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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), dated 18th July 1892, No. 503 :—

MR. CLOGSTOUN.

Read—the following letter from C. D. MACLEANE, Esq., Collector of Nellore, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, dated 8th July 1892, No. 764-Tour :—

I have the honour to forward herewith the fortnightly narrative for the period ending 30th June 1892 with the three usual statements.

2 ONGOLE TALUK.—*State of country.*—Sajja, palapu jonna and ragi under wells in good condition, yield expected 8 to 12 annas. Sajja and korra or italian millet harvested in Addanki, yield 8 annas. Fodder largely imported; pasture rapidly coming up, especially in Addanki. Registered rainfall from 1st January to 30th June 1892, 2.91 against average of 10 years 4.16. Ditto for June 1892, 2.91 against average of 10 years 2.44. Registered rainfall in fortnight under report 2.37. Showers all over the taluk between 13th and 17th. Water-supply greatly improved. Musi and Gundlakamma rivers in fresh on 17th, 23rd and 27th. Some tanks received supply of 15 to 30 days for whole ayacut. Ploughing and sowings last reported were continued. Condition of cattle improving. The end of the month saw a complete change of situation with agriculture briskly established. *Condition of people.*—Good. *Relief measures.*—Same works as in last fortnight. Numbers at Kalavakur fell as shown below :—

Date.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
16th June	788	921	249	1,958
20th „ Monday	741	911	226	1,878
27th „ „	370	627	87	984
30th „ „	391	575	105	1,071

Mondays are specially quoted, as being found always principal day for changes. *Grain-supply.*—Trade active in rice and cholum. Stock estimated at 232 garce, 180 with ryots and rest with merchants.

3. DARSİ DIVISION.—*State of country.*—No standing crops reported. Pasture coming up and fodder available in small quantities. Registered rainfall from 1st January to 30th June 1892, 4.02 against an average of 10 years 5.20. Ditto for June 1892, 3.00 against an average of 10 years 2.89. Registered rainfall during the fortnight 2.20. Good local showers. Water sufficient for drinking. Several tanks received from 1 to 4 months' supply; four tanks reported to have breached. Ploughing

in progress in several villages; sajja, jonna and oil-seeds being sown. Cattle improving. The division made a great advance in the fortnight. *Condition of people.*—Generally good. *Relief measures.*—Works as in last report. Many wells having received supply. Local fund water-supply works sanctioned had to be abandoned in consequence. *Grain supply.*—Private trade dull. Stocks as in last report; division being fertile I think they are much under-stated.

4. **PODILI DIVISION**—*State of country.*—As reported last fortnight, sajja and palapu jonna are standing crops under wells, expected outturn 4 annas. Fodder scarce, but pasture improving. Rainfall according to Deputy Tahsildar's gauge from 1st January to 30th June 1892, 2.70 inches against an average of 5 years 3.30. Ditto for June 1892, 2.55 against an average of 5 years 1.70. Rainfall in the fortnight 1.37 inches. Outlying villages had still more, water-supply improved after recent rains, the tanks receiving 15 days to 2 months' supply. Ploughing and sowings in rapid progress in dry lands in about one-half of the villages. Ploughing cattle in good condition. Other cattle live upon leaves, but pasture will soon be available. The division rapidly improving from an agricultural point of view. *Condition of people.*—Generally good. There are 3 kitchens at the three relief road works and infirm beggars have been taken into them. *Relief measures.*—The three large road relief works mentioned in last narrative still continue and go by the name of Arikatla (East Podili), Vemulapad (centre) and Tadivaripalli (West Podili) works situated respectively 4 miles east and 12 and 25 miles west of Podili. Two kitchens already open, and a third at Tadivaripalli was about to be opened. The Vemulapad kitchen was removed to Chinamanagundam, nearer the works, but the numbers declined especially in the case of children, because the works were nearer the coolies' villages and the latter left their children at home. The numbers in the Arikatla kitchen close to Podili were steady. The numbers on the road works declined at Arikatla, increased at Vemulapad and fluctuated at Tadivaripalli as shown below.

