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[Despatch Abstract.]

Recording the proceedings of the Financial Dept.
accepting the Budget Estimates of charges for
1897-98 for certain items under the heads
"Scientific and other Minor Depts" and
"Miscellaneous & Petty Establishments"

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Budget Estimates.

Accepting the — of charges for 1897-98 for certain items under the heads "Scientific and other Minor Departments" and "Miscellaneous—Petty Establishments."

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Against other items of contingencies, the Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts, Bombay, had made no provision in his revised estimates for the current year; but the Board entered a sum of Rs. 30 to meet any petty charges that may arise. The Examiner will be requested to report why no provision was made by him and whether the sum of Rs. 30 entered by the Board would be sufficient. The comparatively large amounts appearing against these items in the budget estimates for the current year included provision made for the contingent expenditure of the registration offices at Bombay and Secunderabad, but as this expenditure is not debitable to the accounts of this Presidency, it has been omitted from the revised estimates for the current year.

6. *Paragraph B of the Government Memorandum.*—The increased provision referred to by Government was made mainly with reference to the actual expenditure in 1895-96, and partly to secure totals in hundreds of rupees under mofussil establishments.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAH,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
" Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts, Bombay.

Order—No. 720, Revenue, dated 14th December 1896.

Miscellaneous.

The Board's revised estimates for the current year and the budget estimates for the ensuing year of certain departments "and "Miscellaneous" are approved and will be transferred to the Financial Department subject to the following remarks and modifications:—

(1) In the case of the majority of the fluctuating charges for which the actuals of the previous three years as well as their averages should, under rules 38 and 39 of the budget rules, have been given in the columns of "explanatory remarks," the Board has, while furnishing figures for one or two years only, wrongly divided them by three in order to arrive at the averages. The columns showing these wrong averages will accordingly be omitted.

(2) The Government agrees with the Board in considering that no provision need be made in the revised estimates for the current year on account of the establishment of the farm sanctioned in G.O., No. 490, Revenue, dated 24th September 1896. No definite estimate as to the expenses that are likely to be incurred in connection therewith can be framed until the Board submits its proposals with reference to paragraph 6 of the Government Order last quoted. In consideration, however, of the fact that, in addition to the expenditure on supervision, a suitable site will probably have to be purchased, while buildings must be erected and the necessary stock and implements obtained, the Government is of opinion that the Board's estimate of Rs. 10,000 in the ensuing year's budget is under the mark and may safely be raised to Rs. 20,000.

(3) The budget estimate of charges for 1897-98 under the head "exploration of petroleum, coal and minerals" will be raised by Rs. 2,000 to provide for the detailed investigation of the corundum deposits in the Dharmapuri taluk of the Salem district (G.O., No. 4046, dated 9th October 1896).

(4) The number of the Detailed Account—Scientific, &c., Departments—*Provincial Statistics*—is 26J and not 26K as printed at pages 8 and 10 of the Board's Proceedings.

(5) The reports called for from the Examiner, Guaranteed Railway Accounts, Bombay, in paragraphs 4 and 5 of the last of the papers read above should be submitted for the information of Government.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture).
" Accountant-General.
" Financial Department.

ORDER—No. 895, Financial, dated 19th December 1896.

The estimates are accepted.

(True Extract.)

A. J. Hanway
for Chief Secretary.

To the Accountant-General.
" Revenue Department.
" Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement).
Editors' Table.

RECEIPTS.

XXI.—SCIENTIFIC, ETC., DEPARTMENTS.

PROVINCIAL.	Detailed Account Number.	Budget estimate, 1897-98.	Revised estimate, 1896-97.	Budget estimate, 1896-97.	Accounts, 1896-96.
Veterinary and Stallion receipts..	..	RS. (c) ..	RS. ..	RS. ..	RS. (a) 1,030
Receipts on account of experimental cultivation ..	XXIE.	(c) ..	(b) 1,040	..	..
Receipts on account of public exhibitions and fairs ..	..	(c) ..	..	..	..

RECEIPTS.

DETAILED ACCOUNT No. XXIE.—SCIENTIFIC, ETC., DEPARTMENTS
ON ACCOUNT OF EXPERIMENTAL CULTIVATION.

Saidapet Farm ..	..	(c) ..	..	..	..
Other Agricultural Services ..	..	..	..	..	..
Miscellaneous Recoveries ..	..	..	40	..	..
Total ..	..	..	(d) 1,000	..	..
			1,040	..	..

DETAILED ACCOUNT No. XXVE.—MISCELLANEOUS—Miscellaneous Fees, Fines and Forfeitures.

PROVINCIAL.				
Fees for stamping weights and measures ..	23,000	(f) 23,000	22,500	23,497

(a) Details—

EXPLANATORY REMARKS.

