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G.O., No. 2417^W

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[Despatch Abstract.]

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Mis. G.O., 23rd July 1896, No. 2926.

SUBJECT.

Recording B.P. reviewing the
programme of Famine Relief Works
for 1896-97 Submitted by the Colr.
of M. Works.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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Read Proceedings of the Board of

Revenue (Revenue Settlement &c.) d/1. July 1896 No. 153.

Order thereon, 23rd July 1896. No. 2926. Mis.

Recorded.

(True Extract)

W. H. M. S. Secretary to Govt.

To

The Board of Revenue (R.S. &c.)

" Public Works Depto.

" Local & Municipal Depto.

BOARD OF REVENUE (REV. SETT., L. RDS. AND AGRI.), 1ST JULY 1896, No. 153.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

(REVENUE SETTLEMENT, LAND RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE).

READ—the following letter from G. E. L. CAMPBELL, Esq., Acting Collector, North Arcot, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, dated Chittoor, 29th May 1896, Dis. No. 843-Eng. :—

I have the honour to submit the programme of famine relief works for 1896-97 in the usual forms A (will follow), B and C, which have been prepared in accordance with the instructions issued from time to time.

2. The programme provides labour for 22 per cent. of the total population of the district for three months. The provision made in all the taluks and divisions except Arcot and Wandiwash taluks is generally sufficient to afford labour to nearly 20 per cent. of the population of the taluks and divisions concerned. In the case of Arcot and Wandiwash taluks, the provision falls short of the prescribed minimum by 4 per cent. As, however, large provision has been made in the neighbouring taluks of Walaja and Póluru, the coolies that may be in need of work, may find work in these taluks. The provision made in Arni Jaghire shows an increase of 28 per cent. as compared with last year. Provision has been made in this division under the head, Land Improvement works, as remarked in Board's Proceedings, dated 2nd August 1895, No. 242.

3. Excluding the two additional * works available for famine relief in Chittoor and Gudiyattam taluks, the other works entered in statement A cover an expenditure of Rs. 35,58,998, of which more than 8 lakhs represent outlay to be incurred

on irrigation works, eighteen lakhs represent the estimated expenditure on road works and eight lakhs represent the amount to be spent on miscellaneous works, consisting of construction and repair of fresh water-ponds and of village chavadies and cattle pounds, removal of prickly-pear and the sinking and repairing of wells.

4. The District Forest-officer has proposed certain forest-fencing works for Rs. 15,100, but as there is no information in the statement furnished by that officer as to whether his proposals have been approved by the Conservator (*vide* Board's Proceedings, dated 7th June 1892, No. 411 and 9th January 1893, No. 4), the works have not been included in the current year's programme. The District Forest-officer will be addressed in the matter and steps will be taken to include these works in the next year's programme, if the Conservator approves them.

Reference on the above, dated 10th June 1896.

The Collector is requested to state when the programme (statement A) will be submitted. It is already two months overdue.

(Signed) P. RAJARATNA MUDALIAR,
Secretary.

To the Collector of North Arcot.

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READ—letter from the Acting Collector of North Arcot, dated Arni, 12th June 1896,
Dis. No. 946-Eng.

ABSTRACT.—Stating that the detailed statement A. was despatched from his office on the 6th instant.

RESOLUTION—dated 1st July 1896, No. 153.

The abstract of the programme of famine relief works for 1896-97 received from the Collector of North Arcot with the first of his letters read above will be submitted for the information of Government.

2. The programme contains provision for the construction of 37 new irrigation works to cost 1·8 lakh and for repairs to existing works, 7·16 lakhs; for the construction of 1,512 miles of new roads to cost 13·17 lakhs and repairs to existing roads, 4·84 lakhs; for works intended to improve the supply of drinking-water to cost 5·62 lakhs and other miscellaneous works, 3·0 lakhs. The last item includes a sum of Rs. 1,68,860 likely to be advanced as State loans for land improvements. The total provision made for all classes of works amounts to Rs. 35,58,998 and they are calculated to be sufficient to provide employment for a period of three months to about 22 per cent. of the population of the district. The provision made is generally adequate; but in the case of the Arcot and Wandiwash taluks, where it is deficient, it is suggested that persons who may need relief, will find work in the adjacent taluks of Walaja and Pólúru where large provision is made.

