Revenue (1897) Department.

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G.O., No. 414

DATED 13th March

[Despatch Abstract.]

Recording Recn: P.W. Dr. communn. Letter from the Supt. Engineer, 3rd Circle, explaining the diffs which occurred in the talling over by the P.W. Dr. of Famine Relief Works in Kumool Dt:

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following

From the Superintending Engineer, III Circle, No. 4090 W, dated 22nd February 1897.

With reference to G.O. No. 433 W dy 13th February 1897, I have the honour to report as follows on the delay which occurred in the taking over by this department of famine Relief Works in Kurnool District.

2. G.O. No. 3451 W dated 3rd December 1896 ordering the transfer was received in my office on December 7th, and by me in Camp on December 9th.

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3. On the same date I forwarded it to the Collector of Kurnool with a request that he would inform me what relief works under the District Board Engineer were in progress in his District and what further works were contemplated in the near future, to enable me to instruct the Executive Engineer and to apply for what further staff was necessary.

4. To this endorsement I expected to get a reply in a week, but as a matter of fact I did not receive it until January 4th, 1897, although

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although the Collector was reminded twice that I was waiting for it.

5. I most respectfully submit that it was impossible for me to take over works of whose numbers and positions, I was absolutely ignorant, and it was equally impossible for me to apply for the extra staff required. I considered that if I took relief works over without full information concerning them, so that they could be properly organized, endless confusion would ensue and that it was far better that they should remain under the charge of the District Board Engineer until I was in a position to take them over properly. But I never contemplated having to wait so long for the information I required.

6. The list of relief works, in hand and proposed was received by me, as above stated, on January 4th, 1897 and was immediately sent to the Executive Engineer with orders to apply for the staff required. He reported on January 8th, and on January 13th he was given a list of all relief works with definite instructions as to how he was to take them over.

7. The relief work on the Quek-Jodpatri Road, which was, I believe, the only work in progress under the District Board Engineer in December was taken over by this Department by my instructions, on December 25th

8. I very greatly regret the delay which occurred, but I respectfully submit that without the information asked for from the Collector of Kurnool I was working entirely in the dark and if that information had been supplied with promptitude there would have been no avoidable delay.

Order thereon No. 674 Dated 8th March 97

Communicated to the Revenue Department with reference to the order in that Department No. 595 dated 2nd February 1897.

(True extract)

C. B. Burton

Under Secretary

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