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14th April 1877.*

Famine Relief.

No. 334. • Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th April 1877, No. 1,523:—

Read Relief Reports for the week ending 24th March 1877 from the Collector of the Kistna District, dated 27th March 1877; from the Collector of Kurnool, dated 28th and 29th March 1877; and from the Collector of South Arcot, dated 31st March 1877.

THE relief reports of the Kistna, Kurnool, and South Arcot Districts for the week ending 24th March are submitted for the information of Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings, 30th March 1877, No. 1,440-A. A taluqwar abstract accompanies.

2. *Prices.*—In Kistna prices have risen slightly on the whole. There are fluctuations in individual taluqs, but the only one calling for special notice is a somewhat sharp rise in the prices of the three inferior grains in Sattenapalli. In Kurnool, also, there is little change. Rice has fallen in Cumbum but risen in Markapur; it is stationary elsewhere. Cholum has fallen in Cumbum, and Markapur, and risen in Ramalakotta, Pattikonda, and Koilkuntla. Ragi is stationary except in Ramalakotta, where it has fallen; cumboo has risen in Pattikonda and fallen in Cumbum. This taluq, in which prices are falling, is the only one which presents appearance of general change. In the distressed taluqs of South Arcot ragi and cumboo have fallen, but other grains are stationary.

3. No rain is reported to have been received in any of these districts in the week.

4. In Kistna the works in progress are the river embankment, Commamur Channel, and the clearance of the Ellore and main canals. The number on the first two works were 2,630; those on the canal clearances are not reported. In South Arcot only minor works employing 538 persons were in progress.

5. The numbers on the works in each taluq of Kurnool are given below:—

	17th March.	24th March.	—
Ramalakotta	43,897	39,434	— 4,463
Nandikotkur	8,252	8,975	+ 723
Nundial	18,708	28,973	+ 10,265
Sirwell	12,521	13,960	+ 1,439
Koilkuntla... ..	30,196	31,725	+ 1,529
Pattikonda... ..	19,999	19,292	— 707
Cumbum	46,313	34,533	— 11,785
Markapur	12,137	8,551	— 3,586
Total	192,028	185,443	— 6,585

The increase in Nundial is ascribed to the return of coolies who had gone away for the New Year's feast, and who had been rejected on weeding; and those in Sirwell and Koilkuntla to the second of these causes. The decrease in Ramalakotta is attributed to refusal of coolies to move, on transfer to other works being ordered; that in Cumbum and Markapur to concentration of work, hot weather, &c.; and in Pattikonda to erroneous estimate for a work unreported in the previous week. But the telegram

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6. In Cumbum and Markapur Taluqs wages are still paid at the higher task rates. The Collector will be called upon by telegraph to furnish explanation. In other taluqs wages at the lower scale of task work; in Nandikotkur, Nundial, and Sirwell with reference to price of $6\frac{1}{2}$ seers per rupee; and in Ramalakotta, Pattikonda and Koilkuntla, of $7\frac{1}{2}$ seers. In the first-named three taluqs rice, which seems to be the grain taken, is at 6-77, 6-41, and 7-12 for this week and last, and the wages are therefore too high in

	RICE.		CHOLUM.	
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Pattikonda ...	7-52	7-52	9-67	9-67
Koilkuntla ...	8-25	8-25	9-07	8-80

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Mr. Clougstoun should be called upon to explain. In Mr. Farmer's Division rice is the standard. In South Arcot the

sliding scale is in force in two taluqs, in Villapuram at full task rates to rice at 8 seers, and in Trinomalai, at lower task rates to rice at $7\frac{1}{2}$ seers; prices higher in both cases than those quoted in the return. In Tindivanam the old 2-Anna scale is in force.

7. Gratuitous relief in Kistna and South Arcot is on a very small scale, the numbers being 235 and 59 respectively. In Kurnool they are 25,572, and of these 22,256 are children. The taluq comparison for the week is as follows:—

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Ramalakotta ...	7,773	11,636	+ 3,863
Nandikotkur ...	1,155	1,871	+ 716
Nundial ...	1,594	4,601	+ 3,007
Sirwell ...	271	882	+ 611
Koilkuntla ...	7,057	4,165	— 2,892
Pattikonda ...	209	398	+ 189
Cumbum ...	879	1,431	+ 552
Markapur ...	468	588	+ 120
Total ...	19,406	25,572	+ 6,166

The increase is due to the inclusion of children of persons on the works and allowed 3 Pies a head per diem; though the order seems not to have been yet applied in all taluqs. The decrease in Pattikonda is not explained.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

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14th April 1877.

