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appointing Mr. S. G. Roberts I.C.S. as Famine
Special Assistant to the Coll.r of Cuddapah

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Famine Special Assistant.

Appointing Mr. S. G. Roberts, I.C.S., as — to the Collector of Cuddapah; and permitting him, whilst so employed, to draw the pay and allowances of an Acting Head Assistant Collector. Copy to the Government of India.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following paper :—

G.O., No. 164, Revenue, dated 15th March 1897.

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), dated 5th March 1897, Mis. No. 1649 :—

Read—the following letter from A. C. TATE, Esq., Collector of Cuddapah, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, dated 20th February 1897, Cur. No. 894-Rev. :—

I have the honour to request that the Board will recommend the appointment of a Special Assistant, under section 25 of the Famine Code, for discharging the routine duties of my office. The affected area which comprises portions of four taluks forming the northern section of the district is large enough to demand the greater portion of my attention and the approaching jamabandi renders it essential that I should ask for this help. The district consists of eleven taluks. Allowing two taluks for each Divisional officer, the jamabandi of three taluks generally falls to the share of the Collector, and following the practice, I have reserved Cuddapah, Proddatur and Madanapalle for my settlement; and a portion of the jamabandi work will also have to be done by the Special Assistant.

2. As regards my office there is considerable increase of work both in the Revenue and Account branches. The returns to be submitted from the Revenue branch are noted in the margin. At present the services of the second English clerk on Rs. 50 are solely utilized for correspondence connected with the state of the season, his ordinary work being done by others and his hands are so overful that he is also assisted by another clerk in the preparation of the famine programme. For the past four months the clerk on Rs. 50 has been doing no other work than that connected with the season, while the other clerk has been doing the work mentioned above in addition to his ordinary duties. Thus there has been an increase of pressure on the ordinary staff which it will not be able to successfully cope with in a climate like that of Cuddapah.

(1) The fortnightly narrative.
(2) The fortnightly task returns.
(3) Monthly statements noted below :—
- D_1. Progress reports of relief works in operation during the month.
- D_2. Abstract of expenditure on all relief works.
- E_1. Statement showing the numbers fed at kitchens and in poor-houses.
- E_2. A statement of village relief when that form of gratuitous relief is being given.
- E_3. Statement of gratuitous relief to relief workers' children on relief works.
- F. Statement of advances made under the Loans Act.
- G. Statement of advances made to weavers.
- H Statement of appointments made.
- I. Statement showing the amount of grain purchased.
- L. Statement showing the number on relief works of each class.
- A statement showing the amount of revenue suspended.
- M. Statement showing the monthly death-rate.
- N. Statement showing the audited expenditure.

(4) Quarterly famine programme.

3. The approach of jamabandi is an additional reason for strengthening the staff. Every member of the ordinary establishment will be badly wanted to get through the jamabandi in an unfavourable season, when, owing to the necessity for the grant of remissions of various kinds, the scrutiny of accounts should be as thorough as possible in order both to safeguard the interests of Government and to see that deserving ryots get their due share of remissions.

4. As regards the additional work in the Account branch, I have to bring to the notice of the Board that the work of checking the vouchers connected with the weavers' relief scheme and relief kitchens is increasing day by day. One thousand and seven vouchers are reported to be now awaiting check and in consideration of the allotment of Rs. 1,25,000 sanctioned by Government for the relief of weavers, it is found very difficult to get through this work promptly and efficiently without extra aid.

5. I have, therefore, the honour to request early sanction for the entertainment of a clerk on Rs. 50 in the Revenue branch and an accountant on Rs. 35 in the Account branch of my office.

Resolution—dated 5th March 1897, Mis. No. 1649.

The Collector's application for the appointment of a Special Assistant Collector, under section 25 of the Famine Code, will be submitted for the favourable consideration of Government in reference to G.O., No. 669, Revenue, dated 26th November 1896.

2. The Board is not prepared to endorse the Collector's application for clerical assistance at present, especially as none such has been found necessary in Bellary, where relief is being administered on a far larger scale than in Cuddapah, and none was granted in Cuddapah in 1892, when relief measures there were on a larger scale than they now are, whilst the returns under the present Famine Code are much less numerous than those sent in in 1892.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAR,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
„ the Collector of Cuddapah.

Read—the following letter from A. C. TATE, Esq., Collector of Cuddapah, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, dated 4th March 1897, Ref. on Cur. No. 894-Rev. :—

In my letter, Current No. 894-Rev., dated 20th February 1897, I requested the Board to recommend the appointment of a Special Assistant, under section 25 of the Famine Code, to discharge the routine duties of my office and also to sanction the entertainment of a clerk on Rs. 50 and an accountant on Rs. 35 in my office. There are four works in progress already, and I have issued instructions or am arranging for five more works being started in the current fortnight.

2. As the necessity for the additional establishment is very real, I request that Government may be moved to send me an Assistant at an early date and to sanction the establishment by wire, if possible.

Order—No. 164, Revenue, dated 15th March 1897.

Miscellaneous.

The Government sanctions the appointment of a Special Assistant to the Collector of Cuddapah under section 25 of the Famine Code.

2. The extra clerk on Rs. 50 and accountant on Rs. 35 required by the Collector will also be sanctioned temporarily and the Collector informed accordingly by wire.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture).
„ the Financial Department.
„ the Public Works Department (~~with copy of His Excellency's note~~).
Copy to the Accountant-General.

Order—No. 320, Public, dated 23rd March 1897.

Mr. S. G. Roberts, I.C.S., will be appointed Special Assistant to the Collector of Cuddapah under section 25 of the Madras Famine Code. Whilst so employed Mr. Roberts will draw the pay and allowances of an Acting Head Assistant Collector.

(True Extract.)

for Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
" Accountant-General.
" Collector, Cuddapah.
" " Trichinopoly.

Endorsement—No. 321, Public, dated 23rd March 1897.

Copy to the Government of India, Home / Revenue and Agricultural Department, in continuation of endorsement, No. 65, Public, dated 20th January 1897.

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

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