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affected districts to furnish monthly birth
& death returns not later than the 18th of
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Birth and Death Returns.—Instructing Collectors of affected districts to furnish monthly — not later than the 18th of the month succeeding that to which they relate.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

(REVENUE SETTLEMENT, LAND RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE.)

Read—again the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (R.S., L.R. and Agri.), dated 2nd May 1892, No. 328 :—

Read—the following G.O., Mis. No. 2001, Revenue, dated 15th April 1892 :—

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (R.S., L.R. and Agri.), dated 4th April 1892, Mis. No. 3308 :—

Read—the following G.O., Mis. No. 1721, Revenue, dated 31st March 1892 :—

Read—the following letter from J. W. P. MUIR-MACKENZIE, Esq., C.S., Under Secretary to the Government of India (Revenue and Agricultural Department—Famine), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Calcutta, 18th March 1892, Circular No. 7-48 :—

In continuation of Government of India Circular No. 5-F of the 2nd instant,

"Please send detailed monthly report of distress and relief in each affected region giving information regarding (1) extent and depth of distress, (2) food-supplies, (3) range of prices, (4) monthly death-rates, (5) how far increase due to famine, (6) starvation deaths, if any, (7) number of persons employed on relief works, (8) gratuitously relieved, (9) adequacy of relief measures, and (10) relief staff."

4 and 5, the necessary particulars regarding which were asked for in my telegram of the 4th instant.

2. I am now directed to suggest that two additional columns may be added to statement A, one for "monthly death-rate" and the other for "deaths due to starvation." Any observations that it may be necessary to make respecting the extent to which the increase in mortality is due indirectly or directly to famine should be included in the "remarks" page appended to statement A.

3. If, however, it is found that particulars under these heads cannot conveniently be submitted for the month under report in the first half of the month following, the Government of India would prefer that statement A should not be modified, but that a separate mortality statement referring to the month previous to that dealt with in statement A should be submitted.

Order—Mis. No. 1721, Revenue, dated 31st March 1892.

Communicated to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture in continuation of G.O., No. 284, dated 21st March 1892, for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. CAMPBELL,
Ag. Asst. Secy. to Government.

To the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement,
Land Records and Agriculture.

Resolution—dated 4th April 1892, Mis. No. 3308.

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2. The Board is satisfied that it will be impossible to obtain the mortuary returns much before the close of the month succeeding that to which they refer. So far the only returns for February received from the affected districts are the following :—

North Arcot	received	25th	March	1892.
Bellary	"	28th	"	"
Kurnool	"	29th	"	"
Chingleput	"	1st	April	"
Cuddapah	"	2nd	"	"

The collection of the village returns by the Tahsildars and their compilation subsequently at the district head-quarters is a work of time and the Sanitary Commissioner states that all the district returns are not usually available for two months after the close of the month to which they refer.

3. All Collectors will, however, be directed to make special arrangements to secure the submission of the returns by the end of the month succeeding that to which they refer.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) P. RAJARATNA MUDALIAR,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
" Collectors of affected districts.

Order—Mis. No. 2001, Revenue, dated 15th April 1892.

Recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. CAMPBELL,
Ag. Asst. Secy. to Government.

To the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture.

Resolution—dated 2nd May 1892, No. 328.

Communicated to all Collectors in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 23rd March 1892, No. 228, and 20th April 1892, No. 305.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) P. RAJARATNA MUDALIAR,
Secretary.

To all Collectors.

READ—again the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (R.S., L.R. and Agri.), dated 30th March 1897, Mis. No. 2402 :—

Read—the following G.O., No. 191, Revenue, dated 22nd March 1897 :—

Read—the following letter from T. W. HOLDERNESS, Esq., C.S., Deputy Secretary to the Government of India (Department of Revenue and Agriculture—Famine), to the Secretary to the Government, North-Western Provinces and Oudh, dated Calcutta, the 13th March 1897, No. 806 F—84-12, and circular endorsement No. 17 F—84-12 :—

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 643, dated 4th March 1897, stating, with reference to the Government of India Circular No. 13 F—82-2, dated 10th February 1897, that endeavour will be made to return, by the 20th of each month, the death-rate of each affected district for the preceding month, compared with the normal death-rate for that month. As this date is stated to be the earliest practicable, the Government of India have no option but to accept it. I am, however, to express a hope that the return will be punctually submitted on the date now fixed, as the Secretary of State has pressed for the earliest possible information as to the monthly mortality of the affected areas in each province.

2. With regard to your recommendation that the column showing the number of starvation deaths in the month should be omitted, on the ground that it is impossible to verify reports of such deaths within the date fixed for the return, I am to point out that the return of starvation deaths is not new. Such deaths have hitherto been returned in the Famine Statement A, and it was not thought that Local Governments would be put to any inconvenience by the transfer of these statistics to the special death-rate return. The Government of India, however, agree with His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor as to the necessity for verifying the cause of every death reported to have been due to starvation and as to the undesirability of publishing unverified figures in this matter. I am therefore to say that in the column for starvation deaths in the return, figures for the last month for which verified figures have been obtained may be given. Thus the return which will be due on the 20th of this month, and which will show the death-rate for February, may give the verified starvation deaths for January if the figures for February are not ready. On no account, however, should the return be delayed beyond the 20th of the month.

Circular Endorsement No. 17 F—84-12.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Madras for information and guidance with reference to this Department's Circular No. 13 F—84-2, dated 10th February 1897.

(By Order.)

