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Financial (1897) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 607

Dated 3d August 1897

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Requesting that the Sanction of the Govt. of India may be obtained for an additional allotment of of 7½ lakhs under Class I of the Provincial advances & loans account for the current year.

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13 JUN. 1897

STATEMENT

SHOWING THE

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

UNDER

PROVINCIAL ADVANCE AND LOAN ACCOUNT

FOR

April 1897.

Recd 13-6-97
Regd 14-6-97

Statement showing the Receipts and Disbursements under Provincial Advance and Loan Account for *April* 1897.

	Receipts.	Current Month. RS.	A.	P.	Progressive Total. RS.	A.	P.	Budget Estimate. RS.
	Class I.							
	ADVANCES TO CULTIVATORS.							
Land Improvement Act Advances—Ordinary.	Ordinary loans bearing interest at 6¼ per cent. ..	17143	7	4				188000
	Do. do. 4½ do. ..	17	1	9				.
	Do. do. 3 do. ..	142	1	8				.
	Loans under the special well rules bearing interest at 4 per cent.	4336	11	2				27000
	Do. do. at 3 do.	9450	1	5				50000
Famine Advances.	Advances for relief operations	-	-	-				
	Do. for seed grain	-	-	-				
	Do. to weavers	-	-	.				
	Agriculturists' Loans Act. XII of 1884	1234	2	11				10000
	Advances in cases of distress	-	-	-				
	Miscellaneous Advances	-	-	-				.
	Total ..	32323	10	3				275000
	Class III.							
	LOANS TO LANDHOLDERS AND OTHER NOTABILITIES.							
	Bunganapalle Nabob	-	-	-				.
	Shulagiri Estate	-	-	-				3000
	Andipatti Poligar	-	-	-				-
	Total ..	-	-	.				3000
	Class IV.							
	LOANS TO MOFUSSIL MUNICIPALITIES.							
	Cuddapah Municipality	-	-	-				200
	Ádóni do.	-	-	-				1300
	Kurnool do.	-	-	-				1100
	Conjeeveram	-	-	-				2200
	Tanjore do.	-	-	-				6300
	Kumbakónum do.	-	-	-				2300
	Máyavaram do.	-	-	-				400
	Trichinopoly do.	-	-	-				4400
	Madura do.	-	-	-				3800
	Dindigul do.	-	-	-				600
	Ootacamund do.	-	-	-				2500
	Coonoor do.	-	-	-				500
	Calicut do.	-	-	-				2000
	Cochin do.	-	-	-				900
	Tellicherry do.	-	-	-				500
	Total ..	-	-	.				29000
	LOANS TO DISTRICT AND OTHER LOCAL FUND COMMITTEES.							
	Local Fund Board, Ganjám							2500
	Do. Saidápet	-	-	-				14500
	Do. Tellicherry	1500	-	-				3000
	Total ..	1500	-					20000
	Grand Total ..	33823	10	3	33823	10	3	327000

	Disbursements.	Current Month. RS.	A.	P.	Progressive Total. RS.	A.	P.	Budget Grant. RS.
	Class I.							
	ADVANCES TO CULTIVATORS.							
Land Improvement Act Advances—Ordinary.	Ordinary loans bearing interest at 6¼ per cent ..	104,500	-	.				2,50,000
	Do. do. 4½ do. ..	-	-	.				.
	Do. do. 3 do. ..	-	-	.				
	Loans under the special well rules bearing interest at 4 per cent.	12147	8	.				.
	Do do. at 3 do.	250	.	.				
Famine Advances.	Advances for relief operations	-	-					
	Do. for seed grain	-	-	.				
	Do. to weavers	-	-	.				
	Agriculturists' Loans Act, XII of 1884	10014	-	.				
	Advances in cases of distress	-	-	.				
	Miscellaneous Advance	-	-	.				.
	Total ..	126911	8	.				250000
	Class III.							
	LOANS TO LANDHOLDERS AND OTHER NOTABILITIES.							
	Bunganapalle Nabob	-	-	.				
	Shulagiri Estate	-	-	.				.
	Andipatti Poligar	-	-	.				.
	Total ..	-	-	.				.
	Class IV.							
	LOANS TO MOFUSSIL MUNICIPALITIES.							
	Vizagapatam ~~Bezwada~~ Municipality	-	-	.				48000
	Cocanada ~~Cuddapah~~ do.	-	-	.				78000
	Kurnool do.	-	-	.				-
	Conjeeveram do.	-	-	.				
	Tirupati do.	-	-	.				12700
	Cuddalore do.	-	-	.				-
	Tanjore do.	-	-	.				-
	Kumbakónam do.	-	-	.				-
	Máyavaram do.	-	-	.				-
	Trichinopoly do.	-	-	.				-
	Madura do.	-	-	.				-
	Dindigul do.	-	-	.				11300
	Ootacamund do.	-	-	.				-
	Coonoor do.	-	-	.				-
	Calicut do.	-	-	.				-
	Cochin do.	-	-	.				-
	Total ..	-	-					150000
	LOANS TO DISTRICT AND OTHER LOCAL FUND COMMITTEES.							
	Local Fund Board, Ganjám	-	-	.				.
	Do. Saidápet	-	-	.				.
	Do. Tellicherry							.
	Total ..	-	-					-
	Grand Total ..	126911	8	.	126911	8	.	400000

FORT ST. GEORGE,
Accountant-General's Office,
12th June 1897.

Prepared.

Examined.

No. B. F. Y. / 5

To

The Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department, with reference to his Memorandum No. 1941, dated 9th December 1892, and G.O., No. 629, Financial, dated 28th August 1895.

Offg Accountant-General.

Recd again G.O. No. 607 Fin dt 3/8/97

Financial (1897) Department.

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CURRENT No. 1861

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CHIEF SECRETARY
18 JUN. 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

From The Acctt General
Madras

Order

No. 1813

Dated 17th June 1897
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SUBJECT.

Suggesting that Govt. be pleased to address the Govt. of India to obtain an additional grant for advances to cultivators.

BACK PAPERS.

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CURRENT No. 1861

Budget Department.

Fort St. George,
Accountant-General's Office,
17th June 1897.

