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Average ..	8·80	8·75	15·35	15·13	12·80	12·37	12·59	12·59	

Activity of trade.—Trade was becoming dull, but the markets continued to be well supplied. The rise in the price of cholam was sharp at Nandyal, Pattikonda and Pyapalli.

Condition of the people.

On works.—The condition of the relief workers continued to be fair on the whole. All the works, but one, were being inspected by a medical subordinate at least twice a week, and the medical officers were duly attending to the classification of the workers according to their ages and to the condition of the drinking water-supply on most of the works visited.

In villages.—The condition of the people in villages was fair throughout the district. In the eastern and north central sections there were complaints of want of labour, and I have accordingly sanctioned the taking up of the repairs of a tank and of some roads as ordinary works. In the south central and western sections there was, probably owing to the cessation towards the end of the period of agricultural operations from want of rain and to the uncertain character of the season, a considerable increase in the numbers on relief works. Gratuitous relief was being afforded in almost all the villages of the affected taluks. The increase of persons in receipt of this form of relief also was large.

Sickness and Mortality.—No deaths from starvation were reported, and the general health continued to be good.

Measures of relief.

Works.—In what taluks open and comparison of numbers—

Taluks.	Number employed		Remarks.
	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	
Pattikonda	27,215	32,947	There was a fall of 3,500 in the previous fortnight so that the rise for the whole month was only a little over 2,000.
Ramallakota	12,177	16,233	
Nandyal	10,109	11,750	
Koilkuntla	28,473	32,389	
Sirvel	14,129	15,565	
Total ..	92,103	108,884	

Gratuitous relief.—Numbers relieved at kitchens and otherwise—

Taluks.	Number relieved.								Remarks.
	At kitchens.				In poor-houses.		In villages.		
	Dependants.		Others.						
	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	
Pattikonda ..	1,867	1,299	351	1,101	..	..	673 1,448	1,154 2,682	The first set of figures represents the number of persons fed in village kitchens and the second set, those in receipt of grain doles.
Ramallakota ..	355	698	20	10	..	..	704 3,012	1,416 6,638	
Nandikotkur ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	330	527	
Nandyal ..	547	457	264	37	..	..	199 2,591	897 2,573	The Ramallakota taluk figures, under those in receipt of grain doles, include persons so relieved in Kurnool town. The figures shown against the Nandikotkur taluk represent Chenchus fed in kitchens.
Koilkuntla ..	855	1,071	124	243	..	..	2,067 2,858	2,550 3,401	
Sirvel	641	711	16	18	..	..	830 1,426	949 2,172	
Total ..	4,265	4,236	775	1,409	..	..	4,803 11,335	7,493 17,466	

Taluks.	Number of villages in which relief was given.		Weavers' relief.			
			Number of persons relieved.		Number of cloths manufactured.	
	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	In the period.	Up to date.
Pattikonda	55	77	2,422	3,599	4,986	28,969
Ramallakota	89	93	1,519	2,396	3,295	12,509
Nandikotkur	3	3	..	..	..	..
Nandyal	90	110	..	..	..	..
Koilkuntla	82	86	1,146	1,240	454	1,398
Sirvel	80	100	489	562	321	1,266
Total ..	399	469	5,576	7,797	9,056	44,142

Private charity.—Many poor persons were fed by the charitably disposed on the occasion of the Diamond Jubilee.

General Remarks.—I have just received B.P., No. 468, communicating G.O., No. 473, dated 18th ultimo, and trust that it will be found possible to give full effect to the directions therein contained. I request, however, that I may be excused for pointing out that prospects are at present by no means as favourable as when the Government Order was issued, and that if the state of the season does not improve during the current fortnight it will be necessary to take measures for opening a few relief works in the hitherto unaffected parts of the district as well as some additional ones in the affected tracts.

Loan transactions.—Statement showing particulars of loan transactions under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Act.