Sale-proceeds of stallion No. 10 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	RS. A. P.
Do. do. No. 12 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	360 2 7
Do. of Veterinary medicines ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	279 14 10
Do. of unserviceable furniture ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	155 8 5
Do. of stallion No. 8 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	18 3 0
Total ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	216 10 11
										1,030 7 9

(b) A sum of Rs. 32 has been realized by sale of iron ploughs in May last. The revised estimate is accordingly fixed at Rs. 40.

(c) There are no data for framing any estimates under these heads.

(d) The Deputy Collector, Cuddapah-Kurnool canal, having requested an advance of Rs. 1,000 for the purchase of cummin-seed for supply to the ryots under the Kurnool canal, the amount was sanctioned from the grant for "Improvement of Agriculture and Trade" subordinate to "Experimental cultivation." As he has promised to recover the sum from the ryots before the close of the official year, the amount has been shown under "Recoveries."

(e) The Saidapet Farm has long ceased to be under the control of the Agricultural Department, and this particular may be omitted in future.

(f) Fees for stamping weights and measures (Revised).—The revised estimate for the current year and the budget estimate for the ensuing year, as proposed by the Collectors, amount to Rs. 23,210 and Rs. 23,020, respectively. The actuals of the first five months of this year (Rs. 9,766), added to those of the last seven months of the previous year (Rs. 13,737), come to Rs. 23,503. The average of the fees collected during the last three years also amounts to about Rs. 23,000 as shown below:—

Year.	Actuals.	Average.
1893-94 ..	..	..
1894-95 ..	..	..
1895-96 ..	..	..
	RS. 22,910	RS. 23,043
	22,723	
	23,497	

APPENDIX I.

STAMPING WEIGHTS AND MEASURES—Receipts.

Districts.	Actuals of 1895-96.	Sanctioned grant for 1896-97.	Budget estimate for 1897-98.	
			Of Collec-tors.	Of the Board.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Ganjám ..	615	350	350	350
Vizagapatam ..	233	500	300	350
Górávari ..	179	400	500	300
Kistna ..	1,169	900	1,000	1,000
Nellore ..	551	600	500	600
Cuddapah ..	1,594	1,400	1,400	1,500
Anantapur ..	347	400	300	370
Belary ..	287	330	300	330
Kurnool ..	813	800	800	800
Madras ..	1,421	1,500	1,500	1,500
Chingleput ..	1,508	1,220	1,500	1,400
North Arcot ..	2,902	3,000	3,000	3,000
South Arcot ..	1,276	1,400	1,400	1,300
Tanjore ..	2,320	2,200	2,300	2,300
Trichinopoly ..	961	1,000	1,000	1,000
Madura ..	2,627	2,300	2,300	2,400
Tinnevely ..	2,728	2,450	2,600	2,600
Coimbatore ..	798	700	800	800
Nilgiris ..	6	..	..	..
Salem ..	559	550	550	550
Malabar ..	..	..	..	..
South Canara ..	603	500	550	550
Total ..	23,497	22,500	23,020	23,000

EXPENDITURE.

26.—SCIENTIFIC AND OTHER MINOR DEPARTMENTS.

	Detailed Account No.	Budget Estimate, 1897-98.	Revised Estimate, 1896-97.	Budget Estimate, 1896-97.	Accounts, 1895-96.
<i>Imperial.</i>					
Veterinary and Stallion Charges	26-A.	Rs. 7,500	Rs. 7,500	Rs. 9,000	Rs. 7,834
<i>Provincial.</i>					
Exploration of Petroleum, Coal and Minerals	26	3,300	1,300	300	173
Public Exhibitions and Fairs	26-A.	2,000	1,700	2,000	1,595
Veterinary and Stallion Charges	26-F.	29,200	35,000	41,800	29,998
Experimental Cultivations	26-J.	21,000	2,000	1,000	493
Provincial Statistics	26-J.	30,020	28,900	27,700	25,868
Total, Provincial		85,520	68,900	72,800	68,127
Total		93,020	76,400	81,800	65,961

DETAILED ACCOUNT NO. 26A.—EXPLORATION OF PETROLEUM, COAL AND MINERALS.

	Numbers.	1896-97.	1897-98.						
				Clerks (50), (25)	(e) 900	900	(b) 900	900	300
Establishment—	..	2		Travelling Allowance	400	400	400	300	149
Allowances—				Investigation of the	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	24
				deposits in Salem	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	24
				Total	2,400	2,400	2,400	2,400	173

DETAILED ACCOUNT NO. 26A.—SCIENTIFIC, ETC., DEPARTMENTS—Veterinary and Stallion Charges.

