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Submitting to
Government letter from
Mr Horsburgh Aſsistant
Collector of Cuddapah
reporting fall of rain
in District
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Read the following

No. 17.

From
B. Horsbrugh Esqre.
Assistant Collector of
Cuddapah.

To, A. MacGregor Esqre.
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.

Sir,

In the absence of the Collector I have the honor to report that we had a good fall of rain in this Station yesterday afternoon and again during the night, and from the heavy clouds over-head there is prospect of more falling in the course of the next few days.

I have &ca.

Cuddapah
Asst. Collr's Office,
4th June 1868

(Signed) B. Horsbrugh
Assistant Collector.

Submitted for the information of Government.

(True Copy & Extract.)

A MacGregor
Ag. Secretary.

To, The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

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Revenue Department

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Read the following Telegram from the Assist. Collector of Cuddapah dated 5th June 1868.

One inch four fifths rain last night. Drizzling all day. Ten days water in pata Cuddapah tank.

Submitted to Government for information.

(A true Copy and Extract)

Ag Secretary.

To

The Secretary to Government

Revenue Department.

Cpd by C. Govindoo

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Read the following

Weekly Season Report for May 1868

No	Name of Taluq	Rain fall	Price	Supplies in Market	Public health	Pasturage
			15	8	19	5
1	Gooty (3rd to 9th May)	No rain	Seer per Rupee Rice 8½ Cholum [illegible] Ragi [illegible] Sujjalu [illegible] Horse gram 22	well Supplied	9 died of fever and ague and 12 of Small Pox	Scanty
2	Anantapur (4th to 10th May)	Do	Rice 1st Sort 10½ Do 2nd Do 11½ Cholum 22 Ragi 24 Sujjalu 22	Do	44 deaths among Cattle from Moosara in 4 Villages there being no water in the Villages of Nadimidoddy its hamlets Kurnapundi and Muddigoobba the People of Kurnapudi go for water for one mile and those of Muddigubba go from 30 to 80 Chains generally in many Villages there is less water in the wells.	Do
3	Bellary (4th to 10th May)	Slight rain at Cusbah & in 17 Villages	Paddy 23 Rice 9½ Cholum 21 Sujjalu 24 Ragi 29	Do	16 deaths among Cattle from Moosarah in 3 Villages	Abundant:
4	Alur (5th to 11 May)	Slight rain	Same as last week	Do	5 died of fever and 5 of Small Pox in 5 Villages 3 deaths among Cattle from Moosara and 2 from "Koondu" disease:	Do
5	Raidrug (5th to 11th May)	No rain	Rice 1st Sort 12½ Do 2nd Do 11 Cholum 21¼ Ragi 28 Sujjalu 26 Horse gram 26¾	Do	11 deaths among Cattle from Moosara	Do
6	Huvinhadgali (ending 11 May)	Do	Rice 9 Cholum 32 Ragi 44 Corralu 30 Horse gram 40	Do	2 died of fever and 6 deaths among Cattle from Moosara	Do
7	Kudligi (ending 11 May)	Do	Paddy 24 Rice 1st Sort 9 Do 2nd Do 10 Cholum 32 Ragi 36 Horsegram 36	Ordinarily Supplied	16 died of fever and 70 deaths among Cattle from Moosara. Cholera is said to have commenced in one Village. Medicine will be sent:	Do
8	Hospett (3rd to 9th May)	No rain	Rice 1st Sort 8 Do 2nd Do 9 Paddy 1st Do 19 Do 2nd Do 21	Well Supplied	10 died of fever in 7 Villages and 3 deaths among Cattle from Moosara in 2 Villages	Abundant

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Weekly Season Report for May 1868

