Public Works (1898) Department.

G.O., No. 2324 45

DATED 6th September 98

Famine Expenditure

[Despatch Abstract.]

Encs: 2nd Supt Correspondence on the
Statements of ——— for June 98, submitted by
the Accts Offr Supt P.W. Secunderabad, Comm
incited & the Wks concerned with Remarks

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READ ~~the following paper:~~—

Again G.O.No.500, Financial, dated 3rd June 1898, passing orders on the revised Famine Estimates for 1898-99, and the expenditure in April 1898.

Again G.O.No.570, Financial, dated 30th June 1898, requesting the Board of Revenue, the Accountant-General and the Examiner of Public Works Accounts to include in future statements of Famine Expenditure, commencing with those for June 1898, a column under each minor head showing the latest estimate accepted by Government for each district, and stating that the gross expenditure should be reported, recoveries being shown separately.

Read also the following papers:—

From the Accountant-General, No.10/Fam.Ex., dated 8th July 1898, forwarding statement showing the sanctioned estimate and expenditure under the head 83 Famine Relief up to the end of June 1898.

From the same officer, No. 3554, dated 9th July 1898, requesting information as to whether Rs. 73,000 is to be considered as the present estimate of famine expenditure in 1898-99 for Nellore, Kurnool and North Arcot.

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From the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, Madras and Georg. No.847 A/8, dated 11th July 1898, forwarding statement shewing the expenditure under "33 Famine Relief Works" in charge of Public Works Department during and to end of June 1898.

From the Accountant-General, No. 3891, dated 9th August 1898, requesting early orders on this office letter No. 3554, dated 9th July 1898, regarding the revised estimates of famine expenditure.

O R D E R No. 723, dated 23rd August 1898.

The Accountant-General will be informed that paragraph 1 of G.O.No.500, Financial, dated 3rd June 1898 recapitulated the facts and figures as placed before Government from time to time. In paragraph 5 of the proceedings of the Board of Revenue No.151, dated 21st April 1898 it was stated that the Collector of Nellore anticipated no expenditure after June while in paragraph 3 of its proceedings No.175, dated 12nd May the Board intimated that no relief measures would be necessary in North Arcot and Kurnool unless the South-West monsoon failed. The Government accepted these views in G.O.No. 378, Revenue, of 16th idem.

3. The only estimate against which actual expenditure can be incurred must therefore be held to be the sum of .13 allotted for the Nellore district for April, May and June. This has been subsequently revised in G.O.No.578, Financial, dated 5th July 1898 as follows:-

Civil Department.. ..	.04
Public Works Department	.05
Total	.09

3. The bulk of the grant of 8.50 lakhs under 33 Famine Relief, although nominally apportioned among districts in G.O. 378, Financial, dated 15th March 1898, should be treated as practically in reserve with Government and neither the Board of Revenue nor Collectors should authorize any expenditure from the

the district allotments without the specific orders of Government

The total recoveries in the first three months of the year aggregate 3.07 lakhs. Under the orders of the Government of India recorded in G.O.No.184,Financial, dated 24th February 1898, a portion of these recoveries should apparently be credited to Imperial. It appears therefore to be incorrect to deduct the amounts from the charges debited in 1898-99 to 33 Famine relief-Provincial. The Accountant-General will be requested to report on the point.

4. The Accountant-General and the Examiner of Public Works Accounts will be requested to submit future statements of famine expenditure in print and the Superintendent of the Government Press will treat these papers as urgent. The Examiner will be requested to recast his statement for June 1898 in accordance with the instructions conveyed in G.O.No.570,Financial, dated 30th June 1898. The statements of recoveries and actual expenditure should be kept separate. ~~As now done in the annual statements of the Accountant General in the appendix to this order.~~

(True Extract)

A Edgington
for Chief Secretary.
22-8-98

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Famine Expenditure.

Passing orders on the statements of — for June 1898 submitted by the Accountant-General and the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following papers :—

G.O., No. 500, Financial, dated 3rd June 1898.

ABSTRACT.—Passing orders on the revised famine estimates for 1898–99 and the expenditure in April 1898.

G.O., No. 570, Financial, dated 30th June 1898.

ABSTRACT.—Requesting the Board of Revenue, the Accountant-General, and the Examiner of Public Works Accounts to include in future statements of famine expenditure, commencing with those for June 1898, a column under each minor head showing the latest estimate accepted by Government for each district, and stating that the gross expenditure should be reported, recoveries being shown separately.

READ—also the following papers :—

From the Accountant-General, dated 8th July 1898, No. 10-Famine Expenditure.

From T. HESKETH BIGGS, Esq., Accountant-General, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Fort St. George, 9th July 1898, No. 3554.

With reference to G.O., No. 500, Financial, dated the 3rd of June 1898, I have the honour to request information as to whether Rs. 73,000 is to be considered as the present estimate of famine expenditure in the Civil Department in 1898–99 for the districts of Nellore, Kurnool and North Arcot.

In the order Rs. 2,19,000 is shown as the revised estimate of Civil and Public Works Department expenditure approved of by the Revenue Department for the three districts, and Rs. 13,000 for Nellore alone. But from the particulars given in the memorandum under "Present estimates" the figure 2·19 appears to include the provision for Nellore also. Moreover as, in Board's Proceedings, No. 175, dated 12th May 1898, printed in the order, no provision was made for districts other than Nellore, it is not clear why Rs. 2,19,000 is shown as the present estimate of Civil and Public Works Department expenditure.

From my statement of famine expenditure for June 1898, it will be observed that some expenditure is being incurred in districts other than Nellore, and it is requested that allotments may be made to cover this expenditure.

From the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, Madras and Coorg, dated 11th July 1898, No. 847—A-B.

From the Accountant-General, Madras, dated 9th August 1898, No. 3891.

ORDER—No. 723, Financial, dated 23rd August 1898.

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	LAKHS.
* Civil Department	·07
Public Works Department	·06
Total ..	·13

2. The only estimate against which actual expenditure can be incurred must therefore be held to be the sum of ·13 * allotted for the Nellore district for April, May and June. This has been subsequently revised in G.O., No. 578, Financial, dated 5th July 1898, as follows :—

	LAKHS.
Civil Department	·04
Public Works Department	·05
Total ..	·09

3. The bulk of the grant of 8·50 lakhs under 33. *Famine relief*, although nominally apportioned among districts in G.O., No. 272, Financial, dated 15th March 1898, should be treated as practically in reserve with Government, and neither the Board of Revenue nor Collectors should authorize any expenditure from the district allotments without the specific orders of Government.

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(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
" Accountant-General.
" Public Works Department.
" Superintendent, Government Press.

Exd. W. D'Moss.