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Local Funds—Budget.

Read the following papers:—

No. 35. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 16th November 1875,
No. 3126.

Read the following letter from the President of the Local Fund Board, Coimbatore
Circle, dated 26th October 1875, No. 55:—

ABSTRACT.—Submitting Local Fund Budget Estimate for 1876-77.

THE Local Fund Budget Estimate of the Coimbatore Circle for 1876-77 will
be submitted for the orders of Government with the following remarks.

REGULAR ESTIMATE OF 1875-76.

	RS.	2. The transactions of 1874-75
Road Fund	— 28,617	closed with a net deficit of Rs. 19,095 as
Endowment Fund	129	per margin. This sum, instead of being
General Fund	7,393	shown against "Balance" on the receipt
	— 19,095	side, is added to the expenditure in the
		Regular Estimate.

3. On the expenditure side of the Regular Estimate lump sums are exhibited against Grants I., II., III., and IV. without detailing the expenditure against each major head as required in paragraph 3 of the Board's Circular Memorandum, dated 9th August 1875, No. 1,269. According to the Registers kept in this office, the total allotment sanctioned up to date for public works aggregate Rs. 1,48,834, of which Rupees 1,38,414 are debitable to the Road Fund. It is observed that in 1873-74, 91.94 per cent. of the total allotment for works was expended, and that in 1874-75 the outlay on roads alone by the Public Works Department exceeded the amount assigned in the year. Under these circumstances, the Board think that the whole of the Road Fund allotment should be taken as the probable expenditure in 1875-76. The outlay from General Fund calculated liberally will be entered as Rupees 7,830 out of an allotment of Rupees 8,660 and Rupees 1,680 under Endowment Fund. The other items do not call for remark.

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4. The following is the Regular Estimate as modified by the Board:—

	Road Fund.	Endowment Fund.	General Fund.	Total.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Balances of 1875-76...	26,617	129	7,393	19,095
Allotment from General Revenues...	40,149	...	2,890	43,039
Land-cess ...	1,26,740	...	63,370	1,90,110
Tolls ...	5,670	...	...	5,670
Fees, Contributions, Books ...	...	...	628	628
Hospitals and Choultries ...	...	5,824	...	5,824
Miscellaneous ...	1,004	...	11,165	12,169
Appropriation from General Fund ...	16,500	...	16,500	...
Total ...	1,63,446	5,953	68,946	2,38,345
<i>Grant I.</i>				
Public Works. { Public Works Department ...	1,02,163	1,680	5,130	1,08,973
{ Other Agency... ..	36,251	...	2,700	38,951
Establishment ...	25,541	420	1,282	27,243
Tools and Plant ...	1,380	15	80	1,475
Reserve ...	...	...	7,535	7,535
	1,65,335	2,115	16,727	1,84,177
Grant II. ...	...	...	19,184	19,184
Do. III. ...	...	3,838	24,949	28,787
Do. IV. ...	2,164	...	784	2,948
Balances ...	1,67,499	5,953	61,644	2,35,096
	4,053	...	7,302	3,249
Total ...	1,63,446	5,953	68,946	2,38,345

BUDGET OF 1876-77.

5. STATEMENT I.-A., REVENUES AND RECEIPTS.—The balances for which credit should be taken in the Budget for 1876-77 are—

	RS.
Road Fund ...	4,050
Endowment Fund ...	...
General Fund ...	7,300
	3,250

6. The Provincial grant for roads is taken at Rupees 25,240, or Rupees 5,000 more than in the current year, as in Board's Proceedings, dated 16th September 1875, No. 2,590. This addition was allowed specially with reference to the Road Fund deficit, but besides it the Circle Board propose to appropriate Rupees 8,000 from the one-third land-cess to the Road Fund, so as to enable them to provide for certain important new works. The grant proposed under this head was Rupees 21,600, but the opening deficit, Rupees 4,050, was not allowed for. If the additional appropriation be disallowed, as it appears to the Board it must be with reference to recent orders of Government, the grant for new works would have to be reduced to less than Rupees 10,000. This sum would be utterly insufficient, and the Board having, in their review of the Local Fund Budget of the Chingleput

