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READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), dated 4th March 1892, No. 164:—

MR. CLOGSTOUN.

Read—the following letter from C. KOUGH, Esq., Collector of Kurnool, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, dated Kurnool, 9th February 1892, No. 992:—

Referring to Board's Proceedings of 5th current, No. 1301, Mis., I have the honour to report as follows.

2. I reached Márkápúr taluk on 22nd and left it on the 31st, having, during this time, inspected all the works in progress, and having had the advantage of personal consultation with the Commissioner at Márkápúr.

3. I think there has been a misapprehension as to the work on the Dornal-Dupad road being soon exhausted. I understand the Divisional officer referred to the work on the Márkápúr road. The latter has practically been exhausted as far as can be done in a dry season, and I learn from the Commissioner that he has recommended a transfer of the coolies from this to the Márkápúr-Venulakota road. Any instructions he may have given will, of course, be attended to.

4. As to the Dornal-Dupad road, when I reached it, work was going on at Gudipad about 5 miles from Dornal. An overseer, who had originally been on these works, but had since been removed, had allowed matters to fall into an unsatisfactory state. Metal was not broken small enough, measurements were not properly made nor accurate, and payments had been delayed. The correction of these abuses resulted in the abandonment, save by one gang, of the works the day after my visit, which is, I think, a fair reason for believing the task had not hitherto been enforced as strictly as it should have been. The coolies have, however, been since returning to work.

5. I proceeded thence to inspect work at Dupad. Here matters were on a much more satisfactory footing, save that metal was being broken too small and so the coolies' labour was being wasted. This error was corrected.

6. The work at Márkápúr I inspected with the Commissioner. I do not think I need enter into any details regarding it.

7. Having left Márkápúr, I proceeded to Cumbum taluk and inspected the only work in progress there, viz., on the road from Cumbum to Giddalur, where 37 gangs were in operation. The task was being rendered by almost every gang, but inaccurate measurements had been made to the workers' detriment. I had these set right.

8. *Kitchens.*—When I visited the taluks there were only two—one at Márkápúr and another at Palakavid of Cumbum. Both I saw and they were found to be worked properly. The Commissioner has ordered that at Márkápúr to be brought nearer to the works, and I am to-day wiring sanction to open another near the work at Dupad which is essentially necessary. The kitchen at Palakavid must remain where it is, as it is required for the local needs and contains few children of workers. Another will be required near the road works, and I am awaiting Divisional officer's recommendation.

9. I am not at all satisfied that further work is not or will not be required beyond Dupad towards Isakatripuravaram, but we really have not the supervision for more than we have on hands at present. The worst of it, too, is that none of the Public Works Department work to be done will help us much in relieving this remote tract. There is plenty of road work if we could supervise it. Cumbum, of which Racherla firka is worst, will fare well, because I learn that in that firka alone the tanks of Turimilla, Gudimitta and Basinepalli are to be soon put in hand.

10. The Commissioner personally told me he considered Márkápur taluk about the worst affected part of the Presidency. I think there should be a famine revenue officer or a Public Works Department special officer to supervise works alone, and I solicit favour of early orders regarding this.

Resolution—dated 4th March 1892, No. 164.

Submitted for the information of Government with reference to G.O., dated 4th February 1892, No. 120.

2. The Collector's report deals only with the administration of relief in Cumbum and Márkápur. In Márkápur he found that on one section of the Dornal-Dupad road the management was so bad that the overseer in charge had to be removed, and, though on the other section things were much better, there was room for improvement. His visit enabled him to set these matters right. On the only work in Cumbum the measurement of work done was being made to the laborers' detriment. The Commissioner visited two of the works in the Márkápur taluk—one the road near Márkápur town in company with the Collector on the last two days in January and the 1st of February and the other, the road work in the vicinity of Dupad, on the 12th February—and found that the works were progressing favorably, while the laborers seemed to be retaining their good condition.

3. The two kitchens opened in these taluks were found to be properly managed, but the Collector has found it necessary to order the opening of another in connection with the works at Dupad, and he considers that a fourth should be opened on the road work in Cumbum. The Commissioner has also recommended that a kitchen shall be at once opened at Dornal, where the numbers on works are again increasing and where the Divisional officer reports that a kitchen is necessary.

4. The Collector has not satisfied himself that another work should not be opened in the north-eastern portion of Márkápur, and he states that in that locality road work is the only form of work available for relief purposes.

The Collector has, however, forgotten the tanks situated to the north of Dupad, the repair of which has been lately sanctioned as a famine work (Board's Proceedings, dated 23rd February 1892, Nos. 1895 and 1896). These tanks will test the need for employment to the north of Dupad and will, for the present perhaps, give all the employment needed. Should they not do so a road work must be commenced.

5. An additional Deputy Collector has already been sanctioned for the Cumbum division in the Gazette of the 16th February 1892, and the Commissioner had further recommended (Board's Proceedings, dated 18th February 1892, No. 117); that a special Public Works Department officer should be appointed to take charge of the works in the division, so that the large amount of labour which must be employed shall be employed to the greatest advantage possible.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) P. RAJARATNA MUDALIAR,
Secretary.

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

Copy to the Government of India, Revenue and Agricultural Department.

ORDER—dated 17th March 1892, No. 261, Revenue.

Miscellaneous.

Recorded.

2. The instructions contained in paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Board's Proceedings are approved.

3. With reference to the concluding portion of paragraph 5 of its Proceedings, the Board of Revenue is informed that an additional Engineer officer has since been posted to the Kurnool Division—vide G.O., No. 1469, dated 17th March 1892.

(True Extract.)

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Secretary to Government.

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

Exd. T. K. Narayana Aiyangar.

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Cumbum and Markapur taluks, recorded with
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