For Arikatla, they were—

Date.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
16th June	2,249	3,687	1,053	6,989
20th " Monday	2,366	3,604	1,064	7,034
25th "	2,154	3,384	989	6,527
27th " Monday	1,698	2,816	743	5,257
30th "	1,703	2,848	745	5,296

For Vemulapad, they were—

Date.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
16th June	2,393	3,796	988	7,177
20th " Monday	2,340	4,306	1,141	8,087
27th " "	2,859	4,681	1,301	8,841
28th "	2,794	4,635	1,301	8,731
29th "	2,829	4,697	1,313	8,839

For Tadivaripalli, they were—

Date.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
16th June	887	1,641	402	2,930
20th " Monday	1,161	2,132	54	3,834
27th " "	1,040	1,866	476	3,382
28th "	1,058	1,898	474	3,430
29th "	1,122	2,021	482	3,625

Grain supply.—Private trade active in rice and ragi. Stock estimated at 48 garce with merchants and 42 with ryots.

5. **KANIGIRI TALUK.**—*State of country.*—Well crops standing as last reported with yield estimated at 4 annas or above. Fodder and pasture scarce. Registered rainfall from 1st January to 30th June 1892, 4.05 against average of 10 years 3.46. Ditto for June 1892, 1.65 against an average of 10 years 1.11. Registered rainfall of fortnight under report 1.45. Kanigiri tank received 2 months' supply. Pamur (Kalastri cusbah village) had 2 inches of rain. Garden crops being irrigated; ploughing in progress and dry crops being sown. Cattle are improving. Taluk sharing in general improvement. *Condition of people.*—60 attacks of cholera, 25 deaths. The epidemic continuing, a special hospital assistant has been sent out. *Relief measures.*—Works as in last report. A kitchen at Pamur was opened not connected with any work. 152 children were fed on the morning and 159 on the evening of the 29th. *Grain supply.*—Private trade active. Stock estimated at 130 garce with ryots and 33 with Komaties.

6. **KANDUKUR TALUK.**—*State of country.*—Standing crops reported in last narrative were thriving on account of recent rains. Both fodder and pasture available. Registered rainfall from 1st January to 30th June 1892, 1.74 against an average of 10 years 3.02 inches. Ditto for June 1892, 0.91 against an average of 10 years 1.66. Registered rainfall of fortnight 0.30. Village showers general. Palair had a full refresh on the 27th. Tanks received good supplies, difficulty for drinking water removed. Ploughing reported last fortnight continued and sowings in progress. Cattle disease Gudipettu still in two villages. Ploughing cattle in good condition, other cattle improving. This taluk had less rainfall than the others, but needed it less. *Condition of people.*—Three deaths from cholera, otherwise condition of people good. *Relief measures.*—Same as in last report. *Grain supply.*—Private trade active in all grains. Stock estimated at 80 garce with ryots and 17 with merchants.

7. **KAVALI TALUK.**—*State of country.*—Palapu jonna and sajja under wells thriving in a few villages, estimated yield 8 annas. Dry fodder sufficient; pasture coming up. Registered rainfall from 1st January to 30th June 1892, 2.63 against an average for 10 years 3.41 inches. Ditto for June 1.23 against an average for 10 years 2.15 inches. Registered rainfall during the fortnight 0.30 inch. Land ploughing for sajja, palapu jonna thrashing. Cattle in fair condition. State of taluk almost normal. *Condition of people.*—Good. *Relief measures.*—None. *Grain supply.*—Private trade active. Stock estimated at 102 garce.

8. **UDAYAGIRI TALUK.**—*State of country.*—Standing crops under wells were palapu jonna and pitchika sajja as last reported; they are being harvested, outturn being estimated at from 2 to 4 annas. Fodder scarce. Hillside cattle feed on jungle leaves, hill grass being still scarce. Registered rainfall from 1st January to 30th June 1892, 4.05 inches against an average of 10 years 3.46. Ditto for June 1892, 1.65 against an average of 10 years 1.11 inches. Registered rainfall in the fortnight 1.45 inches. Water-supply slightly improved, though not quite adequate for agricultural purposes. Dry lands ploughing for cholum, korra and oil-seeds and yerra jonna, pedda sajja and indigo in a few villages being sown. Ploughing cattle alone in good condition. The general situation slightly improved in fortnight. *Condition of people.*—Fair. Small-pox in a few villages, but no fatal cases. *Relief measures.*—The large road relief work or Duttalur work is moving west towards Pamur; tamping will now begin; water-supply works in hand in 19 villages, allotment Rs. 3,028; the forest reserve wall work continued. A kitchen was started on the day succeeding the fortnight. The numbers on the road relief work remained stationary as shown below:—