	Numbers	1896-97.	1897-98.						
<i>Imperial.</i>									
<i>Veterinary and Stallion Charges.</i>									
Salaries—	1	1	1	Superintendent, Civil Veterinary Department (550)	(e) 6,600	6,600	6,600	7,800	6,643
	1	1	1	Exchange Compensation Allowance	900	900	900	1,205	1,191
				Add or Deduct—For rounding	..	..	..	9,00	..
				TOTAL IMPERIAL	7,500	7,500	7,500	9,000	7,834
<i>Provincial.</i>									
House-rent of Superintendent	..	..	..	600	600	600	600	600	570
Veterinary Hospital	..	..	..	(f) ..	600	600	600	600	570
PONY-BREEDING CHARGES.									
District Charges	5	5	5	Coimbatore (20)	240	240	240	240	220
(Salustries)				Salem 2 (20), 2 (10)	720	720	720	720	702
Travelling Allowance	..	..	..	Coimbatore	50	50	50	50	50
Salustries	..	..	..	Salem	60	60	60	60	60
Feeding Charges	..	..	..	Coimbatore	8,600	8,600	8,600	8,600	8,600
(Maintenance of Stallions)	..	..	..	Madura	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
Keep of Ponies	..	..	..	Coimbatore	300	300	300	300	300
whilst under	..	..	..	Salem	100	100	100	100	100
Castration	..	..	..	Purchase of Ponies	300	300	300	300	300
Rewards for Castration	..	..	..	(i) 1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800
Petty Construction and Repairs	..	..	..	50	50	50	50	50	50
				200	200	200	200	200	200
MULE-BREEDING CHARGES.									
Purchase of Donkey Stallions including forwarding charges	..	..	..	8,620	8,620	8,620	8,620	8,620	8,620
Maintenance of Donkey Stallions	..	..	..	(j) 532	532	532	532	532	532
Stabling Charges	..	..	..	(k) 1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200
Fees for first Forty Foals	..	..	..	198	198	198	198	198	198
Prizes at Shows	..	..	..	180	180	180	180	180	180
Carried over				2,480	2,480	2,480	2,480	2,480	2,480

EXPLANATORY REMARKS.

* Excluding District Manuals, Registration of Sea-borne Trade and Registrar-General of Births, Deaths and Marriages.

(a) *Public Exhibition and Fairs (Revised).*—The actuals up to August last amounted to Rs. 929 inclusive of the cost of the Tirupur, March last. The next Pony Show will be held at Barikai in Salem in December next, and a provision of Rs. 800 has been made for the purposes. The revised estimate is accordingly fixed at Rs. 1,700.

(b) *Establishment attached to the Superintendent, Geological Survey (Revised).*—The establishment has been sanctioned in G.Os. No. 3065, Revenue, dated 31st July 1893; No. 242, Revenue, dated 20th January 1896; and No. 4103, Revenue, dated 13th October 1896.

(c) *Establishment attached to the Superintendent, Geological Survey (Budget).*—As from G.O., No. 4140, Revenue, dated 19th October 1896, it appears that Mr. Middlemiss should work in Madras till 1,900, provision has also been made for the pay of his establishment for the next year (1897-98).

(d) *Travelling Allowance of Establishment attached to the Superintendent, Geological Survey (Revised).*—Provision for travelling allowance has, under the rules, been made here. Travelling allowance should be debited to the same head as pay. The actuals of the first five months amounted to Rs. 122; but as Mr. Middlemiss states that there will be much travelling, during the latter part of the year, Rs. 400 have been provided.

(e) *Salary of the Superintendent, Civil Veterinary Department (Revised and Budget).*—Provision made with reference to the lower rate of salary (Rs. 550) drawn by the Acting officer, Veterinary-Lieutenant Clarke. It has been reported that Veterinary-Lieutenant C. B. M. Harris has been reverted to Military duty.

(f) *Veterinary Hospitals (Revised and Budget estimates).*—No provision has been made as the scheme for establishing Farm schools has been given up (G.O., No. 490, dated 24th September 1896).

	Account.			
Item.	1895-96.	1894-95.	1893-94.	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
House-rent of the Superintendent, Civil Veterinary Department.	570	529	499	
Travelling Allowance of	23	..	4	
Salustries	2,010	2,005	1,522	
Feeding Charges	1,058	1,522	1,85	
Keep of Ponies whilst	186	185	185	
under Castration	232	1,845	28	
Purchase of Ponies	3,548	..	..	
Rewards for Castration	307	178	..	
Petty Construction and Repairs	..	..	..	
Total	7,377	5,767	..	

(g) *Feeding Charges in Coimbatore, Salem and Madura (Revised).*—The actuals of first six months amounted to Rs. 2,226.

(h) *Keep of Ponies in Coimbatore and Salem (Revised).*—The actuals of first six months amounted to Rs. 192.

