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Oros Public Dept regarding the employment
in Civil Capacities of — for the half year
ending 30 Sept 1895, Communicated
to officers of the department

Communicating, with remark, to all heads of departments letter from the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces forwarding report of the Superintendent of Pensions on the employment in civil capacities of — for the half-year ending 30th September 1895.

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2. The saving effected to Government on account of rice-money withheld from these pensioners during the half-year is Rs. 25,201-0-8 as against Rs. 27,306-1-5 during the preceding half-year ending 31st March 1895, and although there is an increase in the number of pensioners employed by fifty-two, yet there is a decrease in the saving, as compared with the last half-year, by Rs. 2,105-0-9, which may be attributed to the more favourable rates at which rice was sold in the Presidency during that time and the consequent lower rates of rice compensation, and also that a certain number of the new pensioners employed were not entitled to rice-money.

3. The number of pensioners registered as wanting employment is reported on the 30th September 1895 to be 1,707 as against 916 on the 31st March 1895. This increase is due chiefly to the action of this office in calling upon the Officers in charge of Pensioners to carry out existing orders more carefully.

A distribution statement of the total establishment of pensioners is attached, which has been compiled with much care from a special return called for from all Paying Officers. The net result shows that 70.49 per cent. of those willing to be employed are employed, and the reason many others remain unemployed is their own unwillingness to leave their own villages.

4. I also attach a brief statement showing the increase and decrease by departments. There is a fair increase in the Military Department which includes peons in Military offices; the Police have decreased, although many appointments have been offered and every effort has been made to persuade men to take this service. The Civil Service Department remains the same, increases in the Salt and Abkari compensating the loss in Postal, Forest and other departments. The reason these latter departments do not increase is, that pensioners as a rule are deficient in the standard of education required. The employment of military pensioners as peons in the district offices of Collectors, Deputy Collectors and other Civil officers is still very meagre, and now that the Civil Government is separated from the Military Department, it is to be feared that the local subordinate officers with whom these appointments rest will be still less careful as to the interests of military pensioners. Perhaps if His Excellency the Lieutenant-General Commanding the Forces, Madras, would bring this point to the notice of His Excellency the Governor, something might be done to get this very suitable employment reserved for military pensioners residing in the several districts.

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STATEMENT showing the number of pensioners drawing pay, the number employed and the number of candidates for employment, and the amount of saving of rice-money at each station for the half-year ending 30th September 1895.

