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2ND AUGUST 1892, No. 800, REVENUE.

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. 504:—

MR. CLOGSTOUN.

Read—the following fortnightly narrative of the Kurnool district for the period ending 30th June 1892 from the Collector of Kurnool, dated 5th July 1892, No. 4717:—

STATE OF COUNTRY—Crops.—The standing crops of the last season which are cholum and garden crops under wells are in good condition. The crops that have already been sown this season, which are yellow cholum, cumbu, korra, variga, castor and pulses, are also in very good condition, and some of these crops are still being sown in red soils. In black soils also in the Pyápali division korra is being sown.

Fodder.—Is generally insufficient except in the Nandyál division and in Nandikótkur taluk, but pasture is rapidly improving everywhere and is already sufficiently high in the Nallamalai hills for cattle of all descriptions to graze on. In the Cumbum division prickly-pear experiments are still being conducted but it is presumed they will no longer be necessary, now that pasture is springing up everywhere.

Water-supply.—Has been amply supplemented by the recent rains everywhere and is quite sufficient for drinking purposes both for men and cattle. Most of the tanks in the district, especially the smaller ones, have received fair supplies. Two in Pattikonda and six, including the Veldurti tank, in Rámallakót have unfortunately breached owing to recent heavy rains. In the Cumbum division none of the big tanks appears to have received any appreciable supply, and the Cumbum tank has received only 20 days' supply of water. The Kunder, the Vakilir, the Bhavanasi, the Hindri, the Gundlakamma and the Jampaleir had freshes, that in the Hindri being heavy and continuous.

Agricultural operations.—Cholum, cumbu, korra and castor have been and are still being sown in the Cumbum division, and variga, korra, field paddy and oil-seeds on red soils and cholum and korra on regar soils in Nandikótkur taluk. In all the other taluks too ploughing and sowing are generally going on very briskly in red soils for the early crops and lands intended for the later crops are being manured. There is very little wet cultivation yet and only seed-beds are being prepared under the smaller tanks in Cumbum division. Under the Cumbum tank paddy has been sown broadcast over a small area.

Cattle.—The condition of cattle is on the whole generally fair. In the Cumbum division the cattle in the hills are reported to be improving in condition owing to the green grass that has sprung up there, but those in the villages are stated to be still in the same state as before, but it is hoped they will also soon improve with the improved water and pasture supply. The rinderpest at Ravipad has completely subsided and no cattle disease is now reported anywhere in the district.

General remarks on above subjects.—The rainfall during the fortnight was as follows:—

	INCHES.
Pattikonda	5.91
Pyápali	4.73
Kurnool	4.24
Nandikótkur	2.32
Atmakúr	3.37
Nandyál	6.79
Kalwa	4.80
Koilkuntla	4.48
Owk	† 2.36
Sirvel	3.49
Cumbum	4.60
Márápur	2.59

* Exclusive of 3 days in the second week for which report has not been received.
† Exclusive of the second week not reported yet.

The rainfall was very general throughout and in some villages in a few taluks it was even more than the extent registered at the cusbah stations. There has thus been a remarkable improvement in the general prospects throughout, though the Deputy Collector of Pyápali reports that in a few villages of the Thimmanayanipet firka in Koilkuntla taluk there has not yet been a sufficient quantity of timely rain. The rainfall that we have had up to date is quite sufficient for dry cultivation, but more is required for the commencement of wet cultivation.

Condition of people.—On works.—Healthy and good in general; but some degree of panic owing to cholera, prevails at Basinepalli of Cumbum taluk and at Márápur. In the Cumbum division the Famine Duty Deputy Collector inspected 8 relief works during the fortnight, and the average pay earned by the coolies is reported to be slightly less than the 3rd-class wage.

In villages.—Good and healthy in general. In the Cumbum division the Deputy Collector reports there was no migration, as sufficient employment is available for the coolies on relief works and on the wells for which State loans have been granted. No deaths from starvation have been reported anywhere.

