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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

8th March 1877, No. 867.

Municipal—Budgets.

Read the following paper:—

No. 110. *From W. S. WHITESIDE, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Vellore, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Chendragherry, 23rd February 1877, No. 26.*

In continuation of my letter of the 15th instant, No. 19, I have the honor to forward the Budget Estimate of the Vellore Municipality for the ensuing official year 1877-78, and the Vice-President's letter which accompanied it.

2. The receipts have been estimated at Rupees 32,327 and the expenditure at the same amount, those of 1876-77 having been Rupees 41,700 in both cases.

3. The chief item of decrease (Rupees 10,500) in receipts is to be found in that of Tolls, and this decrease is attributable to the falling off expected in the traffic from failure of rain and crops, and to the necessity of handing over to the Local Fund Board half of the Revenue from Tolls.

4. As it is not possible with the crippled condition of the Municipal income to undertake the execution of new works towards the improvement of the Municipal Town, the Commissioners are desirous that the Profession-tax, discontinued under G.O., dated 4th January 1873, No. 775, may be re-introduced. I beg to support their request, and to solicit that Government will be pleased to concede the requisite authority.

Enclosure No. 1.

From C. D. IRVINE, Esq., Vice-President of the Municipal Commission, Vellore, to the President of the Municipal Commission, Vellore, dated Vellore, 18th December 1876, No. 214.

I have the honor to forward, herewith, the Budget Estimate of the Vellore Municipality for the ensuing official year 1877-78.

The estimated receipts and expenditure are shown below in comparison with those of the preceding year.

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It will be seen from the above statements that the total receipts for the ensuing year amount to Rupees 32,327 and the expenditure to the same amount, leaving no closing balance whatever in consequence of the whole amount of receipts being required for unavoidable expenditure.

The increases and decreases estimated in some of the items of receipts and expenditure are all determined with reference to the actuals of the current year, and the prospect of their remaining the same for the next year.

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The decrease under the head of Toll is due to the falling off expected in the traffic from failure of rain and crops and to the requisition contained in G.O., dated 9th August 1875, No. 1647, to hand over to the Local Fund Board half of the Revenue from Tolls after the restoration of the Palar Bridge.

The resources of the Municipality having thus greatly diminished, the Commissioners are not able to undertake any new work, however necessary it may be, in the coming year, and they have therefore no alternative but to request, as resolved at their Meeting held on the 7th instant, the Government to sanction the re-introduction of Profession-tax discontinued under G.O., dated

4th June 1873, No. 775. The receipts from this tax may be estimated at Rupees 5,000 in the next year.

No. 111. ORDER THEREON, 8th March 1877, No. 867.

The estimates of the Vellore Municipality for 1877-78 are compared below with the sanctioned estimate for the current year:—

RECEIPTS.

	Estimate, 1876-77. Rs.	Estimate, 1877-78. Rs.
Balance brought forward	4,360	806
Assignments by Government	1,113	1,147
Rates on Houses	6,300	6,300
Taxes on Vehicles	2,000	2,000
Registration of Carts	1,000	1,000
Tolls	18,000	7,500
Fees	139	139
Fines	100	200
Endowments, &c.	6,742	6,883
Contribution from Local Funds	750	750
Miscellaneous	5,696	5,442
Total	46,000	32,227

CHARGES.

	Estimate, 1876-77. Rs.	Estimate, 1877-78. Rs.
GRANT I.		
New Works—		
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	1,000	
Repairs—		
Communications	110	2,350
Sanitary and Miscellaneous		610
Establishment	3,342	1,002
Tools and Plant	100	100
Contributions to Local Funds and Provincial Services	9,329	
GRANT II.		
Municipal Schools	950	1,084
Results Grants	900	1,200
Contribution to Local Funds for Educational Inspection	180	180
GRANT III.		
Hospitals and Dispensaries	4,300	4,288
Vaccination	420	440
Registration of Births and Deaths	360	360
Conservancy	9,365	9,462
GRANT IV.		
Lighting	2,910	2,840
Markets	308	208
Lungorkanah	4,275	4,250
Avenues, &c.	50	
Miscellaneous	312	412
GRANT V.		
Supervision and Management	2,792	2,745
Balances	4,300	
Total	46,000	32,227

2. The estimated receipts for 1877-78 exclusive of opening balances amount to Rupees 31,521 against Rupees 41,700 for the current year, the decrease being due to Rupees 7,500 of the receipts from Tolls being assigned to the Local Fund Board and an expected falling off of Rupees 3,000 in the gross receipts from this source owing to the failure of rain and crops.

