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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

6th September 1877, No. 2,668-A.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper :—

No. 118-A. From C. T. LONGLEY, Esq., Collector of Salem, to J. H. GARSTIN, Esq., Additional Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 29th August 1877, No. 474-2,510 S. N.

With reference to your telegram dated to-day, I have the honor to report as follows on the stoppage of minor works in this district.

2. In G.O., No. 125-I, dated 29th June 1877, Government directed the transfer of all public works to the Department of Public Works, "leaving under Civil Agency only those works necessary for the home employment of the small number who though capable of doing some work are unable to earn their subsistence on the public works." The transfer of works under the Government Order above quoted having been carried out from the 15th instant, the home relief-works which remained with the Civil Agency consisted of levelling fort walls and clearing prickly-pear, both of which are quite unremunerative, and as most of these works had come to an end it appeared that the further prosecution of such work would be objectionable for the following reasons :—

(1.) The large increase of the number on gratuitous relief, consequent on the growing intensity of the distress, has rendered the Revenue officers incapable of exercising the necessary supervision over these scattered works.

(2.) The able-bodied of the distressed become demoralized inasmuch as they would rather qualify themselves for employment on such home works than go to a distance from their villages to be taken on large projects in charge of the Department of Public Works.

(3.) The District Engineer has more than once brought to my notice that in consequence of the Civil Agency prosecuting these minor works the officers of his department find it difficult to procure laborers for works in their charge.

(4.) It is much more economical in the end to relieve gratuitously all such persons as are not fit for work under the Department of Public Works.

3. For the above reasons I have ordered all minor works in charge of the Civil Agency to be stopped throughout the district except the improvement of the drinking water-supply in villages which it is not in the power of the Department of Public Works to look after, and directed that all those not able to earn their livelihood on works under the Department of Public Works, should be put on gratuitous relief. The District Engineer, who has been requested to provide work for all the able-bodied, has responded to my call by promising to undertake all irrigation works which have not yet been taken up, and under recent orders by telegram he has put in hand the Sangam Basvan and Baroor Projects, to which a large number of the 13,000 who were hitherto employed on minor works in the Dharam-pury Taluq may be drafted.

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4. I further beg to state my belief that my action in stopping the minor works is also in accordance with the views of His Grace the Governor, as expressed in his Minute embodied in G.O., No. 2,371, dated 24th July 1877, wherein it was directed that all persons incapable of turning out 50 per cent. of the ordinary rates should be relegated to village gratuitous relief. Mr. Puckle also, who lately visited this district, has fully approved my action (*vide* his diary on Salem District).

No. 118-B. ORDER THEREON, 6th September 1877, No. 2,668-A.

Miscellaneous.

THE Collector will submit a list of all works closed by him in the Dharampury Taluq showing the dates of closing them.

2. The District Engineer will report what works he has opened in the taluq, the dates of opening them, the numbers employed on them, and the numbers the works can accommodate.

3. The above information will be submitted with the least possible delay.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Collector of Salem.
" the District Engineer of Salem.
" the Public Works Department.
" the Financial Department.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

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F. N. 7233.

Re: -

Mr. Puehle in his diary
on Dampuri stated
that mine works giving
employment to 13000
persons had been closed
& the people sent away
with tickets -

Mr. Long by was telegraphed
to explain the
reason for stopping
the work -

His reply is that he
has no idea up to the
order of Govt. as
contained in the G.O.

of June 29 4/1877 N. 1251
D. N. 5 (Migration)
1/9/77 I.H.P.

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D. S. to be called on
to state in same way
what work he has done
- numbers in them

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REVENUE.

To

THE COLLECTOR OF SADEK.

Dated September 6th.

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Issued in MS. 12th.

Printed 18th.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 6th September 1877, No. 2, 603-A.

SEPTEMBER.

No. 118-A-118-B.

FAMINE RELIEF, No. 1736-A.

Stoppage of minor works in the Dampuri
Tribal, Sahib District. - Requesting the Collector
submit a list of all works closed by him in the
tribal, and the District Engineer to report the
works he has closed and to submit the other infor-
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From,

The Collector
of Salem

Sir,

The Additional Secretary
to Government
Madras.

Sir,

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Telegram dated to-day, I have
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29th June 1877, Government

P. W. Keppeler

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Salem Collector's Office
Salem dated 29th August
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Sir,
Your most Obedt Servt

C. J. Smith
Collector.

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