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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

12th May 1877. No. 1,707-A.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper:—

No. 254-A. Proceedings of the Board

Revenue, dated 20th April 1877.

Read the following letter from C. F. J. McCARTIE, Esq., Special Assistant Collector of Cuddapah, to J. F. PRYOR, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, dated 10th April 1877; No. 60.

I HAVE the honor to submit the following report upon the condition of the Cuddapah Taluq relief-coolies, as affected by the reduction of wages for the week ending 6th April 1877.

2. The following parties were inspected:—

	Gangs.	Strength.
Cuddapah, Dongalchervu ...	19	950
Do. Karuncoontah ...	4	200
Do. Boogga road ...	16	800
10 miles from head-quarters Ve ... road	6	300
Patta-Cuddapah road ...	5	250
Camalapur channel and embankment ...	sub-	
ganga 18 of 25 each ...		568
Yerraguntla road ...	6	195

3. The strength of the first party (100) during the week put on to expedite the appearance of these people is good persons does not exceed 4 per cent., which old people whose condition is precisely about 20 new comers in a weekly state.

spected had been increased by two gangs completion before the chance of rain. the whole; and the average of reduced per-centage is increased by a number of the same as it was in January; an influx

4. On the quarry the people are of still better appearance than on the tank. I should say the average of these really affected by the reduction does not exceed 2 per cent.

5. The Boogga road work-people have not fallen off during the week; their average of emaciated coolies is also about 2 per cent., which is nothing when the proximity of a large town is considered.

6. The people on the two succeeding works are also in good condition, which is the more remarkable in case of the Patta-Cuddapah gangs who had only just come off nearly a fortnight's strikes.

7. Among the Camalapur coolies I fail to detect a single bad case, but it must be remembered they are earning wages: according to the higher scale, each man turns out $2\frac{1}{2}$ cubic yards per diem.

8. The Yerraguntla party was the worst I have seen, the men being most reduced, women and children fair. The per-centage of weekly cases, including women and children, amounts to a decimal over 4 per cent.; but of the men when taken alone, it amounted to a fraction over 7 per cent.

9. No gang contained full strength, so I reduced their task.

10. These people are the remains of a large party (1,700) which has gradually been shroffed down by exaction of task and emigration.

11. I account for the reduction being more felt here than elsewhere by the fact that the Yerraguntla section is the poorest part of the taluq, and that rice varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{2}{3}$ seer less to the rupee than near Cuddapah.

Revenue Department,

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No. 254-B.

ORDER THEREON, 12th

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(True Extract.)

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

Ed. F. R. Bastleman.

May 1877, No. 1,707-A.

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(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

May 1877, No. 1,707-A.

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

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Proceedings of the Madras Government
Recd Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue dated 20th April
1877 No 1504 ————— on
endorsement of the Acting Collector of
Coimbatore dated 12th April 1877 No 701
submitting special Assistant Collector's
Report on the condition of relief work
in Coimbatore, as affected by reduction
of wages for week ending 6th April 1877.

Order thereon 12th May 1877 No 1707 D

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shows that at Ooragumthla the task
for a full gang was still left as the
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the prices ruling at a distant market
were insufficient to procure the limited
quantity of grain intended to be bought
with

with them at Yerrazuntla:

3. The attention of all Chief Officers should be drawn to the necessity for seeing that the money paid as representing a pound of grain will really purchase that quantity at ^{some} market within reasonable distance of the works.

4. When the Taluk pottah price of grain does not regulate the price adopted ^{for payment of wages} at any work in any Taluk the Officer in Charge of the Taluk should certify on the bills for the work, the prices which regulated ^{such} payments of wages.

(True Check)

J. S. P. Smith

Adl. Secretary to Govt

To the Board of Revenue on the 11th May 1861
5th Division
6th Division
7th Division

7. No. 2053

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There is a statement of the amount of grain at present in store proposed by the Col. appears reasonable and sanctioned.

2. The Col. has certified upon the statement that at Yerrazuntla the bush for a full year is still left as the bush for a full year, also that the average price of grain is the same as the price of grain at a distant place. The limited quantity of grain intended to be bought from the store at Yerrazuntla.

