

Revenue (1897) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 3709

DATED 19th July

[Despatch Abstract.]

Stating that Govt has already sanctioned three Special Assistants & four Sahib Relief officers for the district of Vizagapatam & expressing the opinion that with the improved condition of the season during the last week this assistance should suffice.

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Revenue (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.



From The Board of Revenue
Revenue Settlement, Land
Records and Agriculture
Madras

No. 5110 Mis.

Order

Dated 9th July 1897

Received

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SUBJECT.

Submitting for the information of Government, with remarks letter from the collector of Vizagapatam reporting on the present state and prospects of the District and requesting to consider the question of strengthening the famine establishments

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Tour.

Vizagapatam Collector's Office.

Dated 4th July 1897.

Camp, Elamanchili.

From

W. A. Home Esq.,
Ag. Collector,

Vizagapatam.

To

L. E. Buckley Esquire.

Joint Secretary to the Board
of Revenue Madras

Sir,

I have the honor, as I think the circumstances require it to submit a special report on the state and prospects of this District. As the Board is already aware, up to the end of May this District had suffered but little from the failure of the North East Monsoon and the affected tract was small. At the end of May I and all officers in the District were looking forward confidently to

Gravamen.

to a return of prosperity
and the rapid contraction
of relief operations, up to that
time not extensive. But from
the first week of June a change
for the worse set in. Prices
which had from 1st November
to 15th May risen very in-
appreciably in the case of all
grains (I write in Camp
without the exact figures)
rose for staple dry grains
about 25 percent in little
more than a fortnight and
the rains, which had been
early and favourable in
May and had encouraged
early sowings, did not contin-
ue, so that the early sown
dry crops suffered. Prospects
and prices grew worse to-
ward the middle of June
and,

and, with the exception of one
heavy burst on the 17th to 19th in
various places, the monsoon
held off. It has not yet up to
July 4th put in an appearance.
Dry crops are drooping or
withering, wet cultivation
has not begun and agricul-
tural operations practically
at a stand still.

2. I took alarm at the begin-
ning of June at the rising
prices and proceeded to extend
relief by cooked food in Kitchens,
but distress began to extend so
rapidly - involving Taluqs not
hitherto appreciably affected,
- that I soon saw that this
would not suffice and start-
ed circle relief by grain ^{today} ~~also~~
also. Towards the end of June
as the monsoon still held off
a panic set in and still
holds

Hei has only 23,351
new on Works. In
Kewwood have an
120,430 in Balmay
114,571.

Why can't he put
upper fubs for this
one Daps + Chas
Chas. Making at
least 2000

seen a good deal of the
Principal and senior Asst.
ant collector's divisions and
have just arrived in the
Head Assistant's division.
The former, as it was ^{first} af-
fected, is best provided for,
and the demand for employ-
ment in the second is only
just developing, but in the
Head Assistant Collector's
division I find it is keen,
especially in the Sarvasidhi
Taluk where many people are
coming on gratuitous relief
who ought to work, but agricul-
tural work is at a standstill
and the ordinary Public Works
Department works in this Taluk,
which have gone on all
the hot weather and afforded
much employment, have
been largely contracted by

the Superintending Engineer,
who has refused to sanction
works which the Executive
Engineer is anxious to put on
hand. The Superintending
Engineer holds I understand
that these works are unnecessary,
but several of them would make
excellent famine works, and
without them my programme
for this part of this District
is terribly contracted. I have
now officially requisitioned
the Executive Engineer to put on
hand as famine works the
Gokivada Gedda, the Tatahulu
pulam channel, on the Sarada
river subinment in the Sarva-
sidhi Taluk and the road be-
tween the Traville and the Golconda
Talugs. as soon as he can
provide staff and tools.
Mr. Hawkins, the Assistant
Engineer

Engineer of the Sub-Division
might be put on to supervise,
especially as the Superintending
Engineer has so much contracted
his ordinary works.

I have utilized Mr. Irving Brown,
of the Salt and abkari Department,
as Taluk Relief officer in Bobbili
and Parvatipur, Mr. Fleming
of the same Department in
Carnasidhi, Mr. Wroughton for
Anakapalle and Mr. Zillard for
Vizagapatam Talugo - also Mr.
Healey Assistant collector for
Brinlipatam and Vizagapatam.

