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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

10th September 1877, No. 2,687-B.

Famine Relief.

Read the following paper:—

No. 153-G. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 29th August 1877, No. 4,032.

Read the following letter from R. DAVIDSON, Esq., Acting Collector of Kurnool, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 17th August 1877, No. 754.

I HAVE the honor to submit the following explanatory remarks with reference to the relief reports and return of prices and rainfall for the week ending 28th July 1877.

2. *Statement No. I.*—On the whole there was a fractional rise in the price of grain as shown in the margin. Rice rose in Koilkuntla, and ragi in Cumbum and Naudial, as well as Koilkuntla. There was a slight rise in the price of cumbu in Cumbum and Markapur. The other variations call for no special notice.

Average of the District.		
Grain.	21st July.	28th July.
Rice	5·36	5·28
Cholum	6·56	6·48
Ragi	7·21	6·71
Cumbu	7·59	6·81
Wheat	5·48	5·36
Horse-gram	7·07	6·97

3. Rain fell in all the taluqs of the district during the week under report, averaging ·86 inch.

4. The number of works sanctioned for execution, those in progress, [illegible] jowica alone.

Taluqs.	Number of Works sanctioned.	Number of Works in progress.	Number of Works completed.
Ramalkota	48	8	.....
Nandikotkur	45	4	.....
Pattikonda	74	4	.....
Koilkuntla	13	4	.....
Nandial	30	3	.....
Sirwell	31	4	.....
Cumbum	36	5	.....
Markapur	22	2	.....
Total ...	*299	34	.....

*Of these, irrigation works numbering in all 24 are executed by the Public Works Department from the Irrigation Budget grants.

5. Most of the works in progress under the civil officers are roads, but there are also a few irrigation works in the taluqs of Sirwell and Cumbum.

6. The grants up to this date amounted to Rs. 56,71,000. The outlay on works during the week was Rs. 1,65,519 against Rs. 1,62,846 in the previous week. The increase is due to the payment of increased wages during the week, with reference to the rise in prices, in the taluqs of Ramalkota, Nandikotkur, and Nandial.

7. *Numbers on Relief-works.*—The numbers for the taluqs are compared below :—

Taluqs.	21st July.	28th July.	Difference.
Ramalkota	38,582	39,132	+ 550
Nandikotkur	26,742	26,539	— 203
Pattikonda	25,593	25,677	+ 84
Koilkuntla	26,802	26,461	— 341
Nandial	30,560	29,722	— 838
Sirwell	19,674	19,660	— 14
Cumbum	36,140	38,723	+ 2,583
Markapur	6,409	8,357	+ 1,948
Total ...	210,602	214,371	+ 3,769

8. The increase in Ramalkota, Cumbum, and Markapur is due to the fresh admission of distressed coolies, while the decrease in Koilkuntla and Nandial is owing to the transfer of infirm coolies to relief-houses and the elimination of a few who were able but unwilling to work.

9. The rates of wages paid during the week were the sanctioned ones, and grain payments were made in all the taluqs except Nandial and Sirwell.

10. The following table shows the money or grain rates paid in the district during the week under report :—

Taluqs.	Money. Rs.	Grain.			
Ramalkota	0 2 4	0 1 10	...	...	...
	0 2 6	0 2 0	0 1 5	40 + 1 A.	40 + 6 P. 20 + 6 P.
	0 2 3	0 1 9	0 1 2		
Nandikotkur	0 2 7	0 2 1	0 1 4	40 + 1 A.	40 + 6 P. 20 + 6 P.
	0 2 5	0 1 11	0 1 3		
Pattikonda	0 2 4	0 1 10	0 1 4	40 + 1 A.	40 + 6 P. 20 + 6 P.
	0 2 1	0 1 7	0 1 1		
Koilkuntla	0 2 4	0 1 10	0 1 2	Not given pending report from the Deputy Collector.	
Nundial	0 2 7	0 2 1	0 1 4	...	... ...
	0 3 3	0 1 9	0 1 2	...	... ...
	0 2 3	0 1 9	0 1 2	...	... ...
Sirwell	...	...	...	40 + 1 A.	40 + 6 P. 20 + 6 P.
Cumbum	...	...	...	40 + 1 A.	40 + 6 P. 20 + 6 P.
Markapur	...	...	...		

