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Financial (1897) Department.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Passing orders on various matters relating to the Accounts & estimates of famine expenditure in 1896-97 and 1897-98 and prescribing forms for the submission of detailed monthly accounts from the commencement of the famine operations.

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Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 1531

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To.

P. W. D

Please say if this transfer is necessary - i.e. if the P. W. D. requires the ·66 in addition to its grant of 10·41 under 33 Famine Relief

Cmb
19. 5 97

19/5/97

Reply.

There is nothing in the correspondence to show for what work or works the sum of Rs. 66,000 is intended. If the Collector will give this information I shall then be able to say whether the amount is required in addition to the grant of 10.41 under "33 Famine Relief", the details of which are in the P.W. budget now in the Financial Department.

20/5/97

W

Order

From

The Revenue Dept.

No. 2420

Dated 13th May 1897

Received 17th

Registered 17th

18th Refd

Enclosures 1

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19/5/97

In Rev. with Financial order on famine estimates

Cmb
20/5

SUBJECT.

Transferring to the Financial Dept. letter from the Collector of Vizagapatam requesting to transfer Rs. 66,000 out of the allotment sanctioned for 1897-98 to the P.W.Dept.

To. P. W. D.

Please see telegram in C. No. 1604 (below)

Cmb
26/5/97

25/5/97

P. T. O

1-9-14

Note for the Financial Dept.

The Collector does not specify the works for which the money is wanted - only the localities, but as it is stated to be required for "Communications", and there is no provision in the P.W. & Famine budget for roads in Vizagapatam, the amount should be provided in addition to the sums already applied for.

26/5/97

W

R.S.

BACK PAPERS.

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	534 cno	Finl 1273/97.	27.4.97 R.

FURTHER PAPERS.

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(Serl. [illegible] 2,000—29-10-96.)

~~CURRENT NO~~ 1531

Print

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture.)

Dated 10th May 1897.

No. 3303 Miscellaneous.

READ the following letter from the Collector of Vizagapatam, dated 1st May 1897 R.C. No: 1516:—

I have the honour to inform you that all the relief works in the District, except Kondakirla, Bhogapuram, have been handed over to the Public Works Department. I request therefore that out of the sum of Rs 96,000, recommended by the Board in its Proceedings No: 2693 Mis: dated 10th instant to be allotted to this District for 1897—98 under 33 Famine Relief (2) Relief works in charge of civil officers (a) communications, Rs 66,000 be transferred to the P.W. Department - Rs

vide G.O. No. 244 / 9-4-97.

534 / 27-4-97 A

in G.O. No. 2056 / 22-4-97

Finl cno 1273/97.

B

9,22

9,224 or Rs 10,000 in round numbers have already been drawn by this Department out of the allotment during the current month and I think it necessary that I should have Rs 20,000 more at my disposal to meet emergencies.

Resolution

Submitted to Government for orders—

(True copy & Extract)

Bracney
19/5
Famine Secretary

To the Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

Ecdl
19/5/97

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To
O. No. 1531

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F/16 2,000—26-1-97.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

~~Read.~~

Print

Read Proceedings of the Board of Rev., Rev. Sett., No. 3303 Mis., dated 10th May 1897.

ORDER thereon, No. 2423 Mis., dated 13th May 1897.

Transferred to the Financial Department.

(True Extract)

G. Stokes.

Ag. Secretary to Govt.

To the Financial Department.
Copy to the Board of Revenue, Rev. Sett.

W/r. 1-9-14

Print

@ Despd 21/5/97

Financial Dept

Telegram. to Collector Vizagapatam

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365+ Your letter reference 1516 first May to Board. Wire for what works rupees sixty-six thousand required

JD
21/5/97.

Cms
21/5/97.

[F./23]
1,000—25-11-96.

Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 1604

Telegram

From
The Collector
Vizagapatam

Order

No. –

Dated 24th
Received 24th
Registered 25th
} May 1897

Enclosures –
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SUBJECT.

Stating that funds are required for works under P. W. D. at Dalamarri and other places.

BACK PAPERS.

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CURRENT No. 1604

To (Person) Madras

Fml

C

From (Person) Collector

CHIEF SECRETARY 25 MAY 1897 GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Prml

your 365 money required for works under public works at dakamarri rega padmanabham penturti gaminvaka and Kondakal

12 Word Form.

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OOTACAMUND 24-5-97

Anantapur

Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 1532

E

To

Public Works Department

Please say ~~if~~ whether the amount (·40)
required by the Col. cannot be made available
from the P. W. grant under 33 ~~Fan~~ Famine Relief
as ~~the~~ ~~expend~~ ~~amount~~ it is required for
Order commencing ~~wo~~ P. W. D works.
If so, please make the necessary
transfer

Cw.S
19. 5. 97

do
19/5/97

The Revenue Secretary

No. 2424

Dated 13th May 1897

Received 17th

Registered 17th

Aws

Enclosures 1

Refd 18th

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Reply.

As the Collector does not give details for the Rs.40,000 which he proposes to transfer to the P.W.D. I cannot say whether the works for which the money is intended are already included in the P.W. budget under "33 Famine Relief". If the works are so included there will be no necessity for making this additional grant. The list of P.W. allotments is now with the Financial Department. Vide x my note on Financial C. No. 1531.

20/5/97
W

with Rev. with first order on Famine estimates
Cwl

SUBJECT.

Transferring to the Financial Dept. letter from the Collector of Anantapur requesting to ~~xxxxx~~ raise the provisions under "relief works in charge of Civil Officers".

x linked

Await receipt of the Famine budget

27/5/97
W

Fn. P W D

Please see telegram in C. No. 1619 (below)

do
26.5.97. P.T.C

Pw.

Cw.S 26/5/97

1-9-14

Reply

None of the works referred to by the Collector are provided for in the Public Works budget estimate for 1897-98 under "33 Famine Relief". The sum of Rs 40,000 cannot therefore be allotted from the P.W. grant.

31/5/97

W

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31-5-97

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
	C no	1343/97.7 (G.O. Rev	249.13.4.97 S.C.)

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

~~CURRENT No.~~ 1682

Print

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture.)

Dated 8th May 1897.

No. 3244 miscellaneous

Read the following letter from the Collector of Anantapur, Ref on C. No. 1710/20-4-97, dated 19th April 1897.

G.O. 249/13.4.97
S.C. pubup.

A C. No. 1343

With reference to the Board's remarks in para 4 of its Proceedings No. 258, dated 29th ultimo I have the honour to state that no provision was applied for against the head "Relief works in charge of Civil officers" as under G.O. No. 3385 dated 26th November 1896 all relief works in the District have to be carried out by and placed in charge of P.W.D.

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On further consideration I am of opinion that it is desirable to have a sanctioned allotment against this head also as experience has shown that [illegible] and delay are always inevitable if the starting of works is left to the P. W. D. I would therefore frame my estimates as under

Relief Works in charge of Civil Officers

(a) Communications	Rs 10,000
(b) Mis. Public Improvements . . . }	Rs 10,000 (already provided for by the Board)
(c) Irrigation	Rs 30,000

I request that sanction of Government be also obtained for the additional allotment of Rs 40,000 shewn against (a) + (c) supra.

Resolution.

Submitted to Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings No. 258, dated 29th March 1877, transferred to Financial Department in G. O. No. 249 Revenue dated 13th April 1897.

2. The proposal to raise the provision under "Relief works in charge of Civil officers" for the current year, by Rs 40,000 may be approved.

C. No. 1343

(True copy and Extract)

H Bradley 10/5

Famine Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.
.. Collector of Anantapur.

10/5

1897
Fin. Dept.
Encloz. No. 1
To
O. No. 1537

F/16 2,000—26-1-97.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

~~Rea~~

Read Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, R. S. &c., No. 3244 Mis., dated 8th May 1897.

ORDER thereon, No. 2424 Mis., dated 13th May 1897.

Transferred to the Financial Department.

(True Extract)

G. Stokes

Ag. Secretary to Govt.

To the Financial Department.
" Board of Revenue, Rev. Sett.

CS

Financial Dept

Desp'd 21/5/97.

Print

Telegram

to Colle r, Anantapur

364× Your letter to Board reference 1710 April 19th. Wire further details ~~A~~ regarding works for which rupees forty thousand required

C.W.S.
21/5/97

21/5/97

Financial

~~Revenue~~ (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. ~~4336~~ 1619

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Telegram

From

The Collector of Anantapu

Order

No.

Dated 22nd May 1897

Received 24.5.97

Registered 25.5.97

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SUBJECT.

Reg. allotments applied for road works and irrigation works.

Ref 6.55 PM

25/5/97

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G.O.	No	Department.	Date.

Cuddapah

CURRENT No. 1619

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS 22 MAY 97 REVENUE DEPARTMENT

B

Prnt

Your telegram 364 ten thousands applied for road works of Kanumukkala bukKapatnam guttur rajapuram nagasamudram Kandakurti Kummanamala and others started by local fund or revenue agency and thirty thousand for irrigation works ravalcheru pirur yeldurtla shāksanipally ^ananthapuram tanks and other works proving necessary hereafter letter follows

Anantapuram tanks.

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Telegraph Master.

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in the district, in the circumstances explained.

Cuddapah

Revenue (1897) Department.

1593

CURRENT No. 4188

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From the Board of Revenue, Rev. Sett &c

Order Mis. No. 2600

Transferred to the Financial Department.

Ootacamund, 21st May 97.
G. [illegible]
Ag. Secy. to Govt.

Recd 22/5/97

No. 3477 Mis.

Dated 17th May 1897.

Received 19-5-97

Registered 19-5-97.

Enclosures

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To

The Financial Department.
Board of Revenue, Rev. Sett.

SUBJECT.

Submitting to Govt. letter from the Collector of Cuddapah with the recommendation that additional allotments for 4½ lakhs may be sanctioned for works and gratuitous relief in the district, in the circumstances explained.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No	Department.	Date.

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(Sett. 24- 2,000—29-10-96.)

CURRENT No. 1593

Revenue Board Office. Madras.

Prnt

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture.)

Dated 17 th May 1897.

No. 3477 Miscellaneous

READ............................ the following letter from the Collector of Cuddapah, dated 9 th May 1897, Reference on Current No. 13/7 of 1897:—

not comd to Dist.

I have the honour to state that the estimate of famine expenditure for this District, sanctioned in G.O No. 308 dated 19 th January 1897, requires revision under the following circumstances:—

2. The amounts sanctioned already are:—

		Total
For 1896 - 97		
For works	87000	216,000
For gratuitous relief	2000	3000

The amount spent up to the end of 31st March 1897 is as follows:—

works

Works . . . 33,813
Gratuitous relief . . 950

The grant for 1896-97 having lapsed, the balance available for current year (1897-98) is Rs 129,000 for Works and Rs 1,000 — for gratuitous relief

3. There are now 18 works in progress with over 32,000 coolies working at them, and 8 more have been ordered to be started. The expenditure on Irrigation works alone has been estimated at Rs 75,000 in consultation with the Executive Engineer, but the chief source of employment in the affected parts of this district is road work. The average outlay per month on all works is estimated at Rs 50,000 (the expenditure in April was Rs 48,000), and at this rate the allotment required for 6 months is Rs 3 lakhs.

P.W.D has allowed Rs 35 Cwd

4. For gratuitous relief, a sum of Rs 5,000 was applied for in this office Reference on Current No. 141/7 dated 21st April 1897. But this amount is insufficient as village relief (money doles and grain doles) has since been ordered to be given. I estimate the total expenditure on all kinds of gratuitous relief at Rs 10,000. This is only a rough estimate, as the organisation of village gratuitous relief has not yet been perfected.

5. I have the honour to request that the allotment for the current year may be sanctioned at a very early date. Pending sanction of funds, expenditure will continue to be incurred.

6. The above estimate is based on the assumption that the South-West Monsoon will not prove a failure and that relief operations may be closed in September. If these anticipations are not fulfilled, a far larger amount than is now applied for will be required, as the area of relief will be much enlarged, and a revised estimate will be framed. I do not refer to weavers' relief in this letter, as I already applied for an allotment of Rs 2 lakhs under this head and the Board has supported my request - vide Board's Proceedings No. 2853× Miscellaneous dated 19th April 1897.

× Requesting sanction to raise the allotment for weavers' relief in Cuddapah from 110000 to 200,000.

Included Cwd

E.D.E 140 of 97

G.O. 2216 Rev. 4-5-97

Resolution.

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In its Proceedings 12/97, the Board anticipated

anticipated that the following allotments would be required for the relief of distress in Cuddapah in 1896-97, 1897-98:—

	in 1896-97	in 1897-98	Total
For works	87,000	129,000	216,000
For weavers	125,000	75,000	200,000
For gratuitous relief	2000	1000	3000

2. The Collector now reports that the expenditure on relief works during April amounted to Rs 48,000 and considers that he will require Rs 50,000 a month for 6 months or 3 lakhs in all for this purpose. The numbers on relief are at present nearly 40,000 and are likely to increase considerably. The Board would provide at least Rs 400,000—

1·19 already allotted.

~~in thousands~~

	~~minimum~~	~~Maximum~~	~~average~~
~~May~~	~~20~~	~~60~~	~~40~~
~~June~~	~~60~~	~~40~~	~~50~~
~~July~~	~~20~~	~~40~~	~~30~~
~~August~~	~~10~~	~~20~~	~~15~~
~~September~~	~~0~~	~~10~~	~~5~~

3. The requirements of the District for weavers' relief operations have been dealt with in Board's Proceedings No. 2851 miscellaneous, dated 19th ~~August~~ April 1897

4. The numbers that should come on gratuitous relief may be taken as about 15 percent of workers, but the cost of feeding there is 1 anna a day against 1¼ anna paid as wages. Rs 50,000 will probably be required under this head.

10 already allotted in draft order. i.e. ·40 in addn

5. Government will therefore be requested to make the following allotments:—

for works	Rs 400,000
for gratuitous relief	Rs 50,000

The above figures are submitted on the supposition that the monsoon will be a good one.

(True copy and Extract)

Famine Secretary.

Amount required in addn to those in Draft order on Famine Estimate.
Works + 2·81
Gratuitous relief + ·40
3·21

To the Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
" Collector of Cuddapah

Eddl 19/5/97

Kurnool

Revenue (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. ~~4171~~ 1598.

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Dp 22/5/97.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
13 MAY 97

~~Order~~ Endt. mis No. 2634 d/22nd May 97.

Transferred to the F.D.

G. Utter?
Ag Secretary to Govt.

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21-5-97

From

The Board of Revenue
Revenue Settlement, Land
Records & Agriculture,
Madras.

No. 3424 Mis.

Dated 15th May 1897

Received 19.5.97

Registered 19.5.97

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SUBJECT.

Submitting to Government for sanction an application for a further allotment of Rs 20,000. in the Budget Estimate of 1897-98 for the relief of weavers in the Kurnool District.

Insd 19/5

184-5 / 18.2.97 sc

182 / 22.2.97 sc

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G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

Ref on F. C. No. 176/Exe of 1897.

ENCLOSURES.

Kurnool Collector's Office.

KURNOOL, DATED 8th May 1897.

From E. A. Elwin, Esquire,

Ag COLLECTOR OF KURNOOL.

Print

To

THE SECRETARY TO Government,

Financial Department,

(Through the Famine Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras).

Sir,

I have the honour to request that, as the sum of Rs 20,000 provided for in the budget estimate for 1897-98 under the head "Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief works – weavers" is found quite insufficient, a further allotment of Rs 20,000 may be sanctioned at a very early date.

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B.C. 43/97.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant

For Ag Collector.

11-5-97

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Correspondence Department.

FROM

COLLECTOR OF

KURNOOL.

TO

THE SECRETARY TO

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To
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1897
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K. C. P. Reg. No. 1—dated 17-4-95- -Copies 1000.

(Sett. 22—2,000—11-3 97.)

CURRENT No 1598.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture),

Dated 15th May 1897.

No. 3424 Mis:

READ Letter from the Collector of Kurnool, dated 8th May 1897 Ref on F. C no: 176/Emp of 97. addressed to the Secretary to Government, Financial Department, through the Famine Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Madras.

Resolution

Submitted to Government for sanction.

(True copy)

[illegible] 7/5
Famine Secretary.

To The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.
with Collector's letter in original

Estd 17/5/97

[illegible] Ganjam – Weavers

~~Revenue~~ (1897) Department.

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Financial.

Dispatched 27/7/97.

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~~Telegram~~
From

The Board of Revenue,
Rev. Sett.

~~Order~~
Endt. Min. No. 2709 d/28th May '97.

Transferred to the Financial Department

As. Secretary to Govt.

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Rd
27-5-97

Regd 28th May 97.

SUBJECT.

Requesting sanction for an allotment of Rs. 30,000 for weavers' relief

already disposed of
18/6/97

BACK PAPERS.

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To (Person) Madras Revenue

From (Person) Board Revenue

Separately disposed of .25 was Grants

Prmt

45/5 [6-97]

Please sanction rupees 30000 weavers relief ganjam besides item sanctioned in government order no 20 of twelfth instant and rupees 40000 for seed advances applied for in boards ings 3603 of 21st instant and inform collr

8 40/5 [6-97]

Separately disposed of

LN. Rev 4339/97. = Conv 26 LN/85 / 26. 5- 97.

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At

OOTACAMOND 27-5-97

Telegraph Master.

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Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 1629.

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From

The Accountant General
to the Govt: of Madras

No. $\frac{\text{I.B.2}}{137}$

UNDER SECRETARY
28 MAY 97
PUBLIC ETC DEPTS

Dated 25' May 1897
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SUBJECT.

Returning the Approximate account of actual expenditure under "33 Famine Relief" in 1896-97 duly verified noting therein the corrections found necessary.

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Compilation DEPARTMENT.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
Accountant-General's Office,
25th May 1897.

No. I B E / 137

From

F. C. Harrison Esqre
Offg. ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE Acting Under Secretary to Government
Financial Department.

SIR,

I have the honour to return the Approximate account of actual expenditure under "33 Famine Relief" in 1896-97 duly verified noting therein in red ink the corrections found necessary.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obdt. Servant,
Harrison
Offg. Accountant General.

(189) DEPARTMENT.

From

THE ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL,
MADRAS,

To

THE

No.

Dated
Received

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SUBJECT.

Cor. 10,600—31-5-96.

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ACCOUNTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
19 MAY 97
MADRAS

APPENDIX A TO G.O., No. , FINANCIAL, DATED MAY 1897. 17

APPROXIMATE Accounts of actual expenditure under *33. Famine relief* in 1896–97.

33. FAMINE RELIEF.	Approximate actual expenditure, 1896–97.							
	Ganjám.	Vizagapatam.	Gódávari and Kistna.	Anantapur.	Bellary.	Kurnool.	Cuddapah.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
CIVIL OFFICERS.								
1. Salaries, establishments and contingencies	..	..	..	..	·01	·01	·02	·04
2. Relief works in charge of Civil Officers—								
(*a*) Communications	..	~~·02~~	..	·01	..	·56	·05	·62 4
(*b*) Miscellaneous Public Improvements	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
(*c*) Irrigation	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4. Relief to people employed otherwise than on famine relief (Relief to weavers)	..	~~·02~~	..	..	·14	·14	·76	1·06 4
5. Gratuitous relief—								
(*a*) Given in Government institutions	·02 1	·01	..	·02	·10	·03	·01	·13 8
(*b*) Given at the houses of the people	·01	..	..	..	~~·01~~	..	..	·01
(*c*) Given in other ways	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6. Miscellaneous—								
(*a*) Flood damages	..	..	·07 8	..	..	..	..	·07 8
(*b*) Others	·01	..	..	..	..	..	..	·01
Total, Civil Officers (Provincial)	·03	·03	·07 8	·03	·26 8	·74	·84	2·00
Relief works—Local	..	..	..	·06	·49	·04	·22	·81
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.								
3. Relief works in charge of Public Works Department—								
(*a*) Communications	..	·01	..	..	1·74	·18	·05	1·98
(*b*) Miscellaneous Public Improvements (stores)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	·01
(*c*) Irrigation	..	..	..	..	·07	·04	..	·11
(*d*) Construction of Railways.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total, Public Works Department. { Provincial / Local	..	·01	..	..	1·81	·22	·05	* 2·10
Grand Total, 33. FAMINE RELIEF	·03	·04	·07	·03	2·07	·96	·89	* 4·10

* Includes ·01 for Public Works stores.

Forwarded to the Accountant General for favour of verification and early return

(By order)
[illegible]
Ag Under Secretary—

AG
17/5/97

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Fin Dept.
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To
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No-1067 A.D. [illegible] [illegible] partial monthly
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Urgent

Public works (1897) department

Current Number 5/4923

To C

No. 2642 C of 25th May 1897

Recd: 19.5.97

To
C

For favour of check and very early return.

21/5/97

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Maj

W

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26/5/97

No 1682 D/B dated 26th May 1897

To W.

The statement received with your above has been corrected and completed so far as the figures under the head "Public Works Department" are concerned.

Regd 5th June 97

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Returned to the Financial Department.

J. M. Campbell Colonel R.E.
Secretary to Govt. P.W.D.

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EXAMINER,
P. W. ACCOUNTS.
26 MAY. 1897
No.

APPROXIMATE Accounts of actual expenditure under *33. Famine relief* in 1896–97.

33. FAMINE RELIEF.	Approximate actual expenditure, 1896–97.							
	Ganjám.	Vizagapatam.	Gódávari and Kistna.	Anantapur.	Bellary.	Kurnool.	Cuddapah.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
CIVIL OFFICERS.								
1. Salaries, establishments and contingencies	..	..	..	..	·01	·01	·02	·04
2. Relief works in charge of Civil Officers—								
(*a*) Communications ..	..	..	..	·01	..	·56	·05	·62
(*b*) Miscellaneous Public Improvements	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
(*c*) Irrigation	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4. Relief to people employed otherwise than on famine relief (Relief to weavers)	..	·02	..	..	·14	·14	·76	1·06
5. Gratuitous relief—								
(*a*) Given in Government institutions	·02	·01	..	·02	·10	·03	·01	·19
(*b*) Given at the houses of the people	..	..	..	..	·01	..	..	·01
(*c*) Given in other ways ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6. Miscellaneous—								
(*a*) Flood damages	..	..	·07	..	..	..	..	·07
(*b*) Others	·01	..	..	..	..	..	..	·01
Total, Civil Officers (Provincial) ..	·03	·03	·07	·03	·26	·74	·84	2·00
Relief works—Local ..	..	..	..	·06	·49	·04	·22	·81
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.								
3. Relief works in charge of Public Works Department—								
(*a*) Communications ..	..	·01 ✓	..	..	1·74 ✓	~~·18~~ ·14 ✓	~~·05~~ ·09 ✓	1·98 ✓
(*b*) Miscellaneous Public Improvements (stores) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	·01 ✓
(*c*) Irrigation	..	..	..	..	~~·07~~	~~·04~~ ·05	·01	~~·11~~ ·16
(*d*) Construction of Railways.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total, Public Works Department. Provincial ..	..	~~·01~~	..	..	~~1·81~~ ·10	~~·22~~ ·05	~~·05~~ ·01	* 2·10 ·16
Local ..	--	·01			1·74	·14	·09	1·98
Grand Total, 33. FAMINE RELIEF..	·03	·04	·07	·03	2·07	·96	·89	* 4·10

* Includes ·01 for Public Works stores.

Forwarded to the Public Works department for favor of verification, completion & early return

A. W. Knapp
Ag Under Secretary.

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Public Works (1897) Department.

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SUBJECT.

Approximate accounts of actual expenditure under 33 Famine Relief in 1896-97.

Returns duly verified & ~~re~~–

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FURTHER PAPERS.

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Papers read in the Financial
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Financial (1897) Department.

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From The Accountant General,
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SUBJECT.

Proposing under Comptroller General's instructions, to open certain heads in the Treasury accts. and in his office books regarding the Expenditure on famine relief.

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G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
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Financial (1897) Department.

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UNDER SECRETARY 21 FEB 97 PUBLIC DEPT.

SUBJECT.

Stating that the redistribution in the estimates as between the Civil and P.W.D. can only be made up to the 1st March 97 the latest date fixed by the Govt of India for communication of the final figures under 33 Famine Relief.

BACK PAPERS.

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Revenue (1897) Department.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
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REVENUE DEPARTMENT

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Put up G. O. despatch about the scope of Govt. relief & of private charity

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From

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Soliciting instructions as to the adjustment of the contributions for a kitchen

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Telegram to India
No. 161 d/ 8.3.97

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From G of I. Finance Dept

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SUBJECT.

Requesting to telegraph estimated famine expenditure for 1897-98 in each district and estimated closing balance of each district fund where famine relief is being incurred and stating that Govt of India is not disposed to exempt local funds from all share in famine relief expenditure

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G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

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From The P.W.D.

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SUBJECT.

Forwg with remarks the Endorsement of the Consulting Enginier for Railways on the letter from the Manager East Coast Ry re the question of the Collector of Ganjam spending a sum of Rs 5000 during the current official year on collection of ballast for the Railway as a Famine Relief work.

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Public Works (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 2836

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No. 1589 C. dated 19th March 1897.

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From The Consulting Engineer for Railways.

No. 1036.

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Forwarded to the Financial Dept., with reference to the last sentence of the Chief Secretary's tele-phone message of 25th February 1897 – A reply to the other question in the message is awaited from the Chief Engr. for Irrigation –

J. H. E. Campbell Colonel R.E.
Secy to Govt.

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SUBJECT.

Breaking of ballast required for the East Coast Railway in Ganjam as a Famine Relief work.

Forwarding copy of a letter from the Manager, East Coast Ry. informing that he has no objection to the Collector, Ganjam District spending a sum of Rs 5000 during the current official year on collection of ballast which will be taken over & paid for by the Railway in 1897-98.

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Form No. 69.

Copy of a communication from the Manager East Coast Railway to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, Madras,

No. 2179, dated 15th March 1897.

In reply to your letter No. 826 dated 4th March 1897 (para 4) I have the honour to state that there is no objection on my part to the Collector Ganjam District spending a sum of Rs 5,000 during the current official year on collection of ballast which will be taken over and paid for by the Railway in 1897-98. No funds are available to pay for any of the ballast this year and it is probable that more than Rs 5,000 worth of ballast could be taken over next year.

I am in communication with the Executive Engineers concerned as to the exact quantity that could be advisedly taken over next year and on the matter being settled the amount will be duly communicated.

No. 1036 dated 18th March 1897

Forwarded to the Secretary to Government Public Works Department with reference to his Memorandum No. 1181 C dated 26th February 1897.

F. Fowler
for Consi. Engr. for Rys.

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Offering certain remarks regarding the provision of funds. to meet expenditure on Famine Relief in the Madras Presy during the current & ensuing financial years.

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Requesting to ~~deduct~~ distribute the 5 lakhs among the several affected districts.

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CIVIL WORKS.

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G.O., No. 511 W., 22nd February 1897.

FEBRUARY.

"33. Famine Relief"

Directing Superintending Engineers, with remarks, to submit, with the least possible delay, statements in the appended form to enable Government to frame as accurately as possible the estimates of charges for 1896-97 and 1897-98 under —.

BACK PAPERS.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

Buildings and Roads.
Civil Works.

Read—the following papers :—

Telegram from the Superintending Engineer, I Circle, dated 24th January 1897.
„ „ „ „ II „ „ 19th „ „
„ „ „ „ II „ „ 23rd „ „
„ „ „ „ III „ „ 21st „ „
From the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, dated 21st January 1897, No. 3453 W.
„ „ „ III „ „ 22nd „ „ „ 3481 W.
Telegram from the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, dated 23rd January 1897.
„ „ Executive Engineer, Cuddapah Division „ 28th „ „
From the Executive Engineer, Cuddapah Division, dated 28th January 1897, No. 3057.
Telegram from the Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, dated 21st January 1897.
From the Superintending Engineer, V Circle, dated 20th January 1897, No. 26 W.
„ „ „ VI „ „ 19th „ „ „ 95 T.C.
„ Consulting Architect, dated 19th January 1897, No. 4854.
„ „ Engineer for Railways, dated 13th January 1897, No. 140.
Memorandum from the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, dated 15th January 1897, No. 3 W.
Office-note „ „ „ „ 21st „ „
„ „ „ „ „ 26th „ „ No. 23.

Order—No. 511 W., dated 22nd February 1897.

With reference to G.O., No. 11, Financial, dated 6th January 1897, the Chief Engineer for Irrigation and the Consulting Engineer for Railways were asked to report the extent to which the revenue and expenditure of the current and ensuing years in the Irrigation and Railway branches, respectively, are likely to be affected by the prevailing scarcity (*vide* G.O., No. 82 W., dated 8th January 1897).

2. The Examiner of Public Works Accounts having also asked for estimates showing the estimated decrease of revenue or of increased expenditure attributable to famine both in the current and ensuing years, the Chief Engineer for Irrigation and the Consulting Engineer for Railways were requested to furnish the Examiner direct with the information pertaining to their branches and the Superintending Engineers to report the estimates under Civil Works (*vide* G.O., No. 123 W., dated 16th January 1897).

3. The papers read at the head of these Proceedings are the replies to the Government orders quoted above.

4. The Consulting Engineer for Railways reports that it is not at present anticipated that the prevailing scarcity will affect to any appreciable extent the receipts or expenditure of the Railways under the control of the Government.

5. No modifications are anticipated in the estimates of revenue under Irrigation and Civil Works.

6. The subjoined statement shows the estimated expenditure under Irrigation and Civil Works :—

—	III. Civil Works.		II. Irrigation Works.		Grand total.	
	Provincial.		Provincial (*b*) Minor Works and Navigation.			
	1896–97.	1897–98.	1896–97.	1897–98.	1896–97.	1897–98.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
I Circle	500	80,400	..	..	500	80,400
II „	..	..	2,000	1,68,000	2,000	1,68,000
Bellary Division	1,06,100	1,11,700	10,000	10,000	1,16,100	1,21,700
III „ Cuddapah „	43,000	40,000	5,000	10,000	48,000	50,000
Kurnool „	35,200	50,000	4,200	5,000	39,400	55,000
IV „	..	..	..	..	..	..
V „	35,000			..	35,000	..
VI „	..	..	..	..	..	..
Consulting Architect's Division	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	2,19,800	2,82,100	21,200	1,93,000	2,41,000	4,75,100

7. The above statement apparently exhibits the cost of works to be carried out by famine labour and not the estimated charges under 33. Famine Relief as defined in Standing Order No. 193 to Volume I of the Public Works Code, dated 14th January 1897. Superintending Engineers will therefore submit, with the least possible delay, statements in the form appended below to enable Government to frame as accurately as possible the estimates of charges for 1896–97 and 1897–98 under 33. Famine Relief :—

Fund Head.

