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Famine Relief.

No. 98. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 30th April 1877, No. 2,009 :—

Read the following letter from R. DAVIDSON, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 21st April 1877, No. 379 :—

THE relief reports and return of prices and rainfall for the week ending 7th April 1877 having already been forwarded, I have the honor to make the following remarks in connection with them.

2. *Statement No.* 1.—On comparing the district average for the past and present weeks, the variations in the price of grain are very slight as shown in the margin. In Pattikonda, however, cholum fell from 9·67 in the previous week to 10·21, while in Koilkuntla rice rose from 8·25 in the previous week to 7·42, and raggy fell from 9·07 to 10·72. In Nandial and Markapur also there was a fall in the price of raggy from 8·91 and 9·07 to 9·97 and 9·90, respectively. This is due to the harvest of raggy which has been obtained in those taluqs under wells and the Gundlacamma Channels.

Average of the District.

——	21st March.	7th April.
Rice	7·29	7·23
Cholum	8·79	8·89
Raggy	9·92	10·42
Cumboo	8·88	9·06
Wheat	7·69	7·48
Horse-gram	8·17	8·22

3. There was a slight fall of rain in four of the taluqs averaging ·36 of an inch, the highest fall being ·44 inch in the vicinity of Markapur.

4. The number of works sanctioned for execution, those in progress and completed during the week are shown in the annexed table :—

Taluqs.	Number of works sanctioned.	Number of works in progress.	Number of works completed.
Ramalkota	46	14	...
Nandikotkur	56	13	1
Pattikonda	59	9	...
Koilkuntla	18	7	1
Nandial	59	22	...
Sirwell	46	15	...
Cumbum	40	15	...
Markapur	28	8	6
Total ...	352	103	8

5. The works reported to be completed in the week are, (1) filling up pits dug by the Canal Company in the village of Allur in Nandikotkur Taluq at a cost of Rupees 2,733, and (2) repairs of seven wells in Koilkuntla and Markapur Taluqs at a cost of Rupees 2,157.

6. Two abstracts are enclosed to show the outlay on works and gratuitous* relief and the number of persons employed on works and gratuitously* relieved.

* Already forwarded.

7. The grants made up to the 7th April amounted to Rupees 30,21,000. The outlay on works during the week was Rupees 1,23,121 against Rupees 1,24,290 in the previous week. The small decrease of Rupees 1,169 calls for no particular remark.

8. *Numbers on Relief Works.*—The numbers employed in each taluq as contrasted with those reported for the previous week are given in the following statement:—

Taluqs.	31st March.	7th April.	Difference.
Ramalkota	41,915	40,391	— 1,524
Nandikotkur	9,720	12,330	+ 2,610
Pattikonda	23,340	26,289	+ 2,949
Koilkuntla	30,974	32,679	+ 1,705
Nandial	28,887	31,103	+ 2,216
Sirwell	14,667	16,449	+ 1,782
Cumbum	42,933	46,346	+ 3,413
Markapur	9,706	11,178	+ 1,472
Total...	202,142	216,765	+ 14,623

The increase of 14,623 which is spread over all the taluqs except Ramalkota is reported chiefly to be owing to the re-admission to works of coolies who had been eliminated some time back as being temporarily able to provide for themselves, to the return of such as had dispersed on the concentration of labor on the main lines of communication, to an influx into the Koilkuntla Taluq of coolies from Jammalmadugu of the Cuddapah District, and to the cessation of harvest under the canal which has thrown some laborers out of employ. The decrease in Ramalkota is due to coolies having left our works preparatory to starting for the East Coast Canal, though it does not appear that they have all started as yet.

9. Wages were paid during the week according to the sanctioned rates, and second sort rice was adopted as the standard in all the taluqs except Ramalkotta, Pattikonda, and Koilkuntla. Mr. Gibson reports that in his section he was obliged to "adopt second sort rice as the standard on the ground that cholum is not everywhere to be had although generally procurable in the santas (markets) and the cusbahs," and he observes that he "sees no reason at present to suppose that the present allowance is insufficient."

