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Revenue DEPARTMENT

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
3rd April 1877.*

No. 16. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd March 1877, No. 995:—

Read again:—

MISCELLANEOUS No. 2,127.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 9th March 1876.

From R. DAVIDSON, Esq., Acting Collector of Ganjam, to H. E. STOKES, Esq.,
Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Chatterpore, 17th
January 1876, No. 298.

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 2,921, dated
21st October 1875, and to their Miscellaneous Proceedings, No. 11,252, dated
22nd December 1875, communicating G.O., Revenue Department, No. 1,816,
dated 18th idem, I have the honor to forward, herewith, a statement explaining
the discrepancies and omissions in connection with the expenditure on famine
relief-works therein alluded to.

ORDERED that the statement with its accompaniments received with the fore-
going letter be forwarded to the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, with
a request that he will be good enough to cause the figures to be checked and to
return the statements with any remarks that may seem necessary.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

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

To the Examiner of Public Works Accounts, with five enclosures to be returned.

MISCELLANEOUS No. 4,799.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 10th June 1876.

From Captain L. CONWAY-GORDON, Examiner of Public Works Accounts, to
H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated
Fort St. George, 5th May 1876, No. 7-B.

I HAVE the honor to acknowledge the receipt of the Board's Proceedings,
No. 2,127, under date the 9th March 1876, with regard to certain discrepancies
between various statements that purport to show the expenditure on famine relief-
works in the years 1871 and 1872, and with reference thereto to remark that I
shall be glad to pursue the subject further should the Board be of opinion that any
useful result will be thereby secured.

2. I will at once confess that so far as this office is concerned the question of
the determination of the exact amount spent in famine relief-works in the years
1871-72 has in course of time lost much of the interest it once possessed. The
amount spent in famine works has already been determined within very narrow
limits. To pursue the subject further with a view to its determination absolutely

correctly, to discuss the incidence of each petty item on its own merits with any reasonable hope of coming to an agreement thereon, will require not only an investigation of the accounts in some of the local offices, but also a careful criticism of the comparative evidential value of certain apparently discordant initial accounts.

3. All this will cost time and money, the expenditure of which can only be justified by considerations of utility. So far as this department is concerned these considerations do not exist. Should they exist in the Revenue Department, the investigation into these accounts will be proceeded with; but I own I should be glad if the Board could find it possible to view the matter in the same light as myself and to consider the question as practically settled.

The Examiner of Public Works Accounts is requested to return the statements which were sent to him with Board's Proceedings, dated 9th March 1876, Miscellaneous No. 2,127, to enable the Board to decide the question raised in this letter.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

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

To the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

From the same Officer, dated 21st June 1876, No. 15-B.

As requested in the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Miscellaneous No. 4,799, dated 10th June 1876, I have the honor to return the statements received with their Proceedings, Miscellaneous No. 2,127, dated 9th March 1876.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 to 5.—Statements.

The foregoing papers will be submitted to Government with reference to their Order, Revenue Department, dated 18th December 1875, No. 1,816.

2. With his letter of the 17th January 1876, No. 298, the Acting Collector of Ganjam forwarded statements explaining the discrepancies in connection with the expenditure on famine relief-works existing between the Collector's and the Examiner's accounts as pointed out in Board's Proceedings, dated 21st October 1875, No. 2,921.

3. The differences between the two sets of accounts amounted to Rupees 12,943-14-3, as shown below:—

	RS.	A.	P.
1. Difference owing to expenditure in Collector's accounts being up to August 1872, while the outlay in Examiner's accounts was brought up to March 1873 ...	2,140	1	1
2. Expenditure omitted in the Collector's accounts ...	14,005	6	6
3. Expenditure shown in Collector's accounts, but not reported to the Examiner ...	16,145	4	7
	3,201	6	4
	12,943	14	3

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Revenue Department

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 17 March 1897

No. 1225

Read the following

Board CR No
2567

No. 105

From J. F. Price Esquire
Acting Collector of
Cuddapah

To
H. E. Stokes Esquire
Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Madras.

Sir,
With reference to Board's Proceed-
ings 3165 dated 13 December 1896,
I have the honor to submit herewith
a statement showing the allotments
from Local Funds for roads on which
Imperial Funds have been spent
for relief purposes in the Cuddapah
Circle.

I beg to state that for none of
the

Cost of (1877) Rs. 200000.

REVENUE.

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Secy, Secy, Secy.

Noted April 2nd.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 2nd April 1897, No. 1,292A.

APRIL.

