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13. Waste Charged and Remitted.—Of the above-mentioned area of ryots' holdings, *viz.*, 2,92,633 Acres, assessed at Rupees 6,68,860, an extent of 21,983 Acres, assessed at Rupees 39,656, was left waste owing, it is said, to the want of timely rains in certain localities and to the non-repair of certain irrigation works, and also to the system of sowing paddy on unirrigated lands. Of this extent of waste, the assessment on 3,538 Acres, *viz.*, Rupees 7,740, was remitted by the Acting Senior Assistant Collector in the case of irrigated lands, and the remaining waste, *viz.*, 18,445 Acres, assessed at Rupees 31,916, was charged. The actual extent cultivated was thus 270,650 Acres, assessed at Rupees 6,29,204.

14. Net Settlement.—The actual extent charged for is therefore 289,095 Acres, assessed at Rupees 6,61,120, as follows :—

	Acres.	Assessment. Rs.
Entire extent of holdings	292,633	6,68,860
Deduct waste remitted	3,538	7,740
Remainder—Extent charged for	289,095	6,61,120
Viz.—Actual cultivation	270,650	6,29,204
Waste charged	18,445	31,916

15. From the above amount of assessment, *viz.*, Rupees 6,61,120, a sum of Rupees 727 must be deducted on account of fixed remissions, and a sum of Rupees 93 must be added on account of "Tirwajasti" charged on dry lands temporarily converted into wet. The net result, *viz.*, Rupees 6,60,486, forms the Ryotwari demand.

16. The subjoined statement shows at a glance the particulars of the settlement for the fasli under review as compared with the preceding one, 1283 :—

Items.	Last Fasli.		Current Fasli.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	Acres.	Rs. A. P.	Acres.	Rs. A. P.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.
Dry	110,862	1,41,793 14 9	110,236	1,41,254 13 7	.....	.....	626	539
Wet	182,758	5,27,969 0 2	182,397	5,27,605 7 7	.....	.....	361	364
Total...	293,620	6,69,762 14 11	292,633	6,68,860 5 2	.....	.....	987	903
Add.								
Second crop assessment	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Additional assessment.	.....	70 4 2	.....	93 3 7	.....	23	.....	.....
Water-tax	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Road Fund	.....	41,981 8 1	.....	49,361 11 9	.....	7,380	.....	.....
Village Service Fund ...	.....	17,211 10 10	.....	17,133 8 0	.....	.....	.....	78
Total...	293,620	7,69,026 6 0	292,633	7,35,448 12 6	.....	7,403	987	981
Deduct.								
Remissions	4,664	11,838 2 9	3,538	7,740 5 6	.....	.....	1,126	4,098
Road Fund	.....	41,981 8 1	.....	49,361 11 9	.....	7,380	.....	.....
Village Service Fund...	.....	17,211 10 10	.....	17,133 8 0	.....	.....	.....	78
Remissions of other items as detailed in Statement 4	.....	4,235 5 4	.....	726 13 8	.....	.....	.....	3,559
Total...	4,664	75,316 11 0	3,538	74,962 6 11	.....	7,380	1,126	7,735
Net demand...	288,956	6,53,709 11 0	289,095	6,60,486 5 7	139	6,777	.....	.....
Miscellaneous	.....	73,082 13 11	.....	78,496 9 7	.....	5,414	.....	.....
Total...	288,956	7,26,792 8 11	289,095	7,38,982 15 2	139	12,191	.....	.....

17. It will be seen from the above statement that the increase in the Ryotwari revenue demand as compared with that of Fasli 1283 was owing to the grant of a large amount of remission during Fasli 1283.

18. Special Products—*Enclosure B. to Statement* 3.—The cultivation of special products shows an increase as compared with that of the preceding Fasli 1283. The following table shows the particulars :—

Product.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	ACRES.	ACRES.		
Sugar-cane... ...	4.524	4,872	348	...
Cotton...	10,209	11,085	876	...
Indigo...	1,080	1,370	290	...

The Indigo Factories in Purla Kimedy and Chinna Kimedy continue to be worked.

19. Progressive Cowle—*Enclosure C to Statement* 3.—At the end of Fasli 1283 there were 1,337 Acres, assessed at Rupees 1,823, held on progressive cowle tenure. Of these, 45 Acres, assessed at Rupees 58, were brought to the full assessment. The extent still left under this tenure was therefore 1,292 Acres, assessed at Rupees 1,765. No fresh land was taken up, nor were there any relinquishments of land under this tenure during the year under notice. The cowle remissions amounted to Rupees 727, and the net assessment actually payable on account of progressive lands was therefore Rupees 1,038.

20. There were extant in Fasli 1283 forty-seven progressive cowles, of which three expired (the lands concerned having been brought on to full assessment); so that the number of cowles now existing is forty-four.

21. Portions of Fields left Waste.—*Enclosure D. to Statement* 3.—Of the extent of waste charged for, *viz.*, 18,445 Acres, assessed at Rupees 31,916, 4,688 Acres, assessed at Rupees 7,451, appertain to portions of fields, while the remaining 13,757 Acres, assessed at Rupees 24,465, consist of entire fields. Of the extent of waste remitted, *viz.*, 3,538 Acres, assessed at Rupees 7,740, 638 Acres, assessed at Rupees 1,518, consist of portions of fields, while the remaining 2,900 Acres, assessed at Rupees 6,222, appertain to entire fields.

22. Particulars of Cultivation—*Enclosure E. to Statement* 3—Of the lands settled for, *viz.*, 2,89,095 Acres, assessed at Rupees 6,61,120, 1,09,412 Acres, assessed at Rs. 1,39,606, were dry land; 757 Acres, assessed at Rupees 1,567, were cultivated with dry crops but were irrigated; 67 Acres, assessed at Rupees 82, were dry and temporarily converted into wet, and on which a Tirwajasti or additional assessment of Rupees 93 was charged; and the remaining 1,78,859 Acres, assessed at Rupees 5,19,865, were usual wet, bearing a consolidated assessment.

23. Remission—*Statement* 4.—There were no other remission granted than those already mentioned, *viz.*, Rupees 7,740, on account of irrigated land left waste (*vide* paragraphs 13 and 14 *supra*), and Rupees 727 on account of progressive cowles (*vide* paragraph 19 *supra*). As to the former item the acting Senior Assistant Collector reports that the lands concerned were left waste in consequence of the failure of the supply of water from the respective irrigation works, which are said to be out of repair. I have, however, yet to ascertain the real circumstances of the case, as I find that the same villagers obtained Rupees 9,340 out of the 15,144 remitted in Fasli 1283. The total amount of remissions granted under all heads during the year under report was Rupees 8,467 against Rupees 16,123 as shown in the margin.

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
	RS.	RS.
Waste remitted	11,833	7,740
Remissions for loss of crops..	3,306	...
	15,144	7,740
Cowle remissions...	979	727
Total ...	16,123	8,467

24. *Enclosure A. to Statement* 4.—Of the amount of cowle remissions, *viz.*, Rupees 727, Rupees 508 were granted on dry land and the remaining Rupees 219 on wet land.

25. Entire Land Revenue Settlement.—The entire land revenue demand for the fasli under notice was Rupees 11,95,340 against Rupees 11,82,736 of the preceding Fasli 1283, showing an increase of Rupees 12,604 as detailed and explained below :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS.	RS.
Permanently settled	4,31,081 7 7	4,31,555 7 7	474	...
Jodi of Shrotriem and Inam villages...	24,858 0 0	24,801 15 0	...	56
Ryotwar	6,53,709 11 0	6,60,486 5 7	6,777	...
Sale of unassessed waste lands... ...	3 13 8	... ...	...	4
Miscellaneous Items	73,082 13 11	78,496 9 7	5,414	...
Total ...	11,82,735 14 2	11,95,340 5 9	12,604	...

26. *Permanently Settled.*—The increase of Rupees 474 in the permanently settled revenue is the net result of a gross increase of Rupees 500 and a gross decrease of Rupees 26. The increase of Rupees 500 is the annual nuzzer amount fixed for the Maliah tract of the Pedda Kimedy Zemindary, (*vide* Government Order, dated 24th April 1874, No. 506). The decrease of Rs. 26 is the amount deducted from the peishcush of the Polur Zemindar on account of the land taken up for the Ganjam Salt pans, (*vide* Government Order, dated 16th September 1874, No. 1,183).

27. *Shrotriem Jodi.*—The decrease of Rupees 56 in the Shrotriem Jodi is due to the reduction made in the Jodi of the Inam village of Lanjapilly on account of the land taken up for the District Jail and Court—*vide* Board's Proceedings, dated 11th November 1874, No. 7,865.

28. *Ryotwar.*—The increase of Rupees 6,777 as already explained in paragraphs 15, 16, and 17 *supra*, is due to the grant of a larger amount of remissions in Fasli 1283.

29. *Sale of unassessed Waste Lands.*—There were no sales of unassessed waste lands, nor were there any other receipts under this head for the year under report.

30. Land Revenue, Miscellaneous Items—*Statement* 5.—The particulars of the miscellaneous revenue are as follows :—

	Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
		RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
(*a*). 1.	Jodi on sundry Inams, personal ...	50,938	51,028	90	...
	Do. do service...	5,827	5,827	...	...
(*b*). 2.	Tax on trees on unassessed lands ...	...	25	25	...
(*c*.) 3.	Cess for repair of tanks	...	190	190	...
(*d*). 6.	Land culivated but not included in the Jamabundi	5,761	4,501	...	1,260
(*e*). 7.	Concealed cultivation	1,147	575	...	572
(*f*). 9.	Cultivation of poramboke lands ...	367	613	246	...
(*g*). 13.	Rent of gardens and topes	862	854	...	8
(*h*). 15.	Revenue from reverted Inams... ...	8	34	26	...
(*i*). 16.	Collections from Village Service Inams for offices vacant	20	53	33	...
(*j*). 17.	Revenue from sequestered Inams ...	...	233	233	...
(*k*). 19.	Do. from lands on the sides and slopes of hills...	6	...	...	6
(*l*). 25.	Chunam shell rent	...	60	60	...
(*m*). 31.	Rent on fruit trees	88	84	...	4
(*n*). 32.	Rent on roots for dying cloth	39	39	...	...

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
(*o*). 36. Rent on islands situated in rivers ...	63	77	14	...
(*p*). 40. Commission on the sale of destrained property attached for arrears of revenue	30	62	32	...
(*q*). 41. Commission on private estates under Circar management	4,650	5,843	1,193	...
(*r*). 42. Tax on backyards in excess of the limit allowed	...	243	243	...
(*s*). 43. Revenue fines	1,251	600	...	651
(*t*). 44. Savings and refunds	...	91	91	...
(*u*). 45. Excess collection over the demand ...	51	48	...	3
(*v*). 46. Water-tax on Zemindari and Inam, &c., lands	1,066	908	...	158
(*w*). 47. Quit-rent on bungalows and gardens...	277	277	...	...
(*x*). 53. Sale proceeds of waste lands, &c. ...	521	23	...	498
(*y*). 54. Other items...	111	6,209	6,098	...
Total...	73,083	78,497	5,414	...

(*a*). The increase of Rupees 90 is the net result of a gross increase of Rupees 194 and a gross decrease of Rupees 104 as explained below:—

	RS.	RS.
Increase—Quit-rent of certain Inams situated in these villages of the Vizianagram Zemindari which have been transferred to the Ganjam District ...	215	
Minus 10 per cent. commission allowed to the Zemindar for collection	21	
		194
NOTE.—This amount of quit-rent hitherto used to be paid in the Vizagapatam District and has now been brought to account of this district—*vide* Clause (*a*) of paragraph 30 of my last Jamabundi Report for Fasli 1283.		
Decrease—Ten per cent. commission on the amount of quit-rent of the Jalantra and Barwa Estates allowed for collection thereof by the Estate establishment	49	
Quit-rent of Inam lands relinquished ... ... These Inams were held on Title-deeds Nos. 10, 153, 199, 685, 1,071, 1,233, 1,310, 1,641, 1,694, 2,184, 2,236, 2,248, 2,255 and 2,649	55	
		104
Net Increase...		90

(*b*). This is the amount of tax imposed on trees scattered over unassessed lands in the Gumsur Taluq.

(*c*). This is the amount annually paid by the Maharajah of Vizianagram as contributions for the repair of certain Irrigation Works which benefit both his and the Government lands. This sum hitherto used to be absorbed in the item (*v*) "No. 46, Water-tax on Zemindary and Inam, &c., lands." It has now been transferred to this head No. 2, which is more appropriate.

(*d*) & (*e*). The decrease under these heads is chiefly the effect of the stringent measures adopted for the prevention of unauthorized cultivation.

(*f*). The increase is owing to the imposition of penal rates on the persistent cultivation of certain public pathways and such like which have been cultivated in defiance of orders.

(*g*). The decrease is trifling and calls for no remark.

(*h*). This is the assessment of two Inams in the Beredy Zemindary which were resumed on behalf of Government.

(*i*). This item calls for no remark.

(*j*). This sum is the rent collected on certain personal Inams which were resumed in faslies prior to 1284. Ryotwar puttas were granted for these lands in Fasli 1284.

(*k*). This requires no explanation.

(*l*). This item was for the first time collected during the fasli under report, certain chunam shells at the back-waters in the sub-division having been rented out.

(*m*), (*n*), (*o*) & (*p*). Call for no explanation.

(*q*). The large increase is owing to a portion of the commission due for past years on account of the Purla Kimedy and Barwa Estates having been credited during the year under notice.

(*r*). The Acting Principal Assistant Collector under a mistaken impression omitted to demand this item in the sub-division during the two preceding years. It has again been brought to account during the year under review.

(*s*). This item is of a fluctuating character; greater discretion was also exercised in the imposing of fines on subordinates. Hence the comparatively large decrease.

(*t*). This is the amount of extra charges originally debited in the accounts for the purchase of office furniture, &c., and recredited in consequence of the amount not having been actually disbursed.

(*u*.) This trifling increase calls for no explanation.

(*v*.) As already remarked, a sum of Rupees 190, which in the preceding years used to be included in this item, has been transferred to item 3, *vide* (*c*) *supra*.

(*w*.) Calls for no remark.

(*x*.) The decrease in this item is owing to the decrease in the sale of lands formerly purchased by Government in the sales for arrears of revenue.

(*y*.) This item consists of the following :—

	RS.
Sale proceeds of fruit	20
Do. of Receipt books	14
Do. of Village maps	5
Revenue Process Service fees	6,170
Total...	6,209

The last is a new item collected under the Board's Order, dated 24th April 1874, No. 971. The other items require no explanation.

31. EXTRA SOURCES OF REVENUE.—The revenue from extra sources was as shown in the following table Rupees 19,86,563 against Rupees 18,69,862 of the preceding Fasli 1283, showing an increase of Rupees 1,16,701 :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS.	RS.
Abkari...	79,552 2 3	87,346 15 0	7,795	...
Income-tax	26 12 0	... ...	...	27
Salt	15,47,652 6 9	16,90,497 5 3	1,42,845	...
Sea Customs	1,56,798 15 7	1,13,733 4 5	...	43,066
Stamps, Judicial...	57,064 11 0	65,272 1 0	8,207	...
Do. Non-Judicial...	28,767 4 0	29,713 15 8	947	...
Total...	18,69,862 3 7	19,86,563 9 4	1,16,701	...

32. *Abkari.*—The details of the Abkari Revenue are as follows :—

——	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Duty on Spirits	70,729	78,517	7,788
Three-fourths of Toddy rents ...	8,034	8,207	173
	78,763	86,724	7,961
License fees...	789	623	— 166
Total...	79,552	87,347	7,795

The increase is attributable to the favorable character of the season.

33. *Income-tax.*—There was nothing collected on account of Income-tax during the year under report.

34. *Salt.*—The increase in the Salt Revenue is due to the favorable nature of the season and to the modification of the Bengal restrictive rules. The price of salt was raised at Ganjam and Itchapore consequent on the passing of Act X. of 1874. There was, however, a falling off in the sales for the Central Provinces and a considerable decrease in the sales for Home consumption at the Ganjam and Itchapore Pans owing to the enhancement of duty at the two Northern Salt Stations in question. A Fish-curing depôt has been established at Nowpada with reference to Board's Proceedings of the 26th August 1874, No. 2,394, and it seems likely to answer.

35. *Sea Customs.*—The large decrease in the Sea Customs Revenue is due to a decline in the export of dutiable articles to foreign countries, as compared with the preceding Fasli 1283, when the export of rice especially was extraordinarily heavy, as, owing to the Famine in Bengal and consequent drain in Burmah, much rice was shipped from this district for Ceylon and other foreign ports.

The particulars of this item are as follows :—

——	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Import Duty...	797	1,350	+ 553
Export do.	1,55,663	1,11,554	— 44,109
Total...	1,56,460	1,12,903	— 43,557
Miscellaneous...	338	830	+ 492
Total...	1,56,798	1,13,733	— 43,066

36. *Judicial Stamps.*—The increase in the sale of Court Fees stamps is attributable to the system of levying fees for the service of processes by means of Court Fees stamps having obtained throughout the whole of the year under report, whereas several months had elapsed in Fasli 1283 before it was brought into operation.

37. *Non-Judicial or General Stamps.*—The increase in the amount of general stamp duty is probably owing to the provisions of the Stamp law having been better conformed to and to general prosperity.

38. Entire Current Demand, Collection, and Balance of all Sources of Revenue—*Statements 6 and 7.*—The entire current demand of revenue from all sources was Rs. 31,81,903

against Rupees 30,52,598 of the preceding year, showing an increase of Rupees 1,29,305 as follows:—

——	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Land Revenue...	11,82,736	11,95,340	12,604
Extra Sources...	18,69,862	19,86,563	1,16,701
Total ...	30,52,598	31,81,903	1,29,305

39. Of the above current demand, *viz.*, Rupees 31,81,903, Rupees 30,69,407 were collected within the fasli, leaving at the end of the fasli a balance of Rupees 1,12,496, of which Rs. 99,479 were against the Land Revenue and Rupees 13,017 against Abkári. Subsequent collections up to the close of August amounted to Rs. 56,467, * and reduced the balance to Rupees 56,029, the whole of which appertains to Land Revenue. There is now no balance outstanding on account of Abkari. These results show a decided improvement as compared with the preceding year.

	RS.
*Land Revenue	43,450
Abkári	13,017
Total ...	56,467

40. Old Arrears—*Statement* 8.—The arrears of past faslies outstanding at the beginning of the fasli under review amounted to Rupees 2,73,171-5-6, of which Rupees 2,32,047-12-1 were collected within the fasli and Rupees 966-13-0 remitted under the orders of Government, dated 23rd June 1874, No. 770, leaving a balance of Rupees 40,156-12-5 at the end of the fasli. Subsequent collections up to the end of August, *viz.*, Rupees 1,681-1-11, reduced this balance to Rupees 38,475-10-6, of which sum Rupees 1,490-5-3 were recommended for remission in the last Settlement report, on which orders of Government are yet to come, and Rupees 6,812-14-2 are now recommended for remission, (*vide* next paragraph). The remaining sum of Rupees 30,172-7-1 has yet to be collected or otherwise accounted for. Active measures have already been taken to realize the same. There are certain balances both arrears and current outstanding on some of the proprietary estates in the sub-division, and the Acting Principal Assistant Collector has taken steps for their speedy recovery. The very frequent changes in the proprietors of some of the Tekkali estates greatly retards the punctual realization of their peishcush.

41. The particulars of the irrecoverable balance now recommended for remission are as follows :—

Taluqs.	Faslies.	Ryotwar.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Gumsur	1276	5 9 3	.....	5 9 3
	1278	3 12 7	.....	3 12 7
	1279	8 3 3	.....	8 3 3
	1280	13 4 3	.....	13 4 3
	1281	85 12 0	.....	85 12 0
	1282	274 12 5	105 7 3	380 3 8
	1283	212 4 11	3 2 0	215 6 11
Total...	.....	603 10 8	108 9 3	712 3 11
Berhampore	1280	263 14 0	.....	263 14 0
	1281	478 13 4	.....	478 13 4
	1282	2,242 10 8	197 8 5	2,440 3 1
	1283	2,332 1 4	145 6 8	2,477 8 0
Total...	.....	5,317 7 4	342 15 1	5,660 6 5
Chicacole	1279	.....	13 8 4	13 8 4
	1280	.....	27 12 4	27 12 4
	1281	13 13 9	192 9 3	206 7 0
	1282	20 2 11	71 0 3	91 3 2
	1283	67 5 0	34 0 0	101 5 0
Total...	.....	101 5 8	338 14 2	440 3 10
Grand Total...	.....	6,022 7 8	790 6 6	6,812 14 2
Poverty	.....	4,107 12 8	402 15 6	4,510 12 2
Other causes	.....	1,914 11 0	387 7 0	2,302 2 0

PARTICULARS.

	RS. A. P.
Ryotwar.—Balance of assessment due by 261 ryots whose property has been entirely sold up. The lands of some of these defaulters have been purchased by Government for a nominal price owing to the absence of bidders...	4,107 12 8
Assessment of lands taken up in Faslies 1282 and 1283 for public purposes, *viz.*, roads, Police huts, and gravel pits, and not struck off the accounts up to Fasli 1284	207 9 11
Assessment of land relinquished in Fasli 1282, but not struck off the accounts up to Fasli 1284	1,693 3 2
NOTE.—The land to which this amount relates was relinquished by its holder Mr. John Burgess in Fasli 1282 ; but a regular deed of relinquishment was not executed till lately, in consequence of Mr. Burgess being under a misapprehension as to the rules under which relinquishment are accepted. He has, however, actually severed all connection with the land since Fasli 1282, and is therefore entitled to be relieved of the payment of assessment from that fasli.	
Erroneous over-demand in the accounts of Faslies 1282 and 1283 ...	13 13 11
Total Ryotwar ...	6,022 7 8
Miscellaneous.—Quit-rent of an Inam land in the village of Kota Bommali in the sub-division which has been sold for the arrears and purchased by Government in the absence of bidders. The defaulter has no other property to be proceeded against	109 4 8
Sevoy Jumma assessment charged on certain unauthorized cultivation, and due by thirty-three ryots, whose property has been entirely sold up. The lands of some of these defaulters have been purchased by Government for a nominal price owing to the absence of bidders	293 10 10
Erroneous demand in the accounts of Fasli 1283...	6 8 0
Sevoy Jumma assessment charged at several times the proper assessment in Faslies 1282 and 1283 on certain unauthorized cultivation, but subsequently remitted, the penal rates originally charged having been deemed too high	380 15 0
Total Miscellaneous ...	790 6 6
Grand Total, both Ryotwar and Miscellaneous ...	6,812 14 2

42. Under the above explanation, I trust that the Board will be pleased to obtain the sanction of Government for writing off the accounts the above-mentioned sum of Rupees 6,812-14-2 as irrecoverable.

43. COMPARATIVE VIEW OF COLLECTIONS FROM ALL SOURCES.—The following abstract shows the collections on account of revenue, current, and in arrears, during the fasli under review, as compared with the preceding Fasli 1283.

Items.	Fasli 1283. Arrears.	Fasli 1283. Current.	Fasli 1283. Total.	Fasli 1284. Arrears.	Fasli 1284. Current.	Fasli 1284. Total.	Increase.	Decrease.
Land Revenue.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Permanently Settled	86,776	3,97,415	4,84,191	33,329	4,14,698	4,48,027	.....	36,164
Jodi on Shrotriem and Inam villages	5,527	16,668	22,195	7,697	22,180	29,877	7,682	.....
Ryotwar	97,453	4,97,643	5,95,096	1,57,053	5,94,411	7,51,464	1,56,368	.....
Sale of waste lands	143	4	147	12	.....	12	.....	135
Miscellaneous	17,993	49,219	67,212	23,733	64,571	88,304	21,092	.....
Total ...	2,07,892	9,60,949	11,68,841	2,21,824	10,95,860	13,17,684	1,48,843	.....
Extra Sources.								
Abkari	8,389	69,329	77,718	10,223	74,330	84,553	6,835	.....
Income-tax...	.....	27	27	.....	.....	.....	.....	27
Salt	.....	15,47,652	15,47,652	.....	16,90,497	16,90,497	1,42,845	.....
Sea Customs	.....	1,56,799	1,56,799	.....	1,13,733	1,13,733	.....	43,066
Stamps, Judicial	.....	57,065	57,065	.....	65,272	65,272	8,207	.....
Do. Non-judicial	.....	28,767	28,767	.....	29,714	29,714	947	... ...
Total ...	8,389	18,59,639	18,68,028	10,223	19,73,546	19,83,769	1,15,741	.....
Grand Total ...	2,16,281	28,20,588	30,36,869	2,32,047	30,69,406	33,01,453	2,64,584	.....

44. The collections as will be seen show a marked improvement as compared with those of the preceding Fasli 1283, all the items except the "Permanently Settled Revenue" and "Sea Customs" exhibiting a considerable increase. Punctuality in the payment of Government dues was more strictly and systematically insisted upon, and the employment of a Batta Establishment greatly tended to facilitate the collections. The decrease which appears in the collections of Permanently Settled Revenue is due to the realization of a large amount of arrears in Fasli 1283. The decrease under "Sea Customs" has already been explained in paragraph 35 *supra*.

45. Coercive Process—*Enclosure A to Statement* 7.—The number of persons against whom coercive measures were employed was 12,620. Rupees 67,411 worth of property was destrained and Rupees 5,174 worth sold as follows:—

		Rs.
Distrained..	Immoveable property...	6,985
	Moveable do.	60,426
	Total...	67,411
Sold	Immoveable property	3,472
	Moveable do.	1,702
	Total...	5,174

clearly showing that it is disinclination rather than inability which prompts many ryots to withhold their Government dues so long as there is any hope of obtaining remission.

46.—Receipts—*Statement* 9.—The total receipts of the year under report as detailed in paragraph 43 *supra* were Rupees 33,01,453 against Rupees 30,36,869 of the preceding Fasli 1283, showing an increase of Rupees 2,64,584.

47. Charges of Collection.—The total charges of collection for the fasli under report amounted to Rupees 1,97,413* against Rupees 2,43,735* of the preceding Fasli 1283, showing a decrease of Rupees 46,322 as detailed below:—

* These are exclusive of refunds and one-fifth of land revenue debitable to Law and Justice—*Vide* paragraph 3 of the Board's Proceedings of the 18th August 1874, No. 2,295.

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Land Revenue	1,25,488	1,14,811	...	10,677
Abkári...	176	681	505	...
Sea Customs	7,679	8,058	379	...
Salt	1,08,414	71,401	...	37,013
Stamps...	1,978	2,462	484	...
Total ..	2,43,735	1,97,413	...	46,322

48. Land Revenue Charges.—The decrease of Rupees 10,677 in the land revenue charges is the net result of a gross increase of Rupees 8,157, and a gross decrease of Rupees 18,834 as explained below.

Particulars of Land Revenue Charges.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Salary of Collectors, &c.	60,177	38,531	...	21,646
Tent and House-rent allowance of Collectors ...	10,806	12,689	1,883	...
Huzur and Taluq Establishment	71,345	71,070	...	275
Saderward	925	867	...	58
Medical Charges...	3,418	3,244	...	174
Contingencies	3,490	7,165	3,675	...
Total...	1,50,161	1,33,566	5,558	22,153
Deduct one-fifth debitable to Law and Justice...	30,032	26,713	...	3,319
Remainder...	1,20,129	1,06,853	5,558	18,834
Add Miscellaneous	5,359	7,958	2,599	...
Total...	1,25,488	1,14,811	8,157	18,834
Net Decrease...	...	...	...	10,677

49. The decrease in the salary of Collectors, &c., is owing to my having drawn merely deputation allowance throughout the year under report, whereas during the preceding Fasli 1283 Mr. Master drew the full salary for some months.

50. The increase in the tentage, &c., is owing to the more frequent and extensive tours which I had to make during the year under notice.

51. The decreases in the cost of Establishment, Saderward, and Medical charges are not so large as to call for explanation.

52. The increase in contingencies is on account of the larger amount of batta which had to be paid to the establishment which accompanied me in my tours.

53. The increase in the Miscellaneous charges is owing to the payment made to the Revenue Process Service Establishment out of the fees collected under the Board's Orders, dated 24th April and 4th August 1874, Nos. 971 and 2,086, respectively.

54. Abkari Charges.—The Abkàri charges consist of Rupees 678 on account of rewards paid to informers and Rupees 3 on account of Contingencies. Rewards were more freely awarded to those who gave information as to illicit distillation, &c.

55. Sea Custom Charges.—The Sea Custom charges comprise the following items :—

——	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Establishment	7,284	6,938	— 346
Saderward, &c.	27	44	+ 17
Contingencies	304	296	— 8
Fees for working out of office hours	64	780	+ 716
Total...	7,679	8,058	+ 379

56. The decrease in the cost of Sea Custom Establishment is owing to the debit of Rs. 65 during the latter part of the year under report instead of Rupees 100 as formerly, on account of the salary of the Sea Customs Superintendent of Gopalpore. The full amount debitable to Sea Customs is Rupees 130; but as Captain Rowland is acting for Captain Burton, who is absent on leave, he receives only half pay.

57. The rule for the payment of fees to Sea Custom officials was more extensively worked during the year under report. Hence the increase under this head.

58. The other two items under this head (Sea Customs) do not call for remark.

59. Salt Charges.—The charges of the Salt Department comprise the following items :—

——	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Salary of the Deputy-Collector	3,000	3,000	...
Establishment	15,322	15,807	+ 485
Saderward, &c.	425	484	+ 59
Travelling Batta	942	1,179	+ 237
Purchase of Salt	66,987	30,400	— 36,587
Charges for conveying and storing Salt	5,309	5,212	— 97
Contingencies	3,907	2,262	— 1,645
Petty Construction and Repair	12,522	13,057	+ 535
Total ...	1,08,414	71,401	— 37,013

60. The increase in the cost of establishment is owing to the entertainment of an additional Superintendent at Womeravilly, of an Assistant Shroff at Nowpada, and of an Attender at each of the four Salt Divisions, in accordance with paragraph 7 of the Order of Government, dated 12th January 1875, No. 51, Revenue Department, communicated with Board's Miscellaneous Proceedings, No. 344, dated 18th idem.

61. The decrease in the purchase of salt is owing to a large quantity of salt manufactured in Fasli 1282 having been paid for in Fasli 1283 as well as to a large portion manufactured in the year under report not having been paid for within the year.

62. The decrease under "Contingencies" is owing to the exclusion from this head of the pay of the temporary Police gaurds employed during the salt manufacturing season, (*vide* paragraph 62 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 19th November 1873, No. 2,360, recorded in Board's Proceedings, dated 9th September 1874, No. 2,543).

63. The increase under petty construction and repairs is owing to a larger sum having been expended on new works.

64. The other items under salt do not require any explanation.

65. Stamp Charges.—The charges under the head "Stamps" consist of discount paid to Licensed Stamp Vendors (Rupees 1,819) and Contingencies (Rupees 643). The increase as compared with the preceding year is due to the increased sales.

66. Net Revenue.—The total charges of collection, *viz.*, Rupees 1,97,413, come to nearly 6 per cent. on the gross collections, *viz.*, Rupees 33,01,453. Deducting the charges of collection, the net revenue was Rupees 31,04,040 against Rupees 27,93,134 of the preceding Fasli 1283.

67. Manufacture and Storage of Salt—*Statement* 10.—The quantity of salt received into store during the year under report was 832,452 Maunds against 703,817 of the preceding

Fasli 1283. The quantity in store at the end of the preceding Fasli 1283 was 1,161,204, and a small quantity of 21 Maunds was the gain by weighment, &c. The total quantity available for sale during the year under report was therefore 1,993,677 Maunds. Of this 813,618 Maunds were sold during the year and 28,404 Maunds written off as wastage. There were thus 1,151,655 Maunds in store at the end of the year under report. Deducting further the quantity of 43,535 Maunds recommended to be written off on account of wastage in my last report, on which orders of Government are yet to come, there remained a net quantity of 1,108,120 Maunds in store. The actual quantity manufactured during the year was 943,120 Maunds against 649,529 of the preceding fasli, and against the dittum or estimate of 850,000.

68. Wastage of Salt—*Statement* 11.—The wastage of salt discovered during the year under report was 46,035½ Maunds in 853,701 Maunds in 721 heaps which is a little more than 5 per cent. The following are the Salt Deputy-Collector's remarks on the subject :—

"Two hundred and seventy-eight heaps of salt were sold at Nowpada this year, of which 128 were manufactured in Fasli 1281, 138 in 1282, and 12 in 1283. Thus, 128 heaps had been in store for four years, 138 for three, and the rest for two. The wastage was Maunds 5, S. 30, T. 41, per cent. which is a very fair average ; 147 were the heaps weighed out at Ganjam, of which 146 were manufactured in Fasli 1282 and the other in 1283. They were sold in the third year after they had been stored. Besides, the article produced in the Ganjam pans is not as hard as that of the other divisions. Its wastage was therefore Maunds 7, S. 30, T. 67. It could not, I think, be less, considering the quality of the article, the time it had been in stores, and the care with which it had been stored. The wastage of the Salt sold at the Itchapore and Womeravilly Divisions was much below the average and calls for no remark. I examined four heaps and sold fifteen and found the wastages were not unreasonable."

69. Under the above explanation, I request that sanction be accorded for writing off the accounts the above-mentioned wastage of 46,035½ Maunds.

70. *Statement* 12.—Statement No. 12 showing the Talukwar collections requires no special remark.

71. Interest.—The following statement shows the demand, collection, and balance of interest charged on arrears during the fasli under review :—

Items.	Demand.	Collection.	Balance.
Current.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. A.	RS. A. P.
Land Revenue	6,504 4 4	2,861 11 6	3,642 8 10
Abkari	60 13 4	... ...	60 13 4
Total ...	6,565 1 8	2,861 11 6	3,703 6 2
Arrears.			
Land Revenue	3,648 8 9	2,262 7 4	1,386 1 5
Abkari	... ...	... ...	... ...
Total ...	3,648 8 9	2,262 7 4	1,386 1 5
Grand Total ...	10,213 10 5	5,124 2 10	5,089 7 7

72. Agricultural Statistics.—As directed in the Board's Proceedings of the 26th November 1874, No. 3,417, I have made the return of agricultural statistics an enclo... to this report.

There was an increase of 5,883 Acres in the cultivation of Fasli 1284 as compared with that of Fasli 1283 as shown below :—

Crops.	Area cultivated in		Increase.	Decrease.
	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.		
Food grains	3,86,197	3,78,618	...	7,579
Seeds	24,453	28,032	3,579	...
Green and garden crops	7,857	17,075	9,218	...
Topes and orchards	9,743	9,630	...	113
Special crops, *viz.*, sugar-cane, cotton, and indigo	5,607	6,385	778	...
Total ...	4,33,857	4,39,740	5,883	...

The increase on the whole is attributable to the more favorable character of the season.

73. Register of Lands held by Public Servants.—The annexed statement shows the extent of land said to be held by public servants :—

——	Number of Servants.	Extent of Land held.
		ACRES.
Up to the end of Fasli 1283 as per last register	61	1,892
Deductions on account of deaths, removals, &c.	8	209
Remainder ...	53	1,683
Add lands waste and cultivated acquired during the year, and of servants newly appointed	7	114
Total ...	60	1,797

74. Taluq and Village Accounts.—The state of the taluq and village accounts is improving. The Curnams however in general, especially in the Berhampore and Gumsur Taluqs, have been habitually accustomed to put off the preparation of their accounts till the eleventh hour, at the time of Jamabundi ; and, although stringent instructions are given for the preparation of each account in its proper time, there is still room for much improvement in this respect. Strenuous efforts are being made to eradicate this pernicious habit which so much deteriorates from the value of the accounts.

75. Examination of Taluq Treasuries.—During the year under report, Mr. Sharkey, the late Acting Treasury Deputy-Collector, examined all the Taluq Treasuries and accounts except those of Chicacole and Womeravilly, *i.e.*, he examined thirteen out of fifteen Taluq Treasuries. The general state in which the accounts were found appears to be on the whole fair. Mr. Sharkey states that he "began by examining the cash chittas and then proceeded to reconcile them with the ascertained balance of the previous months for several months back, and found every thing correct ;" that "Villagewar particulars of arrears due under each head corresponded with the village entries as a rule ;" and that in order to test this some of the village accounts also were examined by (him) me with the remittance lists and the duplicate remittance lists filed in the Taluq Cutcherries." Mr. Sharkey has brought to my notice in detail the different irregularities he found, and I have directed the officers concerned to remedy them.

76. Costs awarded to Government in Civil Suits.—There were no costs awarded to Government in Civil Suits in the fasli under report, nor is there any amount due to Government on account of such costs.

77. Ruined Tanks.—No ruined tanks have been made over to private individuals during the year under report.

78. Boundary Marks.—The village and field boundary marks are reported to be on the whole in good order.

Chetterpore,
24th September 1875.

(Signed) R. DAVIDSON,
Acting Collector.

Exd. W. J. Lewis.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

VIZAGAPATAM.

I have the honor to submit my report on the Revenue Settlement and Collections of this district for Fasli 1284, accompanied by the prescribed statements.

2. I. Villages at which the Settlement was made.—The annual settlement of the two Government taluqs of Survasiddhi and Golgondah was conducted by myself during March and April last. The time actually occupied in the settlement was eight days as shown below :—

Taluqs.	Villages at which the Settlement was made.	Time occupied.
1. Golgondah	Nursipatam ... ... Kottacottah	From 23rd to 27th April 1875.
2. Survasiddhi	Kondakirla... ... ... Yellamunchelli...	From 22nd to 24th March 1875.

3. II. The Variations in the Number and Tenure of Villages.—The number of villages in the two Government taluqs was the same as that of the preceding year ; one variation in tenure occurred. A village of the Golgondah Taluq hitherto held under rent reverted to ryotwar during the year.

The usual comparative statement is annexed:—

Taluqs.	Mode of Settlement.	Number of Villages for Fasli 1283.	Number of Villages for Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
Golgondah ...	Ryotwar	86	87	1	...
	Joint-rent...	16	15	...	1
	Rents for more than one year...	87	87	...	...
	Total ...	189	189	1	1
Survasiddhi... ...	Ryotwar	65	65	...	...
	Grand Total ...	254	254	1	1

Puttas.—The number of puttas for the year was 4,665 against 4,592 of the previous year, showing a net increase of seventy-three.

The excess is due partly to the inclusion of the joint-rent village mentioned above under the ryotwar system, and partly to new lands and lands relinquished in former Faslies having been taken up. One hundred and four puttas were amended by entries showing the charges on account of tirwajasti or water-tax :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
1. Number of fresh Puttas	277	279	2	...
2. Do. of Puttas modified by additional entries	150	104	...	46
3. Do. do. not at all altered	4,165	4,282	117	...
Total ...	4,592	4,665	119	46
Net ...	...	...	73	...

4. III. Season.—The season has been most favorable. The rains were ample and favorably distributed.

Cultivation extended, and the supply of water and pasture throughout the district was good. The season was a remarkably good one for sugar-cane.

The total rain-fall during the year amounted to 39 inches against 41½ inches of the preceding one :—

Months.	Inches.	Tenths.	Months.	Inches.	Tenths.
S. W. Monsoon.			*N. E. Monsoon.*		
April 1874 ...	...	1	October 1874 ...	15	5
May ,, ...	1	...	November ,, ...	1	5
June ,, ...	4	9	December ,, ...	...	1
July ,, ...	5	2	January 1875 ...	...	2
August ,, ...	3	5	February ,, ...	...	...
September ,, ...	6	9	March ,, ...	...	...
Total ...	21	6	Total ...	17	3

In the Survasiddhi and Golgondah Taluqs the average rain-fall was 34½ inches.

Public Health.—The public health has been fair. There was a slight increase in the number of deaths which occurred from fever and other causes.

There was no cholera at all, and the deaths from small-pox considerably decreased. The Local Fund Board have introduced the system of payment by results for vaccination, which it is hoped will lead to still better results. The ratio of deaths per thousand was 10·447 against 9·454 in the previous year. A comparative statement is annexed.

District.	Fasli.	Population.	Deaths.			Other Causes.	Total.	Ratio per Thousand.
			Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.			
Vizagapatam.. (Exclusive of Jeypore and other Tracts under the Agency).	1283	1,844,065	...	1,396	12,363	3,694	17,453	9·454
	1284	1,844,711	...	618	14,801	3,853	19,272	10·447

Cattle Disease.—Cattle-murrain prevailed to a great extent, particularly from August to January last. The diseases from which the cattle suffered chiefly were epizootic aphtha, rinderpest, splenic apoplexy, dysentry and sore-feet. Telugu copies of Doctor Thacker's Manual on Cattle-diseases and his medicine have been freely distributed throughout the district. Segregation was adopted as far as practicable.

5. IV. Prices.—There was a slight fall in the prices of all staple articles of food-grains, except paddy. The rise in the price of paddy was owing to large exportations from the district.

Grains.	Fasli 1280	Fasli 1281.	Fasli 1282.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Total.	Average.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Paddy, 1st sort	133	174	146	118	133	704	141
2. Do. 2nd do.	126	161	133	112	125	657	131
3. Cholum or Jonalu ...	167	201	179	155	126	828	166
4. Cumboo or Bajara... ...	143	190	158	124	119	764	153
5. Horse-gram	177	196	241	149	132	895	179
6. Raggy	143	196	177	143	140	799	160
7. Harrack or Varagoo ...	79	115	97	66	...	357	89

6. V. Ryots' Holdings.—The extent of holdings held by ryots at the beginning of the Fasl was Acres 82,777 assessed at Rupees 1,87,741-4-3, that of lands relinquished during the year amounted to Acres 3,823 assessed at Rupees 6,734-6-0 ; Acres 5,309 of land, bearing an assessment of Rupees 8,342-10-9, were newly taken up, making a total of Acres 84,263, with an assessment of Rupees 1,89,349-9-0. There was thus a net increase of Acres 1,486 in extent, and Rupees 1,608-4-9 in assessment. This is attributed to the lands relinquished during the previous two years having been re-taken during the year under review, and to certain new lands having been taken up owing to the favorable nature of the season.

The usual particulars are annexed :—

Items.	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
Holdings at the beginning of Fasli 1284 ...	57,784	58,005 2 8	24,993	1,29,736 1 7	82,777	1,87,741 4 3
Deduct Lands given up ...	2,925	2,232 9 8	898	4,501 12 4	3,823	6,734 6 0
Remainder...	54,859	55,772 9 0	24,095	1,25,234 5 3	78,954	1,81,006 14 3
Add Lands newly taken up ...	4,255	3,108 0 3	1,054	5,234 10 6	5,309	8,342 10 9
Total...	59,114	58,880 9 3	25,149	1,30,468 15 9	84,263	1,89,349 9 0

7. VI. Actual Cultivation.—The extent actually cultivated during the year was Acres 77,681, assessed at Rupees 1,81,150, against Acres 71,099, bearing an assessment of Rupees 1,68,650 of the previous year. Here, again, the increase is due to the favorable character of the season.

The following is a comparative statement of the cultivation of the last two years :—

No.	Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
		Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
		ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
1	Golgondah.	34,907	64,899	38,164	66,928	3,257	2,029	...	...
2	Survasiddhi	36,192	1,03,751	39,517	1,14,222	3,325	10,471	...	...
	Total...	71,099	1,68,650	77,681	1,81,150	6,582	12,500	...	...
	Net...	...	...	...	...	6,582	12,500	...	...

8. VII. Final Settlement.—The total settlement of the two taluqs of Golgondah and Survasiddhi amounted to Rupees 2,14,773-2-4 in the Fasli under review, while it amounted to Rupees 2,10,858-0-7 in Fasli 1283. The increase was thus Rupees 3,915-1-9, which was due to good season, and to the charge of tirwajasti under Board's Circular Order No. XX. of 1874.

The usual comparative statement is annexed :—

Items.	Last Fasli.		Current Fasli.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
Dry	57,784	58,005 2 8	59,114	58,880 9 3	1,330	875 6 7	...	... ...
Wet	24,993	1,29,736 1 7	25,099	1,30,265 7 9	106	529 6 2	...	... ...
Total ...	82,777	1,87,741 4 3	84,213	1,89,146 1 0	1,436	1,404 12 9	...	... ...
Add—								
Second-crop Assessment	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	... ...
Additional do.	...	805 13 10	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	805 13 10
Water-tax	...	... ...	...	1,956 6 11	...	1,956 6 11	...	... ...
Land-cess	...	18,159 3 3	...	19,007 8 3	...	848 5 0	...	... ...
Village Service Fund	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	... ...
Total ...	82,777	2,06,706 5 4	84,213	2,10,110 0 2	1,436	4,209 8 8	...	805 13 10
Deduct Remissions—								
Land-cess	...	18,159 3 3	...	19,007 8 3	...	848 5 0	...	... ...
Village Service Fund	...	384 0 0	...	384 0 0	...	... ...	...	... ...
Other Remissions as particularized in Statement No. 4	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	... ...
Total ...	...	18,543 3 3	...	19,391 8 3	...	848 5 0	...	... ...
Remaining Beriz	82,777	1,88,163 2 1	84,213	1,90,718 7 11	1,436	3,361 3 8	...	805 13 10
Add Miscellaneous Items	...	22,694 14 6	...	24,054 10 5	...	1,359 11 11	...	... ...
Total ...	82,777	2,10,858 0 7	84,213	2,14,773 2 4	1,436	4,720 15 7	...	805 13 10
Net ...	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	3,915 1 9	...	... ...

9. VIII. Principal Sources of Irrigation.—The principal sources of irrigation are enumerated below with the ayacut and cultivation under each head. No ruined tanks were made over to private individuals, nor any applications for such received.—

No.	Taluqs.	Sources of Irrigation.	Extent of Ayacut.	Assessment.	Cultivation under each Source.	Actual Revenue derived.
				RS.		RS.
1	Golgondah ...	1. Komaravolu ava ...	611	2,995	590	2,701
		2. River channels ...	2,135	13,185	2,558	13,842
		3. Tanks	7,785	35,928	6,282	32,950
		Total ...	10,531	52,108	9,930	49,493
2	Survasiddhi ...	1. Kondakirla ava ...	1,222	9,368	1,210	9,301
		2. River channels ...	8,201	45,116	7,526	41,778
		3. Tanks	7,195	34,275	6,415	29,511
		Total ...	16,618	88,759	15,150	80,590
		Grand Total ...	27,149	1,40,867	25,080	1,30,083

10. IX. Waste charged and remitted.—The amount charged on account of waste was Rupees 3,250-5-6 in the Golgondah Taluq, and Rupees 4,745-15-2 in the Survasiddhi Taluq; total Rupees 7,996-4-8. A sum of Rupees 203-8-0 was remitted in the village of Andalapully in the Survasiddhi Taluq on 50 Acres of land submerged in the Kondakirla ava. As the water was not drawn off as usual after the 15th December, cultivation of the lands in question was impossible, and the grant of remission was therefore found necessary, *vide* my letter recorded in Board's Proceedings, No. 1,820, dated 1st July 1875.

11. X. Particulars of Remission.—The season being favorable, there was no occasion to grant any remissions in either of the two taluqs.

12. XI. Progressive Cowle.—The lands held under Progressive Cowle during Fasli 1283 were brought to full assessment during the year under report, in accordance with the terms of the Cowle. No fresh lands were taken up.

13. XII. Special Products.—The following statement shows the cultivation of sugar-cane, cotton and indigo both in Government and Zemindari Taluqs during the past two Faslis :—

Names of Products.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Sugar-cane ...	10,550	47,590	8,330	45,474	...	...	2,220	2,116
Cotton	14,914	48,542	16,653	45,883	1,739	...	...	2,659
Indigo	7,705	51,712	6,769	59,823	...	8,111	936	...

The sugar-cane cultivation shows a decrease as compared with the previous Fasli, but the extent of cultivation shown above does not include the area under this crop in the taluqs of Koraput, Novarangapur and Mulkanagiri of the Jeypore country, from which no returns have been received.

In cotton there is an increase in extent and decrease in assessment. The increase was owing to the favorable character of the season, and the decrease to the fact that less valuable lands were taken up by the ryots for the cultivation of this crop.

The decrease in the extent of indigo cultivation was due to the season being unfavorable to that particular crop, and the increase in assessment to the taking up of more valuable lands for the cultivation of this crop.

14. XIII. General Results of the Land Revenue Assessment.—The subjoined is a comparative statement of the results of the land-revenue assessment of the whole district for the last two years.

The assessment for Fasli 1284 was Rupees 13,94,991-15-8 against Rupees 13,91,123-14-8 of Fasli 1283, showing a net increase of Rupees 3,868-1-0. The causes of variations under each head are explained below :—

No.	Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1	Peishcush on Zemindari and Proprietary Estates.	9,70,077 7 2	9,70,887 14 3	810 7 1	.....
2	Quit-rent on Shrotriem, &c., Villages	3,436 8 0	3,426 12 0	.....	9 12 0
3	Ryotwar...	1,88,163 2 1	1,90,718 7 11	2,555 5 10	.....
4	Miscellaneous	2,29,446 13 5	2,29,958 13 6	512 0 1	.....
	Total ...	13,91,123 14 8	13,94,991 15 8	3,877 13 0	9 12 0
	Net ...	.....	.....	3,868 1 0	.....

The increase under Peishcush is nominal. The assessment on lapsed inams permanently transferred to Zemindars and proprietors had hitherto been shown under Land Revenue, Miscellaneous. During the Fasli under review, the amount was added to this head under orders of the Board, No. 2,295, dated 18th August 1875.

The decrease of Rupees 9-12-0 under the head of Quit-rent in Shrotriem, &c., Villages was owing to the cancellation by the Inam Commissioner of the inam title-deed of Rajupetta, a village in the Golgondah Taluq.

There was an increase of Rupees 2,555-5-10 under Ryotwar, which was owing to the taking up of fresh lands and to the introduction of the new water-rate with reference to the recent orders of the Board.

Notwithstanding the deduction from the Land Revenue, Miscellaneous, the assessment on lapsed inams, amounting to Rupees 810, there was an increase of Rupees 512-0-1.

The causes are as follow : The quit-rent on inams in the estates of Waltair, Kassimkota and Sheremahomedpuram had hitherto been collected by their proprietors, and a commission of 10 per cent. was allowed to them for their trouble. During the year under review, the quit-rent was collected direct by Government, the proprietors having refused to compound, and no commission was in consequence allowed to them.

15. XIV. Abkari, Salt, and other Sources of Revenue.—As particularized below, the demand of the extra sources of revenue amounted to Rupees 10,05,751-12-8, showing an increase of Rupees 1,57,898-2-2 over the previous Fasli :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Abkári...	1,62,957 6 6	1,49,523 0 4	... ...	13,434 6 2
Miscellaneous ...	729 11 0	692 14 1	... ...	36 12 11
Total ...	1,63,687 1 6	1,50,215 14 5	... ...	13,471 3 1
Salt	4,58,649 15 11	6,20,962 14 2	1,62,312 14 3	... ...
Miscellaneous ...	21 0 3	148 9 4	127 9 1	... ...
Total ...	4,58,671 0 2	6,21,111 7 6	1,62,440 7 4	... ...
Sea Customs ...	70,776 4 1	67,483 7 2	... ...	3,292 12 11
Miscellaneous ...	201 1 9	780 13 0	579 11 3	... ...
Total ...	70,977 5 10	68,264 4 2	579 11 3	3,292 12 11
Income-tax	45 1 0	15 0 0	... ...	30 1 0
Miscellaneous ...	... ...	... .	... ...	... ...
Total ...	45 1 0	15 0 0	... ...	30 1 0
Stamps	1,51,870 9 0	1,64,381 1 6	12,510 8 6	... ...
Miscellaneous ...	2,602 9 0	1,764 1 1	... ...	838 7 11
Total ...	1,54,473 2 0	1,66,145 2 7	12,510 8 6	838 7 11
Grand Total ...	8,47,853 10 6	10,05,751 12 8	1,75,530 11 1	17,632 8 11
Net ...	... ...	... ...	1,57,898 2 2	... ...

Abkári.—Large quantities of rum were issued in the previous year from the distillery at Chittivalsah by Messrs. Minchin and Co. to their different depôts, and stocks at their depôts being large at the beginning of the year, their issues during the last year fell considerably; hence the decrease under this head.

Salt.—The increase in salt is due to the superior quality of salt manufactured at Balacheruvu and Konada, and to the latter station having attracted the attention of the traders who had hitherto resorted to the Nowpada and Womaravilla pans of the Ganjam District. In some measure it may also be attributed to the suppression of the use of salt-earths.

Wastage in Salt.—The wastage in salt during the year amounted to 13,203 Indian maunds, the percentage being 4·39 on the sales. The percentage of wastage at Karasa, Balacheruvu and Pentacota was above 5 per cent., as the majority of heaps at those kotaurs were of three years standing, but it is comparatively smaller than the immense waste of Fasli 1283; sanction to write off the above wastage is solicited.

Sea Customs.—The decrease is owing to the falling off of export of gingelly-seed to foreign ports.

Income-Tax.—The demand under this head represents the tax on the interest on Government Securities payable before the revision of the Income-tax Act.

Stamps.—The increase is chiefly in the Judicial stamps and is due to the payment of Process Service Fees in Court Fees labels.

16. XV. Collections of all Sources of Revenue, Current and Arrears.—The following statement shows the collections of all sources of revenue, both arrears and current, for the last two years, showing an increase of Rupees 1,67,905.

Items.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Increase.	Decrease.
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Ar ears.	Current.	Total.		
Land Revenue.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Permanently settled	46,870	9,22,869	9,69,739	47,028	9,28,041	9,75,069	5,330	...
Quit-rent on Shrotriem and Inam Villages	155	3,340	3,495	90	3,352	3,442	...	53
Ryotwar	9,247	1,81,299	1,90,546	6,448	1,83,422	1,89,870	...	676
Miscellaneous	18,318	2,21,164	2,39,482	6,837	2,25,308	2,32,145	...	7,337
Abkári	20,631	1,35,952	1,56,583	32,016	1,23,838	1,55,854	...	729
Salt	...	4,58,671	4,58,671	...	6,21,112	6,21,112	1,62,441	...
Sea Customs	...	70,977	70,977	...	68,264	68,264	...	2,713
Income-tax	...	45	45	...	15	15	...	30
Stamps	...	1,54,473	1,54,473	...	1,66,145	1,66,145	11,672	...
Total ...	95,221	21,48,790	22,44,011	92,419	23,19,497	24,11,916	1,79,443	11,538
Net ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,67,905	...

17. XVI. Demand, Collection, and Balance of all Sources of Current Revenue.—From the following statement it will be seen that the total demand from all sources of current revenue amounted to Rupees 24,00,743-12-4, of which Rupees 23,19,497-1-0 were collected within the Fasli, and Rupees 37,775-8-5 in July, leaving a balance of Rupees 43,471-2-11 left uncollected.

Items.	Amount.	Total.
Demand.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Land Revenue	13,94,991 15 8	
Miscellaneous and other items	10,05,751 12 8	
		24,00,743 12 4
Collections.		
Collected up to 30th June 1875	23,19,479 1 0	
Subsequent collections up to end of July 1875...	37,775 8 5	
		23,57,254 9 5
Particulars of the Balances.		43,471 2 11
Permanently settled	16,056 6 11	
Quit-rent on Shrotriem and Inam villages	10 0 7	
Ryotwar	5,216 12 7	
Miscellaneous	2,897 4 11	
Abkári...	19,290 9 11	
Income-tax	... ...	
	43,471 2 11	

18. XVII. Arrears.—The arrears at the beginning of the year amounted to Rupees 1,20,950-14-7; of this sum Rupees 92,418-15-11 were collected within the Fasli, and Rupees 7,068-4-3 in July. A sum of Rupees 1,939-14-1 was written off the accounts under Board's Proceedings, No. 2,295, dated 18th August 1874.

There is still a balance of Rupees 19,523-12-4, as particularized below. Of this amount, Rupees 3,429-13-4 are recoverable, Rupees 12,194-11-1 doubtful, and Rupees 3,899-3-11 irrecoverable; measures are being adopted for the collection of the recoverable arrears as early as possible.

Items.	Amount.	Total.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Permanently settled...	179 12 4	
Shrotriem Jodi... ...	5 12 0	
Ryotwar	5,354 4 5	
Miscellaneous	3,782 6 5	
Abkári	10,201 9 2	
		19,523 12 4

The balance on account of peishcush is due chiefly from the estates of Wurutla, Chamudu, Pachipenta and Sungamvulsa. Wurutla is now under management for arrears of revenue. Chamudu has been taken charge of by the Court of Wards. The other estates have paid up in August. For the collection of arrears due on account of ryotwar, the Principal Assistant Collector states as follows :—

"The large outstanding balance in the Survasiddhi Taluq is very unsatisfactory. Reminders were despatched that collections were in arrears, but have not received due attention. It is hoped, however, that the arrears will all soon be collected ; stringent orders have been issued on the subject and many lands are at present under attachment."

Steps are being taken for the early realization of the balance under Land Revenue, Miscellaneous.

The balance under Abkári is Rupees 19,290-9-11, which is chiefly due on the Vippa Farms leased out by Messrs. Minchin and Co. to local sub-renters. The Board have been separately addressed regarding the balance due on these farms both on account of arrears and current. *Vide* my letter, No. 1,350, dated 30th July 1875.

19. XVIII. Arrears of previous Faslis irrecoverable.—Of the irrecoverable balance, amounting to Rupees 3,899-3-11, a sum of Rupees 188-9-1 was recommended to be written off in the last year's report, sanction for which has not yet been received. In regard to the remaining sum, *viz*, Rupees 3,710-10-10, I went through each item during the Jamabundy and satisfied myself that the balances were irrecoverable ; I therefore beg to recommend that sanction of Government to write the amount off the accounts may be obtained.

The details of the amount and the reasons why it is irrecoverable are explained in the subjoined statement :—

Items.	Taluqs.	Fasli.	Amount recommended for Remission.	Total.	Remarks.
			RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	
Shrotriem Jodi.	Golgondah ...	1283...	5 12 0	5 12 0	Irrecoverable, owing to the cancellation by the Inam Commissioner of the Title-deed issued for a certain village.
Ryotwar... ...	Golgondah ...	1283...	121 2 6		These sums were due by certain ryots whose lands were sold for arrears and purchased on behalf of Government ; no bidders having come forward.
	Survasiddhi ...	1283...	774 14 6		
	Golgondah ...	1282...	293 12 11		
	Survasiddhi ...	1282...	2,430 5 8	3,620 3 2	
Land Revenue Miscellaneous Quit-rent	Survasiddhi...	1283...	12 2 0		These sums were first entered in the Demand; but the quit-rents having subsequently been reduced, they are not claimable.
		1282...	21 15 0		
Poramboke lands	Golgondah ...	1283...	21 5 4		The ryots have fallen into arrears and absconded ; there is no property from which the amount can be recovered.
Grass-rent ...	Survasiddhi ...	1282...	23 5 11		
Cultivation on the sides and slopes of hills	Golgondah ...	1283...	4 15 0		
Rent on roots for dyeing cloths	Survasiddhi ...	1282...	1 0 0	84 11 3	
				3,710 10 10	

20. XIX. Coercive Process.—Although the season was propitious it was found necessary to resort to coercive measures in 4,684 cases, involving arrears to the extent of Rupees 63,177. Of these, 1,329 cases involving a sum of Rupees 19,569 occurred in Golgondah, and the remaining in Survasiddhi. Property estimated at Rupees 7,940 was attached, but only a part, the estimated value of which was Rupees 2,341, was sold and realized Rupees 1,596. The discrepancy between the estimated value and that realized on actual sale is almost entirely due to the large number of lands attached, for which no bids were received and which were consequently knocked down to Government at a nominal price.

21. XX. Process Service Fund.—The balance at the beginning of the Fasli was Rupees 79-10-2. The receipts during the year amounted to Rupees 1,078-5-1, making a total of Rupees 1,157-15-3. The expenditure incurred under this head was Rupees 1,027-10-5, leaving a balance of Rupees 130-4-10. Fifteen peons are employed on a monthly salary of Rupees 6 each in the Government taluqs of Golgondah and Survasiddhi.

22. XXI. Charges.—The charges of management as shown below amounted to Rupees 1,83,908-5-10 against Rupees 2,08,358-2-4 of the preceding year, or a net decrease of Rupees 24,349-12-6 :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Land Revenue	1,53,083 8 6	1,23,761 3 6	... ...	29,322 5 0
2. Abkári	549 8 2	595 3 11	45 11 9	... ...
3. Income-tax	75 0 0	... ...	... ...	75 0 0
4. Sea Customs...	6,195 12 2	6,852 0 10	656 4 8	... ...
5. Salt	43,910 6 11	49,318 5 8	5,407 14 9	... ...
6. Stamps	4,443 14 7	3,381 7 11	... ...	1,062 6 8
Total ...	2,08,258 2 4	1,83,908 5 10	6,109 15 2	30,459 11 8
Net ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	24,349 12 6

Land Revenue.—The decrease in land revenue is due to a fifth part of the charges debitable to Law and Justice being deducted, and the balance alone shown under this head with reference to paragraph 3 of the Board's Proceedings, No. 2,295, dated 18th August 1874.

Abkári —The increase under this head is in rewards granted to persons who gave information regarding Abkári offences.

Income-tax.—The decrease in Income-tax needs no explanation.

Sea Customs.—The increase is owing to the extra fee paid to the Sea Custom establishment for work done during holidays and out of office hours being debited to the accounts.

Salt.—The increase under this head is owing (1) to the entertainment of a separate establishment for the Konada salt-pans, and (2) to a larger expenditure on account of Petty Construction and Repairs Works.

Stamps.—The decrease is due to the payment of reduced rates of discount to the vendors.

23. XXII. Village Taluq and other Accounts.—The village and taluq accounts were examined by myself and my Principal Assistant and found to be as unsatisfactory as is to be expected, whilst the Curnams pay and position are left unimproved.

24. XXIII. Lands acquired by Public Servants.—No lands are reported to have been acquired by the public servants during the year under report.

25. XXIV. Costs of Civil Suits.—A statement in the prescribed form showing the demand, collection, and balance of costs awarded by Courts in favor of Government in suits brought against them is annexed.

