

Revenue (1897) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 3867

DATED 28th July

[Despatch Abstract.]

Expressing the opinion that it is
the duty of P.W. officers to bring to notice
any short-comings they may find in the
administration of relief works.

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CURRENT No. 6101



- 1 Hon Mr. Gms, C.I.E.
- 2 Hon Sir H. Bhi, K.C.I.E.
- 3 H.E. the Governor.

Read again 2802

Read c 110 5621/37

Read c. no 5808

Read c. no 6101 (later) June

Order mis no 386 26th July 97

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From The Board of Revenue
Revenue Settlement
Land Records and
Agriculture

No. 54 59. etc.

2. with reference to the observation

in para 5 of R.P. 4876 5115 38-7-97 that the

remarks of the Deputy Engineer

being as may do in matters

non-professional are out of

place, the Govt is of opinion

that it is the duty of P.W. officers

to bring to the notice any short-

comings they may find in the

administration of relief works

and that Mr. Laminie's remarks

are perfectly legitimate

Dated 17th July 1897.

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SUBJECT.

Submitting to Government
Revenue Department the
Inspection notes of the
Superintending Engineer
I Circle referred to in
Government order no. 2802
mis dated 2nd June 1897.

The Finance Commr

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following

Inspection notes of J. C. Larminie Esquire
M. J. C. E., Superintending Engineer I-class, for
May 1897.

May 7th
Gazwaka
Famine Relief work

2173 coolies employed, about 400 on the
excavation of a building drinking water
tank by the road side which will never
be of any use to anyone, the remainder
breaking road metal.

Of the total number only 300 are
classed as men (many of these mere boys).

The men receive per day R. 0-1-4 }
Daily task 9 cubic feet metal }

women 0-1-3 }

Task 4 cft.

Children 0-0-10 }

Task 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cft.

These are full daily wages

The coolies seem very cheerful and
contented and are in fair average condition

The proportion of men is about 1:6, but at the other famine works to the north of the taluk, the proportion of men has of late decreased enormously and is now about 1:20.

A Kitchen is here also kept up where the children of the working coolies are fed and a very few old and decrepit folk.

One of the newly appointed overseers S. Mangaleswara aiyar was put in charge of this work but he proved so incompetent that the Local Fund Overseer had to be retained pending the arrival of a Sub Overseer I had nominated for the work.

Here some 2,100 coolies are employed deepening out the drinking water tank of the village. Only 150 are classed as men, most of these boys. Rates of pay are as at Gaywaka, tasks being man ... 24 cft. woman ... 12 " child ... 4 1/4 "

Men are not now being admitted to the work being urged to go to the adjacent ordinary P.W.D. work of raising the tank bund where the contractor pays them 9 pias per yard. But he cannot procure enough labour at this rate. So there cannot be any real distress amongst the surrounding labouring class. As the famine work, it is not unusual, occasionally for a woman to send her husband to take her place when he draws her pay.

A Kitchen is also kept up for the children.

Since the recent rains a large proportion of the culturable area between Gaywaka and Kandikirla has been under the plough, as also in the country around Kandikirla and there is no doubt that the works will be deserted as soon as further rainfall renders Agricultural work feasible. As it is, many of the coolies are irregular in their attendance staying away or coming as suits them. The works no doubt afford them means of useful employment during a period of usual idleness.

(Signed) J. C. Larmine
Suptg. Engr. I Circle.

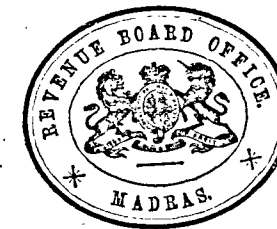
No. 201 V.2 dated 12th May 1897.
Copy submitted to the Chief Engineer, P.W.D. for information.

(Signed) J. C. Larmine
Suptg. Engr. I Circle.

Order No. 323 D. & 25th May 1897.
Communicated to the Revenue Department for information.
(True Extract)

C. H. P. Preston
Under Secretary to Govt.

The Revenue Dept.
27/5/97



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

Dated 17th July 1897.

No. 5459. m.s.

READ

Official Memorandum from
Government Revenue Department
dated 9th July 1897. m.s. 140.

Resolution

The paper referred to is
Submitted herewith.

(True Extract)

R. D. Srinivasan
Taming Secretary

To

The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
with paper in original.

Revenue (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.



From

The Board of Revenue
(Revenue Settlement, Land
Record and Agriculture,
Madras.
No. 5115 his.

Dated 9th July 1897.

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SUBJECT.

Submitting to Government
in Continuation of Board's
Proceedings, dated 3rd July
1897, No. 4876, letter from the
Collector of Nagapattanam sub-
mitting further remarks
on the Superintending Engineer's
notes on inspection of
Gozwaka and Kondakarla
relief works.

NOTE FOR THE SECRETARY.

This may lie over pending
the receipt of the inspection
notes ^{the} ~~which~~ return of which
has been decreed before

RS
12-7-97

Mr. Minn

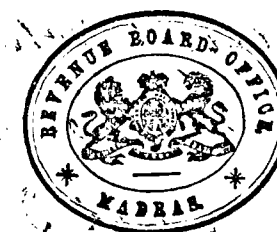
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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture),

Dated 9th July 1897.

No. 5115 Dis.

