many travellers halted in the year 1874-75, and whether the charges can be reduced.

(True Copy and Extract.)

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

Read also the following letters:—

From A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 22nd July 1875, No. 42.

With reference to Revenue Board's Proceedings, Miscellaneous No. 5243, of 12th June 1875, I have the honor to enclose an extract from the Proceedings of the Local Fund Board, dated 21st July 1875, in which the Local Board resolve to take over the Pothanore Travellers' Bungalow.

EXTRACT from the Proceedings of the Local Fund Board, Coimbatore Circle, at a Meeting held on the 21st July 1875.

PRESENT.

A. Wedderburn, Esq., President.
H. Stokes, Esq., Vice-President.

MEMBERS.

Colonel C. V. Wilkieson, R.E., Superintending Engineer.
G. McWatters, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector.
A. M. MacGregor, Esq., Deputy Collector, Northern Division.
J. C. Winscom, Esq., Treasury Deputy Collector.
T. Marden, Esq., Inspector of Schools, 5th Division.
M. R. Ry., A. Catchapaiswariah, Avergul, Deputy Inspector of Schools, North Coimbatore.
" R. Kristnier, Avergul.
" J. Bashiakarlo Naidoo, Garn, Avergul.

8. "Read Revenue Board's Proceedings, No. 5243, of 12th June 1875, requesting to know whether the Local Board are still willing to take over the Pothanore Travellers' Bungalow.

"Resolved that the Local Fund Board are willing to take over the bungalow.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) A. WEDDERBURN,
President.

From A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., President of the Local Fund Board, Coimbatore, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 7th August 1875, No. 47.

Years.	No. halted.	Receipts.	Expenditure.
1870-71	278	Rs. 467 4 0	Rs. 343 8 11
1871-72	268	399 12 0	443 10 0
1872-73	288	407 5 0	363 14 6
1873-74	155	218 5 0	407 13 6
1874-75	111	146 0 0	341 11 0

I have the honor to report in continuation of my letter of 22nd July 1875, No. 42, and in reference to Official Memorandum, No. 1233, that the number of travellers who halted at the Pothanore Bungalow, and receipts and expenditure for the past five years, are as per margin.

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2. The establishment consists of—

	Rs.
1 Maistry ...	6
1 Waterman ...	5
1 Sweeper ...	2

3. The bungalow is a large one, consisting of six rooms,* say that 100 travellers halt there annually; the establishment could scarcely be reduced; there would be complaints of want of attendance, dirty rooms and furniture, &c., and the like, if proper servants were not kept.

* With four bath-rooms besides.

Submitted for the orders of Government.

2. The Pothanore Bungalow was reserved as a special one when the other bungalows were handed over to the Local Board. The number of travellers halting there has been steadily declining, and the charges exceed the receipts. The establishment charges cannot be further reduced, but the Collector should have explained what the other charges incurred in 1874-75 consisted of.

3. The Collector recommended that the bungalow should be sold, but it appears to be still used by a considerable number of travellers; and, as the Local Fund Board are willing to take it, the Board recommend that it be transferred to them.

(True Copy and Extract.)

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

No. 145. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 14th September 1875, No. 8332, (Miscellaneous.)

Read again—

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 15th July 1875, No. 6413, (Miscellaneous.)

From D. BUICK, Esq., Acting President of the Local Fund Boards, Malabar, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Tellicherry, 3rd June 1875, No. 197.

I have the honor to request sanction for the entertainment of a Masalchi on a salary of Rupees 4 per mensem for the Madilakam bungalow.

2. This bungalow is the only place of refuge in the long stretch of backwater from Chitwaye to Cochin, 28 miles from the former and 40 miles from the latter place, and unless a servant is appointed, the bungalow will go to ruin.

3. The charge can be met from the unappropriated balance of the General fund.

The President is requested to state when and under what authority the Madilakam Bungalow was transferred to the Local Fund Board, and whether the bungalow is situated in the Local Fund Circle.

(True Copy and Extract.)

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

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Read also the following letter:—

From W. LOGAN, Esq., President of the Local Fund Boards, Malabar, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Calicut, 10th August 1875, No. 383.

