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15. The state of the district is at present this: In the dry taluqs the sujja crop has in places been almost a total failure; where it has been harvested the outturn has not exceeded one-fourth, and has been generally less. The Gidda jonna crop has been a bad one nearly everywhere. The Pedda jonna has in many places failed; where it is not yet cut, good rain may so revive it that a small outturn may be expected, but only a small one.

16. Rain will enable the people to put in the Verigi crop on which they depend chiefly for their sustenance till the next year's early crop; but, if there be no rain, not a seed will be put down.

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18. In the Delta the rice-crop will be generally fair. The river has never been so low at this time of year, and the difficulty of giving the ryots water has been very great, but generally there has been no loss of crop yet in lands irrigable easily by flow.

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ENCLOSURE No. 1.

Road Work that can be undertaken in the Kistna District if necessity should arise.

REPALLI TALUQ.—(1) Road from Nizampatam to Bapatla—new road. (2) Towpath from Nizampatam to Tidal Lock.

BAPATLA TALUQ.—(1) Road from Chilakalurpet to Perala. (2) Road from Appapuram to Canal.

VINUKONDA TALUQ.—(1) Road from Vinukonda to Cumburn. (2) Road from Vinukonda to Narsarowpet. (3) Road from Vinukonda to Karampudi. (4) Road from Vinukonda to Komalupad.

* Same as in No. 1 in Bapatla.

† Same as in No. 2 in Vinukonda Taluq.

NARSAROWPET TALUQ.—(1)* Road from Chilakalurpet to Perala. (2)† Road from Narsarowpet to Vinukonda via Magalur.

GUDIVADA TALUQ.—(1) Road from Gudivada to Bandar. (2) Road from Gudivada to Panarru.

BANDAR TALUQ.—See above two roads.

NUZVID AND TIRVUR DIVISIONS.—(1) Road from Nuzvid to Kesarapalli via Andrip. (2) Road from Tirvur to Mailavaram.

PALNAD TALUQ.—For in paragraph 7 of letter, No. 1,736, 9 October 1876, and paragraph 14 of the present letter.

SATTENAPALLI TALUQ.—Road from Pedugurula to Sattenapalli.

NANDIGAMA TALUQ.—Repairs to Hyderabad Road.

BEZWADA TALUQ.—Nuzvid and Kesarapalli Road.

(Signed) G. D. LEMAN,
Collector.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government with reference to G.O., dated 31st October 1876, No. 1,535.

2. The state of the district is critical, but no immediate necessity for extraordinary relief is apparent. The Collector will carefully watch the progress of events, and if necessary make his wants known by telegraph.

3. The works specified in paragraph 8 appear to be useful and well selected for the employment of large bodies of men. It seems very desirable that the embankment works mentioned by the Collector should be executed while the ground is dry and the water low, and the present is a most favorable opportunity. In the event of relief works becoming necessary, the Board would impress on the Collector the expediency of village improvements carried out under the supervision of village and taluq officials which would prove a lasting benefit to the people and prevent the adult members of families leaving the precincts of their homes. Small sums advanced from time to time to the Potails whose account might be checked by the taluq officials would provide work, which would be eagerly taken up by the villagers. Copy of Board's Proceedings on this subject will be communicated to the Collector.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Acting Secretary.

No. 536B. ORDER THEREON, 28th November 1876, No. 1,833A.

Miscellaneous.

The desirability of taking up the works specified in paragraph 8 of the Collector's letter will be considered in the Public Works Department.

2. The Government would press canal drainage and embankment work in this district before roads. Local and village works should be for infirm or elderly persons only.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) D. F. CARMICHAEL,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
„ the Public Works Department.
„ the Financial Department.
„ the Inspector-General of Police.

Ed. F. R. Bantleman.

Revenue Department

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue.

Dated 17 November 1876
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 10 November 1876. } Collector

Enclosure

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 2. Towpath from Nizam-patam to Tidal Lock.

Bapatla

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- Narsarowpet Talug.
1. D. from Chilakalapeta to Perala
 2. D. from Narsarowpet to Vimkonda via Mayalur.

- Gudivada Talug.
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 2. D. from D. to Panam.

Bandar Talug. See above two Roads.

- Nuzvid & Tiruv
Divisions
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 2. Road from Tiruv to Malavaram.

Palnad

Palnad Taluq Provided for in Para
7 of letter No 1786 October
9, 1876 and para 14 of
the present letter.

Sattenapalli Taluq Road from Pidugurala
to Sattenapalli.

Nandigama Taluq Repairs to Hyderabad
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Bezawada Taluq Suzoid + Kesara-
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To The Secretary to Government N.D.

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