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Circle, withdrawn Rupees 21,150, the grant assigned to that Circle for the ensuing year, resolve to recommend Government to allot Rupees 10,000 of that sum for this Circle, and, in anticipation of their approval, the Board have raised the grant to Rupees 35,400. This will obviate the necessity for the proposed additional appropriation of Rupees 8,000 from the one-third land-cess. The large appropriation of Rupees 16,500 from the General Fund in the current year was allowed as a loan, but no provision is made, and there is little prospect of any provision becoming possible for repaying it from the Road Fund, the assets of which have scarcely anything for new works after the heavy demands for repairs have been met.

7. The entry of Rupees 4,410 as contributions from the Municipalities on account of tolls should appear under "5, Contributions from other Circles, &c." The market-rents are estimated at Rupees 11,540 against Rupees 6,000 in the current year's budget, as the system of market-fees has been extended to a larger number of towns.

G.O., dated 14th May 1873, No. 633.
G.O., dated 21st November 1873, No. 1,701.

8. The receipts are—

	RS.
Road Fund ...	1,78,180
Endowment Fund ...	5,390
General Fund ...	87,350
Total...	2,70,920

9. GRANT I., PUBLIC WORKS—STATEMENT II., ROAD FUND RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURE.—The allotment for new works must be reduced to Rupees 19,400. The Petty Establishment costs Rupees 5,600. The share of the cost of Public Works Supervision should be Rupees 18,440 and that of General Management Rupees 1,910. The allotment for Tools and Plant will be Rupees 1,330, and the Reserve Rupees 18,220.

10. The Road Fund proposed expenditure amounts to Rupees 1,78,160, leaving a balance of Rupees 20.

11. STATEMENT II.-A., PART I., NEW WORKS.—Part I. contains seven items with a total allotment of Rupees 22,990. With the exception of the last item, which provides for alterations or improvements to chuttrums, all are sanctioned works. The allotment for the sixth item must be reduced to Rupees 3,800 to bring the expenditure within the available assets.

12. PART II., REPAIRS.—The current year's allotments for repairs are repeated. A maintenance grant of Rupees 550 is newly proposed for the road from Perindorai to Kudumudi.

13. Grant I. is—

	RS.
Road Fund ...	1,76,250
Endowment Fund ...	1,740
General Fund ...	8,070
Total ...	1,86,060

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14. GRANT II., EDUCATION.—The provisions for Inspection and Results Grants are the same as in the current year. In Statement III. only one school is provided for, that at Salur having been abolished under G.O., Financial Department, dated 2nd July 1875, No. 1,403. The commission for the sale of books should be Rupees 110.

15. Grant II. is Rupees 19,380 chargeable to the General Fund.

16. GRANT III., SANITATION.—Of the seven dispensaries sanctioned for the Circle, six are now at work. The dispensary at Palladam has not yet been opened for want of a Medical Subordinate. The share of the salaries of the Medical Subordinates at Pollachy in Statement IV.-A must be Rupees 1,575, and that of the Passed Hospital Apprentice at Dharapuram, including the allowance for bedding and clothing, should be Rupees 675. Rupees 360, allotted for the Salaries of Medical Officers in all the other dispensaries, together with the Government contribution, is just sufficient for second-class Hospital Assistants. Only one servant ^{or one} on Rupees 6 a-month is provided for in the latter institutions. The total cost of all the dispensaries should be Rupees 10,260.

17. The grant for Vaccination is Rupees 5,000, or Rupees 2,000 in excess of the current year's provision. The increase is intended to admit of payment by results to private and public vaccinators sanctioned in G.O., Financial Department, dated 28th August 1875, No. 1,736, as an experimental measure. The details of the provision are given in paragraph 18 of the President's letter.