Mortality.—Normal everywhere except in Nandyál, Cumbum and Márápur taluks, where excess is shown and is due to cholera. In Nandyál there were from the outbreak up to the 28th ultimo, 31 deaths out of 60 attacks in 6 villages, in Cumbum between the 13th and 27th ultimo, 71 deaths out of 142 attacks in 12 villages; and in Márápur between the same two dates 53 deaths out of 155 attacks in 24 villages. In the Dibaguntla village of Sirvel taluk also there was an imported case which proved fatal.

Sickness.—Fever in parts throughout and cholera of a virulent type, small-pox and guinea-worm here and there in the Cumbum division. All possible sanitary arrangements are being made. In the Kurnool town there were 11 deaths from fever against 8 in the previous fortnight.

Remarks.—Light work gangs have been formed on almost all the works in Cumbum division. In this division the gosha women scheme recently sanctioned by the Board has been given effect to. The ragi flour required for the Dupad and Budveed kitchens is being made by the gosha women of Tangirallapalli. Under the personal orders of the Commissioner the Deputy Collector reports that a cholera shed was constructed at Márápur. With regard to the weavers in Kodumur, Pattikonda taluk, there are 651 of them being relieved at 3 for each loom. By the 25th ultimo they wove 40 female cloths and 121 duppati cloths (sheets). The Deputy Collector of Pyápali also reports that certain weavers of the village of Pattikonda applied to him for relief, but that he rejected it as the village is not one of the affected ones.

Relief measures.—Relief works in what taluks open.—In all taluks except Nandyál and Sirvel. The number of coolies on the works in each taluk on the last day of the fortnight are given in the appended table as compared with the preceding fortnight:—

Taluks.	Number of coolies on the last day of the		Difference.	Remarks.
	Preceding fortnight.	Fortnight under report.		
1	2	3	4	5
1. Pattikonda	1,736	1,043	— 693	Figure of the 29th ultimo being the latest available. The decrease in the number of coolies is due chiefly to rainfall except in Márápur where it is due also to cholera. The increase in Nandikótkur is attributable to piece-workers not having been shown in the previous narrative.
2. Rámallakót	981	662	— 319	
3. Nandikótkur	48	252	+ 204	
4. Nandyál	..	..	..	
5. Koilkuntla	4,326	2,899	— 1,427	
6. Sirvel	10,250	8,925	— 1,325	
7. Cumbum	8,930	6,104	— 2,826	
8. Márápur	..	..	..	
Total	25,971	19,885	6,086	

* The figure (133) for the Veldurti tank included herein has been taken from the report for the 27th, that being the latest available report here.

Poor-houses.—In what places open and the numbers at each.—No poor-houses, but kitchens are maintained in the Cumbum, Márápur, and Koilkuntla taluks. The annexed table shows the numbers fed at each kitchen on the last day of the fortnight:—

Kitchens.	Numbers fed.				Remarks.
	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
Koilkuntla Taluk.					
1. Koilkuntla	..	..	..	..	Closed for want of relief works in the neighbourhood and because of the reluctance of the coolies to send their children.
2. Cherlopalli	..	..	..	..	
3. Mayalur	3	4	31	38	
Total	3	4	31	38	Relates to 2nd July, the figure for the 30th or any immediately preceding date not being available.
Cumbum Taluk.					
1. Palakavid	29	37	58	124	Relates to 1st July. Newly opened on 24th June 1892.
2. Giddalur-Mundlapad	5	5	54	64	
3. Mokshagundum road	12	4	50	66	
Total	46	46	162	254	
Márápur Taluk.					
1. Márápur	11	6	36	53	
2. Dupad	12	11	75	98	
3. Budveed (formerly Takapalli)	1	..	..	1	
Total	24	17	111	152	
Grand Total	73	67	304	444	

