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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following papers :—

G.O., No. 29, Financial, dated 14th January 1898.

ABSTRACT.—Passing orders on the estimates of famine expenditure for 1898–99.

G.O., Nos. 49, 50, Financial, dated 20th January 1898.

ABSTRACT.—Directing, with remarks, that the civil budget estimates for 1898–99 be forwarded to the Government of India.

READ—also the following papers :—

Telegram from the Secretary to the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, Calcutta, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated 26th January 1898.

Please write explaining fully the reasons why Madras Government proposes to provide for famine-relief expenditure next year. Your letter 50 of 20th does not show the necessity.

Endt. No. 223.

Referred to the Revenue Department for the information required by the Government of India.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
27th January 1898.

(Signed) A. T. ARUNDEL,
Chief Secretary.

ORDER—No. 120, Financial, dated 10th February 1898.

The following telegram will be despatched to the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department :—

“ 49. Your telegram, 26th January, regarding famine-relief estimates 1898–99. North-east monsoon seriously deficient several districts, and this failure may necessitate relief measures Nellore, Cuddapah, Kurnool, Anantapur, Chingleput, North Arcot and Trichinopoly districts; at present date impossible frame accurate estimates. Relief works already necessitated Nellore. Letter follows with details on which estimates framed.”

[Here enter letter No. 121, Financial, dated 10th February 1898.]

(True Extract.)

A. T. ARUNDEL,
Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
„ Accountant-General.

Exd. P. Seetharam.

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FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

LETTER—from

THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF
FORT ST. GEORGE,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
FINANCE AND COMMERCE DEPARTMENT.

SIR,

In reply to your telegram of the 26th instant and in continuation of my telegram of this day regarding the provision made for famine-relief expenditure in the budget estimates for 1898-99 forwarded with my letter, No. 50, dated 20th January 1898, I am directed to forward, for the information of the Government of India, copies of the proceedings of this Government in the Revenue Department, Nos. 20 and 21, dated 11th January 1898. These proceedings show that the deficiency or failure of the north-east monsoon has been so serious in parts of this Presidency that it is anticipated that famine-relief measures may be required in portions of the Nellore, Cuddapah, Kurnool, Anantapur, Chingleput, North Arcot and Trichinopoly districts. These proceedings also show the basis on which the expenditure on relief measures has been estimated. Any marked change likely to affect the forecast will at once be communicated to the Government of India. I am to add that relief works have already been opened in the Nellore district.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

FORT ST. GEORGE,
10th February 1898.

A. T. ARUNDEL,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. P. Setharam.

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Revenue
Financial (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. ¹³⁵ 300

From Sd/- Finance Dept., Calcutta
Govt. of India

Endorsement. No. 223.
Order

Referred to the Revenue Dept.
for information required
by the Govt. of India
in the proposal of the year

No.

Dated 26 Jan 1898

Fort St. George

27 January '98

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Sub. that this is a census year

and that the proper answer would be

"Because first expects famine in certain districts - If this first year right (according to India) + estimate year

for famine India wishes to know why?

1/1 does not estimate India likeness
complaints

Ans

SUBJECT.

Re the proposal to provide for the

famine Relief Expenditure next

year

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read C. No. 735

G.O. No.

Referred to the Board

of Rev for very early report
as to the exact position of
affairs in the several districts
for which provision is made
under 33 Famine Relief in
the budget estimates of 1898-99
the report should show the
period for which relief oper-
ations ~~are considered~~ may become
necessary in each district
& the numbers expected to
come on relief

I don't know that the
Board or Collectors can
give any more precise
information ~~sent from~~
than is embodied in
the R. in G.O. 11. 1. 98
No 21 R (a copy of which has
just come from the Press).
A copy of that G.O. may
be sent to India in
reply to their telegram
- pointing out that
the estimates ~~are~~ are
as trustworthy as the
aris. permit.

RD. Letts

RD
29-1-98

8/2
31-1-8

Yes, G.O. 11. 1. 98 should be sent. We
can give no more information also
G.O. 11. 1. 98. No further
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read ~~again~~ ¹²⁰ ~~affirmative~~ ⁴⁻¹²⁻⁹⁷
" " G. O. ⁶³⁵⁹ ¹⁰⁻¹²⁻⁹⁷
" " G. O. ²⁰ ¹⁰⁻¹⁻⁹⁸
" " G. O. ²¹ ¹¹⁻¹⁻⁹⁸

Order (Press).