Date.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
16th June 1892 (Monday)	2,477	2,490	957	5,924
20th " "	2,357	2,470	1,016	5,843
27th " "	2,251	2,492	1,277	6,020
28th " "	2,232	2,482	1,318	6,032
29th " "	2,238	2,498	1,329	6,065
30th " "	2,204	2,434	1,295	5,933

At Vinjamur close to the scene of work, there was good rain on the 20th and more than an inch on the 30th. The Special Deputy Collector is in direct charge of the work and the kitchen. *Grain-supply*—Private trade active. Stock estimated at 103 garce.

9. ATMAKUR TALUK—*State of country*.—Palapu jonna, sajja and indigo under wells were standing crops, probable outturn 4 to 8 annas. Pasture scarce, dry fodder and paddy straw available in a few villages. Registered rainfall from 1st January to 30th June 1892, 0.65 against an average of 10 years 3.16 inches. Ditto for June 0.65 against an average of 1.11. Rainfall during the fortnight 0.50. Heavy showers in interior of taluk, the Penner received good freshes, the river channels are full and useful for irrigation purposes and the tanks received some supply. Difficulty for drinking water exists only in a very few villages. Ploughing for dry crops continued. Condition of cattle generally good. Though the rainfall was deficient, yet the taluk as intersected by several streams and river channels shared in the progress of the monsoon. *Condition of people*.—Good. Cholera in 3 villages, 11 attacks and 4 deaths. *Relief measures*.—The Public Works Department again tried to start Ananthasagaram task work, but failed. The work has been struck off the list of returns. During the fortnight, I ordered the Vāsili flood embankment work to be commenced. I also tried in consequence of local representations to open a task work at south Mopur in the tract of Nellore taluk adjacent to Atmakur, but coolies would not come. *Grain-supply*.—Private trade active. Stock estimated at 278 garce.

10. REPORTS AND INSPECTIONS. (a) The Collector remained at head-quarters to complete jamabandi of Nellore taluk. (b) The following places were visited by the Sub-Collector. *Kandukur taluk*.—Pokur, Kandukur, Singarayakondah, Pakala, Ullapollem, Karedu, Tettu and Yelurpad. (c) The following by the Head Assistant Collector *Kavali taluk*.—Kavali, Chinakraka and Kaligiri. *Udayagiri taluk*.—Vinjamur, Duttalur, Kammavaripollem, Erukollu, Udayagiri and Dasaripalli. (d) The following by the Assistant Collector. Chinamanagendan, Tadivaripalli, Vemulapad, Pathapad and Podili. (e) The following by the Ongole Special Deputy Collector. *Kandukur taluk*.—Kandukur, Chintalapollem, Nandanvanam, Kalikivaya, Somarajupalli and Ullapollem. (f) The following by the Udayagiri Special Deputy Collector. Udayagiri and Vinjamur.

11. GENERAL.—As usual (*vide* paragraph 2 of this office letter in Board's Proceedings, No. 413, dated 29th December 1890), this district has been about the last to take the south-west monsoon, but has at length received it in very satisfactory amounts and well distributed. In the week expired since the fortnight reported on, there have been copious rains all over the district. Pólur and Venkatagiri have had very heavy rains. Rápúr nearly as good. Gúdúr still deficient, but half of it is deltaic. Nellore has had moderate rains. The Pennair has been running in fresh days during that period. The vast volumes of water thus passing out to the sea are in themselves a great river, and I am in hopes that engineering skill will still find means of giving adjacent lands the benefit of some of this; and especially at present of furnishing the large Nellore tank with the desired river-cut 20 miles up stream. The Nellore tank after being quite dry for 18 months has now taken a 2 months' supply out of a 6 months' capacity. The affected taluks north of the Pennair have each of them, except perhaps Kandukur, had a liberal share of the rainfall. Agriculture is everywhere brisk. The number of laborers on major works are just showing signs of diminution. That there is not more decrease is due to the fact that the great majority are of the Pariah class who find the steady Government work better than occasional work under their masters. The problem of the immediate future will, I presume, be the judicious shutting down of the works.

