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[Despatch Abstract.]

*Recording Board's Prop^y permitting the Collector
of Vizagapatam, under the circumstances
reported to, ascertain the rates of pay for Sub-
masters and Head Coolies.*

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE
(REVENUE SETTLEMENT, LAND RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE).

READ—the following letter from W. O. HORNE, Esq., Collector of Vizagapatam, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Rev. Sett. and Director of the Department of Land Rds. and Agri., dated 26th March 1897, No. 3 Tour:—

I have the honour to enquire whether I may be allowed, when necessary, to raise the pay of sub-maistries and head coolies by one anna each per day. The rates laid down in the Famine Code are annas 6 and annas 4 per diem, respectively. Since we have started test works, it has been found almost impossible to get men capable of filling these offices for these rates of pay. I have as yet no sub-maistries at all and head coolies usually stop a few days and then disappear. This immensely increases the difficulty of conducting works properly. It must be remembered that these men are not really relief-workers. The class from which they are recruited is not affected nor in the least likely to be so, nor are any among the affected classes capable of performing their duties. The Code seems to me to contemplate a famine or a scarcity which affects classes of the population superior to any who are affected in this district. The matter is one of importance and the extra expense involved is trifling. It deserves serious consideration.

RESOLUTION—dated 31st March 1897, No. 261.

There can be no doubt that, without sub-maistries and head coolies, relief-workers must become a disorderly crowd. The Collector's proposal to increase the rate of pay for these officers by one anna a day is therefore approved, under the circumstances reported. It is hoped that this increase will enable him to secure serviceable men for the posts. At the increased rate, the pay of each class will amount to Rs. 13-2-0 and Rs. 9-6-0, respectively, per mensem. If absolutely necessary, the Collector may offer Rs. 15 and Rs. 10 per mensem, but he should report such cases to the Board.

2. As the proposal involves increased expenditure, the resolution will be submitted for the information of Government.

(True Copy and Extract.)

Dr. J. J. J.
Famine Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
Collector of Vizagapatam.

Exd. Shail Karim.

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