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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

31st May 1877, No. 1,865-A.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper :—

No. 623-A. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th May 1877.

Read Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, dated 12th May 1877, No. 1,707-A.

ABSTRACT.—Passing orders on Board's Proceedings submitting report of Special Assistant Collector, Cuddapah, on the effect of the reduction of wages.

THE Board respectfully beg reconsideration of the foregoing orders, which, if made general, will introduce very great confusion and leave wages almost entirely at the discretion of subordinate relief officers. There is no certainty in price quotations supposed to prevail in outlying places, and the proposed system will make the ascertainment of the real price in such places more difficult than it is now, as it will be the interest of every one to deceive the officers in charge of the works upon the point. The system will cause confusion in audit, and will lead to constant changes of rates. The Board submit that the benefit to the coolies will be very slight, as it will be seen on reference to the scale given in the Board's Proceedings printed in G.O., 12th February 1877, No. 529, Financial Department, that for all prices from six seers per rupee to ten seers a difference of 10 per cent. in the price makes a difference in no case more than 1 Pie in the rate. As regards Cuddapah, Bellary, and Kurnool, where prices are highest, the necessity of the case is sufficiently met by the concession allowed in G.O., 30th March 1877, No. 1,272.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,  
Secretary.

No. 623-B. ORDER THEREON, 31st May 1877, No. 1,865-A.

Miscellaneous.

THE new scale of wages introduced by G.O. of the 22nd May 1877, No. 1,788, probably removes the necessity for the nicety in calculation which was contemplated, but the Board can ascertain from the Collector of Cuddapah how this is.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.  
" the Financial Department.  
" the Sanitary Commissioner.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.

Vuddapah

Revenue Department.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 25<sup>th</sup> May 1877.

Read Proceedings of the Madras Government Revenue Department, dated 21<sup>st</sup> May 1877, regarding orders on Board's proceedings submitting report of Special Assistant Collector, Vuddapah, on the effect of the reduction of wages.

The Board respectfully beg reconsideration of the foregoing orders, which, if made general, will introduce very great confusion and have wages almost entirely at the discretion of subordinate revenue officers. There is no certainty in price quotations supposed to prevail in outlying places and the proposed system will render the ascertainment of the real price in such places more difficult than it is now as it will be the interest of every one to deceive the officers in charge of the works upon the point. The system will cause confusion in audit and will lead to constant changes of rates. The Board submit that the benefit to the Coolies will be very slight as it will be seen on reference to the scale given in the Board's proceedings printed in G.O.

F No. 3923

Pres: of the Board of Revenue

Dated 25 May 1877.

FOR ORDERS.

The officers present  
 have been considering  
 the subject of the  
 proposed increase of  
 the duty on opium.

It is stated that  
 the proposed increase  
 will be of the order of  
 100 per cent. and that  
 the Government are  
 desirous of having it  
 introduced in India.

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 the proposed increase  
 will be of the order of  
 100 per cent. and that  
 the Government are  
 desirous of having it  
 introduced in India.

I don't see that we  
 can reconsider.  
 For mean the  
 duties of the opium  
 have one law.  
 But the new law  
 removes the necessity of  
 great fines.  
 29/5/77.

I don't say that the  
 present order probably  
 removes the necessity  
 for the duty in cases  
 of opium. But  
 that the Board can ascertain  
 from the facts. But this  
 is. L.H.

12th May 1877. Board of Revenue,  
 that for all prices from 6000 per acre to 10000  
 per acre, a difference of 10 per cent. in the price makes  
 a difference in income more than one per cent.  
 in the rate. As regards the duty on opium, and  
 the duty on white prices are higher (the necessity)  
 of the tax is sufficiently met by the concession  
 allowed in G.O. No. 1877. 11/7.

Wm. L. B. D.

Secretary Board of Revenue

The Additional Secretary to Govt.  
 Revenue Department.

22/5/77  
 L.H.

