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Municipal—Budget.

No. 133. Read the following letter from J. H. MASTER, Esq., Collector and President of the Municipal Commission, Bellary, to the Honorable W. HUDLESTON, Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Sirguppah, 22nd January 1876, No. 6:—

I have the honor to submit the estimates of the Anantapore Municipality for 1876-77.

2. The Vice-President's covering letter is enclosed.

3. The imposition of a Professional tax has already been sanctioned in G.O., Financial, No. 2299, dated 26th November last.

The Commissioners estimate the income under that head at Rupees 500.

4. The Commissioners lose the large sum of Rupees 800 under the head of contribution to the Local Fund Board of the Gooty Circle, under G.O., Financial, No. 1823, dated the 11th September 1875.

5. To make both ends meet they intend to reduce the number of lamps from 60 to 35, i.e., to do away with nearly half the present number. This is a retrograde movement, and greatly to be regretted. The people, I believe, do appreciate lamps, though they do not in general like conservancy.

6. The Commissioners have already reduced their office establishment to the lowest possible limit.

From H. RAMA ROW, Vice-President of the Anantapore Municipal Commission, to J. H. MASTER, Esq.; President of the Anantapore Municipal Commission, dated Anantapore, 8th January 1876, No. 113.

In obedience to the instructions laid down in G.O., No. 1616, of 23rd October 1871, I beg to forward the Budget Estimates of this Municipality for the year 1876-77, showing the chief points of difference between this and that of the current year both on the receipt and expenditure side:—

RECEIPTS.

On the first head, a sum of Rupees 127-9-11 has been entered as an opening balance after deducting the probable expenditure from the expected total receipts.

On the second head, Rupees 40 only have been entered against Rupees 236 of the current year, because Rupees 225, being the one-fourth portion of salary of the Medical Officer payable from Provincial Funds, has been excluded both on the receipt and expenditure side as directed in G.O., No. 306, of 12th February 1875, and as a portion of the Pound Fund has been appropriating towards the salary of Poundkeepers, &c.

On the third head, an increase of Rupees 150 is expected in consequence of assessment on houses having lately been revised.

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The introduction of the Professional tax having been sanctioned by Government for the next year with the usual exemptions of the lower three classes, a sum of Rupees 300 has been estimated from that source.

On Tolls, Rupees 3,200 against Rupees 3,600 are now estimated for 1876-77. This decrease of Rupees 400 is duly expected, for, during the present official year, it has been given out on Rupees 3,425, and as a branch road on the Tadpatry line from Nayanapully to Dharmavaram has now been used by all the carts that pass towards that direction, the contractor complains of heavy loss, and therefore Rupees 3,200 only are estimated for the succeeding year.

On the third head, Rupees 60 were estimated as Magisterial fines for the current year; but as more than Rupees 116 have already been received during the past eight months, it is presumed that about Rupees 150 will be the income on that head.

On the fourth head, an increase of Rupees 10 has been added, as the Commissioners intend raising the scale of fees from one to two Annas and two to four Annas in lower and higher classes, respectively.

On the fifth head, no amount has been entered, as only Rupees 2-2-0 have been realized during the last eight months of the current year, and as medicines are gratuitously issued to all in and out-patients generally.

On the sixth head, a net increase of Rupees 50 is added, as it is proposed to erect a compound wall to the Civil Dispensary.

On the seventh head, Miscellaneous, a decrease of Rupees 100 will be expected from sale of manure, on the ground that the sweepings have been burnt when cholera was prevalent in the town on account of sanitation.

Grant I.—The Rajah's choultry being entirely ruined by the heavy rains of 1874, it is proposed to reconstruct it with bricks for the present at a cost of Rupees 500.

Rupees 200 are estimated to be the cost of repairing the compound wall of the Civil Dispensary, Rupees 200 for the repair of Municipal roads, and Rupees 10 for the School building.

Grant II.—The grant for Education, a decrease of Rupees 30, has been estimated from that of the current year, because the Commissioners are of opinion that a sum of Rupees 20 hitherto contributed to the Circle Board towards the salary of the Inspecting Schoolmaster of the Taluk is considered unnecessary, and the amount to be set apart for Results grants is reduced to Rupees 20. This decrease, though an increase of Rupees 2 a-month to the salary of the second Master is proposed, makes the amount to be Rupees 730.