11. *Gratuitous Relief.*—The taluq totals compare as follows with those entered in last week's report :—

Taluqs.	21st July.	28th July.	Difference.
Ramalkota	13,747	15,618	+ 1,871
Nandikotkur	3,588	5,170	+ 1,582
Pattikonda	9,189	9,577	+ 388
Koilkuntla	7,910	10,027	+ 2,117
Nundial	10,271	10,083	— 188
Sirwell	6,310	7,398	+ 1,088
Cumbum	13,451	14,028	+ 577
Markapur	3,485	3,631	+ 146
Total ...	67,951	75,532	+ 7,581

12. The increase is due to the fresh admission of distressed paupers and to the transfer to village relief of infirm coolies from gangs.

13. There were 30 camps and relief-houses at which 21,908 persons were being fed ; village relief was given to 12,685 in 560 out of 753 villages which have been divided into 26 inspection circles. The total number of children paid the special allowance of 3 Pies per head was 40,939.

14. The following table shows the distribution, as to class, of the persons relieved in camps and village relief as far as reported :—

	In Camps.		In Villages.	
	Number.	Per cent.	Number.	Per cent.
Men	5,782	26	3,261	26
Women	8,738	40	5,612	44
Children	7,388	34	3,812	30
Total ...	21,908	100	12,685	100

15. The deaths in camps and relief-houses are reported to have been 212, among recipients of village relief 110, and among children receiving 3 Pie per head 57. With the quarantine arrangements which have lately been made in relief-camps it is hoped that the death-rate will diminish in future.

16. The following table shows the total numbers on the hands of Government in each taluq, and the proportion which they bear to the population :—

	Population per Census 1871 enumeration.	Numbers. Relief-works.	Gratuitous Relief.	Total.	Per cent. Prop.
Ramalkota	147,552	39,132	15,618	54,750	37
Nandikotkur	103,783	26,539	5,170	31,709	31
Pattikonda	123,118	25,677	9,577	35,254	29
Koilkuntla	99,424	26,561	10,027	36,588	37
Nandial	106,454	29,722	10,083	39,805	37
Sirwell	72,179	19,660	7,398	27,058	37
Cumbum	124,453	38,723	14,028	52,751	42
Markapur	92,665	8,357	3,631	11,988	12
Total ...	919,628	214,371	75,532	289,903	32

17. Advances amounting altogether to Rs. 1,780 were given under the Land Improvement Act in the taluqs of Nandikotkur, Koilkuntla, and Markapur.

18. The usual establishment return and taluqwar abstract are herewith submitted.

19. I regret the delay in the submission of this report, which is owing to the absence of Mr. Knox, my Special Assistant, at Pattikonda for Jamabandi, and to my being otherwise fully occupied.

Enclosure No. 1.

Returns of Establishment employed in connection with Relief-works in the Kurnool District for the Week ending 28th July 1877.

1. Supervision of execution of works.

Ordinary Revenue Establishment.

Number of—

8 Tahsildars.
3 Deputy Tahsildars.
26 Revenue Inspectors (employed on village-relief inspection)
2 Taluq Gumastahs.
3 Overseers, Public Works Department.
Others.

Establishment specially entertained.

Number of—	Aggregate Monthly Pay. Rs.	A.	P.
29 Special European Officers	8,807	0	0
2 Deputy Collectors	850	0	0
Tahsildars	...		
8 Deputy Tahsildars	560	0	0
17 Overseers	880	0	0
34 Revenue Inspectors	899	0	0
128 Settlement and Survey Establishment	2,991	8	0
82 Head Maistries	1,280	0	0
112 Village officials, specially remunerated	762	0	0
385 Others above the grade of Head Cooly or Ganger	3,019	0	0
18 Village Relief Superintendents	358	0	0
2. Payment of Wages.			
Number of—			
233 Paymasters or Paying Gumastahs	2,136	0	0
51 Others (Clerks for grain depots, &c.)	484	0	0
3. Accounts.			
Number of—			
40 Special Clerks	511	0	0
21 For audit and check of labor bills and accounts	460	0	0

KURNOOL,
21st August 1877.

(Signed) C. J. KNOX,
Special Assistant Collector,
for Acting Collector.

Return showing the Statistics of Relief in the Kurnool District for the Week ending 28th July 1877.