No. 335. ORDER THEREON, 14th April 1877, No. 1,431.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. H. GARSTIN,
Additional Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
.. the Financial Department.
.. the Public Works Department.
.. the Accountant-General.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue,

dated 5th April, 1877. 10/535

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(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

To

The Additional Secretary to Government Revenue Department, with 2 original statements and 2 maps, to be returned, and the Taluqwar Abstracts.

Talukwar Abstract of Relief in certain Districts of the Madras Presidency for the week ending Saturday, the 24th March, 1877.

District.	Talugs.	Grants of Funds sanctioned for Relief Works up to 24th March, 1877.	Probable cost of works or sanctioned for their execution.	Outlay on works in progress.		Outlay since the commencement of distress.		Cost of relief during the week.	Number of Coolies employed on the last day of the week.			Number of persons in receipt of gratuitous relief on the last day of the week.				
				In the week.	To the end of the week.	On Relief Works.	Gratuitions relieved.		Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Kurnool	Ranalkota	...	...	23,107	9,07,290	9,07,290	3,224	1,891	14,208	18,996	6,230	29,431	68	76	1,592	11,636
	Nandikotkur	...	...	4,866	1,33,290	1,33,290	3,953	725	2,790	4,628	1,537	8,975	373	533	333	1,871
	Nandial	...	...	16,755	4,19,883	4,19,883	3,616	476	9,622	13,980	5,365	29,973	275	464	3,862	4,601
	Sirwell	...	...	8,337	2,20,036	2,20,036	1,474	166	4,485	7,363	2,112	18,960	78	142	662	882
	Kotikunda	...	...	16,928	4,18,101	4,18,101	2,917	805	10,163	14,978	6,584	31,725	193	183	3,947	4,163
	Cumbum	...	...	8,287	2,33,123	2,33,123	1,485	136	7,030	9,691	2,531	19,292	100	140	158	308
South Arcot	Markapur	...	...	32,768	4,70,306	4,70,306	4,029	882	14,530	15,246	4,437	34,333	216	164	1,021	1,431
	Total.	30,21,000	...	1,15,082	29,47,701	29,47,701	3,469	334	9,030	3,801	1,720	8,551	150	197	241	588
	Trumalay	...	...	167	1,796	1,796	90	18	102	202	13	317	4	13	...	...
	Thiruvannam	...	2,915	14	120	144	...	...	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Villupuram	...	599	102	438	1,138	...	...	126	61	13	265	...	...	42	59
	Total.	15,000	3,658	283	2,324	3,683	90	10	244	263	31	539	...	...	...	...
Kistna	Esapala	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Beerwada	...	65,000	1,814	28,702	23,029	980	73	1,068	783	35	1,891	4	13	42	59
	Repall	...	33,655	670	14,329	14,029	530	9	286	282	171	739	71	87	70	221
	Pobal	...	...	...	...	...	91	...	...	...	...	...	50	3	...	...
	Guntur	...	...	...	...	...	210	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Nuzvid	...	...	...	...	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Madrass	Nandigama	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total	80,000	95,655	2,484	42,731	57,670	1,871	83	1,351	1,067	26	2,650	77	83	75	235

REVENUE BOARD OFFICE,
MADRAS, 5th April, 1877.

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

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Submitting for the information of Government,
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3. No rain is reported to have been received in any of these districts in the week.

4. In Mysore the works in progress are the River Embankment, Commamur Channel & the clearance of the Ellore & main Canals. The number on the first two works was 2630; those on the Canal clearances are not reported. In S. Arcot only minor

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5. The numbers on the works in each taluk of Kurnool are given below:-

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Kandikotkur.	8252	8975	+ 723
Nandial.	18708	28973	+ 10265
Sirwell.	12521	13960	+ 1439
Koilkuntla.	30196	31725	+ 1529
Pattikonda.	19999	20292	- 707
Cumbum.	4638	34533	+ 11735
Markapur.	12137	8557	- 3580
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The increase in Nandial is ascribed to the return of coolies who had gone away for the previous years past, and who had been rejected on working; and those in Sirwell and Koilkuntla to the same causes. The decrease in Ramalakota is attributed to

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Singelli	271	882	+611
Koilhumbla	7057	11165	-2892
Pattikonda	209	398	+189
Cumbum	879	1431	+552
Mothapore	468	588	+120
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(True Extract)

Murnool
Secretary

To The Additional Secretary to Govt. P.O.
with 7 original statements and
2 maps to be returned and Taluk
war Abstract.

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Memo

Three copies of the Board's Relief Reports of the Districts of Rishra, Hurmool and South Arcot for the week ending 24th March 1877 are herewith circulated for the use of the Members of Government.

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24th March 1877.

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