10. The following money or grain wages were in force during the week :—

Taluqs.	Money.			Grain.		
	Man.	Woman.	Child.	Man.	Woman.	Child.
	A. P.	A. P.	A. P.			
Ramalkota	1 6	1 3	0 9	...	...	...
Nandikotkur	1 8	1 5	0 10	...	...	...
Pattikonda	1 6	1 3	0 9	...	...	...
	2 0	1 4	0 10			
Koilkuntla	1 6	1 3	0 9	...	...	...
Nandial	2 2	1 8	1 1	...	...	...
	1 8	1 5	0 10			
Sirwell	1 8	1 5	0 10	...	...	...
Cumbum	1 9	1 6	0 11	40 Talahs + 6 Pies.	40 Tolahs + 3 Pies.	20 Tolahs + 3 Pies.
Markapur	Not reported.				...	...

11. Grain wages were paid during the week on certain works in the Cumbum Taluq, and Mr. Farmer has been addressed on the subject. The lower scale was adopted generally throughout the district except on the Rampur Ghaut road in the Pattikonda Taluq and the Trunk Road in Nandial Taluq where higher rates were paid apparently in consequence of the higher tale of work exacted.

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4th May 1877.

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12. *Gratuitous Relief.*—The numbers for the several taluqs are compared below :—

Taluqs.	31st March.	7th April.	Difference.
Ramalkota	11,907	16,060	+ 4,153
Nandikotkur	1,844	2,205	+ 361
Pattikonda	4,574	10,652	+ 6,078
Koilkuntla	6,061	5,409	— 652
Nandial	4,068	5,750	+ 1,682
Sirwell	2,199	2,776	+ 577
Cumbum	2,574	3,172	+ 598
Markapur	526	817	+ 291
Total...	33,753	46,841	+ 13,088

The increase is due partly to the inclusion of the numbers fed at the Kurnool Lungerkhana, and partly to the extension of the village relief system. The cost of gratuitous relief during the week was Rupees 8,510, and the entire cost since the commencement of distress amounted to Rupees 41,414.

13. The following table shows the number of persons who emigrated to the East Coast Canal during the week under report from Kurnool town and from Cumbum :—

Men.	Women.	Children.		Total.
		Above 7 years.	Below 7 years.	
451	490	269	188	1,398

14. The subjoined table exhibits the number of cattle fed with prickly-pear on the last day of the week and the expenditure incurred on this account in the town of Kurnool :—

Number of Cattle fed.	Expenditure in the Week.	Expenditure to the end of the Week.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
48	41 5 0	131 3 11

15. A list of extra establishment entertained is herewith submitted.

16. No material change in the physique of coolies has been reported.

Enclosures Nos. 1 and 2.—Statements.

Submitted to Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 19th April 1877, No. 1,784, reviewing the detailed reports.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

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4th May 1877

No. 99. ORDER THEREON, 4th May 1877, No. 1,639.

Miscellaneous.

COMMUNICATED to the Government of India in continuation of the Board's Proceedings of the 19th April 1877, No. 1,784.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
,, the Financial Department.

Ext. A. F. Goodall.

Govt. of (1877) Madras.

REVENUE.

To The BOARD of REVENUE.

Dated May 4th.

Recd. Recd.

G.O., 4th May 1877, No. 1,659.

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Nos. 98-99.

FAMINE RELIEF, No. 1,079.

Relief Reports and Returns of Prices and Rainfall in Kurnool District.—Communicating to the Government of India Proceedings of the Board of Revenue on letter from the Collector offering remarks on — for the week ending 7th April 1877.

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Return of Establishments employed in connection with Relief Works in the Kurnool District for the week ending

1.—Supervision of execution of works.

Ordinary Revenue Establishment.

Number of

8 Tahsildars.
4 Deputy Tahsildars
10 Revenue Inspectors.
9 Taluk Gumastahs.
8 Overseers, D. P. W.
" Others.
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Establishment specially entertained.

Number of		Agregate monthly pay. Rs.	A.	P.
24	Special European Officers	9107	"	"
2	Deputy Collectors	750	"	"
"	Tahsildars	"	"	"
8	Deputy Tahsildars	560	"	"
10	General Superintendents	965	"	"
18	Overseers	[illegible]		
36	Revenue Inspectors	998	"	"
116	Settlement and Survey Establishment	3029	"	"
176	Head Maistries	2194	"	"
70	Village Officials specially remunerated	638	"	"
278	Others above the grade of Head cooly or ganger	2352	"	"
738		20695		

2.—Payment of wages.

