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[Despatch Abstract.]

Samine Relief

Sanctioning with remarks an additional allotment of Rs 50,000 for — in the Ganjam District.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following papers:—

G.O., No. 412, Financial, dated 19th May 1897.

ABSTRACT.—Requesting the Accountant-General to place Rs. 5,000 at the disposal of the Collector, Ganjám, for Rambha Agency famine-relief works, and telegraphing to the latter officer regarding it.

G.O., No. 441, Financial, dated 3rd June 1897.

ABSTRACT.—Telegraphing to the Collector of Ganjám the sanction of Government to an allotment of Rs. 40,000 for seed-grain advances.

G.O., No. 450, Financial, dated 4th June 1897.

ABSTRACT.—Stating that the Accountant-General has already been requested to place a sum of 1.12 lakh at the disposal of the Collector of Ganjám for expenditure on famine relief, and passing orders on the application of the Board of Revenue for allotment of funds in connection with certain works.

G.O., No. 451, Financial, dated 5th June 1897.

ABSTRACT.—Telegraphing to the Collector of Ganjám and the Accountant-General the sanction of Government to an allotment of Rs. 30,000 for the relief of weavers.

G.O., No. 475, Financial, dated 15th June 1897.

ABSTRACT.—Requesting the Accountant-General to place a further sum of Rs. 50,000 at the disposal of the Collector of Ganjám for the relief of weavers.

READ—also the following paper:—

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), dated 2nd July 1897, Mis. No. 4856.

Read—letter from the Collector of Ganjám, dated 16th June 1897, C. No. 1593-F.

I have the honour to submit herewith an application for additional funds required under famine for works and gratuitous relief in this district.

2. The following funds have up to date been placed at my disposal:—

	RS.
(a) Weavers' relief	55,000
(b) Seed-grain advances	40,000
(c) Gratuitous relief	50,000
(d) Establishments	25,000
(e) Relief works—Public Works Department	38,500
(f) Test works—Local Fund	10,000
(g) Agency relief works	5,000
Total	2,23,500

3. (a) *Weavers' Relief*.—I have already reported that I estimate the total cost of weavers' relief operations at the revised figure of Rs. 2,25,000; of this, Rs. 55,000 has been sanctioned up to date. The total expenditure incurred up to the end of May was Rs. 17,665-9-1; but in addition to this bills were outstanding on account of twists for some Rs. 20,000 on account of May, which have since been adjusted. An additional allotment of Rs. 45,000 for June is required under this head and an allotment of Rs. 50,000 for July.

(b), (d) and (g).—No further allotments are required under these heads for the present.

(c) *Gratuitous Relief*.—Rs. 50,000.—Up to the end of May Rs. 26,899-10-10 had been expended; out of which Rs. 3,675-15-7 was expended at kitchens and Rs. 23,223-11-3 in grant of grain-doles. The balance is Rs. 23,100-5-2. The expenditure for each of the months of June and July may be placed at Rs. 10,000 for kitchens and Rs. 40,000 for gratuitous relief by grain-doles. I request sanction for these amounts.

(e) *Relief Works—Public Works Department—Irrigation*.—Hitherto only special allotment for four specified works, aggregating Rs. 38,500 have been made.

I have found it necessary also to open work on B branch, Ichchhapuram channel, and on No. 7 distributary. The estimates which are sanctioned under "33. Famine" amount to Rs. 18,300 and Rs. 13,600, respectively. As relief works they will probably cost Rs. 30,000 and Rs. 20,000, respectively. I request sanction for half these sums for the present, viz., Rs. 15,000 for B branch, and Rs. 10,000 for No. 7 distributary.

East Coast Railway.—I request that an additional sum of Rs. 10,000 may be sanctioned for the construction of feeder roads to the East Coast Railway in addition to the sum of Rs. 15,000 already sanctioned for the collection of ballast. The works to be taken up under this head will be the Golantra-Golantra station road, Govindapur-Pundi road, Mandasa-Mandasa station road and the Bommalikot-Bommali station road. These works are situated at useful centres for famine works. Estimates are under preparation for all except the first for which estimate is ready. An additional grant of Rs. 5,000 will be required in July for ballast-breaking. In addition, however, to the ordinary public works, schemes and feeder roads, a considerable amount of relief works are being carried out by that department on sanctioned estimates of the district and taluk boards. These boards have no funds further available for allotment, and the necessity for providing an allotment has been overlooked. These are divided into (1) breaking of road-metal and communications, and (2) miscellaneous improvement, such as clearing of tanks.

Up to the week ending 11th June Rs. 10,721-5-0 had been expended on civil works and Rs. 1,291-3-0 on works of miscellaneous public improvement under Local Fund estimates. As a large number of works originally commenced as test-works by the Local Fund department have now been taken over by the Public Works department, an expenditure of Rs. 30,000 for each of the months of June and July on civil works and of Rs. 5,000 in June and Rs. 4,000 in July for miscellaneous public improvements will be required. In August I fancy that there will be a large fall in the numbers on relief works. I therefore request that an allotment of Rs. 70,000 may be placed at my disposal under "Civil works" and Rs. 10,000 under Miscellaneous public improvements (tank-works and the like).