Taluks.	Repair and construction of wells.								Purchase of fodder.								Total.							
	Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.				Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.				Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.			
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.			Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.			Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7			22	23	24	25	26	27			28	29	30	31	32	33		
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.				Rs.		Rs.		Rs.				Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		
1. Pattikonda ..	127	30,130	127	18,073	224	63,260 Not received.			488	21,352	488	21,352	1,604	1,36,526			513	22,697	513	22,697	1,752	1,47,071		
2. Ramallakota ..	2	400	2	400	12	3,750			..	..	..	..	189	13,091			7	850	7	595	189	13,091		
3. Nandikotkur ..	10	3,700	8	1,007	11	5,290			7	850	7	595	189	13,091			274	9,649	274	8,119	475	55,249		
4. Nandyal ..	25	6,165	23	4,560	Not received.				274	9,649	229	8,119	475	55,249			274	9,649	229	8,119	Not received, explanation called for.			
5. Koilkuntla ..	..	..	..	..	1	250			..	..	..	..	1	460			..	..	..	..	1	460		
6. Sirvel ..	1	400	..	..	1	460			..	..	..	..	1	460			..	..	..	..	2	860		
7. Cumbum ..	..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..	..	..	..	..		
8. Markapur ..	..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..	..	..	..	..		
Total ..	165	39,795	160	23,980	249	72,950			769	31,851	724	30,066	2,268	2,04,866			1,068	33,196	1,023	30,431	2,517	2,16,371		

Taluks.	Other purposes.								Total.								Number of wells.	
	Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.				Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.				Constructed or repaired.	Under construction or repair.
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.			Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.				
1	8	9	10	11	12	13			14	15	16	17	18	19			20	21
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.				Rs.		Rs.		Rs.				
1. Pattikonda ..	701	74,595	701	74,595	611	1,24,578			828	1,04,725	828	92,668	1,135	1,87,838			127	
2. Ramallakota ..	3	450	3	450	1	100			.. 5	.. 850	.. 5	3,440 .. 850	.. 1	.. 100			14	
3. Nandikotkur ..	25	3,770	20	2,470	14	2,400			35	7,470	28	3,477	26	6,150			3	
4. Nandyal ..	22	2,525	20	2,300	30	2,150			47	7,690	43	6,800	41	7,440			9	
5. Koilkuntla ..	Not received.								47	11,750	..	10,650	..	..			23	
6. Sirvel ..	..	..	..	..	..	..			.. 1	.. 400	..	..	1	250			..	
7. Cumbum ..	..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..	..	..	1	400			..	
8. Markapur ..	..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..	..	..	..	..			..	
Total ..	751	81,340	744	79,815	956	1,29,228			916	1,32,885	904	1,17,885	1,205	2,02,178			176	

* This differs from the figure reported in the season telegram for the week ending 25th June 1897. Explanation for the discrepancy will be called for.

Inspections of the District Officers.

Taluks and places visited.—I was in camp for seven days and inspected the following :—

Ramallakota taluk.—Dhone.

Sirvel taluk.—Mahadevapuram.

Nandyal taluk.—Gazulapalli, Nandyal, Betamcherla and Rungapatnam.

Works.—Joharapuram road, Sirvel-Gazulapalli station road and Betamcherla section of the Kalwa-Betamcherla road.

The Head Assistant Collector was on tour for ten days and inspected the following places :—

Nandyal taluk.—Kadamala Kalwa, Baiyapukadur, Kothapalli, Ayalur, Sitaramapuram, Gangavaram, Gopavaram, Gazulapalli, Basawapuram and Panyam.

Sirvel taluk.—Mahadevapuram, Gundampad, Kotakonda, Srirangapuram, Kottala, Ellavattula, Kotbur, Biravole, Iskapalli, Chennur, Mothakalpalli and Boilakuntla.

The Deputy Collector, Pyapalli, was on tour throughout the fortnight and inspected the following places :—

Pattikonda taluk.—Kodumur, Karivemula, Kapatralla, Pattikonda, Tuggali, Maddikera, Peravali, Pandekal, Marella, Bandimadugula, Gadderalla, Alamkonda and Katarkonda.