Number of				
214	Paymasters or paying Gumastahs	1943	"	"
37	Others (Clerks for grain depots, &c.)	447	"	"
251		2390		

3.—Accounts.

Number of				
64	Special Clerks	769	"	"
11	For Audit and check of labor bills and accounts	288	"	"
75		1057		

R. Davidson
Ag Collector

J.R.
A.M.

Variations

Ending 7th April 1877.

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Taluks.	Grants of funds sanctioned for Relief works up to	Probable cost of work or sums sanctioned for their [illegible]	Remarks.
1	2	3	
Ramalkota	"	A revised list is in preparation and [illegible]	
Nandikotkur	"		
Pattikonda	"		
Koilkuntla	"		
Nandial	"		
Sirwell	"		
Cumbum	"		
Markapur	"		
Total	3021000		

L. Davidson
Ag. Collector

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Variations

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Ex 1630
Ex G.M.No 4299/77
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Enclosure enclosed to
3 [illegible] 8 21st April 1877
from the Agt Collector
Kurnool Kottie Sheridan
[illegible] Bdg Revenue -

Revenue Department.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 30th April 1877.

Read the following:—

Board's No. 4399

No. 379.

From The Acting Collector

Kurnool

To The Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Madras

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3. There was a slight fall of rain in four of the Taluqs averaging .36 of an inch, the highest fall being .44 inch in the vicinity of Markapur.

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Total	352	103	8

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in the week are (1) Filling up pits dug by the Canal Company in the village of Allur in Nandi-kothur Taluq at a cost of Rs 2733 and (2) repairs of 7 wells in Koilkuntla and Markapur Taluqs at a cost of Rs 2157.

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Nandial	28887	31,103	+2216
Sirvell	14667	16,449	+1782
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Total	2,02,142	2,16,765	+14,623

The increase of 14,623 which is spread over all the Taluqs except Ramal. Kota is reported chiefly to be owing to the readmission to works of coolies who had been eliminated some time back as being temporarily able to provide for

for themselves, to the return of such as had dispersed on the concentration of labor on the main lines of Communication, to an influx into the Koilkuntla Taluq of Coolies from Jammala = = madugu of the Cuddapah District and to the cessation of harvest under the Canal which has thrown some labourers out of employ. The decrease in Ramalkota is due to coolies having left our works preparatory to starting for the East Coast Canal though it does not appear that they have all started as yet.

9. Wages were paid during the week according to the sanctioned rates

and 2nd sort Rice was adopted as the standard in all the Talugs except Ramalkota, Pattikonda and Koilkuntla. Mr. Gibson reports that in his section he was obliged to "adopt 2nd sort rice as the standard on the ground that Cholum is not every where to be had although generally procur= =able in the santas (markets) and the Kusbahs" and he observes that he "sees no reason at present to suppose that the present allowance is insufficient."

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Pattikonda	1-6	1-3	"-9	"	"	"
	2-"	1-4	"-10			
Koilkuntla	1-6	1-3	"-9	"	"	"
Nandial	2-2	1-8	1-1	"	"	"
	1-8	1-5	"-10			
Sirwell	1-8	1-5	"-10	"	"	"
Cumbum	1-9	1-6	"-11	40 T+½ a	40 T+¼ a	20 T+¼ a
Markapur	Not reported.					

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Total	33,753	46,841	+ 13,088.

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(Signed) R. Davidson
Ag. Collector.

Kurnool
Collector's office
21st April 1877

Submitted to Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings dated 19th April 1877 No 1784 reviewing the detailed reports.

(True Copy & Extract)
N Rhodes
Secretary.

To The Addl Secretary to Government R.D.
with 2 original Statements to be returned.

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Board of Revenue

Dated 30th April 1877
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4 May 1877

Submitting to Government copy of letter from the Ag. Collector of Kurnool, offering certain remarks on Relief Reports & Returns of prices and rainfall for the week ending the 7th April 1877.

To the Board of Rev. 4/16 May 77