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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

16th June 1877, No. 2,013-B.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper:—

No. 336-C. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th June 1877.

Read the following letter from J. F. PRICE, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Gurrangkondah, 21st May 1877, Extra No. 1,155.

REFERRING to G.O., No. 1,600-D, dated 30th ultimo, communicated with the Proceedings of the Board, Miscellaneous No. 6,706, dated 8th instant, I have the honor to enclose a copy of a letter addressed by the Deputy Conservator of Forests to the Acting Head Assistant Collector.

2. The estimate submitted by Mr. Yarde (Rs. 4,874-12-10), which has been carefully calculated, and is, no doubt, with the exception of the 3-pie children, correct, is so much heavier than Mr. Benson expected that he has thought it necessary not to allow operations to begin until the result of a reference on the matter is known.

3. The Acting Head Assistant Collector, in reviewing the estimate of the Deputy Conservator of Forests, observes that a provision for 60 children receiving 3 pies each has been put down for every 100 laborers. He very properly remarks that this is too high a rate, and that about 30 per cent. would be ample. This would effect a reduction of Rs. 222-8-9; but, on the other hand, Mr. Benson considers that the coolies employed upon repairing the fencing of the forest reserves ought to receive, in consideration of the out-of-the-way nature of the locality in which they will be employed, one pie extra per diem. The cost of this would be Rs. 247-4-3. This would give the total of the estimate as Rs. 4,899-8-4, or in round numbers Rs. 4,900.

4. The sum is a large one, but does not, in my opinion, represent one tithe of the damage done to the forests and reserves of this district, owing to the concessions made to the people on account of the famine.

5. Rain has now fallen, and the grass is springing up with marvellous rapidity. I think that every effort should be made to render all fenced reserves secure against cattle, and I therefore request the favor of instructions as to whether I may permit work to go on to the extent estimated by Mr. Yarde.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

From H. H. YARDE, Esq., Deputy Conservator of Forests, to R. S. BENSON, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Collector of Cuddapah, dated Codoor, 9th May 1877, No. 64.

REFERRING to paragraph 6 of your letter, dated 27th ultimo, No. 422, I have the honor to submit an estimate of the probable amount that will be required by me for carrying out the repairs of the fences of the several reserves by means of famine relief coolies.

Revenue Department, 16th June 1877, No. 2,013-B.

2. The quantity of work that will be required to be done on following reserves amount to 2,850 chains :-

Balapalle, No. I	Chains.
Do. " II	378
Vacaseconah	994
Yerraguntlacotah	118
Thommacondah	500
Sallaguntachano	225
Gathela...	600
	35
Total	2,850

The above measurements were taken by this department, and will be found correct.

3. It will take eight men and eight women coolies at Rs. 0-1-5 and Rs. 0-1-2, respectively, to finish one chain per day, the total cost of such work being Rs. 1-4-8 per chain, and the net cost for completing the whole work of 2,850 chains will amount to Rs. 3,681-4-0, and the repairs will be fully finished by nine gangs consisting of 48 coolies to each gang in 105½ days, and allowing two women to each gang for supplying the coolies with water will cost Rs. 159 for the whole time for all the gangs, and will make a total of 50 coolies to each gang.

4. Adding the allowance of 3 pies to each child per day, allowing an average of 30 children to a gang for the whole period, will amount to Rs. 445-1-3 and the Sunday wages to Rs. 589-7-7, making a total cost of Rs. 4,874-12-10 to be expended for the work in question, and which will be the amount required by me.

5. From the above you will observe that I have excluded the employment of head coolies, as this part of the work can be undertaken by the reserve watchmen, whom I shall hold responsible for the daily outturn of work, and the general supervision will devolve on my Forest Rangers and Foresters, who will be directed to submit the several returns as is now maintained in the various relief-works.

6. As much of the work will have to be done in the interior of the jungles, there may be a disinclination on the part of the coolies to work at a distance from their villages: I beg, therefore, to leave it for your consideration whether the wages be moderately enhanced as an inducement to the coolies to accept this kind of work.

7. At present the aloe fences have been seriously damaged, and there will be a great difficulty in obtaining the plant, and it would be useless in putting it down in this dry season; a rough stone fencing will suffice, as the stones can be procured on the spot and the cost of this description of fence will not exceed that of an aloe fencing.

The Board authorise the Collector to have the work executed as relief-work under Mr. Yarde's supervision, and sanction his estimate. It is probably correct at ordinary rates. It may have to be exceeded owing to the new scale of wages.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

No. 336-D.

ORDER THEREON, 16th June 1877, No. 2,013-B.

Miscellaneous.

APPROVED.

(True Extract.)

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

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

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Reserve Deputy

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
8th June 1877

Read the following,

Extra No. 1155

From,

J. J. Price Esquire
Acting Collector of Cuddalore

Branch No. 5862

To

M. E. Stokes Esquire
Secretary to the
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Madras

Sir,

Referring to G. O. No. 16000
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with the Proceedings of the Board
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Place of Revenue in Cuddalore District.
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Cuddapah
Collectors Office 2/3 of J. Frederick Price
Camp Gurrum Road Ag Collector
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Enclosure

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No. 64.

From.

H. H. Yarde Esquire
By Conservator of Forests
Cuddapah District

To.
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Ag Head Assistant Collector
of Cuddapah

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By Conservator's
Office
Dated 9th May/77

I have recd
/s.d./ H. H. Gardner
By Conservator of
Forests

(True Copy)

/s.d./ R. B. Benson
Ag. Head Assent. Col.

(True Copy)

/s.d./ J. Frederick Price
Ag. Collector

Price The Board authorize
the Collector to have the
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(True Copies & Extract)

B. J. H. E. Stokes

Secretary

To The Collector of Cuddalore

(True Copy)

Wm. H. H.

Secretary

To The addl. Secretary to Govt. C.D.

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