Village Relief.—Number of villages in each taluk for which reports of village relief have been received.—None except that gosha females are helped out of the Holkar's money in Cumbum and Kurnool divisions. In the Cumbum division the Deputy Collector pays 5 gosha women in Márápur taluk and 12 in Cumbum taluk at the rate of one anna per head per diem. In the Kurnool division the distribution was made on two occasions, on the 4th May 1892 and 1st June 1892, and 68 women on the first occasion and 92 women on the second occasion were paid at the rate of Rs. 1-4-0 per head under the personal supervision of the Deputy Tahsildar of Kurnool town. Besides the 200 rupees already allotted out of this money to the Kurnool Division Deputy Collector, a further sum of Rs. 200 has been placed at his disposal very recently.

Number of cases of death from want of food with brief note of circumstances if possible.—None.

Remarks.—Nil.

Grain supply.—Private trade active or not, whether in rice or dry staple food-grain.—Active in all grains in Pyápali and Cumbum divisions and Nandikótkur taluk of Kurnool division and moderate in Rámallakót taluk. In the Nandyál division the Head Assistant Collector reports that it is not active, as it would not sufficiently pay the merchants.

State the imports by rail or sea of rice or other staple food-grain.—None except in the Cumbum division where the imports during the fortnight are as follow :—

Cumbum.

349 maunds of cholum.
114 " of rice.
29 " of ragi.

Márkápúr.

150 maunds of rice.
1,645 " of ragi.
472 " of cholum.
320 " of paddy.

In the Nandyál division rice was transported from Nandyál to Sirvel.

Known or estimated quantity in taluks.—Sufficient for 4 months in Cumbum division, for 2 or 3 months in Pyápali division and from about 6 to 8 months in Nandyál division; also a year's supply in Nandikótkur and 6 months' supply in Rámallakót taluks.

State of Markets.

Prices at chief markets of principal food-grains.					Rising at	Falling at	Stationary at
Stations.	Rice.	Cholum.	Ragi.	Cumbu.			
Kurnool	9-26	15-67	..	..	..	..	Kurnool.
Nandyál	9-3	15-1	..	..	..	..	Nandyál.
Cumbum	8-25	14-4	15-00	12-32	Nandyál.	Cumbum.	Cumbum.
Márkápúr	9-96	13-82	15-00	11-6*	Márkápúr.	..	Márkápúr.

Loans.—The transactions under this head are exhibited in the appended table in the form prescribed in Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 3624, dated 14th April 1892.

Suspension of kists.—The revised statement of revenue kists, the collections of which has been suspended, called for in Board's memorandum, dated 23rd March 1892, Mis. No. 2927, is appended.

Taluks and places visited by the Collector during the fortnight.—I only took charge on the 24th, but on 23rd I travelled with the Pattikonda Tahsildar by rail from the confines of the district to Dhone and subsequently by road to Kurnool. All along it was raining or had rained and signs of improvement were evident.

ENCLOSURE.
STATEMENT showing the progress made in the disposal of applications for loans during fortnight ending 30th June 1892.
[Board's Proceedings, Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture, Mis. No. 3624, dated 14th April 1892.]