No. 1813

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 paragraph 2 of the Government of India Financial letter No. 621 dated the 7th February 1890, I have the honour to state that Advances made to Cultivators Class I of loans) in April 1897 amounted to Rs 127000 against Rs 250000 sanctioned by the Government of India for the current year.

2. Owing to seasonal causes it seems to me that the grant at this rate will be considerably exceeded. I would therefore suggest that Government be pleased to address the Government of India on the subject at an early date with a view to

obtaining an additional grant.

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

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Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 1935

From The Rev: Dept.

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No. 3175 Mi

Date 24th June 1897

Received 30th June 97

Registered 30th June 97

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SUBJECT.

Recording G.O. passing orders on letter from the Collr: of N. Arcot request-ing to sanction allotments under the L. I. Loans act for 97-98.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

1

Read ~~the following Proceedings~~ of the Board of Revenue, Rev. Sett., No. 4270 Mis., dated 12th June 1897, on the following letter from the Collector of N. Arcot, dated 5th June 1897, No. 821/Ver.C:--

With reference to Board's Proceedings No. 285/Sett., d/ the 6th April 1897, I have the honour to state that the following sums will be required for payment of second instal -ments of loans previously granted in the taluks named. These we are bound under the contract to advance and I request allotment accordingly.

Name of Taluk.	Allotment that has to be sanctioned. Rs.
1. Chittoor - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	7,000
2. Chandragiri - - - - - - - - - - - - -	3,140
3. Polur - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	250
4. Wandiwash - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	8,000
5. Arcot - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	6,915
6. Walajah - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	2,500
7. Gudiyatam - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	4,000
Rs.	31,805

I also request that a further sum of Rs. 5,000 be allotted for fresh loans under the Land Improvement Loans Act in the Pakala Firka of Chandragiri Taluk. This is an affected trac as already reported to the Board and loans are urgently nee -ed. Promptness in granting them just at this season is all important and as the works will give employment just now when the demand for labour is falling off, I earnestly request that orders granting this allotment be communicated by wire.

Resolution:-----

There can be no doubt that Government is bound to complete its contract in cases where loans have been already promised and work has been done to the value of one or more instalments. G.O. Financial No. 444 dated 4th June 1897, communicated with Board's Proceedings No. 421 dated 8th June 1897 is not intended to prohibit completion of contracts, and the Collector will continue to advance such instalments as he is under agreement to make.

2. The Collectors of other non-affected districts will report what amounts they require for the same purpose.

3. Under the circumstances mentioned by the Collector, he is likewise authorised to advance a further sum of Rs. 5,000 for fresh loans in the Pakala Firka, the Board being satisfied that the outlay, so far as it goes, will help a number of persons who are in danger of becoming relief workers.

ORDER thereon, No. 3175 Mis., d/ 24th June 1897.

Recorded.

(True Extract)

W. Marjoribanks
25/6/97
Ag. Asst Secy. to Govt.

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Lr No. 1585/96 lodged 7-7-96.

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CURRENT No 2061

CHIEF SECRETARY
-8 JUL 1897
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

STATEMENT

SHOWING THE

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

UNDER

PROVINCIAL ADVANCE AND LOAN ACCOUNT

FOR

May 1897.

Lr No. 1783/97

Note. The return for April 97 is under disposal & is being ~~[illegible]~~ to day.

Await the return from B.

Recd Regd 8-7-97

Statement showing the Receipts and Disbursements under Provincial Advance and Loan Account for May 1897.

Receipts.	Current Month. RS.	A.	P.	Progressive Total. RS.	A.	P.	Budget Estimate. RS.
Class I.							
ADVANCES TO CULTIVATORS.							
Land Improvement Act Advances—Ordinary. Ordinary loans bearing interest at 6¼ per cent. ..	13,590	-	2	30,733	7	6	188,000
Do. do. 4½ do. ..	89	7	2	106	8	11	-
Do. do. 3 do. ..	616	4	10	758	6	6	-
Loans under the special well rules bearing interest at 4 per cent.	5,803	14	11	10,140	10	1	27,000
Do. do. at 3 do.	8,193	10	3	17,643	11	8	50,000
Famine Advances. Advances for relief operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Do. for seed grain	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Do. to weavers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Agriculturists' Loans Act, XII of 1884	1,092	3	9	2,326	6	8	10,000
Advances in cases of distress	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous Advances	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total ..	29,385	9	1	61,709	3	4	275,000
Class III.							
LOANS TO LANDHOLDERS AND OTHER NOTABILITIES.							
Bunganapalle Nabob	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shulagiri Estate	-	-	-	-	-	-	3000
Andipatti Poligar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	3000
Class IV.							
LOANS TO MOFUSSIL MUNICIPALITIES.							
Cuddapah Municipality	-	-	-	-	-	-	200
Ádóni do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	1300
Kurnool do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	1100
Conjeeveram do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	2200
Tanjore do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	6300
Kumbakónum do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	2300
Máyavaram do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	400
Trichinopoly do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	4400
Madura do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	3800
Dindigul do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	600
Ootacamund do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	2500
Coonoor do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	500
Calicut do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	2000
Cochin do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	900
Tellicherry do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	500
Total ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	29,000
LOANS TO DISTRICT AND OTHER LOCAL FUND COMMITTEES.							
Local Fund Board, Ganjám	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,500
Do. Saidápet	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,500
Do. Tellicherry	-	-	-	1,500	-	-	3,000
Total ..	-	-	-	1,500	-	-	20,000
Grand Total ..	29,385	9	1	63,209	3	4	327,000