ENCLOSURE.

TABLE showing the progress made in the disposal of applications for loans under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Acts in affected taluks from 1st April 1891 up to end of period ending 30th June 1892.

Taluk or division.	Purpose of loan.	Applications for loans.				Loans.		Wells.	
		Pending.		Accepted.		Disbursed.		Number constructed or repaired.	Number under construction or repair.
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	<i>Land Improvement Loans.</i>		RS.		RS.		RS.		
Ongole ..	Repair and construction of wells.	153	25,765	92	17,295	82	13,631	31	65
Kanigiri ..	Repair and construction of wells.	91	14,050	25	4,050	25	4,050	1	24
Kandukur ..	Repair and construction of wells.	142	20,625	36	4,770	26	2,680	25	1
Kávali ..	Repair and construction of wells.	72	6,440	14	1,810	14	1,810	..	14
Udayagiri ..	Other purposes ..	2	150	7	790	7	790	..	..
Atmakur ..	Repair and construction of wells.	28	4,070	14	2,250	14	2,250	7	10
	Other purposes ..	13	3,000	19	2,615	17	2,115	..	7
	Other purposes ..	2	200	3	345	3	345	..	..
Total ..	Repair and construction of wells.	499	73,950	200	32,790	178	26,536	64	121
	Other purposes ..	4	350	10	1,135	10	1,135	..	..
	Total ..	503	74,300	210	33,925	188	27,671	64	121
	<i>Agriculturists' Loans</i>								
Ongole ..	Purchase of fodder ..	897	70,920	626	60,570	497	48,745	..	..
Kandukur ..	Do. ..	52	4,200	2	75	1	25	..	..
Kávali ..	Other purposes ..	1	500	1	500	..	..	..	..
Atmakur ..	Purchase of cattle and seed-grain.	..	..	1	50	1	50	..	..
	Total ..	950	75,620	630	61,195	499	48,820	..	..

Resolution—dated 18th July 1892, No. 503.

Submitted for the information of Government.

2. Subsequent to the period alluded to in the last report—Board's Proceedings, dated 1st July 1892, No. 474—there was a little rain during the remainder of June in the north-western corner of Nellore, but since the beginning of the current month there has been heavy rain throughout the affected portion of the district as shown below:—

Stations.	April and May.		June.		July.		August.
	Average.	1892.	Average.	1892.	Average.	1892 up to 9th.	Average expected.
	INCHES.	INCHES.	INCHES.	INCHES.	INCHES.	INCHES.	INCHES.
Ongole ..	1.91	..	2.03	2.87	3.17	2.15	3.80
Kandukur ..	1.60	0.93	1.81	0.58	2.98	2.56	3.29
Kávali ..	1.51	1.40	1.27	1.22	2.66	4.35	3.16
Darsi ..	2.12	1.00	2.55	5.25	2.19	3.20	3.01
Kanigiri ..	1.75	0.45	1.76	3.37	2.57	2.45	2.08
Udayagiri ..	2.23	1.10	1.28	1.65	1.69	5.60	2.23
Atmakur ..	2.06	..	1.04	0.75	1.64	3.45	2.37

3. Before this later rain fell, the condition of the affected area, as shown in the report read above, had already begun to improve. Agricultural operations were in full swing, sowing was being pushed on, pasture was improving, and almost every-

where the difficulties about water-supply had disappeared. The subsequent rainfall will have assured for the present a favorable opening of the season, and if succeeded by further rain, seasonable in time and amount, the affected area should soon recover. It will be noticed that in the Atmakūr taluk where up to the end of June the year's rainfall had only been 0.75 inch as compared with the average of 3.10 inches, there was in the first nine days of the current month 3.45 inches of rain as compared with the whole month's average of 1.64 inches. The condition of this taluk, which was giving the Collector some anxiety, may now be considered satisfactory.

