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Public Works Dept.

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Board of Revenue
(D.S. L.R. & Agri)
Madras

To

The Under Secretary to
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Pro: dated 2nd June 1894

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Subject

Furnishing certain copies of
each of the proceedings of the Board
valid within to the Under Secretary
Government, Public Works Depart.
ment, as requested.

BOARD OF REVENUE (REV. SETT., L. RDS. AND AGRI.), 27TH APRIL 1894, No. 174.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE
(REVENUE SETTLEMENT, LAND RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE).

READ—the following letter from H. M. WINTERBOTHAM, Esq., Collector of Tanjore, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture, dated Vallam, 6th April 1894, No. 780-Ver.:—

I have the honour to submit the programme of famine relief works for 1894-95 as required in Board's Proceedings, dated 7th June 1892, No. 411.

2. The programme is prepared for the non-deltaic portion of the Tanjore taluk and for the Pattukkóttai taluk (*vide* Board's Proceedings, dated 21st October 1892, No. 691). My growing knowledge of the Tanjore taluk does not enable me to suggest any great and useful work on which a multitude of starving people could be employed. If the necessity of opening famine relief works should really occur, I think it certain that the improvement and repair of the 350 minor, and 13 major, irrigation-tanks must be looked to as providing the chief field for the employment of unskilled labour. There is not a tank in the taluk which can be said to be in such an efficient state that no money could be spent on its improvement. In round numbers, I have provided for an expenditure of one lakh on 300 irrigation tanks, the total number in the taluk being 363.

3. The Chairman of the Tanjore Town Council suggests an outlay of Rs. 67,000 on improving a large tank which acts as a feeder to the Sivaganga tank, and thus supplies drinking water to the inhabitants in the fort. As a large scheme for supplying the whole town with water from the Vennár has been sanctioned and is in progress, the work proposed by the Chairman is obviously superfluous and I have been obliged to omit it.

4. An indefinite amount might be spent on clearing prickly-pear, but it is not for the purposes of this year's report necessary to provide for any expenditure in this direction.

5. The Superintending Engineer has omitted works Nos. 6 to 10 in the Pattukkóttai taluk shown under irrigation works in form A of the programme for 1893-94 submitted with my letter, No. 203, dated 3rd April 1893. I have, however, included works Nos. 7 and 9, as I am of opinion that if famine relief works are required, these two are among the best available. I have omitted work No. 1 under roads shown in the programme for last year, because the roads cannot, for want of gravel, possibly be constructed until the railway is extended to Adirámptnam, and because nine-tenths of the outlay would be on carriage and masonry works.

6. The sum of three lakhs entered in the programme for 1893-94 as the provision for the filling of the moat around the fort of Tanjore has been corrected to Rs. 14,720 in accordance with Board's Proceedings, dated 31st July 1893, Mis. No. 4487.

7. The programme provides for works in the Tanjore taluk to the amount of Rs. 2,89,780 sufficient to give employment to 27.4 per cent. of the population of the non-deltaic part of the taluk for three months at $1\frac{1}{2}$ annas per head per diem; and in the Pattukkóttai taluk to the amount of Rs. 4,43,964 sufficient to give employment to 21.8 per cent. of the population of the taluk.

8. No forest fencing is proposed for reasons stated in paragraph 5 of my letter, No. 203, dated 3rd April 1893.

9. The Superintending Engineer has shown 28 Public Works Department tanks in form B of the programme for the current year as being out of repair in the Pattukkóttai taluk, instead of the 42 tanks shown in form B for 1893-94. He has been requested to explain the variation.



Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture).

Dated 2nd June 1894

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ROAD Memorandum from the Under Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department, dated 30th May 1894

Resolution

Ordered accordingly

(True Extract)

W. J. S. S. S.
Secretary

To The Under Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.

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Supdy 1 Office
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8th June 194

Dear Sir,

I regret to inform you that
G. O. No 1393 W of the 6th June 194,
regarding the programme of famine
relief work for the Famine District
for 1894-95, has been already trans-
ferred to the Supdy 5th Club, stating
that it was sent to this Club by our
sight.

To
The Head Club,
P. W. Surtanuk.

Yours faithfully
E. G. Appah
Hth Club, S. E. Office.

to Government,
30th May 1894

Secretary

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