(i) *Purchase of Ponies (Budget Estimate).*—Provision is made for probable purchase of three new stallions in place of those that may be found useless for covering.

(j) *Purchase of Donkey Stallions, &c. (Revised).*—The actual charges on account of the purchase of four donkey stallions including forwarding charges amounted to Rs. 1,934, of which a sum of Rs. 1,402 was paid last year and the remainder at the beginning of the current year.

(k) *Maintenance of Donkey Stallions (Revised).*—The actuals of first six months amounted to Rs. 610 (vide also Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 3902, dated 8th August 1896).

(l) *Fees for first Forty Foals and Prizes at Shows (Revised).*—The sanctioned grant has been struck off as no foals are likely to be dropped before the end of the current year (Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 3902, dated 8th August 1896).

EXPENDITURE.

DETAILED ACCOUNT No. 26A.—SCIENTIFIC, ETC., DEPARTMENTS.—Veterinary and Stallion Charges—cont.

	Numbers.			Budget Estimate, 1897-98.		Revised Estimate, 1896-97.		Budget Estimate, 1896-97.		Accounts, 1895-96.	
	1896-97.	1897-98.		RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
PROVINCIAL—cont.											
Brought forward ..											
CIVIL VETERINARY DEPARTMENT.											
(Prevention of Cattle Disease.)											
Salaries—	1	1	Deputy Superintendent (150-10-200)	(m) 2,110	1,990	1,990	1,870	1,870	1,870	1,870	1,870
	13	7	Assistant	(n) 7,800	13,840	14,400	11,377	11,377	11,377	11,377	11,377
Establishment—	1	1	Clerk (45)	(p) 540	500	420	420	420	420	420	420
	1	1	Do. (20)	(q) 240	160	300	291	291	291	291	291
	4	4	Servants 2 (7), 2 (6)	312	318	312	312	312	312	312	312
Allowances—			Travelling Allowance of Superintendent	2,000	1,500	2,000	903	903	903	903	903
			Travelling Allowance of Establishment	400	300	400	101	101	101	101	101
			Travelling Allowance of Stock Inspectors	(t) 2,150	3,600	4,200	3,218	3,218	3,218	3,218	3,218
			Travelling Allowance of Deputy Superintendent	1,000	1,000	1,000	974	974	974	974	974
				5,550	(s) 6,400	7,600	5,194	5,194	5,194	5,194	5,194
Of Superintendent.											
Supplies and Services—			Honorarium for conducting Examination of Stock Inspectors	(u) ..	50	50	50	50	50	50	50
			Purchase, Repairs and Carriage of Tents	250	(v) 250	223	127	127	127	127	127
Contingencies—			Purchase of Books	15	15	15	10	10	10	10	10
			Purchase of Periodicals	125	125	125	60	60	60	60	60
			Subscription to Newspapers	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Petty Repairs to Buildings	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Peons' Belts and Badges	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Carriage of Stationery and Records	45	30	45	..	..	..	..	..
			Office Scales and Weights	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Postage Charges	150	150	150	106	106	106	106	106
			Telegraph Charges	40	30	40	18	18	18	18	18
			Binding Charges	45	42	25	25	25	25	25	25
			Petty Carriage and Cooly Charges	5	5	10	4	4	4	4	4
			Office Expenses such as Gum-pots, Rat-traps, &c.	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Veterinary Medicines for Stallions	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Materials for collecting and despatching specimens of diseased tissues to the Imperial Bacteriologist	..	..	..	65	65	65	65	65
			Record racks	..	100	..	..	..	..	..	..
				430	512	410	292	292	292	292	292
Of the Deputy Superintendent.											
Supplies and Services—			Carriage of tents	(w) 30	(w) 20	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Petty Works of Construction	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Cost and Distribution of Medicines	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Contingencies—			Service Postage	25	(x) 25	10	19	19	19	19	19
			Service Telegrams	5	5	5	3	3	3	3	3
			Carriage of Records	20	20	20	2	2	2	2	2
				50	50	35	29	29	29	29	29
			Carried over ..	29,012	34,910	41,49	29,921	29,921	29,921	29,921	29,921

EXPLANATORY REMARKS.