3. It is observed that the provision made under road works is excessive, and that none of the projected new roads have even been sanctioned. As it is useless to construct roads which cannot be kept in order afterwards, it should be reported whether the District Board is prepared to maintain, in an efficient state, the proposed new roads if they should be constructed by means of famine labour. Of the roads made during the distress of 1866, the most important has never been thoroughly finished, and those made in 1891 have not been, and are not likely to be, finished. The two irrigation projects noted on the margin continue to be shown as additional works in the detailed programme A. The Chief Engineer is requested in reference to his letter No. 486 M., dated 4th October 1895, to inform the Board what progress has been made in the investigation of the first

Gudiyáttam taluk—	rs.
Murthona Project	3,00,000
Chittoor taluk—	
Berab tank of Irál	30,000

been made in the investigation of the first mentioned project, in the preparation of an estimate for the second, and in bringing on the sanctioned list the undermentioned irrigation works which are included in the programme:—

Walaja taluk—							RS.
Supply channel to Kolattur	...	...	...	...	...	...	10,000
Gudiyáttam taluk—							
Repairs to Pasumattur tank	...	...	...	...	...	...	10,000
Wandiwash taluk—							
Iyalawadi channel improvements	...	...	...	...	...	...	7,000
Etchur tank improvements	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,000
Channel from Ullandai anikut	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,000
Mukkur tank small project	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,000
Mahadevamangalam small project	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,000
Channel from Désúr	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,000
Vinnamangalam tank repairs	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,000
Vadamangur tank	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,000
Pólúru taluk—							
Manjalur embanking	...	...	...	...	...	...	7,000
Chittoor taluk—							
Repairing supply channel to Pilleri yeri of Kanipaukam	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,000
Palmanér taluk—							
Restoration of Totakanama Puttálammacheruvu	...	...	...	...	...	...	10,000

4. Estimates are shown to be ready for works to cost Rs. 6,87,876 or nearly 20 per cent. of the total provision exclusive of land improvement works for which no estimates are required. The amount falling under sanctioned large works available for famine relief is only nearly one-twenty fourth of that relating to unsanctioned large works. Endeavour should, with reference to the orders of the Government of India (*vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 360, dated 6th September 1894), be made to bring a much greater number of these works under sanction.

5. (a) The two additional projects mentioned above are shown in the body of the statement A, and the approximate cost included in the taluk totals of the statement. Such works should, in future, be separately entered at the end of the statement.

(b) The provision made for the construction of new irrigation works in the Gudiyattam, Pólúru, Wandiwash, Arcot and Walaja taluks has been erroneously shown in the statement B which should only note what provision has been made for the repair or improvement of the existing works.

6. It is noticed that a sum of Rs. 30,000 provided for two new irrigation works in the Chittoor taluk in the programme of the previous year is omitted in the current year's programme. The cause of this omission should be reported.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASAR,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
 " Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
 " Collector of North Arcot.

APPENDIX.

