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G.O., No. 145, 9th March 1897.

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Communicated to the
Superintending Engineer,
the Circle; also to other
Superintending Engineers
for information and
guidance (Sd) D. M. C.
12/23/97

Establishments.

Superintending Engineer, the Circle
Other Superintending Engineers
Chief Engineer for Irrigation
for information.

Stating that the scale of the — employed on, or in connection with famine-relief works, should have the approval and countersignature of the Collector, in whom is vested the control of all relief measures in the district.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), dated 11th February 1897, No. 124 :—

Read—the following paper :—

Letter from W. B. DEWINTON, Esq., Superintending Engineer, III Circle, Bellary, to the Collector of Bellary, dated 4th February 1897, No. 3708.

With reference to your letter to the Executive Engineer, Bellary Division, Dis. No. 420, dated 21st January 1897, copy of which you have forwarded to me for information, I have the honour to point out that the appointment of upper and lower subordinates of this department and the necessary establishment for them is a matter which concerns this department alone. The upper subordinates are appointed by the Chief Engineer and the lower subordinates and establishments of clerks and peons either by myself or my Division Officers. Such appointments require no one else's approval, and in circulating Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 18th December 1896, No. 447, which was received by me from the Chief Engineer, I have directed my Division Officers to substitute "Superintending Engineer" for "Collector" in the last word of the Resolution.

2. Of course, if you wish to see a list of such appointments, I shall be happy to instruct Division Officers to send them to you, for information, but personally in view of the number of famine returns they have now to prepare, I do not think it is necessary.

3. With regard to paragraph 2 of your letter the officer in charge of Bellary division will be directed to take over such of the Local Fund Department Executive staff as he considers competent. They must, of course, be placed *entirely* under his orders, and look to no one else for them.

4. With reference to paragraph 3, every upper subordinate of this department is provided with a clerk under the Public Works Department Code. Rule 3, Appendix VI, probably applies to Local Fund overseers. It is quite impossible for the upper subordinates of this department to perform their duties without regular clerks.

Endorsement thereon by the Collector of Bellary, dated Bellary, 8th February 1897, Ref. on C. No. 428.

Forwarded to the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement) with reference to B.P., dated 18th December 1896, No. 447, for favour of orders as to whether Mr. deWinton's reading of the Board's Resolution is correct.

2. The undersigned is of opinion that the scale of establishment should have the approval of the Collector, but that his approval of individual appointments is not necessary.

Resolution—dated 11th February 1897, No. 124.

The paper read above will be submitted for the orders of Government with an expression of the Board's concurrence with the views expressed by the Collector in paragraph 2 of his endorsement so far as they go. It appears to the Board that the

Collector's opinion would only be necessary in deciding whether the establishment was adequate or not. Section 24 of the Code does not seem to contemplate the Collector having a veto on the appointment of subordinate officers by the Engineer.

2. The monthly return H (c) (Appendix II to the Code) is necessary for the information of the Board and Government.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAH,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

„ Collector of Bellary.

Copy to the Chief Engineer.

„ all other Collectors.

ORDER—No. 145, Revenue, dated 9th March 1897.

Miscellaneous.

The Government agrees with the Board of Revenue. The scale of the establishments employed on, or in connection with famine relief works, that is to say, the number of officers to be employed on each relief work and their rates of pay, should have the approval and counter-signature of the Collector, in whom is vested the control of all relief measures in his district.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture).

„ the Public Works Department.

„ the Local and Municipal Department.

„ the Financial Department.

„ the Accountant-General.

Exd. Shaik Karim.

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