(f) *Test-works—Local Fund*.—A sum of Rs. 10,000 was placed at my disposal for works executed by this department prior to their being taken over by the Public Works department. Owing to delay on the part of subordinates newly posted to the district in joining their appointments, it was found necessary to continue works under Local Fund supervision for some time longer and also to start one or two new test-works under that agency. Hence the exact amount expended under that head is not as yet known. A separate report will be submitted when the accounts are received in full. It will not now, I trust, be necessary to again employ Local Fund agency except in case of urgency or isolated works in remote tracts.

The services of two Local Fund overseers have been lent to the Public Works department.

4. To sum up my application for further allotments for June and July works out as follows:—

	RS.	RS.
Weavers' relief		95,000
Gratuitous relief		50,000
Kitchen		10,000
Grain-dole		40,000

Relief works, Public Works Department—

(a) Irrigation—		
B. branch	.. .. .	15,000
No. 7 distributary	.. .. .	10,000
(b) (i) feeder roads	.. .. .	25,000
(ii) Ballast for East Coast Railway	.. .. .	10,000
(c) Civil works—		5,000
Metal for roads	.. .. .	70,000
(d) Miscellaneous public improvements—		
Tanks	.. .. .	10,000
Total	.. .. .	2,65,000

The total seems very large, but I cannot undertake to carry on the necessary works of relief on a less sum as at present foreseen. I do not consider that there will be any material reduction in the number of relief-workers till the end of July, while I expect a steady rise up to the end of the current month. My forecast for the closing week of June is as follows:—

	RS.
Relief works	
Gratuitous relief grain doles	
" kitchens	
Weavers	
Total	

5. I enclose herewith two statements showing details of famine expenditure actually debited to the treasury accounts in the months of April and May. I fear, however, that a very large proportion of the bills for expenditure incurred in May remained unadjusted within the month.

Resolution—dated 2nd July 1897, Mis. No. 4856.

In the paper read above, the Collector of Ganjam applies for allotment of funds required for expenditure on famine relief during the months of June and July 1897. The requirements are—

1. Relief works, Public Works Department—		
(a) Irrigation works	.. .. .	25,000
(b) Breaking ballast for, and constructing feeder roads to, East Coast Railway	.. .. .	15,000
(c) Roads	.. .. .	70,000
(d) Miscellaneous public improvements	.. .. .	10,000
2. Gratuitous relief	.. .. .	1,20,000
3. Weavers relief	.. .. .	50,000
	.. .. .	95,000
Total	.. .. .	2,65,000

2. The Collector states that, so far as can be estimated at present, it is not possible to administer relief at a less cost than he mentions. The sum of Rs. 95,000 required for weavers' relief includes the amount (Rs. 50,000) of the application made in Board's Proceedings, dated 8th June 1897, No. 4159, and transferred to the Financial Department in G.O., No. 2909, Revenue, dated 10th June 1897. The Famine Commissioner considers that the allotments now applied for by the Collector should be sanctioned.

3. In paragraph 3 (c) of his letter, the Collector states that the expenditure for each of the months of June and July may be placed at Rs. 10,000 for kitchens and Rs. 40,000 for relief by grain-doles, but in his summary in paragraph 4 he gives these amounts as the total requirements under the heads specified for the two months together. It is presumed that the latter statement is correct, having regard to the rate of expenditure in the month of May.

4. In this connection, the Famine Commissioner solicits order as to whether, when works have been placed in charge of the Public Works Department, it is for that department or for the Collector to apply for the sanction of the necessary funds. Under sections 37 and 38, Famine Code, this duty would appear to be thrown upon the Collector. It is not clear whether he is relieved of this responsibility by paragraph 4 of Government Order No. 133 of 1897.

(True Copy and Extract.)

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

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
Collector of Ganjam.
(with two statements in original to be returned).

Endorsement, Mis. No. 3482, Revenue.
Transferred to the Financial Department.

8th July 1897.

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

ORDER—No. 594, Financial, dated 30th July 1897.

A sum of Rs. 50,000 has already been placed at the disposal of the Collector for the relief of weavers (G.O., No. 475, Financial, dated 15th June 1897). An additional grant of Rs. 50,000 is now sanctioned for the purposes indicated in the proceedings read above. No further grants will be made for the Ganjam district until the Collector has accounted for the allotments made up to the end of June 1897.

2. The Collector should issue stringent instructions to ensure that large amounts are not left in the hands of disbursing officers for any length of time and that expenditure actually incurred is brought to book without delay.

3. As regards the inquiry in paragraph 4 of the above proceedings, the Government considers that all applications for funds required for famine works placed in charge of the Public Works Department should be submitted by Superintending Engineers.

