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FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

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1st March 1878, No. 391.

**Municipal—Budgets.**

Read the following papers:—

No. 7. *From H. SEWELL, Esq., President of the Municipal Commission, Trichinopoly, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Trichinopoly, 29th January* 1878, No. 17.

I have the honor to forward for sanction of Government the Budget Estimates of this Municipality for the ensuing official year.

2. I must apologize for the delay in submitting them. It was principally owing to the sickness of the Vice-President and to my having been out in the district on public business.

RECEIPTS.

3. *Rates and Taxes, &c.*—The decrease under this head as compared with the Regular Estimate for 1877-78 is owing to Rupees 2,000 of arrears belonging to 1876-77 having been collected in the current year, and it is believed that [illegible] owners of cattle who had to part with their animals during the year 1877-78 owing to the rise in prices will purchase again during the coming year, the Commissioners have entered Rupees 300 over the Regular Estimate under this head.

No. 1 *a* and *b*.—Rates on houses and lands.

No. 1 *d* and *e*.—Taxes on vehicles and animals.

To meet the increasing demands on the finances of the Municipality, the Commissioners have proposed to raise the fee for registration of carts from Rupees 2 to Rupees 3. This will not press heavily on the tax-payers, and I therefore request sanction for the change.

No. 1 *f*.—Registration of Carts.

The Local Fund Board, who have the management of the tolls, not having farmed them out as yet, it cannot be ascertained exactly what will be the income of the Municipality from this source. The Commissioners have, therefore, entered only Rupees 13,000 to be on the safe side.

No. 1 *g*.—Tolls.

4. *Contribution from Local Funds.*—The Commissioners propose to make certain additions and alterations to the hospital, which are very strongly recommended by the Civil Surgeon, at a cost of about Rupees 1,200. They hope, therefore, that the Local Fund Board may be induced to contribute one-fourth of the expenses, viz., Rupees 300.

No. 4 *a*.—Public Works (Hospital building).

Their contribution to this branch of the hospital shows a decrease as compared with the Regular Estimate, because a sum of Rupees 350 representing the Local Fund contribution for the last seven months of 1876-77 was received and credited in the current year.

No. 4 *c*.—Maintenance of Leper Hospital.

5. *Miscellaneous.*—There is an increase under this head, because the Commissioners have recently issued a notice that if the owners of the houses adjoining

No. 10 *c*.—[illegible] of moat land.

certain of the vacant frontages do not come forward and purchase the same at an early date as others have done, they will be disposed of by public auction.

6. The other items of receipts differ but slightly from the Regular Estimate, and therefore require no explanation.

EXPENDITURE.

7. GRANT I—*New Works and Repairs.*—From want of funds, the Commissioners are not able to provide more under these items. The filling in of the moat and the completion of the Bouleward road is a very important work. The erection of a temporary market in the Fourth Division and the conversion of one of the present mud-wall latrines into a masonry one are intended as experiments. The Commissioners have proposed to pay during the coming year only Rupees 1,000 for the Commissariat godown referred to in G.O., No. 187, dated the 14th January 1878, Military Department, and the balance in the year 1879-80, and trust that the Government will sanction this arrangement. Till the building is completed the old godowns will of course be available for the Commissariat Department. Rupees 1,250 have been allotted for additions and alterations to the hospital buildings. The Civil Surgeon urges most strongly that the arrangements for the dispensing part of the establishment and the accommodation for out-patients of different classes is very defective. The proposed alterations, &c., are to remedy this defect.

No. 1, New Works.

The tank at Beemanaikenpolliem referred to in G.O., No. 2399, dated the 27th September 1877, is of great use to the residents in the neighborhood, and so Rupees 250 have been provided for its completion. As regards the question of water-supply, the Commissioners are awaiting the opinion of the Civil Surgeon on an analysis of the water. The expense of construction will be far too great to be met out of ordinary revenue, and it will therefore be necessary when an estimate is completed to raise a loan [illegible] interest required could be met from "General Savings."

8. GRANT II—*Education.*—The Commissioners have been favored with the Orders of Government, No. 2956, dated the 24th ultimo, transferring the Salary Grant for St. John's Parochial School from Municipal to Provincial Funds; hence the decrease under this head.