Taluq	Gratuitous Relief. Cooked food.	Gratuitous Relief. Water or Rice gruel.	Gratuitous Relief. Cash.	Number on Works. On the last day of the Week.	Number on Works. Average daily attendance during the Week.	Cost of Establishment during the Week.	Number of Persons relieved on the last day of the Week. Men.	Number of Persons relieved on the last day of the Week. Women.	Number of Persons relieved on the last day of the Week. Children.	Number of Persons relieved on the last day of the Week. Total.	Total number of Persons relieved during the Week.	Difference.
	7	8	9	4	5	6	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	As.	As.	Rs.						
Banaikota ...	...	...	...	28,005	13,92,378	12,06,603	11,806	15,837	7,487	76,132	68,182	+ 550
Nandikotur ...	...	1	...	28,419	3,66,377	6,67,185	2,163	13,394	6,036	21,630	21,713	+ 1
Pattikonda ...	...	...	...	18,517	6,17,769	5,17,760	3,820	13,175	3,082	25,077	25,993	+ 84
Koilkuntla ...	...	...	...	16,667	7,10,274	7,38,787	6,494	16,278	3,889	26,661	26,802	+ 141
Nandial ...	...	...	...	21,109	7,24,987	7,30,545	9,983	14,383	5,866	29,732	29,892	+ 160
Siruel ...	...	...	...	15,005	4,83,833	4,43,885	6,525	9,535	3,539	19,600	19,874	+ 274
Owkiem ...	...	...	...	32,611	9,85,923	9,85,166	15,813	18,801	4,019	38,733	38,140	+ 593
Markapur ...	...	...	...	61,95	4,49,014	3,39,890	2,973	4,022	1,366	8,361	8,409	+ 48
Total ...	...	...	...	1,03,879	58,73,956	59,57,702	70,111	106,775	36,085	314,971	310,502	+ 3,709

KURNOOL,
21th August 1877.

(Signed) C. J. KNOX,
Special Assistant Collector,
for Acting Collector.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 8th August, No. 3,686.

(True Copies and Extract.)

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

No. 153-H. ORDER THEREON, 10th September 1877, No. 2,687-B.

Miscellaneous. RECORDED.

(True Extract.)

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

Exd. A. F. Goodall

Revenue Department

No. 4032

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 29th August 1877

Read the following—

No. 754

From The Acting Collector

Rungpore

To The Secretary to the Board of Revenue

Calcutta

Sir,

I have the honor to submit the following explanatory remarks with reference to the Relief Report and Return of prices and rainfall for the week ending 20th July 1877.

2. Statement No. I. On the whole there was a fractional rise

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in the price of grain as shown

in the margin. —

Rice rose in Koilkuntla

and Ragi in Cumbum

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was a slight rise in

the price of Cumbu in Cumbum

and Markapur. The other va-

riations call for no special notice.

Average of the District		
Grain	21st July	28 July
Rice	5.36	5.28
Cholum	6.56	6.48
Ragi	7.21	6.71
Cumbu	7.59	6.81
Wheat	5.48	5.36
Horse Gram	7.07	6.97

3. Rain fell in all the Talugs of the District during the week under report, averaging .86 inch.

4. The number of works sanctioned for execution, those in progress and completed are shown in the subjoined Table

Table.

Talugs	No. of works sanctioned	No. of works in progress	No. of works completed	Remarks
Ramalkota	48	8	-	
Nandekothur	45	4	-	
Pattikonda	74	4	-	
Koilkuntla	13	4	-	
Nundial	36	3	-	
Sirvell	31	4	-	
Cumbum	36	5	-	
Markapur	22	2	-	
Total	* 279	34	-	

* Of these, irrigation works numbering in all 94 are executed by the D.P.W. from the Irrigation Budget Grants.

5. A list of the works in progress under the Civil Officers are Roads but there are also a few irigation works in the Talugs of Sirvell & Cumbum

6. The

6. The grants up to this date amounted to Rs 56,7000. The outlay on works during the week was Rs 165519 against Rs 160846 in the previous week. The increase is due to the payment of increased wages during the week with reference to the rise in prices, in the Taluqs of Ramakkalmedu, Nedumkandam, Kanjikuzhi, Udumbanchola, Rajakumari, Santhanpara, Mankulam, Devikulam, Peermade, Thodupuzha, Kothamangalam, Kunnathunad, Kanayannur, Parur, Alangad, Aluva, Kunnathunad, Kanayannur, Parur, Alangad, Aluva, Kunnathunad, Kanayannur, Parur, Alangad, Aluva

week under report.

Taluqs	Money			Grain			Remarks
	Man	Woman	Child	Man	Woman	Child	
Ramalkota	2-4 2-6	1-10 2--	1-2 1-3	40+1 anna	40+6 pies	20+6 pies	
	2-3	1-7	1-2				
Nandikotkur	2-7 2-5	2-1 1-11	1-6 1-3	40+1 anna	40+6 pies	20+6 pies	
Pattikonda	2-4 2-1	1-10 1-7	1-4 1-1	40+1 anna	40+6 pies	20+6 pies	
Koilkuntla	2-4	1-10	1-2	Not given pending report from the Dy Collector			
Nandyal	2-7 2-3	2-1 1-9	1-4 1-2	"	"	"	
Sirvella	2-3	1-9	1-2				
Cumbum	"	"	"	40+ anna	40+6 pies	20+6 pies	
Markapur				40+1 anna	6 pies	3 pies	