3. If things are to go on as they are
going I shall require 6 or 8

Taluk Relief Officers from outside
and beg the Board will try
to get them for me sharp. Distress
is really deepening and spreading
and there is no time to be lost.

Every day that rain holds off
renders the prospects as well
as

plenty of
these men from
Mr. Willock's men
from Mr. Macmillan
also on the spot
W.D.

Mr. Fleming
was not making any
the Lieut. I think, &
the Commr. had been
asked if he can be
spared. The other
three were wanted
3. the Hon. Secy. H.
A. Lieut. Haver. They
were telegraphed
to? W.D.
I put Warburton instead
of Fleming - the others
are the same W.D.

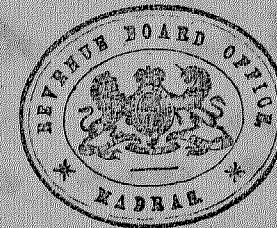
Why does he want
so much assistance?

the Commr. has been
has to employ 6 or 8
far less than in
Kurnool & Bellary
Kurnool has 1
European & 1
officer for no
European Disbarring
Bellary has 1 European
& 1 officer & 1
Dist. officer. Vizag-
apatam has 4
from Dist. officers
1 direct 2000

as the existing position worse.
I regard it as very serious
and nowhere more so than in
the Carnasidhi Talug where I
now am. I addressed the Board
yesterday for men for Livore
Inspector's posts, and for paymast-
ers, if we can have more
works. I now beg that the
Talug Relief Officers question
be considered urgent. I am
telegraphing this Evening as
the position becomes more
serious every day and almost
every hour.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant
(Signed) W.D. Horne
Acting collector



Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture),

Dated 9th July 1897.

No. 5110 Mr

READ Letter from The collector of Vizag
-palam dated 4th July 1897

No. 58
Tour

Resolution

Submitted for the infor-
-mation of Government.

2. The Board admits the gravity of the situation. Such hands as the Board has available and as would be otherwise fit for the post of Tahsil Relief officers know no Telugu. The collector will be

Vols. in the Series
 3. ~~of~~ 12
 136. These men
 are named by
 Dr. Taylor as being
 not by Dr. Taylor
 H. S.

On leave ac-
cording to the
Army List.
H.W.

The Y. G. C. has
been requested
to swear men
sake ready.

As Nam and asun
have now been
available for
the work in the
Salt Dept.

3. The difficulty of obtaining the services of qualified overseers appears insuperable. It occurs to the Board that large ^{masses} ~~masses~~ of relief-workers might be employed where stone is available near the railway in breaking stone, which might be subsequently utilised as ballast for the line. The task of measuring the stone does not require the qualifications of a D. P. W. Overseer, and the collector could probably obtain the services of a sufficient number of men quite able to perform it. Considerable numbers might also perhaps be

be employed in stone-breaking along the main roads in Sarvasidhi and Gologonda.

There are a great number of irrigation tanks in Gologonda and Sarvasidhi which afford a field for employing relief workers on the gang and piecework system, under the Village-Head as sanctioned in Government Order 430 Revenue dated 3rd June 1897. Pending orders on a reference which has been submitted to Government on the subject, the Collector can take up these works as civil works to be laid out and measured by

This is measured
Q. 40 to 50. The
5-6-97
units to be put into
to the village head
are not to be on
the gang & piece
work system, but
on the system of
fixed contracts

by the Revenue officers and supervised by the Reddis.

4. Probably a number of estimates have already been prepared. At this season pits dug in the tank beds are liable to be effaced by rain and payment by pit measurement would in that case be impossible but this is a difficulty which cannot be helped, and the work done could be otherwise checked with a tolerable accuracy.

5. The collector of Godavari has recently wired that 'paupers are swarming' into his district from Vijayapatnam and apart from the confidence which

Labourers also
may go from
Vijayapatnam to
Kuduru in great
numbers at this
season.

which Mr. Hornes' known
capacity inspires, it is
evident that the position
in Vizagapatam is more
than critical. The favour
of very early orders is re-
quested.

(True Extract)

Amulug R/
Famine Secretary

To the Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Collector of Vizagapatam

as Mr. Hornes' known
capacity - inspires
evident - that the
position in Vizagapatam
is more than critical.
The favour of very early
orders is requested.