(Signed) T. W. HOLDERNESS,
Dy. Secy. to the Government of India.

Order thereon—No. 191, Revenue, dated 22nd March 1897.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue and the Sanitary Commissioner.

2. The Government of India has already been informed that it will not be practicable to submit the returns before the end of the month succeeding that to which they relate, but the Board and the Sanitary Commissioner should make special arrangements to submit them at an earlier date, if possible by the 20th of the succeeding month.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, &c).
„ Sanitary Commissioner (through the Local and
Municipal Department).

Resolution—dated 30th March 1897, Mis. No. 2402.

The Sanitary Commissioner will be requested to inform the Board what arrangement has been made for the punctual submission to the Government of India of the mortuary returns referred to in G.Os., Nos. 120 and 160, Revenue, dated 24th February and 12th March 1897, respectively. He will also be requested to inform the Board whether the returns can be submitted by the 20th of the month succeeding that to which they relate.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAH,
Secretary.

To the Sanitary Commissioner.

READ—also the following letter from Surgeon-Lieut.-Colonel W. G. KING, M.B., C.M., D.P.H., Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), dated Fort St. George, 7th April 1897, No. 839-S. :—

With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (R.S., L.R. and Agri), dated 30th March 1897, Mis. No. 2402, I have the honour to forward herewith the special death-rate return called for by the Government of India for the months of October, November and December 1896 and January 1897, and to state for the information of the Board that similar statements can be submitted to the Board by the 20th of the month following that to which the returns relate, *provided arrangements are made with the Collectors concerned for the punctual submission of the monthly returns of births and deaths within ten days after the close of the month to which they appertain.*

2. In connection with this matter, I may state for the information of the Board that the returns for January 1897 from all districts were not received in full till the 24th March and that, of the returns for February, only nine have been received up to date.

3. The rates have been communicated to the Government of India by wire this day—an extract from which is attached for information.

ENCLOSURES.

SPECIAL death-rate return for the famine affected districts of the Madras Presidency—
October 1896.

Districts.	Death-rate of the month.	Average death-rate of the month in ten previous years.	Average death-rate of the month in ten previous non-famine years.	Deaths from starvation.
Kurnool	19.2	24.0	22.8	..
Cuddapah	16.9	22.7	21.3	..
Bellary	18.1	21.4	20.7	..
Anantapur	20.8	18.8	18.5	..

SPECIAL death-rate return for the famine affected districts of the Madras Presidency—
November 1896.

Districts.	Death-rate of the month.	Average death-rate of the month in ten previous years.	Average death-rate of the month in ten previous non-famine years.	Deaths from starvation.
Kurnool	14.6	25.1	23.9	..
Cuddapah	16.1	24.8	23.4	..
Bellary	15.7	20.3	20.0	..
Anantapur	17.0	18.5	19.4	..

SPECIAL death-rate return for the famine affected districts of the Madras Presidency—
December 1896.

Districts.	Death-rate of the month.	Average death-rate of the month in ten previous years.	Average death-rate of the month in ten previous non-famine years.	Deaths from starvation.
Kurnool	15.7	27.1	26.1	..
Cuddapah	21.3	25.4	24.6	..
Bellary	17.1	20.8	20.3	..
Anantapur	15.8	19.5	20.4	..

SPECIAL death-rate return for the famine affected districts of the Madras Presidency—
January 1897.

Districts.	Death-rate of the month.	Average death-rate of the month in ten previous years.	Average death-rate of the month in ten previous non-famine years.	Deaths from starvation.
Ganjám	28.0	15.5 *	15.8 *	..
Vizagapatam	18.1	20.6 *	20.0 *	..
Phadrachalam (Gódavari district) ..	23.4	51.2	46.8	..
Kurnool	14.7	24.1	23.3	..
Cuddapah	21.0	22.2	22.1	..
Bellary	16.7	19.7	19.3	..
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* Owing to the fluctuation in the population for which returns were received, it has not been found possible to estimate the population correctly and consequently the rates have been calculated upon the average census population for which returns have been received.

EXTRACT from telegram despatched to the Government of India, Department of Revenue and Agriculture (Famine), on the 5th April 1897.

Decline of mortality probably due to drought diminishing malaria in these districts where prevalence usually considerable.

RESOLUTION—dated 23rd April 1897, No. 310.

The Board does not consider it possible for Collectors to furnish the birth and death returns by the 10th of the month succeeding that to which they relate. They are requested to make arrangements to submit the returns on the 18th. This can be done by insisting on punctuality.

(True Copies and Extract.)

Enclosure 4/5

Famine Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
" Collectors of affected districts.
" Sanitary Commissioner.
Copy to other Collectors.

Ed. A. F. Eccleston.

Revenue (1897) Department.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture)
Dated 23rd April 1897 No. 310 Pecos.

Read the following letter from the Sanitary Commissioner for Madras dated 7th April 1897

Read again B. P. Dated 30th March 1897 No: 2402 Mis; requesting the Sanitary Commissioner to inform as to what arrangements have been made regarding the submission of mortality returns required by the Govt. of India. Read again also B. P. dated 2nd May 1892 No: 328 Pecos communicating G.O. Revenue Department, recording B. P. recording, with remarks, Government Order, Revenue Department, communicating letter from Government of India regarding certain information required by the Secretary of State in the monthly famine reports.

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[True Copy + Extract]

R. V. Srinivasan

Secretary

To

The Secretary to Government, Rev. Dept.
the Collectors of Affected Districts

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