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FOOD SUPPLIES AND THE STATE OF THE MARKETS.

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	Dependants.		Others.					
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5. Koilkuntla	966	716	65	45	..	..	258	*Nil.*
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Total ..	4,458	1,254	752	199	..	..	808	*Nil.*
							835	45
							1,848	*Nil.*
							928	364
							1,908	*Nil.*
							651	*Nil.*
							6,153	1,258
							5,746	1,692

Taluks.	Number of villages in which relief was given.		Weavers' relief.			
			Number of persons relieved		Number of cloths manufactured	
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2. Ramallakot	56	56	4,047	1,795		
3. Nandikotkur	1	..	..	..	Not furnished by the Divisional-officers.	
4. Nandiyal	103	6	..	..		
5. Koilkuntla	97	67	809	809		
6. Sirvel	83	..	550	400		
Total ..	435	172	8,608	4,523		

* The first set of figures represents the number of persons fed in village kitchens, and the second set those in receipt of grain doles.

† Includes figures for Kurnoól town.

Private Charity.—Nil.

General Remarks.—Eight works were closed, and certain other works were amalgmated during the period. It is believed that, since its close, all the remaining works, but three central works, have been closed in accordance with my proposals almost every part of the affected area, and the central works alluded to above will be closed by the end of the month.

Loan Transactions.—*Statement showing particulars of loan transactions under the Land Improvement* and Agriculturists Loans† Acts.*

Taluks.	Repair and construction of wells.						Other purposes.						Total.				Number of wells	
	Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.		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.	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.				
1. Pattikonda	158	43,080	158	26,053	..	..	1,127	1,21,140	1,117	1,21,140	..	..	1,285	1,47,193	..	..	..	168
2. Ramallakot	32	7,500	30	7,200	..	..	30	2,760	28	2,460	..	..	62	9,660	..	..	..	28
3. Nandikotkur	2	400	2	400	..	..	4	550	4	550	..	..	6	950	..	..	..	3
4. Nandyal	11	3,900	11	1,850	..	..	36	4,995	36	4,840	..	..	47	6,690	..	..	..	11
5. Koilkuntla	24	4,700	24	4,700	..	..	29	3,175	29	3,175	..	..	53	7,875	..	..	..	24
6. Sirvel	65	10,700	59	10,300	..	..	16	1,950	16	1,950	..	..	75	12,250	..	..	..	65
7. Cumbum	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
8. Markapur	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	292	70,280	284	51,103	..	..	1,242	1,34,570	1,240	1,34,115	..	..	1,534	2,04,850	1,524	1,85,218	..	289

Taluks.	Cattle and seed-grain.						Total.					
	Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.		Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.	
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
	28	Rs.	30	Rs.	32	Rs. †	34	Rs.	36	Rs.	38	Rs. †
1. Pattikonda	534	17,819	534	17,819	106	6,800	2,973	1,35,244	2,973	1,35,244	106	6,800
2. Ramallakot	131	9,900	131	9,900	320	26,247	247	16,779	239	16,004	599	63,189
3. Nandikotkur	..	..	..	..	4	410	..	..	..	..	4	410
4. Nandyal	92	7,625	92	7,625	..	..	251	16,544	226	15,274	4	..
5. Koilkuntla	..	..	..	..	..	..	970	61,995	836	53,824	..	..
6. Sirvel	159	8,590	139	7,455	36	3,290	196	10,819	176	9,344	73	6,126
7. Cumbum	3	110	2	80	..	..	3	110	2	80	..	..
8. Markapur	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	919	44,344	898	42,879	466	36,747	4,640	2,41,491	4,851	2,29,770	782	65,525

Taluks.	Purchase of fodder.						Total.					
	Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.		Applications accepted.		Loans disbursed.		Applications pending.	
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
	22	Rs.	24	Rs.	26	†	27	Rs.	29	Rs.	31	Rs. †
1. Pattikonda	2,439	1,17,425	2,439	1,17,425	..	..	534	17,819	534	17,819	106	6,800
2. Ramallakot	116	6,879	108	6,104	279	26,942	131	9,900	131	9,900	599	63,189
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Total ..	3,721	1,97,147	3,553	1,86,891	316	28,778	919	44,344	898	42,879	466	36,747

* The grant of loans under this Act was discontinued in accordance with B.P. (R.S.), Mis. No. 7934, dated 28th September 1897, and hence all applications that were pending were rejected.

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Inspections of the District Officers.

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

Ramallakot Taluk.—Nágalápuram, Penchikalapad and Gudipad.