No	Name of Taluq	Rain fall	Price	Supplies in Market	Public health	Pasturage
	9	8	15	8	19½	5
1	Gooty (3d to 9th May)	No rain	Seers per Rupee Rice — 8½ Cholum — [illegible] Ragi — [illegible] [illegible]	well Supplied	9 died of fever and ague and 12 of Small Pox	Scanty
			Cholum — 28 Sijjulu — 28½ Ragi — 30 Corralu — 24		Owing to fever pills not having as yet been received they have not been distributed.	
9	Dhurmavaram (5th to 11th May)	No rain	Rice 1st Sort — 11 Do 2d Do — 13 Paddy 1st Do — 24 Do 2d Do — 32 Cholum — 22 Ragi — 22	well Supplied	Small Pox prevails slightly here and there no death has been reported.	Abundant
10	Tadputry (11th to 17 May)	Do	Rice — 9½ Cholum — 18 Ragi — 20 Sijjulu — 19 Horse gram — 20	Do	1 died of fever & 9 of Small Pox & 49 deaths among Cattle from Moosara.	
11	Penkondah (10th to 17 May)	Do	Paddy 1st Sort — 24 Do 2d Do — 25 Rice 1 Do — 12 Do 2d Do — 13 Cholum — 28 Ragi — 24 Sijjulu — 20 Horse gram — 25	Do	Good	Scanty
12	Madaksera (5th to 11 May)	Drizzling	Paddy 1 Sort — 28 Do 2d Do — 30 Rice 1 Do — 13 Do 2 Do — 14 Cholum — 26 Ragi — 28 Sijjulu — 20	Do	1 died of fever and Moosara disease prevails in some villages.	Do
13	Hurpumhulli (12th to 18th May)	No rain	Paddy 1 Sort — 24 Do 2 Do — 28 Rice 1 Do — 10 Do 2d Do — 11 Cholum — 34 Ragi — 44 Sijjulu — 32 Horse gram — 40	Do	16 died of fever and 17 deaths among Cattle from Moosara	Abundant

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Weekly Season Report for May 1868

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	9	2	15	8	19½	5
1	Gooty (3d to 9th May)	No rain	Seer per Rupee Rice — 8½ Cholum — [illegible] Ragi — 23 Suggalu — [illegible]	well supplied	9 died of fever and ague and 12 of small pox	Scanty
14	Adoni (ending 17th May)	No rain	Paddy 1 Sort — 18 Do 2 Do — 24 Rice 1 Do — 9½ Do 2d Do — 10 Cholum — 24 Ragi — 28 Suggulu — 27½	well supplied	1 died of fever	Abundant
15	Hindupur (12th to 18th May)	Slight rain	Paddy 1 Sort — 25 Do 2 Do — 26 Rice 1 Do — 11 Do 2 Do — 12 Cholum — 26 Ragi — 24	Do	5 died of fever and 4 deaths among cattle from Moosara and 42 deaths among sheep & goats from a disease called "Bobbi Rogam"	Scanty

Bellary Collr's Office }
Camp Penkondah }
29th May 1868

(Signed) H. E. Sullivan
Collector

To
The Ag Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Submitted for the information of Government

(True copy and Extract)

Ag Secretary

To
The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

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Exd. S. Parthasaras

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Revenue Department,

Read the following:—

No.

No. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue. dated 6th June 1868.

Read the following Telegram from the Acting Collector of Nellore dated 5th June 1868.

Fall of rain in Nellore from (8) P. M. on 3rd June to three P. M. on fifth June, five and three quarter inches, still heavy rain. Pennar about $(\frac{1}{3})$ full, and still rising.

Submitted to Government for information.

(True Copy & Extract.)

Ag. Secretary

To,
The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

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Malabar Collector's Office
Calicut 5th June 1888

Nº — From

G. A. Ballard Esqr.
Collector of Malabar

To

W. Hudleston Esqr.
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St. George

Sir,

I have the honor to report that there was a rain fall of Inches 3.10 in Ponani Town in Ponani Taluk on the night of the 2d instant and another in Calicut Town of Inches 4.13 on the 4th instant and that it has continuously rained this forenoon.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obdt Servant

GABallard
Collector

H.S.

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From
The Collector of Malabar

To
The Secretary to Government
Revenue dept
Fort St George

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Reporting the rainfall
in Ponani & Calicut Towns
on the 2nd & 4th instant.

