

Revenue (1897) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS SERIES.

G.O., No. 4951

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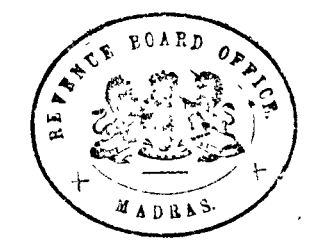
Approving the proposal of the
Collector of Goolbavari to invest the sum of Rs 10,000 received from the
Brahmin Charitable ^{Relief} Fund in purchasing grain at Rajahmundry
for distribution to needy ^{poor} cultivators
and exhibiting the list of its carriage to Bhadrachalam to Govt & informing
him that the allotment applied for has already been sanctioned

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

Dated 7th September, 1897. 189 .

No. 7294 M.

Read... The following letter from the Collector of Coimbatore and
No. 7294/500 of 97 dated 29th August 1897

I have the honor to inform you that I returned yesterday from a short visit of inspection to the Madras-
Chennai in company with the Hon. Mr. Croft and ~~to~~ ^{myself} to
say that I have found things there in a distinctly critical
and condition and far worse than the weekly return yet
received would indicate and this is all the more strange
as the crops have recently been ample rain and the crops of
all kinds are reported to be in excellent condition and
certainly those that I saw along the river bank could not
possibly look better. Of course the river side villages
are the exception of all right and most of them show up
to the frontiers and, though the winter crops were not
so good, the Madras-
Chennai is the difficulty is
the large and wild population of the interior villages num-
bering in all some 20,000. Of these I saw about 1500 at
the station coming for gratuitous relief or to apply for it
and in condition generally was far from satisfactory.
The work of the association was happily not observable but most
apparently to be distinctly below and somewhat excited
and the work of the association was distinctly in place.
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prospects of the Taluk, owing to ample rain, one would have expected the reverse. My officers on the spot have been equal to the occasion so far, but their action in putting over 7000 on to gratuitous relief against little over 1000 at the commencement of the month, has increased expenditure enormously. Not only so but though the anticipated consumption of grain for August was 1200 bags and the Taluk started with a balance of 384 not allowed for, I find the Durriguden and Thadrachalan Depots empty and also those of the Murriguden and Durrupalli must be empty now, in spite of my having sent up 1200 bags already.

3. The explanation given on all hands is that the Kois and Boddies have no longer any grain in their possession and none is to be bought for love or money as the river side villages who alone possess grain will sell none as they still fear that the season will prove a bad one, notwithstanding the very favourable outlook at present. They also allege that the produce of the jungles is exhausted and that the merchants will give no advances this year, though the principal dry crop of the Koyas - gingelly - is a good one which will be harvested in the course of the next weeks. They do not trust the Koyas in the first place and in the next gingelly is so risky a crop that until it is safely harvested it is never out of danger. The condition of Koyas clearly indicates that there is truth in all these statements. so also does the heavy and not anticipated run upon the grain depots.

4. In these circumstances I regret that I must apply for more funds. How exactly the accounts stand is not known but with the enormous increase in the numbers on gratuitous relief - the number has more than trebled since the beginning of this month - it is quite certain that the amount already allotted must be almost exhausted. Under these circumstances I have directly telegraphed to Government to save delay asking for further allotment of Rs 12500. A copy of telegram is enclosed for your information.

5. I should have sent up more than 1200 bags already but the D.S.O. have hitherto been unable to let me have more than one steamr ent and I asked the Railway Company to let me have a steam-

steamer 12 days ago they could not manage it as one of the two was under repair. However the John Phillips has started to day with 600 bags and the Railway steamer Koorour with a barge goes up tomorrow with 1100 more. This will make things safe and ought to carry us through, though it is difficult to say when the necessity for relief measures will wholly end, as the Koyas have not, I am told, raised dry crops on any large scale except gingelly which is not reliable. The price however is good and when the crop is harvested they will be able to buy what they want with the sale proceeds and gratuitous relief won't be required.

6. I have to day received Rs 10000 from the Charitable Relief Fund for loans to Koya cultivators to enable them to carry on till their crops are harvested. This will be an immense relief and also, I fancy, indirectly reduce the gratuitous relief list. At least I am hoping it will. As the Committee have given the money for grain advances I propose investing the whole amount at once in grain at Rajahmundry and debiting the cost of carriage to Government as a contribution on its part. This, I trust, Government will approve of. In other words the Charitable Fund will give me at Rajahmundry so much grain for distribution in the shape of loans to needy Koya cultivators who are not perhaps in need of gratuitous relief, but in a very tight fix and I will distribute it carrying it for the purpose from Rajahmundry to Thadrachalan at Government expense.

7. As it is necessary that some one should be in the Taluk now to supervise operations and conduct the grant of gratuitous relief as soon as this can be done, Mr. Phillips proceeds to Thadrachalan tomorrow in the Railway steamer. It is an operation that will require some care as we may do serious mischief by being too precipitate and yet it is wasteful of money to continue operations a day longer than is necessary. I am of opinion I shall have my affairs liquidated before the middle of September, and hoping that the end of the month will see every thing closed as the river will then be more practicable, probably for country trading boats, and the Koyas have ample funds from the sale of the gingelly which will then have been harvested, and as their edible dry crops are

are limited in means to support them till ^{the} the crops are
being dependent on the Government.

Resolution.

Submitted to Government with the request that,
under the circumstances explained by the Collector, the additional
funds asked for in para 4 and the proposal in para 6 of the letter
read above may be sanctioned.

(True copy and correct).

H. S. S. S.
Joint Secretary.

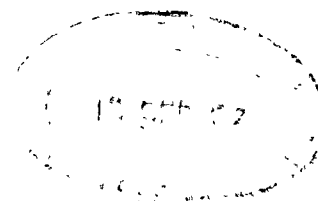
To

The Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

The Collector of Godavari.

Revenue (1897) Department.

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From the Board of Revenue, Revenue
Settlement, Land Records and Agri-
culture.

For Orders.

No. 7294 Dis.

The Collector's application for
an allotment of Rs 12,500 was
transferred to the F. D. in No. 4535
of 30. 8. 97 and has since
been sanctioned in that Dept.

Dated 7th September 1897.

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2. In para 6 of his letter,
the Collector reports that the J. F. C. R.
Fund has made a grant of Rs 10,000
for loans to Koya Cultivators to enable
them to carry on till their crops
are harvested, that as the Committee
have given the money for grain
advances, he proposes to invest
the whole amount in purchasing
grain at Rajamundry to debit the
cost of carriage to Govt as a
fair contribution on its part.
The Coll. requests and the Board

SUBJECT.

Submitting to Government with
the Board's recommendation letter from
the Collector of Godavari applying for
a further allotment of Rs 12500.

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The proposal in para 6 of Medley's letter is approved. The additional allocation applied for has already been sanctioned.

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