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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

1st March 1877, No. 782.

Local Funds—Budgets.

Read the following paper:—

No. 6. *Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 2nd January* 1877, *No.* 10.

Read letter from the President of the Local Fund Board, Nilgiri Circle, dated 24th November 1876, No. 14, submitting Local Fund Budget Estimate for 1877-78.

The Local Fund Budget Estimate of the Nilgiri Circle for 1877-78 will be submitted for the orders of Government.

2. REGULAR ESTIMATES OF 1876-77.—RECEIPTS.—The balances to be brought forward in the Regular Estimate are entered at Rupees 8,936 under Road Fund and Rupees 1,029 Endowment Fund, Rupees 18,048 under Local Fund and Quarry Fund. Rupees 33,250 are entered as Provincial grant, but Government should be Rupees 33,650 as the difference, Rupees 2,864, was withdrawn by G. O., Financial Department, dated 14th March 1876, No. 900. The latter sum should be entered under Surplus Period Fund. The receipts from Land-cesses are estimated at Rupees 2,500 against Rupees 3,000 in the Budget. Rupees 17,273 are entered as Tolls Receipts, though the President states that the tolls were sold for Rupees 18,000 for the current year, and no explanation is given either for this or for other items in the Regular Estimate, nevertheless the figures are as that this should be done. Rupees 250 should be entered as contribution from the Coimbatore Circle for the upkeep of the two poles in the Ketagiri Ghaut Road. The entry of Rupees 300 under "Miscellaneous" entered as adjustments with reference to accounts in 1875-76 will be struck out.

3. EXPENDITURE.—The allotment for New Works and Repairs of Communications in the Budget, which has not since been increased, is Rupees 27,705, and this sum is entered for the probable expenditure as the safety during the last two years exceeded the grants. The proposed expenditure under "Sundays and Miscellaneous" is entered at Rupees 1,000, but the amount will be reduced to Rupees 600 as the actuals of 1875-76 were only Rupees 106. The items of Supervision and Tools and Plant should be Rupees 2,500 and Rupees 384 respectively. The provision of Rupees 60 for contingencies will be struck out as nothing was spent last year under this head. The items under Grants 21 and 113 call for no remark. The provision of Rupees 400 for extra to road-side members will be reduced to Rupees 200, the charges on this account in 1875-76 having amounted to only Rupees 127.

8. Statement I-B, Expenditure—Grant I, Public Works—Statement II, Road Fund.—The allotment for New Works will be struck out and that for Repairs reduced to Rupees 12,100, as noticed below. The cost of Supervision, General Management, and Tools and Plant should be Rupees 3,020, 830, and 120, respectively. The provision of Rupees 60 for contingencies will be disallowed as unnecessary with reference to actual expenditure. The contribution to the Coonoor Municipality for the upkeep of certain roads will be struck out as explained below. No provision can be made for Reserve. The total Road Fund expenditure is Rupees 16,070, leaving no balance.

9. Statement II-A, Part I, New Works.—Rupees 6,500 are provided for the completion of the road from Kattari by Pilloor to the Coonoor Ghaut. The Local Fund Board urge that the sum of Rupees 9,000 already laid out on this line will prove so much money thrown away if its execution be now abandoned, but this cannot be helped, and the Circle cannot afford to make new roads which they cannot maintain.

10. Part II, Repairs.—The aggregate assignment for Road repairs, viz., Rupees 32,760, is the same as in the current year. The only changes are an increase of Rupees 300 in the grant for Item No. 1 in Part II, and a corresponding reduction in that for Item No. 18 in the Appendix. The withdrawal of Government aid to the Local Fund necessitates that their outlay should be restricted to the main roads constituting the communications with the plains and upon which the bulk of the income of the Circle, viz., the tolls, are now derived. The minor out work of roads which are no doubt useful and necessary to the residents of the roads opened up by them must be left to be dealt with as objects of purely local interest. The [illegible] roads in the Wellington Cantonment, which cost Rupees 1,320 are maintained solely for Government purposes, and when the Local Fund Board applied to be relieved of the charge Government resisted on the ground that the bulk of the income of the Circle was made up of Provincial grants (G.O., 26th January 1875, No. 311). The Coonoor Municipality must provide for the upkeep of the roads, on account of which the Local Fund Board now contribute Rupees 1,820 per annum. The bridle paths to Ootacamund, Coonoor, and Kotagiri were taken over by the Local Fund Board in consequence of a special annual grant of Rupees 1,500 (G.O., 11th October 1872, No. 1,288), which is now withdrawn. These roads, at any rate, are obviously the first to be considered for abandonment in the present reconstruction of the Circle. Other roads which the Board will retain in the Local Fund Budget (being those on which tolls are levied) and the present and proposed maintenance grants are as follows:—