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Read the following

Weekly Season Report for May 1868_

No	Name of Taluq	Rainfall	Price		Supplies in Market	Public Health	Pasturage
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			Italium	4			
			Ragi	44			
			Suzjulu	32			
5	Adoni (18th to 24 May)	No rain	Paddy 1st Sort	18	well supplied	15 died of fever and 3 deaths among cattle from Murrain	Abundant
			Do 2d Do	24			
			Rice 1 Do	7½			
			Do 2d Do	[illegible]½			
			Do 3 Do	4½			
			Cholum	24			
			Suzjulu	24			

Bellary Collectors Office }
Camp Anantapur 1st June }
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(Signed) H. E. Sullivan
Collector

Submitted for the information of Government

(True [illegible]y and Extract)

To
The Secretary to
Government R. D
Fort St George

A Macgregor
Ag Secretary

Exd. E. W. Locker
Cop. T. Parthasarady

	Aleer (11th to 18 May)	Slight rain	Rice Cholum Suzjulu Corralu	9 24 24 40	well Supplied	14 died of fever & 10 deaths among Cattle from Moosara	Abundant:
8	Hunnhadgali (ending 18 May)	No rain	Rice Cholum Suzjulu. Horsegram	9 32 30 40	well Supplied	13 died of fever & 26 deaths among Cattle from Musara	Abundant
9	Raidrug (12th to 18 May)	Do	Rice 1st Sort Do 2d Do Cholum Ragi Suzjulu Horsegram	[illegible]½ [illegible] [illegible]¼ [illegible]8 [illegible]6 [illegible]5¾	Do	9 deaths among Cattle from Musara	Do.
10	Dhurmavaram (12th to 18 May)	Do	Paddy 1st Sort Do 2d Do Rice 1st Do Do 2d Do Cholum Ragi	[illegible] 2 2 [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]	Do	Small Pox prevails in some Villages	Do
11	Penkondah (18th to 25 May)	Slight rain on the 20th & 23d. Rain fall is ¼ of an inch	Paddy 1 Sort Do 2d Do Rice 1 Do Do 2 Do Cholum Ragi Suzjulu Horsegram	[illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 26 21 20 24	Do	Good	Scanty
12	Tadiputry (18th to 24 May)	No rain	Rice Cholum Ragi Suzjulu Horsegram	[illegible] [illegible]0 22 20 20	well Supplied	5 died of fever and 16 of Small Pox and 33 deaths among Cattle from Musara	Abundant
13	Hindupur (19th to 25 May)	It rained on the 22 & 23d. rainfall is one measure on each day to one inch	Paddy 1 Sort Do 2d Do Rice 1 Do Do 2 Do Cholum Ragi	25 26 11 12 26 24	Do	5 died of fever and 4 deaths among Cattle from Musara 6 from "Ramdie" disease & 6 from want of fodder	Scanty
1	Burpumbully (19th to 25 May)	No rain	Paddy 1 Sort. Do 2d Do Rice 1 Sort. Do 2d Do	24 28 10 11	Do	13 died of fever and 3 deaths among Cattle from Musara	Abundant

		Cholum	4			
		Ragi	44			
		Sujjulu	32			
15 Adoni (18th to 24th May)	No rain	Paddy 1st Sort	18	well supplied	15 died of fever and 3 deaths among Cattle from Musara	Abundant
		Do 2d Do	24			
		Rice 1 Do	7½			
		Do 2d Do	½			
		Do 3 Do	½			
		Cholum	4			
		Sujjulu	4			

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(Signed) R. E. Sullivan
Collector

Submitted for the information of Government

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		Cholum				
		Ragi				
4 Bellary (11th to 17 May)	Do	Paddy		well supplied	14 deaths among Cattle from Moosara	Do.
		Rice	2			
		Cholum				
		Sujjulu	4			
		Ragi	9			
5 Hospett (10th to 16th May)	Slight rain There was a rise in the Toongabudra of ½ a yard in the evening of the 10th and fall on the 11th	Paddy 1 Sort	1½	Do	12 died of fever - Fever pills have been received on the 16th and the same will be distributed to the villages where fever is prevailing	Do-
		Do 2d Do				
		Rice 1st Do	1¾			
		Do 2d Do	8¾			
		Cholum	27¼			
		Sujjulu	28¼			
		Ragi	30			
		Corralu	4			
6 Maducksira (12th to 18 May)	Drizzling	Paddy 1st Sort	8	Do	39 deaths among Cattle from Musara	Scanty
		Do 2d Do	30			
		Rice 1 Sort	13			
		Do 2d Do	14			
		Cholum	27			
		Ragi	28			
		Sujjulu	0			

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 20th June 1868.