Exp. 5.12
9-7-97

RS
16-7-97

Revenue (189) Department.

CURRENT No. 13

From

Le Franc, Esq.

Order

sent
15.7.97

No.

Dated 9th July 1897

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Resented

SUBJECT.

Reg. the officers
required for relief
works.

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BOARD OF REVENUE.

REV. SECT., L. RECORDS & AGRICULTURE.

Madras,

My dear Sir,

In a p.p. wh. I have per-
 tending on an urgent letter from Horne
 I wired up the two D.O. from him
 & Taylor which I had already sent for.
 The men I mentioned were those
 referred to by Taylor viz. Wetherill,
 who belongs to the District, Butler
 of the Berhampore dist. & a nephew
 of Messrs. Ingham & Co. This
 young fellow is an Australian & can
 ride. The chief however could give

Revenue (189) Department.

CURRENT No. 5797

From

The Private Secretary
to H.E. the Gov.

No.

Dated 10th July 1897

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SUBJECT.

Forwarding telegram
from the Colbr of Bellary
re: the state of things in
the St.

As orders of milty office
has wanted them. Bellary has
arriving with them, up for land
Gore, & sending up life on the
fences in all directions.

Still no rain. The afternoon
a red soil here on my part
above pond & look drying.
Weather has looked unusual
for 4 days. Higham wants me again
on 16th at Admi. I am going there
via Alur. from here
A. S. L. S.

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(Office)

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From
(Office)

Bellary

Words.

124

Day.

7

Hour.

20

Minute.

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Special
Instructions.

To
(Person)

H. A. Jim Lag
Private Secy

From
(Person)

Tammar
Commissioner

Sent urgent proceedings yesterday
regarding vizagapatam phones
watts probably with alarming situation
must have help at
once. Send him quick
men do his work
as ~~Collector~~ Collector assembly sessions
judge also substitutes for
Bellevue and wood and
any over there you can
scrape together besides
demer Tammar Richins immediately
and wish coast am working
backlog send talent relief
officers and circle inspectors
and if former not

34 Word Form.

F.C.2.

Recd. from

LN.

Sent to

LN.

At

Hrs.

Mts. by

At

Hrs.

Mts. by

Telegraph Master.

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(Office)

From
(Office)

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To
(Person)

From
(Person)

available to our government
 home also alarmed about
 Japanese position developing with
 alarming speed. Laminine
 obstructive / condemning all our
 work in this own / program
 order. Royal Laminine with
 objections / home reports given
 positive this with outbreak if
 people see govt. common for causing
 trouble against home. Better
 follows by post alone
 tomorrow

64 Word Form.

F.C.2.

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At	Hrs.	Mts. by	At	Hrs.	Mts. by	

OUT. MUND 10-7-97

GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
OOTACAMUND.

10th July 1897



My dear Stokes,

Herewith a telegram
from the Damm. It has practically
been already disposed of.

Yours sincerely,

W. S. Damm

BACK PAPERS.

Revenue (189) Department.

CURRENT No. 5800

Telegram
From

The Board of Revenue
Ranore

Order

No.

Dated 11th July, 1897

Received

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SUBJECT.

Stating that the Colbr
of Vizagapatnam requires
four taluk relief officers
to supervise gratuitous
relief

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INDIAN TELEGRAPHS

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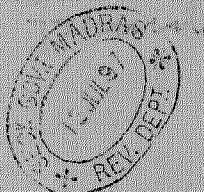
Hour.

Minute.

Official Instructions.

To (Person)

From (Person)



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Hrs.

Min. Sec.

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Min. Sec.

Q. P. No 490 T-15 290-160000

POSTAL MUND 11-7-97

Mason
Telegraph Master.

C. No. 5796, 5797, 5800, 5801 and 5724.
D. @ 136.

From

Dated

189

FOR ORDERS.

Mr. Home seems to me to have me
off his head. The position is ^{very} poor but
in every way there in the Ceded Districts,
the Chief of Police many a night
these loud wailing & exorbitant demands
for assistance. I should tell him plainly
that he is asking for too much & should
take example from his fellow in the
Ceded District who are ignorant &
will offer any request to him.

13/7/97

The letter of the District has been asked
to submit two orders.