Ramallakota taluk.—Peddapad, Salkapuram, Nagalapuram, Panchikalapad, Mallyala, Malkapuram and Dhone.

The Head-quarter Deputy Collector was in camp for three days and visited the following places :—

Nandikotkur taluk.—Mothukur, Boyarevula, Velgode, Nallakalwa and Atmakur.

The Deputy Collector, Cumbum division, visited the following places :—

Cumbum taluk.—Cumbum, Chintalapolem and Bestwarpet.

Markapur taluk.—Thokapalli and Gobbur.

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2. The rainfall during the fortnight was above the average; but, as it fell entirely during the first two or three days of the fortnight, the hopes raised by it have not been fulfilled, and more rain was urgently required at the close of the month to save the early sowings and help the growth of pasture. There has been practically no rain, since the report was submitted, and it is feared that that much of the early sowings must, by this time, be lost.

The supply of water for drinking purposes was generally ample, but, where deficient, steps were taken to improve it.

Pasture was sprouting in the western taluks, but *nil* in the rest of the district. Fodder was moderately sufficient in the east, and insufficient in the rest of the district. It is to be noted that the fodder imported from Kistna, which has found a ready sale in Bellary and Anantapur, has not been touched by the Kurnool ryots. The cause of this is not clear, but it is possible that the reason may partly be found in the greater accessibility of the Nallamalai reserves. The canal which traverses much of the district secured a good fodder crop in all the villages, of which Nandyal is one, which it passes through. A depôt further from the canal would probably be more popular. Dhone is not a good selection as its water-supply is good, and fodder, therefore, is more plentiful there.

3. Prices rose slightly during the fortnight, the rise being most marked in Nandyal, Pattikonda and Pyápalli.

The relative position of prices is shown by the subjoined figures:—

Rate.	Measures per rupee.			
	Rice.	Ragi.	Cholam.	Cumbu.
Normal	13·2	32·0	30·0	28·0
Warning	10·6	24·0	22·5	21·0
Scarcity	7·9	16·0	15·0	14·0
Current	8·7	15·1	12·4	12·6
June 1892	9·2	15·1	14·4	12·9
„ 1877	6·4	7·4	7·0	7·7

Trade was dull, though the markets were well supplied.

4. The condition of the people was generally fair. The numbers on works rose by 18 per cent., and on gratuitous relief by 45 per cent. It is satisfactory to note that the medical wants of the workers are being regularly attended to.

5. With advertence to his remarks upon G.O., No. 473, Revenue, dated 18th June 1897, the Collector will be referred to G.O., No. 549, dated 9th July 1897, which is being communicated to him separately.

6. The following figures show the progress made in disbursing loans:—

Up to end of week ending—	Amount Rs.
June 5th	1,05,939
„ 12th	1,07,296
„ 19th	1,25,384
„ 26th	1,53,122

The pace is improving but much remains yet to be done, especially in the matter of loans for the purchase of fodder, of which the want in many places is urgent.

(True Copy and Extract.)

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To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
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Total ..	399	469	5,576	7,797	9,056	44,142

Private charity.—Many poor persons were fed by the charitably disposed on the occasion of the Diamond Jubilee.

General Remarks.—I have just received B.P., No. 468, communicating G.O., No. 473, dated 18th ultimo, and trust that it will be found possible to give full effect to the directions therein contained. I request, however, that I may be excused for pointing out that prospects are at present by no means as favourable as when the Government Order was issued, and that if the state of the season does not improve during the current fortnight it will be necessary to take measures for opening a few relief works in the hitherto unaffected parts of the district as well as some additional ones in the affected tracts.

LOAN TRANSACTIONS.—Statement showing particulars of loan transactions under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Act.

