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Famine Relief.

No. 737. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th April 1877, No. 1,765 :—

Read the following letter from H. SOOBBA ROW, Temporary Deputy Collector, to J. F. PRICE, Esq., Acting Collector of Cuddapah, through the Divisional Relief Officer, dated Ankalammagudur, 31st March 1877, No. 117 :—

I BEG to submit the following report regarding the progress of the relief works in the Pulivendla Taluq for the month of February 1877.

2. In this month no new works were undertaken, there being ample employment for the coolies on the works already in progress.

3. I beg to subjoin a statement showing the several relief works in progress in this taluq, the amount expended on the same, and the amount of work turned out up to the end of January and also in the current month.

4. EXPENDITURE.—From this statement the amount expended up to the end of January 1877 was Rupees 70,550, during the current month the amount spent is Rupees 27,637, making in all Rupees 98,187 as classified below :—

	Rs.
On roads	*97,707
On new wells	108
On repairs and clearance of old wells	372
Total ...	98,187

* A very great deal. I learn, however, that the Pulivendla Taluq is almost, if not entirely, destitute of other works upon which famine labor could be employed.
(Signed) J. F. P.

5. The amount of expenditure in this month as compared with that of January is short by Rupees 21,835. This decrease was owing to the corresponding decrease in the number of coolies. The decrease in the number of coolies is to be attributed chiefly to the reduction of wages and to the elimination of coolies belonging to other districts and taluqs and also those who were considered to be well-to-do from the relief gangs. In this month all the raggy crops under wells having been ready for reaping has also furnished employment to a good number of coolies who were employed on the relief works.

At the end of January	11,653
At the end of February	8,522
Difference...	3,131

A satisfactory reduction.
(Signed) J. F. P.

This was put a stop to as soon as Government orders on the subject were received.
(Signed) J. F. P.

This has been the case in many other parts of the main division.
(Signed) J. F. P.

6. WORK TURNED OUT.—For the amount expended as particularized above the quantity of work done is as follows :—

	C. Yds.
Metal collected, broken, and spread	3,146½
Metal collected and broken ...	16,272
Total earthwork, such as digging side channels and raising embankments, &c.	91,288
Gravel spread	46,166
Do. collected and heaped up.	11,135
Cutting rock and removing large stones	5,075
Stones heaped up for road dams, &c.	609½

These measurements are now professional. Mr. Maclean, Assistant Engineer, on special duty, is now engaged in measuring up the works in the Pulivendla Taluq, and will, so he reports, have finished in about a fortnight.
(Signed) J. F. P.

7. In addition to this a good quantity of work has been done in the shape of watering, tamping, and finishing the road.

Watering and tamping should not go on in dry weather, nor should any thing but metal be spread. It is sheer waste of money to do otherwise.
(Signed) J. F. P.

8. Nearly ten miles of road has been quite finished, twenty miles of road has been almost completed, the metalling and gravelling have been finished, and only watering and tamping being required.

Length of roads upon which work is going on not stated. The results, considering the time that work has been going on, are not remarkably good.
(Signed) J. F. P.

9. WELLS.—Besides the above works seven new wells are under progress. They have been dug to the depth of water. Only revetment is required, for which steps have been taken to collect stones.

They should be finished as soon as possible. One never knows now that March is over when heavy rain may not fall.
(Signed) J. F. P.

10. Up to the end of February six old wells have been cleared and deepened at a cost of Rupees 372. In all these wells there is a good supply of water.

Rates of Wages.

	RS.	A.	P.
Men	0	2	0
Women	0	1	4
Boys and Girls... ...	0	0	10

These were the new rates. Probably those originally fixed by the Board of Revenue are meant. I heard that there was *no* task work exacted. When was the scale put in force?
(Signed) J. F. P.

11. From the beginning of this month the new rates of wages as per margin were introduced, and these rates, with the amount of taskwork fixed for the same, were working very well. But from the 20th of the same month under the subsequent orders the reduced rates were brought into force which according to the existing prices of grain were calculated at—

RS.	A.	P.	
0	1	6	for men.
0	1	3	for women.
0	0	9	for boys and girls.