3. The attention of all relief officers should be drawn to the necessity for seeing that the money paid as representing a pound of grain will really purchase that quantity of grain within reasonable distance of the works. 5/6/71 J. S. P.

4. When the Taluk pottah price of grain does not regulate the price adopted at any work in any Taluk the Officer in Charge of the Taluk should certify on the bills for the work, the prices which regulated such payments of wages.

J. S. P. Smith

with them at Yerraguntla:

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Revenue Receipts

Proceedings of the Bd of R.
dated 20th April 1877.

Read the following
No 60.

From

C. F. Macfarlane Esq.
of the 1st Regt of the 1st Div.

To J. H. Prior Esq.
of the 1st Regt.

Sir, I have the honor
to submit the follow-
ing report upon the
condition of the Cuppa
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miff. as affected by the
reduction of wages for
the week ending 6th April/77.

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Submitting to Govt.

The details relating to the
the 1st Div. & the 1st Regt.
directed for the week ending
2nd April in continuation
1877 No. 27th April 1877
No. 1957.

2. The following par-
tials were inspected.

	gangs.	Strength
Cuddapah. Bangalore road -	19 -	950
do. Narasimhaiah -	4 -	200
Hoogga road -	16 -	800
10 miles from Rd. Vellatur road -	6 -	300
Patthar Cuddapah -	5 -	250
Cannalore Channel & cm	Subgangs 18 of 15 each	508
Bankment		
Gannaguntla road -	6	195

3. The strength of the
1st party inspected had
been increased by 2 gangs
(100) during the week,
but on so expedite com-
pletion before the chance
of rain the appearance
of these people is good
and the whole of the

average of reduced persons
does not exceed 4 percent
which percentage is in-
creased by a number of
old people whose condi-
tion is precisely the same
as it was in January and
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appearance than on the
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6. The people on the two
succeeding works are also
in good condition which
is the more remarkable
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Cuddapah gangs who
had only just come off
nearly a fortnight's strike.

7. Among the females,
poor looks I fail to see.
Not a single bad case, but
it must be remembered
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according to the higher
scale each man turns
out $2\frac{1}{2}$ c. yds per diem.
8. The Yerraguntla por-
ty was the worst I have
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reduced, women & children
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weekly cases including
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but of the men when
taken ^{alone} above, it amounts
to a fraction over
7 percent.

9. No gang contained
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10. These people are the remains of a large party (1,000) which has gradually been shrank down by operation of lack & emigration.

11. I ascribe for the reason being more felt here than elsewhere by the fact that the Yerraguntla section is the poorest part of the Taluk & that rice varies from $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ seer less to the Ruzer than near Cuddapah.

12. For this reason it is a considerable hardship for the wages payable in Yerraguntla to be

fixed by the price prevailing in Cuddapah & I shall have to pay by the Yerraguntla price from next week.

13. So much alleviation will do for the present & there is no present necessity to revert to the former scale of payments.

Cuddapah Spl. I have from
Spl. Colln Office (sd) C. H. McFarley
10th April 1877

(True Copy)
C. H. McFarley

Forwarded for the information of the Mof. Res. The conclusion of the parties in the Cuddapah Taluk is on the whole satisfactory.

The state of things at Yon-
ragumla points to the
inference that where as
is the case there, rice
is not easily obtainable,
the coolies fall off. Ma-
king this grain the stand-
ard would soon test the
correctness of this view.
I adhere to the opinion
that one pound of grain $+ \frac{1}{2}$ lb
will not keep a coolie
in working order.

It appears advisable
that the order under
which the prices ruling
at the cost of a day
should be made those

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upon which payments
are calculated, should be
related to the extent of
allowing those existing
in towns near works
to govern the rates upon
such works.

(Addapah falling) (22) D. Price
Office 12th April 1871

Submitted for the
information of Govt.
(True Copy & by A.D.)

W. D. S.
Secretary.

To The Asst. Secretary to
Govt. R. D.

