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of — of Madras District for 1899-1900,
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Famine-relief works.—Reviewing the programme of—of Madura district for 1899–1900.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

(REVENUE SETTLEMENT, LAND RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE).

READ—the following letter from J. G. D. PARTRIDGE, Esq., Acting Collector of Madura, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, dated 13th April 1899, Ref. on Cur. No. 97-Pdl. :—

I have the honour to submit the programme of famine-relief works for 1899–1900 in the forms prescribed in Appendix I to the Famine Code.

2. Works amounting to 41½ lakhs as detailed below have been provided in the programme :—

								Cost in lakhs.
Irrigation works	...	{	New ...	...	...	...	...	$\frac{1}{2}$
			Repairs	...	...	...	...	8
Forest works	...		...	...	...	...	...	$1\frac{1}{2}$
Roads	...	{	New ...	...	...	...	...	18
			Repairs	...	...	...	...	$8\frac{1}{2}$
Miscellaneous works	...	{	Drinking water supply	...	...	...	...	$1\frac{1}{2}$
			Land improvements	...	...	...	...	$3\frac{1}{2}$
			Others	...	...	...	...	$\frac{1}{2}$
Total								$41\frac{1}{2}$

3. The works are sufficient to provide employment for 21 per cent. of the population of the district for three months. The percentage is less than 20 in Tirumangalam, Dindigul, Palni and Sivaganga, being 17, 12, 10 and 18 respectively.

4. If the undermentioned projects are included in the programme, viz. —

(1) extension of the Periyár project to the southern bank of the Vaigai river in the Tirumangalam taluk, and

(2) the Porundalar project in the Palni taluk, but benefiting Dindigul taluk also, the percentage in these three taluks will be 23, 51 and 32 respectively. The Superintending Engineer has been requested to suggest any other large irrigation projects which can be included in the programme with reference to B. P. No. 452, (Revenue Settlement), dated 12th December 1898. The deficiency in the Sivaganga Zemindari can be made good by the excess over the prescribed minimum in the Mélur taluk and in the Ramnad zemindari, both of which adjoin Sivaganga.

5. The list of forest works has been revised by Mr. Porter, the District Forest-officer, and estimates have been sent up to the Conservator.

6. Detailed estimates are ready for works costing Rs. 11,84,778, or for about 31 per cent. of the total provision made for works excluding land improvements for which no estimates are required. The decrease in the amount for which estimates are ready, as compared with the last year's programme, is due to the exclusion of the Porundalar project from the body of the programme. The amount of sanctioned works has been increased from 8½ lakhs in 1898–99 to 9½ lakhs in the present programme. The percentage of the amount of sanctioned large works to the total amount of sanctioned and unsanctioned works has been increased from 20·6 per cent. in 1898–99 to 35·2 in this year.

RESOLUTION—No. 147, dated 3rd June 1899.

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

2. The works are classified under the main heads in the following table, the amounts being shown in lakhs of rupees:—

Class of work.	Large works.		Small works.	Total.
	Sanctioned.	Not Sanctioned.		
Irrigation works .. { New (12) Repairs .. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .
Forest works	0.27	2.56	0.14	0.14
Road works { New (937 miles) Repairs	2.60	0.79	5.30	8.13
Drinking water supply	6.75	13.00	1.03	1.82
Other miscellaneous works .. .. .	.. .. .	0.56	1.47	17.97
Land improvement works	0.08	.. .. .	1.10	8.41
.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	1.17	1.17
.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	0.41	0.49
.. .. .	.. .. .	.. .. .	3.54	3.54
Total	9.70	17.81	14.16	41.67

About five-eighths of the provision is for road works, and less than one-fifth for irrigation works. As regards the road works, it is observed that the amount provided for the repair of existing roads is less than half that proposed to be spent in the construction of new roads of which 937 miles are proposed as shown in the margin.* Seeing that "the District Board is not willing to maintain the new roads if constructed", the very large provision made under this head should be reduced, and works of a more useful nature substituted.

	Amount.
rs.	
* Large roads, sanctioned, 159 miles	2,60,025
Do. not sanctioned, 544 miles	13,90,580
Small roads, do. 234 "	1,47,033
Total	17,97,638

The Collector's attention will be drawn to B.P., No. 430, dated 28th November 1898, and he will be requested to cause careful enquiry to be made as to the amount of work that can be made available for famine relief by the improvement of irrigation works on the lines indicated therein; the number of tanks in the Government taluks being very large, while the provision made in the programme under irrigation works is comparatively scanty. Out of a total provision of eight lakhs for repairs under this head, more than 5½ lakhs are on account of works in the Ramnad and Sivaganga zamindaris, for which no estimates appear to have been prepared. These irrigation sources are apparently private property, and it is not clear whether the proprietors concerned have agreed to undertake the repairs. The Collector is requested to report on this point. It is observed that out of 12 Public Works Department works which are in need of repair in the Madura taluk, the repair of only one has been included in the programme.