Taluka.	Purpose of loans.	Applications accepted up to the week.		Loans disbursed up to the week.		Applications pending at the end of the period.		Wells.	
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Constructed.	Under construction.
1. Pattikonda *	1. Repair and construction of wells	41	8,500	41	6,112	..	..	..	41
2. Rámallakót	2. Other purposes	2	130	2	130	..	..	..	..
3. Nandikótkur	1. Repair and construction of wells	11	1,850	11	1,850	17	3,550	..	11
4. Nandyál	1. Repair and construction of wells	10	2,700	10	2,700	7	2,500	..	6
5. Kólkuntla	2. Other purposes	7	1,350	7	1,350	..	..	..	..
6. Sirvel	1. Repair and construction of wells	94	26,520	94	13,910	160	50,200	1	9
7. Cumbum	2. Other purposes	23	4,570	23	2,895	70	16,000	3	16
8. Márkápúr	1. Repair and construction of wells	15	3,175	15	2,360	57	17,800	4	11
Total for district	2. Other purposes	309	58,304	284	34,362	45	10,370	..	237
	1. Repair and construction of wells	441	1,28,947	396	62,980	73	22,185	2	394
	2. Other purposes	944	2,34,566	872	1,86,169	371	1,11,005	10	725
		47	7,860	47	5,485	78	17,360	..	..
		991	2,42,426	919	1,31,644	449	1,28,955	10	725
1. Pattikonda	1. Purchase of fodder	115	4,921	109	3,858	..	..	..	..
2. Rámallakót	2. Do. of cattle and seed-grain	10	320	10	320	..	..	..	..
3. Nandikótkur	1. Do. of cattle and seed-grain	15	325	15	325	11	870	..	..
4. Nandyál	2. Do. of cattle and seed-grain	2	160	2	160	..	..	..	..
5. Kólkuntla	1. Do. of cattle and seed-grain	46	2,380	46	2,380	48	2,320	..	..
6. Sirvel	2. Do. of cattle and seed-grain	5	680	5	680	3	450	..	..
7. Cumbum	1. Do. of cattle and seed-grain	31	830	31	830	60	2,080	..	..
8. Márkápúr	2. Do. of cattle and seed-grain	1	250	1	250	17	5,895	..	..
	1. Do. of cattle and seed-grain	181	4,070	180	4,045	21	1,232	..	..
	2. Do. of cattle and seed-grain	9	365	9	365	18	385	..	..
	1. Do. of cattle and seed-grain	32	1,442	32	1,442	6	305	..	..
	2. Do. of cattle and seed-grain	2	200	2	200	26	727	..	..
Total for district	1. Do. of cattle and seed-grain	420	13,668	413	13,480	180	12,277	..	..
	2. Do. of cattle and seed-grain	36	2,755	35	2,755	30	1,682	..	..
		455	16,423	448	16,235	210	14,259	..	..

* The number and amount of pending applications have not been furnished for Pattikonda under both the Acts; hence the columns concerned are left blank.

† The Tahsildar reports that where in one application loans for items 1 and 2 were asked, it was shown under item 1 and excluded from item 2. This is irregular and the Tahsildar has been directed to show the same under both the heads in future statements.

‡ These figures are inconsistent with those of the previous return; explanation called for.

§ This column is left blank as the entry already made is reported by the Deputy Collector to be a clerical error.

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Resolution—dated 18th July 1892, No. 504.

Submitted for the information of Government.

2. Since the last report was submitted there has been heavy rain in almost all parts of the district. At all stations the fall during June exceeded the average expected, at most stations very largely, and for the district as a whole, was double the normal fall. Since the beginning of the current month there have been further heavy falls in the western section of the district, as well as in the extreme south of the Sirvel taluk.

Stations.	April and May.		June.		July.		August.
	Average.	1892.	Average.	1892.	Average.	1892 up to 9th.	Average expected.
Pyāpali ..	INS.	INS.	INS.	INS.	INS.	INS.	INS.
Pattikonda ..	1.23	0.50	1.57	5.03	3.31	4.02	5.45
Kurnool ..	1.83	1.57	3.18	6.71	3.36	5.79	3.77
Atmakūr ..	2.09	2.88	3.00	7.01	4.78	2.56	5.62
Nandikōtkur ..	1.44	2.21	4.63	6.78	8.11	5.46	5.65
Kalwa ..	2.08	2.11	3.34	2.97	5.79	2.83	5.87
Nandyāl ..	1.42	0.45	1.71	8.00	3.07	0.92	4.44
Owk ..	1.83	0.65	4.90	8.56	5.88	3.07	7.42
Koilkuntla ..	1.01	0.34	0.91	5.58	1.41	0.54	3.71
Chagalmari (Sirvel) ..	1.70	1.00	3.43	5.58	3.62	2.53	4.81
Mundlapad (Cumbum) ..	1.48	0.37	4.03	5.63	4.19	4.26	6.87
Mārkāpur ..	2.11	1.51	2.14	6.26	3.23	1.33	3.12
District average ..	2.07	0.31	2.39	4.66	3.10	2.92	2.67
District average ..	1.88	1.16	3.10	6.06	4.30	3.03	5.05