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

Taluk or Division.	Population by last Census.	Maximum number of persons for whom relief may be required in the event of serious famine.	Persons provided for by relief works daily for three months.					Irrigation works.				Forest-fencing works.		Road works.		
			Class of works.	Number provided for.	Total percentage of population.	New.			Repairs.		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Miles.	Amount.	
						Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15		
Wallaja ..	239	47-8	{ Large— Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land improvements .. Total ..	1,986 46,842 12,371 .. 61,199	25-6	2 7 .. 9	11,200 45,430 .. 56,630	4 10 82 96	3,700 19,810 34,860 58,370	.. .. .. ..	.. .. .. ..	.. 25 .. 25	.. 144½ .. 144½	1,91,675 1,91,675		
Chendragiri ..	114	22-8	{ Large— Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land improvements .. Total ..	25,000 16,364 1,333 42,697	37-45	1 1	3,500 3,500	 101 101	 50,450 50,450	.. .. .. ..	.. .. .. ..	.. 13 .. 13	.. 75 .. 75	84,000 84,000		
Vellore ..	193	38-6	{ Large— Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land improvements .. Total ..	5,353 8,873 17,847 5,333 37,405	19-38	.. .. .. .. ..	.. .. .. .. ..	.. .. 41 41	 36,975 36,975	.. .. .. ..	.. .. .. ..	.. 2 .. 2	.. 1½ .. 1½	1,500 1,500		
Gudiyattam ..	177	35-4	{ Large— Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land improvements .. Total ..	826 18,976 20,592 714 41,108	23-22	1 1 .. 2	6,200 13,200 .. 19,400	.. 11 132 143	25,000 69,570 .. 94,570	.. .. .. ..	.. .. .. ..	.. 27 .. 27	.. 96½ .. 96½	82,900 82,900		

In thousands.

Form C.—Abstract of programme of famine relief works in the North Arcot district for the year 1896-97—cont.

Taluk or Division.	Road works—cont.				Miscellaneous works.						Grand total.		Works for which estimates are ready.				
	Repairs.		Drinking-water supply.		Others.		Total.		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.			
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.									
									16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Wallaja	..	94,400	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	14,900	..	..	6	14,900	..	14,900
	62	14,505	..	38,120	..	10,300	..	43,420	..	104	3,51,315	..	..	5	3,51,315	..	38,430
	18	..	95	..	27	..	122	..	..	222	92,785	..	..	119	92,785	..	74,595
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	80	1,08,905	95	38,120	27	10,300	122	43,420	..	332	4,59,000	..	..	130	4,59,000	..	1,22,925
Chendragiri	..	1,00,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,87,500	..	..	..	1,87,500	..	..
	13	12,900	..	35,500	..	23,880	..	59,380	..	27	1,22,730	..	..	106	1,22,730	..	71,350
	14	..	47	..	97	10,000	144	10,000	..	259	10,000	..	..	..	10,000	..	..
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	27	1,12,900	47	35,500	97	33,880	144	69,380	..	286	3,20,230	..	..	106	3,20,230	..	71,350
Vellore	..	65,050	2	40,150	..	..	2	40,150	..	2	40,150	..	..	2	40,150	..	40,150
	21	6,425	..	..	..	..	..	90,452	..	23	66,550	..	..	..	66,550	..	..
	3	..	44	85,862	2	40,000	46	40,000	..	90	1,33,852	..	..	63	1,33,852	..	38,852
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	24	71,475	46	1,26,012	2	44,590	48	1,70,602	..	115	2,80,552	..	..	65	2,80,552	..	1,34,002
Gadiyattam	..	13,100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	6,200	..	..	1	6,200	..	6,200
	45	7,500	..	65,200	1	8,125	1	8,125	..	85	1,42,325	..	..	20	1,42,325	..	48,200
	32	..	75	..	55	12,170	130	77,370	..	294	1,54,440	..	..	160	1,54,440	..	65,270
	..	..	..	..	..	5,360	..	5,360	..	..	5,360	..	..	..	5,360	..	..
Total ..	77	20,600	75	65,200	56	25,655	131	90,855	..	380	3,08,325	..	..	181	3,08,325	..	1,19,670

