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Famine Relief.

No. 523. Read the following letter from R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Collector of the Chingleput District, to J. H. GARSTIN, Esq., Additional Secretary, Government, Revenue Department, dated Saidapet, 7th April 1877, o. 58.

With reference to your official memorandum, dated the 29th ultimo, No. 91, I have the honor to forward herewith translations of some of the orders issued by me to Tahsildars from time to time on the subject of village officers feeding and caring for the destitute.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

Circular to all Tahsildars, No. 3, dated 8th January 1877.

You should intimate to all the village officials of your taluq that during the present scarcity they must prevent the occurrence of starvation among the poor, and feed those who may be reduced to a very feeble condition from want of food, submitting to you an account of such expenditure from time to time.

2. On your letting me know the amounts of such outlay it will be sanctioned.
3. You should further inform them that even those individuals who are strong enough may, when necessary, be fed at the public expense, and then sent on to the nearest relief-work.

(Signed) R. W. BARLOW,
Collector.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

Takid to the Temporary Sheristadar of the Saidapet Taluq, No. 7, dated 8th January 1877.

Your Arzi, dated 22nd December reached this Office. Agreeably to your request made therein, I have instructed the Treasury Deputy Collector to place Rupees 15 with you in view to the amount being spent by the Collector's Office Dresser in relieving people in extremity from starvation. You should disburse the money to the Dresser and intimate to him that he should use the sum in feeding the decrepid, infirm, blind, young, and others who would really starve, if not maintained by Government, and that he should submit the accounts connected therewith as prescribed by the Board.

2. If people of the above description are to be found, relief should be afforded to them, and then they should be carried, if necessary, in carts to the nearest poor-house as soon as convenient. This should be communicated to the Police and all village Munsifs.

3. Money spent on this account will be paid by the Collector on his being informed of the same. You should then and there keep your Tahsildar informed of all the Takids issued to you regarding famine, and of your replies thereto.

(Signed) R. W. BARLOW,
Collector.

ENCLOSURE No. 3.

Takid to the Tahsildar of Ponnery, No. 41, dated 26th January 1877.

Your Arzi, No. 53, dated 3rd instant, has been duly received. It appears from it that some village Munsifs have reported their inability to feed the destitute poor in their villages without advances being made to them. Their statements in this respect are utterly inadmissible, and it is probable that many persons will come at the same time suffering from hunger. You are therefore required to order the village Munsifs to give destitute comers one or two meals, and

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then to direct the able-bodied to nearest relief-work, and transfer the weak and infirm by dhows, if necessary, to the nearest relief-camp. In case of there being no camp in the vicinity, they should be sent to the taluq cusbah. The necessary expenditure thus incurred will be immediately sanctioned. The village authorities should be strictly told that they will be held responsible for cases of absolute starvation occurring in their villages through their negligence.

2. The Treasury Deputy Collector has been directed to disburse the amount mentioned in the receipt received with the above Arzi.

(Signed) R. W. BARLOW,
Collector.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.

Takid to the Tahsildar of Ponnery, No. 51, dated 1st February 1877.

Your Arzi, No. 62, dated 29th January last, together with its enclosure, has been duly received. It appears from it that the poor people living in the hamlets of Elavoor were feeding on certain herbs called *Sevandi* and the consequence has been that about ten persons have died of cholera.

2. You will report what work may be best undertaken in the neighbourhood to provide work for the starving population. You will also recommend the dismissal of such village Munsifs who have neglected to do their duty in relieving the destitute as ordered in Takid No. 41.

(Signed) R. W. BARLOW,
Collector.

No. 524.

ORDER THEREON, 21st April 1877, No. 1,513.

Miscellaneous.

RECORDED.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Collector of Chingleput.
.. the Board of Revenue.
.. the Financial Department.

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Circular to all Tahsildars No 3 dated 8 January 1877.

You should intimate to all the village officials of your Taluq, that during the present scarcity, they must prevent the occurrence of starvation among the poor and feed those, who may be reduced to a very feeble condition from want of food, submitting to you an account of such expenditure from time to time.