—	Normal cost of works.	Abnormal expenditure likely to be incurred in consequence of the employment for relief purposes of unskilled and unprofitable labour and chargeable to 33. Famine Relief.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4
	RS.	RS.	
Public Works undertaken in consequence of the occurrence of famine, but not directly for the employment of famine-stricken people and not therefore treated as relief works.			
Original Works.			
(*Here enter details of works.*)			
Total ..			
Repairs.			
(*Here enter details of works.*)			
Total ..			
Grand Total, Original Works and Repairs ..			
*Public Works expenditure * undertaken directly for the relief of famine and controlled and managed under the conditions applicable to Famine Relief Works.*			
Original Works.			
(*Here enter details of works.*)			
Total ..			
Repairs.			
(*Here enter details of works.*)			
Total ..			
Grand Total, Original Works and Repairs ..			

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* Note.—The whole expenditure under this head being chargeable to 33. Famine Relief, the figures should appear only in column 3.

8. A sum of Rs. 35,500 has been separately provided for 1896–97 under 33. Famine Relief by transfer from the reserve with the Public Works Department under 45. Civil Works, Provincial, to meet the expenditure on tools and plant in the I and V Circles.

9. As all the outlay on Famine Relief Works will have to be met from Provincial funds under G.O., No. 133, Financial, dated 8th February 1897, application will be made to the Financial Department for an additional allotment under 45. Civil Works, Provincial, sufficient to meet the famine expenditure during the current and ensuing official years on receipt of the information called for in paragraph 7.

10. The Chief Engineer for Irrigation reports that the amount required for Irrigation Works during 1896–97 will be provided by reducing the ordinary grants, but that the large sum required for the ensuing year cannot be met unless the Financial Department sanctions a special assignment for the purpose.

11. In Rule VI to paragraph 104, Chapter IX, Volume I of the Public Works Code as modified by Standing Order No. 193, it is laid down that the cost of establishment specially entertained for Famine Relief Works and wholly employed on such works, and the cost of tools and plant specially purchased and used on relief works should be debited to the head "Famine Relief". The Superintending Engineers concerned will accordingly submit estimates of expenditure under the two heads during the current and ensuing years.

(True Extract.)

C H B Burlton

Under Secretary to Government.

To Superintending Engineers.
,, the Consulting Architect to Government.
,, the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.
,, the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
,, the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
,, the Financial Department.
,, the Local and Municipal Department.
,, the Revenue Department.

Exd. C. M. Thumbuswamy.

Financial (1897) Department.

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From The Public Works Department

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SUBJECT.

Erratum in statement subjoined to para 6 of G. O. No. 511 W d/22' February 97 regarding estimates of charges under "33 Famine Relief"

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Public Works Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Errata

In the Statement subjoined to para 6 of G.O. No.511 W dated 22nd February 1897.

(1). In the Columns " II Irrigation Works "

Expunge Rs.2,000 and Rs.1,68,000 shown against II Circle and Enter them against I Circle in their respective places.

(2). In the Columns " Grand Total "

Expunge the figures shown against II Circle and,

Substitute Rs.2,500 and Rs.2,48,400 for Rs.500 and Rs.80400 respectively entered against I Circle.

(True Extract)

C.H.B. [illegible]

Under Secretary.

End

To

The Superintending Engineer I II Circle.
" Finacial Department.
" Examiner P.W.Accounts.

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G.O., No. 115, 23rd February 1897.

FEBRUARY.

Notes of Inspection.

Passing orders on the Sanitary Commissioner's — on the condition of the people in Kurnool.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following letter from Surgeon-Lieut.-Colonel W. G. KING, M.B., C.M., D.P.H., Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated Guzullapalle, 13th February 1897, No. 370-S :—

I have the honour to forward, herewith, the result of my inspection of portions of the Kurnool district.

ENCLOSURE.

Inspection Notes as to Famine conditions by the Sanitary Commissioner, Kurnool District.

MALLIALA.

This is but a small village. There were, however, very evident signs of distress amongst the labourers. They maintained they had been able to secure no coolie work for the last two months—otherwise than at considerable intervals, and at rates below those formerly obtaining. My inspection of cooked food by going to their houses at the cooking hour in the evening showed that in one instance one seer (86 tolahs) of cholum had to suffice for two children and two adults ; one half seer for three adults and three children ; three-quarter seer for one adult and three children ; one half seer for two adults. Beyond salt, no addition of any sort was made to the plain cholum.

YAPATHINNE.

This is also a small village. The same tale was told here as to the want of work. Inspection of food at night showed that numerous families were living on " coolti " (*Dolichos biflorus*). This was eaten in the form of conjee, as of even this there was not enough to form a complete meal. Not only was there no addition to the bare grain (as was also the case in Malliala) of any condiments or vegetables, but here certain of the families maintained that they had not even salt with the food. As I found this difficult to believe and could not otherwise verify it, the women had no hesitation in swearing " upon their children's heads."

There can be no doubt that in these two villages work is urgently required. It was my intention to have visited more villages in this neighbourhood, and this I reserved for my return from Kodumur ; but want of time compelling my giving up this route, I had no further opportunity of finding out in what state the people are. My inquiries of natives I met from surrounding villages, however, showed that throughout the route from Malliala to Kodumur the necessity for work is urgent. Whilst, therefore, except as to these two villages I speak but from hearsay, my impression is that it is desirable without delay to open up work that will give relief along this line, and I have, consequently, advised the Collector of Kurnool to institute special inquiries on the subject. A very suitable work would be the making into a correct road the bandy track now extending from Malliala to Kodumur. In the meantime, work for Malliala and Yappathinne and others within 3 miles might be obtained by deepening the tank at the latter place—this having become greatly silted.

KODUMUR RELIEF WORKS.

Date 28th and 29th January 1897.

On this date there were 960 relief workers employed. The following shows the condition of health in which I found them—

In good health.

	Per cent.
Men	57
Women	46·1
Nursing mothers	40·7
Children	44·2

In poor health.

Men	39
Women	41
Nursing mothers	42
Children	48·5

In bad health.

Men	4
Women	12
Nursing mothers	17·3
Children	7·3

These relief workers have uniformly been retained on the C wage—although in the case of all gang rolls inspected by me it was shown that the full task had been exacted. I found that for collecting stone a lead of fully 600 yards was demanded, but the overseer had failed to make any allowance for it. He stated he did not know on what principle to make the calculation, and had put this query to his superior officer fully a month back without result. I never saw coolies work with greater determination to fulfil their task than these people ; the rate at which the lead was walked over being very quick. They were therefore doing beyond a C wage task. No satisfactory reason could be given as to why only C wages were given, as with the exception of about 70 persons (weaver families) all are labourers, though not professional labourers. The result of this wage in maintaining health is obviously not satisfactory, although the people had the advantage of being within a furlong of their own village (*vide* my memorandum, dated 26th January 1897, on this subject).

Water arrangements.—A woman is engaged for bringing water for each gang. This is obtained from an open " step well." This should be altered so as to form a draw well without delay, both in the interest of the relief workers and of the village. " Burmese spoons " (obtainable at Messrs. Sultan & Co.) should be employed instead of dipping for serving. The chatties should be covered with " chippas." These remarks apply equally to the kitchen.

Kitchen.—The state of the children attending the kitchen is not such as to demand any remarks. Moulds have not yet been introduced although the work was opened on the 7th November. The pudding is served in balls made by hand, the weight being merely guessed at. The Superintendent on being questioned stated plainly that he did not know what the ration should be ; but that he had been told when taking over charge that it should be about 18 tolahs of dry grain per head. In fact, he would seem to depend entirely upon the Chetty who makes the supply from the village. His list of attendance showed 93 persons, but at time of feeding only 87 put in an appearance. Weighment of the boiled grain gave 102 lb. which is equivalent to about $4\frac{1}{2}$ ounces of dry grain for 93. Certain of the children were served with food upon their own cloths, instead of upon chippas. The majority were served with water on the same plate as their food. The ordinary hour for serving food here is 12 noon instead of 9 A.M. as directed by the code, and, on the day of my inspection it was not given till 1–35 P.M. on account of a chatty breaking.

Wages.—The rate of payment was not that received from the Tahsildar, but from his own observation by the paymaster in consultation with the village shopman. He possessed no record by which it could be traced what any individual of a gang received at any time. No absentee register was maintained. On the 23rd January this man paid an amount short by Rs. 4–13–7 of the amount that should have been given ; but on the overseer calling his attention to the fact that he had made short payment, he paid the remainder the next day. This he accounted for by saying that whilst he paid according to the local bazaar rate, the overseer had judged matters by the Tahsildar's rate. The paymaster may be perfectly innocent of any erroneous intention, but I think the matter should be inquired into. The system is absolutely bad. The Reddy has apparently received orders to communicate the rate both to the paymaster and overseer, but did not do so till the 23rd January.

Kodumur Weavers.—The following is the result of house-to-house visitation of weavers :—

Name.	Persons to support.	Looms in work.	Looms out of work.	Remarks.
Ellapah	4 adults, 2 children	..	2	
Venkat Ramapha	....	..	3	One loom with work on was stopped three months back for want of thread.
Endrapha	6 adults, 1 child	..	3	
Amburga	2 do. 7 children	..	..	Formerly kept coolies ; all now on road work.
Ganapah	....	..	4	Children on relief work.
Ganganah	6 adults, 3 children	..	5	No work for two months.
Papanah	....	..	2	No work for four months ; children on relief work ; father is lame.
Bapanah	....	..	4	Employed a cooly also, but was dismissed.
Ganapah Kristapah	7 adults, 3 children	..	..	No work.
Venkapah	12 do. 2 do.	2	3	
Narasappah	4 do. 2 do.	1	1	
Giddeah	....	1	4	
Burdumaddah	2 adults, 2 children	1	..	Work irregular ; probably 15 days last month had no work.
Boodapah	....	1	2	Work occasional.
Tuppanah	....	..	2	No work for six months.
Gunga Rao	....	..	2	
Juggapah	4 adults, 1 child	1	2	
Kritasamiah	....	..	2	Husband left Kodumur to seek employment.
Moneappah	3 adults, 1 child	..	1	
Giddeah	3 do. 1 do.	..	2	
Gudeja Madepah	10 do. 6 children	1	2	
Meah Sahib	....	..	1	Gone for work elsewhere.
Kajah Meah	....	..	..	Whole family left Kodumur for work elsewhere.
Malsin Sahib	....	..	..	Cooly weaver ; no work for three months.
Malm Sahib	4 adults, 2 children	..	2	
Khajerkhan	4 do. 3 do.	..	2	
Kassam Sahib	1 adult, 3 do.	..	1	
Mara Meah	2 adults, 2 do.	..	2	
Chipal Govindapah	5 do. 2 do.	..	4	

The above shows that relief ought to have been afforded to these weavers some time back ; but they maintain beyond enquiries having been made of them they have received no offers from the district officials. The result of this absence of work has been to cause several persons to leave the village. I hold a list of 36 instances. On the relief works, I found 74 children of weavers, 34 women and 15 men. This description of work is trying or is accounted very derogatory to *men* who have been accustomed from childhood to sedentary labour. As a result, I found weavers taking care of babies at home whilst their wives and children worked for them. I have a list of 92 applicants for weavers' work who agreed to accept Adóni rates.

Kurnool Town.—Many of the daily cooly class in Kurnool can still obtain a living in more or less desultory manner by gathering grass and wood, and aiding in the little cultivation that surrounds the town. Nevertheless, my enquiries lead me to believe that want of sufficient food is frequent, and that by the time the Nandikotkur taluk's harvest is complete (that is to say within a fortnight) it would be essential to start relief works within a reasonable distance of the town. In the meantime, the condition of the aged and infirm professional beggars, weavers and gosha females requires attention urgently. I visited numbers of the latter class—their gosha system rather restricting them to the house than actually preventing themselves being seen, under at least circumstances of distress. They have been accustomed to support themselves by grinding wheat and cholum for their richer neighbours. This employment is now either completely gone, or is very irregular. I found in case after case that they lived from day to day by depending upon getting portions of food from one neighbour or the other. All protested they would do whatever work the "Sircar" gave, provided they were not compelled to leave their houses. Opening out cotton thread for looms to which most are accustomed, would suit them.

But not only does there exist this class requiring aid, but the respectable gosha females mostly descendants of the former noble Muhammadan families resident in Kurnool. These can only be satisfactorily visited by ladies, being strictly "gosha." Such an inspection was carried out towards the end of last year by certain ladies of the station at the invitation of the Collector. They reported that aid was not then necessary. Considerable time, however, has elapsed since this examination, and from what I was informed and from what I know of this class, I should say it is decidedly necessary that an effort be again made to ascertain their state. These females would not hesitate to die in their houses rather than break their "gosha."

Carpet-weavers.—A considerable proportion of these are completely without work, although certain of the more important men are still able to keep work going. Many of those out of work are looking pinched from want of food, and should receive the offer of aid on a reasonable basis *without delay*. Whether or not they were correctly informed, I cannot say, but these men believed they were offered for large sized carpets an amount of only As. 1–1 per day for division amongst those who worked. I verified the Adóni carpet rates, and the men agreed that this would be acceptable. I hold a list of 80 persons who agreed to accept these terms. I advice that work be offered them at once. A system of gratuitous relief should be organized for infirm labouring gosha females, and a relief kitchen should also afford relief to the numerous infirm beggars that throng the streets. Their state is such as to show, without doubt, that the limit of private charity has been reached.

Dhone.—Round this village there is wet cultivation under the Bugga ; there is also a certain amount of traffic with the railway. Hence the villagers cannot be said to feel the stress of prices heavily ; still, in instances where employment has not been regular, there is difficulty of procuring sufficient food. In the case of one family, I found emaciation and exhaustion.

Gosampalli.—This is a hamlet of Dhone. The labourers are entirely dependent upon work obtainable at Dhone, and as this is the case not only with the hamlet but also others, they are undoubtedly suffering from want of food. The children are in very poor condition. Thus, on assembling them for inspection, I found only 28 per cent. that could be said to be in good health, whilst 47 were in poor and 26 per cent. in bad health. The food here consists chiefly of cholum conjee diluted, so as to make the stomach feel full. The women here were also in a reduced condition—94 per cent. showing signs of poor feeding.

Kocheru.—No work is obtainable for labourers here, nor has there been any for the past two months. The following is the result of my inspection as to health state :—

—	In good health.	In poor health.	In bad health.
Men	49·1	33·3	17·5
Women	8·8	52·9	38·2
Children	..	..	12·1
Nursing mothers	25	50	25

Inspection from house to house of food available, showed that several had no food for the night meals at all, and that others were eating ground tamarind kernels, or "coolti" conjee without salt. The following amounts of food were ascertained by personal inspection :—

Charitala Hanamadoo.—Three adults, seven children—two seers of cholum daily ; night meal—conjee with plain salt.

Wuddah Dandagalu.—Three children, three adults—one seer cholum as conjee with salt.

Name (?).—Four children, four adults—one seer cholum as conjee.

Panjai Dustagir.—Three adults, two children—quarter seer cholum with salt.

Wuddah Lutchigadu.—Seven children, two adults—got one anna cooly to-day, bought less than one seer jowari for whole family ; have to go to bed to-night with nothing as they have eaten the seer bought in the morning.

Wuddah Madigadu.—Four adults, four children—in the morning kora conjee, one seer ; at night, tamarind seed ground up.

Wuddah Oosamiah.—Two adults, four children—gets two seers cholum daily ; in the evening eats tamarind seed.

Kumera Nagunah.—Six children, eight adults—one-and-a-half seers coolti conjee with salt.

Chintalpettal, Hamlet of Kocheru.—There is no employment for the labourers obtainable here. A living is attempted, by competing with surrounding villages in taking wood and grass to Dhone. In regard to wood the market is so overstocked by these efforts that frequently they can but procure one and quarter anna to one-and-a-half anna per head-load, the product of an evening and one day's work. The following results were procured on inspecting as to state of health :— .

—	In good health.	In poor health.	In bad health.
Men	44·2	48·8	7
Women	25	52·8	22·2
Children	30·8	46·2	23·1

About 50 persons have left this village with the object of seeking work elsewhere.

The people subsist chiefly on cholum conjee.

Eraguntla.—Here distress seems confined to a few families; the people show but slightly the effect of want. This is explained by their having had ballast work on the railway till recently. They, however, complain of the difficulty as to water-supply, as they have to cart all water over a distance of two miles, the tank being completely dry. There is an old well here that has not been in use in the memory of the oldest inhabitant, being dry. It, however, appears to me to have been fairly well situated for gathering of water and, doubtless, would not have been elaborately lined with masonry unless it had originally yielded water. A situation slightly beyond this on the same side of the line as the village was chosen by me for a well, before knowing that this old one existed. If funds are forthcoming, it would be desirable to attempt the digging of a well in the new position, using the old well lining; and if not, it ought to be at least regarded as essential that the old one be cleaned out at once.

Chinna Malkapuram.—The people of this village are absolutely without employment, and bear indubitable traces of starvation. The following was the condition of those assembled :—

—	In good health.	In poor health.	In bad health.
Men	51·1	34	14·9
Women	40·7	42·6	16·7
Children	42	48	10

Many houses in this little village are deserted. I hold a list of 31 persons who have left the village. There can be no doubt these people are in urgent want of help.

The well of the village is fast drying up. The silt should be removed, and the depth be increased.

Yeldurti.—Either in connection with agricultural operations in the immediate surroundings or in the Nandikotkur taluk, the people of this village have managed to within the last ten days to secure a fair amount of labour. There is now no possible source of labour open, and unless they secure relief works within the next fortnight, starvation must take place. Inspection of the houses of the labouring poor showed that already food obtainable is below what is sufficient. Thus, I found one case with 1¼ seers of cholum for three adults and nine children per day; the same amount for two adults and three children; ½ seer for six children and two adults; ½ seer for five children and three adults; ½ seer for two adults and four children and so forth. Here, as in the villages mentioned above, the food was taken not in the form of pudding, or what the people above really eat in these parts "roti" (cholum cakes), but in the form of conjee—a mere watery solution. The influence of want of food is so far but slightly shown in this village; but that the time to give aid has arrived there can be no doubt.

Within five miles of this village are the following :—

Madapuram.
Cherukalpaud.
Kosanapalle.
Ratnapalle.
Yaduralla.
Narsapuram.
Timmapuram.

Kesavapatnam.
Gudapalle.
Pickilivanipalle.
Bingidoddi.
Ramallakot.
Naralapuram.
Venkatapuram.

Bommireddipalli.
Togarchade.
Gokalpad.
Amakatad.
Allugundu.

All these places would willingly send up relief workers as stated by a deputation from certain of them.

Summary.—As my recommendations are somewhat scattered throughout the above notes, I would now re-state them as follows :—

(1) Aid to all weavers is essential and should be given in Kurnool, Pattikonda, Kodumur and Maddikera without delay. Equally it would seem to stand to reason that in almost all other parts of this district this class must now require help.

(2). That works be opened in the interests of Malliyala and Yapathinne, and if the information that other villages *en route* to Kodumur are also affected be true, the road between Malliyala and Kodumur should be opened up, and taking into account the state of the hill villages in the Ramallakot taluk near Kocheru, it would be advisable to open works on this road passing through Kocheru to the Pyápali road, so that by a combination of these works a new and useful route would be opened between Kodumur and Pyápali *viâ* Dhone. These roads would undoubtedly prove useful feeders to the railway.

(3) Villages in the isolated position of Chinna Malkapuram might be benefited, were it made known that work is available at Betamcherla and were sheds provided on the work.

(4) In the Kurnool town itself, relief for gosha women of the (*a*) labouring and (*b*) better classes, respectively, is essential; a relief kitchen for infirm beggars is also required.

(5) Within three weeks, it is probable that relief work will be necessary in the neighbourhood of Kurnool town.

(6) Relief circles should be formed in the area stretching from Pattikonda to Kodumur, and from there through the Ramallakot taluk in a line with Yeldurti up to Betamcherla in Nandyal, and thence so as to embrace the hilly area between the Cumbum-Pyápali high road.

(7) Within three weeks distress throughout this area *plus* part of Nandyal, Koilkuntla and Owk will become much aggravated and strenuous preparations should be made to meet requirements.

Order—No. 115, Revenue, dated 23rd February 1897.

Miscellaneous.

The recommendations of the Sanitary Commissioner summarized at the end of the report read above are approved.

2. The Government is of opinion that the time has now arrived for the organization of village relief by kitchens and poor-houses in the tract indicated in paragraph 6 of the summary and in the adjoining taluks of Alúr and Adóni in Bellary, and the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture, will take steps for the appointment of Circle Inspectors therein and will give effect to the other recommendations in the report. He will also take notice of the irregularities on Kodumur relief works brought to light by the Sanitary Commissioner and report his action to Government.

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3. The Sanitary Commissioner will be requested in future to send copy of his inspection notes to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture, or to forward them to Government through that officer so as to enable that officer to take, without any loss of time, such action as he can under the Code without reference to Government.

(True Extract.)

Ag. Secretary to Government.

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

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BOARD OF REVENUE (REV. SETT., L. RDS. AND AGRI.), 12TH FEB. 1897, No. 130.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

(REVENUE SETTLEMENT, LAND RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE).

READ—the following letter from C. J. WEIR, Esq., Collector of Ganjám, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, dated Chatrapur, 29th January 1897, No. 165-F:—

As it is apparent that the scarcity in this district is deepening into famine, I have the honour, as required by section 38 of the Famine Code, to submit an estimate of the funds particularized under the various heads as required.

2. Up to date no relief work has been opened in the district, as the test works which have been tried have failed to attract labour, and gratuitous relief has so far only been distributed in isolated cases.

The difficulty in the way of framing any estimates of the expenditure likely to be incurred is at this stage very great. I have therefore deferred doing so as long as I could, expecting developments which would enable me to make a more accurate forecast. The Accountant-General has, however, obtained from me, in answer to a very urgent call, an estimate of the extra expenditure due to famine. I feel therefore that I can no longer delay submitting estimates to Government. Funds, moreover, for meeting famine expenditure in the way of gratuitous relief and advances to weavers are immediately needed.

3. The statistics of the famine of 1888–89, all of which are available, are of course an obvious means of framing a forecast for the present year. The general opinion seems to be that the current season is about the same as 1888–89. Some hold it is worse and others better. After careful perusal of the reports relating to that year, it seems to me that the position is worse in some respects but better in others.

4. In 1888, there were fair rains in the end of October and beginning of November, which greatly relieved the situation and enabled the ryots to grow winter dry crops, and thus kept the labourers employed into the hot weather. This year has been absolutely rainless since the end of September, and it may be said now that there is hardly any standing crop of any kind anywhere and no work for the agricultural labourers.

In 1888–89, the Chicacole taluk and the Parlákimedi zemindari were safe, but this year there has been failure of crop more or less extensive throughout the district, and even in the taluks which have fared best, there has been a very large loss.

5. On the other hand, though the failure of crop is more extended, I do not think it has been, with perhaps the doubtful exception of Tekkali taluk, locally anywhere so severe as it was in some parts in 1888–89, *e.g.*, Goomsur, where this year there was an estimated 8 anna crop.

Moreover the three years which preceded the famine of 1888–89 were indifferent years; whereas the present scarcity comes on the top of three years of plenty in this district.

This, however, has had no effect in keeping down prices which are already almost as high as they ever went in 1889, and the position of the labourer is apparently no better as he has not benefited by sales of the surplus of preceding years. The ryots, *i.e.*, the land-holding class must, however, have, at the commencement of the scarcity, been, as a rule, better off than usual. They must therefore have a larger capacity for employing agricultural labour than in 1889, and will more likely utilize their labour more largely in the ensuing hot weather in such works as converting dry fields into rice fields, and if the monsoon is an early and copious one, they should be able to employ men more largely than in 1889 over cultivation.

6. In comparing the expenditure likely to be incurred in the ensuing year with that of 1888–89, it must be remembered that in the latter year relief operations were

not undertaken until the beginning of June, and were, no doubt, much too long postponed. In the present season, I think, relief, both on works and gratuitous, will have to be given on a considerable scale from the beginning of March, and as no food crop will come in until September, we must assume that relief will have to be continued up to September or October. This was the experience in the last famine. A good south-west monsoon would, of course, take large numbers away from the relief works, but the numbers on gratuitous relief would not be so largely affected.

7. I enclose two statements. Statement No. I is intended to show for each taluk the amount that would be required for providing relief works for the same number of persons who came on the works in 1889 for six months. It shows also the works which, I consider, could with advantage be undertaken as relief works and which would prove either directly remunerative to the State or of permanent advantage to the people. It will be observed that, except in the Principal Assistant Collector's division, the expenditure on these works would exceed considerably the amount spent in 1888–89. A selection from these works for execution would, of course, be made later on.

8. Statement No. II is framed on the census returns of labourers (agricultural and others) and the proportion of persons in each taluk estimated to require relief, the number of those which are likely to come on large relief works and the amount required to provide for them.

These estimates are based upon my personal inspection of the taluks during the months of November and December, and to some extent on the forecasts of Divisional and Taluk Officers.

I can only say for them that they are the best guesses of what may be required that I can make.

I expect, for the reasons given in the earlier part of this letter, that they will prove overestimates if the next monsoon is a good and early one.

Column 8 of the statement shows that the amount required for large relief works would be Rs. 3,62,000.

Except in the Principal Assistant Collector's division, all this amount could be provided by works under the Public Works Department. In that division nearly one lakh would have to be provided from other sources, mainly Local Funds.

9. The balance of the population, who would not come to large relief works, will have to be relieved by finding them labour in the neighbourhood of their villages on such works as minor irrigation, the digging of wells, and improving the water-supply and by gratuitous relief.

10. *Gratuitous Relief.*—From statement No. III, herewith enclosed, it will be seen that in 1889 the average number of persons on gratuitous relief was 45,810. The cost of relieving these at the rate of $1\frac{1}{3}$ anna per head for six months is Rs. 6,87,150. The actual cost incurred in 1889 was, however, Rs. 3,49,438. In 1889, relief works were not started systematically until June. This year if they are started early the need for gratuitous relief should never be as great as in that year, and I consider that an estimated expenditure of Rs. 3,00,000 under this head would be ample.

11. The amount, which can be provided for affording relief on works in the neighbourhood of villages, is limited by several considerations.

For minor irrigation works Rs. 34,000 are provided with reference to the estimates ready. Rs. 18,600, the expenditure on minor works specially intended for famine relief of the last famine, is repeated. Rs. 80,000 are provided for improvements to drinking-water supply. During the last famine Rs. 61,320 were spent under this head and the scarcity of water this season is much greater than then.

12. For advances to weavers and seed-grain advances, I would for the present repeat the figures of 1889. The Uriya ryots in this district are lazy and are therefore averse to well irrigation. In spite of the warnings of previous famines, they have not in the past taken advantage of the rules under the Loans Acts. I think Rs. 17,000 will suffice for loans, of which Rs. 6,000 are to be spent before the end of March next. These Rs. 6,000 have been sanctioned by the Board in its Proceedings (Revenue Settlement), Mis. No. 357, dated 16th January 1897. The balance required is therefore, only Rs. 11,000.

13. The following statement shows in one view the amounts spent in 1889 under the several heads of relief and the amounts I now anticipate may be needed for 1897:—

Description of Items.	Amount spent in the famine of 1889.	Amount now proposed for 1897.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4
I.—Large Works.	RS.	RS.	
Amount required for works under the Public Works Department.	1,49,952	2,62,246	The figures in column 2 are taken from Mr. Horsfall's report at pages 44 and 45 of G.O., No. 1026, Revenue, dated 19th December 1890.
Amount to be spent by Local Fund Boards	..	71,562	
Total ..	1,49,952	3,33,808	
II.—Other Minor Works.			
Amount to be placed at the Collector's disposal—			
For minor irrigation works or Civil Agency works	14,410	34,000	
Other minor works specially intended for famine relief ..	18,622	18,600	
Improvement of water-supply—tanks and wells, Local Fund.	61,320	80,000	
Miscellaneous	606	600	
Total ..	94,958	1,33,200	
III.—Advances.			
Land Improvement Loans Act	..	7,000	
Advances under Agriculturists' Loans Act—			
1. For purchase of seed-grain	96,660	96,600	
2. Other relief	..	4,000	
Advances to weavers	72,890	72,890	
Total ..	1,69,550	1,80,490	
IV.—Gratuitous relief	3,49,440	3,00,000	
Grand Total ..	7,63,900	9,47,498	

N.B.—It will be seen that it is proposed to spend Rs. 1,51,562 from Local Funds. Roughly speaking one lakh of this amount would have to be advanced by Government.

The total sum arrived at is, roughly speaking, $9\frac{1}{2}$ lakhs, or about 2 more lakhs than in 1889. The amount is large, and, I think, unless there is a failure of the next south-west monsoon, that these may be taken as outside figures; but at the same time I am not at present able to say any item is an overestimate.

A large demand for labour has sprung up at Cuttack for work on the Bengal-Nagpur line, on which liberal wages are given, and if I can succeed in inducing our coolies to emigrate there in large numbers, as I hope to do, the expenditure on relief of all kinds will be much diminished. The recruiters for tea estates in Assam and Cachar are now very active, and it is to be expected they will get large numbers to emigrate and this will further improve the situation. Early rains, especially if general over India, would probably cause surplus stocks now being held up, owing to a wide-spread idea that three years of famine are to be faced, to be bought out. Prices would, I think, drop sharply, and the situation would be much sooner relieved than in 1889, where relief had to be carried on extensively until October. So far the coolies resolutely refuse to come in for famine wages, and though there is no doubt they are in many places in need of work, it seems probable that for another month we will have very few on relief works.

