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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

27th August 1877, No. 2201.

Municipal—Budgets.

Read the following paper:—

No. 226. *From G. D. LEMAN, Esq., President of the Municipal Commissions, Kistna District, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Masulipatam, 18th July 1877, No. 1523.*

Referring to G.O., No. 763, dated 1st March 1877, I have the honor to submit the revised Budget of the Guntoor Municipality for 1877-78, with the Vice-President's letter.

2. I submit also another file of Statements I and II, prepared according to G.O., No. 1347, dated 25th April 1877; also an abstract statement showing how the present Budget differs from that returned with the Government Order quoted in paragraph 1. The headings are as enumerated in this order.

3. The closing deficit of Rupees 87 will be more than covered by the Rupees 1,260 due by Government* on account of the one-fourth share of the first-class Hospital Assistant's pay, and which is not entered in Statement I (revised)—*vide* paragraph 5 of G.O., No. 1347, dated 25th April 1877. I have sent in a bill for this sum with my No. 1426, dated 5th July 1877.

* *Vide* G.O., No. 587, dated 15th Feb. 1877.

4. The Commissioners propose giving famine batta allowance to their servants on Rupees 7 and less, for which Rupees 1,000 are allotted. This I have not entered in the revised statements, as its distribution amongst the various grants is not known. I, however, request the sanction of Government to the expenditure.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From Surgeon S. M. TYRRELL, Vice-President of the Municipal Commission, Guntoor, to the President of the Municipal Commission, Kistna District, dated 25th May 1877, No. 194.

I have the honor to submit, herewith, the Budget for the year 1877-78, revised by a Sub-Committee of the Commissioners in accordance with the orders of Government contained in paragraph 9 of G.O., No. 763, dated 1st March 1877.

2. There was a balance of Rupees 569-2-8 in our favor at the end of the past official year in the local branch of the Madras Bank.

3. Our receipts (including the balance) for the current year, as detailed in the Budget, amount to Rupees 36,930-7-3, and our expenditure to Rupees 36,756, leaving a balance of Rupees 174-7-3.

4. The Tax on Arts and Professions will be levied, as directed in the Government Order above quoted, from the first six classes specified in Schedule B, and the tolls will be collected in the current year at three-quarter rates.

5. The amount due by the Local Fund Board of this circle on account of the Dispensary is Rupees 6,030-12-7, particulars of which are given in the Budget.

6. Bills for the payment of Rupees 4,030-12-7 have already been sent to the Local Fund Board through you, but no answer has as yet been received.

7. In G.O., No. 587, the dated 15th February 1877, Government directed that 25 per cent. of the Dispensary Hospital Assistant's pay, for services rendered by him to Government servants (Police Constables of this district at their hospital here), should be paid to the Municipality.

8. In accordance with that order a bill for Rupees 1,260 for the money due from 1871-72 to 1877-78 was despatched to the Deputy Collector in charge of the Treasury at Masulipatam, and that amount finds a place in the Budget now submitted for sanction.

9. The District Munsif of Guntoor having decreed that the collection of the Profession-tax in the year 1876-77 was legal and in consonance with the orders of Government, the balance remaining unpaid, viz., Rupees 2,603-8-0, has been entered in the accompanying Budget, and I am pleased to inform you that payments for that year are now being received.

10. In the Budget submitted with my letter, No. 118, of 29th December last, the Dispensary endowment of Rupees 876-15-0 was included in the Municipal Funds, but as you have remarked in one of your official communications (which I cannot find just now) that it ought not to have been included, I have not added it to the "balance" now shown in the Budget, but you will find it entered in Statement I-A.

11. *Endowments.*—In connection with the expenditure of the year, I have to give the following information :—

(*a*). For raising and strengthening, wherever required, the bund of the Black Tank, for constructing a head sluice on its northern bund, and a calingulah by it, Rs. 3,200 have been provided.

(*b*). As only a part of the sides of the reservoir by the Red Tank has been faced with stonework, and as the Commissioners are anxious to have the work completed, if possible, this year, an allotment of Rupees 500 has been made for it in the accompanying Budget.

(*c*). The latrines (two) at Kottapettah and (two) by Gindarow's wells are to be rebuilt, as they are now in a very dilapidated condition. Each will be provided with thirty-six seats of the kind approved of by you in the year 1873 (*vide* plan attached). As the privies with seats in them have been proved to be an improvement on the old plan, and as they are now used without much objection by the people, on my suggestion four small latrines of twelve seats in each for females will be constructed as soon as sanctioned in old Guntoor, near the Budampaud toll-gate by the Upparagudiam, and in Mathera Bazaar. It is thought that by providing these well-built public privies the people will be induced to abandon their private ones, the effluvia from which contaminate the air.

The Officer in charge of the Department of Public Works Range informed the Sub-Committee that Rupees 900 will have to be provided for their construction.

(*d*). As a well for the non-caste people, residing in that part of Sangadigunta called Kabadigudiam, is actually necessary, Rupees 100 have been provided for it.

(*e*). A provision of Rupees 400 for a slaughter-house finds a place in this Budget, and regarding which I wrote to you in my letter, No. 122, dated 3rd February 1876.

(*f*). The Works and the Senior Conservancy Overseers have been allowed a horse allowance of Rupees 5 each per mensem.

(*g*). Provision for the grant of a gratuity of Rupees 30 to the late Works Maistry, Muttuswamy Pillay, has been made in accordance with G.O., No. 742, dated 27th February 1877. He performed his duties for four years, when in health and strength, to the extreme satisfaction of the Commissioners.