In the matter was practically settled
in Council. I have circulated the
proposal with a minute of app.
When this letter is passed down with
at once issue. 13/7/97.

This minutes has not come to me. Nor
"this paper" after order were passed & it
It was not sent to the District. It
as it was sent to the District.

I did this on the 18th & the man
at least 3 of them should have
been sent to the District. I have
now - there are however, he has apparently
already arrived. All the four
have been

These above currents relate to
the season in Virajapattam & the
famine establishments required there.

The Govt has already appointed
two civilian officers to relieve
the Collector and his Principal Asst
and ~~and~~ has sanctioned the
appointment of two
Dy Collectors & Submagistrates to
relieve the Dy Collectors of Binnipattam
and Virajapattam. The proposal
of the Collector to relieve the Head
Assistant by the appointment of
a Dy Collector is now in circulation.

In this paper the Govt has sanctioned
the appointment of former District
relief ^{officers} and Mr. Hon. Sir Henry
Bliss is to ^{nominate} these officers.

It must appear that the Collector
has already appointed ^{two} Dy Collectors
Inspector & two Asst Inspectors
for District relief
to be sent. Inspector & Asst

- seen that there ^{are} a great number of works in the Sansadhi Rahit which the Executive Engineer confidently recommends as ~~valuable~~ Public works but which cannot be put in hand owing to ~~the~~ want of the Supdy Engineer's approval and sanction. The programme of works consists of three parts viz, sanctioned and unsanctioned works, and it would seem from the above that the ~~of~~ works referred to by the Collector are merely proposed works appearing in part B of the P.W. programme ~~which have~~ ^{which have} not yet been approved and sanctioned by the Govt, and that the Supdy Engineer ~~does~~ not apparently believe in them and refuses to approve the estimates. He may have good reasons for so refusing, for in a communication which is now in circulation he brings to notice the extreme ~~in~~ ⁱⁿ expediency of preparing estimates in a hurry at the urgent requisition of the Collector and putting the works in hand without proper investigation and mentions that in the case of two

works thus put in hand the result has been a sheer waste of money. It would also seem that there is little budgeted work in progress on the taluk, and that it has become necessary to open unsanctioned work coming to the notice of sanctioned works in the programme of the taluk. who is responsible for this unpardonable is a question which cannot be definitely decided with the information available, and it will not be safe to endorse the strictures of the Board till we have further information. Meanwhile, in view of the urgency of the matter, may the supply requisites be held to put in hand unsanctioned works at the requisition of the taluk even though are not likely to prove useful?

6. In para 3 of the R.P. in C. No. 5796 the General Commr suggests that in view of getting men with sufficient technical knowledge for supervising works, it might be desirable to employ large masses in breaking

I.E. from S.T. W. point of view but from a famine point of view they may have been of great utility

11/7/17

The Sup. is in power and he has that in the consideration of the use of labour of works, he must take into account their usefulness for the purpose of famine relief as well as their ultimate usefulness.

This will lead to much waste of labour, but if it is necessary for famine purposes it must be done

1.8 June 3 of 1917

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required for ballast in future by the East Coast Railway, and that considerable numbers might also be employed in stone-breaking along the principal lines of roads in Gondal & Samasidhi talukas. This kind of work does not require any professional knowledge in the supervising officers; but as regards ballast-breaking the Govt of India said that it would be inexpedient to ~~use the same for famine labour~~ ~~on the same~~ prepare metal by famine labour in excess of the requirements of the immediate future, and we do not know what the requirements of the Railway in Nagapattanam are. This para contains a misconception as to the scope of the L.I. directing the introduction of intermediate piece work system. The reference to Govt mentioned here appears to be a D.O. communication to the Principal Secy which was sent about the office a few days ago; the above misconception and some

others which it appeared from his D.O. the famine board was under, have already been furnished out to the Private Secy. ^{There is no} need to take notice of them till the receipt of the R.P. on the 20.