Taluks.	Other purposes.				Repair and construction of wells.				Total.				Number of wells.	
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	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.		
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		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		
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3. Nandikotkur	2	400	2	400	..	..	25	450	..	850	1	100	..	3
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5. Koilkuntla	25	5,165	23	4,500	11	5,290	22	2,625	35	7,470	30	2,150	..	23
6. Sirvel	..	..	..	..	1	250	..	..	47	7,690	..	11,750	..	..
7. Cumbum	..	..	..	..	1	400	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
8. Markapur	1	400	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	400	..	..	..	..
Total ..	166	39,795	160	23,980	249	72,950	751	81,340	916	1,32,895	956	1,29,228	20	176

Cattle and seed-grain.

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5. Koilkuntla	274	9,649	229	8,119	475	55,249	..	..	Not received, explanation called for.		..	..	274	9,649
6. Sirvel	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
7. Cumbum	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	200	..	..	40	2	4	200
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Total ..	769	31,851	724	30,066	2,268	2,04,866	29	1,545	26	1,385	150	10,655	798	35,062

Purchase of fodder.

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7. Cumbum	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	200	..	..	40	2	4	200
8. Markapur	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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Ramallakota taluk.—Dhone.

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Works.—Joharapuram road, Sirvel-Gazulapalli station road and Betamcherla section of the Kalwa-Betamcherla road.

The Head Assistant Collector was on tour for ten days and inspected the following places :—

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Resolution—dated 14th July 1897, No. 505.

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2. The rainfall during the fortnight was above the average; but, as it fell entirely during the first two or three days of the fortnight, the hopes raised by it have not been fulfilled, and more rain was urgently required at the close of the month to save the early sowings and help the growth of pasture. There has been practically no rain, since the report was submitted, and it is feared that that much of the early sowings must, by this time, be lost.

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		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		
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The relative position of prices is shown by the subjoined figures:—

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Warning	10·6	24·0	22·5	21·0
Scarcity	7·9	16·0	15·0	14·0
Current	8·7	15·1	12·4	12·6
June 1892	9·2	15·1	14·4	12·9
,, 1877	6·4	7·4	7·0	7·7

Trade was dull, though the markets were well supplied.

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6. The following figures show the progress made in disbursing loans:—

Up to end of week ending—	Amount Rs.
June 5th	1,05,939
,, 12th	1,07,296
,, 19th	1,25,384
,, 26th	1,53,122

The pace is improving but much remains yet to be done, especially in the matter of loans for the purchase of fodder, of which the want in many places is urgent.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) L. E. BUCKLEY,
Famine Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
,, Collector of Kurnool.
Copy to the Sanitary Commissioner.
,, ,, Honorary Secretaries, Indian Famine Charitable Relief Fund.

Order—No. 633, Revenue, dated 26th July 1897.

Miscellaneous.

Recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Famine Commissioner.
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Fortnightly Narrative.

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Activity of trade.—Trade was becoming dull, but the markets continued to be well supplied. The rise in the price of cholam was sharp at Nandyal, Pattikonda and Pyapalli.

Condition of the people.

On works.—The condition of the relief workers continued to be fair on the whole. All the works, but one, were being inspected by a medical subordinate at least twice a week, and the medical officers were duly attending to the classification of the workers according to their ages and to the condition of the drinking water-supply on most of the works visited.

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Sickness and Mortality.—No deaths from starvation were reported, and the general health continued to be good.

Measures of relief.