The demand for the year was Rupees 82-0-4, all of which was recovered and credited to account ;—

Statement showing the Demand, Collection, and Balance of Costs awarded to Government in Civil Suits for Fasli 1284.

No.	Number and the Year of the Suit.	Parties against whom Amount of Costs are awarded.	Amount of Costs awarded.	Balance at the beginning of the Fasli.	Amount charged within the Fasli.	Total.	Amount received.	Balance.
				Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1	Suit No. 48 of 1874, on the file of the Rayaveram District Munsif's Court.	Goday Venkata Narayana Row, and Birra Appala Row.	...	... ...	23 6 1	23 6 1	23 6 1	... ...
2	Suit No. 49 of 1874, on the file of the Rayaveram District Munsif's Court.	Goday Venkata Narayana Row, and Birra Appala Row.	...	... ...	20 7 1	20 7 1	20 7 1	... ...
3	Suit No. 50 of 1874, on the file of the Rayaveram District Munsif's Court.	Goday Venkata Narayana Row, and Birra Appala Row.	...	... ...	23 5 8	23 5 8	23 5 8	... ...
4	Suit No. 53 of 1874, on the file of the Rayaveram District Munsif's Court.	Davulapilly Latchayya ...	...	... ...	2 1 5	2 1 5	2 1 5	... ...
5	Suit No. 265 of 1874, on the file of the Rayaveram District Munsif's Court.	Goday Venkata Narayana Row, and Birra Appala Row.	...	... ...	12 12 1	12 12 1	12 12 1	... ...
		Total ...	...	... ...	82 0 4	82 0 4	82 0 4	... ...

26. XXV. Sub-Division of Joint Liabilities.—No action has been taken with reference to Board's Circular Order No. XV. of 1868.

27. XXVI. Agricultural Statistics.—As directed in Board's Proceedings, No. 3,417, dated 26th November last, I submit herewith the Agricultural Statistics of the district. In the Government taluqs the land under ryots' holdings was Acres 84,263, and under minor inams Acres 27,049. In 56,896 Acres of the Circar area and in 19,686 Acres of minor inams food-grains were sown. In 20,785 Acres of Circar land and 3,450 Acres of minor inams other products were raised.

In entire inam villages cultivated land amounted to Acres 16,460. Food-grains were sown in 11,521 Acres, and other products in 3,693 Acres.

If two crops are raised on the same land the extent is entered twice over.

28. XXVII. Taluq Treasuries.—The taluq and other treasuries, noted below, were examined by the Treasury Deputy Collector during the past Fasli, with reference to Board's Standing Circular No. VIII. of 1874 :—

1. Vizagapatam Taluq Treasury.
2. Bimlipatam do. do.
3. Vizianagram do. do.
4. Gazapatinagram Taluq Treasury.
5. Bimlipatam Sea Custom do.
6. Do. Salt Treasury.
7. Balacheruvu do. do.
8. Karasa do. do.

Owing to the absence of a Covenanted Assistant, the Treasury Deputy was unable to inspect more treasuries during the year. The accounts were generally kept correct; a few errors were pointed out to the taluq officers.

29. XXVIII. Management of Palcondah and Honjaram Estates.—The report received from the Agent on behalf of the Palcondah renters and the usual accounts are enclosed. It will be seen that the demand of the renters for Fasli 1284 was Rupees 1,58,666-11-3 against Rupees 1,58,441-15-3 of the preceding year. The collections amounted to Rupees 1,56,802-4-8, leaving a balance at the end of the Fasli of Rupees 1,864-6-7.

The following is a comparative statement of demand, collection, and balance of the last two years :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.				Fasli 1284.			
	Villages.	Demand.	Collection.	Balance.	Villages.	Demand.	Collection.	Balance.
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Ryotwar ...	170	1,50,819 13 10	1,49,302 12 5	1,517 1 6	170	1,51,044 9 10	1,49,209 7 8	1,835 2 2
Jodi	93	7,622 1 5	7,619 5 5	2 12 0	93	7,622 1 5	7,592 13 0	29 4 5
Total ...	263	1,58,441 15 3	1,56,922 1 10	1,519 13 5	263	1,58,666 11 3	1,56,802 4 8	1,864 6 7

There is a slight decrease in the extent of land cultivated during the Fasli in comparison with the previous year.

The following statement shows an increase in the cultivation of all crops, except indigo, for which the season was not favorable :—

No.	Name of Crop.	Land in Fasli 1283.	Land in Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
		ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.
1	Sugar-cane	395	584	189	.....
2	Paddy	9,014	9,177	163	.....
3	Indigo	2,133	1,759	.....	374
4	Other grains...	2,151	2,160	9	.....
	Total ...	13,693	13,680	361	374
	Net ...	.....	.....	.....	13

The outlay on irrigation works was only Rupees 3,428-9-6, while that in Fasli 1283 was Rupees 4,589, and that in Fasli 1282 Rupees 6,395.

No explanation as to the cause of this decrease is given in the report submitted by Mr. Mackie. I consider that an extensive taluq like Palcondah requires a larger expenditure on irrigation works, and I have called upon Mr. Mackie to explain the reason of this falling off in the outlay under this head year after year.

In the concluding part of Mr. Mackie's report, he calls attention to the bad state of the Palcondah roads. The subject will receive due attention from the Local Fund Board.

30. XXIX. Conduct of Public Servants.—The late Huzur Sheristadar, Mr. J. W. McMurray, was appointed during the year to be Treasury Deputy Collector. His valuable services will not be lost to the municipality and the local institutions of whose government he has had very long experience. Ramdasu Pantulu, who has frequently acted as Sheristadar, has succeeded him and discharged his onerous duties with diligence. The Sub-Sheristadar and the Tahsildars of Golgondah and Survasiddhi are favorably reported on.

The Deputy Tahsildars, with the exception of Ankapilli and Chipurpilli, have been generally active in the discharge of their administrative duties.

Vizagapatam,
28th August 1875.

(Signed) H. St. A. GOODRICH,
Acting Collector.

SETTLEMENT REPORT
OF
GODAVERY.

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I have the honor to report on the settlement of the district for Fasli 1284 (A. D. 1874-75), together with the prescribed statements.

2. Statement No. 1.—This statement gives the stations where, and officers by whom, the settlement of each taluq was conducted, the number of days occupied in the work, and the number of puttas. Rajahmundry, Bhimaveram, Bhadrachellam and Amalapur have been settled by me; Ramachendrapur by Mr. Kelsall ; Peddapur, Ellore and Yernagudem by Head Assistant Mr. Austin ; Tanuku by Deputy Collector A. Sudarsanarow before his transfer to Nellore ; and Narsapur by the present Acting Deputy Collector Kanchi Subbarow. The settlement of each taluq was made within its limits at places convenient to ryots.

3. The following statement exhibits the variations in the number of villages and tenures:—

Tenures.	Number of Villages in Fasli 1283.	Number of Villages in Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
1. Ryotwar	982	999	17	...
2. Rents for more than one year	16	16	...	...
3. Rents for one year...	39	33	...	6
4. Villages paying no revenue to Government...	3	3	...	...
Total Government Villages...	1,040	1,051	17	6
5. Kattubadi Agraharams	89	89	...	...
6. Sarva Agraharams...	46	46	...	...
Total...	1,175	1,186	11	...

Under Ryotwar, there is an increase of seventeen villages, and under Rents for one year a decrease of six villages. These latter have been brought under Joint-rents, and are therefore transferred to Ryotwar as heretofore. The Board have, however, lately ruled that the villages should be entered as rented, and as it is too late for the current year, the rule will be attended to from Fasli 1285. The remaining eleven villages under Ryotwar belong to the Bhadrachellam Taluq,

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whose number of villages was fifty-nine last year against seventy this year. The taluq is all hilly, and the Koyis move about and build their houses in any corner of the jungle, and call it a village, and abandon it at their pleasure, so that the number rises or falls with their movements.

4. The number of puttas for the current year is 63,668, of which joint and single rent puttas are 162 and individual puttas are 63,506, or 1,518 more than in last year. Of the individual puttas, 3,403 were newly issued, and 22,625 modified, owing to the usual causes, thereby leaving 37,478 puttas unaltered.

5. Season.—The season was generally favorable. There was good rain in July in parts of the district, but not enough in August. In September, however, the rain was sufficient, and in the following month it was heavy. A great want was felt in the upland taluqs where tanks did not receive a sufficient supply of water in many cases till September. The early dry crops, the wet crops, and the later dry crops yielded on the whole very well, notwithstanding that the last suffered a little from the heavy rains in October. The anicut canals were full in the cultivating season except in the month of August. The height of the Godavery River, however, was less than usual as given in the margin. The Yeleru has received its usual freshes. The canals in the Western and Eastern Deltas were closed for repairs during the year under report as detailed in the margin, and it will be noticed that there was no communication between Cocanada and Dowlaishwaram for two and half months. The amount of remission for waste remitted this year is nearly one-half of what it was last year, and the remissions on other accounts are nearly the same in the two years, though apparently the latter appear to be larger, owing to the remissions of water-tax having been brought to account under Board's Proceedings of the 17th May 1875, No. 1,320.

Month.	Above the Anicut. Fasli 1284. Feet.	Fasli 1283. Feet.
July	7	4
August	5¾	5¾
September	4½	11¾
October	4	3
November	2	2
Highest height	7	11¾

Western Delta Canals	3½ months.
Ingeram, Bank and Coringa Canals	From 1st January 1875 to the middle of July.
Samulcottah	From 20th February 1875 to the first week in May.
Cocanada and Mandapetta	From 20th February 1875 to the middle of July 1875.

6. Rain-fall.—The annexed statement shows the average fall of rain as compared with the preceding Fasli:—

Year.	Month.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.	Remarks.
		IN. C.	IN. C.	IN. C.	IN. C.	
1874... ...	April... ...	1 30	0 48	... ...	0 82	
	May	1 40	3 50	2 10	... ...	
	June	1 38	4 73	3 35	... ...	
	July	7 5	7 33	0 28	... ...	
	August ...	4 45	3 49	0 0	0 96	
	September...	7 87	8 99	1 12	... ...	
	Total...	23 45	28 52	6 85	1 78	Net increase 5·07
	October ...	26 53	11 70	... ...	14 83	
	November...	0 70	1 50	0 80	... ...	
	December...	... ...	0 70	0 70	... ...	
1875... ...	January ...	0 20	0 37	0 17	... ...	
	February ...	... ..	0 78	0 78	... ...	
	March ...	0 60	0 19	... ...	0 41	
	Total...	28 03	15 24	2 45	15 24	Net decrease 12·79
	Grand Total..	51 48	43 76	9 30	17 02	Net decrease 7·72

The fall was larger in the year than in the preceding one, in the months of May and June especially, and was much less in the month of October. The total fall was 7 inches and 72 cents less than in Fasli 1283.

7. Sanitary Condition.—The number of deaths of persons from small-pox and fever, &c., is given below :—

——	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
Small-pox...	1,650	475	...	1,175
Fever	17,139	14,618	...	2,521
Cholera	...	...	...	...
Other Diseases... ...	11,943	11,214	...	729
Total ...	30,732	26,307	...	4,425

This will show an improved state of public health. It is to be noted that no cholera has made its appearance at all, and that the loss from small-pox was much less this year. The mortality among cattle in the year under report was more than in the preceding year as shown below:—

Fasli 1283 28,971
,, 1284 31,047

8. Statement No. 2.—This statement shows the average prices of all the chief articles in each taluq as well as in the district. It will be seen that the prices of every article have fallen off more or less, owing to the favorableness of the season. The rates of commutation adopted by the Settlement Department and the prices during Fasli 1284 are given in the margin, from which it will be seen that, notwithstanding the gradual fall of prices, the present rates are yet far below the commutation rates.

	Commutation Rate.	Prices of Fasli 1284.
Cholum	84	122
Cumboo	60	113
Raggy	66	114
Horse-gram	96	133
Black Paddy	60	102
White do.	72	112

9. Ryots' Holdings.—*Statement No.* 3.—The statement shows the ryots' holdings and cultivation. The subjoined abstract of the statement exhibits in one view the holding at the beginning of the year, the subsequent charges, and waste remitted and charged :—

Items.	Area.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.
Holdings at the beginning of Fasli 1284 ...	721,352	14,60,683
Deduct land given up	50,365	1,03,585
Remaining ...	670,987	13,57,098
Add lands taken up...	75,764	1,33,363
Total ...	746,751	14,90,461
Deduct waste remitted	6,836	16,239
Remaining ...	739,915	14,74,222
Particulars.		
Actually cultivated...	519,195	12,29,203
Waste charged...	220,720	2,45,019

Rupees 16,239 were remitted on 6,836 Acres in this year against Rupees 31,232 on 11,251 Acres in Fasli 1283, chiefly in the upland taluqs and upland portions of some taluqs. The decrease

may partly be attributed to the earlier rains this year, which have filled some tanks with a better supply of water in time, and partly to remissions having been refused to many ryots in the Rajahmundry Taluq for Government assessed lands left waste, as it appeared that they have cultivated Inams lands with wet crops in the hope of getting remission for Government lands.

Lands measuring 50,365 Acres, assessed at Rupees 1,03,585, have been relinquished this year, while the extent in the preceding Fasli was 78,129 Acres, assessed at Rupees 1,49,640. The decrease, especially in the lands actually given up, may be ascribed to the favorableness of the season under report.

The increased cultivation and waste charged are consequent on the increased holdings and diminished waste remissions.

The waste remitted does not include portions of fields left waste, as no remission is granted for such in a settled district like this; but "waste charged" includes 79,451 Acres, assessed at Rupees 98,698.

Particulars of lands given up and taken up are given below :—

Lands given up.

	ACRES.	RS.
1. Lands actually relinquished to Government	12,540	21,284
2. By the transfer of lands from one person to another by sale, gift, or otherwise	10,587	25,787
3. Lands washed away by the river	194	1,049
4. Lands sold for arrears of revenue and purchased by Government and private individuals	469	1,079
5. Lands which are appropriated for public purposes and those given in exchange for Inam lands taken up for such purposes	282	634
6. By the correction of survey area	26	52
7. Lands assessed by the Revenue Settlement Department as Ziroyti (Government assessed land), but enfranchised by the Inam Commissioner	10	28
8. By the transfer of Ryotwar lands to Poramboke	2	5
9. By the taking up of joint-rent villages under single rent.	1,153	1,202
10. By the transfer of lands from wet to dry and *vice versâ*..	25,018	52,074
11. Extent and assessment erroneously included in the accounts of Fasli 1283 and now excluded...	48	82
12. By the decrease in the rents of certain unsurveyed villages	...	214
13. Extent and assesement of lands given up for village sites.	6	28
14. Lands in the occupation of the Public Works Department.	30	67
Total lands given up ...	50,365	1,03,585

Lands taken up.

	Area.	Assessment. RS.
1. Lands newly taken up	36,461	52,543
2. By the transfer of lands from one ryot to another by sale, gift or otherwise	10,587	25,787
3. By the conversion of dry lands into wet and *vice versâ*...	25,018	52,063
4. Government assessed lands sold for arrears of revenue and purchased by private individuals	223	479
5. By the correction of survey areas	35	75
6. Backyards and Inams incorporated with Zeroyti	152	323
7. Extent and assessment of lands erroneously excluded from the accounts and now included	45	86
8. Extent and assessment of lands in the Bhadrachellam Taluq newly transferred from Central Provinces... ...	1,555	439
9. By the transfer of certain single-rent villages to Ryotwar	1,688	901
10. By the increase in the rents of certain unsurveyed villages.	...	667
Total lands taken up ...	75,764	1,33,363

10. The following statement exhibits the cultivation and settlement of the current year as contrasted with that of the previous year, remission as per Statement No. 4 being deducted, and miscellaneous items as per Statement No. 5 added :—

Items.	Fasli 1283. Extent.	Fasli 1283. Assessment.	Fasli 1284. Extent.	Fasli 1284. Assessment.	Increase. Extent.	Increase. Assessment.	Decrease. Extent.	Decrease. Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
Dry	421,362	6,77,994 5 10	441,127	6,98,498 11 10	19,765	20,504 6 0	...	... ...
Wet	288,739	7,51,456 12 0	298,788	7,75,723 7 6	10,049	24,266 11 6	...	... ...
Total...	710,101	14,29,451 1 10	739,915	14,74,222 3 4	29,814	44,771 1 6	...	... ...
Add—								
Second-crop Assessment ...	...	13,479 5 7	...	2,615 7 8	...	... ...	...	10,863 13 11
Water-tax... ...	...	9,65,998 14 8	...	9,97,412 5 6	...	31,413 6 10	...	... ...
Local Fund ...	...	99,909 9 9	...	97,669 0 3	...	... ...	...	2,240 9 6
Village Service Fund	...	1,05,784 15 3	...	1,07,566 4 10	...	1,781 5 7	...	... ...
Total...	...	11,85,172 13 3	...	12,05,263 2 3	...	20,090 5 0	...	... ...
Grand Total...	...	26,14,623 15 1	...	26,79,485 5 7	...	64,861 6 6	...	... ...
Deduct Remission.								
Local Fund ...	...	99,909 9 9	...	97,669 0 3	...	... ...	...	2,240 9 6
Village Service Fund	...	1,05,784 15 3	...	1,07,566 4 10	...	1,781 5 7	...	... ...
Other Remissions as particularized in Statement No. 4 ...	...	40,006 5 0	...	46,470 10 10	...	6,464 5 10	...	... ...
Total...	...	2,45,700 14 0	...	2,51,705 15 11	...	6,005 1 11	...	... ...
Remaining Beriz. Add Miscellaneous Items as per Statement No. 5	...	23,68,923 1 1	...	24,27,779 5 8	...	58,856 4 7	...	... ...
	...	10,34,835 4 9	...	10,01,333 12 2	...	... ...	...	33,501 8 7
Total...	...	34,03,758 5 10	...	34,29,113 1 10	...	25,354 12 0	...	... ...

11. There is an increase of 29,814 Acres assessed at Rupees 44,771-1-6 in the year due, firstly, to the less extent of waste remitted; secondly, to the less extent of land relinquished; and, lastly, to the increased holdings taken up this year owing to the favorableness of the season in the earlier months.

12. The decrease under Second-crop Assessment is due to the closing of canals as already explained, especially in the Ramachendrapur Taluq, where the decrease under this head amounted to Rupees 9,361-1-9.

13. The increase in Water-tax and Village Service Fund is consequent on the increase in the holdings, while the water-tax includes for the first time remissions under that head.

14. The decrease in the Local Fund is only apparent, not real. The Sub-Collector reports that Rupees 6,574 were erroneously entered last year in the Local Fund, and this has been now deducted. It will, therefore, be observed that there is then an increase of Rupees 4,334, which may be attributed to the increase in the holdings and water-tax.

15. The increase in remissions and the decrease in Miscellaneous items will be accounted for under Statements Nos. 4 and 5, respectively.

16. STATEMENT No. 3.—*Enclosure B.*—This statement shows the cultivation of sugar-cane, cotton and indigo contrasted with that of the past year :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	ACRES.	ACRES.		
Sugar-cane	7,322	6,889	...	433
Cotton	20,410	17,026	...	3,384
Indigo	2,644	3,183	539	...

The decrease in the extent of sugar-cane cultivation is owing to some anicut canals having been closed for repairs during the second-crop season.

There was less demand for cotton, and the season was not favorable for its cultivation.

Several new factories have been started; the price of indigo has risen, and this has given a stimulus to the cultivation. Hence the increase under Indigo.

17. STATEMENT No. 3.—*Enclosure C.*—There are no lands held on progressive cowle in the district.

18. STATEMENT No. 3.—*Enclosure D.*—This gives the extent of portions of fields left waste included under waste charged in Statement No. 3. The extent is 79,451 Acres, or nearly $\frac{2}{3}$ of the actual cultivation.

19. STATEMENT No. 3.—*Enclosure E.*—This enclosure shows the area irrigated with or without charge for water. There is an increase in every item in the extent of land irrigated, though the assessment on second crop has fallen off as explained under Statement No. 3.

The increase in Delta wet chiefly occurs in the Bhimaveram Taluq, where a great improvement in the shape of providing drainages and facilities for irrigation has been made. The increase in the upland wet is scattered over all the upland taluqs and may be attributed to increase in holdings.

There is an increase of 4,864 Acres in the extent of usual wet land, owing to some questions of usual wet having been settled this year.

20. PRINCIPAL SOURCES OF IRRIGATION.—The following statement shows the principal sources of irrigation, the area of Circar ayacut and cultivation under them, with the assessment and water-tax of Fasli 1284 :—

Sources of Irrigation.	AYACUT.		CULTIVATION.			
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Water-tax	Total.
	ACRES.	RS. A P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Anicut Channels ...	311,115·14	7,08,159 13 3	243,257·28	5,80,481 13 10	9,78,627 11 5	15,59,109 9 3
Other channels such as Mountain streams...	9,353·99	57,038 8 4	6,633·17	46,975 13 0	155 11 0	47,131 8 0
Tanks	65,284·52	1,90,294 11 11	36,432·74	1,14,806 4 7	1,608 13 11	1,16,415 2 6
Wells (Private)... ...	560·0	2,111 0 0	250·0	958 0 0	....	958 0 0
Total ...	386,313·65	9,57,604 1 6	286,573·19	7,43,221 15 5	9,80,392 4 4	17,23,614 3 9

21. No ruined tanks were made over to the ryots during the year.

22. STATEMENT No. 4.—This statement gives the remissions granted from the assessment, as also the remissions of water-tax for the first time. They amount to Rupees 46,470, including Rupees 29,106, the 2 per cent. road-cess which the settlement assessment includes. The remissions properly so called then amount to Rupees 17,364 against Rupees 11,827, showing an increase of Rupees 5,537. This, however, is more apparent than real, as it includes Rupees 4,192 remissions of water-tax which the Board have directed to be brought to account from the current year. Of the remissions, Rupees 7,213 were granted for loss of crop mostly from want of water in the upland villages, and Rupees 5,253 represent the difference of wet and dry assessment of wet lands cultivated with dry crops under tanks, especially in the Ramachendrapur Taluq.

23. STATEMENT No. 5.—Statement No. 5 exhibits the demand, collection and balance of Land Revenue, &c., Miscellaneous items for Fasli 1284, as also remissions under those heads. The nature of each item and particulars of the mode of settlement are shown in a separate memorandum appended to the above statement.

RS.
* 716
3,057
3,773

The decrease* in the quit-rent of Personal and Service Inams is due to relinquishments of Inams, to the taking up of Inams for public works, and to some land having been washed away. Several arrears of quit-rent on Service Inams had to be demanded in the last year, so that the decrease under that head this year is almost nominal.

The decrease of Rupees 582 in tax on trees may be attributed to more waste land having been taken up this year.

The increase of Rupees 1,056 in rented villages may be attributed to active competition at the auction by which these villages are sold.

The decrease of Rupees 2,189 in land cultivated, but not included in the Jamabandi, is perhaps due to land having been taken up earlier owing to the favorableness of the season in the early months.

* Rupees 934.

The fall* in Poramboke land may fairly be ascribed to the higher rates of assessment charged last year in some cases.

The increase of Rupees 1,208 in grazing-tax is chiefly owing to the collections in the Bhadrachellam Taluq being included for the whole year in the current Fasli.

The decrease of Rupees 20,223 in the rents of Godavery Islands is because the price of tobacco which is chiefly cultivated in them has fallen, and because the renters of some islands of the previous year have sustained some loss, and others would not come forward to offer higher rents.

The item "cultivating jungle lands cleared by burning" occurs in the Bhadrachellam Taluq.

The increase of Rupees 370 in the commission of estates under management is partly due to the increased collections of Fasli 1283, and partly to the commission payable by the Kapileswarapuram Estate for Fasli 1282 not having been brought to account last year, the same having been credited by oversight to Commissions on the sale of distrained property.

The increase under "Assessment of previous years demanded this year" is due to the second-crop assessment in Yernagudem and Peddapur Taluqs not having been demanded till after the close of Fasli 1283.

The large decrease of Rupees 17,358 in water-tax on Inams and Zemindaries is the result of some canals, especially in the Ramachendrapur Taluq, having been closed, and the result of some Zemindari land which had been claimed as usual wet having been decided during the year under report as entitled to exemption from water-rate. The additional assessment on Inam Punjah was Rupees 210-12-0.

24. STATEMENT No. 6.—*Zemindaries, Muttas, &c.*—The number of Zemindari, Inam and Shrotriem villages remains unaltered. There is an increase of Rupees 12,636-5-0 in the peishcush, owing chiefly to the peishcush of the Bhadrachellam Taluq of the whole year being included, while only a portion was brought to

* G. O., 13th December 1873, No. 1,414. Vilasa.
G. O., 3rd May 1875, No. 918. } Nidadole and Baharzhalli.
G. O., 17th do. No. 734. }
G. O., 15th January 1875, No. 94. { Ambarapetta, Tangellamudy, Cottam, Juggumpetta and Mallaveram.

account last year, the taluq having been transferred three months before the close of the Fasli. The amount of peishcush so included is Rupees 13,276-10-3, but Rupees 641-5-0 should be deducted on account of compensation* of Zemindari lands taken up for public works, as also 3 Pies wrongly entered in the total of Statement No. 6 of last year.

25. STATEMENT No. 7.—This statement shows the demand, collection and balance of all sources of revenue, both arrear and current. The following is an abstract of current demand as compared with that of the previous year :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
Land Revenue.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Permanently settled	7,40,328	7,52,964	12,636	...
Jodi and Quit-rent on Shrotriem and Inam Villages	30,317	30,314	...	3
Ryotwar	23,68,923	24,27,779	58,856	...
Miscellaneous	10,32,693	9,99,506	...	33,187
Sale of waste lands	2,142	1,828	...	314
Total Land Revenue...	41,74,403	42,12,391	37,988	...
Sundry Sources of Revenue.				
Abkâri...	2,47,705	2,50,088	2,383	...
Income-tax	55	4	...	51
Salt	5,25,117	5,97,235	72,118	...
Sea Customs	1,01,061	1,45,098	44,037	...
Land Customs	182	247	65	...
Court Fees Stamps	1,82,950	2,20,128	37,178	...
Non-judicial Stamps	67,876	70,142	2,266	...
Total ...	11,24,946	12,82,942	1,57,996	...
Grand Total ...	52,99,349	54,95,333	1,95,984	...

26. The increase and decrease in the items of Land Revenue has already been explained under Statement Nos. 3 and 5, *vide* paragraphs 11, 12, 13 and 23.

27. The increase in Abkâri is owing to the whole year's demand of the Bhadrachellam Taluq being included this year.

28. The increase in salt is chiefly due to large exportations to Calcutta owing, it is said, to deficiency of supply of salt in Jeddo, from which salt was usually imported into Calcutta, and partly to the increased home consumption owing to the anicut canals having been opened this year two months earlier than in 1874.

29. The increase in the Sea Customs is owing to larger exportations of paddy, rice, gingelly-oil seeds, &c., to Marseilles, Venice, Mauritius, London and other foreign ports.

30. The increase in the Court Fee Stamps is due to the new system of collecting Process Fee by stamps having been in force throughout the year, instead of in only nine months as in the previous year.

31. The increase in the Non-judicial Stamps may fairly be attributed to the increasing tendency to litigation.

32. The annexed statement marked B. shows the collections of the land-revenue and sundry sources, current and arrear, as compared with that of Fasli 1283.

Items.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Increase.	Decrease.
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.		
Land Revenue.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Permanently settled	32,064	7,03,723	7,35,787	30,717	6,95,795	7,26,512	...	9,275
Shrotriem Jodi	3,249	26,825	30,074	3,361	28,428	31,789	1,715	...
Ryotwar	71,472	23,09,279	23,80,751	54,396	23,60,897	24,15,293	34,542	...
Miscellaneous	1,12,128	8,93,166	10,05,294	1,16,079	8,83,253	9,99,332	...	5,962
Sale of waste lands	...	2,142	2,142	...	1,828	1,828	...	314
Total...	2,18,913	39,35,135	41,54,048	2,04,553	39,70,201	41,74,754	20,706	...
Abkâri	13,667	2,29,244	2,42,911	18,461	2,25,467	2,43,928	1,017	...
Income-tax	73	55	128	...	4	4	...	124
Salt	...	5,25,117	5,25,117	...	5,97,235	5,97,235	72,118	...
Sea Customs	...	1,01,061	1,01,061	...	1,45,098	1,45,098	44,037	...
Land Customs	...	182	182	...	247	247	65	...
Court Fees Stamps	...	1,82,951	1,82,951	...	2,20,128	2,20,128	37,177	...
Non-judicial Stamps	...	67,875	67,875	...	70,142	70,142	2,267	...
Total...	13,740	11,06,485	11,20,225	18,461	12,58,321	12,76,782	1,56,557	...
Grand Total...	2,32,653	50,41,620	52,74,273	2,23,014	52,28,522	54,51,536	1,77,263	...

The decrease in the collections under Permanently Settled is chiefly the result of an increase in the Bhadrachellam Taluq and a decrease in the Pittapur and Nidadole Estates.

The increase in Shrotriem Jodi and Ryotwar may be attributed to punctual collections under both heads, and to the increased demand in the latter.

The decrease under Miscellaneous follows the decrease in the demand.

The decrease in the sale of waste lands is not large enough to call for a remark.

The increase under Abkâri is consequent on the increased demand of the Bhadrachellam Taluq entered this year.

The 4 Rupees under Income-tax were charged on interest on Promissory Notes payable during the currency of the Act but paid during the year.

The increase in the remaining heads of sundry sources follows the increase in the demand of those items.

33. A statement showing the current demand, collection and balance of all sources of revenue is given below :—

Items.	Demand.	Collection.	Balance.	Subsequent Collections up to July.	Balance.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Permanently settled	7,52,964	6,95,795	57,169	32,591	24,578
Shrotriem Jodi	30,314	28,428	1,886	132	1,754
Ryotwar...	24,27,779	23,60,897	66,882	13,466	53,416
Miscellaneous	9,99,506	8,83,253	1,16,253	34,480	81,773
Sale of waste lands	1,828	1,828	...	...	...
Total Land Revenue ...	42,12,391	39,70,201	2,42,190	80,669	1,61,521
Sundry Sources of Revenue	12,82,942	12,58,321	24,621	8,204	16,417
Grand Total...	54,95,333	52,28,522	2,66,811	88,873	1,77,938

34. The balance up to July last amounted to about 3 per cent. of the total demand.

35. The balance under Permanently Settled chiefly belongs to the Totapalli and Pittapur Estates, amounting to Rupees 4,275 and Rupees 16,108, respectively. For the former, a village has been attached and will be sold in due time. The latter has been paid up in August.

36. The balance under Sundry Sources belongs to Abkári. Of the 16,417 Rupees, about Rupees 10,000 have since been brought to account. The remaining balances will soon be collected.

37. STATEMENT No. 8.—In this statement, the arrear demand, collection and balance of all sources of revenue for the years prior to Fasli 1284 are shown.

The annexed is an abstract of the same :—

Items.	Demand.	Collection.	Remission.	Balance up to 30th June 1875.	Subsequently collected up to July 1875.	BALANCE.				
						Recoverable.	Doubtful.	Irrecoverable.		
								Classed in Fasli 1283.	Classed in Fasli 1284.	Total.
Land Revenue.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Permanently settled.....	41,224	30,716	...	10,508	2,801	5,449	525	..	1,733	7,707
Shrotriem Jodi...	3,954	3,362	42	550	60	236	206	28	20	490
Ryotwar.....	77,906	54,396	2,890	20,620	171	8,597	2,297	4,707	4,848	20,449
Miscellaneous ...	3,40,931	1,16,079	13,921	2,10,931	771	14,659	1,47,094	36,429	11,978	2,10,160
Total ...	4,64,015	2,04,553	16,853	2,42,609	3,803	28,941	1,50,122	41,164	18,579	2,38,806
Abkári	19,743	18,461	986	296	...	...	...	...	296	296
Income-tax	329	...	272	57	...	...	...	57	...	57
Grand Total ...	4,84,087	2,23,014	18,111	2,42,962	3,803	28,941	1,50,122	41,221	18,875	2,39,159

126	Collected, subsequently classed as recoverable in Fasli 1284, not allowed by the Board pending further explanation. Board's Proceedings, 1st April 1875, paragraph 61, No. 782.
80	
1,412	
42,839	

38. Of the arrear of Rupees 2,39,159, Rupees 28,941 are recoverable and Rupees 1,50,122 doubtful. The recoverable balance will be soon collected, and steps are being taken to that end. The doubtful balance under Ryotwar belongs partly to defaulters who have no property apparently, but about whose property inquiry is being made. A portion is outstanding on account of assessment of lands claimed as Inams. Most of the balance under Miscellaneous is the water-cess on Inam and Zemindari lands claimed as usual wet in the Deputy Collector's division. He says that some of the claimants are in other districts and have not made their appearance for the settlement. Some of the claims have been inquired into during the year and disposed of; steps will be taken for the speedy disposal of the remaining cases. About Rupees 33,000 are involved in cases in which the Inam Commissioner's final decisions are awaited as stated last year. The title-deeds were issued as dry, and on the request of the Inamdars inquiry was held by the district authorites, and the title-deeds were sent to the Inam Commissioner for alteration. The doubtful balance under Peishcush is the amount outstanding against the proprietor of Billumilli and Byanagudem Estates for Fasli 1283, pending inquiry as to the amount of remissions to which he is entitled for that Fasli on account of the non-repair of the Byani River-calingula.

39. The irrecoverable balance amounts to Rupees 60,096; of which, Rupees 41,221* were recommended last year, and are not yet written off, as the orders of Government have not been received. Rupees 1,412 were also recommended last year as irrecoverable on account of peishcush due by the proprietor of Billumilli and Byanagudem, whose lands were not cultivated for Faslies 1281 and 1282 owing to the Byana River-calingula being out of repair, but the Board have called for further explanation as to why repairs were not made, and how the Government are responsible for the repair, *vide paragraph 61 of the Board's Proceedings, dated the 1st April 1875, No. 782.* On this subject I beg to refer the Board to their Jamabandi Reports of Faslies 1275, 1276, 1277, 1278, 1279, and 1281, and of the previous Faslis, and to the correspondence noted in the margin. The Board will observe that the Bandacattu, as the calingula is called, was the source of irrigation for two proprietary villages of Billumilli and Byanagudem, as also for the Government villages of Kristnampalem, Kataveram and three hamlets of Pedakopilla; and that it was usual for Government to execute the necessary repairs and recover half of the actual cost from the proprietor. The calingula fell into disrepair and the reconstruction of the same at a cost of Rupees 16,000 was sanctioned by Government* in 1863. The repairs were completed, but the work proved to be a decided failure unless a dam was built at a cost of Rupees 3,000. The construction of the dam was also sanctioned, and a sum of Rupees 1,500 allotted for the purpose by Government in their Order of the 7th July 1869, No. 2,195, Public Works Department, but it has not as yet been put in hand. The matter was prominently brought to the notice of the Board in paragraph 13 of my report on the Public Works for 1873-74, dated the 5th May 1874, No. 127. Very little improvement appears to have been made in 1874-75, as stated in the report of 1874-75. Till the work is restored, the proprietor is entitled to a remission in his peishcush. The amount was originally fixed by a late Collector, Mr. Purvis, at Rupees 1,313-9-10, and from this is deducted the rent obtained by the proprietor on lands dependent on the Bandacut actually cultivated in each year. In Faslis 1281 and 1282, Acres 256 and 353 bearing a rent of Rupees 427-5-3 and Rupees 788-2-0, respectively, were cultivated, and the proprietor was therefore entitled for those Faslis to a remission of Rupees 1,411-12-5† which was the amount recommended last year to be written off. It has been decided subsequently that the proprietor was entitled to a remission of Rupees 1,014-6-4 and Rupees 952-13-7 for Faslis 1279 and 1280. The rents derived from lands cultivated in those Faslis were Rupees 299-3-6 and Rupees 360-12-3, respectively; but only Rupees 823 a year were allowed in the Jamabandi Report of Fasli 1281, instead of the sums above mentioned. The difference has, therefore, to be remitted; but as there is no arrear outstanding against

	RS.	A.	P.
† Fasli 1281	886	4	7
,, 1282	525	7	10
	1,411	12	5

	RS.
* Amount recommended last year.....	42,839
Deduct.—	
Amount subsequently collected..... 126	
Classed as recoverable 80	
Not allowed by the Board, *vide* paragraph 61 Board's Proceedings, 1st April 1875, No. 782 1,412	
	1,618
Remainder...	41,221

1. Collector's letter to Commissioner, Northern Circars, 26th March 1856, No. 27.
2. Extract Minutes of Consultation, 7th May 1856, No. 466.
3. Proceedings of Commissioner, Northern Circars, 14th May 1856, No. 35.
4. Extract Minutes of Consultation, 21st July 1856, No. 1,227.
5. Board's Proceedings, 25th July 1856, No. 2,338.
6. Board's Proceedings, 12th May 1857, No. 1,556.
7. Collector's letter to Board, 6th July 1857, No. 83.
8. Board's Proceedings, 1st August 1857, No. 2,583.
9. G. O., Department of Public Works, 24th August 1863, No. 2,403.
10. Proceedings, Court of Wards, 22nd October 1867, No. 6,878.
11. Collector's letter to Board, 7th April 1869, No. 60.
12. Board's Proceedings, 26th May 1869, No. 3,738.
13. G. O., Department of Public Works, 7th July 1869, No. 2,195.
14. Board's Proceedings, 17th July 1869, No. 5,123.

* G. O., 24th August 1863, No. 2,403.

the proprietor on account of the years in question (Faslis 1279-1280), I propose that the remission of Rupees* 321-3-11 should be allowed from the arrears outstanding for Faslis 1281 and 1282. The amount recommended in this report for being written off on account of Faslis 1279 to 1282 amounts to Rupees 1,733-0-4.

	Rs.	A.	P.
* Fasli 1279...	191	6	4
,, 1280...	129	13	7
	321	3	11

About the remission for Faslis 1283 and 1284, the Head Assistant Collector has been requested to make the necessary inquiries, pending which, the amount of Rupees 525, referred to in paragraph 38 of this report, has been classed doubtful.

40. The total amount classed this year under all heads as irrecoverable amounts to Rupees 18,874-10-1, and the reasons for its being so classed are as follows :—

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Permanently settled.						
Amount of peishcush due by the proprietor of Billumilli and Byanagudem Estates, whose lands are not cultivated owing to the disrepair of the Byani River-calingula for Faslis 1279-80, 1281 and 1282	1,733	0	4	1,733	0	4
Jodi on Shrotriem and Inam Villages.						
Due on lands taken up for public purposes	19	3	3	19	3	3
Ryotwar and Miscellaneous.						
Due by deceased ryots who have no property	145	10	0			
Due by those who have absconded leaving no property	668	13	0			
Due by poor ryots, whose property has already been sold for arrears of revenue	3,852	9	8			
Assessment, quit-rent and water-tax on Government assessed and Inam lands taken up for public purposes	1,412	5	11			
Do. do. on lands given in exchange of Inams taken up for public purposes	44	1	1			
Assessment, quit-rent and water-tax on lands washed away by the river	396	3	7			
Water-tax on Zemindari and Inam lands since settled as usual wet	4,098	12	6			
One-fourth water-tax to be remitted for Picotta irrigation, the full rate having been demanded	107	13	2			
Water-tax on wet land subsequently classed as dry as the lands were not directly irrigable...	11	12	2			
Water-tax on lands not actually irrigated	51	14	0			
Quit-rent and Jodi on Inams relinquished to Government... ...	484	5	4			
Amount not due by any body, the arrear having been collected and credited to wrong heads of accounts	747	12	1			
Assessment, &c., on lands given away for dwelling sites	16	7	1			
Assessment, quit-rent and water-tax on lands found deficient in area	198	5	6			
Amount embezzled by village authorities, re-collected from them under Regulation IX. of 1822, but erroneously credited to the head of Revenue Fines instead of to Ryotwar and Miscellaneous	37	0	5			
Water-tax erroneously charged on Punthakhets in Baharzhalli Estate in Fasli 1283, the Zemindarnis having entered into composition, Board's Proceedings, 23rd May 1874, No. 1,227.	176	9	8			

	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Amount over-demanded—						
Ryotwar	696	7	4			
Quit-rent...	339	14	1			
Water-tax on Zemindari and Inam lands ...	1,810	6	6			
Assessment on Mirasi and Government lands.	10	0	0			
Tax on backyards	93	7	7			
Tax on trees on unassessed lands	48	6	0			
Jodi on Service Inam	15	10	0			
Land cultivated but not included in the Jamabandi...	285	1	1			
				3,299	4	7
Assessment erroneously charged on Government assessed lands purchased on behalf of Government at nominal price				144	7	4
Amount ordered to be remitted but erroneously retained in the demand				40	0	0
Assessment of Service Inams attached for the negligence of the service-holder to render the service, he having returned to duty during the year...				2	4	9
Amount of water-cess erroneously demanded on Ava lands in the Nidadole Estate (*vide* Board's Proceedings, dated 4th December 1874, No. 3,511,...				889	12	2
						16,826 4 0
Abkári over-demand				2	0	0
Due by Paupers who have no property...				294	2	6
						296 2 6
				Grand Total ...		18,874 10 1

I request sanction for writing off Rupees 18,874-10-1 as detailed above from the accounts.

41. Coercive Processes.—*Enclosure A to Statement No.* 8.—It will be seen that there is an increase in each item under this head, except property attached, during the year compared with its predecessor, owing it may be said to fall of prices.

42. Statement No. 9.—This shows the particulars of receipts and charges. The following is an abstract:—

——	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Receipts	52,74,272	54,51,535	1,77,263	
Charges—				
Management... ...	1,71,215	1,75,126	3,911	...
Extra	77,462	69,277	...	8,185
Total ...	2,48,677	2,44,403	...	4,274
Percentage of charges to receipts	4·71	4·48	...	...

43. The increase in receipts has already been explained.

44. The cost of the Bhadrachellam Taluq establishment chiefly contributed to the increase under Management Charges.

45. The decrease under Extra Charges is chiefly the result of decrease in Refunds, of Land Revenue, purchase of salt and salt contingencies, and the increase in Land Revenue, Miscellaneous, Sea Custom contingencies, and stamp refunds. The decrease in refunds of Land Revenue is chiefly owing to a refund of Rupees 4,734 having been made to the Cottam Zemindar last year under G. O., dated 3rd November 1873, No. 1,231. The decrease in purchase of salt may be attributed to the quantity manufactured this year not having been received into store within the year, and that in salt contingencies is owing to the less expenditure incurred this year on salt works.

46. The increase in Land Revenue, Miscellaneous, is in consequence of payment of costs and damages to the Cottam Zemindar in the suit about the old Fort at Peddapur, under Board's Proceedings, 27th August 1874, No. 5,918.

47. The increase in Sea Custom contingencies is owing to the collection of fee for the servants in the Custom House for working after office hours and on holidays, &c.

48. The increase in Stamp Refunds is in consequence of Impressed Court Fees Stamps being declared unfit for use. *Vide* Board's Proceedings, dated 27th March 1875, No. 748.

49. STATEMENTS Nos. 10 and 11.—These statements exhibt the transactions about salt. The annexed abstract shows the receipts and the sales of salt during the Fasli as compared with the previous year :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Remaining in store at the beginning of the Fasli...	3,77,549	3,24,969	...	52,580
Received during the Fasli...	2,26,845	1,50,538	...	76,307
Total ...	6,04,394	4,75,507	...	1,28,887
Sales.				
Home consumption	2,56,691	2,85,410	28,719	...
Inland consumption	6,643	7,993	1,350	...
Exportation...	2,160	73,095	70,935	...
Sold to French Government	720	720	...	...
Total ...	2,66,214	3,67,218	1,01,004	...
Remaining	3,38,180	1,08,289	...	2,29,891
Deduct wastage written off	13,211	13,760	551	..
Remaining on hand	3,24,969	94,529	...	2,30,440

50. The salt in store at the beginning of the Fasli was sufficient for the demand of eighteen months, together with the subsequent receipts.

51. The receipts during the Fasli show a decrease in consequence of, the salt of the current year not having been received into the store within the year.

52. The increase in the sales of salt has already been explained, *vide* paragraph 28.

53. The Dittam was originally 200,000 maunds for Penugudurú and 150,000 maunds for Mogaltur, but owing to certain unusual applications for salt for exportation, the Dittam was raised to 450,000 maunds and 250,000 maunds at the stations, respectively, *vide* Board's Proceedings, 10th April 1875, No. 890 ; but subsequent information showed that so large a quantity was unnecessary, and therefore only 491,000 maunds were manufactured.

54. The quantity in store at the close of the Fasli under report was 94,529 Indian maunds, and that expected is about 491,000 maunds. Wastage not yet written off for Faslis 1283 and 1284 is 38,264* Indian maunds. This would leave 547,265 Indian maunds, or more than eighteen months' consumption calculated at the average sales of the last three years, or a lac of maunds more at the average sales of the past five years.

* Fasli	Maunds.
1283	14,348.
1284	23,916.
	38,264.

55. The wastage of salt in the year under report is 23,916 against 15,308 in last year, giving a percentage of 6·1. The ratio of the last year and the average of the three preceding years are given in the margin. The percentage during the year under report is 1·1 per cent. than the usual 5 per cent., owing partly to a larger number of old heaps having been sold this year than in Fasli 1283, and partly to the heavy winds on 2nd November 1874, when the thatch of the whole of the heaps was blown away and the salt remained exposed to heavy rain for a day and a night. I therefore request that sanction may be granted to write off the quantity as per margin.

Fasli 1283.....	5·5
Fasli 1282	4·33
,, 128.	4·72
,, 1280.....	6·51
	15·56
Average...	5·18

Indian Maunds 23,916.

56. TALUQ AND VILLAGE MANUAL ACCOUNTS.—The Taluq and Village Accounts continue as well as before. They are generally correct, though in some places in the Deputy Collector's division, that officer brings to notice that accounts of collections were found incorrect, and that they were duly corrected. The Huzur accounts are also carefully kept.

57. LANDS ACQUIRED BY PUBLIC SERVANTS.—The annexed statement exhibits the number of public servants who hold lands and the extent thereof. The Tahsildar of Narsapur holds some land in his taluq as already reported ; other Tahsildars and Sub-Magistrates hold none within their jurisdiction. The Deputy Collectors have no lands in the district :—

Items.	Number of Servants.	Extent of Land.
		A. C.
Up to Fasli 1283 as per last year's report	147	5,627·82
Deduct lands of those deceased, discharged, &c.	22	604·75
Remaining ...	125	5,023·7
Add—		
Lands of servants newly entertained and those acquired by old servants	23	850·51
Total ...	148	5,873·58

58. LAW SUITS.—The following statement exhibits the costs awarded to Government in the several suits and recovered in Fasli 1284, as also the amount of stamp duty due to Government in pauper suits, the portion collected and the balance left.

Statement of Suits.

Number and Year of the Suit.	Parties against whom the amount of Costs is awarded.	Amount of Costs awarded.			Amount recovered.	Balance.
		Balance at the beginning of Fasli.	Amount charged within the Fasli.	Total.		
		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Original Suit, No. 12 of 1868, Principal Sadr Amin's Court.	Plaintiff, Vadrevu Viziaramdu.	57 2 0	... ...	57 2 0	... ...	57 2 0
2. Original Suit, No. 3 of 1870, Civil Court; Appeal No. 31 of 1871, High Court.	Plaintiff, Vadravu Mallaparuz.	48 15 8	... ...	48 15 8	... ...	48 15 8
3. Original Suit, No. 4 of 1870, Civil Court.	Plaintiff, Seshama, widow of Somaraz, since deceased.	22 14 2	... ...	22 14 2	... ...	22 14 2
4. Original Suit, No. 3 of 1871, Principal Sadr Amin's Court.	Plaintiff, Vadrevu Viziaramdu.	211 2 9	... ...	211 2 9	... ...	211 2 9
5. Appeal Suit, No. 361 of 1872, Civil Court.	His Highness the Maharajah of Vizianagram, Defendant.	88 8 0	... ...	88 8 0	88 8 0	... ...
6. Original Suit, No. 494 of 1873, Ellore District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiff, Dirisiparu Gaviri.	2 10 9	... ...	2 10 9	2 10 9	... ...
7. Original Suit, No. 158 of 1873, Rajahmundry District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiffs, Yedlapully Papia, &c.	14 6 9	... ...	14 6 9	14 6 9	... ...
8. Original Suit, No. 553 of 1873, Amalapur District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiff, Nandula Venkatareddy.	2 10 6	... ...	2 10 6	2 10 6	... ...
9. Original Suit, No. 47 of 1873, Rajahmundry District Munsif's Court	Plaintiff, Mannem China Kanakaya Gar	83 0 0	... ...	83 0 0	83 0 0	... ...
10. Original Suit, No. 314 of 1873, Amalapur District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiff, Nandula Venkatareddy.	... ...	4 1 0	4 1 0	4 1 0	... ...
11. Original Suit, No. 357 of 1873, Rajahmundry District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiff, Kandapa Ramia.	... ...	3 3 10	3 3 10	3 3 10	... ...
12. Original Suit, No. 344 of 1873, Rajahmundry District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiffs, Bhupatiraz Narsimharaz, &c.	... ...	3 1 3	3 1 3	3 1 3	... ...
13. Original Suit, No. 543 of 1873, Rajahmundry District Munsif's Court.	Karri China Venkenna.	... ...	2 12 6	2 12 6	2 12 6	... ...
14. Original Suit, No. 318 of 1873, Rajahmundry District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiff, V. Seshia, being minor, his guardian N. Veresalingam.	... ...	28 11 8	28 11 8	... ...	28 11 8
15. Original Suit, No. 89 of 1874, Rajahmundry District Munsif's Court.	First Defendant, Palakodeti Bangarama.	... ...	5 7 3	5 7 3	5 7 3	... ...
16. Original Suit, No. 355 of 1874, Rajahmundry District Munsif's Court.	First Defendant, Biraka Subbaya.	... ...	12 0 2	12 0 2	12 0 2	... ...
17. Original Suit, No. 238 of 1874, Rajahmundry District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiffs, N. Narsimusastry, &c.	... ...	6 0 0	6 0 0	6 0 0	... ...
18. Original Suit, No. 382 of 1872, Ellore District Munsif's Court.	Defendants Yerabothn Vira Venkia, &c.	... ...	3 1 7	3 1 7	3 1 7	... ...
19. Original Suit, No. 642 of 1873, Ellore District Munsif's Court.	Defendant Rumme Bushia.	... ...	9 9 0	9 9 0	9 9 0	... ...
20. Original Suit, No. 209 of 1874, Narsapur District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiffs, 1 Goteti Royparaz, &c.	... ...	2 14 0	2 14 0	... ...	2 14 0
21. Original Suit, No. 210 of 1874, Narsapur District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiffs, Goteti Achana, &c.	... ...	2 14 3	2 14 3	... ...	2 14 3
22. Original Suit, No. 405 of 1874, Rajahmundry District Munsif's Court.	Defendants, Fakala Appana, &c.	... ...	7 14 9	7 14 9	... ...	7 14 9
23. Original Suit, No. 339 of 1874, Rajahmundry District Munsif's Court.	First Defendant, Ponangipilli Vencata Chellama.	... ...	7 5 9	7 5 9	... ...	7 5 9

Statement of Suits—(Continued).

Number and Year of the Suit.	Parties against whom the amount of Costs is awarded.	Amount of Costs awarded.			Amount recovered.	Balance.
		Balance at the beginning of Fasli.	Amount charged within the Fasli.	Total.		
		RS A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
24. Original Suit, No. 383 of 1874, Rajahmundry District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiff, Kavali Sitaramia.	... ...	4 9 0	4 9 0	... ...	4 9 0
25. Original Suit, No. 448 of 1874, Rajahmundry District Munsif's Court.	First Defendant, Yepuganti Subbana.	... ...	4 9 4	4 9 4	... ...	4 9 4
26. Original Suit, No. 2 of 1874, District Court.	Plaintiff, Uppalapati Tirpatiraz.	... ...	8 1 0	8 1 0	8 1 0	... ...
27. Original Suit, No. 13 of 1874, District Court.	Plaintiff, Uppalapati Lakshminarasayu.	... ...	8 1 0	8 1 0	8 1 0	... ...
28. Appeal Suit, No. 77 of 1874, District Court.	Plaintiff, Reddy Kistnama	... ...	5 3 0	5 3 0	5 3 0	... ...
	Total...	531 6 7	129 8 4	660 14 11	261 13 7	399 1 4
	Irrecoverable...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	340 2 7
	Recoverable...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	58 14 9
	Total...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	399 1 4
Stamp Duty awarded in Pauper Suits.						
1. Original Suit, No 391 of 1872, Cocanada District Munsif's Court.	Second Defendant, Velugubantla Swamy.	1 11 2	... ...	1 11 2	1 11 2	... ...
2. Original Suit, No. 272 of 1873, Cocanada District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiff, Vathada Muttialu.	20 8 0	... ...	20 8 0	... ...	20 8 0
3. Original Suit, No. 7 of 1864, Civil Court.	Plaintiffs, Sajiraz Juggaraz, &c.,	245 3 9	5 0 0	250 3 9	44 14 0	205 5 9
4. Original Suit, No. 16 of 1871, Sub-Court.	First Defendant, Syed Nurubdin Sahib.	295 0 0	8 5 6	303 5 6	... ...	303 5 6
5. Original Suit, No. 58 1871, Sub-Court; Appeal Suit, No. 437 of 1873, District Court.	Plaintiffs, Telagareddi Lakamma, &c.	270 0 0	22 3 0	292 3 0	... ...	292 3 0
6. Original Suit, No. 29 of 1871, Sub-Court.	Defendant, Kulluri Venkana, &c.	140 0 0	9 7 0	149 7 0	149 7 0	... ...
7. Original Suit, No. 257 1872, Rajahmundry District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiff, Bandalapati Seshama.	75 0 0	... ...	75 0 0	75 0 0	... ...
8. Original Suit, No. 4 of 1874, Cocanada District Munsif's Court.	Defendant, Bikana Bapana.	39 4 0	... ...	39 4 0	... ...	39 4 0
9. Original Suit, No. 273 of 1873, Narsapur District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiffs, Vasunthala Papama, &c.	79 9 0	... ...	79 9 0	27 13 0	51 12 0
10. Original Suit, No. 199 of 1873, Ellore District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiff, Bhogaraz, Mahaluchuma.	... ...	68 1 0	68 1 0	26 12 0	41 5 0
11. Original Suit, No. 210 of 1873, Ellore District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiff, Vanimreddy Sitama.	... ...	39 12 0	39 12 0	... ...	39 12 0
12. Original Suit, No. 479 of 1873, Narsapur District Munsif's Court.	Defendant, Percharia Narsaraz.	... ...	35 4 0	35 4 0	35 4 0	... ...
13. Original Suit, No. 478 of 1873, Narsapur District Munsif's Court.	Defendant, Mutiyala Ramana.	... ...	14 4 0	14 4 0	14 4 0	... ...
14. Original Suit, No. 17 of 1872, Sub-Court, Rajahmundry.	Defendants, Nama Venkana, &c.	... ...	105 0 0	105 0 0	105 0 0	... ...
15. Original Suit, No. 3 of 1872, Sub-Court, Rajahmundry.	Plaintiffs, Velpu Gangama, &c.	... ...	90 0 0	90 0 0	90 0 0	... ...
16. Original Suit, No. 40 of 1872, Sub-Court, Rajahmundry.	Plaintiff, Rekapilly Mrutinjayan.	... ...	445 0 0	445 0 0	... ...	445 0 0
17. Original Suit, No. 45 of 1872, Sub-Court, Rajahmundry.	Plaintiff, Bhima Sitama...	... ...	110 0 0	110 0 0	... ...	110 0 0

Statement of Suits—(Concluded).

Number and Year of the Suit.	Parties against whom the amount of Costs is awarded.	Amount of Costs awarded. Balance at the beginning of Fasli.	Amount charged within the Fasli.	Total.	Amount recovered.	Balance.
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Appeal Suit, No. 306, District Court.	Appellant, Bhima Sitama.	... ...	109 0 0	109 0 0	... ...	109 0 0
18. Original Suit, No. 1 of 1873, Sub-Court.	First Defendant, Ganapatiraz Venkatapatiraz.	... ...	250 0 0	250 0 0	... ...	250 0 0
19. Appeal Suit, No. 52 of 1873, Sub-Court.	Appellants, Nakka Mahalakshmi, &c.	... ...	56 0 0	56 0 0	... ...	56 0 0
20. Appeal Suit, No 91 of 1873, Sub-Court's file.	Appellant, Guntur Subbia.	... ...	31 8 0	31 8 0	... ...	31 8 0
21. Appeal Suit, No. 143 1873, Sub-Court's file.	Do. Chiraviori Polama.	... ...	12 8 0	12 8 0	12 8 0	... ...
22. Original Suit, No. 299 of 1873, Ellore District Munsif's Court.	Defendant, Jampena Narseriham.	... ...	28 8 0	28 8 0	28 8 0	... ...
23. Original Suit, No. 480 of 1873, Narsapur District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiff, Pradhivi Sivabayma.	... ...	92 8 0	92 8 0	... ...	92 8 0
24. Original Suit, No. 673 of 1873, Narsapur District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiff, Bhagavatula Mahalakshmuma.	... .	18 8 0	18 8 0	... ...	18 8 0
25. Original Suit, No. 551 of 1873, Narsapur District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiff, Azzarapu Guraz.	... ...	120 2 0	120 2 0	... ...	120 2 0
26. Original Suit, No. 679 of 1873, Narsapur District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiff, Elakusty Gungaraz.	... ...	36 0 0	36 0 0	... .	36 0 0
27. Original Suit, No 674 of 1873, Narsapur District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiff, Akinipeddy Lakshama.	... ...	15 12 0	15 12 0	... ...	15 12 0
28. Appeal Suit, No. 248 of 1874, District Court.	Plaintiff, Ponnala Malakshmi.	... ...	109 0 0	109 0 0	.. ..	109 0 0
29. Original Suit, No. 177 of 1874, Nursapur District Munsif's Court	Plaintiff, Thalati Bapanamma.	... ...	18 0 0	18 0 0	... ...	18 0 0
30. Original Suit, No. 288 of 1872, Narsapur District Munsif's Court; Appeal Suit, No. 392 of 1873, Sub-Court.	Plaintiff, Vanda Malakshmi.	... ...	84 8 0	84 8 0	84 8 0	... ...
31. Original Suit, No 73 of 1872, Sub-Court; Appeal Suit, No. 391 of 1873, Sub-Court.	Plaintiff, Koduri Venkenna.	... ...	12 12 0	12 12 0	12 12 0	... ...
32. Original Suit, No. 422 of 1873, Ellore District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiff, Bhogaraz Venkachama.	... ...	85 10 0	85 10 0	... ...	85 10 0
33 Appeal Suit, No. 393 of 1873, Sub-Court.	Plaintiff, Eluri Sambasimdu.	... ...	10 4 0	10 4 0	... ...	10 4 0
34. Original Suit, No. 34 of 1872, Sub-Court.	Plaintiff, Kandulu Gapinam.	... ...	90 0 0	90 0 0	7 8 0	82 8 0
35. Original Suit, No. 336 of 1874, Rajahmundry District Munsif's Court.	Plaintiffs, Yaluri Narsana, &c.	... ...	27 0 0	27 0 0	27 0 0	... ...
	Total...	1,166 3 11	2,159 12 6	3,326 0 5	742 13 2	2,583 3 3

There is a balance of Rupees 399-1-4 left under Costs, of which Rupees 340-2-7 have been recommended to be written off last year, and only Rupees 58-14-9 need be collected.

The amount of Pauper Stamp-duty demand is Rupees 3,326-0-5, of which Rupees 742-13-2 have been collected, leaving a balance of Rupees 2,583-3-3.

Steps are being taken to collect the recoverable costs and stamp duty.

59. Sub-division of joint-liability of Shareholders in enfranchised whole Inam Villages.—None.

60. Agricultural Statistics.—As directed in Board's Proceedings of the 26th November 1874, No. 3,417, I beg to send, herewith, statements A. B. and C.* showing the agricultural particulars of Government, Inam, Agraharam and Poramboke lands.

* Will be sent hereafter.

Statement A. includes as usual the cultivation of Godavery islands and single-rented villages shown in Statement No. 5, under Land Revenue, Miscellaneous.

The population in Column 2 of Statement A. is taken from the Census Returns of 1871 (Fasli 1281).

—	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.
	Acres.	Acres.
Food-grains	744,064	734,985
Other products	248,540	230,156
Total...	992,604	965,141
Government and Inam	955,699	...
Agraharams	36,905	...

The total area under cultivation during the year is 992,604† Acres against 965,141 in Fasli 1283, giving a large increase owing to the increased holdings of the year and to the favorableness of the season.

There is an increase of about 10,000 Acres in rice and 21,000 Acres in oil-seeds; the former owing to increased holdings and sufficient rains in the early months of the year, and the latter owing to an active demand for exportation to Marseilles, Venice, and Calcutta.

There is a noticeable decrease in the dry grains (cholum, raggy, chama and aruga) consequent, no doubt, on the increase in rice-cultivation.

61. Sub-Collector's Report.—The Sub-Collector's report is sent herewith.

62. Irrigation Registers.—The Irrigation Registers will follow.

63. Conduct of Subordinates.—It seems superfluous to mention that the Division Officers have done their duty well. As for the Tahsildars, some are good and some are bad, some so very bad, dishonest and incompetent, that it really reflects a great deal of credit on the Division Officers that they should have been able to carry on their business so well.

Cocanada, (Signed) W. S. FOSTER,
30th September 1875. Collector.

SUB-COLLECTORATE.

I HAVE the honor to submit the Settlement Report of the Sub-division for Fasli 1284 (A. D. 1874-75).

