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The Hon: Mr Lyle C.I.E.
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SUBJECT.

According letter from the Collector of Ganjam and replying to certain questions asked by him as to the payment of weavers' wages

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REVENUE BOARD OFFICE. MADRAS.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture.)

Dated 3rd May 1897.

No. 3090 Miscellaneous

Read the following letter from the Collector of Ganjam, RC No. 579/7, dated the 5th April 1897.

In Board's Proceedings No. 230 dated 15th March 1897, paragraph 5, (2.5) it has been now laid down that the wage of labourers on relief works shall not be reduced by fining so as to lessen the wage for more than three days to a D class wage or for more than 7 days below C class wage without the fact being reported.

2. In the case of weavers it has been prescribed that the rate of remuneration shall

in Govt No. 215/29-3-97 (7603)

be permanently calculated as a C class wage. By the analogy of the recent ruling I have the honour to inquire whether the rate should not be raised to that of B class labour.

3. I may note, with reference to the concluding sentence of para 2 of Board's Proceedings No. 46, dated 22nd January 1897 (R.S), that nothing whatever could induce a weaver in this district to send his children to a public kitchen and if bare maintenance only is given to a weaver, his children will have to receive gratuitous relief by grain doles.

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4. I have already prepared a provisional task table (copy enclosed) calculated strictly with reference to previous orders. This has been explained to all but no one has as yet come in for any advance, though many are wavering.

5. The general task table for submission to Government has been prepared, and has been circulated to divisional officers for further revision with the object of reducing the number of sample cloths to be woven and checking certain variations given by different officers.

6. It appears to be the generally accepted opinion that for a days work on the part of a man, each woman contributes half a days work as far as weaving operations are concerned. However The man has a ten hours day. He cannot cook or draw water for himself. The woman's spare hours are fully occupied in domestic duties. She cannot be reasonably expected to do half a days work and keep herself about the house for the rest of the day on half a ration. Hence I would ask that the full labour of man and woman may be taken in calculating

calculating wage according to the task table, instead of 1 man and half a woman which is the correct proportion and could be adopted according to existing orders on the subject.

7. It may seem paradoxical to say it, but unless my proposal is approved, weavers will suffer in comparison with labourers upon ordinary relief works, because it is impossible to reduce their wages by fining.

Resolution

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2. The Collector will be informed that the question of paying a B class wage to weavers has been referred to the Special Deputy Collector on weavers' relief operations for enquiry and report.

3 With regard to the difficulty raised by the Collector in para 3 of his letter, he is referred to para

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7 of G.O 206/97, and also to B. P. 308/97, wherein he is asked to report whether the adoption of the Adoni task table will obviate the necessity of making separate arrangements for the relief of the dependants of weavers.

4. The Board agrees with the Collector that women weavers should be paid a full days wage, though they may do only half a days work. It is not their fault that the share of the work they can perform is so little, and it is obviously impossible for them to exist on half a C ration or 4/7 of the minimum. The case is met by the spirit of para 5 of G.O 206/97.

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Famine Secretary.

To the Collector of Ganjam

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