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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

4th August 1877, No. 2,443-A.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper :—

No. 50-A. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 25th July 1877, No. 3464.

Read the following letter from E. TURNER, Esq., Extra Special Assistant Collector, to W. McQUHAE, Esq., Collector of Madura, dated Allinagaram, 10th July 1877, No. 119.

I HAVE the honor to forward my Progress Report on Famine-Relief operation in the taluqs of Tirumangalam and Periacolam for the month of June.

2. The following statements show in detail the measures taken to relieve the distressed in the taluq of Tirumangalam during the month :—

I.—WORKS.

Statement of Works.

Name of Taluq.	Name of Work.	As estimated for.			As measured up from 1st to 30th June.		
		Quantity of Work	Rate per Cubic Yard	Amount sanctioned for work.	Quantity of Work	Rate per Cubic Yard	Amount spent on Work done.
			RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Satharumpoolengolam	Peria Channel	41,651	0 0 9	1,952 7 11	22,131	0 0 9	1,058 13 0
Kariaputty	Kariaputty Tank	1,052	0 1 0	65 11 9	496	0 1 3	38 14 8
Kurdiyur	Masavanatham Tank	20,758	0 1 0	1,207 6 3	17,053	0 0 10	929 3 9
Sundramoondoo	Sundramoondoo Tank E.	3,107	0 1 0	194 3 0	133	0 0 9	6 5 9
	G.	795	0 1 3	62 11 9	3	0 1 0	0 3 2
Vadakarai	Alady Tank	2,685	0 1 0	162 2 3	154	0 0 9	7 2 11
	Poonnacalam Tank E.	9,177	0 1 0	677 9 0	367	0 0 9	17 3 0
	L.	9,177	0 0 1	47 12 9	8,100	0 0 0 1/2	28 14 8
Oorappanur	Papangulam Tank E.	3,727	0 1 0	232 15 2	82	0 0 9	3 13 8
	T.	3,727	0 0 1	19 6 7	5,117	0 0 0 1/2	14 10 9
Kuthiraichanikolam	Kuthiraichanikolam Tank E.	2,037	0 1 0	127 6 3	372	0 0 9	17 7 6
	T.	2,037	0 0 1	10 1 9	1,637	0 0 1	0 11 6
Sathangudy	Periacommy	17,548	0 1 0	1,096 12 2	4,047	0 1 1 1/2	390 7 4
	Channel	2,196	0 1 0	137 4 0	1,594	0 1 1 1/2	9 6 0
	T.	17,548	0 0 1	91 6 4	1,800	0 0 1	88 13 2
Olagany	Olagany Tank and Channel	14,735	0 1 0	920 15 1	2,017	0 0 8 1/2	209 7 3
Erramalamputty	Erramalamputty Tank	5,122	0 1 0	320 12 10	5,407	0 0 10 1/2	275 5 1
Kallicoody	Arasacalam Tank	4,453	0 1 0	273 6 9	4,911	0 0 10 1/2	275 5 1
	Sengolam	2,535	0 1 0	158 7 10	648	0 0 11	342 13 6
Ponnamangalam	Periacommy and channel	14,974	0 1 0	935 14 10	5,690	0 1 0	286 5 2
Malanasanary	Channel E.	4,927	0 0 10	260 4 11	5,417	0 0 10 1/2	286 5 2
	G.	531	0 1 3	41 7 9	168	0 1 3	16 7 6
	T.	5,528	0 0 1	28 12 0	5,617	0 0 0 1/2	20 6 6
Nonacalam	Nonacalam Tank	3,012	0 1 0	193 14 9	1,120	0 1 0	70 0 0
Cannanore	Periacommy	5,395	0 1 0	337 3 9	106	0 0 10	5 3 1
Mallangur	Orany E.	8,090	0 1 6	950 0 0	7,612	0 1 3	680 2 4
	G.	498	0 3 0	76 8 0	14	0 2 0	1 13 0
Total		94,657			94,657	Average rate 0 0 9	4,551 7 8

II.—CAMPS.

Relief-camp, Tirumangalam.

Camp.	Average Daily Strength.		Strength on last Day of the Month.		Expenditure in the Months of	
	In May.	In June.	31st May.	30th June.	May.	June.
Tirumangalam	300	746	469	1,686	Rs. A. P. 860 15 2	Rs. A. P. 1,730 3 6

III.—CONJEE-HOUSES.

