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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

9th June 1877, No. 1,935.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper:—

No. 148. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 26th May 1877,
No. 2,402.

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, 14th May 1877, No. 346:—

In reply to the Board's Official Memorandum, No. 779, of the 4th instant, I have the honor to report as ordered that what I had actually arranged is that the works noted in the margin should be newly put in hand at once in the Sub-division, estimates for the same having been prepared by the Sub-Collector with the aid of the Special Overseer under him, and I have further requested Mr. McCarthy to clear Palar channels of prickly-pear wherever needed. For the Ponneri Taluk I have ordered the Tahsildar, with the assistance of a Special Sub-Overseer, to put the repairs to the marginally-noted tanks in hand in anticipation of estimates, which were asked for from the Public Works Department some time since.		RS.	A.	P.
Repairing Manayakam channel...	1,916	0	0	
Repairing Valliveram ...	1,459	14	0	
Gudavayalur, Aya-pakam, and Kolathananjeri...	1,508	8	0	
Total ...	4,884	6	0	

What I however really require are one or two large works in the northern part of the district, like the Cortelliar embankment; but as the estimates for this work are not yet ready, I request a further grant of Rupees 5,000 from Famine Funds for the Sathivedu-Tadda road for which an allotment of Rupees 5,000 has been already sanctioned in G.O., No. 1,864, of the 30th November last. I propose to commence the earthwork from the Tadda end by the Revenue Department so as not to interfere with the Public Works Department who are proceeding from the southern end (Sathivedu). This would afford employment where I most want it, and not only provide for the northern part of Trivellore but also assist Ponneri, and would be commenced on the Northern Trunk Road, down which people from Nellore and the Zemindaries are coming in large numbers. If this proposal is sanctioned, and with the junction line from Conjevaram to Chingleput now actually commenced, I shall manage to pull through, I think, without serious inconvenience or loss of life.

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3. As observed by the Board, the Public Works Department expenditure from

	On the 21st April 1877.	On the 28th April 1877.	De- crease.
Under the Revenue Department	3,875	3,854	21
Under the Public Works Department	2,958	1,645	1,313
Under the Railway Company.	3,584	3,182	402

Famine Funds is being stopped, and the numbers have declined in consequence. It shows in the margin. I have not been informed why this was done, but I imagine it is with a view to all works being carried out by contract from ordinary grants as was stated by Colonel Moberly to be his intention in G.O., No. 520-A, of the 5th February last, was not relaxed in favor of piece-work, and I note that G.O., No. 1,261, dated 12th April 1877, in the Public Works Department, disposing of his reference to Government on the subject, has been recently received.

4. The Executive Engineer in charge of No. 2 Range has not furnished the required information regarding the numbers employed, quoting as his authority "paragraph 4 of the order in the Revenue Department printed in G.O., No. 1,155, of 5th April 1877, Public Works Department," but I am not aware what the Government Order in question is, as the same has not yet been communicated to me.

5. I would observe here that I have had considerable difficulties to contend with in selecting further relief work. As to roads, gravelling an old earthwork has been newly completed and so has new earthwork, on which moreover I cannot gravel till rainfall, while as regards estimates for irrigation repairs now being sent to me for countersignature I am no better off, as the Superintending Engineer desires to execute them in ordinary course. I have reported on this point separately—vide my No. 844, dated this day.

6. In conclusion, I would bring to notice that a large sum of Rupees 10,497 was, as the Board will recollect, allotted for the Trivellore to Ponnur road in their Proceedings, No. 123, dated 11th January 1877, and the work handed over to the Public Works Department for execution. I relied a good deal on this road to afford employment in the north, but nothing whatever appears to have been done up to the 21st ultimo, when suddenly an expenditure of Rupees 10,600 in the work entered against this road in the return furnished by the Public Works Department without any information whatever as to numbers employed. A similar entry of Rupees 2,887-2-7 was found in the same week's return with no particulars as to numbers against the road from Trivellore to Vellur for which also a grant of Rupees 4,818 was sanctioned in the Board's Proceedings above quoted.

The Board approve Mr. Barlow's action and authorize him to commence earthwork as proposed at the Tadda end of the road from that place to Sathivedu at once.