Grant III.—The expenditure of the Civil Dispensary is estimated at Rupees 1,420 against Rupees 1,700. This decrease happens especially from reasons that the one-fourth share of the salary of the Medical Officer being excluded, and that the diet of in-patients being reduced from Rupees 30 to Rupees 20 a-month.

Under the minor head 3, Rupees 36 only are budgeted, because a separate person for this duty being considered unnecessary. Rupees 3 a-month have been given to the Vaccinator for doing this additional work.

Minor head 4, Conservancy, calls for no remarks, as there is a difference of Rupees 2 only.

Grant IV. Lighting.—A saving of Rupees 200 has been estimated, as the number of lights in the town is proposed to be reduced from 60 to 35.

Under minor head 5, a sum of Rupees 800 has been entered, as that sum is estimated to be a contribution to the Circle Board from the tolls.

Grant V.—The services of the Superintendent being already dispensed with, there happened to be a large decrease on this head, though an increase of one Rupee per mensem to the salary of the office peon, and Rupees 64 to the Stationery and Sundries has been proposed.

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No. 134.

ORDER THEREON, 24th March 1876, No. 565.

With the above letter the President submits the Budget Estimates of receipts and charges of the Anantapore Municipality for the year 1876-77. The following is an abstract of the estimates as compared with those of the current year :—

RECEIPTS.			CHARGES.		
	Estimate. RS.	Actuals. RS.		Estimate. RS.	Actuals. RS.
	1875-76.	1876-77.		1875-76.	1876-77.
Balance brought forward...	...	128	GRANT I.		
Assignments by Govern- ment	285	40	New Works—		
Rates on Houses	750	900	Communications	...	...
Taxes on Arts	...	500	Educational	...	...
Taxes on Vehicles	650	650	Sanitary and Miscella- neous	300	500
Registration of Carts ...	170	170	Repairs—		
Tolls	3,600	3,200	Communications	300	260
Fees	60	60	Educational	...	10
Fines... ..	60	150	Sanitary and Miscella- neous	250	200
Endowments, &c.	85	70	Establishment	...	...
Contribution from Local Funds	780	810	Tools and Plant	...	...
Miscellaneous	360	270	Contributions to Local Funds.	...	...
Advances recoverable ...	...	...	GRANT II.		
			Training Schools	...	...
			Salarpatal Schools	700	730
			Results Grants	60	20
			Contribution to Local Funds for Educational Inspection	20	...
			Miscellaneous	...	...
			GRANT III.		
			Hospitals and Dispensaries.	1,700	1,420
			Vaccination	111	64
			Registration of Births & Deaths	44	36
			Conservancy	1,772	1,770
			GRANT IV.		
			Lighting	600	400
			Markets	30	30
			Choultryes	...	...
			Avenue, &c.	...	...
			Travellers' Bungalow ...	...	...
			Miscellaneous	...	800
			GRANT V.		
			Supervision and Manage- ment	823	620
			Advances recoverable ...	...	...
			Refunds	...	...
			Balances	...	128
Total ...	6,800	6,943	Total ...	6,800	6,943

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2. The opening balance has been correctly calculated. The President may note that in the preparation of Budget Estimates fractions of Rupees should be avoided.

3. The tax on Arts and Professions, the imposition of which was sanctioned as a set off against the loss caused by the recent order regarding the division of the proceeds of tolls between the Municipality and the Local Fund Board is estimated to yield only Rupees 500. An increase of Rupees 150 is anticipated under the House-tax in consequence of the revision of the house valuation. A decrease is anticipated under Tolls, the amount at which they have been farmed out during the current year being considered too high. The estimated income from the tax on vehicles is set down at the same amount as in the sanctioned Budget of the current year, but the difference between it and the current year's Regular Estimate given in the President's statements should have been explained.

4. To keep the expenditure within the income, a reduction in the charges for Lighting has been found necessary. For Education the current year's provision has been repeated with some slight modification. The other items in which a change has been made call for no remark.

5. In Statement II-B the charges due to "Contingencies," "Diet of patients," and "Price of medicines," are included. This is incorrect as the statement is intended to include the details of establishment only.

6. The increase of Rupees 2 in the salary of one of the Municipal Sazgo's, subject to the above remarks, is noted.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Anantapur.
.. Board of Revenue.
.. Revenue Department.
.. Public Works Co.
.. Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
.. Sanitary Commissioner.
.. Director of Public Instruction.
.. Accountant-General.
.. President of the Local Fund Boards, Bellary District.

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