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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.  
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

1st September 1877, No. 2,625-B.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper:—

No. 120. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th August 1877, No. 3,897.

Read the following letter from A. J. STUART, Esq., Sub-Collector of Cuddapah, to J. F. PRICE, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, dated Buraayallakotta, 4th August 1877, No. 2,015:—

I HAVE the honor to forward the result of inspection of physique of coolies in the Kadiri Taluq as well as of the poor under village relief in some of the villages visited by me in that taluq.

2. On the whole the coolies are certainly somewhat worse than in the Madanapalle and Royachoty Taluqs. I attribute this partly to delay in payments, the result of mismanagement when the works were numerous and scattered and the subordinate staff employed in making payments wretchedly bad, and partly to the fact that the people are less ready to come to the works in this taluq than elsewhere; I do not know for what reason.

3. I have already reported that with prices at 3 measures and  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in out-stations and the cusbah and at  $2\frac{1}{2}$  or  $2\frac{3}{4}$  in the villages, both the wages to coolies and the doles to the poor in village relief are insufficient to support life, and I have proposed new scales for both purposes.

4. I have introduced order into the system of payments in the Kadiri Taluq, and I think the coolies will now be paid regularly twice a week. There are only three large gangs, and each has a fairly competent Superintendent in charge. Still it is a fact that the coolies require to supplement their wages to a large extent by Danadari leaves, and searching for them instead of working is one cause why the outturn of work is small everywhere; in this taluq the coolies are partly living upon this food. Physique reports from other taluqs have, I believe, been forwarded to you direct from my head-quarter office by mistake; they have not been forwarded to me in camp. In future this will be done and my report will embrace the whole Sub-division.

Inspection of Kadiri Coolies, 19th July 1877.

|                 | Good. | Fair. | Indifferent. | Bad. | Very bad. | Total. |
|-----------------|-------|-------|--------------|------|-----------|--------|
| Men ... ..      | 121   | 255   | 44           | 53   | 12        | 485    |
| Women ... ..    | 113   | 530   | 29           | 110  | 6         | 788    |
| Children ... .. | 45    | 178   | 25           | 27   | 14        | 289    |
| Total ...       | 279   | 963   | 98           | 190  | 32        | 1,542  |

Revenue Department, 1st September 1877, No. 2,625-B.

Inspection of Tanakul, 2nd August 1877.

|          | Good. | Fair. | Indif-ferent. | Bad. | Very bad. | Total. |
|----------|-------|-------|---------------|------|-----------|--------|
| Men      | 63    | 91    | 49            | 40   | 5         | 248    |
| Women    | 43    | 204   | 59            | 21   | 5         | 327    |
| Children | 16    | 61    | 20            | 22   | 5         | 124    |
| Total    | 122   | 356   | 128           | 83   | 10        | 699    |

Inspection of Somalagandy Village Relief.

|          | Indif-ferent. | Bad. | Very bad. | Total. |
|----------|---------------|------|-----------|--------|
| Men      | 7             | 6    | ...       | 13     |
| Women    | 17            | 4    | ...       | 21     |
| Children | 15            | 5    | 7         | 27     |
| Total    | 39            | 15   | 7         | 61     |

Inspection of Danain Chervoo.

|          | Indif-ferent. | Bad.   | Very bad. | Total. |
|----------|---------------|--------|-----------|--------|
| Men      | 3 + 2         | 2 + 5  | ...       | ...    |
| Women    | 7             | 1 + 7  | 0 + 5     | 23     |
| Children | 6 + 3         | 4 + 3  | 10 + 2    | 23     |
| Total    | 9 + 12        | 8 + 15 | 10 + 9    | 63     |

Inspection of Yellichellamulla.

|          | Indif-ferent. | Bad. | Very bad. | Total. |
|----------|---------------|------|-----------|--------|
| Men      | 7             | 7    | ...       | 14     |
| Women    | 23            | 6    | ...       | 29     |
| Children | 6             | 9    | 4         | 19     |
| Total    | 36            | 22   | 4         | 62     |

Inspection of Gonkanapilly.

|          | Indif-ferent. | Bad.   | Very bad. | Total. |
|----------|---------------|--------|-----------|--------|
| Men      | 4 + 3         | 3 + 2  | ...       | 12     |
| Women    | 7 + 8         | 2 + 7  | ...       | 24     |
| Children | 8 + 15        | 1 + 4  | ...       | 28     |
| Total    | 19 + 26       | 6 + 13 | ...       | 64     |

Revenue Department, 1st September 1877, No. 2,625-B.