Works.—Gooty roadwork near Kurnool and Penchikalapad-Gudur road.

The Head Assistant Collector was in camp for four days and visited the following :—

Nandyal Taluk—Gazzulapalli.

Sirvel Taluk—Boilakuntla.

Work.—Sirvel-Gazzulapalli road.

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

Pattikonda Taluk—Tuggali, Pattikonda and Maddikera.

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Work.—Gooty roadwork near Kurnool.

The Head-quarter Deputy Collector inspected the following places :—

Ramallakot Taluk —Salkapuram and Gudur.

Note.—The Head Assistant Collector, Famine Deputy Collector and Head-quarter Deputy Collector were busily engaged in distributing Famine Fund money to poor ryots. I myself made the distribution to several villages.

The Deputy Collector of Cumbum division inspected the following villages :—

Cumbum Taluk—Cumbum.

Markapur Taluk—Devarajughattu.

Resolution—No. 685, dated 28th October 1897.

Submitted for the information of Government.

2. Relief operations are being rapidly closed.

(True Copy and Extract.)

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

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
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Copy to the Sanitary Commissioner.

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	1																	
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
1. Pattikonda	158	Rs. 43,080	158	Rs. 26,653	*		1,127	Rs. 1,21,140	1,127	Rs. 1,21,140	*		1,285	Rs. 1,64,220	1,285	Rs. 1,47,793			158	
2. Ramallakot	32	7,500	30	7,300	..	..	30	2,760	28	2,760	..	..	62	10,260	68	9,660			28	
3. Nandikotkur	2	400	2	400	..	..	4	550	4	550	..	..	6	950	6	950			3	
4. Nandyal	11	3,900	11	1,850	..	..	36	4,995	36	4,995	..	..	47	8,895	47	6,690			11	
5. Koilkuntla	24	4,700	24	4,700	..	..	29	3,175	29	3,175	..	..	53	7,875	53	7,875			24	
6. Sirvel	65	10,700	59	10,300	..	..	16	1,950	16	1,950	..	..	81	12,650	75	12,250			65	
7. Cumbum	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..			..	
8. Markapur	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..			..	
Total ..	292	70,280	284	51,103	..	..	1,242	1,24,570	1,240	1,24,570	..	..	1,534	2,04,850	1,524	1,85,218	..	..	289	

Taluks.	Cattle and seed-grain.						Total.					
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Total ..	3,721	1,97,147	3,553	1,86,891	316	28,778	919	44,344	898	42,879	466	36,747

Taluks.	Purchase of fodder.						Total.					
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Taluks.	Total.				Number of wells	
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	34	35	36	37	38	39
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6. Sirvel	196	10,819	176	9,344	73	6,126
7. Cumbum	..	..	..	..	..	..
8. Markapur	3	110	2	80	..	..
Total ..	4,650	2,41,491	4,651	2,29,770	782	65,525

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Resolution—No. 685, dated 28th October 1897.

Submitted for the information of Government.

2. Relief operations are being rapidly closed.

(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.

Order—No. 950, Revenue, dated 13th November 1897.

Miscellaneous.

Recorded.

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NOVEMBER.

Fortnightly Narrative.

Recording Board's Proceedings submitting to Government, with remarks, — of the Kurnool district for the period ending 15th October 1897.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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W. J. H. LeFanu, Esq.
(Famine Commissioner).

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STATE OF THE COUNTRY.

Rainfall and water-supply.—

	Inches.
Rainfall during the period	3·22
Do. up to the period from 1st April 1897	23·73
Average rainfall expected during the period	1·78
Do. rainfall expected up to the period	21·56

The rain continued to be general throughout the district, and the quantity registered at the various rain-recording stations was as shown below :—

Affected tracts—

Stations.	Fall in inches.
Pyapalli	6·72
Allagadda	5·44
Koilkuntla	5·12
Pattikonda	3·38
Owk	3·23
Nandyal	2·84
Kurnool town	2·41
Kalva	1·35
Unaffected tracts—	
Markapur	3·72
Atmakur	2·24
Giddalur	1·57
Nandikotkur	0·56

There has been more than enough rain throughout the affected area, except in the villages of the Owk firka bordering on the Cuddapah and Anantapur districts, and the total fall was above the average for the corresponding period of the previous five years.

Water-supply.—Except under a few tanks in the Sirvel and Markapur taluks, the supply was sufficient for irrigation purposes. The supply for drinking purposes was, of course, ample everywhere. Almost all the tanks have received good supplies.