2. With regard to paragraph 4, the Board observe that the Government Order, Public Works Department, quoted in the Range Officer's remark was communicated to all Collectors of distressed districts in Board's Proceedings No. 383 dated 3rd May 1877. Miscellaneous No. 531. It merely recorded G.O., dated 15th February 1877, No. 681, Revenue Department, which directed that the numbers on the works under the Public Works Department, the transfer of which to the Revenue Department was to be made in the manner specified, should be included in the Collector's returns; and were the order in the Revenue Department carried out there would evidently be no difficulty in doing this. The Collector will call on Colonel Moberly's attention to the misconstruction of the Government Order by the Range Officer, and will request him to issue instructions to his subordinates to furnish returns of the numbers and outlay on famine works under them as before.

3. Mr. Barlow will also request the Superintending Engineer to explain, regarding the road-works mentioned in paragraph 6, and will report to the Board in a week from the date of his letter the result of the communications he has been ordered to

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make to the Superintending Engineer in this and in the last paragraph of these Proceedings. He should inform Colonel Moberly that he has been instructed so to report. The Board wish to know by what procedure the money for the two roads was placed at the disposal of the Public Works Department.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

No. 149.

ORDER THE REON, 9th June 1877, No. 1,935.

Miscellaneous.

APPROVED.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
" the Public Works Department.
" the Financial Department.
" the Accounts General.

Ed. F. J. Bantleman.

Chingleput

Revenue Department.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

Dated 26th May 1877.

N^o 346. Read the following:

Reads Special R. W. Barlow Esquire
Collector Chingleput District

N^o 346.

To H. E. Stokes Esquire
Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Madras

Sir, In reply to the Board's
Official memorandum N^o 779
of the 4th instant, I have the
honor to report as ordered, that what
I had actually arranged is that

Repairing mangalam channel
Purpur 1916 - " - "

" Valliveram - 1459 - 14 - "

" Gudavayalur, Aya:
Paham and Kola 1838 - 2 -
Thangeri 1834 - 6 -

the works noted
in the margin
should be newly
put in hand
at once in the
Sub-division,
Estimates for the
same having been
prepared by the

Sub Collector with the aid of the
Special Overseers under him, and
I have further requested Mr.
Mr. Leathley to clear Palar Channels
of prickly pear wherever needed.

For the Ponneri Salug, I have
ordered the Sahildar with
the assistance of a Special
Sub. Overseer, to put the
repairs to the marginally
noted tanks in hand in
anticipation of later rains, which
were asked for from the S.P.W.
some time since.

Periavappan
Vaijapathi
Purani
Gudappa Rao
Saraappa Rao
Sivulappa Rao
Sree Palaverthi
Annamalai Chari

2. What I however really require
are one or two large works, in
the Northern part of the district
like the Warfella & Samburam,
but in the Northern part.

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request a further grant of Rupees
5000 from famine funds for
the Sathiaradu - Sudda Road,
for which an allotment of Rupees
5000 ^{has} been already sanctioned
in G.O. No. 1864 of the 30th
November last; I propose to
commence the earth work
from the Sudda end by the
Revenue Department, so as
not to interfere with the S.P.W.
who are proceeding from the
Southern end (Sathiaradu).
This would afford employment
where I most want it and
not only provide for the northern
part of Tiruvellore, but also
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 people from Kollonore and the
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 large numbers. If this proposal
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 commenced, I shall manage
 to pull through, I think without
 serious inconvenience or loss of life.
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 the 10. P.W. expenditure from
 famine funds is being stopped
 and the members have declined
 in consequence as

shown in the margin

I have not been informed why this was done, but I imagine, it is with a view to all works being carried

	On the 21 st of April 1877	On the 28 th of April 1877	Balance
Under the Rev. Department	3875	3854	21
Under the P.W.	2958	1645	1313
Under the Railway Department	3581	3102	479

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 grants, as was stated by
 Colonel Moberly to be his
 intention, if G.O. No 520A
 of the 5th February last, was
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 No 1261 dated 12th April 1877,
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 ment, disposing of his
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 subject has been recently received.
 The Executive Engineer in
 charge of No 2 Range has
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5th April 1877 P. M. Dⁿ but I am
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5. I would observe here
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As to roads, gravelling an
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earth-work on which more
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rain falls - while as regards
estimates for Irrigation
repairs - now being sent to me
for

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for countersignature, I am
no better off, as the Super-
intending Engineer desires
to execute them in ordinary
course. I have reported on
this point separately - vide
my No 344 dated this day.

