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programme of — for 1898-99. Submitted by the
Collector of Kishna, Communicated to the Supt. of
the Circle.

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Famine-relief works.—Reviewing the programme of — for 1898-99 submitted by the Collector of Kistna.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

(REVENUE SETTLEMENT, LAND RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE).

READ—the following letter from R. MORRIS, Esq., Acting Collector of Kistna District, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, dated Masulipatam, 28th May 1898, Ref. No. 808-Genl. :—

I have the honour to submit herewith the programme of famine-relief works for 1898-99 in the prescribed forms A, B and C.

2. The number of persons for whom relief is provided falls short of 20 per cent. of the population in Guntūr, Sattenapalle and Nuzvid and slightly in Nandigāma. Narasaraopet and Bezwada, which adjoin Guntūr and Nandigāma, respectively, can make up the deficiency in the latter taluks out of the increased provision made for the former and the cooly population of the upland portion of Nuzvid can migrate to the Delta tracts thereof where there is always ample demand for labour. The provision for Sattenapalle is alone very low owing to paucity of irrigation works, and the Superintending Engineer and the Local Fund District Engineer will be requested to propose some more works, if possible.

RESOLUTION—No. 248, dated 15th July 1898.

The abstract of the programme of famine-relief works for 1898-99, forwarded by the Collector of Kistna with his letter read above, will be submitted for the information of Government.

2. The programme is confined to the upland portions of the District. The following table shows the character of the works and the sum provided for them in lakhs of rupees :—

Classes of works.	Large works.		Small works.	Total.
	Sanctioned.	Unsanctioned.		
Irrigation works	New (19) .. 0.15	4.21	0.26	4.62
Forest-fencing	Repairs .. 0.04	0.04	0.04	0.12
Road works	New (160 miles) .. 1.39	4.28	0.11	5.78
Drinking-water supply	Repairs .. 5.26	0.35	0.35	5.61
Miscellaneous works	.. 0.15	0.41	0.41	0.97
Total	6.80	8.64	1.93	17.37

A list of additional irrigation projects, which have not been investigated, is given at the end of the programme and a rough estimate of 7.81 lakhs is put down for them.

It appears doubtful, however, whether the eleven * large new irrigation projects to cost 4.21 lakhs, which are included in the programme, should not also have been noted as additional works only, as it does not appear whether the projects are in a forward state of preparation or no.

	RS.
* Palnad, 4	1,08,900
Vinukonda, 5	97,200
Narasaraopet, 1	2,00,000
Nandigāma, 1	15,000

3. The total estimated cost of the works included in the programme amounts to Rs. 17,36,828 and they are considered sufficient to employ 20.38 per cent. of the

Taluks.	Percent- age.
1. Palnad	31.7
2. Vinukonda	26.8
3. Narasaraopet	30.7
4. Guntūr	12.25
5. Sattenapalle	10.1
6. Bezwada	21.1
7. Nandigāma	19.4
8. Nuzvid	8.1
9. Tiruvūr	37.2

population of the tracts concerned for a period of three months. The percentage of the population provided for in each taluk is shown on the margin. The large proportions against the first three taluks are due to the inclusion in the programme of the irrigation projects mentioned above. If these works cannot be relied on as being available immediately for relief purposes, they should be omitted from the programme, and then the percentages in the three taluks referred to above would be reduced to 21, 11.0 and 13.6, respectively. As regards the additional irrigation projects and the irrigation works shown in the programme, the Collector's attention will be drawn to the last sentence of instruction (5) on page 40 of the Famine Code.

4. Bearing these facts in mind, it appears that the provision in the programme is adequate in only Palnad, Bezwada and Tiruvūr. The proposal of the Collector to meet the deficiency in Guntūr from the excess in Narasaraopet is not feasible in the circumstance mentioned above. In the Deltas, however, there is always a large demand for labour, and to these the labourers of the upland tracts could resort in the time of distress. The Collector should, however, take the necessary steps to augment the provision in the taluks where it falls short of the minimum. It is observed from statement B that, out of eleven Public Works Department irrigation works requiring repair in the Palnad taluk and two such works in Vinukonda, provision has been made in the programme for only one work in each taluk.

The provision made for the improvement of drinking water-supplies except in Nuzvid, and the provision under Land Improvement works to be carried out with the aid of State loans is very small.

5. Estimates are reported to be ready for works to cost Rs. 8,17,738 or 47.3 per cent. of the total provision excluding loans works. Of the large works to cost Rs. 15,44,035, estimates have been sanctioned for works to cost Rs. 6,80,000, and an estimate has been prepared for one other work to the value of Rs. 15,000. For only one irrigation project,—completion of the Muniyuru project in the Nandigāma taluk to cost Rs. 15,000,—has an estimate been prepared. That work is a sanctioned work. The Collector should endeavour to get estimates ready for as many of the large works as possible and to bring them on the sanctioned list.

