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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

14th August 1877, No. 2108.

Local Funds—Tolls.

Read the following paper :—

No. 99. *Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 21st July 1877, No.* 3105.

Read the following letter from A. WEDDERBURN, Esq., President of the Local Fund Boards, Coimbatore, to C. G. MASTER, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department (through the Board of Revenue), dated 31st May 1877, *No.* 20 :—

With reference to G.O., No. 1,244, of 12th April 1877, requesting me to have the subject of abolishing the Municipality of Mettapollium and substituting a Local Fund toll at that place discussed at the next Local Fund Board's meeting, and to submit final proposals through the Board of Revenue, I have the honor to enclose an extract from the Proceedings of the Local Fund Board dated 16th May 1877, from which it will be observed that the Local Board are willing to establish a toll and to provide for the sanitary and educational requirements of the place, which amount to Rupees 4,943. This amount will be provided from General Fund.

2. There are six municipal tolls which have been let out to contractors for a total sum of Rupees 6,405 for 1877-78. If sanction be accorded to the above proposals, the Local Fund Board are willing to compound with the municipal toll contractors for a reduction.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Extract from Proceedings of Local Fund Board.

Submitted for the orders of Government with reference to paragraph 3 of G.O., Financial Department, dated 12th April 1877, No. 1,244.

2. The Coimbatore Local Fund Board are willing to establish a toll at Mettapollium and to provide for the sanitary and educational requirements of the place. It appears that six municipal tolls have been farmed out to contractors for a sum of Rupees 6,406, and the Local Fund Board are willing to compound with the contractors for a reduction. The conditions of a Local Fund toll being different, a smaller number of gates will suffice.

3. The charges of the year are estimated at Rupees 4,943 as hereunder particularized, to be met from the General Fund of the Circle :—

	Rs.
Sanitation and Conservancy	2,130
Other Sanitary items	174
Lighting	420
Education	320
Supervision	667
	3,711
Dispensary	1,232
Total ..	4,943

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(*Signed*) J. STURROCK,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

No. 100. ORDER THEREON, 14th August 1877, No. 2108.

These proposals are approved.

(True Extract.)

Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Board of Revenue, with enclosure returned.
" Revenue Department.
" Public Works Department.
" Sanitary Commissioner.
" Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" Accountant-General.

Encl. J. W. Fischer.

Financial Dept. 27th March 1877, No. 1077.	repayment of loan is necessary under the
" 5th June 1877, No. 1634.	Resolution of the Government of India communicated with the Government Orders

marginally noted until after the full amount has been drawn :—

				Rs.
Interest for one year on	Rs. 4,793	borrowed in 1874-75	..	215
Do. do. on	" 1,35,000	borrowed in 1876-77	..	6,075
Do. for six months on	" 60,000	to be drawn in 1877-78	..	1,350
		Total	..	7,640

11. The total Road Fund expenditure amounts to Rupees 1,02,820, leaving a balance of Rupees 90.

12. *Statement II-A, Part I, New Works.*—Part I contains three items with an aggregate allotment of Rupees 63,100. The first is a loan work and the second an incomplete work of last year, with an allotment of Rupees 2,455. This provision has been disallowed as the work has been completed out of Famine Funds. The third item of Rupees 645 is for petty new works which are detailed in the appendix. This list shows three works, the estimates of which exceed Rupees 1,000 in each case. These works should more properly be shown in Part I. The necessary transfers have now been made.

Grant I is—							Rs.
Road Fund	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,01,530
General do.	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,580
					Total	..	1,03,110

13. GRANTS II, III, AND IV.—Grants II, III, and IV do not call for any remark, they being the same as in the sanctioned budget. The provision for the payment of the interest of the loan for the Cortelliar bridge under Grant IV is out of place and should be shown under Grant I.

14. The following is an abstract of the revised budget as modified by the Board of Revenue.—

Receipts.			Charges.			
		Rs.			Rs.	Rs.
Road Fund		1,02,910	Grant I ..	Road Fund ..	1,01,530	
Endowment Fund ..		320		General do. ..	1,580	
General Fund ..		24,400				1,03,110
			Grant II ..	General Fund ..	..	16,250
			Grant III ..	Do. do. ..	..	6,280
			Grant IV ..	Road Fund ..	1,290	..
				General do. ..	290	1,580
						1,27,220
			General Reserve		..	..
			Balances.			
			Road Fund		90	..
			Endowment Fund		320	..
			General do.		..	410
Total ..		1,27,630		Total ..	..	1,27,630

15. In this revised budget it has been found impracticable to provide more than Rupees 13,820 for the repair of roads. In paragraph 10 of G.O., dated 24th March 1877, No. 1053, the grant from Provincial Funds is adjusted " so as to make it" possible to provide a sum for road repairs equal to that entered in the regular estimate

for the year 1876-77. Under the circumstances now reported, the same principle of adjustment would involve an additional grant from Provincial Funds of Rupees 58,000,* bringing the total grant up to Rupees 1,18,000. Apart from considerations connected with the exceptional character of the season the Sylhet Board has strong claims on Provincial Funds on account of the number of *trunk roads* transferred to Local Funds in 1871-72 as pointed out in paragraph 19 of the President's letter. If the Government do not see their way to grant this amount, or a considerable portion of it, the roads must inevitably deteriorate, thereby involving an eventual altogether disproportionate outlay for their restoration, while no real saving to the public funds will even temporarily be secured as it will be necessary to make provision from Famine Funds for the support of the labourers who would otherwise be employed on the road works in question.