No. 493. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th April 1868, No. 2,576 :—

Read the following letter from the Collector of Kurnool, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 14th August 1867, No. 254.

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Proceedings, No.——, dated 10th August 1867.

2. I think Mr. Henslowe's arrangements, regarding the forms for water, are good, and should be put into practice as soon as possible.

The only objection I can see is to the ryot having to carry the duplicate, triplicate, and quadruplicate forms to the Company's Engineer. Some of the villages are situated at a distance from Kurnool, and it would be a hardship to compel a ryot to walk to the Engineer's Office with these forms, prior to his cultivating his field. It might be more practicable for a Peon, in the employ of the Company, to collect the triplicate and quadruplicate from the Curnum, who would, prior to cultivation, give the duplicate to the ryot, and keep the counterfoil himself.

3. I do not advocate any fee being given to the Curnum, because he will be doing nothing more than would be required of him if the water belonged to Government, in which case his remunerations are not increased, as in the Godavery and Kistna Districts.

4. The most important question mooted by Mr. Henslowe is on the subject of remissions; but, as I addressed the Board on that subject, in my letter, No. 197, dated 27th June last, I have nothing more to urge, as I consider the matter now awaits the Board's decision.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 to 3.
ABSTRACT.—Board's Proceedings, Nos. 6,897, 7,875, and 8,033.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 4 to 6.
ABSTRACT.—Agent's letters, Nos. 534, 146, and 265.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 7 to 8.
ABSTRACT.—Copies of letters, Nos. 202 and 63.

ENCLOSURE No. 9.
ABSTRACT.—Spare copy of G. O., No. 1,689 of 1867.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 10 to 12.—Forms.

1. The disposal of the foregoing letter has been delayed, as the Board were in hopes that the decision of the Board of Directors of the Irrigation Company upon the Draft Rules and Forms would shortly be received. It will, however, now be submitted to Government with reference to their Order, under date 25th July 1867, No. 1,689.

2. In his letter, dated 11th July 1867, the Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company, when discussing the arrangements relating to the supply of water for irrigation from the Company's Canal, brought to the notice of Government, in the Department of Public Works, that Mr. Henslowe, the Agent, had

transmitted a revised form of Irrigation Voucher in quadruplicate, and that he desired the sanction of Government for its introduction. Captain Mullins expressed his opinion that the arrangement, if efficiently carried out, was likely to be of much utility, though it would not prevent the fraudulent or irregular use of water. This letter was referred to the Revenue Department, and this Department in their Order, dated 25th July 1867, No. 1,689, referred it to the Board to obtain and submit the Collector's opinion with their own remarks on Mr. Henslowe's proposal. This Order was accordingly forwarded to the Collector with the Board's Proceedings, dated 10th August 1867, and his reply is recorded above.

3. The Collector approves of the arrangements proposed by Mr. Henslowe regarding the forms of water tickets, and recommends that they be put into practice as soon as possible. The only objection he can see is to the ryot having to carry the duplicate, triplicate, and quadruplicate copies to the Company's Engineer; and he suggests that the duplicate shall be given to the ryot by the Curnum, and that a Peon of the Company shall collect the other two copies from the Curnum in each village.

4. The form of Irrigation Permit contains the columns noted in the margin and is, the Board think, a very suitable document. If a separate Permit is to be given to each ryot, the name of the ryot might be entered at the top of the Permit, instead of being entered in a separate column. The proposal of the Agent is that, in the case of each ryot, four copies should be prepared by the Curnum in this form, one to be kept by himself, and the other three to be given to the ryot to be taken to the Company's Engineer who will return the duplicate to the ryot stamped, retain the triplicate himself, and forward the quadruplicate to the Company's Agent.

Name of Ryot.
Nos. of Field.
Contents.
Rate.
Amount.

