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G.O., No. 135, 4th March 1897.

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Famine Batta.

Directing the grant of — to Government servants in Ganjam in accordance with the provisions of article 72 of the Civil Account Code, Vol. I, Part I, and addressing the Government of India with a view to the present rule which gives rise to anomalous results being altered.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), dated 5th February 1897, No. 101:—

Read—the following letter from C. J. WEIR, Esq., Collector of Ganjām, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, dated Chatrapur, 20th December 1896, Dis. No. 1764-Acc.:—

In G.O., No. 638, Revenue, dated 25th July 1889, famine batta was allowed to certain Government servants in this district, the reason for the concession being that the price of rice was then higher than 12 seers to the rupee, the scarcity rate then being 11.2. The average price of rice for November 1896 throughout the district was 10.4 seers to the rupee and the prices for the weeks ending 5th, 12th and 19th instant have been 10.4, 10.4 and 10.5, respectively, and our present scarcity rate is 10.2 seers to the rupee.

2. There does not seem to be any prospect of a material fall of the price. I would therefore recommend that the concession allowed in the Government Order above quoted be again allowed on the same scale and subject to the same conditions. I may mention that in the places where most of the Government servants in question draw and spend their pay, the price of rice has been considerably above the district average.

Resolution—dated 5th February 1897, No. 101.

Submitted to Government for orders with reference to article 72 of the Civil Account Code, Fifth Edition, Volume I, Part I. In G.O., No. 597, Revenue, dated 16th July 1889, rice was declared to be the "common staple food" of the people of the Ganjām district, with reference to the price of which compensation for dearness

	Seers per rupee.	
October 1896	12.4	
November "	10.4	
December "	10.3	
January 1897	10.2	

* Approximate.

2. In this connection, the Board would invite attention to the remarks made in its Proceedings, No. 576, dated 15th August 1892, which to some extent apply this year also, although the general scarcity and pressure in Ganjām is now probably, so far as prices are concerned, as great as they were in 1889.

3. In these circumstances, Government servants of the classes referred to in article 72 of the Civil Account Code are entitled to the concession granted therein, and it should be granted to them, as it has, it is believed, already been granted in Bengal.

4. The Board would, however, take this opportunity of inviting the attention of Government to the anomalous results which follow the application of the rule in question. In Ganjām, a rise of 42 per cent. over the normal price of the common staple food—grain—rice—adopted for that district entitles Government servants to famine batta whilst in the adjoining district of Vizagapatam, it would require a rise of 133 per cent. in the price of ragi—the staple adopted for that district—before the

concession may be granted, while in the Deccan districts, no claim to such concession will be established until the prices of the staple for these districts—chulam—is 150 per cent. dearer than usual, and by the application of the Government of India rule, famine batta will be granted in Ganjām some months at least before any relief works are opened there, whereas in Bellary, where there are already over 20,000 persons in receipt of State relief, the time may never come this year for the application of the concession. This does not appear to the Board to be in accordance with the principles laid down by the Government of India in 1889—vide G.O., No. 597, Revenue, dated 16th July 1889.

5. In view of these considerations, the Board considers that it would be a far better gauge of general scarcity and pressure to adopt definite percentage increases over normal prices rather than the present arbitrary fixed price for all grains.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAH,

Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
" the Collector of Ganjām.

ORDER—No. 135, Revenue, dated 4th March 1897.

Miscellaneous.

The Government accepts the recommendation in paragraph 3 of the Proceedings read above, and directs that, as a temporary measure and until further orders, all servants of Government on civil establishments in the district of Ganjām whose pay does not exceed Rs. 16 *per mensem*, or, in the case of officials required to keep a horse, Rs. 25 *per mensem*, shall receive an extra allowance of Re. 1 *per mensem*, provided that the aggregate monthly pay and allowances shall in no case be less than Rs. 6.

2. As pointed out in paragraph 4, the present rule which takes a fixed price of grain as indicative of distress gives rise to anomalous results, and the Government agrees with the Board in thinking that definite percentage increases over normal prices would be a far better gauge of general scarcity and pressure.

3. Ordered that the Government of India be addressed.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,

Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture).
" the other Heads of Departments under the Revenue Secretariat.
" the Financial Department, with copy of letter.
" the other Departments of the Secretariat.
" the Accountant-General.

Exl. C. M. Thumbuswamy.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following paper :—

Copy attached Proceedings of the *Revenue* Department, No. *135*, dated *4th*
March 1897.

ORDER, No *267*, dated *12th* *March* 1897.

Communicated to the Accountant General. *Surgeon -*
General for information

(True Extract.)

(Sd) J. F. Price
for Chief Secretary.

Surgeon-General.
To the ~~Accountant General~~, (with proceedings in original),
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Renewing the sanction for the grant of — to Government servants in Ganjam, accorded in G.O., No. 135, Revenue, dated 4th March 1897.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), Mis. No. 2957, dated 26th April 1897:—

Read—the following letter from the Collector of Ganjám, dated 17th April 1897, C. No. 782-Acc.:—

I have the honour to request you will be good enough to move the Government to renew its orders issued in G.O., No. 135, dated 4th March last, communicated with Board's Proceedings (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), No. 206, dated 9th idem, for the grant of famine batta to Government servants. Unless the orders are specially renewed they cannot be held to continue in force beyond the end of the financial year in which they were issued under Article 72 of the Civil Account Code, Volume I, Part I.

Resolution—Mis. No. 2957, dated 26th April 1897.

Submitted to Government with the request that the sanction may be renewed.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAH,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

ORDER—No. 288, Revenue, dated 3rd May 1897.

Miscellaneous.

The sanction for the grant of famine batta to Government servants in Ganjám accorded in G.O., No. 135, dated 4th March 1897, will accordingly be renewed as requested.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture).
„ other Heads of Departments under the Revenue Secretariat.
„ the Financial Department.
„ other Departments of the Secretariat.
„ the Accountant-General.

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Read the following paper:—

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Proceedings of the Revenue Department, No. 288, dated 3rd May 1897.

ORDER, No. 646, dated 25th May 1897.

Communicated to the Judicial and Educational Departments, to the Surgeon-General and the Venerable the Archdeacon.

(True Extract.)

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for Chief Secretary.

To the Educational Dept. with copy of G.O. No. 267, P. 12-3-97

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