Average.	Accounts.		
	1895-96.	1894-95.	1893-94.
RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
883	903	1,308	438
137	101	189	122
2,204	3,216	2,232	1,164
952	974	732	1,149
4,176	5,194	4,461	2,873

(m) Deputy Superintendent's Pay (Budget Estimate).—Increase due to annual increment.
 (n) Stock Inspectors' Pay (Revised Estimate).—The figure under budget estimate for 1896-97 has been taken from the Civil budget. The amount originally proposed in Board's Proceedings, No. 347, dated 31st October 1895, and sanctioned in G.O., No. 765, Revenue, dated 23rd November 1895, was only Rs. 13,570. The revised estimate (viz., the closing months of the previous year having been drawn during the current year.)
 (o) Stock Inspectors' Pay (Budget Estimate).—Decrease due to the reduction in the establishment ordered in G.O., No. 3891, Revenue, dated 29th September 1896 (vide also Board's Proceedings, No. 273, dated 14th October 1896).
 (p) Pay of Clerk, Rs. 45 (Revised and Budget).—Increase due to higher rate of pay sanctioned in G.O., No. 2997, Revenue, dated 28th July 1896.
 (q) Pay of Clerk, Rs. 20 (Revised and Budget).—Decrease due to reduction in the pay of the post from Rs. 25 to Rs. 20 (vide in G.O., No. 2997, Revenue, dated 28th July 1896). The post of the second clerk was filled up only in July last.
 (r) Pay of Peons (Revised).—Increase due to the fact that the pay for February 1896 was drawn in April 1896.
 (s) Total Travelling Allowance (Revised).—Reduced with reference to the actuals up to September 1896.
 (t) Travelling Allowance of Stock Inspectors (Budget).—Decrease due to reduction of establishment ordered in G.O., No. 3891, Revenue, dated 29th September 1896.

Items.	Average.	Accounts.		
		1895-96.	1894-95.	1893-94.
		RS.	RS.	RS.
Honorarium for conducting Examination of Stock Inspectors	..	50	Not separately available.	
Purchase, Repairs and Carriage of Tents	..	127		
Total	..	177	..	..
Purchase of Books	145	10	181	243
Periodicals and Newspapers	96	60	114	115
Petty Repairs to Buildings	..	..	..	..
Peons' Belts and Badges	..	..	..	..
Carriage of Stationery and Records	1	4	..	..
Office Scales and Weights	61	106	31	45
Postage Charges	23	18	28	24
Telegraph Charges	8	25	..	..
Binding Charges	1	4	..	..
Cooly Charges	..	..	..	..
Office Expenses	..	..	..	..
Veterinary Medicines for Stallions	22	65	..	..
Other Charges	93	..	169	109
Total	450	292	523	536
Carriage of Tents	..	19	10	14
Service Postage	..	8	..	1
Service Telegram	..	2	6	..
Carriage of Records	..	..	16	15
Total	..	29	..	..
Service Postage	..	69	..	..
Service Telegram	..	2	..	..
Carriage of Records	..	5	..	..
Total	..	77	..	..

(u) Honorarium (Budget Estimate).—This expenditure will not be incurred next year as there are no Stock Inspectors eligible for promotion.
 (v) Carriage of Tents by the Superintendent, Civil Veterinary Department (Revised).—The actuals up to date amounted to Rs. 180 nearly.

(w) Carriage of tents by the Deputy Superintendent, Civil Veterinary Department (Revised and Budget estimates).—The provision made is intended to meet the Railway fare for carrying the tents of the Deputy Superintendent within his jurisdiction.
 (x) Postage charges of the Deputy Superintendent (Revised).—The actuals up to date amounted to Rs. 15.

EXPENDITURE.

DETAILED ACCOUNT No. 26A.—SCIENTIFIC, ETC., DEPARTMENTS.—Veterinary and Stallion Charges—*cont.*

	Budget Estimate, 1897-98.		Revised Estimate, 1896-97.		Budget Estimate, 1896-97.		Accounts, 1895-96.	
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
PROVINCIAL— <i>cont.</i>								
Brought forward ..		29,012		34,810		41,490		29,921
CIVIL VETERINARY DEPARTMENT— <i>cont.</i>								
Of Stock Inspectors.								
Contingencies—								
Service Postage ..	100		120		170		69	
Service Telegrams ..	30		20		50		2	
Carriage of Records, &c., and petty purchases.	58		60		90		6	
		(b) 188		(a) 190		310		77
Total Provincial ..		29,200		35,000		41,800		29,998
Total Veterinary and Station charges ..		36,700		42,500		50,800		37,852

DETAILED ACCOUNT No. 26F.—SCIENTIFIC, ETC., DEPARTMENTS.—Experimental Cultivation.

Improvement of Agriculture and Trade including distribution of seeds, &c.	1,000		(c) 2,000		1,000		493
Farms ..	(d) 20,000		(d) ..		(d) ..		..
Total ..		21,000		2,000		1,000	493

DETAILED ACCOUNT No. 26J.—SCIENTIFIC, ETC., DEPARTMENTS.—Provincial Statistics.