		Rs.
* Works	.. .. ..	46,460
Establishment	.. ..	11,660
Total	..	58,000

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Acting Secretary.

No. 76. ORDER thereon, 9th August 1877, No. 2083.

The Board with these Proceedings submit the revised budget of the Sylhet Circle.

2. The year 1876-77 closed with a minus balance of Rupees 41,660 against an estimated minus balance of Rupees 11,840.

3. This large deficit is due to two causes, (1) the expenditure on the repair of roads was considerably in excess of the Regular Estimate, (2) the large falling off in the collections of land-cess owing to the famine.

4. The 30,000 Rupees difference is almost equally distributed between these.

5. The estimate for 1877-78 as originally submitted by the Board, as revised by Government, and the present revised estimate, are compared in the following statement:—

RECEIPTS.

	As originally submitted by the Board of Revenue.	Revised with reference to G.O., dated 24th March 1877, No. 1053.	As now submitted by the Board of Revenue.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Balances—			
Road Fund	4,690	—20,060	—43,010
Endowment Fund	400	400	—370
General Fund	7,220	7,220	1,720
Allotments from General Revenue—			
Provincial Funds—			
For roads	..	60,000	55,590
,, schools	..	3,300	3,300
,, general purposes ..	..	..	4,410
Special Funds	1,880	1,880	1,880
Cess on land	65,370	49,000	33,000
Tolls	7,600	7,600	5,400
House-tax	1,100	..	..
Fees in schools	3,200	3,200	3,200
Contributions from other Circles, &c.	2,000	2,000	1,200
Receipts from Endowments, &c. ..	460	460	796
Miscellaneous	520	520	520
Loan	30,000	30,000	60,000
Total ..	1,25,040	1,46,120	1,27,630

CHARGES.

	Originally submitted by the Board of Revenue.	Revised with reference to G.O., dated 24th March 1877, No. 1053.	As now submitted by the Board of Revenue.
		Rs.	Rs.
GRANT I.			
New Works—			
Communications ..	30,000	30,000	60,640
Repairs—			
Communications ..	44,320	58,410	13,820
Civil Buildings ..	70	70	70
Miscellaneous Public Improvements	1,500	1,500	1,500
Establishment, Public Works Department	3,000	17,790	14,300
Petty Establishment ..	3,050	3,050	3,050
Tolls and Ferries	..	..	1,330
Tools and Plant	760	900	760
Road Fund Reserve ..	3,680	..	..
Repayment of Debt ..	13,540	9,180	7,640
GRANT II.			
Inspection	1,680	1,680	1,680
Local Fund Schools ..	7,450	7,450	7,450
Results Grants	6,500	6,500	6,500
Miscellaneous	620	620	620
GRANT III.			
Hospitals and Dispensaries.	2,160	2,160	2,160
Vaccination	1,890	1,890	1,890
Medical Practitioners ..	250	250	..
Sanitation	1,340	1,340	1,340
Travellers' Bungalows ..	240	240	240
Miscellaneous	650	650	650
GRANT IV.			
Establishment	1,580	1,580	1,580
Balances—			
Road Fund	..	..	90
Endowment Fund	760	760	320
General Fund	400	100	..
Total ..	1,25,040	1,46,120	1,27,630

6. Independently of the allotments from the Provincial Grant and the loan, the *present estimate differs in three items.* These are explained in paragraphs 3, 4, 5 of the Board's Proceedings:—

(1) Land Cess.
(2) Tolls.
(3) Contributions from other Circles.

The total of those (three) items is 19,000 Rupees: *adding this to the excess deficit* of Rupees 30,000, there is a total shortcoming of Rupees 49,000, approximately.

7. A corresponding reduction will be found under Grant I, Expenditure—after excluding the allotment for New Works as being from Loan Funds—viz., 42,490 Rupees against Rupees 90,900.

8. The Board's proposal for meeting the excess expenditure, Rupees 4,410, under General Fund, by diverting part of the 60,000 Rupees, Provincial Grant, to balance the account, is approved.

9. *The Government regret that they are unable to increase the allotment for* road repairs, Rupees 13,320, by a grant from Provincial Funds as no money is available from that source.

10. The Budget as revised by the Board of Revenue is accordingly approved.

(True Extract.)

Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

To the Board of Revenue, with nine Enclosures.
" Revenue Department.
" Public Works Department.
" Accountant-General.
" Sanitary Commissioner.
" Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" President of the Municipal Commission, Conjeveram.

Lnd. W. H. Francis

Thomas Lynch
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