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FINANCIAL DE ARTMENT.

18th February 1879, No. 301.

Municipal—Budgets.

Read the following paper :—

No. 161. *From C. W. W. MARTIN, Esq., Acting President of the Municipal Commission, Madura, to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madura, 26th January* 1879, *No.* 9.

I have the honor to submit the Budget statements of the Madura Municipality for 1879-80 with a Regular Estimate of Receipts and Charges for 1878-79 appended thereto, as also copy of the covering letter from the Vice-President, which together with the remarks in the statements explains the variations.

2. The opening balance for 1879-80 has been arrived at by taking the difference between the totals of actual receipts and expenditure for the first eight months of the current year together with the probables of the remaining four, including the actual closing balance of 1877-78.

	Rs.
Actual closing balance as per accounts of 1877-78	13,783
Probable receipts of 1878-79	56,046
	69,829
Probable expenditure of 1878-79 ..	59,350
Estimated opening balance of 1879-80	10,479

3. The Commissioners have resolved to raise the house tax from $5\frac{1}{4}$ to 6 per cent. and the tolls from one-half to three-quarters of the schedule rates to meet the additional expenditure caused by the contribution to be paid by them to Government* under Act VII of 1878 on account of the cost of the Police force employed in the town. This could not be avoided consistently with the efficient working of the Municipality notwithstanding that strict economy has been observed in the preparation of the Budget. The cost of working the Municipality is estimated to be Rupees 62,677.

*G.O., 11th December 1878, No. 2195, Financial Department.

4. I have the honor to request the sanction of Government to the proposals for increasing the receipts.

Enclosure No. 1.

From T. M. HORSFALL, Esq., Vice-President, to the Acting President of the Municipal Commission, Madura, dated Madura, 13th January 1879, No. 7.

I have the honor to submit the Budget Estimates of the Madura Municipality for 1879-80 and to explain the more important items requiring notice.

2. The opening balance of 1879-80, viz., Rupees 10,479, is arrived at from the actual and probable transactions as shown in the Regular Estimate (Statement VI-A).

3. It will be observed that nearly t... Government Securities in the Madras Be... cash balance expected at the close of the ... resolved at their meeting held on the 8th ... in hand ready for expenditure at the be... unforeseen falling off that may happen ... current year.

...whole of this balance, viz., Rupees 10,000, is in ...e remaining sum of Rupees 479 being the actual ...t year's transactions. The Commissioners have ...t to cash 5,000 rupees' worth of paper to have it ...g of the Budget year and also to make up any ... collections during the last four months of the

4. It will be observed that if rates ... show a deficit of about Rupees 6,000 even ... this holds good although the strictest e... meet this deficit the Commissioners have ... on the rent and the tolls from one-half t... sanction of Government for these propo...

...xes were left as they are now the Budget would ... allowing for the Rupees 10,000 in Madras, and ...y has been kept in view in its preparation. To ...ved to raise the house tax from 5½ to 6 per cent. ...quarters of the schedule rates. They solicit the

5. 2-*c*, *Dieting Famine Patients*, *Rupees* 2,059.—This was recovered from Provincial Funds during the first eight months of the current year.

6. 4-*a*, *Local Fund Contribution for Public Works*, *Rupees* 1,728.—This is a balance of the contribution on account of the hospital buildings expected to be realized during this year.

7. 9-*a*, *Hospitals*, *Rupees* 3,500.—The Government papers of 5½ per cent. loan belonging to the hospital funded capital were transferred to 4½ per cent. loan, hence the decrease in the expected collections for 1879-80.

8. The figures under *c* and *d*, Grant III, have been calculated on the average actual expenditure of the last three years on accoun... of the growing attendance of patients in the Civil and Branch Dispensaries and in the Lying-i... Hospital.

9. 4-*a and b*, *Grant III*, *Conservancy*.—The excess provision in these heads is on account of the proposed erection of ten more temporary latrines, for which three more toties and five conservancy carts at 17½ rupees each have been provided.