Statement showing the Number of Persons fed in the Conjee-houses and Expenditure in June 1877.

Names of Places.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.	Amount.	Remarks.
Sadapatty	443	523	474	1,440	Rs. A. P. 32 7 7	
Kallapatty	470	337	321	1,128	49 1 11	
Mallanginar	365	620	1,402	2,387	120 13 5	
Cullicooty	165	375	457	997		
Chockanuni	69	204	98	371	12 1 6	} Private subscription. By Zemindar.
Udlaipatty	1,202	861	1,387	3,450	120 0 0	
Baptur	2,008	3,927	4,107	9,142	271 6 6	

IV.—VILLAGE RELIEF.

in June 1877.

Names of Circles.	Men.	Women.	Children.
Sadapatty	929	706	826
Kallapatty	100	174	130
Kurayur	239	398	302
Total	1,268	1,278	1,258

3. The condition of the lower castes of the people throughout the taluq is getting worse, but more especially in the north and west where the distress has always been greatest. The Pariah quarter of nearly every village in that direction contains a considerable number of women and children in a very destitute condition. Now that the jamabandy of this taluq is over, I can employ the regular taluq establishment to a much greater extent upon famine relief. I am now introducing the system of village dole according to G.O., No. 1,830, dated 28th May 1877. I am not at all sure how far this system will succeed; it will require the closest supervision and watching. If it can be worked I think it will be far preferable to the system of crowding great numbers of diseased and dirty human beings in fenced camps. Probably a judicious combination of both systems will be best. We have employed about 2,000 laborers per diem on an average during the month. Piece-work by family and village gangs has been introduced to a considerable extent.

4. Periakolam.—I am sorry to say that the cholera crop, which was looking so promising, has almost entirely failed through blight. This is a great disappointment, as we were depending upon it to ease matters somewhat. I have started a relief-camp at Periacolam, and the numbers have already reached 600. Many of these are wanderers from other districts who came in search of work and of fodder for their cattle. The lower castes are suffering considerably in this taluq now.

I have divided the taluq into four centres for purposes of village relief. The numbers relieved in camps and conjee-houses in this taluq during the month are specified below:—

Relief-Camp at Periacolam.

Place.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Periacolam	1,031	1,272	2,636	4,839

Relief-houses.

Places.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Periacolam	1,803	3,472	6,182	11,456
Andypatty	211	365	931	1,508
Oothamapoliem	570	771	1,352	2,693

No. 457.

SUBMITTED to the Board of Revenue.

MADURA,
16th July 1877.

(Signed) W. McQUEHAE,
Collector.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

3. The very cheap rate at which work has been turned out is creditable to Mr. Turner.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Acting Secretary.

No. 50-B.

ORDER THEREON, 4th August 1877, No. 2,443-A.

Miscellaneous.

The mode of execution of relief works under Mr. Turner is very satisfactory.

2. The loss of the cholera crop and consequent prolongation of distress will render increased vigilance in village relief necessary, more especially in Periacolam.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue,
Financial Department.

Exd. T. D. Ryan.