Works.—In what taluks open and comparison of numbers—

Taluks.	Number employed		Remarks.
	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	
Pattikonda	27,215	32,947	There was a fall of 3,500 in the previous fortnight so that the rise for the whole month was only a little over 2,000.
Ramallakota	12,177	16,233	
Nandyal	10,109	11,750	
Koilkuntla	28,473	32,389	
Sirvel	14,129	15,565	
Total ..	92,103	108,884	

Gratuitous relief.—Numbers relieved at kitchens and otherwise—

Taluks.	Number relieved.								Remarks.
	At kitchens.				In poor-houses.		In villages.		
	Dependants.		Others.						
	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	
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Nandikotkur ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	330	527	The Ramallakota taluk figures, under those in receipt of grain doles, include persons so relieved in Kurnool town. The figures shown against the Nandikotkur taluk represent Chenchus fed in kitchens.
Nandyal ..	547	457	264	37	..	..	199 2,591	897 2,573	
Koilkuntla ..	855	1,071	124	243	..	..	2,067 2,858	2,550 3,401	
Sirvel	641	711	16	18	..	..	830 1,426	949 2,172	
Total ..	4,265	4,236	775	1,409	..	..	4,803 11,335	7,493 17,466	

Taluks.	Number of villages in which relief was given.		Weavers' relief.			
			Number of persons relieved.		Number of cloths manufactured.	
	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	In the period.	Up to date.
Pattikonda	55	77	2,422	3,599	4,986	28,969
Ramallakota	89	93	1,519	2,396	3,295	12,509
Nandikotkur	3	3	..	..	..	..
Nandyal	90	110	..	..	..	..
Koilkuntla	82	86	1,146	1,240	454	1,398
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Taluks.	Other purposes.				Total.				Number of wells.	
	Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.		Constructed or repaired.	Under construction or repair.
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		
1. Pattikonda ..	9	4,595	3	450	701	74,595	701	74,595	911	1,24,578	..	127
2. Ramallakota ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3. Nandikotkur ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4. Nandyal ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
5. Koilkuntla ..	3	450	3	450	2	450	3	450	1	100	..	14
6. Sirvel ..	20	3,770	20	2,470	10	3,770	3	450	14	2,400	..	3
7. Cumbum ..	20	2,525	20	2,300	26	2,525	25	3,770	30	2,150	..	9
8. Markapur ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	2,525	..	..	..	23
	..	..	..	..	1	400	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	52	11,340	46	5,220	739	1,03,340	757	81,790	956	1,29,228	..	176

Cattle and seed-grain.

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1	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		
1. Pattikonda ..	828	1,04,725	828	92,668	1,135	1,87,838	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2. Ramallakota ..	..	850	.. 5	3,440	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	127	14
3. Nandikotkur ..	35	7,470	28	* 860	1	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4. Nandyal ..	47	7,690	43	3,477	26	6,150	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	3
5. Koilkuntla ..	..	11,750	..	6,800	41	7,440	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	9
6. Sirvel ..	..	..	..	10,650	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	23
7. Cumbum ..	..	400	..	..	1	250	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
8. Markapur ..	1	..	..	..	1	400	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	913	1,32,885	904	1,17,885	1,205	2,02,178	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	176

Purchase of fodder.

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1	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		
1. Pattikonda ..	488	21,352	488	21,352	1,604	1,36,626	25	1,345	25	1,345	148	10,545	513	22,697
2. Ramallakota ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
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4. Nandyal ..	.. 7	850	.. 7	595	189	13,091	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. 7	850
5. Koilkuntla ..	274	9,649	229	8,119	475	56,249	..	..	..	..	..	..	274	9,649
6. Sirvel ..	..	..	..	..	Not received, explanation called for.		..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4,666
7. Cumbum ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	200
8. Markapur ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.. 4	200
Total ..	769	31,851	724	30,066	2,268	2,04,866	29	1,545	26	1,385	160	10,655	798	38,062

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Inspections of the District Officers.

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The Deputy Collector, Cumbum division, visited the following places :—

Cumbum taluk.—Cumbum, Chintalapolem and Bestwarpet.

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Famine Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
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,, ,, Honorary Secretaries, Indian Famine Charitable Relief Fund.

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11. Giddalur ..	8·72	8·72	15·00	15·00	14·22	14·22	11·60	11·60	
12. Markapur ..	8·30	8·30	16·50	16·50	..	..	12·32	12·32	
Average ..	8·80	8·75	15·35	15·13	12·80	12·37	12·59	12·59	

Activity of trade.—Trade was becoming dull, but the markets continued to be well supplied. The rise in the price of cholam was sharp at Nandyal, Pattikonda and Pyapalli.