12. Gratuitous Relief. The Taluq totals compare as follows with those entered in last week's report

Taluqs	21st July	28th July	Difference	Remarks
Ramalkota	13747	15618	+1871	
Nandikotkur	3588	5170	+1582	
Pattikonda	9189	9577	+388	
Koilkuntla	7910	10027	+2117	
Nandyal	10271	10083	-188	
Sirvella	6310	7398	+1088	
Cumbum	13451	14028	+577	
Markapur	3485	3631	+146	
Total	67951	75532	+7581	

12. The

12. The increase is due to fresh admission of destitute paupers and to the transfer to village relief of inform coolies from gangs

13. There were 30 Camps and relief houses at which 21908 persons were being fed; Village relief was given to 12685 in 60 out of 773 villages which have been divided into 26 inspection Circles. The total number of children paid the special allowance of 3 pies per head was 4039

14. The following Table shows the distribution as to class of the persons relieved in Camps & Village relief so far as reported

	In Camps		In Villages		Remarks
	Number	Per Cent	Number	Per Cent	
Men	5782	26	3261	26	
Women	8738	40	5612	44	
Children	7388	34	3812	30	
Total	21908	100	12685	100	

15. It

15. The deaths in Camps and relief houses are reported to have been 213, among recipients of village relief 10, and among children receiving three pice per head 5. With the quarantine arrangements which have lately been made in Relief Camps it is hoped that the death rate will diminish in future.

16. The following Table shows the total numbers on the Lands of Government in each Taluq and the proportion which they bear to the population.

Talugs	Population according to Census of 1871	Numbers: On Relief works	Gratuitous Relief	Total	Ratio of Relief to Population	Remarks
Ranullakota	144752	39 132	15 618	57750	37	
Standikotkur	103783	26589	4170	31709	31	
Pattikonda	173 118	25577	9577	35254	20	
Koilkuntla	99424	26561	10027	36588	37	
Nandiwl	106467	29922	10083	39805	37	
Sirvell	72179	19669	7385	27054	37	
Cumbum	121453	38723	14028	52751	42	
Markapur	92665	8307	3631	11938	12	
Total	919628	214371	75532	289903	32	

17. Advances amounting altogether to Rs 1700 were given under the Land Improvement Act in the Taluqs of Nandikotkur, Koilkuntla and Markapur.

18. The usual Establishment returns and Taluqwar abstract are herewith submitted.

19. I regret the delay in the submission of this report which is owing to the absence of Mr Percy, my Special Assistant, at Pattikonda for Jamabandi and to my being otherwise fully occupied.

I have &c

Kurnool Collectors Office 17th August 1877

Signed R Davidson
Ag Collector

Submitted

Submitted for the information
of Government in continuation of
Board's Proceedings dated 8th August
No. 3686.

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Sy Secretary

To

The Addl Secretary to Government R.D.
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forwarding explanatory
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& Returns of prices and
Rainfall for week ending
28th July 1877.

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Talukwar Abstract of Relief in the Kurnool District for week Ending 28 July 1877.

Taluks.	Grants of funds sanctioned for Relief works up to	Probable cost of work & sums sanctioned for their execution.	Outlay on works in progress.		Outlay since the commencement of Distress.		Cost of gratuitous relief during the week.	Number of coolies employed on the last day of the week.				Last week's Total.	Difference	Remarks
			In the week.	To the end of the week.	On Relief works.	Gratuitous relief		Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13		
Nandikotkur			2905	[illegible]	[illegible]			1800	1937	7597	39132	38562	+ 570	
Nandikotkur			2592	36097	35723			8150	12694	5690	25539	26742	- 203	
Pattikonda			18817	51775	51700			2830	13137	3452	25677	25593	+ 84	
Koilkuntla			16667	36272	35787			6[illegible]	16295	3869	26881	26962	- 81	
Nandial			21199	78595	77834			9[illegible]	14888	5806	29722	30560	- 838	
Sirvel			16008	[illegible]	[illegible]			6528	9693	3539	19660	19674	- 14	
Cumbum			32511	92693	92853			15818	18691	4579	38728	36140	+ 2588	
Markapur			6196	27504	27090			2972	4022	1363	7857	6409	+ 1448	
Total	367200		165577	527293	526163			72911	108175	36485	214571	210602	+ 3969	

Karnool
Collectorate office
28th August 77

By Order of the Board of Revenue
for Secy to Govt

Curnool
26th Oct 1877
for Secy to Govt