14. I have not provided any relief works for the Parlákimedi estate. The Raja is ready to commence a large irrigation project at a cost of over three lakhs of rupees. This will afford ample work to the people of his estate and the surrounding parts, and I hope it will draw large numbers from Tekkali and Chicacole taluks and obviate the necessity of spending an unnecessary large amount there on Local Fund works. There will be no necessity for famine-relief works or gratuitous relief in the Agency Tracts. I have asked the Chairmen of the three Municipalities to state what works they would commence as relief works, if relief is found necessary within their Municipalities, and as all of them are without surplus funds, what amount of loans they require from Government. On receipt of their replies, I will separately address the Board on the subject.

Some of the richer zemindars and proprietors of this district, excluding Parlákimedi, have promised to spend about Rs. 35,850 on improving the irrigation works in their estates.

15. About the postponement of kists and remissions I will shortly address the Board.

16. For the extra establishment that may be required for famine duty, I will submit a separate application when the necessity arises.

Read—again telegram to the Collector of Gánjam, dated 4th February 1897, requesting him to submit revised estimates under heads quoted in B.P., No. 57 of 1897, for current and next official year separately.

Read—also the following letter from C. J. WEIR, Esq., Collector of Ganjám, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, dated Chatrapur, 6th February 1897, R.C. No. 375-F. :—

Referring to Board's telegram, dated 4th February 1897, I have the honour to submit herewith a revised estimate of famine-relief expenditure under the several heads mentioned in paragraph 6 of the India Government letter printed in B.P., No. 57, dated 25th January 1897. I enclose a copy of an estimate of famine expenditure I lately sent to the Accountant-General on an urgent call from him.

2. With reference to paragraph 5 of Resolution, Government of India (Finance and Commerce), I beg to point out that several of the relief works I propose are extensions of the Rushikulya canal system and the completion of the Lenada reservoir. The latter work would probably have been executed irrespective of famine at an early date, and probably should not therefore be shown under "Famine relief." The other extensions of the system I have proposed and which are not yet sanctioned are proposed in consequence of the impending scarcity to provide work which may yield a fair profit.

The construction too of the Kalikote-Boirani road and the Berhampur and Govindapur road are works approved of by Government before the occurrence of the present scarcity; but were it not for the necessity of providing relief, funds to the extent I have now proposed would not certainly have been allotted during the next year.

Enclosure No. 1.

Heads.	1896-97.	1897-98.	Total.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Salaries and establishments*	9,375	65,625	75,000
2. Relief works in charge of civil officers—			
(a) Communications	8,945	62,617	71,562
(b) Miscellaneous Public Improvements	12,400	86,800	99,200
(c) Irrigation	4,250	29,750	34,000
3. Relief works in charge of Public Works Department—			
(a) Communications	10,000	70,000	80,000
(b) Miscellaneous Public Improvements	7,781	54,465	62,246
(c) Irrigation	15,000	1,05,000	1,20,000
(d) Construction of Railways	..	..	..
4. Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief-work—weavers	9,111	63,779	72,890
5. Gratuitous relief—			
(a) Given in Government institutions	18,750	1,31,250	1,50,000
(b) ,, at the houses of the people	18,750	1,31,250	1,50,000
(c) ,, in other ways	..	..	..
6. Miscellaneous—			
(a) Advances under Loans Acts—			
1. Land Improvement Loans Act	..	7,000	..
2. Agriculturists' Loans Act—			
(i) Seed grains	..	96,000	1,07,600
(ii) Other relief	..	4,000	..
Total ..	1,14,362	9,08,136	10,22,498

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* This item was not shown in this office letter, No. 165, dated 31st January 1897.

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Enclosure No. 2.

Copy of Revised Estimate for 1896–97 sent to the Accountant-General.

33. Famine relief.	Salaries and establishment.	Relief works in charge of civil officers.		Relief works under Public Works supervision, but paid by civil paymasters.	Relief to people on other than relief works (weavers).	Gratuitous relief. Provincial.	
	Provincial.	Provincial.	Local.	Provincial.	Provincial.	In Government institutions.	In other ways.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
..	9,375	(a) 5,400	18,945	32,781	9,111	37,500	..

Nothing has as yet been sanctioned by Government for expenditure on account of famine in the current year 1896–97. The amounts entered above are estimated to be required up to end of April 1897. No contribution is necessary from Provincial Funds to Local Funds in the current year. The District Board out of its balance sanctioned Rs. 26,000 in December last for expenditure in the current year on additional works and for drinking water-supply on account of the scarcity. There is no information ready in this office as to how much of this has been spent up to date. It has to be obtained from the Local Fund Engineer and Presidents, Taluk Boards.

Enclosure No. 3.

Copy of Budget Estimate for 1897–98 sent to the Accountant-General.

33. Famine relief.	Salaries and establishment.	Relief works in charge of Civil officers.		Relief works under Public Works supervision, but paid by civil paymasters.	Relief to people on other than relief works (weavers).	Gratuitous relief. Provincial.	
	Provincial.	Provincial.	Local.	Provincial.	Provincial.	In Government institutions.	In other ways.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
..	65,625	(b) 37,800	1,32,617	2,29,465	63,779	2,62,500	..

The above amounts are estimated to be required for famine expenditure from April to October 1897. Out of Rupees 1,32,617 entered in column 4 rupees one lakh may probably have to be contributed to the District Board by Government. In addition to the amounts given above, the following advances will have to be given under Loans Acts.

Agriculturists' Loans Act—

	RS.
For purchase of seed grain	96,600
For relief	4,000
Land Improvement Loans Act	7,000
Total ..	1,07,600

(a) and (b) These figures have been raised to Rs. 6,650 and Rs. 46,550 in the estimate sent to Board.

Resolution—dated 12th February 1897, No. 130.

The estimates submitted by the Collector of Ganjám under section 38 of the Famine Code will be submitted for the information and orders of Government.

2. The Collector has framed his estimates on the experience of 1889; for, although in some ways he regards the situation as more favourable than in that year, in other respects, especially as to the range of prices, it is undoubtedly worse. The Board considers that the Collector's forecast is unduly gloomy, and that, if adequate measures of relief are taken in time, and relief be administered ungrudgingly, there should, unless the next south-west monsoon rains fail, or are unduly delayed, be no necessity for continuing relief measures beyond July. In 1889, relief had to be continued much longer, because it was not given early enough. The same reason necessitated the large amount of gratuitous relief that was given.

3. In the current year, the loss of crop has probably been more extensive than it was in 1888-89; but against this is the fact that the district has recently had a series of good seasons, and that of late years large sums of public money have been expended in it; whilst a rise in prices was inevitable as soon as the full effect of the opening of the East Coast Railway had been felt.

4. The Collector's estimate, based on the number of persons of different classes as shown in the village census tables, is, the Board fears, not of any value, owing to doubts as to the classification adopted in the latter. Still it may be accepted that, as the Collector estimates, from one-eighth to one-fourth of the agricultural and other labourers of the district will need relief for six months. The total number thus arrived at is 64,414—half for three months and half for six. The numbers taken by the Collector for the purpose of calculation, however, include all dependants of the classes mentioned. The Collector shows that ample works are ready to provide for the numbers he expects will need relief on works, and the completion of the Rushikulya Project and the preparation of broken ballast for the use of the East Coast Railway, as well as the execution of ordinary public works, will suffice. The total estimates of the Collector for relief on works are—

	1896-97.	1897-98.
	RS.	RS.
Under Civil Officers	25,595	1,79,167
„ Public Works Department	32,781	2,29,465

The Board does not anticipate that relief on works will be required for more than four months, unless the south-west monsoon fails, and probably an estimate of 25,000 persons per diem, or say 3 lakhs in all, will suffice; of this, not more than 0·5 lakh is likely to be required this year.

5. As to gratuitous relief, for reasons already stated, the Board considers the Collector's estimate excessive, and it will suffice to make provision for a daily average of 10,000 persons for four months. At the Collector's rate this would require 1·50 lakhs, and this should be enough.

6. Funds required for carrying on operations for the relief of weavers have, under G.O., No. 30, Revenue, dated 15th January 1897, to be classed under sub-head "4. Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief works," and should not, the Board considers, be treated as advances to weavers, as they formerly were, but in this respect the Accountant-General will be requested to issue clear instructions appropriate to the case. The sum required in Ganjám may be put at 0·75 lakh, of which Rs. 10,000, not Rs. 20,000 as stated in B.P., dated 26th January 1897, No. 75, will be required this year.

7. The requirements in the way of loans will be separately dealt with, and the Collector's provision for special establishments may be accepted. The total estimate, as revised by the Board, therefore works out as follows:—

Heads.	1896-97.	1897-98.
	RS.	RS.
1. Salaries and establishments	9,400	65,600
2. Relief works in charge of civil officers	50,000	2,50,000
3. „ „ Public Works Department...		
4. Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief works	10,000	65,000
5. Gratuitous relief	30,000	1,20,000
6. Miscellaneous	...	...
Total ...	99,400	5,00,600

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAR,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
„ Collector of Ganjám.
„ Accountant-General.

Exd. Shaik Kasim.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

1897.

Board of Revenue

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records
and Agriculture),

MADRAS.

Printed February 19th.

Proceedings, 12*th Feb.* 1897, *No.* 130.

Relief charges.—Submitting to Government application from the Collector for funds for — in the Ganjám district.

1897
Finl Dept
No. 1
725

F/16 2,000—26-1-07.

CURRENT NO 7257

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Copy attached.

Read Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, &) dated 12th February 1897, No. 130 Press.

B

Order thereon, No. 1127 Mis. d/25th February 1897.

Recorded with reference to para 2 of Financial G. O. No. 164 dated 18th February 1897.

(True Extract)

Ag: Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, &c)

To the Financial Department.

To the Accountant General.

Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 742

From
The Revenue Department.

Order

No. 1148 Mis.

Dated 26th February 1897
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SUBJECT.

Recording Board's Proceedings Communicating to Collectors letters from the Accountant-General regarding the Classification of Expenditure on account of Relief Charges.

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8/11/97

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

Board of Revenue (Rev. Sett., L. Rds. and Agri.), 12th Feb. 1897, No. 128.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture).

Read—again Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (R.S., L.R. and Agri.), dated 29th January 1897, No. 736.

Abstract.—Forwarding to the Accountant-General returns of famine expenditure in Form N for December 1896.

Read—the following letter from F. C. HARRISON, Esq., Officiating Accountant-General, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, dated 8th February 1897, No. 436 :—

In returning herewith the statements of audited famine expenditure and advances received with Board's Proceedings, dated 29th January 1897, Mis. No. 736, I have the honour to observe that the detailed heads prescribed by the Government of India in its Resolution, No. 5299-A., dated 16th December 1896, should have been adopted by the Collectors of Bellary, Anantapur and Kurnool in the preparation of the statement of expenditure (Form N) instead of those given in the Famine Code.

I would also point out that, under recent orders from the Comptroller-General, all advances drawn for famine-relief expenditure are to be shown under one or other of the heads under "33. Famine Relief" and not as "Advances." Under this arrangement, the distinction between audited and unaudited expenditure must drop and statement Form N of Appendix II to the Famine Code should show details of the amounts drawn from the Treasury, and not details of audited expenditure only, as prescribed in section 47 (11) of the code. In the objection books of my office, however, the amounts drawn will be held under objection until they are properly accounted for or until the amounts are adjusted.

Further, for the statements to be capable of check in my office, they must be for the financial month, and the figures in them should agree with the debits in the Treasury accounts.

In this connection, I would observe that advances to weavers and for seed-grain, which under the instructions from the Comptroller-General above referred to are required to be debited to the head "Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief work" (*vide* my Circular No. IV of 28th January 1897, a copy of which is enclosed) will be finally removed from my objection books only on credits appearing in the Treasury accounts on account of the sale-proceeds of the articles taken over from the weavers, or of recoveries that may be effected from them in cash. The expenditure out of such advances, viz., purchase of raw materials, wages, cost of contingencies and establishments should be shown by Collectors in the accounts maintained by them for the record of the different stages of the expenditure, but are not taken into account by my office and should not be shown as credits in the statement of advances appended to Form N.

In the statement of advances submitted by the Collector of Bellary, a credit of Rs. 6,438-3-10 is shown under "Advances to weavers." This is incorrect, as from the bills received the expenditure appears to be of the nature referred to in the above paragraph, and does not represent any realization of cash.

The Collectors concerned should be required to submit without delay revised statements prepared in the light of the above remarks.

Enclosure.

From F. C. HARRISON, Esq., Officiating Accountant-General, Madras, to all Collectors and Treasury Officers, dated Fort St. George, 28th January 1897, Circular No. IV.

I have the honour to invite your attention to sections 182 and 183 of the revised Madras Famine Code which lays down the rules for the accounting of famine expenditure.

2. Following the classification recently prescribed by the Government of India (in its Resolution No. 5299-A, Financial, dated 16th December 1896), the expenditure should be recorded under one or other of the heads detailed in the margin, which should be opened in manuscript, whenever necessary, in the Treasury account forms.

1. Salaries and Establishments—
   - Salaries.
   - Establishments.
   - Travelling allowance and Tentage of officers.
   - Travelling allowance of establishment.
   - Contingencies.
2. Relief works in charge of Civil officers—
   - Communications.
   - Miscellaneous Public Improvements.
   - Irrigation.
3. Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief work.
4. Gratuitous relief—
   - Given in Government institutions.
   - ,, at the houses of the people.
   - ,, in other ways.
5. Miscellaneous—
   - Irrecoverable items written off.
   - Other items.

3. The salaries and travelling allowances of officers and establishments specially entertained in the Civil department for famine duty, either with the previous sanction of Government or in anticipation of such sanction, should be drawn on bills in proper form and debited under the head "Salaries and establishments." No payments on this account should be included under the head "Relief works in charge of Civil officers" or under any of the other heads. The cost of "petty establishments"—such as menial servants employed in relief camps and kitchens, and petty accountants appointed to keep accounts of stores, &c.—should, however, not be debited to "salaries and establishments" but to "gratuitous relief" or "relief works" as the case may be.

4. Charges indirectly due to famine, such as those specified in the margin, are debitable to the departments concerned, and not to 33. Famine relief." But Public Works expenditure which is controlled and managed under the conditions applicable to famine relief works should be charged to "33. Famine relief," whether or not the work is one which would, at sometime or other, have to be undertaken irrespective of famine. In this connection it will be observed that all expenditure chargeable to "famine relief" which is incurred under the control and management of officers of the Public Works Department should be brought to account directly on the books of that department.

1. Compensation to Government servants for dearness of provisions.
2. Extra travelling allowances to Police, Medical or other officers.
3. Pay of additional Medical officers.
4. Extra hospital accommodation.
5. Public works undertaken in consequence of the occurrence of famine, but not directly for the employment of famine-stricken people and not therefore treated as relief works. In this case any expenditure in excess of normal rates due to the employment for relief purposes of unskilled and unprofitable labour will be transferred to "famine relief."

5. It should be specially noted that all expenditure for famine relief should appear under that head in the accounts of the month in which the expenditure is actually incurred. If the expenditure cannot be classified at once under proper detailed heads, it should be shown in a lump sum under one of the heads specified in the margin against paragraph 2 *supra*, and the necessary transfers between that head and the correct heads, effected subsequently. No amounts withdrawn from the Treasury for expenditure on famine relief should be taken to the debt head "famine advance account." All advances drawn for the purpose should at once be shown under one or other of the minor heads under "33. Famine relief." These instructions supersede those contained in sections 182 *ad finem* and 183 of the Famine Code.

6. Under the above arrangement, therefore, advances for relief operations will be debited at once to one of the detailed heads under "gratuitons relief" in the Treasury accounts. The payments will subsequently be adjusted, if necessary, to the debit of the proper minor and detailed heads on the submission by Collectors of bills (with necessary sub-vouchers) in Form 3, Appendix VIII of the Famine Code, accompanied by statements in Forms 4 and 5 and an alteration memorandum proposing the necessary transfer to the proper heads. In the statements (Form 3) the heads given in items 2 to 5 against paragraph 2 *supra* should be adopted in lieu of those in Bill Form 3 of the Famine Code.

7. Advances to weavers as well as those for seed-grain should be debited to the head "Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief work" under the head "33. Famine relief." These payments, when not ultimately written off, will be adjusted by recoveries in cash or by the sale-proceeds of the articles. Cash recoveries and sale-proceeds should be credited in the Treasury accounts to the head "Recoveries of service payments" under "Suspense accounts." Irrecoverable sums will only be written off the accounts on the sanction of Government.

8. The debits on account of advances for relief operations as well as those to weavers or for seed-grain should be supported by the receipts of the Government officers or of the private individuals to whom the payments were made. The transactions in connection with the two latter advances should be shown separately in the + and — memorandum appended to the Treasury accounts, with a view to the balances being watched.

9. The Government of India has ruled in its Resolution No. 5300-A, dated 16th December 1896, that advances to village headmen or landholders for digging tanks or for other village improvements should be recorded as famine relief expenditure, as the money is given not so much for the improvement of land, as for the employment of labour. After the famine relief operations are over and the accounts are made up, the amount to be recovered from the landholders, &c., will be settled by the Local Government. The amount so settled will then be taken to the debit of "advances recoverable" by deduction from famine relief expenditure in the accounts, and this debit will be cleared by credit of the recoveries effected. These payments should be made on the simple receipts of the persons concerned and upon them the sanction of Government should be quoted. These payments should be debited in the accounts to the detailed head specified in paragraph 7 above.

10. In addition to the submission of the bills referred to in paragraph 6 in adjustment of the amounts drawn, Collectors should forward to the Board of Revenue, for transmission to this office, monthly statements of audited expenditure and of the amounts drawn in advance for such expenditure in Form N, Appendix II of the Famine Code, the revised minor and detailed heads being adopted in the preparation of the statement of expenditure.

Read—also the following letter from F. C. HARRISON, Esq., Offg. Accountant-General, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), dated Fort St. George, 8th February 1897, No. 324-L.F.I.-A.:—

With reference to paragraph 2 of your Proceedings, dated the 25th January 1897, No. 57, Press, I have the honour to state that expenditure upon works by Local Funds undertaken in times of distress can be of the following classes. I note against each the appropriate classification in accounts. The same principle will be applied to the classification of similar expenditure when incurred in the Civil and Public Works Departments.

	Classification approved by the Comptroller-General.
(*a*) Expenditure already budgeted for and in course of execution to which the conditions ruling in the case of test works are not applied.	45. Civil works or the ordinary head applicable.
(*b*) Expenditure as above to which the conditions of test works are applied (*cf.* section 17 and second paragraph of section 57, Madras Famine Code).	As above up to application of test conditions. Afterwards 33—Famine relief.
(*c*) Expenditure already budgeted for, but expanded beyond contemplated limits—	
(i) under ordinary conditions;	45. Civil works or the ordinary head applicable.
(ii) under test-work conditions.	33. Famine relief.
(*d*) Expenditure not budgeted for but undertaken in consequence of famine, but not directly for the employment of famine-stricken people (*e.g.*, expenditure similar to that alluded to in paragraph 5-I., Government of India, No. 5299-A, Financial, dated the 16th December 1896). By this class, I understand any expenditure indirectly averting or alleviating distress, but not necessarily carried out by famine workers, and to which test work conditions are not applied.	45. Civil works or the ordinary head applicable.

	Classification approved by the Comptroller-General.
(e) Expenditure as above to which test-work conditions are eventually applied.	33 Famine relief so soon as test work conditions are applied.
(f) Expenditure not budgeted for, but started as test works and eventually— (i) dropped as no famine occurs, or ; (ii) converted into relief works.	33. Famine relief.
(g) Expenditure started *ab initio* as relief works.	33. Famine relief.

2. The question raised in paragraph 3 of the Proceedings under reference will be replied to separately.

RESOLUTION—dated 12th February 1897, No. 128.

Communicated to Collectors for information and guidance.

2. Collectors of affected districts are requested to submit revised N statements, prepared as directed in the Accountant-General's letter, No. 436, dated 8th current, at a very early date.

3. The instructions given in the Accountant-General's letter, No. 324, dated 8th idem, should be carefully observed. A special reference has been made to the Accountant-General regarding the proper manner of dealing with charges incurred on the relief of weavers at work in their own trade.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAR,
Secretary.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) P. GOVINDA MENON,
Second Assistant.

To all Collectors.
Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
" " Accountant-General.

Ex: Shaik Karim.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

1897.

Board of Revenue

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture),

MADRAS.

Printed February 24th.

Proceedings, 12*th Feb.* 1897, *No.* 128.

Relief charges.—Communicating to Collectors letters from the Accountant-General regarding the classification of expenditure on account of —.

1897
Fund Dept.
Enclo. No. 1
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$\frac{F}{16}$ 2,000—26-1-97.

CURRENT No. 742

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read Proceedings* of the Board of Revenue, Revenue Settlement etc, dated 12th February 1897 No: 128 Press.

* Copy attached

Order thereon, of 26th Feby 1897, No. 1148 Mis.

Recorded.

(True Extract)

Lionel Davidson
Under Secretary to Govt.

To The Board of Revenue, Rev. Sett.
" Financial Dept.
" Local & Mun. Dept.
" P.W. Dept.

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1,000—25-11-96.

Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 651

Telegram
From The Collector Kurnool

Order

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No.

Dated 24
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SUBJECT.

Stating that the information regarding famine account has not yet been received from the Executive Engineer.

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CURRENT No 651

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To (Office) Madras. From (Office) Kurnool

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To (Person) Madras. From (Person) Collector

CHIEF SECRETARY
25 FEB. 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Your telegrams 91 and 113 information not yet received from Executive Engineer notwithstanding three references hence delayed

MADRAS 24-2-97

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Telegram

Collector Kurnool -

12/ Famine estimates. Figures order 164 adopted - Wire alterations -

AK 25/2/97

AG 25/2/97

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300—?—96.

Financial Department.

C. No.

TELEPHONE MESSAGE.

From

Chief Secy

CHIEF SECRETARIAT,

To

Secy to Govt - P.W.D.

Dated 25th Feby 1897.

In para 25 of G.O. No 125 I dd 9th Feby 1897, a sum of Rs 1,68,000 is set down against ~~[illegible]~~ I Circle as required for Famine relief works next year. In statements forwarded to the Acctt Genl, the Collector Ganjam asks for 85,000 & Vizagapatam x nil; while Anantapur enters 25,000 & Nellore Nect 1000 - ~~Need any addition~~ Please say if any ~~addition~~ alteration is required to your ~~be made to the total of~~ total provision of 193000 in ~~the~~ G.O. ~~1,31,000~~ no 125.

Who has not consulted Superintending Engineer enters ?

x ~~including Cuddapah Kurnool & Bellary~~

Ganjam asks 5000 this year & 45,000 next year for construction of Railways - Should this stand - vide Section 10 of the Famine Code

AG 25/2/97

AK 25/2/97

[F./28]
1,600—25-11-96.

Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 673

Telegram
From Collector, Nandyal.

Order

No.

Dated 28-2-97

Received 28-2-97
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Registered 1-3-97.

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SUBJECT.

Stating that no alterations are necessary in the famine estimate so far as available information goes and that no reply has yet been received from the Executive Engineer.

BACK PAPERS.

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To (Person) Madras			From (Person) Collector	

Your telegram 121 So far information available no alterations necessary no reply yet received from executive engineer

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1,000—25-11-96.

Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 675

From Telephonic message.
The Under Secy. to Govt.
P.W.D. Irrigation Branch

Order

No.

Dated 27—2-97
Received 27-2-97
Dt. for Registry 1—3-97
Registered 1—3-97.
Enclosures
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SUBJECT.

Stating that so far as information is now available no alteration is required to the total provision of R. 193000 for expenditure next year on Irrigation Works under 33 Famine Relief.

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To (Person) The Chief Secy to Govt.	From (Person) The Under Secy to Govt. P.W.D. Irrigation Branch

Your telephone message 25th instant.

So far as information is now available in this office no alteration is required to the total provision of Rs 1,93,000 for expenditure next year on Irrigation works under 33 Famine relief.

G.T.
27/2/97

1/3/97

Note. The difference (1.93 - 1.31 = .62) will have to be made up by distribution of the recurring provision under famine. This has been done in the draft order now issued. Rev.
1/3/97

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1,000—15-11-95.

Finl DEPARTMENT.

V.E

Papers to be read in proceedings :—

Again G.O., dated 18th Feby 1897, No. 162 Finl.
Again G.O., dated 26th Feby 1897, No. 188 "
Current No. 673 of 1897, dated , ~~from~~ Telegram from Collector Kurnool
" " 675 " 1897, " , " Telephone from P.W.D.-
" " " 189 , " , "

Famine Bombay

C.S.
mis.

ORDER.

The following telegram will be despatched to the Govt of India, Fin & Com. dept.

Urgent.

"Famine estimates: no alteration needed in totals specified in my letter 26th ultimo."

A.C.
1/3/97

It is not necessary — we are to wire only if there are alterations —
1/3/97

Note.

India asked for a telegram on the 1st March; the draft G.O. communicating the figures finally adopted is with Pres. 1/3/97. But please see A. A telegram is only asked for if there are any xxx

xxx alterations. It is submitted that it is therefore unnecessary

AK. 1-3-97

FROM ORDERS.

C. S.

[F. / 23]
1,000—25-11-96.

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Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 721

From Telegram G of I, Finance Dept.

~~Order~~
Telegram No. 161
d 8-3-97.
(written)

V.E

No.

Dated 2-3-97.

Received 2-3-97
Sd for regr 4-3-97

Registered 4-3-97.

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SUBJECT.

Requesting to telegraph famine relief expenditure figures asked for in Govt of India's letter No. 550 d 2-2-97

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INDIAN TELEGRAPH.

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To (Person): Madras Adyar	From (Person): Finance

F.D. 3.

My letter 550
of 2nd February
please telegraph
figures famine
relief expenditure
they are urgently
wanted

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Financial DEPARTMENT.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT, MADRAS.

ACCOUNTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
4 MAR 97
MADRAS

Very urgent.

Memorandum No. 538

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READ the following extract from a ~~paper~~:—

Telegram from the Govt of India, Fin & Com. dept:—
dated 2nd March 1897—

Your letter 165 of 18th February: please telegraph estimated famine expenditure this year and next in each district and estimated closing balance of each district fund where famine relief is being incurred.

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The Accountant General is requested to be so good as to favour Government with the information asked for by the Govt of India, as early as possible— The statement forwarded by the Accountant General with his letter No. 657 of the 25th February was despatched to the Govt of India on the 26th idem—

Fort St. George }
4th March 1897 }

A. R. Knapp
Ag Assistant Secretary—

To the Accountant General—
to be kindly returned with reply }

R.G. 49 — 96 97
Lr/ 538 5.8.97

Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 755

CHIEF SECRETARY
5. MAR. 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Order

From
The Accountant General
to the Govt of Madras

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No. 742

Dated 5th March 97

Received 6 P.M. 5-3-97
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SUBJECT.

Stating that he has no later information re-Famine expenditure which will be incurred during the current and ensuing years and enquiring if ~~the~~ Government will accept the figures as given in the enclosed Statement showing the approximate closing balances of Local-Funds under Act V of 1884 of the affected ~~district~~ districts

BACK PAPERS.

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CURRENT No. 7557

Budget DEPARTMENT.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
Accountant-General's Office,
5th March 1897.

No. 742

From
F. C. Harrison Esqre.,
Offg. ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To
THE Chief Secretary to Government,
Financial Department.

SIR,

With reference to your Official memorandum No. 538 dated the 4th March 1897, I have the honour to state that I have no later information regarding the expenditure which will probably be incurred on account of Famine in the current and ensuing years than what has been already furnished to Government with my letter No. 651 dated 25th February 1897.

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2 As regards the estimated closing balances of each affected district, I beg to refer you to statement marked D forwarded with my letter No 453 dated 9th February 1897. | fo 164-5 / 18/2/97

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As the Districts of Anantapur and Vizagapatam were not therein shown, I herewith forward another including the figures for these districts, and request you will inform me whether Government accepts these figures. I make this enquiry as in Government Order No 419 L dated 1st March '97 it is stated that the remodelling of the Local Fund Estimates of the affected districts as requested in paragraph 5 of my letter No 532 dated 16th February '97 will be considered in dealing with the estimates concerned.

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I have the honour to be
Sir,
Your most obedt Servant,

J Marsh
Offg Accountant General

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(189) DEPARTMENT.

From

THE ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL,

MADRAS,

To

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No.

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No.

Subject.

Cor.—5,000—4-6-96.

Statement showing approximate closing balances of Local Funds under Act V of 1884 of affected distr

Districts	Balance on 1st April 1896 ⊗	Receipts 1896-97	Charges 1896-97	Balance + Receipts − Charges	Estimated Closing Balance	Estimate of working balance	Contribution from Provincial to Local	Contribution from Local to Provincial	Balance on 1st April 1897	Receipts 1897-98	Charges 1897-98	Balance + Receipts − Charges	Estimated Closing Balance	Estimate of Working Balance	Contribution from Provincial to Local	C L P
Ganjam	55848	322850 319540	300590 297420	22260 + 22120	52108 52968	50000	"	26000 25000	52108 52968	291020 291020	280120 280600	10900 + 10420	50008 63388	50000	"	13
Vizagapatam	46632	345160 345158	364970 351934	−19810 − 6776	40822 39856	40000	"	"	40822 39856	352490 352487	333520 333520	18970 + 18967	41792 58823	40000	"	18
Kurnool	48840	a 140270 140270	b 194400 225400	−54130 − 85130	40710 43710	40000	46000 80000	"	40710 43710	c 196030 196030	d 179530 229530	16500 33500	40210 10210	40000	" 30000	17
Bellary	26576	283180 283180	282260 362260	920 − 79080	30496 27496	30000	3000 80000	"	30496 27496	223800 223800	217180 217280	6620 + 6520	30116 34016	30000	"	8
Anantapur	21386	87970 87970	140970 140970	−53000 − 53000	20386 − ~~31614~~ + 18386	20000	52000 50000	"	+20386 − 31614 + 18386	123970 123970	127570 127570	−3600 − 3600	20786 ~~35214~~ 14786	20000	5000 ~~55000~~	
Cuddapah	37221	247330 243800	246960 238968	370 + 4832	40891 42053	40000	3000 "	"	40891 42053	243440 243440	225570 205570	17870 + 37870	41761 79923	40000	"	17 42
							2·10	1·25			20 Famine [illegible]				·35 For Local	18

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Figures corrected by the A.G.'s office as error having [illegible]

Pencil figures of Audit by L.C.M.

