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REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE,
7th August 1877.

Famine Relief.

No. 41-B.

No. 2,438-A.

To

THE ADDITIONAL SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA,
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE,
AGRICULTURE, AND COMMERCE.

Miscellaneous.

SIR,—In reply to your letter, dated the 19th July 1877, No. 619, I am directed to state that the Order of this Government in the Financial Department, dated 12th February, No. 529, was acted on in this Presidency partially for about a month and fully for about half that period.

2. The letter from this Government to Sir R. Temple, dated the 20th February, No. 753, was communicated to all Collectors, and by that letter discretion as to the selection of the grain to be taken for the regulation of wages was left to them.

3. By G.O., 27th February, No. 857, in this Department, however, Collectors were expressly ordered to select the cheapest grain for the regulation of wages. It was with reference to this order (which has been acted on all over this Presidency since the end of March last) that the cheapest grain was taken for calculation in column 10 of the statement accompanying my letter, No. 2,027, of June 18th.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

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

Exd. A. F. Goodall.

Agriculture (1877) Department.

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FAMINE RELIEF, No. 1,515.

INTIMATING that by G.O., 27th February, No. 857, Collectors were expressly ordered to select the cheapest grain for the regulation of wages, and that it was with reference to this order that the cheapest grain was taken for calculation in column 10 of the statement referred to.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

7th August 1877, No. 2,438-A.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper :—

No. 41-A. From the Hon. T. C. HOPE, C.S.I., Additional Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Revenue, Agriculture, and Commerce (Agriculture and Horticulture—Famine), to J. H. GARSTIN, Esq., Additional Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated Simla, 19th July 1877, No. 619.

WITH reference to the communications quoted in the margin, I am directed to inquire whether the Order of the Madras Government in the Financial Department, No. 529, of February 12th, directing that second-sort rice shall be everywhere taken as the standard according to which the price of one pound of grain is to be paid to relief laborers, has been acted on throughout the distressed districts. The Government of India, to whom this order appears not to have been communicated, were under the impression that the Madras Government had not fixed any standard, but had left the selection of the grain to be taken as the standard to the discretion of the several Collectors.

My telegram, dated June 28th.
Your reply, ,, ,, 29th.
My telegram, ,, ,, 29th.
Your letter, No. 2,163, dated June 30th.

2. I am also to request that favor of explanation as to why, if second-sort rice is the standard, the "cheapest" grain is that of which the price is taken for calculation in column 10 of the statement accompanying your letter, No. 2,027, of June 18th.

(True Copy.)

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

Exd. A. F. Goodall.

No 619 (agre & Hortl Famine)

From

The Honble T. C. Hope, C.S.I.

Add.l Secretary to the Government of India

Department of Revenue, Agriculture & Commerce

To

J. H. Garstin Esqre

Add.l Secretary to the Government of Madras

Revenue Department

Simla, the 19th July, 1877.

Sir,

With reference to the communications

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were under the impression that the Madras Government had not fixed any standard but had left the selection of the grain to be taken as the standard to the discretion of the several Collectors.

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant.

W. H. Lee

Additional Secretary to the Government of India

Rev. Dep't
No. 5919

From,
The Hon. J. C. Hope C.S.I.
Add. Sec. to the G. of I.
Revenue Dept.

Dated 19 July 19
Recd 26 July 19

No. 619

Enquiring whether the order of the Madras Govt. Fin. Dept. No. 527 of 1877 dated 19th July, directing that 2nd sort rice shall be taken as the standard according to which the price of the day of grain is to be paid to relief labourers, has been acted on throughout the Presidency and requesting explanation as to why, if the 2nd sort rice is the standard, the 'cheapest' grain is that of which the price is taken for calculation in Column 10 of the statement which accompanied the Madras Govt. letter No. 2027 of the 18th June.

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To

The Hon^ble T. C. Hope C.S.I.

Sir

In reply to your letter of the 19th Instant No 619 I am directed to refer you to Madras G.O. No 85 of the 27th February 1877 in this Department which notified Financial G.O. No 529 of the 12th February and directed that when grain other than rice was plentiful and cheaper, such cheaper grain should be the standard for commutation of the 1/80 of grain into money.

2. I am also to point out that in the letter from this Government dated February 20th No 753 to Sir R. Temple which was communicated to all Collectors, those officers were

were ordered to exercise the discretion which they possessed of selecting what grain should be the standard for commutation of wages, carefully, so as to avoid unnecessary State expenditure. In fact, practically the Financial order quoted by you was never acted on.

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To The Addl. Secy to the Govt of India
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By G.O. 27th February 1857 in this Department however Collectors were expressly ordered to select the cheapest grain for the regulation of wages. It was with reference to this order which has been acted on all over this Province since the end of March last that the cheapest grain was taken for calculation in column 10 of the Statement accompanying my letter No 2027 of June 18th.

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