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Resolution—dated 24th April 1891, No. 236.

Submitted for the information of Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 9th April 1891, No. 207.

2. The Sub-Collector visited some twenty-three villages in the Chingleput taluk, chiefly along the coast, but found no cases of destitution except in one village, Hanumanthapuram. At this place, a minor irrigation work was at once started. Another work was in progress in an adjacent village only a mile and a half distant. About 400 coolies were employed on canal work near Sadras, the men earning as much as 3 annas a day and the women and children 2 and 1½ annas, respectively. The Salt factory at Covelong gives employment to about 800 people. At Salivankuppam, Mr. Holmes was informed that some of the people in the village were refused work on the canal. The truth of this should be inquired into and reported, and the attention of the officer in charge of the work should, if necessary, be drawn to the orders of Government which require that *all* who apply should be admitted, whether they are able to perform full task or not.

3. A contractor on the canal complained that the munsif of Sirudavur village sent his talayari and took away the coolies from the canal to work at the tank in his own village. This is the village in which a case of severe emaciation was discovered by Mr. Holmes in his inspection at the end of March (Board's Proceedings, dated 9th April 1891, No. 207), and the tank referred to was started with a view to afford employment to those who were without work. It was never intended that the village munsif should divert coolies who were earning good wages on the canal to the tank work in his own village.

4. At the end of his report, Mr. Holmes sums up his recommendations for the relief of distress in the Chingleput taluk, which he states is likely to increase until the next harvest which will take place only in September or October, if the early rains set in favourably. He urges the commencement of certain works mentioned in his list and two other works which the Salt Inspector at Covelong said he had on hand and adds that "it cannot be long before gratuitous relief should be introduced in a few other villages than Sirudavur." The list of works referred to by Mr. Holmes has not been sent up but the works probably comprise those given in the list printed in G.O., dated 3rd April 1891, No. 258. One of these works (Manampady, S. No. 145—Tank No. 400), the Executive Engineer was prepared to start in three days as a departmental work, and the estimate for another tank near Vandalúr was expected to be ready in about the same time. The Collector is requested to report after consulting the Public Works Department for what other works estimates are likely to be ready before the end of the current month in all the affected taluks of the district. As regards the salt works at Covelong mentioned by the Sub-Collector, the Board understands that the clearing of silt in the canal has already been commenced by the Salt department, but the work of keeping open the bar will not be commenced pending the orders of Government on the question raised in the Proceedings of the Separate Revenue Department, dated 15th April 1891, Mis. No. 1182. An additional Deputy Tahsildar has since been sanctioned by Government for this taluk, and it is hoped that the Tahsildar will be able to devote more time to inspections of all the affected villages. He should bring all cases of destitution promptly to the notice of the Sub-Collector, who will use his discretion in granting such relief as may be found to be absolutely necessary. The Collector has already been authorized to start a kitchen in some central spot in each of the Chingleput, Saidápet, Ponnéri and Tiruvallúr taluks to meet exceptional cases of distress.

5. In the Saidápet taluk the Deputy Collector, Mr. Ramachendrayya, visited eighteen villages, but in none of these did he meet with any cases of starvation. He writes, however, that "prospects are becoming more and more gloomy" and that "the want of employment is being felt more and more keenly by the labouring classes every day;" but his report does not show what steps he has taken to meet the demand for employment, nor does it appear that the people, who, he says, "bitterly complained to him of want of work" were told where they could get it, if they wished. It is

stated that minor irrigation works will be started as soon as the estimates are received back sanctioned. The Board considers that Divisional officers should be authorized by the Collector to start minor irrigation works, if necessary, in anticipation of sanction. This should be done in all cases where there is any urgent demand for employment, before the officer leaves the village. The Deputy Collector mentions some eight villages in which the people seemed to him to suffer most, and he suggests "that some large work should be started at a very early date at some centre, which is easily accessible to the people of these villages," and he thinks that about one thousand people will resort to the work. The Deputy Collector has failed to suggest what particular work he would recommend, and where it should be started. It is observed, however, from paragraph 6 of the Collector's letter, that the Executive Engineer has arranged to commence three tank repairs at once and to give them on contract to the villagers themselves. Two of these tanks are given in the list printed in the Government order already referred to and are estimated to cost about Rs. 6,150. The Deputy Collector should be instructed to inspect these works, when in progress, and see that all who may be in need of work in the distressed villages are admitted by the contractors.