Disbursements.	Current Month. RS.	A.	P.	Progressive Total. RS.	A.	P.	Budget Grant. RS.
Class I.							
ADVANCES TO CULTIVATORS.							
Land Improvement Act Advances—Ordinary. Ordinary loans bearing interest at 6¼ per cent ..	124,050	-	-	228,550	-	-	250,000
Do. do. 4½ do. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Do. do. 3 do. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans under the special well rules bearing interest at 4 per cent.	27,902	8	-	40,050	-	-	-
Do do. at 3 do.	-	-	-	250	-	-	-
Famine Advances. Advances for relief operations	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Do. for seed grain	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Do. to weavers	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Agriculturists' Loans Act, XII of 1884	47,926	-	-	57,940	-	-	-
Advances in cases of distress	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous Advance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total ..	199,878	8	-	326,790	-	-	250,000
Class III.							
LOANS TO LANDHOLDERS AND OTHER NOTABILITIES.							
Bunganapalle Nabob	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shulagiri Estate	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Andipatti Poligar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Class IV.							
LOANS TO MOFUSSIL MUNICIPALITIES.							
Vizagapatam ~~Bezwada~~ Municipality	-	-	-	-	-	-	48,000
Cocanada ~~Cuddapah~~ do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	78,000
Kurnool do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Conjeeveram do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tirupati do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	12,700
Cuddalore do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tanjore do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kumbakónam do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Máyavaram do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Trichinopoly do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Madura do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dindigul do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	11,300
Ootacamund do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coonoor do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Calicut do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cochin do.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total ..							150,000
LOANS TO DISTRICT AND OTHER LOCAL FUND COMMITTEES.							
Local Fund Board, Ganjám	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Do. Saidápet	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Do. Tellicherry	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grand Total ..	199,878	8	-	326,790	-	-	400,000

FORT ST. GEORGE,
Accountant-General's Office,
6 July 1897.

Prepared.
Examined.

No. R.F.Y./6

To

The Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department, with reference to his Memorandum No. 1941, dated 9th December 1892, and G.O., No. 629, Financial, dated 28th August 1895.

Offg. Accountant-General.

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Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 2181

From

The Revenue Department

Order
Mis.

Recorded.

No. 3574-Mis.

Dated 13 July 1897.
Received 17 July 97
Registered 19 July 97
Enclosures 1
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SUBJECT.

Recording B.P. agreeing with the Collector of Madura in his opinion that grant of loans under the Agriculturists' Loans Act in connection with the conversion of dry lands under the Periyar into wet is not stopped under Government orders

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
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	364	"	1.5.97 [illegible]

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

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Revenue Department.

Current No. 2181

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, &c) dated 5" July 1897, No. 4894 Mis on the following letter from the Collector of Madura, dated 22nd June 1897, Dis. No. 2253 of 1897 :-

I have the honour to submit for the information of the Board copy of letter No. 458/General of 1897 dated 28th May 1897 from the Periyar Special Deputy Collector and of my reply thereto.

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Resolution.

The Board agrees with the Collector that grant of loans made for the purpose of enabling ryots to extend wet cultivation under the Periyar is not stopped by para 2 of Government Order No. 219 dated 30th March 1897 vide also Government Order, No. 444 Financial, dated 4th June 1897.

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Order thereon, No. 3574 Mis, d/13th July 1897.

Recorded.

(True Extract) ✓

C. H. Burlton
For Ag. Secy. to Govt.

To the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, &c).
Copy to the Financial Department. ✓

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Copy of comm [illegible]
1897, dated 28th May 1897 from the Special Dep [illegible] ector
of Madura to the Collector of Madura.

Referring to your Dis No. 1723 of 97 dated the 4th instant, I beg for the favour of instructions as to how the applications under the Agriculturists' Loans Act should be dealt with. The Government Order communicated with your Dis. No. 1511 of 97 dated 16th April 1897 is clear and no loan should be granted for the present under this Act. But in the Periyar affected villages, lands have been assigned on Dharkast even to the poor ryots and in order to bring the Dharkast lands under cultivation, they apply for loans for the purchase of ploughing cattle and seed grains. I have received some applications, though not many, and advances have been made last year in a few cases. About 100 applications of the last year are still pending and some more applications have been received in the current year also.

2. The grant of loans under the Agriculturists' Loans Act is simply helping the poor ryots in their agricultural operations and is also likely to increase the revenue, and it is necessary that the Government should assist them in this direction as a special case in the Periyar affected tracts. A small allotment, say Rs. 3500 will do for the purpose for the current year and I have the honour to request that you will be pleased to sanction the utilization of the allotment already placed at my disposal.

Ref. on Cur 2283/General of 97, d/7th June 1897.

Has the honour to state that loans bona fide made for purpose of bringing lands under wet cultivation are not stopped by the orders referred to.

(Signed) C. Subramania Iyer
For Collector.

Dated 22nd June 1897.

(True Copy)

For Ag. Secy. to Govt.

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Financial (1897) Dept

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

REVENUE AND AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT.

Post copy of Service Message.

(Famine.)

Simla, the 18th August 1897.

FROM
Simla,
FROM
Revenue.

TO
Ootacamund,
TO
The Secretary to the Government of Madras.

Your letter Financial 607, dated 3rd, asking allotment of 7 1/2 lakhs under Class I. In Revenue Board's Monthly June Famine Report advances from 1st April are shown as 408 and 205 under Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Acts respectively. Please explain how 613 was actually advanced up to 26th June against an allotment of only 250. Also say what further advances since that date have been made and how adjusted. Also please state whether the 7 1/2 lakhs applied for are for seed and cattle or for land improvements with object of employing labour which otherwise would come on relief works. If for both in what proportions.

Registrar.

R. & A. Regr. No. 21.

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C.Nos. 1788 and 1861.

Honourable Sir Henry Bliss, K.C.I.E.

Rev. Dept for counter-initials
Loan ,, with ref: to para A

SUBJECT

Provincial Loans and Advances

FOR ORDERS

A In the notes recorded in G.O.No.444, Financial, dated 4th June 1897, the Honourable Member considered it inexpedient to report to India the large expenditure likely to be incurred in excess of the sanctioned grant of 2½ lakhs for loans under class I; ~~au~~ but it is submitted that, on a similar occasion, when the grants were largely exceeded in 1892-93, the Govt: of India protested strongly, complained that such large excesses over budget allotments caused grave inconvenience owing to low cash balances &c, enquired who was responsible for so serious an irregularity, and in finally sanctioning the excess stated that it relied on the Madras Govt: to prevent in future years any excess over estimates, even in cases of urgency, without due notice to the Govt: of India and prompt application for an additional grant.