2. Ramachendrapur Taluq was settled by Mr. Kelsall; Amalapur and Rajahmundry by Mr. Foster. The annexed statement shows that the settlement was made in more than one place within the limits of each taluq :—

Taluqs.	Stations.	Number of Villages settled at each Station.	Number of Days occupied at each Station.	Number of Puttas distributed.			
				Fresh Puttas.	Puttas altered.	Puttas unaltered.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Rajahmundry ...	1. Rajahmundry.....	45	15	182	1,662	319	2,163
	2. Rahitapur	22	2	57	941	34	1,032
	3. Gokaveram	27	1	59	366	59	484
	Total...	94	18	298	2,969	412	3,679
Amalapur	1. Amalapur	91	14	234	824	4,555	5,613
	2. Kottapetta	20	5	27	86	1,407	1,520
	Total...	111	19	261	910	5,962	7,133
	1. Total of two Taluqs settled by the Collector ...	205	37	559	3,879	6,374	10,812
Ramachendrapur.	1. Mandapetta	39	10	118	1,015	3,516	4,649
	2. Ramachendrapur	56	13	226	1,255	4,175	5,656
	3. Kotipalli.....	36	12	110	766	3,134	4,010
	Total...	131	35	454	3,036	10,825	14,315
	Grand Total...	336	72	1,013	6,915	17,199	25,127

The total period occupied in settling the three taluqs was seventy-two days.

The number of altered puttas is considerably greater than in Fasli 1283. Part of this is due to the fact that lands in Rajahmundry, which had formerly been held on an annual lease, were this year assessed and included in the puttas. The other alterations were from the usual causes, remissions, change of holdings from death, &c.

3. VARIATIONS IN THE NUMBER AND TENURE OF VILLAGES.—There has been no change either in the number of villages or in their tenure as shown below :—

Tenures.	Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
1	2	3	4	5	6
Ryotwar	1. Rajahmundry	79	79	...	...
	2. Ramachendrapur ...	131	131	...	...
	3. Amalapur...	111	111	...	...
	Total...	321	321	...	...
Joint-rent for one year...	1. Rajahmundry	15	15	...	...
	Grand Total...	336	336	...	...

4. SEASON.—The season was on the whole good. The rain-fall in June was below the average, and the wet cultivation under tanks in the upland villages of Rajahmundry was in consequence affected, and the out-turn of dry crops was poor, and was materially interfered with by the heavy rain-fall in October.

5. SANITARY CONDITION.—The subjoined statement shows the sickness and deaths from various causes in comparison with those of the preceding year :—

Particulars of Disease.	Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Comparison.			
		Attacked.	Died.	Attacked.	Died.	Increase.		Decrease.	
						Attacked.	Died.	Attacked.	Died.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Cholera	1. Rajahmundry.....	322	3	221	38	...	35	101	...
	2. Ramachendrapur	25	25	1	1	...	...	24	24
	3. Amalapur	...	...	66	33	66	33	...	...
	Total...	347	28	288	72	...	44	59	...
Small-pox	1. Rajahmundry.....	126	126	228	11	102	...	...	115
	2. Ramachendrapur	386	286	186	85	...	...	200	201
	3. Amalapur	200	178	178	41	...	...	22	137
	Total...	712	590	592	137	...	...	120	453
Fever, &c.	1. Rajahmundry.....	2,513	2,349	2,046	1,261	...	...	467	1,088
	2. Ramachendrapur	5,072	3,451	3,990	2,737	...	...	1,082	714
	3. Amalapur	1,750	1,702	3,706	2,491	1,956	789	...	...
	Total...	9,335	7,502	9,742	6,489	407	...	...	1,013
	Grand Total...	10,394	8,120	10,622	6,698	228	...	...	1,422

These returns are palpably incorrect, and there is no good in commenting on them. Over the Curnams in Zemindari villages we have no control, and those in Government villages do not pay sufficient attention. The mortality from cholera is 17 per cent. in Rajahmundry, 100 per cent. in Ramachendrapur, and 50 per cent. in Amalapur.

Nor can I credit that double the number of cattle died than died in Fasli 1283, for, as far as I can learn, neither foot and mouth-disease nor any other epidemic disease was prevalent:—

No.	Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	Rajahmundry ...	1,661	1,393	...	268
2	Ramachendrapur ...	795	3,208	2,413	...
3	Amalapur	1,683	3,557	1,874	...
	Total...	4,139	8,158	4,019	...

6. PRICES.—The price of grain as compared with Fasli 1283 is as below :—

Articles.	Per Madras Garce.			
	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
1	2	3	4	5
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Paddy, 1st sort	118	107	...	11
Do. 2nd do.	110	100	...	10
Rice, 1st do.	258	231	...	27
Do. 2nd do.	244	219	...	25
Cholum	156	122	...	34
Cumboo	138	100	...	38
Raggy	129	112	...	17
Horse-gram	157	137	...	20

Prices fell, but only because in Fasli 1283 a great quantity of grain was exported, and thereby the supply for home consumption was limited, which tended to raise prices in that year higher than usual.

7. The following statement exhibits the ryots' holdings at the beginning of the year and subsequent changes :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Comparison.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Ryots' holdings at the beginning of Fasli	262,683	6,56,210	261,729	6,58,118	— 954	+ 1,908
Deduct lands given up ...	16,627	44,814	10,195	32,399	—6,432	—12,415
Remainder	246,056	6,11,396	251,534	6,25,719	+5,479	+14,323
Add lands taken up... ...	15,673	46,722	18,004	38,973	+2,331	— 7,749
Total...	261,729	6,58,118	269,538	6,64,692	+7,808	+ 6,574

Much of this decrease and increase is nominal, being caused by transfer from one ryot to another. Only 1,973 Acres were actually given up, and 9,923 freshly taken up.

8. CULTIVATION AND SETTLEMENT.—The following statement shows the cultivation and ettlement of the current year in comparison with the preceding year :—

Items.	Last Fasli.		Present Fasli.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Dry	158,690	3,42,980	165,717	3,47,747	7,027	4,767	...	...
Wet	103,039	3,15,138	103,821	3,16,945	782	1,807	...	...
Total ...	261,729	6,58,118	269,538	6,64,692	7,809	6,574	...	...
Add—								
Second-crop Assessment ...	...	11,938	...	1,546	...	...	...	10,392
Additional do. ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Water-tax	...	3,46,068	...	3,50,568	...	4,500	...	...
Local Fund	...	35,358	...	35,125	...	...	...	233
Village Service Fund	...	46,197	...	45,772	...	...	...	425
Total ...	...	4,39,561	...	4,33,011	...	...	...	6,550
Grand Total ...	261,729	10,97,679	269,538	10,97,703	7,809	3,450	...	...
Remissions.								
Waste remitted	2,335	9,111	719	2,136	...	...	1,616	6,975
Other Remissions as per Statement No. 4	...	19,850	...	22,511	...	2,661	...	...
Local Fund	...	* 35,358	...	35,125	...	...	...	233
Village Service Fund	...	46,197	...	45,772	...	...	...	425
Total ...	2,335	1,10,516	719	1,05,544	...	...	1,616	4,972
Remaining Beriz	259,394	9,87,163	268,819	9,92,159	9,425	4,996	...	...
Add Miscellaneous items as per Statement No. 5	...	4,99,478	...	4,74,721	...	...	...	24,757
Total ...	259,394	14,86,641	268,819	14,66,880	9,425	...	...	19,761
* Last year's amount	41,932	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Deduct amount of Local Cess at 2 per cent. erroneously included	6,574	..	...	...	...	...	...	...
	35,358	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

The increase is chiefly owing to fresh lands taken up in the Rajahmundry Taluq for the first time. The canals were closed in February, and so there was no second-crop cultivation. The increase under the head "Water-tax" is due principally to the fact that in this Fasli the rules were more strictly enforced, and double rates charged when water was taken without permission or after it had been resigned.

The falling off under Local Cess and Village Cess is because there was no second-crop cultivation. It would have been more marked, but for the increase in cultivation in Rajahmundry and for the increased water-tax demand.

9. PRINCIPAL SOURCES OF IRRIGATION.—The following statement exhibits the principal sources of irrigation, the area of Circar ayacut and cultivation under them, with the assessment and water-tax for the year under report.

Irrigation Works.	Taluqs.	JERAYATI AYACUT.		CULTIVATION.		Water-tax.	Total.
		Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Anicut Channels.	Rajahmundry	9	40	9	40	35	75
	Ramachendrapur	64,098	1,92,788	58,960	1,78,722	2,43,011	4,21,733
	Amalapur	33,368	84,908	26,154	66,248	1,04,561	1,70,809
	Total ...	97,475	2,77,736	85,123	2,45,010	3,47,607	5,92,617
2. Other natural Streams.	Rajahmundry	1,291	6,059	524	2,824	27	2,851
3. Tanks	Rajahmundry	17,760	71,038	10,121	38,615	328	38,943
	Ramachendrapur	3,330	12,513	2,092	7,643	497	8,140
	Total ...	21,090	83,551	12,213	46,258	825	47,083
4. Wells	Amalapur	560	2,111	250	958	...	958
Total...	Rajahmundry	19,060	77,137	10,654	41,479	390	41,869
	Ramachendrapur	67,428	2,05,301	61,052	1,86,365	2,43,508	4,29,873
	Amalapur	33,928	87,019	26,404	67,206	1,04,561	1,71,767
	Total ...	120,416	3,69,457	98,110	2,95,050	3,48,459	6,43,509

It will be seen that the cultivation under tanks is, as usual, below the ayacut. This is mainly due to the ayacut under some of the tanks being greater than they can irrigate. The question of revising the ayacut is under consideration.

No ruined tanks were made over to the ryots during the year.

10. The following statement shows waste charged and remitted :—

Items.	Acres.	Assessment.
		RS.
Waste charged, Fasli 1283 ...	76,970	97,926
Do. 1284 ...	81,377	1,08,753
Waste remitted, Fasli 1283 ...	2,335	9,111
Do. 1284 ...	719	2,137

The sum of Rupees 922 charged on 230 Acres was remitted in Rajahmundry, and the rest in Ramachendrapur.

11. REMISSIONS.—The following statement will exhibit the remissions granted other than those treated of in the above paragraph :—

Items.	Particulars.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
		RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Ordinary ...	1. Washed away by the river	514	426	...	88
	2. Taken up by Department of Public Works	283	162	...	121
	Total ...	797	588	...	209
Occasional ...	1. Loss of crop...	3,258	2,168	...	1,090
	2. Difference of wet and dry assessment on wet lands cultivated with dry crops	3,001	3,351	349	...
	Total ...	6,259	5,519	...	740
Fixed	1. Local Cess at 2 per cent. included in the assessment	12,794	13,176	382	...
	Grand Total ...	19,850	19,283	...	567

The decrease under the first two items does not call for explanation.

	RS.
Rajahmundry	1,501
Ramachendrapur	538
Amalapur	129
Total...	2,168

The remissions on account of loss of crop were granted in the three taluqs as per margin.

* Difference of wet and dry Assessment.

The increase in the second item* under "Occasional" is due to a larger extent of wet lands in the upland villages of the Ramachendrapur Taluq having been cultivated with dry crops in consequence of there being no seasonable rain at the commencement of the year.

12. The following statement shows the cultivation of sugar-cane, indigo and cotton :—

Items.	FASLI 1283.		FASLI 1284.		INCREASE.		DECREASE.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Sugar-cane ...	527	1,762	401	1,636	...	...	126	126
Cotton	1,559	2,075	1,174	1,684	...	...	385	391
Indigo	712	611	1,334	1,399	622	788	...	...

The decrease of sugar-cane cultivation is chiefly in the Ramachendrapur Taluq. This is attributable to the Public Works Department having advertised that the anicut canals in the Eastern Delta would be closed for repairs in the second-half of the year. Cotton is chiefly cultivated in the Rajahmundry Taluq ; there was less demand for it, and the season was unfavorable for cotton culture.

Indigo is cultivated in the Rajahmundry and Amalapur Taluqs. Several new factories have been started, the price of the article has risen, and this has given a stimulus to the cultivation.

13. Revenue from all Sources.—The following is a comparative statement of the entire demand of the Sub-division—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
1	2	3	4	5
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1. Permanently settled	99,553	99,545	...	8
2. Jodi and Quit-rent on Shrotriem villages ...	5,461	5,461	...	...
3. Ryotwar...	9,87,163	9,92,159	4,996	...
4. Miscellaneous Items	4,99,478	4,74,721	...	24,757
Total ...	15,91,655	15,71,886	...	19,769
Particulars.				
1. Rajahmundry	1,46,126	1,57,302	11,176	...
2. Ramachendrapur	8,53,954	8,34,842	...	19,112
3. Amalapur	5,91,575	5,79,742	...	11,833
Abkári	76,792	76,723	...	69
Income-tax	26	...	...	26
Stamps	1,02,545	1,19,267	16,722	...
Grand Total ...	17,71,018	17,67,876	...	3,142

The decrease of 8 Rupees under the head "Permanently settled" is attributable to a deduction having been made in the peishcush of the Vilasa Estate in the Amalapur Taluq, on account of land taken up for public works under the authority of Government conveyed in their Proceedings, dated 13th December 1873, No. 1,414.

The increase of Rupees 4,996 under Ryotwar has occurred in the three taluqs as particularized below:—

	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.
Rajahmundry	10,191	...
Amalapur	2,080	...
Ramachendrapur	...	7,275
Net increase ...	4,996	...

The increase in the Rajahmundry Taluq arose from certain unassessed lands having been surveyed and assessed in the year under report, and from a smaller amount of remission having been granted. The increase in the Amalapur Taluq is owing to more land having been taken up in the current year, and to the prohibitory rate of water-tax having been demanded with reference to the new water-tax rules.

The decrease in the Ramachendrapur Taluq is attributed to the fact that there was no second-crop cultivation in consequence of the untimely closing of the channels.

The decrease under Miscellaneous items will be explained in the following paragraph:—

14. Miscellanous Items.—The following statement shows the variations in the Miscellaneous items as compared with the preceding year:—

No.	Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
1	Jodi and Quit-rent in Government villages and Zemindari and Proprietary villages.	Rs. 1,07,297	Rs. 1,04,426	Rs. ...	Rs. 2,871
2	Water-tax on Inams, &c.	2,60,098	2,46,205	...	13,893
3	Rent on Lankas	1,11,343	96,035	...	15,308
4	Assessment on Ashalminaha lands... ...	3,253	2,821	...	432
5	Do. on unassessed Ziroyti lands...	6,746	4,557	...	2,189
6	Tax on trees in Ashalminaha lands ...	6,659	5,868	...	721
7	Process Service Fees	...	5,872	5,872	...
8	Sale of Ashalminaha lands	856	2,388	1,532	...
9	Water-tax and Fasaljasty on lands irrigated for 2nd crop in the previous Fasli ...	106	2,410	2,304	...
10	Sundry items	3,129	4,139	1,010	...
	Total...	4,99,487	4,74,721	...	24,766

The decrease under Item No. 1 is nominal. A large amount of arrears of old Faslis was brought to account in Fasli 1283.

The decrease under the second item occured chiefly in the Ramachendrapur Taluq. It is owing to the anicut channels having been closed in the second-half of the Fasli.

As for Item No. 3, the Tahsildars report that less sums were bid for the Lankas because the price of tobacco which is grown on them had fallen.

Item No. 4, a smaller area of Government Ashalminaha land was encroached on.

The decrease under "Assessment on unclassified lands" is owing to some of the unsurveyed lands hitherto held as such having been, in the year under report, assessed and included in the ryots' puttas.

There was also a falling off in the sums bid for the fruit of the trees on waste land.

Fees for serving processes were not collected in Fasli 1283.

The increase under "Sale of Ashalminaha lands" has occured chiefly in consequence of an Ashalminaha canal given up by Public Works Department in the village of Sahapuram in the Ramachendrapur Taluq having been sold in the current year.

The increase under Items Nos. 9 and 10 do not call for remark.

15. Remission of Water Tax.—The following statement shows the particulars of remission granted under this head:—

Items.	Rajahmundry.		Ramachendrapur.		Amalapur		Total.		
	Government lands, Ryotwar.	Inam, &c., lands, Miscellaneous.	Government lands, Ryotwar	Inam, &c., lands, Miscellaneous.	Government lands, Ryotwar.	Inam, &c., lands, Miscellaneous.	Government lands, Ryotwar.	Inam, &c., lands, Miscellaneous.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1. On account of loss of crop	...	2,478	1,470	1,373	325	13	1,795	3,864	5,659
2. On account of total waste	...	...	1,307	335	102	118	1,409	453	1,862
3. On lands taken up for canals, &c.	...	...	14	...	7	35	21	35	56
4. On lands washed away by the river	...	...	...	...	2	...	2	...	2
Total ...	...	2,478	2,791	1,708	436	166	3,227	4,352	7,579

16. The following is a comparative abstract statement of collections in the Sub-division :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Increase.	Decrease.
	Arrear.	Current.	Total.	Arrear.	Current.	Total.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Permanently settled	1 688	95,751	97,439	3,862	97,581	1,01,383	3,944	...
Shrotriem ...	90	5,412	5,502	75	5,303	5,378	...	124
Ryotwar	33,949	9,70,720	10,04,669	15,592	9,67,838	9,83,430	...	21,239
Miscellaneous ...	46,158	4,73,064	5,19,222	28,813	4,45,396	4,74,209	...	45,013
Total Land Revenue	81,885	15,44,947	16,26,832	48,282	15,16,118	15,64,400	...	62,432
Abkári	5,267	70,818	76,085	6,960	66,234	73,194	...	2,891
Income-tax ...	36	26	62	...	...	...	...	62
Stamps	...	1,02,545	1,02,545	...	1,19,267	1,19,267	16,722	...
Grand Total...	87,188	17,18,336	18,05,524	55,242	17,01,619	17,56,861	...	48,663

There is a decrease of Rupees 21,239 under Ryotwar. This is chiefly because there were heavy arrears at the commencement of Fasli 1283, which were collected in that year, and this also appears to the decrease under Miscellaneous.

The decrease under Abkári has occurred in the collections of the Ramachendrapur Taluq. The renter having failed to pay the amount of rent, the farm has been placed under attachment. Steps have been adopted for the collection of the balance.

17. Old Arrears.—The following statement exhibits the old arrears :—

Statement of old Arrears.

Fasils.	Balance.	Of which Class recoverable.	Doubtful.	Irrecoverable. By Death.	By Desertion.	By Poverty.	By other Causes.	Total.	Amount recommended for Remission in Fasli 1283.	Grand Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Fasli 1288	5,470 12 11	2,947 11 11	675 7 9	16 13 5	20 7 11	605 9 4	1,204 10 7	1,847 9 3	... ...	1,847 9 3
,, 1283	4,393 6 7	1,128 12 7	488 11 11	34 5 4	52 14 6	479 3 6	444 12 11	2,775 14 1	1,764 9 10	4,540 7 11
,, 1281	2,279 11 10	357 8 11	765 12 5	17 15 4	72 12 8	244 13 4	244 9 8	1,156 6 6	576 3 6	1,732 10 0
,, 1280	1,393 10 8	134 6 7	503 12 10	47 15 8	19 2 3	88 15 8	199 9 2	696 7 3	290 12 6	987 3 9
,, 1279	364 15 7	69 13 5	166 11 9	17 12 11	22 8 4	27 10 6	63 1 8	148 6 5	17 5 0	165 11 5
,, 1278	838 3 9	14 5 0	789 4 11	... ...	... ...	... ...	25 10 10	34 3 0	8 15 0	42 13 0
,, 1277	21 9 0	4 6 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	17 3 0	17 3 0	... ...	17 3 0
,, 1276	76 12 11	... ...	66 2 4	... ...	... ...	... ...	10 10 7	10 10 7	... ...	10 10 7
,, 1275	22 9 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	14 14 0	14 14 0	7 11 0	22 9 0
,, 1274	5,287 6 3	... ...	3,920 6 10	... ...	... ...	... ...	1,130 11 5	1,130 11 5	236 5 0	1,367 0 5
,, 1273	500 3 1	... ...	194 1 10	... ...	... ...	... ...	306 1 3	306 1 3	... ...	306 1 3
,, 1272	9 1 3	... ...	9 1 3	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
Total ...	20,658 6 10	4,647 0 5	7,628 8 10	134 14 8	187 13 8	1,496 4 4	3,661 15 1	5,480 15 9	2,901 13 10	8,382 13 7
Particulars.										
Shrotriem Jodi.....	16 6 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	16 6 0	16 6 0	... ...	16 6 0
Ryotwar	5,967 13 7	1,787 5 1	1,041 4 2	... ...	... ...	980 7 10	759 10 10	1,783 13 6	1,355 6 10	3,139 4 4
Miscellaneous	14,674 3 3	2,859 11 4	6,587 4 8	134 14 8	33 10 10	515 13 6	2,375 14 8	3,680 12 3	1,546 7 0	5,227 3 3
Abkári.										
Fasli 1279	1 0 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	1 0 0	... ...	1 0 0	... ...	1 0 0
,, 1278	293 2 6	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	293 2 6	... ...	293 2 6	... ...	293 2 6
Total ...	294 2 6	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	294 2 6	... ...	294 2 6	... ...	294 2 6
Income Tax.										
Fasli 1282	82 14 0	30 13 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	41 11 0	... ...	41 11 0	10 6 0	52 1 0
,, 1281	155 6 6	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	61 14 6	... ...	61 14 6	93 8 0	155 6 6
,, 1280	510 8 9	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	510 8 9	510 8 9
Total...	748 13 3	30 13 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	103 9 6	... ...	103 9 6	614 6 9	718 0 3
Ferry Rents.										
Fasli 1277	688 4 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	688 4 0	... ...	688 4 0	... ...	688 4 0
Total ...	22,389 10 7	6,777 13 5	7,628 8 10	134 14 8	187 13 8	2,582 4 4	3,661 15 1	6,566 15 9	3,516 4 7	10,083 4 4

The balance under arrears at the commencement of the Fasli was Rupees 68,940-0-6 under Land Revenue, of which Rupees 43,999-11-7 were collected, and Rupees 4,281-14-1 remitted under Order of Government, dated 23rd June 1874, No. 770.

The balance to be accounted for is, therefore, Rs. 20,658-6-10, and is classed as follows:—

RS.	A.	P.	
4,647	0	5	Recoverable.
7,628	8	10	Doubtful.
8,382	13	7	Irrecoverable.
20,658	6	10	

Measures have been adopted for the realization of the recoverable balance.

The doubtful balance of Rupees 7,628-8-10 is chiefly water-tax charged on Zemindari lands claimed as usual wet, and held in abeyance pending disposal of the claims. Inquiries are in progress.

The irrecoverable balance is Rupees 8,382-13-7, of which Rupees 2,901-13-10 were recommended for remission last year; and the reasons for classing the remainder, *viz.*, Rs. 5,480-15-9 as such are as follows:—

RS.	A.	P.	
134	14	8	Are due by deceased persons without property.
187	13	8	Are due by deserters who left no property.
1,496	4	4	Are due by paupers having neither moveable nor immoveable property.
1,115	5	1	Amount surcharged.
84	10	11	Assessment demanded on lands washed away by the river.
74	3	0	Balance outstanding on Inams sold for arrears and bought in by Government.
2,132	2	11	Water-tax demanded on Zemindari lands claimed as usual wet and treated as such.
255	9	2	Assessment erroneously demanded on Government lands taken up for public works.
5,480	15	9	

I request that you will obtain sanction for writing off the accounts the above balance of Rupees 5,480-15-9.

There is an arrear of Rupees 748-13-3 under Income-tax. Of this amount, Rupees 614-6-9 were recommended for remission in the last year's report. Of the remainder, *viz.*, Rs. 30-13-0 is recoverable, and Rupees 103-9-6 is due by paupers and is therefore irrecoverable.

The Abkári balance amounts to Rupees 294-2-6. The whole of this is outstanding against paupers and is consequently irrecoverable.

Under Ferry Rents there is an arrear of Rupees 688-4-0 for Fasli 1277. The defaulter by whom the amount is due has no property, and the balance is therefore irrecoverable.

Arrears of Local Cess and Village Cess.

Items.	Faslis.	Balance.	Recoverable.	Doubtful.	Irrecoverable.
1	2	3	4	5	6
		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Local Cess	1283 ...	624 0 11	493 1 6	42 12 0	88 3 5
	1282 ...	3,432 12 3	262 5 2	26 6 0	3,144 1 1
	1281 ...	251 14 11	88 0 11	128 3 10	35 10 2
	1280 ...	5 7 3	3 3 0	2 2 3	0 2 0
	1279 ...	26 14 1	20 11 10	2 12 0	3 6 3
	1278 ...	5 1 10	3 10 0	1 1 10	0 6 0
	1277 ...	19 4 6	5 7 0	... ...	13 13 6
Total...	...	4,365 7 9	876 7 5	203 5 11	3,285 10 5
Village Cess	1283 ...	2,363 4 10	642 7 5	154 4 2	1,566 9 3
	1282 ...	1,746 0 8	141 7 8	50 12 6	1,553 12 6
	1281 ...	61 10 9	6 9 10	9 15 10	45 1 1
	1280 ...	133 4 8	3 3 3	15 15 11	114 1 6
Total...	...	4,304 4 11	793 12 2	231 0 5	3,279 8 4

The balance of Local Cess is Rupees 4,365-7-9 and is classed as follows:—

RS.	A.	P.	
2,877	14	11	Already recommended for remission.
876	7	5	Recoverable.
203	5	11	Doubtful.
407	11	6	Classed as irrecoverable this year.
4,365	7	9	

The following are the particulars of the amount classed this year as irrecoverable:—

RS.	A.	P.	
23	13	2	Due by deceased persons without property.
3	3	4	Due by those who absconded leaving no property.
80	11	0	Due by paupers.
276	7	9	Amount erroneously demanded.
16	13	1	Amount charged on lands taken up for public works.
6	11	2	Charged on water-tax demanded in Fasli 1283 on subsequent Inams in a Zemindari village.
407	11	6	

Village Cess.—The balance of Village Cess is Rupees 4,304-4-11, and is classed as follows:—

RS.	A.	P.	
246	9	11	Already recommended for remission.
793	12	2	Recoverable.
231	0	5	Doubtful.
3,032	14	5	Classed as irrecoverable this year.
4,304	4	11	

The following are the particulars of the amount classed this year as irrecoverable:—

RS	A.	P.	
0	15	10	Due by deceased persons who have no property.
1	1	7	Due by those who absconded leaving no property.
75	13	5	Due by paupers.
342	1	7	Amount erroneously demanded.
20	2	5	Amount charged on lands taken up by Public Works Department.
2,592	11	7	Quit-rent erroneously demanded on Chamar Inams in the Ramachendrapur and Amalapur Taluqs, as per Title-deeds received from the Commissioner. The Title-deeds have been subsequently cancelled by the Inam Commissioner, and the quit-rent demanded has been ordered to be struck off the accounts.
3,032	14	5	

19. Processes under Act II. of 1864 were issued in 302 villages against 5,551 individuals for the recovery of Rupees 1,18,171. Value of the property attached amounted to Rupees 74,311. Of this, property estimated Rupees 22,589 was actually sold for Rupees 18,963:—

	RS.
Moveable property	12,460
Immoveable do.	6,503
	18,963

20. The village accounts have been examined by the Huzur and taluq establishments and found to be generally correct.

21. The Sub-Collector's Dresser was employed while on circuit in vaccinating persons in the villages visited.

22. No applications have been received for the sub-division of enfranchised whole Inam villages under the notification contained in Board's Circular No. 15 of 1868.

23. The statements of agricultural statistics, average crop, &c., have been already forwarded to your office.

24. Conduct of Subordinates.—I am glad to be able to report favorably on the efficiency and good conduct of the subordinates both in the taluqs and in my own office. B. Rajah Row Sub-division Sheristadar has fully maintained the high character he has previously earned.

P.S.—The first person in this report stands for Mr. Kelsall, who drafted it. I merely signed it.

Rajahmundry,
19th August 1875.

(Signed) A. L. LISTER,
Acg. Head Asst. Collector in charge.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. S. FOSTER,
Collector.

Exd. W. H. French.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

KISTNA.

I have the honor to report on the settlement of this district for Fasli 1284, and to submit the usual statements.

2. No. 1. Statement showing the Places where the Jamabandi was settled.—Mr. Leman conducted the settlement of Bander and Sattenapalli and of part of Repalli. The remaining villages of this taluq were settled by Mr. McCarthy, who settled also Bapatla. I settled the Palnad and Guntoor, the Head Assistant, Bezwada and Gudiwada, and the General Deputy Collector, Narasarowpetta, Vinukondah and Nandigama.

3. Variation in the Number and Tenure of Villages.—There was no change in the number and tenure of villages. The wet lands of Swarna were to be settled under the sharing system, but the demand was not arrived at by Mr. McCarthy before the close of the Fasli. Save this, there was no village on any other than the Ryotwari tenure. The only fresh puttas issued were for lands newly taken up, and for those transferred from one ryot to another.

4. Season.—The annexed table compares the average fall of rain during Faslis 1283 and 1284:—

Months.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Difference.	
	IN.	C.	IN.	C.	IN.	C.
April	0	55	...	...	— 0	55
May	0	65	3	14	+ 2	49
June	2	25	5	10	+ 2	85
July	1	40	5	60	+ 4	20
August	4	37	3	20	— 1	17
September	3	90	6	60	+ 2	70
	13	12	23	64	+10	52
October	12	38	9	10	— 3	28
November	1	23	1	70	+ 0	47
December	0	15	...	...	— 0	15
January	...	...	0	60	+ 0	60
February	...	...	...	...	...	...
March	0	5	0	80	+ 0	75
	13	81	12	20	— 1	61
Total ...	26	93	35	84	+ 8	91

The season was on the whole favorable. The monsoon set in in May, and the fall of rain during the succeeding months was continuous and abundant. The tanks in the upland taluqs received supplies early, and the Divi tanks were almost full by July. The Kistna received freshes more than once, and the floods of September were t' highest on record. The river

embankment breached in several places, and a large tract of country adjacent to the river was deluged to the great damage of houses and cattle of several villages. The early dry crops gave a good outturn every where, except in the flooded country, where all the crops reaped or ready for harvest were washed away by the current. The canals received good supplies, and the yield of paddy was excellent except in places where the lands had been long submerged. The later dry crops were pretty fair. In the taluqs which had suffered from the floods they were raised after the waters had subsided, and were found to be subject to grub to some extent, but were generally reported to be good ; and the success which attended the raising of these later crops of cotton, &c., in Guntoor, and paddy, &c., in Repalli, averted the necessity of granting the large amount of dry remission for which it had been thought necessary to apply, and a sum much below that originally estimated was ultimately granted. A slight shock of an earthquake in the taluqs of Nandigama and Sattenapalli was reported.

5. Sanitary Condition.—There was no mortality from cholera in Fasli 1284, and the district has been during the last three years almost free from this epidemic. The loss from small-pox, fever, and other causes was much less than in the previous Fasli, as shown in the subjoined statement. Cattle-disease was found more or less in almost all of the taluqs, but the total mortality was not great:—

Names of Diseases.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
Cholera	95	...	— 95
Small-pox	1,872	696	— 1,176
Fever...	12,967	10,258	— 2,709
Other Causes	10,722	10,143	— 579
Total ...	25,656	21,097	— 4,559

6. No. 2. Statement showing the average Prices of Grain.—The prices of various food-grains compared with the average of the last ten years, as well as with the prices in Fasli 1283, show a decrease under each item. This is owing to the favorableness of the season and the fair yield of the crops. There was not much exportation.

7. No. 3. Statement of Ryots' Holdings and Cultivation.—The subjoined is a short abstract exhibiting the holdings at the beginning of the year and the subsequent changes :—

Items.	Extent.	Assessment.	Water-tax.	Total.
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Occupation of Fasli 1283 ...	1,798,698	28,47,934 2 0	6,17,976 3 2	34,65,910 5 2
2. Deduct lands given up	96,438	1,48,105 8 9	1,15,352 15 10	2,63,458 8 7
3. Remainder ...	1,702,260	26,99,828 9 3	5,02,623 3 4	32,02,451 12 7
4. Add lands taken up	109,616	1,67,322 1 5	1,54,042 7 8	3,21,364 9 1
5. Occupation of Fasli 1284 ...	1,811,876	28,67,150 10 8	6,56,665 11 0	35,23,816 5 8
6. Difference between Nos. 1 and 5 ...	13,178	+ 19,216 8 8	+ 38,689 7 10	+ 57,906 0 6

8. The decrease is due to the facts that the Divi tanks received abundant supplies by the heavy freshes, and that timely rains made up to some extent the defect in the irrigation of Gudivada Taluq :—

Waste remitted.

Faslis.	Extent.	Assessment.	Water-tax.	Total.
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1283	19,922	42,470 15 1	52,433 14 7	94,904 13 8
1284	3,412	6,567 14 11	9,491 13 3	16,059 12 2
Difference ...	— 16,510	— 35,903 0 2	— 42,942 1 4	— 78,845 1 6

9. The lands charged were chiefly those left fallow and for pasture :—

Waste charged.

Faslis.	Extent.	Assessment.	Water-tax.	Total.
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1283	189,773	2,68,629 10 5	6,506 11 1	2,75,136 5 6
1284	194,904	2,74,433 0 3	8,093 6 11	2,82,526 7 2
Difference ...	+ 5,131	+ 5,803 5 10	+ 1,586 11 10	+ 7,390 1 8

10. The assessment of dry and garden lands of Swarna is included in Statement No. 3.

11. The following statement compares the settlement of Fasli 1284 with that of the previous Fasli :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Difference.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
Dry	1,617,896	24,37,443 1 5	1,620,862	24,36,270 13 8	+ 2,966	— 1,172 3 9
Wet.....	160,880	3,68,020 1 6	187,602	4,24,311 14 1	+ 26,722	+ 56,291 12 7
Total ...	1,778,776	28,05,463 2 11	1,808,464	28,60,582 11 9	+ 29,688	+ 55,119 8 10
Second-crop assessment.....	.....	149 0 10	.....	1,006 12 0	.....	+ 857 11 2
Additional assessment.....	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...
Water-tax.	.....	6,24,058 2 6	.....	6,67,303 13 2	.....	+ 43,245 10 8
Land-cess..... ...	.....	2,30,931 12 5	.....	2,39,589 15 7	.....	+ 8,658 3 2
Village Service Fund..	.....	91,563 10 6	.....	1,13,570 15 11	.....	+ 22,007 5 5
Total ...	.....	37,52,165 13 2	.....	38,82,054 4 5	.....	+ 1,29,888 7 3
Deduct Remissions.						
Land-cess.....	.....	2,30,931 12 5	.....	2,39,589 15 7	.....	+ 8,658 3 2
Village Service Fund..	.....	91,563 10 6	.....	1,13,570 15 11	.....	+ 22,007 5 5
Other remissions as per Statement No. 4.....	.....	1,61,830 11 10	.....	1,77,652 5 3	.....	+ 15,821 9 5
Total ...	.....	4,84,326 2 9	.....	5,30,813 4 9	.....	+ 46,487 2 0
Remaining Beriz.	.....	32,67,839 10 5	.....	33,51,240 15 8	.....	+ 83,401 5 3
Add miscellaneous items.....	.....	3,82,162 1 4	.....	4,01,048 9 5	.....	+ 18,886 8 1
Total ...	.....	36,50,001 11 9	.....	37,52,289 9 1	.....	+ 1,02,287 13 4

12. The decrease of assessment on an increased extent of dry cultivation must be attributed to the earlier effects of the settlement.

13. The increase under "Second-crop assessment" occurs in the upland taluqs, and is due to the good supplies received by the tanks, under which a second crop was raised.

14. The reason for the increase in water-tax is obvious, since the canals were well supplied, and there were good rains.

15. The causes for the increase under "Road Fund" are twofold. It is owing to increased occupation, and to the road-cess on some Zemindaries and Inams for the previous Fasli being settled in Fasli 1284.

16. The large increase of Village Service Fund chiefly occurs in Sattenapalli Taluq, where the Tahsildar says, the amount for Fasli 1283 was not included in the demand. He will be directed to explain his reasons for this omission. A small portion of the increase is, however, due to the extended occupation.

17. The fluctuations in remissions and miscellaneous items will be noticed in their proper places.

18. It will be seen that the increase in Ryotwar revenue amounts to Rupees 83,401. It is due to the following causes :—

(1.) The lands taken up being in excess of those given up.

(2.) The lands left waste, the assessment on which was remitted, being less than in the previous Fasli.

(3.) The increase in the water-tax.

19. *Enclosure B.*—The subjoined is an abstract showing the cultivation of special products. The decrease in cotton is due somewhat to the heavy rain in the beginning of the season, but mainly to the decreased demand owing to the fall in prices. The cultivation of indigo is gaining ground in this district. As the season was found to be favorable for its cultivation in some of the taluqs, it was extensively cultivated. Hence the increase in spite of some large crops having been destroyed by the floods :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.
Cotton	235,239	226,414	— 8,825
Indigo	27,151	31,585	+ 4,434
Total ...	262,390	257,999	— 4,391

20. *Enclosure C.*—There were no lands under progressive cowle.

21. *Enclosure D.*—No remission for partial waste was granted by any of the settling officers.

22. The annexed statement shows the principal sources of irrigation and the ayacut and cultivation under them. The ayacut under the Collair, tanks in upland taluqs, jungle streams and spring channels is fixed ; but the area classed as irrigated, to which irrigation is not refused,

together with the extent of lands newly converted into wet, is entered as ayacut under the anicut channels :—

Sources of Irrigation.	Ayacut.		Cultivation.		Deduct Remissions.	Remainder.
	Land.	Assessment.	Land.	Assessment.		
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Anicut channels	220,149	12,32,238	150,216	8,90,745 0 0	43,362 4 3	8,47,382 11 9
Collair Lake	35,033	1,58,759	1,926	9,626 7 0	152 3 0	9,474 4 0
Tanks, &c.	42,406	2,04,565	32,243	1,54,351 5 3	16,012 6 4	1,36,338 14 11
Hill streams and spring channels	4,581	31,840	3,217	16,762 15 7	... ...	16,762 15 7
Total ...	302,169	16,27,402	187,602	10,71,485 11 10	61,526 13 7	10,09,958 14 8

23. A statement of ruined tanks given over to private enterprize is shown below. A tank at Polampalli in Nandigama Taluq with an ayacut of Acres 13·75 was made over during the Fasli to one P. Ramaya under Board's Proceedings, No. 487, dated 5th March 1874 :—

Taluqs.	Ayacut.		Cultivation.		Deduct Remissions.	Remainder.
	Land.	Assessment.	Land.	Assessment.		
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Guntoor	61	182 2 1	61	182 2 1	... ...	182 2 1
Palnad	65	163 5 0	65	163 5 0	... ...	163 5 0
Sattenapalli	17	42 11 0	17	42 11 0	... ...	42 11 0
Nandigama	122	306 8 4	122	306 8 4	... ...	306 8 4
Vinukonda	13	34 7 0	13	34 7 0	... ...	34 7 0
Total ...	278	729 1 5	278	729 1 5	... ...	729 1 5

24. No. 4. Statement showing the Particulars of Remissions.—The items of remission showing a noticeable increase or decrease are explained below.

25. *Loss of Produce.*—The large increase of Rupees 63,104 is due to the extensive remission found necessary on account of the damage done by the heavy floods to crops in both dry and wet lands.

26. *Lands flooded.*—Under this head is shown the remission granted on account of lands left waste owing either to excess or deficiency of water. It was not, however, so entered in the reports of former years, and the water-tax charged on the land in occupation after deducting the extent of waste remitted was given in Statement No. 3. But with reference to Board's Proceedings, No. 1,320, dated 17th May 1875, this is shown in Statement No. 3, and the remission entered in Statement No. 4. The reasons for the decrease of Rupees 42,942 have been assigned in paragraph 8.

27. *Taraguti Remission.*—As this is the second year of the introduction of the new settlement, the reason for the decrease of Rupees 2,249 is obvious.

Remission of the Difference between the old and new Rates of Assessment.—This item of remission was peculiar to Fasli 1283. Hence there is a decrease of Rupees 4,262.

28. Remission was granted for dry lands under Board's Proceedings, Miscellaneous No. 823, dated 4th February 1875, in taluqs which were inundated by the heavy freshes of September.

29. The amounts in the margin are the remissions granted on account of dry and wet lands.

	RS.
Irrigated	68,753
Unirrigated	26,346
Total...	95,099

The aggregate amount of remission both occasional and usual is Rupees 1,77,652 against Rupees 1,61,830 in the previous Fasli. The increase of Rupees 15,822 is but nominal. The assessment remitted on waste lands during the

Fasli is Rupees 6,567 against Rupees 42,470 in the previous Fasli, showing a decrease of Rupees 35,903. The above nominal increase being deducted from this sum, there is virtually a net decrease of Rupees 20,081. The amount of dry remission granted in the Repalli Taluq not having been settled before the close of the Fasli is not included in this report, but it amounts only to Rupees 8,382.

30. No. 5. Statement showing the Demand, Collection, and Balance of Miscellaneous Items.—*Revenue from Amani Villages.*—The decrease of Rupees 11,942 is due to the Government share of the produce of wet lands in Swarna as it was not settled before the close of the Fasli. It is Rupees 4,389.

31. *Cultivation of Poramboke Lands, No.* 9.—The decrease of Rupees 16,330 is attributable to two causes. As the new settlement was introduced in the last Fasli, the encroachments of ryots upon adjacent unoccupied lands were brought to account and visited with punitive assessments. Many of such unauthorized occupations were therefore given up. Lands left undemarcated by the Settlement Department are shown under *this head, and charged with* old rates pending their assessment according to settlement rates in due course. Some of these lands appear to have been given up during the Fasli.

32. *Grass-rents, No.* 12.—The reasons for the decrease of Rupees 5,424 are that the grazing rents of some of the villages in the Divi division of Bandar Taluq were cancelled with the consent of the renters, a measure intended for the relief of the ryots of flood-stricken villages, and that in Gudivada Taluq there was less competition than usual.

33. *Rent on Roots for Dyeing Cloth, No.* 32.—The decrease of Rupees 1,335 is owing to the right of picking chayroot being included in the sales of pasture rents.

34. *Water-tax on Zemindari and Inam Lands, No.* 46.—The large increase of Rupees 56,308 is due to the water-tax of some of the Zemindaries left unsettled by the close of the previous Fasli having been collected during Fasli 1284.

35. A comparison of the revenue derived from miscellaneous items of Faslis 1283 and 1284 gives a net increase of Rupees 18,886 in favor of the latter. Items which are not specially provided for in Statement No. 5 are entered under other items, the details of which are shown in another statement attached to it.

36. No. 6. Statement showing the Demand, Collection, and Balance of Zemindaries, &c.—The subjoined is a memorandum showing the arrears of peishcush and shrotriem on Zemindaries and Agraharams. The balance, after deducting the collections subsequent to the close of the Fasli and the amount recommended to be written off the accounts, will be collected :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Arrear at the end of the Fasli	1,07,347	11	10
Deduct subsequent collections	76,373	4	6
Balance ...	30,974	7	4
Deduct the amount recommended to be written off	1,082	14	4
* Balance ...	29,891	9	0

* Of Fasli 1284, Rupees 28,991-5-5.
Of former Faslis, Rupees 900-3-7.

37. The large arrear at the close of the Fasli is chiefly due to the non-payment of the kists by the Zemindar of Devaracota. The death of the Zemindar, the damage done by the floods to the estate, and the quarrels among the sons were the prominent causes for the accumulation of the arrear. A good portion has since been realized, and the personal and real property of the late Zemindar is now under attachment and will be sold in due course of law if the arrear be not shortly paid. There was a also a pretty large arrear on the Zemindaries of Chintalapad, Vallur and Gudur, a good portion of which has subsequently been collected. The two former estates were also affected by the floods.

38. No. 7. Statement showing the Demand, Collection, and Balance of all Sources of Revenue.—The annexed is an abstract showing the whole revenue demand as compared with that of Fasli 1283:—

Items.	Fasli 1283. Rs.	A.	P.	Fasli 1284. Rs.	A.	P.	Difference. Rs.	A.	P.
Peishcush on Permanently-settled Estates	2,97,254	0	5	2,97,232	9	1	— 21	7	4
Jodi and Quit-rent on Shrotriem and Inam villages	32,877	15	0	32,842	4	10	— 35	10	2
Ryotwar	32,67,839	10	5	33,51,240	15	8	+ 83,401	5	3
Miscellaneous	3,82,162	1	4	4,01,048	9	5	+ 18,886	8	1
Total ...	39,80,133	11	2	40,82,364	7	0	+ 1,02,230	11	10
Sundry Sources.									
Abkári...	2,26,403	4	10	2,26,001	5	4	— 401	15	6
Income-tax	102	3	0	22	0	0	— 80	3	0
Salt	11,47,425	15	0	14,11,488	8	10	+ 2,64,062	9	10
Sea Customs	19,521	3	10	15,074	4	0	— 4,446	15	10
Stamps	1,70,327	14	1	1,73,084	9	5	+ 2,756	11	4
Total ...	15,63,780	8	9	18,25,670	11	7	+ 2,61,890	2	10
Grand Total ...	55,43,914	3	11	59,08,035	2	7	+ 3,64,120	14	8

39. *Peishcush.*—The small decrease is due to the reduction of peishcush on the Zemindar of Nuzid on account of lands taken up for public purposes in the Godavery District.

40. *Quit-rent on Inam Villages.*—The decrease is chiefly due to the fact that a sum of quit-rent which should have been demanded from Fasli 1280 was included in the Beriz of Fasli 1283 for Arepally Agraharam.

41. The fluctuations under "Ryotwar" and "Miscellaneous" have been explained in paragraphs 18,30 to 34, respectively.

42. *Abkári.*—The decrease is due to less confiscations of liquor for breaches of Abkári laws.

43. *Salt.*—There is an increase in the sales at all the stations but Nizampatam. The increase at Pondraka is small. The merchants of Masulipatam bought large quantities at Mangenapudi for exportation to the Hyderabad country. Chinna-Ganjam was resorted to by a larger number of Brinjaries. At Nizampatam the quantity that could be stored was sold :—

Stations.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
Pondraka	161,086	167,504	+ 6,418
Mangenapudi	472,034	642,912	+ 170,878
Nizampatam...	288,502	213,979	— 74,523
Chinna-Ganjam	225,804	387,093	+ 161,289
Total ...	1,147,426	1,411,488	+ 264,062

44. *Sea Customs.*—The decrease is due to two causes, *viz.*, the unusual import of cocoanuts from the Maldives, and cotton goods from England during the previous Fasli.

45. *Stamps.*—The increase is apparently due to increased litigation, and to the revised rates of Process Service Fees.

46. The subjoined abstract compares the collections of Faslis 1283 and 1284 from the various sources of revenue :—

Items.	Collections in Fasli 1284.						Collections in Fasli 1283.						Difference.		
	Arrears.			Current.			Total.			Arrears.			Current.			Total.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Land Revenue.																					
Permanently settled	20,833	10	1	1,95,784	8	2	2,16,618	2	3	10,280	0	6	2,76,452	6	4	2,86,732	6	10	— 70,114	4	7
Shrotriem Jodi	2,230	11	5	28,985	6	10	31,216	2	3	1,891	2	6	30,511	0	8	32,402	3	2	— 1,186	0	11
Ryotwar	58,838	5	2	31,75,067	3	0	32,33,905	8	2	43,738	12	0	31,94,500	5	7	32,38,239	1	7	— 4,333	9	5
Miscellaneous	41,747	5	6	3,32,885	3	1	3,74,632	8	7	50,677	9	10	3,33,653	1	6	3,84,330	11	4	— 9,698	2	9
Total	1,23,650	0	2	37,32,722	5	1	38,56,372	5	3	1,06,587	8	10	38,35,116	14	1	39,41,704	6	11	— 85,332	1	8
Extra Sources.																					
Abkári	7,048	14	3	2,11,769	6	4	2,18,818	4	7	14,360	6	9	2,19,354	6	7	2,33,714	13	4	— 14,896	8	9
Income-tax	.....	...	...	22	0	0	22	0	0	7	5	3	102	3	0	109	8	3	— 87	8	3
Salt	.....	...	...	14,11,488	8	10	14,11,488	8	10	.....	...	...	11,47,425	15	0	11,47,425	15	0	+2,64,062	9	10
Sea Customs	.....	...	...	15,074	4	0	15,074	4	0	.....	...	...	19,521	3	10	19,521	3	10	— 4,446	15	10
Stamps	.....	...	...	1,73,084	9	5	1,73,084	9	5	....	...	...	1,70,327	14	1	1,70,327	14	1	+ 2,756	11	4
Total	7,048	14	3	18,11,438	12	7	18,18,487	10	10	14,367	12	0	15,56,731	10	6	15,71,099	6	6	+2,47,388	4	4
Grand Total	1,30,698	14	5	55,44,161	1	8	56,74,860	0	1	1,20,955	4	10	53,91,848	8	7	55,12,803	13	5	+1,62,056	2	8

47. *Permanently settled.*—The reasons for the decrease have been shown in paragraph 36.

48. The decrease in the collection of Shrotriem Jodi as well as of Ryotwar and miscellaneous revenue is due to one or the other of these causes, *viz.*, the difficulty of collection in the taluqs which suffered from the floods, and the late settlement of some of the taluqs.

49. *Abkári.*—The decrease is owing to the tardy payment of kists at the close of the term of the lease.

50. *Salt, Sea Customs and Stamps.*—Explanation in paragraphs 43, 44 and 45 apply to the increase or decrease under these heads.

51. The following abstract exhibits the current demand, collection, and balance of all sources of revenue :—

Items.	Demand.	Collection within the Fasli.	Balance.	Subsequent Collections up to the end of August 1875.	Balance.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Permanently settled	297,232 9 1	1,95,784 8 2	1,01,448 0 11	74,178 8 4	27,269 8 7
Shrotriem Jodi	32,842 4 10	28,985 6 10	3,856 14 0	2,135 1 2	1,721 12 10
Ryotwar	33,51,240 15 8	31,75,067 3 0	1,76,173 12 8	93,728 5 8	82,445 7 0
Miscellaneous	4,01,048 9 5	3,32,885 3 1	68,163 6 4	17,437 1 3	50,726 5 1
Total ...	40,32,364 7 0	37,32,722 5 1	3,49,642 1 11	1,87,479 0 5	1,62,163 1 6
Abkári	2,26,091 5 4	2,11,769 6 4	14,231 15 0	7,731 15 0	6,500 0 0
Income-tax	22 0 0	22 0 0	... ...	... ...	... ...
Salt	14,11,488 8 10	14,11,488 8 10	... ...	... ...	... ...
Sea Customs	15,074 4 0	15,074 4 0	... ...	... ...	... ...
Stamps	1,73,084 9 5	1,73,084 9 5	... ...	... ...	... ...
Total ...	18,25,670 11 7	18,11,438 12 7	14,231 15 0	7,731 15 0	6,500 0 0
Grand Total ...	59,08,035 2 7	55,44,161 1 8	3,63,874 0 11	1,95,210 15 5	1,68,663 1 6

Of the total beriz of Rupees 59,08,035-2-7, a sum of Rupees 55,44,161-1-8 was collected during the Fasli. The subsequent collections amount to Rupees 1,95,210-15-5.

52. No. 8. STATEMENT SHOWING THE COLLECTIONS OF ARREARS.—*The demand, collection and balance of arrears of all sources of revenue are exhibited in the abstract given below :—*

Items.	Demand.	Collection.	Remission.	Balance.	Subsequent Collections.	Balance.							
						Recoverable.		Doubtful.		Irrecoverable.		Total.	
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	
Land Revenue.													
Permanently settled	20,961 10 1	20,833 10 1	128 0 0	... ...	... ...	... ...		... ...		... ...		... ...	
Jodi on Inam Villages	4,273 8 4	2,230 11 5	... ...	2,042 12 11	59 11 0	900 3 7		... ...		1,083 14 4		1,983 1 11	
Ryotwar	91,287 3 2	58,838 5 2	5,293 12 5	27,165 1 7	685 7 8	10,395 14 5		2,523 12 10		13,559 14 8		26,479 9 11	
Miscellaneous	71,560 6 1	41,747 5 6	4,252 5 2	25,580 11 5	487 12 2	17,690 7 2		2,198 10 2		5,203 13 11		25,093 15 3	
Total ...	1,88,102 11 8	1,23,650 0 2	9,664 1 7	54,788 9 11	1,232 14 10	29,986 9 2		4,722 7 0		19,846 10 11		53,555 11 1	
Extra Sources.													
Abkári	7,048 14 3	7,048 14 3	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...		... ...		... ...		... ...	
Income-tax	....	....	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...		... ...		... ...		... ...	
Total ...	7,048 14 3	7,048 14 3	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...		... ...		... ...		... ...	
Grand Total ...	1,95,151 9 11	1,30,698 14 5	9,664 1 7	54,788 9 11	1,232 14 10	29,986 9 2		4,722 7 0		19,846 10 11		53,555 11 1	

Of the balance of Rupees 1,95,151-9-11 outstanding at the commencement of the Fasli, Rupees 1,30,698-14-5 were collected, and Rupees 9,664-1-7 were written off the accounts under the orders of Government, leaving a balance of Rupees 54,788-9-11 at the close of the Fasli. This has been reduced by subsequent collections to Rupees 1,232-14-10, which sum is classified into recoverable, irrecoverable and doubtful.

53. Steps have been taken for the speedy realization of the recoverable arrears, Rupees 28,986-9-2, and after necessary inquiries, the doubtful, Rupees 4,722-7-0, will be collected or recommended to be remitted as the circumstances of each case may demand.

54. Orders have not yet been received for writing off the accounts the amount of irrecoverable arrears, Rupees 12,533-2-5, mentioned in the last Settlement Report. Of this sum, Rupees 1,027-10-6 have subsequently been collected.

55. The following statement gives the details of the sum of Rupees 8,341-3-0 now entered as irrecoverable. I request that the Board will be pleased to obtain sanction to remit this sum :—

Nature of the Items.	Amount recommended for Remission. Rs. A. P.
1. Arrear outstanding against pauper ryots, whose property, personal and real, has been sold	2,838 1 3
2. Assessment on lands taken up for public purposes	909 10 6
Quit-rent on Inam lands taken up for public purposes	4 4 0
Assessment on lands relinquished in time, but not deducted from the accounts by mistake	39 3 7
5. Assessment and water-tax on wet lands to which certificates of the Public Works Department have been given that water could not be supplied	760 11 1
6. Assessment on Porambokes twice included in the accounts by mistake.	36 12 3
7. Assessment on occupied lands twice included in the accounts by mistake.	122 10 3
8. Water-tax do. do. do. do. ...	38 8 6
9. Jodi on Service Inams relinquished	20 2 1
10. Do. do. rendered unfit for cultivation	61 12 0
11. Assessment charged on lands subsequently discovered to be portions of Inams	18 7 4
12. Amount of Curnam's perquisites usually deducted from the beriz of certain villages	56 15 3
13. Assessment of lands for which freehold puttas have been taken ...	0 15 5
14. Assessment on lands usually remitted on account of the Mohatad of Gangulagunta in Palnad Taluq	15 0 0
15. Amount of bad Inams included in the Dowle by mistake	7 12 9
16. Vandra remission included in the Dowle, but subsequently ordered on inquiry	39 7 10
17. Quit-rent on Inams incorporated with Seri	141 0 0
18. Assessment on lands washed away by the river	490 10 8
19. Jodi on Service Inams said to have been improperly imposed by the Zemindars, but subsequently remitted by the Inam Commissioner...	37 0 0
20. Assessment on lands found deficient on measurement	108 1 9
21. Amount of fines imposed by the Tahsildars, but remitted by the Collector	21 12 0
22. Assessment charged on backyards under the mistake that they were Porambokes	17 10 2
23. Water-tax charged by mistake on dry lands under the impression that they were wet lands	1,010 4 6
24. Amount reduced by the revised rates subsequently given by the Settlement Department	6 7 0
25. Amount reduced by discrepancies in the areas subsequently discovered by the Settlement Department	46 3 4
26. Assessment of lands, the grass and roots in which were dug up by the Public Works Department	23 7 0
27. Assessment of lands in which topes were planted by the Department of Public Works	21 1 9
28. Assessment collected, but not credited in the accounts	36 0 4
29. Water-tax charged on usual wet Inams under the impression that they were dry converted into wet	1,042 13 6

Nature of the Items.	Amount recommended for Remission. RS. A. P.
30. Difference of water-tax charged at Rupees 4 per acre on lands irrigated by mechanical contrivances, which should have been charged at Rupees 3 per acre	30 13 0
31. Prohibitive water-tax charged on dry lands converted into wet without permission, but subsequently remitted on the ground that the charge was unauthorized and excessive	125 5 0
32. Water-tax charged on lands subsequently ascertained to have been irrigated by rain water	43 9 10
33. Process of the sale of chayroot within municipal limits of Masulipatam, which has subsequently been cancelled	8 4 0
34. Assessment remitted on account of the amount charged in excess ...	27 3 4
35. Difference of water-tax at Rupees 4 per acre and the rate usually charged, *viz.*, Rupees 25 per Katti, before the issue of the water-tax rules applicable to upland tanks	133 1 9
Total ...	8,341 3 0

56. *Enclosure A.*—The annexed abstract shows the extent to which coercive measures were employed in the recovery of arrears of revenue:—

Processes issued.			Property attached.		Property sold.	
Villages.	Ryots.	Arrears.	Value of personal Property.	Value of real Property.	Value of personal Property.	Value of real Property.
618	6,830	RS. 2,38,423	RS. 1,37,459	RS. 10,939	RS. 4,081	RS. 2,192

57. No. 9. Statement showing the Particulars of gross Collections and Charges.—The subjoined abstract shows the gross receipts and charges as compared with that of the preceding year together with their percentage:—

Items.	Fasli 1283. RS. A. P.	Fasli 1284. RS. A. P.	Difference. RS. A. P.
Receipts	55,12,803 13 5	56,74,860 0 1	+1,62,056 2 8
Charges.			
Management	1,91,793 3 5	1,79,838 9 4	— 11,954 10 1
Extra	56,258 10 3	52,703 9 2	— 3,555 1 1
Total ...	2,48,051 13 8	2,32,542 2 6	— 15,509 11 2
Percentage of Charges to Receipts ...	4 8 0	4 1 0	... ...

58. The fluctuations in receipts having already been explained, the reasons for the increase or decrease under the various heads of charges are given hereunder.

59. The following statement gives the particulars of charges :—

Items.	Fasli 1283. RS. A. P.	Fasli 1284. RS. A. P.	Difference. RS. A. P.
Salary and Expenses	1,79,004 13 7	1,66,782 10 0	— 12,222 3 7
Abkári	....	....	....
Income-tax	....	....	....
Sea Customs	2,760 4 4	3,242 9 0	+ 482 4 8
Salt	62,027 14 10	59,363 15 4	— 2,663 15 6
Stamps	4,258 12 11	3,153 0 2	— 1,105 12 9
Total ...	2,48,051 13 8	2,32,542 2 6	— 15,509 11 2

60. *Salaries and Expenses.*—The decrease is chiefly attributable to two causes: First, the confirmation of Mr. Wilson as District Judge; and, secondly, the absence of Mr. Leman on privilege leave.

61. *Sea Customs.*—The increase is due to the fees collected for the working of the officials out of office hours being in excess of the collections of the previous Fasli.

62. *Salt.*—The decrease chiefly occurs in the manufacturer's share of salt purchased and contingencies. The quantity manufactured was less than in the previous Fasli.

63. *Stamps.*—The decrease is owing to reduced rates of discount during the whole Fasli.

64. No. 10. Statement showing the Receipts and Sales of Salt.—No. 11. Statement showing the Particulars of Wastage of Salt.—The annexed abstract shows the receipts and sales of salt during the Fasli as compared with the transactions of the previous Fasli :—

Items.	Fasli 1283. IN. MDS.	Fasli 1284. IN. MDS.	Difference. IN. MDS.
Salt in store at the beginning of Fasli	1,074,263	1,107,878	+ 33,615
Salt manufactured and received into store during the year	620,337	479,032	— 141,305
Total ...	1,694,600	1,586,910	— 107,690
Sales.			
Home consumption	411,353	510,429	+ 99,076
Inland consumption	162,306	195,282	+ 32,976
Exportation by Sea	.....	67,470	+ 67,470
Total ...	573,659	773,181	+ 199,522
Remainder ...	1,120,941	813,729	— 307,212
Deduct wastage written off ...	13,063	9,970	— 3,093
Remainder ...	1,107,878	803,759	— 304,119
Wastage to be written off ...	.....	83,336	.....
Remainder ...	.....	720,423	.....

There is a decrease of 141,305 Indian maunds in the quantity of salt manufactured and received into store. This occurs in the Bantumilli and Chinna-Ganjam Cotaurs, where the quantity stored was less than what was estimated. The increase in the sales has already been accounted for.

65. The particulars of wastage are shown in the margin. I request that the Board will be pleased to obtain sanction to write off the accounts the quantity of Faslis 1283 and 1284, which amounts to 83,336 Indian maunds.

Wastage.

	In Mds.	P. C.
Faslis 1283	34,741	5·39.
Do. 1284	48,595	5 91.
Difference ...	+13,854	+0 52.

66. The quantity of salt exported to Cuddalore was 67,470 Indian maunds.

67. Statement No. 12.—This statement shows the taluqwar particulars of demand and collection of the various sources of revenue.

68. Examination of Taluq and Village Accounts.—The accounts kept according to the Taluq and Village Manuals were, as usual, examined by the settling officers. They were for the

most part found correct, but the discrepancies brought to light were pointed out to the taluq and village officials with instructions for their future guidance.