SUMMARY.							
I. Registration of Land Trade ..	8,000		7,800		8,000		7,131
II. Registration of Rail-borne Traffic ..	6,120		5,300		4,700		4,721
III. Registration of Births and Deaths ..	11,100		11,000		11,000		10,545
IV. Registration of Rain-gauges ..	4,800		4,800		4,000		3,471
Total ..		30,020		28,900		27,700	25,868

		Numbers.												25,868
		1896-97.	1897-98.	DETAILS.										
		I. Registration of road traffic, land trade.												
Establishment—	56	47	Clerks 6 (15), 12 (12), 12 (10), 3, (9), 14 (8)	5,916	}	6,500	(e) 6,500	6,492	6,172	6,172				
			9	Servants (7), 2 (6), 6 (5)								588		
			Deduct—Probable savings									6,504		
												4		
Supplies and Services—			Petty Works of Construction	550		450		600		414	414			
Contingencies—			Construction and repair of sheds											
			Lighting Charges	500	550	450	450	600	600	318	100			
			Stationery	200		150		200	200	24	80			
			Binding Charges	40		40		40	40	8	10			
			Rents, Rates and Taxes	100		100		20	20	6				
			Sweepers' Allowances	30		30		20	28					
			Cloth for Records	40		40		25	15					
			Office Expenses	25		25		..	..					
			Conveyance Charges	15		15								
			Total Registration of Road Traffic, Land Trade		950		850		908	..	545			
			II. REGISTRATION OF RAIL-BORNE TRAFFIC.		8,000		7,800		8,000		7,131			
	Establishments—			Clerks (50), (40), (30), 5 (20), 2 (17½), 2 (15), (12½)	} 5,400	4,442	{ 3,570	72	4,721	4,721	4,721			
Servant (6)														
Special Establishment for the preparation of Rail-borne Traffic Returns of the East Coast Railway				720										
Carried over														
				6,120		720		720						
				6,120			5,162		4,362					
							5,162		4,362					

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EXPLANATORY REMARKS.

(a) Contingencies of Stock Inspectors (Revised).—Reduced with reference to the actuals up to date.
 (b) Contingencies of Stock Inspectors (Budget).—Decrease due to reduction in the staff of Stock Inspectors.

(c) Improvement of Agriculture and Trade, &c. (Revised).—The actuals up to August 1896 amounted to Rs. 27. In September, the Deputy Collector, Cuddapah-Kurnool Canal, requested an advance of Rs. 1,000 for the purchase of cummin seed for supply to the ryots under the Kurnool canal and promised to recover the amount from the ryots before the close of the official year. The amount was sanctioned from the grant for "improvement of agriculture and trade," subordinate to "experimental cultivation." The revised estimate is accordingly fixed at Rs. 2,000, in order to meet any expenditure that may be incurred during the remaining months of the current year, especially in connection with water-lift trials under G.O., No. 322, Revenue, dated 9th July 1896.
 (d) Farms (Revised and Budget Estimates).—The provision of Rs. 10,000 proposed on account of Farm schools in the Board's estimate for the current year submitted with Board's Proceedings, No. 347, dated 31st October 1895, and accepted by Government in G.O., No. 978, Financial, dated 7th December 1895, was struck out in the Civil budget estimates. It is unlikely that any expenditure will be incurred during the current year in connection with the establishment of the experimental farm sanctioned in G.O., No. 490, dated 24th September 1896.

(e) Road traffic establishment (Revised).—At the end of last year (1895-96), the registration of road traffic was closed at 9 out of 26 stations, and 9 new stations were selected in their stead. The establishment sanctioned for 1896-97 is as shown below:—

Clerks, 6 (15), 12 (12), 12 (10), 3 (9), 14 (8) ..	493
Peons, (7), 2 (6), 6 (5) ..	49
A month ..	542
A year ..	6,504

EXPENDITURE.

DETAILED ACCOUNT No. 26J.—SCIENTIFIC, ETC., DEPARTMENTS.—Provincial Statistics—cont.