⊗ Includes value of L.F. Engrs Cheques not Cashed.

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a Excludes a grant of Rs 25000 taken credit for from Provl funds
b " expenditure " on famine relief works — amount not yet reported.
c " a grant. Rs 50000 taken credit for from Provl funds
d " expenditure " on famine relief works. — but there is [illegible] from Local [illegible]

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	Expenditure incurred from L. Fds on famine relief works up to the end of July/97	Amount to be transferred therefrom to the Provincial Budget
Ganjam, Viz. God. Kur.	Nil	Nil
Cuddapah	22584	10566
Anantapur	5669	3505
Bellary.	48742	"

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Cor.- Finl Dept.
clos. No 751
To
No. 755

Hon: Mr Bliss. C.I.E

Financial Dept.

C. Nos 720, 721, 755

V. E.

For orders

Famine estimates

India wires for information as to the estimated closing balance under Local Funds in each of the affected districts and intimates that it is not disposed to exempt Local Funds from all share in Famine relief expenditure.

The Acct. Genl's estim are shown in Statemen the L. F.

trict Boards. The main
ariations occur in the
harges estimated in
Bellary and Kurnool
where the Acctt Genl
has added (Bellary) ·80 for the
current year and ·50 (Kurnool)
for next year, Apparently
for Public Works expenditure.

· ~~Submitted that the~~
Acctt Genls' estimates of
Opening balances, 1896-97
nd of receipts and Charges
for both years may be
ccepted as shown in
tatement flagged B, but
t the contributions
een Provl and Local
— nominal reserve.

India is sure to object to very large Provincial contributions, while there are balances available under Local.

N.B.
The latest date for telegraphing alterations about the estimates is the 9th March.

There is apparently n
~~reason~~ advantage in
adopting such high
figures for working balance
as the Acctt Genl has
taken, as all Local Fund
disbursements are made
from the General treasury
and all Local deficits are
made good from Provl
revenues.

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~~Submitted therefore~~
~~that the~~ following telegram
be despatched

To

The Govt of India
Finance & Commerce Dept

No 161, Yours second; no
alterations famine
estimates report

jam 78

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urnool Minus 36

ellary Minus 53

Anantapur Minus 32

Cuddapah 42

Net-Contributions Provl

to Local 35 which may } to leave working balance

be met from provision

already made under ~~[illegible]~~ Famine

Relief. Closing balance

next year including

above contribution

Ganjam 28

Vizagapatam 34

Kurnool Minus 19

Bellary 14

Anantapur 4

Cuddapah 50

Net-Contributions Local

Provl 20

ntribution to

Post copy of telegram despd to the A.G.

Finance & Commerce Dept

As supposed. Adjustm

Simply postponed Par

7 to 9 order 133 of 8th

February

A.C. 7/3/97

A.K. 8/3/97

Anyway we can't go

nearer for the present

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The principle upon which the net working balances under Local Funds ~~[illegible]~~ have been worked out had been to where the closing balance is short to make recovery to Provl and where it is not to make contribution from Provl. so as in either case to show a small working balance. The figures as to recovery & contribution are practically fancy. I do not see however how they can be otherwise

LD

8/3/97

Local Funds (Act V of 1884)	Ganjam	Vizagapatam	Kurnool	Bellary	Anantapur	Cuddapah	Total	Remarks
Opening Balance	⊗ .56	.47	.49	.26	.21	.37	2.36	⊗ This is all Provincial money which was advanced during the last Scarcity of 1891-93 and the recovery of which was waived last year. It may therefore be fairly resumed now
1896-97								
Receipts	3.19	3.45	1.40	2.83	.88	2.44	14.19	
Charges	2.97	3.52	2.25	3.62	1.41	2.39	16.16	
Surplus or deficit	+.22	−.07	−.85	−.79	−.53	+.05	−1.97	☒ Of this amount .50 has already been advanced for roads but utilized for famine works
Closing balance	.78	.40	−.36	−.53	−.32	.42	.39	
Contribution from Provl to Local.	"	"	.50	☒ .60	.40	"	1.50	Net contributions from Provl to Local. .35
Contribution from Local to Provl	.60	.25	"	"	"	.30	1.15.	
Net working balance under Local Funds	.18	.15	.14	.07	.08	.12	.74	
1897-98								
Receipts	2.91	3.52	1.96	2.24	1.24	2.43	14.30	
Charges	2.81	3.33	2.29	2.17	1.28	2.05	13.93	
Surplus or deficit	+.10	+.19	−.33	+.07	−.04	+.38	+ 37	
Closing balance	.28	.34	−.19	.14	.04	.50	1.11	
ntribution from Provl to Local	"	"	.30	"	.05	"	.35	Net contributions from Local to Provl .20
ribution from Local to Provl "	.10	.15	"	"	"	.30	.55	
[illegible] Local Funds	.18	.10	.11	.14	.09	.20	.91	

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SUBJECT.

Famine Expenditure:

Transferring to the Financial Department the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue submitting the revised Estimates of --- in the Ganjam District.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

1897.

Board of Revenue

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture),

MADRAS.

Printed March th.

Proceedings, 4th March 1897, No. 186.

MARCH.

Relief charges.—Submitting to Government revised estimates of — in Ganjám for 1896-97 and 1897-98.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

(REVENUE SETTLEMENT, LAND RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE).

READ—the following letter from H. D. TAYLOR, Esq., Acting Collector of Ganjám, to the Accountant-General, dated Camp Aska, 24th February 1897, Ref. on No. 375-F.:—

As directed in Government telegram No. 91, dated 13th February 1897, I have the honour to forward herewith a revised famine forecast for this district prepared in accordance with the instructions contained in G.O., No. 750, Revenue, dated 26th December 1896, in G.Os., No. 133, dated 8th February 1897, Financial, and No. 164, dated 18th February 1897, Financial. The last two orders were only received in this office on 21st and 23rd instants respectively.

Endorsement by H. D. TAYLOR, Esq., Acting Collector of Ganjám, dated 24th February 1897, Ref. on No. 375-F.

Copy submitted to the Board of Revenue (R.S., L.R. and Agri.) in continuation of this office letter, No. 375-F., dated 6th February 1897.

2. The reduction, in the present estimate as compared with the last, amounts to about 2½ lakhs of rupees. It is, however, exceedingly difficult to frame an accurate forecast of probable requirements, and figures furnished to me by the Executive Engineer are unreliable as they are admittedly based purely on the famine programme.

3. Mr. Weir's estimate was carefully prepared with reference to the actuals of 1889, and having reference to the state of the prices then and now, it is not safe to say that the expenditure, as then forecasted, was improbable.

4. The recent rains have somewhat improved matters in the district and hence the figure for the current year has been considerably reduced. I have included under current "Irrigation" an item of Rs. 12,000 which the Executive Engineer desires to expend in the *ordinary way* on the Suradá dam in order to retain his labour until April next. As separately * reported the work is of a special nature and merits special consideration. The work now going on is unsuited in its nature for a relief work; if converted into such, there is no probability of coolies coming forward under the condition of chapter VII of the Famine Code. If then the funds cannot be specially sanctioned for this work as an ordinary work, the item may be omitted from the forecast for the current year.

5. I have consulted the Superintending Engineer by letter and the Executive Engineer in person, but neither is able to give any definite forecast of probable expenditure otherwise than with reference to the District Famine programme.

It is possible, and I trust events will prove, that the figures entered by me may be an over-estimate, but on the other hand, while I do not wish to adopt any alarmist view, I consider that it would not be safe to place even on probable requirements at a lower figure. April and May are the crucial test, as then only can any accurate forecast of expenditure be made.

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* *Vide* this office letter, dated 23rd February 1897, R.C. No. 402-F.

ENCLOSURE.

FORECAST of Famine expenditure in Ganjám in the year 1897.

Heads.	1896-97.	1897-98.	Total.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Salaries and establishments	1,000	49,000	50,000
2. Relief works in charge of Civil officers—			
(a) Communications			
(b) Miscellaneous public improvements	..	..	..
(c) Irrigation	2,000	78,000	80,000
	..	34,000	34,000
3. Relief works in charge of Public Works Department—			
(a) Communications	..	50,000	50,000
(b) Miscellaneous public improvements	..	50,000	50,000
(c) Irrigation	12,000	80,000	92,000
(d) Construction of Railways *	5,000	45,000	50,000
Total ..	19,000	3,37,000	3,56,000
4. Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief work—Weavers † ..	5,000	50,000	55,000
5. Gratuitous relief—			
(a) Given in Government institutions	3,000	1,00,000	1,03,000
(b) Do. at the houses of the people	3,000	1,00,000	1,03,000
(c) In other ways	..	..	..
Total ..	6,000	2,00,000	2,06,000
6. Miscellaneous—			
Advances under Loans Acts—			
Land Improvement Loans Act	..	7,000	1,00,000
Agriculturists' Loans Act—			
(i) Seed-grain	..	89,000	
(ii) Other relief	..	4,000	
Total ..	31,000	7,36,000	7,67,000

* Ballast for Rs. 90,000 indented for by East Coast Railway—*vide* correspondence ending with B.P., dated 1st February 1897, Mis. No. 756, and this office letter, dated 22nd February 1897, R.C. No. 368-F. to Board (Settlement).

† 1889 figures are, I think, too high.

RESOLUTION—dated 4th March 1897, No. 186.

Submitted to Government, in continuation of B.P., dated 12th February 1897, No. 130.

2. The revised estimates of expenditure on "Famine relief" now submitted by the Collector show a considerable reduction on his previous estimates, especially in the provision for the current year, as the recent rains have somewhat improved the situation. They are compared below with the estimates submitted by the Board in its Procedings quoted above. The figures are given in hundreds of rupees:—

—	Collector's original estimates.		Collector's revised estimates.		Board's estimates.	
	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.
Salaries and establishments	9,4	65,6	1,0	49,0	9,4	65,6
Relief works	58,4	4,08,6	19,0	3,37,0	50,0	2,50,0
Weavers	9,1	63,8	5,0	50,0	10,0	65,0
Gratuitous relief	37,5	2,62,5	6,0	2,00,0	30,0	1,20,0
Total ..	1,14,4	8,00,5	31,0	6,36,0	99,4	5,00,6

In the estimate for 1896-97 the Collector has included a provision of Rs. 12,000 for the Suradá dam. It has been proposed that this may be undertaken as an ordinary work (B.P., dated 2nd March 1897, No. 1564,) and the item may be struck out. The provision for the current year under relief works may be fixed at Rs. 10,000.

3. The Collector's estimates for next year under "Relief works" and "Gratuitous relief" are still high and the Board considers that its estimates are sufficient. The reduced provision now made by the Collector under "Salaries and Establishments" and "Weavers' relief" may be accepted.

4. The estimates revised as above stand thus :—

	1896-97.	1897-98.
	RS.	RS.
Salaries, &c.	1,000	49,000
Relief works	10,000	2,50,000
Weavers	5,000	50,000
Gratuitous relief	6,000	1,20,000
Total ...	22,000	4,69,000

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAR,
Secretary.

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

Exd. A. F. Eccleston.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Revenue Settlement&c, No. 186 Press dated 4th March '97

Order thereon, Press No. 147 dated 9th March 1897.

Transferred to the Financial Department.

(True Extract.)

G. Stokes:

Ag: Secretary to Government.

To the Financial Dept.
" " Board of Revenue, Rev. Sett.
" " Public Works Dept.
" " Local & Municipal Dept.

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Govt. of {189 } Madras.

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Relief Charges — Submitting, for the orders of Government, application submitted by the Collector of Bellary for famine —

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FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

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Board of Revenue

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture),

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MARCH.

Relief charges.—Submitting, for the orders of Governme application submitted by the Collector of Bellary for famine —.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture.)

Read—the following letter from H. A. STUART, Esq., Acting Collector of Bellary, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, dated 7th March 1897, Ref. on G. and B. No. 481:—

In December last, Mr. Campbell applied for the grant of the following funds under section 38 of the Famine Code, framing his estimate with reference to the requirements for five months ending May 1897:—

	RS.
Amount required for the Public Works Department	50,000
To be placed at the Collector's disposal for local fund works ...	3,10,000
Municipal works	15,000
Weavers	43,000
Loans—Land improvement	27,500
„ Agricultural	17,000

The application was submitted to Government in B.P., dated 16th December 1896, No. 437, but no orders appear to have yet been passed thereon.

2. As anticipated by the Board, Mr. Campbell's estimate has been found to be quite inadequate. The numbers on relief works have risen very rapidly and are still increasing, the figure on the 6th instant being 36,865 as against the maximum of 20,000 estimated by Mr. Campbell. The loans transactions too show a considerable increase; and lastly the Government has recently issued new instructions regarding the administration of relief works and famine expenditure. All these circumstances necessitate the submission of a fresh application of funds.

3. A rough forecast of the famine expenditure for the current and ensuing official years, under the headings prescribed by the Government of India, has been already submitted to the Accountant-General in compliance with the telegraphic orders of Government—*vide* paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 164, Financial, dated 15th February 1897. It is given below for easy reference:—

	Revised estimate for 1896–97.	Budget estimate for 1897–98.
1. Salary and establishment, both Civil and Public Works	13,500	52,500
2. Relief operations in charge of Civil officers—		
(*a*) Communications	50,000	5,000
(*b*) Miscellaneous public improvements	1,000	5,000
(*c*) Irrigation	...	...
3. Relief works in charge of Public Works Department—		
(*a*) Communications	1,88,700	5,14,500
(*b*) Miscellaneous Public Improvements	2,000	2,000
(*c*) Irrigation	6,300	10,500
(*d*) Construction of railways	...	...
4. Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief work (weavers)	13,000	22,000
5. Gratuitous relief—		
(*a*) Given in Government Institutions	15,000	40,000
(*b*) At the houses of the people	1,500	16,000
(*c*) In other ways	...	500
6. Miscellaneous	...	...
Total ...	2,91,000	6,68,000

4. The above forecast requires further modification, and the following statement shows the revised figures as finally adopted by me, the amounts already sanctioned by Government and the sums which remain to be allotted. I presume the headings prescribed by the Government of India (*vide* B.P., dated 25th January 1897, No. 57), supersede those given in section 38 of the Famine Code and hence the former have been adopted.

Items.	1896–97.			Amount estimated for 1897–98.	Total for 1896–97 and 1897–98.	Allotment already sanctioned by Government or Board.	Further allotment requiring sanction of Government.
	Expenditure up to the end of February 1897.	Amount estimated for March 1897.	Total for 1896–97.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Salaries and establishment—							
Civil	1,277	2,723	4,000	17,500	21,500	..	21,500
Public Works Department ..	5,022	4,978	10,000	35,000	45,000	..	45,000
2 Relief operations in charge of Civil officers—							
(*a*) Communications	53,585	5,415	59,000	15,000	74,000	..	80,000
(*b*) Miscellaneous public improvements	28	972	1,000	5,000	6,000	..	
(*c*) Irrigation	95	5	100	..	100	..	
3. Relief works in charge of Public Works Department—							
(*a*) Communications	90,855	87,145	1,78,000	5,04,500	6,82,500	80,000	6,26,400
(*b*) Miscellaneous public improvements	..	1,400	1,400	2,000	3,400		
(*c*) Irrigation	7,314	2,686	10,000	10,500	20,500		
(*d*) Construction of railways ..	..	..	..	..	..		
4. Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief works (weavers) ..	8,896	4,104	13,000	22,000	35,000	2,000	33,000
5. Gratuitous relief—							
(*a*) In Government institutions ..	5,711	7,289	13,000	40,000	53,000	23,000	48,000
(*b*) At the houses of the people ..	..	1,500	1,500	16,000	17,500		
(*c*) In other ways	..	..	..	500	500		
6. Miscellaneous—							
Loans—							
(*a*) Land Improvement	41,800	30,000	71,800	1,50,000	2,21,800	76,000	1,45,800
(*b*) Agriculturists	3,997	2,003	6,000	50,000	56,000	9,000	47,000
Total ..	2,18,580	1,50,220	3,68,800	8,68,000	12,36,800	1,90,000	10,46,800

It will be seen from columns 2 and 7 of the above statement that the expenditure already incurred is far in excess of the sanctioned allotment, and it is therefore necessary that early orders should be passed on this application. Of the sums mentioned in column 8, Rs. 6,71,000 (Rs. 6,26,000 on account of works and Rs. 45,000 on account of establishment) should be placed at the disposal of the Public Works Department with reference to paragraph 4 of G.O., No. 133, Financial, dated 8th February 1897. The civil expenditure of Rs. 53,585 shown in column 2 was incurred by the Collector when the works were under the charge of the Local Fund Engineer.

Resolution—dated 12th March 1897, No. 223.

Submitted for the orders of Government with reference to paragraphs 2 and 10 of G.O., No. 133, Financial, dated 8th February 1897.

2. Mr. Stuart's revised estimates of the probable expenditure on famine relief in Bellary is as follows:—

——	1896–97.	1897–98.	Total.
	[*In hundreds of rupees.*]		
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Salaries	14,0	52,5	66,5
Works—			
Under Civil officers	60,1	20,0	80,1
Under Public Works Department ..	1,89,4	5,17,0	7,06,4
Other wise employed (weavers) ..	13,0	22,0	35,0
Gratuitous relief	14,5	56,5	71,0
Total ..	2,91,0	6,68,0	9,59,0

or in round numbers 9½ lakhs for the current and coming official years.

3. It is not at all clear on what basis Mr. Stuart's calculations are made, but the provision for relief on works during 1897–98 is sufficient to provide employment to an average of over 50,000 persons daily for four months at present prices.

4. In 1891–92 the expenditure in Bellary amounted to rather more than 2 lakhs, including Rs. 15,500 for special establishment charges connected therewith. The expenditure on gratuitous relief was Rs. 820 only.

5. In addition to the above mentioned direct expenditure the Collector estimates that he will require for advances under the Loans Acts—

—	1896-97.	1897–98.	Total.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Land Improvement	71,800	150,000	2,21,800
Agriculturists	6,000	50,000	56,000

Between October 1891 and September 1892 the sums granted and disbursed under the Land Improvement Loans Act were—

	RS.
Granted	2,86,220
Disbursed	2,25,500

The Collector will be requested to reconsider his estimates in the light of these facts and to inform the Board whether he requires any additional allotment for the current year and what allotment he requires for 1897–98.

(True Copy and Extract.)

R. V. Srinivasaiar
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Financial Department.
„ Collector of Bellary.
Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
„ „ Accountant-General.

Exd. C. M. Thumbusawmy.

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Proceedings, 12th March 1897, No. 223.

MARCH.

Relief charges.—Submitting, for the orders of Government, application submitted by the Collector of Bellary for famine —.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

(REVENUE SETTLEMENT, LAND RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE.)

READ—the following letter from H. A. STUART, Esq., Acting Collector of Bellary, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, dated 7th March 1897, Ref. on G. and B. No. 481 :—

In December last, Mr. Campbell applied for the grant of the following funds under section 38 of the Famine Code, framing his estimate with reference to the requirements for five months ending May 1897 :—

	RS.
Amount required for the Public Works Department	50,000
To be placed at the Collector's disposal for local fund works ...	3,10,000
Municipal works	15,000
Weavers	43,000
Loans—Land improvement	27,500
„ Agricultural	17,000

The application was submitted to Government in B.P., dated 16th December 1896, No. 437, but no orders appear to have yet been passed thereon.

2. As anticipated by the Board, Mr. Campbell's estimate has been found to be quite inadequate. The numbers on relief works have risen very rapidly and are still increasing, the figure on the 6th instant being 36,865 as against the maximum of 20,000 estimated by Mr. Campbell. The loans transactions too show a considerable increase ; and lastly the Government has recently issued new instructions regarding the administration of relief works and famine expenditure. All these circumstances necessitate the submission of a fresh application of funds.

3. A rough forecast of the famine expenditure for the current and ensuing official years, under the headings prescribed by the Government of India, has been already submitted to the Accountant-General in compliance with the telegraphic orders of Government—*vide* paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 164, Financial, dated 15th February 1897. It is given below for easy reference :—

	Revised estimate for 1896–97.	Budget estimate for 1897–98.
1. Salary and establishment, both Civil and Public Works	13,500	52,500
2. Relief operations in charge of Civil officers—		
(*a*) Communications	50,000	5,000
(*b*) Miscellaneous public improvements	1,000	5,000
(*c*) Irrigation	...	...
3. Relief works in charge of Public Works Department—		
(*a*) Communications	1,88,700	5,14,500
(*b*) Miscellaneous Public Improvements	2,000	2,000
(*c*) Irrigation	6,300	10,500
(*d*) Construction of railways	...	...
4. Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief work (weavers)	13,000	22,000
5. Gratuitous relief—		
(*a*) Given in Government Institutions	15,000	40,000
(*b*) At the houses of the people	1,500	16,000
(*c*) In other ways	...	500
6. Miscellaneous	...	...
Total ...	2,91,000	6,68,000

4. The above forecast requires further modification, and the following statement shows the revised figures as finally adopted by me, the amounts already sanctioned by Government and the sums which remain to be allotted. I presume the headings

prescribed by the Government of India (*vide* B.P., dated 25th January 1897, No. 57), supersede those given in section 38 of the Famine Code and hence the former have been adopted.

Items.	1896–97.			Amount estimated for 1897–98.	Total for 1896–97 and 1897–98.	Allotment already sanctioned by Government or Board.	Further allotment requiring sanction of Government.
	Expenditure up to the end of February 1897.	Amount estimated for March 1897.	Total for 1896–97.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Salaries and establishment—							
Civil	1,277	2,723	4,000	17,500	21,500	..	21,500
Public Works Department ..	5,022	4,978	10,000	35,000	45,000	..	45,000
2. Relief operations in charge of Civil officers—							
(*a*) Communications	53,585	5,415	59,000	15,000	74,000	..	80,000
(*b*) Miscellaneous public improvements	28	972	1,000	5,000	6,000	..	
(*c*) Irrigation	95	5	100	..	100	..	
3. Relief works in charge of Public Works Department—							
(*a*) Communications	90,855	87,145	1,78,000	5,04,500	6,82,500	80,000	6,26,400
(*b*) Miscellaneous public improvements	..	1,400	1,400	2,000	3,400		
(*c*) Irrigation	7,314	2,686	10,000	10,500	20,500		
(*d*) Construction of railways ..	..	..	..	..	..		
4. Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief works (weavers) ..	8,896	4,104	13,000	22,000	35,000	2,000	33,000
5. Gratuitous relief—							
(*a*) In Government institutions ..	5,711	7,289	13,000	40,000	53,000	23,000	48,000
(*b*) At the houses of the people ..	..	1,500	1,500	16,000	17,500		
(*c*) In other ways	..	..	..	500	500		
6. Miscellaneous—							
Loans—							
(*a*) Land Improvement	41,800	30,000	71,800	1,50,000	2,21,800	76,000	1,45,800
(*b*) Agriculturists	3,997	2,003	6,000	50,000	56,000	9,000	47,000
Total ..	2,18,580	1,50,220	3,68,800	8,68,000	12,36,800	1,90,000	10,46,800

It will be seen from columns 2 and 7 of the above statement that the expenditure already incurred is far in excess of the sanctioned allotment, and it is therefore necessary that early orders should be passed on this application. Of the sums mentioned in column 8, Rs. 6,71,000 (Rs. 6,26,000 on account of works and Rs. 45,000 on account of establishment) should be placed at the disposal of the Public Works Department with reference to paragraph 4 of G.O., No. 133, Financial, dated 8th February 1897. The civil expenditure of Rs. 53,585 shown in column 2 was incurred by the Collector when the works were under the charge of the Local Fund Engineer.

RESOLUTION—dated 12th March 1897, No. 223.

Submitted for the orders of Government with reference to paragraphs 2 and 10 of G.O., No. 133, Financial, dated 8th February 1897.

2. Mr. Stuart's revised estimates of the probable expenditure on famine relief in Bellary is as follows :—

—	1896–97.	1897–98.	Total.
	[*In hundreds of rupees.*]		
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Salaries	14,0	52,5	66,5
Works—			
Under Civil officers	60,1	20,0	80,1
Under Public Works Department ..	1,89,4	5,17,0	7,06,4
Other wise employed (weavers) ..	13,0	22,0	35,0
Gratuitous relief	14,5	56,5	71,0
Total ..	2,91,0	6,68,0	9,59,0

or in round numbers 9½ lakhs for the current and coming official years.

3. It is not at all clear on what basis Mr. Stuart's calculations are made, but the provision for relief on works during 1897–98 is sufficient to provide employment to an average of over 50,000 persons daily for four months at present prices.

4. In 1891–92 the expenditure in Bellary amounted to rather more than 2 lakhs, including Rs. 15,500 for special establishment charges connected therewith. The expenditure on gratuitous relief was Rs. 820 only.

5. In addition to the above mentioned direct expenditure the Collector estimates that he will require for advances under the Loans Acts—

—	1896-97.	1897-98.	Total.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Land Improvement	71,800	150,000	2,21,800
Agriculturists	6,000	50,000	56,000

Between October 1891 and September 1892 the sums granted and disbursed under the Land Improvement Loans Act were—

	RS.
Granted	2,86,220
Disbursed	2,25,500

The Collector will be requested to reconsider his estimates in the light of these facts and to inform the Board whether he requires any additional allotment for the current year and what allotment he requires for 1897–98.

(True Copy and Extract.)

R. V. Srinivasier

Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Financial Department.
„ Collector of Bellary.
Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
„ „ Accountant-General.

Exd. C. M. Thumbusawmy.

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G.O., No. 181, 18th March 1897.

MARCH.

Advances to Weavers.

Recording Board's Proceedings issuing instructions to Collectors regarding method of accounting for charges incurred on account of —.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), dated 25th February 1897, No. 158:—

Read—again the following Memorandum of the Board of Revenue (R.S., L.R. and Agri.), dated 12th February 1897, Mis. No. 1107:—

With reference to paragraph 7 of his circular No. IV, dated 28th January 1897, the Board begs to enquire what is to be understood by advances to weavers.

2. The procedure followed in this Presidency in affording relief to weavers is, briefly, for the Collector to purchase in the open market the materials required for use at their trade, and to distribute these materials to the weavers—*see* B.P., dated 7th December 1896, No. 401, and 31st December 1896, No. 474—who then manufacture certain articles, on delivery of which they are paid daily wages according to the set task, for the labour required in the manufacture.

The manufactured articles are then stored by the Collector for future disposal. It should therefore, the Board considers, be more clearly stated when and by whom the adjustment of the account is to be made. In its opinion, the expenditure should be booked at once, and the accounts cleared; the recoveries, if any, by sale of the manufactured articles being treated separately.

3. As regards advances for seed-grain, these will ordinarily be made under the Agriculturists' Loans Acts, and therefore it does not appear necessary to bring them into the famine financial returns any longer, as such advances are dealt with under special rules.

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAR,
Secretary.

To the Accountant-General.

Read—also the following letter from F. C. HARRISON, Esq., Officiating Accountant-General, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Salt, Abkári and Separate Revenue, dated 17th February 1897, No. 546:—

In reply to Proceedings of the Board, dated the 12th of February 1897, Mis. No. 1107, I have the honour to state that by "advances to weavers" I understand all expenditure incurred for the relief of weavers alluded to in sections 128—131 of the Famine Code.

2. This expenditure should be debited in the accounts to the head "Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief work" under the head "33. Famine Relief." The submission of bills in support of the debits will not, however, adjust the amounts. Such adjustments can only be effected by the appearance of *per contra* credits in the accounts on account of sale-proceeds of the cloths by recoveries of amounts drawn; or by writing off irrecoverable balances under the sanction of Government. The local authorities are responsible for such adjustments.

3. As remarked by the Board, advances for seed-grain made under the Agriculturists' Loans Act need not be included in the famine financial returns.

Endorsement by EDMUND MILLETT, Esq., Assistant Secretary to the Commissioner of Salt, Abkári and Separate Revenue, dated 22nd February 1897.

Transferred to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture.

Resolution—dated 25th February 1897, No. 158.

Communicated to all Collectors, for information and guidance.

2. They will observe that charges incurred for the relief of weavers are in the first place to be debited to "33. Famine Relief," sub-head (4)—*vide* B.P., dated 25th January 1897, No. 57. The charges incurred will not, however, be cleared, as in the case of ordinary works, by the submission of vouchers in support thereof, but will remain against the officers concerned until the articles manufactured have been realised, or the amounts have been written off the books. Local officers must, therefore, exercise the greatest care in the maintenance of their stock registers of articles received from the weavers, and as to the correctness of the balances shown therein.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAR,
Secretary.

To all Collectors.
Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Order—No. 181, Revenue, dated 18th March 1897.

Miscellaneous.	Recorded.

(True Extract.)

Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement,
Land Records and Agriculture).
„ the Financial Department.
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R.W. DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

also READ the following paper

G.O. No 999 W. d/ 8' April 1897
(Abstract) Communicating the following letter from the Govt of India on the estimate of Famine relief expenditure in the P.W.D.

No. $\frac{19}{B.C}$ A – C.W.

Government of India
Public Works Department.
Account
Civil Works

Calcutta, the 19' March 1897.