3. With reference to paragraph 4 of the Collector's letter read above, the Chief Engineer for Irrigation will be requested to inform the Board whether the two projects † mentioned therein may be included in the programme.

4. The total provision made in the programme amounts to 41.67 lakhs, which would be sufficient for the employment for three months of 21 per cent. of the population of the district. The provision made for the Tirumangalam, Dindigul and Palni taluks and the Sivaganga zamindari is inadequate, but the Collector states that, if the projects referred to in the preceding paragraph can be made available for famine relief, ample provision will have been made for the Government taluks and that the deficiency in the provision for the Sivaganga zamindari can be met from the excess in that for Melur. The Collector has also requested the Superintending Engineer to suggest more works for the abovementioned taluks.

5. Detailed estimates are stated to be ready for works costing 11.85 lakhs or about 31 per cent. of the total provision excluding that for land improvements to be carried out with the aid of State loans. Subject to the remarks in paragraph 2 *supra*, endeavours should be made to bring more large works on the sanctioned list.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) C. BENSON,
for Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

" Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

" Collector of Madura (Divisional-officers and Tahsildars).

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ABSTRACT of programme of famine-relief works

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Taluks.	Population by last census in thousands.	Maximum number of persons for whom relief may be required in the event of serious famine.	Persons provided for by relief works daily for three months.			Irrigation works.				Forest works.	
			Class of work.	Numbers provided for.	Percentage population.	New.		Repairs.		Number.	Amount.
						Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Palni ..	195	39,000	Large— Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land Improvements. Total ..	.. 3,733 3,600 10,320 3,334 20,987	.. 11	.. .. .. .. .. ..	RS	 34 17,815	RS.	 6 9,798	RS.
Periyakulam	282	56,400	Large— Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land Improvements. Total ..	.. 7,086 75,768 9,252 333 92,439	.. 33	 1 .. 1	 3,000 .. 3,000	 4 82 86	 32,500 41,405 73,905	 45 13,856	 13,856
Dindigal ..	391	78,200	Large— Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land Improvements. Total ..	.. 20,583 7,440 19,017 .. 47,040	.. 12	.. .. .. .. .. ..	.. .. .. .. .. ..	.. .. .. .. 51 9,612	.. .. .. .. .. ..	.. .. .. .. 2 19,800 28 33,908	.. .. .. .. .. ..
Tirumangalam.	265	53,000	Large— Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land Improvements. Total ..	.. 12,964 23,867 6,616 3,467 46,914	.. 17	.. .. .. .. .. ..	.. .. .. .. .. ..	.. .. .. .. 39 36,470	.. .. .. .. .. ..	.. .. .. .. 1 8,000 9 5,874	.. .. .. .. .. ..
Madura ..	261	52,200	Large— Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land Improvements. Total ..	.. 13,357 9,467 18,715 26,667 68,236	.. 26	 6 .. 6	 3,997 .. 3,997	 1 85 86	 20,000 58,445 78,445	 4 7 11	 37,000 6,809 43,809
Melūr ..	149	29,800	Large— Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land Improvements. Total ..	.. 14,604 11,067 19,080 13,333 58,084	.. 39	 5 .. 5	 6,680 .. 6,680	 245 .. 245	 43,860 43,860	 1 30 31	 14,000 33,138 47,138
Sivaganga..	412	82,400	Large— Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land Improvements. Total ..	.. 14,936 30,320 29,479 .. 74,735	.. 18	.. .. .. .. .. ..	.. .. .. .. .. ..	1 10 88	6,770 1,22,600 1,26,196 .. .. ..	.. .. .. .. .. ..	.. .. .. .. .. ..
Ramnad ..	653	130,600	Large— Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land Improvements. Total ..	.. 41,981 76,003 29,186 .. 147,170	.. 23	.. .. .. .. .. ..	.. .. .. .. .. ..	99 7 137 144	2,55,566 1,01,000 1,96,628 2,97,628	.. .. .. .. .. ..	.. .. .. .. .. ..
District Total.	2,608	521,600	Large— Sanctioned .. Not sanctioned .. Small .. Land Improvements. Total ..	.. 129,275 237,531 141,665 47,134 555,605	.. 21			2 21 761 144	26,770 2,56,100 5,30,461 2,97,628		
			Total ..	555,605	21	12	13,677	784	8,13,331	133	1,52,183

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in the Madura District for 1899-1900.

