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Board of Revenue, reviewing the pro-
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Coimbatore District for 1899-1900.

To

The Supt. Ingr. IV Circle

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Famine-relief works.—Reviewing the programme of — of the Coimbatore district for 1899–1900.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE
(REVENUE SETTLEMENT, LAND RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE).

Read—again the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (R.S., L.R. and Agri.), Mis. No. 6231, dated 21st October 1898:—

Read—the following letter from W. HUGHES, Esq., Chief Engineer for Irrigation, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, Madras, dated 14th October 1898, No. 329-M.:—

With reference to B.P., No. 343, dated 13th September 1898, I have the honour to inform you that a final decision as to whether further investigation of the Muthukulam project should be proceeded with or not awaits the result of a reference made to the Revenue Department on the financial aspect of the scheme. The Superintending Engineer, IV Circle, has, in the meantime, been directed to maintain the water registers.

2. Definite proposals will be shortly submitted to Government with regard to the Bhavani project.

3. An estimate has just been sanctioned by Government for re-slucing the first 15 miles of the Kalingaroyen channel, and the Superintending Engineer has been directed to expedite the submission of the estimate for re-slucing the remaining portion of the channel. Until this work has been carried out, and it is seen what water is available, the question of the extension of the channel must stand over for the present.

4. The clearance of silt from tank-beds to the extent required to make up the bunds to a good substantial section seems an excellent form of relief work and has been approved by Government, but the clearance of silt merely for the sake of deepening the tanks affords very little return for the labour expended and should, in my opinion, only be undertaken when no more useful work can be found.

A copy of this letter with the Board's Proceedings will be forwarded to the Superintending Engineer, with a request that the preparation of the necessary estimates may be put in hand at an early date.

Resolution—Mis. No. 6231, dated 21st October 1898.

Communicated to the Collector of Coimbatore.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAH,
Secretary.

To the Collector of Coimbatore.

opy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

READ—also the following letter from C. H. MOUNSEY, Esq., Acting Collector of Coimbatore, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, Madras, dated 18th March 1899, D. Dis. No. 837-Rev.:—

I have the honour to submit the programme of famine-relief works for 1899-1900 in forms A, B and C for the Coimbatore district.

2. During the current year, estimates to the extent of Rs. 8,42,250 have been sanctioned.

3. The works referred to in paragraph 2 of B.P., No. 343 (Settlement), dated 13th September 1898, amounting in all to Rs. 58,75,000, have been omitted as directed in the Board's Proceedings. Of these sums the Bhavani project estimate accounted for 44 lakhs.

The works provide for labour for three months for 26 per cent. of the whole population and in no taluk for less than 23 per cent.

RESOLUTION—No. 131, dated 19th May 1899.

The abstract of the programme of famine-relief works for 1899-1900, received from the Collector of Coimbatore, will be submitted for the information of Government.

2. The subjoined summary shows the provision made under each class of work, the amounts being shown in lakhs of rupees:—

Nature of works.	Large works.		Small works.	Total.
	Sanctioned.	Not sanctioned.		
Irrigation—Repairs .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Forest works .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Roads { New (667 miles) .. .. .	.. .. .	5.80	1.25	7.05
Repairs	3.52	0.29	0.08	0.37
Drinking water-supply	12.58	0.88	1.92	6.32
Other miscellaneous works .. .. .	.. .. .	0.95	4.30	17.83
Land improvement works .. .. .	.. .. .	0.10	0.71	0.81
Total	16.10	8.02	1.00	38.55

Of the large amount of new roads included, 281 miles have been sanctioned and 315 miles are in small works, and it is presumed that the District Board would be able to maintain the roads in the event of their being constructed.

3. The provision made for repairs to irrigation works amounts to Rs. 7,05,562, *

Proposed by Revenue Department.	Rs. 24,472
Proposed by the Public Works Department	6,81,090
Total	7,05,562

as detailed on the margin. Estimates for all the works proposed by the Revenue Department entered in the programme are stated to have been sanctioned, but no estimates have been prepared for any of the works suggested by the Public Works Department. These works consist solely of the deepening of the beds of tanks. It is presumed that the work proposed is of the nature specified in paragraph 4 of the letter from the Chief Engineer read in B.P., Mis. No. 6231, dated 21st October 1898; viz., deepening the beds only so far as is necessary to make up the bunds to a good substantial section. Clearance of silt merely for the sake of deepening tanks is not advisable (B.P., No. 811, dated 18th December 1891). The Chief Engineer will be requested to inform the Board what steps have been taken for the preparation of estimates for these works with reference to the concluding remark in his letter above quoted.

4. The total provision made under all works amounts to 38.55 lakhs, and the works are calculated to provide employment for a period of three months for 26 per cent. of the total population of the district. The provision made is generally adequate in all taluks. Four large projects *, costing 58.75 lakhs, have been shown as additional works which might be made available in the event of emergency, but it seems doubtful how far any of these can be regarded as effectively available.