Revised Estimate for 1896-97, and Budget estimate for 1897-98.
33 – Famine Relief – Works in charge of P.W. Department

Resolution – The estimates of expenditure are passed for the amounts shown in the following table –

	Revised Estimate 1896-97				Budget Estimate 1897-98			
	Imperial	Provincial	Incorporated Local	Total	Imperial	Provincial	Incorporated Local	Total
	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs	Rs
Central Provinces	8,50,000	„	„	8,50,000	40,00,000	„	„	40,00,000
Upper Burma	5,50,000	„	„	5,50,000	„	6,00,000	„	6,00,000
Bengal	„	10,00,000	„	10,00,000	42,26,000	„	„	42,26,00
North Western Provinces and Oudh	83,00,000	„	„	83,00,000	50,00,000	„	„	50,00,000
Punjab	„	2,06,000	3,23,000	5,29,000	12,25,000	„	4,10,000	16,35,00
Madras	„	2,00,000	„	2,00,000	„	10,41,000	„	10,41,00
Bombay	1899,000 ~~18,99,000~~	„	„	18,99,000	50,00,000	„	„	50,00,00
Total	115,99000	„						

2. Final issues of the Budget Estimates — should be prepared for the amounts passed in the foregoing table, and ×50 copies despatched so as to reach the Government of India not later than the 1st May 1897.

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35 ~~Copies~~ to Calcutta

The provision under the heads Railway, Irrigation and Civil Works may be combined in one Budget Estimate for Famine Relief Works, but the expenditure on each head should be shown separately in the accounts.

Order — Ordered that the foregoing be communicated to the Local Governments and Administrations noted in the margin for information and guidance.

The Governments of Madras and Bombay, Bengal, the North-western Provinces and Oudh and the Punjab.
The Chief Commissioners of the Central Provinces and Burma

(Signed) A.R. Becher
Offg: Dy: Secretary to the
Government of India

Order thereon No. 999W dated 8th April 1897.

Communicated to the Chief Engineer for

for Irrigation and the Consulting Engineer for Railways with the request that the budget estimates for 1897-98 relative to their respective branches may be submitted so as to reach this office not later than the 15 April 1897. A consolidated budget will be prepared in the General Secretariat and forwarded to the Government of India with reference to para 2 of the Government of India's Resolution.

2. The Superintending Engineers I and III Circles have brought forward several Irrigation works in their lists of famine works. These will shortly be forwarded in original to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

(True extract)

The Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Consltg Engineer for Railways.

(Signed) D. McNiel Campbell
Colonel R.E.
Secretary to Government

(True Copy)

2nd Assistant
P.W. Secretariat

Financial (1897) Department.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

From The Account General to the Government of Madras

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SUBJECT.

Inviting attention to [illegible] his office letter No 584 dated 19 Feb 97 regarding the opening of detailed heads under 33 Famine Relief for the record of famine expenditure.

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Treasury account DEPARTMENT.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
Accountant-General's Office,
10th April 1897.

No. 1180

From

W. H. Michael Esqr.,
Offg: ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE Chief Secretary to Government,
Financial Department.

SIR,

I respectfully beg to invite attention to my letter No. 584 dated 19th February '97, regarding the opening of detailed heads under '33. Famine Relief' for the record of famine expenditure, and request that I may be favoured with an early reply.

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I have the honour to&c
Sir
Your most obedt. Servant
W Michael
Offg: Accountant General

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G.O., No. 210, 26th March 1897.

MARCH.

Breaking of Ballast.

Letter from the Government of India stating that it has no objection to the proposals of this Government for undertaking the — required for the East Coast Railway as a relief-work, so far as the present or expected requirements of the railway for the next few years go, and suggesting the construction of feeder roads as a further measure of relief work, communicated to the Board of Revenue with remarks.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following G.O., Mis. No. 965, Revenue, dated 18th February 1897 :—

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), dated 1st February 1897, Mis. No. 756 :—

Read—the following letter from C. J. WEIR, Esq., Collector of Ganjám, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, dated 10th January 1897, Ref. No. 216-Ver. of 1896 :—

Adverting to the correspondence ending with Board's Resolution Mis. No. 10, dated 1st instant, about breaking of ballast for the East Coast Railway, I have the honour to enclose copies of letter, No. 18, dated 5th instant, from the Executive Engineer, No. II Open Line Division, East Coast Railway, letter No. 89, dated 6th January 1897, from the Manager, East Coast Railway, and my letter R. C. No. 216-F., dated 8th instant, to the Manager, East Coast Railway, for the information of Board.

Enclosures.

From F. W. MORSE, Esq., Executive Engineer, No. II Open Line Division, East Coast Railway, to the Collector of Ganjám, dated Berhampur, 5th January 1897, No. 18.

In answer to your letter, No. 216-F of 1896, dated 29th December 1896, and in continuation of this office No. 4702, dated 5th November 1896, I have the honour to inform you that owing to recent orders from the Director-General of Railways the amount of ballast required for the completion of the line has been reduced by nearly 50 lakhs of cubic feet in the Ganjám collectorate, and that the ballast already by side of line and in depôts is rather more than sufficient from Doosi to Humma and that only a little over 3 lakhs of ballast are required to complete between Humma and the Bengal frontier at railway mileage 431. Of this amount 130,000 cubic feet can be collected at mile 415½ or 3 miles south of Rambha and 185,000 cubic feet at mile 425, Kallikota station yard. I cannot say what number of famine coolies could be employed on turning out the amount of 315,000 cubic feet, but at 10 cubic feet per day per man it would employ 200 coolies for five months.

A specification for the supply of ballast will follow.

From A. PRESTON, Manager, East Coast Railway, to the Collector of Ganjám dated Waltair, the 6th January 1897, No. 89.

With reference to your letter, R. C. No. 2608, dated 19th December 1896, and in continuation of my No. 10038, dated 25th idem, regarding the breaking of stone at quarries by famine labour for ballast for railway purposes, I have the honour to state that we cannot guarantee to take over *during the next financial year* the whole of the ballast that may be broken up, as we cannot tell what money will be available for the purpose until the budget allotment for capital expenditure for the year is known.

2. What I gave you to understand was that the stone so broken would be taken over by the railway from time to time as required, and that the money would eventually be recovered, though perhaps not immediately.

From C. J. WEIR, Esq., Collector of Ganjám, to the Manager, East Coast Railway, dated Berhampur, 7th January 1897, R.C. No. 216-F of 1896.

I have the honour to forward copy of letter No. 18, dated 5th January 1897, from the Executive Engineer, No. II Open Line Division. Its contents are to me very disconcerting.

Relying on Mr. Howard's letter No. 4702, dated 5th November 1896, and the subsequent conversation I had with you on the subject, I had addressed the Government of Madras and obtained their approval to the breaking of ballast being carried out as a famine-relief work on the terms you proposed. I consequently relied largely on this work as a means of affording relief in some of the most threatened areas in this district, and did not think it necessary to investigate other less-promising schemes in those localities.

2. From an interview I have had with Mr. Morse, the Executive Engineer, I understand that the reduction in the amount of ballasting ordered by the Director-General of Railways is a measure of economy, and that the ballast now to be laid in this district is less than what has been laid in other parts of the line, and is less than what is supposed to be the standard amount required for a well constructed railway line.

I further understand that the economy in ballast would probably be temporary and that probably the line would have to be laid with the full standard amount within a few years.

If I am right in these assumptions I would ask you to address the Director-General of Railways and point out that the ballasting of the line up to the original standard would afford very valuable famine-relief work in parts of this district, where no other works likely to be at all remunerative to the State are available, and that, if the reduction in the amount of ballast now ordered is a measure of temporary economy, the Madras Government, as I understand their orders, were prepared to advance from Provincial Funds for a famine-relief work the amount required for breaking ballast and to allow the payment or adjustment to lie over to such time as the finances of the railway would permit.

Resolution—dated 1st February 1897, Mis. No. 756.

Submitted for the information of Government with the suggestion that it be ascertained from the Director-General of Railways what the total requirements of the line as to stone ballast will be.

2. If the work be undertaken as a relief work, the question of how the charge is to be met will be subject to the rules set forth in the resolution communicated with G.O., No. 750, dated 26th December 1896.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAR,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with three enclosures.

Copy to the Collector of Ganjám.

Order—Mis. No. 965, Revenue, dated 18th February 1897.

The proposal approved in G.Os., No. 5138, dated 14th December 1896, and No. 37, dated 5th January 1897, was that the breaking of ballast required for the East Cost Railway in Ganjám should be undertaken as a famine-relief work, to be paid for in the first instance from Provincial Funds, the railway agreeing to take over the metal broken at current rates in 1897–98. The Government now understand from the Manager's letter, No. 89, dated 6th January 1897, that he cannot guarantee that all the metal broken will be taken over and paid for in the next financial year, though apparently he has no objection to take over ballast to the limit of his requirements as budgeted from year to year.

2. The Collector should again place himself in communication with the Manager with a view to ascertain the maximum amount of ballast that could be utilized in 1897–98 and succeeding years from the various quarries at which it is proposed to employ famine labour and remodel his programme accordingly.

3. Ordered that the following letter be addressed to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture).
„ the Public Works Department.

Letter—from the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Revenue Department, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, dated 18th February 1897, Mis. No. 966.

It is probable that relief works will shortly have to be opened in the district of Ganjám, and as it is very difficult to find suitable works in the district, especially in the zemindari tracts, this Government some time ago sanctioned a proposal made by the Collector in consultation with the Manager, East Coast Railway, that the breaking of ballast required for the line in the district be undertaken as a relief-work to be paid for in the first instance from Provincial Funds, the Railway agreeing to take over the metal broken at current rates next year. It was then calculated that the ballast that would be required would afford employment to 5,000 labourers for six months, but it now appears that, owing to recent orders from the Director-General for Railways, reducing the estimate for ballast, the whole of this amount cannot be taken over and paid for in 1897-98, and that the amount actually required would employ only 200 men for five months. As, however, the Government understands that this economy in ballast is only temporary and that the line will have to be laid with the full standard amount in a few years, it has directed the Collector to place himself in communication with the Manager in view to ascertaining the maximum amount that could be utilized in 1897-98 and succeeding years from the various quarries at which it is proposed to employ famine labour and remodel his programme accordingly.

2. As originally arranged, this Government is prepared to make the necessary provision of funds required for the work, to be adjusted from year to year, as ballast is taken over by the railway, from the allotments made therefor; and I am to enquire whether this arrangement meets with the approval of the Government of India.

READ—the following letter from G. A. ANDERSON, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (Railway Construction), to the Acting Secretary to the Government of Madras, Revenue Department, dated Calcutta, the 16th March 1897, No. 452-R.C.:—

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, Mis. No. 966, dated 18th February 1897, stating that it is probable that relief works will shortly have to be opened in the district of Ganjám and that as it is very difficult to find suitable works in the district, the Government of Madras some time ago sanctioned a proposal made by the Collector that the breaking of ballast required for the East Coast Railway should be undertaken as a relief-work to be paid for in the first instance from Provincial funds, and the amount to be subsequently recovered from the East Coast Railway as ballast is taken over. You add that the Government of Madras are prepared to make the necessary provision of funds required for the work and enquire whether this arrangement meets with the approval of the Government of India.

2. In reply I am to inform you that, so far as the present or expected requirements for the next few years of ballast for the East Coast Railway go, the Government of India have no objection to the proposals and that the Manager, East Coast Railway, will be in a position to explain, with reference to each district, to what extent the recent orders issued to him by the Director-General of Railways on the subject of ballasting the line, will cover the payment for collected ballast either now or in the next few years.

3. I am also to say that it would appear unprofitable to prepare broken ballast in excess of these probable requirements, and to suggest, as a further measure of relief work, the construction of feeder roads to the railway stations on the East Coast Railway, which the Government of India are advised are very much wanted and are at present in some places practically non-existent.

ORDER—No. 210, Revenue, dated 26th March 1897.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue and the Public Works Department.

2. The Collector should decide in consultation with the Local Fund Boards and the Manager, East Coast Railway, what feeder roads are necessary, and submit an early report as to whether any of them can be undertaken as relief-works. Estimates for such of the roads as are suitable for relief purposes should be prepared at once.

(True Extract.)

G Stokes.
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture).
„ the Public Works Department.
„ the Local and Municipal Department.
„ the Financial Department.
„ the Accountant-General.

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SUBJECT.

Submitting to Govt: with remarks, application from the Collector of Vizagapatam for sanction of expenditure needed for relief of distress.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No	Department.	Date.
133:	8. 2. 97		
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(Sett. 24 2,000—29-10-96.)

CURRENT No. 1273

REVENUE BOARD OFFICE. MADRAS.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture.)

Dated 10th April 1897.

No. 2693 Miscellaneous.

READ the following letter from the Collector of Vizagapatam, dated 19th March 1897, R.C No. 840:—

I have the honour under section 38 of the Famine Code to apply for the sanction for the funds which I forecast will be required in this district within the coming official year.

2. I ask for no funds for the Public Works Department, as we are at present only in the test work stage and there has as yet been no question of transferring works to the Department in question.

3. To be placed at my own disposal, I

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calculate the funds required as follows.

4000 labourers at the average of an anna a piece for 3 months	Rs 22500
1500 people on gratuitous relief at the same average . circar	Rs 8000
Total	Rs 30,500

The works must, I suppose, be classed under section 38 (2) (ii) as Local Fund works though the Local Boards do not want them. I have already asked for Rs 2000 for expenditure on test works in the current year in my letter C no 840 dated 7th instant and am spending the same, in anticipation of sanction. In the same letter, I asked for Rs 1,200 for gratuitous relief. On that I have received no orders. The relief is more required now than it was when I wrote but I have not thought it urgent enough to justify me in starting it in anticipation.

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Read Reference thereon dated 26th March 1897.

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The Collector is requested to specify the amount required under each of the heads of expenditure given in the Government of India Resolution communicated with Board's Proceedings No 57 dated 25th January 1897

2- It is presumed that the sum of Rs 22,500 required for works represents the total estimated expenditure on relief works, and that if any such works are hereafter placed in charge of the Public Works Department, the necessary funds can be transferred to that Department, out of the above sum.

Read also the following letter from the Collector of Vizagapatam, dated 1st April 1897, R-C No 1261 of 1897:-

In reply to Board's reference on General Register no 2241 of 97 / 26-3-97, I have

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the honour to ask the Board to consider my R. C. No. 840 dated 19th March as cancelled, and to permit me to make the following revised list of my requirements for the relief of distress between this date and the opening of the South West Monsoon. I put the period at 3 months, as although the Monsoon may break early, we shall not get all the workers off the works much before the end of June.

2. The estimate is of course inaccurate and its correctness or otherwise depends largely on the celerity with which works may be opened when required. I think that, allowing for time taken in arriving at the greatest numbers and for the falling off which may be expected if rains are early, the estimate may be regarded as a maximum.

3 I put the figures of workers likely to be employed (at 12,000) for 3 months, and of persons to be relieved in Kitchens at 2000 for a similar period, estimating the daily cost of each on the average at one anna.

12000 x 90 x 1
16
= 67500

2000 x 90
16

4. My estimate is thus as follows:—.

33 Famine Relief

(2) Relief works in charge of Civil officers	
(a) Communications . . .	Rs 72,000
(5) Gratuitous Relief.	
(a) Given in Government Institutions	Rs 12000
Total	Rs 84,000

5. The presumption in the 2nd para of the Board's reference is correct.

6. I ask for no grant for the relief of weavers, as in the parts of the Districts where I have enquired into their condition, it is certainly not called for, and the Divisional officers report the same from elsewhere

Resolution

Submitted to Government. The amount applied for by the Collector under the head of relief works is calculated on a daily average wage of one anna. The Board considers that it will be better to adopt the average wage specified in section 9(2) of the Famine Code viz $1\frac{1}{3}$ annas.

The allotment required under (33) (2) (a) will therefore be increased to Rs 96,000

$$\frac{\overset{750}{12000} \times \overset{30}{90} \times 4}{3 \times 16}$$

= 90000 annas

workmen 12000 × days 91 × $1\frac{1}{3}$
= R 91,000 But
Huts & kitchens &c
will have to be
constructed
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2. Sanction is accordingly solicited to the following allotments for 1897-98:-

33 Famine Relief.

(2) Relief works in charge of civil officers
(a) Communications —— Rs 96,000

5 Gratuitous relief
(a) Given in Government Establishments —— 12000
Total Rs 108,000

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~~12~~000 × 91 × a $1/3$
= R 15229

$$\frac{\overset{125}{2000} \times \overset{30}{90} \times 4}{3 \times 16}$$

= 15000

3. The above application is understood to cover all requirements for the District. When the works are transferred to the supervision of Public ~~the~~

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Public Works Department, the unexpended balance will be transferred to that Department in accordance with the instructions issued in G.O Financial 133/97.

(True copy and Extract)

J Bracken 15/4
Famine Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.
" the Collector of Vizagapatam.

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CURRENT No. 1343

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G.O., No. 249, 13th April 1897.

APRIL.

Relief Charges.

The revised estimates of — submitted by the Collector of Anantapur for 1896-97 and 1897-98, transferred to the Financial Department.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), dated 29th March 1897, No. 258 :—

Read—the following letter from K. C. MANAVEDAN RAJA, Esq., Collector of Anantapur, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture, dated 13th March 1897, Dis. No. 1357 :—

In enclosing copy of a statement submitted to the Accountant-General on the 21st ultimo, as per G.O., No. 164, Financial, dated 18th February 1897, showing the probable forecast of famine expenditure both for the current and ensuing official years, I have the honour to request that sanction of Government be obtained for the allotments therein shown subject, however, to slight modification suggested below.

2. Against the head "communications in charge of the Public Works Department officers," a sum of Rs. 32,500 was originally estimated for the current official year, but the revised estimates since furnished by the Assistant Engineer, Anantapur Famine Sub-division, have rendered a slight alteration necessary. The expenditure as now revised comes up to Rs. 22,700 as shown below for the five works in the northern taluks of Gooty and Tadpatri, for the months of February and March :—

—	Works.	Tools.	Total.
For February	9,220	460	9,680
For March	12,400	620	13,020
Total ..	21,620	1,080	22,700

Besides the five works now in progress in these two taluks, two more are under contemplation and are likely to be started in the course of the next week or so. One work has also since been started in Dharmavaram. The aggregate number of labourers for the three latter works may be estimated at present at 1,000 and the probable cost of relieving them for the remaining period of the current year may thus be fixed at Rs. 1,400 in round figures taking the average daily wage at As. 1-6 per cooly. The total cost for the two months will therefore amount to Rs. 24,000 in round numbers for all the relief works in the district for the current year. The average attendance on the five works in the Gooty division is 3,947 according to the latest reports to hand.

3. In my letter, dated 11th December 1896, Ref. on Cur. No. 3524, embodied in B.P., dated 14th December 1896, No. 432, Revenue Settlement, I applied for an initial allotment of Rs. 6,000 for expenditure under this head for a period of two months, and Government was pleased to accord its sanction thereto in its Order, No. 111, Financial, dated 5th February 1897. The Executive Engineer reported that the expenditure recorded in Public Works books up to the end of February was Rs. 3,170, of which Rs. 1,476 was audited and the remainder Rs. 1,694 unaudited. Immediately on receipt of G.O., No. 133, Financial, dated 8th February 1897, I addressed the Executive Engineer to inform me what portion of the grant of Rs. 6,000 above referred to was expended. As the imprests allowed by him to Tahsildars exceeded this amount, I also since wired to him to inform me what further allotments were available in the Public Works Department for expenditure on famine relief, and I have just received the following reply by wire :—

"Imprest Rs. 7,000 to the Tahsildars was granted from the Provincial funds in Public Works Department. The allotment Rs. 6,000 has been already executed." This does not clearly show what amounts are available in the Public Works grants of the current year. I request, however, that sanction of Government be obtained for placing at the credit of the Public Works Department the sum of Rs. 24,000 as above estimated, *minus* any allotments that might be available out of its ordinary or special grants.

4. As regards "gratuitous relief," out of Rs. 2,000 sanctioned for this district in G.O., No. 6, dated 4th January 1897, only Rs. 532 have been spent up to the end of last month. This leaves a net balance of about Rs. 1,468 for the current month, and will suffice for the present. The allotment of Rs. 5,000 shown in the accompanying statement was based on the proposed scheme of relief to weavers (*vide* my letter, dated 19th February 1897, Dis. No. 925), but as the official year is fast drawing to a close and as the date from which the scheme is to be brought into operation is not known, this sum is not required for this year and may be transferred to the next. For the same reason, the sum of Rs. 2,500 shown against "relief to people employed otherwise than on relief works" may also be transferred to the next official year, if orders on the proposed scheme for weavers' relief are not likely to be brought into effect this year.

5. The sum of Rs. 3,000 provided against "miscellaneous" represents the allotment applied for for improvement of water supply from Provincial funds, as both the District and Taluk Boards have no funds to devote for this object. I have already explained the necessity for this grant in my letter, dated 17th February 1897, Ref. on Cur. No. 33. A sum of Rs. 100 has, as recommended by the Head Assistant Collector, been placed at the disposal of the Tahsildars of Hindupur and Dharmavaram in anticipation of sanction for emergent expenditure under his head. I request that only Rs. 500 be placed at my disposal for the current year and the remainder (Rs. 2,500) transferred to the next.

6. As regards the provision made against the various heads for the next year, I have to state that the estimates have been framed for six months commencing from April. It is yet too soon to say, with any degree of certainty, what relief the next south-west monsoon will bring to the agricultural population of the district, but as is well known, this monsoon even in normal years is generally deficient and scanty and does not benefit much the black-cotton taluks of the district which are now among the most affected. I have therefore calculated the expenditure on the basis of existing facts with only a margin for such increase in the number of persons thrown on State relief as can now be fairly anticipated. The figures given therefore in the statement appended may, with the additions noted in the margin as per paragraphs 4 and 5 *supra*, be taken as probable expenditure for the next year and the allotments provisionally sanctioned and placed at the disposal of the Public Works Department and this department.

Number of head.	Particulars.	Amount to be transferred from current year to next. RS.
5.	Gratuitous relief	5,000
4.	Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief works ...	2,500
6.	Miscellaneous	2,500
	Total ...	10,000

Enclosure.

Statement showing actual probable expenditure on account of famine relief forecasted as per G.Os., No. 133, Financial, dated 8th February 1897, and No. 164, dated 18th February 1897 :—

Particulars of heads.	Amount estimated for the current official year.	Amount estimated for the next year.
	RS.	RS.
1. Salaries and Establishments	5,360	16,000
2. Relief works in charge of Civil officers—		
(a) Communications	..	..
(b) Miscellaneous Public Improvements ..	..	..
(c) Irrigation	..	..
3. Relief works in charge of Public Works Department—		
(a) Communications	32,500	1,00,000
(b) Miscellaneous Public Improvements	..	..
(c) Irrigation	750	25,000
(d) Construction of Railways	..	..
4. Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief works	2,500	50,000
5. Gratuitous Relief—		
(a) Given in Government institution	5,000	15,000
(b) At the house of the people	..	..
(c) In other ways	..	..
6. Miscellaneous*	3,000	10,000
Total ..	49,110	2,16,000

* This amount is the estimated expenditure for the whole district on account of improvement of water-supply in various parts where water scarcity is felt.

Resolution—dated 29th March 1897, No. 258.

Submitted to Government, with reference to paragraphs 2 and 10 of G.O., No. 133, Financial, dated 8th February 1897, and G.O., No. 164, Financial, dated 18th February 1897.

2. The revised estimates now submitted by the Collector compare, as shown below, with those forwarded by him to the Accountant-General, with reference to the second Government order quoted above, and with the Board's estimates embodied in B.P., dated 21st January 1897, No. 43 :—

Particulars.	Board's estimates.		Collector's estimates sent to Accountant-General.		Collector's revised estimates.	
	1896-97.	1897-98	1896-97.	1897-98.	1896-97.	1897-98.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Salaries, &c.	† 1,250	† 3,000	5,360	16,000	5,360	16,000
2. Relief works in charge of Civil officers	2,750	..	..	..	..	..
3. Relief works in charge of Public Works Department officers ..	20,000	40,000	33,250	1,25,000	24,750	1,25,000
4. Weavers	..	..	2,500	50,000	..	52,500
5. Gratuitous relief	1,500	1,500	5,000	15,000	2,000	20,000
6. Miscellaneous	500	500	3,000	10,000	500	12,500
Total ..	26,000	45,000	49,110	2,16,000	32,610	2,26,000

† Proportionate amount out of the lump sum provided.

3. The large increase in the Collector's estimates over the Board's estimates framed in January last has been rendered necessary by the deepening of distress in the district since January and the expansion of relief measures caused thereby.

4. The Collector makes no provision for 1896–97 on account of relief works which were in charge of civil officers in the beginning, and even as regards the relief works in charge of the Public Works Department his estimate seems to cover only the expenditure for February and March. The monthly returns of expenditure received from the Collector shows that Rs. 3,634 have been expended on works in charge of civil officers, and that Rs. 379 have also been sent up to January last on works in charge of the Public Works Department. The provision made by the Collector under heads 2 and 3 for the current year will accordingly be altered into Rs. 4,000 and Rs. 25,000, respectively, exclusive of the provision for constructing wells referred to below. For the next year, the provision made seems hardly adequate, and some provision for works under civil officers appears to be necessary, unless the Collector intends to, and can, carry out all minor irrigation works by Public Works Department agency. The Collector will be requested to report on this point, but in the meanwhile his estimates may be accepted.

5. The amounts shown under "6. Miscellaneous" are said to be required for the construction of wells. If so, they should be shown under "2. (b) Miscellaneous Public Improvements by Civil Officers." A provision of Rs. 500 for the current and Rs. 2,000 for the ensuing year seems also necessary under 6. Miscellaneous, for expenditure on Contingencies and Sundries. The estimates revised with reference to the above remarks stand thus :—

Items.	Collector's revised estimates as amended by the Board.	
	RS.	RS.
1. Salaries, &c.	5,360	16,000
2. Relief works in charge of Civil officers	4,500	12,500
3. Do. do. of Public Works Department...	25,000	1,25,000
4. Weavers	...	52,500
5. Gratuitous relief	2,000	20,000
6. Miscellaneous	500	2,000
Total ...	37,360	2,28,000

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) L. E. BUCKLEY,
Famine Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
„ Collector of Anantapur.

Order—No. 249, Revenue, dated 13th April 1897.

Miscellaneous.

Transferred to the Financial Department.

(True Extract.)

for Ag. Secretary to Government.

Recd 30-4-97

To the Financial Department.
„ the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture).
„ the Public Works Department.
„ the Local and Municipal Department.

Exd. Shaik Karim.

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Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 1409

Read with the special famine order.

From

The Revenue Dept.

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Order

C1 Desp'd 10/5/97.

Telegram to the Collector of Cuddapah referred-

Boards pro. 2863 April 19th

Estimate of two lakhs for relief to weavers approved. Apply for specific allotments required-

No. 2246.

Dated 4th May 1897.

Received 5th " "

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8/5/97.

Cd 10.5.97

Fd 10/5/97

SUBJECT.

approving & transferring to the Fin: Dept. B.P. requesting to raise the allotment for weavers relief in Cuddapah for 1897-98 from Rs 1,10,000 to Rs 2,00,000.

Rn copy CRT 10.5.97

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
318:	6.4.97		
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6:	4.1.97		

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

CURRENT No. 1409

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read ~~the following Proceedings~~ of the Board of Revenue, Rev. Sett. No. 2853 Mis. dated 19th April 1897 on the following letter from the Collector of Cuddapah, dated 2nd Apri 1897, Ref. on C. No. 7290 Rev./'96:-

In GO 318 Mis
6.4.97

In G.O. No. 308 Mis., dated 19-1-1897, communicated in B.P. 442 Mis., dated 21-1-1897, Govt. approved the estimate of expenditure of Rs. 1,25,000 on account of Weavers' Relief Scheme in this district. Of this amount, only Rs. 40,000 was placed at my disposal, but as the expenditure exceeded this amount, I have in my letter Ref. on C. No. 7290 Rev. of '96, dated 18th March 1897, applied for a further allotment of Rs. 40,000 for the year 1896-97.

2. The expenditure as ascertained from vouchers received up to the 30th March 1897 is Rs. 73,212-6-9 against Rs. 80,000 applied for and the balance will lapse on the 31st March.

3. For the year 1897-98, fresh allotment is necessary and as the relief in this form is proposed to be extended to Proddatur, Pulivendla and Cuddapah taluks, I estimate that a sum of 2 lakhs of rupees will be required for this year. I request that the early sanction of Government may be obtained for this allotment. Meanwhile the necessary expenditure will be incurred.

Resolution.

In his letter read above, the Collector of Cuddapah reports that, out of the allotment of Rs. 1,15,000, sanctioned for the relief of weavers in his district during 1896-97, only Rs. 80,000 were applied for and Rs. 73,000 spent, leaving Rs. 42,000 to lapse.

2. The allotment for the same purpose for 1897-98 is Rs. 1,10,000 but, owing to the extension of relief operations, the Collector considers that Rs. 2,00,000 will be required, and requests the Board to obtain the early sanction of Government for this amount.

3. The exact number of weavers now on relief in Cuddapah is not known, but it may be taken to be about 9,000. Wages to this number

for 120 days at 1 1/3 annas a day will amount to Rs.90,000. The value of materials advanced in March was Rs.18,500, and at the same rate for four months Rs.74,000 will be required. Provision is made for four months though it is possible that numbers will fall before the end of that period. If the numbers do not increase the amount required for weavers' relief will therefore amount to Rs.1,64,000; but considering that operations are to be extended to other taluks, and that it is under contemplation to offer a more liberal wage than is paid at present, the Board does not look upon the Collector's requirement for Rs.2,00,000 as excessive, and submits the application for favourable consideration.

And also the following telegram dated 3rd May 1897:-

Collector Cuddapah requests early sanction allotment weavers Board's Proceedings 19th ultimo 2853.

Order thereon, Misc. No. 2246 dated 4th May 1897.

Approved and transferred to the Financial Department for early sanction.

(True Extract.)

G. Stokes.

Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, Rev. Sett.

.. Financial Department.

Note

circulated to the Hon. Members & H.E. in R.D.

Hee 4.5.97

Financial

Revenue (1897/S) Department.

CURRENT No. ~~3608~~ 1410

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
3 MAY 97
REVENUE DEPARTMENT

From The Acct General Madras

~~Order~~ Endt R No. 851 d/ 4th May '97

Transferred to the Financial Department.

G. Stokes.

Ag. Secretary to Govt.

No. 1346

Dated 30th April 1897

Received 3.5.97

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SUBJECT.

