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Famine Relief.

No. 237. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st March 1877, No. 945 :—

Read the following letter from J. F. PRICE, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, to H. E. STOKES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 21st February 1877, No. 89.

I HAVE the honor to enclose an estimate for Rupees 24,400, with specification and report, for the supply of gravel and metal for the repairs of the road from Cuddapah to Cumbum, and to request that the Board will be pleased to obtain the necessary sanction for carrying it out as a famine relief-work.

2. I am strongly in favor of this class of operations, for it is easier to task and supervise than any other, and is far more useful than making a quantity of cross-country roads which are of benefit to only a small section of the community, and which will hereafter cost a sum in up-keep far in excess of their importance.

3. The District Engineer, in forwarding the estimate which is marked "Famine Relief-works" has addressed me in my capacity as Acting President of the Local Fund Board; but I consider that I should send it in as Collector of the District, leaving the adjustments between Local and Imperial Funds for future consideration.

Enclosure No. 1.—Estimate.

Enclosure No. 2.—Specification.

Enclosure No. 3.—Report to accompanying Estimate.

Submitted for the sanction of Government. The road is a very important line of communication.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

No. 238. Ootacamund, 7th March 1877, No. 978.

Miscellaneous.

The estimate, amounting to Rs. 24,400, is sanctioned. The Government consider the collection and stacking of metal by the sides of roads the best form of famine relief-work.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
" the Public Works Department.
" the Financial Department.
" the Accountant-General.

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