69. The annexed statement exhibits the particulars of lands acquired by public servants:—

Items.	Number of Servants.	Extent of Land.	Remarks.
		ACS. C.	
Lands acquired up to Fasli 1283 ...	203	5,944 60	
Deduct lands of those deceased and discharged	...	... ...	
Remainder ...	203	5,944 60	
Add lands of the servants newly entertained and those newly acquired by old servants	1	233 20	* *Particulars.* Seri ... ... 2,161·76 Inam ... ... 4,016·04
Total ...	204	* 6,177 80	Total ... 6,177·80

70. Law Suits.—The following statement shows the costs awarded by Civil Courts in suits defended at the public expense :—

Number and Year of the Suit.	Parties against whom the Amount of Costs are awarded.	Amount of Costs awarded.			Amount recovered.	Balance.
		Balance at the beginning of Fasli.	Amount charged within the Fasli.	Total.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1. Original Suit No. 512 of 1871, Guntoor Munsif's Court file; Appeal No. 109 of 1872, District Court's file.	Srigerisetti Rangayya Naidu, defendant.	RS. A. P. 4 0 0	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P. 4 0 0	RS. A. P. 4 0 0	RS. A. P. ... ...
2. Original Suit No 155 of 1871, Masulipatam Munsif's Court's file; Appeal No. 34 of 1872, Masulipatam Principal Sadr Amin Court's file; Special Appeal No. 159 of 1873, High Court's file.	Kasenadhuny Bhayiravanundam, respondent.	20 10 1	1 13 4	22 7 5	22 7 5	... ...
3. Original Suit No. 157 of 1871, Masulipatam Munsif's Court's file; Appeal No. 35 of 1872, Masulipatam Principal Sadr Amin Court's file; Special Appeal No. 160 of 1873, High Court's file.	Ghuntasala Viramallu and others, respondents.	15 10 8	0 1 0	15 11 8	... ...	15 11 8
4. Original Suit No. 356 of 1872, Bapatla Munsif's Court's file.	Defendant, Bhattiprolu Krishnama.	12 5 1	2 8 0	14 13 1	... ...	14 13 1
5. Original Suit No. 579 of 1872, Guntoor Munsif's Court's file.	Jonnalagadda Lakshminursu, plaintiff.	16 1 0	0 10 9	16 11 9	16 11 9	... ...
6. Original Suit No. 173 of 1873, Karempudi Munsif's Court's file.	Plaintiffs, Kurapati Venkayya.	12 10 0	4 5 6	16 15 6	... ...	16 15 6
7. Original Suit No. 209 of 1873, Bapatla Munsif's Court's file.	Plaintiffs, Meka Viranna and others. Defendants, Kasturi Subbaroyudu and others.	35 0 7	10 0 1	45 0 8	45 0 8	... ...

Number and Year of the Suit.	Parties against whom the Amount of Costs are awarded.	Amount of Costs awarded.			Amount recovered.	Balance.
		Balance at the beginning of Fasli.	Amount charged within the Fasli.	Total.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8. Original Suit No. 380 of 1873, Bapatla Munsif's Court's file; Appeal No. 88 of 1874, District Court's file.	Plaintiffs Srematkumara Panditaradhulu Chenna Mallaya Ayyawar.	RS. A. P. 23 11 8	RS. A. P. 9 1 3	RS. A. P. 32 12 11	RS. A. P. 32 12 11	RS. A. P. ... ...
9. Original Suit No. 486 of 1873, Bapatla Munsif's Court's file; Appeal No. 118 of 1874, District Court's file.	Plaintiff, Jannasvami Rangavudhanulu.	... ...	9 5 10	9 5 10	... ...	9 5 10
10. Original Suit No. 408 of 1873, Bezwada Munsif's Court's file; Appeal No. 90 of 1874, Masulipatam Subordinate's Court's file.	Plaintiffs, Pemmasani Sambayya and others.	... ...	42 0 3	42 0 3	... ...	42 0 3
11. Original Suit No. 472 of 1873, Bezwada Munsif's Court's file.	Plaintiff Akkerazu Sitaramayya.	... ...	12 10 0	12 10 0	... ...	12 10 0
12. Original Suit No. 587 of 1873, Karempudi Munsif's Court's file; Appeal No. 47 of 1874, District Court's file.	Plaintiffs Davulmi, Ramanna.	... .	6 13 10	6 13 10	6 13 10	... ...
13. Original Suit No. 868 of 1874, Masulipatam Munsif's Court's file.	Plaintiffs Hazi Mahomed and others.	... ...	7 5 0	7 5 0	... ...	7 5 0
14. Original Suit No. 434 of 1874, Guntoor Munsif's Court's file.	Plaintiffs, Pendyala Venkata Subbaya.	... ...	0 11 5	0 11 5	... ...	0 11 5
15. Original Suit No. 490 of 1874, Guntoor Munsif's Court's file.	Plaintiffs Kareti, Kondalu.	... ...	1 10 0	1 10 0	1 9 0	0 1 0
	Total ...	140 1 1	109 0 3	249 1 4	*129 7 7	119 9 9

* Collected during the Fasli 1284... ... ... RS. A. P. 96 10 8
Collected subsequently 32 12 11

71. In addition to the sum of Rupees 12-10-0 recommended to be remitted in the last Settlement Report, I request that the Board will be pleased to obtain sanction for writing off the accounts the following sums, as the parties were reported to have no property :—

	RS. A. P.
3	15 11 8
6	4 5 6
Total ...	20 1 2

72. With reference to Board's Proceedings, No. 3,417, dated 26th November 1874, the statements of agricultural statistics are submitted herewith.

73. The subjoined memorandum shows the particulars of the entire area of the district.

Items.	Area. Square Miles.	Area. Acres.
Entire area of the district	7,823	5,006,711
Deduct—		
Zemindari villages	1,410	902,268
Agraharam do.	295	189,252
Inams in Government villages	744	475,774
Total	2,449	1,567,294
Remaining Government land	5,374	3,439,417
Deduct Porambokes	1,845	1,180,323
Remaining assessed land	3,529	2,259,094
Of this the extent of land occupied in Fasli 1284	...	1,811,876
Add arable area of Agraharams and area of Inams in Government villages	...	629,496
Total	...	2,441,372
Particulars.		
Extent under food-grains	...	1,487,967
Do. other crops	...	441,859
Do. waste	...	511,546
Total	...	2,441,372

74. (1.) *Food-grains.*—There is an increase of Acres 37,834 in the area of land cultivated with wet paddy. This is due to extended occupation of wet lands and conversion of dry lands to wet during Fasli 1284.

	Rs.
Fasli 1283	1,88,491
,, 1284	2,26,325
	+ 37,834
Fasli 1283	14,68,518
,, 1284	14,50,540
	— 17,978

75. There is a decrease of Acres 17,978 in the extent of land under dry crops.

76. The number of acres on which food-grains were grown was 1,676,865 against 1,657,009 in the preceding Fasli, exhibiting an increase of Acres 19,856.

77. (2.) *Seeds.*—The extent cultivated with seeds was Acres 124,765 against Acres 121,996, showing an increase of Acres 2,769.

78. (3.) *Garden Crops.*—The extent cultivated with garden crops of both descriptions was Acres 48,886 against Acres 49,695, exhibiting a decrease of Acres 809.

79. (4.) *Topes.*—The area under Topes was Acres 9,973 against Acres 10,021, showing a decrease of forty-eight.

80. (5.) *Special Crops.*—The fluctuations in the extent of land under these crops are noted below :—

		Rs.			Rs.
Cotton	Fasli 1283	2,45,250	Indigo	Fasli 1283	27,756
	,, 1284	2,28,286		,, 1284	39,913
		— 16,964			+ 12,157

81. The total area of land under crop was Acres 2,129,346 against Acres 2,112,242, exhibiting an increase of Acres 17,104.

82. Rates of Produce.—The outturn of wet paddy was better than in Fasli 1283 ; that of cholum, variga, black gram, Bengal gram, horse gram, anumulu and bobbarlu was, however, inferior ; and that of the rest of the crops was generally equal to or better than the outturn of Fasli 1283.

83. Prices.—There was generally a decrease in the harvest prices of Fasli 1284 when compared with those of Fasli 1283.

Masulipatam,
20th September 1875.

(Signed) H. NEWMAN,
Acting Collector.

SUB-COLLECTORATE.

I have the honor to submit my report on the Annual Settlement of the Sub-Division for 1874-75 or Fasli 1284, with the usual Statements.

2. The Settlement of the Bapatla Taluq was conducted by Mr. McCarthy, that of the Sattenapalli Taluq by the Collector, and that of the Guntoor Taluq by the Sub-Collector.

3. The following abstract shows the stations where and the officers by whom the Settlement of each taluq was conducted with the period occupied :—

Officers.	Taluqs.	Number of Villages.	Number of Puttas.	Stations.	Period occupied in the Settlement.
S. T. McCarthy, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector.	Bapatla ...	110	17,391	Bapatla	17th, 18th, 19th, 21st 25th, 26th, 27th, 29th, and 31st May 1875, and 2nd and 3rd June 1875.
				Karlapalan ...	7th June 1875.
H. Newman, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector, and S. T. McCarthy, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector.	Guntoor...	129	16,638	Prattipad ...	16th, 18th, and 20th Jan. 1875.
				Mangalagheri..	30th Jan. 3rd Feb. and 20th April 1875.
				Guntoor... ...	8th, 11th, and 12th Feb. 1875.
				Tadikonda ...	26th March 1875.
				Tullur	29th ,, ,,
G. D. Leman, Esq., Collector.	Sattennapalli.	162	14,901	Amaravaty ...	14th, 15th, 16th, 18th, 19th, 20th, and 21st Jan. 1875.
				Krosur	24th Jan. 1875.
				Sattennapalli...	27th, 28th, and 29th Jan. 1875.

4. The annexed memorandum shows the number of puttas issued this year as compared with the preceding year :—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283 or 1873-74.	Fasli 1284 or 1874-75.	Increase.	Decrease.
Bapatla	17,190	17,391	201	...
Guntoor	15,271	16,638	1,367	...
Sattennapalli	14,771	14,901	130	...

5. There has been no change in the number or tenure of the villages.

6. The following abstract shows the average rainfall during the year in comparison with that of the preceding year :—

Months.	Fasli 1283 or 1873-74.	Fasli 1284 or 1874-75.	Increase.	Decrease.
1874.	IN. C.	IN. C.	IN. C.	IN. C.
April...	...	...	...	...
May	1 68	4 23	2 55	...
June	3 6	3 75	0 69	...
July	0 69	4 33	3 63	...
August	4 21	2 95	...	1 26
September	3 48	5 56	2 8	...
October	12 79	7 53	...	5 26
November...	0 77	2 25	1 48	...
December...	...	...	...	...
1875.				
January	...	1 50	1 50	...
February	...	...	...	...
March	...	0 46	0 46	...
Total ...	26 68	32 56	12 39	6 52
Deduct decrease ...	...	...	6 52	...
Net increase	...	...	5 87	...
Average	3 81	3 62	...	...

7. In the beginning of the season there were good rains which enabled the ryots to raise extensively the early crops, Sajja, Korra, Gidda Jonna, and Mokka Jonna and others; these crops were in a promising state in all the three taluqs of the sub-division, but from the heavy rains and floods of the Kistna river that came down in the latter part of September, they were partly damaged, more especially in thirty-three villages of the Guntoor Taluq bordering on the Kistna river and channels. The loss so occurred was somewhat compensated by the crops subsequently grown on those injured lands.

8. The dry paddy crops Velavadam, Jilama, and Budama also gave on the whole good outturn, and the Varagoo which is the staple dry crop of the country yielded well.

9. The cholum crop is said to have suffered from excessive rains and to have yielded but a scanty return, being also affected by insects.

10. For pulse grains the season was not so good as was expected, the outturn being half the average.

11. The wet paddy crop under the tanks in the Sattennapalli and Guntoor Taluqs gave a good return except in three villages of the former, of which the tanks did not receive proper supplies, and in some of the thirty-three villages of the latter affected by floods.

12. In the Bapatla Taluq also the wet paddy crop yielded well, though it suffered from inundation by over-supply in the irrigation and other channels in the coast villages of the taluq.

13. The public health was affected by small-pox and fever in the Sattennapalli, Guntoor, and Bapatla Taluqs, and guinea-worm also in the first two taluqs, but the loss of life was not extensive. The services of the Vaccinators are available in all the three taluqs, and medical aid can be got at Guntoor and in the dispensary at Cherala, Bapatla Taluq.

14. There was also an outbreak of disease among cattle called in Telugu "Peddarogam" (dysentery) and others, but the number of animals destroyed is not very great in any of the three taluqs.

15. *Statement No.* 2 shows that the prices of paddy and other grains including cholum were much lower this year than in the preceding year, due to the slackness of the export trade and little demand from other districts or from the Nizam's dominions.

Statement No. 3.—It will be seen from the annexed abstract that there was a net increase of Acres 2,177 Cents 91 in the extent of cultivation and of Rupees 12,267-9-2 in the assessment.

These results are due to the increase in the extent of lands taken up in this year above that of the previous year :—

Items.	Fasli 1283 or 1873-74.		Relinquished in Fasli 1284 or 1874-75.		Taken up in Fasli 1284 or 1874-75.		Remission on full waste.		Net Demand.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Land.	Assessment.	Land.	Assessment.	Land.	Assessment.	Land.	Assessment.	Land.	Assessment.	Land.	Assessment.	Land.	Assessment.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	ACS. C.	RS. A. P.	ACS. C.	RS. A. P.	ACS. C.	RS. A. P.	ACS. C.	RS. A. P.	ACS. C.	RS. A. P.	A. C.	RS. A. P.	ACS. C.	RS. A. P.
Dry.....	616,663 65	10,78,600 6 9	21,013 98	35,146 9 11	21,291 91	34,625 8 7	.....	... ...	616,941 58	10,78,079 0 5	277 93	... ...	.....	521 6 4
Wet.....	32,643 ...	2,06,377 9 6	4,884 12	29,555 15 8	6,929 96	43,067 7 7	145 86	732 8 5	34,542 98	2,19,156 9 0	1,899 98	13,788 15 6	.....	... ...
Total ...	649,306 65	12,84,978 0 3	25,898 10	64,702 9 7	28,221 87	77,692 11 2	145 86	732 8 5	651,484 56	12,97,235 9 5	2,177 91	12,788 15 6	.....	521 6 4
Deduct usual and other remissions	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	20,619 1 1	Deduct decrease	521 6 4		
Remainder.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12,76,616 8 4	Net Increase.	12,307 9 2	.....	.....
Fasalijasti or second crop assessment.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	272 12 1	.....	.....	.....	.....
Water-rate on dry crops.....	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,581 13 10	.....	.....	.....	.....
										12,80,471 2 3				

Enclosure A. shows that of the Acres 25,898 Cents 10, assessed at Rupees 64,702-9-7, entered as relinquishments, Acres 16,034 Cents 29, assessed at Rupees 44,602-2-2, are absolute relinquishments, and Acres 9,476 Cents 30, assessed at Rupees 18,270-12-1, are transfers, to which are added Acres 387 Cents 51, assessed at Rupees 1,829-11-4, being lands found less by measurement, and those of which the assessment was altered from wet to dry and *vice versa*; thus the total demand for the current year amounted to Rupees 12,80,471-2-3 after deducting remissions on account of full waste (Rupees 732-8-5), and including Fasaljasti or second crop assessment and water-rate on dry crops (Rupees 3,854-9-11.)

Enclosure B. shows that the total area on which cotton was cultivated was Acres 94,962 Cents 73, assessed at Rupees 1,54,552-0-11, being an increase of Acres 976 Cents 76, assessed at Rupees 40,994-3-4, above the figures of last year.

The cultivation of indigo this year was Acres 16,353 Cents 97, assessed at Rupees 30,646-6-7, exhibiting an increase of Acres 3,002 Cents 49, assessed at Rupees 7,439-12-1, above the figures of last year.

Enclosure C. is blank, there being no lands taken up on progressive cowles.

Enclosure D. No ruined tank has been made over to private enterprize this year.

Enclosure F. shows the wet irrigable and irrigated areas.

The increase in the assessment of irrigated area under channels is due to larger extent of land having been taken up this year, while the decrease in the case of lands irrigated under tanks is attributed to certain tanks in a village of Guntoor Taluq, Mutlur, having been classed by the

Settlement Department as incapable of irrigation, and the lands having thereupon been transferred from wet to dry.

Items.	Fasli 1284.				Increase in the irrigated area.		Decrease in the irrigated area.	
	Irrigable area.		Irrigated area.					
	Land.	Assessment.	Land.	Assessment.	Land.	Assessment.	Land.	Assessment.
	Acs. C.	Rs. A. P.	Acs. C.	Rs. A. P.	Acs. C.	Rs. A. P.	Acs. C.	Rs. A. P.
Under Kistna Channels ...	39,949 27	2,24,768 10 6	28,674 36	1,86,001 15 7	2,173 29	14,228 9 10	.....	.....
Under Tanks ...	8,984 66	62,683 3 7	5,990 78	33,763 10 10	.....	.....	151 15	840 9 1
Total ..	48,933 93	2,87,451 14 1	34,665 14	2,19,765 10 5	2,173 29	14,228 9 10	151 15	840 9 1

Items.	Fasli 1283.				Irrigated area.		Irrigable area.	
	Irrigable area.		Irrigated area.					
	Land.	Assessment.	Land.	Assessment.	Land.	Assessment.	Land.	Assessment.
	Acs C.	Rs. A. P.	Acs. C.	Rs. A. P.	Acs. C.	Rs. A. P.	Acs. C.	Rs. A. P.
Under Kistna Channels ...	39,949 27	2,24,768 10 6	26,501 7	1,71,773 5 9	39,949 27	2,24,768 10 6		
Under Tanks ...	9,174 33	63,354 14 8	6,141 93	34,604 3 9	8,984 66	62,683 3 7		
Total ..	49,123 60	2,88,123 9 2	32,643 0	2,06,377 9 6	48,933 93	2,87,451 14 1		

Statement No. 4 will show the details of remissions granted this year as compared with that of the past year :—

Items.	Fasli 1283 or 1873-74.	Fasli 1284 or 1874-75.	Increase.	Decrease.
Temporary Remissions.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Loss of produce	4,295 3 4	5,326 14 4	1,031 11 0	... ...
2. Lands flooded or injured by water	49 7 0	182 4 0	132 13 0	... ...
Total ...	4,344 10 4	5,509 2 4	1,164 8 0	... ...
Fixed Remissions.				
3. Salaries of Village Munsifs...	4,403 14 11	4,369 1 0	... ...	34 13 11
4. Do. of Mohatads and Vettyans	6,968 15 10	6,973 8 0	4 8 2	... ...
5. Do. to Curnams	159 12 0	159 12 0	... ...	... ...
6. Do. to Village Shroffs ..	10 0 0	10 0 0	... ...	... ...
7. Do. to Pilots...	10 0 0	10 0 0	... ...	... ...
8. Baratam or assignments to Curnams	416 0 0	416 0 0	... ...	... ...
9. Vandra remissions to the Curnams	3,242 7 7	3,171 9 9	... ...	70 13 10
Total ...	15,211 2 4	15,109 14 9	4 8 2	105 11 9
Grand Total ...	19,555 12 8	20,619 1 1	1,169 0 2	105 11 9
Deduct Decrease ...	... ...	... ...	105 11 9	... ...
Net Increase ...	... ...	... ...	1,063 4 5	... ...

	RS.	A.	P.	
Item No. 1 ...	1,031	11	0	The increase in these items is chiefly due to large remissions having been granted under these heads in the Guntoor Taluq on account of lands both dry and wet suffered by heavy floods and to a small extent in the Bapatla and Sattennapalli Taluqs.
,, ,, 2 ...	132	13	0	
,, ,, 3 ...	34	13	11	The decrease under this head is due to a variety of circumstances when offices became vacant by death of the incumbents.
,, ,, 4 ...	4	8	2	This increase is due to there being no vacancy this year.
,, ,, 9 ...	70	13	10	Certain of the lands entitled to Vandra remissions having been cultivated this year by others than the holders, the remission was resumed ; hence the decrease under this head.

Items.	Demand for Fasli 1283 or 1873-74.	Current Demand. Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Collection.	Remission.	Balance.	Total.	Con., ion between Columns 2 and 4.
Land Revenue, Miscellaneous.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
	89,847 3 4	17,923 0 10	78,004 4 5	95,927 5 3	76,479 0 6	2,361 10 0	17,086 10 9	78,840 10 6	11,842 14 11

Statement No. 5 will show the demand of Land Revenue, Miscellaneous, the collections, the remissions, and the balance for Fasli 1284.

There was a net decrease in the demand of this year of Rupees 11,842-14-11.

The following is the explanation of the items of increase and decrease :—

INCREASE.

RS. A. P.	
2,249 5 4	*Pullari.*—This is attributable to the higher rents obtained for grazing lands this year than in the last, the lands being sold including the rent of lands yielding cheyroot which were formerly sold distinctly.
1,502 0 9	*Water-cess on Inams.*—This increase is due to more lands having been irrigated this year.
1,293 0 11	*Double water-cess on Government Lands.*—Charge made for unauthorized application of Government water to lands.
298 15 7	*Sale of trees.*—The increase under this head is due to the realization of the value of trees grown in lands taken up for cultivation.
431 3 7	*Tope rents.*—This increase is attributed to higher rents obtained this year owing to good harvest.
113 3 11	*Excess Collections.*—Due to certain collections made by mistake over and above the demand.
170 9 2	Sundries.
6,058 7 3	Total.

DECREASE.

11,942 11 1	Assessment on wet lands of Swerna Village held on sharing system not having been settled within the close of the current year.
3,890 8 5	*Poramboke cultivation.*—This decrease is due to poramboke lands not having been cultivated without permission in such extent as in last year.
1,322 4 0	*Wild Cheyroot.*—This decrease is due to the sale of this article having this year been included in the Pullari or grass rents.
244 7 7	*Cultivation not included in the Jamabundi.*—There was no such cultivation this year ; hence the decrease.
368 4 0	Revenue fines. } Call for no remark.
133 3 1	Sundries. }
17,901 6 2	Total.
6,058 7 3	Deduct Increase.
11,842 14 11	Net Decrease.

13. *Statement No.* 6 shows the Demand, Collection, and Balance on account of quit-rent on Inam villages and of arrears of quit-rent :—

	Number of Inam villages.	Current demand including arrears.	Collection including arrears.	Balance.	
				Arrears.	Current.
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
	53	9,340 9 6	8,181 5 5	129 11 8	1,029 8 5

14. The Demand, Collection, and Balance Statement No. 7 shows a total demand on account of all sources of revenue of Rupees 15,11,349-4-9, of which Rupees 14,42,612-3-5 were collected within the year and Rupees 32,019-0 5 subsequently, making a total of Rupees 14,74,631-3-10,

and leaving a balance of Rupees 36,718-0-11 up to the end of August 1875, for the non-realization of part of which particular reasons are given below :—

Items.	Demand for Fasli 1284 or 1874-75.	Collection.					Balance.	Balance.	
		Within the year.	Subsequently up to the end of August 1875.	Total.				Arrears.	
Land Revenue.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.			Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
Ryotwar	12,80,471 2 3	12,34,702 14 5	21,284 15 4	12,55,987 13 9			24,483 4 6	31,885 13 1	
Shrotriem ...	8,641 12 2	7,612 3 9	641 9 1	8,253 12 10			387 15 4	693 13 4	
Miscellaneous.	78,004 4 5	63,490 15 4	10,092 8 0	73,583 7 4			4,420 13 1	17,923 0 10	
Total...	13,67,117 2 10	13,05,806 1 6	32,019 0 5	13,37,825 1 11			29,292 0 11	50,507 11 3	
Other Sources.									
Stamps.....	66,278 2 0	66,278 2 0	... ...	66,278 2 0			... ...	... ...	
Land-cess.....	77,347 15 11	69,926 15 11	... ...	69,926 15 11			7,421 0 0	8,090 2 10	
Ferry-rents ...	606 0 0	601 0 0	... ...	601 0 0			5 0 0	6 6 0	
Total...	1,44,232 1 11	1,36,806 1 11	... ...	1,36,806 1 11			7,426 0 0	8,096 8 10	
Grand Total...	15,11,349 4 9	14,42,612 3 5	32,019 0 5	14,74,631 3 10			36,718 0 11	58,604 4 1	

Collection.					Balance.
Within the year.	Subsequent collections.	Remission.	Total.		
Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.
21,728 12 5	... ...	3,747 2 7	25,475 15 0		6,409 14 1
569 1 8	... ...	... ...	569 1 8		129 11 8
12,988 1 2	... ...	2,361 10 0	15,349 11 2		2,573 5 8
35,285 15 3	... ...	6,108 12 7	41,394 11 10		9,112 15 5
... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...		... ...
6,832 8 0	... ...	... ...	6,832 8 0		1,257 10 10
... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...		6 6 0
6,832 8 0	... ...	... ...	6,832 8 0		1,264 0 10
42,118 7 3	... ...	6,108 12 7	48,227 3 10		10,377 0 3

Rs.	A.	P.	
28,265	12	6	Is in process of being recovered.
22	14	8	Remission annually granted to Curnams of Santaravur.— *Vide* Guntoor Collector's Order, 14th May 1856, No. 934.
3	1	2	Assessment on land said to be encroached upon by an Inamdar. The matter is under inquiry.
315	4	0	Assessment on lands washed away by the rivers. Still under inquiry.
69	13	7	The defaulters object to pay on the ground that there is deficiency in the holdings. Still under inquiry.
46	1	0	Water-cess on certain Inam which the holders object to pay on the ground that the Inam is usual wet land. Still under inquiry.
7	7	0	Difference between the wet assessment and water-rate charged on certain dry lands which the Settlement Department classed as wet. Still under inquiry.
12	12	0	Quit-rent reduced on certain Inams as per title-deeds recently issued.
182	15	8	Balance remaining due on account of lands which were sold for arrears of revenue.
236	9	7	Assessment on lands taken up for roads.
9	6	4	Double assessment on certain land taken by the Guntoor Municipality which was since ordered to be entered as irrecoverable.
43	13	7	Assessment on lands of which the holders object to pay on the ground that their lands were under attachment, and consequently not under their occupation. Still under inquiry.
22	3	2	Dasabhagam-cess on certain Inams in Dhulipalla Village, which the holders withheld on the ground that the tank supplying them is ruined.
1	13	6	Do. on do. in Gundlapalli which was classed as dry.
25	7	2	Quit-rent on Inams relinquished.
24	6	0	Bediga on Inams objected to by the holders.
2	0	0	Quit-rent on Inams of which the locality is not defined.
0	4	0	Fine imposed to the Village Munsif of Yemmajigudum while no one is appointed; a pure mistake.
29,292	0	11	Total.

Statement No. 8 will show the amount of arrears on account of all sources of revenue from Fasli 1273 to 1283, the collection within the year, as well as the balance classed as recoverable, irrecoverable, and doubtful, together with the amount of remission.

At the commencement of Fasli 1284, the amount of arrears outstanding was Rupees 50,507-11-3, of which Rupees 41,394-11-10 were collected within the fasli including remission, leaving a balance of Rupees 9,112-15-5.

Items.	Arrears due at the commencement of Fasli 1284.	Deduct.				Balance.	Of which		
		Collection within the Fasli.	Remission.	Total.			Recoverable.	Irrecoverable.	Doubtful.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Ryotwar	31,885 13 1	21,728 12 5	3,747 2 7	25,475 15 0		6,409 14 1	2,181 5 8	3,912 2 2	316 6 3
Shrotriem.....	698 13 4	569 1 8	... ...	569 1 8		129 11 8	35 11 10	93 15 10	... ...
Land Revenue, Miscellaneous.	17,923 0 10	12,988 1 2	2,361 10 0	15,349 11 2		2,573 5 8	1,160 4 5.	776 8 7	636 8 8
Total ...	50,507 11 3	35,285 15 3	6,108 12 7	41,394 11 10		9,112 15 5	3,377 5 11	4,782 10 7	952 14 11

Of the unadjusted balance of Rupees 9,112-15-5, a sum of Rupees 952-14-11 is classed as "doubtful," of which Rupees 440-4-4 are due on Velicherla Agraharam on account of water-cess which the Agraharamdar objected to pay on

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the ground that the land is usual wet, and the remainder, Rupees 512-10-7, is due on lands taken up for roads, and also from some individuals who raised objections to pay, regarding which further inquiries are being made.

Rupees 4,782-10-7 are irrecoverable and have been recommended for remission, *viz.*, Rupees 2,516-10-7 (after deducting Rupees 6,108-12-7 which were remitted) as per last report, and Rupees 2,266 were recommended as irrecoverable.

As regards the remainder Rupees 3,377-5-11 classed as recoverable, prompt measures will be taken for its speedy realization.

Coercive Measures.—Enclosure A in Statement No. 8 shows the extentto which coercive process was employed in the collection of revenue in Fasli 1284. Processes were issued in 137 villages against 10,152 defaulters for the recovery of Rupees 25,124-5-11. Property to the estimated value of Rupees 19,514-8-0 was attached; but the amount realized from the property actually sold was Rupees 1,915-0-10, of which Rupees 271 were the sale proceeds of land and Rupees 1,679-0-10 of personal property.

The Taluq and Village Accounts were examined at the time of the Annual Settlement by the officers who conducted it in the different taluqs.

Guntoor,
25th September 1875

(Signed) R. SEWELL,
Officiating Sub-Collector.

Exd. W. J. Lewis.

SETTLEMENT REPORT
OF
NELLORE.

I have the honor to submit the Jamabandi Report for Fasli 1284 (1874-75) with the prescribed returns, as per accompanying list, and the reports of the Sub-Collector and the Deputy Collector in charge of the Salt Department.

2. Villages at which the Settlement was made.—The following abstract shows the places at which the taluqs were settled, the names of officers by whom the Jamabandi of each taluq was conducted, and the time occupied by the settlement :—

Names of Officers.	Taluqs.	Villages at which Jamabandi was made.	Time occupied for Settlement.
G. VansAgnew, Esq., Collector.	Gudur ...	Kistnapatam... ...	From 10th April to 12th May.
	Nellore ...	Nellore	,, 26th and 27th May.
	Do. ...	Do.	,, 28th May to 25th July.
W. H. Glenny, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector.	Ongole ...	Addanki	,, 15th Feb. to 18th Feb.
		Inamanamellur ...	,, 3rd Mar. to 10th Mar.
		Ongole	,, 18th do. to 3rd April.
G. T. Mackenzie, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Collector, in charge of the Sub-Division.	Kandukur..	Kandukur	,, 22nd April to 26th April.
		Ramayapatam ...	,, 10th May to 15th May.
	Kanigiri ...	Mogallur	,, 14th to 16th June.
G. T. Mackenzie, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Collector.	Udayagiri .	Duttalur	,, 17th February.
		Gundamadakala ...	,, 19th and 20th February.
		Nandavaram... ...	,, 21st, 22nd, and 23rd Feb.
		Udayagiri	,, 24th to 27th Feb., and 1st to 5th March.
	Kavali ...	Kavali	,, 12th April to 4th June.
A. Sudarsana Row Puntalu, Acting Deputy Collector of Naidupett.	Rapur ...	Rapur	,, 16th to 27th March.
		Vedanaparte... ...	,, 29th March to 4th April.
	Atmakur. .	Atmakur	,, 3rd June to 3rd July and 27th July to 2nd August.
		Devarapapalli. ...	,, 4th July to 27th July.

(1.) The extra accounts which had to be prepared for the gradual introduction of the new rates of assessment under G.O., dated 16th October 1874, No. 1,333, and the details which had to be collected for the calculation of remissions on account of damage caused by the disastrous flood of October 1874, caused much delay in the settlement of some of the taluqs,

especially Nellore, where the Jamabandi was concluded nearly a month after the close of the Fasli. The outbreak of cholera subsequently in Nellore interfered materially with the preparation of the Jamabandi accounts, which were only received completely from the Nellore Taluq on the 11th November 1875.

(2.) As the accounts of two* villages of the Gudur Taluq were not ready by the time the remaining villages of that taluq were settled, those two villages were settled in Nellore subsequently. With this exception, all the taluqs were settled within their respective limits.

* Ipur and Survapalli.

3. VARIATION IN THE NUMBER AND TENURE OF VILLAGES.—There has been no variation in the tenure of villages during the year under report. In their Proceedings, dated 15th March 1875, No. 618, the Board having decided that there should be only one set of accounts for the villages combined by the Demarcation and Survey Departments, the number of villages shows a nominal decrease of 273 as detailed in the margin.

	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Decrease.
Ryotwar	869	596	273
Shrotriems	335	335	...
Zemindari	970	970	...
Total...	2,174	1,901	273

4. PUTTAS.—The subjoined is an abstract showing the number of puttas issued during the year. It will be seen that the total number of puttas is 87,744 against 88,035 issued in the previous year, a decrease of 291 :—

Taluqs.	New Puttas.					Old Puttas.					
	Putta Books.			Puttadars under Rs. 50.	Total.	Putta Books.			Puttadars under Rs. 50.	Total.	Grand Total.
	From Rs. 50 below Rs. 100.	From Rs. 100 and upwards.	Total number of Puttas.			Form Rs. 50 and below Rs. 100.	From Rs. 100 and upwards.	Total number of Puttas.			
Gudur	96	16	112	835	947	729	496	1,225	7,337	8,562	9,509
Rapur	30	6	36	786	822	161	41	202	5,686	5,888	6,710
Nellore	18	5	23	375	393	1,216	877	2,093	11,087	13,180	13,578
Atmakur	33	24	57	722	779	411	92	503	11,518	12,021	12,800
Kavali	8	...	8	672	680	411	225	636	7,668	8,304	8,984
Udayagiri	1	4	5	1,645	1,650	74	6	80	3,530	3,610	5,260
Total...	186	55	241	5,035	5,276	3,002	1,737	4,739	46,826	51,565	56,841
Kandukur	879	376	1,255	10,988	12,243	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	12,243
Kanigiri	62	1	63	4,630	4,693	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4,693
Ongole	952	321	1,273	12,694	13,967	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13,967
Total...	1,893	698	2,591	28,312	30,903	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30,903
Grand Total...	2,079	753	2,832	33,347	36,179	3,002	1,737	4,739	46,826	51,565	87,744

5. SEASON.—The total rain-fall during the year was 44·32 inches as detailed in the margin against 33·70 in the preceding year. The heavy rain in October and the extraordinary flood in the Pennair breached many tanks, seriously injured the anicut, damaged many houses, lands and crops, and caused considerable loss in cattle and grain in the taluqs of Nellore and Atmakur.

		Inches.			Inches.
1874	April		1874	October	14·19
,,	May	3·45	,,	November	5·00
,,	June	3.00	,,	December	3·17
,,	July	4·99	1875	January	0·54
,,	August	1·33	,,	February	0·03
,,	September	8·24	,,	March	0·38
	Total	21·01		Total...	23·31
			Total for the whole year...		44·32

6. SANITARY CONDITION.—The sanitary condition of the district was better than in last year, as will be seen from the details entered in the margin. There was no cholera at all and the mortality from small-pox and fever wa, considerably less than in Fasli 1283. Cattle disease has not prevailed to any great extent in any of the taluqs.

	1283.	1284.
Cholera	,,	,,
Small-pox	833	536
Fever	10,762	9,573
Other Diseases	7,984	8,775
Total ...	19,579	18,884

7. PRICES OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.—The following is a comparative abstract showing the prices of agricultural products :—

Products.	Average Price for 10 years from 1273 to 1284.		Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Percentage of Columns 2 and 4.		Percentage of Columns 3 and 4.	
1	2		3		4		5		6	
	SEERS.	CENTS.	SEERS.	CENTS.	SEERS.	CENTS.	SEERS.	CENTS.	SEERS.	CENTS.
Paddy, 1st sort	28	0	30	75	32	0	14	25	4	0
Do. 2nd do.	30	50	35	0	35	75	17	25	2	0
Jonna	25	50	22	75	26	50	4	0	14	25
Sajja	27	50	24	25	28	50	4	0	15	0
Raggi	30	0	27	50	31	75	5	75	13	50
Horse-gram	20	0	19	75	24	75	23	75	20	25

There was a good harvest except in the villages which were inundated : hence the prices were low during the year under report. The prices of cotton and indigo per Bharva are given in the margin. There is a decrease of 9 per cent. in the former, while the latter shows an increase of 6 per cent.

	1283. Rs.	1284. Rs.
Cotton	117	107
Indigo	780	824

8. RYOTS' HOLDINGS.—The extent of land in the holdings of ryots at the beginning of the year was 905,491 Acres assessed at Rupees 18,63,531. Out of this, 35,081 Acres, assessed at Rupees 41,720, were relinquished outright, and 61,055 Acres, assessed at Rupees 70,737, were taken up, and the net holding for the year is thus 929,798 Acres, bearing an assessment of Rupees 19,04,234, showing an increase in the area of 24,307 Acres, and in the assessment of Rupees 40,703 over the last year's holdings. The area given up is a little less than 4 per cent., while the area taken up exceeds 8 per cent. The details are given below :—

Items.	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	ACRES. 715,999	RS. 8,37,639	ACRES. 189,492	RS. 10,25,892	ACRES. 905,491	RS. 18,63,531
Dry and Wet lands held at the ordinary rates of assessment at the end of Fasli 1283						
Deduct.						
Lands resigned—1. Relinquished and taken up by the same ryots afterwards	326	367	34	173	360	540
2. Do. do. by other ryots	3,078	3,468	440	2,179	3,518	5,647
3. Do. remaining unoccupied	32,332	27,467	2,749	14,253	35,081	41,720
Total...	35,736	31,302	3,223	16,605	38,959	47,907
Lands sold or transferred—1. Lands sold for arrears, but purchased by Government at a nominal price	916	1,112	315	1,587	1,231	2,699
2. Do. do. by other ryots	410	437	348	1,715	758	2,152
3. Do. transferred from one ryot to another	6,412	7,980	2,574	13,491	8,986	21,471
4. Do. transferred to the head of Inam and Freehold	649	336	3	14	652	400
5. Do. from wet to dry and *vice versâ*	1,102	1,504	1,581	7,850	2,683	9,354
Total...	9,489	11,419	4,821	24,657	14,310	36,076
Lands became useless or appropriated to public purposes, &c.—1. Land taken up for public purposes	232	179	395	1,843	627	2,022
2. Adjustments	184	103	42	16,825	226	16,928
Total...	416	282	437	18,668	853	18,950
Total deduction...	45,641	43,003	8,481	59,930	54,122	1,02,933
Remainder...	670,358	7,94,636	181,011	9,65,962	851,369	17,60,598
Do. as per Settlement rates...	670,368	8,25,655	181,011	9,68,026	851,369	17,93,681
Add.						
Lands taken up out of the area relinquished	3,404	3,788	474	2,351	3,878	6,139
Do. do. out of the unoccupied area	54,410	41,109	6,645	29,628	61,055	70,737
Do. do. under the Ruined Tank Rules	14	60	...	...	14	60
Adjustments	289	302	29	134	318	436
Inams resumed and Topes, &c., granted on puttа	668	656	69	331	737	987
Total...	58,785	45,915	7,217	32,444	66,002	78,359
Lands purchased by ryots in Revenue sales	410	439	348	1,705	758	2,144
Do. obtained by transfer	6,412	8,325	2,574	13,456	8,986	21,781
Transfer from dry to wet and *vice versâ*	1,581	2,360	1,102	5,909	2,683	8,269
Total...	8,403	11,124	4,024	21,070	12,427	32,194
Total addition...	67,188	57,039	11,241	53,514	78,429	1,10,553
Total or holding for Fasli 1284...	737,546	8,82,694	1,92,252	10,21,540	929,798	19,04,234
Comparison ... {Increase ...	21,547	45,055	2,760	...	24,307	45,055
{Decrease...	...	...	...	4,352	...	4,352
Net increase...	...	...	...	...	24,307	40,703

(1.) The settlement rates having been introduced in the three taluqs of the Sub-division newly during the year under report, the assessment of last year's holdings and the assessment of lands relinquished is entered in Columns 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, and 14 of Statement No. 3, as well as in the foregoing abstract, according to the *old* rates. In Columns 16, 18 and 20, which show the remainder after deducting the relinquishments from the holdings, the amount is entered according to the *new* rates. The actual difference is, however, entered at the foot of No. 3 Statement, as in last year, for information.

9. ACTUAL CULTIVATION.—The following is a comparative statement of actual cultivation:—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Dry	576,346	6,95,084	581,545	7,34,516	5,199	39,432	...	...
Wet	170,572	9,30,201	176,322	9,46,867	5,750	16,666	...	...
Total...	746,918	16,25,285	757,867	16,81,383	10,949	56,098	...	...
Second-crop Assessment	...	15,077	...	21,075	...	5,998	...	...
Dry converted into Wet	...	15,212	...	14,110	...	...	...	1,102
Dry crop in dry lands irrigated	...	10,567	...	8,284	...	...	...	2,283
Total ...	746,918	16,66,141	757,867	17,24,852	10,949	62,096	...	3,385
Net ...	...	...	...	...	...	58,711	...	...

The actual cultivation is about 81 per cent. on the occupied area, and 88 per cent. on the assessment thereof.

The decrease under "Dry converted into Wet" has chiefly occurred in the Atmakur Taluq The decrease under "Dry crop in dry lands irrigated" appertains to nearly all the taluqs.

10. WASTE CHARGED AND REMITTED.—The waste charged and remitted during the year under report is given below:—.

Items.	Waste charged.		Waste remitted.		Total Waste.	
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Entire fields left waste ... ... Dry ...	108,685	95,421	16,692	15,395	125,377	1,10,816
Entire fields left waste ... ... Wet ...	4,302	21,455	9,371	42,688	13,673	64,143
Total ...	112,987	1,16,876	26,063	58,083	139,050	1,74,959
Portions of fields left waste ... Dry ...	28,746	35,629	1,878	1,733	30,624	37,362
Portions of fields left waste ... Wet ...	1,250	6,225	1,007	4,305	2,257	10,530
Total ...	29,996	41,854	2,885	6,038	32,881	47,892
Grand Total ...	142,983	1,58,730	28,948	64,121	171,931	2,22,851

(1.) The dry waste remitted is Rupees 17,128* appertaining to three taluqs, *viz.*, Gudur, Nellore and Atmakur. In Gudur, the remission was allowed as usual on land taken up under the Tope Rules, while in the other two taluqs, the remission was allowed on account of the damage caused by the flood.

	RS.
* Gudur ...	3
Nellore ...	13,303
Atmakur ...	3,822
Total ...	17,128

(2.) The total extent of waste is 18½ per cent. on the occupied area against 18 per cent. in the previous year, while the remission granted was 7 per cent. Taluqwar details of waste charged and remitted are given below :—

Taluqs.	Waste charged.			Waste remitted.			Percentage of Column 4 on the total wet holding.	Percentage of Column 4 on the total wet holding.
	Entire Waste.	Partial Waste.	Total.	Entire Waste.	Partial Waste.	Total.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Gudur ...	5,525	2,007	7,532	4,488	414	4,902	3	2
Rapur ...	344	167	511	140	4	144	2	1
Nellore ...	10,490	1,610	12,100	30,878	3,295	34,173	2	7
Atmakur...	772	529	1,301	2,123	511	2,634	2	3
Kavali ...	1,596	857	2,453	440	15	455	2	1/6
Udayagiri..	413	5	418	194	...	194	5	2
Kandukur..	1,585	689	2,274	3,407	45	3,452	3	5
Kanigiri ...	54	36	90	231	...	231	3	8
Ongole ...	676	325	1,001	787	21	808	5	4
Total ...	21,455	6,225	27,680	42,688	4,305	46,993	3	5

(3.) Want of water was the chief ground for granting remissions; but, in the taluqs of Nellore and Atmakur, large remissions were allowed on account of the flood.

11. Particulars of Remissions.—The remissions granted during the year under report are compared in the following abstract with those allowed in the previous year :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Tirwa Kammi	21,308	2,444	...	18,864
Allowance to Heads of Villages, &c.	131	12,644	12,513	...
Shavi	971	1,627	656	...
Inundation	197	1,73,789	1,73,592	...
Occasional Remission...	2,26,744	1,71,779	...	54,965
Lift	8,492	8,856	364	...
Remission on Land taken up under Tope Rules.	...	818	818	...
Cowle Remission...	...	10	10	...
Total ...	2,57,843	3,71,967	1,87,953	73,829
Net ...	...	...	1,14,124	...

(1.) *Tirwa Kammi.*—The decrease of Rupees 18,864 under the head of "Tirwa Kammi," which is the remission of the difference between the dry and wet assessment of lands classed as wet, is owing to the final adjustment as dry of most of such fields during the new settlement.

(2.) *Allowance to Heads of Villages, &c.*—Of Rupees 12,644 under this head, Rupees 103 are the usual remissions, and the remainder, *viz.*, Rupees 12,541,* appertains to the taluqs of Nellore and Atmakur, where the village officers, whose Inams were damaged and whose fees were greatly reduced in consequence of extraordinary remissions on account of the flood, were allowed a portion of the revenue by deductions from the beriz as remuneration.

	Rs.
* Nellore	5,295
Atmakur	7,246
Total ...	12,541

(3.) *Shavi.*—The remission under this head was allowed only in three taluqs, *viz.* Atmakur, Kavali and Kandukur.

(4.) *Inundation.*—Of Rupees 1,73,789 remitted under this head, Rupees 1,29,180 appertain to the Nellore Taluq, and Rupees 44,005 to the Atmakur Taluq, which suffered from the flood of October 1874.

(5.) *Lift.*—The increase under this head is owing chiefly to the introduction of the new rates in the Sub-division.

(6.) *Occasional Remission.*—The large decrease under this head is owing to the gradual introduction of the new rates by increments during the year under report.

(7.) *Remission on Lands taken up under Tope Rules.*—Up to Fasli 1283, lands taken up under Tope Rules were not brought to account. As such lands have been newly brought to account during the year under report, and the assessment thereof shown under Remission till the lands are liable to be fully assessed according to the term of the grant in each case, increase under this head is nominal.

(8.) *Cowle Remission.*—The remission under this head, *viz.*, Rupees 10, appertains to Musunur in the Kavali Taluq, where certain lands overgrown with prickly-pear were given on cowle free of assessment for eight years.

12. Comparative Statement of Cultivation and Settlement.—The following is a comparative statement of cultivation and settlement.—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Acres.	Rs. A. P.	Acres.	Rs. A. P.	Acres.	Rs	Acres.	Rs.
Dry	715,999	8,37,639 0 7	737,546	8,82,694 2 9	21,547	45,055	...	...
Wet	189,492	10,25,891 10 5	192,252	10,21,539 10 8	2,760	...	...	4,352
Total ...	905,491	18,63,530 11 0	929,798	19,04,233 13 4	24,307	40,703	...	...
Add.								
Second-crop Assessment	...	15,077 4 8	...	21,075 5 2	...	5,998	...	...
Additional Assessment...	...	15,212 4 0	..	14,109 13 1	...	...	...	1,102
Water-tax	...	10,566 8 4	...	8,284 3 6	...	...	...	2,283
Road Fund	...	1,97,045 2 11	...	1,99,652 15 1	...	2,608	...	...
Village Service Fund ...	...	1,143 10 6	..	1,536 6 0	...	393	...	...
Total ...	...	21,02,575 9 5	...	21,48,892 8 2	...	46,317	...	...
Deduct.								
Remissions	...	37,882 12 6	...	64,120 15 9	...	26,238	...	...
Road Fund	...	1,97,045 2 11	...	1,99,652 15 1	...	2,608	...	...
Village Service Fund ...	...	1,143 10 6	...	1,536 6 0	...	393	...	...
Other Remissions as per Statement No. 4 ...	...	2,57,842 9 3	...	3,71,966 11 0	...	1,14,124	...	...
Total ...	...	4,93,914 3 2	...	6,37,276 15 10	...	1,43,363	...	...
Remaining Beriz	..	16,08,661 6 3	...	15,11,615 8 4	...	...	...	97,046
Miscellaneous	...	2,63,856 4 9	...	2,46,629 8 1	...	...	...	17,227
Total ...	...	18,72,517 11 0	...	17,58,245 0 5	...	...	...	1,14,273

(1.) *Road Fund.*—The details of the Road Fund are given in the margin. There is a decrease of Rupees 7,752 under the head of Ryotwar, which is chiefly owing to the remission granted in the Nellore and Atmakur Taluqs on account of the damage caused by the flood of October 1874.

——	1283.	1284	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Ryotwar	1,04,911	97,159	...	7,752
Inam	39,903	42,416	2,513	...
Zemindari	52,231	60,078	7,847	...
Total ...	1,97,045	1,99,653	2,608	...

(2.) *Village Service Fund.*—The increase of Rupees 393 under this head is owing to the fees having been charged on the new rates of assessment.

(3.) *Miscellaneous.*—The remaining items have already been accounted for with the exception of "Miscellaneous," which will be noticed further on in its proper place.

13. THE PRINCIPAL SOURCES OF IRRIGATION.—The following statement shows the names of the principal sources of irrigation, the irrigable area, cultivation and the adjusted demand under each :—

Taluqs.	Names of Irrigation Works.	Total registered Area.	Cultivation in Fasli 1284.		Revenue in Fasli 1284.
			Extent.	Assessment.	
				RS.	RS.
Gudur	Anicut	18,280	11,437	62,313	62,982
Nellore	Anicut	33,432	30,091	1,60,682	1,09,928
	Total ...	51,712	41,528	2,22,995	1,72,910
Gudur... ...	Gudur Marripalli Madugu ...	2,546	1,549	7,837	7,915
	Gudur Peddacheruvu	924	900	5,008	5,008
	Kolanukuduru Large Tank...	1,152	876	4,749	4,749
	Kota Pennaka Cheruvu ...	1,673	1,402	7,437	7,649
	Chennur Tank	993	914	4,915	5,282
	Kanupur Large Tank	1,643	1,216	6,149	6,155
	Yellasiri do.	1,121	1,024	5,964	6,232
	Iswaravaka Tank...	945	911	4,501	4,603
	Chittamur Tank	847	795	4,012	4,079
	Dugarazupatam Large Tank.	713	478	2,171	2,177
	Vakadu Yerra Tank	526	507	2,945	3,232
	Muttyalapad Large Tank ...	609	480	2,650	2,658
	Total ...	13,692	11,052	58,338	59,739
Rapur	Vadlapudi Large Tank ...	424	398	2,332	2,380
	Rapur do.	515	511	2,680	3,160
	Total ...	939	909	5,012	5,540
Nellore ...	Kanigiri Tank	13,782	11,023	56,444	17,003
	Duvur do.	5,634	5,011	25,421	11,805
	Nellore do.	7,740	6,856	32,352	15,989
	Allur Large Tank	7,842	7,277	28,535	25,621
	Allur Ramana Tank				
	Veguru Tank	1,693	1,359	7,444	...
	Panchedu do.	1,695	1,428	7,338	462
	Vidavalur do.	1,990	1,775	8,800	...
	Marrepadu do.	1,102	1,054	4,138	3,773
	Kovuru do.	1,498	1,100	5,989	3,302
	Mulumodi do.	623	610	2,570	2,241
	Chavakacherla Large Tank...	1,049	1,011	4,910	4,339
	Mudivarti do. ...	988	261	1,573	...
	Taleemanchi do. ...	1,327	1,246	4,841	4,100
	Parlapalli do. ...	757	737	3,262	2,138
	Kodavalur do. ...	949	823	4,063	3,253
	Kanigiri and Kodavalur, Ummadi Tank	1,225	1,093	5,150	4,463
	Utukur Tundla Tank	455	432	1,846	...
	Kodavandla vagu...	316	307	1,372	
	Indupur Large Tank	597	593	3,174	4,008
	Varini do.	856	764	3,172	2,371
	Purini Large Tank and Small Tank...	840	811	3,979	4,782
	Total ...	52,958	45,571	2,16,373	1,09,650

Taluqs.	Names of Irrigation Works.	Total registered Area.	Cultivation in Fasli 1284.		Revenue in Fasli 1284.
			Extent.	Assessment.	
				RS.	RS.
Atmakur ...	Anantasagaram Tank	2,577	2,771	12,938	13,206
	Atmakur do.	2,177	1,956	8,029	8,280
	Mahenialur do.	1,616	1,608	7,809	7,883
	Kaluvoy do.	1,812	1,738	9,406	9,406
	Vasili do.	1,482	1,188	4,566	4,805
	Total ...	9,664	9,261	42,748	43,580
Kavali ...	Kavali Zutur Tank	1,064	785	3,277	3,308
	Do. Large Tank ...	2,059	1,807	9,289	9,690
	Bramhanakraka Anamakondapalem Tank	1,576	1,468	6,357	6,940
	Mungamur Tank...	1,446	1,276	6,332	6,334
	Annavaram do.	1,038	955	4,866	4,893
	Zaladanki do.	433	362	1,957	2,024
	Chippaleru and Zaladanki tank, Ummadi	673	639	3,491	3,515
	Gattupalli Tank	1,364	1,122	4,801	5,071
	Layipeta do.	432	414	1,965	2,343
	Tummalapenta do.	619	530	2,077	2,104
	Anemadugu do.	719	672	3,550	3,618
	Total ...	11,423	10,030	47,962	49,840
Kandukur ...	Karadu Tank...	1,230	969	5,384	5,415
	Mopadu do.	1,877	955	5,403	5,723
	Machavaram do.	2,087	1,680	9,591	8,965
	Chennur do.	995	902	4,267	4,919
	Binginipalli do.	702	489	2,640	2,818
	Total ..	6,891	4,995	27,285	27,840
Ongole	Alluru Bapaya Tank	715	516	2,227	2,237
	River Channels.				
Gudur	Gunupati Channel...	379	320	1,695	1,697
	Kota Panta do.	1,090	1,069	6,124	6,254
	Total ...	1,469	1,389	7,819	7,951
Nellore	Vegur Channel	1,141	975	5,635	...
Atmakur ...	Veroor do.	1,251	1,204	6,019	6,031
	Kanchampati do.	1,107	991	5,211	5,211
	Zangamreddi do.	701	701	3,845	3,845
	Battepati do.	...	...	...	...
	Total ...	3,059	2,896	15,075	15,087
	Grand Total ...	1,53,663	1,29,122	6,51,469	4,94,374

14. RUINED TANK.—A ruined tank named "Pedda Cheravu" in the village of Inukurti, Rapur Taluq, was made over to ryots during the year under report. The ayacut consists of 34·15 Acres, assessed at Rupees 85-6-0. There was no cultivation in Fasli 1284.

15. Cultivation of Special Products.—The cultivation of special products is compared below with that of the preceding year :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.
Cotton	23,280	20,594	...	2,686
Indigo	42,383	45,823	3,440	...
Sugar-cane ...	13	9	...	4
Total ...	65,676	66,426	750	...

The total area cultivated with these products was given in the Administration Report at 61,079 Acres or 5,347* Acres less than the area now shown, owing to the Tahsildar of Ongole and the Zemindar of Calastry having sent in their returns since.

	ACRES.
* Ongole...	1,145
Calastry	4,202
Total ...	5,347

16. The General Land Revenue Results.—The following is a comparative abstract of the General Land Revenue Results :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Lands occupied at the ordinary rates of assessment	18,63,531	19,04,234	40,703	...
Deduct.				
Remission on waste lands including part waste..	37,883	64,121	26,238	...
Remainder ...	18,25,648	18,40,113	14,465	...
Add.				
Second-crop assessment	15,077	21,075	5,998	...
Dry converted into wet	15,212	14,110	...	1,102
Dry crops in dry lands irrigated	10,567	8,284	...	2,283
Total ...	18,66,504	18,83,582	17,078	...
Deduct remission as per Statement No. 4 ...	2,57,843	3,71,967	1,14,124	...
Remainder ...	16,08,661	15,11,615	...	97,046
Add.				
Shrotriem	85,159	81,307	...	3,852
Peishcush	4,02,297	4,00,277	...	2 020
Redemption of land-tax	...	818	818	..
Miscellaneous	2,63,856	2,46,629	...	17,227
Total ...	7,51,312	7,29,031	...	22,281
Grand Total ...	23,59,973	22,40,646	...	1,19,327

(1.) *Shrotriems.*—The decrease of Rupees 3,852 has resulted as follows :—

Addition.

Addition made to the quit-rent of three shrotriems in the Gudur Taluq and one village in the Kanigiri Taluq on account of resumed Inams made over to them on condition of their paying a portion of the Taram assessment.

	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Annambaka	1	10	5			
Kuchivada	2	1	11			
Mittatukur	2	3	5			
Peddivenkatayapalli	3	13	11			
				9	13	8

Deduction.

Deduction of quit-rent allowed under orders of Government on account of compensation for lands taken up for public purposes in the following villages :—

Taluq.	Village.	Amount. RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Gudur	Kantipalli	127	7	6			
Nellore	Kallurpalli	88	11	2			
	Velicherla	25	8	2			
	Ulanapolla	10	5	11			
Atmakur	Chiruvella ... ... / Kanrika	13	14	1			
	Nellorepallem	12	14	3			
					278	13	1

Deduction or Remission of Jodi allowed in certain Inam Villages in the Nellore Taluq on account of the Damage caused by the Flood.

	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Suggapuram	90	0	0			
Kanetipallam	51	8	10			
Ganganaram	1,086	1	3			
Chellayapalem	1,254	0	0			
Potireddipalem	385	10	6			
Srirangarajapuram	541	0	0			
Padugupadu	175	0	0			
				3,583	4	7
Total deduction ...				3,862	1	8
Net deduction ...				3,852	4	0

(2.) *Peishcush.*—The decrease of Rupees 2,020 under this head is owing to the deduction of that amount from the peishcush of the Venkatagiri Rajah on account of his old claims for compensation. *Vide* G.O., dated 31st July 1874, No. 955.

(3.) *Redemption of Land-tax.*—The increase under this head is nominal, as there was no such item in the previous year.

(4.) *Miscellaneous.*—Statement No. 5 shows the items comprised under the head of Miscellaneous. They are reviewed below :—

1*st.* "*Jodi on Sundry Inams*".—There is a decrease of Rupees 4,062 under this head as detailed below :—

Items.		Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Decrease.
		RS.	RS.	RS.
Personal	Jodi	76,859	73,133	3,726
	Charge on Survey Excess	32,411	28,302	4,109
Service	Jodi	7,345	7,009	336
	Charge on Survey Excess	...	...	...
Dasabandam ...	Jodi	4	4	...
	Charge on Survey Excess	3	3	...
Total	Jodi	84,208	80,146	4,062
	Charge on Survey Excess	32,414	28,305	4,109
	Total ...	1,16,622	1,08,451	8,171

The decrease of Rupees 8,171 is the result of certain additions and deductions noted below :—

Deduction.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Inams resumed	1,180	15	0
Inams purchased by Government at a nominal price.	64	8	9
Quit-rent of past faslies included in Fasli 1283 ...	930	6	4
Deduction of quit-rent on account of compensation...	31	11	9
Erroneously credited in the accounts of last year ...	608	10	9
Remission of quit-rent on Inams damaged by flood...	5,476	3	1
Total deduction ...	8,292	7	8

Addition.

Amount brought to account newly this year	66	7	3
Adjustments and Chundi Inams	54	10	9
Total addition ...	121	2	0
Net deduction ...	8,171	0	0

No. 46, *Water-tax on Zemindari Lands, &c.*—There is an increase of Rupees 177 under the head of Water-tax in Zemindari lands as detailed below :—

	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Second-crop cultivation on minor Inams	1,862	2,465	603	...
Dry Inams irrigated	6,509	5,993	...	516
Water-tax on Inam villages	253	189	...	64
Do. on Zemindari lands	200	230	30	...
Talavadan Cess in the Kanigiri Taluq	336	106	...	230
Total ...	9,160	8,983	633	810
Net ...	...	...	...	177

The following items show a net decrease of Rupees 5,192 :—

Number of Items.	Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
		Rs.	Rs.
6	Land cultivated but not included in Jamabandi	6,632	6,857
7	Concealed cultivation	51	...
9	Cultivation of Poramboke lands	2,889	1,062
12	Grazing-tax or grass-rent	59,651	52,189
15	Revenue from reverted Inams	25	...
17	Revenue from sequestered Inams	33	59
22	Honey-rent	10	7
23	Wax-rent	...	1
25	Chunam shell-rent	2,555	5,110
30	Rent on soap-nut trees	2,120	1,950
31	Do. on fruit trees	394	2,036
32	Do. on roots for dyeing cloths	491	552
33	Do. on medicinal roots	971	1,245
40	Commission on the sale of distrained property attached for arrears of land revenue...	10	45
43	Revenue fines	1,028	459
45	Excess collection over the demand	33	136
47	Quit-rent on bungalows and gardens	157	157
49	Russums collected from Zemindars, &c...	10,294	10,294
51	Ratan and coray-rent	340	333
	Total ...	87,684	82,492

No. 55, *Other Items.*—The items comprised under this head show a net decrease of Rupees 3,687 as detailed in the following abstract :—

No.	Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
		Rs.	Rs.
1	Cultivation of Land without permission	8,312	8,738
2	Sale-proceeds of Trees	3,028	4,316
3	Rent of Tangedu Bark	263	4
4	Stalakarnams' Russums	16,248	9,417
5	Excess Inams	15	15
6	Urtawar Russums	9,641	1,079
7	Chittetiwar do.	3,942	1,318
8	Balerow's do.	4,056	3,863
9	Turravar's do.	800	800
10	Aduruwar's do.	53	24
11	Assessment on Lands given on Cowle, reserving the right of Government to Trees thereon	2,660	3,612
12	Sale-proceeds of Service Books...	1	1
13	Dowle Izaba	1,352	3,647
14	Sale of Stones in the old Fort at Rapur	1	...
15	Meerahs of Village Servants resumed	13	8
16	Refund of Charges incurred in purchasing Ink-bottles	5	...
17	Process Service Fees credited to Miscellaneous under Accountant-General's Circular No. 22, dated 31st August 1874	...	9,007
18	Sale-proceeds of Crops on Lands attached for arrears in Kandukur Taluq	...	71
19	Assessment at the old rates on certain Lands relinquished after the issue of the Settlement Tickets in the Ongole Taluq	...	407
20	Assessment due on lands taken up under the Freehold Rules in the Kandukur Taluq	...	7
21	Sale-proceeds of the Post Office building in Ongole	...	333
22	Fines and Deposits carried to account	...	33
23	Sale-proceeds of Survey Maps	...	3
	Total ...	50,390	46,703

17. Sundry Sources of Revenue.—The following is a comparative statement of the demand on account of the sundry sources of revenue :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Abkári	84,661	84,791	130	...
Income-Tax	17	3	...	14
Sea Customs	54	32	...	22
Land Customs	...	...	...	...
Salt	13,44,924	13,68,149	23,225	...
Stamps	1,49,859	1,28,564	...	21,295
Total ...	15,79,515	15,81,539	2,024	...