Inspection of Obicharla.

|          | Indif-ferent. | Bad. | Very bad. | Total. |
|----------|---------------|------|-----------|--------|
| Men      | 6             | 1    | ...       | 7      |
| Women    | 15            | ...  | ...       | 15     |
| Children | 11            | 7    | ...       | 18     |
| Total    | 32            | 8    | ...       | 40     |

Inspection of Gandlapentah.

|          | Indif-ferent. | Bad.    | Very bad. | Total. |
|----------|---------------|---------|-----------|--------|
| Men      | 12 + 2        | 18 + 2  | 13 + 2    | 49     |
| Women    | 44 + 10       | 39 + 8  | 9 + 2     | 113    |
| Children | 30 + 8        | 12 + 14 | 16 + 7    | 87     |
| Total    | 86 + 20       | 69 + 25 | 38 + 11   | 249    |

Inspection of Kanakaripally.

|       | Indif-ferent. | Bad. | Very bad. | Total. |
|-------|---------------|------|-----------|--------|
| Men   | 4             | 2    | ...       | 6      |
| Women | 27            | ...  | ...       | 27     |
| Total | 37            | 5    | ...       | 43     |

Inspection of Madoogovarigandy.

|          | Indif-ferent. | Bad. | Very bad. | Total. |
|----------|---------------|------|-----------|--------|
| Men      | 8             | 1    | ...       | 9      |
| Women    | 18            | ...  | ...       | 18     |
| Children | 39            | ...  | ...       | 39     |
| Total    | 65            | 1    | ...       | 66     |

No. 418.

SUBMITTED for the information of the Board of Revenue.

2. The condition of the coolies in the Kadiri Taluq appears to be by no means satisfactory.

3. It is to be hoped that the measures taken by Mr. Stuart will lead to an improvement.

CUBDAPAH,  
10th August 1877.

(Signed) J. W. JOHNSTON,  
Special Deputy Collector,  
for Acting Collector.

Revenue Department, 1st September 1877, No. 2,625-B.

Submitted for the information of Government.

2. The Board regret to receive so unsatisfactory a report of the condition of the Kadiri coolies. The sufficiency of the present rates of wages with reference to the diminution of the purchasing power of the money portion owing to the very high prices now ruling has been noticed in separate Proceedings.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

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

No. 12 D.

Order thereon, 1st September 1877, No. 2,625-B.

Miscellaneous

It is observed that great vigilance is required and more punctual payment of laborers.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue,  
the Surgeon-General, Indian Medical Department,  
the Sanitary Commissioner,  
the Financial Department.

Wd. J. W. Fisher and A. F. Goodall.



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Revenue Dept.

No 3897

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue  
Dated 20th August 1877.

Read the following

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From

A J Thwait Esquire

Sub Collector of Subdivision

To

J J Price Esquire

Ag Collector of Subdivision

For

the honor to forward the result of inspections of physique of coolies in the Madras taluk as well as of the poor under Village Panchayat some of the villages visited by me in that taluk.  
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It is probable  
that the real  
cause of the bad  
condition  
of the Coolies has  
been delay  
in payments.