3. This heavy rainfall has put fair supplies into most of the tanks and has breached some, including that at Veldurti recently repaired as a relief work; but the larger tanks in the eastern section of the district have only received a small supply so far. It is only in that section that tanks are at all numerous, and further heavy falls of rain were, at the date the Collector wrote, required to fill the tanks there, including the great Cumbum tank. Much local rain has since fallen in the Cumbum and Mārkāpur taluks, and when the Commissioner passed through Cumbum on the 12th, the tank was reported to hold over two months' supply. The whole or nearly the whole of the area under the tank had been sown with either dry or wet crops, but the paddy sown had, to save time and labour, been sown broadcast and much of the labour which it was hoped would be in demand for transplanting and weeding will not now be required. On the dry lands, sowing the lighter classes of soil is progressing and the preparation of the heavy regada soils is proceeding. The crops that have been already sown are in very good condition, and in the west of the Cumbum taluk where good rains fell in May they are far more forward than in other parts of the district. Grass is becoming available everywhere, and the condition of the cattle is fair and improving. On the whole the general prospects of the district are very favorable, but the Cumbum and Mārkāpur taluks have still a hard time before them before the new crops can be reaped, and it is much to be feared that cholera, which is prevalent all over the division, will spread to the relief works, which up to date, with the exception of one or two, have been singularly free from it.

4. As shown below, prices became rather easier during the latter part of June, and the very serious rise in the price of ragi, the chief common "dry" food-grain in Mārkāpur, which occurred in the early part of June, has not been maintained though prices are still higher than in May.

Stations.	Rates of 80 tolas per rupee.									
	1892.			June.	1892.			June.		
	May.	June.	July.		May.	June.	July.			
	Average.	18th.	2nd.		Normal.	1877.	Average.			18th.
<i>Rice, 2nd sort.</i>										
Pattikonda	8.6	8.6	8.1	12.9	7.6	16.0	15.1	16.5	28.0	7.7
Kurnool	9.3	9.3	9.3	12.4	5.7	15.1	15.8	15.1	26.7	6.2
Nandikōtkur	9.7	10.7	10.4	14.3	6.7	15.8	15.1	15.1	28.7	6.5
Nandiyāl	9.3	9.3	8.6	12.6	6.4	15.4	14.7	14.7	25.5	5.8
Koilkuntla	8.3	8.3	..	12.8	..	13.4	13.8	..	26.5	7.1
Sirvel	8.2	8.2	8.2	13.0	6.8	13.9	13.4	13.4	24.5	7.5
Cumbum	8.3	8.3	8.3	12.6	6.2	12.6	13.3	12.6	24.1	7.9
Mārkapur	10.0	9.4	10.0	13.1	7.5	15.7	13.8	14.2	27.7	9.1
District average ..	9.1	9.1	9.0	13.1	6.4	14.9	14.4	14.7	28.6	7.0
Scarcity rates ..	9.7			13.7						
<i>Cumbu.</i>										
Pattikonda	14.6	13.2	14.1	23.9	..	..	..	..	..	9.7
Kurnool	13.8	13.8	13.8	21.6	6.3	..	..	..	..	6.8
Nandikōtkur	13.1	..	11.3	19.2	..	..	..	..	..	6.1
Nandiyāl	12.5	12.5	15.0	20.9	..	15.5	14.8	15.5	24.5	7.1
Sirvel	..	..	..	21.9	..	15.5	15.5	15.5	29.4	5.2
Cumbum	10.9	11.6	11.6	21.8	..	13.5	13.8	14.3	27.6	9.0
Mārkapur	12.4	10.0	11.6	22.6	8.7	15.9	12.6	15.0	28.5	10.5
District average ..	12.8	12.2	12.9	24.0	7.1	15.2	14.2	15.1	31.0	7.4
Scarcity rates ..	13.1			14.7						
<i>Ragi.</i>										