	Numbers.		DETAILS—cont.		Budget Estimate, 1897-98.		Revised Estimate, 1896-97.		Budget Estimate, 1896-97.		Accounts, 1896-96.	
	1896-97.	1897-98.	II. REGISTRATION OF RAIL-BORNE TRAFFIC—cont.		RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Contingencies—			Brought forward			6,120	5,162		4,362		4,721	
			Rents, Rates and Taxes ..				108		144			
			Service Postage ..						50			
			Service Telegrams ..						15			
			Tonga-hire ..						30			
			Hot and Cold Weather Charges ..						15			
			Railway Freight ..						30			
			Cooly-hire ..				30		2			
			Lighting Charges ..						5			
			Repairs to Furniture ..						5			
			Stationery ..						10			
			Packing Charges ..						25			
			Office Expenses ..						7			
			Miscellaneous ..									
			Total Registration of Rail-borne traffic ..		(f) 6,120		(g) 5,300		4,700		4,721	
			III. BIRTH AND DEATH REGISTRATION.									
Establishments—	40	40	District charges—									
			Clerks (30) and (15) for all the Districts except Madras and Nilgiris ..		10,800	10,800	10,800	10,800	10,800	10,338	10,338	
Allowances—			Travelling Allowance ..		80	80	80	50	50	84	84	
Contingencies—			Purchase of European Articles each costing less than Rs. 5 ..									
			Purchase of European Articles each costing not less than Rs. 5 ..									
			Purchase of Country Articles each costing less than Rs. 50 ..		(h) 120	20		30		20		
			Purchase of Country Articles each costing not less than Rs. 50 ..									
			Repairs to Furniture ..									
			Carriage of Stationery and Records ..		80	80		100		90		
			Advertisements ..									
			Postage charges ..									
			Binding charges ..									
			Packing charges ..		20	20		20		13		
			Total Birth and Death Registration.		11,100		11,000		11,000		10,545	
			IV. RAIN-GAUGES.									
Salaries—	1	1	Meteorological Reporter's Allowance (150) ..		1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	1,800	
Establishments—	1	1	Clerk (40) ..		(i) 480	480	360	360	360	360	360	
Contingencies—			Meteorological Reporter—									
			Service Postage ..		40	40		40				
			Service Telegrams ..		10	10		10		20		
			House-rent ..		(j) 1,200	1,350		600		1		
			Cooly-hire ..		20	20		20				
			Bandy-hire ..									
			Packing Charges ..		50	30		20				
			Carriage of Instruments, etc. ..		60	50		40				
			Freight, Boat hire, etc. ..		40	25		30		246		
			Cost of Instruments, etc. ..		30	50		40				
			Total ..		1,500	1,615		840		267		
Supplies and Services—			Cost of land ..		300	300						
			Potty Works of Construction ..		450	450						
			Bottle Gauges for Villages ..		(k) 100	150		300		334		
			Purchase and Repair of Instruments ..					450		149		
Contingencies—			Landing and Shipping Charges ..		850		900		750	497	980	
			Petty Repairs to Buildings ..									
			Postage Charges ..									
			Telegraph Charges ..									
			Rents, Rates and Taxes ..									
			Packing Charges ..		170	125						
			Petty Carriage and Cooly Charges ..									
			Miscellaneous (including items not specified above but to be described in detail) ..					250		64		
			Total, Rain-gauges ..		170	125		250		64		
			Total ..		4,800	4,800		4,000		64		

EXPLANATORY REMARKS.

(f) and (g) Registration of rail-borne traffic (Revised and budget estimates).—The increased provision in the revised and budget estimates is due to the decision of Government that the registration of rail-borne statistics should be made by the Madras Railway and South Indian Railway Companies on receipt of a monthly remuneration of Rs. 250 and 200, respectively, instead of paid clerks costing Rs. 303½ a month, working under the orders of the Examiner of Guaranteed Railway Accounts, Bombay—vide G.O., No. 3719, Revenue, dated 17th September 1896. The system was introduced from 1st October last. The Examiner provides Rs. 4,550 in the revised estimate. Adding also the cost of the special establishment for the preparation of the rail-borne traffic returns on the East Coast Railway (viz., Rs. 720), the total revised estimate comes to Rs. 5,270 or Rs. 5,300 in round numbers.

(h) Contingencies—Purchase of country articles less than Rs. 50 (Budget estimate).—Increase due to the purchase of tables, chairs, &c., to replace old and broken ones.

Items.	Accounts.		
	1895-96.	1894-95.	1893-94.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Service postage ..	20	65	..
Service telegrams ..	1	..	..
House-rent ..	..	..	..
Cooly-hire ..	..	..	..
Bandy-hire ..	..	..	..
Packing charges ..	246	73	..
Carriage of Instruments, &c. ..	..	..	..
Freight, Boat-hire, &c. ..	..	..	..
Cost of Instruments, &c. ..	..	..	..
Total ..	267	138	..
Cost of land ..	334	344	..
Potty Works of Construction ..	149	325	..
Bottle Gauges for Villages ..	497	361	..
Purchase and Repair of Instruments ..	..	..	..
Landing and Shipping Charges ..	..	..	..
Petty Repairs to Buildings ..	..	..	..
Postage Charges ..	..	..	..
Telegraph Charges ..	..	..	..
Rents, Rates and Taxes ..	64	45	..
Packing Charges ..	..	..	..
Petty Carriage and Cooly Charges ..	..	..	..
Miscellaneous (including items not specified above) ..	..	..	..
Total ..	1,044	1,075	..

(i) Clerk, Meteorological Reporter's office (Budget estimate).—Increase due to higher rate of pay (viz., Rs. 40) proposed to be given—vide Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 5423, dated 3rd November 1896.