6. The provision in the Tiruvūr (Vissannapet) Division consists in the construction of two road works, 34 miles long, at an approximate cost of 1.70 lakhs; these are neither sanctioned nor estimated for. In the programme for the preceding year, the provision for this Division amounted to Rs. 1,00,509 embracing two road works, 46 miles long to cost Rs. 92,000 and some miscellaneous works to cost Rs. 8,509. The Collector was asked (*vide* paragraph 9 of the report in G.O., No. 528, Revenue, dated 3rd July 1897) to get estimates to the amount of Rs. 50,000 for the most useful of these works, prepared and sanctioned at once, and he promised to lose no time in getting this done. The miscellaneous works have now been omitted and the provision under roads increased; but the preparation of estimates still remains in the same stage as last year, notwithstanding the instruction given in paragraph 2 of the Government Order quoted above.

7. The following discrepancies are noticed in the statements submitted by the Collector :—

Form A (1).—The total amount under new irrigation works in the Palnad taluk has been in the first place erroneously entered as Rs. 11,19,000 instead of as Rs. 1,11,900; in the second place, this latter figure, purporting to represent the total of large irrigation works, contains Rs. 3,000 being the cost of restoring the new tank of Pinnali which should have been treated as a small work within the meaning of

section 59 of the Famine Code. This erroneous classification has been corrected in the Board's office and the entries revised in column 5 of Form C against unsanctioned large, and small, works in Palnad.

(2) The entries in Form C for the current year and in the programme for the previous year show that an estimate has been got ready for the Nallacheruvu tank work in Guntur, while, in Form A for the current year, it appears as a work for which no estimate is ready. The omission of the estimate from the last-mentioned account is possibly due to an oversight.

(3) The entries in Form A should have been totalled for each taluk and finally for the District.

Form C (1).—The figure in column 5 against small works in Vinukonda should be 2,569, not 2,137.

(2) The calculations of percentages shown in column 6 have been corrected in the Board's office.

(3) The entries in columns 18 and 19 against unsanctioned large works in the District total should have been repeated in columns 22 and 23.

The necessary corrections have been carried out in the Board's office and should be made also in the Collector's office copies of the abstract.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAR,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
Collector of Kistna (D.Os.—Tahrs.).

Exd. P. Seetharam.

[Appendix.

APPENDIX.
Form C.—Abstract statement of programme of famine-relief works in the Kistna District for the year 1898-99.

Taluka.	Population by last census in thousands.	Maximum number of persons for whom relief may be required daily.	Persons provided for by relief works daily for three months.			Irrigation works.		Forest-fencing works.		Road works.	
			Class of work.	Number provided for.	Total percentage of population.	New.	Repairs.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Palnad	142	28,400	Large—Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land improvements .. Total ..	14,963 27,853 3,988 80 45,084	31.74	4 1,08,900 3,000 ..	.. 6,000	.. 1	.. 1,500	2 2	.. 52,000 1,00,000
Vinukonda	82	16,400	Large—Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land improvements .. Total ..	6,374 12,960 2,569 80 21,983	26.81	5 97,200 3 11,000 ..	.. 3,600	.. 12	.. 4,000		
Narasaraopet	156	31,200	Large—Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land improvements .. Total ..	19,710 26,666 1,564 80 48,020	30.71	1 2,00,000	.. 6,181	.. 1	.. 2,000		
Guntur	167	33,400	Large—Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land improvements .. Total ..	12,887 2,000 5,572 .. 20,459	12.25			.. 29	.. 19,008		
Sattenapalli	139	27,800	Large—Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land improvements .. Total ..	8,192 4,400 1,455 .. 14,047	10.11		.. 4,000	.. 7	.. 6,512	.. 400	.. 33,000

Abstract statement of programme of famine-relief works in the Kistna District for the year 1898-99—cont.