With reference to Board's Proceedings, No. 6413, dated 15th July last, I have the honor to inform you that the Madilakam Bungalow is situated within the Calicut Circle, but I am unable to quote the authority under which it was transferred to the Local Fund Board.

2. It is a building formerly used by the Dutch as a factory, subsequently it was converted into an Amshom Cutcherry and now travellers use it as a bungalow, as there is no other building available in the long stretch of backwater from Chetwaye to Cochin.

3. A striking instance of the inconvenience to which travellers are put by there being no responsible servant at this bungalow has just been brought to my notice by the Rev. F. Bower, of the C. M. S. at Trichoor, and I beg strongly to urge on the Board the necessity for appointing a servant at an early date.

Submitted to Government with request that, under the circumstances explained by the President, the Madilakam Bungalow may be formally transferred to the Calicut Local Fund Board.

2. The sanction of Government is requested for the entertainment of a Masalchie on a salary of Rupees 4 per mensem to be attached to the bungalow.

(True Copy and Extract.)

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

No. 146. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th November 1875.

Read the following letters:—

From the President, Local Fund Boards, Ganjam District, dated	4th September 1874, No. 216.
Do. do. Vizagapatam „ „	6th July „ „ 970.
Do. do. do. „ „	10th do. „ „ 71.
Do. do. Godavery „ „	21st do. „ „ 121.
Do. do. Kistna „ „	28th August „ „ 33.
Do. do. do. „ „	11th February 1875, „ 868.
Do. do. Nellore Circle „ „	30th June 1874, „ 508.
Do. do. Cuddapah District „ „	7th August „ „ 228.
Do. do. Bellary „ „	14th July „ „ 246.
Do. do. Kurnool Circle „ „	7th do. „ „ 73.
Do. do. Chingleput District „ „	21st August „ „ 342.
Do. do. North Arcot „ „	27th June „ „ 62.
Do. do. South Arcot „ „	6th July „ „ 73.
Do. do. Tanjore „ „	2nd do. „ „ 34.
Do. do. Trichinopoly Circle „ „	17th June „ „ 108.
Do. do. Madura District „ „	15th October „ „ 332.
Do. do. Tinnevely „ „	9th July „ „ 28.
Do. do. Coimbatore Circle „ „	29th June „ „ 11.
Do. do. Nilgiri „ „	17th do. „ „ 732.
Do. do. Salem District „ „	20th August „ „ 634.
Do. do. Canara Circle „ „	18th do. „ „
Do. do. Malabar District } Statement. }	21st July „ „

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The foregoing letters are replies from the Presidents of Local Fund Boards to the Board's requisition based on the G.O., Financial Department, dated 21st March 1874, No. 482, calling for a Return showing the Public Bungalows transferred to Local Fund Boards.

2. The Board have caused a general Return to be compiled from the several local Returns showing the names of the bungalows in each circle, the amount of fees collected, and the expenditure incurred in each bungalow during the years 1871-72, 1872-73, and 1873-74 under the heads of Establishments, Repairs, &c. A column of remarks is also added showing the general condition of each bungalow.