Agricultural operations and condition of the standing crops—Eastern Section.—In the Cumbum taluk, cumbu, jonna and korra were being harvested with a good outturn. In the Markapur taluk sowing of variga and horsegram commenced in parts, and the transplantation of paddy and weeding were going on under many tanks. Cumbu and korra were harvested with a good outturn. The standing crops are in good condition, though the late cholam and cumbu have been slightly damaged in parts on account of excessive rain. *North Central Section.*—White cholam and horsegram were being sown, and the standing crops are in good condition. *South Central Section.*—White cholam, cotton and horsegram were sown in parts of Owk and Kalwa

divisions, and in the Sirvel taluk. Weeding and transplanting of paddy in canal and tank-fed lands were the chief agricultural operations. Indigo, early cholam, korra and cumbu were harvested with a fair outturn. The standing crops are in good condition, but, in the northern portion of the Kalwa division, cholam and korra are said to have been attacked by insects due to excessive rain, and are not expected to yield well. *Western Section.*—Sowing late crops on black soils continued, and weeding was carried on everywhere. Korra and cumbu were being harvested. The standing crops are in good condition.

Supply of fodder and pasture, and condition of cattle.—Fodder was scarce generally throughout the district, though the supply was increased to a certain extent by the recent harvests. Pasture has been abundant everywhere for sometime, and the condition of cattle in the affected tracts has thereby greatly improved. Rinderpest unfortunately still continued to prevail, especially in the Sirvel and Cumbum taluks, and caused many deaths.

General remarks on the previous subjects.—The rain that fell during the early part of the fortnight was generally in excess of requirements, and in consequence the standing crops which had come to maturity suffered to some extent. Harvesting operations too were retarded by the incessant rain. There has, however, been a most welcome break in the rain of late.

FOOD SUPPLIES AND THE STATE OF THE MARKETS.

PRICES of principal food-grains at principal markets in the affected tracts, in seers of 80 tolas per rupee, for the period ending 15th of October 1897.

Stations.	Rice.		Ragi.		Cholam.		Cumbu.		Remarks.
	End of last period.	End of current period.	Last fort-night.	This fort-night.	Last fort-night.	This fort-night.	Last fort-night.	This fort-night.	
1. Pattikonda	9·72	10·26	16·49	19·40	13·39	15·45	15·04	17·86	The prices of all food-grains are either falling or stationary everywhere, except in the case of cholam in Kurnool town where it is rising, as there are no imports.
2. Pyapalli	7·56	8·10	13·58	16·49	12·36	13·39	9·40	10·34	
3. Kurnool town	7·86	7·86	12·90	..	12·67	11·98	..	12·18	
4. Nandikotkur	8·58	8·93	..	..	13·01	13·01	..	..	
5. Atmakuru	8·58	9·64	..	..	12·33	13·70	..	..	
6. Nandyal	9·29	9·29	16·77	18·06	13·70	13·70	10·00	10·00	
7. Kalwa	7·86	7·86	14·19	14·19	12·33	12·33	8·75	8·75	
8. Koilkuntla	8·71	9·13	12·75	13·50	11·06	12·64	..	..	
9. Owk	8·71	8·71	12·75	15·00	12·64	12·64	..	..	
10. Allagadda	8·58	8·58	12·90	14·83	12·33	14·38	..	..	
11. Giddalore	8·30	8·30	13·50	14·25	11·85	12·64	11·60	11·60	
12. Markapur	8·80	8·30	15·37	16·50	..	..	10·87	14·50	
Average for the affected tract ..	8·54	8·72	14·04	15·92	12·36	13·31	10·79	11·83	
Average for the whole district ..	8·50	8·75	14·12	15·80	12·37	13·26	10·94	12·15	

Activity of trade.—Trade was moderately active except in the North Central Section and in the Koilkuntla taluk of the South Central Section. The markets were well supplied.

CONDITION OF THE PEOPLE.

On Works.—The condition of the labourers on the several works was very fair. The comparatively large number on relief works in the Koilkuntla taluk in spite of the improvement in the season was due to the late commencement of agricultural operations.

In Villages.—The condition of the people in villages was generally fair ; though cholera continued to prevail throughout the district, except in the Nandikotkur and Nandyal taluks, causing 385 deaths.

Sickness and Mortality.—Cholera, fever, diarrhœa and dysentery were the principal complaints. There were no deaths from starvation.

Measures of Relief.

