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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

16th June 1877, No. 2,002-A.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper :—

No. 313-A. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th June 1877,
No. 2,609.

Read the following letter from W. H. WELSH, Esq., Assistant Collector, to C. T.
LONGLEY, Esq., Collector of Salem, dated Pennagaram, 16th May 1877,
No. 41 :—

I HAVE the honor to submit a report of the Progress of State Relief Works in the
Ahtur Taluq up to the 5th May 1877.

2. I took charge of the taluq for relief purposes on 12th February. The
expenditure from the beginning of the famine up to the 17th was as follows: on
gratuitous village relief Rupees 296, on the relief camp Rupees 5, on relief works
Rupees 272—total Rupees 620.

3. The relief-works consisted of the deepening of wells, of which eleven were
in progress and two completed, and the improvement of the Ahtur town site.

4. Up to this time the bulk of the relief-works was supplied by the Public
Works Department. Eight works were in progress, for which Rupees 3,634-2-11 was
sanctioned. Since that time nineteen or more additional tank repairs have been under-
taken by that department, of which I have no accurate account.

5. Since the 12th February, four new roads have been undertaken for a distance
of 20½ miles, for which Rupees 4,790 has been sanctioned, about Rupees 200 a mile.

6. Of these roads, one of 3½ miles has been finished, well within the estimate,
the surplus of which will be sufficient to supply culverts, &c., which were not estimated
for. Of the other roads nearly one half has been completed. The slow progress is
owing to the small number of coolies in their neighborhood who need relief-work, the
worst distress being limited to certain valleys where it is severe.

7. There are four roads under repair from Relief Funds for a distance of 19 miles,
one of which has been completed. With the others good progress has been made,
which chiefly consists in heaping gravel ready for application when the time is favor-
able. The total amount sanctioned is Rupees 3,992, of which Rupees 2,064 has been
spent. The roads under repair pass through the more distressed parts, and the number
of laborers is large; 852 on roads under repair on the 5th May, as against 244 on
new roads.

8. Two works are in progress for improvement of village site, and a lane for
which Rupees 125 is sanctioned, and Rupees 103 spent. Seventeen wells have been
deepened and repaired at a cost of Rupees 367, and nineteen are in progress for which
Rupees 612 has been sanctioned and Rupees 400 spent. Some of these wells were of
the utmost importance, many miles of country being wholly dependent on them in the
tracts where water is scarce.

9. Gratuitous relief is received by 475 people in villages and in the camp. The
cost per week is now nearly 200, but the total up to the 5th May was only Rupees 870.

Revenue Department, 16th June 1877, No. 2,002-A.

10. : On gratuitous relief and on relief-works the total expenditure has been Rupees 4,615. In addition to these the additional establishment has cost Rupees 309; total outlay up to the 5th May Rupees 4,924. The expenditure under the Public Works Department is not included.

11. By these means distress has been combated, as may be seen from the fact that crime has been far less above the average in this than in other taluqs, while prices are nearly as high. There has been, however, great mortality from diarrhoea and complaints caused by scarcity, and very large numbers of cattle have died.

FORWARDED through the Board for the information of Government.

NAMKUL,
25th May 1877.

(Signed) C. T. LONGLEY,
Collector.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

2. The distress in the taluq is not severe.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

No. 313-B.

ORDER THEREON, 16th June 1877, No. 2,002-A.

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(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
" the Financial Department.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

1877 Salem 25/7

Revenue Department

Proceedings of the Board
of Revenue

Dated 6th June 1877

Read the following 4:41

Throu W. H. Welsh
Assistant Collector
of Salem

To The Collector
of Salem

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FAMINE RELIEF, No. 1304-C.

Report on Relief operations in the Shikar
Talug, Salem District. - Recording Proceedings,
Board of Revenue, on - up to 5th May 1877.

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16th May 1877

(True copy)

Forwarded through the

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Salem
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25th May 1877
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Submitted for the information
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(True copy & Extract)

W. H. Welsh
Secretary

To the add^l Sec^y to Gov^r R. D.

W. H. Welsh

Feb 4, 1920

Proceeding of the
Board of Directors,
Date 6th June 1897.
Recd 7th —

Submitting for the
information of Mr. & Mr.
from the collector of
Gadara with a copy of
Report on Relief operations
in the Akhbar Taky and
showing that the British
in the Taky are not aware.

Qc 16 June 77 No 2002

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Friend,

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