

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

11th October 1879, No. 2,044.

Famine Relief.

No. 157. READ THE FOLLOWING PAPER :—

Endorsement of the Public Works Department, dated 30th September 1879, on letter from the Superintending Engineer, Fourth Circle, dated 17th September 1879, No. 594.

No. 3,061.

TRANSFERRED to the Revenue Department for the issue of the necessary orders.

2. In consideration of the circumstances urged by Mr. Overseer Hendrick in his explanation as regards the missing tools, as well as the favorable testimony borne in respect to his work and conduct during the famine, it is recommended that the value of the tools be written off instead of being recovered from the Overseer.

3. It is the opinion of the officers best able to judge that the conditions under which famine works were executed were such as to render a certain loss of tools inevitable, and that unless this loss was excessive, which does not appear to have been the case in the present instance, it should be treated as part of the relief expenditure and not charged against officers or subordinates who could by no possibility prevent it.

4. The matter connected with the advance made to Mr. Hendrick by Overseer Soobroya Pillay being purely a private transaction should have found no place in the present correspondence.

4. Mr. Hendrick was, in consideration of good service rendered during the famine, appointed permanently to the Department as an Overseer of the Third Grade.

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Govt., P.W.D.

No. 158. ORDER THEREON, 11th October 1879, No. 2,044.

Miscellaneous.

THE claim against Mr. Hendrick amounts to Rs. 245-11-6. Of this amount Rs. 50 will be recovered from him as a warning

for not having taken steps in time to recover the tools which were lost. The rest may be written off.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. H. GARSTIN,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Public Works Department.
„ the Board of Revenue.
„ the Accountant-General.
„ the Financial Department.

Exd. C. Howarth.

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18TH APRIL 1882, No. 394, REVENUE.

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During the late famine, the Department of Public Works lent certain tools to the Civil Department and these were placed at the disposal of Cornelius Pillay, the then Acting Tahsildar of Chingleput, for use in connection with relief works in his charge. Nothing was again heard of them until effect was being given to the orders of Government in regard to the constitution of a separate Engineering Department under the Local Fund Board. The District Engineer then transferred the tools in his custody, which were the property of the Local Fund Board, to Mr. Donnaghue, and asked me, in my capacity as President, to sign a certificate stating that I had received them. As this would include the tools lent during the famine to the Civil Department I, before signing it, wished to make matters sure and called upon the Sub-Collector for a report as to what had become of them. He having stated that the records afforded no clue as to what had been done and that no tools were forthcoming, either in the divisional or the taluk offices, I asked Cornelius Pillay, through the Collector of North Arcot, in which district he is now serving, to account for them. This he has been unable to do. He tried to throw the blame upon his successor in office, but failed, as he also did to establish by oral or documentary evidence certain allegations which he made.

2. The result of the investigations made, is that Cornelius Pillay does not appear to have taken ordinary care in regard to the tools entrusted to his charge. He seems to have kept no account of the receipts and issues, and he did not, when he gave over charge, take any receipt from his successor.

3. I am of opinion, therefore, that he should make good the loss, which amounts in value to Rs. 181-1-6.

4. I wrote to the Collector of North Arcot requesting him to make recovery; but he, whilst agreeing with me as to the view that I have taken of the matter, suggested that as the sum was large, I should make a reference to the Board.

5. If the Board decide that Cornelius Pillay should not pay for the tools lost, I consider that Provincial Funds should make the money good to Local Funds. It is obviously unjust that the latter mentioned should suffer for the late Deputy Tahsildar's carelessness.

6. I request the favor of an early reply, as the letter of the Executive Engineer requesting me to sign his certificate has, owing to a protracted correspondence touching the missing tools, been long standing as an unanswered reference.

Resolution—dated 2nd March 1882, Mis. No. 1838.

Submitted for the orders of Government.

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To
THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated October 11th.

Printed 18th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 11th October 1879, No. 2,044.

FAMINE RELIEF.
OCTOBER.
Nos. 157-158.

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Mis N°-2730 W of 30 Octo 779

*Communicated to the
Supg. Engr. Fourth Circle
and to the Ex. Mr. Secy
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Ex. Mr. Secy.
to 5th Circle*

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(True Copy and Extract.)

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ORDER—dated 18th April 1882, No. 394, Revenue.

Miscellaneous.

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(Signed) E. F. WEBSTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, Public Works Department.
,, Accountant-General.
,, Financial Department.

Exd. W. H. French.

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Order No 1175 W of
9th May/82
Communicated
to the Supg Engineer
5th Circle.

/ True Extract
Sd/ Ross Thompson
Lt Col R.
Of Under Secy to Govt
P.W. D

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