(True Extract.)

To the Revenue Department, with enclosures.
Public Works Department.
Accountant-General.
Famine Commissioner.
Collector of Ganjam.

Chief Secretary.

Financial
Revenue (1897) Department.

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From The Board of Revenue
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Order mis no. 3482 of 8th July 97.
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No. 4856 mis

Y. N. Srinivasan
Secretary to Govt

Dated 2nd July 1897

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SUBJECT.

Submitting to Govern-
ment application for
additional allotments
for famine relief in
Gaujam.

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Note. The Finl Dept may be
left to answer the query in the
concluding para of the R.P.

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Financial DEPARTMENT.

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FOR ORDERS.

Rev. Dept. for counter-judicial

The Collector of Ganjam applies for an allotment of 2.15 for June and July 1897, in addition to the grant of 2.73 already sanctioned (including .50 allotted in G.O. 475 dated 15th June 1897.)

The amounts actually disbursed by Civil officers ^{in Sanjam} up to the end of May come to no more than .53 against 1.85 placed at their disposal. The details are summarised below -

	Grants already sanctioned	Spent in 1896 -97	Spent in April 97	Spent in May/97	Total Spent	Balance avail- able	Additions amount not asked for
Weavers' relief	* 1.05	"	.02	.15	.17	.88	.45
Seed grain	.40	"	"	"	"	.40	"
Gratuitous } Kitchen relief } grain doles }	.50	.01	.01	.03	.05	.21	{ .10 .40
Establishments contingencies &c.	.25	.04	.01	.02	.07	.18	"
Test Works L.F.	.10	"	"	"	"	.10	"
Agency Works	.05	"	"	"	"	.05	"
Total Civil	* 2.35	.06	.06	.41	.53	1.82	.95
Relief Works - P.W.D. Irrigation Tanks E.C. Railway & feeder roads Metal for roads Total P.W.D.	.38	{ Details not available }					.25 .10 .15 .70
	2.73						1.20
Grand Total							2.15

* Including 150 sanctioned in
G.O. Dist No. 475 of 15-6-99.

The Collector explains that large amount of ^{one} outstanding at the end of May and have since been paid; the apparently large balance available must have therefore disappeared by this time. It is, however, unsafe to leave such large sums unadjusted in the hands of disbursing officers.

Relief in Ganjam is administered on more liberal principles than elsewhere and the additional grant of 2.15 asked for seems to be unavoidable.

The total expenditure for the Presidency booked up to the end of May aggregates 11.59 against a grant of 20.04; at this rate a very large additional allotment will have to be applied for from India.

The Famine Commissioner enquires whether applications for funds required by the P.W.D. should be submitted by that Dept. or by the Collector.

Submitted that as the latter officer is responsible for the famine administration of the district all important correspondence should pass through him.

FOR ORDERS.

HON'BLE MEMBER.

As far as I know the P.W.D. has ~~instructed~~ made its own arrangements for funds, and as India has specifically allotted it funds, I think it should continue to do so. If Ind. Govt. places funds at the disposal of the P.W.D. before the Supra can get hold of the money. This seems to me a roundabout way of doing business.
help - *BS*

Read again (2) all previous go. regarding allotments to Ganjam
Cml

I should give him another 50 thousand for the present. No more until he accounts for what he has had, up to, say, the end of June - The P.W. allotment will of course be in addition to this. But, in my opinion, there is no call for the Colr. to have anything to do with that.

BS *22/7/97* *22/7/97*

As I have stated today on the same report for last week, the Colr. should be wired to that, with the order that he has had, he must cut down expenditure - a lot of the gratuities which should be knocked off *BS*

The following draft order is therefore submitted for approval -

Order:-

TS.
A sum of Rs.50,000 has already been placed at the disposal of the Collector for the relief of weavers (G.O. No.475 Finl., d/15-6-97) An additional grant of Rs.2,15,000 is now sanctioned for the purposes indicated in the proceedings read above.

2. The Collector should issue stringent instructions to ensure that large amounts are not left in the hands of disbursing officers for any ~~unnecessary~~ length of time and that expenditure actually incurred is brought to book without delay.

3. All applications for funds should be submitted by the Collector as the officer directly responsible to Govt. for the famine administration of the district.

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To

The Rev. Dept.

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,,, Acct. Genl.

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SUBJECT

Ganjam Famine Grants

B.C.

Read again (P) all previous G.O's granting allotments for Ganjam

ORDER

P.S.

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3. As regards the enquiry in para 4 of the above proceedings, the Govt. considers that all applications for funds

required

CS

Dispatch the order

Ans

29/7/97

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required for famine works placed in charge of the P.W.D. should be submitted by the Suptg. Engineers to the Govt.

(From orders)

This is art. 38 of the Famine Code.

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But it is in accordance with para 4 of G.O. 133 Financial d/8 February, and seems the most expeditious and convenient arrangements.

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