No. 3, Salary Grants.

A sum of only Rupees 1,000 has been allotted under this item, as this was deemed sufficient for the purpose by the local Deputy Inspector of Schools.

No. 4, Result Grants.

The Commissioners expect that the full complement of the schools referred to in G.O., No. 293, dated the 10th February 1876, will be opened next year and so a larger sum has been provided.

No. 5, Schools on "Combined System."

9. GRANT III—*Sanitation and Medical Services.*—The unpaid bills of the current year had to be taken into consideration when making allotments under "Medicines and Supplies" and "Sundries and Contingencies." A recent resolution of the Commissioners to keep down the hospital expenses as far as possible has led to the decrease under "Establishment" and "Diet of Patients."

No. 1, Municipal Hospital.

The provision at the instance of the Civil Surgeon for the employment of a Female Vaccinator for operating on gosha females, &c., and for the maintenance of two probationary Vaccinators accounts for the increase under "Establishment."

No. 2, Vaccination.

The Commissioners have resolved to pay from the 1st of April only 1 Anna as batta to the mothers of children vaccinated instead of 2 Annas as at present. Hence a smaller allotment has been made under No. 2 *b*.



[illegible]missioners have addressed the Local Fund Board under G.O., No. 2754, dated [illegible] November 1877, regarding the contribution to the salary of the Inspector of Vaccination, and anticipate that the Local Fund Board will agree to forego the amount which is only Rupees 5 per mensem; consequently no allotment has been made under No. 2 *c*.

Additional cinerators have been constructed and the necessary coolies have been entertained to work them. This accounts for the increase under "Establishment."

No. 4, Conservancy.

The amount budgeted for under No. 4 *b* is less than the Regular Estimate, because six [illegible] were made during the current year at a cost of about Rupees 500, and we probably shall not require any more for the present. The monkey-catcher has caught almost all the monkeys in the town, and so provision has been made for paying the balance due to him.

10. GRANT V—*Supervision and Management.*—The Commissioners do not think that they will have to pay hereafter the batta referred to in paragraph 28 of my annual report embodied in G.O., No. 2745, of the 22nd November last; nothing has therefore been allotted for this purpose.

No. 3. *c*.—Famine Batta to Municipal Servants.

11. The other variations mainly consist of reductions in the establishments and call for no remark in detail.

12. The Commissioners regret that they have to close with a very small balance, but, as the Government will find there is not one single item the allotment for which can either be omitted or cut down. I trust therefore that the Government will be pleased to pass the budget as submitted.

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[illegible]on-Major W. R. COCKISH, F.R.C.S., *Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 1st February 1878, No. 140.*

I have the honor to report, for the information of Government, that the Trichinopoly Municipality has made an allotment of Rupees 19,586 or 30·6 per cent. of income for sanitary purposes for the year 1878-79, which is ample. The vaccination grant of Rupees 1,200 is also satisfactory.

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No. 9. ORDER THEREON, 1st March 1878, No. 394.

The following statement contrasts the estimated receipts and expenditure of the Trichinopoly Municipality for the year 1878-79 with those of the current year:—

RECEIPTS.

| | Estimate, 1877-78. | Estimate, 1878-79. |
|---|---|---|
| | RS. | RS. |
| Balance brought forward ... ... ... ... | 320 | 192 |
| Rates on Houses and Lands ... ... ... ... | 19,500 | 21,000 |
| Taxes on Vehicles and Animals ... ... ... | 6,000 | 6,300 |
| Registration of Carts ... ... ... ... ... | 2,012 | 3,150 |
| Tolls ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 11,750 | 13,000 |
| Licenses ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1,285 | 1,200 |
| Assignments by Government ... ... ... ... | 1,238 | 1,598 |
| Contribution from Local Funds ... ... ... | 950 | 2,450 |
| Fines and Fees ... ... ... ... ... | 1,545 | 1,000 |
| Endowments ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1,200 | 1,500 |
| Miscellaneous ... ... ... ... ... ... | 11,870 | 12,550 |
| Total ... | 57,670 | 63,940 |

CHARGES.