(1.) The fluctuations under the first three heads call for no remark.

(2.) The following is a comparative abstract of imports and exports :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Exports	3,79,510	4,32,940	53,430	...
Imports	5,01,588	2,71,379	...	2,30,209
Total ...	8,81,098	7,04,319	...	1,76,779

(3.) *Salt.*—The increase of Rupees 23,225 under Salt Revenue is the net result of an increase of Rupees 26,100 in "Home Consumption," and of a decrease of Rupees 3,024 under "Inland Consumption," as noted by the Salt Deputy Collector in paragraphs 9, 10 and 11 of his report.

The quantity in store at the beginning of the Fasli was about 10½ lacs of maunds. Adding the quantity received into store, amounting to about 7¼ lacs, and deducting the sales to the extent about 7 lacs, the balance at the end of the year is about 10¾ lacs of maunds.

(4.) *Stamps.*—The Stamp revenue shows a decrease of Rupees 21,295 as shown below :—

——	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Judicial	99,698	80,586	19,112
Non-judicial	50,161	47,978	2,183
Total ...	1,49,859	1,28,564	21,295

18. General fiscal results.—The following statement shows the general fiscal results compared with those of the previous year :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Peishcush	4,02,297	4,00,277	...	2,020
Shrotriems	81,073	77,221	...	3,852
Amarams	3,667	3,667	...	...
Kattubadi	419	419	...	...
Total ...	85,159	81,307	...	3,852
Ryotwar	16,08,661	15,11,615	...	97,046
Redemption of Land-tax	...	818	818	...
Miscellaneous	2,63,856	2,46,629	...	17,227
Total ...	23,59,973	22,40,646	...	1,19,327
Abkári	84,661	84,791	130	...
Total ...	24,44,634	23,25,437	...	1,19,197
Income-Tax	17	3	...	14
Salt	13,44,924	13,68,149	23,225	...
Sea Customs	54	32	...	22
Stamps	1,49,859	1,28,564	...	21,295
Total ...	14,94,854	14,96,748	1,894	...
Grand Total ...	39,39,488	38,22,185	...	1,17,303

19. Demand, Collection, and Balance of Current Revenue.—The demand, collection and balance of the current revenue are given in the following abstract :—

Items.	Demand.	Collection within the Fasli.	Subsequent Collection up to the end of October 1875.	Total Collection	Balance.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Land Revenue	22,40,646	16,95,321	2,88,692	19,84,013	2,56,633
Sundry Sources	15,81,539	15,74,214	4,047	15,78,261	3,278
Total ...	38,22,185	32,69,535	2,92,739	35,62,274	2,59,911

(1). The land revenue balance, amounting to Rupees 2,56,633, consists of the following items :—

	RS.
Peishcush	4,167
Shrotriem	5,415
Ryotwar	1,88,945
Miscellaneous...	58,106
Total ...	2,56,633

Deducting Rupees 4,167, the collection of which is suspended on account of the claim of the Raja of Venkatagiri for compensation, the remaining balance, Rupees 2,52,466, is 11¼ per cent. on the demand. The balance in the taluqs of Nellore and Atmakur are heavier than in the other taluqs, owing to the delay in the settlement of these taluqs. Orders have been issued for the speedy collection.

(2.) Of Rupees 3,278, outstanding under Sundry Sources, Rupees 2,500 are irrecoverable,* being the amount of loss sustained by the Abkári renter of the Nellore Taluq by the cutting of Palmyra trees sanctioned for the rebuilding of houses damaged by the flood of October 1874. The remaining balance will be promptly collected. Sanction is requested to write off the said sum of Rupees 2,500.

* *Vide* Docket to Nellore Tahsildar, dated 30th March 1875, No. 850.

(3.) The Shavi remission granted subsequent to the Jamabandi is Rupees 397-1-11 in the Nellore Taluqs ; sanction is requested to write it off.

20. Demand, Collection, and Balance of Arrears of Revenue.—The demand, collection and Balance of arrears of revenue are given in the following statement :—

Items.	Balance on the 1st July 1874.	Collections up to 30th June 1875.	Subsequent Collections up to 31st October 1875.	Total Collection.	Remission.	Balance on the 1st November 1875.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Peishcush	3,623 0 0	3,623 0 0	... ...	3,623 0 0	... ...	... ...
Shrotriems ...	19,233 5 0	17,249 12 3	27 11 3	17,277 7 6	13 0 0	1,942 13 6
Ryotwar.....	4,70,138 0 5	3,73,709 4 10	2,714 0 5	3,76,423 5 3	12,766 13 4	80,947 13 10
Miscellaneous..	1,62,516 9 3	92,016 13 0	791 13 5	92,808 10 5	5,839 9 2	63,868 5 8
Total...	6,55,510 14 8	4,86,598 14 1	3,533 9 1	4,90,132 7 2	18,619 6 6	1,46,759 1 0
Abkári	7,297 1 4	4,634 11 1	... ...	4,634 11 1	... ...	2,662 6 3
Income-tax ...	582 6 10	... ...	... ...	... ...	537 2 7	45 4 3
Total...	7,879 8 2	4,634 11 1	... ...	4,634 11 1	537 2 7	2,707 10 6
Grand Total...	6,63,390 6 10	4,91,233 9 2	3,533 9 1	4,94,767 2 3	19,156 9 1	1,49,466 11 6

(1.) The balance up to the end of Fasli 1282, shown in the last Jamabandi Report, is Rupees 1,17,343-14-8, of which Rupees 5,996-11-5 were collected, while Rupees 19,156-9-1 were written off the accounts under G. O., dated 23rd June 1874, No. 770, leaving still a balance of Rupees 92,190 outstanding on account of past faslis including Fasli 1282 up to the end of October 1875. The balance of Fasli 1283 outstanding up to the same date is Rs. 57,276-1-4, which being added to the balance of previous years makes up Rs. 1,49,466-11-6 shown in the above statement as the balance of arrears.

21. Comparative Statement of Collections.—The subjoined is a comparative statement of collections, current and arrears :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Comparison.	
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Peishcush	666	3,97,320	3,97,986	3,623	3,96,109	3,99,732	1,746	...
Shrotriems	10,934	77,736	88,670	17,277	75,892	93,169	4,499	...
Ryotwar	2,27,386	13,99,486	16,26,872	3,76,423	13,22,671	16,99,094	72,222	...
Redemption	...	...	...	...	818	818	818	...
Miscellaneous	85,736	1,84,448	2,70,184	92,809	1,88,523	2,81,332	11,148	...
Total ...	3,24,722	20,58,990	23,83,712	4,90,132	19,84,013	24,74,145	90,433	...
Abkári	5,394	84,364	89,758	4,635	81,513	86,148	...	3,610
Income-tax	42	17	59	...	3	3	...	56
Salt	...	13,44,924	13,44,924	...	13,68,149	13,68,149	23,225	...
Sea Customs	...	54	54	...	32	32	...	22
Land Customs	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stamps	...	1,49,859	1,49,859	...	1,28,564	1,28,564	...	21,295
Total ...	5,436	15,79,218	15,84,654	4,635	15,78,261	15,82,896	...	1,758
Grand Total ...	3,30,158	36,38,208	39,68,366	4,94,767	35,62,274	40,57,041	88,675	...

22. Recommendation in regard to Irrecoverable Arrears.—The following statement shows the particulars of remission for this year out of the balance of Rupees 1,49,466-11-6 referred to in paragraph 20 :—

Items.	Balance on 1st November 1875.	Recoverable.	Doubtful.	Recommended for Remission in the last Jamabandi Report.	Now recommended for Remission.	Total irrecoverable.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Shrotriems	1,942 13 6	110 1 1	1,121 3 0	1 0 0	710 9 5	711 9 5
Ryotwar	80,947 13 10	15,287 2 7	2,517 7 10	34,169 13 6	28,973 5 11	63,143 3 5
Miscellaneous	63,868 5 8	16,478 5 11	24,162 13 2	4,878 4 1	18,348 14 6	23,227 2 7
Total ...	1,46,759 1 0	31,875 9 7	27,801 8 0	39,049 1 7	48,032 13 10	87,081 15 5
Abkári	2,662 6 3	72 15 9	... ...	2,589 6 6	... ...	2,589 6 6
Income-tax	45 4 3	10 13 3	... ...	13 10 0	20 13 0	34 7 0
Total ...	2,707 10 6	83 13 0	... ...	2,603 0 6	20 13 0	2,623 13 6
Grand Total ...	1,49,466 11 6	31,959 6 7	27,801 8 0	41,652 2 1	48,053 10 10	89,705 12 11

23. Recoverable Arrears—*Shrotriems.*—Under the head of Shrotriems, there is a balance of Rupees 110-1-1 outstanding in the Nellore Taluq for Fasli 1283. The attention of the Nellore Tahsildar has been directed to the speedy disposal thereof.

(1.) *Abkári.*—The sum of Rupees 72-15-9 shown under Abkári will be adjusted in the accounts of November 1875.

(2.) *Income-tax.*—The balance of Rupees 10-13-3 under the head of Income-tax, in the Kanigiri Taluq, is the same as that referred to in Clause I. of paragraph 23 of the last Jamabandi report. The attention of the Sub-Collector has again been requested to the speedy disposal of this balance.

(3.) *Ryotwar and Miscellaneous.*—The recoverable balance under these two heads is Rupees 31,765-8-6. The Tahsildar has been directed to collect the same without further delay.

24. Doubtful Balance.—The amount entered as doubtful is Rupees 27,801-8-0, pending the settlement of claim for compensation, &c.

25. Irrecoverable Balance.—The amount recommended for remission in the last Jamabandi report is Rupees 60,851-5-3. Of this sum, Rupees 42-10-1 were since collected, and Rupees 19,156-9-1 were written off under the orders of Government already quoted. Deducting these two items from the amount recommended for remission last year, there remains Rupees 41,652-2-1, and the amount now recommended to be written off is Rupees 48,053-10-10, as detailed in the statement annexed to paragraph 22. The grounds of remission are given below.—

(1.) *Shrotriems.*—The sum of Rupees 710-9-5 relates to the following villages :—

Rs.	A.	P.	
484	15	0	Kallurpalli Shrotriem, Nellore Taluq, entered as irrecoverable, with reference to the terms of settlement of compensation.
225	10	5	Entered as irrecoverable on account of the damage caused by the flood of October 1874, in the four villages of Potireddipalem, Srirangarajapuram, Padugapadu and Gangavaram in the Nellore Taluq, and in Kanupurpalli in the Atmakur Taluq.
710	9	5	

(2.) *Income-tax.*—The sum of Rupees 20-13-0 under Income-tax appertains to the taluq of Udayagiri and the Polur Division, and is entered as irrecoverable, as the parties by whom it is due have no means to pay the same.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Udayagiri	15	10	0
Polur Division	5	3	0
	20	13	0

(3.) *Ryotwar and Miscellaneous.*—The total amount under these two heads is Rupees 47,322-4-5, which is irrecoverable for the following reasons:—

Items.	Amount.		
	Rs.	A.	P.
1. Shavi remission for Fasli 1283	747	0	9
2. Tirwa Kammi remission for Faslies 1281, 1282, and 1283...	670	10	5
3. Assessment of fresh lands selected as fresh Inams for village servants ...	40	0	8
4. Excess charged on Inams and remitted subsequently	7,433	5	9
5. Quit-rent of Inams resumed	441	9	9
6. Quit-rent and assessment of lands taken up for public purposes	9,746	1	11
7. Arrears outstanding against ryots after the sale of their moveable and immoveable property	5,147	8	7
8. Adjustment of errors and other petty items	2,694	1	6
9. Remission of arrears in flooded villages	20,395	11	1
10. Remission allowed in Kandakur Taluq on account of an indigent ryot ...	6	2	0
Total ...	47,322	4	5

(4.) The Fasliwar details of the sum of Rupees 48,053-10-10, now recommended for remission, are given below :—

Items.	Fasli 1278.	Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280.	Fasli 1281.	Fasli 1282.	Fasli 1283.	Total.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Shrotriem ...	81 15 6	80 9 6	80 9 6	80 9 6	80 9 6	306 3 11	710 9 5
Ryotwar ...	219 2 10	1,205 6 11	2,233 14 11	2,841 10 5	4,639 8 3	17,833 10 7	28,973 5 11
Miscellaneous	149 0 6	196 1 11	484 10 5	2,915 7 8	5,466 6 5	9,137 3 7	18,348 14 6
Total ...	450 2 10	1,482 2 4	2,799 2 10	5,837 11 7	10,186 8 2	27,277 2 1	48,032 13 10
Income-tax ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	20 13 0	... .	20 13 0
Total ...	450 2 10	1,482 2 4	2,799 2 10	5,837 11 7	10,207 5 2	27,277 2 1	48,053 10 10

(5.) *Wastage of Salt.*—The wastage of salt is 29,670 maunds, *vide* paragraph 13 of the Salt Deputy Collector's report. The wastage, amounting to 26,339 maunds, recommended in the last report, has not yet been sanctioned. The total wastage to be written off is 56,009 maunds. Fasliwar details of the waste, now recommended, are given in the margin. The details as to divisions are given below :—

Fasli.	Maunds.
1278	249
1281	569
1282	20,684
1283	8,026
1284	142
Total ...	29,670

Divisions.	Maunds.
Kanuparti	6,724
Padarti	7,470
Pakala...	6,104
Tummalapenta	536
Isakapalli	1,426
Gogulapalli	1,126
Kistnapatam	3,096
Dugarajapatam	940
Tada	1,237
Sunnapugunta	311
Total ...	29,670

My recommendations for the years may be summed up as follows :—

		Rs.	A.	P.
Current balance ...	Land Revenue ...	397	1	11
	Abkári	2,500	0	0
Arrears	Land Revenue ...	48,032	13	10
	Income-tax	20	13	0
Total ...		50,950	12	9

Wastage of salt 29,670 maunds.

26. Extent to which Coercive Process was employed.—The following statement shows the extent to which coercive process was employed in the collection of revenue during the year under report :—

——	Process issued.			Property attached.		Property sold.	
	Number of Villages.	Number of Ryots.	Balance.	Moveable.	Immoveable.	Moveable.	Immoveable.
			RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Principal Division	483	28,171	2,10,943	1,05,004	15,404	43,774	3,201
Sub-Division	242	7,686	44,069	22,987	1,626	1,289	795
Total ...	725	35,857	2,55,012	1,27,991	17,030	45,063	3,996

Rupees 11,041-1-9 were collected during the year on account of Process Service, of which Rupees 3,908-10-3 were paid to batta peons.

27. Gross Collections and Charges.—The subjoined is a comparative statement of gross collections and charges :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Gross Collection...	37,21,580	37,60,769	39,189	...
Sibbandi and Sadar	2,23,256	2,24,849	1,593	...
Extra Charges	1,02,102	1,09,464	7,362	...
Total charges...	3,25,358	3,34,313	8,955	...

28. Working of Village Accounts.—The village accounts are, as a rule, correctly kept.

29. Lands acquired by Public Servants.—No lands have been acquired by public servants during the year under report.

30. Inspection of Rain Gauges.—The rain gauges are carefully kept ; but there are no reports received on the subject.

31. Boundary Marks.—There are 1,289,805 marks for the whole district, of which 1,246,416 are in good order, 30,976 require repair, and 12,413 are missing.

32. Subdivision of enfranchised Inam Villages.—No applications were received for the subdivision of enfranchised Inam villages.

33. Agricultural Statistics.—Two statements marked A and B, showing the agricultural statistics, are enclosed in the forms prescribed by the Board.

34. Remarks on the Conduct of Public Servants.—On this point, I have no observation to offer.

Nellore,
6th December 1875.

(Signed) T. vonD. HARDINGE,
Acting Sub-Collector in charge.

SUB-COLLECTORATE.

I HAVE the honor to submit the Annual Settlement Report of the Sub-division for Fasli 1284.

2. PLACES AT WHICH SETTLEMENT WAS MADE.—The Sub-division, comprising the three taluqs of Ongole, Kandukur and Kanigiri, was settled by Messrs. Glenny and Mackenzie at the places and during the period shown in the subjoined statement:—

Name of the Officer who conducted the Settlement.	Taluqs.	Places at which Settlement was made.	Time occupied.
W. H. Glenny, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector, Nellore	Ongole ...	Addanki	From 15th to 18th Feb. 1875.
		Inamanamellur...	,, 3rd to 10th March 1875.
		Ongole	,, 18th Mar. to 3rd April 1875.
G. T. Mackenzie, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Collector in charge, Nellore	Kandukur.	Kandukur	,, 22nd to 26th April 1875.
		Ramayapatam ...	,, 10th to 15th May 1875.
	Kanigiri ...	Mogallur	,, 14th to 16th June 1875.

3. FLUCTUATIONS IN THE NUMBER AND TENURE OF VILLAGES.—There has been no variation in the tenure of villages, but their number has been altered, as shown below, by survey and settlement:—

——	Ongole.	Kandukur.	Kanigiri.
Number of Villages prior to Settlement	117	119	80
Number of Villages after Settlement	95	85	34

4. PUTTAS.—The introduction of the new settlement rates in the fasli, and the indulgence granted to introduce the new rates gradually, where they were considered enhanced, rendered the issue of fresh puttas in all cases necessary. The number of puttas issued is 30,903, of which 2,591 are book-puttas, and 28,312 ordinary or single-sheet puttas. The annexed statement furnishes the details required in Circular No. 28 of 1870:—

Taluqs.	Number of Book Puttas where Assessment does not exceed Rs. 100 and is above Rs. 50.	Number of Book Puttas where Assessment exceeds Rs. 100.	Single Putta Sheets.	Total.
Ongole	952	321	12,694	13,967
Kandukur	879	376	10,988	12,243
Kanigiri	62	1	4,630	4,693
Total ...	1,893	698	28,312	30,903

5. SEASONS.—The seasons were very favorable; and the rain-fall was early and copious throughout the Sub-division, and in quantity nearly double that of the preceding fasli; still, there was no serious damage to any of the irrigation works. There are a few tanks out of repair, but all received a sufficient supply of water, which is evident from the small remissions granted on account of wet waste. There was an increase under Wet Cultivation to the extent of Acres 837 in the fasli. The remissions on account of withered and perished crops were only about a-fifth of what were granted in the previous fasli. All the dry crops, except jonna, aruga, horse-gram and oil seeds in only a very few villages of the Kandukur Taluq, yielded a good return. The dry crops, named above, appear to have suffered in those villages from blight known as "Lakkategulu" and "Dompategulu." I may add that there was hail-storm, a rather unusual occurrence in May, in Chirvanuppalapad, in the Ongole Taluq:—

Rain-fall.

Months.	Ongole.		Kandukur.		Kanigiri.	
	Fasli 1283.	*Fasli 1284.*	*Fasli 1283.*	*Fasli 1284.*	*Fasli 1283.*	*Fasli 1284.*
1874 April	...	...	...	...	...	...
,, May	...	4·45	...	3·45	...	3·55
,, June	...	2·95	...	2·35	...	2·75
,, July	1·40	5·90	2·75	6·55	1·10	5·50
,, August	2·60	1·15	6·05	0·90	3·00	...
,, September ...	2·60	14·30	2·15	11·35	2·40	11·55
	6·60	28·75	10·95	24·60	6·50	23·35
,, October	12·20	15·65	12·25	12·70	9·70	8·40
,, November ...	4·10	0·95	2·75	2·20	2·00	0·10
,, December ...	...	1·10	0·30	1·60	...	...
1875 January	...	0·85	...	2·00	...	...
,, February ...	0·15	...	...	...	...	...
,, March	0·05	...	...	...	...	0·30
	16·50	18·55	15·50	18·50	11·70	8·80
	23·10	47·30	26·25	43·10	18·20	32·15

6. SANITARY STATE.—The sanitary condition of the Sub-division may be said to be on the whole good. There was no cholera throughout the year. There were only a few deaths from dengue in only one village of the Ongole Taluq. Although fever was prevalent from August to February in the Kanigiri, and small-pox throughout the whole year in the Ongole and for eight months in the Kandukur Taluq, deaths were not numerous. Cattle-disease was prevalent throughout the Sub-division, more especially in the Ongole Taluq. Cattle chiefly died from the epizootics known as "Saraku," "Pedda Chidelu," "Galiguntlu" and "Judipetlu."

7. PRICES of AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS.—The average prices of the principal grains as compared with those of the previous year are shown in the annexed statement. It will be seen therefrom, that the prices of all the grains have fallen considerably, which is a sure indication of a favorable season:—

Description of Grains.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Paddy, 1st sort...	176	164	...	12
Do. 2nd sort...	165	149	...	16
Jonna	218	186	...	32
Sajja	204	166	...	38
Horse-gram	221	177	...	44
Raggi	185	143	...	42
Variga	191	146	...	45

8. Ryots' Holdings.—A comparative statement of the ryots' holdings is annexed hereto. It will be observed from the statement that the extent of the ryots' holdings in the Fasli under report is 385,669 Acres, bearing an assessment of Rupees 6,14,879, while the extent of the previous year was 387,652 Acres, with an assessment of Rupees 5,81,489. These figures exhibit a decrease in the extent of Acres 1,983, and an increase in the assessment of Rupees 33,390. The large increase in the assessment is due to the introduction of the new settlement rates. The decrease in the extent is on account of the relinquishments being greatly in excess of the durkhasts in the fasli under report. I may here remark that the increase in the assessment above shown is only nominal for the fasli, as remissions were granted in cases where the new assessment was more than a certain percentage over the old assessment in the individual puttas, in accordance with the Revenue Circular No. 3 of 1875 :—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.				Fasli 1284.				Increase.				Decrease.			
	Dry.		Wet.		Dry.		Wet.		Dry.		Wet.		Dry.		Wet.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	A.	RS.	ACRES.	RS	ACS.	RS.
Kandukur.	1,39,589	1,92,585	14,253	73,880	1,42,364	1,97,242	14,100	76,442	2,775	4,657	...	2,562	...	..	153	...
Ongole.....	1,81,205	2,60,832	3,379	18,322	1,83,574	2,86,602	3,420	18,121	2,369	25,770	41	...	...	...	...	201
Kanigiri ...	48,707	32,717	519	3,153	41,764	33,530	447	2,942	...	813	...	...	6,943	...	72	211
Total...	3,69,501	4,86,134	18,151	95,355	3,67,702	5,17,374	17,967	97,505	5,144	31,240	41	2,562	6,943	..	225	412

9. Actual Cultivation.—The subjoined statement exhibits the actual extent of cultivation in the two Faslies 1283 and 1284. It will be seen therefrom that the extent of cultivation in Fasli 1284 is Acres 315,392, bearing an assessment of Rupees 5,31,240 against Acres 321,703 with an assessment of Rupees 4,89,086. This shows a decrease of Acres 6,311 in extent, and an increase of Rupees 42,154 in assessment. The increase is mainly due to the new rates of settlement. The decrease is chiefly in dry cultivation in the Kandukur and Kanigiri Taluqs, in the former 1,558 Acres, and in the latter 6,165 Acres. This large fall in dry cultivation was made up partially by the small increase of wet cultivation in the Kandukur and Ongole Taluqs, and by a small increase of dry cultivation in the latter taluq :—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.				Fasli 1284.				Increase.				Decrease.			
	Dry.		Wet.		Dry.		Wet.		Dry.		Wet.		Dry.		Wet.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACS.	RS.	ACS.	RS.	ACS.	RS.	ACS.	RS.	ACS.	RS.	ACE.	RS.	ACS.	RS	ACS.	RS.
Kandukur.	118,326	1,63,249	12,534	64,413	116,768	1,68,046	12,946	70,705	...	4,797	412	6,292	1,558	...	...	...
Ongole ...	147,943	2,14,729	2,495	13,519	148,518	2,43,358	3,030	16,313	575	28,629	535	2,794	...	...	...	...
Kanigiri...	39,902	30,078	503	3,098	33,737	30,197	393	2,621	...	119	...	...	6,165	...	110	477
Total...	306,171	4,08,056	15,532	81,030	299,023	4,41,601	16,369	89,639	575	33,545	947	9,086	7,723	...	110	477

10. Waste charged and remitted.—The annexed comparative statement exhibits the waste charged and remitted on all waste lands for Faslis 1283 and 1284 :—

Taluqs.	Waste charged.						Waste remitted.					
	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.		
	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.
	Rs	Rs.	RS.	RS.	RS.	Rs	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Kandukur	29,336	1,882	31,218	29,196	2,274	31,470	...	7,585	7,585	...	3,463	3,463
Ongole	46,103	942	47,045	43,244	1,001	44,245	...	3,861	3,861	...	807	807
Kanigiri	2,639	55	2,694	3,333	90	3,423	...	...	...	...	231	231
Total ...	78,078	2,879	80,957	75,773	3,365	79,138	...	11,446	11,446	...	4,501	4,501

11. It will be seen that no remission was granted on dry lands in either fasli. The dry waste in the taluqs of Ongole and Kandukur was less in the fasli under report, and in the Kanigiri Taluq it was more. The wet waste charged was more in all the three taluqs of the Subdivision. The total amount remitted on account of wet waste in the fasli is Rupees 4,501, which is Rupees 6,945 less than what was remitted in the previous year. With the exception of Rs. 77, all the amount remitted was on account of entire wet numbers left waste. This exceptional remission was granted in Padarti in the Ongole Taluq, and Karedu, Bhimavaram, Vogur and Kondikundikur in the Kandukur Taluq. In all these villages, this remission was allowed, as the entire numbers measured more than 4 Acres, and the waste in the numbers preponderated over the cultivated portions. The usual remission of Rupees 48 was given on account of the salaries of the Munsifs of Tammaveram, Timmanapalem, Medarametta and Bodduvanipalem in the Ongole Taluq. A sum of Rupees 185-7-0 was remitted on account of withered and perished crops at the Jamabandi in the villages of Kondikundukur Ippagunta, Karedu, and Vogur in the Kandukur Taluq, and none subsequently. The introduction of the new settlement rates in the fasli rendered the Tirwa Kammi remission unnecessary. A sum of Rupees 48,432 was remitted this year as a special remission, in accordance with the Government Order sanctioning the gradual introduction of the new settlement rates where those rates have been decided to be enhanced and are oppressive. A sum of Rupees 304 was remitted on account of irrigation by lift at the rate of 1 Rupee per acre.

12. Cultivation of Special Products.—The cultivation of sugar-cane, cotton and indigo for the three Faslies 1282, 1283, and 1284 in the three taluqs of the Sub-division is shown in the annexed statement :—

Taluqs.	Sugar-cane.			Cotton.			Indigo.		
	Fasli 1282.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1282.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1282.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.
Kandukur	.....	.....	.....	1,371·78	2,333·98	879·15	22,190·84	17,197·71	9,024·75
Ongole	.....	.....	.....	3,357·17	2,519·92	2,827·89	25,083·75	13,169·02	23,160·59
Kanigiri.....	14·45	7·79	5·10	1,052·26	2,039·66	1,515·88	1,382·84	1,068·18	752·41
Total...	14·45	7·79	5·10	5,781·21	6,893·56	5,222·92	48,657·43	31,434·91	32,937·75

13. The cultivation of sugar-cane, which is confined to the Kanigiri Taluq, appears to be falling every year. There has been a great falling off in the cultivation of cotton and indigo in the taluqs of Kandukur and Kanigiri, but in the Ongole Taluq on the other hand, the cultivation of these two products has increased considerably.

14. Demand.—The annexed comparative statement exhibits the demand of land and sundry sources of revenue for Faslies 1283 and 1284 :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Quit-rent on Shrotriems	17,687	17,691	4	...
Ryotwar Revenue	5,75,453	5,67,589	...	7,864
Land Revenue, Miscellaneous	72,235	74,753	2,518	...
Total ...	6,65,375	6,60,033	2,522	7,864
Abkári	10,640	10,640	...	...
Road Fund...	54,193	54,983	790	...
Total ...	64,833	65,623	790	...
Grand Total ...	7,30,208	7,25,656	3,312	7,864
Net decrease ...	...	..	...	4,552

15. The increase of Rupees 4 under the head of Quit-rent on Shrotriems is due to the resumed and relinquished Inams in some of the shrotriems of the Kanigiri Taluq being made over to the Shrotriemdars, with an addition of the reduced assessment on such Inams to the quit-rent on shrotriems in accordance with Proceedings of Government, No. 543, dated 24th March 1871. The decrease in the Ryotwar revenue is due to the gradual introduction of the new settlement rates, in cases where those rates were considered high, and partly to large relinquishments in the fasli under report. I may here remark that the demand under the head of Ryotwar Revenue, above shown, is exclusive of the remissions, amounting to Rupees 48,432, granted on account of the gradual introduction of the new settlement rates. There was no change in the Abkári revenue, as the Abkári farms of the district were rented for three Faslis from Fasli 1282. The small increase in the Road Fund needs no remark. Under the head of Land Revenue, Miscellaneous, there is an increase of Rupees 6,202, and a decrease of Rupees 3,683, which gives a net increase o Rupees 2,519. The subjoined statement exhibits the details of Land Revenue, Miscellaneous, for Faslis 1283 and 1284 :—

No.	Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1	Stallakarnam Russums	7,258 6 6	7,194 8 3	... ...	63 14 3
2	Bhalerow Russums	3,296 11 6	3,212 5 5	... .	84 6 1
3	Quit-rent on Minor Inams in Government and Shrotriem Villages	31,899 4 9	31,711 13 11	... ...	187 6 10
4	Charge on Survey Excess in Inams	6,751 8 6	5,743 6 3	... ...	1,008 2 3
5	Produce of Fruit trees	76 12 6	65 12 0	... ...	11 0 6
6	Water-tax on Inam lands including Talavandhan	689 4 2	625 1 10	... ...	64 2 4
7	Unauthorized cultivation	5,145 0 5	3,939 10 3	... ...	1,205 6 2
8	Value of trees on durkhast lands	474 4 0	918 13 3	444 9 3	.. ..
9	Revenue Fines	353 15 0	202 14 0	... ...	151 1 0
10	Excess collection	3 14 7	34 4 8	30 6 1	... ...
11	Sale-proceeds of Pasture Farms	5,692 13 0	6,157 8 10	464 11 10	... ...
12	Sist on cowle putta lands	185 2 6	107 15 6	... ...	77 3 0
13	Russums paid by the Venkatagiri Rajah	7,700 0 0	7,700 0 0	... ...	... ...
14	Dowle Izappa	624 13 8	963 0 0	338 2 4	... ...
15	Cultivation of sequestered Inams in Chundi	26 0 0	23 8 0	... ...	2 8 0
16	Quit-rents on Bhalerow's Inams in Chundi	100 14 1	110 4 8	9 6 7	... ...
17	Cheyroot farms	306 8 0	350 0 0	43 8 0	... ...
18	Sale-proceeds of Service Books	... ...	0 2 8	0 2 8	... ...
19	Charge on encroachments	1,643 6 2	1,023 3 3	... ...	620 2 11
20	Rattan Rents	6 0 0	... ...	... ...	6 0 0
21	Cultivation of Resumed Inams	... ...	9 4 8	9 4 8	... ...
22	Fish Rents	... ...	42 0 0	42 0 0	... ...
23	The sale-proceeds of grain that was sold on behalf of Government	... ...	71 2 3	71 2 3	... ...
24	Process Service Fees	... ...	4,127 12 9	4,127 12 9	... ...
25	The old assessment of lands cultivated and then relinquished	... ...	406 13 9	406 13 9	... ...
26	Amount paid as Bediga in Chundi Zemindari on account of Village Servants	... ...	12 0 2	12 0 2	... ...
	Total ...	72,234 11 4	74,753 6 4	6,201 12 7	3,683 1 7

16. Items Nos. 1 and 2 fluctuate with the Ryotwar revenue, and as there was a fall in that revenue, there has been a corresponding fall in the two items. The relinquishments of Minor Inams in the Kanigiri and Kandukur Taluqs is the main cause of the decrease in Item No. 3. The fall in Item No. 4 is ascribable to the large relinquishments of the survey excesses in Inams, which were subdivided in many cases. The heavy prohibitory assessments charged in the previous fasli repressed the tendency of the ryots in an appreciable degree to cultivate without permission ; and hence the cause of the decrease in Item No. 7. Lands covered with trees were taken up on durkast, and this is the cause of the increase in Item No. 8, and of the decrease in Item No. 12. The increase in Item No. 16 is the charge on survey excesses in Bhalerow's Inams in Chundi finally disposed of in the Fasli. The heavy charge made in the previous year on encroachments on Government lands by prickly-pear hedges, straw heap enclosures and cattle-pens, compelled the ryots to be more cautious, and hence the decrease in Item No. 19. Fisheries were rented in the fasli for the first time in the Kandukur Taluq, and this is the cause of the entry No. 22. In the village of Sanampudi, in the Kandukur Taluq, some lands with crops thereon were attached and sold for arrears of revenue. The villagers by combination offered no bids, and consequently the lands with the crops were bought in by Government at a nominal price. Subsequently, the crops were harvested and sold, and the sale-proceeds of the grain is shown as Item No. 23. The fees collected on account of service of processes, for which a separate establishment is entertained, is shown as Item No. 24. The distribution of the settlement tickets in the Sub-division began some months after the cultivating season, and consequently the ryots were informed that the old rates of assessment only would be charged on lands relinquished after the distribution of the settlement tickets, but cultivated previously. The assessment of these relinquished cultivated lands is shown as Item No. 25. The increase in Items Nos. 10, 11, 14, 17, 18, 21 and 26, as also the decrease in Items Nos. 5, 6, 9, 15 and 20, call for no special remarks.

17. Demand, Collection, and Balance of Revenue.—The subjoined statement exhibits the demand, collection and balance of the current revenue for Fasli 1284. It will be seen therefrom that the balance due on the 31st July 1875 was Rupees 17,119-0-10, which is considerably less than half the balance of last year on the corresponding date, *viz.*, 31st July 1874. The percentage of collections in the current year is 97·64 against 93·96 of the previous year. The greatest portion of the balance is in the Ongole Taluq as shown below :—

Taluqs.	Ryotwar.	Miscellaneous.	Shrotriem Jodi.	Abkári.	Road Fund.	Total.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Kandukur	1,997 3 8	1,616 14 2	442 7 4	... ...	1,056 8 8	5,113 1 10
Ongole	1,935 4 1	1,708 3 6	352 6 9	1,038 5 4	2,997 1 7	8,031 5 3
Kanigiri	821 3 3	1,853 11 10	201 14 10	... ...	797 11 10	3,674 9 9
Darsi and Podili	... ...	... ...	... ...	300 0 0	... ...	300 0 0
Total ...	4,753 11 0	5,178 13 6	996 12 11	1,338 5 4	4,851 6 1	17,119 0 10

Items.	Demand of Fasli 1284.	Collections up to 30th June 1875.	Balance.	Subsequent Collections up to 31st July 1875.	Balance.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Quit-rent on Shrotriems	17,690 13 11	15,866 15 9	1,823 14 2	827 1 3	996 12 11
Ryotwar Revenue	5,67,588 11 1	5,45,241 1 1	22,347 10 0	17,593 15 0	4,753 11 0
Land Revenue, Miscellaneous	74,753 6 4	62,819 14 2	11,933 8 2	6,754 10 8	5,178 13 6
Total ...	6,60,032 15 4	6,23,927 15 0	36,105 0 4	25,175 10 11	10,929 5 5
Abkári	10,640 0 0	8,866 10 8	1,773 5 4	435 0 0	1,338 5 4
Road Fund	54,982 11 8	44,071 3 1	10,911 8 7	6,060 2 6	4,851 6 1
Total ...	65,622 11 8	52,937 13 9	12,684 13 11	6,495 2 6	6,189 11 5
Grand Total ...	7,25,655 11 0	6,76,865 12 9	48,789 14 3	31,670 13 5	17,119 0 10

18. DEMAND, COLLECTION, AND BALANCE OF ARREARS OF REVENUE.—The subjoined statement exhibits the demand, collection and balance of arrears of revenue.

Items.	For what Fasli.	Total amount of arrears at the beginning of Fasli 1284.	Amount collected and remitted in Fasli 1284.	Balance at the end of Fasli 1284.	Particulars of Column 5.			Total.
					Subsequent Collections up to 31st July 1875.	Recoverable.	Irrecoverable.	
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Quit-rent on Shrotrioms	1283	2,410 0 9	2,410 0 9	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
Ryotwar Revenue	1280 to 1283 ...	60,556 3 2	53,219 12 1	2,336 7 1	18 13 9	143 13 9	2,173 11 7	2,336 7 1
Land Revenue, Miscellaneous	1279 to 1283 ...	17,441 14 11	15,064 14 1	2,377 0 10	53 14 5	638 14 0	1,684 4 5	2,377 0 10
Abkári	1283	1,109 10 5	1,109 10 5	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
Road Fund	1279 to 1283 ...	15,267 3 3	9,812 2 7	5,455 0 8	1 9 0	5,348 4 10	105 2 10	5,455 0 8
Income-tax	1279 to 1282 ...	436 6 10	425 9 7	10 13 3	... ...	10 13 3	... ...	10 13 3
	Total ...	97,221 7 4	87,042 1 6	10,179 5 10	74 5 2	6,141 13 10	3,963 2 10	10,179 5 10

19. Of the sum of Rupees 2,637-1-10, consisting of Rupees 828-11-4 recommended for remission in the last year's report, and Rupees 1,808 6-6 a portion of the amount recommended for remission in the report of Fasli 1282, a sum of Rupees 1,812-3-9 was written off as irrecoverable, as the Government in their Proceedings, No. 770, dated 23rd June 1874, accorded sanction for the remission of the amount. The remainder, Rupees 824-14-1, was reduced by subsequent collections of Rupees 15-8-8 to Rupees 809-5-5. This sum of Rupees 809-5-5 + Rs. 3,153-13-5, recommended for remission in this report, is the amount of the irrecoverable balance shown in the statement.

20. I have the honor to request sanction to write off the following sums as irrecoverable :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Assessment on putta lands sold for arrears of revenue, but which did not realize the full amount of arrears for Fasli 1281	39	12	8
Road Fund thereon	1	8	4
Assessment on putta lands sold for arrears of revenue, but which did not realize the full amount of arrears for Fasli 1282 ...	160	11	7
Road Fund thereon...	9	7	6
Quit-rent on Inams sold for arrears of quit-rent, but which did not realize the full amount of arrears for Fasli 1282	13	6	0
Charge on survey excess in Inams which have been relinquished in Fasli 1282, but disposed of subsequently	217	5	0
Assessment and Russums on wet lands for which remission was granted on account of perished and withered crops for Fasli 1283	809	1	6
Assessment and Russums on putta lands sold for arrears of revenue which did not realize the full amount of arrears for Fasli 1283	435	0	5
Road Fund thereon...	30	0	8
The prohibitory assessment charged for Fasli 1283, but remitted subsequently on inquiry	369	10	7
Road Fund thereon...	20	14	6
Assessment on lands remitted as they have become uncultivable.	11	3	11
Road Fund thereon	1	7	7
The difference between the wet and dry rates of wet lands taken on durkhast, but for which there was no means of irrigation...	20	13	4
Charge on survey excess in Inams which were relinquished for Fasli 1283, but disposed of subsequently	369	10	5
Assessment and Russums on lands in Paleuipad washed away by the freshes of the River Musi for Fasli 1283	40	13	2
Road Fund thereon...	6	13	9
Tirva Kammi remission, being the difference between the wet rates and the highest dry rate of wet lands transferred to the head of Dry by the Settlement Department for Fasli 1283	141	4	9
Assessment remitted as there was no land for which assessment was charged	0	10	0
Assessment on lands taken on durkhast, but subsequently given up as the assessment fixed was higher than what he applied for	32	10	7
Quit-rent of Inams sold for arrears of quit-rent for Fasli 1283, which did not realize the full amount of arrears	6	7	2
Quit-rent on Inams relinquished in Fasli 1283	201	12	7
Road Fund thereon	5	14	8
Charge on survey excess in Inams erroneously charged	23	6	2
Assessment on lands taken upon durkhast, but which durkhasts have been cancelled after the Jamabandi...	64	1	5
Quit-rent on Inams whose title-deeds were not taken by the Inamdars for Fasli 1283	23	9	10
Sundries.			
Land Revenue, Miscellaneous	6	2	0
Road Fund	0	1	4
Total ...	3,153	13	5

21. The annexed statement exhibits the extent to which coercive measures were employed in the recovery of arrears and the amount of Process Service Fees collected and distributed :—

Property attached.		Value of Property sold.		Amount of Batta collected for Service of Processes	Amount distributed.
Number of Ryots.	Amount of Arrears.	Moveable.	Immoveable.		
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
7,686	44,069 0 0	1,289 0 0	795 0 0	4,888 9 7	1,157 9 0

22. Revenue realized as Second-crop Assessment on one Crop Inam Wet, and as Tirvajasti on Inam Lands.—The revenue realized under the two heads above mentioned during the last five years is exhibited in the annexed statement. In the amount shown in the statement, the talavadhan collected in the Kanigiri Taluq, and the water-rate charged for water taken from charity ponds, are as usual included :—

Faslis.	Minor Inams.		Shrotriems.		Total.
	Second-crop Assessment on one Crop Inam Wet Lands.	Tirvajasti on Inams.	Second-crop Assessment on one Crop Inam Wet Lands.	Tirvajasti on Inams.	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1280	172	343	...	22	537
1281	536	180	...	26	742
1282	417	233	...	11	661
1283	377	300	...	12	689
1284	263	362	...	2	627
Total ...	1,765	1,418	...	73	3,256

23. Acquisition of Lands by Public Servants.—No public servant appears to have acquired any fresh lands in the current year.

24. Subdivision of enfranchised Inam Villages.—No Inam village was subdivided in the year under report.

25. Surrender of Ruined Tanks.—No ruined tank was made over to ryots in the Fasli.

26. Agricultural Statistics.—A statement showing the agricultural statistics of the three taluqs of the Sub-division is prepared in the prescribed form and submitted herewith. The Tahsildars reported that the entries in the Adangal have been verified from time to time.

27. State of Boundary Marks.—The returns received from the Tahsildars, showing the state of the boundary marks are herewith submitted. It will appear therefrom that all the boundary marks in the Kanigiri Taluq are all in good order, while those in thirteen villages of the Ongole and thirty-seven villages of the Kandukur Taluq are out of order. The number of marks disappearing in the Ongole Taluq is 2,013, and those damaged 1,242. These numbers, I beg to remark, are the same as shown in the returns of the last four years. The number of marks damaged in the Kandukur Taluq is 191, and those disappearing 1,119. These figures are the same as those shown in the last year's return.

28. Absence of the Sub-Collector from the Sub-division.—The Sub-Collector was absent from his division for thirty days, from 9th December 1874 to 7th January 1875. He came to Nellore on general duty.

29. Village and Taluq Accounts.—The Village Accounts were prepared in accordance with instructions and in the forms given in the Village Manual. The Taluq Accounts were neatly and correctly kept in the three taluqs and in the prescribed forms.

(Signed) W. G. UNDERWOOD,
Acting Head Assistant Collector, in charge.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) A. NARAINA ROW,
Deputy-Collector,
for Acting Sub-Collector in charge.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

BELLARY.

I have the honor to submit my report on the Settlement of this District for Fasli 1284-or A. D. 1874-75, with the prescribed statements.

2. Places where the Settlement was made.—Statement No. 1 shows the places at which the settlement was made by each officer and the period occupied by the same. The settlement was commenced in November and completed in April. It was conducted in two or more places within the limits of each taluq. I settled four taluqs, *viz.*, Ghooty, Tadpatry, Anantapur, and Raidrug. The first three belonged to the Sub-Collector's Division and the fourth to that of the Additional Deputy-Collector. The Sub-Collector settled Adoni, Alur, and Bellary Taluqs; the first two belonging to himself and the third under my own charge. The Head Assistant Collector conducted the settlement of three of his own taluqs, *viz.*, Pennacondah, Hindupur, and Madakserah. The Deputy-Collector on general duties settled his own four taluqs, *viz.*, Hospett, Huvinhadgalli, Kudlighi, and Harpanhally. The Additional Deputy-Collector settled the Dharmaveram Taluq belonging to the Head Assistant Collector.

3. Variations in the Number and Tenure of Villages.—The variations in the number and tenure of villages are given in the following abstract :—

Description.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Comparison.	
			Increase.	Decrease.
Government villages	2,300	2,303	3	...
Shrotriem villages	2	1	...	1
Koyemjodi villages	198	199	1	...
Surva Inam or rent-free do.	20	20	...	...
Total ...	2,520	2,523	4	1
Net ...	...	...	3	...

In Government villages there is an actual increase of four villages. Land in two villages in the Harpanhally Taluq and in one in the Kudlighi Taluq left unoccupied in the previous year has been brought newly under cultivation this year. One village was transferred from the Patticondah Taluq in the Kurnool District to the Adoni Taluq of this district. The actual decrease of one village is owing to a small village called Vanamkotti in the Adoni Taluq having been attached to the village of Chagi in the same taluq as a dependent hamlet. These latter changes were made on the proposal of the Revenue Survey Department, and under the orders of Government, No. 316, dated 5th March 1874. Thus the net increase in Government villages is three

as shown above. The decrease of one Shrotriem village and the increase of one on Koyemjodi tenure is due to the enfranchisement of a Shrotriem village in the Hindupur Taluq and the issue of a title-deed by the Inam Commissioner during the fasli under report. There has been no change in the Surva Inam villages.

4. PUTTAHS.—The total number of puttahs as shown in Statement No. 1 is 1,50,201. The net increase of puttahs is 3,746 ; this is chiefly due to the increase of cultivation caused by the favorable nature of the season. The transfers of lands by the Puttahdars to their co-sharers and the issue of separate puttahs under the decrees of Civil Courts are also partly causes of the increase.

5. SEASON.—The season on the whole was favorable and the fall of rain was abundant throughout the district. The following Statement shows the monthly fall of rain :—

Months.	Average fall in Fasli 1283.	Average fall in Fasli 1284.
April...	1·2	·26
May	1·57	4·87
June	·42	3·32
July	·93	4·78
August	3·50	2·70
September...	3·35	11·13
October	8·42	9·13
November...	·35	·40
December...	...	·09
January	...	...
February	·4	...
March	...	·27
Total ...	19·60	36·95

6. The rain registers were examined by the Settlement Officers with reference to paragraph 4 of the Board's Orders, dated 4th August 1868, No. 5,642, and found satisfactory.

7. SANITARY CONDITION.—The following statement shows the sanitary state of the district during the year under report in comparison with last fasli :—

Abstract of Attacks and Deaths from Cholera and Fever.

Fasli.	Cholera.		Fever.	
	Attacks.	Deaths.	Attacks.	Deaths.
1283	...	...	12,281	9,476
1284	...	...	25,454	12,309
Increase ...	...	...	13,173	2,833
Decrease ...	...	...	...	...

The district was free from cholera as in last year. But fever prevailed in all the taluqs of the district to a greater extent than in the previous year. This was chiefly due to the moisture caused by the (for this district) unusually heavy rain in some months of the year. The percentage of deaths is however less than that of the previous year. Fever-medicine were widely distributed.

8. CATTLE DISEASE.—Cattle disease prevailed in all the taluqs of the district except Adoni and Pennacondah. Its ravages were to a greater extent than in the previous year. The following abstract shows the number attacked and casualties therefrom :—

Description.	Number attacked.		Number died.	
	Fasli 1282.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
Ploughing Cattle	7,535	12,930	1,495	2,868
Cows			1,323	1,047
Buffaloes			1,302	2,641
Sheep and Goats	58	...	58	...
Total ...	7,593	12,930	4,178	6,556

The medicines supplied by Mr. Thacker, the Veterinary Surgeon, were widely distributed. The effect was beneficial in almost all the cases in which they were used, but many people will not use them.

9. Statement No. 2 exhibits the prices of grain. The result is given in the subjoined abstract :—

Description.	Price per garce.				
	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.	Per-cent.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Paddy ... 1st sort	161	134	...	27	17
Paddy ... 2nd sort	141	121	...	20	14
Cholum	170	154	...	16	9
Cumboo	173	160	...	13	8
Raggi	139	131	...	8	6
Horse gram	184	180	...	4	2

The decrease in the prices is due to the favorableness of the season.

10. HOLDINGS.—Statement No. 3 shows the ryots' holdings and the net revenue of the fasli, while its Enclosure A exhibits all the changes in the holdings, the actual cultivation, and the extent of waste charged. The following statement shows the holdings of the ryots as compared with those of the previous fasli :—

Fasli.	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
1283	2,401,415	14,97,578	115,541	5,60,993	2,516,956	20,58,571
1284	2,490,535	15,24,152	117,696	5,71,582	2,608,231	20,95,734
Increase ...	89,120	26,574	2,155	10,589	91,275	37,163
Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	..	...

The increase is due to the more abundant rainfall.

The following abstracts show in a comparative form the lands relinquished, those newly taken up, the extent of actual cultivation, the waste charged and the waste remitted.

11. A. Lands Relinquished.—Under this head there is an actual decrease of Acres 66,583, assessed at Rupees 20,253. In the previous year the ryots were obliged to give up a good deal of land for want of sufficient rain ; in the present year there was no necessity to relinquish so much on account of the good fall :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.
Dry...	208,456	78,154	142,862	61,572	...	...	65,594	16,582
Wet	5,313	23,855	4,324	20,184	...	...	989	3,671
Total ...	213,769	1,02,009	147,186	81,756	...	...	66,583	20,253

12. B. Lands taken up.—Under this head there is an increase of Acres 38,228, assessed at Rupees 3,529. It is chiefly attributable to the favorable nature of the season. In the matter of dry lands, however, those highly assessed were given up and lightly assessed land was taken up. Hence there is an increase in the extent and a decrease in the assessment under that head :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.
Dry...	194,564	92,487	231,982	88,145	37,418	...	...	4,342
Wet	5,669	22,903	6,479	30,774	810	7,871	...	...
Total ...	200,233	1,15,390	238,461	1,18,919	38,228	7,871	...	4,342
Net ...	...	...	...	...	38,228	3,529	...	...

13. C. Actual Cultivation.—Under this head there is an increase of Acres 93,579, assessed at Rupees 71,420. It is attributable to the fall of rain by which a larger supply of water was furnished to the irrigation works :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.
Dry...	2,266,808	14,53,185	2,349,227	14,73,768	82,419	20,583	...	...
Wet	101,816	5,04,143	112,976	5,54,980	11,160	50,837	...	...
Total ...	2,368,624	19,57,328	2,462,203	20,28,748	93,579	71,420	...	...
Net ...	...	...	...	...	93,579	71,420	...	...

14. D. Waste Charged.—Under this head there is an increase of Rupees 1,739. The early part of the season being so good, a large amount of dry land was taken up, and this again was abandoned for the more paying wet cultivation, for which the water-supply proved so abundant. The assessment of the above-mentioned dry land having been charged, there has been an increase under that head :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.
Dry...	134,600	44,385	141,282	50,354	6,682	5,969	...	...
Wet	5,538	20,158	4,545	15,928	...	...	993	4,230
Total ...	140,138	64,543	145,827	66,282	6,682	5,969	993	4,230
Net ...	...	...	...	...	5,689	1,739	...	...

15. E. Waste Remitted.—Under this head there is a decrease of Acres 7,993, assessed at Rupees 35,997. This is due to the increase of cultivation. The remission allowed on dry land is on account of lands taken up for public purposes for which compensation was not settled :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Acres.	Asessmsent.	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.
Dry...	7	8	26	30	19	22	...	...
Wet	8,187	36,692	175	673	...	...	8,012	36,019
Total ...	8,194	36,700	201	703	19	22	8,012	36,019
Net ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7,993	35,997

16. Special Products.—Enclosure B to Statement No. 3 shows the cultivation of sugar-cane, cotton, and indigo. The following abstract exhibits the extent of cultivation under the above species :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.
Sugar-cane	8,774	80,222	9,414	90,483	640	10,261	.....	.....
Cotton.....	410,956	3,89,210	337,550	3,26,087	.....	.....	73,406	63,123
Indigo.....	2,336	2,759	6,681	7,053	4,345	4,294	.....	.....
Total ...	422,066	4,72,191	353,645	4,23,623	4,985	14,555	73,406	63,123
Net ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	68,421	48,568

The increase of cultivation of sugar-cane and indigo is attributable to the greater supply of water than in the previous year. The decrease of the cultivation of cotton is due to the fall in

the price of that staple during the fasli. There is a discrepancy between the entries in the Administration Report and the abstract entered in the Enclosure B. to Statement No. 3 in the cultivation of sugar-cane as shown in the margin. The correct figures are now entered. The error occurred through a mistake of the Taluq officials of Tadpatry when preparing the accounts.

Sugar-cane.

	Acres.	Assessment. Rs.
As per Administration Report.....	9,406	90,463
As per Statement B	9,414	90,483
Difference ...	8	20

17. Enclosure C. of Statement No. 3 comprises the items of cowles. Out of Acres 507, asssesed at Rupees 885, under cowle last year, Acres 30, assessed at Rs. 74, were charged with full assessment, as the term of cowle had expired. Acres 466, assessed at Rupees 646, have been newly taken up on cowle tenure. The land held on cowle tenure in the year under report amounts therefore to Acres 943, assessed at Rupees 1,457.

Enclosure D. to Statement No. 3 is blank for this district, as no lands included in the area of actual cultivation were left waste.

Enclosure E. of Statement No. 3 shows the particulars of land cultivated and of waste charged as exhibited in the cultivation statement.

18. An abstract return of agricultural statistics and acreage of crops, &c., as called for in the Board's Proceedings, No. 716, dated 1st February 1870, is herewith forwarded.

19. Cultivation.—A comparative abstract of cultivation and settlement is subjoined as required in Clause 4, paragraph 4 of the Board's Circular Memorandum, dated 14th August 1866, No. 787 :—

Comparative Abstract Statement of Cultivation and Settlement.

Items.	Fasli 1283. Extent.	Fasli 1283. Assessment.	Fasli 1284. Extent.	Fasli 1284. Assessment.	Increase. Extent.	Increase. Assessment.	Decrease. Extent.	Decrease. Assessment.
	Acres.	Rs. A. P.	Acres.	Rs. A. P.	Acres.	Rs. A. P.	Acres	Rs. A. P.
Dry.....	2,401,415	14,97,578 7 9	2,490,535	15,24,152 3 6	89,120	26,573 11 9	.....	... ...
Wet	115,541	5,60,992 7 11	117,696	5,71,581 12 7	2,155	10 589 4 8	.....	... ...
Total ...	2,516,956	20,58,570 15 8	2,608,231	20,95,734 0 1	91,275	37,163 0 5	.....	... ...
Add.								
Second crop assessment	.....	91,968 2 10	.....	1,33,895 5 2	.....	41,927 2 4	.....	... ...
Additional do. ...	.....	50,217 11 7	.....	68,148 12 3	.....	17,931 0 8	.....	... ...
Water-tax	.....	1,608 5 10	.....	3,084 14 0	.....	1,476 8 2	.....	... ...
Road Fund	.....	2,15,599 14 11	.....	2,21,870 2 0	.....	6,270 3 1	.....	... ...
Village Service Fund	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	...	... ...
Total ...	.....	24,17,965 2 10	.....	25,22,733 1 6	.....	1,04,767 14 8	.....	... ...
Deduct.								
Remission	.....	36,699 15 9	.....	703 7 9	.....	... ...	.....	35,996 8 0
Road Fund	.....	2,15,599 14 11	.....	2,21,870 2 0	.....	6,270 3 1	.....	... ...
Village Service Fund	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...
Other remissions as particularized in Statement No. 4 ...	.....	9,015 12 6	.....	10,389 13 5	.....	1,374 0 11	.....	... ...
Total ...	.....	2,61,315 11 2	.....	2,32,963 7 2	.....	7,644 4 0	.....	35,996 8 0
Remaining heriz.	.....	21,56,649 7 8	.....	22,89,769 10 4	.....	1,33,120 2 8	.....	... ...
Miscellaneous Items.....	... ...	2,67,205 8 9	.....	2,96,000 9 2	.....	28,795 0 5	.....	... ...
Total ...	.....	24,23,855 0 5	.....	25,85,770 8 6	.....	1,61,915 3 1	.....	... ...

20. The revenue realized as second crop assessment on single crop Inam wet lands and as water-rate on dry Inam lands is shown in the following abstract as required by the Board in their Proceedings, dated 30th March 1869, No. 2,070 :—

Items.	Fasli 1283. Acres.	Fasli 1283. Rs.	Fasli 1284. Acres.	Fasli 1284. Rs.	Comparison. Increase. Acres.	Increase. Rs.	Decrease. Acres.	Decrease. Rs.
Amount of second crop assessment on one crop Inam wet	1,332	6,067	1,932	9,449	600	3,382	.....	.....
Do. of additional assessment on dry	2,506	8,187	3,317	11,893	811	3,706	.....	.....

The increase is chiefly due to the supply of water being greater than last year.

21. Principal sources of Irrigation.—The principal sources of irrigation in the district requiring notice under Clause 5, paragraph 4, of the Circular above quoted are the following :—

Statement showing the Ayacut and Acreage actually cultivated in Fasli 1284 *under the Irrigation Works.*

Names of Irrigation works.	Government and Inam Ayacut. Acres.	Assessment. Rs.	Cultivation of Government and Inam lands. Acres.	Assessment including second crop assessment. Rs.
Bookapatnam Tank	3,769	23,610	3,660	29,226
Singanamala do.	3,082	18,288	2,679	19,267
Purghi do.	2,584	11,228	2,336	12,008
Dhurmaveram do.	1,527	10,623	1,366	11,251
Anantapur do.	2,793	13,558	2,436	15,613
Kanekal do.	2,525	12,538	1,616	8,463
Daroji do.	1,681	7,249	1,581	7,527
Tungabudra Channels	15,438	1,29,442	15,120	1,44,021

The chief river channels are those of the Tungabudra; there are besides these about ten important tanks capable of irrigating from 1,000 to 1,400 Acres each. The subjoined abstract shows the total number of tanks, channels, and wells both Government and private :—

Description.	Number.	Acreage of Government.	Assessment including second crop assessment and additional assessment. Rs.	Remarks.	No.
Tanks	1,206	87,469	4,91,501	* Government...	9,657
Channels ...	1,943	50,476	2,97,065	Dasavandum...	253
Wells*	20,272	265	803	Private... ...	10,362
Total ...	23,421	1,38,210	7,89,369	Total...	20,272

The cultivation under wells entered here is that of lands under wells, the assessment of which was not reduced to the highest dry rate, and which have not been classed as dry.

22. Ruined Tanks.—An application for repairing one ruined tank was received this year. It has no irrigable area under it. Dry assessment has been therefore ordered to be charged on the lands irrigated by it.

23. Particulars of Remissoin.—Statement No. 4 contains particulars of remissions of all kinds on cultivated lands. These amount to Rupees 10,390, showing an increase of Rupees 1,374 on those of last fasli. The following abstract exhibits the particulars of these remissions :—

Description.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Occasional remissions	2,901	4,068	1,167	...
Fixed remissions	1,516	1,685	169	...
Reduction from the entire revenue	4,599	4,637	38	...
Total...	9,016	10,390	1,374	...
Net...	...	...	1,374	...

The increase under the first head is chiefly due to the grant of remissions on account of loss of crops caused by floods consequent on the heavy fall of rain during the year, and to the grant of remission of cowle on lands taken up to a greater extent on cowle tenure. The increase under the second head is attributable to the cultivation of Dasavandam lands to a greater extent than in last year. The increase under the third head is owing to the grant of remission on the sanction of the Board out of the Revenue of the villages for the village servants who were insufficiently remunerated. This amounts to Rupees 135, but there is a decrease of Rupees 97 in the remissions granted to Shrotriemdars owing to a Shrotriem village having been enfranchised by the Inam Commissioner. Thus the net increase is Rupees 38 as shown in the above abstract. Enclosure A. to Statement No. 4 is prepared in accordance with the Official Memorandum of the Board of Revenue, No. 750, dated 6th June 1872. It gives the particulars of dry and wet for all remissions granted on cultivated lands. The amount under dry is Rupees 5,499, while that under wet is Rupees 4,891.

24. Miscellaneous Items.—Statement No. 5 contains the particulars of Miscellaneous items, and the usual memorandum explanatory thereof is submitted. This shows an increase of Rupees 28,976 as compared with last year. This is attributable chiefly to the variations in the items exhibited below :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Water-tax on Inam lands	16,234	26,969	10,435	...
Process fees collected under Act II. of 1874 ...	...	17,506	17,506	...

The increase under the first head is due to the larger available supply of water. The Inams which were left waste for second crop last year for want of water having been cultivated this year, the usual water-tax was charged on them, and the consequence was the increase under this head. Process fees have never been collected before from revenue defaulters under Act II. of 1864. The system of collecting these fees was introduced in the year under report under the orders of the Board of Revenue, dated 24th April 1874, No. 971. There is therefore an increase under that head.

Enclosure A. to Statement No. 5 is prepared in accordance with the form sent by the Board with their Proceedings, No. 811, dated 20th June 1873. This shows the particulars of the extent of dry and wet for all the miscellaneous items given in Statement No. 5.

An enclosure showing the particulars of remissions granted on miscellaneous items of revenue is prepared in the form which accompanied the Board's Proceedings, No. 1,320, dated 17th May 1875, and the Column of "current demands" of Statement No. 5 is sub-divided as directed by the Board.

25. Statement No. 6 exhibits the Demand, Collection, and Balance of Shrotriem and Jodi villages enfranchised by the Inam Commissioner. This shows a net increase of Rupees 176. It is attributable to the enfranchisement by the Inam Commissioner of one village, and a hamlet held on Shrotriem tenure in the Hindupur Taluq during the year. Enclosure A. to Statement No. 6 is prepared according to the form sent by the Board with their Official Memorandum, No. 824, dated 11th July 1873. This gives the particulars of the extent of dry and wet, &c., for the amount of quit-rent entered in Statement No. 6.

