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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

12th June 1877, No. 1,970-B.

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Read the following paper :—

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Taluq.	12th May.	19th May.	
Ramalkotta ...	32,610	32,281	— 329
Nandikotkur ...	20,307	19,518	— 789
Nandial ...	28,644	26,693	— 1,951
Sirwell ...	19,672	17,433	— 2,239
Koilkuntla ...	28,452	26,186	— 2,266
Pattikonda ...	16,946	23,573	+ 6,627
Cumbum ...	4,932	46,447	+ 41,515
Markapur ...	16,295	9,531	— 6,764
Total ...	204,858	203,722	— 1,136

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Talug.	Number of Works.	OUTLAY		Number of Coolies.
		In the Week.	Up to the Week.	
Ramalkotta ...	5	Rs. 9,073	Rs. 53,430	71,499
Pattikondah ...	8	2,779	39,923	3,654
Nandikotkur ...	4	8,769	27,817	12,367
Nandial ...	3	13,415	77,163	22,102
Sirwell ...	2	7,513	55,983	15,349
Total ...	22	41,549	252,316	67,951

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one-third of the numbers employed in the district.

5. *Rates of Wages.*—The wages are correctly regulated with reference to the prices of cholam or ragi.

6. *Gratis Relief.*—The talug totals and distribution under the several classes of relief are shown below:

	12th May.	10th May.	
Ramalkotta ...			1,870
Nandikotkur ...	14,239	12,369	565
Nandial ...	5,742	6,307	1,897
Sirwell ...	4,642	6,539	405
Koilkuntla ...	6,510	6,915	361
Pattikondah ...	6,083	6,454	93
Cumbum ...	4,618	4,711	1,218
Markapur ...	13,861	15,079	1,039
	6,344	3,385	75
Total ...	61,049	61,769	503
Camps ...			503
Village Relief ...	6,903	6,400	5,901
Children under 7 ...	13,394	7,433	7,174
	40,752	47,926	719
Total ...	61,049	61,769	719

It will be seen that there is a large decrease in village relief and increase under children allowed 3 pies a head; and the increase in the different taluqs every case, except Sirwell, results from similar change. The collector regards the increase in village relief as a satisfactory feature and due to the repression of the Board think, however, that there must be more than 3,833 persons in the district at the present time. The increase in the number of children indicates fraud. It has occurred in all taluqs except Nandial and Sirwell. In the former, however, the proportion to the population

on works is still 23 per cent., and the variation in the different taluqs is very great, viz., from 14 per cent. in Markapur to 23 in Ramalkotta. The proportion is above 17 per cent. in the last-named talug, and in Cumbum and Pattikondah, which have 22 and 20 per cent., respectively. The cost of gratuitous relief during the week was Rs. 12,240.

7. The Ramalkotta Talug is the only one against which deaths of persons on gratuitous relief are shown. There were 18 in camps and relief-houses in the talug, and 12 among those relieved in the villages.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
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TALUKWAR Abstract of Relief in certain Districts of the Madras Presidency for the Week ending Saturday the 19th May 1877.

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Taluk.	Grants of Funds and Works ordered for Relief 19th May 1877.	Probable Cost of Works or Sum allocated for their execution.	OUTLAY ON WORKS IN PROGRESS		OUTLAY SINCE THE COMMENCEMENT OF DISTRESS		Cost of gratuitous relief during the Week.	NUMBER OF COOLIES EMPLOYED ON THE LAST DAY OF THE WEEK.				NUMBER OF PERSONS IN RECEIPT OF GRATUITIOUS RELIEF ON THE LAST DAY OF THE WEEK.					
			No. the Week.	To the end of the Week.	On Relief Works.	Gratuitous Relief.		Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.		
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.										
		...	18,935	10,67,724	10,67,724	...	...	2,786	16,370	5,619	32,281	...	...	...	...	...	...
		...	11,454	1,83,033	2,06,949	...	...	5,846	9,223	4,414	19,512	...	...	...	...	...	...
		...	17,911	5,69,469	5,69,469	...	...	8,833	13,952	4,903	26,693	...	...	...	...	...	...
		...	9,786	2,94,078	2,94,078	...	...	5,358	8,687	3,488	17,433	...	...	...	...	...	...
		...	16,120	5,60,976	5,60,976	...	...	6,673	15,450	5,142	28,255	...	...	...	...	...	...
		...	21,414	8,43,963	8,43,263	...	...	7,956	12,413	3,995	24,573	...	...	...	...	...	...
		...	23,998	6,60,110	6,60,110	...	...	15,307	19,660	21,420	46,447	...	...	...	...	...	...
		...	4,575	1,80,246	1,80,246	...	...	3,405	4,132	1,914	9,531	...	...	...	...	...	...
		...	1,22,698	38,81,914	38,81,914	...	...	53,293	99,387	41,160	203,742	...	...	...	...	...	...
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MADRAS
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No. 2,497.

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Secretary.

To

The Additional Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, with 2 original reports to be returned, and taluqwar abstract.

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No. 3.

Tabular Abstract of Relief in certain Districts of the Madras Presidency, at the week ending Saturday, the 19th May, 1877.

Districts.	Totals.	Grants of Public Funds worked up to 15th May 1877.	Probable cost of works on these grants.	Outlay on works in progress.		Outlay since the commencement of distress.	Cost of relief during the week.	Number of persons employed on the last day of the week.				Number of persons in receipt of gratuitous relief on the last day of the week.			
				To the week.	To the end of the week.	On Relief Works.	On Relief Grants.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
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Madhav.	4,565	1,50,246	1,50,246	11	11	1,50,246	11	3,405	4,122	3,214	10,741				
Total.	1,22,698	28,55,506	28,55,506	11	11	28,55,506	11	63,295	99,287	41,160	203,742				

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(Signed) H. E. STOKES, Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT.
Additional Secretary to Government.

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

Ed. F. R. Bantleman.

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Chief Report for the Revenue District
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ending 19th May 1871.

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From Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
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My dear Sir
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Yours
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Prof. Sir Walter Davis
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Report for the Revenue Department
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