3. The following abstract statement shows by circles in one view the particulars of the bungalows, &c.:—

Names of Circles.	Total Number of Bungalows transferred.	1871-72.		1872-73.		1873-74.	
		Fees collected.	Total Expenditure.	Fees collected.	Total Expenditure.	Fees collected.	Total Expenditure.
		rs.	rs.	rs.	rs.	rs.	rs.
1. Chatterpore ...	4	104	362	115	167	115	213
2. Chicacole ...	3	69	241	66	201	98	327
3. Vizagapatam ...	5	.....	.....	194	449	295	517
4. Narsipatam ...	3	238	482	225	170	315	328
5. Cocanada ...	3	140	170	78	1,390	83	1,354
6. Ellore ...	3	.....	.....	51	280	42	506
7. Masulipatam ...	10	.....	.....	192	257	401	243
8. Guntoor ...	15	1,250	1,841	699	1,664	1,674	3,125
9. Nellore ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10. Cuddapah ...	1	.....	.....	38	19	71	140
11. Madanapally ...	6	673	909	472	938	206	1,134
12. Bellary ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
13. Pennacondah ...	.....	.....	.....	166	475	142	451
14. Gooty ...	4	.....	.....	50	209	30	194
15. Kurnool ...	4	80	251	441	339	571	607
16. Sydapet ...	4	619	429	125	365	92	311
17. Chingleput ...	3	43	225	.....	.....	.....	.....
18. Chittoor ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	546	3,679
19. Vellore ...	4	447	445	443	683	232	3,105
20. Cuddalore ...	5	137	282	75	59	79	75
21. Virdachellam ...	1	54	121	221	475	146	161
22. Tanjore ...	2	222	150	209	140	133	264
23. Negapatam ...	4	165	187	98	445	114	230
24. Trichinopoly ...	2	180	159	147	287	60	102
25. Madura ...	2	179	134	705	706	582	1,281
26. Dindigul ...	5	449	752	146	279	138	973
27. Tinnevely ...	3	91	328	177	528	500	1,003
28. Sermadevi ...	3	215	320	365	810	330	2,958
29. Coimbatore ...	5	4,591	5,392	92	515	185	413
30. Nilgiris ...	11	94	730	215	328	381	673
31. Salem ...	9	191	799	263	1,957	304	1,779
32. Oosoor ...	17	250	1,359	468	2,032	546	2,314
33. Canara ...	25	561	1,875	500	1,940	448	1,912
34. Calicut ...	17	473	1,546				
35. Tellicherry ...							
Total ...	188	11,548	20,004	7,259	18,704	8,859	30,377

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4. It is observed that there are no bungalows shown against the Circles marginally noted, as there were none available for transfer to the Local Fund Boards concerned.

Cuddapah. | Pennacondah.
Goety. | Vellore.

5. In the Masulipatam Circle there are seven bungalows which have been made over to the District Officers. A proposal to transfer these bungalows to the Local Fund Board was laid before Government in Board's Proceedings, dated 1st May 1874, No. 1019, but in their Order, dated 2nd December 1874, No. 2023, the Government deferred passing orders pending the receipt of the Return now submitted.

6. Of the 188 bungalows, nine may be left out of consideration as here-under particularized:—

Sydapett Circle...	{ 1. Poonamallee.	} Abandoned.
	{ 2. Meenambakum.	
Madura „ ...	{ 3. Melur...	} To be transferred to District Officers from 1876 to 1877.
	{ 4. Kottamputty...	
Dindigul „ ...	5. Pulni ...	Converted into a Dispensary.
Coimbatore „ ...	6. Caroor. ...	Transferred to the Municipality.
Nilgiri „ ...	7. Seegoor ...	Abandoned.
Canara „ ...	8. Moolki ...	District Officers' bungalow. Proposed to be made over to them.
Calicut „ ...	9. Munjeri ...	Destroyed by lightning in 1872-73.

7. The total fees collected and the expenditure incurred in the three years are shown below:—

	Receipts.	Charges.
	RS.	RS.
1871-72 ...	11,548	20,004
1872-73 ...	7,259	18,704
1873-74 ...	8,859	30,377
Total...	27,666	69,085

(True Extract.)

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

No. 147.

No. 146. ORDER THEREON, 15th January 1876, No. 93.

With their Proceedings of the 6th November 1875 the Board of Revenue submit a tabular Return showing the number and condition of those Public Bungalows that have been from time to time transferred to Local Fund Boards, together with the expenditure and receipts connected with them. The number of bungalows transferred was, it appears, 189, distributed over thirty circles; nine have been or will be abandoned or otherwise disposed of; and the average yearly net cost has been Rupees 460 per circle.

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2. These buildings, originally erected under approved policy from State Funds, form a valuable property, which has now been made over to Local Fund Boards with a view to its maintenance for the same useful purpose for which it was intended, and the charge on Local Funds is now shown to form but a trifling debit against the large sums annually contributed from Provincial Funds for the construction and maintenance of the communications of which the Travellers' Bungalows are a necessary adjunct.

Provincial Grants.

	For Roads.
	RS.
1871-72 ...	9,16,990
1872-73 ...	11,26,000
1873-74 ...	11,58,150
1874-75 ...	11,42,050
	43,43,190
1875-76 ...	11,11,610
	54,54,800

3. The proposals contained in the other papers recorded above are accordingly approved and sanctioned. (True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue.
" Revenue Department.
" Public Works Department.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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