

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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No.44. Read the following letter from the Officiating Superintending Engineer, 8th Division, to the Secretary to Government, Department Public Works, dated Madura, 23rd November 1866, No. 1,432:—

* *Vide* G. O. No. 3,557 of 7th November 1866. 1. With reference to the postscript of my letter No. 1,235, dated 26th October 1866, I have the honor to report that in the Madura District funds are required under the head Agricultural, repairs, to the extent of Rupees 5,396, for works emergently put in hand on account of the damages caused by the heavy rains in October.

2. A few breaches have occurred in the second Range of the district, and funds are there appropriated from the Range allotment, but in the first Range I require for the—

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Madura Talook	2,248
Tirumungalum „	2,891
Meyloor „	257
Total ...	5,396

In the Madura Talook breaches have occurred in nine tanks, for the repair of which estimates have been furnished to the aggregate amount of Rupees 918; and damage has been done to the apron of the Perani Anicut, estimated at Rupees 1,330.

In the Tirumungalum Talook seventeen tanks have been breached, for which estimates have also been furnished, amounting to Rupees 2,891.

In the Meyloor Talook two tanks only have breached, for which estimates are furnished to the amount of Rupees 257. In this talook there was less rain; and there are also a great number of very small tanks, several of these were breached, but the work of repair at each being trifling, is done by the villagers, and does not call for the intervention of this department.

3. The difficulty now is to find the money for the adjustment of the emergent expenditure. The only way I can provide the funds from the Budget allotment of this Division would be by stopping the progress of irrigation repairs in the Tinnevely District. I have lately been revising the allotments of the different Ranges, with a view to determining the exact expenditure on each for the year, so that there may be but little alteration in the final distribution of funds early in February, and at that late date of the official year, I would not be able to provide the sum of Rupees 5,396 for the first Range of Madura.

4. Considering the distress that there has been in the district, and the high prices that still prevail, I would recommend, for the consideration of Government, that a sum of Rupees 5,396 may be allotted from the source from which grants are made for the relief of distress, or I have an alternative suggestion, that this amount may, for the present, be allowed to stand over, in the expectation of its being absorbed by short expenditure in other divisions that will be ascertained when the final accounts for the year are rendered.

Referred to the Revenue Department for consideration, as to the expediency of the amount required to meet the cost of the repairs of breached tanks in the

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Madura District being provided from the Famine grant, as no funds for assignment to that object are available from the Repair grants of the Public Works Department

(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government

FORT SAINT GEORGE,
7th November 1866.

No. 45. ORDER THEREON, 5th December 1866, No. 3,294.

Land Revenue.

The Collector is authorized to supply funds for these works if the employment of the able-bodied poor is still necessary.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

To the Collector of Madura.
,, the Board of Revenue.
,, the Accountant General.
,, the Public Works Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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The Off. Secy to Govt.
8th Div. Secy

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C. P. W.

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When order
reports the damages

caused by the heavy rains
in October to the tanks

in the 3 Taluqs of the 1st
Range Madurai District

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