12. In this month all the raggy crops under wells were reaped and the ryots had a very good outturn. In all cases full 12 Annas, and in some cases even more than that. The markets also having been well supplied with rice from Madras and cholum and other grain from other countries, the prices fell to some extent as compared with those of the previous month. The reduction of wages had, therefore, no any injurious effect on the condition of the coolies. It only made the men coolies to be discontented and leave the work for a short time. A few days after the coolies who were really in need returned to their work.

This is satisfactory, but as prices fell the scale of wages should have been reduced too.
(Signed) J. F. P.

13. WATER-SUPPLY AND CROPS.—We had no rain in this month. The villages are well supplied with drinking-water. In no place there is any scarcity of it.

14. In most of the villages in this taluq the wells have been of very great service. The supply in them was very good, and there were very good and rich raggy and other crops under them. These crops having been reaped, the ryots are busily engaged in preparing their lands for sowing cholum and other grain under wells in which though there may be less water in the hot season as compared with the previous season, yet I am sure there may be enough water for raising another crop.

15. FODDER.—The reaping of raggy in this month has helped the ryots a great deal in saving their cattle particularly used in the agriculture as they had some straw of the same. This would last them for a month or so.

Nothing said regarding the ordinary cattle and cows. In what state are they?
(Signed) J. F. P.

16. CRIME.—There was little or no crime during the month.

17. HEALTH.—Cholera is still prevailing in several villages of the taluq. The village authorities and the officers in charge of the relief gangs have been supplied with cholera pills and chlorodyne with printed instructions how to use them.

18. There is no small-pox or any other sickness in the taluq or in the places where the relief works are being carried on. Every steps have been taken to keep the villages clean.

Are they clean? or have orders only been issued? How many villages did the Deputy Collector himself examine?
(Signed) J. F. P.

19. INSPECTION.—In this month the whole work has been duly inspected by Mr. MacCartie, the Special Assistant Collector, and the District Engineer. I have accompanied them throughout their tour of inspection.

20. ADVANCES UNDER THE LAND IMPROVEMENT ACT.—The amount advanced under Land Improvement Act up to last month was Rupees 690; in the current month Rupees 200 were advanced, making in all Rupees 890.

Very little. This is not being worked as it should. The ryots if properly informed would make more applications.
(Signed) J. F. P.

FORWARDED to the Collector.

(Signed) A. WEEKES,
Divisional Relief Officer.

4th April 1877.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
30th April 1877.

Extra No. 657.

FORWARDED for the information of the Board of Revenue. The state of the Pulivendla Taluq and of the coolies appear to be satisfactory. There has also been a considerable decrease in the expenditure.

SIDHOUT,
9th April 1877.

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Acting Collector.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.—Statement.

SUBMITTED for the information of Government.

2. The Board are glad to learn that the Collector is satisfied with the work of his Deputy H. Soobba Row in Pulivendla.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Secretary.

No. 738. ORDER THEREON, 30th April 1877, No. 1,600-H.

Miscellaneous. RECORDED.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.
" the Financial Department.

Exd F. K. Bartleman.

Govt. of {1877} Madras.

REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

&c., &c., &c.

Dated April, 30th.

Recd. *Encl.*

G.O., 30th April 1877, *No.* 1,600-H.

APRIL.

Nos. 737-738.

FAMINE RELIEF, No. 1,054-H.

Relief-works in Pulivendla Taluq in Cuddapah District.—Recording Proceedings of the Board of Revenue submitting letter from the Collector reporting on the progress of — for February 1877.

Statement showing the amount spent and the materials collected on Famine Relief works in Pulivendla Taluq up to the end of February 1877.