Para 2 of India's letter in G.O.No.1307, dated 3" Dec: 92. B

Para 3 of this Govt: reply in G.O.No.85, dated 25" January 93. D

Para 2 of India's reply in G.O. No.193, dated 22nd February 93. E

2. In C.No 1861 the Accountant General has already come up requesting that a fresh allotment may be obtained at o
the actuals in Apri

1·27 against a grant of 2·50 and as, owing to seasonal causes, a large excess over grants may be anticipated.

3. As to the exact amount for which application should be made to India, it has been ascertained that the estimate of 12 lakhs for the whole year submitted by the Board in its telegram of the 25th May

Deccan districts	8.00
Ganjam & Vizagapatam	1.00
Madura	1.00
Others	2.00
	12.00

does not include advances to weavers, but includes advances for seed grains, on the ground that the latter fall under the Agriculturists' Loans Act and must therefore be shown under class I. But in para 7 of the Accountant General's circular No. IV recorded in G.O. No. 143, Finl, dated 13th February 1897, and in the forms adopted in G.O. 470 dated 12th June 1897, both these classes of advances are brought under 33. Famine Relief. [Submitted, therefore, No. that, for the present, advances for seed grain~~s~~ (say about a lakh) may be left out No of account.] The provision of 2 lakhs for "other districts" must also be disallowed according to India's orders repeated in G.O. No. 444, Financial. The total estimate will then be reduced to 9 lakhs or only 6½ lakhs in excess of the budget grant. In view, however, of the larger demands made by Collectors (25% more) ~~and~~ the problematical aspects of the season the best course would, it is thought, be to request India's sanction for a moderate increase, of say 5 lakhs, for the present, subject to further report about the end of July. Meanwhile the Board may be asked to call immediately for more accurate forecasts under each class of advances along with the revised estimate of Famine expenditure called for in para 4 of G.O. No. 470, dated 12th June 1897.

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So should L I loans in the affected districts be under para 9 of the circular. But however recorded all loans under class I should come out of the grant of 2½ lakhs

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4. It is by no means improbable that India may, lay hold of the 1·50 provided for class IV Municipal loans (Vide details in C. No. 1788) and direct its utilisation for class I loans, if the amounts are left undrawn until late in the year as usual. The Local and Municipal Dept: might issue reminders to Chairmen to draw the amounts as quickly as possible.

C.W.S.
25.6.97

28/6/97

B.—1,000—8-4-97.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

No.

From

Dated 189 .

FOR ORDERS.

Note in the Revenue Dept.

flag ~~D~~ I Please see G of I Resolution G.O. $\frac{749 \text{ Rev}}{26-12-96}$, its letter dy 8-2-97

flag G, in G.O. $\frac{219}{30-3-97}$ and para 4 sub. para 2

flag H of its Resolution in G.O. $\frac{323}{8-4-97}$ Famine

2. The first of these directs that certain kinds of advances to land-holders or village headmen (with a view to the employment of famine labour in digging tanks or other village improvements) ~~for village~~ should be recorded

E in the first instance under 33 Famine Relief. The second directs that all ~~[illegible]~~ land improvement loans made during the present scarcity should be of the above kind, i.e. that no money be at present ~~be~~ made available for the purposes of ordinary land (improvement) as distinct from the relief of distress and that such advances should ~~the~~ be made only in tracts where relief is required or where they may be considered necessary

~~at~~ to avert distress. In the third the Govt of India says that in the case of advances under the L. I and Agri: loans Acts, provision can be made only for advances required for the relief of distress or for other purposes connected with measures of relief, and makes an allotment of 2½ lakhs to this Presidency under Class I against our demand of 5½ lakhs.

3. On receipt of its letter of 8th February we wrote back to say that the terms and conditions adopted in Bengal and the N. W. P in regard to ~~the~~ the repayment of the advances were unsuited to the circumstances of this Presy, and that we preferred to make these advances under the ordinary rules: but the principle that they should be confined to affected tracts and to tracts where distress was impending was accepted; only we wanted an exception made in the case of the Periyar loans.

4. In the above circumstances all advances under the L. I and A. L acts in the affected districts should in the first instance be

FOR ORDERS.

Letter 219 A Flag H.

recorded under 33 Famine relief as [correctly] ordered in paras 7 and 9 of the A[illegible]'s circular No 1 V dy 28-1-97, But that whether recorded under 33 famine relief as in the case of advances in the affected districts ~~or~~ under advances recoverable as in the case of the non-affected districts (e.g. Madura) they must all come out of the above grant of 2½ lakhs

Flag C

(A)

It appears from the note in the Finl Dept that the amount of Rs 1.27 lakhs reported by the A. G as disbursed in April does not include seed grain advances; these also should come out of the above grant and in our application to India we should make provision for probable requirements under this head

RS
30-6-97

30/6/97.

L. & M.
100—8-8-96.

The allotment of 1.50 lakhs sanctioned by the Govt of India has been distributed as follows: —

Cocanada — .78
Dindigul — .11
Tirupati — .13
Vizagapatam — .48.

Vide page 6 of G.O. No. 323 L., 5th April 1897
Flag H.

NOTE FOR THE ~~CHIEF~~ SECRETARY.

Reference.

Para 4 of the Note of the Financial Department.

Reminders have been issued to the Municipal Councils of Cocanada, Tirupati, Vizagapatam, and Dindigul to draw the loans provided for them in the Estimate of Provincial loans for 1897-98, without delay.

V.R.
6/7/97

7/7

C 21.7.97. C 22.7.97.
R 21.7.97 R 24.7.97

Hon'ble Sir Henry Bliss K.C.I.E.

The Hon'ble Mr. Frose. C.S.I.

H.E. the Governor

Revenue Dept. for counterinitials.

Para 2 of India's letter in G.O.No. 1307, dated 3rd December 1892. B

Para 3 of this Govt.'s reply in G.O. No.85, dated 25th January 1893. D

Para 2 of India's reply in G.O.No.193 dated 22nd February 1893. E

Very well — Report the case but in doing so ~~draw attention~~ to the figures reported by the A.G.'s weekly wire

Financial Department.

C.Nos. 1788, 1861, 1935 and 2061.

