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19TH OCTOBER 1891, No. 989, REVENUE.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), dated 3rd October 1891, No. 624 :—

MR. CLOGSTOUN.

Read—the following letter from W. J. H. LE FANU, Esq., Collector of North Arcot, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of Land Records and Agriculture, dated Pólur, 25th September 1891, Ref. on No. 6043-Gl. Eng. :—

With reference to G.O., No. 3919, Revenue, dated 8th July 1891, communicated with the Board's Proceedings, No. 409, dated 11th July 1891, I have the honour to submit that, under the rules * in the

* Sections 45, 109, 111 and 113.

Famine Code, all that the Revenue Department has to do in regard to children's kitchens on works is to *render necessary assistance* to the Public Works Department in procuring hutting materials, in superintending children's kitchens, and in arranging for the supply of food. Reading the orders of the Board and Government in conjunction with the provisions of the code, I understand them to imply that, owing to want of a sufficient staff of Public Works officers, the Revenue Department should, instead of merely *rendering assistance* whenever needed, take the whole burden of supervision and management on its shoulders, while the expenditure on the kitchens concerned must be debited to the works, and the necessary returns, &c., prescribed in section 144 of the code, should be submitted to the Chief Engineer by the Public Works Department. With this view I asked the Executive Engineer at Wandiwash to arrange to keep accounts of the expenditure on the kitchens and to submit the prescribed returns to the Chief Engineer. The Executive Engineer referred the question for the orders of the Superintending Engineer, and that officer seems to hold that the Public Works Department has nothing to do with famine kitchens, whether they be attached to works or not—*vide* copies of the Executive Engineer's note and the Superintending Engineer's reply enclosed. I beg to submit for consideration that the Executive Engineer and the Superintending Engineer ignore the provisions of the Famine Code altogether which Government never intended to do. The Government Order cannot absolve the Public Works Department from the final responsibility expressly imposed upon it by the code. All that it conveys is, in my opinion, that the Revenue Department should look after the management of the kitchens for the Public Works Department. The question of the debit of the expenditure and the rules regarding the maintenance and submission of the accounts, which are provided for by the code, are not affected by the order of Government in question. I request the favour of early orders on this point.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

Letter from the Executive Engineer, No. 366-S.E. of 24th August 1891, forwarding for orders Government Order in the Revenue Department regarding the supervision of children's kitchen on anicut works with Collector's opinion thereon.

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MEMORANDUM No. 690-Na.

The Government Order refers specially to the anicut works, which is a Public Works Department work, and similarly therefore to all other Public Works Department works.

(Signed) R. R. E. DRAKE-BROCKMAN, Lt.-Col., R.E.,
Superintending Engineer,
IV Circle.

To the Executive Engineer, North Arcot District.

No. 729-M.

True copy forwarded to the Collector, North Arcot, for information in continuation of this office No. 667-M., dated 26th August 1891.
Copy of M. No. 366-S.E. of 24th August 1891 is also forwarded.

5th September 1891.

(Signed) C. C. RAWSON, Major, R.E.,
Executive Engineer.

No. 366-S.E.

Forwarded in original to the Superintending Engineer for orders. I can find nothing in section 101 that refers to the question.

The order of Government, No. 3919, dated 8th July 1891, appears to me to clearly lay down that the Public Works Department are not to have anything to do with famine kitchens. I therefore cannot see why under section 144 any return should be sent to the Chief Engineer.

24th August 1891.

(Signed) C. C. RAWSON, Major, R.E.,
Executive Engineer.

Resolution—dated 3rd October 1891, No. 624.

The Collector, in the Board's opinion, has correctly described the procedure as laid down in the Famine Code. It is, however, clearly the intention of Government (G.O., dated 8th July 1891, No. 3919, Revenue), that children's kitchens attached to Public Works during the current period of distress shall be managed by the Revenue Department, which has already a very considerable establishment organized mainly for the supervision and distribution of gratuitous relief, and nothing would be gained by requiring the expenditure on account of these kitchens to be borne by the Public Works Department or the statistics of numbers fed to be compiled and submitted through that department. Kitchens set up for the relief of children on Public Works Department works should, the Commissioner considers, be managed by the Revenue Department precisely as all other kitchens.

2. It seems specially desirable that the Public Works Department should be relieved of the duty of managing kitchens now that, in the proposed revision of the Famine Code (G.O., dated 19th December 1890, No. 1026, Revenue, paragraph 10), it has been determined that civil agency works should be abolished, and that all works carried on for purposes of relief should be classed as professional agency works, the staff of the Department of Public Works being strengthened for the purpose, and the Board requests the orders of Government on the question.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) P. RAJARATNA MUDALIAR,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
" Collector of North Arcot.

Copy to the Collectors of affected Districts.

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ORDER—dated 19th October 1891, No. 989, Revenue.

Miscellaneous.

The Government agrees with the
Board.

(True Extract.)

C. C. Rawson
Secretary to Government.

To the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture.
" the Public Works Department.

Exd. C. M. Brisson.

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Children's kitchens attached
to Famine relief works.

Agreeing with the Board in considering that —
in charge of the Public Works Department
should be under the management of the Revenue
Department, especially in view of the decision of
Government that all relief works should be
carried out by professional agency.

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