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Local Funds-Budget.

Read the following paper:—

No. 137. *Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th November 1878, No. 2973.*

Read letter from the President of the Local Fund Board, Canara Circle, dated 7th October 1878, No. 846, submitting Local Fund Budget for 1879-80.

Read also the following letter from Surgeon-Major W. R. CORNISH, F.R.C.S., Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to C. A. ALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Madras 10th October 1878, No. 1434:—

I HAVE the honor to report, for the information of the Board, that the provision made by the Canara Local Fund Board for sanitary purposes for the year 1879-80 amounts to only Rupees 2,170, or 7.5 per cent of available income. The allotment appears to be very small; but, as in Canara it is reported there exists no necessity for a scavenging establishment and for clearing village sites (*vide* G. O., No. 2703, dated 15th November 1877), it may be accepted as sufficient for the purposes to which it is proposed to devote the grant, viz., Rupees 400, for water-supply, Rupees 1,200 for general sanitary improvements, and Rupees 570 for fairs and festivals.

2. The grant for vaccination is the same as for the current year, viz., Rs. 5,460, and is quite ample for the requirements of the circle; the manner in which it is proposed to dispose of the amount is satisfactory. A provision has also been made for training eight vaccine pupils as probationary vaccinators.

REGULAR ESTIMATE FOR 1878-79.—In the Regular Estimate of the Local Fund Budget of the Canara Circle for the current year the receipts are taken at Rs. 1,93,026, and do not call for any remark in detail. The expenditure on new works is calculated roughly at about 75 per cent. on the allotment. This allows for a much larger outlay under Communications in the last seven months than in the corresponding months of the previous year; but, as the percentage taken is only a little in excess of the average for the four years preceding 1876-77, it does not seem over-sanguine, and will be accepted. The allotments for repairs are expected to be worked out in full, and it is observed that the allotments given by the President exceed those shown in the registers in the Board's Office by Rupees 1,568. The original Road Fund Reserve has all been appropriated, but the toll collections having exceeded the estimate, the reserve has been added to, and a sum of Rupees 4,868 is shown under that head for appropriation during the remaining months of the year. A sum of Rs. 670 will be provided under Grant III for contribution to the Medical College as per Board's Proceedings, dated 17th April 1878, No. 1061. The other entries call for no remark, but the Board regret to observe that the schoolmasters' salaries have not been regularly paid.

2. After providing for a general reserve of Rupees 2,250, the balances to be taken forward to the budget for 1879 are—

Road Fund	Rs. 3,720
General Fund	9,860
Total	13,580

3. BUDGET FOR 1879-80.—*Statement 1-A, Revenues and Receipts.*—The Provincial grant for schools is repeated at the usual figure. The slight falling off under contributions from Special Funds and Land Cess calls for no remark. Tolls are taken at Rupees 23,000, which is in excess of the estimate for the current year by Rupees 2,600, but falls short of the prices obtained on sale by Rupees 5,215. The bidding at auction, however, is believed to have been unduly high, and the average of the three last years has been rightly considered to be a safer figure to adopt. The total receipts amount to Rupees 1,44,690, distributed as under:—

Road Fund	Rs. 1,00,940
General Fund	43,750
Total	1,44,690

4. *Statement 1-B, Expenditure.*—The total allotment under Grant I is Rupees 99,050, of which Rupees 96,380 appertain to the Road Fund and Rupees 2,670 to the General Fund.

Statement II-A—Part I, New Works.—The allotment for New Works, Communications, amounts to Rupees 12,000 for the current year. In the case of the first year, a sum of Rupees 1,000 is allotted for

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5. *Part II, Repairs.*—The sum allotted for Repairs to Communications amounts to Rupees 56,490 against Rupees 54,000 in the current year's budget owing to a revision of the maintenance grants at the instance of the District Engineer, whose demands however could not be complied with in full for want of funds. The decision to include the cost of repairing inspection sheds in the maintenance grants is wrong in principle, and such a course should be avoided in future. The assignment of all road-works to the Public Works Department for execution is approved, as it is reported that experience has shown that there is a real economy in saving the cost of supervision and having the work done by a professional agency. The allotment from the General Fund for repair works calls for no remarks.

6. *Grant II, Education.*—The total allotment for Education amounts to Rupees 18,840, and the details vary but slightly from those submitted for the current year. The Board objected to the reduced provision for results grant and raised it to Rupees 5,360 in the budget for 1878-79; but under the explanation now submitted that, although the new result grant rules do not apply to combined schools, the Local Board would be willing to adopt a corresponding reduction in the scale of results grants if such a step seemed necessary, the Board consider that the reduced provision may stand in the budget for 1879-80. Five middle-class schools and sixty-five elementary schools are provided for in Statement II. Of the latter, fifty-five are in existence against fifty-one when the current year's budget was submitted, and ten are to be opened during the year. Commission or account of sale of books should be Rupees 120 at 15 per cent. on the sale proceeds.