13. Rupees 10,000 are provided for Sanitary Purposes against Rupees 4,000 in the current year's Budget. The particulars are—

	RS.
Improvement of Water-supply	2,000
Do. of Village Sites	2,680
Scavenging	1,440
Other Sanitary Outlay	3,880
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Total ...	10,000

19. The allotment for Markets, Rupees 11,540, is exactly equal to the receipts from rents, and is in excess of that in the current Budget by Rupees 6,540. The President is requested to report details of the charges which make up the sum of Rupees 10,350 entered under Contingencies, &c., in Statement I-B. It seems to the Board probable that it includes many charges for works and improvements which ought properly to appear under Grant I.

20. Grant III. is—

Endowment Fund	...	...	...	...	...	RS.
General Fund	...	...	...	...	...	3,650
						39,340
						<hr/>
					Total	42,990

21. GRANT IV., MISCELLANEOUS.--The cost of Controlling Establishment chargeable to this Circle should be Rupees 700.

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22. Grant IV. is—

	RS.
Road Fund	1,910
General Fund	1,000
Total	<u>2,910</u>

23. The General Reserve should be Rupees 8,000.

24. An abstract of the Budget, as revised by the Board of Revenue, is subjoined:—

Receipts.		Expenditure.			
	RS.		RS.	RS.	
Road Fund... ..	1,78,180	Grant I. ...	{ Road Fund... ..	1,76,250	1,86,060
Endowment Fund ...	5,390		{ Endowment Fund.	1,740	
General Fund	87,350		{ General Fund ...	8,070	
		Grant II. ...	General Fund ...	...	19,380
		Grant III. ...	{ Endowment Fund.	3,650	42,990
			{ General Fund ...	39,340	
		Grant IV. ...	{ Road Fund... ..	1,910	2,910
			{ General Fund ...	1,000	
		General Reserve			2,51,340
		Balances—			8,000
		Road Fund		20	
		Endowment Fund			
		General Fund		11,560	11,580
Total ...	2,70,920	Total ...			2,70,920

(True Extract.)

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

No. 36. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 4th December 1875,
No. 10828 (Miscellaneous).

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Read the following letter from Surgeon-Major H. KING, M.B., A.M., Acting Sanitary Commissioner, for Madras, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Bangalore, 27th November 1875, No. 30:—

1875, No. 33:—
I have the honor to state that Budget of Coimbatore Circle for 1876-77 provides Rupees 13,000 (17·3 per cent. of available income) for sanitary purposes. The allotment is fair and its proposed distribution judicious.

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Submitted to Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 16th November 1875, No. 3126.

(True Copy and Extract.)

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

No. 37. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th January 1876, No. 164 (Miscellaneous).

Read the following letter from Surgeon-Major G. BIDIE, M.B., Secretary to the Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Fort St. George, 15th January 1876, No. 319:—

I have the honor, by desire of the Surgeon-General, to submit to your Board the following remarks on Grant III. of the Budget Estimate for 1876-77 of the Local Fund Board, Coimbatore Circle.

2. The contribution to the Coimbatore Municipality is Rupees 1,500 and being the same as in 1875-76, it is presumed that this is a fair distribution of the cost according to benefits received from the dispensary.

3. *Pollachi*.—The allotment for this dispensary seems sufficient.

4. *Dharapuram*.—The provision for this institution appears to be adequate, except in the item of "supplies" for which Rupees 50 seem too little.

5. *Suttiamungalum*.—As no statement of the past expenditure of this dispensary has been received, it is impossible to offer any remarks on the provision made for 1876-77.

6. *Collegal*.—The amount set apart for the maintenance of this dispensary calls for no special remark except that the sum allotted for the wages of a servant is too little by Rupees 2. The sum entered is Rupees 70, but the charge will be Rupees 72 (Rupees 6 × 12 = 72).

7. *Bhowany*.—The allotment for this dispensary appears sufficient.

8. The provision made for the two new dispensaries which the Board propose to open at Palladum and Odamulpettah seems sufficient as they are only intended to afford out-door relief.

Submitted to Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 16th November 1875, No. 3126.

(True Copy and Extract.)

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

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No. 38. ORDER THEREON, 2nd February 1876, No. 240.

In the annexed abstract, the Local Fund Budget Estimates of the Coimbatore Circle for 1876-77, submitted with the first of the Proceedings above recorded, are compared with those sanctioned for the current year.

