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GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

REVENUE DEPARTMENT

G.O. No.  
~~B.P. No.~~

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Dated

26-4-1877 ~~1877~~

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Famine Relief.

No. 659. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 21st April 1877, No. 1,827:-

Read the following letter from R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Collector of the Chingleput District, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Sydapet, 13th April 1877, No. 257.

I HAVE the honor to forward, for the information of the Board and Government, copy of a letter, dated the 9th instant, No. 105, from the Special Relief Officer, reporting that the coolies employed on relief-works under his charge are "losing heart," and have "fallen off in appearance and condition."

2. I have informed Major Murray that he can take any cooly who seems to suffer off work, and feed him as an in-pauper temporarily.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From Major A. G. MURRAY, Special Relief Officer, Chingleput, to R. W. BARLOW, Esq., Collector of the Chingleput District, dated St. Thomas' Mount, 9th April 1877, No. 105.

I HAVE the honor to report that I, yesterday, took the opportunity of Sunday, being a day of rest, to inspect all the laborers at the Poonamallee relief camp. This morning I have inspected those at Palaveram. The result of my inspection is that I believe that these people are losing heart, and that during the last week they have fallen off in appearance and condition.

2. I had fancied or perhaps hoped that during the two previous weeks there was no change for the worse in their strength or general well being, and my reasons for this hopefulness I gave you in my two last reports. I notice, however, now an appearance of listless weariness about them, which is distressing to see in people from whom one is bound to exact a certain amount of work before the daily pittance, which enables them to exist, can be paid. I must, therefore, again bring distinctly to notice that I believed the laborers, who are now working under my orders, are insufficiently fed.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

2. The Board suggest that the camp should be inspected by an experienced Medical Officer.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,  
Secretary.

No. 660.

ORDER THEREON, 26th April 1877, No. 1,570.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department, with the request that Dr. vanSomeren

may be deputed to examine the laborers alluded to by Major Murray at an early date, and to report the result.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department.

„ the Board of Revenue.

„ the Financial Department.

Ed. F. R. Bantleman.

12-1897 Revenue Department  
Proceedings of the Board of Revenue  
Dated 21<sup>st</sup> April 1897.

Read the following:-  
No. 257.

Board G. R.  
No. 3978.

From R. W. Barlow Esq.  
Collector of the  
Chingleput Dist.

To: A. C. Staker Esq.  
Secretary to the Board  
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Obdt. of 1877-1878.

REVENUE.

To  
THE SECRETARY GENERAL, INDIAN  
MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.  
Secy. Secy. Secy.

Dated April 26<sup>th</sup>.

Recd.

Encl.

G. O. No. April 1877, No. 1,570.

APRIL

No. 659-660.

EXAMINE FILED, No. 1,033.

Condition of the Coolies at the Poornamallee  
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W. M. M.  
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To The Additional Secretary  
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with copy of Enclosure

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/s/ A. G. Murray Major  
Special Relief Officer  
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/ True Copy /  
/s/ R. W. Barlow  
Collector

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W. R. W. W.  
Secretary

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