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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture).

Dated 23rd September 1891.

No. 5295 M.S.

Mr. Clogston

READ the following letter from C. J. Watson Esq.
Executive Engineer, Kalahasti Irriga-
-tion Works, dated 18th
September 1891, No. 301 S.E. to the
Superintending Engineer, 4th circle.

I have the honor to acknow-
-ledge receipt of your endorse-
-ment No. 117 dated 31-8-91
forwarding G.O. No. 2342 W. dated

2326W
with Cms 10969
sent to Mr.
23.10.91
drawing account
Kannanur
land - Reg.
amount for the
23.10.91
to open -

28-8-91, I regret the delay in reply
-ing and really I am not in a
better position to reply now than
I was when I received it now
a fortnight ago.

2. I enclose a copy of my labor
statement for week ending 12th June

from which you will see that I have divided the Zemindari into ten blocks. One or at most two works in each should be sufficient to meet all wants. If such works could be found (1) large enough (2) central enough, for coolies ought not to have to go more than 5 or 6 miles to and from work. Where they have to go over one mile a gang's task is reduced proportionately at the rate of one hour's work (or one-tenth of its task) for every 3 miles over the first mile to allow for time spent in travelling.

3 To take the last block first. The one thousand one hundred coolies (since increased to over one thousand four hundred) are now concentrated on the road that runs along the whole length of the island and a couple of tanks adjoining it. All will be transferred to

to the road as soon as stone breakers, hammers and quarry picks enough are received and in this block payments are made at four day intervals. It is in charge of Overseer, Kristnasamy Iyer, temporary overseer on Rebo who is working splendidly.

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4 For the remaining 9 blocks there are five overseers and the arrangement shows how they will be after completion of transfers now in progress. The Zeped, Poli and Chumbadu blocks are in charge of Mr. Boranko, a first grade overseer, who has lately joined and who, I am sorry to say, appears to be as slow as a tortoise without that animal's plodding perseverance so that for famine purposes he will not be easily worked. He has the South Indian Railway to work from but I do not expect to be able to

to shorten the six day intervals in this section. In Zeped block there are practically two works as Thondamanadu and Zeped in the south are paid together. Kadam is too far north to be closed. The Poli block has one work and the Chumbada none at present but I believe one will have to be opened at once. I addressed Mr Buckley on the subject on 14 September 1891 vide No 756 M. but have received no reply.

5. The Rajguta valley block, Rajgikandrigai southwards forms another section under Raghava Sengal, overseer, First grade, a man who appears to have a conscientious objection to making payments and who requires constant driving to make him do it at all. All his other works are eminently satisfactory both as regards professional points and the Special

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Famine points of meeting ²⁸⁹⁰ out the old and emulated into special gauge and generally looking after his coolies but he will not make payments. Whether the road is gone on with or tanks labor can be concentrated at two points about 12 miles apart so that there will be two paying centres. I must first secure absolute punctuality of payment with six day interval and then tighten up the interval. There ought to be no difficulty about a four day interval. This overseer is the only one who now ever exceeds his six day interval, but he is incessantly doing so. He shall stop that but whether I can ever work him up to the four days is another matter. Absolute punctuality at six days is I take it better than nominal 4 day interval (not kept to). The present orders are to do the road

roads but I find that well over half the land will have to be paid for. The estimates for the whole length Koppur to Kalahasti are now ready and will be submitted to-morrow.

6. The Pallamalla and Chavali blocks (one work each) with the northern most six miles of Rajimutta valley form another section under Manikka Mudaliar, temporary overseer, who has just joined. There will be 3 paying centres and 4 day interval should be possible but six days interval must be worked to at present as there is a lot of levelling and laying out to do almost all irrigated works being completed.

7. The Thirupuranthakapuram Kote valley block forms a section under Venkatasami, temporary overseer a very active, energetic young overseer whose interval of 9 days in paying at Chavali

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trotted out by Mr Buckley in his fortnightly narrative dated 18 August 1891 No 534 was fully explained in my No 931 dated 27-8-91. This was personally explained by me to His Excellency the Governor at Madras on 1st Instant and His Excellency agreed with me that there was certainly no "slackness" on his part in that case. The proposed works in this block are the Baita Madimbedu Thirupuranthakapuram Kote road (the estimate for which was sent to the Collector, North Arcot on 20 August 1891 but he says he does not want it gone on with till further orders) and the Thirupuranthakapuram Kote, Madimbedu road (not yet surveyed). There will probably be the same difficulty about land here as the Rajimutta valley but for these roads or tanks

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are done labor can be concentrated
and paid at 4 day intervals

8. There remain the Punalore
and Perandore blocks under Rama-
varain Panday. Overseer First grade
a most active, painstaking and
all round satisfactory subordinate.