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			Class of works.	Number provided for.	Total per-centage of population.	4	5	6	7	8	Repairs.		Number.	Amount.	Miles.	New.		
											New.	Number.					Amount.	
1	2	3																
Arcot	176	35.2	Large—	..	900				2	Rs. 1,300	3	Rs. 5,450						
			Sanctioned	..	16,550			1	1,000	11	19,775	..	..	..	..	..	..	
			Small ..	..	11,809			..	..	..	156	72,388	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Land improvements	..	333			..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Total	..	29,592	16.81		3	2,300	170	97,613	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Wandiwash ..	178	35.6	Large—	..	1,342				2	600	6	9,470						
			Sanctioned	..	16,845			10	43,500	21	59,709	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Small ..	..	9,741			..	..	..	140	70,325	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Land improvements	..	2,000			..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Total	..	29,928	16.81		12	44,100	167	1,39,495	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Pólúru	140	28.0	Large—	..	286				1	2,900	..	28,350						
			Sanctioned ..	..	21,580			4	38,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Small ..	..	10,833			..	..	..	87	68,400	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Land improvements	..	6,666			..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Total	..	39,465	28.19		5	40,900	97	96,750	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Chittoor	200	40.0	Large—	..	17,040				..	..	..	9,000						
			Sanctioned ..	..	20,928			..	..	..	108	98,160	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Small ..	..	1,333			..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Land improvements	..	39,301	19.65		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Total	..	607			..	..	..	1,07,160	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Palmanor	48	9.6	Large—	..	4,000				..	10,000	9	4,555						
			Sanctioned ..	..	4,893			4	3,045	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Small ..	..	..			..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Land improvements	..	..			..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Total	..	9,500	19.79		5	13,045	132	34,710	..	..	..	..	..	..	

• In thousands.

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Taluk or Division.	Road works—cont.				Miscellaneous works.				Grand total.				Works for which estimates are ready.	
	Repairs.		Drinking-water supply.		Others.		Total.		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.						
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27		
Arcot	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	Rs. 6,750	5	Rs. 6,750		
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	40	1,24,129	10	13,775		
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	223	88,572	146	50,352		
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,500	..	..		
									268	2,21,951	161	70,877		
Wandiwash	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	10,070	8	10,070		
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	41	1,26,342	13	32,842		
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	163	73,060	80	40,475		
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15,000	..	..		
									212	2,24,472	101	83,387		
Polur	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2,900	1	2,900		
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	42	1,61,850	7	46,300		
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	129	81,250	..	..		
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	50,000	..	..		
									172	2,96,000	8	49,200		
Chittoor	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	47	1,27,800	..	..		
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	172	1,56,960	..	..		
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10,000	..	..		
									219	2,94,760	1	500		
Palmaner	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9	4,555	9	4,555		
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	28	30,000	..	..		
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	177	36,703	..	..		
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..		
									214	71,258	44	16,215		

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			Class of works.	Number provided for.	Total percentage of population.	New.		Repairs.		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Miles.	Amount.
						Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Punganur Division.	92	184	Large— Sanctioned Not sanctioned Small Land improvements Total	18,800 276,071 164,637 22,511 20,933	22.75	..	..	..	..	..	Rs.	..	..	Rs.
District Total ..	2,103	420.6	Large— Sanctioned Not sanctioned Small Land improvements Grand Total	11,400 276,071 164,637 22,511 474,519	22.56	8 25 4 .. 37	22,200 1,54,630 3,045 .. 1,79,875	22 66 970 .. 1,058	23,175 1,61,635 5,31,283 .. 7,16,093	..	..	..	..	..

* In thousands.

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Taluk or Division.	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.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.				
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27				
Punganur Division ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..				
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..				
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..				
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..				
Total ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..				
District Total ..	221	4,08,580	2	40,150	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..				
..	82	76,780	8	21,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..				
..	..	..	801	5,00,429	597	1,23,515	1,398	6,23,644	2,464	12,34,052	727	4,27,804				
..	..	..	..	..	..	1,68,860	..	1,68,860	..	1,68,860	..	..				
Grand Total ..	303	4,84,360	811	5,61,579	598	3,00,500	1,409	8,62,079	3,095	35,58,998	815	6,87,876				

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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