I do not think  
it at present necessary to support working people  
to ensure the rate  
of wages. If things were  
worse it may be desir-  
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not for the present  
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Inspection of Kadar Colony 7/4/57

|          | Indif | Bad | Very | Total |
|----------|-------|-----|------|-------|
| Men      | 121   | 58  | 10   | 189   |
| Women    | 112   | 62  | 27   | 201   |
| Children | 65    | 78  | 25   | 168   |
| Total    | 298   | 198 | 62   | 558   |

Inspection of Sanakur 12/5/57

|          | Indif | Bad | Very | Total |
|----------|-------|-----|------|-------|
| Men      | 122   | 91  | 19   | 232   |
| Women    | 112   | 100 | 37   | 249   |
| Children | 66    | 61  | 20   | 147   |
| Total    | 299   | 252 | 76   | 627   |

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Inspection of Samalagandy Village Relief

|          | Indif | Bad | Very | Total |
|----------|-------|-----|------|-------|
| Men      | 7     | 6   | -    | 13    |
| Women    | 17    | 14  | -    | 31    |
| Children | 15    | 5   | 7    | 27    |
| Total    | 39    | 25  | 7    | 71    |

Inspection of Sarawan Channur

|          | Indif | Bad  | Very | Total |
|----------|-------|------|------|-------|
| Men      | 0+2   | 3+5  | 0+2  | 12    |
| Women    | 3+7   | 1+7  | 0+5  | 23    |
| Children | 6+3   | 4+3  | 10+2 | 28    |
| Total    | 9+12  | 8+15 | 10+9 | 63    |

Inspection of Yellichellamulla

|          | Indif | Bad | Very | Total |
|----------|-------|-----|------|-------|
| Men      | 7     | 7   | -    | 14    |
| Women    | 23    | 6   | -    | 29    |
| Children | 6     | 9   | 4    | 19    |
| Total    | 36    | 22  | 4    | 62    |

Inspection of Goukaraappully

|          | Indif | Bad | Very | Total |
|----------|-------|-----|------|-------|
| Men      | 4+3   | 3+2 | 0    | 12    |
| Women    | 7+8   | 2+7 | 0    | 24    |
| Children | 8+13  | 1+0 | 0    | 28    |
| Total    | 19+24 | 6+9 | 0    | 64    |

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# Inspection of Obichent

|          | Indef<br>faint | Dark | Very<br>dark | Total |
|----------|----------------|------|--------------|-------|
| Men      | 6              | 1    |              | 7     |
| Women    | 15             |      |              | 15    |
| Children | 11             | 7    |              | 18    |
| Total    | 32             | 8    |              | 40    |

# Inspection of Gaudlapentah

|          | Indef<br>faint | Dark  | Very<br>dark | Total |
|----------|----------------|-------|--------------|-------|
| Men      | 12+2           | 18+2  | 13+2         | 47    |
| Women    | 44+10          | 39+9  | 9+2          | 103   |
| Children | 30+6           | 12+16 | 16+7         | 81    |
| Total    | 86+18          | 69+28 | 38+11        | 249   |

# Inspection of Kamatampally

|          | Indef<br>faint | Dark | Very<br>dark | Total |
|----------|----------------|------|--------------|-------|
| Men      | 4              | 2    |              | 6     |
| Women    | 6              |      |              | 6     |
| Children | 29             | 4    |              | 33    |
| Total    | 39             | 6    |              | 45    |

# Inspection of the adio gavarigindly

|          | Indef<br>faint | Dark | Very<br>dark | Total |
|----------|----------------|------|--------------|-------|
| Men      | 8              | 1    |              | 9     |
| Women    | 18             |      |              | 18    |
| Children | 39             |      |              | 39    |
| Total    | 65             | 1    |              | 66    |

Could speak I have re  
Self-Meeting Office of A. J. Stuart  
Camp Buraagal Sub-Meeting  
Lakotta  
Dated 11 August 1897.

[True Copy]

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Could speak } Sd J. W. Johnston  
Collector Office } Special Dy Collector  
10 August 1897 } for Dy Collector

To The Secretary to the  
Board of Revenue  
Madras

Submitted

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of Government.

The Board regret to receive  
so immediately a report  
of the condition of the Madras  
Cotton. The sufficiency of the  
present rates of wages with re-  
ference to the circumstances of the  
purchasing power of the money  
portions owing to the very high  
prices of cotton have been  
noted in separate Proceedings.

(True Copy attached)

W. H. S. Secretary

The Addl. Secretary to Govt. P. D.

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