Subject

Provincial Loans and Advances

FOR ORDERS

A In the notes recorded in G.O. No. 444, Financial, dated 4th June 1897, the Honourable Member considered it inexpedient to report to India the large expenditure likely to be incurred in excess of the sanctioned grant of 2½ lakhs for loans under class I; but it is submitted that, on a similar occasion when the grants were largely exceeded in 1892-93, the Government of India protested strongly, complained that such large excesses over budget allotments caused grave inconvenience owing to low cash balances &c., enquired who was responsible for so serious an irregularity, and in finally sanctioning the excess stated that it relied on the Madras Government to prevent in future years any excess over estimates, even in cases of urgency, without due notice to the Government of India and prompt application for an additional grant.

Z 2. In C.No. 1861 the Accountant General has already come up requesting that a fresh allotment may be obtained at once, as the actuals in April 1897 amounted to 1·27 against a grant of 2·50 and as, owing to seasonal causes, a large excess over grants may be anticipated. C.No. 2061 shows that 1·999 was disbursed in May raising the total to 3.27. Y.

3. As to the exact amount for which application should be made to India, there is some difference of opinion between the Revenue and the Financial Depts. The Revenue Department refers to Govt. of India Resolution in G.O. No. 749, Revenue, dated 26th December 1896; I its ~~its~~ letter dated 8th February 1897 E, in G.O. 219, Revenue, dated 30th March 1897; and para 4, sub-para 2, of its resolution H in G.O. 325, Financial, dated 8th April 1897. "The first of these directs that certain kinds of advances to landholders ~~and~~ or village headmen with a view to the employment of famine labour in digging tanks or other village improvements should be recorded in the first instance under 35 Famine Relief. The second directs that all land improvement loans made during the present scarcity should be of the above kind, i.e. that no money be at present made available for the purposes of ordinary land improvement as distinct from the relief of distress and that such advances should be made only in tracts where relief is required or where they may be considered necessary to avert distress. In the third the Govt. of India says that in the case of advances under the L.I and Agri: loans Acts, provision can be made only for advances required for the relief of distress or for other purposes connected with measures of relief, and makes an allotment of 2½ lakhs to this Presidency under class I against Four demand of 5½ lakhs. On receipt of India's letter of 8th February this Govt. wrote back to say that the terms and conditions adopted in Bengal and the N.W. Provinces in regard to the repayment of the advances were unsuited to the circumstances of this Presidency and that his Excellency the Governor-in-Council preferred to make these advances under the ordinary rules: but the principle that they should be confined to affected tracts and to tracts where distress was impending was accepted; only we wanted an exception made in the case of the Periyar loans."

Quotation from Rev Dept wh

R. Letter No. 219A d/30.3.97

In the above circumstances the Revenue Dept. considers that all advances under the L.I. and Agri: Loans Acts in the affected districts should in the first instance be recorded under 35 Famine Relief as ordered in paras 7 and 9 of the Accountant General's circular No. IV dated 28th January 1897, but that whether recorded under 35 Famine Relief, as in the case of advances in the affected districts, or under advances recoverable as in the case of the non-affected districts (e.g. Madura) they must all come out of the above C above grant of 2½ lakhs.

4. The contentions of the Revenue Department appeared to be based on certain misapprehensions as regards the intentions of the ~~The~~ Accountant General~~'s~~ His office has been consulted and the facts are stated to be as follows:-

(i) In issuing circular No. IV of 1897, paras 7 and 9, the Accountant General had no intention whatever to alter the classification of land improvement loans, which rightly appear under class I of the Provincial Loans and advance account; nor has the Govt. of India anywhere laid down that any portion of these loans should, during the present distress, be debited to 33 Famine Relief. Advances to landholders or village headman for digging tanks and other village improvements ⓐ were distinctly declared to be made not for land improvement but for the employment of famine labour and were therefore correctly ordered to be classed under 33 Famine Relief.

(ii) From the annexed statement of loans actually disbursed in April and May it is clear that the bulk of the advances now being made at 6¼ % (2·29) is for ordinary land improvement, and that very little comes under the special well rules (·40). It would appear that Collectors are just clearing off the arrears of old applications received under the ordinary rules. Detailed accounts 33 C and 33 M of the civil estimates show clearly the classification intended by India and at present followed by Collectors and the Accountant General.

Advances

No. On the orders of the G of I summarized in the quotation above
RS

ⓐ The village improvements referred to are land improvements. Para 1(3) of the G of I letter in G.O. 219 shows clearly that loans under the acts in the affected districts should be recorded as expenditure

What ~~I understand~~ RS is that India's letter in G.O. No 219 refers to loans granted to village headmen & landholders, not for their individual benefit, but as representatives of the community – these loans are to be granted under special conditions, e.g., no interest is to be charged; they are to be debited to 33 and "to be kept quite separate from the accounts of ordinary land improvement advances", vide India letter in G.O. 749 26.12.96 (flag I). There have probably been few or no such loans granted here and it may be taken that the loans hitherto granted have been granted under the ordinary rules & will not be debited to 33 –
RS

A.S.K.

Para 204

Please see over

⊕ Yes, it was intended by India, but the A. G. has not given effect to it
RS

⊗ No – only those for digging wells ~~and~~ for the benefit of the community made without interest; those for digging wells for the benefit of individuals, made ~~on~~ on interest, will come into the loans accounts. Put shortly, loans under Act XII of 1884 come under 33; & those under XIX of 1883 under the loan accounts. It will be noted that the advances made to landholders & village headmen do not fall under XIX of '83, for they clash with s. 6(1) in that their full repayment is not to be required. They therefore come under XII of '84, vide s. 4 (1), last line on half "or any other purpose .... objects."
RS

A.S.K.

The Rev: Dept does not wish to introduce any change in the existing practice. Its intention was merely to point out the effect of the orders of the Govt. of India.

Advances to weavers ⊗ go under 33 C and those for digging wells under 33 E, while advances for Land Improvement are shown in the Loan accounts.

(iii) If the Revenue Dept. wishes that all advances for the relief of distress, whether made under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists Loans Acts or not, should be transferred to 33 Famine Relief. - (though this does not seem to have been intended ⊕ by India) - specific instruction should be issued to Collectors to that effect; but in that case the expenditure would be debited against the grant of 21,04 under that head and no additional allotment need be applied for under class I of the Loan grant (2.50) except to meet the excess already incurred and to fulfil contracts already entered into.