Requesting to be favoured with early orders to the Acct Genl's letter regarding private Subscriptions offered for the maintenance of a famine Kitchen

V. E

Recd. 5.5.97

Regd 5/5/97

Note The A-G's letter in question was handed over to the F.D. in which it has been registered for disposal.

RS 4-5-97

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Where is C. No. 647.??

Crul 5/5/97

For the CA

This & several other currents relating to famine matters are with Mr Chinnaswami Mudr. the draft order on them, he says, is in Press.

4/5/97

5/5/97

BC

What on earth is it doing there? Reply by return please

Crul 5.6/97

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CURRENT No. 1410

Treasury Account DEPARTMENT.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
Accountant-General's Office,
30th April 1897.

No. 1346

From
W. H. Michael Esqre.,
Offg: ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To
THE Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department.

SIR,

I beg respectfully to invite attention to my letter No. 631 dated 23d February 1897 regarding private subscriptions offered for the maintenance of a famine Kitchen and to request that I may be favored with early orders.

Cul. 647 Finl.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant,
W. Michael
Offg: Accountant General

(189). DEPARTMENT.

From

THE ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL,
MADRAS,

To

THE

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Cor. 10,000—21-5-96.

V.S

G. O. No. 1204.W. d/10. 5. 97.
(copy enclosed)

Ory Office

Issue today & return to me
Chl

Note for C.S

This is required in connection with Hon'ble notes on the Famine Estimates order
Chl

Financial Dept

Memo No. 1213 d/ 9th June 1897

With reference to G.R.I. P.W.D. No. 85 A.G. d/ 13th April 1897 the Accountant General is requested to be so good as to report whether the salaries and allowances of the Famine Commr., of the Famine Secy, of additional officers posted to affected districts under sections 25 & 26 of the Famine Code, of additional Establishments employed in the Offices of the Acct. Genl. & the Examiner P.W. Accts under section 27, & of Deputy Collrs. &c employed in the supervision of loan transactions and the relief of weavers will be debited to 33 Famine Relief or to the ordinary service head of account.

The favour of a reply by telegram, if practicable, is requested

Chl
9.6.97

Sd 9/6/97.

To

The Accountant Genl
with s.c. of G.O. No. 1204W 10.5.97. } Despd 9/6/97

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Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 1834

Telegram

From

The Accountant General
Madras

Order

No. –

Dated 16th June 1897
Received 17th — do —
Registered 17th — Do —
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SUBJECT.

Re: classification of charges in connection with Famine Relief Works.

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CURRENT No. 1834

To (Person) Madras Fd 6 97 17

From (Person) Accts

Your memorandum 1213 financial
9 June 97 charges mentioned
therein will be debited to
ordinary service head except
those of deputy collectors
weavers
employed in relief of measures
who it is presumed are exclusively
employed on famine relief work.

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Tanjore, estimate notes

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The corrections were carried out in the five signed copies received from B.O.R. & despatched to 5 Collectors (Tanjore, Cuddapah, Vizagapatam, Godavari, & Kurnool) – one spare copy was also sent to each of these, & 2 spare (corrected) copies to the Collrs of Bellary & Anantapur

The 7 ~~signed~~ proposition copies now to B.O.R. & those despatched the rest here for

1 Rev. dept. 5 - India Govt.
2 Legl. dept. 6 - Collr Bellary
3 - B. of R. 7 Collr Anantapur.
4 Acctnt. Genl.

Every body should have a larger number of spare copies than usual, especially Collectors who have a large staff of divisional officers working under them.

AH
28/6/97

Note for the Hd. Clerk

Here are the fair copies of the Famine Estimates G.O. signed by the C.S. The CA has subsequently made certain alterations ~~[illegible]~~ in the proof copy & told me that those corrections should be carried out ~~[illegible]~~ & fresh copies printed as directed by him. I have despatched the G.O., with the Corrections carried out, to the Famine ~~Correction~~ Commissioner. Please send up here fresh Copies ~~for~~ with all the corrections carried out for signature & despatch to the several addresses. The signed Copies here-with sent would not be of use as there are lot of corrections to be made.

Famine districts – 7 copies
The other addresses – 4 [illegible]
Famine Commr.
A.S. 23/6/97

but if you think that the G.O. can go out with the corrections please have them despatched to the addresses but some more signed copies will be reqd to the Famine Commr. for copies

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Famine Dts:

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Ganjam
Vizagm
Godavari (part)
Cuddappah
Kurnool
Bellary
Anantapur

B.C.

We shall have to send fresh copies to Govt for signature.

23/6/97

C.A.

G.O. 870-1 Finl. 12/6/97.
– 10 copies

× 7 for signature
3 S.C. for Refce.

The B.C. told me that this was urgent – but as he is not here today to forward these copies to Ooty for signature I do so. I don't know where the original is – perhaps with him. Unless you know that the copies are all right, they ~~Copies~~ had better be returned to Madras for scrutiny by the B.C before dispatch.

21/6/97.

[G/74]

NOTE FOR THE ~~CHIEF SECRETARY~~.

HC/o

The Memorandum referred to in this letter has been sent down to B.C. with Famine Estimates order –

Have this telegram registered, ~~and sent down to~~ closed to the famine order, & sent down to B.C. with this note

17.6.97

Done
17/6/97 ✓

BC

You can now get out the Famine Estimates order making the necessary alteration in

the forms in Appendix C.
Have it out very sharp please
~~Read~~ after being thoroughly
checked. Read the memo to
AG & this telegram in ~~a~~ the
~~separate~~ order & after it has
issued submit the memo &
telegram to H.W. for perusal

Ceel
17.6.92

Read 19/6/92

VE

[G./73]
2,000—25-11-86.

Done

have sent

Done

Some of the papers were in O.F. & I had to separate [illegible] having

× memo No. 1213/9.6.92.
I attach it to this
paper so that you may
see the [illegible]

19/6/92

NOTE FOR THE BC

Here is the Famine Estimates order at last considerably reduced.

The file marked II contains further amendments to be printed. You had better have proof of these edited. You have also to enter further read again for I [illegible] sent down from time to time

Files III and IV contain papers sent up with your draft. These I had to arrange & it cost me an hour's work!! They require nothing further except additions from file II when the latter has been printed up.

File I contains the notes & rejected draft which you can read at leisure but note H.W.'s remarks about gigantic undertakings been put in hand without orders. At the last page of this file at X you will see reference to a ref:× to the Acct Genl. Reply has not been recd. but directly it is I will send it down. You may have to alter appendix

C. with ref: to this

Please ask Press this must be treated as specially urgent. Pass proofs please and edit the read^d papers carefully, send us ~~six~~ about ~~ten~~ copies of order in book form as soon as possible. I will look thro' these despatched from here. I may have marked too many papers in file II for printing. If so, knock out what is not necessary but keep in anything that throws light on the needs of the various Collectors.

12/6/97

Done

10 sent

some for signature

These

Yes I have read the all

There is nothing [illegible] which is not [illegible] figures stand

15/6/97

Please close [illegible] where the [illegible]

Remaining spare copies may be struck off & despatched from here

19/6/97

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c 23.6.97

being numbered separately 23/6/97

[F. / 25]
1,060—8-5-97.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

C. No. 1827

~~H. E. THE GOVERNOR.~~

THE HON'BLE ~~MR.~~ Sir H.W BLISS, K C.I.E.

~~THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE,~~ C.I.E.

SUBJECT.

Famine Relief Expend^re.

FOR ORDERS.

This paper is submitted in a V. E. case, as it is thought that in view of the Acct. Genl's report the last sentence of para 6 of G.O.* No. 470 Fin. of 12. June 1897 is unsafe. ~~[illegible]~~ It is unlikely that even with a favourable S W Monsoon Provl. funds will be able to bear the whole famine Expend^re. It will be seen from ~~para~~ the Civil estimates, from the table on page 8 of G.O. No. 470 Fin. of 12th June 1897 and from para 3 of that order that of the grant of 20·04 the following amounts are shown against Provl. –

Civil Officers 2·70
P. WD — 10·41
Total 13·11

and that with this provision under 33. Famine Relief the Provincial closing balance for 1897-8 is placed at ~~[illegible]~~ 10 lakhs

Note:
* The order is ready for despatch but has been held over pending return of this file

Marked]⊗ at flag J K.

- half the prescribed minimum - From the figures in a P.W.D paper recd. the other day for counter-initials it seems unlikely that its grant of 10'41 will suffice. It is submitted that the sentence in question may be omitted. This will not delay the copy of the order for the Famine Commr. as the correction can be made by hand in the copy of the order which goes to him ~~+ which~~ is the despatch of which is being held over pending settlement of this point. The Famine Commr. is the only authority to whom the issue of the order is of great urgency

Cms
23.6.97

Lo
23/6/97.

Attention is solicited to the AG's reply printed on page 13 of G.O. 470 to the reference made to him in regard to the debit of the pay &c of the Famine Commr. & other famine officers a point raised by the Hon'ble Member on the draft order

Cms
23.6.97

Lo
23/6/97.

It is to be hoped that with the favourable turn which the season has taken Govt may get out of the famine for less than has been expected, but the existing conditions may not continue and so the calculations made may be erroneous so it appears safer not to commit oneself to anything and it seems better therefore that the passage referred to in the Office note should be struck out

Lo

Yes - certainly

HW
23/6/97

Famine estimates

H.C.s Refce

This is the original of GO No 470 dated 12th June 1897 - which had better be filed just as it is - Parts II, III & IV as marked by C.A. being kept -

[illegible]

28/6/97

Note in Fin^l dept
regarding the
Liability of District Boards for
Famine Outlay.

in connection

with the draft orders in the

L. & M. dept.

on the

Anantapur & Cuddapah

Dist Board budgets.

Thro L & M Dept

As in Local Fund Budgets.

	Ganjam	Vizagapatam	Anantapore	Bellary	Kurnool	Cuddappah	Total
1896-97 Opening balance	.36	.26	.17	.09		.37	
Receipts :	3.23	3.45	1.34	2.91		2.47	
Charges :	3.01	3.65	1.43	2.80		2.60	
Famine Expenditure (including P.W.D.) debited in the first instance to Local.	〃	〃	.06	.49	.31	.22	1.08
Closing balance	.58	.06	.08	.20		.24	
Provincial Contribution to Local included in above figures.	〃	〃	.46	.62		-.01	
1897-98 Receipts :	2.91	3.50	1.23	2.24		2.43	
Charges :	2.81	3.30	1.27	2.16		2.26	
Closing balance	.68	.26	.04	.28		.41	
net Union and Endowment	.02	.10	.03	.17		.15	
Net balance available for general purposes	.66	.16	.01	.11		.26	
ontribution from Local to Provl proposed be recovered n1897-98.	.60	.10				.20	.90
ntribution from rovincial to al in 1896-97			.46	.62	say .32		1.40
Net loss to Provl							.50

whereas India wants to recover 5.00 from Local next year

[G./25]
500—23-11-96.

Financial Department.

~~H.E. & THE GOVERNOR~~
THE HON'BLE MR. BLISS, C.I.E.
~~THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.~~

SUBJECT.

Draft orders of the Local and Municipal department on the Anantapur and Cuddapah District Board Budgets (sent for counterinitials)

FOR ORDERS.

These orders will have to be revised with reference to Letter from India No. 1334-a, dated 22nd March 1897 (just received), in which India insists on Local funds being compelled to contribute a substantial share towards famine relief works - the intention being that all avoidable outlay on ordinary works should be postponed and that all available local resources should ~~be~~ first be exhausted before Provincial or Imperial aid is invoked. A

2. It is submitted that efforts should be made to carry out these orders, to some extent at least, especially as the estimates should foreshadow, as nearly as possible, the actual facts, and in para 8 of G.O., No. 133, Finl., dated 8th February 1897, it has been laid down that the local fund budgets should be so remodelled as to show what contributions are possible between Provincial and Local. B

~~[illegible]~~ In the face of ~~[illegible]~~ the present distress ~~[illegible]~~, the general rule about retaining 5 % of receipts as a working balance should, it is submitted, be relaxed, and a much smaller reserve provided. As a matter of fact there seems to be no need for any large reserve at all, so long as Provincial is bound to make good all Local deficits under article 1359 (ii) of the Civil Account Code.

3. **Ganjam.** Taking the famine districts in geographical order, the largest outlay from Provincial occurs in Ganjam, where the balance available for general purposes at the end of 1897-98 is expected to be ·66 (excluding endowments) i.e. ·24 % of the receipts. The Local and Municipal department has called for proposals for reallotting this balance, para. 5 of G.O., No. 434, L dated 4th March 1897. Submitted however that, with reference to G.O., No. 182, Finl., dated 13th February 1892 and No. 1021 Finl., dated 17th Dec 1895, the bulk (·60) of this balance ~~[illegible]~~ which is all Provl. money × may fairly be resumed, leaving ·06 as a working balance.

4. VIZAGAPATAM. The balance available for general purposes, (excluding endowments) is ·16 or 5 per cent of the receipts. A sum of ·10 may be taken as contribution, the proposed expenditure on Repairs-Communications which is ·10 in excess of 1895-96 being curtailed if necessary.

5. ANANTAPUR. The Cess collections in 1896-97 have fallen by ·43 as compared with the previous year, and it is proposed in the L & Mu. Dept. draft to take credit for a contribution of ·46 from Provincial revenues to cover the deficit of the year, although no more than ·06 has been spent on famine relief works. There seems to be no remedy × for this, unless some portion of the outlay on ordinary works is postponed.

6. BELLARY. The land cess in 1896-7 is ·09 better than in the previous year, but the Board has spent ·49 on famine works, and credit is taken for ⊗ ·62 from Provincial. The closing balance of 1897-98, excluding endowments, is only ·11 and apparently nothing can be done, though the Provincial outlay on famine is very large in the district.

7. CUDDAPAH. The total famine expenditure to be incurred from local in 1896-97 is ·22, but only ·12 is retained and the balance transferred to the Public Works Department books. The closing balance of 1897-98 is ·26; submitted that at least ·20 may be contributed to Provl. –

8. Kurnul is expected to close with a deficit, which will have to be made good from Provl funds –

C

D

× Provl. recovered ·30 only out of ·62 due by Ganjam

G

× The closing balance of 1897-8 is placed at ·01 (inclusive of the Provincial grant of ·46)

F

⊗ Remaining grant road (fixed contribution) } Rs 4,700
Provincial Contribution for roads } 50,000
Addition made by [illegible] to provide a 5 % balance } 7,730
62,430

~~This may be reduced if necessary~~

H

30/3/97.

30.3.97

I suppose that we must comply with [illegible] orders. It is merely cooking the budgets. Provincial will have eventually to pay it all back again or the L. Bds will become insolvent.

31/3/97

[L & M.
300—3-12-96.]

Liability of District Boards for famine relief

Local & Muncl Depte

NOTE FOR THE Secretary

The Ganjam and Vizagapatam Local Fund Budgets were not remodelled with reference to paras: 7 and 8 of G.O. No 133 Financial, dated 8th February 1897, as it was not known that the relief works in these districts would be placed under the supervision of the Public Works Department, as in the Deccan districts. Even as yet, no orders to this effect have been passed The large balance of Rs 65,820 with which the Ganjam Budget for 1897-98 is expected to close is not due to the prosperous state of the Local Boards' finances, but to ignorance of sound budget principles, which require that works for which provision is most likely to be needed should be anticipated and appropriate allotments entered in the estimates It thus happens that the provision for communications falls short of the prescribed minimum by so

much

B

So far as this dept. knows ~~the~~ Ganjam & Vizag. are not "famine" districts

S.P. 2/4/97

C

As regards Gm, I don't see how we can now exact a contribution because some years ago the L. Fd owed Provl. 33 – This sum was remitted & the transaction can't well be reopened. As to present reasons for requiring a contribution, what are they? I don't know that any expenditure is being incurred in Gm under "33 Famine" of such a nature as L. Funds can properly be charged with. There is some gratuitous relief going on & may be more, but L. Funds can't be charged with this. There is also, or has been some expenditure on Test works – Presumably these, if roads, ~~are~~ are being carried out from L. Funds. If from Provl., the amt so expended may be recovered, but I don't know how much it is –

Similarly as to Vm. I don't see

the ~~[illegible]~~ proposed, as at present informed, on which any recovery can be made from the L. Bd.

RS B

Assuming that Ganjam is a "relief" district, ·60 may as proposed may be taken during the year by provincial, of which ·33 will be in repayt. of old debt & the remt. as contribution towards "famine" works such as roads &c. This will leave ~~[illegible]~~ 2·1 % as working balance to commence the next year which is ~~to~~ rather inadequate but may be accepted in the circs.

So in Vizag.m; a contribution of ·10 will leave only 1·88 % of receipts as working balance: also inadequate but may be similarly accepted.

S. B.
2/4/7

much as Rs 15220 or 11 per cent. As however, under para 9 of G. O. No 153 Financial, dated 8th February 1897 only expenditure properly ~~fee~~ ~~[illegible]~~ debitable to Local Funds will be finally charged to that head, the contributions from Local to Provincial Funds recommended in para: 3 of the note of the Financial Department in the case of Ganjam and in para 4, as regards Vizagapatam, may be accepted.

2. The whole of the provision of Rs 2100 made in the Anantapur Budget for new works viz the construction of school sheds and markets, have been struck out in the draft review and the allotment made for the repair of communications is less than the actuals of 1895-96 and the estimate for 1896-97 and also falls short of the prescribed minimum by 28 per cent. The provision under Grant 2 has been considerably reduced, being Rs 22,090 against Rs 25,277, the actuals of 1895-96, and Rs 27,400, the estimate for 1896-97

Though

I should say these might be struck out. It is not likely that they are genuine scavenging estts. RS

I dont think any reduction is possible in Anantapur. Scavenging & water supply are essential, & more so in times of famine; neglect of them being often ~~as~~ deadly.

S. B. 2/4/7

Yes
S. B. 2/4 RS 3/4/97

Though the allotment under Grant 3 shows an increase of nearly Rs 3,000 over the actuals of 1895-96, which is due among other causes to a larger provision under Improvement of water supply (Rs + 884) and scavenging establishments (Rs + 841) it is slightly less than the estimate for 1896-97. In these circumstances, no reduction appears to be feasible under any of the heads of Local Fund expenditure in this District.

3. The contribution of Rs 20,000 from Local to Provincial recommended in para. of the note of the Financial Department, in the case of Cuddapah, may in the circumstances, be accepted. This will leave a balance of Rs 5,85

o

or only 3 percent of the receipts against a total of 15 percent ~~[illegible]~~ required by the Local Fund rules.

V.R.
2/4/97

~~H.M.~~

See marginal notes
2/4/

~~[illegible]~~. I do not think it possible in Cawnpur Scavenging & water supply are essential, & more so in times of famine; neglect of them being often as deadly

2/4/

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It would have saved trouble — some at all events — if these notes had been appended to the P.W. draft order when circulated

3/6/97

Sub.
A.S.H.
8.6.97

To
P.W.D.

Please return this note after perusal

9/6/97.

C.W.S.
9.6.97

Keep copy
R.W.
9/8/97

Noted and returned.

C.W.H.S.
Dev. 12/6/97

R.W.:

Financial Dept

Preliminary Estimate of P.W.D. under 33 Famine Relief for 1897-8.

With reference to the Hon'ble Member's remarks I and II on the draft order of the P.W.D., the following is submitted:-

I

The latest actuals for 1896-7 under 33 Famine Relief as ascertained from the A.G. & the Examiner are given in Appendix A (page 17) and in para 2 (page 11) of the first draft order on Famine estimates linked with this file. It will be seen that the revised estimate of the G. of I. is not far out. Financial did not note on this point in the P.W.D draft as it was hoped that it would be possible to submit the linked draft to the Hon'ble Member at the same time as the P.W.D draft circulated. This was not practicable, although a good part of a Sunday was devoted to the work.

II

As regards the allotment under 33 Famine Relief for 1897-8. attention is solicited to the extract (para 5) from India's letter on the B.E. for 1897-8 No. 1400-A d/ 26th March 1897, printed on page 9 of the (linked) Financial Draft. The total estimate is 20'04, of which the P.W.D. portion is 10'41, the Civil Dept portion being 9'63 - please see the distribution* on page 8 of the (linked) proof, which is taken from India's financial statement also Appendix B (pages 18 & 19 of the linked proof) which shows the distribution proposed by the A.G. in the final issue of the Civil Estimates, proof of which has been subd. by him to the Comptroller Genl). The (linked) Financial dept order, whilst contending that Local Funds cannot find 5 lakhs for famine, accepts the estimates which work~~ing~~ in the Civil dept up to 9'63 & in the P.W.D. to 10'41. Copy of this order will go to the G. of I. & if it agrees with the contention of this Govt that Local Funds are not in a position to bear any expendre. under Famine relief, India will probably adhere to its engagement to meet all from Imperial any expendre. which reduces the Provl. balance below 10 lakhs (half the prescribed minimum). The estimates in the Civil dept ~~are~~ can at present be only rough ones & until the fate of the S. W. monsoon is settled it would, it is submitted, be premature to address India regarding any additional grant. If the S. W. monsoon fails, there can be no doubt that the 20'04 will not by any means suffice and India must come to the help of this Govt. Whether in that case it then makes Provincial stand the 5 lakhs classed by it under Local Funds, or not, will, it is submitted, matter little as Provincial finances will be utterly bankrupt.

Z 2

* Note This distribution differs in details from that given by the Acct. Genl. for the Financial Statement

Cws

Financial did not note on the P.W.D. draft as the latter was not distributing more than its grant of 10'41.

(para 5 of draft)

please see Appendix C (page 20) of (linked) proof

Cws
19.5.97.

19/5/97.

31/5/97

Hon Secre

Rev.
L & M } Dept } for favour of
PW } counter-initials

The draft order seems to meet present requirements & will probably be useful as a basis for future action. But matters are apparently still in such a state of flux that any order now issuing can hardly be of more than very temporary application. Indeed, except to get a lot of papers out of the way, I don't see much object in issuing any such order as this at all at the present moment. The C.S. should have consulted me before he allowed a great deal of time to be spent on its preparation, I fear to little or no use.

I have counterinitialled

W
3/6/97

Hon Draft

F.A. 28/5/97

I accept the G.O. subject to the Hon. Mr. Bliss's observations, & my own remarks.

A.S.H.
8.6.97

The passing of the estimates has not, of course, delayed the placing of funds at the disposal of Collectors when required. This has been done as soon as applications have come in

Financial Dept:

C.Nos. 580, 600, 647, 651, 673, 675, 696, 718, 720, 721, 725, 742, 755, 812, 893, 936, 941, 969, 1028, 1056, 1198, 1236, 1245, 1273, 1409 & 1410

Subject

FAMINE ESTIMATES

NOTE

The draft order on these papers, the greater portion of which has been in type for some time, could not be submitted for approval earlier owing to the constant changes made in the estimates, and the non receipt of the P.W.D. orders on their portion of the budget. These orders have not been issued yet but the figures have been obtained, like most of the other information in the draft, unofficially.

Advantage has however been taken of this to obtain the approximate actuals of 1896-97, for purposes of comparison. Proofs of the statements containing these actuals have gone for verification to the Accountant General and the Examiner of P.W.Accounts.

The Accountant General insist that the 5 lakhs classed by India under

Local

Local should be redistributed accordingly in the Local Fund budgets. The draft follows the orders already passed by the H.M. on this point.

The Accountant General enquired what details the Govt. required in the monthly accounts; these are set forth in the forms proposed in Appendix D, which follows closely those already adopted by the Accountant General for the final issue of the Civil Estimates now in proof with the Comptroller General (vide Appendix B), but with the full details required by the Famine Code.

Cw8
18/5/97

19/5/97

I have counter initialled the draft, but the estimates submitted by the Board & Collectors are mostly guesses and the grants ~~made~~ for the several affected districts cannot be looked upon as final. I transferred yesterday to the Finl. Dept an application for an additional grant of 4½ lakhs for Guddapah and today a similar application for Rs 20000 from Kurnool is being transferred. If it is decided not to apply to the Govt of India for funds from ~~the~~ Imperial till it is seen how the S.W. Monsoon turns out, a readjustment of the grants proposed in the draft may be necessary.

22/5/97

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VE

C. 3. 6. 97
R. 4. 6. 97

Financial Department

Famine Estimates

The two files contain the Financial draft order (in proof) & the P. W. D. order on the estimates for 1897-8 under 33 Famine Relief. The Financial order follows the flag Z². Whilst it was in circulation for counter-initials further currents, which have been tagged with this note, have been received. These will be referred to below.

2. It will be seen from the draft order and (more clearly) from Appendix C. to the same that the draft ~~passed~~ passes estimates to the full extent of the budget provision under 33 Famine Relief - viz ~~[illegible]~~ 9·63 under "Civil Officers" and 10·41 under "Public Works dept" - [The ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ incidence of the expenditure on Imperial & Provincial funds is for settlement hereafter since, as shown in the draft, it is impossible for Local to find the 5 lakhs which India wishes it to bear out of the total of 20·04]. This has been accomplished by reducing the Board's estimate for Ganjam by ·29 lakhs [vide para 5(i) of draft order] and the Collector's for Bellary by 1·20 lakhs [para 5(v) ibid].

Alli & cic

Rev. Dept. for counter initials ✓
RS
2-6-97

If it is necessary to issue any financial G.O. at all, ~~then~~ which it may be to clear papers out of the way, these arrangements will do as well as any others - But there can be no finality about any orders passed now as everything is more or less guesswork. Q² The forms in App. D to the draft order may, however, be adopted at once & the Bd may be told to send in a revised estimate about July 15. Both these measures seem desirable.

3/6/97

I have passed the draft.
We must get a revised estimate from the Bd on July 15

3/6/97

A.S.H.
8.6.97

3. The further changes in the estimates passed in the printed draft order neccessitated by the attached currents are:-

(i) C. No. 1531 & 1604. Vizagapatam

The Colr. wishes ·66 of the ·96 provided for relief works [para 5(ii) of draft order] to be transferred to the P. W. D. and the latter state that the ·66 must be in addition to the grant of 10·41 under 33 Famine Relief - P. W. D.

(ii) C. No. 1532 & 1619 - Anantapur

The Board asks that the estimate under "Relief works" - Civil officers [para 5(iv) of draft order] may be raised by ·40 and the P. W. D. states that this amount cannot be found from the P. W. D. grant.

(iii) C. No. 1583 - Cuddapah.

The Board wishes the estimates passed in para 5(vi) of the draft order to be raised by 2·81 under "Relief works" and by ·40 under "Gratuitous Relief" - total 3·21.

(iv) C. No. 1598 - Kurnool.

The Collector requires ·20 more than is provided in para 5(vii) of the draft order for relief of weavers.

(v) C. No. 1637 Ganjam

A sum of ·25 lakh has already been placed at the disposal of the Collector for the relief of weavers. He wants ·30 more - total ·55 or ·05 more than is provided in para 5 (i) of the draft order.

Note Acy. has been told to place this sum of ·30 at disposal of Colr.
CWS

4. The additional demands are therefore.

Anantapur -	Relief works -	·40
Cuddapah.	Relief works —	2·81
	Gratuitous relief	·40
Kurnool -	Weavers ___	·20
Ganjam -	Do ___	·05
	Total	3·86

There appears to be no necessity to make the transfer in Vizagapatam of ·66 from ~~Colr.~~ Civil to P. W. D. If the P. W. D. has not enough money it can come up later

5. There seems to be no necessity, moreover, for framing estimates at present which will exceed the ~~total amount~~ budget allotment under 33 Famine Relief, as would have to be done if these fresh demands are all complied with. As pointed out by the Rev. dept, the present estimates are all guesses of the Board & Colrs; they could not at the present stage be anything else. When the prospects

The Board will then be asked to submit revised estimates for all districts about the 15th July when the prospects of the season will probably be clearer.

of the S.W. Monsoon are more certain it will be ~~too~~ time enough to inform India that more money will be wanted. The Ganjam estimate [para 5(1) of the draft order] seems over-pitched and disproportionately high. The total might be reduced from 4·40 to 3 lakhs and the 1·40 thus made available together with the ·66 which the Colr. of Vizagapatam does not require for expendre. by Civil officers – total 2·06 – added to the other estimates as follows:–

Anantapur –	Relief works –	·40
Cuddapah –	Relief works –	1·06
	Gratuitous relief –	·40
Kurnool –	Weavers –	·20
		2·06

The excess (·05) required for weavers in Ganjam is small and can be met from savings under other heads.

6 If the H.E. approves of this proposal and of the general terms ~~tone~~ of the draft order, ~~it will be~~ the latter will require some alteration but ~~there~~ this ~~will~~ can be carried out without further circulation

The Board will then be told to submit revised estimates for all districts about the 15th July when the prospects of the monsoon ~~to~~ will probably be fairly settled.

Cur.S. 2/6/97

2.6.97.

2/6/97

C 11-6-97
R 12.6.97

H.E. the Governor ✓
The Hon'ble Mr. Bliss C.I.E.
The Hon'ble Mr. Grose C.S.I.

Financial Dept

Famine Estimates

With reference to the notes ~~flagged~~ of H.E. the Governor and Hon'ble Members flagged A and B, it is understood that H.E. the Governor agrees with the Hon'ble Mr. Bliss C.I.E. that except as regards the forms in appendix D ~~to~~ the draft Financial order, ~~and~~ the question of charging Local funds with a portion of the expendre. on Famine Relief, & the direction to the Board to furnish revised estimates on the 15th July, it is unnecessary at present to issue any financial order. The attached ~~A~~ revised draft order× is therefore submitted for approval. It seems necessary that Govt. should say something as regards the local charge with reference to the letters from the Govt. of India of 22.3.97 and from the Acct. Genl of 14.4.97 on pages 9 & 10 of the proof.

2. It is thought that the draft order will meet the requirements of the case. Further

× Of which a clean proof has not been struck in order that corrections & alterations may be seen.

Note

The bulk of the file has been retained as the flagging is confusing

Cur.S

In endorsing the Hon. Mr. Bliss's Note of 3.6.97, I understood that I concurred in the issue of the draft G.O. flagged K, and that a revised ~~estimated~~ allotment of funds might issue later.