This is the man referred to by
Mr Buckley in his report dated

21 July 1891 No. 437 in which he says C.O. $\frac{702}{1-8-91}$
a special report about him and

the Punalore pariahs was being sent
in. I have not yet seen the report

though Collector of North Arcot in
his No. $\frac{77}{Camp}$ dated 4 August 1891

promised me a copy. Mr Buckley
however, says Ramavarain Panday

refused to employ them. When I
get the report, I shall be able to

absolutely disprove it. Coolies

having struck in the present

Mr Smith and me. On

refusing to do tasks

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Tahvildar and village ~~inspector~~
of Punalore both assure me that
Ramavarain Panday repeatedly asked
them to induce them to return. In
Perandore block there will be one
work. In Punalore block concen-
-tration will be impossible, there
being no large work when the
Anambakam Punalore and Chinnappett
road is finished. While as most
of the work will be to the south
of the block I can only promise
to try to shorten the 6 day
interval.

9. As regards whether concen-
-tration of labor or increase of
establishment is preferable, I would
remark that if establishment is
available, many more centres should
be opened. With present establish-
-ment and numbers of works, more
frequent payments are impossible.
It seems to be only pariahs and
other

others who own no land who are -
willing to go any distance for work.
There is such constant promise of
rain that others will not leave
their villages but now that I have
introduced the element of distance
into the task calculation they
ought to be able to earn good
wages even returning to their homes
daily, and it is to this that I
attribute to a considerable extent
the recent increase in numbers on
the works. In this connection there
is one point that requires orders
and that is that the people
interested in a tank ought, in
my opinion, not to be allowed
on it unless they have previously
been working on open works eg. Raja
-kuffam and Lachinakam people
(Perandoor block) petition that
their tanks shall be done as
they are starving. Under Collector,
North

North's orders, these two tanks
are now to be done on completion
of Panapakam, Mambakam, and
Perandoor tanks. The villagers want
them done before North East monsoon
and will crowd on the works
and eat them up at once. They
are not deserving of relief, for they
have not been on the Panapakam,
Mambakam and Perandoor works,
all within 2 or 3 miles. I should
like to order that none of those
villagers who have not been on the
other works unless old or infirm
should be allowed to come on
to the new works. The same thing
is going to happen in Poli block
I was at Obblayapalli two days
ago - crowds of coolies came for
work. They were referred to Kanna-
bhatlapalli which was open,
but they said "No, they would
work on their own tank". I should
have

have liked to say "Go to Rama-
bhattapalli which is open or
you shall not work on Obblaye-
palli when it is open". but I
have no power to say so. I must
take all comers.

N^o 776 M.

Copy Forwarded to the
Secretary to the Commissioner to the
Board of Revenue for information
with reference to Resolution N^o 523
dated 15th August 1891 and for
consideration of question raised in
para 9.

Signed, C. J. R. Watson
Executive Engineer
K. L. S. works.

18 September 1891

Resolution

Recorded

2. Mr Watson will be
informed that all applicants
for work must be accepted without
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reference to where they may come
as the Government has decided
that no distance test should
be enforced on relief works.

(True Copy and extract)

Sd/- P. Rajaratnam
Secretary

To,
C. J. R. Watson Esq.

The Collection of North Arcot
Copy to the Suprs. Suprs. 4th Circle
" The Suprs. Genl. - Revenue.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read *Proceedings of the*

Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlements) dated 23 September 1891 No 5295 Inis. recording endorsement from the Executive Engineer Kallakatti Irrigation Works forwarding Copy of his letter to the Superintending Engineer IV Circle and informing Mr. Watson that all applicants for work must be accepted without reference to whence they come.

Order thereon dated 20 October 1891 No. 544/
Recorded.

2. It would be well if a more energetic officer could be sent to take Mr. Noronbo's place.
(True extract)

Recd.
Ag. Under Secretary to Govt.

To the Commissioner of R.S. & Agri.
Public Works Deptt.
(with B.P. in original & returned)

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Communicated
to the Supdy Engr IV Circle
who will without
delay post a more
energetic upper sub-
ordinate to the Kalabasti
Sub division in place
of Mr. Norouho. The
name of the upper sub-
ordinate transferred
should be reported.

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