5. It will be seen that the estimate of 12 lakhs for the whole year submitted by the Board in its telegram of the 25th May is made up of the following items:-

Deccan districts	8.00
Ganjam and Vizagapatam	1.00
Madura	1.00
Others	2.00
	12.00

6. The Board's estimate does not include advances to weavers, but includes advances ~~to~~ for seed grains, on the ground that the latter fall under the Agriculturists' Loans Act and must therefore be shown under class I. But in para 7 of the Accountant General's circular No. IV recorded in G.O. No. 145, Financial, dated 13th February 1897, and in the forms adopted in G.O. 470 dated 12th June 1897, both

these classes of advances are brought under 33. Famine Relief . They are not shown separately in the accounts either under class I of the Loan account or under 33 Famine Relief . The Accountant General is, however, in correspondence with the Comptroller General as to the correct classification in this case.

but they should be under 33 C [illegible]

7. The provision of 2 lakhs for "other districts" is apparently intended to complete contracts where loans have already been promised and work has been done to the value of one or more instalments and cannot be excluded in spite of India's orders repeated in G.O.No.444, Financial. The total estimate will then (inclusive of seed grain advances) stand at 12 lakhs or only 9½ lakhs in excess of the budget grant. In view, however, of the larger demands made by Collectors (25 more) the problematical aspects of the season, and the decision to disburse loans already promised even in non-affected districts, the best course would, it is thought, be to request India's sanction for an increase of say 7½ lakhs, for the present, subject to further report later on. Meanwhile the Board may be asked to call immediately for more accurate forecasts under each class of advances.

C. No. 1935

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21/7/97

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A.H. 24.7.97

19.7.97

19/7/97

Rev Dept for [illegible]

From [illegible]

C no. 2061 Y

Note to [illegible] 30/7/97

G

E

Order:- No. d/ July 1897.

The Govt. has reason to apprehend that the classification of advances made for the relief of distress in the Provincial advances and loans account, ~~under~~ Class I, and under 33 Famine relief -Provincial does not follow the principles laid down by the Govt. of India in the order above recapitulated.

2. The outlay booked up to the end of May 1897 ~~would~~ appears to have been as follows:-

Provincial advances & Loans account-Class I .

		Lakhs
	Ordinary loans bearing interest at 3¼ per cent--------	2·29
	Loans under the special well rules at 4 ,, ,, -------	·40
	Agriculturists' Loans Act-------	·58
		3·27

33- Famine relief

Detailed account 33 C	Relief to people employed otherwise than on relief works-	1·33
	Advances to weavers- Advances for seed grains	,,
,, ,, 33 E	Miscellaneous	
	Loans for the purchase of fodder and cattle	"
	Advances to village headmen or landholders for digging tanks, wells or for other village improvements	·02
		1·38

3. The ~~Govt. is of opinion that the~~ instructions of the Govt. of India recorded in G.O. No.219 Rev., d/30th March /97 refer to loans granted to village headmen and landholders for digging wells &c

Take out dates
Curr

not for their individual benefit , but as representatives of the community. These are to be granted under special conditions; e.g. no interest is to be charged ~~thereon~~, and they are therefore ~~[illegible]~~ correctly debitable to 33-E Famine relief ~~and kept quite separate from the account of ordinary land improvement advances~~ . On the other hand, advances sanctioned for digging wells &c, for the benefit of individuals and on payment of interest fall under ~~come into~~ the ordinary loan accounts.

In other words, Loans granted under Act XII of 1884 should ~~fall under~~ be debited to 33 Famine relief, and those under Act XIX of 1883 ~~under~~ to the loan account. It will be noted that ~~the~~ the advances made to landholders and village headmen are not covered by ~~cannot fall under~~ Act XIX of 1883, ~~as~~ since their full repayment is not to be insisted on, as required by ~~on and this would clash with~~ section 6(1) of that Act; They must therefore fall under Act XII of 1884, section 4(1) of which permits the grant of loans, "for the relief of distress, the purchase of seed or cattle or any other purpose.. not.. ~~objects"~~ specified in the Land Improvement Loans Act 1883, but connected with agricultural objects". ~~it is presumed that very few advances have been made without the liability to pay interest, and that the bulk of the loans have been sanctioned under the ordinary rules.~~ have been made no ~~without~~ the liability to pay interest, and that the bulk of the loans have been sanctioned under ~~the ordinary~~ rules.

4. "Advances for seed grains" are not shown separately in the accounts , either under ~~as~~ Loans or Famine relief. The Accountant-General will be requested to issue clearer instructions on the whole subject, so as to ensure the adoption of an uniform ~~so that the~~ classification ~~adopted~~ by Collectors ~~may be uniform in all districts~~.

5. The Govt. of India will be requested to sanction an additional allotment of 7½ lakhs for the present, subject to further report ~~later on~~. Meanwhile the Board of Revenue will be requested to call for more accurate and detailed forecasts of expenditure, under each item of loans and advances, eliminating what may have ~~has~~ already been included under 33 Famine relief in the returns called for in para 4 of G.O. No.470 dated 12th June 1897.

Curs
28.9.97

28/7/97.

To

The Revenue Dept.
,, Accountant-General
,, Famine Commissioner
,, Board of Revenue(Settlement) Rev

H.E. the Government

Letter to-
The Secy. to the Govt. of India,
Finance & Commerce Dept.