26. Statement No. 7 shows all sources of revenue.

The following abstract exhibits the comparative result of the year :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Comparison.	
			Increase.	Decrease.
Land Revenue.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Jodi on Shrotriem	28,891	29,067	176	.....
Ryotwar	21,56,649	22,89,770	1,33,121	.....
Miscellaneous	2,67,008	2,96,001	28,993	.....
Total ...	24,52,548	26,14,838	1,62,290	.....
Abkári	7,03,804	7,02,731	.....	1,073
Income-tax	.....	.....	.....	.....
License-tax	.....	.....	.....	.....
Salt	10,510	20,758	10,248	.....
Stamps	1,91,496	1,95,542	4,046	.....
Total ...	9,05,810	9,19,031	14,294	1,073
Grand Total ...	33,58,358	35,33,869	1,76,584	1,073
Net ...	.....	.....	1,75,511	.....

This shows a net increase of Rupees 1,75,511. The increase of Shrotriem Jodi is explained in paragraph 25. The increase under Ryotwar is due to the increase of cultivation as already noticed. The Abkári Farm of this district has been rented out for three years from Fasli 1282 to 1284 for Rupees 7,00,900. The decrease under that head is in the amount of fees levied on licenses issued for the sale of European liquors, and in the excise duty levied on the country-made beer. The increase of salt revenue is attributable to the increase of the rates of tax levied on the earth-salt made in this district under the orders of the Board of Revenue, No. 1,780, dated 9th September 1873. The Stamp Revenue is of a fluctuating character; its increase in this year may be due to the purchase of stamp-papers for the purpose of executing Moochilikas by Abkári Contractors, their sub-renters and shop-keepers who took up the farms from Fasli 1285 to 1287.

27. Subjoined is a comparative abstract (Form B.) as directed in paragraph 7 of the Board's Circular Memorandum referred to above.

B.—*Comparative Statement of Collection.*

Items.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Comparison.	
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Increase.	Decrease.
Land Revenue.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Permanently settled Jodi or Shrotriem villages	890	27,459	28,349	1,417	26,278	27,695	...	654
Ryotwar	28,117	21,18,220	21,46,337	36,283	22,32,897	22,69,180	1,22,843	...
Miscellaneous	29,168	2,39,191	2,68,359	21,743	2,58,782	2,80,525	12,166	...
Total ...	58,175	23,84,870	24,43,045	59,443	25,17,957	25,77,400	1,35,009	654
Abkári	53,583	6,36,678	6,90,261	67,127	5,73,773	6,40,900	...	49,361
Income-tax	62	...	62	...	...	...	...	62
License-tax	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Salt	917	10,477	11,394	35	20,723	20,758	9,364	...
Stamps...	...	1,91,495	1,91,495	...	1,95,543	1,95,543	4,048	...
Total ...	54,562	8,38,650	8,93,212	67,162	7,90,039	8,57,201	13,412	49,423
Grand Total ...	1,12,737	32,23,520	33,36,257	1,26,605	33,07,996	34,34,601	1,48,421	50,077
Net ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	98,344	...

This shows a net increase of Rupees 98,344. The increase in the collection of arrears is chiefly due to the existence of a greater amount of arrears at the beginning of the year under report than in the previous year. The increase in the collection of current revenue is attributable to the increase of revenue in the year.

28. The following is an abstract of the statement of the demand and collection of the taluqs prepared under the orders of the Board of Revenue in their Circular Memorandum, dated 30th June 1869, No. 689 :—

Items.	Land Revenue.		Abkari.		Income-tax.		Stamps.		Salt.	
	Demand.	Collection.	Demand.	Collection.	Demand.	Collection.	Demand.	Collection.	Demand.	Collection.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Arrears and Current ...	27,08,932	25,77,400	7,69,857	6,40,900	55	.....	1,95,543	1,95,543	20,873	20,758

29. The subjoined abstract shows the Demand, Collection, and Balance of current revenue from all sources.

Collection from all Sources of Revenue.

Items.	Current demand.	Collection in the fasli.	Balance.	Collection up to the end of August.	Balance.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Jodi on Shrotriem villages...	29,066 15 9	26,277 11 6	2,789 4 3	1,949 8 6	839 11 9
Ryotwar	22,89,769 10 4	22,32,897 0 4	56,872 10 0	39,679 1 8	17,193 8 4
Miscellaneous	2,96,000 9 2	2,58,782 3 7	37,218 5 7	17,775 8 5	19,442 13 2
Total ...	26,14,837 3 3	25,17,956 15 5	96,880 3 10	59,404 2 7	37,476 1 3
Abkári	7,02,730 12 1	5,73,772 13 1	1,28,957 15 0	1,06,674 9 8	22,283 5 4
Income-tax	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
License-tax	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
Salt	20,757 13 6	20,722 13 6	35 0 0	35 0 0	... ...
Stamps	1,95,542 10 8	1,95,542 10 8	... ...	... ...	... ...
Total ...	9,19,031 4 3	7,90,038 5 3	1,28,992 15 0	1,06 709 9 8	22,283 5 4
Grand Total ...	35,33,868 7 6	33,07,995 4 8	2,25,873 2 10	1,66,113 12 3	59,759 6 7

30. The balance of the current demand at the end of Fasli 1823 was Rupees 1,35,034-5-11, and that of the year under report is Rupees 2,25,873-2-10, showing an increase of Rs. 90,838-12-11. The increase of land revenue is the chief cause for increase of balance under that head. The lease of Abkári farm expired at the end of the year. This being the last year, the Contractors instead of paying their dues wished to make good the arrears due by them from the amount of deposits made by them in the first year of the contract, and the Contractor of Ghooty and Hospett was allowed under the orders* of the Board to withhold payment of Rupees 1,200 out of the amount payable by him for each kist till the end of the fasli. Hence the balance under that head is greater than in last year.

* Proceedings, No. 2,387, dated 26th August 1874.

31. Out of this balance, however, there were collected up to the end of August last Rupees 1,66,113-12-3, and measures are being taken for the collection of the remainder.

32. Statement No. 8 exhibits the collection of arrears of all sources, which leaves a balance of Rupees 18,703-11-5 at the end of the year. This shows a decrease on that of last year of Rupees 7,654-13-10. This is due to the enforcement of collection of arrears more regularly. This consists of Rupees 7,559-7-9 which was recommended in the previous year's report to be written off; no sanction has yet been received. If this sum be deducted from the total balance of Rupees 18,703-11-5, there remains Rupees 11,144-3-8. Of the current demand, there remains a balance of Rs. 59,759-6-7 unrealized at the end of August last, which is Rs. 1-11-0 per-cent. on the demand of the district. The balance of the old arrears has been reduced to Rupees 10,668-3-5.*

Demand.			Collection.		
Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1,61,392	15	2	1,42,689	3	9

	Rs.	A.	P.
Total balance of arrears as per Statement No. 7	18,227	11	2
Deduct amount recommended for being written off in last year's report and not sanctioned yet	7,559	7	9
	*10,668	3	5

33. Refunds of Revenue.—Statement No. 9 shows the charges under various heads. There is a decrease of Rupees 2,932-10-2. The refunds must always fluctuate as they are made in cases of over-collections, &c. They occur in the present year under the heads of Land Revenue and Magisterial fines.

Faslies.	Rs.	A.	P.
1283	7,532	4	3
1284	4,599	10	1
	2,932	10	2

Collector's Salaries.—There is a decrease of Rupees 5,240-10-3 under this head. In the previous year the Collector was on leave, Mr. Sewell was acting for him. The Collector drew his full salary and the Acting Collector the deputation allowance. In the year under report there is no such extra charge. Besides this, hitherto the full amount of the salaries of the Collector, Sub-Collector, Head Assistant Collector, and Assistant Collector were charged in the Treasury accounts, while in the present year the amount is shown in these accounts after deducting the amount of Civil Service Annuity Fund in accordance with the Accountant-General's Circular, No. 25, dated 21st September 1875. Hence the decrease.

Tent and House-rent Allowances.—The increase under this head is Rupees 151-10-6. This is attributable to the payment of these allowances to the Assistant Collector for the whole year under report, whereas they were not paid for some months in the previous year, as an officer of that grade was not posted to this district during that period.

Salaries of Huzur and Taluq Establishments.—Under this head there is an increase of Rupees 446-11-8. This is due to the payment of arrears of salaries to public servants who were absent on leave during the previous year, for which period their salaries remained undisbursed.

SADERWARD.—Under this head there is an increase of Rupees 503-6-4 due to the purchase of articles with reference to the requirements of the offices.

MEDICAL CHARGES.—Under this head there is an increase of Rupees 693-1-2. This is chiefly due to promotions in the grades of the Hospital Assistants attached to the Sub and Head Assistant Collectors, and to the payment of their salaries consequently at higher rates.

CONTINGENCIES.—There is an increase of Rupees 866-8-0 under this head. This is attributable to the preparation of desks, &c., required for the use of the offices as well as to charges on account of batta to establishment and extra tentage.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Under this head there is an increase of Rupees 2,304-3-0 due to the payment of salaries to Process Service Peons employed, and also to the increase of charges in purchasing Service Postage labels.

ABKARI CONTINGENCIES.—There is an increase of Rupees 730. It is due to the charges incurred for registering the Moochilkas of the Abkári Contractors.

SALT.—Under this head there is an increase of Rupees 30 due to the payment of compensation to the owner of a salt pan who gave it up. This compensation was paid under the orders of Government, No. 732, dated 13th June 1874.

STAMP.—There is an increase of Rupees 3,587-11-10. It is chiefly due to the refund of stamp duty to the Abkári Contractors who had executed their Moochilkas on stamps of the value required for bonds, while they should have been executed on one of the value of half a rupee. This refund was made under the sanction of Government, No. 751, dated 17th May 1875.

34. Of the old arrears of Rupees 18,227-11-2, Rupees 8,097-14-9 are now recommended to be written off as irrecoverable. This leaves a balance of Rupees 10,129-12-5 ; of this amount Rupees 7,559-7-9 was recommended last year to be written off. Sanction however has not yet been received. The remainder, Rupees 2,570-4-8, may perhaps be recovered. Strict orders have been issued for its collection. Particulars of arrears now recommended to be written off are given in the Stetement marked R. Of the total amount of Rupees 8,097-14-9, Rupees 4,777-7-1 relate to the Jodi of the village servants ; out of this Rupees 228-6-3 are irrecoverable on account of death, poverty, and other causes ; the remainder is Rupees 4,549-0-10. This consists of Rupees 1,115-2-10 payable on Inams placed under attachment in consequence of the dismissal of the village servants, and also in consequence of their voluntarily giving up the Inams through inability to pay the Jodi charged on them. Many of these Inams have remained waste in consequence of their being unfit for cultivation. It was therefore found impossible to collect the Jodi charged on them. The remaining amount, Rupees 3,433-14-0, is also irrecoverable. It was left uncollected owing to the insufficiency of the emoluments of the village servants as stated in my letter, No. 101, dated 5th April 1873. Deducting the amount of Jodi, *viz.*, Rupees 4,777-7-1, from the total amount of Rupees 8,097-14-9 above shown, there remains a balance of Rupees 3,320-7-8 which is irrecoverable, all means of collecting it having proved abortive.

35. As directed in paragraph 8 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 17th June 1869, No. 4,345, an abstract showing the fasliwar particulars of arrears remaining unadjusted at the close of the fasli is appended.

Statement showing the arrears of revenue:—

Faslies.	Ryotwari.	Shrotriem Jodi.	Miscellaneous.	Abkári.	Income-tax.	Salt.	Total.	Subsequent collection and remission.	Remainder.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1276...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1277...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1278...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1279...	.....	17 0 0	0 13 9	.....	.....	.....	17 13 9	.....	17 13 9
1280...	1 5 2	19 0 0	58 2 5	.....	13 0 0	.....	91 7 7	.....	91 7 7
1281...	128 12 9	19 0 0	255 11 7	.....	4 0 0	16 0 0	423 8 4	29 14 6	393 9 10
1282...	1,734 0 8	18 0 5	7,029 3 7	.....	10 6 6	33 0 0	8,824 11 2	91 0 11	8,733 10 3
1283...	2,604 8 5	20 0 0	6,721 10 2	....	.....	.....	9,346 2 7	355 0 10	8,991 1 9
Total...	4,468 11 0	93 0 5	14,065 9 6	.....	27 6 6	49 0 0	18,703 11 5	476 0 3	18,227 11 2
Subsequent collections up to 30th August 1874	289 10 6	.....	186 5 9	.....	... .	.....	476 0 3	476 0 3	.....
Irrecoverable balance recommended for remission.	2,672 7 7	.....	5,425 7 2	.....	.....	....	8,097 14 9	.....	8,097 14 9
Total ...	2,962 2 1	.....	5,611 12 11	.....	.....	.....	8,573 15 0	476 0 3	8,097 14 9
Remaining ...	1,506 8 11	93 0 5	8,453 12 7	.....	27 6 6	49 0 0	10,129 12 5	.....	10,129 12 5
Recommended to be written off last year.	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,559 7 9
Remainder ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,570 4 8

36. The subjoined abstract shows the extent to which coercive measures were resorted to in the collection of revenue during the year under report. The particulars are inserted in Enclosure A of Statement No. 8. The amount of fees collected and those expended during the year are given in the margin.

	RS. A. P.
Amount of fees collected...	17,505 12 3
Do. paid	2,313 5 3
Balance ...	15,192 7 0

Faslies.	Process issued.			Estimated value of property attached.	Property sold.	
	Number of Villages.	Number of Ryots.	Amount of Arrears.		Estimate.	Sale proceeds.
			RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1283...	595	1,827	29,273	29,406	6,083	5,070
1284...	850	2,420	29,491	27,159	6,960	4,420
Increase ...	255	593	218	...	877	...
Decrease ...	...	...	...	2,247	...	650

37. The charges amount to Rupees 2,65,193-13-6 on the collection of Rupees 34,34,599-9-7, and the net revenue amounts to Rupees 31,69,405-12-1. The charges amount to Rupees 7-11-0 per-cent. on the collection. This is less than last year.

38. Under interest there is an increase of Rupees 900. It is due to the charge of interest in cases in which kists were not regularly paid by the ryots and Abkári Contractors.

39. There have been no sales of unassessed waste lands in the year under report.

40. The extent of landed property possessed and acquired by public servants during the year is given in the following statement :—

Items.	Number of Public Servants.	Extent.	Assessment.
		ACRES.	RS.
As per Fasli 1283	242	12,314	14,447
Deduct... Wholly relinquished in Fasli 1284	1	7	17
Relinquished in part	6	66	70
Total ...	1	73	87
Balance ...	241	12,241	14,360
Add ... Acquired in addition to former holdings	4	57	138
Newly acquired in Fasli 1284	5	88	198
Total ...	246	12,386	14,696

41. With reference to paragraph 3 of the Circular Order of the Board of Revenue, No. 8 of 1874 and Standing No. 283-2, I beg to report that the Treasury Deputy-Collector examined the Treasury and the accounts relating thereto of the taluq of Ghooty during the fasli under report, and the result was satisfactory.

42. It is reported that the village and taluq accounts were examined by the Settlement Officers during the year ; carelessness and inattention were noticed in some cases. Orders were given for the correct preparation of these accounts in cases in which they were found defective.

43. SUB-DIVISION OF JOINT LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS IN ENFRANCHISED INAMS.—With reference to paragraph 8 of the Government Order, dated 18th October 1867, No. 2,451, I beg to report that no application for the sub-division of enfranchised petty Inams have been filed or disposed of during the year under report.

44. With reference to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th October 1871, No. 4,434, I beg to submit a statement showing the total amount of costs awarded to Government in suits, and the collection and balance remaining at the end of the fasli.

The following is an abstract of the same :—

Number of Suits.	AMOUNT OF COST AWARDED.			Amount received.	Balance.
	Balance at the beginning of fasli.	Amount charged in the fasli.	Total.		
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
2	37 4 0	... ...	37 4 0	5 4 0	32 0 0

45. The Sub-Collector's report has not yet been received. It will be forwarded hereafter.

46. CONDUCT OF THE SUBORDINATES.—The Tahsildar to whose conduct I had to take exception in my report of last year, Y. Hanumanta Rao in charge of the Taluq of Pennacondah, was degraded by the orders of the Board and Government to the grade of a Deputy Tahsildar. Of the other subordinates I am glad to be able to speak favorably, and the Sheristadar, Shivaramappa, has as usual given every satisfaction.

BELLARY, (Signed) J. H. MASTER,
7th October 1875. Collector.

Exd. W. J. Lewis.

SUB-COLLECTORATE.

I HAVE the honor to report upon the settlement of the sub-division for Fasli 1284, A.D. 1874-75.

2. Of the five taluqs comprising the sub-division, two, *viz.*, Aloor and Adony, were settled by me, and the remaining three, Gooty, Tadputry, and Anantapur, by you. The Bellary Taluq, which is under your charge, was settled by me.

3. The following is a tabular statement of places in which the settlement was conducted and the time occupied at each place :—

Name of Officers.	Taluqs.	Number of Ryotwari Villages.	Number of Puttas.	Number of Days of Settlement.	Places of Settlement.	Dates on which the Settlement was conducted.
J. H. Master, Esq., Collector.	Gooty ...	144	11,282	25	Goontakul, Gooty, Kalloomady, and Ooravakondah.	19th to 21st, 23rd to 30th Nov. 1874; 1st to 3rd, 5th to 8th, 12th to 18th Dec. 1874.
	Tadputry ...	92	10,454	17	Yadky, Tadputry, and Pootloor.	4th to 6th and 8th to 21st Jan. 1875.
	Anantapur...	109	9,352	20	Tadmurry, Anantapur, and Atmakoor.	23rd to 27th, 29th to 31st Jan. 1875; 1st to 10th, 12th & 13th Feb. 1875.
C. J. Crosthwaite, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector.	Aloor ...	99	9,254	15	Aloor, Chinna Hotoor, Lingadahally, Soolavayi, Nemkalloo, and Halhurvy.	23rd to 28th January 1875; 2nd to 10th February 1875.
	Adony ...	179	14,403	16	Adony, Badnehall, Choody, Belagal, Kotekal, Emmiganur, and Madhavarum.	4th to 15th Dec. 1874; 11th to 13th and 20th January 1875.
	Total ...	623	54,745	93		

4. During the fasli under report no changes took place in the number or tenure of inam villages comprising sixty-five mowzas and thirteen hamlets. As in the previous fasli, fifty-eight of these paid a fixed jody, and the remaining seven were enjoyed free.

The statement given below shows the particulars of Government villages in the fasli under review :—

		Mowzas.	Hamlets.
Fasli 1283		623	474
Deduct Fasli 1284—			
		Mowza.	Hamlet.
Adony Taluq of the Bellary District.	Vanamkatta ...	1	...
		—	—
		1	...
Remaining		622	474
Add Fasli 1284—			
Adony Taluq of the Bellary District.	Vanamkatta ...	...	1
Pattikondah Taluq, Kurnool District.	Kaloogotla ...	1	...
	Narnapoor ...	...	1
	Parlapully ...	...	1
	Halsungutty ...	...	1
		—	—
		1	4
Total		623	478

It will be seen from the above statement that the total number of mowzas remained the same as in the previous year, and that the hamlets were increased by four owing to the following causes :—

(1.) Vanamkatta, a mowza village in the Adony Taluq, was registered as a hamlet of Chagy in the same taluq—*vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 2,921, dated 4th May 1874.

The under-mentioned transfers were made from the Pattikondah Taluq of the Kurnool District :—

(2.) Kalagotla, a mowza, and Narnapoor, its hamlet, were transferred to the Adony Taluq and registered as before—*vide* G. O., No. 316, dated 5th March 1874.

(3.) Parlapully, a hamlet of Pedda Mooravady, was alone transferred to the Adony Taluq, and registered as before as a hamlet of Goovvaladoddy—*vide* G. O., No. 316, dated 5th March 1874. Recently further changes have taken place regarding this hamlet which will be noted in the next Settlement Report.

(4.) Halsangutty, a hamlet of the Bailoo Pattikondah Village, was transferred to the Adony Taluq, and was classed as before as a hamlet of Basarcode—*vide* G. O., No. 316, dated 5th March 1874.

5. The following statement shows the increase and decrease in puttadars and puttas as compared with the previous fasli :—

—	Description.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
Puttadars	Resident ryots ...	41,166	42,439	1,273	...
	Other ryots	9,036	9,474	438	...
	Total ...	50,202	51,913	1,711	...
Puttas		50,202	51,913	1,711	...
	Single	2,680	2,832	152	...
	Goorchy				...
	Total ...	52,882	54,745	1,863	...

1. Number of puttas, the holdings of which remained the same as in the previous year		41,154
2. Number of puttas in which changes were made		10,188
3. Number of puttas newly issued		3,403
	Total ...	54,745

The increase in the number of puttas is chiefly owing to the favorable nature of the season, to the addition of four villages, and to the issue of puttas for assessed lands which had been held by ryots for several years free of assessment. This unauthorized occupation came to notice during the settlement of Fasli 1283.

6. The season was on the whole favorable. The Moongary rains failed again generally throughout the sub-division, while the Hingary rains were excessive. The Moongary crops suffered considerably by the fall of rain just before the harvest, the grain in many places

actually germinating while yet in the ear. The public health was not so good as in the previous fasli; but there was no cholera.

7. The following statement shows the prevalence of fever in the several taluqs as reported.

	Taluq. Name.	Population.	Months during which Fever prevailed.	Villages in which Fever prevailed. No.	Villages in which Fever prevailed. Population.	Attacks.	Recoveries.	Deaths.	Percentage of Deaths to Column 2.	Percentage of Deaths to Column 5.
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1284.	Gooty ...	141,980	July to June... ...	95	92,690	1,017	360	657	...	...
	Tadputry ...	105,385	Do. except November.	25	48,625	511	431	80	...	...
	Anantapur ...	85,052	July to June... ...	64	51,865	400	160	240	...	...
	Aloor ...	73,886	Do.	45	27,172	3,876	2,867	1,009	1	4
	Adony ...	181,933	Do.	120	111,355	2,703	1,880	823	...	...
	Total ...	588,236	.....	349	331,707	8,507	5,698	2,809	...	...
1283.	Sub-division..	...	.....	346	309,471	2,517	569	1,948	...	...

Owing to the excessive Hingary rains fever prevailed to an unusual extent in certain localities, especially in the Aloor and Adony Taluqs, in villages situated close to the range of hills in the former taluq, and in villages close to the Toongabudra river in the latter taluq. The Gooty Local Fund Board furnished medical aid which was appreciated. Quinine was available in all the taluqs, but in Anantapur the people declined to use it as they could not have it gratis—a privilege which was, however, allowed in the month of June last. A little improvement in fever registration was apparent this year.

8. The following statement shows the extent to which cattle murrain prevailed in the fasli under report :—

	Taluqs.	Number of Villages in which the Disease prevailed, and of Cattle therein. Villages.	Number of Villages in which the Disease prevailed, and of Cattle therein. Cattle.	Attacks.	Recoveries.	Deaths. Ryots' Cattle.	Deaths. Others, Cattle.	Deaths. Total. Cows.	Deaths. Total. Male Buffaloes.	Deaths. Total. Bullocks.	Deaths. Total. She Buffaloes.	Deaths. Total.	Percentage of Deaths to Column 3.	Percentage of Deaths to Column 4.
	1	2	3	4	5	6							7	8
1284	Gooty	13	13,468	420	172	110	138	26	61	89	72	248	1	59
	Tadputry	8	4,205	975	388	268	319	54	154	165	214	587	14	60
	Anantapur	16	9,226	917	409	313	195	86	180	134	108	508	5	55
	Aloor	6	3,094	510	240	133	137	27	27	130	86	270	9	53
	Total ...	43	29,993	2,882	1,209	824	789	193	422	518	480	1,613	5	57
1283	Five Sub-division Taluqs	59	40,400	4,317	1,743	1,246	1,328	709	383	898	584	2,574	6	59

The Adony Taluq is reported to have been free from this disease during the year, but I can hardly accept this statement, as season reports submitted in July and June of Fasli 1284 would seem to show that it must have existed in parts of the taluq, though not to any great extent it is certain.

The results of the medicine supplied were not very apparent any where; hence the ryots had no confidence in it, and preferred their own modes of treatment.

Medicines of this kind must be professionally applied at least at first, and their results noted before we can be sure of their suitability to the prevailing forms of the disease. The symptoms too require to be professionally observed from time to time, as Village Officers are unable, even if they were willing, to note the characteristics of diseases correctly.

9. The following statement shows the prices at which grains were sold in Fasli 1284 as compared with those of the preceding fasli :—

Description.	Price per Garce (4,800 Seers of Measure.)		Comparison.		
	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.	Per-centage.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Paddy, 1st sort	170	147	...	23	13
Do. 2nd do.	148	129	...	19	12
Cholum	177	170	...	7	4
Sajjaloo	186	171	...	15	8
Horse-gram	206	191	...	15	7
Raggy	171	154	...	19	10

Food grains sold comparatively cheap this year owing to the favorable nature of the season.

The decrease in the price of paddy was more marked than in the case of other grains, as tanks were better supplied than usual and fasaljasty cultivation increased; lands which had been flooded by the overflow of the Chittrawatty and Pennar rivers and by the enormous quantity of water which calingulas discharged being again brought under cultivation for the Vyshak crop.

The decrease in the price of cholum was not so marked owing to the damage done to the Moongary crops just before the harvest as above described. The Hingary crop was good.

10. The following statement shows the changes in ryots' holdings as compared with the previous fasli :—

Faslis.	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Acres.	Assess-ment.	Acres.	Assess-ment.	Acres.	Assess-ment.
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.
1283	974,487	7,73,092	27,673	1,28,129	1,002,160	9,01,221
1284	999,235	7,79,908	28,180	1,30,048	1,027,415	9,09,956
Net increase ...	24,748	6,817	507	1,919	25,255	8,736
Actual increase ...	71,136	35,585	1,448	6,231	72,584	41,816
Actual decrease ...	46,388	28,769	941	4,312	47,329	33,081

There was an increase in the extent of land cultivated which is attributable to the facts that four villages from Kurnool were included in this district, and that more land was taken up and less relinquished than usual.

11. The following is an enclosure to the preceding statement, and shows the several cuases of actual increase in the extent of land in holdings.

Source of Increase.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.	
	Acres.	Assess-ment.	Acres.	Assess-ment.
		Rs.		Rs.
1. Fresh lands taken up.				
Gooty	10,359	6,250	8,929	3,713
Tadputry ...	1,188	825	1,103	740
Anantapur ...	30,067	9,504	37,197	11,759
Aloor	3,616	13,930	3,162	4,971
Adony	5,446	4,616	6,411	4,185
	55,706	35,125	56,802	25,368
2. By transfer of puttas ...	14,288	14,847	11,655	13,510
3. Addition of new villages ...	2,605	3,121	4,095	2,912
4. Other causes ...	94	31	32	26
Total ...	72,693	53,124	72,584	41,816

12. The following is an enclosure to the preceding statement, and shows the several causes for the actual decrease of land in putta holdings :—

Source of Decrease.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.	
	Acres.	Assess-ment.	Acres.	Assess-ment.
		Rs.		Rs.
1. Land relinquished ...				
Gooty	4,069	2,182	2,916	1,916
Tadputry ...	398	228	498	314
Anantapur ...	40,742	11,449	25,608	7,791
Aloor	2,729	4,510	4,290	7,490
Adony	2,107	1,830	1,422	1,308
	50,045	20,199	34,734	18,819
2. By transfer ...	14,421	14,785	11,655	13,510
3. Land bought by Government at a nominal price in sales for arrears of revenue, and which were consequently resumed ...	370	371	361	353
4. Service Inam land erroneously incorporated with Government ayacut after Mr. Pelly's reduction of assessment, and now transferred back to inam ayacut.	161	126	512	312
5. Transfer of villages ...	200	166	...	...
6. Land taken up for railway and public purposes, and putta land assigned as inam, &c. ...	214	104	67	69
7. Other causes ...	...	...	12	18
Total ...	65,231	35,751	47,341	33,081

13. The following statement shows the increase and decrease of cultivation in the fasli under report.

Description.	Fasli 1283. Acres.	Fasli 1283. Assessment.	Fasli 1284. Acres.	Fasli 1284. Assessment.	Comparison. Increase.	Comparison. Decrease.
		Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1. Dry	970,434	7,70,764	993,652	7,76,070	5,306	...
2. Wet ... Tanks	12,954	72,497	15,262	87,494	14,997	...
Nullahs	17,340	94,512	18,183	93,767	...	745
Wells	228	716	238	763	47	...
Total wet ...	30,522	1,67,725	33,683	1,82,024	15,044	745
Total wet and dry together ...	1,000,956	9,38,489	1,027,335	9,58,094	20,350	745
1. Ayan assessment—						
(*a.*) Actual cultivation ...	...	8,77,687	...	8,87,964	10,277	...
(*b.*) Waste charged	...	17,927	...	21,780	3,853	...
2. Teervajasty	...	13,431	...	14,807	1,376	...
3. Fasaljasty	...	29,404	...	33,543	4,139	...
4. Water rate on well lands ...	...	40	...	...	...	40
Total ...	...	9,38,489	...	9,58,094	19,645	40
Net ...	...	...	...	...	19,605	...

The net increase was Rupees 19,605 attributable to the facts that almost all the tanks were well supplied and fasaljasty cultivation extended in consequence.

14. The following is the statement called for in your foot-note on Board's Proceedings, No. 811, dated the 20th June 1872 :—

Enclosure E, Statement No. 3.

Description of Land.	Particulars of Land cultivated and Waste charged in Jummabundy Cultivation Statement No. 3. Area.	Land Assessment.	Second Crop Assessment (Fasaljasty.)	Additional Assessment (Teervajasty.)	Water-tax on Government Land (Neetipamoo.)
	Acres.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1. Dry	993,652	7,76,070	...	...	...
2. Dry land cultivated with dry crop but irrigated	125	85	7	242	...
3. Dry converted into wet	5,433	3,723	1,886	14,565	...
4. Mamool wet bearing a consolidated assessment	28,125	1,29,866	31,650	...	...
5. Mamool wet subject to a separate charge for water	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1,027,335	9,09,744	33,543	14,807	...

Area irrigated free of charge.

	Acres.
Inam lands...	6,381
Zemindari lands	...
Total ...	6,381

15. The statement below shows the amount of waste charged :—

—	Fasli 1283. Acres.	Fasli 1283. Assessment.	Fasli 1284. Acres.	Fasli 1284. Assessment.	Increase.	Decrease.
		Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Dry	31,161	12,829	35,114	16,705	3,876	...
Wet	1,519	5,098	1,412	5,075	...	23
Total ...	32,680	17,927	36,526	21,780	3,876	23
Net ...	...	...	...	...	3,853	...

The charges for waste are chiefly the assessment on land set apart for grazing and storing straw and on that left waste owing to want of means. The increase is due chiefly to excessive rain at seed time which prevented the operations of cultivation.

16. The following is a statement of remissions granted in the year under report :—

	Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Waste.	Dry	8	30	22	...
	Wet ... Under tanks	5,488	110	...	5,378
	Do. nullahs	111	73	...	38
	Do. wells	...	...	...	...
	Total wet ..	5,599	183	...	5,416
	Total dry and wet ...	5,607	213	22	5,416
Cultivated.	Payamali	...	786	786	..
	Shamilat Dasawandum	118	135	17	...
	Kattoobody, Neerganty, &c., Inams... ...	342	470	128	...
	Cowle	866	1,395	529	...
	Reddies and Curnams	69	86	17	...
	Teerwacummee	582	698	116	...
	Total ...	1,977	3,570	1,593	...
	Total waste and cultivated ...	7,584	3,783	1,615	5,416

The remission under "dry" was due to the following causes :—

Land belonging to one Santamma of Hebbettum in the Aloor Taluq was sold in July 1874 for arrears of Government revenue for Fasli 1283, and purchased by one Rami Reddy. According to the conditions of the sale, the latter ought to have been put in immediate possession, as he had paid the purchase money. This the Tahsildar omitted to do under the erroneous impression that purchasers of land should only be allowed possession after the confirmation of sales. An appeal preferred to you by another man named Soossoor Venkangowd, who had previously purchased the same land at a Court sale, was dismissed, and the sale confirmed by you in the middle of November 1874, and it was not till then that the Tahsildar allowed the purchaser Rami Reddy to enter upon the land. The season had of course expired, and, as the land had to be left waste, the ryot was allowed remission, the Tahsildar having refused to put him in possession, although he complained as early as August.

A sum of Rupees 1-0-3 was remitted by you on dry land of one Narayanappa of cusba Gooty on the ground that his land had been taken up for the Munro Dispensary; but, as this dispensary had long before been built upon other land, I am unable to account for the remission.

The remission on lands situated under tanks was considerably less than usual this year, as most of the tanks were well supplied.

The remission of Rupees 786 under "Payamali" was on lands inundated by the Chittrawatty and Pennar rivers and by the surplus water of tank calingulas.

The increase under "Kattoobody, Neerganty, &c., Inams" was owing to the emplôyment of four kattoobodies on an annual payment of Rupees 144 in the village of Daditota of the Tadputry Taluq in accordance with the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 6,656, dated 25th of September 1874, Miscellaneous.

Under "Reddies and Curnams" there was an increase of Rupees 17, being a sum paid to the Reddy of Siddarascherla in the Anantapur Taluq to make up his emoluments in accordance with Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 4,963, dated 23rd July 1874, Miscellaneous.

Under "Teerwacummee" or remission on wet land cultivated with dry crops, Rupees 698 were remitted on lands in the Gooty, Anantapur, and Adony Taluqs chiefly, as some of the tanks under which they are situated were out of order, and some could not be reached by tank water, and must be transferred to the dry ayacut.

There was more remission than usual this year under "Cowle," as the demand for land under cowle tenure was greater than usual.

17. The following is the statement called for in Revenue Board's Official Memorandum, No. 750, dated 6th June 1872 :—

Enclosure A to Statement No. 4.

	Remission granted in 1284.		
	On Unirrigated Land.	On Irrigated Land.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Shamilat Daswandum	10	125	135
Kattoobody, Neerganty, &c., Inams... ...	76 + 144	+ 250	470
Cowle	1,395	...	1,395
Reddies and Curnums	86		86
Teerwacummee	...	698	698
Payamali	...	786	786
Total ...	1,481 + 230	+ 1,859	3,570

18. The statement below shows the increase and decrease of land held on cowle tenure :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.	Decrease
	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.		
		Rs.		Rs.		
Dry	507	885	893	1,429		
Wet	...	...	..	...		
					Increase.	
					Acres.	Assessment.
Total ...	507	885	893	1,429	386	544

The increase was due to excessive rainfall during the year, which facilitated the clearing of land.

19. The following is a statement of sugar-cane, indigo, and cotton cultivation :—

Faslis.	Sugar-cane.		Cotton.		Indigo.	
	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.	Acres.	Assessment.
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.
1283	71	283	252,091	2,62,423	2,049	2,478
1284	110	468	210,167	2,16,614	6,591	6,956
Increase ...	39	185	...	...	4,542	4,478
Decrease ...	...	...	41,924	45,809	...	...

As observed in previous reports, sugar-cane is not much grown in the sub-division.

The increase in indigo was due to increased demand for that commodity.

The decrease in cotton cultivation was very great owing to a diminution in the demand for this commodity to excessive rain at seed time and to the cultivation of cholum instead of cotton in the Adony Taluq on lands cultivated alternately with cotton and cholum.

20. The next statement contains a comparison of the net demands for Faslis 1283 and 1284 under the heads quit-rent and ryotwar :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Quit-rent on shrotriem villages ...	9,464	9,463	...	1
Ryotwar	9,36,511	9,54,524	18,013	...
Total ...	9,45,975	9,63,987	18,013	1
Net ..	...	...	18,012	...

The increase as already observed was due to the favorable nature of the season.

Under *shrotriem* quit-rent one rupee has been shown under decrease. The actual decrease was Annas 8-11, and the cause that some land belonging to the Shrotriemdar of Ameenpally in the Gooty Taluq was taken up for railway purposes, and compensation of half a rupee given by reduction of quit-rent. This reduction ought to have been made from the beriz of Fasli 1283.

The remaining 11 pies were erroneously entered under demand in the Adony Taluq for Fasli 1283, and the necessary corrections made in the accounts of the fasli under report.

21. The following is the statement called for in the Revenue Board's Official Memorandum, No. 824, dated 11th June 1873 :—

Enclosure A to Statement No. 6.

Particulars of Inam Land on which Quit-rent is paid.	Area.	Amount of Quit-rent.
	Acres.	Rs.
Lands irrigated and subject to a separate charge for water	8	1
Lands charged with quit-rent on wet rates, and therefore not liable to a water rate	1,992	2,329
Land unirrigated or irrigated by private sources ...	63,751	7,133
Total ...	65,751	9,463

22. The following statement shows the amount realized from extra sources of revenue in Fasli 1284 as compared with that of Fasli 1283.

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Abkári	2,90,560	2,90,615	55	...
Income-tax	...	...	...	...
Stamp Revenue	53,617	54,867	1,250	...
Salt Revenue	2,380	4,301	1,921	...
Total ...	3,46,557	3,49,783	3,226	...
Net ...	...	...	3,226	...

The demand under Abkári remained almost unchanged in the fasli under report, which was the last year of the lease for Faslis 1282, 1283, and 1284.

The increase under Salt Revenue was due to the increase in the rate of tax ordered by the Revenue Board's Proceedings, No. 1,780, dated 9th September 1873.

23. The demand from all sources of revenue for Faslis 1283 and 1284 is given below:—

Items.	1283.	1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1. Land Revenue	9,45,975	9,63,987	18,012	...
2. Miscellaneous	94,696	1,12,437	17,741	...
Total ...	10,40,671	10,76,424	35,753	...
3. Extra Revenue	3,46,557	3,49,783	3,226	...
Grand Total ...	13,87,228	14,26,207	38,979	...
Net ...	...	...	38,979	...

The causes of increase under each source of revenue have already been given.

24. The following statement gives the details of the amount under "Land Revenue, Miscellaneous:"—

Items.	1283.	1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1. Jodi on Service Inams	36,842	38,737	1,895	...
2. Quit-rent on personal Inams	37,817	38,462	645	...
3. Do. on Dasawandum Inams	1,153	1,153	...	...
4. Water rate on Inams	3,539	5,398	1,859	...
5. Inam Taffrick	3,217	3,038	...	179
6. Revenue on concealed cultivation	733	494	...	239
7. Cultivation not included in the Jammabundy	3,650	8,278	4,628	...
8. Quit-rent on bungalows	23	23	...	...
9. Revenue fines...	626	1,001	375	...
10. Rent on gardens and topes	1,297	1,424	127	...
11. Sale of receipt books	53	74	21	...
12. Do. putta books	118	137	19	...
13. Extra collections	371	411	40	...
14. Proceeds on Amanut Inams	239	245	6	...
15. Rent on babool trees	836	936	100	...
16. Revenue from Dasawandumdars	60	60	...	...
17. Rent of custard-apple produce	457	1,455	998	...
18. Cess for repair of tanks	...	96	96	...
19. Prohibitory assessment	3,642	3,468	...	174
20. Assessment on land containing a tope sold	23	...	...	23
21. Dresser's batta recredited	...	2	2	...
22. Process fees	...	7,475	7,475	...
23. Sale proceeds of B. class lands restored by Railway Company	...	70	70	...
Total ..	94,696	1,12,437	18,356	615
Net ...	...	...	17,741	...

The increase under jodi was due to the addition of four villages from the Patticondah Taluq of the Kurnool District to the Adony Taluq, and also to the entry of certain jodi payable on attached village service inams under demand, as it had been erroneously omitted from the beriz.

The increase under quit-rent was chiefly due to the first of the above causes, and also to the collections of Rupees 55-4-0 on a certain personal inam situated in Koodair of the Anantapur Taluq from the year 1861. The original Inamdar not having agreed to pay quit-rent upon it, the inam was continued free during his lifetime, but after his death a relation agreed to pay the quit-rent upon the inam from the time of its enfranchisement, and this was allowed upon the authority of your docket, No. 778, dated the 16th of May 1874; hence the accumulated collection of quit-rent for so many years in one year.

The increase under "Water rate" on inams was due to the increased cultivation of dry inam land with wet crop, and also to the increased fasaljasty cultivation on wet inam land, tanks having been well supplied.

The increase under "Cultivation not included in Jammabundy" was chiefly due to the entry of the second-crop assessment of much of the Anantapur and Gooty land in Fasli 1283 under ryotwar, the extent of second-crop cultivation having been known at the time of the annual settlement of those two taluqs in February and March. Whereas in the fasli under report such cultivation was not known at the time of settlement, *viz.*, in January and November, and the assessment of land cultivated after the Jammabundy had, therefore, to be shown under miscellaneous; hence the increase under the above head.

The increase under "Rent on custard-apple trees" is attributable to timely rain, and therefore better prospects than in the preceding fasli.

Process fees were collected with arrears of revenue in the fasli under report in accordance with Revenue Board's Proceedings, No. 971, dated 24th April 1874, and, as no such collection had been made in the preceding fasli, an increase is apparent under this head.

The demand of 96 rupees under cess for repair of tanks was the sale proceeds of grain due for Faslis 1283 and 1284 and collected on certain land in the village of Sajjaladunna of the Tadputry Taluq under the term "Neerbhutta." The circumstances under which this tax is collected have been fully explained in my letter, No. 122, dated 10th April 1874. Its abolition was ordered by Board's Proceedings, No. 1,640, dated 23rd August 1873, but it was again temporarily sanctioned by Revenue Board's Proceedings, No. 1,550, dated 24th June 1874. The revenue under that head for the two faslis (1283 and 1284) had to be collected in one year; hence the increase.

25. The following is the statement called for in your foot-note on Board's Circular Memorandum, No. 811, dated the 20th June 1873:—

Items.	Particulars of Revenue exhibited in the Miscellaneous Statement No. 5.					
	Revenue due from Irrigated Lands charged as such including both Dry Assessment and Water-Rate where separately charged.		Revenue due from Lands not charged as Irrigated Lands.		Total as per Statement No. 5.	
	Area.	Revenue.	Area.	Revenue.	Area.	Revenue.
	Acres.	Rs. A. P.	Acres.	Rs. A. P.	Acres.	Rs. A. P.
Jodi on sundry inams including personal service and dasawandum	11,851	14,543 8 2	377,195	63,808 6 6	389,046	78,351 14 8
Cess for repair of tanks	13	57 1 0	15	2 15 0	28	60 0 0
Land cultivated but not included in the Jammabundy. This includes revenue on lands cultivated without permission.	552	5,344 0 6	7,316	2,933 12 4	7,868	8,277 12 10
Concealed cultivation	61	194 0 2	467	299 8 8	528	493 8 10
Cultivation of unclaimed inams	1	1 2 0	6	3 1 0	7	4 3 0
Revenue from reverted inams	...	... ...	123	184 9 0	123	184 9 0
Do. sequestered inams... ...	...	... ...	50	56 8 4	50	56 8 4
Water-tax on Zemindari and Inam, &c., lands	1,100*	4,240 12 10	423	1,157 6 8	1,523	5,398 3 6
	13,578	24,380 8 8	385,595	68,446 3 6	399,173	92,826 12 2
Other items not appertaining to land ...	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	19,610 7 6
Total ...	13,578	24,380 8 8	385,595	68,446 3 6	399,173	1,12,437 3 8

* Of this eight acres are included in enclosure to Statement No. 6, and the remaining extent (1,092) is included in the extent of land entered opposite to "Jodi on sundry inams including personal, service and dasawandum" in the statement—Board's Proceedings, No. 855, dated 8th April 1875.

Particulars of the area entered in column 2 opposite to "Jody on sundry inam" as called for in Board's Official Memorandum, No. 824, dated 11th June 1873.

1. Area on which no water-rate is separately charged, being mamool wet. 10,759
2. Area on which water-rate is separately charged 1,092

Total ... 11,851

26. The following statement shows the demand, collection, and balance for Fasli 1284:—

Items.	Current Demand for Fasli 1284.	Collection in the Fasli.	Balance.	Collection up to the end of Sept. 1875.	Balance.			
					Recoverable.	Irrecoverable.	Total.	Percentage.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs. A. P.
Land Revenue ...	9,63,987	9,44,244	19,743	16,893	1,777	1,073	2,850	0 4 8
Miscellaneous ...	1,12,437	1,00,509	11,928	6,309	3,091	2,528	5,619	4 15 11
Total ...	10,76,424	10,44,753	31,671	23,202	4,868	3,601	8,469	0 12 7
Abkári	2,90,615	2,22,148	68,467	68,450	17	...	17	... ...
Income-tax ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	... ...
Salt	4,301	4,266	35	...	...	35	35	0 0 1
Stamps	54,867	54,867	...	...	...	...	...	.. ..
Total ...	3,49,783	2,81,281	68,502	68,450	17	35	52	... ...
Grand Total ...	14,26,207	13,26,034	1,00,173	91,652	4,885	3,636	8,521	0 9 6

The balance under land revenue and miscellaneous remaining at the end of the fasli was about the same as in the preceding fasli. Collection was slow in the Adony Taluq, and the Tahsildar's explanation was that ryots had left their villages and gone to the Nizam's territories owing to distress—the result of excessive rain. In this view I was unable to concur as there was nothing special in the rainfall of the Adony Taluq, and the real cause so far as I could ascertain was remissness on the part of the village and to some extent the taluq officials in the matter of collection. The arrears have been reduced to about Rupees 1,300. A few cases of embezzlement of Government money, amounting in all to a little more than Rupees 500, also occurred in that taluq owing to a want of proper supervision by the taluq officials. The Aloor Tahsildar was again backward in the collection at the commencement of the kist period. He attributed this to the entire failure of the Moongary crops and to slack demand for cotton. These supposed causes were, however, much exaggerated, and the revenue has nearly all been since collected. The real cause of slowness in collection at the outset was that lists of individual balances were not submitted punctually from villages, and that no call was promptly made for them by the taluq officials. The Tahsildar sets this omission down to the fact that he himself personally collected the revenue in villages according as he was able to visit them, but this is an excuse which cannot be accepted.

The balance of abkári revenue remaining uncollected at the end of the fasli was larger than in the preceding year. The abkári contractors wished the arrears to be recovered from the deposit in the Collector's Treasury, but this was not done till long after the fasli was over for reasons not known in this office.

The collection of the abkári revenue in the Gooty Taluq was found difficult, chiefly, I believe, because the contracter had undertaken the management of two taluqs, and, on the ground that some sub-renters had failed to pay him regularly, a sum of Rupees 600 was allowed to remain uncollected for each month, commencing with August 1874, and the balance which thus accumulated was subsequently collected with interest—Board's Proceedings, No. 2,387, dated 26th August 1874.

27. The demand, collection, and balance of arrears are shown below:—

Items.	Balance of previous Faslis outstanding at the commencement of Fasli 1284.	Collection in the Fasli including Sums written off.	Balance.	Collection up to the end of September 1875.	Balance		
					Recoverable.	Irrecoverable.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Land Revenue...	24,869	23,666	1,203	44	60	1,099	1,159
Miscellaneous ...	16,565	11,999	4,566	53	60	4,453	4,513
Total ...	41,434	35,665	5,769	97	120	5,552	5,672
Sundry sources.	28,909	28,896	13	...	...	13	13
Grand Total ...	70,343	64,561	5,782	97	120	5,565	5,685

28. The details of irrecoverable balance are given in the following statement:—

Faslis.	Talúqs.	Land Revenue.	Land Revenue, Miscellaneous.	Sundry Sources.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1280	Anantapur	... ...	3 4 0	... ...	3 4 0
1281	Adony	1 9 0	... ...	... ...	1 9 0
1282	Gooty	17 2 0	... ...	... ...	17 2 0
	Tadputry	7 2 9	... ...	... ...	7 2 9
	Aloor	141 0 9	106 2 0	... ...	247 2 9
	Adony	60 2 2	10 4 9	... ...	70 6 11
	Anantapur	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
	Total ...	225 7 8	116 6 9	... ...	341 14 5
1283	Gooty	6 10 0	475 14 5	... ...	482 8 5
	Tadputry	52 6 3	36 10 0	... ...	89 0 3
	Anantapur	67 3 9	866 8 9	... ...	933 12 6
	Aloor	151 3 6	659 9 5	... ...	810 12 11
	Adony	177 1 3	131 2 10	... ...	308 4 1
	Total ...	454 8 9	2,169 13 5	... ...	2,624 6 2
	Grand Total ...	681 9 5	2,289 8 2	... ...	2,971 1 7

The different items comprising the total of Rupees 2,971-1-7 represented as irrecoverable may be roughly classified under the following heads :—

1. Irrecoverable Jodi—					
(*a*) Jodi on Amanut Inam lands (service) left waste (*vide* next statement) ...	RS.	414	7	7	
(*b*) Mamool khatla including that remitted to compensate for deficiency of emoluments of Village Officers		1,675	0	5	
					2,089 8 0
2. Due by ryots deceased, absconded, or bankrupt, and also on land sold under Act II. of 1864 and bought in by Government.					657 3 9
3. Quit-rent due on Inam lands taken up for railway and public purposes					31 0 0
4. Boundary dispute					11 5 3
5. Amount erroneously credited in beriz					46 8 6
6. Quit-rent due on Inam lands in the bed of tanks where cultivation is prohibited					36 10 0
7. Amount embezzled by a Village Officer possessing no property.					98 14 1
					2,971 1 7

29. The *following statement shows the particulars of irrecoverable jodi on Village Service* Inams under Amanut for Fasli 1283—Board's Proceedings, No. 973, dated 10th June 1873 :—

Taluqs.	Total Inam in Amanut. Acres.	Assessment. RS. A. P.	Jodi. RS. A. P.	Cultivated. Acres.	Assessment. RS. A. P.	Credit under Jodi. RS. A. P.	Waste. Acres.	Assessment. RS. A. P.	Amount of Irrecoverable Jodi. RS. A. P.
Gooty	178	443 2 9	279 6 10	27	128 1 9	128 1 9	151	315 1 0	151 5 1
Anantapur	536	269 15 0	233 6 0	284	98 2 0	98 2 0	252	171 13 0	135 4 0
Aloor	243	422 2 1	184 4 1	45	56 5 7	56 5 7	198	365 12 6	127 14 6
Adony	...	... ...	... ...	...	... ...	... ...	...	... ...	... ...
Tadputry	...	... ...	... ...	...	... ...	... ...	...	... ...	... ...
Total ...	957	1,135 3 10	697 0 11	356	282 9 4	282 9 4	601	852 10 6	414 7 7

744 13 9	Relinquished as unfit for cultivation, and also through inability to pay jodi.
88 0 0	*Criminally convicted.*
180 2 1	Under Amanut for want of heirs to deceased Inamdars.
122 4 0	Placed under Amanut as the Inamdars refused to render service to Government.
1,135 3 10	

	RS. A. P.
Unfit for cultivation...	718 11 6
Not applied for cultivation	133 15 0
Total ...	852 10 6

30. No remission was granted under Miscellaneous Revenue; *hence the statement* called for in Revenue Board's Proceedings, No. 1,320, *dated the 17th of May 1875,* is blank.

31. Coercive process in collecting revenue :—

Taluqs.	Amount of Land Revenue. RS. A. P.	Value of Property distrained. RS. A. P.	Sold by Auction. RS. A. P.
Gooty	4,307 6 3	4,804 0 3	399 4 11
Tadputry	130 13 1	57 13 0	57 13 0
Anantapur... ...	1,381 14 5	280 2 0	145 12 3
Aloor	4,261 2 5	4,373 1 9	342 14 11
Adony	7,126 13 9	4,577 13 4	447 1 10
Total ...	17,208 1 11	14,092 14 4	1,392 14 11

In the fasli under report process-servers were employed under the Revenue Board's Orders on the duty previously performed by Village Officers alone.

It will be seen from the above and the preceding year's account that the attachment and sale of property in all the taluqs except Aloor were on the increase in Fasli 1284, owing to the introduction of the new system under which ryots had to pay process fees. Processes were, therefore, served more punctually in this fasli than in the preceding year; hence the increase. There was a large decrease in the Aloor Taluq which the Tahsildar attributes to the good yield of cotton and consequent punctual payment of dues. In this I cannot concur as large sums of revenue remained uncollected at the beginning of the period fixed for the payment of kists. "Baki patties" had not been received from villages, nor processes issued punctually, and this was the real cause of the decrease. There was the same remissness in the other taluqs, but to a lesser degree; and had steps for the collection of revenue been taken punctually every month, the number of processes would have been much greater for the whole division. Ryots are now beginning to perceive the result of unpunctual payment, and it is expected that the revenue will be paid more punctually in the current fasli.

32. The following is a statement of land in the sub-division held by public servants recently entertained or recently acquired by old servants in the fasli under report :—

Items.	No. of Individuals.	Land acquired: Prior to Employment. Sircar. Acres.	Sircar. Assessment. RS.	Inam. Acres.	Inam. Assessment. RS.	After Employment. Sircar. Acres.	Sircar. Assessment. RS.	Inam. Acres.	Inam. Assessment. RS.
Hoozoor { Old servants	1	...	...	...	...	1	15	...	...
Hoozoor { New do.	1	...	...	202	301	...	...	...	...
Hoozoor Total ..	2	...	...	202	301	1	15	...	...
Taluqs { Old servants	6	6	41	...	...	31	42	2	6
Taluqs { New do.	1	64	51	...	...	1	9	...	...
Taluqs Total ...	7	70	92	...	...	32	51	2	6
Grand Total ...	9	70	92	202	301	33	66	2	6

33. The Tahsildars of the sub-division worked well on the whole during the year under report.

In Aloor the collection of revenue was slow at the commencement, owing to the fact that the Tahsildar left matters too much in abeyance till he should have opportunities of visiting villages himself and collecting the revenue. His object was probably to save the ryots the trouble and hardship incident upon legal procedure.

Such leniency is, however, ill-judged and mistaken, inasmuch as the result is to perpetuate unpunctuality on the part of the ryots—a fact, the real importance of which some Tahsildars are slow to appreciate.

They seem to think it cruel to enforce punctual payment according to the kistbundy, while it is beyond a doubt that the rigid enforcement of punctuality in this matter would encourage thrift, and eventually result in great benefit to the ryot.

The slow collection in the Adony Taluq has already been alluded to, but it is only fair to the Tahsildar to state that his health had been bad for some time before he obtained leave in the month of April, and that Subba Row, who took up the acting appointment, found things in a backward state.

It should also be observed that the Village Officers in the Adony Taluq are a difficult lot to deal with, and require a strong hand over them. A great number of them are Gumastahs, who have but little at stake, and are both ignorant and careless.

GOOTY, (Signed) C. J. CROSTHWAITE,
5th November 1875. *Acting Sub-Collector.*

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

CUDDAPAH.

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I have the honor to submit* the Annual Report on the Settlement and Collections of this district for Fasli 1284, together with the prescribed accounts and statements.

*With the Sub-Collector's Report for the Sub-division.

2. PLACES WHERE THE JAMABANDI WAS MADE.—Statement No. 1 shows the number of days occupied in the settlement at each station, the number of villages settled, the officer conducting the Jamabandi, and the number of puttas distributed. The settlement was commenced on the 26th November 1874 and completed on the 29th May 1875, and the average duration at each station was ten days.

3. VARIATIONS IN THE NUMBER AND TENURE OF VILLAGES.—The number and tenure of villages are the same as in last fasli, *viz.*—

	RS.
Government Villages	1,043
Kayam Jodi do.	261
Surva Inam and Jaghire Villages...	12
Total ...	1,316

4. PUTTAS.—The marginal figures show the number of fresh puttas granted and old puttas modified and unaltered. There is a large increase in new puttas owing to the introduction of the new settlement in the Cuddapah, Proddatur, and Jammalamrdugu Taluqs. The total number of puttas is less by 77 than what it was in the last fasli.

	Rs.
Fresh puttah	41,619
Old ones modified.....	25,610
Do. unaltered	85,847
Total...	1,53,076

5. RAINFALL.—The annexed statement shows the average fall of rain as compared with the last fasli :—

Months.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.	
	Inches.	Ounces.	Inches.	Ounces.
1874, July	...	8	6	6
,, August...	4	3	1	3
,, September	3	5	16	2
,, October	12	4	13	2
,, November	1	4	3	6
,, December	...	5	...	7
1875, January	...	1	...	...
,, February	...	...	...	...
,, March	...	1	...	5
,, April	...	...	...	2
,, May	6	4	2	6
,, June	4	...	3	5
Total...	33	5	48	4

The rains were very heavy in September and October. All the rivers were in very high fresh, and all the tanks received a full supply.

6. SEASON.—The season was favorable for cultivation, but some damage was done by excessive rains. There was more rain than the dry crops required. Wet crops were good except where they were flooded by rivers and the bursting of tanks.

7. SANITARY CONDITION.—The annexed statement shows the mortality of the present and preceding faslis :—

Diseases.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
Cholera	...	31
Small-pox... ...	1,315	904
Fever	14,195	23,045
Total...	15,510	23,980

As is usual after heavy rain there was a great deal of fever. Cholera made its appearance just before the close of the fasli. The year has not been on the whole healthy.

8. CONDITION OF CATTLE.—The subjoined comparative statement shows the mortality among the cattle :—

Description.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.
Cattle...	14,393	20,064	5,671
Sheep and Goats.	46,255	63,668	17,413
Total...	60,648	83,732	23,084

The disease was chiefly in the Raichoti, Kadiri, Voilpaud, Sidhout, Pullampet, and Pulivendla Taluqs, and more than half of the number attacked recovered.

9. PRICES OF GRAINS.—The average price per garce of the principal grains during the year is compared in the following statement with the average prices of the past ten years:—

Grains.	Average Price for ten years from Fasli 1273 to 1282.	Fasli 1285.	Fasli 1284.	Difference between Columns 2 and 4.	Difference between Columns 3 and 4.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Paddy ... 1st Sort	227	164	148	—79	— 16
Paddy ... 2nd Sort	201	144	129	—72	— 15
Jonna	237	199	182	—55	— 17
Sazzalu	260	178	170	—90	— 8
Raggi	217	170	157	—60	— 13
Horse-gram	265	250	234	—31	— 16

The decrease in price was owing to the heavy rain.

10. RYOTS' HOLDINGS.—The extent of the ryots' holdings in the beginning of the fasli was Acres 1,298,930 assessed at Rupees 16,49,649, and of this Acres 57,491 assessed at Rs. 1,03,483 were relinquished, and Acres 53,296 assessed at Rupees 1,24,208 were taken up during the year. The result on the whole is a decrease of 4,195 in acres and an increase of Rupees 20,725 in assessment, and this is owing chiefly to the introduction of the new settlement rates in three taluqs of this district during the year. The following statement shows the particulars :—

	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.
Holdings at the beginning of the year	1,184,896	8,89,962	1,14,034	7,59,687	1,298,930	16,49,649
Deduct—						
Lands relinquished, transferred, and taken up for public purposes	48,530	38,935	8,961	64,548	57,491	1,03,483
Remainder ...	1,136,366	8,51,027	1,05,073	6,95,139	1,241,439	15,46,166
Add—						
Lands taken up on darkhast and on transfer, &c.	41,160	64,870	12,136	59,338	53,296	1,24,208
Total ...	1,177,526	9,15,897	117,209	7,54,477	1,294,735	16,70,374

11. REMISSIONS ON WASTE.—Remissions on waste in the fasli under report show a decrease of Rupees 27,630 on comparison with the figures of the past fasli, and this is due to the culti-

vation of almost all the occupied lands owing to the timely rains in the beginning of the year. The following statement shows the comparison of the last and present faslis' figures :—

Description.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Dry	82	37	665	627	583	590	...	...
Wet	7,579	35,248	1,579	7,028	...	...	6,000	28,220
Total ...	7,661	35,285	2,244	7,655	583	590	6,000	28,220
Net ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,417	27,630

The remissions belong to the following classes :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
On wet waste lands under tanks which breached and remained empty in the sub-division especially	4,295	1	6
On wet and dry lands which were destroyed or covered with sand by floods (*vide* Board's *Proceedings*, No. 341, *dated* 13*th* February 1875)	1,101	13	3
On lands which were submerged by excess of water	1,821	4	11
On lands occupied by public roads, &c.	33	4	3
On lands which, having been bought at nominal prices on behalf of Government for arrears of revenue, remained waste ...	403	14	10

The last description of remission occurred in the divisions of the Sub and Head Assistant Collectors, and I have pointed out to them that lands, when sold for arrears of revenue and purchased by Government, should be removed from the puttas of the defaulters, and I hope that this sort of remission will not occur again.

12. Waste Charged.—The following abstract shows the particulars of waste charged :—

Faslis.	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
1283...	68,809	26,827	5,378	27,437	74,187	54,264
1284...	72,617	33,558	6,464	27,814	79,081	61,372
Comparison ...	+ 3,808	+ 6,731	+ 1,086	+ 377	+ 4,894	+ 7,108

The total sum of Rupees 61,372 *includes* Rupees 8,124, *the assessment on partial wet and* dry waste charged, and is composed of the following *items* :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Assessment on lands left waste by the negligence of the ryots...	57,938	4	3
Assessment on lands submerged...	768	8	8
Assessment on lands reserved for pasture...	2,606	3	2
Assessment on lands occupied by houses	10	6	1
Assessment on lands which have been taken up for public purposes, but which have not been removed from the puttas for want of formal relinquishment of the parties and non-settle- of compensation. The amount will, however, be recommended for remission	41	1	0
Assessment on lands reserved for the growth of trees for fruit and fuel	7	15	0

13. Cultivation.—The annexed statement in the form prescribed by the Board shows the Land Revenue Settlement of the present and past faslis and its comparison :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.	Decrease.	Net Increase.
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.			
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Dry	1,184,814	8,89,925	1,176,261	9,15,270	25,345	.....	.....
Wet	106,455	7,24,439	115,630	7,47,449	23,010	.....	.....
Total ...	1,291,269	16,14,364	1,292,491	16,62,719	48,355	.....	.....
Add—							
Fasaljasti	.....	68,842	.....	93,119	24,277	.....	.....
Additional Assessment ...	.....	.....	.....	7,667	7,667	.....	.....
Water-rate	.....	61,173	.....	43,685	.....	17,488	.....
Road Fund	.....	1,11,804	.....	1,18,463	1,659	.....	.....
Village Service Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ...	.....	18,56,183	.....	19,20,653	81,958	17,488	64,470
Deduct—							
Road Fund	.....	1,11,804	.....	1,13,463	1,659	.....	.....
Remissions as per Statement No. 4	.....	20,489	.....	87,006	66,517	.....	.....
Village Service Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ...	.....	1,32,293	.....	2,00,469	68,176	.....	.....
Remainder ...	.....	17,23,890	.....	17,20,184	.....	3,706	.....
Miscellaneous Beriz as per Statement No. 5	.....	2,07,440	.....	2,18,431	10,991	.....	.....
Grand Total ...	.....	19,31,330	.....	19,38,615	10,991	3,706	7,285

Remissions under the 1st and 2nd items have decreased owing to good rainfall, while those under 3rd and 4th items have increased owing to the floods and the bursting of tanks. Remissions under the 5th item have decreased, as lands granted under the tope rules have paid their assessment this year, the prescribed term of twenty years having expired. Item No. 6 is left blank as the settlement of lands watered by the canal has not been completed. Item No. 7 exhibits the amount remitted this year in the three taluqs of this district in which the settlement rates were introduced in accordance with the gradual imposition rules sanctioned by Government in their Order, No. 919, dated 24th July 1874. Item No. 8 has greatly increased as in the three taluqs in which the settlement rates were brought into operation all the dasabandam and doruvu wells have been classed as wet, and one-fourth of the assessment being remitted for lift—and this remission being of a permanent nature—has been included in this item. There is on the whole a net increase of Rupees 66,517 under the head of remissions in this year. Of the total amount under this item, Rupees 49,220 were remitted on wet lands, and the remainder, Rupees 37,833, on dry lands.