Road works.					Miscellaneous works.							Grand Total.		Works for which estimates are ready.	
New.			Repairs.		Drinking water supply.		Others.		Total.						
Number.	Milos.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Approximate cost.	Number.	Cost.	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
		RS.		RS.		RS.		RS.		RS.		RS.		RS.	
1	14	15,000	1	20,000	..	..	1	8,000	1	8,000	2	28,000	2	28,000	
6	49½	22,744	3	17,558	1	9,458	..	..	1	9,458	50	27,000	7	24,403	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25,000	..	25,000	..	25,000	..	..	
7	63½	37,744	5	49,558	1	9,458	1	33,000	2	42,458	5½	1,57,403	9	52,403	
1	4	9,345	2	43,800	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	53,145	3	53,145	
10	156	5,35,760	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	5,68,260	..	..	
1	6	4,000	1	5,380	1	1,750	..	..	1	1,750	131	69,391	12	14,625	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,500	..	2,500	..	2,500	..	..	
12	166	5,49,105	3	49,180	1	1,750	..	2,500	1	4,250	148	6,93,296	15	67,770	
1	10	18,600	7	1,40,775	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	1,54,375	8	1,54,375	
2	27	28,000	1	8,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	55,800	..	..	
6	25	17,680	7	32,145	40	18,880	..	30,405	40	49,285	132	1,42,630	66	53,646	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
9	62	59,280	15	1,80,920	40	18,880	..	30,405	40	49,285	145	3,52,805	74	2,08,021	
..	..	..	4	97,230	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	97,230	4	97,230	
5	64	1,71,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	1,79,000	..	..	
..	..	..	1	4,890	..	2,884	..	..	..	2,884	49	49,618	37	41,360	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	26,000	..	26,000	..	26,000	..	..	
5	64	1,71,000	5	1,02,120	..	2,584	..	26,000	..	28,384	59	3,51,848	41	1,38,590	
1	20	40,200	2	40,200	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	1,00,400	4	1,00,400	
2	19½	34,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	71,000	..	..	
6	17	22,067	32	32,716	52	16,335	..	..	52	16,335	188	1,40,369	28	29,037	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,00,000	..	2,00,000	..	2,00,000	..	..	
9	56½	96,267	34	72,916	52	16,335	..	2,00,000	52	2,16,335	198	5,11,769	32	1,29,437	
1	10½	9,000	6	1,00,535	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	1,09,535	7	1,09,535	
4	42	69,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	83,000	..	..	
1	5	3,400	..	..	84	48,618	..	7,400	84	56,018	365	1,43,096	38	17,392	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,00,000	..	1,00,000	..	1,00,000	..	..	
6	57½	81,400	6	1,00,535	84	48,618	..	1,07,400	84	1,56,018	377	4,35,631	45	1,26,927	
4	62½	87,400	2	17,850	..	..	..	..	..	..	7	1,12,020	7	1,12,020	
4	62	1,04,800	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	2,27,400	..	..	
22	127	71,342	2	11,800	5	8,746	..	3,005	5	11,751	117	2,21,089	9	15,560	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
30	251½	2,63,542	4	29,650	5	8,746	..	3,005	5	11,751	138	5,60,509	16	1,27,570	
4	52	1,00,480	6	2,14,380	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	3,14,860	10	3,14,860	
11	159	4,33,020	1	36,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	5,70,020	..	..	
1	5	5,800	1	5,400	12	11,065	..	..	12	11,065	151	2,18,893	19	19,200	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
16	216	5,39,300	8	2,55,780	12	11,065	..	..	12	11,065	180	11,03,773	29	3,34,060	
12	159	2,60,025	30	6,74,770	..	..	1	8,000	1	8,000	45	9,69,565	45	9,69,565	
39	543½	13,90,580	3	56,000	..	..	..	..	..	..	71	17,81,480	..	..	
43	234½	1,47,033	47	1,09,889	195	1,17,236	..	40,810	..	1,58,046	..	10,62,489	216	2,15,213	
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,53,500	..	3,53,500	..	3,53,500	..	..	
94	937	17,97,638	80	8,40,659	195	1,17,236	..	4,02,310	..	5,19,546	..	41,67,034	261	11,84,778	

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for Ag Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue, *R. S.*
" *Public Works Dept.*
" *Local & Mun. Dept.*

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