5. The number of persons resorting to the relief works has recently shown a large falling off as noted below:—

Taluk.	Numbers on relief works.			Numbers on gratuitous relief.		
	May.	June.	July.	May.	June.	July.
	Average.	18th.	2nd.	Average.	18th.	2nd.
Mārkāpur ..	8,179	8,419	5,915	155	235	159
Cumbum ..	12,709	10,134	9,239	265	285	262
Sirvel and Nandyāl ..	86	..	..	..	..	..
Koilkuntla ..	4,057	4,044	2,849	71	72	38
Nandikōtkur ..	616	128	242	..	..	..
Rāmālakōt ..	1,818	1,108	648	..	..	..
Pattikonda ..	1,200	1,727	1,019	..	..	..
Total ..	28,665	25,560	19,915	491	592	459

The falling off is due chiefly to the improvement in the season, but partly also to another cholera scare in Mārkāpur where the decrease amounted to 2,500 or nearly 30 per cent. during the last two weeks. There was a nominal increase in the numbers employed on the only relief work open in Nandikōtkur, but that is explained as being due to more correct returns. Orders have been issued (Board's Proceedings, dated 25th June 1892, No. 463) for closing this work.

6. The condition of the people is reported to be generally healthy and good except for cholera in Nandyāl, Cumbum and Mārkāpur. The Commissioner inspected during the last week in the month about 9,000 labourers in the Cumbum and Mārkāpur taluks and was entirely satisfied with their condition. The works in these taluks have been carefully organized, labour is properly tasked, and wages are regularly paid. Very great credit is due to the Special Executive Engineer,

Mr. A. C. Smith, and to the Special Deputy Collector, Mr. Ram Dass Naidu, for this careful conduct of their work.

7. The progress made in loan operations during the period is abstracted below:—

Loans.	Granted.		Disbursed.		Applications pending at the end of the period.	
	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.	No.	Amount.
<i>Land Improvement.</i>		RS.		RS.		RS.
For well-sinking	108	29,415	93	15,912	(a) 371	1,11,605
„ other purposes	..	1,300	1	800	(b) 78	17,350
<i>Agriculturists.</i>						
For purchase of fodder ..	35	820	39	924	(c) 180	12,277
„ „ of cattle and seed-grain.	..	200	..	200	(d) 30	1,982

(a) 160 in Nandyál, 57 in Sirvel, 46 in Cumbum and 73 in Márkapur; (b) 70 in Nandyál; (c) 60 in Nandyál and 48 in Nandikótkur; (d) 21 in Sirvel.

Progress, as previously reported, has been chiefly confined to the Cumbum division, and the number of applications pending in the Nandyál division has not been materially reduced. The information regarding the number of applications pending is not complete, and no information is given as to the reason for the increased amounts shown under the loans granted for “other” land improvements and for the purchase of cattle and seed-grain. Fodder loans will not now be necessary and the applications pending should be rejected. Great care must be exercised in the grant of loans for the purchase of cattle to see that the borrowers are really enabled to add to the tilling force of the locality and not merely to secure the transference of cattle from one village where they are required, to another.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) P. RAJARATNA MUDALIAR,
Secretary.

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

ORDER—dated 2nd August 1892, No. 800, Revenue.

Miscellaneous.

Recorded.

2. The instructions contained in paragraph 7 of the Proceedings read above are approved.

3. The Government notes with much satisfaction the testimony borne by the Commissioner to the good work done by Messrs. C. A. Smith and Venkataram Das Naidu.

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture.
„ the Public Works Department (W).

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