18. Miscellaneous Items.—The following is a comparative statement of the miscellaneous items :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1. Quit-rent, &c., on Personal Inams	66,769 4 0	66,696 1 3	... ...	73 0 0
2. Jodi,&c., on Service Inams.	45,272 14 11	45,038 6 9	... ...	235 0 0
3. Do. on Dasabandam Inams	5,288 3 7	5,231 5 3	... ...	57 0 0
4. Land cultivated but not included in the Jamabandi.	30,610 4 4	35,174 13 6	4,565 0 0	... ...
5. Concealed cultivation ...	1,728 5 1	143 12 7	... ...	1,584 0 0
6. Collections on unclaimed Inams	878 14 3	653 4 10	... ...	226 0 0
7. Collections on Inams belonging to ruined and abandoned pagodas ...	2 3 5	2 10 9	... ...	... ...
8. Tope-rent...	13,670 7 1	8,175 5 1	... ...	5,495 0 0
9. Revenue on zufted Inams.	1,128 6 6	1,387 13 9	260 0 0	... ...
10. Assessment, &c., on Inams of suspended and dismissed village officials..	2,800 8 10	508 15 5	... ...	2,291 0 0
11. Collections on attached Inams	1,125 7 2	860 14 2	... ...	264 0 0
12. Rent on diamond mines...	100 0 0	... ...	... ...	100 0 0
13. Water-tax on Zemindari and Inam lands	30,524 3 8	39,511 2 1	8,987 0 0	... ...
14. Sale proceeds of waste lands	31 3 1	57 4 5	26 0 0	... ...
15. Rent paid on C. class lands by the Railway and other Companies ...	1,331 6 4	529 6 10	... ...	802 0 0
16. Assessment on lands made over to the Irrigation and Canal Company but cultivated by the ryots..	260 6 5	13 3 10	... ...	247 0 0
17. Other items	5,917 0 1	14,446 3 5½	8,529 0 0	... ...
Total...	2,07,439 2 9	2,18,430 11 11½	22,367 0 0	11,374 0 0
Net increase...	... ...	... ...	10,991 0 0	... ...

The large rainfall has caused the increase in the demand, as there was a great deal of second-crop cultivation. Process service fees form a new item under Miscellaneous Demand. Prohibitory assessment, which was included up to the past fasli, now forms a separate head. The water-rate is now uniform, and hence the decrease under that head.

14. Cultivation of Special Products.—The following is a comparative statement of the cultivation of special products in the district :—

——	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
Sugarcane	2,951	2,961	10	...
Cotton	91,664	75,952	...	15,712
Indigo	42,212	52,436	10,224	...
Total ...	1,36,827	1,31,349	10,234	15,712
Net decrease ...	...	...	...	5,478

The price of cotton being low, there was a decrease in its cultivation. Indigo having been cultivated in dry lands extensively, there is an increase in the acreage.

15. Progressive Cowles.—This statement is blank for this fasli as in the past fasli.

16. Shamilat Bunjer.—Enclosure D to Statement No. 3 shows the taluqwar particulars for partial waste charged and remitted during the fasli, and the following is a comparative abstract of the same: —

Faslis.	Waste Charged:		Waste Remitted.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.
1283...	8,614	7,472	46	201
1284...	9,604	8,124	76	254
Increase ...	990	652	30	53
Decrease ...	...	...	...	...

17. Occasional and Permanent Remissions.—The following is a comparative statement of the occasional and permanent remissions granted in the present and the last faslis :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
Remissions granted at the time of Jamabandi.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1. Shavi or perished crops...	715	66	...	649
2. Loss of produce	30	...	...	30
3. Excess of water causing immersion and destruction of fields...	274	8,247	7,973	...
4. Cultivation of dry crops in wet fields	1,248	1,414	166	...
5. Assessment on lands occupied by topes, choultries, and mission schools	341	213	...	128
6. Amount payable to Madras Irrigation and Canal Company for water supplied by them to lands partly irrigated by Government water.	67	...	...	67
7. Amount remitted in the three taluqs into which new settlement rates were introduced according to the gradual imposition rules...	...	50,963	50,963	...
	2,675	60,903	59,102	874
8. Permanent remissions	17,121	25,428	8,307	...
9. Amount reserved for the allowances of village officials...	740	722	...	18
Total ...	20,536	87,053	67,409	892
Net increase ...	...	...	66,517	...

Item No. 2 exhibits a decrease because the jodi on some service inams which have been temporarily or permanently destroyed by floods has been remitted this year. Item No. 4 shows an increase because many taluqs were settled this year long before the end of the fasli, and the assessment on lands cultivated subsequent to Jamabandi has been brought to this head. Item No. 5 fell as there has been less concealment of cultivation. Columns 6 and 7 show a

decrease as some of the inams under attachment, &c., have been since claimed by the parties, and the same confirmed to them. Item No. 8 exhibits a decrease owing to want of competition among the bidders. Item No. 9 shows an increase as the cultivation of zufted inams was greater owing to the favorable nature of the season. Item No. 10 has decreased as most of the collections under it have been credited to Village Service Fund. Item No. 13 has considerably increased as second-crop assessment on inams has been included in this item as required in the Board's Official Memorandum, No. 1,009, dated 28th January 1875, and because the cultivation of inams for the first and second crops has increased owing to the rains. Item No. 15 exhibits a decrease as some lands made over to Companies under Class C have been replaced at the disposal of Government. Item No. 16 shows also a decrease owing to lands made over to the Canal Company having been cultivated by ryots this year. Item No. 17 has increased by the inclusion in it of "Process Service Fees" collected this year. The difference between the amounts of the present and past faslis under the items 1, 3, and 14 requires no remark.

19. Demand, Collection, and Balance of Current Revenue.—The annexed comparative statement of the demand, collection, and balance of the current revenue under several sources shows that Rupees 23,520 were outstanding at the end of July of Fasli 1284 in excess of the sum that was outstanding on the same day of Fasli 1283. The increased balance is due to the ryots of the three taluqs in which the new settlement rates were introduced withholding payment in the hope of getting the rates revised on appeal to the settlement Department. The increase in demand (except shrotriem beriz) under land revenue has already been explained in paragraph 13. The decrease of Rupees 4-0-6 under shrotriem beriz is due to the abatement of quit-rent on the shrotriem village of Payalakuntla in Budwail Taluq on account of lands taken up for a public road. The difference in the abkari beriz being trifling has not been accounted for. The amount appearing under the head Income-tax is tax which was due when the Act was in force on the interest of promissory notes, which having been since drawn, a deduction was made for the tax. The decrease in stamp revenue is owing to stagnation in trade, which has lessened litigation. The revenue from earth-salt has increased as the rates for licenses increase yearly :—

Items.	Demand for Fasli 1284.	Collections up to the end of June 1875.	Balance.	Subsequent Collections up to 31st July 1875.	Balance.	Current Demand of Fasli 1283 for comparison with that of Fasli 1284.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1. Shrotriem	40,757 1 0	32,587 15 0	8,169 2 0	2,005 12 7	6,163 5 5	— 4 0 6
2. Ryotwar.....	17,20,183 12 1	15,62,037 8 5	1,58,146 3 8	66,828 8 4	91,317 11 4	— 3,706 11 4
3. Miscellaneous.....	2,18,480 11 11½	1,67,659 5 2½	50,771 6 9	18,309 9 4	32,461 13 5	+10,991 9 2½
Total ...	19,79,371 9 0½	17,62,284 12 7½	2,17,086 12 5	87,143 14 3	1,29,942 14 2	+ 7,280 13 4½
4. Abkari	2,41,618 2 9	2,02,349 0 1	39,269 2 8	8,415 0 0	30,854 2 8	+ 12 1 9
5. Income-tax	8 12 0	8 12 0	.....	.....	.....	— 62 6 0
6. Stamps	1,87,389 13 0	1,87,389 13 0	.....	.....	.....	—11,752 8 0
7. Earth-salt	8,906 6 8	8,906 6 8	.....	.....	.....	+ 5,171 14 8
Total ...	24,17,294 11 5½	21,60,938 12 4½	2,56,355 15 1	95,558 14 3	1,60,797 0 10	+ 649 15 9½

20. The enclosure to Statement No. 7 shows the taluqwar particulars of demand and collection of land and other sources of revenue.

21. Demand, Collection, and Balance of Arrears of Revenue.—The following is an abstract of the demand, collection, and balance of the arrears of revenue :—

Items.	For what Faslis.	Total Amount of Arrears at the beginning of Fasli 1284.	Amount collected and remitted within the Fasli.	Balance at the close of the Fasli.	Particulars of the Balance.			
					Recoverable.	Irrecoverable.	Subsequent Collections till the end of July 1285.	Total.
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1. Shrotriem	1276 to 1283...	11,444 0 10	9,278 9 9	2,165 7 1	2,107 4 9	15 8 4	42 10 0	2,165 7 1
2. Ryotwar	1271 to 1283...	1,58,733 10 7	1,36,355 11 10	22,377 14 9	18,867 8 5	2,743 8 7	766 13 9	22,377 14 9
3. Miscellaneous.....	1275 to 1283...	67,914 3 10	51,341 0 4	16,573 3 6	14,871 8 5	973 8 9	728 2 4	16,573 3 6
4. Abkári	1283.....	22,190 6 8	22,190 6 8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
5. Income-tax	1281 to 1283...	891 3 5	283 5 0	607 14 5	414 3 5	193 11 0	.....	607 14 5
Total...	.....	2,61,173 9 4	2,19,449 1 7	4,1724 7 9	36,260 9 0	3,926 4 8	1,537 10 1	40,186 13 8

The above statement shows that the fasli under report opened with an arrear demand of Rupees 2,61,173-9-4, and, deducting from it the amount collected within the fasli and up to the end of July 1875, a balance of Rupees 40,186-13-8 is still left. The latter sum includes Rupees 6,694-7-2 recommended for remission in the last fasli's Jamabandi report, for which the sanction of Government has not been yet received.

22. Recommendation in regard to Irrecoverable Balances.—I request sanction for writing off the accounts a sum of Rupees 3,732-9-8 from the land revenue arrears, and Rs. 909-10-8 from the road fund arrears, and the following are the particulars and reasons for the same :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Assessment and road-cess on lands sold for arrears of revenue and which did not realize the full or any part of the arrear, and which in consequence were purchased by Government at nominal prices	2,499	0	2
Assessment on lands given in lieu of service inams	142	3	4
Assessment and road-cess of lands erroneously entered twice in the accounts	788	5	8
Arrears of land revenue and road-cess outstanding against pauper, deserted, and deceased ryots	485	12	8
Assessment and road-cess on lands classed as "Bagayat" wet lands which were converted into dry	12	10	6
Fasaljasti and road-cess of service inams subsequently forbidden	3	5	10
Assessment and road-cess on ryotwar lands and jodi on shrotriem lands taken up for public purposes	276	11	2
Assessment and road-cess on lands for other causes	434	3	0
Total ...	4,642	4	4
Of which Land Revenue ...	3,732	9	8
Remainder Road-cess ...	909	10	8

Fasliwar Particulars.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Fasli 1278	3	14	10
,, 1279	6	0	10
,, 1280	27	9	2
,, 1281	86	1	6
,, 1282	334	2	10
,, 1283	451	13	6
Total...	909	10	8

I also request sanction to write off the irrecoverable balance of Rupees 193-11-0 under "Income Tax" as it has been reported that the defaulters possess no property whatever and that the collection of the arrears is impossible. Of the above sum, Annas 6 belong to Fasli 1283 and the remainder (Rupees 193-5-0) to Fasli 1282.

23. With reference to Board's Proceedings, No. 942, dated 16th April 1875, on the subject of confusion in the Cuddapah Taluq Accounts, I beg to state that I have not issued orders for rectifying the taluq and huzur accounts as per Board's orders as I intend making a further report on the subject. The irrecoverable balance of that taluq has not been included in the above.

24. The Enclosure A to Statement No. 8 shows the extent to which coercion was employed for the collection of revenue by attachment and sale of property.

Processes were issued in 651 villages against 6,448 defaulters for the recovery of Rs. 55,351. The value of real and personal property attached amounts to Rupees 43,512, of which property of both descriptions valued at Rupees 15,293 was sold and Rupees 13,732 realized.

During the fasli under report process-servers were entertained in this district under the authority of Board's Proceedings, No. 971, dated 24th April 1874. Rupees 10,618 have been collected as process-fees during the year, and Rupees 3,660 paid for the wages of the process-servers.

25. Agricultural Statistics.—As required in the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 716, dated 1st February 1871, the statement showing the acreage of crops is forwarded with other statements.

26. Ruined Tanks.—No ruined tanks were made over for private enterprize during the fasli under report except a channel (*vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 2,177, dated 10th August 1874).

27. Recovery and Balances of Costs in Civil Suits.—As required in the Revenue Board's Proceedings, No. 4,434, dated 19th October 1871, the statement showing the demand, collection, and balances of costs in civil suits is also submitted along with other statements.

28. Principal Sources of Irrigation.—The annexed abstract shows the number of principal sources of irrigation requiring notice under clause 5, paragraph 4, of Board's Miscellaneous Circular Memorandum, No 787, dated 14th August 1866.

Faslis	Number of Works.	Actual Cultivation.		Revenue derived.
		Extent.	Assessment.	
		Acres.	Rs.	Rs.
1283	26	24,111	2,09,250	1,52,504
1284	25	23,321	1,91,271	1,39,351

The breached tank of Chintakommadinni in Cuddapah Taluq has been excluded from this account this year. The assessment on the ayacut of this tank, as per new settlement, being less than Rupees 5,000, it was excluded from this statement. The result on the whole is a decrease of revenue (Rupees 13,153) on comparison with the last year's figures.

29. Lands acquired by Public Servants.—The extent of landed property possessed and acquired by public servants during the year is given in the following statement :—

Items.	Number of Public Servants.	Extent.	Assessment.
		Acres.	Rs.
Lands held at the close of Fasli 1283	170	14,295	22,877
Deduct lands relinquished in Fasli 1284	1	637	715
Remainder ...	169	13,658	22,162
Add lands acquired in Fasli 1284	1	292	236
Total ...	170	13,950	22,398

30. Sub-division of Enfranchised Inam Villages.—No enfranchised inam villages were sub-divided during the fasli under report.

31. Gross Collection and Charges.—Statement No. 9 exhibits the gross collection and charges for the present and the past faslis. The annexed is a comparative abstract of the charges:—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1. Land Revenue Refunds	390	1,222	832	...
Salaries.				
2. Collectors' Salaries	66,160	62,346	...	3,814
3. Tent and House-rent Allowances	8,593	9,518	925	...
4. Huzur and Taluq Establishments	1,28,807	1,30,414	1,607	...
5. Saderward	1,696	2,049	353	...
6. Medical Charges	915	1,217	302	...
7. Contingencies	2,070	1,888	...	182
8. Miscellaneous charges	3,833	6,331	2,498	...
Total ...	2,12,074	2,13,763	5,685	3,996
9. Abkári	...	138	138	...
10 Stamps...	5,507	7,161	1,654	...
11. Income-tax	...	...	...	...
Grand Total ...	2,17,971	2,22,284	8,309	3,996
Net Increase ...	...	...	4,313	...

Item No. 1 has increased because more money was refunded during the year to ryots on account of erroneous collections made from them.

Item No. 2 shows a decrease because the pay of the permanent Sub-Collector was not paid during some months of the year under report. Item No. 3 exhibits an increase because the Covenanted Civil Servants of the district travelled more than in the last year. Item No. 4 shows also an increase in consequence of payment of arrears, salaries, and deputation allowances to acting incumbents during the absence of some Tahsildars on privilege leave and on special duty. Item No. 8 shows an increase, as the wages of the process-servers (under Act II. of 1864) were paid from this head. Item No. 9 exhibits an entry because the contract bonds executed by the Contractors for Faslis 1285, 1286, and 1287 were registered and the register fees paid by Government during the year. Item No. 10 shows an increase because stamp duty paid on the abkári muchilkas for the last three faslis including the present was refunded *minus* Annas 8 on each of them, which sum was decided to be the proper stamp duty by the High Court. Items Nos. 5, 6, and 7 being of a fluctuating character, and the difference being trifling, no explanation is needed.

32. Taluq and Village Accounts.—The village and taluq manual accounts were examined as usual, and were found correct.

33. Examination of Taluq Treasuries and Cash Accounts by Treasury Deputy Collector.—During the year the accounts of the Jammalamadugu Taluq were examined by the Treasury Deputy Collector. That officer's report on the subject is not favorable. The acts of carelessness and the irregularities have been noticed by me.

Bramhanayereagudi,
1st November 1875.

(Signed) W. D. HORSLEY,
Collector.

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

SUB-COLLECTORATE.

I have the honor to submit the Annual Report on the Settlement and Collections of the Revenues of the Sub-Division of Cuddapah for Fasli 1284 (1874-75) ; the usual statements and accounts, though prepared in due form, have been retained here.

2. Villages at which the Settlement was made.—The settlement of three of the taluqs was made by myself, and the fourth, *viz.*, Royachoty, by you. The settlement commenced on the 18th January 1875 and ended on the 29th May 1875, but the whole period between these two dates was not occupied in the settlement alone. I had to visit some of the hill tracts on the Tripati side in company with some of the Forest Officers for the settlement of a boundary dispute between the Voilpad Taluq of this district and North Arcot, and considerable delay was caused owing to my having to meet the convenience of the Survey Department.

3. The following statement shows the places where the settlement was conducted and the period occupied in the Jamabandy of the several taluqs :—

Names of Officers who conducted the Settlement.	Names of the Taluqs.	Names of the Stations.	Time occupied for the Settlement of each Taluq.
J. D. B. Gribble, Esq.	Kadiri ...	Kadiri ...	From 28th Jan. 1875 to the 29th idem.
		Obuludevara-chervoo.	,, 2nd Feb. ,, to the 4th ,,
	Voilpad ...	Bhakarapet..	,, 26th ,, ,, to the 27th ,,
		Voilpad ...	,, 12th March ,, to the 5th Apr. 1875.
	Madanapally.	Tamballapully	,, 24th April ,, to the 27th ,,
		Ghattu ...	,, 3rd May ,, to the 6th idem.
		Madanapalli.	,, 18th ,, ,, to the 29th ,,
W. D. Horsley, Esq.	Royachoty ...	Royachoty ...	,, 4th March ,, to the 22nd ,,
		Chundupally	,, 23rd ,, ,, to the 29th ,,
			,, 13th April ,, to the 14th ,,

All the taluqs were settled within their respective limits.

4. Variation in the Number and Tenure of Villages.—No changes have taken place either in the Government or Shrotriem villages during the year under report. The subjoined abstract exhibits the above particulars :—

Names of the Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.				Fasli 1284.			
	Roytwar.	Shrotriem or Kayam Jodi Villages.	Jaghires or Rent-free Villages.	Total.	Ryotwar.	Shrotriem or Kayam Jodi Villages.	Jaghires or Rent-free Villages.	Total.
1. Madanapally	84	19	...	103	84	19	...	103
2. Voilpad	104	9	5	118	104	9	5	118
3. Royachoty	84	16	...	100	84	16	...	100
4. Kadiri	129	13	1	143	129	13	1	143
Total...	401	57	6	464	401	57	6	464

5. The total number of puttas for Fasli 1284 is 61,652 against 60,716 in the last year, or 936 in excess. The following statement exhibits the increase and decrease in the number of puttas as compared with the preceding year :—

Taluqs.	New Puttas.		Old Puttas altered.		Old Puttas unchanged.		Total.	
	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
1. Madanapally	349	541	186	331	11,034	11,107	11,569	11,979
2. Voilpad	768	716	11,996	9,643	5,227	7,674	17,991	18,033
3. Royachoty	267	287	1,427	261	15,994	17,538	17,688	18,086
4. Kadiri	508	593	1,950	2,524	11,010	10,437	13,468	13,554
Total...	1,892	2,137	15,559	12,759	43,265	46,756	60,716	61,652

6. It will be observed that there is an increase under the head of New puttas and Old puttas unchanged to the extent of 245 and 3,491, respectively, and the number of Old puttas altered has fallen short of that of last year by 2,800.

7. I have resided within the limits of my division, except on one occasion when I went to Tripati with Captain Walker to meet the Collector of North Arcot for the settlement of the dispute referred to in paragraph 2.

8. The year was on the whole a very favorable one for cultivation, but most unfavorable in point of health. The rain-fall was both timely and abundant throughout the Sub-Division. The following statement shows the fall of rain in each month of the year under report as compared with the past year :—

Months.	Madanapally Taluq.	Voilpad Taluq.	Royachoty Taluq.	Kadiri Taluq.
1874, July	4·500	3·650	5·450	5·875
,, August	1·300	8·000	1·750	7·825
,, September	14·550	12·550	6·700	24·250
,, October	15·550	14·900	14·450	14·375
,, November	0·750	1·400	0·450	1·425
,, December	0·750	1·000	0·650	0·300
1875, January	...	...	...	...
,, February	...	...	...	...
,, March...	...	...	...	0·350
,, April	...	...	0·400	...
,, May	3·600	2·300	0·750	3·075
,, June	4·125	3·250	1·700	7·075
Total...	45·125	47·050	32·300	64·550
For Fasli 1283...	40·400	33·025	23·700	35·287

9. It will thus be perceived that the average rain-fall during the year exceeded that of the previous one by 14·153, and the excess is due to the heavy rains and floods of September and October which breached several embankments and damaged the fields and the crops standing on them, especially in the first crop season. Nearly 150 tanks, both Circar and Dusvandam, were either completely breached or partly damaged. The loss to the cultivation, however, was by no means so great as might have been expected. There was so much rain that not only did the injured tanks receive a fresh supply, but the land being thoroughly saturated required less irrigation than in ordinary years.

10. The following statement shows the full and partial supplies of the several tanks in the Sub-Division during the year under report in comparison with the previous one :—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.	
	Tanks fully supplied.	Tanks partially supplied.	Tanks fully supplied.	Tanks partially supplied.
1. Madanapally	775	159	972	118
2. Voilpad	475	679	1,820	...
3. Royachoty	240	367	818	...
4. Kadiri	176	170	341	7
Total ...	1,666	1,375	3,951	125
			Increase. 2,285	Decrease. 1,250

It will be seen that almost all the tanks have received full supplies, under which the increase is far greater than that of the past year.

11. The yield of dry and wet crops is more satisfactory than the past year, and full crops have been reaped under wells and in some places under channels ; but on the whole, during the first crop season, the paddy-fields are reported to have yielded less than was expected owing to the excess of rains.

12 Public Health.—The health of the Sub-Division was not as favorable as in last year. Fever of a virulent type was especially prevalent. The number of deaths from fever and other diseases is exhibited in the subjoined statement both in the present and past faslis :—

Name of Disease.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.		
	Attacked.	Died.	Recovered.	Attacked.	Died.	Recovered.
Fever	25,402	6,581	18,821	28,140	13,931	14,209
Cholera	86	4	82	...	...	...
Small-pox	3,931	843	3,088	1,793	225	1,568
Total ...	29,419	7,428	21,991	29,933	14,156	15,777

13. The mortality from fever is *nearly double* that of last year. Small-pox was mostly prevalent in the Kadiri Taluq, while the loss of life from this disease is, on the whole, far less than the previous year.

14. Farm Cattle.—The following statement shows the number of deaths among cattle as compared with the previous year :—

Taluqs.	Sheep and Goats.		Buffaloes, Bullocks, and Cows.		Total.	
	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
1. Madanapally ...	4,774	1,837	765	505	5,539	2,342
2. Voilpad	6,290	5,796	2,135	2,426	8,425	8,222
3. Royachoty	11,704	25,318	2,723	5,307	14,427	30,625
4. Kadiri	8,340	8,759	1,861	2,632	10,201	11,391
Total ...	31,108	41,710	7,484	10,870	38,592	52,580

15. The loss of cattle is greater than the last year by nearly 14,000 in consequence of the heavy fall of rain. At Royachoty alone the loss is more than double that of Fasli 1283. Certain diseases called "Saruku Dusaru" and "Galikuntu," &c., carried away a large number of cattle.

16. The prices of all the principal food grains in the year under report show a decrease when compared with the past year. The subjoined statement exhibits the variation in the average market value of the several grains :—

Grains.	Price per Garce.		Increase.	Decrease.
	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.		
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Paddy... 1st Sort	130	114	...	16
Paddy... 2nd do.	118	101	...	17
Rice. ... 1st do.	297	276	...	21
Rice. ... 2nd do.	272	246	...	26
Jonna	144	122	...	22
Suzza	144	129	...	15
Ragulu	130	123	...	7
Horse-gram	243	235	...	8
Aricalu	56	64	8	...

17. In some parts prices have been still lower, and would have fallen even more had it not been for the large demand from Mysore and the northern parts of the country.

18. Land Revenue.—Subjoined is a statement which exhibits the net revenue from wet and dry lands for Fasli 1284 as compared with the past year :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.	Decrease.
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.		
	Acres.	Rs. A. P.	Acres.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Dry	536,478	2,39,895 8 6	531,446	2,37,551 6 11	... ...	2,344 1 7
Wet.....	51,172	3,11,869 4 9	57,516	3,41,298 2 7	29,428 13 10	... ...
Total ...	587,650	5,51,764 13 3	588,962	5,78,849 9 6	29,428 13 10	2,344 1 7
Fasaljasty	.....	19,456 11 6	.....	41,815 15 3	22,359 3 9	... ...
Water-tax.	.....	18,981 10 0	.....	28,956 15 3	9,975 5 3	... ...
Nirasariga	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	... ...	... ...
Road Fund.	.....	36,583 0 2	.....	36,502 9 9	... ...	80 6 5
Village Service Fund..	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	... ...	... ...
Grand Total ...	.....	6,26,786 2 11	.....	6,86,125 1 9	61,763 6 10	2,424 8 0
Deductions.						
Road Fund	.....	36,583 0 2	.....	36,502 9 9	... ...	80 6 5
Remission as per Statement No. 4.	.....	5,923 1 3	.....	8,007 9 8	2,084 8 5	... ...
Village Service Fund..	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	... ...	... ...
Total ...	.....	42,506 1 5	.....	44,510 3 5	2,084 8 5	80 6 5
Remainder	.....	5,84,280 1 6	.....	6,41,614 14 4	59,678 14 5	2,344 1 7
Miscellaneous.... ...	.....	58,763 10 2	.....	66,319 9 6	7,555 15 4	... ...
Total ...	.....	6,43,043 11 8	.....	7,07,934 7 10	67,234 13 9	2,344 1 7
Net increase ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	64,890 12 2	... ...

19. It will be seen from the above statement that the net amount of land revenue, inclusive of Miscellaneous beriz, is Rupees 7,07,934-7-10, or Rupees 64,890-12-2 in excess of that of last year. Under the head of Water-tax there is a large increase of Rupees 9,975-5-3, notwithstanding the decrease of rates and the special indulgence shown in many cases during the current year under the provisions of Rule 4 of Standing Order, No. XX. of 1874. The increase which is remarkable, especially under the head of Water-tax because, during the past year, the Teervajasty rates have been reduced (in some cases from Rupees 6 to Rupees 3,) I attribute to several causes :—

(1.) The extraordinary supply of rain.

(2.) The willingness of the ryots to cultivate land with Teervajasty crop because the rates were reduced.

(3.) The charge of half acre, which, owing to the natural features of this part of the country, sometimes presses rather hardly on the ryots.

There is a small decrease under the head of Road Fund on account of the large relinquishments, amounting to Rupees 11,202-6-3, and the small extent of lands taken up on durkhast. Many of the relinquishments were for lands washed away the previous year, but in most cases the relinquishments were I think due to the ryots devoting their principal care to their legitimate ayacut holdings. These are often left waste owing to want of water and outlying patches of dry cultivation taken up; but this year there was such an ample supply that the outlying patches were relinquished and the more remunerative fields cultivated.

20. Ryots' Holdings.—The extent of lands in the ryots' holdings at the commencement of the year is 594,975 Acres, assessed at Rupees 5,85,328. Deducting from this the area relinquished and transferred, which is 21,797 Acres, bearing an assessment of Rupees 18,255, and adding thereto the extent newly taken up, *viz.*, 17,223 Acres, assessed at Rupees 16,969, the net holding for the fasli under report is Acres 590,401, assessed at Rupees 5,84,042. This exhibits a decrease of 4,574 Acres in area and of Rupees 1,286 in the assessment. The subjoined abstract statement exhibits the above details :—

Items.	Extent.	Assessment.
	Acres.	Rs.
Holdings at the beginning of the Fasli 1284.	594,975	5,85,328
Deduct.		
Lands actually relinquished, transferred, and taken up for public purposes	21,797	18,255
Total...	573,178	5,67,073
Add.		
Lands newly taken up on durkhasts and on transfers, &c.	17,223	16,969
Total...	590,401	584,042

21. The decrease in royts' holdings under the head of Dry is Rupees 2,283, while the increase under the head of Wet is Rupees 997. Lands under the former head were given up to the extent of Rupees 8,660, and obtained on putta to the extent of Rupees 6,376. Under the head of Wet the relinquishments amount to Rupees 9,595, and the durkhasts, &c., come up to Rupees 10,593.

22. Waste Charged and Remitted.—The subjoined statement shows the particulars of waste charged and remitted in the year as compared with the previous one :—

Description.	Waste Remitted.		Waste Charged.	
	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Dry	... ...	60 12 6	10,172 3 2	10,983 0 4
Wet	33,563 4 10	5,131 6 9	16,111 14 7	18,145 6 11
Total...	33,563 4 10	5,192 3 3	26,284 1 9	29,128 7 3

23. The large decrease of Rupees 28,431-14-1 under the head of Wet remissions is due to the ample supply of water in the several sources of irrigation, and the ryots had no claim whatever to this indulgence except in very few cases, *viz.*, the breaching of tanks and the consequent failure of irrigation.

24. The item of Rupees 60-12-6 under the head of Dry is but nominal, being the assessment of Acres 221-24-4 (Dry) purchased on behalf of Government for arrears of revenue, but omitted to be included at the time of settlement in Account No. 8, prepared under Act II. of 1864.

25. Cultivation of Special Products.—The following is a comparative statement exhibiting the particulars of cultivation in acres of special products during the year under report :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
Sugar-cane	2,821	2,840	19	...
Cotton	16,586	9,667	...	6,919
Indigo	860	688	...	172
Total ...	20,267	13,195	19	7,091

26. The cultivation of the special products is not as satisfactory as in the past year. This is owing to the ryots having paid more attention to the extensive cultivation of paddy in both dry and wet lands which have not been ploughed for the last twenty years. Though there is a slight increase in extent under the head of Sugar-cane there is a falling off in assessment to the extent of Rupees 1,173, while the decrease in the cultivation of cotton and indigo is Rupees 2,316 and 1,460, respectively.

27. Waste in portions of Fields.—The particulars of area and assessment under this head are exhibited in the annexed statement :—

Taluqs.	Particulars of Fields charged for.						Portions of Fields, the assessment of which is remitted.					
	Dry.		Wet.		Total.		Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	Acs.	Rs.	Acs.	Rs.	Acs.	Rs.	Acs.	Rs.	Acs.	Rs.	Acs.	Rs.
Madanapally...	2,240	577	460	1,520	2,700	2,097	...	...	45	170	45	170
Voilpad ...	244	69	42	345	286	414	...	...	6	25	6	25
Royachoty ...	284	98	52	140	336	238	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kadiri	2,065	542	112	451	2,177	993	...	...	1	1	1	1
Total...	4,833	1,286	666	2,456	5,499	3,742	...	...	52	196	52	196

28. It will be seen that remission of Shamilat waste was granted mostly in the Madanapally Taluq and a little in the Taluq of Voilpad. This indulgence was shown in particularly hard cases where portions of fields have been washed away entirely by the overflow of rivers and streams, and thereby rendered unfit for cultivation, while the remaining portions have been actually cultivated.

29. Actual Cultivation.—The following statement shows the entire area brought under cultivation during the year under report. This contains waste charged, but not unauthorized cultivation in assessed and unassessed lands :—

Description of the Land.	Particulars of Lands cultivated and of Waste charged.			
	Area cultivated including Waste charged.	Land Assessment.	Second Crop Assessment.	Additional Assessment of Water-tax.
	Acres.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Dry	524,206	2,31,238	.....	.....
Dry lands cultivated with dry crop but irrigated	.....	.....	.....	.....
Dry crops converted into wet	7,240	6,313	.....	28,957
Usual wet cultivation	57,464	3,41,101	41,816	.....
Usual wet, subject to a separate charge for water	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ...	588,910	5,78,652	41,816	28,957

30. The total assessment on area cultivated during the Fasli is 6,49,425 Rupees, or 6,20,297 exclusive of waste charged against Rupees 5,63,756 in the previous year.

31. The following statement exhibits the particulars of remissions in comparison with the past year :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1. Remissions granted at the Jamabandy on portions of fields left waste	162 6 6	196 6 10	34 0 4	... ...
2. Shavi or perished crop	685 14 11	65 11 8	... ...	620 3 3
3. Excess of water causing immersion of fields	... ...	40 4 5	40 4 5	... ...
4. Cultivation of dry crops in wet fields	290 3 0	187 12 6	... ...	102 6 6
5. Payamaly.	... ...	1,938 9 5	1,938 9 5	... ...
Total ...	1,138 8 5	2,428 12 10	2,012 14 2	722 9 9
6. Permanent remission	4,716 8 10	5,522 0 10	805 8 0	... ...
7. Allowances for heads of villages ...	68 0 0	56 12 0	... ...	11 4 0
Total ...	5,923 1 3	8,007 9 8	2,818 6 2	733 13 9

32. The large decrease in Item No. 2 is owing to the increased supply of water in the several sources of irrigation, and the remission under this head was granted in the taluq of Voilpad alone where crops failed owing to insufficiency of water, chiefly caused by the breaching of tanks while the crop was standing on the land.

33. The large increase under the head of "Payamaly" is, as already explained, caused by the unusual downpour of rain in both the seasons of the year, and remissions were granted after careful inspection and measurement of fields actually washed away with the crop on them.

34. The increase under the head of Permanent remissions is particularly to be ascribed to the increase of cultivation during the year. The other items need no observation.

35. PARTICULARS OF REMISSIONS.—The subjoined statement gives the details of permanent and temporary remissions granted on wet and dry lands :—

Items.	Remissions granted in Fasli 1284.		
	On unirrigated Land.	On irrigated Land.	Total.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Shamilat waste	... ...	196 6 10	196 6 10
2. Shavi	... ...	65 11 8	65 11 8
3. Excess of water, causing immersion of fields.	... ...	40 4 5	40 4 5
4. Cultivation of dry crops in wet fields	... ...	187 12 6	187 12 6
5. Payamaly	11 13 0	1,926 12 5	1,938 9 5
Total...	11 13 0	2,416 15 10	2,428 12 10
Permanent Remissions.			
Dusvandam Rayati	... ...	923 12 6	923 12 6
Kattugutta	184 9 8	135 7 2	320 0 10
Ardhadhust or half do.	676 10 9	1,962 0 6	2,638 11 3
Trijoyi or one-third do.	... ...	1,427 6 7	1,427 6 7
Pavadust or one-fourth do.	20 0 10	70 0 10	90 1 8
Parakadust or one-eighth do.	... ...	41 3 5	41 3 5
Remission on topes granted under the rules ...	80 12 7	... ...	80 12 7
Total...	962 1 10	4,559 15 0	5,522 0 10
Allowances for heads of villages	7 0 0	49 12 0	56 12 0
Grand Total...	980 14 10	7,026 10 10	8,007 9 8

36. The remission of Rupees 11-13-0 on dry lands destroyed by floods was granted only in the taluqs of Royachoty and Kadiri, with reference to the Proceedings of Madras Government, dated 2nd February last, No. 169, and although a larger extent of dry crops have been washed away. No further claims than the above were made, nor do I think that this indulgence was needed so much as was at first apprehended.

37. MISCELLANEOUS.—The annexed statement exhibits the demand on account of Miscellaneous items under Land Revenue in comparison with that of the past year.

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Quit-rent on Personal Inams	10,020 7 5	9,943 9 5	... ...	76 14 0
2. Jodi on Service Inams ...	5,948 12 2	6,033 15 5	85 3 3	... ...
3. Do. on Dusvandam do. ...	4,457 10 9	4,432 0 4	... ...	25 10 5
4. Land cultivated, but not included in the Jamabandy	5,940 2 5	6,378 3 5	438 1 0	... ...
5. Unauthorized cultivation...	4,663 14 3	4,489 13 3	... ...	174 1 0
6. Concealed cultivation ...	1,177 0 1	33 7 8	... ...	1,143 8 5
7. Collections from unclaimed Inams	262 8 1	281 1 11	18 9 10	... ...
8. Cultivation of lands of abandoned pagodas ...	2 3 5	2 10 9	0 7 4	... ...
9. Rent of topes	11,863 13 1	6,250 3 7	... ...	5,613 9 6
10. Revenue from Zufted Inams	981 3 0	1,327 12 7	346 9 7	... ...
11. Revenue from Inams of village servants under suspension and dismissal	1,062 15 10	144 13 4	... ...	918 2 6
12. Collection on Inams under attachment	356 6 9	225 0 6	... ...	131 6 3
13. Revenue fines	1,449 6 2	668 4 4	... ...	781 1 10
14. Savings and refunds ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
15. Excess collection over the demand	958 12 2	837 12 5	... ...	120 15 9
16. Nirsarigi and water-tax on Inams	2,554 9 4	5,132 6 2	2,577 12 10	... ...
17. Nirsarigi on Circar lands...	2,015 6 10	3,874 9 0	1,859 2 2	... ...
18. Fasaljasti on Inams... ...	5,008 5 9	14,164 15 8	9,156 9 11	... ...
19. Lands purchased on behalf of Government, but subsequently purchased by ryots	... ...	18 11 5	18 11 5	... ...
20. Deposits made by purchasers at revenue sales, but credited to Government for not paying full purchase money	40 0 8	0 6 6	... ...	39 10 2
21. Batta collected for serving processes	... ...	2,064 11 10	2,064 11 10	... ...
22. Seigniorage on stone mines.	... ...	15 0 0	15 0 0	... ...
Total...	58,763 10 2	66,319 9 6	16,580 15 2	9,024 15 10
Net increase...	... ...	... ...	7,555 15 4	... ...

38. The net increase under the head of Sundry sources of demand is Rupees 7,555-15-4. The decrease in Item No. 1 is owing to some of the Inams having been partly sold for arrears of revenue and purchased on behalf of Government, and partly relinquished by the Inamdars on account of the unprofitableness of the land. The increase in Item No. 2 is due to the excess cultivation during the year.

39. Under Item No. 4 the increase is caused by the early settlement of the Kadiri Taluq, when a large portion of the second crop cultivation was brought to account after Jamabandy.

40. There is a decrease in the extent of cultivation carried on without permission which constitutes Item No. 5, and it is owing to the ryots having given it up on account of the prohibitory assessments imposed in the previous years.

41. The large decrease in Item No. 6 is due to the great care with which the village officials have prepared their cultivation accounts, the concealment of cultivation in the former years having been severely punished.

42. The large decrease in Item No. 9 is due to the scanty yield of tamarind fruit during the past year, and the decrease in Item No. 11 is owing to the assessment of the Inams of the dismissed village servants having been mostly credited to the Village Service Fund.

43. The increase in Items Nos. 10, 16, 17, and 18 is on account of the extensive cultivation of Circar and Inam lands consequent on the large supply of water in all tanks and channels.

44. The irregularities on the part of village servants having been punished with suspension or dismissals, instead of fines as in the previous year, there has been a large decrease in Item No. 13.

45. The Item No. 21 has been introduced only during the current year by the employment of Process servers for collecting arrears of revenue under Act II. of 1864. The seigniorage on stone mines is also a new item, and smallness of collection under this head is owing to the ignorance of the people to apply for the quarries. The remaining items need no particular mention.

46. Under the head of Permanent taffrick no collections are registered in this department, as this item has been transferred to the Department of Public Works.

47. Out of the total demand under Sundry sources of revenue a sum of Rupees 45,988 is derived from irrigated land against Rupees 33,200 in the previous fasli, while Rupees 16,727 from unirrigated land are less than that of the past fasli by Rupees 6,389.

48. The total demand against the Shrotriem villages is the same as in the past year, *viz.*, Rupees 7,850-2-4, of which Rupees 6,929-13-11 was collected, leaving a balance on the 1st July 1875 of Rupees 920-4-5 against Rupees 1,250-14-9 in last year.

49. This balance has been reduced by subsequent collections to Rupees 546-6-0 outstanding on the 1st August last, or less than that of last year by Rupees 39-6-9. Steps have been adopted for the early realization of this arrear.

50. The annexed statement shows the demand of current revenue and arrears for Fasli 1284 as compared with that of the preceding year :—

Comparative Statement of Demand of current Revenue and Arrears.

Items.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Variation.	
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Increase.	Decrease.
Land Revenue.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Permanent Settlement.								
Jodi on Shrotriem villages	2,300	7,850	10,150	1,261	7,850	9,111	...	1,039
Ryotwar	60,547	5,84,280	6,44,827	40,062	6,41,615	6,81,677	36,850	...
Miscellaneous	25,459	58,765	84,224	16,977	66,320	83,297	...	927
Total...	88,306	6,50,895	7,39,201	58,300	7,15,785	7,74,085	36,850	1,966
Abkári	8,117	73,500	81,617	6,925	73,502	80,427	...	1,190
Stamps	...	38,535	38,535	...	42,031	42,031	3,496	...
Income-tax	565	...	565	76	...	76	...	489
Total ..	8,682	1,12,035	1,20,717	7,001	1,15,533	1,22,534	3,496	1,679
Grand Total...	96,988	7,62,930	8,59,918	65,301	8,31,318	8,96,619	40,346	3,645
Net Increase...	...	...	...	..	...	...	36,701	...

51. The current demand under the head of Land Revenue for Fasli 1284 is Rupees 7,15,785, of which the collections during the year amount to Rupees 6,34,017, and the balance on the 1st July 1875 is Rupees 81,768 against Rupees 48,285 in the last year. During July a sum of Rupees 42,003 was collected, leaving a balance on the 1st August last of Rupees 39,765 in excess of that of the preceding year by Rupees 12,851. Taking into consideration the large increase of

revenue this year the state of matters is tolerably satisfactory, especially in the taluqs of Royachoty and Kadiri, where the Tahsildars have done their work with greater energy than in the preceding year. The largest arrears stood in the remaining taluqs which were settled last, and where the survey operations have to a certain degree prevented the speedy collections of revenue, as the presence of village officials at the survey work was deemed indispensable. I should also attribute the laxity in this matter to the interested village officials, who, being themselves ryots, are generally negligent of their collections. The establishment of Batta Peons has been, in a great measure, very effectual in counteracting this usual laxity on the part of village heads. The batta system will be found even more effectual during the coming year as the Tahsildars are daily finding out its advantages.

52. The demand under Abkári is the same as in last year, owing to the renting of the farm for three years; but the increase of Rupees 2 over the preceding year was realized by the sale of certain arrack attached for want of a license.

53. The fasli under report opened with total demand of old balances, amounting to Rupees 58,300-2-3, of which Rupees 49,663-0-10 was collected during the year, leaving a balance on the 1st July 1875 of Rupees 8,637-1-5 against Rupees 10,091-14-4 in the past year. This balance was reduced by subsequent collections to a sum of Rupees 8,101-8-10. Out of this amount Rupees 1,543-14-9 under Land Revenue, and of Rupees 134-12-6 under Road Cess, are now recommended for remission as irrecoverable.

54. Irrecoverable Arrears.—The following statement exhibits the Fasliwar details for the above sum :—

Faslis.	Items.	Amount.		
		Rs.	A.	P.
1277	Assessment due upon putta lands sold for arrears of revenue	0	4	1
1279	Do. do. do.	4	14	11
1280	Do. do. do.	26	0	6
1281	Do. do. do.	39	8	0
,,	Quit-rent due on Inam lands do.	1	2	8
,,	Jodi on Carpenter's Inam, the Inamdar having died without property ...	1	2	2
,,	Amount erroneously entered	3	6	2
,,	Road Cess on lands sold for arrears of revenue	4	6	0
1282	Assessment due on putta lands sold for arrears of revenue	199	1	9
,,	Amounts twice erroneously entered	29	3	9
,,	Jodi on Potmaker's Inam irrecoverable owing to death and poverty ...	8	12	0
,,	Road Cess due on lands sold for arrears of revenue	13	2	8
,,	Do. erroneously entered	0	3	11
,,	Do. irrecoverable owing to desertion, death, and poverty	0	12	5
,,	Assessment on lands do.	6	12	0
1283	Do. due on lands sold for arrears of revenue	966	8	4
,,	Amount twice erroneously entered	228	1	9
,,	Assessment on putta lands remitted in lieu of Service Inams rendered useless	15	1	9
,,	Jodi on Service Inams irrecoverable on account of defaulter's desertion, death, and poverty	11	4	3
,,	Assessment due on Service Inams attached, but irrecoverable owing to defaulter's death and poverty	2	10	8
,,	Road Cess due on lands sold for arrears of revenue	103	1	9
,,	Do. twice erroneously entered...	11	10	7
,,	Do. irrecoverable owing to death, desertion, and poverty	1	7	2
	Total ...	1,678	11	3

The details of the above items are classified below :—

Items.	Amount.
	RS. A. P.
1. Assessment on land purchased by Government and by ryots, &c.	1,236 5 7
2. Amounts erroneously entered	272 10 2
3. Do. irrecoverable on account of defaulter's death, desertion, and poverty.	32 12 8
4. Quit-rent on lands purchased by Government and by private individuals ...	1 2 8
5. Assessment on putta lands remitted in lieu of Service Inams rendered useless	15 1 9
6. Road Cess on lands purchased by Government and by private individuals ...	120 10 5
Total ...	1,678 11 3

Sanction is requested for writing off the above sum as irrecoverable.

55. EXTENT TO WHICH COERCIVE MEASURES WERE EMPLOYED.—The following statement exhibits the number of instances in which coercive measures were adopted during the year under report for the collection of the arrears of revenue :—

PROCESSES ISSUED.			PROPERTY ATTACHED.		PROPERTY SOLD.	
Number of Villages.	Number of Ryots.	Balance.	Movable.	Immovable.	Movable.	Immovable.
		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
258	6,169	49,578 10 10	9,123 11 3	5,280 7 5	2,023 1 1	2,866 13 4

56. It will be seen that processes were issued for realizing arrears to the extent of Rupees 49,578-10-10, a large portion of which has been paid up before the lands were actually sold. The number of processes shows an increase of Rupees 4,025 over that of the preceding year and this excess is owing to the employment of Batta Peons for the collection of revenue arrears.

57. The amount of collections during the year is Rupees 7,90,676-6-2 against Rupees 7,89,208-6-2, showing an increase of Rupees 1,468. The total amount disbursed is Rupees 1,00,362-2-1, or in excess of that of last year by Rupees 17,623-7-8.

58. Under the head of Revenue refunds there is an increase of Rupees 595-2-11 over the preceding year, and this expenditure is particularly incurred in the Madanapally Taluq, which was the last that was settled during the year; the sums already collected having been remitted at the time of Jamabandy owing to the loss of crop and other causes.

59. Under the head of Salaries of survey establishments there is an increase of Rupees 9,007-7-2 over the past year on account of the commencement of the survey operations in all the taluqs of the Sub-Division.

60. The increase of Rupees 3,457-15-1 under the head of Medical charges is caused by the increased expenditure on the Dispensary at Madanapally.

61. Under the head of Extra tentage the increase of Rupees 1,923-12-11 is partly owing to the Sub-Collector's establishment having no office building, but the accommodation having been provided by the Sub-Collector. The other items need no remarks.

62. None of the Inam lands granted for service in Pagodas have been attached and incorporated with the Government ayacut on account of their abandoned state for upwards of twelve years.

63. The subjoined statement shows the particulars of such of the tanks as have their ayacuts in excess of Rupees 5,000 inclusive of Circar and Inam:—

Taluq.	Names of Villages.	Names of Tanks.	Total registered Ayacut.	CULTIVATION IN FASLI 1284.		Revenue in Fasli 1284.
				Extent.	Assessment.	
				ACRES.	RS.	RS.
Madanapally...	1. Rangasamudram.	Peddachervoo ...	8,329	708	4,415	4,464
	2. Kandakur... ...	Vyasamudrum-chervoo... ...	11,533	1,202	8,991	8,267
	3. Peddatippasamudrum	Peddachervoo ...	13,930	1,467	11,826	14,536
		Total...	33,792	3,377	25,232	27,267

64. No ruined tanks have been made over for private enterprise during the past year, except an ayacut channel in the village of Chadoom of the Kadiri Taluq, sanctioned in the Board's Proceedings, dated 10th August 1874, No. 2,177.

65. The Taluq and Village accounts have been examined by me and found generally to have been prepared according to the prescribed forms. Year after year the same difficulty is experienced in insisting upon the preparation of the village accounts before the Jamabandy, the Curnams invariably beginning to rule their books when called to the Jamabandy work.

66. During my periodical inspection of the taluqs I have examined the rain gauges and the rain registers, and all of them have been in good order. The gauge at Madanapally, which has hitherto been placed at the Taluq Cutcherry in an incommodious position, has now been removed to the Dispensary compound.

67. The following statement contains the particulars of lands acquired by public servants during the year (Fasli 1284):—

Names.	Officers.	Land where situated.	Extent.	Assessment.
			WET.	RS. A. P.
Arnee Kristna Row ...	Tahsildar of Kadiri...	Vempally in the Madanapally Taluq.	20 1 6	73 13 9

68. CONDUCT OF HUZUR AND TALUQ OFFICIALS.—I have few remarks to make in addition to those recorded last year, except that the Taluq and Huzur officials have given me general satisfaction. Ramanuja Row, Tahsildar of Royachoty, has shown himself to be an active energetic man. A Kristna Row has done very well as Tahsildar of Madanapally, and is now acting as

Deputy Collector. He quite deserves being confirmed. My Sheristadar, B. Teperoomal Chetty, has done his work remarkably well and keeps the office in thoroughly good order. Of the other subordinates I would mention the name of the Head Clerk Rama Row as that of a man deserving promotion when occasion should offer.

MADANAPALLY,
1st October 1875.

(Signed) J. D. B. GRIBBLE,
Acting Sub-Collector.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

KURNOOL.

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I HAVE the honor to submit my Report on the Settlement of the District for the year ending 30th June 1875. The delay in submitting the report was caused by the non-receipt of some accounts from the Settlement Department for the Koilkuntla Taluq as explained in my letter, No. 298, dated 24th August 1875.

The Cropwar Statement and Enclosure A. in No. 5 are not submitted, as information from one taluq has not been received.

2. TERRITORIAL CHANGES.—One principal village, Kalugotla, and three hamlets were transferred from the Pattikonda Taluq to the Bellary District under G. O., No. 316, dated 5th March 1874.

3. The settlement was conducted in not less than three stations in each taluq.

4. PUTTAS.—Fresh puttas were granted in 29,425 cases against 15,053 in 1873-74. In Koilkuntla Taluq the new settlement was introduced, and in Markapur the new survey areas. In both these taluqs, therefore, new puttas were issued to the number of 10,279 and 10,875, respectively. In 55,937 cases in the district the puttas were not altered, while in 3,537 cases they were simply modified by additional entries. One thousand four hundred and ninety miscellaneous puttas were granted against 1,802 last year.

5. SEASON.—The average fall of rain in the district was 44·15 inches, ranging from 27·90 inches in Cumbum to 64·19 inches in Sirwell. This is the heaviest rain-fall known within the past twenty years. In Nundial the fall was 63 inches, and in Ramalkota 54·63. Above 20 inches, or nearly half the total average for the district, was registered in one month, September, while over 9 inches fell in July and nearly 7½ in October. All the tanks received an abundant supply of water, but much damage was caused to the irrigation works and to the early dry crops in

some of the taluqs. In the rest of the district, however, the outturn both of the irrigated and unirrigated crops was very fair. The accompanying statement gives a comparison of the rainfall during the last four triennial periods :—

Months.	1272 to 1274.	1275 to 1277.	1278 to 1280.	1281 to 1283	1284.
July	2·58	2·75	3·94	3·96	9·23
August	6·22	6·17	5·83	3·84	1·94
September	3·7	4·69	6·11	5·81	20·07
October	2·51	3·84	3·39	4·45	7·41
November	1·36	·61	·71	1·31	2·
December	...	·61	·58	·72	·1
January	...	·08	·3	...	...
February	·17	...	...	...	...
March...	...	·26	·44	...	·36
April	·47	·37	·46	1·1	·15
May	1·33	·4	1·13	2·62	2·25
June	2·84	4·14	3·49	4·5	2·44
Total...	21·18	21·92	26·38	28·31	44·15

6. Public Health.—The district was free from cholera, but fever prevailed to a much greater extent than in any of the preceding eight years, for which accounts are available. The deaths from this cause amounted to 14,386 against 11,780 in 1873-74, and 12,652 in 1872-73, the highest mortality from fever on record. This large increase in the number of deaths is probably attributable to the excessive rains which fell in July, September, and October. The usual abstract of deaths is appended :—

Year.	Cholera.	Fever.	Small-pox.	Other Diseases.	Total.
1873-74... ...	...	11,780	1,023	3,081	15,884
1874-75... ...	...	14,386	990	3,184	18,560
Difference...	...	+ 2,606	— 33	+ 103	+ 2,676

7. Prices.—There is a falling off in the prices of the principal food grains, due chiefly to two successive good harvests and to the favorable character of the season in the adjoining territories, British and Nizam's, from which grain is usually imported into this district. The market prices of paddy and jonna, compared with the commutation rates, are given below. The margin left in favor of the ryot over the commutation prices is rather small in Koilkuntla and Pattikonda :—

—	Koilkuntla.		Pattikonda.		Kurnool Proper.	
	Commutation price.	Market price.	Commutation price.	Market price.	Commutation price.	Market price.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1st and 2nd sort Paddy ...	126	145	120	145	110	145
Cholum	139	158	125	158	105	158

8. Ryotwar Holdings.—The following abstract shows the extent of the ryots' holdings :—

Items.	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Acres.	Rs. A. P.	Acres.	Rs. A. P.	Acres.	Rs. A. P.
Holdings at the beginning of the year	1,204,405	11,25,542 12 7	26,823	1,74,206 4 5	1,231,228	12,99,749 1 0
Deduct.						
1. Lands relinquished	30,478	18,639 7 3	445	2,152 4 11	30,923	20,791 12 2
2. Do. transferred and sold.	11,363	11,185 14 10	253	1,538 15 8	11,616	12,724 14 6
3. Do. taken up for public purposes, corrections in areas, &c....	8,876	19,312 2 9	713	7,600 3 4	9,589	26,912 6 1
Total...	50,717	49,137 8 10	1,411	11,291 7 11	52,128	60,429 0 9
Remainder...	1,153,688	10,76,405 3 9	25,412	1,62,914 12 6	1,179,1	12,39,320 0 3
Add.						
Lands taken up on Durkhast.	48,312	27,286 13 9	525	3,156 2 11	48,837	30,443 0 8
Do. transferred and sold ...	11,363	11,185 14 10	253	1,538 15 8	11,616	12,724 14 6
Other items, *e. g.*, increase in the survey area in Markapur and of the new settlement in Koilkuntla ...	14,901	14,018 8 11	1,552	7,112 2 2	16,453	21,130 11 1
Total...	74,576	52,491 5 6	2,330	11 807 4 9	76,906	64,298 10 3
Grand Total...	1,228,264	11,28,896 9 3	27,742	1,74,722 1 3	1,256,006	13,03,618 10 6
Waste remitted	...	... ...	421	2,766 3 2	421	2,766 3 2
Remainder ..	1,228,264	11,28,896 9 3	27,321	1,71,955 14 1	1,255,585	13,00,852 7 4
Actual cultivation	1,186,565	11,00,486 14 7	26,708	1,68,989 8 11	1,213,273	12,69,476 7 6
Waste charged...	41,699	28,409 10 8	613	2,966 5 2	42,312	31,375 15 10

9. There is a net increase of Acres 24,778 in the occupied area, and of Rupees 3,869-9-6 in the assessment. More than half the increase in the area occurs in the Markapur Taluq, where the new survey areas were introduced this year into the accounts without charging any assessment on the excess discovered by the survey. In Pattikonda, Ramalkota, and Nandikotkur Taluqs there is an increase of nearly 4,000 Acres each ; while in Koilkuntla there is a decrease of Acres 1,669, assessed at Rupees 3,141, owing chiefly to the heavy assessment imposed in the settlement.

10. Cultivation.—96·59 per cent. of the holdings was actually cultivated against 96·71 per cent. in last year. In the assessment on the actual cultivation there is a small decrease* of about two per cent., which is caused by the introduction of the survey areas without altering the old assessment.

* 104·63 against 106·62 in 1873-74.

11. Second Crop Assessment.—As was to be expected from the character of the season there is a large increase in the second crop cultivation, which amounted to Rupees 35,435 against Rupees 26,788 in the preceding year. The increase is chiefly in Koilkuntla, Cumbum, Pattikonda, and Ramalkota.

12. Water-tax.—The amount shown under this head, *viz.* Rupees 28,780, is the charge for water imposed on dry or garden lands irrigated from Government sources in the settled and unsettled taluqs of the district. It does not include the water-rate separately charged on wet lands in the four unsettled taluqs of Kurnool Proper. This sum, *viz.* Rupees 36,341-4-9, is as usual included in the wet assessment shown in Column 30 of Statement No. 3. I do not think the mere

fact of the water-rate being charged separately from the land assessment is a sufficient reason for exhibiting the charge on wet lands under the head of Water-tax instead of under Wet assessment.

13. Remission—Waste.—The extent of waste irrigated and unirrigated is shown in the margin. Rupees 2,766 were remitted on entire fields left waste (Acres 421), chiefly in Markapur and Koilkuntla. In the former taluq a few tanks did not get a sufficient supply of water and Acres 153, assessed at Rupees 1,146, were left uncultivated. In Koilkuntla about 257 Acres of land, situated in the bed of certain tanks, were left waste because they were submerged from excessive supply. The lands having been transferred to wet by the Settlement Department remission was granted on the waste—*Vide* my letter to Board, No. 280, dated 14th August 1875.

			Extent.	Assessment. Rs.	A.	P.
Dry	...	Entire Waste	34,423	23,883	2	8
		Part do.	7,276	4,526	8	0
Wet	...	Entire do.	847	4,807	15	10
		Part do.	187	924	8	6
Total	...	Entire do.	35,270	28,691	2	6
		Part do.	7,463	5,451	0	6

14. Other Remissions.—The other remissions granted as per Statement No. 4 are shown in the annexed abstract :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Part waste	156	163	+ 7
Withered crops...	476	154	— 322
Teerwakammi	1,077	841	— 236
Tope remission...	208	183	— 25
Panibudti	...	351	+ 351
Dasabandam	417	414	— 3
Payamali	...	252	+ 252
Pagoda remission	63	63	...
Total...	2,397	2,421	+ 24
Fixed remissions	3,028	3,118	+ 90
Total...	5,425	5,539	+ 114

15. The remission on partial waste is small and was granted only in three taluqs. For Shavy or loss of produce only 154 Rupees were remitted in one taluq (Markapur) on account of deficient supply; while in Cumbum and Koilkuntla Rupees 244-10-7 and 7-2-4, respectively, had to be remitted for Payamali or crops destroyed by overflow of the surplus water from certain tanks. A further sum of Rupees 350-12-0 was remitted for Panibudti in Sangapatnam, in Koilkuntla Taluq, where the lands in the tank bed were submerged after sowing. The other remissions do not call for remark. They have been explained in past years' reports.