Stations.	Paymasters.	Number of Pensioners paid at each station excluding heirs on the 30th September 1895.	Number of Pensioners employed on		Number of Pensioners seeking employment.	Amount of rice-money saved to Government at each station during six months from 1st April 1895 to 30th September 1895 by the employment scheme.
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Arcot and	Mr. Samuel Claridge ..	279	37	38	6	Rs. A. P.
Arni	Honorary Major J. Greatorex.	270	30	26	9	161 15 5
Bangalore .. ..	.. ..	2,126	197	213	217	132 6 4
Belgaum and	Mr. M. D. Pires ..	173	25	25	9	2,882 8 7
Bellary .. ..	.. ..	490	82	87	6	294 13 6
Berhampore	Regimental Officer ..	281	33	26	57	700 12 1
Chicacole .. ..	.. ..	1,247	66	59	36	153 8 3
Vizagapatam and	Captain T. C. Sherwood ..	1,762	208	198	94	364 7 10
Vizianagram .. ..	.. ..	772	97	96	58	809 15 10
Chittoor and	Mr. W. Gibbs ..	145	41	43	..	392 0 10
Vellore .. ..	.. ..	1,689	216	222	75	225 3 5
Condapilly .. ..	.. ..	273	69	69	25	981 4 7
Guntoor and	Mr. Robert Snugg ..	182	24	27	14	270 1 6
Masulipatam .. ..	.. ..	801	62	68	54	94 5 7
Cuttack	Regimental Officer ..	196	23	23	10	252 15 6
Ellore .. ..	.. ..	566	74	70	61	95 15 11
Rajahmundry and	Mr. R. Weaver ..	588	157	134	70	253 0 2
Samalcootah .. ..	.. ..	164	22	23	19	448 9 0
Madras	Honorary Lieutenant J. Cormac.	2,123	808	807	98	108 13 2
Mercara	Mr. G. Richter ..	30	13	13	1	4,819 4 9
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Poonamallee		21	..	..	2	
St. Thomas' Mount ..	Regimental Officer ..	364	88	92	79	513 5 0
Quilon	Garrison Sergeant-Major ..	82	6	9	20	93 9 2
Secunderabad	R. Rowland.	2,238	462	477	73	3,622 11 5
Trivandrum	Officer of the Nayar Brigade	33	17	14	4	154 1 8
Trichinopoly	Mr. Stephen Pentecost (pensioned Sub-Conductor).	944	149	164	97	1,162 9 9
Trichoor	Regimental Officer ..	49	10	10	7	47 6 0
Anantapur District ..	Deputy Collector ..	21	12	11	..	87 11 5
Bellary do. ..	Do. ..	9	1	2	..	10 15 5
Chingleput do. ..	Do. ..	179	28	31	14	189 8 0
Coimbatore do. ..	Do. ..	111	53	54	3	360 15 1
Cuddalore do. ..	Do. ..	297	33	36	16	174 14 10
Cuddapah do. ..	Do. ..	82	20	22	11	87 4 2
Cumbum	Sheristadar ..	39	3	2	6	12 1 4
Ganjam District ..	Deputy Collector ..	39	10	5	10	28 1 7
Godavari do. ..	Do. ..	96	36	40	9	146 1 3
Kurnool do. ..	Do. ..	19	8	8	..	42 4 8
Madura do. ..	Do. ..	410	78	86	20	472 1 4
Malabar do. ..	Do. ..	125	42	38	30	211 11 2
Mangalore do. ..	Do. ..	55	13	14	3	91 0 7
Nellore do. ..	Do. ..	190	26	28	39	214 0 5
Ootacamund do. ..	Do. ..	30	18	20	4	202 9 0
Palkonda	Deputy Tahsildar ..	246	15	11	40	47 13 8
Salem District ..	Deputy Collector ..	496	95	94	14	618 10 4
Tanjore do. ..	Do. ..	557	143	144	62	794 4 8
Tinnevely do. ..	Do. ..	371	84	86	38	712 14 9
Trichinopoly do. ..	Do. ..	35	11	11	1	85 12 6
Vizagapatam do. ..	Do. ..	44	32	35	6	140 12 6
Bangalore do. ..	Assistant Commissioner ..	303	29	32	89	389 6 7
Bowringpett	Treasury Officer ..	40	6	15	6	86 4 4
Chittaldroog District ..	Assistant Commissioner ..	9	4	3	..	27 4 0
French Rocks	Do. ..	101	10	11	7	77 3 3
Hassan District ..	Do. ..	16	4	4	2	36 4 4
Kadur do. ..	Do. ..	8	2	2	..	31 8 0
Kolar do. ..	Do. ..	167	5	6	5	45 6 8
Mysore do. ..	Do. ..	117	49	47	..	489 14 9
Shemoga do. ..	Do. ..	8	1	1	1	6 5 3
Tumkur do. ..	Do. ..	91	2	1	..	23 10 9
Baidana	Treasury Officer ..	..	..	..	..	.. ..
Akola	Do. ..	18	..	6	1	.. ..
Amraoti	Do. ..	21	10	8	2	.. ..
Aurangabad	Regimental Officer of Hyderabad Contingent.	17	1	1	..	.. ..
Ellichpore	Do. ..	3	1	1	..	.. ..
Hingoli	Do. ..	4	..	..	..	.. ..
Jalna	Do. ..	17	..	..	..	.. ..
Mominabad	Do. ..	8	..	1	..	.. ..
Akyab	Treasury Officer ..	4	..	1	..	.. ..
Bhamo	Regimental Officer ..	5	4	5	..	.. ..
Henzada	Treasury Officer ..	2	..	1	..	.. ..
Mandalay	Regimental Officer ..	33	18	19	2	.. ..
Meiktila	Do. ..	10	4	4	..	.. ..
Minbu	Treasury Officer ..	1	..	..	..	.. ..
Monimein	Regimental Officer ..	21	11	10	4	.. ..
Myingyan	Do. ..	7	5	7	..	.. ..
Pokokku	Treasury Officer ..	..	..	..	..	
Port Blair	Regimental Officer ..	3	3	..	..	
Rangoon	Do. ..	119	37	44	31	
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