

Public Works (1896) Department.

G.O., No. 219/W

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Famine Relief Works in Tanjore
Dro Revenue Dept regarding
the programme of 1896-97
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Read—Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Revenue Settlement, &c,
dated the 4th June 1896, No. 119.

Order thereon, dated the 1st July 1896, No. 2564 Mis.

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(True Extract.)

[Signature]
for Ag. Under-Secretary to Government.

To

The Board of Revenue, Revenue Settlement, &c.

" Public Works Dept. ✓

" Local & Municipal Dept.

~~To the Board of Revenue.~~

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

1896.

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(Revenue Settlement, Land Records
and Agriculture),

MADRAS.

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Collector of the Tanjore district.

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

4. The programme for 1895-96 provided for the repair of 107 minor tanks in the Tanjore taluk and the Deputy Collector has proposed the repair of only 94 tanks for 1896-97, and it does not seem necessary at present to provide for more works. The repairs to all the irrigation works in the Pattukkóttai taluk have been undertaken by the Public Works Department and provision has been made for all works requiring repair. No provision has been made for well-sinking in the Pattukkóttai taluk for reasons given in paragraph 3 of this office letter, No. 681, dated 1st April 1895.

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6. Estimates are reported to be ready for Rs. 5,81,505 or about 58 per cent. of the total provision. With reference to the instructions in Board's Proceedings, dated 6th May 1895, No. 115, I have asked the Public Works Department and Local Fund Engineering Officers concerned to bring many more works on the sanctioned list at an early date.

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3. No estimates are ready for any of the new irrigation works proposed in the Tanjore taluk. The Chief Engineer for Irrigation will be requested to be good enough to state whether the new irrigation works entered on the margin can be relied on as being available for famine relief purposes in case of necessity and whether the preparation of estimates for these works has been taken on hand. The works mentioned all lie in Tanjore taluk and this accounts for the fact that of the provision under irrigation works there the amount provided for new works is more

than double the sum allotted for the repair of existing works. As directed in rule 9 under paragraph 5 of Board's Proceedings, dated 7th June 1892, No. 411, the circumstances of each existing irrigation work should first be considered and a sufficient sum provided for their thorough repair. Statement B now submitted, however, shows that out of 162 works needing repair, provision has been made for only 97 of them. The Collector's remark that any further provision for the repair of irrigation works appears unnecessary, is not therefore understood.

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(Signed) P. RAJARATNA MUDALIAR,
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To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

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APPENDIX.
Form C.—Abstract of programme of famine relief works in the Tanjore district for the year 1896-97.

Taluka.	Population by last census.	Maximum number of persons for whom relief may be required daily in the event of serious famine.	Persons provided for by relief works daily for three months.			Irrigation works.				Forest fencing.		Road works.		
			Class of works.	Number provided for.	Total per-centage of population.	New.		Repairs.		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Miles.	New.
						Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Tanjore	• 141	• 28.2	Large—Sanctioned	1,823	41.5	7	2,00,000	3	13,670	..	..	3	26	44,000
			Not sanctioned	40,840				5	48,000					
			Small	15,746				94	32,370					
			Land improvements	67				..	..					
			Total	58,476				..	2,00,000					
Pattukkottai	271	54.2	Large—Sanctioned	4,755	27.6	6	3,59,000	227	35,565	..	..	4	44	1,30,000
			Not sanctioned	67,467				3	3,000					
			Small	2,520				..	..					
			Land improvements	..				..	..					
			Total	74,742				..	3,59,000					
Total	412	82.4	Large—Sanctioned	6,578	32.3	13	5,59,000	230	49,335	..	..	7	70	1,74,000
			Not sanctioned	108,307				8	51,000					
			Small	18,266				94	32,370					
			Land improvements	67				..	..					
			Grand Total	133,218				..	5,59,000					

* In thousands.

Abstract of programme of famine relief works in the Tanjore district for the year 1896-97—cont.

Taluk.	Road works—cont.						Miscellaneous works.						Grand Total.		Works for which estimates are ready.	
	Repairs.		Drinking water-supply.		Others.		Total.		Grand Total.		Works for which estimates are ready.		Number.	Approximate cost.	Number.	Cost.
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.				
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27				
Tanjore	10	14,300	18	4,330	2	66,900	20	71,230	3	13,670	3	13,670				
	8	14,500	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	3,06,300	3	26,000				
	..	..	..	..	5	500	5	500	122	1,18,100	57	89,870				
Total	18	28,800	18	4,330	7	67,400	25	71,730	155	4,38,570	63	1,29,540				
Pattukkottai	7	14,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	227	35,665	227	35,665				
	..	..	17	18,900	..	..	..	..	20	5,06,000	18	4,13,000				
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	18,900	1	3,300				
Total	7	14,000	17	18,900	..	..	17	18,900	264	5,60,565	246	4,51,965				
	17	28,300	..	..	..	..	..	..	230	49,335	230	49,335				
	8	14,500	35	23,230	2	66,900	37	90,130	45	8,12,800	21	4,39,000				
	..	..	..	..	5	500	5	500	139	1,37,000	53	98,170				
Total	25	42,800	35	23,230	7	67,400	42	90,630	419	9,99,135	309	6,81,506				
Grand Total																

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Works.	Cost.
rs.	
1. Turning Wyakundan of Trichinopoly district through Indalur	1,00,000
2. Opening an irrigation channel with head at grand anicut and to pass through Koviladi and to empty in Vaduvakudi surplus	80,000
3. Iyenar eri at Alur	10,000
4. Kalumangalam eri at Kalumangalam	7,000

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Ed. J. P. Oliver.

MEMORANDUM.

For C. No. 6021/96
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Communication to officers of the P.W. Department
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P. W. SECRETARIAT,
Chepak, 14th July 1896.

To The Secretary to the Board of Revenue
(Rev. Sett., L. Rds. & Agri.)

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Second Assistant
for Under Secy: to Govt: P.W.D.

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