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Municipal-Budgets.

Read the following papers:—

No. 188. *From W. S. FOSTER, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Godavery District, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Cocanada, 26th December 1877, No. 39.*

I have the honor to forward, herewith, the Budget Estimates of Receipts and Charges of the Cocanada Municipality for 1878-79, prepared in accordance with the instructions contained in G.O., No. 1347, dated 25th April 1877, and the forms given in that order, together with copy of the Vice-President's letter of the 20th instant, No. 173, from which it will be seen that there are no material variations between the present estimates and those of the previous year, but I beg to explain with regard to the following items.

2. RECEIPTS.—A sum of Rupees 800 has been only provided in the present budget under the head of "Contribution from Local Funds" for Hospital, whereas in the last year's budget Rupees 1,400 were entered; it is owing to the Commissioners having resolved that the Local Fund Board be not asked to contribute anything towards the expense which may be incurred on account of re-opening the Lying-in Hospital.

3. The late Civil Surgeon, Dr. Hanks, having by the twelve months that it was unnecessary to keep it up any longer, the Commissioners resolved to close it. Since the receipt of G.O., dated 25th September 1877, No. 2384, the Commissioners resolved to re-open the same at a less cost and passed the following resolution:—"That the small room of the female ward in the Civil Dispensary be devoted to the use of the Lying-in Hospital; that no extra servants are to be employed, any assistance required being given by the Civil Dispensary servants; that the services of the midwife be retained on Rupees 35 a-month; that she is to be under the orders of the Civil Surgeon, and that when there are any cases in the town she can be required to attend at their own house; that she is not to claim anything from any one, but that if any one wishes to give her a present she is at liberty to accept it; that she keep a register of all cases attended by her in a form to be prepared by the Civil Surgeon; that an extract from this register be laid before the Commissioners monthly, giving the names of the houses at which she attended, and whether the child is alive, and the mother recovered; that she can be sent to cases outside the town when the Civil Surgeon considers it necessary." "That this to come into force from the 1st of December 1877."

4. A new item of 600 Rupees has also been specified in the budget under the head of "Private Scavenging" on account of cleansing private latrines. The people of the town have applied to pay certain fees at rates which may be fixed by the Commissioners, on the ground of their latrines being attended to by municipal servants. A corresponding entry has also been exhibited in the Statement No. II on this account.

5. EXPENDITURE.—A sum of Rupees 860 has been specified in the budget on account of contribution under Grant IV for building the Prince of Wales' Choultry for the poor at Cocanada and for their feeding. The Commissioners have agreed to pay this from the Municipal Funds. The subject-matter with regard to the proposal for the payment of certain sums for the purpose in question from the Local Funds is still

under consideration of Government (*vide* Board's Proceedings of the 9th November 1877, No. 4952).

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From Surgeon-Major H. J. BEACH, Vice-President of the Municipal Commission, Cocanada, to the President of the Municipal Commission, Godavery District, dated Cocanada, 20th December 1877, No. 173.

I have the honor to send, herewith, the Budget Estimates of the Cocanada Municipality for 1878-79.

2. RECEIPTS.—The total receipts, including the opening balance, amount to Rupees 26,000. No new taxation having been introduced, there is no material variation between the present estimates and those of the previous year. Only two items call for special remark. A sum of Rupees 600 has been put down as fees for cleansing private latrines, calculated upon the applications made to the Municipal Commission by the townspeople, who will have their latrines attended to by the municipal servants. The house-tax shows an increase of Rupees 300 owing to a number of new houses which have been built during the year. The other sources of income remain almost unchanged.

3. EXPENDITURE.—The sums allotted to the various heads have been calculated upon the charges of the current year. New provision has only been made in the case of re-opening the Lying-in Hospital in a modified form, as reported* to Government, and for a contribution towards a choultry called the "Prince of Wales' Choultry," where the helpless and destitute poor will be fed. Out of the funds available under head "Grant I" a large proportion is allotted to "Repairs." The town having numerous roads, the Commissioners considered it better to provide ample funds for keeping these in good order rather than undertake the construction of new roads and works without the prospect of additional funds to provide for their construction and up-keep.

From Surgeon-Major W. R. CORNISH, F.R.C.S., Sanitary Commissioner, to Government, dated Madras, 14th January 1878.

of 20 per cent. of income for sanitary purposes for 1878-79. It is ample.

2. As regards vaccination, the grant allotted provides only for one 1st-Class Vaccinator and 10 Rupees contingencies. No provision is made for superintendence or 2nd-Class Vaccinators.

No. 190. ORDER THEREON, 25th February 1878, No. 339.

The estimated receipts and expenditure of the Cocanada Municipality for 1878-79 are compared below with the sanctioned estimates for the current year:—

RECEIPTS.		Estimate, 1877-78.	Estimate, 1878-79.
		RS.	RS.
Balance brought forward		1,000	755
Rates on Houses and Land		9,000	9,300
Taxes on Vehicles and Animals		1,000	1,100
Registration of Carts		500	625
Tolls		6,800	5,500
Licenses		1,600	1,300
Assessments by Government		75	100
Contribution from Local Funds		1,400	800
Fines and Fees		100	240
Endowments		2,820	3,265
Miscellaneous		835	1,635
Total		25,130	26,000

CHARGES.

	Estimate, 1877-78.	Estimate, 1878-79.
	RS.	RS.
GRANT I—		
New Works—		
Communications		3,100
Sanitary and Miscellaneous		2,000
Repairs—		
Communications		1,200
Buildings		400
Sanitary and Miscellaneous		300
Establishment		300
Tools and Plant		50
GRANT II—		
Salary Grants		960
Results do.		120
Inspection (Contribution)		20
GRANT III—		
Hospitals and Dispensaries		5,500
Vaccination		190
Conservancy		4,865
GRANT IV—		
Lighting		1,500
Avonnes and Watering Roads		625
Miscellaneous		940
GRANT V—		
Supervision and Management		2,900
Balances		800
Total		25,130

2. No new taxation is proposed, and consequently the Budget Estimates do not differ much from those for the current year. It is observed that a small increase is expected under every head of taxation except "Licenses."

3. Under Expenditure the allotment for New Works, Communications, has been reduced from Rupees 3,100 to Rupees 2,000, and that for Repairs raised from Rupees 1,200 to Rupees 4,000, the Commissioners being of opinion that it is better to provide ample funds to keep the existing roads in good order than to undertake the construction of new roads without the prospect of sufficient funds for the satisfactory execution of the work. In this view the Government concur.

4. The proposed operations under the head of "Private Scavenging" are approved. Experience elsewhere has shown that it is absolutely necessary that fees on this account should be levied in advance. The entry on account of the Prince of Wales' Choultry may stand pending receipt of the further report called for in G.O., dated 23rd January 1878, No. 138. The attention of the Commissioners is called to the Sanitary Commissioner's remarks on the allotment for Vaccination, and some adjust-

ment of the proposed expenditure must be effected so as to allow of the provision of Rupees 130 as a contribution to the Medical College under G.O., dated 25th January 1878, No. 147. Subject to the above remarks the budget is passed.

(True Extract.)

J. B. Puj
Ag. Under Secy. to Govt.

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To the President of the Municipal Commission, Cocanada.

- " Public Works Department.
- " Revenue Department.
- " Board of Revenue.
- " Sanitary Commissioner.
- " Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.
- " Director of Public Instruction.
- " Accountant-General.
- " President of the Local Fund Boards, Godavery District.

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THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
Council,

£c, £c, &c.

Dated February 25th.

Treas. *W. H. H.*

Recd. *25th March*

G.O., 25th February 1878, No. 839.

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