READ

the following letter from the
Collector of Vizagapatam, dated
22nd June 1897, Dis. No. 2108:—

In continuation of my No. 2109,
dated 19th June, I have the honor
to say that I find I omitted to
remark on the Superintending
Engineer's Statement that on the
Kondakarla Relief work it was not
unusual occasionally for a woman
to send her husband to take her
place when he draws her pay."

2. I did detect one case of the kind
myself, a man was asking
for his wife whose name he
had

had answered and whose pay he intended to draw. As he did not belong to the work I sent him away at once. This could only have occurred through the fault of the P. W. D. officer in charge of the work, but I hardly think it was unusual.

Resolution

Submitted to Government, in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 3rd July 1897, No 4876.

(True Copy and Extract)

Amended 10/7/97
Famine Secretary.

The Secretary to Government, Revenue Department

Ed. M.
4.7.97

Revenue (1897) Department.

CURRENT No.



From the Board of Revenue
Revenue Settlement and
Records and Agriculture
Maharashtra

Order No. 140 of 9th July 1897

The inspection notes of the
Supy. Engineer, I circle, reported
to have been returned with B.P. Dated 3rd July 1897
No 4876 of 3-7-97, has not been Received
Received. The Famine Commr. Registered
is requested to transmit them Enclosures
same to Govt without further Spare copies
delay.

No. 4876 mis

SUBJECT.

Submitting remarks on
the Inspection notes of the
Superintending Engineer
I Circle.

To
The Famine Commr.

RS
7.7.97

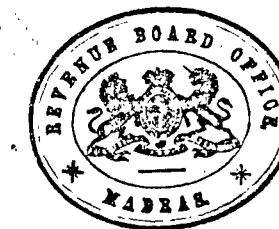
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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue
(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture),

Dated 3rd July 1897.

No. 4876 mis

READ

Again Board's Proceedings dated 14th June 1897 no 4319 mis forwarding to the Collector of Vizagapatam for very early remarks Proceedings of the Madras Government dated 2nd June 1897 no 2802 mis Revenue. Read also the following letter from the Collector of Vizagapatam dated 19th June 1897 no 2809.

In reply to Board's Proceedings no ⁴³¹⁹~~439~~ mis dated 14th June 1897, I have the honor to remark on the Superintending

Engineers' notes on inspection of
Gazuvaka and Kondakarla Reliefworks.

2. The drinking tank at Gazuvaka
will be of very much use to
very many people. It is at four
cross roads and a handy site. The
classification of boys over 12 as
men is according to the Famine
code. The coolies have been kept
in as good condition as possible.
The Superintending Engineers' state-
ments as to the proportion of men
on the works is not in accordance
with facts or with the weekly
returns from the District. Perhaps
he excluded boys over 12.

3. His remarks on Kondakarla
are more correct. There was not
much distress in that neighbourhood
and when agricultural work became
available, I stopped this relief
work, vide my fortnightly report
for

for period ending 15th June.

Resolution

The Famine Commissioner
begs to return with the Collector's
and his own remarks the inspection
notes of the Superintending Engineer
I circle forwarded with G. C. 2802 dated
2^d June 1897.

2. The collector denies that the
work at Gazuvaka is useless, and
asserts that the tank, being situated
at four cross roads, near a market
site, will be of very much use.

3. He is also of opinion that the
remarks of the Superintending Engineer
as to the scarcity of men is not borne
out by the weekly figures. The Superin-
tending Engineer states that the no. of men
was only $\frac{1}{2}$ that of the women and
that at other works in the North of
the taluk only 1 man was to be

found for every 20 women. The figures of the week ending May 1st show that at Gazwaka 398 men were employed, and 1214 women. This is a ratio of 1:3 and at Bendur which must be the work in the North of the taluk referred to by Superintending Engineer. The numbers were 414 and 1026, a ratio of 1 to 2½. The district totals at the same period were 2443 men and 7434 women; which give a ratio practically similar to that at Gazwaka.

The Collector thinks that the Superintending Engineer may, perhaps, have excluded boys over 12.

4. The relief work at Kondakarla was stopped as soon as agricultural work became available.

~~The~~ The first remark that the Famine Commissioner has to make is

is that the Superintending Engineer's remarks bearing, as they practically all do, on nonprofessional matters, are out of place. ^{Why?} _{1/9/17} Disregarding the Superintending Engineer's assertion that only 1 man is to be found on relief works for every twenty women, it is clear that the relief works cannot be the cause of the inability of the Public Works department Contractor near Kondakarla to obtain coolies, ^{when} ~~when~~ two men out of every three are ^{Public Works} not on the works. ^{Contractor's} _{1/9/17} If the ^{Public Works} Department Contractor would pay regularly, and not try, as is probable, to get coolies at famine rates, unalleviated by other famine concessions, he would find no difficulty in getting his work done. The Famine Commissioner is at a disadvantage in criticising the rate offered for ordinary Public

Works Department works near
Kondakurla, as the nature of the
soil is not given. Taking however
the soil as of no easier nature
than that of the relief work, it
appears that the ordinary labourer
may be expected to turn out $(24 + \frac{24}{5})$
Cubic feet a day or say 30 Cubic feet.
This at 9 pios per yard means a daily
wage of 10 pios which is certainly
not attractive, with prices at
scarcity rates. ~~of rice is 14. Price at~~
~~Yellamanchili was then 14.56~~

(True Copy & Extract)

Dr. J. V. S. S. S.
4/5
Famine Secretary

To
The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

End L.M.
3/1/57

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