Name of Villages	Name of work	As estimated for			As measured up to 30th June 1877				Remarks
		Quantity of work	Rate per cubic yard	Amount for work	Quantity of work	Rate per cubic yard	Amount spent on work done		
Satharampattinam	Peria channel	41651	"	9 1962 7 11	22131	"	9 1058 13 0		
Hariputty	Hariputty	1052	"	1 " 65 11 9	495 1/2	"	1 3 78 1/2		
Kudayur	Malayana	20758 1/2	"	1 " 1297 6 3	17953	"	10 929 3 9		
Sundaragudi	Sundaragudi	3107	"	1 " 194 3 "	133	"	3 6 5 9		
	G	795	"	1 3 62 11 9	3 1/4	"	1 " 3 2		
Vadakarai	Madayank	2595 1/6	"	1 " 162 2 3	154	"	7 7 2 11		
Cosappanur	Ponnasalam	9177	"	1 " 377 9 "	367 3/8	"	9 17 3 6		
	Tank II	9177	"	1 47 12 9	8106 1/4	"	4 28 14 8		
Do	Rapangalam	3727	"	1 " 232 15 2	824 1/6	"	9 3 3 6		
	Tank II	3727	"	1 19 6 7	3117 1/4	"	78 14 10 9		
Kuthirai	Kuthirai	2037 1/2	"	1 " 127 5 3	3725	"	9 17 7 5		
	Tank II	2037 1/2	"	1 " 10 1 9	1637	"	1 9 11 5		
Sathangudi	Periamangal	17548 3/16	"	1 " 1096 12 2	4047 3/4	"	1 1/2 390 7 4		
	Channel	2196	"	1 " 137 4 "	1594 1/8	"	1 1/4 114		
	T	17548 3/16	"	1 91 6 4	1800	"	1 9 6 "		
Olagany	Olagany	14735 1/8	"	1 " 920 15 1	2017 15/16	"	8 3/4 88 13 2		
Erramampatty	Erramampatty	3673 2/8	"	1 " 320 12 10	5407 1/8	"	1 1/2 299 7 3		
Kallicondy	Kallicondy	4453	"	1 " 278 5 9	4911 7/8	"	1 1/2 275 5 1		
Do	Sengolam	2535	"	1 " 158 7 10	548 1/4	"	11 32 14 1		
Ponnammangalam	Periamangal	34974 3/4	"	1 " 935 14 10	5500	"	1 " 342 13 5		
Malanaswary	Chinnel	4997 7/8	"	10 260 4 11	5417 7/8	"	10 286 5 2		
	G	531	"	1 3 41 7 9	198	"	1 3 15 7 6		
	T	5528 7/8	"	1 28 12 "	5617 7/8	"	3 1/4 20 6 6		
Kovacolam	Kovacolam	3012 3/4	"	1 " 193 14 9	1120	"	1 " 70 "		
Bannanore	Periamangal	5396 3/4	"	1 " 337 3 9	100	"	10 5 3 1		
Mallanginan	Cosamp	8000	"	1 6 950 "	7612	"	1 3 580 2 4		
	G	408	"	3 " 76 8 "	14 1/2	"	2 " 1 3 "		
Total					94657	"	4557 7 8		
							Average rate		

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THE BOARD OF REVENUE,
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FAMINE RELIEF, No. 1619-A.

Private Relief Operations in Periamangal and Pericolam Taluqs in Madura Dist. Observing that the mode of execution of works under Mr. Turner is very satisfactory and regarding that the loss of the cloth will render increased vigilance in villages necessary, especially in Pericolam.

Madras Revenue Department

No 3464

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
Dated 25th July 1877
Reads the following

No 119

From

E. Turner Esquire

Extra S^y Asst Collector

Madura

To

W. McQuhae Esquire

Collector of Madura

Sir

I have the honor to forward
my Progress Report on Famine Relief
operation in the Taluqs of Tirumangalam
and Periaculam for the month of June

2.

The following statements
show in detail the measures taken to
relieve the distressed in the Taluq of
Tirumangalam during the month.

Camps Relief Camp Tirumangalam

Camp	Average daily strength		Strength on last day of the month		Expenditure in the month	
	May	June	May	June	May	June
Tirumangalam	300	746	469	1586	860 15 2	1730 3 6

(3) Conjee houses

Statement showing the number of persons
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Names of Places	Men	Women	Children	Total	Amount	Remarks
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Enallapatty	365	620	1402	2387	120 13 5	
				998		Private subscription
Chockamuram	59	204	98	361	12 1 6	Do
Usilampatty	1202	861	1387	3450	130 - -	Do
Saptur	2008	3827	4107	9942	271 6 6	By zemindar

(4) Village relief

Statement showing the number of persons
to whom relief in villages in June 1877.

Names of Circles	Men	Women	Children	Remarks
Sadapatty	929	706	826	
Kallapatty	100	174	130	
Kuragur	239	398	302	
Total	1268	1278	1258	

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Taluk

Salaries during the month are specified below.

Relief camp at Periakolam

Place	Men	Women	Child. down	Total
Periakolam	1031	1272	2536	4839

Relief houses

Places	Men	Women	Children	Total
Andiputty	211	366	931	1508
Cothamapoleim	570	771	1352	2693

Extra Spl Asst Collector I have &c
Office (Camp) Alinjagaram } (Sd) C. Turner
5 July 1872 Extra Spl Asst Collector
(True copy)

No 457 Submitted to the Board of
Revenue.

Madura }
16 July 1877 } (Sd) W. McEwen
Collector

Submitted

Submitted for the information
of Government.

2. The loss of the cholam crop is
a very great blow to the people.

3. The very cheap rate at which
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(True copy & Extract)

C. Turner

S. W. McEwen

W. McEwen
Ag. Secretary.

To

The Secy. Secretary to Govt R.D.