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

Taluks.	Number employed	
	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.
1. Pattikonda	9,941	1,164
2. Ramallakot	15,867	4,435
3. Nandyal	8,443	2,050
4. Koilkuntla	19,830	14,037
5. Sirvel	3,407	*Nil.*
Total ..	57,488	21,686

Gratuitous Relief.—Numbers relieved at kitchens and otherwise—

Taluks.	Number relieved							
	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.
1. Pattikonda	935	63	637	147	..	..	* 829 1,242	* 122 187
2. Ramallakot	2,138	401	10	..	..	..	1,402 † 2,090	1,136 1,096
3. Nandikotkur	..	..	..	..	..	..	258 ..	*Nil.* *Nil.*
4. Nandyal	238	74	13	7	..	..	808 835	*Nil.* 45
5. Koilkuntla	966	716	65	45	..	..	1,848 928	*Nil.* 364
6. Sirvel	181	..	27	..	..	..	1,008 651	*Nil.* *Nil.*
Total ..	4,458	1,254	752	199	..	..	6,153 5,746	1,258 1,692

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.
1. Pattikonda	95	43	3,202	1,519	Not furnished by the Divisional-officers.	
2. Ramallakot	56	56	4,047	1,795		
3. Nandikotkur	1	..	..	..		
4. Nandiyal	103	6	..	..		
5. Koilkuntla	97	67	809	809		
6. Sirvel	83	..	550	400		
Total ..	435	172	8,608	4,523		

* The first set of figures represents the number of persons fed in village kitchens, and the second set those in receipt of grain doles.
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Fortnightly Narrative.

Recording Board's Proceedings submitting to Government, with remarks, — of the Kurnool district for the period ending 15th October 1897.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), No. 685, dated 28th October 1897 :—

W. J. H. LeFanu, Esq.
(Famine Commissioner).

Read—the following Fortnightly Narrative of the Kurnool district for the period ending 15th of October 1897 :—

State of the Country.

Rainfall and water-supply.—

	Inches.
Rainfall during the period	3·22
Do. up to the period from 1st April 1897	23·73
Average rainfall expected during the period	1·78
Do. rainfall expected up to the period	21·56

The rain continued to be general throughout the district, and the quantity registered at the various rain-recording stations was as shown below :—

Stations.	Fall in inches.
Affected tracts—	
Pyapalli	6·72
Allagadda	5·44
Koilkuntla	5·12
Pattikonda	3·38
Owk	3·23
Nandyal	2·84
Kurnool town	2·41
Kalva	1·35
Unaffected tracts—	
Markapur	3·72
Atmakur	2·24
Giddalur	1·57
Nandikotkur	0·56

There has been more than enough rain throughout the affected area, except in the villages of the Owk firka bordering on the Cuddapah and Anantapur districts, and the total fall was above the average for the corresponding period of the previous five years.

Water-supply.—Except under a few tanks in the Sirvel and Markapur taluks, the supply was sufficient for irrigation purposes. The supply for drinking purposes was, of course, ample everywhere. Almost all the tanks have received good supplies.

Agricultural operations and condition of the standing crops—Eastern Section.—In the Cumbum taluk, cumbu, jonna and korra were being harvested with a good outturn. In the Markapur taluk sowing of variga and horsegram commenced in parts, and the transplantation of paddy and weeding were going on under many tanks. Cumbu and korra were harvested with a good outturn. The standing crops are in good condition, though the late cholam and cumbu have been slightly damaged in parts on account of excessive rain. *North Central Section.*—White cholam and horsegram were being sown, and the standing crops are in good condition. *South Central Section.*—White cholam, cotton and horsegram were sown in parts of Owk and Kalwa

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divisions, and in the Sirvel taluk. Weeding and transplanting of paddy in canal and tank-fed lands were the chief agricultural operations. Indigo, early cholam, korra and cumbu were harvested with a fair outturn. The standing crops are in good condition, but, in the northern portion of the Kalwa division, cholam and korra are said to have been attacked by insects due to excessive rain, and are not expected to yield well. *Western Section.*—Sowing late crops on black soils continued, and weeding was carried on everywhere. Korra and cumbu were being harvested. The standing crops are in good condition.

Supply of fodder and pasture, and condition of cattle.—Fodder was scarce generally throughout the district, though the supply was increased to a certain extent by the recent harvests. Pasture has been abundant everywhere for sometime, and the condition of cattle in the affected tracts has thereby greatly improved. Rinderpest unfortunately still continued to prevail, especially in the Sirvel and Cumbum taluks, and caused many deaths.

