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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

12th May 1877, No. 1,705-A.

Famine Relief.

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G.O., 10th April 1877, No. 1,391.

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The corresponding numbers in Karnool, including in the former class the children on receipt of 3 pies a-day, were 53,111 and 39,317. Children largely preponderate, as shown below, under both kinds of relief.

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|------------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------------------|---------------|---------------------------------------------------------|--------|---------|-------------------------------------------------|
|                  |           |                                                                    |                                      | In the Week.                 | To the end of the Week. | On Relief-works.                           | Gratuitous Relief. | Men.                                       | Women.        | Children.                                               | Total. | Men.    |                                                 |
| Bapada ...       | Kistna.   | ...                                                                | 65,000                               | 2,171                        | 38,927                  | 39,247                                     | 1,226              | 111                                        | 1,448         | 941                                                     | 34     | 2,423   | 396                                             |
| Borwada ...      | Kistna.   | ...                                                                | 30,655                               | 344                          | 14,992                  | 8,332                                      | 656                | 76                                         | Not reported. | ...                                                     | ...    | ...     | ...                                             |
| Repalli ...      | Kistna.   | ...                                                                | ...                                  | ...                          | ...                     | ...                                        | 91                 | 58                                         | ...           | ...                                                     | ...    | ...     | 458                                             |
| Guntur ...       | Kistna.   | ...                                                                | ...                                  | ...                          | ...                     | ...                                        | 425                | ...                                        | ...           | ...                                                     | ...    | ...     | ...                                             |
| Palnad ...       | Kistna.   | ...                                                                | ...                                  | ...                          | ...                     | ...                                        | 1                  | ...                                        | ...           | ...                                                     | ...    | ...     | ...                                             |
| Nandiyana ...    | Kistna.   | ...                                                                | ...                                  | ...                          | ...                     | ...                                        | 7                  | ...                                        | ...           | ...                                                     | ...    | ...     | ...                                             |
| Narav ...        | Kistna.   | ...                                                                | ...                                  | ...                          | ...                     | ...                                        | 7                  | ...                                        | ...           | ...                                                     | ...    | ...     | ...                                             |
| Sattenapalli ... | Kistna.   | ...                                                                | ...                                  | ...                          | ...                     | ...                                        | 2                  | 3                                          | ...           | ...                                                     | ...    | ...     | 26                                              |
| Total...         | Kistna.   | 90,000                                                             | 95,655                               | 3,515                        | 53,919                  | 69,004                                     | 2,116              | 249                                        | 1,448         | 941                                                     | 34     | 2,423   | 887                                             |
| Ramalkota ...    | Karnool.  | ...                                                                | ...                                  | 18,468                       | 9,738                   | 9,738                                      | 10,149             | 3,595                                      | 10,068        | 16,902                                                  | 6,025  | 32,995  | 576                                             |
| Nandikotkur ...  | Karnool.  | ...                                                                | ...                                  | 6,868                        | 1,543                   | 1,543                                      | 10,006             | 1,420                                      | 3,943         | 6,009                                                   | 2,286  | 12,232  | 385                                             |
| Nandial ...      | Karnool.  | ...                                                                | ...                                  | 18,654                       | 4,758                   | 4,758                                      | 8,018              | 1,910                                      | 9,136         | 13,828                                                  | 5,980  | 28,044  | 643                                             |
| Sirwell ...      | Karnool.  | ...                                                                | ...                                  | 9,390                        | 2,493                   | 2,493                                      | 2,184              | 359                                        | 5,292         | 8,833                                                   | 2,545  | 16,680  | 102                                             |
| Koilkuntla ...   | Karnool.  | ...                                                                | ...                                  | 17,863                       | 4,705                   | 4,705                                      | 8,111              | 3,162                                      | 10,290        | 16,115                                                  | 6,037  | 32,381  | 751                                             |
| Pattikondah ...  | Karnool.  | ...                                                                | ...                                  | 13,586                       | 2,734                   | 2,734                                      | 3,887              | 800                                        | 7,470         | 11,407                                                  | 3,048  | 22,010  | 271                                             |
| Cumbum ...       | Karnool.  | ...                                                                | ...                                  | 31,631                       | 5,624                   | 5,624                                      | 7,656              | 2,314                                      | 20,306        | 21,130                                                  | 5,251  | 46,737  | 644                                             |
| Markapur ...     | Karnool.  | ...                                                                | ...                                  | 12,257                       | 1,634                   | 1,634                                      | 5,548              | 1,165                                      | 5,612         | 5,467                                                   | 2,396  | 13,475  | 1,181                                           |
| Total...         | Karnool.  | 37,21,000                                                          | ...                                  | 1,28,220                     | 33,28,332               | 33,28,332                                  | 56,130             | 14,745                                     | 72,036        | 99,791                                                  | 32,677 | 204,504 | 4,553                                           |

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,  
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Revenue Department, 12th May 1877, No. 1,705-A.

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ORDER THEREON, 12th May 1877, No. 1,705-A.

Miscellaneous.

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To the Board of Revenue.  
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From *Proceedings of the Board of Revenue*Dated *26<sup>th</sup> April* 1877.

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Enclosures 7.

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Lawrence Asylum Press—1877.

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*I do approve from this*

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FOR ORDERS.

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