5. The filling up of four copies in the case of each individual ryot would, however, the Board think, entail much unnecessary labour on the Curnum of each village, who will have to keep a Register for the purposes of settlement in addition. The Board think that it will answer all purposes if one complete Register of applications for water is properly maintained in each village, and that a simple abstract, showing the extent and crops for which the water is required, should be forwarded from each village to the Company's Officer in proper time. Whenever details are required, the Curnum's Register in the village can be referred to.

6. It seems, however, to be Mr. Henslowe's opinion that each ryot should have a Permit in his own possession as an authority for using the water required by him. If this is considered absolutely necessary, the Board would suggest that, when each ryot informs the Curnum of the number of fields for which water is required, the Curnum should take them down in his Register and then furnish the ryot with an extract thereof, the name of the ryot being shewn at the top of the paper. When extracts were thus given by the Curnum to the several ryots, they might send a messenger to the Company's Officer with these extracts for the purpose of getting them stamped. The Company's Officer might, as soon as he received these extracts, enter in a Register kept for that purpose in English, the name of the ryot, the numbers of fields, crop, and the extent for which water is required. He would

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then return the extracts duly stamped, which would be delivered to the ryots by their own messenger. The Board are of opinion this would be a more simple arrangement, and be attended with less trouble than that proposed. There seems to be no reason why the Company's Agent should be furnished with the details of fields for which water is to be supplied. It will surely be quite sufficient if he is furnished with a simple abstract every month, shewing the extent for which water is to be supplied in each village. It is not usual to furnish the superior Officers of the Revenue Department with fieldwar details, and all such details are kept in the village only.

No. 494. ORDER THEREON, 20th June 1868, No. 1,740.

Irrigation, No. 12.

1. Ordered to be referred to the Consulting Engineer, Irrigation and Canal Company, for communication to the Company's Agent, and for such remarks as they may wish to offer on the Board's proposals.

2. The Agent desires to secure the adoption of an Irrigation Permit in quadruplicate, exhibiting the name of the applicant, the numbers of the fields for which water is required, the rate at which charge is to be made, and the total charge. It is proposed that these forms shall be supplied in books to the village Curnums, to whom the ryot will make his application for water, and that the Curnum shall fill up all the four copies, retaining one (the counterfoil) as his register of applications, and giving the remaining three copies to the ryot, who will take them to the Irrigation Superintendent.

3. The latter is to return one copy to the ryot stamped, as the authority for using the water, and of the other two, will retain one as a voucher for record in his office, and forward the other to the Company's Agent, as voucher for check in scrutinizing the accounts for water supplied and amount due to be maintained under the contract.

4. The Government observe that the Agent contemplates the payment by the Company to the Curnums of some remuneration for the additional labour thus to be thrown on them; but they concur with the Board in thinking that the proposed system is needlessly elaborate, and calculated, from the trouble it must entail on the ryot, to lead to evasions, if not to discourage the use of the water.

5. It may be advisable to furnish the ryot with a document, evidencing his right to water which he may be found using, but it is to be remembered that the Company are not dealing with the ryots individually, but with Government; and it seems very questionable whether the Agent's check really requires that he should be furnished with vouchers for each individual case.

6. An abstract statement shewing the total area irrigated in each village, and duly authenticated, ought, in the opinion of Government, to supply all that the Agent can really need.

7. As, however, the cost of the arrangement is proposed to be borne by the Company, (and the Government are certainly of opinion that the Curnums are entitled to receive some remuneration for the work,) the Government will not object to the use of the proposed forms; but they cannot consent that the ryot shall be

required to convey the copies to the Irrigation Superintendent, who may very probably be stationed at a considerable distance from the village when the application is made. The Permit to be retained by the ryot must be given to him at the time by the Curnum, who can send the remaining two copies to the Irrigation Superintendent, or other Company's officer authorized to receive them. If the Permits are numbered in a series, (each copy in quadruplicate, bearing the same number,) and the total contents and series noted on the cover of each book, there will be no opportunity for the Curnums to defraud the Company without means for their detection by the examination of the counterfoil register at intervals.

8. As regards the amount of remuneration to be given to the Curnums, the Government concur with Mr. Henslowe in thinking that a per-centage on the total amount paid for water in the village will be preferable to a fixed charge for each ticket; but they leave it for the Board of Revenue, in communication with the Agent and Consulting Engineer, to settle the amount.