(j) House-rent—Meteorological Reporter's office (Revised and budget estimates).—Provided with reference to G.O., No. 4259, Revenue, dated 29th October 1896.

(k) Bottle Gauges for Villages (Revised and Budget).—Out of the sum of Rs. 600 sanctioned in G.O., No. 184, Financial, dated 2nd March 1894, for the supply of bottle rain-gauges to villages, a sum of Rs. 361 was spent in 1894-95. As these gauges have yet to be supplied to some districts, a provision of Rs. 150 and Rs. 100 has been respectively made in the revised and budget estimates.

EXPENDITURE.

DETAILED ACCOUNT No. 32C—MISCELLANEOUS.—Petty Establishments.

Numbers.			PROVINCIAL.	Budget Estimate, 1897-98.		Revised Estimate, 1896-97.		Budget Estimate, 1896-97.		Accounts, 1895-96.	
			ESTABLISHMENTS FOR STAMPING WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
			Madras.								
Establishments—	1	1	Head Tester (35)	420		420		420		886	886
	1	1	Tester Smith (15)	180		180		180			
	1	1	Iron Smith (10)	120		120		120			
	2	2	Servants (7)	168		168		168			
					888		888		888		
Supplies and Services—			For making Seals and Dies and Repair of Scales and Dies ..	130		130		160			
			Verification of Standard Weights and Measures	60		60		40		95	
			Petty Supplies	22		22		12		47	
					212		212		212		6
				Total, Madras	1,100		1,100		1,100		148
			MOFUSSIL ESTABLISHMENTS.								1,034
Establishment—	61	61	Clerks and Accountants (23), (20), (18), 7 (15), 21 (12), 23 (10), 2 (9), 5 (7)	8,412		8,412		8,412		15,993	15,993
	73	73	Maistries or Smiths 14 (12), 20 (10), 5 (9), 24 (8), 6 (7), 2 (6), (5), (3)	8,004		8,004		8,100			
	17	17	Servants and Bellowsmen (6), 9 (5), (4), 3 (3), 3 (1½)	822		822		822			
				(1) 17,238		(1) 17,238		17,334			
					660		920		588		
Supplies and Services—			Deduct—Probable Savings		16,578		16,318		16,748		
			Purchase, Repair and Carriage of Instruments	980		950		840			
			Wages of Blacksmiths for stamping, etc., in South Canara	240		240		170		1,277	
			Petty Supplies	302		292		142		263	
					1,522		1,482		1,152		251
			Total, Mofussil Establishments		18,100		17,800		17,900		1,791
			Total, Establishments for Stamping Weights and Measures		(m) 19,200		(m) 18,900		19,000		17,784
											18,818

EXPLANATORY REMARKS.

Items.	Average.	Actuals.		
		1895-96.	1894-95.	1893-94.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
For making Seals and Dies and Repair of Seals and Dies ..	227	95		385
Verification of Standard Weights and Measures		47	150	
Petty Supplies		6		
Total	227	148	150	385
Purchase, Repair and Carriage of Instruments	1,869	1,277		915
Wages of Blacksmiths for stamping, etc., in South Canara		263	2,902	
Petty Supplies		251		
Total	1,869	1,791	2,902	915

(1) Total according to the scale of Mofussil Establishments (Revised and Budget, Rs. 17,238).—This is exclusive of Vizagapatam and Salem for which districts the scale of establishment has not been given. The Collectors of these districts, however, provide lump provisions of Rs. 450 and 550, respectively, both in the revised and budget estimates. The Collector of Vizagapatam states that the establishment, being temporary and fluctuating, the scale cannot be given; while the Collector of Salem reports that fees not exceeding Rs. 25 per mensem are paid to maistries. In some of the other districts also, the provision made by the Collectors is less than the cost calculated according to the scale.

(m) The revised estimate for the current year and the budget estimate for the ensuing year amount to Rs. 18,900 and Rs. 19,200, respectively, against the Collectors' estimates of Rs. 19,075 and Rs. 19,357, respectively, and against the sanctioned grant of Rs. 19,000, for the current year. The increase in the budget estimate for 1897-98 appertains to Cuddapah, Kurnool, Madura and Coimbatore and is due in Kurnool to the probable entertainment of an additional hand for the Cumbum division and in the other districts to the purchase of new instruments to replace those worn out.

Certified that the actuals as entered above with the exception of those relating to "exploration of petroleum, coal and minerals," "registration of road and rail-borne traffic," "rain-gauges" and "stamping weights and measures," are those shown in the departmental accounts; and that they have been verified with the statements furnished by the Accountant-General and all discrepancies noticed have been duly pointed out to him. As regards the actuals for the excepted items, the officers concerned have been requested to explain the discrepancies; meanwhile the Accountant-General's figures have been adopted.