(*h*). Certain masters of Results Grants Schools have not as yet, from want of funds, been paid their grants, and provision for what is due, nearly Rupees 427, has now been made.

(*i*). An increase of Rupees 5 per mensem has been made to the pay of the Market Superintendent on account of his faithful discharge of duties since his entertainment in July 1874.

(*j*). As the lamp-lighters are now and will always be employed in watering the young mango trees no provision has been made for a gardener.

(*k*). As the Sub-Committee of Commissioners have decided that the servant attached to the Wishe's Choultry ought to assist in looking after the conservancy of the reservoir near the Red Tank, which is situated immediately to its north-east, the services of one of the watchmen will not be required from next month.

(*l*). As the services of a Hospital Assistant cannot, under the present circumstances of the Subordinate Medical Department, be obtained, it has been resolved to appoint a writer to the Dispensary so that the Hospital Assistant there may be relieved of all non-departmental clerical work.

12. Rupees 4,202 have been provided to meet the refunds of the tax for 1875-76 that we have to make, with interest, and the Pleader's fees for defending the suits in the Civil Courts.

13. A provision of Rupees 1,000 has been made on account of the famine batta which has to be given our servants drawing Rupees 7 and under per mensem.

14. I have, in conclusion, to request you will kindly inform me at once if I may, in anticipation of the sanction of Government, order the Works Overseer to take in hand the improvements to be made at the Black Tank and the erection of the latrines.

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No. 227. ORDER THEREON, 27th August 1877, No. 2201.

The President for the Municipal Commissions in the Kistna District submits the revised Budget called for in G.O., dated 1st March 1877, No. 763. Compared with the original Budget, the figures are as follow :—

RECEIPTS.

	Original Budget, 1877-78.	Revised Budget, 1877-78.
	RS.	RS.
Rates on Houses and Lands	3,600	3,600
Taxes on Arts	5,500	8,300
Taxes on Vehicles and Animals	1,000	1,000
Registration of Carts	1,200	1,200
Tolls	8,000	9,130
Licenses	330	200
Assignments by Government	70	1,330
Contribution from Local Funds	2,000	6,030
Fines and Fees	300	500
Endowments	430	330
Miscellaneous	245	170
Balance brought forward	..	570
Total	22,675	32,360

CHARGES.

	Original Budget, 1877-78.	Revised Budget, 1877-78.
	RS.	RS.
GRANT I.		
New Works—		
Buildings	..	1,300
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	1,000	3,600
Repairs—		
Communications	300	1,000
Sanitary and Miscellaneous	250	450
Establishment	432	772
Tools and Plant	..	50
Contributions to Local Funds	..	2,675
GRANT II.		
Municipal Schools	166	156
Results Grants	600	1,337
Schools on the Combined System	174	261
Inspection (Contribution)	40	80
GRANT III.		
Hospitals and Dispensaries	4,000	4,260
Vaccination	230	280
Registration of Births and Deaths	120	120
Conservancy	7,328	7,388
GRANT IV.		
Lighting	1,092	1,092
Markets	240	300
Choultries	60	60
Avenues and Watering Roads	120	50
Miscellaneous	339	604
GRANT V.		
Supervision and Management	1,952	2,152
Advances Recoverable	4,200	4,200
Balances	32	173
Total	22,675	32,360

2. The items under Receipts claiming notice are, Taxes on Arts, Tolls, Assignments by Government, Contribution from the Local Fund Board, and the Endowment Fund.

3. The increase in the yield of the Profession-tax is due to the collection of arrears for last year. The tolls, it is satisfactory to observe, sold for a sum considerably above the figure fixed in the Budget.

4. Under the head of Assignments by Government, the Commissioners have failed to include the sum due from Government on account of arrears of Government contribution to the Dispensary. The amount, Rupees 1,260, sanctioned by G.O., dated 14th July 1877, No. 1906, has now been included.

5. As regards the contribution from the Local Fund Board for the Dispensary, the Government accept the estimate on the presumption that the Local Fund Board have agreed to pay the balances for the years 1875-76 and 1876-77 though that they have so resolved does not appear. It is presumed that the amount of arrears of contribution has been calculated in accordance with the principle laid down in G.O., dated 20th September 1876, No. 1697.

6. The capital endowment of the Dispensary—Rupees 877—has been improperly included under current income. It has accordingly been excluded. It need only be shown in Statement I-A.

7. The excess in the revised Budget Estimate—Rupees 9,685—the Commissioners propose to expend mainly upon new works. The allotment for repairs is also increased from Rupees 300 to 1,000, and provision made for payment of the arrears of share of tolls due to the Local Fund Board for 1876-77. The allotment for Education is raised from Rupees 980 to Rupees 1,834.

Rupees 3,900.

8. This distribution of the extra funds available commends itself to the Government.* They also approve the proposed allotment for batta to municipal servants drawing less than 7 Rupees monthly. The amount suggested—Rupees 1,000—is not entered in the Budget. It will be equally distributed under Establishment under Grants I, III, IV, and V, as shown in the margin.

	Rs.
Grant I.—Establishment	772
„ III.—Conservancy	7,388
„ IV.—Miscellaneous	604
„ V.—Supervision and Management.	2,152

9. The above alterations will leave the Commissioners with a closing balance of Rupees 173, instead of a deficit of Rupees 87.

* The Local Fund contribution and the gratuity to the Road Maistry will however be transferred to Grant I, the latter charge being included under Establishment.

(True Extract.)

Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

To the President of the Municipal Commission, Guntoor.
„ 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 Boards, Kistna District.

Exd. J. Wright.

Revenue Dept
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Govt. of (1877) Madras

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To

THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
Guntoor,

&c., &c., &c.

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