Condition of the people.

On works.—The condition of the relief workers continued to be fair on the whole. All the works, but one, were being inspected by a medical subordinate at least twice a week, and the medical officers were duly attending to the classification of the workers according to their ages and to the condition of the drinking water-supply on most of the works visited.

In villages.—The condition of the people in villages was fair throughout the district. In the eastern and north central sections there were complaints of want of labour, and I have accordingly sanctioned the taking up of the repairs of a tank and of some roads as ordinary works. In the south central and western sections there was, probably owing to the cessation towards the end of the period of agricultural operations from want of rain and to the uncertain character of the season, a considerable increase in the numbers on relief works. Gratuitous relief was being afforded in almost all the villages of the affected taluks. The increase of persons in receipt of this form of relief also was large.

Sickness and Mortality.—No deaths from starvation were reported, and the general health continued to be good.

Measures of relief.

Works.—In what taluks open and comparison of numbers—

Taluks.	Number employed		Remarks.
	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	
Pattikonda	27,215	32,947	There was a fall of 3,500 in the previous fortnight so that the rise for the whole month was only a little over 2,000.
Ramallakota	12,177	16,233	
Nandyal	10,109	11,750	
Koilkuntla	28,473	32,389	
Sirvel	14,129	15,565	
Total ..	92,103	108,884	

Gratuitous relief.—Numbers relieved at kitchens and otherwise—

Taluks.	Number relieved.								Remarks.
	At kitchens.				In poor-houses.		In villages.		
	Dependants.		Others.						
	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	
Pattikonda ..	1,867	1,299	351	1,101	..	..	673	1,154	The first set of figures represents the number of persons fed in village kitchens and the second set, those in receipt of grain doles. The Ramallakota taluk figures, under those in receipt of grain doles, include persons so relieved in Kurnool town. The figures shown against the Nandikotkur taluk represent Chenchus fed in kitchens.
							1,448	2,682	
Ramallakota ..	355	698	20	10	..	..	704	1,416	
							3,012	6,638	
Nandikotkur ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	330	527	
Nandyal ..	547	457	264	37	..	..	199	897	
							2,591	2,573	
Koilkuntla ..	853	1,071	124	243	..	..	2,067	2,550	
							2,858	3,401	
Sirvel	641	711	16	18	..	..	830	949	
							1,426	2,172	
Total ..	4,265	4,236	775	1,409	..	..	4,803	7,493	
							11,335	17,466	

Taluks.	Number of villages in which relief was given.		Weavers' relief.			
			Number of persons relieved.		Number of cloths manufactured.	
	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	In the period.	Up to date.
Pattikonda	55	77	2,422	3,599	4,986	28,969
Ramallakota	89	93	1,519	2,396	3,295	12,509
Nandikotkur	3	3	..	..	..	..
Nandyal	90	110	..	..	..	..
Koilkuntla	82	86	1,146	1,240	454	1,398
Sirvel	80	100	489	562	321	1,266
Total ..	399	469	5,576	7,797	9,056	44,142

Private charity.—Many poor persons were fed by the charitably disposed on the occasion of the Diamond Jubilee.

General Remarks.—I have just received B.P., No. 468, communicating G.O., No. 473, dated 18th ultimo, and trust that it will be found possible to give full effect to the directions therein contained. I request, however, that I may be excused for pointing out that prospects are at present by no means as favourable as when the Government Order was issued, and that if the state of the season does not improve during the current fortnight it will be necessary to take measures for opening a few relief works in the hitherto unaffected parts of the district as well as some additional ones in the affected tracts.

Loan transactions.—Statement showing particulars of loan transactions under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Act.