9. The Board will instruct the Collector to notify to the ryots that they must give *immediate* notice to the Government officials of any damage to crops or fields from insufficient, unseasonable, or excessive supply of water, if they desire their claim for remission to be entertained, in order to allow of the necessary inquiry being made, while the evidence of the loss or damage is still visible.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Consulting Engineer for Irrigation and Canal Company.
,, the Public Works Department.
To Colonel J. C. Anderson, R. E., Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Revenue Departt.

No. 1740.

Proceedings of the Madras Govt.
under date the 20 June 1868.

Read the following Pro: of the Bd. of Reve.

Submitting with remarks letter from Collr. of Kurnool, reporting on supplementary arrangements proposed by Consulting Engr. Irrigation & Canal Co. for supply of water from the Co's. Canal.

Here enter 6th Apl. 1868 No. 2576/.

Ordered to be referred to the Consulting Engineer Irrigation and Canal Company, for communication to the Company's Agent, and for such remarks as they may wish to offer on the Board's proposals.

The Agent desires to secure the adoption of an Irrigation permit in quadruplicate exhibiting the name of the applicant – the Nos. of the fields

I cannot concur in a qualified agent & the proposed system without further explanation. The Ryot ought not to be vexed with a system of paper checks and obligations to carry them to and fro. I would like to have the question in Council. The Ryot gets the fields for which water is required – the rate at which charge is to be made, and the total charge. It is proposed that these forms shall be supplied in books to the village Kurnums to whom the Ryot will make his application for water, and that the Kurnum shall fill up all the four copies retaining one (the counterfoil) as his register of applications and giving the remaining three copies to the Ryot who will take them to the Irrigation Superintendent.

The latter is to return one copy to the Ryot stamped as the authority for using the water, and of the other two will retain one as a voucher for record in his office, and forward the other to the Company's Agent as

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as voucher for check in scrutinising the accounts for water supplied and amount due, to be maintained under the Contract.

The Govt. observe that the Agent contemplates the payment by the Company to the Kurnums of some remuneration for the additional labor thus to be thrown on them, but they concur with the Board in thinking that the proposed system is needlessly elaborate & calculated from the trouble it must entail on the Ryot to lead to evasions if not to discourage the use of the water. It may be advisable to furnish the Ryot with a document evidencing his right to water, which he may be found using – but it is to be remembered that the Company

company are not dealing with the Ryots individually but with Govt, and it seems very questionable whether the Agent's check really requires that he should be furnished with vouchers for each individual case.

An abstract statement showing the total area irrigated in each village and duly authenticated ought in the opinion of Govt to supply all that the Agent can really need.

As however the cost of the arrangement is proposed to be borne by the Company (& the Govt are certainly of opinion that the Kurnums are entitled to receive some remuneration for the work) the Govt will not object to the use of the proposed forms, but they cannot consent that the Ryot shall be required to convey the copies to the Irrigation Superintendent who may very probably be stationed at a considerable distance from the village, when the application is made. The permit to be retained by the Ryot must be given to him at the time by the Kurnum who can send the remaining two copies to the Irrigation Superintendent, or other Company's officer authorised to receive them. If the permits are numbered in a series (each copy in quadruplicate bearing the same number), and the total contents and series noted on the cover, front back, there will be be no opportunity for the Kurnams to defraud the Company without means for their detection by the examination of the counterfoil register at intervals.

As regards the amount of remuneration to be given to the Kurnams, the Govt concur with Mr. Henslowe in thinking that a percentage on the total amount paid for water in the village will be preferable to a fixed charge for each ticket, but they leave it for the Board of Revenue in communication with the Agent and Consulting Engineer to settle the amount.

The Board will instruct the Collector to notify to the Ryots that they must give immediate notice [illegible] Govt. officials of any damage to crops or fields from insufficient, unseasonable or excessive supply of water - if they desire their claim for remission to be entertained - in order to allow of the necessary enquiry being made while the evidence of the loss or damage is still visible.

It would be well to specify how
they are to give notice - of course, as they
must be kept - as much as possible from
having concern with the Company's officers, notice
must be conveyed to the proper
village officer.
W.W.

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— " Public Works Dept
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