A fresh draft Order has been prepared. I am willing to concur in the issue of this Order, if it is more convenient to the Financial Dept. than the previous one at flag K.

With regard to the marginal Note to para. 6, I would observe that some 10 lakhs out of a total expenditure of 20 lakhs is for communications. Theoretically, I suppose Local Funds might be charged with these ten lakhs. To say that they ought not to be charged is not as strong an argument as to say that they cannot be charged.

Z

A.H. 11.6.97

The draft may issue as amended

12/6/97 12/6/97

stuffling of the figures will take up time needlessly and will delay the issue of the order, whilst it is important that the Famine Commr. should receive as early intimation as possible in order to enable him to collect revised estimates by the 15th July.

3. In explanation of the draft order originally submitted, it is respectfully submitted that ~~the~~ a great ~~greater~~ portion was drafted before the end of February (before the undersigned returned from leave) and that at that time no difficulty was apprehended in bringing the estimates within the grant. These difficulties arose in consequence of the numerous changes necessitated by the currents subsequently received. As the work had been put in hand & advanced so far it was thought that it might be proceeded with

4 With reference to the Hon'ble Member's notes on page 12 of the former draft it is submitted:—

K

(rouse of flag)

Y flag U²

X very well
HS

I ~~Provision for~~ The salaries of additional officers appointed to strengthen existing establishments would, it was understood, be debited to the service head concerned and provision was made accordingly for the exhibition of such in the form on page 28 (Detailed Account 33 G). The ruling of the G. of I in G.O. No. 1204 W of 10 May 1897 (recently received) makes it doubtful whether all the additional officers mentioned in the Hon'ble Member's note will be so treated. An urgent reference has been made to the Acct Genl. & the point will be set right, if necessary, before the draft issues

II The Hon'ble Member's note has been embodied as a general remark in para 6 of the accompanying draft.

5. The papers are submitted to H.E. the Governor first in case his notes as to the terms of the draft have been misconstrued.

Cwd
10.6.97

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3/6/97

Draft order

N.B. Figures will be carefully rechecked throughout, especially with P.W.D. estimates, before issue
C.M.S.

ORDER—No. , Financial, dated May 1897.

A perusal of the correspondence relating to the estimates of famine relief expenditure recorded in the papers read above, and a comparison of the approximate actual outlay incurred in 1896–97 with the [redacted] forecasts submitted by local officers, lead to the conclusions that, even after [redacted] allowing for the difficulties in framing correct estimates in such matters and the probability of a favourable S.W. monsoon, ~~sufficient attention has not been paid to the actual requirements of each district, and that~~ the revised estimates for 1897–98, which are still being submitted to Government are not quite so reliable as they ~~well~~ might be, ~~independently of the results of the south-west monsoon, which will, it is hoped,~~ [redacted]. [illegible]

2. The approximate actual outlay in 1896–97 is shown in detail in appendix A to these proceedings and is compared below with the ~~several~~ estimates framed from time to time during the past few months :—

Famine expenditure in 1896–97.		G.O., No. 164, dated 18th February 1897.	G.O., No. 188, dated 26th February 1897.	Latest departmental estimates.	Revised estimates of the Government of India.	Approximate actual outlay.
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	Public Works Department.	3·52	3·17	3·30	2·00	2·10
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Local Fund outlay		·75	·75	·75	·75	·81
	Grand Total ..	8·07	6·03	6·29	4·00	4·91 ·X

Note The effect on the Provincial balance of the excess expenditure in 1896-7 (·91) over the revised estimate will best be dealt with when the A.G.'s preliminary accounts for 1896-7 under Provincial services are received
C.M.S.

The figures in the last column are subject to adjustment both as regards the actual expenditure incurred as well as with reference to the amounts debitable to Provincial and Local funds.

3. For 1897–98, the Government of India has adopted the estimate of 20·04 lakhs suggested by this Government, but has, in view to [redacted] maintaining [redacted] half the prescribed minimum [redacted] balance under Provincial funds (10 lakhs), re-distributed the grants as shown below :—

		LAKHS.
Civil Department ..	Imperial	1·93
	Provincial	2·70
	Local	5·00
		9·63
Public Works Department—Provincial	.. ..	10·41
	Total ..	20·04

The Public Works Department has assigned 7·26 for road works, 3·00 for irrigation works, ·10 in connection with the breaking of ballast required for the East Coast Railway and ·05 for stores. The Accountant-General has distributed the balance of 9·63 in the Civil estimates as shown in appendix B to these proceedings; but how [redacted] it is desirable to re-consider the apportionment of the grants in the light of [redacted] the latest proposals of the Board of Revenue.

with reference to the grants

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I suppose this means the table below. Is it better say so.

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× The details of expenditure on Salaries &c are given in Acct 33 A on p. 18 – But I don't find that they include any provision for the payment of addl. officers posted to districts under ss 25 & 26 of the Code or to the A.G.'s & Examr's offices under s. 27 – There are instances already under all these heads & no doubt will be more. Then, too, there are Mr Buckley and Mr Le Fanu and the Dy Collrs & other officers who are looking after the [illegible] weavers. Where is the pay of all these to come from?

Please see para 28 Acct 33 G. It was understood that the salaries of officers appointed to strengthen existing establishments would be debited to the service head concerned. The ruling of the G of I in G.O. No. 1204 W dated 10 May 1897 makes it doubtful whether the addl. officers mentioned by [illegible] will be so treated. The A.G. has been asked.

Cw

II

I don't think this is the right way to put it. Under s. 95 (v) of the Act V of 1884 L. Funds can be spent on famine relief works, but they cannot be taken for general ~~[illegible]~~ famine relief, that is, for any form of relief beyond actual expenditure on works – This should be distinctly stated here (and elsewhere as necessary) (for the benefit of the Govt. of India).

Yes. But perhaps the strongest reason is that Local Bds have not got the money. A.G.H.

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4. The number of persons on famine relief for the week ending 8th May 1897 and the grants now made are compared below.:

Nature of relief.	Ganjám.	Vizagapatam.	Bellary.	Anantapur.	Kurnool.	Cuddapah.	Total.
Relief workers	..	13,749	74,468	22,041	66,580	38,132	2,14,970
Test "	3,430	513	..	..	..	..	3,943
Weavers	771	..	2,337	700	3,483	9,876	17,167
Gratuitously relieved—in kitchens — Dependants	..	948	4,849	1,052	3,220	1,279	11,348
Gratuitously relieved—in kitchens — Others	1,734	964	1,287	454	438	21	4,898
Do. otherwise relieved.	11,530	..	1,313	..	137	..	12,980
Total	17,465	16,174	84,254	24,247	73,858	49,308	265,306
Distribution of grant (in lakhs)	4·~~35~~ 40	1·55	5·48	2·28	2·69	3·35	* 20·04

* Including ·11 for Gódávari and ·18 for North Arcot.

The attention of the Board of Revenue will be directed to the divergencies in the apportionment of funds and in the mode of affording relief

5. As regards the estimates themselves, the following observations are called for ~~as regards the amounts~~ as well as to the ~~question of the~~ incidence of the charges on Imperial, Provincial and Local funds:—

(i) *Ganjám.*—Not only have the estimates for this district been placed unreasonably high from the ~~very~~ commencement, as will be seen from the subjoined table, but the Government has reason to fear that adequate control is not exercised over the large outlay incurred on gratuitous relief, which is out of all proportion to that in other districts. In G.O., No. 238, Revenue, dated 7th April 1897, ~~[illegible]~~ greater latitude has been allowed to the Collector in this respect, but it is therefore all the more essential that he should exercise the ~~greatest~~ scrutiny over the progress of expenditure, bearing in mind that the amount entered in the last column of the table is the maximum that can at present be spared for expenditure in the district. The Accountant general has already been instructed by telegram to place a sum of 1.12 lakh at the disposal of the collector.

direct

	1896–97.				1897–98.				
—	Collector's original estimate.	Collector's revised estimate.	Board's estimate.	Actuals approximate.	Collector's original estimate.	Collector's revised estimate.	Civil and Public Works estimate.	* Board's estimate.	Grant now sanctioned.
	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.
× Salaries, &c.	·09	·01	·01	..	·66	·49	·49	·49	·21
Relief works	·58	·19	·10	·01	4·08	3·37	2·34	2·50	* 2·4~~1~~ 9
Weavers	·09	·05	·05	..	·64	·50	1·39	·50	·50
Gratuitous relief	·38	·06	·06	·02	2·63	2·00	2·04	1·20	1·20
Total	1·14	·31	·22	·03	8·01	6·36	6·26	4·69	4·~~[illegible]~~ 40

* G.No 893.

* (Including Irrigation and Railway expenditure + ·05 for P.W. stores)

It is not apparent ~~There is manifestly no reason~~ why the charges on account of salaries and establishments should be taken at so high a figure as ·49; the maximum in other districts has been fixed at ·20. Any additional expenditure on gratuitous relief ~~may~~ should be met by transfer from the ~~liberal~~ provision under relief works.

While the famine expenditure of the district approximates five lakhs, the total estimated receipts and charges of the district board for the year amount to no more than 2·91 and 2·81, respectively, ~~while~~ the net closing balance available for general purposes ~~is~~ being expected to stand at ·66. ~~lakh~~. Considerable sums were advanced from Provincial funds during the last scarcity ~~in the district~~ and a portion of the advances had to be written off subsequently as irrecoverable. The district board has not ~~quite~~ recovered from the effects of that scarcity, and the Government does not see its way to levying any contribution from Local funds on account of general famine relief expenditure. The cost of such road works as should, properly speaking, be undertaken by the district board ~~will be debited to Local~~ as well as of those works referred to in the penultimate sentence of paragraph 5 of G.O., No. 434 L., dated 4th March 1897 will be debited to Local.

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Note

* This follows H.m's instructions in the note flagged H

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(ii) *Vizagapatam.*—The estimates are passed as follows :—

N.R.

X G. No 1273.

—	Civil estimates.	Collector.	Board.	Grant.
	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.
Salaries, &c.	·03	..	..	·01
Relief works	·52	·72	·96	·96
Weavers	·06	..	..	..
Gratuitous relief	·10	·12	·12	·12
Irrigation (Public Works Department)	..	..	..	·46
Total ..	·71	·84	1·08	1·55

The net closing balance of the district board is too small to admit of any contribution being demanded for general relief purposes and, excepting the outlay on purely Local fund works, if any, the entire liability must fall on Provincial funds.

Local Funds.	LAKHS.
Receipts	3·50
Charges	3·30
Net closing balance	·16

See above Ws

(iii) *Gódávari.*—A grant of ·30 lakh was sanctioned for relief works in Bhadráchalam in G.O., No. 139, Financial, dated 11th February 1897, and withdrawn as not required in G.O., No. 287, dated 29th March 1897. An allotment of ·10 has, however, ~~now~~ since been sanctioned in G.O., No. 381, dated 7th May 1897, and this amount will be met by transfer from the excess provision made in the Civil estimates for Ganjám.

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(iv) *Anantapur.*—The estimates are accepted as shown below :—

—	Civil estimates.	Collector.	Board.	Grant.
	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.
Salaries, &c.	·16	·16	·16	·16
Relief works	..	..	·12	·12
Weavers	·50	·53	·53	·53
Gratuitous relief	·15	·20	·20	·20
Miscellaneous	..	·12	·02	·02
	·81	1·01	1·03	1·03
Public Works Department—				
Relief works	1·25	1·25	1·00	1·00
Irrigation			·25	·25
Total ..	2·06	2·26	2·28	2·28

Owing to the famine, the cess collections in 1896–97 fell considerably and the accounts of the district board for that year are expected to close with a deficit of ·46 lakh which will have to be temporarily made good from Provincial revenues. The receipts and charges in 1897–98 are estimated at 1·24 and 1·27 lakhs, respectively, and it is ~~quite~~ out of the question to look to local resources for meeting any portion of the famine expenditure.

ditto Ws

(v) *Bellary.*—The Collector's forecasts were considered to be excessive by the Board of Revenue (Pros. No 223 dated 12.3.97) and no reliable estimates have since been received. The grants will, for the present, be determined as follows :—

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—	Civil estimates.	Collector.	Grant.
	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.
Salaries, &c.	·18	·53	·20
Relief works	·10	·20	·20
Weavers	·22	22	·22
Gratuitous relief	·56	·56	·56
	1·06	1·51	1·18
Public Works Department—			
Relief works	..	5·17	3·90
Irrigation	..		·40
Total ..	..	6·68	5·48

This is a matter which should be fully gone into at leisure. The Colr. originally responsible was presumably Mr. Mullaly, but he appears to have been greatly hampered by the inefficiency & obstinacy of the Engr. one Subramania Ayar, against whom complaints have been numerous but to whom nothing has been done.

BS

A | The telegrams flagged 3 + 4 show that it was the Ex: Engr's fault that the Collector could not send in his estimate. I would therefore substitute, for the words "could not be induced", the words "has not, owing to the dilatoriness of the D. P. W. been able to"—

B |

C | The Hon. Mr. Bliss is not quite correct when he says nothing has been done to Ex. Engr. Subramania Ayar. This Engineer has been removed from superior control in the Dist.

A. I cannot find any letters flagged 3 + 4

B. I agree.

C. But, so far as I know, this officer retains his rank & pay—all that has happened to him is that he has been relieved of responsibility & is therefore a positive gainer by his own laches

BS
12/6/97

It is observed that the whole of the ~~The bulk of the works provided for in the Public Works estimates appear to be of a character that should be executed by the district board, but considering that~~ special contribution of ·50 ~~had to be~~ given from Provincial to Local in 1896–97 for general purposes ~~the whole of which has been~~ was diverted for famine-relief works, and that the estimated closing balance of the Local board for 1897–98 is barely sufficient to provide for probable demands, ~~no action can be taken at present, but~~ The district board will be called upon in the Local and Municipal Department to take over as direct Local fund outlay as much of the expenditure on road works as should legitimately fall to its share.

x [illegible] purposes only

Local.

	LAKHS.
Receipts	2·24
Charges	2·16
Net closing balance	·11

C No. 1409. + G.O. 318, Fint. dated 6.4.97.

(vi) *Cuddapah.*—In submitting his original estimates the Collector ~~made very~~ did not make adequate provision for the large outlay on relief to weavers, which has now become necessary ~~and which could have well been foreseen. It is not clear why no provision is made for relief works or gratuitous relief, though the actuals in 1896–97 amounted to ·05 and ·01 respectively~~. The grants will be fixed as follows:—

	Approximate actuals, 1896–97.	Civil estimates.	Grant.
	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.
Salaries, &c.	·02	·06	·06
Relief works	·05	..	·14
Weavers	·76	1·00	2·00
Gratuitous relief	·01	·01	·10
	·84	1·07	2·30
Public Works Department—			
Relief works	..	..	·70
Irrigation	..	..	·35
Total ..	..	..	3·35

— instead of ·20

instead of ·04

Note. The Collector has just come up (in Rev) for an allotment of ·10 under gratuitous relief. Hence the alteration in figures.

BC Carry out these alterations in Appendix C.

The district board has already spent ·22 on famine works and has provided for a contribution of ·20 to Provincial funds in the current year for the same purpose. ~~leaving a very small working balance as shown in the margin~~.

Local Funds.

	LAKHS.
Receipts	2·43
Charges	2·46
Net balance	·06

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* Note That in G.O. 164-5 / 18.2.97 flagged B

(vii) *Kurnool.*—In spite of ~~numerous~~ reminders and telegrams, the Collector could not be induced to forecast his probable requirements with any degree of accuracy, and the only estimate submitted ~~to Government~~ appears on the face of it ~~utterly~~ totally inadequate; the Government is, however, unable to raise the ~~estimates~~ (grant) at present: ~~and any excess should be met from savings in the large provision made in the Public Works Department:—~~

	Approximate actuals, 1896–97.	Civil estimate, 1897–98.	Grants now sanctioned.
	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.
Salaries, &c.	·01	·07	·03
Relief works	·56	·31	·35
Weavers	·14	·20	·20
Gratuitous relief	·03	·05	·05
Total ..	·74	·63	·63
Public Works—			
Relief works	..	..	1·46
Irrigation	..	..	·60
Total ..	..	..	2·69

The accounts of the district board for 1896–97 are expected to close with a deficit of ·26 chiefly owing to short collections of cess, due to the adverse season, while the closing balance in 1897–98 is taken at —·10; it is thus impossible for the district board to incur any additional outlay on famine works.

Local Funds.

	LAKHS.
Receipts	2·20
Charges	2·30
Net balance	—·10

(viii) *North Arcot.*—The Accountant-General provides ·17 and the Public Works Department ·01 for expenditure in this district. ~~as~~ Formal estimates have not been received from the Collector, but the provision will be allowed to stand.

The altered grants now approved, aggregating 9·63 under Civil and 10·41 under Public Works, are reproduced in one view in Appendix C to these Proceedings.

5. The foregoing review of the requirements of each district and of the financial position of each district board leads to the conclusion that by no practicable device can Local funds in the affected areas be directly burdened with so large a share as 5 lakhs of the relief expenditure now being incurred and that the procedure described in paragraph 2 of the Accountant-General's letter, No. 1238, dated 14th April 1897, cannot possibly be followed in any district. ~~although~~ This may seem to conflict with the "established policy" described in paragraph 67 of the Financial Statement of the Government of India; but in the first place, the maintenance of ordinary Local fund works cannot be postponed without serious impediment and injury to the administration; secondly, the employment of labour on these works affords ~~much better~~ relief to the famine-stricken population ~~[illegible]~~; and lastly, ~~all the~~ expenditure on Education, Sanitation, Medical Relief, &c., which might be diverted from Local funds, would eventually have to be defrayed by Government during the period of distress, as these services cannot be suddenly suspended or resumed. His Excellency in Council has, however, reason to hope that ~~if~~ with a favourable ~~the~~ south-west monsoon ~~proves favourable,~~ it will be possible to meet the entire expenditure on famine relief in 1897–98 ~~can be met~~ from Provincial revenues without reducing the balance below half the prescribed minimum. ~~and that no special contributions need be called for from Local or Imperial funds, provided the contract arrangements for the quinquennium are settled on a satisfactory basis.~~

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Page 6 ibid

6. Considering the very large outlay ~~expenditure~~ now being incurred on famine relief, ~~which threatens to absorb nearly the whole of the Provincial balance,~~ as well as the ~~natural~~ tendency on the part of local officers to afford relief to the full extent demanded by their subordinates without reference to possible irregularities, such as were noticed in paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 115, Revenue, dated 23rd February 1897, the Government ~~His Excellency the Governor in Council~~ is anxious that effective measures should be adopted to exercise a much closer scrutiny over the ~~accounts of famine~~ expenditure accounts. With this view and in order ~~as well as~~ to secure economy of labour and uniformity in the preparation of statistics and financial returns, ~~the Government considers~~ it is essential that the forms prescribed should, while adhering in the main to the classification prescribed by the Government of India and adopted in the Civil estimates as shown in appendices B and C, nevertheless completely fulfil the requirements of the Famine Code and incorporate all the details necessary for a comprehensive review of the famine operations, which will eventually have to be undertaken, ~~similar to that in connection with the great famine of 1876–78~~. The details required for purely administrative purposes need not, of course, be mixed up with those required for the finance accounts; it is however ~~nevertheless~~ desirable that the headings adopted should in all cases be uniform, so that the information collated for one purpose may be readily utilised for the other.

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7. ~~In G.O., No. 701, Revenue, dated 8th February 1897, the Accountant-General has already been requested to indicate the alterations needed in the forms prescribed by the Famine Code. In~~ Appendix D to these proceedings ~~some of the details specified in the latter have been incorporated with the form proposed by the Accountant-General in his letter, No. 584, dated 19th February 1897, and amplified in the detailed accounts attached to the printed Civil estimates.~~ contains forms of returns which have been drawn up in the Secretariat with the above object & in which some of the details required by the Famine Code have been incorporated with the form proposed by the Accountant-General in his letter, No. 584, dated 19th February 1897, and amplified in the detailed accounts attached to the printed Civil estimates. ~~The Board of Revenue, the Examiner of Public Works Accounts and the Accountant-General will now arrange to scrutinise these details and, in consultation, issue revised forms~~ so as to render the same returns serviceable for both administrative and statistical purposes. The Accountant-General need not bring on his books any more sub-heads than he may consider absolutely indispensable; but the monthly reports from the Collectors of the affected districts, which should be forwarded invariably through the Accountant-General, should embody all the information required by the Famine Code and should be accompanied by subsidiary statements showing the famine charges under departmental heads

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The extra details required in the proposed forms may impose additional in some cases possibly unnecessary work on the officers engaged in the administration of relief. The Board of Rev & the Acctt Genl will therefore be requested to scrutinize them and in consultation with the Exr, P.W. Accounts to issue revised forms

Note

are in some respects during periods of distress [illegible] in ordinary times

the impolicy of the [illegible] to increase

at C tended expenditure

Will Revenue please say if the forms ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ proposed will suffice

say the "returns periodically submitted by Collrs"

Omit

⊗ The form on page 22 omits to provide for the deficiencies noted by me on p. 12

as well as the losses of revenue due to remissions, suspensions, relinquishments of demands, &c., as sketched ~~forth~~ in Appendix D. Past expenditure should be reclassified in accordance with this form as finally issued; all necessary corrections should be indicated in subsequent returns, the expenditure in the month, as well as that up to the end of the month, being brought forward and corrected ~~up~~ to date.

8. Presidents of District Boards and Collectors should, in communication with the Accountant-General, determine what proportion of the actual expenditure should be debited to local boards and adjust the accounts accordingly with the least practicable delay.

9. Endeavours should be made to close the accounts of famine operations relating to each financial year before the 31st July following. The consolidated reports called for from the Accountant-General and the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, in G.Os., Nos. 25 and 143, dated 12th January and 13th February 1897, should reach Government without fail before the 1st December of each year at the latest.

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(True Extract.)

Cmd 24/5/97

19/5/97 *Chief Secretary.*

To the Revenue Department.
„ Local and Municipal Department.
„ Public Works Department.
„ Accountant-General.
„ Collectors of Famine Districts.
„ Honorary Secretaries, Famine Relief Fund.
Editors' Table.

21/5/97

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Endorsement—No. , Financial, dated May 1897.

Copy to the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department.

~~J. F. PRICE,~~
~~*Chief Secretary.*~~

Cmd 18/5/97

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Exd. A. Raitt.

[Appendix.

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17/6/95

L[illegible]s are available
at the time: but there is
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and a contribution of ·48
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the prescribed minimum
working balance

N.B. Revised with
reference to G.O. in
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on 9th inst.

Cml
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Public Works Department—Provincial	.. ..	10·41
	Total ..	20·04

The Public Works Department has assigned 7·26 for road works, 3·00 for irrigation works, ·10 in connection with the breaking of ballast required for the East Coast Railway and ·05 for stores. The Accountant-General has distributed the balance of 9·63 in the Civil estimates as shown in appendix B to these proceedings ~~, but in consequence of certain important alterations which have since become necessary, it is desirable to re-consider the apportionment of the grants among the several affected districts, as far as possible in accordance with the latest proposals of the Board of Revenue.~~

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The papers read above the Board of Revenue and the Collectors of affected districts have made various proposals ~~the~~ ~~effect~~ which, if sanctioned, ~~which~~ would necessitate ~~[illegible]~~ considerable alterations in the distribution of the grant in appendix B as well the raising of the provision under 3 Famine Relief by a large amount. It is, however, ~~[illegible]~~ inadvisable at the present stage, and until the probable effects of the monsoon can be gauged with some approach to ~~at~~ accuracy, ~~[illegible]~~ final orders on these proposals. The Famine Commr. ~~[illegible]~~ be requested to submit revised and consolidated [illegible] for all districts on the 15th July, adhering as far as [illegible] to the forms in appendix C. to these proceedings.

Proposal of the Govt. of India to debit ~~of~~ 5 lakhs of famine relief expenditure to Local, the positions of the various local boards in the affected districts ~~are~~ is summarized below:—

, as estimated by the Board of Revenue,

Note Vide addition to para 6.

4. The number of persons on famine relief for the week ending 8th May 1897 stood as follows:—

Nature of relief.		Ganjám.	Vizagapatam.	Bellary.	Anantapur.	Kurnool.	Cuddapah.	Total.
Relief workers		..	13,749	74,468	22,041	66,580	38,132	2,14,970
Test "		3,430	513	..	..	..	..	3,943
Weavers		771	..	2,337	700	3,483	9,876	17,167
Gratuitously relieved—in kitchens	Dependants	..	948	4,849	1,052	3,220	1,279	11,348
	Others	1,734	964	1,287	454	438	21	4,898
Do.	otherwise relieved.	11,530	..	1,313	..	137	..	12,980
Total		17,465	16,174	84,254	24,247	73,858	49,308	265,306
Distribution of grant (in lakhs)		4·40	1·55	5·48	2·28	2·69	3·35	* 20·04

* Including ·11 for Gódávari and ·18 for North Arcot.

The foregoing statement discloses wide divergencies both in the mode of affording relief, and in the principle of apportionment of funds, and the attention of the Board of Revenue will be directed to the point.

5. As regards the ~~estimates themselves, the following observations are called for in regard to the amounts as well as the question of the incidence of the charges on Imperial, Provincial and Local funds:—~~

(i) *Ganjám.*—~~Not only have the estimates for this district been pitched unreasonably high~~ from the very commencement, as will be seen from the subjoined table, but the Government has reason to fear that adequate control is not exercised over the large outlay incurred on gratuitous relief, which is out of all proportion to that in other districts. In G.O., No. 238, Revenue, dated 7th April 1897, somewhat greater latitude has been allowed to the Collector in this respect, but it is all the more essential that he should exercise the greatest scrutiny over the progress of expenditure, bearing in mind that the amount entered in the last column of the table is the maximum that can at present be spared for expenditure in the district.

—	1896–97.				1897–98.				
	Collector's original estimate.	Collector's revised estimate.	Board's estimate.	Actuals approximate.	Collector's original estimate.	Collector's revised estimate.	Civil and Public Works estimate.	Board's estimate.	Grant now sanctioned.
	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.
Salaries, &c.	·09	·01	·01	..	·66	·49	·49	·49	·21
Relief works	·58	·19	·10	·01	4·08	3·37	2·34	2·50	* 2·44
Weavers	·09	·05	·05	..	·64	·50	1·39	·50	·50
Gratuitous relief	·38	·06	·06	·02	2·63	2·00	2·04	1·20	1·20
Total	1·14	·31	·22	·03	8·01	6·36	6·26	4·69	4·35

* (Including Irrigation and Railway expenditure.)

There is manifestly no reason why the charges on account of salaries and establishments should be taken at so high a figure as ·49; the maximum in other districts has been fixed at ·20. Any additional expenditure ~~on gratuitous relief may be met by transfer from the liberal provision under relief works~~.

While the famine expenditure of the district approximates five lakhs, the total estimated receipts and charges of the district board for the year amount to no more than 2·91 and 2·81 ~~lakhs~~, respectively, ~~while~~ the net closing balance available for general purposes ~~is~~ expected to stand at ·66 lakh. Considerable sums were advanced from Provincial funds during the last scarcity ~~in the district~~ and a portion of the advances had to be written off as irrecoverable. ~~The district board has not quite recovered from the effects of that scarcity, and the Government does not see its way~~ to levying any contribution from Local funds on account of general famine relief expenditure. The cost of such road works as should, properly speaking, be undertaken by the district board will be debited to *Local* as well as those referred to in the penultimate sentence of paragraph 5 of G.O., No. 434 E., dated 4th March 1897.

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from the effects of which the finances of the district board have not yet quite recovered ;

(ii) *Vizagapatam.*—~~The estimates are passed as follows :~~

—	Civil estimates.	Collector.	Board.	Grant.
	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.
Salaries, &c.	·03	..	..	[illegible]
Relief works	·52	[illegible]	·96	·96
Weavers	·06	..	..	[illegible]
Gratuitous relief	·10	·12	·12	[illegible]
Irrigation (Public Works Department)	..	..	..	·46
Total	·71	·84	1·08	1·55

The net closing balance of the district board is too small to admit of any contribution being demanded for general relief purposes~~, and excepting the outlay on purely Local fund works, if any, the entire liability must fall on Provincial funds.~~

Local Funds.	LAKHS.
Receipts	3·50
Charges	3·30
Net closing balance	·16

(iii) *Gódávari.*—A grant of ·30 lakh was sanctioned for relief works in Bhadráchalam in G.O., No. 139, Financial, dated 11th February 1897, and withdrawn as not required in G.O., No. 287, dated 29th March 1897. An allotment of ·10 has, however, now been sanctioned in G.O., No. 381, dated 7th May 1897, and this amount will be met by transfer from the excess provision made in the Civil estimates for Ganjám.