	LAKHS.
* Erode-Kalingaroyen channel project	6.5
Satyamangalam-Bhavani reservoir	44.0
Coimbatore-Muthukolam project	8.0
Coimbatore water-supply	0.25

5. Estimates are stated to be ready for works costing 29.32 lakhs or 78 per cent. of the total provision exclusive of land improvements to be made by the aid of State loans. The amount provided for works of the last class (one lakh) is small as compared with the actual amount disbursed during the distress of 1891-92—nearly eight lakhs in 21 months. The amount might probably be greatly increased with advantage.

6. In the concluding portion of his letter, the Collector states that in no taluk has provision been made for less than 23 per cent. of the population. It is observed, however, that the provision is for less than 23 per cent. in the Satyamangalam, Karur, Palladam and Pollachi taluks.

7. In the preparation of the programme the taluks should have been arranged in geographical order as shown in the appendix to these proceedings.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) C. BENSON,
Dy. Dir., L. Rds. and Agri.,
for Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
" Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
" Collector of Coimbatore.

APPEN

ABSTRACT of programme of famine-relief works

Taluks.	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 works.	
			Class of works.	Number provided for on.	Percentage of population.	New.		Repairs.		Number.	Amount.
						Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Kollegal ..	89	17,800	Large—								
			Sanctioned ..	15,445							
			Not sanctioned ..	20,403							
			Small ..	10,424							
			Land Improvement.	267							
Satyamangalam.	184	36,800	Total ..	46,539	52						
			Large—								
			Sanctioned ..	14,642							
			Not sanctioned ..	2,053							
			Small ..	17,476							
Bhavani ..	120	24,000	Land Improvement.	1,333							
			Total ..	35,504	19						
			Large—								
			Sanctioned ..	14,785							
			Not sanctioned ..	3,733							
Erode ..	247	49,400	Small ..	12,635							
			Land Improvement.	1,600							
			Total ..	32,753	27						
			Large—								
			Sanctioned ..	23,153							
Karūr ..	212	42,400	Not sanctioned ..	14,583							
			Small ..	15,983							
			Land Improvement.	2,000							
			Total ..	55,719	23						
			Large—								
Dharampuram.	249	49,800	Sanctioned ..	38,299							
			Not sanctioned ..	16,626							
			Small ..	1,333							
			Land Improvement.								
			Total ..	56,258	23						
Udamalpet.	143	28,600	Large—								
			Sanctioned ..	25,805							
			Not sanctioned ..	10,944							
			Small ..	24,366							
			Land Improvement.	933							
Palladam ..	270	54,000	Total ..	62,048	43						
			Large—								
			Sanctioned ..	27,823							
			Not sanctioned ..	3,419							
			Small ..	28,844							
			Land Improvement.	2,000							
			Total ..	57,086	21						
			Large—								
			Sanctioned ..	27,823							
			Not sanctioned ..	3,419							
			Small ..	28,844							
			Land Improvement.	2,000							
			Total ..	57,086	21						

DIX.

in the Coimbatore District for the year 1899-1900.