7. In conclusion, I would
bring to notice that a large
sum of Rs 10,697 was, as the
Board will recollect, allotted
for the Trivettore to Ponnani
road in their Proceedings No 123
dated 6th January 1877, and the
work handed over to the D. P. W.
for execution. I relied a good
deal on this road to afford
employment.

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nothing whatever appears
to have been done up to the
21st ultimo, when suddenly
an expenditure of Rs. 10,600
"in the week" was entered against
this road in the return fur-
nished by the D. P. W. without
any information whatever
as to numbers employed. A
similar entry of Rupees 2887-2-7
was found in the same week's
return with no particulars as
to numbers, against the road
from Trivellore to Velliyur
for which also, a grant of
Rupees 4818 was sanctioned
in the Board's Proceedings
above quoted.

Chingleput District
Collector's office
Dated 14th May 1877

I have &c.

Wm. D. H. Barlow
Collector.

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The Board approve this action and authorize him to
commence earthwork as proposed
at the Eade end of the road from
that place to be surveyed at once.

2. With regard to para 4, the Board
observe that the G. O. P. W. D. quoted
in the Range officer's remarks &
was communicated to all Masters
of distressed districts in P. D.
Proceedings 3rd May 1877 has no 6501.
It is duly recorded G. O. 15 February
1877 to P. D. P. D. which directed
that the numbers on the works
under the P. W. D. the transfer
of which to the Revenue Department
was to be made in the manner
specified, should be included
in the Collector's return, and were
the order in the Revenue Department
carried out there would evidently
be no difficulty in doing this.

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The M. S. will call Colonel Moberly's
attention to the misconstruction
of the G. S. by the Range officer
and will request him to issue
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3. Mr Barlow will also request
the Superintending Engineer to
explain regarding the road works
mentioned in para 6, and will
report to the Board in a week
from the date of his letter
the result of the communication
he has been ordered to make
to the Superintending Engineer,
in this and in the last paragraph
of these Proceedings. He should
inform Colonel Moberly that
he

he has been instructed as to report.
The Board wish to know by what
procedure the money for the two
roads was placed at the disposal
of the S. S. & D.

True copy & submit,
J. H. Moberly
Secretary

To The M. S. of Chingleput

True copy,

W. S. S. S.
Secretary

To The Secy to Government
Revenue Department

with copy B. S. S. S. S.
4 May 1932 - no. 779.

No 779

Official Memorandum

The Mestro of Chingleput is requested to report the cause of the strike in numbers on relief works in his district on the 28 April. His attention is called to certain remarks in the report which show that work has been stopped under the P.W.D and that officers of that department refuse to furnish information as to the numbers employed by them. The numbers under the Revenue department are only 5764. The railway works are now on the point of closing and the works under the P.W.D are apparently to be stopped. Mr Barlow is requested to report what works he has got ready in the several taluqs

Ind. Secy. to Govt. of Madras
 21st Dec 1877
 The Hon. Secy. to Govt.
 of the Madras Presidcy

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Chingleput

Working of the
 Board of Revenue
 dated 26th May 1877
 Recd. 26th May 1877
 on 1/11/77

Authorizing Comr of
 Chingleput to examine
 the work of the
 Board of Revenue
 dated 26th May 1877
 Recd. 26th May 1877
 on 1/11/77

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Salings of the district to afford
employment to those who need
it.

Revenue Board office
Madras
4 May 1877

By order
Jd H. Stokes
Secretary

To The Master of Chingleput

Enclosed

W. H. Stokes
Secretary


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Enclosure to Honble
Revenue & the Lord
Steward of the
date 26. Aug 1877
No 2402

Copy of a. & B.
Minutes of the
date 14. Aug 1877

Recd 19.9.77
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