Taluka.	Road works—cont.			Drinking-water supply.			Miscellaneous works.			Grand total.			Works for which estimates are ready.	
	Repairs.						Others.						Number.	Cost.
	Number.	Amount.		Number.	Amount.		Number.	Amount.		Number.	Amount.			
	16	17		18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
Palnad	3	Rs. 53,477		..	..	..	..	..	..	5	Rs. 1,05,477	5	Rs. 1,05,477	
	1	6,176		23	7,490	..	..	23	7,490	6	2,08,900	25	18,666	
	..	..		..	..	3	600	3	600	3	600	..	..	
Total ..	4	58,653		23	7,490	3	600	26	8,090	41	3,38,143	30	1,24,143	
Vinukonda	2	47,810		..	..	..	..	..	..	2	47,810	2	47,810	
	..	..		3	666	..	..	3	666	5	97,200	16	8,966	
	..	..		..	..	3	600	3	600	3	600	..	..	
Total ..	2	47,810		3	666	3	600	6	1,266	29	1,61,876	18	56,776	
Narasaraopet	4	1,47,829		..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1,47,829	4	1,47,829	
	..	..		3	3,430	..	..	..	..	1	2,00,000	17	9,231	
	..	..		..	..	3	600	3	600	3	11,736	..	..	
Total ..	4	1,47,829		3	3,430	8	725	11	4,155	32	3,60,165	21	1,57,060	
Guntur	4	96,658		..	15,000	..	..	..	..	4	96,658	4	96,658	
	4	22,787		..	..	..	..	..	..	33	15,000	1	15,000	
	..	..		1	..	..	..	..	..	..	41,795	33	41,795	
Total ..	8	1,19,445		1	15,000	..	..	1	15,000	38	1,53,453	38	1,53,453	
Sattenapalli	3	61,441		..	..	..	..	..	..	3	61,441	3	61,441	
	..	..		..	..	..	..	..	..	1	33,000	..	6,512	
	..	..		..	..	..	..	..	..	9	10,912	7	..	
Total ..	3	61,441		..	..	..	..	..	..	13	1,06,353	10	67,953	

Abstract statement of programme of famine-relief works in the Kistna District for the year 1898-99—cont.

Taluka.	Population by last census in thousands.	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 works.		Road works.		
			Class of work.	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	
Berwada ..	106	21,200	Large—	..	..	..	..	..	Rs.	..	..	..	..	Rs.	
			Sanctioned	..	8,354	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Not sanctioned	..	9,333	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Small	..	4,440	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Land improvements	..	266	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
			Total	..	22,393	21.13	..	..	..	1	3,000	1	14	70,000	
Nusvid ..	154	30,800	Large—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
			Sanctioned	..	3,473	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Not sanctioned	..	6,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Small	..	2,800	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Land improvements	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
			Total	..	12,273	7.97	..	..	..	..	..	2	17	55,870	
Nandigama ..	127	25,400	Large—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
			Sanctioned	..	17,610	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Not sanctioned	..	3,324	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Small	..	3,176	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Land improvements	..	533	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
			Total	..	24,643	19.40	..	..	..	..	..	3	29	86,165	
Tiruvur ..	61	12,200	Large—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
			Sanctioned	..	22,566	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Not sanctioned	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Small	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Land improvements	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
			Total	..	22,666	37.16	..	..	..	..	..	2	34	1,70,000	
Total for the district.	1,134	226,800	Large—	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
			Sanctioned	..	90,663	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Not sanctioned	..	115,202	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Small	..	24,664	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			Land improvements	..	1,039	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
			Grand Total	..	231,568	20.38	..	..	..	5	10,900	13	160	6,67,036	

Abstract statement of programme of famine-relief works in the Kistna District for the year 1898-99 - cont.

Taluka.	Road works-cont.			Drinking-water supply.				Others.		Total.		Grand total.		Works for which estimates are ready.	
	Repairs.		Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Approximate cost.	Number.	Cost.
	16	17													
Bezwada	2	62,658	62,658	10	9,000	10	9,000	12	10,000	22	19,000	24	62,658	2	62,658
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	2	62,658	62,658	10	9,000	10	9,000	12	10,000	22	19,000	45	1,67,953	11	68,958
Nuzvid	1	15,179	15,179	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	26,049	2	26,049
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	45,000	..	..
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	21,000	17	21,000
Total ..	1	15,179	15,179	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20	92,049	19	47,049
Nandigama	1	40,848	40,848	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1,32,078	4	1,32,078
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	24,935	..	..
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	23,818	10	10,268
Total ..	4	47,549	47,549	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	56	1,84,831	14	1,42,346
Tiruvur	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1,70,000	..	..
Total for the district	20	5,25,900	5,25,900	56	15,000	56	15,000	7	8,125	63	15,000	26	6,80,000	26	6,80,000
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	186	8,04,035	1	15,000
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	44	1,84,393	134	1,22,738
Grand Total ..	28	5,60,564	5,60,564	57	56,586	57	56,586	51	15,925	108	72,511	276	17,36,828	161	8,17,738

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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2. It is observed that the percentage of the population provided for in the Nuzvid taluk is given as 8.1 in para 3 of the Board's Proceedings and as 7.97 in column 6 of the Appendix. The latter appears to be correct. Further the corrected percentage for the Palnad taluk should apparently be 21.5 and not 21 as stated in para 3 of the Board's Proceedings.

(True extract)

[Signature]

For Secretary to Government.

To the Bd. of Revenue, Revenue Sett.

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