General remarks on the previous subjects.—The rain that fell during the early part of the fortnight was generally in excess of requirements, and in consequence the standing crops which had come to maturity suffered to some extent. Harvesting operations too were retarded by the incessant rain. There has, however, been a most welcome break in the rain of late.

Food Supplies and the State of the Markets.

Prices of principal food-grains at principal markets in the affected tracts, in seers of 80 tolas per rupee, for the period ending 15th of October 1897.

Stations.	Rice.		Ragi.		Cholam.		Cumbu.		Remarks.
	End of last period.	End of current period.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.	
1. Pattikonda	9·72	10·26	16·49	19·40	13·39	15·45	15·04	17·86	The prices of all food-grains are either falling or stationary everywhere, except in the case of cholam in Kurnool town where it is rising, as there are no imports.
2. Pyapalli	7·56	8·10	13·58	16·49	12·36	13·39	9·40	10·34	
3. Kurnool town ..	7·86	7·86	12·90	..	12·67	11·98	..	12·18	
4. Nandikotkur	8·58	8·93	..	..	13·01	13·01	..	..	
5. Atmakuru	8·58	9·64	..	..	12·33	13·70	..	..	
6. Nandyal	9·29	9·29	16·77	18·06	13·70	13·70	10·00	10·00	
7. Kalwa	7·86	7·86	14·19	14·19	12·33	12·33	8·75	8·75	
8. Koilkuntla	8·71	9·13	12·75	13·50	11·06	12·64	..	..	
9. Owk	8·71	8·71	12·75	15·00	11·06	12·64	..	..	
10. Allagadda	8·58	8·58	12·90	14·83	12·33	14·38	..	..	
11. Giddalore	8·30	8·30	13·50	14·25	11·85	12·64	11·60	11·60	
12. Markapur	8·30	8·30	15·37	16·50	..	..	10·87	14·59	
Average for the affected tract ..	8·54	8·72	14·04	15·92	12·36	13·31	10·79	11·83	
Average for the whole district ..	8·50	8·75	14·12	15·80	12·37	13·26	10·94	12·15	

Activity of trade.—Trade was moderately active except in the North Central Section and in the Koilkuntla taluk of the South Central Section. The markets were well supplied.

Condition of the People.

On Works.—The condition of the labourers on the several works was very fair. The comparatively large number on relief works in the Koilkuntla taluk in spite of the improvement in the season was due to the late commencement of agricultural operations.

In Villages.—The condition of the people in villages was generally fair ; though cholera continued to prevail throughout the district, except in the Nandikotkur and Nandyal taluks, causing 385 deaths.

Sickness and Mortality.—Cholera, fever, diarrhœa and dysentery were the principal complaints. There were no deaths from starvation.

Measures of Relief.

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

Taluks.	Number employed	
	Last fortnight.	This fortnight.
1. Pattikonda	9,941	1,164
2. Ramallakot	15,867	4,435
3. Nandyal	8,443	2,050
4. Koilkuntla	19,830	14,037
5. Sirvel	3,407	*Nil.*
Total ..	57,488	21,686

Gratuitous Relief.—Numbers relieved at kitchens and otherwise—

Taluks.	Number relieved							
	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.
1. Pattikonda	935	63	637	147	..	..	{ * 829	* 122
2. Ramallakot	2,138	401	10	..	..	..	{ 1,242	187
3. Nandikotkur	..	..	..	..	..	..	{ 1,402	1,136
4. Nandyal	238	74	13	7	..	..	{ † 2,090	1,096
5. Koilkuntla	966	716	65	45	..	..	{ 258	*Nil.*
6. Sirvel	181	..	27	..	..	..	{ ..	*Nil.*
Total ..	4,458	1,254	752	199	..	..	{ 808	*Nil.*
							{ 835	45
							{ 1,848	*Nil.*
							{ 928	364
							{ 1,008	*Nil.*
							{ 651	*Nil.*
							{ 6,153	1,258
							{ 5,746	1,692

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.
1. Pattikonda	95	43	3,202	1,519	Not furnished by the Divisional-officers.	
2. Ramallakot	56	56	4,047	1,795		
3. Nandikotkur	1	..	..	..		
4. Nandiyal	103	6	..	..		
5. Koilkuntla	97	67	809	809		
6. Sirvel	83	..	550	400		
Total ..	435	172	8,608	4,523		

* The first set of figures represents the number of persons fed in village kitchens, and the second set those in receipt of grain doles.

† Includes figures for Kurnool town.

