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No. 412. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 18th June 1867, No. 3,765.

Read the following paper from the Collector of Vizagapatam, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 13th April 1867:—

ABSTRACT.—Supplemental Local Funds Budget Estimate of Receipts and Charges for 1867-68.

Extract from letter from Acting Principal Assistant Collector, No. 35, dated 2nd April 1867.

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2. "I have the honour to suggest, that, if you approve of my proposal for the "planting of topes, &c., a reference might be made to the Board to know whether, "under the circumstances of the district, it would not be justifiable to divert to "planting purposes some portion of Local Funds proper. In the Salem District I "know there was no Jungle Conservancy, (all the jungles being under the Forest "Department, which is the course I would always advocate,) and yet we had "always plenty of money for topes, and I suppose that what could be done in "one district could be done in another. In the case of this district it must "be pointed out, that if we are to wait for the Jungle Conservancy Fund to "become rich before we begin planting, we may wait for ever. So large a part "of this district is Zemindary, and in the Government talooks Amani and Jari "lands are so intermingled that it is quite hopeless for us ever to expect to raise "much from Jungle Conservancy. People can't be expected to pay us for leave "to cut wood in our jungles when in ninety-nine villages out of a hundred they "can go half a mile or one mile further and cut it for nothing. I feel pretty "confident that if the matter were put before the Board and Government, they would "allow the transfer I suggest.

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(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL
Collector.

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1. Resolved that the above Budget, which is in reality a revised one, containing as it does the entire provision of the original Budget, be submitted for the consideration and orders of Government.

2. In the Abstract Statement appended to the Budget, the expected receipts during the year on account of District Road Fund is given at Rupees 1,02,046, which if added to Rupees 5,129, the actual cash balance on the 1st April 1867, makes a total of Rupees 1,07,175, but from this a sum of Rupees 4,440, which was expended on certain works in 1866-67, but which the Collector says was not adjusted in the accounts of that year is to be deducted, and the balance will then be Rupees 1,02,735, which may be considered as available for expenditure in the current year.

3. Part I. of the Budget contains three new works with two separate minor appropriations amounting to Rupees 1,500. The first two works have already been sanctioned by Government, and appear in the original Budget as Items Nos. 1 and 2. The full amounts of their respective estimates have been allotted in the present Budget for expenditure during the current year, though there was an expenditure of 900

and 3,540 Rupees respectively incurred during the past year, on the ground that it was not adjusted in the accounts of that year. This is, however, incorrect. What was expended in 1866-67, should be treated as the charge of that year, and the remaining amount only should be provided in the current year's Budget. The necessary alterations have accordingly been made.

4. The third work, estimated to cost Rupees 1,23,550, is a new one, for which an estimate was submitted to Government with the Board's Proceedings, dated 20th May 1867, No. 3,112. The work appears to have been already approved by Government, in the Public Works Department. It seems to have been originally the intention of Government to construct the road out of Imperial Funds, and by certain promised contributions from the proprietors of the Zemindaries through which its course runs. As, however, none of the Zemindars, with the honourable exception of the Maharajah of Vizianagram, fulfilled their promises, Government in the last Order quoted above, directed the project to lie over, leaving it open at the same time to be brought again under their consideration, should funds be available after the introduction of the Road Cess Act. The road is evidently one of great importance, but the appropriation in the current year of so large a sum as Rupees 62,598, for a project benefiting only one part of the district seems to the Board inexpedient and unfair, and they have, therefore, reduced the allotment to Rupees 40,000.

G. O., D. P. W., dated 5th Jan. 1866, No. 39.
Do. ,, 1st June 1866, No. 1,728.

5. There is an item of Rupees 11,930, provided for in the estimate for the work in question as compensation for Zemindary lands to be taken up. As the Zemindars will benefit greatly by this road, and the Road Cess, out of which it is to be made, is to be contributed not by them, but by the ryots, the requisite lands might reasonably be expected to be given gratis. The ryots to whom the lands may belong should, however, be compensated for being deprived of them. The Collector will report further on this point, after communicating with the Zemindars.

6. As Government will now be saved all outlay from Imperial Funds on the work, estimated as already stated at Rupees 1,23,550, exclusive of four large bridges to be hereafter estimated for, the Board would strongly urge a liberal grant from the Public Works Budget for the completion of the Great Northern Trunk Road from Chittavalsa northwards to the frontier of the Ganjam District. The road is undoubtedly Imperial, and its early completion is of great consequence, as until it is finished the connection of the Salt Depôts with the interior must be interrupted. The Budget allotment for the work for 1867-68 is only Rupees 7,000, and the Board trust that Government will now be able to supplement this amount, as at this rate the completion of the work will occupy seven and a half years.

See Item No. 205 of the printed Public Works Budget.