No.	Name of road.	Stations at which work is carried out	Amount of probable estimate	Amount spent up to last month	Amount spent in this month	Total	Quantity of work done up to the end of February: Metal	Earth work	Gravel	other kinds	Remarks
1							c. yds	c yds	c yds	c yds	
1	Mooddanoor road	1 Toomalapalli	16,635	10 1	1905 3 1	18540 13 2	9241	20,384½	5797	"	
		2 Telloor	8558	10 9	2710 10 10	11269 5 7	5360	4400	720	1512	
		3 Tondoor	902	8	2853 5 9	3755 6 5	2580	945	2377	32	
		4 Malliala	10145	13 6	4043 13 2	14189 10 8	3409	4465½	8098	3428	
		Total	56,000	36242 3	11513	10 47755 3 10	20,590	30,195	17992	4972	
2	Royachoty road	1 Loorabloo		5890 10 9	1902 3	7792 13 9	8483	9689	5063	697½	
		2 Kottapalle		5627 12 8	1493 11 1	7121 7 9	11599½	8901	4793	15	
		3 Simhadripalli		13131	6 4065 15 11	17197 5	15900	10167	12313		
		Total	120,000	24,649 7 11	7461 14	32,111 5 11	35952½	28757	22169	712½	
3	Parnapalle road	Korrapad & Velidandla	40,000	9364 9 10	8476 5 10	17840 15 8	17600	30,496	8140		
		Grand Total	2,16,000	70256 4 9	27451 4 8	97707 9 5	74142½	89448	57301	5684½	

Wells.

1 Repair of two wells at Balapanoor	"	200	98 10 9	11 "	3 109 11	74	196	"	"
2 Do of a Koniru at Bodibandapalle hamlet of Loorabloo	"	100	6 6 6	26 1 3	32 7 9	"	248	"	"
3 Do of a well at Lingala	"	52	52 2 1	" " "	52 2 1	"	"	"	" Work completed
4 Do of two wells at Gollamitta	"	492	136 13 4	41 6 3	178 3 7	"	1064	"	"
5 Digging of a well by the side of Mooddanoor road near Rachamarripalle	"	500	" " "	44 " "	44 " "	20	"	"	"
6 Do near Pedda Penugapuram	"	500	" " "	34 " "	34 " "	150	"	"	"
7 Repair of the side channels of the road from Cuddapah to Vempalle at Vempalle	"	30	" " "	30 " "	30 " "	32	332	"	"
Total		1874	294 " 8	186 7 9	480 8 5	276	1840	"	"

Ankalamma goodoor
21st March 1877

Signed H. Cobbe Row
Temporary Collector.

(True Copy)
Signed J. Frederick Price
Ag Collector.

(True Copy)
W Rudhus
Secretary

Encl: Copy of Proceedings of the Board dated 19th April 1877

No 72/11

Rec'd 30th April 1877

Copy of a Statement showing the amount expended on the materials collected during the month of February 1877 on Pulivendla Taluq at the Relief Works in Cuddapah

No 1765 1600 ft 6 Revenue Department.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

Dated 19th April 1877.

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Board's No 3907. No 117.

From The Temporary Deputy Collector of Cuddapah

To The Acting Collector of Cuddapah.

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Signed J. F. P.

I have &c.
Cuddapah Temporary Dy Collr's Office, Camp Ankalammegudi 31st March 1877.
Signed H Lobbe Roe
Temporary Dy Collector

Forwarded to the Collector through Mr Weekes, the Divisional Relief Officer.

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Signed A. Weekes
4th April.

(True Copy)
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Cuddapah Collector's Office
Camp Reddipalli in Sidhout
Taluq, 9th April 1877
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Submitted for the information
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(True copy & Extract)

M Rustus
Secretary.

To
The Addl Secretary to Government R.D.
with copy of Statement.

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Proceedings of the ..
Board of Revenue

Dated 19th April 1877.
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No 1600 Dp
Recorded
Dt 30 June 1877

Submitting to Govt. with certain remarks, letter from the Actg Collector of Cuddapah reporting on the progress of Relief Works in Pulivendla Taluq for February 1877.

No 1600 Dp. Board of Rev. & M. Dept
to the Secretary to Govt
Fernandez Actg Secy

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