Road works.					Miscellaneous.						Grand Total.		Works for which estimates are ready.	
New.			Repairs.		Drinking-water supply.		Others.		Total.		Number.	Approximate cost.	Number.	Cost.
Number.	Miles.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.				
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		RS.		RS.		RS.		RS.		RS.		RS.		RS.
2	18	25,550	6	90,290	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	1,15,840	8	1,15,840
..	..	..	1	16,300	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	1,53,020	..	..
1	6	2,200	4	17,550	5	2,905	27	35,857	32	38,762	44	78,182	36	59,532
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,000	..	2,000	..	2,000	..	..
3	24	27,750	11	1,23,140	5	2,905	27	37,857	32	40,762	60	3,49,042	44	1,75,372
..	..	..	8	1,09,815	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	1,09,815	8	1,09,815
..	..	..	1	15,400	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	15,400	1	15,400
13	65½	25,225	11	53,270	84	16,436	43	27,897	127	44,333	154	1,31,066	150	1,12,106
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10,000	..	10,000	..	10,000	..	..
13	65½	25,225	19	1,63,085	84	16,436	43	37,897	127	54,333	163	2,66,281	159	2,37,321
3	55	44,900	5	65,989	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	1,10,889	8	1,10,889
..	..	..	6	18,250	20	4,513	57	28,121	77	32,634	96	28,000	92	75,284
8	44½	24,150	..	..	..	..	..	12,000	..	12,000	..	94,764	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12,000	..	..
11	99½	69,050	11	84,239	20	4,513	57	40,121	77	44,634	107	2,45,653	100	1,86,173
..	..	..	13	1,73,646	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	1,73,646	13	1,73,646
2	27	23,575	4	64,371	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	1,09,371	7	1,01,571
2	11	7,826	17	53,200	55	10,197	83	22,277	138	32,474	174	1,19,874	170	1,01,119
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15,000	..	15,000	..	15,000	..	..
4	38	31,401	34	2,91,217	55	10,197	83	37,277	138	47,474	195	4,17,891	190	3,76,336
5	56	64,400	8	1,02,900	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	1,67,300	13	1,67,300
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	30,240	..	..
4	17	19,550	15	73,641	..	..	36	44,505	36	44,505	56	1,38,576	44	1,30,536
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7,000	..	7,000	..	7,000	..	..
9	73	83,950	23	1,76,541	..	..	36	51,505	36	51,505	71	3,43,116	57	2,97,836
12	109½	1,57,000	10	1,30,240	..	..	..	..	..	..	22	2,87,240	22	2,87,240
4	20½	26,700	9	46,020	7	1,119	414	49,764	421	50,883	436	1,24,697	430	1,21,187
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10,000	..	10,000	..	10,000	..	..
16	129½	1,83,700	19	1,76,260	7	1,119	414	59,764	421	60,883	458	4,21,937	452	4,08,427
1	10	14,500	10	1,79,036	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	1,93,536	11	1,93,536
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	82,080	..	..
1	20	5,200	4	23,294	67	14,178	108	1,14,074	175	1,28,252	185	1,82,746	172	1,51,786
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7,000	..	7,000	..	7,000	..	..
2	30	19,700	14	2,02,330	67	14,178	108	1,21,074	175	1,35,252	201	4,65,362	183	3,45,322
1	14	14,866	10	1,93,810	..	..	..	..	..	..	11	2,08,676	11	2,08,676
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	25,640	..	..
8	29	16,490	25	44,200	5	1,431	95	1,10,388	100	1,11,819	142	1,78,833	136	1,71,993
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15,000	..	15,000	..	15,000	..	..
9	43	31,356	35	2,38,010	5	1,431	95	1,25,388	100	1,26,819	155	4,28,149	147	3,80,669

Abstract of programme of famine-relief works

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			Class of works.	Number provided for on.	Percentage of population.	New.		Repairs.		Number.	Amount.
						Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Coimbatore.	307	61,400	Large—				RS.		RS.		RS.
			Sanctioned ..	18,929							
			Not sanctioned ..	42,528							
			Small ..	23,192				10	2,68,960		
			Land Improvement.	1,600				12	24,600		
			Total ..	86,249	28						
Pollachi ..	184	36,800	Large—					22	2,93,560		
			Sanctioned ..	13,453							
			Not sanctioned ..	5,230							
			Small ..	16,080							
			Land Improvement.	1,333							
			Total ..	36,096	20						
District Total.	2,005	401,000	Large—								
			Sanctioned ..	214,641							
			Not sanctioned ..	106,925							
			Small ..	179,103				30	5,80,440	2	29,025
			Land Improvement.	13,332				53	1,25,122	8	7,788
			Grand Total ..	514,001	26			83	7,05,562	10	36,818

in the Coimbatore District for the year 1899-1900—cont.

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Number.	Miles.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.				
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		RS.		RS.		RS.		RS.		RS.		RS.		RS.
..	..	..	9	1,41,967	..	10,000	..	..	..	10,000	9	1,41,967	9	1,41,967
2	20	40,000	18	58,340	10	5,227	44	24,329	54	29,556	100	1,73,922	83	1,47,712
16	95	61,416	..	..	..	..	..	12,000	..	12,000	..	12,000	..	..
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
18	115	1,01,446	27	2,00,307	11	15,227	44	36,329	55	51,556	122	6,46,869	92	2,89,679
2	19	31,000	5	69,900	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	1,00,900	7	1,00,900
2	23½	24,220	1	15,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	39,220	3	39,220
1	7	3,500	13	42,450	30	15,366	127	59,282	157	74,648	171	1,20,598	160	94,823
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10,000	..	10,000	..	10,000	..	..
5	49½	58,720	19	1,27,350	30	15,366	127	69,282	157	84,648	181	2,70,718	170	2,34,943
26	281½	3,52,216	84	12,57,593	..	10,000	..	..	..	10,000	110	16,09,809	110	16,09,809
6	70½	87,795	6	94,671	1	..	..	..	1	..	45	8,01,931	11	1,56,191
58	315½	1,92,287	122	4,30,215	283	71,372	1,034	5,16,494	1,317	5,87,866	1,558	13,43,278	1,473	11,66,078
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,00,000	..	1,00,000	..	1,00,000	..	..
90	667½	6,32,298	212	17,82,479	284	81,372	1,034	6,16,494	1,318	6,97,866	1,713	38,55,018	1,594	29,32,078

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