7. *Grant III, Sanitation and Medical Services.*—The current year's allotment for six dispensaries is repeated. The President's action in advertising for medical subordinates for the two not yet opened is approved. It is observed that the Bantwal Dispensary appears in Enclosure No. 4-D to the Surgeon-General's letter recorded with G.O.,

dated 4th May 1877, No. 1420, and a Hospital Assistant should therefore be available for it in June 1880 at the latest. As the provision for the Karkal Dispensary was sanctioned in the same Order of Government* as the Bantwal Dispensary, the Board do not understand why it does not appear in the Surgeon-General's list. He will now be requested to register it. Most of the other allotments under Grant III are merely repetitions of the current year's entries. The contribution for the Medical College has been calculated at 0.5 per cent. on the income of the year, and not at 5 per cent. as stated in paragraph 42 of the President's letter. It should have been struck on the total assets including opening balances, and must therefore be raised to Rupees 730. The following is an abstract of the budget as revised:—

Receipts.		Charges.			
	RS.			RS.	RS.
Road Fund	1,00,940	Grant I	Road Fund	96,380	
General Fund	43,750		General Fund	2,670	99,050
		Grant II	Do.		18,840
		Grant III	Do.		17,000
		Grant IV	Road Fund	1,820	
			General Fund	790	2,610
		General Reserve			1,37,500
		Balances—			3,390
		Road Fund		2,740	
		General Fund		1,060	3,800
Total	1,44,690	Total			1,44,690

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) J. STURROCK,
Acting Sub Secretary.

No. 138.

ORDER THEREON, 27th January 1879, No. 127.

The estimated receipts and charges of the Kanara Circle for 1879-80 are compared below with the sanctioned estimates for the current year:—

RECEIPTS.		Estimate, 1878-79.	Estimate, 1879-80.
		RS.	RS.
Balances—			
Road Fund	7	3,070	5,650
General Fund		12,900	9,860
Allotments from General Reserve—			
Provincial Funds—			
For Schools		2,350	2,350
Special Funds		16,750	16,700
Cess on Land		87,000	86,580
Tolls		20,400	23,000
Fees in Schools		1,180	1,180
Miscellaneous		1,100	1,300
Total		1,44,750	1,46,620

EXPENSES.				Estimate, 1878-79. RS.	Estimate, 1879-80. RS.
GRANT I.					
New Works—					
Communications ..				16,570	12,000
Miscellaneous Public Improvements ..				..	1,000
Repairs—					
Communications ..				54,470	56,490
Civil Buildings ..				1,170	1,170
Miscellaneous Public Improvements ..				500	500
Establishment, Public Works Department ..				10,030	11,080
Petty Establishment ..				5,140	5,140
Tools and Plant ..				1,450	1,350
Road Fund Reserve ..				8,620	9,720
GRANT II.					
Inspection ..				1,490	1,490
Local Fund Schools ..				17,060	15,730
Results Grants ..				500	500
Miscellaneous ..				1,090	1,120
GRANT III.					
Hospitals and Dispensaries ..				6,630	6,630
Vaccination ..				5,460	5,460
Sanitation ..				2,170	2,170
Choultries ..				290	290
Travellers' Bungalows ..				820	820
Miscellaneous ..				600	1,630
GRANT IV.					
Establishment ..				2,610	2,610
General Reserve ..				3,380	3,390
Balances—					
Road Fund ..				..	4,670
General Fund ..				4,700	1,060
Total ...				1,44,750	1,46,620

2. The opening balance of the current year at Rupees 55,153; has been arrived at after final adjustment of accounts for 1877-78. Its excess over the estimated figure by Rupees 39, is unexplained; but will probably be noticed in the report for the year. In the abstract the opening balance has been altered with reference to the latest figure given by the Accountant-General as the closing balance of 1877-78; and as the Accountant-General does not give the particulars under the Road and General Funds separately, the excess of the amount given by him over that adopted by the Board of Revenue has been added to the Road Fund balance as suggested by them. The entries in Column 6 of the Regular Estimate against the opening balances under Road and General Funds and Tolls and some of the expenditure items differ from the Budget figures. The latter should have been adopted. The Regular Estimate is otherwise approved with the remark that the difference between the Revenue Board's register of allotments and the President's should be ascertained; and that the irregularity in paying the schoolmasters' salaries and rewards to vaccinators is unsatisfactory.

3. The estimated receipts for 1879-80 vary but slightly from those for the current year, the only important increase being under Tolls which is satisfactorily explained. The Provincial grant for schools is repeated; but owing to the present pressure on Provincial Funds this grant will be reduced to Rupees 1,500. The Local Board can make good the difference from the General Reserve.

4. Under Public Works Expenditure the transfer of all road repairs from the Revenue to the Public Works Department; the superior efficiency of the working power of the Board to outweigh the extra cost of necessity for increased maintenance grants. The District Engineer is not fully explained. The Board apparently after full scrutiny and reference to their resources are sanctioned inspection sheds in the maintenance. The amount so included in the present Budget should be stated and separately allotted for Tools and Plant is put down at 2 per cent. on the outlay. This requires revision with reference to G.O., 1st April 1878, No. 1866-W, Public Works Department.

5. The Educational provision, though appears to require revision with reference to the remarks of the Director of Public Instruction in his letter, dated 20th November 1878, No. 4361. The allotment for Results grants will accordingly be raised. The increase being met from the unallotted General Fund Reserve. The provision for the Combined System Schools will, however, remain unaltered, pending further report on the matter by the local Board as impracticable, and which the Government do not clearly understand. His statement that no provisions in the circle is opposed to the fact that ten new schools provided for in the current year's Budget, but not yet opened, will be established next year. The reduction of the results grants for the Combined System Schools has been made in accordance with his suggestions. The Board will instruct the President not to divert any portion of the increased provision now made for pure results grants to the carrying out of previously obtaining the sanction of Government.

6. The provisions made for other purposes are approved, and the Budget is passed subject to the above remarks.

(True E. .)

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Acting Under Secy. to Govt.

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

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