(iii) ~~(iv)~~ *Anantapur.*—~~The estimates are accepted as shown below :—~~

—	Civil estimates.	Collector.	Board.	Grant.
	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.
Salaries, &c.	·16	..	·16	·16
Relief works	..	..	·12	·12
Weavers	·50	..	·53	·53
Gratuitous relief	·15	..	·20	·20
Miscellaneous	..	..	·02	·02
	·81	..	1·03	1·03
Public Works Department—				
Relief works	..	..	1·00	1·00
Irrigation	..	..	·25	·25
Total	..	..	2·28	2·28

Owing to the famine, the cess collections in 1896-97 fell considerably and the accounts of the district board are expected to close with a deficit of ·46 lakh which will have to be temporarily made good from Provincial revenues. The receipts and charges in 1897-98 are estimated at 1·24 and 1·27 lakhs, respectively~~, and it is quite out of the question to look to local resources for meeting any portion of the famine expenditure.~~

In that year

(iv) ~~(v)~~ *Bellary.*—~~The Collector's forecasts were declared to be excessive by the~~ Board of Revenue and no reliable estimates have since been received. The grants will, for the present, be determined as follows :—

—	Civil estimates.	Collector.	Grant.
	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.
Salaries, &c.	·18	·53	·20
Relief works	·10	·20	·20
Weavers	·22	22	·22
Gratuitous relief	·56	·56	·56
	1·06	1·51	1·18
Public Works Department—			
Relief works	..	5·17	3·90
Irrigation	..		·40
Total	..	6·68	5·48

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The ~~bulk of the works provided for in the Public Works estimates appear to be of a character that should be executed by the district board, but considering that a~~ special contribution of ·50 ~~had to be~~ given from Provincial to Local in 1896–97 for general purposes~~, the whole of which has been~~ diverted for famine-relief works, and ~~that~~ the closing balance of 1897–98 is barely sufficient to provide for probable demands~~, no action can be taken at present; but the district board will be called upon in the Local and Municipal Department to take over as direct Local fund outlay as much of the expenditure on road works as should legitimately fall to its share.~~

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Local.	LAKHS.
Receipts	2·24
Charges	2·16
Net closing balance	·11

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(vi) *Cuddapah.*—~~In submitting his original estimates the Collector made very~~ inadequate provision for the large outlay on relief to weavers, which has now become necessary and which could have well been foreseen. It is not clear why no provision is made for relief works or gratuitous relief, though the actuals in 1896–97 amounted to ·05 and ·01 respectively. The grants will be fixed as follows :—

	Approximate actuals, 1896–97.	Civil estimates.	Grant.
	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.
Salaries, &c.	·02	·06	·06
Relief works	·05	..	·20
Weavers	·76	1·00	2·00
Gratuitous relief	·01	·01	·04
	·84	1·07	2·30
Public Works Department—			
Relief works	..	..	·70
Irrigation	..	..	·35
Total ..	..	..	3·35

The district board has already spent ·22 on famine works and has provided for a contribution of ·20 to Provincial funds in the current year for the same purpose~~, leaving a very small working balance as shown in the margin~~.

Local Funds.	LAKHS.
Receipts	2 43
Charges	2·46
Net balance	·06

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(~~vii~~) *Kurnool.*—~~In spite of numerous reminders and telegrams, the Collector~~ could not be induced to forecast his probable requirements with any degree of accuracy, and the only estimate submitted to Government appears on the face of it utterly inadequate; the Government is, however, unable to raise the estimates at present and any excess should be met from savings in the large provision made in the Public Works Department :—

	Approximate actuals, 1896–97.	Civil estimate, 1897–98.	Grants now sanctioned.
	LAKHS.	LAKHS.	LAKHS.
Salaries, &c.	·01	·07	·03
Relief works	·56	·31	·35
Weavers	·14	·20	·20
Gratuitous relief	·03	·05	·05
Total ..	·74	·63	·63
Public Works—			
Relief works	..	..	1·46
Irrigation	..	..	·60
Total ..	..	..	2·69

The accounts of the district board for 1896–97 are expected to close with a ~~deficit of ·26~~ ·54 surplus chiefly owing to short collections of cess, due to the adverse season, ~~while~~ the ~~closing balance~~ in 1897–98 is taken at ~~—·10~~ ·14~~; it is thus impossible for the district board to incur any additional outlay on famine works~~.

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Local Funds.	LAKHS.
Receipts	~~2·20~~ 2·44
Charges	2·30
Net balance	~~—·10~~ ·14

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~~(viii) *North Arcot.*—The Accountant-General provides ·17 and the Public~~ Works Department ·01 for expenditure in this district; ~~no~~ formal estimates have been received from the Collector, but the provision will be allowed to stand.

The altered grants now approved, aggregating 9·63 under Civil and 10·41 under Public Works, ~~are reproduced in one view in Appendix C to these Proceedings.~~

6 ~~5~~. The foregoing review of the ~~requirements, in each district and of the~~ of financial position of each district board leads to the conclusion that by no practicable device can Local funds in the affected areas be directly burdened with so large a share as 5 lakhs of the relief expenditure now being incurred, ~~and that the procedure~~ described in paragraph 2 of the Accountant-General's letter, No. 1238, dated 14th April 1897, cannot possibly be followed in any district, ~~although~~ This may seem to conflict with the "established policy" described in paragraph 67 of the Financial Statement of the Government of India; but in the first place, the maintenance of ordinary Local fund works cannot be postponed without serious impediment and injury to the administration; secondly, the employment of labour on these works affords ~~much better~~ relief to the famine-stricken population ~~than the stinted wages necessarily allowed on relief works properly so called~~; and lastly, ~~all the~~ expenditure on Education, Sanitation, Medical Relief, &c., which might be diverted from Local funds, would eventually have to be defrayed by Government during the period of distress, as these services cannot be suddenly suspended or resumed ~~at random at the pleasure of the local boards or of Government~~. His Excellency in Council has, however, reason to hope that ~~if~~ with ~~the~~ south-west monsoon ~~proves favourable,~~ favourable the entire expenditure on famine relief in 1897–98 ~~can be met~~ it should be possible to meet from Provincial revenues without reducing the balance below half the prescribed minimum, ~~and that no special contributions need be called for from Local or Imperial funds, provided the contract arrangements for the quinquennium are settled on a satisfactory basis.~~

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and at in some respects even more urgently required during periods of distress than in ordinary times

It is to be remembered that, although under Section 95 (v) of Madras Act V of 1884, Local funds can be spent on famine relief works, they cannot be devoted to general famine relief, that is for any form of relief beyond actual expenditure on works. ~~H. E. the Governor in Council is unable to do more than direct that ~~all~~ the cost of all such road works in the affected districts as should, properly speaking, be undertaken by ~~debited~~ the district board shall ~~should~~ be debited to Local.~~

The local boards in the affected districts should take over as direct local fund outlay as much of the expenditure on road works as should legitimately fall to their share. More than this cannot be done.

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Note This might be worked to the extent of about 10 lakhs 4.4.

Note Submitted that this merely states what was stated before in the concluding portions of paras 5 (i), 5 (ii) 5 (v) of the first draft. This debit will be for account purposes only as the boards have not got the money and if debited with any expenditure will fall back on Provl. for a contribution. Provl. balance will then fall below 10 lakhs & Imperial must come to the rescue. Perhaps and the pencil. 11 (b)(ii). correction ~~would~~ might be adopted?

7 ~~6~~. Considering the very large ~~expenditure~~ outlay now being incurred on famine relief, ~~which threatens to absorb nearly the whole of the Provincial balance, as well as the natural tendency on the part of local officers to afford relief to the full extent demanded by their subordinates without reference to possible irregularities, such as were noticed in paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 115, Revenue, dated 23rd February 1897, His Excellency the Governor in Council~~ the Government is anxious that effective measures should be adopted to exercise a much closer scrutiny over the accounts ~~of famine expenditure.~~ returns periodically submitted by Collectors With this view ~~as well as~~ and in order to secure economy of labour and uniformity in the preparation of statistics and financial returns, ~~the Government considers~~ it is essential that the ~~forms prescribed~~ should, while adhering in the main to the classification prescribed by the Government of India and adopted in the Civil estimates as shown in appendices B and C, nevertheless completely fulfil the requirements of the Famine Code and incorporate all the details necessary for a comprehensive review of famine operations, which will eventually have to be undertaken, ~~similar to that in connection with the great famine of 1876–78~~. The details required for purely administrative purposes need not, of course, be mixed up with those required for the finance accounts; it is ~~nevertheless~~ however desirable that the headings adopted should in all cases be uniform, so that the information collated for one purpose may be readily utilised for the other.

8/ ~~7. In G.O., No. 701, Revenue, dated 8th February 1897, the Accountant-General has already been requested to indicate the alterations needed in the forms prescribed by the Famine Code.~~ ~~In~~ Appendix D to these proceedings ~~some of the details specified in the latter~~ contains forms of returns which have been drawn up in the Secretariat with the above object and in which some of the details prescribed by the Famine Code have been incorporated with the form proposed by the Accountant-General in his letter, No. 584, dated 19th February 1897, and amplified in the detailed accounts attached to the printed Civil estimates. The ~~Board of Revenue, the Examiner of Public Works Accounts and the Accountant-General will now arrange to scrutinise these details and issue revised forms~~ so as to render the same returns serviceable for both administrative and statistical purposes. The Accountant-General need not bring on his books any more sub-heads than he may consider absolutely indispensable; but the monthly reports from the Collectors of the affected districts, which should be invariably forwarded through the Accountant-General, should embody all the information required by the Famine Code and should be accompanied by subsidiary statements showing the famine charges under departmental heads

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extra details required in the proposed forms may impose additional in some cases possibly unnecessary work on the officers engaged in the administration of relief. The Board of Revenue and the Accountant General will therefore be requested to scrutinize them and in consultation with the Examiner, Public Works accounts to issue revised

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the famine goes on there cannot be the slightest doubt as to what the final result will be. The Local Boards are practically bankrupt the Provincial Govt. is not far off & the Imperial must in the end pay.

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as well as the losses of revenue due to remissions, suspensions, relinquishments of demands, &c., as sketched ~~forth~~ out in Appendix D. Past expenditure should be reclassified in accordance with this form as finally issued; all necessary corrections should be indicated in subsequent returns, the expenditure in the month, as well as that up to the end of the month, being brought forward and corrected ~~up~~ to date. c/

9/ 8. Presidents of District Boards and Collectors should, in communication with the Accountant-General, determine what proportion of the actual expenditure should be debited to local boards and adjust the accounts accordingly with the least practicable delay.

10/ 9. Endeavours should be made to close the accounts of famine operations relating to each financial year before the 31st July following. The consolidated reports called for from the Accountant-General and the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, in G.Os., Nos. 25 and 143, dated 12th January and 13th February 1897, should reach Government without fail before the 1st December of each year at the latest.

11/ ~~10.~~ With reference to the enquiry in the Accountant-General's letter, No. 631, dated 23rd February 1897, the Government considers that all voluntary contributions made by private individuals should be transferred to the District branch of the Famine Relief Fund. In the case of the monthly subscriptions collected towards the cost of the kitchen at Bukkapatnam, it is presumed that the contributions are purely voluntary and that the relief afforded is in addition to the facilities already provided by Government on the spot, but the Collector of Anantapur should have reported the circumstances in full to Government. It is understood that all famine recoveries and other miscellaneous receipts are taken in deduction of past expenditure, and in these circumstances there appears to be no necessity to open any new sub-head for famine receipts under *XXV. Miscellaneous.*

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

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" Local and Municipal Department.
" Public Works Department.
" Accountant-General. 4 10
" Collectors of Famine Districts.
" ~~Honorary Secretaries, Famine Relief Fund.~~
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Chief Secretary.

Note Appendices as before, with the exception of Appendix C. which is omitted Appendix D being re-lettered Appendix C.

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Appendix A

APPROXIMATE Accounts of actual expenditure under *33. Famine relief* in 1896–97.

33. FAMINE RELIEF.	Approximate actual expenditure, 1896–97.							
	Ganjám.	Vizagapatam.	Gódávari and Kistna.	Anantapur.	Bellary.	Kurnool.	Cuddapah.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
CIVIL OFFICERS.								
1. Salaries, establishments and contingencies	..	..	..	..	·01	·01	·02	·04
2. Relief works in charge of Civil Officers—								
(*a*) Communications ..	..	..	·01	..	..	·56	·05	·62
(*b*) Miscellaneous Public Improvements	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
(*c*) Irrigation	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4. Relief to people employed otherwise than on famine relief (Relief to weavers)	..	·02	..	..	·14	·14	·76	1·06
5. Gratuitous relief—								
(*a*) Given in Government institutions	·02	·01	..	·02	·10	·03	·01	·19
(*b*) Given at the houses of the people	..	..	..	..	·01	..	..	·01
(*c*) Given in other ways ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6. Miscellaneous—								
(*a*) Flood damages	..	..	·07	..	..	..	..	·07
(*b*) Others	·01	..	..	..	..	..	..	·01
Total, Civil Officers (Provincial) ..	·03	·03	·07	·03	·26	·74	·84	2·00
Relief works—Local ..	..	..	..	·06	·49	·04	·22	·81
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.								
3. Relief works in charge of Public Works Department—								
(*a*) Communications ..	..	·01	..	..	1·74	·18	·05	1·98
(*b*) Miscellaneous Public Improvements (stores) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	·01
(*c*) Irrigation	..	..	..	..	·07	·04	..	·11
(*d*) Construction of Railways.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total, Public Works Department. { Provincial ..	..	·01	..	..	1·81	·22	·05	* 2·10
{ Local ..								
~~Grand~~ Provincial Total, 33. FAMINE RELIEF.	·03	·04	·07	·03	2·07	·96	·89	* 4·10

* Includes ·01 for Public Works stores.

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Appendix B..

DISTRIBUTION of the grant of 20·04 lakhs allotted for 1897–98 under 33. FAMINE RELIEF, as in the Civil and Public Works estimates.

33. Famine Relief.	Detailed Account No.	Ganjám.	Vizagapatam.	Anantapur.	Bellary.	Kurnool.	Cuddapah.	North Arcot.	Total.
		RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Salaries and Establishments ..	33-A.	49,295	3,305	16,200	17,900	7,700	6,400	1,200	1,02,000
Relief works in charge of Civil Officers	33-B.	1,12,000	52,100	..	10,000	30,900	..	16,000	2,21,000
Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief works ..	33-C.	1,39,000	6,000	50,000	22,000	20,000	1,00,000	..	3,37,000
Gratuitous relief	33-D	2,04,000	10,000	15,000	56,000	5,000	1,000	..	(a) 2,93,000
Miscellaneous	33-E	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10,000
Total ..	..	5,04,295	71,405	81,200	1,05,900	63,600	1,07,400	17,200	(a) 9,63,000
Relief works in charge of Public Works Officers—Provincial ..	33-F	1,22,000	46,000	1,25,000	4,30,000	2,06,000	1,05,000	1,000	(b) 10,41,000
Grand Total ..	..	6,26,295	1,17,405	2,06,200	5,35,900	2,69,600	2,12,400	18,200	* 20,04,000
Imperial ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,93,000
Provincial ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13,11,000
Local ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5,00,000

* (a) Includes Rs. 2,000 on account of Gódávari for gratuitous relief.
(b) Includes Rs. 5,000 on account of Public Works stores and Rs. 1,000 for Gódávari.

DETAILED Account No. 33-A.—Famine Relief—Salaries and Establishment.

	—	Ganjám.	Vizagapatam.	Anantapur.	Bellary.	Kurnool.	Cuddapah.	North Arcot.	Total.
	DETAILS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Salaries—	Taluk Relief officers ..	7,650	1,260	3,000	8,988	..	1,500	..	22,338
	Village Circle Inspectors	12,500	..	1,680	630	1,000	2,250	..	18,060
	Paymasters	5,400	540	4,500	3,500	3,600	1,125	480	19,145
	Kitchen Superintendents.	5,000	360	3,000	2,500	2,400	..	320	13,580
	Poor-house Superintendents	..	..	300	..	..	..	..	300
	Poor-house Storekeepers	..	..	240	..	..	..	..	240
Establishment ..	Appraiser	..	..	..	175	..	..	..	175
	Clerks	5,268	120	1,710	609	..	825	..	8,532
	Servants	2,160	30	720	532	..	90	..	3,532
	Orderlies	..	..	144	..	..	..	..	144
	Gate-keepers	..	..	120	..	..	..	..	120
	Warders	2,250	210	432	..	..	..	192	3,084
Allowance ..	Travelling allowance ..	5,000	200	100	500	400	410	200	6,810
Contingencies ..	Office-contingencies ..	4,067	645	254	466	300	200	8	5,940
	Total ..	49,295	3,305	16,200	17,900	7,700	6,400	1,200	1,02,000

Detailed Account No. 33-B.—Famine Relief—Relief Works in charge of Civil officers.

SUMMARY.								
Communications	..	52,100	..	5,000	27,900	..	16,000	1,01,000
Miscellaneous Public Improvements	78,000	..	..	5,000	1,000	..	..	84,000
Irrigation	34,000	..	..	..	2,000	..	..	36,000
Total ..	1,12,000	52,100	..	10,000	30,900	..	16,000	2,21,000

DETAILS.								
Communications—								
Wages of Labour	..	44,000	..	4,250	24,000	..	15,500	87,750
Tools and Plant	..	..	..	250	900	..	500	1,650
Hutting and other Accommodation	..	4,000	..	250	2,000	..	..	6,250
Other Expenditure	..	4,100	..	250	1,000	..	..	5,350
Total, Communications ..	..	52,100	..	5,000	27,900	..	16,000	1,01,000

Appendix B. continued

Detailed Account No. 33-B.—Famine Relief—Relief Works in charge of Civil officers—*cont.*

—	Ganjám.	Vizagapatam.	Anantapur.	Bellary.	Kurnool.	Cuddapah.	North Arcot.	Total.
DETAILS—*cont.*	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Miscellaneous Public Improvements—								
Wages of Labour	75,000	..	..	4,250	930	..	..	80,180
Tools and Plant	..	..	..	250	20	..	..	270
Hutting and other Accommodation ..	..	..	..	250	..	..	..	250
Other Expenditure	3,000	..	..	250	50	..	..	3,300
Total, Miscellaneous Public Improvements	78,000	..	..	5,000	1,000	..	..	84,000
IRRIGATION.								
Wages of Labour	30,000	..	..	..	1,750	..	..	31,750
Tools and Plant	2,000	..	..	..	50	..	..	2,050
Hutting and other accommodation	1,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,000
Other Expenditure	1,000	..	..	..	200	..	..	1,200
Total, Irrigation ..	34,000	..	..	..	2,000	..	..	36,000

DETAILED Account No. 33-C. Famine Relief—Relief to people employed otherwise than on Relief Works.

DETAILS.								
Advances to weavers	50,000	6,000	40,000	20,000	20,000	1,00,000	..	2,36,000
Advances for seed-grains	89,000	..	10,000	2,000	..	..	..	1,01,000
Total ..	1,39,000	6,000	50,000	22,000	20,000	1,00,000	..	3,37,000

DETAILED Account No. 33-D.—Famine Relief—Gratuitous Relief.

DETAILS.								
Relief given in kitchens and poor-houses ..	70,000	2,000	5,000	16,000	5,000	..	..	(a) 1,00,000
Do. in villages	1,00,000	..	..	10,000	..	..	..	1,10,000
Do. on works	30,000	8,000	10,000	30,000	..	,000	..	79,000
Do. on other ways	4,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,000
Total ..	2,04,000	10,000	15,000	56,000	5,000	1,000	..	(a) 2,93,000

(a) Includes Rs. 2,000 on account of Gódávari for gratuitous relief.

DETAILED Account No. 33-E.—Famine Relief—Miscellaneous.

Loans for the purchase of fodder and cattle.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Advances to village headmen or landholders for digging tanks or for other village improvements	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Transport of coolies	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Irrecoverable items written off	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Other items (flood charges, &c.)	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10,000
Total ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10,000

DETAILED Account No. 33-F.—Relief Works in charge of Public Works Officers.

Communications	20,000	..	1,25,000	3,65,000	1,46,000	70,000	..	(c) 7,31,000
Irrigation	92,000	46,000	..	65,000	60,000	35,000	1,000	(d) 3,00,000
Railways	10,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	10,000
Total ..	1,22,000	46,000	1,25,000	4,30,000	2,06,000	1,05,000	1,000	* 10,41,000

* (c) Includes Rs. 5,000 for Public Works stores.
(d) " " 1,000 for Gódávari.

Appendix C

SANCTIONED Estimates of Famine Expenditure redistributed according to the latest demands.

33. FAMINE RELIEF.	Budget Estimate, 1897–98.								
	Ganjám.	Vizagapatam.	Gódávari.	Anantapur.	Bellary.	Kurnool.	Cuddapah	North Arcot.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
CIVIL OFFICERS.									
1. Salaries, Establishments and Contingencies	·21	·01	..	·16	·20	·03	·06	·01	·68
2. Relief works in charge of Civil Officers—									
(a) Communications ..	1·22	·96	·10	·12	·20	·32	·20	16	3·28
(b) Miscellaneous Public Improvements	..	..	..	..	..	·01	..	..	·01
(c) Irrigation	..	..	..	..	..	·02	..	..	·02
4. Relief to people employed otherwise than on famine relief (Relief to weavers)	·50	..	..	·53	·22	·20	2·00	..	3·45
5. Gratuitous relief—									
(a) Given in Government institutions	1·00	·12	..	·20	·40	·05	·04	..	1·81
(b) Given at the houses of the people	..	..	..	..	·16	..	..	..	·16
(c) Given in other ways ..	·20	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	·20
6. Miscellaneous—									
(a) Flood damages	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
(b) Others	..	..	..	·02	..	..	..	..	·02
Total, Civil Officers ..	3·13	1·09	·10	1·03	1·18	·63	2·30	·17	9·63
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.									
3. Relief works in charge of Public Works Department—									
(a) Communications ..	·20	..	..	1·00	3·90	1·46	·70	..	7·26
(b) Public Works stores ..	·05	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	·05
(c) Irrigation	·92	·46	·01	·25	·40	·60	·35	·01	3·00
(d) Construction of Railways.	·10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	·10
Total, Public Works Department..	1·27	·46	·01	1·25	4·30	2·06	1·05	·01	*10·41
Grand Total, 33. FAMINE RELIEF..	4·40	1·55	·11	2·28	5·48	2·69	3·35	·18	20·04

* Including ·05 for Public Works stores.

Appendix D

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MONTHLY ACCOUNT of Famine-relief Operations in the District of—

ABSTRACT FOR THE MONTH OF—

33. FAMINE RELIEF.	Detailed account number.	Outlay in 1896-97.	Outlay in previous months of 1897-98.	Outlay in the month of	Total outlay up to date.
Salaries and establishments ..	33-A				
Relief works in charge of Civil officers.	33-B				
Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief works.	33-C				
Gratuitous relief	33-D				
Miscellaneous	33-E				
Total, Civil Department ..					
Relief works in charge of Public Works officers.	33-F				
Total, 33. Famine relief ..					
Famine expenditure debited to other service heads.	33-G				
Other measures of relief, viz., relinquishment of revenue on account of famine.	33-H				
Grand total of Famine-relief operations.					

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DETAILED ACCOUNT No. 33 A.

1. SALARIES AND ESTABLISHMENTS.	Relief Camps.	Village Circles.	Poor-houses.	Kitchens.	Others.	Total for the month of	Total in previous months.	Grand total up to the end of
SALARIES.								
Salaries of superior officers (sections 40, 53 and 55)—								
Taluk relief officers ( ) ..								
Special Civil officers on large works ( )								
Total ..								
ESTABLISHMENTS.								
(i) *On relief works* (Form A)—								
Supervisors ( )								
Overseers ( )								
Sub-overseers ( )								
Superintendents ( ) ..								
Paymasters (30)								
Menial servants ( ) ..								
* * *								
Total ..								
(ii) *On village-relief inspection*—								
Circle inspectors (70) ..								
Gumastahs ( )								
Peons ( )								
Menials ( )								
(iii) *In poor-houses* (section 40, 73 and Appendix V)—								
Special medical subordinates ( )								
Superintendents (50) ..								
English writers ( ) ..								
Hospital writers ( ) ..								
Storekeepers ( )								
Mess gumastahs ( ) ..								
Orderlies ( )								
Gate-keepers ( )								
Warders ( )								
Cooks ( )								
Sweepers ( )								
Scavengers ( )								
Water-carriers ( ) ..								
Head constables ( ) ..								
Constables								
(iv) *In kitchens* (Appendix IV)—								
Superintendents ( ) ..								
Warders ( )								
Cooks ( )								
Water-carriers ( ) ..								
Scavengers ( )								
(v) *In grain depots*—								
* * *( ) ..								

* Special Deputy Collectors
Other Special officers

* when employed exclusively on famine relief

Detailed Account No 33 A—*cont.*

1. SALARIES AND ESTABLISHMENTS.	Relief Camps.	Village Circles.	Poor-houses.	Kitchens.	Others.	Total for the month of	Total in previous months.	Grand total up to the end of
ESTABLISHMENTS—*cont.*								
(vi) *In tools' sheds*—								
* * *( ) ..								
(vii) *In weavers' department* (Appendix VII)—								
(*a*) Appraising department—								
* * *( ) ..								
(*b*) Paying department—								
* * *( ) ..								
(*c*) Stock-keeping department—								
* * *( ) ..								
(viii) *Office establishments* (~~erected~~ in detail)—								
Clerical establishment—								
* * *( ) ..								
Auditestablishment—								
* * *( ) ..								
Servants								
Scavengers, &c.								
Total ..								
ALLOWANCES.								
Travelling and tentage allowance of officers								
Travelling and tentage allowance of establishments								
Total ..								
Contingent expenses—(in detail)—								
Tools, treasure chests; cooking utensils, eating vessels, baskets, &c.; repairs to sheds, fences, &c.; blankets; cloths, &c. (section 42)								
Firewood, &c.								
Total ..								
Grand Total, Salaries, Establishment, &c.								

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DETAILED ACCOUNT No. 33 B.

2. RELIEF WORKS IN CHARGE OF OFFICERS.	New works.	Repairs.	Establishment.	Tools and plant.	Stock and suspense.	Total for the month of	Total in previous months.	Grand total up to the end of
Communications (section 96)—								
Construction and repair of roads (section 33)—								
Wages of labourer. Class A ..								
„ B ..								
„ C ..								
„ D ..								
Tools and plant								
Hutting and other accommodation								
Other expenditure								
Miscellaneous Public Improvements—								
Improvement of village-sites (section 33)—								
Supply of drinking-water—								
Wages of labourer. Class A ..								
„ B ..								
„ C ..								
„ D ..								
Tools and plant								
Hutting and other accommodation								
Other expenditure								
Irrigation—								
Wages of labourer. Class A ..								
„ B ..								
„ C ..								
„ D ..								
Tools and plant								
Hutting and other accommodation								
Other expenditure								
Total ..								
Construction, improvement and repair, maintenance and extension of channels and ~~fines~~ ferries.								

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DETAILED ACCOUNT No. 33-C.

3. RELIEF TO PEOPLE EMPLOYED OTHERWISE THAN ON FAMINE RELIEFS.	Total for the month of	Total in previous months.	Grand total up to the end of	Deduct cash recoveries, value of cloth, &c.			
				Total for the month.	Total in previous month.	Grand total up to the end of the month.	Balance outstanding.
Advances to weavers. Cost of raw materials							
Wages							
Contingencies ..							
Money advances ..							
Advances to cultivators. For seed grains* ..							
For purchase of fodder (section 127)							
For maintenance of cattle							
Advances to village headmen or landholders. For sinking wells ..							
For village improvements ..							
For removal of nuth grass (section 126) ..							
Assistance to Gosha women (sections 612, 134 and 135)							
Assistance to indigent members of respectable families (section 135).							
Advances for preparing prickly-pear for fodder (section 142) ..							

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* Advances for land improvement under the Land Improvement Loans Act should not be included under *33. Famine relief.*

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DETAILED Account No. 33-D.

4. GRATUITOUS RELIEF.	Relief camps.	Village circles.	Poor-houses.	Kitchens	Others.	Total for the month.	Total improvement.	Grand total up to the end of
Given in Government institutions—								
Purchase of food in bazzars—								
Cooked food (section 63) including purchase, conveyance and storage of grains and other articles								
Grain doles								
Money doles to children								
Minimum wages to infirm persons (section 92)								
Raiment (section 68)								
Construction of huts, sheds, &c. (section 64)								
Facilities for bathing, draining, scavengering, &c. (section 69) ..								
Nurses for children (section 114) ..								
Wet nurses (section 125)								
Advances to Police officers for purchase of food in urgent cases (section 146)								
Relief given at the houses of the people								
Otherwise								
Total ..								

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DETAILED ACCOUNT No. 33 E.

5. MISCELLANEOUS.								
Other measures of relief								
Irrecoverable items written off ..								
Transport of coolies								
Burial of famine-stricken paupers (section 148)								
Flood and other charges								
Total ..								
Grand Total ..								

DETAILED ACCOUNT No. 33 F.

3. RELIEF WORKS IN CHARGE OF PUBLIC WORKS OFFICERS.					
Communications (in full detail as in Public Works Department forms)					
Irrigation (in full detail as in Public Works Department forms)					
Railways (in full detail as in Public Works Department forms)					
Total ..					

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DETAILED ACCOUNT No. 33 G.

FAMINE CHARGES ~~DETAILED~~ debited TO DEPARTMENTAL HEADS OF ACCOUNT.	Salaries.	Establishments.	Travelling allowances.	Compensation for dearness of provisions and famine batta.	Supplies and services.	Contingencies.				Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
3. Land Revenue—										
General establishments—										
Special Assistant Collectors ..										
Do. Deputy Collector ..										
Sub-divisional establishments—										
Tahsildars										
Deputy Tahsildars										
Revenue Inspectors										
Taluk Gumastahs										
Tank Inspectors										
Village officers										
Accountants										
5. Salt										
11. Forest										
18. General Administration—										
Famine Commissioner ..										
Civil Secretariats										
Board of Revenue										
Civil Officer of Account and Audit										
19-A. Law and Justice—Courts of Law—										
Special Magistrates										
19-B. Law and Justice—Jails—										
Warders										
20. Police—										
District Executive force ..										
Railway police										
Other police										
24. Medical—										
Additional Medical officers ..										
Extra hospital accommodation										
Sanitation charges										
30. Stationery and Printing—										
Printing charges										
32. Miscellaneous										
45. Civil Works										
Total ..										

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DETAILED ACCOUNT No. 33 H.

LOSSES UNDER HEADS OF REVENUE.	Relinquishment of demands.	Remissions.	Suspension or postponement of revenue.	Other causes to be specified.	Total.
I. Land Revenue					
III. Salt					
V. Excise					
VII. Customs					
VIII. Assessed Taxes					
IX. Forest					
• • •					
• • •					
Other heads to be specified					
Total ..					

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~~The District Magistrates of~~

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~~South Arcot, Cuddalore.~~
Bellary. 12 Desp 28/6/97 + 2/7/97
~~South Canara, Mangalore.~~
~~Chingleput, Saidapet.~~
~~Coimbatore.~~
~~Cuddapah.~~ stet 12 Desp 28/6/97 + 2/7/97
Ganjam, Chatrapur. 12
Godavari, Cocanada. 12
~~Kistna, Masulipatam. 12~~
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