G.O. No. ²⁰ ¹¹⁻¹⁻⁹⁸ & ²¹ ¹¹⁻¹⁻⁹⁸

R.D. furnish the information upon which the precast of famine expenditure was based

the first two papers again read above explain the circumstances under which it has ~~been~~ ^{considered} necessary to make provision under 33 Famine Relief in the budget estimate for 1898-99. The rainfall during the N.E. monsoon has been seriously deficient in several districts, and this deficiency has already caused some of crops in localities which depend mainly upon this monsoon for their rain. ^{fall} The standing crops require rain badly almost everywhere, and as it is unlikely that there would ^{be} any considerable ^{advent of the} falls of rain till the next S.W. monsoon it is expected that a considerable portion of

information is available. We must telegraph the effect of the order to the effect, that it may be stated by the relief has been a serious one. It is a serious one because of the famine of the S.W. monsoon.

12-97

9. Financial Dept

Please see draft telegram & draft letter to Govt of India herewith sent for issue in the Dept if approved.

17-1-98

2. H.M. S. 1898-99

17-2-98

the standing crops will either
perish or yield but a very
short out-turn in ^{places} ~~localities~~ where
the rainfall has been most
deficient, and that in such
places it might become necessary
to open relief works on a small
scale to afford employment
to the labouring population
till the commencement of ^{the} agri-
cultural sowing

Information as to the extent
to which relief measures are
likely to become necessary
next year ^{is contained} ~~has already been~~
~~furnished~~ in G.O.'s $\frac{20}{11-1-98}$ & $\frac{21}{11-1-98}$ R.D.
which ~~contains~~ ^{also furnishes} the best forecast

can be formed ^{with the}
~~sent G.O.'s~~ of the expenditure
~~available at present~~
it may have ~~the~~ ^{been} incurred
~~arrangements~~ ^{made} to keep Govt informed
of the progress of the season
~~in the several districts referred~~
~~to in the above orders, and~~
any ^{marked} ~~unmarked~~ change that
affects the forecast formed
will be communicated to the
Govt.

Sd/- 5/1/98

consequent on the ^{partial} failure of the N.E.
monsoon

G.O. 29/14/98 (P) ^{Final Dept}
Read again G.O. 49/50 of 20.1.98 (P)
C. No. 300 - A/ ^{will be despatched later}
120 & 10.2.98.
Order ^{the following}
PT

In case in Final Dept

Telegram to the Govt of India
Finance & Commerce Dept

49x your telegram 26 January
regarding famine relief estimates
1898-99 North East monsoon
seriously deficient several
districts & this failure may
necessitate relief measures
Kallare Cuddapah Kurnool
Antantapur Chingleput
North Arcot & Trichinopoly
districts: at present date
~~impossible frame accurate~~
estimates ~~necessarily~~. Relief
works already necessitated
Kallare. Letter follows with
details on which estimates
based.

Sd/- 5/1/98

Sd/- 7.2.98

Rev. Dept 6
Accd. Smt. 4 ^{Depd}
16.2.98

S.C. & Budget Smt. 3
Famine Smt. 3 ^{given}
16.2.98

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In reply to V. telegram of
the 26 inst & in continuation
of my telegram of this day [inst]
regarding the provision made
for famine relief expenditure
in the budget ests for 1898/99
forwarded with my letter
no 50 d-29. 1. 98, I am
directed to forward for the
information of the Govt of
India ^{copies} of the Despatch of this date
in the Rev Dept nos 20 &
21 D. H. 1. 98. These Despatches
show that ~~owing to the~~ the
serious deficiency or failure
of the N.E. monsoon has been
~~so serious in~~
parts of this Prov ^{famine}
~~it is anticipated that~~
~~relief measures may have~~
~~is the probability that~~ famine
relief measures may be
required in portions of the
Bellary, Channarayana, Kurnool,
Anantapur, Chingleput,
North Arcot & Trichinopoly.

districts. These have also
show the basis on which
the expenditure on ~~these~~ relief
measures has been estimated.

Any marked change likely to
affect the forecast will at
once be communicated to
the Govt. of India. I am to
add that ~~these~~ ^{relief} works have
already been done in the
Bellary district

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