7. H. E. Mr. L. G. C. has already been requested to warn the ^{military} officers referred to in para 2, ~~he~~ has said that he can spare only five officers, but our enquiry was restricted to sappers and miners; he might have been able to spare more if we had asked in general terms for officers for famine duty (vide D.O. No. 136)

8. In C. No. 5801 sanction is asked for a Spl Dy Tahsil Sub. mag. for Vijayapalan. This might be accorded. ^{Rs} 12-7-97 A local man is available & no necessity to get a third from Godavari

12/7/97
These famine lists have been sent to Vijay, also from the Taluk Relief Officers. With the improved condition of the season, during the last week, these lists should be sufficient. ^{Rs} 15.7.97
Also in for there has been pretty general rain ^{Rs} 13.7.97

10-5-97
10-7-97
10-3-97
12-5-97
12/7/97
I thought we had asked long ago - I know 42. mit to be done
Yes
Rs

Yes, the requisition is dated 11/11/97
I put up a form in the I received from the Vijay reported some by post cards (to be returned) a similar form and he keeps in the office for each districts affected district ~~it is important to~~ and circulated daily. It is impossible to get a good idea from long telephonic messages such as came yesterday. There seems to have been good news in Vijayapalan on the 13th. ^{Rs} 13.7.97

Replies to H. M.'s queries

It was decided in Council that four Saluk relief officers should be sanctioned and that the Hon: Sir H. Bliss was to name the men. A draft ~~to~~ telegram to the Collector was sent to Sir Henry for endorsing the names; this was not circulated to the Hon: Mr. A. A. formal ~~order~~ order appointing these men will be issued ^{when} the ~~question~~ question of the pay to be allowed is settled

the ~~names of~~ ^{names of} ~~the officers~~ ^{the officers} named by Sir Henry have been telegraphed to the Collector, and the Salt Commissioner has also been asked by wire to place their services at the Collector's disposal

Some of the officers had to be exempted from passing certain tests before ^{the instructions} they could be published. The order exempting was received only yesterday from the Edl Dept & the minute is being despatched to the Press for publication

The Salt Commissioner has been asked by wire to place them at the disposal of the Collector

He has since replied that he has indicated them to join ^{Rs} 16-4-97

No. ~~10~~ ¹⁰ ~~Glennings name~~
 is in the list sent long long
~~to the District Collector~~
 Ball Court
~~which is approved~~

VI The original enquiry was
 about suspects and miners
 and H. & M. L. C. has since,
 in accordance with orders,
 been requested to ~~send~~ ^{use} the
 officers whom he had said
 he could spare.

The L. G. C. has never been asked for
 officers other than Tappers. Mr.
 he asked more?

He has since been
 asked for

14/7/97
 There is some mistake about
 this - on the first application for
 T. R. O. 3 classes of
 which indicated 3 classes of
 men suitable for that work, mili-
 tary officers among them. On that
 H. L. ordered that the L. G. C. should
 be applied to. I have seen those
 papers.

17/7/97

Submitted (Glennings)

VII It was received in the
 office on the 12th & sent in
 circulation the same day

VIII A statement will be
 prepared in the form appended
 and circulated daily

RS
 13-7-97

14/7/97

See - A clear dis-
 tinction exists & should be main-
 tained between officers wanted
 to supervise works & those wanted
 for employment as T. R. O's.

20/7/97

RS
 17-7-97 There was a misapprehension
 in his mind was first understood
 in applying to the Tappers & miners
 but it was afterwards seen that
 it applied to other military
 officers. and on 14-7-97 an
 order issued to the B. H. G. asking
 him to ascertain whether any
 other men should.

14.7.97

Despatched telegrams & sent file
 to H. M. for perusal of
 replies to queries
 RS

Telegrams kept
 16/7/97

RS
 16-7-97

Read C. No. 5796, with D & No. 126
 Read C. No. 5797
 Read C. No. 5800
 mis No. 34099/19th July 97.
 G. B. (P. 2)

The Govt has already sanctioned
 three spl. assts and four
 salute relief officers for the
 district, and is of opinion that
 with the ~~improved~~ ^{improved} condition of
 the season during last week this
 assistance should suffice

Ordered that the following
 telegram be despatched to the
 Collector of Vizagapatnam

" Govt has already sanctioned
 four salute relief officers who
 will be placed wholly at your
 disposal, and is not prepared
 at present to allow you the
 additional four applied for "

14/7/97 List from orders

the General Comm. 20/7/97

Telegram to General Secretary
 " Govt not prepared to
 sanction more than four
 salute relief officers for
 Vizagapatnam

16/7/97