4. Prices, as shown in the next statement, remain practically unchanged throughout the affected area :—

Seers of 80 tolas per rupee.												
Stations.	1892.					1892.					June.	
	May.			June.		May.			June.			
	Average.	18th.	9th.	Normal.	1877.	Average.	18th.	9th.	Normal.	1877.		
	<i>Rice, 2nd sort.</i>											
Ongole	10.3	9.4	9.4	13.6	8.3	14.9	14.4	14.4	23.5	10.5		
Addanki	9.4	9.4	9.4	12.1	7.9	13.3	13.1	13.5	21.1	9.7		
Darsi	8.5	8.5	8.5	11.8	7.5	13.6	13.6	13.6	25.1	9.8		
Podili	8.9	8.9	8.9	13.7	7.4	12.7	12.7	12.7	26.1	9.7		
Kanigiri	7.5	8.5	8.5	13.8	7.4	12.7	..	..	26.6	8.4		
Udayagiri	..	..	..	15.7	7.8	14.5	14.5	14.5	24.9	8.2		
Atmakūr	7.5	7.5	8.5	13.8	7.0	13.6	13.6	14.9	27.1	9.6		
Scarcity rates ..	11.2					14.7						
<i>Cumbu.</i>												
Ongole	13.2	13.2	13.2	21.1	11.6	17.0	17.0	17.0	30.0	12.6		
Addanki	12.0	12.0	12.4	19.0	9.0	15.6	15.3	15.7	25.9	10.9		
Darsi	12.3	12.3	12.3	21.6	8.8	13.6	13.6	13.6	27.1	11.4		
Podili	11.5	11.5	11.5	22.3	8.1	13.6	13.6	13.6	28.6	10.7		
Kanigiri	11.6	11.6	11.6	23.0	8.1	15.1	13.6	13.6	30.6	10.3		
Udayagiri	13.1	13.1	13.1	27.3	7.7	15.3	15.3	17.0	29.7	8.6		
Atmakūr	..	..	..	25.7	..	13.6	13.6	17.0	30.4	10.0		
Scarcity rates ..	15.4					16.6						
<i>Ragi.</i>												

In the Podili division, where the largest numbers are employed on relief works, the price of ragi—the staple grain—has been stationary during the past three months at the present figure of 13.6 imperial seers per rupee as compared with the normal of 28.6 imperial seers per rupee. In Udayagiri the price of ragi shows a satisfactory fall during the week ending 9th instant to 17.0 imperial seers per rupee as compared with 15.3, the rate prevailing during the two previous months.

5. Until the end of the period dealt with in the Collector's report, the number of persons resorting to the relief works increased steadily, having risen from 12,757 on the 28th May to 27,431 on the 2nd instant, the increase being chiefly in the Podili division and in the Udayagiri taluk :—

Taluk.	Numbers on relief works.				Numbers on gratuitous relief.			
	May, average.	18th June.	July.		May, average.	18th June.	July.	
			2nd.	9th.			2nd.	9th.
Ongole	578	2,027	2,164	1,158	..	..	..	..
Darsi	..	89	43	60	..	..	..	..
Podili	7,282	17,163	17,471	12,394	..	..	..	..
Kanigiri	..	24	162	29	..	32	30	36
Udayagiri	3,116	5,920	6,692	7,090	95	51	201	210
Atmakūr	..	243	179	112	..	..	7	4
Kandukūr	..	89	720	861	..	..	..	..
Total	10,976	25,638	27,431	21,704	95	83	238	250

The Commissioner has spent nine days in the Podili division during the current month, and is of opinion that, though distress is very real in the division and must continue to be so so long as prices remain at their present very high level, yet that nevertheless a considerable portion of the increase in numbers is due to the laxity which has been allowed in the exaction of the prescribed tasks. In a great number of cases the Commissioner satisfied himself that the task prescribed in the rules, which is by no means an excessive task, had been improperly reduced by allowing "leads" in excess of the actual leads; in many other cases the tasks fixed by the Local Fund Engineer with the approval of the Collector and the Commissioner had been unnecessarily and improperly reduced by the subordinate supervising staff.

In nearly every gang numbers of small children were admitted as men and women, and children of 4, 5 and 6 years of age as over 7 years.