3. A revised Statement I-A must be submitted with reference to the explanation called for in G.O., dated 25th May 1876, No. 915, paragraph 8.

4. The charge for road scrics should be debited to Works instead of Establishment, and Statement II-A, Part II, revised accordingly.

5. The increase of Rupees 900 in the allotment for Results Grants is approved.

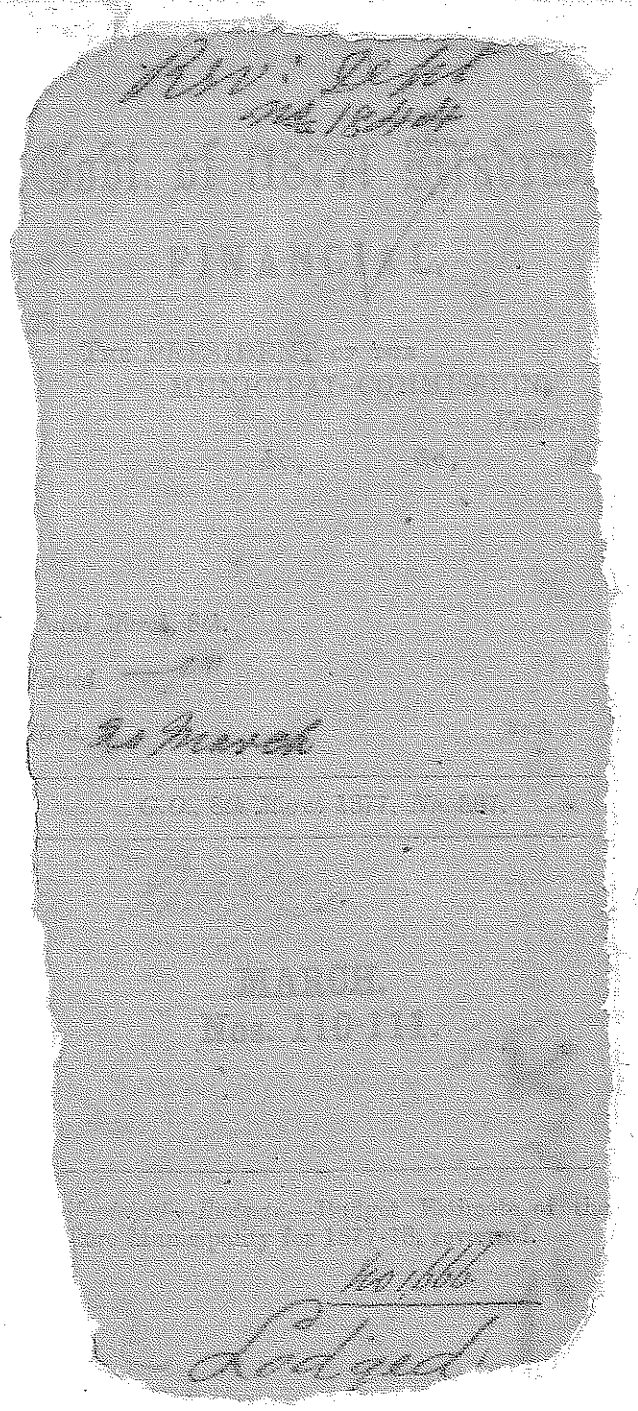
6. The Vaccination Establishment must be revised with reference to the new Rules.

7. The charge for Killing dogs should be shown under Grant IV and not debited to Conservancy.

8. With the above remarks the Budget is passed, but a supplemental Budget should be submitted with reference to the utilization of the funds raised by the Profession-tax, the re-imposition of which as regards the first six classes of Schedule B is approved by Government under the circumstances brought to notice in the concluding paragraph of the Vice-President's letter.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Vellore.
" Public Works Department.
" Revenue Department.
" Board of Revenue.
" Accountant-General.
" Sanitary Commissioner.
" Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" President of the Local Fund Board, North Arcot District.

Encl. T. O'Connor.