Taluks.	Repair and construction of wells.								Other purposes.								Total.								Number of wells.	
	Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.				Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.				Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.				Constructed or repaired.	Under construction or repair.
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.			Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.			Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7			8	9	10	11	12	13			14	15	16	17	18	19			20	21
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.				Rs.		Rs.		Rs.				Rs.		Rs.		Rs.				
1. Pattikonda ..	127	30,130	127	18,073	224	63,260			701	74,595	701	74,595	911	1,24,578			828	1,04,725	828	92,668	1,135	1,87,838			..	127
2. Ramallakota ..	..	..	..	..	..	Not received.			3	450	3	450	1	100			.. 5	850	.. 5	3,440	..	..			..	14
3. Nandikotkur ..	2	400	2	400	..	..			25	3,770	20	2,470	14	2,400			35	7,470	28	* 850	26	6,150			..	3
4. Nandyal ..	10	3,700	8	1,007	12	3,750			22	2,625	20	2,300	30	2,150			47	7,690	43	3,477	41	7,440			..	9
5. Koilkuntla ..	25	5,165	23	4,500	11	6,290			Not received.								..	11,760	..	6,800	..	..			..	23
6. Sirvel ..	..	..	..	..	..	250			..	..	..	..	..	..			.. 1	400	..	10,650	1	250			..	..
7. Cumbum ..	..	..	..	..	..	400			..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..	..	..	1	400			..	..
8. Markapur ..	1	400	..	..	1	..			..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..
Total ..	165	39,795	160	23,980	249	72,950			751	81,340	744	79,815	956	1,29,228			916	1,32,885	904	1,17,385	1,205	2,02,178			..	176

Taluks.	Cattle and seed-grain.								Total.																	
	Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.				Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.				Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.					
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.			Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.			Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.				
1	22	23	24	25	26	27			28	29	30	31	32	33			34	35	36	37	38	39				
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.				Rs.		Rs.		Rs.				Rs.		Rs.		Rs.				
1. Pattikonda ..	488	21,352	488	21,352	1,604	1,36,526			25	1,345	25	Not received.	148	10,545			.. 7	850	..	..	.. 7	595			..	..
2. Ramallakota ..	..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..	..	..	..	..			274	9,649	..	..	229	8,119			189	13,091
3. Nandikotkur ..	.. 7	850	.. 7	595	189	13,091			..	..	..	..	..	..			..	4,666	..	..	..	3,986			475	55,249
4. Nandyal ..	274	9,649	229	8,119	475	55,249			..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..
5. Koilkuntla ..	..	..	..	..	Not received, explanation called for.				..	..	..	..	..	..			..	200	..	40	.. 2	110			..	110
6. Sirvel ..	..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..
7. Cumbum ..	..	..	..	..	..	..			..	4	200	..	..	..			..	..	..	..	..	..			..	..
8. Markapur ..	..	..	..	..	..	..			29	1,546	29	1,385	150	10,655			798	38,062	750	35,437	2,418	2,15,521			..	110
Total ..	769	31,851	724	30,066	2,268	2,04,866																				

* This differs from the figure reported in the season telegram for the week ending 26th June 1897. Explanation for the discrepancy will be called for.

Inspections of the District Officers.

Taluks and places visited.—I was in camp for seven days and inspected the following :—

Ramallakota taluk.—Dhone.

Sirvel taluk.—Mahadevapuram.

Nandyal taluk.—Gazulapalli, Nandyal, Betamcherla and Rungapatnam.

Works.—Joharapuram road, Sirvel-Gazulapalli station road and Betamcherla section of the Kalwa-Betamcherla road.

The Head Assistant Collector was on tour for ten days and inspected the following places :—

Nandyal taluk.—Kadamala Kalwa, Baiyapukadur, Kothapalli, Ayalur, Sitaramapuram, Gangavaram, Gopavaram, Gazulapalli, Basawapuram and Panyam.

Sirvel taluk.—Mahadevapuram, Gundampad, Kotakonda, Srirangapuram, Kottala, Ellavattula, Kotbur, Biravole, Iskapalli, Chennur, Mothakalpalli and Boilakuntla.