6. In the Tiruvallúr taluk, ·65 inch of rain fell at Tiruvallúr on the 8th and 10th and ·95 at Satiyavedu. On the Nágalápuram Hills, between these stations, it is estimated that about 2 inches of rain must have fallen. In this small area pasture will slightly improve. The ragi and cholum crops under wells have been harvested, and Mr. Tremenheere states that "a very sensible addition to the food-supply of the people has resulted in every village which has many wells." These are very numerous from Uttukottai eastwards about six miles. The number of applications for loans for wells and cattle received in this taluk amounted to 1,156, aggregating Rs. 94,200. The amount advanced up to date is not given.

7. In the Ponnéri taluk, large numbers of people are finding employment at the Salt factories where salt manufacture is in progress, and the overseer on the Buckingham canal finds some difficulty in getting a sufficient number of coolies for the canal silt clearance. About 1,259 coolies are employed on the Arni diversion work and 169 on the Vanjivakkam tank work. Minor irrigation repairs have not yet been resumed, pending the preparation and sanction of estimates. This should receive early attention. The Special Deputy Collector visited 36 villages and found the condition of the people on the whole fair. The Board regrets to learn, however, that small-pox has appeared in several villages. The Collector has drawn the attention of the Deputy Inspectors of Vaccination. He should consider the necessity for increasing the staff of vaccinators temporarily.

8. The Board awaits the separate report promised by the Collector in paragraph 12 of his letter regarding the speedy disposal of applications under the Land Improvement Act. The Board will be glad to recommend to Government the grant to the Collector of any additional assistance which he may require to aid in the speedy disposal of these applications.

9. The Commissioner, in company with the Collector, visited the central portion of the Tiruvallúr taluk between the 12th and 16th instant and inspected the work being carried out by the Public Works Department departmentally at Vadamadurai and Uttukotai. At Vadamadurai, which was visited on the 12th, the workers, who numbered between 300 and 400, were mainly of the agricultural classes. They were generally in very good condition, and the men were, as a rule, earning 3 annas a day. Most of the women employed earned 2 annas, but the number of women employed was small. The overseer has been instructed to see that no woman willing to work is turned away. At Uttukotai the work was changed from contract to departmental on the 15th, and the change led to a general strike on the part of the labourers who objected to a limit of 3 annas being fixed to their possible earnings. The 16th was Sunday, but on Monday a considerable number of the strikers returned to work, and the places of the rest were supplied by agriculturists from the surrounding villages. These two works will give employment to all who need it in a large circle in the Kálahasti zemindari, as well as to a large number of villages in the Tiruvallúr taluk.

The Commissioner is of opinion that no system of relief by the grant of cooked food has yet become generally necessary in the Chingleput district. To meet exceptional cases, however, he has authorized the Collector to establish one central kitchen in each of the taluks of Tiruvallúr, Ponnéri, Saidápet and Chingleput, as stated above.

10. The Collector will be requested in future to make his own report, which should be fortnightly, a summary of all that is important in the reports of the Divisional officers, which though full of interest, and containing nothing perhaps which the Collector would not desire to know, are too voluminous to render it possible to print them.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) P. RAJARATNA MUDALIAR,
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To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
" Collector of the Chingleput District.
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ORDER—dated 8th May 1891, No. 415, Revenue.

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2. The Board's instructions are approved.

3. The reports referred to in paragraphs 4 and 8 are awaited.

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