Sir,

With ref to the correspondence ending with Gov: Commerce Depr resoln No. 1283 A of 16th March 1897,

I am directed to request that the sanction of the Govt. of India may be obtained for an additional allotment of 7½ lakhs under Class I of the Provincial advances and loans account for the current year, as in consequence of the

~~very~~ large number of applications outstanding on the 31st March last and the growth ~~ing intensity~~ of ~~the~~ distress ~~in the affected tracts~~, the unusually limited ~~small~~ grant of 2½ lakhs ~~allotted by the Govt. of India~~ has proved ~~utterly~~ inadequate for actual requirements as shown below:-

Amount of Loan applications outstanding			Allotments and Expenditure during past 5 years.		
Districts	on 1st April 97 (X)	on July 97 (X)	Years	Allotment	Expenditure
Ganjam	265,000	434584	1892-93	6.00	23.04
Vizagapatam	19,000	112,000 (16th July)	1893-94	10.00	4.51
Bellary	620000	5,23000 (16th June)	1894-95	7.00	2.80
Anantapur	359,000	394583	1895-96	3.00	2.04
Kurnool	188,000	417699	1896-97	7.50	5.53
Cuddapah	29000	31,000 (16th May)	1897-98	applied for 6.50 allotted 2.50	3.27 in two months

(X) Will Revenue Dept please fill in figures
Cul

2. The present ~~famine~~ distress extends over a ~~far~~ wider area than ~~in~~ that affected in 1892-93, and ~~when~~ on the reduction of ~~the Govt. of India reduced~~ the allotment ~~applied for~~ from 5.50 to 2.50 for the current year [illegible] application would ~~at once~~ immediately have been made for an increased grant, but it was considered ~~preferable~~ advisable to postpone ~~it~~ this application until the necessity ~~for the allotment~~ for an additional grant should actually arise, ~~the more so~~ especially as it was observed from para 2 of ~~the~~ Govt. of India Fin & Commerce Dept Resolution No.1233 A dated 15th March 1897 that a special allotment of 23 lakhs was sanctioned for agricultural advances in Bombay during the course of last year~~, and that a similar course would, [illegible] accordingly be followed, as the famine deepened in this Presidency.~~

3. The progress of ~~expenditure~~ disbursement of loans ~~under this head~~ has been reported by the Board of Revenue in its weekly telegrams to the Government of India, Revenue and Agricultural Dept., the total amount from the commencement of distress having aggregated ~~10-18~~ lakhs up to the week ending ~~10th~~ 24th July. Collectors have calculated the requirements of the current year at over 16 lakhs, but ~~estimates~~ more accurate and detailed estimates have been called for.

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(X) Perhaps Rev. has later figures

~~4.~~ A portion of the expenditure will in all probability be transferred to 33 Famine relief at the close of the year, and ~~I am therefore to request that the Govt. of India may be moved to sanction an additional allotment of 7½ lakhs~~, pending a further report ~~to~~ which will be submitted when more reliable information ~~on the subject becomes~~ is available- I am to request early sanction to the amount applied for above.

A.G.
26/7/97

28/7/97

30/7/7

Provincial Loans and Advances

Class I		Ordinary Loans bearing interest at 6¼ p.c	Loans under the Spl. well rules bearing interest at 4 p.c	Loans under Spl. well rules bearing interest at 3 p.c	Advances under Agriculturists' Loans Act XII of 1884	Total advances to Cultivators
Ganjam	April	3.960	„	„	2375	6335
	May	2.030	„	„	2847	4877
Vizagapatam	April	„	„	„	300	300
	May	„	„	„	23.321	23.321
Kistna	April	„	„	„	„	-
	May	250	„	„	„	250
Cuddapah	April	„	445	„	„	445
	May	1.000	2400	„	75	3475
Anantapur	April	17.130	5.070	.	2819	25019
	May	16.300	12.785	„	4910	33.995
Bellary	April	75.470	3.930	„	4030	83430
	May	71.580	6435	.	13.213	91.228
Kurnool	April	7.265	2277	250	490	10.282
	May	32.740	4.985	„	3560	41.285
South Arcot	April	„	„	„	„	„
	May	„	900	„	„	900
Madura	April	675	„	„	„	675
	May	100	„	„	„	100
Tinnevelly	April	„	„	„	„	„
	May	50	148	„	„	198
Coimbatore	April	„	425	„	„	425
	May	„	250	„	„	250
	Total	228.550	40.050	250	57.940	326.790

R to care
N & S to examine
HS 2/8/97

Note in the ~~revised draft~~. Revenue Dept

The instructions issued in para.3 of the draft seem to be incorrect.

2. Advances to a landholder or a village headman are not made to them as representatives of the community. The village zemindars or the village headmen are the proprietors of the lands of the village in nearly every part of the N.W.P. and are the persons entitled to take loans under Act XIX of 1883. It will be seen from para 1 of the Govt. of India letter in G.O. 749 of 1898 that these are the persons benefited by the work done and responsible for the repayment of the loan to the extent of the value ~~of the work done~~ thereof.

3. Loans for the digging of wells, however and to whomsoever made, will not come under Act. XII of 1884 as section 4(~~1~~) of this act expressly excludes purposes for ~~whi~~ which provision is made in Act XIX of 18 1883. The Govt. of Bengal proposed in Dec. last to make such loans under the rules framed under the former Act, but the Govt of India pointed out that this was illegal and that the loans came under the latter Act.

4. The draft says that loans for digging wells to landholders and village headmen are not covered by Act XIX of

I think they are — I dont take it that the tanks & wells are irrigation tanks & wells. HS

Vide marked portion at page 32 of the volume put up. But the reports came from Bengal, so why quote the N.W.P.? HS

No. From the N.W.P.

Flagged I

I think the drafts are right. But, why hasn't India replied to our letter 219 A of 30/3/97? It has had plenty of time to do so. But, after all, it doesn't much matter how you begin by debiting loans. If the A.G. objects to the order he will say so.
HS
31/7/97

Perhaps in the end it will save trouble to let the letter to India go & consult the A.G. before issuing the order.
HS

Vide marked portions at pp. 220 of Cons. 219/30-3-97 Flagged E,

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CS
Office
Despatch the letter to India now sharp — Close all currents [illegible] docketted G.O. to CA pressing reference to A.G.
Circd 2/8
2/8/97

Done
HS 4/8/97

Put up for the SA the G.O. & the file is herewith submd.
HS 4/8/97

1883 as full repayment is not insisted on as required in section 6(1). The point insisted on in section 6(1) of the Act ~~XIX of 1883~~ is the repayment by instalments, not full repayment of the loan. In fact the rules framed under this Act contain provisions for the partial or total remission of the ⊕ loans, which would be illegal if the interpretation given of the section in para 3 of the draft be correct. It will also be seen from the Bengal rules framed under this very Act for the present time of scarcity provide for a remission of one-third of the loan.