Road.	Present.		Proposed.	
	Rate.	Amount.	Rate.	Amount.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Kotagiri Ghaut	170	9,200	85	4,100
Coonoor Ghaut	275	2,200	137½	1,100
Ootacamund Ghaut	444	2,660	340	2,040
Road to Mudumalai via Bargur	130	2,080	50	800
Road to Gudalur	210	3,080	85	1,040
Total		19,220		9,080

10. An abstract of the budget as modified by the Board of Revenue is subjoined :—

Receipts.		Charges.			
	Rs.			Rs.	Rs.
Road Fund	16,070	Grant to {	Road Fund	13,210	
Endowment Fund	700		Endowment Fund	240	
General Fund	2,500		General Fund	870	
					16,950
		Do. II ...	General Fund		800
		Do. III ...	{ Endowment Fund	300	
			{ General Fund	1,020	
					1,320
		Do. IV ...	{ Road Fund	930	
			{ General Fund	170	
					1,100
		General Reserve			50
					19,220
		Reduced.			
		Road Fund			
		Endowment Fund			
		General Fund			
Total	19,270	Total			19,270

The attention of the President is called to the order requiring that the budget statements should be prepared separately, reference to which should be inserted in the Government Order on the budget of the ensuing year. All future budgets turning up as loose sheets will be returned.

(True Extract)

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

No. 2. GENERAL DEPARTMENT, 1st March 1877, No. 763.

The budget estimates of the Minor Local Fund Board for 1877-78, as submitted by the Board of Revenue, are compared below with the sanctioned estimates for the current year :—

Receipts.	Sanctioned Estimate 1876-77.	Amount proposed 1877-78.
	Rs.	Rs.
Balance	80	80
Road Cess	13,000	13,000
Interest on Investments	600	600
Allowance from General Revenue—		
Pound Fees	300	300
Other Items	1,000	1,000
Contribution from Municipal Funds	1,000	1,000
Miscellaneous	300	300
Total	16,280	16,280

Charges.	Estimate, 1876-77.	Estimate, 1877-78.
	Rs.	Rs.
	5,000	
	63,760	12,100
	1,000	570
	7,485	3,108
	2,210	
	100	100
	3,000	
	1,450	
	60	
	880	400
	360	240
	600	600
	340	340
	420	420
	1,200	1,000
	150	50
Total	88,160	19,370

Financial Department, 1st March 1877, No. 702.

The Commissioner in communication with the Local Fund Board, will submit proposals regarding the above Abstract, with the usual Notifications.

2. The Government estimate that three Rupees Twelve annas will be required in that Division in connection with the proposals referred to in the Resolution of the Financial Department, dated the 18th instant, No. 702.

3. The Government cannot be made responsible for any excess of Rupees [illegible] above the amount entered in the Abstract, and the Local Board cannot be called upon to increase the grant in the Wellington Cantonment Division in consequence of [illegible] expenditure, and it is to be understood that the Public Works Department [illegible].

4. The Local Fund will also be credited with the amount [illegible] Cantonment Fund, on account of [illegible] during the current year.

5. The Commissioner is requested to [illegible] the Bombay Gazette.

6. The Commissioner will [illegible] the Collector of Revenue [illegible] the Executive Engineer, Public Works Department, [illegible] Executive Engineer, Poona Irrigation Division, and the Executive Engineer, Nira Canal.

Collector's Department, 1st March 1877. No. 702.

Establishment ... 20,080
Establishment ... 6,770
... 360
... 910
34,020
50
Total ... 34,070

... Collector of Revenue, with reference to the Endorsement and ... Bengal Government, and the Budget ... passed.

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