Private Charity.—Nil.

General Remarks.—Eight works were closed, and certain other works were amalgmated during the period. It is believed that, since its close, all the remaining works, but three central works, have been closed in accordance with my proposals approved of by the Commissioner. Demand for employment is now locally met in almost every part of the affected area, and the central works alluded to above will be closed by the end of the month.

Loan Transactions.—*Statement showing particulars of loan transactions under the Land Improvement * and Agriculturists Loans † Acts.*

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.		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.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.		
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		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		
1. Pattikonda	158	43,080	158	26,653	*	..	1,127	1,21,140	1,127	1,21,140	*	..	1,285	1,64,220	1,285	1,47,793	*	..	106	17,819	534	17,819	158	..
2. Ramallakot	32	7,500	30	7,200	..	..	30	2,760	28	2,760	..	..	62	10,260	58	9,660	..	..	4	900	131	9,900	28	..
3. Nandikotkur	2	400	2	400	..	..	4	550	4	550	..	..	6	950	6	950	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	..
4. Nandyal	11	3,900	11	1,850	..	..	35	4,995	36	4,995	..	..	47	8,895	47	6,690	..	..	226	7,625	92	7,625	11	..
5. Koilkuntla	24	4,700	24	4,700	..	..	29	3,175	29	3,175	..	..	53	7,875	53	7,875	..	..	836	7,455	139	8,890	24	..
6. Sirvel	65	10,700	59	10,300	..	..	16	1,950	16	1,950	..	..	81	12,650	75	12,250	..	..	36	3,290	..	..	65	..
7. Cumbum	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	80	..	..
8. Markapur	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	110	..	..	..	..
Total ..	292	70,280	284	51,103	..	..	1,242	1,34,570	1,240	1,34,975	..	..	1,534	2,04,850	1,524	1,85,218	..	..	1,534	1,34,115	898	42,879	289	..

Taluks.	Purchase of fodder.				Cattle and seed-grain.				Total.				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.		
	22	Rs.	24	Rs.	26	Rs.	28	Rs.	36	Rs.	37	Rs.	38	39
1. Pattikonda	2,439	1,17,425	2,439	1,17,425	†	..	..	..	2,973	1,35,244	..	..	106	6,800
2. Ramallakot	116	6,879	108	6,104	279	26,942	534	17,819	247	16,779	..	..	4	63,189
3. Nandikotkur	..	..	..	..	..	..	131	9,900	410	26,247	..	..	..	410
4. Nandyal	159	8,919	134	7,649	..	..	92	7,625	..	..	..	..	..	..
5. Koilkuntla	970	61,996	836	53,824	37	1,836	159	8,890	251	16,544	..	..	..	..
6. Sirvel	37	1,929	36	1,889	..	..	3	110	970	61,995	..	..	..	..
7. Cumbum	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	196	10,819	..	..	..	..
8. Markapur	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	80	5,126	..	..
Total ..	3,721	1,97,147	3,553	1,86,891	316	28,778	919	44,344	4,851	2,29,770	..	..	782	65,525

* The grant of loans under this Act was discontinued in accordance with B.P. (R.S.), Mis. No. 7934, dated 28th September 1897, and hence all applications that were pending were rejected.

† The grant of loans under this Act was discontinued on receipt of Board's (Settlement) telegram, dated 6th October 1897.

Inspections of the District Officers.

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

Ramallakot Taluk.—Nágalápuram, Penchikalapad and Gudipad.

Works.—Gooty roadwork near Kurnool and Penchikalapad-Gudur road.

The Head Assistant Collector was in camp for four days and visited the following :—

Nandyal Taluk—Gazzulapalli.

Sirvel Taluk—Boilakuntla.

Work.—Sirvel-Gazzulapalli road.

The Famine Deputy Collector was on tour throughout the fortnight and ins pected the following places :—

Pattikonda Taluk—Tuggali, Pattikonda and Maddikera.

Ramallakot Taluk.—Kurnool and Dhone.

Work.—Gooty roadwork near Kurnool.

The Head-quarter Deputy Collector inspected the following places :—

Ramallakot Taluk —Salkapuram and Gudur.

Note.—The Head Assistant Collector, Famine Deputy Collector and Head-quarter Deputy Collector were busily engaged in distributing Famine Fund money to poor ryots. I myself made the distribution to several villages.

The Deputy Collector of Cumbum division inspected the following villages :—

Cumbum Taluk—Cumbum.

Markapur Taluk—Devarajughattu.

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