5. The principle enunciated and the mode of accounting prescribed in the Govt. of India letter of Dec. last have since been made applicable to all land improvement loans in the famine affected tracts (vide Govt. of India letter in G.O. 219 of '96). The A.G's circular No. IV (para 9) of 28th Jan. based on the ~~Govt of India~~ earlier letter ~~of Dec.~~ is incomplete, and ~~must be~~ should have been supplemented by further instructions with reference to the letter of the 8th Feb. This ~~he~~ the A.G. has not done; a reclassification may be ordered (though this is not quite necessary), but not in the sense of the Financial Dept. draft.

But how are the instalments to be fixed if provision is not made at the time of fixing the instalments for repayment of the whole loan? Full repayment certainly is intended at the time a loan is granted, even though it may subsequently not be insisted on.
H.H

⊕ i.e. of a certain number of instalments?
cwt

Rule 17 at p. 7 of G.O. No. 219/30-3-97 Flagged E1

Flagged I

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Flagged C

in G.O. flagged E1

RS/29-7-97 The letter to India has been Counter~~attested~~ initialled by me to this draft for the above reasons.

H 28/7/97.

[G./25]
1,000—14-12-96.

Financial DEPARTMENT

G. Nos. 1788, 1861, 1935 + 2061.

(3) H. E. THE GOVERNOR.
(1) THE HON'BLE ~~MR.~~ Sir Henry K. BLISS, C.I.E.
(2) THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.

SUBJECT.

Loans & Advances

FOR ORDERS.

The annexed clean copy of draft order & letter (already passed by the CS) are submitted with reference to the Revenue Dept. note flagged N where it is contended that para 3 of the draft order, which is based on the notes flagged M, is incorrect. The Rev. Dept. has counter initialled the draft letter to India.

CWS 30.7.97

30/7/97

A.94
1.8.97

Financial

Loans & Advances

The annexed statement of [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] are submitted with reference to the Revenue Dept. [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

ORDER

P.S.

The Govt. has reason to apprehend that the classification in the Provincial advances and loans account, Class I, and under 33 Famine Relief - Provincial of advances made for the relief of distress does not follow the principles laid down by the Govt. of India in the orders recapitulated above.

2. The outlay booked up to the end of May 1897 appears to have been as follows:--

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	(Loans under the special (well rules at 4 per cent -------	.40
	Agriculturists' Loans Act ------	.58
		3.27
	33 - Famine Relief	
Detailed account 33 C	(Relief to people employed (otherwise than on relief works	
	Advances to weavers ---------	1.36
	" for seed grains -----	,,
	Miscellaneous	
,, ,, 33 E	Loans for the purchase of fodder and cattle -------------	,,
G	Advances to village headmen or landholders for digging tanks, wells or for other village improvements --------------------------	.02
		1.38

3. The instructions of the Govt. of India recorded in G.O.No.219 Rev., d/ 30th

E'/

March 1897 refer to loans granted to village headmen and landholders for digging wells etc, not for their individual benefit, but as representatives of the community. These are to be granted under special conditions; e.g. no interest is to be charged, and they are therefore correctly debitable to 33-E Famine Relief . On the other hand, advances sanctioned for digging wells etc. for the benefit of individuals and on payment of interest fall under the ordinary loan accounts. In other words , loans granted under Act XII of 1884 should be debited to 33 Famine Relief , and those under Act XIX of 1883 to the loan account. It will be noted that the advances made to landholders and village headmen are not covered by Act XIX of 1883, since their full repayment is not to be insisted on, as required by sec.6 (1) of that Act; they must therefore fall under Act XII of 1884, sec.4 (1) of which permits the grant of loans. "for the relief of distress, the purchase of seed or cattle or any other purpose not specified in the Land Improvement Loans Act 1883, but connected with agricultural objects."

4. "Advances for seed grains" are not shown separately in the accounts, either under Loans or Famine Relief . The Acct. Genl. will be requested to issue clearer instructions on the whole subject so as to ensure the adoption of an uniform classification by Collectors.

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To

The Revenue dept.
" Acct. Genl.
" Famine Commissioner
" Board of Revenue
(Rev. Settlement)

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To

The Secy. to the Govt. of India,
Fin. & Com: dept:

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with Fin: & Com. dept. resolution No.1233 A, d/ 16th March 1897, I am directed to request that the sanction of the Govt. of India may be obtained for an additional allotment of 7½ lakhs under Class I of the Provincial advances and loans account for the current year, as in consequence of the large number of applications outstanding on the 31st March last and the growth of distress, the unusually limited grant of 2½ lakhs has proved inadequate for actual requirements as shown below:--

Amount of Loan applications outstanding			Allotments and Expenditure during past 5 years.		
Districts	on 1st April 1897	~~on July 1897~~ Latest available figures	Years	Allotment	Expenditure
Ganjam	2.65	4.35	1892-93	6.00	23.04
Vizagapatam	.19	1.12	1893-94	10.00	4.51
Bellary	6.20	5.23	1894-95	7.00	2.80
Anantapur	3.59	3.95	1895-96	3.00	2.04
Kurnool	1.88	4.18	1896-97	7.50	5.53
Cuddapah	.29	.31	1897-98	(applied for) 5.50 (alloted) 2.50	3.27 in two months

2. The present distress extends over a wider area than that affected in 1892-93, and application would have been made for an increased grant immediately ~~on~~ the reduction of the allotment for the current year from 5.50 to 2.50 lakhs θ was known, but it was considered advisable to postpone th~~e~~is application until the necessity for an additional grant should actually arise, [~~especially as it was observed from para 3 of Govt. of India Fin: & Com: Dept. Resolution No.1333 A dated 16th March 1897 that a special allotment of 23 lakhs was sanctioned for agricultural advances in Bombay during the course of last year~~.]

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3. The progress of disbursement of loans has been reported by the Board of Revenue in its weekly telegrams to the Govt. of India, Rev: & Agri: Dept., the total amount from the commencement of distress up to the week ending 24th July having aggregated 11.41 lakhs, Collectors have calculated the requirements of the current year at over 16 lakhs, but more accurate and detailed estimates have been called for. A portion of the expenditure will in all probability be transferred to 33 Famine Relief at the close of the year, and pending a further report, which will be submitted when more reliable information is available, I am to request early sanction to the amount applied for above.

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