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Public Works (1899) Department.

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DATED 19 Dec 1899.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Famine Relief Works. Unofficial note from the Bd of Rev (Cett Rev) stating the inability of the Board to say when and on what scale relief operations may become necessary, ^{and} considering that it would not be advisable to weaken the local staff by drafting any officers elsewhere before the end of ~~December~~ December ~~next~~ recorded

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From

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Rev. Settlement, Land Records & Agriculture

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SUBJECT.

Stating the inability of the Board to say when and on what scale relief operations may become necessary but considers that it would not be advisable to weaken the local staff by drafting any officers elsewhere before the end of December next.

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Urgent

Public Works Department.
No. 4831C dated 28 November/99

To

The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue,
Rev. Settlement,
Land Records
and Agriculture.
(unofficially)

The Chief Engineer
would be very glad of
very early information
regarding the state of the
season in the Ceded and
adjoining districts where
up to date the N.E. monsoon
has practically failed, and
would like to know whether
in the event of rain holding
off for another fortnight
there is any probability of
having to start relief
works within the next few
months.*

* The area affected which
be affected may also if possible
be stated

2. Urgent demands have
been made by the Govern-
ment of India for the loan
of

of officers for service in
Bombay and Elsewhere
and it is important to
know what the prospects are
in our own Province before
parting with officers who
may be required here.

(By order)

H. H. H.
Deputy Chief Engineer.

In the uplands of Godavari
and Krishna, in North Malabar,
Kannur, and parts of Bellary
Anantapur, and Cuddapah the
early crops have this year
been sown very late, and
will yield very badly owing
to the failure of the October
rains. That failure and the
continued absence of rain
in November is rendering the
prospects of the late sown
crops in these districts
and in Salem and Coimbatore
very uncertain, though
rain within a fortnight

(which is most improbable
in the more northerly districts)
will change the outlook greatly.
Influenced by a great demand
for export, and the bad
local outlook, prices have
risen greatly - rice Fort St. George &c.
2. Until a more exact estimate
can be formed of the failure
and probable failure of crops,
it will be impossible to say
when and on what scale
relief operations may become
necessary. But the Board
considers that it would
not be advisable to weaken
the local staff by drafting
any officers elsewhere before
the end of December. By
that time the situation
should be clearer.

C. B. B.

24.11.44 Deputy Director for Secretary.