The check which the exaction of a suitable task imposes on fraud of this kind, —for a gang, of which numbers of those classed as men and women are children, and numbers of working children are children of so tender an age as to be able to do nothing, can never do its proper task and must inevitably incur heavy fines—was absent on these roads because, as stated above, the task was in so many cases improperly fixed.

6. On the Tadivaripalle work, the numbers on which at the date of the Commissioner's visit were about 3,500, the Commissioner found that the pay of all gangs was eleven days in arrears—the rule, followed with great regularity the Commissioner is glad to say in most districts and in other parts of the Nellore district, being that pay shall be disbursed twice a week.

No proper task was exacted from labourers on the work, and as a consequence the work was resorted to not only by Nellore labourers, but by large numbers from the Cumbum taluk of Kurnool who found the untasked work preferable to the tasked work obtainable in their own district.

Numbers of cases of cholera had occurred in villages in the vicinity of the work, and the Commissioner lost a peon in the camp at Tadivaripalle. There was but one fatal case of cholera on the road work to the Commissioner's knowledge, but that the gangs should have escaped as they did is, in the Commissioner's opinion, marvellous.

It took the Sub-Collector, aided by the Assistant Collector, the Local Fund Engineer, a Deputy Collector, Mr. Venkatarama Das Nayudu, whose services the Commissioner borrowed temporarily from the Kurnool district, and a considerable staff of Assistants, four days to write up the wages accounts and to pay the labourers up to date, and the work was then closed, all in need of employment being directed to the neighbouring works in the Cumbum taluk and at Vemulapad in Podili.

The time occupied in making payments to the gangs was devoted by the Commissioner to a general and careful inspection of the labourers on the works, and he is glad to be able to state that the condition of all he saw was favorable. There was no emaciation such as might have been expected owing to the delay in payment of wages, and it is presumable, therefore, that considerable numbers who resorted to the works must have been possessed of some means of subsistence other than that derivable from the works. In the case, however, of a large number of poor people who camped on the works, this assumption cannot be made, and in their case the Commissioner would attribute their good condition to the fact that the wages previously earned had been very easily earned, and that owing to the laxity above described in dealing with children, families had received considerably higher sums than the Code contemplated. There was further the fact that the road passed through a jungle and that devadari and other leaves easily obtained in abundance formed a large portion, and as results show a not unwholesome portion, of the diet.

7. The Commissioner is satisfied that the experience now gained will show the District officers the very grave responsibility under which they lie for the proper control of the relief works, and that in future no relief work will be left without constant inspection from responsible officers.

8. The progress made during the fortnight in loan operations was as follows:—

Loans.	Granted.		Disbursed.		Applications pending at the end of the period.	
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
<i>Land Improvement.</i>		RS.		RS.		RS.
For well-sinking	33	4,950	43	7,341	* 199	73,950
For other purposes	1	50	1	50	4	350
<i>Agriculturists'.</i>						
For the purchase of fodder	125	10,165	175	14,760	† 950	75,620

* 153 in Ongole, 142 in Kandukúr, 91 in Kanigiri and 72 in Kávali.

† 897 in Ongole and 52 in Kandukúr.

It was only in the case of the fodder loans in Ongole that any material progress was made and these loans are now no longer required. The progress made in promoting well-sinking by the aid of loans has, so far, been chiefly confined to the Ongole taluk, and in that and the adjoining Kandukúr taluk there is a large number of applications for loans for this work pending. In Udayagiri and Atmakúr but little has yet been done, and there are very few applications pending in these taluks.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) P. RAJARATNA MUDALIAR,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
„ Collector of Nellore.

ORDER—dated 1st August 1892, No. 775, Revenue.

Miscellaneous.

The Collector of Nellore will, without delay, submit a full report on the state of affairs described by the Commissioner in paragraphs 5 to 7 of the Proceedings read above and as to the officials who are responsible for the great laxity brought to notice. He will also report what measures have been taken to punish those primarily guilty of the frauds discovered. It is clear that closer supervision is required, and orders have now been issued to transfer all relief works throughout the Nellore district to the charge of the Department of Public Works.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture.
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