Nos. 13A-13B.

FALMINE RELIEF, No. 883A.

Roads on which Imperial Funds have been
spent in the Cuddapah District.—Approving
Board's Proceedings relative to the subject of
allotments from Local Funds for — for relief
purposes.

the relief works now in hand in the Madanapalli circle have there been any allotments made from Local Funds.

Cuddapah Collector's Office }
9th March 1877 }
Shanley }
(Sd/-) J. W. Johnston }
Special Deputy Collector }
For Ag Collector }

The items entered are all maintenance allowances. The Board presume that the whole of the maintenance grants have not been spent by the P.W.D. and that no expenditure has been incurred by them on the portions of the roads in question. On this understanding the Board request the Accountant General to deduct the sum of Rs 2130 from the grant already placed at

Statement showing the allotment from Local Funds for Roads on which Imperial Funds have been spent for relief purposes in the Cuddapah Circle.

No	Name of Road	Allotment			Remarks
		under	Maintenance	Rs	
1.	Road from Sidhout to Budwail from the 19 th to 26 th mile at Rs 50 per mile	380	"	"	
2.	Road from Sidhout to Wontemutta from 1 st Survey of the 1 st mile to 5 th Survey of the 3 rd mile and from 5 th mile to 4 th mile	150	"	"	
3.	Road from Wontemutta to Teyyaboor via Thotapand from 2 nd Survey of the 2 nd mile to the end of the 4 th mile and from the 7 th mile to Teyyaboor	200	"	"	For 32 1/2 miles
4.	Nellore Road from 38 th to 45 th mile at Rs 150 a mile	1200	"	"	
5.	Induker road from the 10 th mile at Rs 40 a mile				

(Sd/-) J. W. Johnston
Special Deputy Collector
For Ag Collector

(True Copy)

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Induker
Sd/-

Copy of the statement
from the Deputy Collector
of Ganjam dated 18/7/1873

18/7/1873

Enclosed are two books
proceedings dated 18/7/1873
March 1873, & the book
checking 15/8/1873

4. The first item needs no remark. The second is made up of the sums marginally noted. The first two of the marginal items, aggregating Rupees 13,995-15-1, are the expenditure on wells and cattle ponds. The Collector points out that a sum of Rs. 12,006-8-0, or the expenditure up to August 1872 on wells and cattle ponds, is accounted for in the statement appended to paragraph 4 of Mr. Master's letter recorded in G.O., Revenue Department, dated 13th September 1873, No. 980. The difference between this amount and Rupees 13,995-15-1, or Rupees 1,899-7-1, is presumed to be the expenditure between August 1872 and March 1873. The petty items of differences are owing to the omission of amounts in the Progress Reports furnished by the Public Works Range Officers, from which the accounts of the Collector were prepared.

5. The third item is the expenditure appearing in the Collector's accounts in excess of that shown in those of the Examiner, and is composed of the following sums:—

	RS.	A.	P.
1	10	0	0
2	866	9	5
3	1,416	12	7
4	900	0	0
5	8	0	4
Total...	3,201	6	4

Of these five items, the first and fifth appeared in the Progress Reports furnished by the Public Works Department, and were therefore embodied in the Collector's accounts. The fourth item was expended by the Salt Deputy Collector, and was not reported to the Public Works Department. As regards the second and third items, the Collector points out that the expenditure as given by the Examiner is that incurred in 1871-72, whereas his accounts embrace outlay to August 1872, and hence the excess.

6. Before submitting to Government the Acting Collector's statements the Board sent them to the Examiner in order that they might be checked in his office. That officer's reply is recorded at the head of these Proceedings. He is of opinion that a further investigation of the accounts to test the accuracy of the figures would cost time and money, and doubts whether any useful results will thereby be obtained. The Board agree with him, and think that further inquiry may be dispensed with.

(True Copies and Extract.)

John
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, with five statements to be returned.
Copy to the Examiner of Public Works Accounts.
Collector of Ganjam.
Encl. A. F. Goodall.

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The Board's suggestion for dispensing
with further investigation of the accounts
in question, is accepted

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14. The Board of Directors, 14-4-77, with 5 members
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PROCEEDINGS, 3rd March 1877, No. 993.

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Recd. 5th March

Recd. 9th March 1877

MARCH
No. 993.

Expenditure on Famine Relief Works in
Gangam District in 1871 and 1872.—Submitting to Government papers relating to certain
discrepancies in the accounts connected with—
and expressing opinion that further inquiry may
be dispensed with.

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