RECEIPTS.			CHARGES.	
	1875-76.	1876-77.	1875-76.	1876-77.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Balances—			GRANT I.	
Road Fund		— 4,050	New Works—	
Endowment Fund			Communications ...	15,550 19,400
General Fund		7,300	Sanitary and Mis- cellaneous	1,760 1,390
Allotment from General Revenue—			Repairs—	
Provincial Funds—			Communications ...	1,12,610 1,12,960
For Roads	20,240	35,240	Sanitary and Mis- cellaneous	7,000 7,200
„ Schools	1,650	1,650	Cost of Department	
Special Funds	9,500	10,200	Public Works Estab- lishment	18,470 19,780
Cess on land	1,91,500	1,92,000	Petty Establishment...	5,600 5,600
Tolls	6,000	5,780	Road Fund Reserve...	17,840 18,220
School fees	40	80	Other Items	1,470 1,510
Contributions from other Circles	300	4,710	GRANT II.	
Receipts from Endow- ments	5,550	5,000		2,000 2,030

the purpose. It is observed that the whole of the receipts from Market fees, which is in this case a large sum, are to be expended on markets; the Government wish to know the details. The increased provision under Vaccination and Sanitation is approved. It is noted that about 33 per cent. of the allotment for Repairs is proposed to be expended by "Other Agency."

4. The Government pass the Budget as it stands, but observe with reference to the mode in which equilibrium has been established that the present case seems to be one deserving of serious consideration with reference to G.O. dated 15th November 1875, No. 2198. The President reports that 1,360 miles of road are maintained, yet only Rupees 5,700 are raised by tolls, and this chiefly by means of contributions from Municipalities.

(True Extract.)

[Signature]
Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue, with enclosures returned.

- „ Revenue Department.
- „ Public Works Department.
- „ Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
- „ Sanitary Commissioner.
- „ Director of Public Instruction.
- „ Accountant-General.
- „ President of the Municipal Commission, Coimbatore District.

Edw. T. O'Connor.

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Road Fund Account according to Regular Estimate for 1875-76.

	RS.
Two-thirds of Land-cess	1,26,740
Tolls	5,670
Additional appropriation	16,500
Allotment from General Revenue	40,149
Miscellaneous	1,004
Total ...	1,90,063
Deduct amount as per sanctioned Budget	1,78,410
Increase ...	11,653
Deficit Balance at the beginning of 1875-76	26,617
Difference ...	14,964

It would have been better perhaps if the present Budget had been framed so as to extinguish the whole of the deficiency.

3. The Government approve the disallowance by the Board of the additional appropriation of Rupees 8,000 proposed to be taken from the one-third Land-cess; and the additional allotment, in lieu of that arrangement, of Rupees 10,000 from Provincial Funds, utilizing a portion of the grant withheld from the Chingleput Circle. Arrangements should be made for repaying to the General Fund during the year at least one-half of the loan of Rupees 16,000 sanctioned in G.O., dated 1st February 1875, No. 90 the Road Fund reserve being partly made up—

Miscellaneous	7,100	12,020	Local Fund Schools	800	810
			Grants-in-aid	15,000	15,000
			Miscellaneous	1,000	810
			GRANT III.		
			Hospitals	9,440	10,260
			Vaccination	3,000	5,000
			Sanitary Establish- ment	4,000	10,000
			Miscellaneous	11,200	17,730
			GRANT IV.		
			Establishment	2,920	2,910
			General Reserve	5,600	8,000
			BALANCES.		
			Road Fund	5,810	20
			General Fund	10	11,560
Total ...	2,41,880	2,70,920	Total ...	2,41,880	2,70,920

2. The accounts in the Road Fund sub-head as now presented show a large reduction in the amount at deficit for the current year, but the deficit is not extinguished; it was Rupees 26,617 at the opening of the current year, and is now set down at Rupees 4,053 for the close of the year. The Government observe that the receipts have gained very much on the liabilities, showing an increase of Rupees 11,653 over estimate; there remained only Rupees 14,964 to be made up to establish equilibrium, as may be seen by the following calculation:—

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Comptroller Circle for 1876-77, reviewed.

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