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THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE,
REVENUE, AND COMMERCE.

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4. From the further information which has reached them there is not, in the opinion of Government, any probability of severe distress. Mr. Banbury has completed his inquiry, and the Government expect his report in a few days.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
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(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Ed. F. B. Bantleman.

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