| | Estimate, 1877-78. | Estimate, 1878-79. |
|---|---|---|
| | RS. | RS. |
| GRANT I. | | |
| *New Works*— | | |
| Communications ... ... ... ... | 500 | 500 |
| Buildings ... ... ... ... ... | ... | 2,875 |
| Sanitary and Miscellaneous ... ... ... | 250 | 250 |
| *Repairs*— | | |
| Communications ... ... ... ... | 2,000 | 3,000 |
| Buildings ... ... ... ... ... | ... | 100 |
| Sanitary and Miscellaneous ... ... ... | 50 | 200 |
| Establishment ... ... ... ... ... | 3,540 | 3,204 |
| Tools and Plant ... ... ... ... ... | 200 | 150 |
| GRANT II. | | |
| Salary Grants ... ... ... ... ... | 900 | 540 |
| Results do. ... ... ... ... ... | 1,000 | 1,000 |
| Schools on the Combined System ... ... ... | 1,200 | 1,210 |
| Inspection (Contribution) ... ... ... ... | ... | 303 |
| GRANT III. | | |
| Hospitals and Dispensaries ... ... ... | 12,880 | 16,205 |
| Vaccination ... ... ... ... ... | 936 | 1,200 |
| Registration of Births and Deaths ... ... | 480 | 490 |
| Conservancy ... ... ... ... ... | 17,704 | 18,536 |
| GRANT IV. | | |
| Lighting ... ... ... ... ... ... | 4,608 | 4,296 |
| Markets ... ... ... ... ... ... | 1,074 | 941 |
| Travellers' Bungalow ... ... ... ... | 172 | 186 |
| Avenues and Watering Roads ... ... .. | 2,854 | 1,582 |
| Miscellaneous ... ... ... .. ... | 1,644 | 1,705 |
| Supervision and Management ... ... ... | 4,660 | 5,102 |
| Interest on Loan ... ... ... ... ... | 128 | 128 |
| Balances ... ... ... ... ... ... ... | 670 | 147 |
| Total ... | 57,670 | 63,940 |

In the report for 1876-77 it was stated that the year closed with a deficit of Rupees 611. The Regular Estimate now submitted does not show whether or not this balance was duly brought forward. Explanation should be furnished.

2. The Budget does not contemplate the levy of the tax on arts, but provision is made for the increase of the fee for the registration of carts from Rupee 1 to Rupees 1-8-0 half-yearly. Additional revenue to the amount of upwards of Rupees 1,000 is expected from this action. The raising of the rate is sanctioned as proposed.

3. In the Local Fund Budget, Trichinopoly Circle, the gross receipts from tolls for the year 1878-79 is estimated at Rupees 27,000. The moiety due to the Municipality is Rupees 13,500 and not Rupees 13,000 as shown above. The former figure will be adopted. The total revenue will therefore be Rupees 64,440 instead of Rupees 63,940.

4. The contribution by the Local Fund Board of Rupees 300 towards the hospital building should not have been inserted until the consent of that body had been obtained.

5. As regards the proposed sale of vacant spots in front of buildings, the President will report whether the lands in question have been made over to the Commission.

6. GRANT I.—The allotments under the grant for Public Works appear to have been fixed judiciously.

7. GRANT II.—The provision for Education differs but little from that for the current year as regards the total amount, the decrease under Salary Grants being



counterbalanced by an increase under the cost of schools on the "Combined System." The full number of schools proposed in the scheme sanctioned by Government in February 1876 will, it is hoped, be opened in the course of next year.

8. GRANT III.—The large increase in the proposed charge for medicines and supplies in the hospital is due to the very large expenditure of these articles during the current year. It has necessitated a reduction under "Establishment" and diet of patients. The increased expenditure under Conservancy is satisfactorily explained. The cost of killing dogs and catching monkeys should have been shown under Grant IV, not under this grant.

9. GRANTS IV AND V.—Grants IV and V call for no remark. The budget is accordingly passed, subject to provision being made for the contribution to the Medical College in accordance with G.O., 25th January 1878, No. 147.

(True Extract.)

*Acting Under Secy. to Govt.*

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

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&c., &c., &c.

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