7. The two items of minor appropriations made in the Budget and noticed above, are for the formation of avenues along Roads Nos. 1 and 2, and other roads in the Principal Assistant's division, at a cost of Rupees 1,500, which being properly chargeable to the District Road Fund, is allowed to remain in the Budget.

8. The Collector proposes to transfer from the District Road Fund, a sum of Rupees 1,000 to the Jungle Conservancy Fund for the planting of topes. This suggestion is made at the instance of the Acting Principal Assistant Collector, who states that local peculiarities render it almost hopeless to expect the establishment

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of a Jungle Conservancy Fund in the Government talooks of the district. The Board, however, do not consider that the difficulties are insuperable, as there must be many parts of the talooks in which the rules can be applied and the proceeds expended in improving the jungles. Meanwhile, it is obviously undesirable practically to create a Fund by mere transfers from another Fund. The money is apparently required for the planting of avenues, and the appropriation of 1,000 Rupees should be simply entered as an item under "District Road Fund." This will now be done in the Budget prepared in this Office.

9. The total expenditure proposed in Part I. of the Budget is as follows :—

	Rs.
By Public Works Department	57,690
,, Revenue Department	2,500
Add	60,190
Reserve at 10 per cent. on the estimated income of the year	10,204
Public Works Superintendence at 10 per cent. on the estimated expenditure	5,769
Total...	76,163

10. The Board recommend that the above expenditure of Rupees 76,163 may be sanctioned. This sum, deducted from the total available receipts shewn in paragraph 2, viz., Rupees 1,02,735, leaves a surplus balance of Rupees 26,572. The Board request the Collector and the Superintending Engineer of the division to propose fresh works in other parts of the district to utilize the above balance exclusive of the reserve.

	Rs.
For New Works...	3,159
,, Public Works Supervision... ...	316
Reserve	270
	3,745

11. Should the Government be pleased to accord their sanction to the expenditure herein proposed, the sum provided for in the original Budget, and sanctioned by Government under District Road Fund, should be considered cancelled.

No. 413. ORDER THEREON, 28th June 1867, No. 1,441.

Local Funds, No. 5.
Account.

1. The Government sanction the revised Local Fund Budget Estimate for 1867-68, submitted with the above Proceedings, amounting to Rupees 76,163, in substitution for that sanctioned in the former Orders No. 3,213, dated 23rd November 1866.

2. Paragraph 6 of the Board's Proceedings will be considered in the Department Public Works.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant General.
,, the Controller of Public Works Accounts.
,, the Department Public Works.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

REVISED SUPPLEMENTAL LOCAL FUND BUDGET, PART I.

Original works to be executed out of the District Road Fund at the disposal of the Collector.

Executive Division or District.	Project. No.	Locality.	Description.	Amount of Estimate.	Computed expenditure up to 31st March 1867.	Amount required in 1867-68. By Public Works Department.	By Revenue Department.	Total.	Remarks and References.
			Communications.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Vizagapatam.	1	.....	Completing a branch road from Nursipatam to Golconda, 9 miles.	3,900	900	3,000	...	3,000	Item No. 1 of the Budget of 1867-68. G. O., R. D., dated 6th September 1866, No 2,383.
	2	.....	Constructing branch road from Narsipatam to Jallapallem, 19½ miles.	18,230	3,540	14,690	...	14,690	Item No. 2 of the Budget of 1867-68. G. O., R. D., dated 6th September 1866, No. 2,383.
	3	.....	Constructing road from Gajapatinagram through Rambhadrapuram and Bobbili to Parvatipur, with a branch from Rambhadrapuram to Salur, 40 miles.	1,23,550	...	40,000	...	40,000	Estimate submitted to Government, *vide* Board's Proceedings, dated 20th May 1867, No. 3,112.
			Total Communications ...	...	...	57,690	...	57,690	
			Miscellaneous Public Improvements.						
	4	.....	Avenues along Roads Nos. 1 and 2 and other roads in the Principal Assistant's Division, 62 miles.	1,000	...	...	1,000	1,000	
	5	.....	Do. to certain Salt roads ...	500	...	...	500	500	
	6	.....	For planting topes	1,000	...	...	1,000	1,000	
			Total Miscellaneous Public Improvements.	...	...	...	2,500	2,500	
			Total Communications and Miscellaneous Public Improvements	...	...	57,690	2,500	60,190	
			Public Works Superintendence at 10 per cent. on the estimated expenditure.	...	...	5,769	...	5,769	
			Reserve at 10 per cent. on the estimated income of the year.	...	...	...	10,204	10,204	
			Grand Total...	...	...	63,459	12,704	76,163	

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL, *Secretary*.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 18th June 1867.
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No. 3,765.

Submitting to Government with remarks Supplemental Local Fund Budget estimate of Vizagapatam district for 1867-68.

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