On your letting me know the amount of such outlay, it will be sanctioned.

You should further inform them that even those individuals who are strong enough may when necessary be fed at the public expense and then sent on to the nearest relief work.

(Signed) R. W. Barlow
Collector.

Tahsil to the Temporary Sheristadar of the Sydapt Taluq No 7 dated 8 January 1877.

Your Arzi dated 22 December reached

GOVT. OF INDIA
REVENUE
THE COLLECTOR OF CHINGWATTA
Dist. No. 216
No. 500-521
APRIL
P. M. H. P. No. 1008
Circular to Tahsildars of Chingwatta District as
subject of Circular No. 3 dated 8 Jan 1877.
Accordingly letter from the collector forwarding
transmission of same of this.

this office. Agreeably to your request made therein, I have instructed the Treasury Deputy Collector to place Rs 15 with you in view to the amount being spent by the Collector's office Dresser in relieving people in extremity from starvation. You should disburse the money to the Dresser and intimate to him that he should use the sum in feeding the decrepid, infirm, blind, young and others who would really starve, if not maintained by Government, and that he should submit the accounts connected therewith as prescribed by the Board.

If people of the above description are to be found, relief should be afforded to them, and then they should be carried, if necessary, in carts to the nearest poor house as soon as convenient. This should be communicated to the Police and all Village Munsiffs.

Money spent on this account will be paid by the Collector on his being informed of the same.

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You should then and then keep your Sahibdar informed of all the Takhida issued to you in regard to famine and of your replies thereto.

(Signed) O. M. Barlow
Collector.

Takhid to the Sahibdar of Porey dated
26 January 1877.

Your Lr. No. 453 dated 23rd Instant has been duly received. It appears from it that some Village Munsiffs have reported their inability to feed the destitute poor in their villages without advances being made to them. Their statements in this respect are utterly inadmissible and it is not probable that many persons will come at the same time suffering from hunger. You are therefore required to order the Village Munsiffs to give destitute persons one or two meals and then to direct the able-bodied to nearest relief work and transfer the weak and infirm by bullock, if necessary, to the nearest relief camp. In case

of there being no camp in the vicinity, they should be sent to the Jaling Cusbar. The necessary expenditure thus incurred will be immediately sanctioned. The village authorities should be explicitly told that they will be held responsible for cases of absolute starvation occurring in their villages through their negligence.

The Treasury Deputy Collector has been directed to disburse the amount mentioned in the account received with the above arzi.

(Signed) D. B. Bartow
Collector

Added to the Tahsildar of Pannier No 54 dated 1st February 1877.

Your arzi No 52 dated 29 January last, together with its enclosure, has been duly received. It appears from it that the poor people living in the hamlets of Elavoor, were feeding on certain herbs called Amorin Ponn and the consequence has been that about

10 persons have died of cholera.

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You will report what work may be best undertaken in the neighbourhood to provide work for the starving population. You will also recommend the dismissal of such village panchayats who have neglected to do their duty in relieving the destitute as ordered in Sakhee

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(Signed) D. B. Bartow
Collector

(True Translation)

M. J. J. J.
Collector.

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Chingleput District, Collector's Office,
Saidapet, 7 April 1877.

From

R. H. Barlow Esquire,
COLLECTOR OF THE
Chingleput District.

To

J. H. Garetie Esquire,
Additional Secretary to Government R. S.
Madras.

Sir,

With reference to your official memo dated the 29th ultimo 1874, I have the honor to forward here with translation of some of the orders issued by me to Tahsildars, from time to time, on the subject of village officers feeding and caring for the destitute.

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most obedt servt

M. Barlow
Collector

In a letter from
the Collector of
Saidapet dated 7 April
1877 No. 58.

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 of the 1st of May 1877
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COLLECTOR OF THE

CHINESE DISTRICT

TO THE SECRETARY

TO GOVERNMENT

Dated 7th April 1877

Received 9th April 1877

(ENCLOSURE)

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