The Deputy Collector, Pyapalli, was on tour throughout the fortnight and inspected the following places :—

Pattikonda taluk.—Kodumur, Karivemula, Kapatralla, Pattikonda, Tuggali, Maddikera, Peravali, Pandekal, Marella, Bandimadugula, Gadderalla, Alamkonda and Katarkonda.

Ramallakota taluk.—Peddapad, Salkapuram, Nagalapuram, Panchikalapad, Mallyala, Malkapuram and Dhone.

The Head-quarter Deputy Collector was in camp for three days and visited the following places :—

Nandikotkur taluk.—Mothukur, Boyarevula, Velgode, Nallakalwa and Atmakur.

The Deputy Collector, Cumbum division, visited the following places :—

Cumbum taluk.—Cumbum, Chintalapolem and Bestwarpet.

Markapur taluk.—Thokapalli and Gobbur.

Resolution—dated 14th July 1897, No. 505.

Submitted for the information of Government.

2. The rainfall during the fortnight was above the average; but, as it fell entirely during the first two or three days of the fortnight, the hopes raised by it have not been fulfilled, and more rain was urgently required at the close of the month to save the early sowings and help the growth of pasture. There has been practically no rain, since the report was submitted, and it is feared that that much of the early sowings must, by this time, be lost.

The supply of water for drinking purposes was generally ample, but, where deficient, steps were taken to improve it.

Pasture was sprouting in the western taluks, but *nil* in the rest of the district. Fodder was moderately sufficient in the east, and insufficient in the rest of the district. It is to be noted that the fodder imported from Kistna, which has found a ready sale in Bellary and Anantapur, has not been touched by the Kurnool ryots. The cause of this is not clear, but it is possible that the reason may partly be found in the greater accessibility of the Nallamalai reserves. The canal which traverses much of the district secured a good fodder crop in all the villages, of which Nandyal is one, which it passes through. A depôt further from the canal would probably be more popular. Dhone is not a good selection as its water-supply is good, and fodder, therefore, is more plentiful there.

3. Prices rose slightly during the fortnight, the rise being most marked in Nandyal, Pattikonda and Pyápalli.

The relative position of prices is shown by the subjoined figures:—

Rate.	Measures per rupee.			
	Rice.	Ragi.	Cholam.	Cumbu.
Normal	13·2	32·0	30·0	28·0
Warning	10·6	24·0	22·5	21·0
Scarcity	7·9	16·0	15·0	14·0
Current	8·7	15·1	12·4	12·6
June 1892	9·2	15·1	14·4	12·9
„ 1877	6·4	7·4	7·0	7·7

Trade was dull, though the markets were well supplied.

4. The condition of the people was generally fair. The numbers on works rose by 18 per cent., and on gratuitous relief by 45 per cent. It is satisfactory to note that the medical wants of the workers are being regularly attended to.

5. With advertence to his remarks upon G.O., No. 473, Revenue, dated 18th June 1897, the Collector will be referred to G.O., No. 549, dated 9th July 1897, which is being communicated to him separately.

6. The following figures show the progress made in disbursing loans:—

Up to end of week ending—	Amount Rs.
June 5th	1,05,939
„ 12th	1,07,296
„ 19th	1,25,384
„ 26th	1,53,122

The pace is improving but much remains yet to be done, especially in the matter of loans for the purchase of fodder, of which the want in many places is urgent.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) L. E. BUCKLEY,
Famine Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
„ Collector of Kurnool.
Copy to the Sanitary Commissioner.
„ „ Honorary Secretaries, Indian Famine Charitable Relief Fund.

Order—No. 633, Revenue, dated 26th July 1897.

Miscellaneous. Recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Famine Commissioner.
„ the Public Works Department.
„ the Local and Municipal Department.
„ the Financial Department.
„ the Political Department.
„ the Accountant-General.

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