10. *Grant V*, 2-*b*, *Collection*, *Contingency*, *Rupees* 433.—This is on account of the commission at 1½ per cent. to house-tax collectors and 5 per cent. to land-tax collectors.

11. Other items of receipt and expendi...re require no particular remark, and the variations between the figures in the Budget and the Regular Estimate have almost been explained in Statement VI-A.

No. 162. ORDER THEREON, 18th February 1879, No. 301.

In the following abstract the estimated receipts and expenditure of the Madura Municipality for the year 1879-80 are contrasted with the sanctioned and regular estimates of the current year:—

RECEIPTS.

	Estimate, 1879-80.	Regular Estimate.	Estimate, 1879-80.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Balance brought forward	27,162	13,783	10,479
Rates on Houses and Lands	22,200	18,900	23,985
Taxes on Vehicles and Animals	2,500	2,500	2,250
Registration of Carts	1,000	1,000	950
Tolls	16,667	6,484	12,000
Licenses	1,000	1,400	1,400
License Tax	..	6,400	6,400
Assignments by Government	..	2,059	59
Contribution from Local Funds	2,228	4,652	2,612
Fines and Fees	1,200	1,300	1,200
Endowments	6,450	6,650	5,950
Miscellaneous	13,150	9,955	8,050
Advances Recoverable	500	1,146	..
Total ..	94,157	76,229	75,326

CHARGES	Estimate, 1879-80.	Regular Estimate.	Estimate, 1879-80.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
GRANT I.			
New Works—			
Communications	5,000	464	1,620
Buildings	9,000	1,222	1,350
Sanitary and Miscellaneous .	..	..	870
Repairs—			
Communications	7,012	3,017	4,980
Buildings	3,500	975	1,030
Sanitary and Miscellaneous .	500	553	590
Establishment	1,320	978	1,560
Tools and Plant	100	50	50
Contributions to Local Funds ..	3,000	..	..
GRANT II.			
Salary Grants	180	180	180
Schools on the Combined System ..	6,100	5,000	5,160
Inspection (Contribution)	50	50	100
GRANT III.			
Hospitals and Dispensaries .. .	11,676	14,288	11,504
Vaccination	480	345	350
Registration of Births and Deaths ..	480	480	480
Conservancy	18,883	19,614	21,348
GRANT IV.			
Lighting	4,760	5,180	5,260
Markets	194	167	180
Choultries	2,194	2,187	2,194
Travellers' Bungalow	150	142	150
Police	..	..	5,280
License Tax	..	5,900	5,900
Miscellaneous	26	26	216
GRANT V.			
Supervision and Management .	2,858	4,234	4,005
Advances Recoverable	..	663	..
Refunds	..	30	..
Balances	16,689	10,479	969
Total ..	94,157	76,229	75,326

Commissioners estimate for an income in ... 1879-80 of Rupees 75,326 including ...ance of Rupees 10,479 and propose to ex...end almost the whole amount leaving ...a balance of Rupees 969 at the close of the ...year. This financial position is arrived ...ter allowing for an increase of ... per cent. in the House and Land Rates and of ... the rates of tolls. The Government, however, cannot accept such an utterly ...quate provision for the future—a provision which must entail a heavy deficit ...80-81—; nor are they satisfied with the action of the Commissioners in the current ... who, although they have had available a floating balance of at least 10,000 rupees, ...limited expenditure on most important Public Works apparently with some inten... ...f avoiding a considerable increase to taxation in 1879-80. The Government accord... ... direct that the House and Land Rates be at once raised to the maximum 7½ per ...

The Commissioners will also arrange for the imposition of the tax on Trades on ...es I to IV. The income from the additional taxation now ordered will enable the ...missioners to make adequate provision for expenditure under Public Works. The ...dent will submit full explanation regarding the unauthorized short outlay in the ...nt year under Grant I. Out of a provision of Rupees 29,000 only Rupees 7,000 ...timated as likely to be expended before the close of the year. Commissioners are ...ore at liberty to fail in their expenditure of allotted moneys than they are to ...d on works or objects not approved by Government. The provision for Education

seems sufficient. Under Grant III
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