16. Net Ryotwar Settlement.—After deducting the remissions detailed above and the land and the village cesses, which are merged in the assessment in the four taluqs of Kurnool Proper, the net ryotwar demand amounts to Rupees 13,05,075-15-11 against Rs. 12,93,921-5-9 in the preceding year :—

Items.	Fasli 1283. Extent.	Fasli 1283. Assessment. Rs.	A.	P.	Fasli 1284. Extent.	Fasli 1284. Assessment. Rs.	A.	P.	Increase. Extent.	Increase. Assessment. Rs.	Decrease. Extent.	Decrease. Assessment. Rs.
	Acres.				Acres.				Acres		Acres.	
1	2	3			4	5			6	7	8	9
Dry...	1,204,405	11,25,542	12	7	1,228,264	11,28,896	9	3	23,859	3,354	.....	.....
Wet...	26,823	1,74,206	4	5	27,742	1,74,722	1	3	919	516	.....	.....
Total ...	1,231,228	12,99,749	1	0	1,256,006	13,03,618	10	6	24,778	3,870	.....	.....
Add.												
Second Crop Assessment	.....	26,787	14	10	.....	35,434	15	4	.....	8,647	.....	.....
Water-tax	.....	29,621	7	8	.....	28,779	11	0	.....	.....	.....	841
Total ...	.....	13,56,158	7	6	.....	13,67,833	4	10	.....	12,517	.....	841
Deduct.												
Remissions on whole fields	.....	2,740	9	6	.....	2,766	3	2	.....	25	.....	.....
Other remissions as per Statement No. 4.	.....	5,425	10	8	.....	5,539	2	9	.....	114	.....	.....
Road cess	.....	13,108	9	10	.....	13,205	8	3	.....	96	.....	.....
Village cess	.....	40,962	3	9	.....	41,246	6	9	.....	285	.....	.....
Total ...	.....	62,237	1	9	.....	62,757	4	11	.....	520	.....	.....
Remainder	.....	12,93,921	5	9	.....	13,05,075	15	11	.....	11,155	.....	.....

17. In paragraph 24 of their Proceedings on last year's report the Board refer to certain remissions granted for the first time in the Nellore District on account of "lifted irrigation." I beg to state that it has been always the practice in this district to charge only so much of the assessment as remained after deducting the one-fourth remission allowed for lifting by the Settlement Department when fixing the assessment; consequently the deduction is not shown as an item of remission in the Village or Taluq accounts. The amount so deducted cannot now be ascertained without detailed inquiry in the villages, and I do not think the inquiry is worth the trouble. If, however, the Board direct it the information will be embodied in future accounts.

18. Again, in G.O., No. 919, dated 24th July 1874, Government directed that the increase in the new assessment in the Koilkuntla Taluq should be charged by annual increments extending over five or ten years according as the increase was over 25 or 50 per cent. The difference thus remitted amounts to Rupees 21,124-14-0 according to the accounts furnished by the Deputy Director of Revenue Settlement, and has been excluded from the demand.

19. Entire Land Revenue, Jodi and Quit-rent, and Miscellaneous Revenue.—Including the jodi and quit-rent on Shrotriem and Inam villages, and the miscellaneous revenue, the entire land revenue amounts to Rupees 15,11,626-3-3. The jodi and quit-rent is the same as in last year, *viz.*, Rupees 12,762-8-3. The miscellaneous revenue amounts to Rupees 1,93,788, or Rupees 8,863 more than in 1873-74. The increase is mainly due to increased cultivation of Inam Teerwajasti and Fasaljasti, and to the collection of Process Service fees for the first time in the year under review.

20. The chief items composing the Miscellaneous Revenue are given in the margin. Of the total revenue Rupees 1,78,603-11-10 appertain to land, Rupees 36,907-4-0 to irrigated and Rupees 1,41,696-7-10 to unirrigated. The remaining sum, Rupees 15,183-15-3, is derived from fees, fines, and other items not relating to land. The revenue realized by the sale of the pasture farms of Siddapuram has been retained under the head of Land Revenue, Miscellaneous, pending the receipt of further orders from Government on Board's Proceedings, F. No. 151-2,111, dated 28th July 1875.

	RS.	A.	P
1. Quit-rent...	83,722	0	2
2. Jodi	57,966	9	3
6. Cultivation after Jamabandy	11,459	3	10
13. Rent of Gardens, &c.	5,649	2	6
46. Inam Teerwajasti	12,707	11	3
Do. Fasaljasti	10,273	13	4
54. Three-eights transferred from Village Service Fund	4,166	15	4
55. (5) Process Fees	2,085	11	4
Other items...	5,756	8	1
Total...	1,93,787	11	1

21. Extra Sources of Revenue.—The extra sources of revenue are compared in the annexed statement :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Abkári	3,26,613	3,26,700	+ 87
Income-tax	88	18	— 70
Salt (Earth)...	4,085	8,346	+4,261
Stamps	98,719	1,03,308	+4,589
Total...	4,29,505	4,38,372	+8,867

The Abkári revenue is the same as in last year. There is an increase of Rupees 5,073 under Judicial Stamps and of Rupees 4,261 under Earth-salt. The latter is the result of the enhanced rate of charge under G. O., No. 790, dated 28th July 1873. The sum of Rupees 18-3-0 shown under Income-tax is the tax charged on the arrears of Political pension, &c., drawn in the year under report.

22. Land Revenue Special Items—Cultivation of Special Products.—The figures given under this head slightly differ from the entries in the Treasury account, owing to subsequent corrections made at the time of the settlement in the Cumbum and Markapur Taluqs. The cultivation under sugar-cane is as usual small. Nearly two-thirds of the crop is raised under the Cumbum tank and about one-fifth under the Nundial tank. In the area sown with cotton there is a decrease in seven out of eight taluqs, and an increase of only Acres 188 in one taluq, Cumbum. In Koilkuntla there is a decrease in the area of Acres 4,994, while there is an increase of Rupees 15,419 in the assessment due no doubt to the heavy assessment imposed in the new settlement. In Ramalkota, Sirwell, and Nundial the decrease varies from 8 to 10,000 Acres, in Pattikonda and Nandikotkur from 3 to 4,000 Acres. The result is a net decrease of Acres 39,897, which was caused by the excessive rains which fell in September and October, rendering the lands unfit for ploughing until the season for sowing the crop was past. The indigo cultivation amounted to Acres 36,984 against Acres 34,915 in the previous year.

23. Entire Current Demand, Collection, and Balance.—The current demand under all sources amounts to 19½ lakhs of Rupees, of which Rupees 18,83,306-2-0, or 96·52 per cent., was collected within the year. Excluding Abkári, under which a large balance must always remain at the end of the month for which the arrear is due, the collections within the year amount to 97·55 per cent. Of the balance nearly one-third was outstanding against the Koilkuntla Taluq owing to the demand not having been settled till long after the close of the fasli year on account of delay in the preparation of the remission accounts by the Settlement Department—(Board's Proceedings, No. 571, dated 10th March 1875, and my letter, No. 298, dated 24th August 1875.) In some taluqs the injury done to the dry crops, added to a fall in the prices, rendered the collections more than ordinarily difficult; while in Cumbum and Markapur they were delayed in consequence of the absence of the Curnams on Jammabandy work towards the close of the year. The subsequent collections, however, have reduced the balance to 1·3 per cent. of the demand as shown below :—

Items.	Currrent Demand.	Collections within the year.	Balance.	Subsequent Collections.	Balance.	Per cent.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	
Shrotriem	12,762	12,599	163	108	55	·4
Ryotwar	13,05,076	12,78,781	26,295	16,302	9,993	·7
Miscellaneous	1,93,788	1,81,116	12,672	7,286	5,386	2·7
Total...	15,11,626	14,72,496	39,130	23,696	15,434	1·02
Abkári	3,26,700	2,99,759	26,941	17,341	9,600	2·9
Stamps	1,03,309	1,03,309	...	...	...	...
Earth-salt	8,346	7,724	622	13	609	7·3
Income-tax	18	18	...	...	...	...
Total...	4,38,373	4,10,810	27,563	17,354	10,209	2·3
Grand Total...	19,49,999	18,83,306	66,693	41,050	25,643	1·0

24. Arrears Demand, Collection, and Balance.—The arrears outstanding at the close of last year was Rupees 69,210-5-8, of which Rupees 60,631-7-3, or 87·6 per cent., were collected within the year and Rupees 135-14-7 in July and August, and Rupees 2,127-5-11 have been remitted under Board's Proceedings, No. 2,295, dated 18th August 1874, leaving a balance of Rupees 6,3[illegible]5-9-11, or 9·1 per cent., as detailed in the margin. Of this amount Rupees 2,101-4-8 are entered as recoverable or

	RS.	A.	P.
* Shrotriem	1	13	2
Ryotwar	3,681	15	8
Miscellaneous	2,628	13	0
Earth-salt	3	0	0
Total...	6,315	9	11

doubtful, and Rupees 1,338-7-2 are recommended for remission for reasons given below. The remaining sum has been recommended in last year's report :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance remaining after land, &c., have been sold	383	3	4
On lands relinquished	186	14	0
Charged twice over	222	9	6
Improperly charged	98	7	3
On lands taken up for the Irrigation Canal	59	7	0
Deficiency in the area	103	15	1
Boundary disputes	4	13	10
Washed away by floods	279	1	2
Total...	1,338	7	2

Sanction is requested for writing off this sum as irrecoverable. The remaining arrears which are said to be recoverable or doubtful extend over Faslis 1279 to 1283. The amount due for Fasli 1279 (1869-70) is only Rupees 34-9-9, and for 1870-71 Rupees 84-1-5. They relate chiefly to two taluqs through which the canal passes, and have been kept in abeyance pending the settlement of compensation.

25. In paragraphs 32 and 33 of my last year's report I referred to the irrecoverable arrears outstanding since 1862-63 under Local and Special Funds, but no orders have been passed on the subject. I again append a statement showing the arrears under these heads, and beg the Board will issue special instructions for my future guidance. In some taluqs the amount of arrears under particular items do not correspond with the Treasury account, although the total arrears is correct. On receipt of the order for remission the necessary adjustments will be made as far as possible in the Land Revenue and Special Funds items :—

Items.	Local Cess.			Village Service Fund.					
				Service Quit-rent.			Village Cess.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Balance remaining after property, &c., has been sold...	2,066	14	11	1,554	14	7	2,522	6	5
On lands relinquished	319	9	11	1,247	10	4	679	6	0
Erroneously included in the demand	182	4	10	95	6	7	125	4	10
On deficiency found in lands	26	14	2	65	12	0	5	6	11
On lands taken up for the irrigation canal and roads	38	10	4	83	10	5	24	7	5
On lands transferred, &c., from wet to dry ...	0	15	2	...	...	...	1	2	7
On lands on which crops were lost from breaching of tanks	10	14	5	...	...	...	10	14	1
On lands damaged by hail-storm	32	10	11	...	...	...	...	...	...
Boundary disputes	1	5	9	19	9	6	1	12	6
Poverty in case of lands cultivated without durkhast...	1	4	2	...	...	...	1	3	0
On lands taken up for Missionary schools ...	1	12	6	...	...	...	2	0	8
Lost by torch-light robbery	18	5	0	51	10	11	...	...	...
Total...	2,701	10	1	3,118	10	4	3,374	0	5

26. Comparative view of Collections, Current and Arrears.—The total collections, current and arrears, amounted to Rupees 19,46,065 against Rupees 19,05,028 in 1873-74, as detailed in the annexed statement :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Comparison.	
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Increase.	Decrease.
Land Revenue.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Permanent Settlement ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shrotriem Jodi.	133	12,503	12,636	259	12,599	12,858	222	...
Ryotwar... ...	11,606	12,74,115	12,85,721	21,019	12,78,781	12,99,800	14,079	...
Miscellaneous...	5,268	1,76,983	1,82,251	8,598	1,81,116	1,89,714	7,463	...
Total...	17,007	14,63,601	14,80,608	29,876	14,72,496	15,02,372	21,764	...
Abkári	27,703	2,94,119	3,21,822	32,494	2,99,759	3,32,253	10,431	...
Earth-salt ...	9	3,756	3,765	389	7,724	8,113	4,338	...
Sea Customs ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Stamps	...	98,718	98,718	...	1,03,309	1,03,309	4,591	...
Income-tax ...	27	88	115	...	18	18	...	97
License-tax ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Trade-tax ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Land Customs...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Grand Total...	44,746	18,60,282	19,05,028	62,759	18,83,306	19,46,065	41,134	97
Net increase...	...	...	...	...	...	...	41,037	...

27. Charges.—The charges amounted to Rupees 1,67,479-8-3, or 8·6 per cent. of the receipts.

28. Coercive Processes.—Coercive measures were adopted in 486 villages against 7,282 ryots for the realization of Rupees 89,111, or 4·4 per cent. of the current and arrear demand. More than half the number of processes (or 3,454) were issued in one taluq, Nandikotkur, where the dry crops suffered much injury from excessive rains. The value of property attached was Rupees 16,010 movable, and Rupees 7,424 immovable, while the value of property actually sold was only Rupees 5,924 and 2,828, respectively.

29. Miscellaneous Subjects—Ruined Tanks.—Only one tank was given over under the rules in the Sirwell Taluq at the special rate of 3 Rupees an acre sanctioned for this district. The tank is intended to irrigate Acres 3.

30. Madras Irrigation and Canal Company.—The returns for all the taluqs have not been received from the Special Deputy Collector, but the increase in cultivation has not been very marked, notwithstanding the introduction of the new rules, and the progressive rates of assessment.

31. Law Suits.—There have been no law suits against Government in the year under report.

32. Examination of Treasuries.—The Taluq Treasuries at Koilkuntla, Sirwell, and Nundial were inspected during the year by the Treasury Deputy Collector. The cash accounts are stated to have been on the whole fairly kept. Before the date of inspection a deficiency of Rupees 1,457-4-0 was discovered in the Koilkuntla Treasury, as stated in my letter, recorded in the Board's Proceedings, No. 2,023, dated 19th July 1875. The Shroff is now under trial before the Deputy Magistrate of Peapally.

33. Conduct of Public Servants.—There have been no changes among the higher revenue subordinates during the past year. I have nothing to add regarding their conduct to what I have said on previous occasions.

Kurnool,
25th September 1875.

(Signed) J. HOPE,
Acting Collector.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

MADRAS.

I have the honor to submit the Settlement Report of the Madras District for Fasli 1284, accompanied by the usual statements.

2. The rain-fall in the district was almost the same as in Fasli 1283. The supply of water in the tanks during the latter half of the fasli was scanty, as it is taken off very rapidly by gardeners and cultivators.

	INCHES.
Fasli 1283	53·91
,, 1284	54·06

3. The sanitary condition of the district during Fasli 1284, as compared with Fasli 1283, is shown below :—

Deaths from	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
1. Cholera	4	...
2. Small-pox	1,025	263
3. Fever	2,666	2,611
4. Bowel-complaint ...	2,218	2,108
5. Other causes ...	9,139	8,937
Total ...	15,052	13,919

4. Prices remained almost stationary as compared with the previous years.

5. There being no cultivation accounts kept in the district, owing to all lands being charged with fixed rates of quit-rent, I shall proceed to review briefly the transactions under the several heads of Revenue.

6. Land Revenue.—The annexed statement shows that the total demand for the fasli under report, including current and arrears, amounted to Rupees 1,10,173, which is Rupees 34,788 less than that for Fasli 1283, owing chiefly to the smaller amount of arrears which remained to be collected at the commencement of Fasli 1284 :—

Faslis.	Current.	Arrears.	Total.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
1283	78,880	66,081	1,44,961
1284	77,704	32,469	1,10,173
	...	...	34,788

7. The statement below shows that the total collections amounted to Rupees 77,097, which is Rupees 27,685 less than those of the preceding fasli, partly owing to the arrears being less :—

Faslis.	Current.	Arrears.	Total.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
1283	68,038	36,744	1,04,782
1284	66,102	10,995	77,097
	...	...	27,685

8. The balance, deducting remissions* sanctioned by Government, amounted to Rs. 28,607, of which Rupees 11,602 were current and the remainder arrears. Measures have been adopted for the speedy realization of the current balance. Out of the arrear balance of Rupees 17,005 Rupees 4,014 were recommended for remission in the Settlement Report of Fasli 1283, but sanction has not yet been accorded for writing them off. Rupees 524 were collected in July and August of the current fasli, and the arrear balance to be accounted for on 1st September last is thus reduced to Rupees 12,467. Of this amount about Rupees 8,000 from the accumulated arrears of quit-rent on unknown localities, pagodas, mosques, burial and burning grounds, &c., which will have to be eventually written off and will be recommended for remission on receipt of a full report from the Deputy Collector, which he will be requested to submit. Rupees 2,530 are irrecoverable for the reasons detailed in the margin, and I request sanction may be obtained for striking off this sum from the accounts. Inquiries are being made why, in contravention of my stringent orders on the subject, Rs. 1,808 require to be written off under this head*, and unless satisfactorily explained the defaulting Curnams will be dismissed. Steps have been taken for the recovery of the remainder, and for a very great part of this sum lands have been attached and will be sold in due course. The extent to which coercive processes were issued during the fasli under report is shown in the accompanying Statement No. 8.

* Amount recommended in Jamabundy Report of Fasli 1283 ... ... RS. 4,571
Deduct subsequent collections 358
4,213
Add Rupees 256 written off under G. O., dated 13th September 1873, No. 983... 256
Total ... 4,469

* 1. Quit-rent of more than six years' standing, the collection of which is barred by Section 11 of Act XII. of 1851 ... ... RS. 1,808
2. Quit-rent on lands purchased by Government at auctions held for arrears of revenue 555
3. Quit-rent charged on lands in Chetput tank-bed relinquished by the owner 13
4. Quit-rent charged erroneously on lands in Nungambakum tank-bed 77
5. Irrecoverable ground-rent of more than three years' standing owing to poverty of defaulters 77
Total ... 2,530

9. Excise on Spirits and Drugs.—The demand under this head of revenue amounted, during the fasli under review, to Rupees 11,68,468, which is Rupees 59,476 less than in Fasli 1283. The Deputy Collector ascribes the decrease to the introduction of the Tender system and its abandonment after a short time. I consider that the Tender system was not properly worked in the case of inside shops, was abandoned too soon, and had not a fair trial. If the system had been properly worked, as has been done for some years in the case of the outside godowns, I have no doubt that, in spite of the combination of both the arrack and toddy shopkeepers to keep down the dowles, the system would have proved much more successful than the present one; the combination having proved successful there will probably be a still further decrease in the revenue. The Abkári collections amounted to Rupees 11,58,108, and Rupees 861 have been written off under the sanction of the Board's Proceedings, No. 2,635, dated 15th September 1874. The balance

amounts to Rupees 9,499, of which Rupees 9,491 formed the current balance, which will soon be adjusted from the deposits of shopkeepers. The arrear balance of Rupees 8 is irrecoverable owing to the poverty of a toddy shopkeeper from whom it is due. Sanction is requested for writing off this sum from the accounts.

10. Income Tax.—The small arrear balance of Rupees 63 was recommended to be written off in last year's report.

11. Sea Customs.—The revenue from Sea Customs amounted to Rupees 16,83,648 against Rupees 17,33,250 in Fasli 1283. The decrease is mainly due to smaller imports of cotton piece-goods, gold thread, wines, and woollens, and reduced exports of hides and skins, indigo, and rice.

12. Salt.—Under recent orders of the Board the Customs duty collected on imported salt is shown under this head of revenue. The amount so received in Fasli 1284 is Rupees 35. This embraces collections from April to June 1875 only, as, under the orders of the Accountant-General, it was not possible to transfer the revenue of the previous nine months owing to the accounts for 1873-74 having been finally closed and sent up to the Controller-General.

13. Stamps.—The revenue under this head shows a decrease of Rupees 18,677, which is chiefly under Court fees. It was caused by the High Court and Small Cause Court having been twice closed for the usual recess during the fasli under report. There is a small decrease under Non-Judicial stamps, and this is probably due to dullness of trade.

The gross receipts of the year were Rupees 2,91,141 and charges Rupees 7,024, forming 2·41 per cent. of receipts. The ratio for Fasli 1283 was 2·24 per cent.

14. Copy of the Deputy Collector's report is enclosed.

Madras, (Signed) J. HUNTER-BLAIR,
15th October 1875. Collector of Madras.

I have the honor to submit the Annual Settlement Report on the Revenue of the Madras Taluq for Fasli year 1284, with the usual statements.

2. The rain-fall in the taluq noted below is taken from the Meteorological statements published by the Government Astronomer in the *Fort Saint George Gazette*. Compared with the previous fasli the fall of rain in 1284 was more than in the year 1283 by 0·15 inches, and the tanks had not much supply of water during the second half of the year :—

Months.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.	Months.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.
July 1874.	6·18	2·23	March 1875.	1·18	...
August ,, ...	2·68	3·39	April ,, ...	0·76	...
September ,, ...	5·19	3·02	May ,, ...	0·07	7·96
October ,, ...	21·26	10·61	June ,, ...	0·86	3·76
November ,, ...	10·30	13·51			
December ,, ...	5·57	9·43	Total ...	54·06	53·91
January 1875	0·01	...			
February ,, ...	...	...			

3. The number of tanks and villages in the taluq was the same as in previous years.

4. The sanitary condition of the taluq during the year under report was not very good. There were no epidemics of any kind, but there were many cases of fever and small-pox, and a few cases of dysentery.

5. The average bazaar prices of principal grains are given in Statement No. 2 under the several heads therein provided. The prices of all the chief grains remained nearly stationary in the year under report owing to want of proper quantity of rain in the latter half of the year.

6. Sugar-cane was cultivated in Mylapore and Nungambakam villages. The extent of land taken up for this purpose was Cawnies 33, Grounds 23, and Square feet 594⅛, bearing a quit-rent of Rupees 182-9-2 in Fasli 1284 against Cawnies 28, Grounds 9, and Square feet 881½, with an assessment of Rupees 156-2-8 in Fasli 1283. The increase in extent is very trifling over last fasli year. The variation in the extent of sugar-cane cultivation does not, however, affect the revenue

from those lands, as the quit-rent is always collected whether the land is cultivated with sugar-cane or any other crop, or left waste.

Statement of Demand for, and Collections in, Fasli 1284 compared with Fasli 1283 under the head Land Revenue, Miscellaneous.

Items.	Demand.						Collections.						Decrease.			Increase.		
	Fasli 1284.			Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Fasli 1283.								
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1. Shrotriem Jodi	210	0	0	210	0	0	147	0	0	301	0	0	154	0	0	...	...	...
2. Quit-rent	67,435	10	9	67,686	0	7	68,076	7	7	91,934	1	10	23,857	10	3	...	...	...
3. Ground-rent	5,520	4	1	4,903	9	2	4,335	3	10	6,466	9	4	2,131	5	6	...	...	...
4. Certificate fees	3,438	15	4	4,522	13	2	3,438	15	4	4,522	13	2	1,083	13	10	...	...	...
5. Revenue process fees ...	919	4	1	1,341	3	5	919	4	1	1,341	3	5	421	15	4	...	...	...
6. Rents of palmyrahs ...	66	0	0	197	8	0	66	0	0	197	8	0	131	8	0	...	...	...
7. Collections after fixing demand	3	6	0	10	10	4	3	6	0	10	10	4	7	4	4	...	...	...
8. Excess collections ...	0	1	6	0	2	11	0	1	6	0	2	11	0	1	5	...	...	...
9. Sale of survey plans ...	1	15	6	2	4	11	1	15	6	2	4	11	0	5	5	...	...	...
10. Sums collected out of amounts recommended for remission ...	43	5	4	...	...	...	43	5	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	43	5	4
11. Rents of tamarind trees	2	10	0	6	4	0	2	10	0	6	4	0	3	10	0	...	...	...
12. Sale proceeds of cocoanuts on Government land... ...	0	1	9	...	...	...	0	1	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	1	9
13. Fines under Regulation IX. of 1822. ...	20	0	0	...	...	...	20	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	20	0	0
14. Sale proceeds of fruits and fallen branches of trees on Government lands	42	1	6	...	...	...	42	1	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	42	1	6
Total...	77,703	11	10	78,880	8	6	77,096	8	5	1,04,782	9	11	27,791	10	1	105	8	7
Net decrease...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	27,686	1	6	...	...	...

7. The foregoing is a statement showing the demand and collections in Fasli 1284 under the head Land Revenue, Miscellaneous, and it shows a net decrease of Rupees 1,176-12-8 in demand and a net decrease of Rupees 27,686-1-6 in collections.

8. The demand under Shrotriem Jodi remained the same, and the decrease in collections is owing to a less amount of arrears being due. The decrease in demand under the head Quit-rent is owing to remission of quit-rent on lands purchased by Government for Carnatic Railway Company, on lands purchased by Government in public auction held for arrears of revenue, and to relinquishment of Class C. lands by the Madras Railway Company; while the decrease in Collections is traceable to a less amount of arrears being due in the year under report. The increase in demand under Ground-rent is caused by the Timber Depôt in Royapooram having been leased for a larger sum of money this year than in any previous fasli; while the decrease in Collections is accounted for by the dullness in chunam trade and the absence of materials on the spot to distrain and sell, and a less amount of arrears being due in Fasli 1284. The decrease under Demand and collections in certificate fees is owing to the issue of a very large number of ready prepared certificates to parties which remained accumulated in hand for years before and the collection of fees thereon in Fasli 1283. The Revenue process fees show a decrease under both heads, and it indicates that rate-payers are paying in the arrears briskly to avoid the payment of process fees. The decrease in Palmyrah rents under demand is the result of short produce of trees, and that in Collections is but nominal, as a portion of the rents of Fasli 1284 was collected in 1283, the sale having taken place in June of the latter fasli. The small variations under Items 7, 8, 9, 11, 13, and 14 call for no remarks. The increase under Item 10, "Sums collected out of amounts recommended for remission," is traceable to defaulting ryots having tendered payment of arrears after the amount had been recommended for remission. The increase under Item No. 14 is but nominal, as Rupees 41-10-6 out of it were transferred from Deposit account to Iyen account under instructions from the Accountant-General, and the balance of 7 Annas was the sale proceeds of withered branches of trees on Government lands realized in Fasli 1284.

9. The demand, collection, and balance of current land revenue under all sources is noted in the accompanying statement :—

Items.	Demand.			Collection.			Balance.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1. Shrotriem Jodi	210	0	0	70	0	0	140	0	0
2. Quit-rent	67,435	10	9	58,449	10	2	8,986	0	7
3. Ground-rent	5,520	4	1	3,044	4	0	2,475	15	3
4. Certificate fees	3,438	15	4	3,438	15	4	...	...	...
5. Revenue process fees	919	4	1	919	4	1	...	...	...
6. Rents of palmyrahs	66	0	0	66	0	0	...	...	...
7. Collections after fixing demand	3	6	0	3	6	0	...	...	...
8. Excess collections	0	1	6	0	1	6	...	...	...
9. Sale of survey plans...	1	15	6	1	15	6	...	...	...
10. Sums collected out of sums recommended for remission	43	5	4	43	5	4	...	...	...
11. Rents of tamarind trees	2	10	0	2	10	0	...	...	...
12. Sale proceeds of cocoanuts on Government lands	0	1	9	0	1	9	...	...	...
13. Fines under Regulation IX. of 1822 ...	20	0	0	20	0	0	...	...	...
14. Sale proceeds of fruit and fallen branches of trees on Government lands	42	1	6	42	1	6	...	...	...
Total...	77,703	11	10	66,101	12	0	11,601	15	10
Deduct collections from 1st July to 31st August 1875	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,886	0	6
Net balance...	...	...	...	...	...	...	8,715	15	4

10. A statement showing old arrears is appended, and the balance remaining to be collected on the 1st July of Fasli year 1285 is Rupees 12,467-6-4 :—

Balance at the end of Fasli 1283.	Collections in Fasli 1284.	Remission as per G. O., No. 770 of 23rd June 1874, and Collector's Memorandum, No. 955, of 21st October 1874.	Recommended for remission in the Settlement Report of Fasli 1283.	Subsequent collections up to the month of August 1875.	Total of Columns 2 to 5.	Balance.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
RS. A. P. 32,469 3 0	RS. A. P. 10,994 12 5	RS. A. P. 4,469 5 0	RS. A. P. 4,013 15 4	RS. A. P. 523 11 11	RS. A. P. 20,001 12 8	RS. A. P. 12,467 6 4

11. Out of this balance a further sum of Rupees 2,545-4-1 is irrecoverable as particularized below :—

Items.	Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280.	Fasli 1281.	Fasli 1282.	Fasli 1283.	Total.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Quit-rent of more than six years' standing, the collection of which is barred by Section 11 of Act XII. of 1851	1,823 1 10	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	1,823 1 10
2. Quit-rent on lands purchased by Government at auctions held for arrears of revenue ...	... ...	100 10 9	145 12 8	145 10 10	162 9 10	554 12 1
3. Quit-rent charged on lands in Chetput tank-bed relinquished by the owner	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	13 4 6	13 4 6
4. Quit-rent charged erroneously on lands in Nungambakum tank-bed	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	77 6 3	77 6 3
5. Irrecoverable ground-rent of more than three years' standing, owing to poverty of defaulters	... ...	... ...	... ...	76 11 5	... ...	76 11 5
Total...	1,823 1 10	100 10 9	145 12 8	222 6 3	253 4 7	2,545 4 1

12. Items Nos. 1 and 2 need no explanation.

Item No. 3 is the quit-rent arrears on lands in Chetput tank-bed relinquished by the owner, as directed by the Board of Revenue in their Proceedings, No. 19, of 5th January 1871.

Item No. 4 is the total amount of quit-rent arrears on lands in Nungambakum tank-bed erroneously charged with quit-rent.

Item No. 5 comprises ground-rent for Fasli 1282. It is due from a cooly-man who lived in small temporary huts on the vacant Government land opposite the chunam kiln during the time there was much work in the kilns. It is irrecoverable, as these squatters possessed neither movable nor immovable property of any kind, and broke up their camp immediately after the work was over. Precautions have, however, been taken in subsequent years to lease out this land to some known man in the vicinity of the land.

Deducting, therefore, the total of these items from the balance of Rupees 12,467-6-4 there is left a balance of Rupees 9,922-2-3 to be accounted for.

13. This sum is the accumulated arrears of four Fasli years 1280, 1281, 1282, and 1283, and nearly 8,000 Rupees will have eventually to be written off, being accumulated arrears of quit-rent on unknown localities, pagodas, mosques, burial and burning grounds. The remainder, Rupees 1,922-2-3, will be recovered, as lands on which a very great part of this sum is due have been already placed under attachment.

14. In the fasli under report 28,295 notices, demanding Rupees 73,028-13-3, were served, warning the defaulters to pay up the arrears ; 6,866 warrants or second demands were issued,

demanding Rupees 21-589-7-0. Personal property was distrained in ninety-nine cases only to the value of Rupees 1,105, and of these cases property to the value of Rupees 142-2-3 in twenty-four cases was sold by auction. The rest of the property was cleared on payment of arrears before the dates of its sale. Fifth demands, or orders for attachment of real property, were issued in 827 cases to recover Rupees 7,586-11-10, and lands of the estimated value of Rupees 61,457 were attached. Properties were sold in seventy-nine cases. Government purchased lands in twenty-three cases of the estimated value of Rupees 795 for 23 Rupees, and in the remaining fifty-six cases of the estimated value of Rupees 3,540 the sales realized Rupees 3,924.

15. In the fasli under review demands were also received under Act II. of 1864 from the districts noted in the margin for the collection of arrears due in those districts from defaulters residing in Madras, and Rupees 3,930-7-6 were collected and remitted to the several Collectors.

1. Cuddapah.
2. Bellary.
3. North Arcot.
4. Nellore.
5. Chingleput.

16. Stamping of Weights and Measures.—The collections during Fasli 1284 amounted to Rupees 3,571-11-0, being Rupees 34-11-0 less than the collections in Fasli 1283. The decrease is trifling and needs no explanation. The charges of this department amount to Rupees 1,128 on account of fixed establishment and Rupees 25-6-6 on account of contingencies, leaving a balance of Rupees 2,418-4-6 in favor of Government. The statement below shows the work done in this department :—

Particulars.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.	Increase.	Decrease.
Number of bazaars that presented weights and measures	7,970	8,192	.....	222
Number of weights and measures stamped	49,862	52,539	.....	2,677
Fees collected	RS. A. P. 3,571 11 0	RS. A. P. 3,606 6 0	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P. 34 11 0

17. Income Tax.—In this department, at the commencement of the Fasli 1284, there was a balance of Rupees 1,567 remaining to be collected, being arrears of assessment for Fasli year 1281 and 1282, and Rupees 1,504 were remitted out of this amount under G. O., No. 770, of 23rd June 1874. There is still a small balance of Rupees 63 to be collected, and as the tax was abolished it is requested that this amount also may be ordered to be written off the books.

18. Stamps.—The revenue in this department shows a decrease of Rupees 20,076-15-0 in Fasli 1284 compared with the revenue of the previous year. The annexed statement shows the revenues of the two faslis side by side under the two principal classes of stamps, Judicial or Court Fees, and Non-Judicial. The reason of the decrease is that the High Court and the Small Cause Court were adjourned in the fasli under report in the months of April and May in lieu of in the months of August and September as was the previous custom. There were thus two adjournments in 1284, one at the beginning and the other at the end of the year, and as a consequence the Stamp revenue suffered :—

Items.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Judicial or Court Fee stamps ...	2,01,649 4 0	2,15,583 9 0	... ...	13,934 5 0
Non-Judicial stamps	84,744 9 0	90,887 3 0	... ...	6,142 10 0
Total ...	2,86,393 13 0	3,06,470 12 0	... ...	20,076 15 0

19. Abkari.—In this department, at the beginning of the Fasli year 1284 under report, the Tender system was introduced in lieu of the Settlement system. Accordingly the five Puttai arrack godowns beyond the High Court limits, and situated at Saint Thomas' Mount, Palaveram, Papanchavady, Maduravoil, and Madavaram, were given to the highest tenderer on a dowle of 122 imperial gallons and 6 drams, which is 12 imperial gallons and 6 drams more than the dowle of previous fasli, and this was sanctioned in Revenue Board's Proceedings No. 1,557, dated 24th June 1874. The fifty-seven Puttai arrack shops within the High Court limits were given to the highest bidders for a dowle of 205 imperial gallons and 30 drams at first, which by subsequent relinquishments and resales for lower dowles gradually fell to 162 imperial gallons and 12 drams at the end of the fasli.

20. A statement is annexed showing the comparative dowles :—

Outside Puttai.				Inside Puttai.			
Faslis.	Imperial Gallons.	Increase.	Decrease.	Imperial Gallons.	Increase.	Decrease.	Remarks.
1284 ...	122 6	12 6	... ...	*205 30	8 46	... ..	* This was subsequently reduced to 162 imperial gallons and 12 drams.
1283 ...	110 0	... ...	... ...	196 32	... ...	... ...	

21. There were forty-eight Colombo arrack shops in Fasli 1284, and they were all within High Court limits. In the fasli under report these shops were sold by public auction on an increased dowle of 21 imperial gallons and 16 drams over the dowles of the previous fasli, which, often undergoing many changes in the year, ended in a decrease of 51 imperial gallons and 41 drams.

22. The statement below shows the comparison in dowle for the past two faslis :—

Faslis.	Dowle in Imperial Gallons.			Remarks.
	Gallons.	Increase.	Decrease.	
1284	*324 12	21 16	... ...	* This fell to gallons 272-19 at the end of the fasli.
1283	302 44	... ...	... ...	

23. The Auction and Tender system of last year did not much affect the dowles of toddy-shops. With the exception of the Sydapet shop No. 2, and the inside shops Nos. 47, 48, and 114, all the shops were taken for the usual dowles only, *viz.*, the 1st Class shops for Rupees 3-4-0 each a day, the 2nd for Rupees 2-8-0, the 3rd for Rupees 1-8-0, and the 4th for Rupee 1. The dowles of the above-said four shops for Fasli 1284 are given below :—

No.	Class.	Daily Dowle.	
		At the beginning of the Fasli.	At the end of the Fasli.
		RS. A P.	RS. A. P.
2	1st ...	7 5 0	5 0 0
47	3rd ...	2 4 0	1 13 0
48	3rd ...	2 8 0	2 8 0
114	1st ...	3 8 0	3 8 0

24. The total Abkári revenue from all sources in Fasli 1284 is given below, and it shows a decrease of Rupees 24,514-4-6 against the previous fasli, and the decrease is owing to dullness in trade and the comparatively impoverished condition of the working classes who are the sole contributors of Abkári revenue :—

Items.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Colombo arrack, inclusive of experimental liquor and pure Colombo arrack	4,82,440 10 10	4,91,781 0 6	... ...	9,340 5 8
2. Puttai arrack ...	3,41,156 4 6	3,54,337 10 0	... ...	13,181 5 6
3. Toddy	3,14,383 9 11	3,22,720 0 1	... ...	8,336 6 2
Total...	11,37,980 9 3	11,68,838 10 7	... ...	30,858 1 4
Extra.				
4. Ganja	615 15 0	588 2 0	27 13 0	... ...
5. Chendoo	34 0 0	34 0 0	... ...	... ...
6. Fines	862 4 0	741 13 6	120 6 6	... ...
7. Sale of old materials	0 2 0	3 4 3	... ...	3 2 3
8. Confiscated toddy...	10 2 3	17 7 0	... ...	7 4 9
9. Profit from Amani shops...	274 15 8	57 4 8	217 11 0	... ...
10. Deposit amount carried to Government credit ...	65 0 0	46 10 8	18 5 4	... ...
11. Forfeiture of tender money ...	620 0 0	... ...	620 0 0	... ...
12. License fees for Beer and Wine shops...	5,350 0 0	... ...	5,350 0 0	... ...
Total...	7,832 6 11	1,488 10 1	6,354 3 10	10 7 0
Grand Total...	11,45,813 0 2	11,70,327 4 8	6,354 3 10	30,868 8 4
Deduct increase...	... ...	... ...	... ...	6,354 3 10
Net decrease...	... ...	... ...	... ...	24,514 4 6

25. The arrears outstanding at the beginning of Fasli 1284 are Rupees 13,164-3-7, and Rupees 12,295-8-10 were collected out of it during the year, leaving a balance of Rs. 868-10-9. Rupees 860-10-9 out of this amount were remitted under G. O., No. 770, dated 23rd June 1874, and Revenue Board's Order, No. 2,635, dated 15th September 1874, leaving a very small balance of 8 Rupees still due, and this sum I recommend may be remitted, as the toddy shopkeeper from whom it is due has become a pauper.

26. In the current Abkári demand under all sources, amounting to Rupees 11,55,304-1-1, Rupees 11,45,813-0-2 were collected, leaving Rupees 9,491-0-11 to be collected at the end of the fasli. In July and August last, however, Rupees 5,152-6-11 were collected, and the remainder, Rupees 4,338-10-0, will be adjusted in accounts in the current month from the deposits of shopkeepers in the Taluq Treasury.

27. The following abstract shows the gross collections, inclusive of arrears, charges, and the net Abkári revenue in Fasli 1284, compared with those of Fasli 1283 :—

Faslis.	Collections.	Charges.	Net.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1284... ...	11,58,108 9 0	2,37,908 12 9	9,20,199 12 3
1283... ...	11,79,903 3 6	2,22,807 10 7	9,57,095 8 11

28. I annex a statement showing the demand, collection, and balance of Fasli 1284 under all sources of revenue compared with those of the previous fasli, including arrears.

Sources of Revenue.	Demand.		Collection.				Balance.			
	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.		Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Fasli 1283.	
Items.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.
1. Quit-rent and Ground-rent, Shrotriem Jodi, Excess collection, Registration fees and Palmyrah rents	1,10,172 14 10	1,44,961 7 3	77,096	8 5	1,04,782	9 11	33,076	6 5	40,178	13 4
2. Abkári	11,68,468 4 8	12,27,944 3 3	11,58,108	9 0	11,79,903	3 6	10,359	11 8	48,040	15 9
3. Income Tax	1,567 0 0	9,706 0 0	.....		4,215	0 0	1,567	0 0	5,491	0 0
4. Stamps	2,86,393 13 0	3,07,666 5 6	2,86,393	13 0	3,07,666	5 6	.....		.....	
Total ...	15,66,602 0 6	16,90,278 0 0	15,21,598	14 5	15,96,567	2 11	45,003	2 1	93,710	13 1
Deduct remission granted under G. O., No. 770, of 23rd June 1874	.....	.....	.....		.....		5,812	5 11	.....	
Deduct remission granted under Board's Order, No. 2,635, of 15th September 1874	.....	.....	.....		.....		764	14 3	.....	
Deduct remission granted under Collector's Official Memorandum, No. 955, of 21st October 1874	.....	.....	.....		.....		256	11 7	.....	
Total ...	.....	.....	.....		.....		38,169	2 4	.....	

29. In conclusion I beg to add that I assumed charge of the office on the 1st March 1875, and have had therefore only four months' time in the year to observe its working and capacities of

the several heads of departments under my supervision so far as I have seen. I beg to place on record the valuable services rendered by the Tahsildar C. Ramiah and the Abkári Superintendent R. A. Prakasa Moodelliar, who are both discharging their arduous duties to my entire satisfaction.

MADRAS,
24th August 1875.

(Signed) C. CUNDASAWMY MOODELLY,
Acting Deputy Collector.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. HUNTER-BLAIR,
Collector of Madras.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

CHINGLEPUT.

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I HAVE the honor to submit the Jamabandy Report for Fasli 1284, together with the prescribed number of Statements.

2. STATEMENT No. 1.—*Of the three taluqs in the Principal Division,* Ponnery was *settled* partly by Mr. Barlow and partly by myself; Trivellore by Mr. Spencer, the Assistant Collector; and Sydapet by Mr. A. M. Jones, the late Officiating Deputy Collector. Mr. Crole, the late Acting Sub-Collector, settled two of the taluqs in the Sub-Division, *viz.*, Conjeveram and Chingleput; while Madurantakum, which had not been settled by the Collector for many years past, was settled by Mr. Barlow. The settlement was conducted at more than one station in all cases, and in some cases at three or more places, and thus every facility was afforded to ryots who were disposed to attend the Jamabandy. The average time occupied in conducting the Jamabandy of each taluq was twenty-six days.

3. The number of villages under different tenures remains the same as last fasli except ryotwar. Under this head there has been a decrease of seventy-four villages, which is due to the amalgamation of villages, previously sanctioned by the Board at the suggestion of the Survey Department, having been brought into effect this fasli in the Conjeveram Taluq simultaneously with the introduction of the new survey areas.

4. The total number of puttas for the fasli is 59,766 against 57,487 in last year, showing an increase of 2,279. Of these 14,584 puttas were newly issued during the fasli. In 36,302 cases alterations in the beriz have occurred, but of this number only 16,656 were produced for alterations. In the remaining instances ryots did not produce their puttas, and consequently the alterations in the holding could not be noted. Most of the new puttas were due to the introduction of the new survey areas in the Conjeveram Taluq, which necessitated the issue of a fresh putta in every case.

5. SEASON.—The season this fasli contrasted most favorably with the past one, the total rainfall registered being 64·57 against inches 29·56 last fasli as shown in the margin. All the tanks in the district received an abundant supply of water, so much so that the waste weirs of some of the larger ones, such as Red Hill, Sholaveram, Chembrumbakum and Madurantakum tanks, &c., were discharging a large volume of water for many days together. The Palar, the Cheyar, the Cortilliar, and Narnaveram rivers were in fresh frequently during the fasli. The floods of the Palar extended to more than half a mile on either side of the banks, and did considerable damage to crops in the villages bordering the river in the taluqs of Madurantakum, Conjeveram, and Chingleput, necessitating the grant of large remissions under the head "Partial crops" and "Crops destroyed by floods." Similar remissions had also to be given in Trivellore, but on a smaller scale on account of the damage done by flood waters of the Cortilliar river.

1874, April	...
,, May	9·6
,, June	4·32
,, July	4·91
,, August.....	4·82
,, September	13·09
,, October.....	16·95
,, November	6·56
,, December.....	4·02
1875, January	·13
,, February	...
,, March	·17
	64·57

6. PUBLIC HEALTH.—Public health has not been quite as good as in the previous fasli. Although the district enjoyed perfect immunity from cholera till near the very end of the fasli fever, small-pox, and other diseases prevailed to a greater extent than in the previous season; the mortality being proportionately larger. The deaths from small-pox show a decrease of 1,612, which may be partially due to an increase in the staff of Vaccinators and to closer supervision over their work. Cattle disease prevailed in some of the taluqs, particularly towards the end of the fasli, as pasture was getting scarce; medicine was supplied in all cases.

7. PRICES—*Statement No.* 2.—The prices of all food grains except Varagu fell considerably, a result attributable to the favorable character of the season. The increase in the price of Varagu is due to a diminished harvest, resulting from excess of rain during the early part of the fasli.

8. The average price of first and second sort paddy per garce was Rupees 137, or 76 per cent. more than the commutation rate, and 7 per cent. less than the price of last fasli. On the ten years' average the price this fasli show a fall of 20 per cent., or Rupees 35 per garce.

The subjoined abstract gives the details of prices :—

Grains.	Average price for 10 years from Fasli 1274 to 1283.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase or decrease in Fasli 1284 as compared with the average.	Per-centage.	Increase or decrease in Fasli 1284 as compared with Fasli 1283.	Per-centage.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Paddy, 1st sort, per garce...	180	153	144	36	20	9	6
Do. 2nd do. do.	163	141	129	34	21	12	8
Cholum or Javary	244	216	229	15	6	13	6
Cumboo or Bajira	214	164	167	47	22	3	2
Raggy	218	191	188	30	14	3	2
Horse-gram	299	296	253	46	15	43	15

9. RYOTS' HOLDING.—*Statement No.* 3, *Enclosure A.*—The holding of ryots, after deducting lands given up during the fasli, amounts to Acres 520,508, assessed at Rupees 13,54,169, against Acres 507,758, assessed at Rupees 13,52,899, showing an increase of Acres 12,750, which includes the excess discovered by the new survey in the Conjeveram Taluq, amounting to Acres 10,495.

10. *Lands Relinquished.*—The extent of land actually relinquished during the fasli as compared with the past shows a decrease of Acres 7,039, assessed at Rupees 12,360, as shown in the margin.

Faslis.	Acres.	Assessment. RS.
1284	6,414	11,878
1283	13,453	24,238

11. The annexed abstract shows the ryots' holding at the beginning of the fasli, and the subsequent fluctuations :—

	Acres.	Assessment RS.
Ryots' holding at the beginning of the fasli	507,758	13,52,899
Deduct lands actually given up or otherwise rendered unfit for cultivation and struck off the putta.	13,416	20,263
	494,342	13,32,636
Add lands taken up and those transferred from one putta to another, and the excess discovered and brought to account by the new survey	26,166	21,533
Total ...	520,508	13,54,169

12. *Actual Cultivation.*—The actual cultivation amounted to Acres 435,324, assessed at Rupees 11,97,553, being an increase of Acres 47,605, assessed at Rupees 77,125, as shown in the margin; in other words the cultivation of the season under report has been seven per cent. in excess of the cultivation of Fasli 1283.

	ACRES	RS.
Nunjah	19,897	49,960
Punjah	27,708	27,165
Total ...	47,605	77,125

13. *Waste Charged.*—The extent of waste charged amounts to Acres 81,411, assessed at Rupees 1,45,060, against Acres 12,987, assessed at Rupees 19,080, similarly charged in Fasli 1283. The annexed abstract gives the taluqwar particulars :—

Taluqs.	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Sydapet	8,706	14,197	3,475	10,184	12,181	24,381
Ponnery	4,746	5,431	2,717	6,206	7,463	11,637
Trivellore	9,179	9,324	2,675	7,569	11,854	16,893
Chingleput	7,671	9,264	4,015	11,365	11,686	20,629
Conjeveram	11,940	14,102	5,802	17,247	17,742	31,349
Madurantakum ...	15,600	24,839	4,885	15,332	20,485	40,171
Total ...	57,842	77,157	23,569	67,903	81,411	1,45,060

14. *Waste Remitted.*—The remission granted on wet and dry waste amounted to Rupees 11,556, and was distributed over an area of Acres 3,773. The remissions on dry waste amounted to Rupees 1,035. The total remission granted this season on wet and dry waste was 95 per cent. less than the remissions given in last fasli, a result due to the character of the season.

15. *Enclosure B. in No.* 3.—The extent of land under sugar-cane and cotton is trifling. Indigo cultivation shows a decrease of Acres 8,466 as compared with the cultivation of the previous fasli. This is due to the heavy rains which fell during the first half of the season.

16. *Enclosure C. in No.* 3.—The whole of the lands held on progressive cowle tenure in former faslis was brought to full assessment in last fasli. During the fasli under report 241 Acres, assessed at Rupees 366, were given on similar terms under the special orders* of Government to certain ryots of Alamady, a

* *Vide* G.O., dated 18th June 1873, No. 623.
Board's Proceedings, 28th May 1873, No. 582.
Board's Miscellaneous No. 3,940, dated 26th June 1873.

village in the Ponnery Taluq, where, in consequence of the enlargement of the Sholaveram tank, nearly the whole of the cultivated lands, including the village site, was submerged. Under the orders of Government above referred to the ryots are to hold the lands free of assessment for a period of six years, after which the progressive cowle terms are to come into force.

17. The amount remitted and charged on portions of fields during the fasli is Rupees 672 and Rupees 34,907, respectively. Taluqwar particulars of these items are given in the marginal statement. These remissions were given chiefly on account of lands taken up for public purposes, &c.

Enclosure D., No. 3.

18. The marginal abstract shows that the amount of actual cultivation, waste charged, and the amount of water-tax derived from dry lands irrigated and wet lands cultivated with second crop during the fasli, is Rupees 15,46,946, and shows an increase of Rupees 2,79,698 over last fasli. Until last fasli the figures entered at the foot of the statement, against the item "Inam land irrigated free of charge," represented the extent held on Inam tenure free of water charge, but not free of quit-rent. In the statement now sent I have included the extent of such Inams which are free of both quit-rent and water charge. There are no Zemindari lands in the district held free of all charge, but the figures entered in the statement represent the extent of all sundry Inams in Zemindari villages which are held free of any charge; whereas in the return of last fasli the entire extent of Zemindari lands, and Inams irrigated by Government source of irrigation, were inserted.

Enclosure E. to No. 3.

Vide Board's Proceedings, and my letter to Board, No. 380, dated 22nd July.

19. The appended abstract gives the extent of cultivation, as well as assessment charged on waste, amount of remissions, and the net revenue :—

Items.	Last Fasli.		Present Fasli.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Dry	160,596	2,35,834 15 0	236,588	3,31,704 4 7	75,992	95,870	.....	.....
Wet	240,110	9,03,673 10 7	280,147	10,10,909 5 3	40,037	1,07,235	.....	.....
Total...	400,706	11,39,508 9 7	516,735	13,42,613 9 10	116,029	2,03,105	.....	.....
Add.								
Second Crop Assessment	.....	85,096 10 0	.....	1,26,560 14 3	.....	41,464	.....	.....
Teerwajasti	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Water-tax	.....	42,643 5 7	.....	77,772 5 5	.....	35,129	.....	.....
Road Fund	.....	1,07,443 5 10	.....	87,510 7 10	.....	.....	.....	19,933
Village Service Fund...	.....	1,25,822 13 7	.....	1,75,916 1 11	.....	50,094	.....	.....
Total...	.....	15,00,514 12 7	.....	18,10,373 7 3	.....	3,29,792	.....	19,933
Net...	.....	....	.....	....	.....	3,09,859	.....	.....
Deduct Remission.								
Road Fund	.....	1,07,443 5 10	.....	87,510 7 10	.....	.....	.....	19,933
Village Service Fund...	.....	1,38,611 14 10	.....	1,90,225 9 11	.....	51,614	.....	.....
Other Remissions... ...	.....	1,79,123 9 10	.....	54,295 1 2	.....	.....	.....	1,24,829
Total...	.....	4,25,178 14 6	.....	3,32,031 2 11	.....	51,614	.....	1,44,762
Net decrease...	.....	....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	93,148
Remaining Beriz, Ryotwari	.....	10,75,335 14 1	.....	14,78,342 4 4	.....	4,03,007	.....	.....
Add Miscellaneous Items...	.....	94,702 3 11	.....	1,35,746 9 2	.....	41,044	.....	.....
Total ..	.....	11,70,038 2 0	.....	16,14,088 13 6	.....	4,44,051	.....	.....

20. The only items that call for remark in the above abstract are those named in the margin. The decrease under the head "Road Fund" is due to the cess on certain of the Mootah and Shrotriem villages not having been fixed within the fasli in consequence of delay on the part of the proprietors to render accurate returns in due time; while the increase under the head "Village Service Fund" is due to extended cultivation. The increase under "Water-tax," amounting to Rupees 35,129, is entirely due to the introduction of the new scale of rates and the new mode of calculating water charge. Although a notice was published in the District Gazette beforehand, informing the ryots that the new rates would be brought into force during the fasli, most of the ryots did not know anything about it till the settlement. The amounts entered in the puttas were in some cases double and treble the amouut paid in former years on the same extent of land. Recently a Shrotriemdar, whose estate was one of those expected to be brought under the influence of the Red Hills tank, when consulted as to whether he was prepared to pay the prescribed rate of water-tax, said he did not want a channel to be cut to irrigate his village as the rates were heavy.

Road Fund, Village Service Fund, and Water-tax.

21. I append below a comparative abstract of water-tax collected during the last three faslis for the Board's information :—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1282.		Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.	
	Extent.	Water-tax.	Extent.	Water-tax.	Extent.	Water-tax.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Sydapet	2,170	3,155	2,046	2,915	2,714	5,518
Ponnery	3,446	5,066	3,792	6,424	3,512	7,318
Trivellore	6,953	15,659	6,538	13,885	8,004	18,554
Chingleput	2,384	4,128	2,150	3,452	2,629	8,733
Conjeveram	5,918	9,979	5,996	10,181	6,733	21,133
Madurantakum ...	3,821	8,149	3,162	5,786	5,523	16,516
Total...	24,692	46,136	23,684	42,643	29,115	77,772

22. The annexed abstract shows the principal sources of irrigation, with the revenue derived therefrom:—

Tanks.	Villages.	Ayacut.		Holding, 1283.		Cultivation.		Holding, 1284.		Cultivation.	
		Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
		ACRES.	RS	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES	RS.
Chembrumbakum tank .	33	9,668	47,876	8,871	54,522	8,246	49,586	9,330	50,588	8,901	48,513
Ambathoor tank	6	2,011	5,510	1,708	4,774	1,399	3,989	1,723	4,919	1,562	4,508
Red Hills tank	10	2,743	9,560	2,423	9,854	2,206	9,237	2,433	9,964	2,288	9,577
Namum tank	6	1,606	7,898	1,531	9,325	1,106	7,393	1,531	8,829	1,455	8,484
Madurantakum tank ...	20	6,130	18,528	4,791	17,497	4,315	16,200	4,686	17,649	4,206	16,618
Utramurur tank	3	5,644	20,666	3,665	15,492	2,738	12,143	3,671	16,872	3,542	16,433
Dhamal tank	1	2,166	8,675	1,627	8,493	1,609	8,197	2,044	9,401	1,993	9,173
Thennary tank	20	4,663	14,290	3,235	13,416	2,546	11,533	3,953	14,454	2,961	12,730
Streepermatoor tank ...	1	1,111	4,848	988	5,784	937	5,593	1,095	6,817	1,051	6,207
Manimungalum tank ...	5	2,006	9,742	1,405	8,019	1,198	7,131	1,563	9,115	1,404	8,783
Coovum tank	8	2,140	10,423	1,756	11,965	1,629	11,427	2,040	11,995	1,923	11,550
Chinnambedu tank ...	1	1,706	9,616	1,397	10,395	1,345	10,151	1,395	8,784	1,318	8,426
Valloor anicut	1	1,983	8,690	1,515	7,016	1,465	6,788	1,466	6,879	1,321	6,241

23. The revenue under most of the works has increased as might naturally be expected in a season like the one under review. Under the tanks named in the margin there was a decrease owing to a deficient supply in the early part of the season.

Chembrumbakum, Chinnambedu, and Valloor anicut.

24. Statement No. 4.—The remissions under all heads, with the exception of those given on account of waste, amount to Rupees 68,604, or Rupees 1,23,308 less than those given in the previous fasli. The amount entered under the head "Palanashtam," (Loss of produce,) was given chiefly in the taluqs of Madurantakum, Chingleput, and Conjeveram, where, as already stated, considerable damage was done to the crops by floods. The remission given under the head "Teerwacummi" is due to extension of cultivation of Manavary lands transferred to Punjah, on which a remission of 20 per cent. is allowed pending the introduction of the new settlement.

25. *Enclosure A. to No.* 4.—This statement shows the amount remitted on irrigated land as distinguished from unirrigated. Under the former the remission amounts to Rupees 26,678, and in the latter to Rupees 27,617.

26. Tope Cowle.—The extent of land held on tope cowle amounts to Acres 9,297, assessed at Rupees 11,452, or Acres 582, assessed at Rupees 865, less than the holding of last fasli. This falling off in the extent is owing to the rigid enforcement of the rules of late years, and to charging full assessment in those cases where the holders have failed to plant as required by the rules.

27. Statement No. 5.—As directed in Board's Proceedings, No. 1,320, dated 17th May last, I have opened two additional columns to exhibit the remissions and the net demand in this statement. I also send an enclosure to this statement showing the particulars of the remissions, as directed by the Board in their Proceedings of the 17th May 1875, No. 1,320. The total demand, under the head "Miscellaneous," this fasli amounts to Rupees 1,35,746, being an increase of Rupees 41,044. This increase has been derived chiefly from the following sources :—

(1.) Cultivation after Jamabandi.
(2.) Water-tax on Zemindary and Inam lands.
(3.) Shell-rent.
(4.) Excess collections over the demand.

The increase under the first two heads is due to extension of cultivation consequent on the favorable character of the past season, while the increase under the head "Shell-rent" is owing to greater competition for the lease of the several chunam shell quarries at Yalanoor and other villages in the Ponnery Taluq. The increase under the head "Excess collections" over the demand occurs chiefly in the Madurantakum, Conjeveram, and Chingleput Taluqs. The reason of this is as follows :—In October 1874, or just before the Kistbundy for Fasli 1284 commenced, an order was issued by Mr. Crole to the Tahsildars of the Sub-Division, directing that the revenue should be collected according to Kistbundy, taking the beriz of Fasli 1282 as their basis in the case of each Puttadar, (Fasli 1283 being a bad year,) and the Tahsildars did their best to act up to these instructions. In some cases the beriz after Jamabandy turned out to be less than what the Tahsildars calculated in consequence of relinquishments, transfers, and revenue sales in the putta holding. Further, remissions had to be given at the Jamabandy in some cases on account of loss of crops from floods. The increase under the head "Other items" is due to the entertainment of Process servers in the taluqs to faciliate collections of revenue under Act II. of 1864, and to the sale proceeds of a larger number of trees and buildings on the lands taken up for the Carnatic Railway having been credited to Government this season, as also to a greater extent of waste land having been cultivated without permission.

28. The annexed abstract gives the extent of Inam land on which Fasal and Teerwajasti have been collected, as required in Board's Proceedings, dated 3rd March 1869 :—

	Acres.	Assessment. Rs.	A.	P.
Fasaljasti or 2nd crop assessment on one crop Inam land.	5,871	13,964	8	2
Teerwajasti on Punjah Inam lands	782	2,578	6	5

The large increase under both items is due to extended cultivation and the introduction of the new Teerwajasti rates.

29. Statement No. 6.—The demand against Jary Mootahs, Shrotriems, and other quasi permanent tenures, amount to Rupees 1,86,824, and shows a net decrease of Rupees 1,280. This is owing to reductions made in the quit-rent of the undermentioned Shrotriem and Rental villages in consequence of lands taken up for the Red Hills water works project and other public purposes.

Villages.			Amount of Quit-rent. Rs.	A.	P.	Date of Sanction.
Trivellore ...	Boochiathiput Shrotriem	...	222	3	9	Board's Procs., 12th March 1875, No. 2,033.
Sydapet ...	Cottyvakum	do. ...	19	5	8	Do.
	Neelangaray	do. ...	57	4	8	Do.
	Ayanaveram	do. ...	146	8	3	Do.
	Oragadam	do. ...	299	0	0	Do.
Ponnery	Meenjur	do. ...	21	15	2	Board's Procs., 4th December 1874, No. 5,471.
Madurantakum ...	Palanoor	do. ...	2	11	0	Board's Mis. Procs., 28th August 1874, No. 5,941.
Conjeveram ...	Conaricupum	do. ...	9	2	3	Board's Procs., 4th May 1875, No. 3,597.
	Poodoopakum	do. ...	7	12	9	Do.
	Poothoor rented village	...	517	0	9	Board's Mis. Procs., 5th March 1875, No. 1,761.

A sum of Rupees 22 has been added during the fasli to the rent of Teroovoy, &c., villages which are held on the "Kayam Izara" (Permanent rent) tenure. This is owing to the assessment of certain sundry Inams which had lapsed to Government some years ago for want of heirs, having been made over to the Izaradar for collection. A sum of one Rupee has been added to the quit-rent of the Shrotriem village of Manoharam, in the Ponnery Taluq, in consequence of the assessment of a certain Temple Inam which lapsed to Government having been similarly made over to the Shrotriemdar for collection.

Vide Board's Miscellaneous Proceedings, dated 19th October 1874, No. 7,125.

30. *Enclosure A. to Statement No.* 6.—This Statement gives the apportionment of quit-rent on wet and dry land as required in the Board's Circular Memorandum, dated 11th June 1873, No. 824.

31. Statement No. 7.—The demand of the fasli under report from all sources amounted to Rupees 48,22,644, and shows a net increase of Rupees 6,65,449, or 16 per cent., the bulk of which has been derived from land revenue. The annexed abstract gives the details of the demand in a comparative form :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.	Percentage.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Permanently settled Estates	1,06,463	1,06,463	.....	.....	.....
Shrotriems	76,659	75,874	.....	785	.....
Roytwar	10,75,336	14,78,342	4,03,006	.....	.....
Miscellaneous	94,702	1,35,746	41,044	.....	.....
Total...	13,53,160	17,96,425	4,44,050	785	.....
Abkári	1,73,466	2,20,147	46,681	.....	.....
Salt	25,36,228	27,04,709	1,68,481	.....	.....
Stamps	93,094	1,01,363	8,269	.....	.....
Income-tax	1,247	.....	.....	1,247	.....
Total...	41,57,195	48,22,644	6,67,481	2,032	.....

32. *Abkári.*—The increase under Abkári, amounting to Rupees 46,681, is nominal, and is due to the entire value of the arrack passed out of the distillery having been brought to account; whereas in the previous fasli the amount actually paid into the Treasury by the Excise Manager within the fasli was brought to account. It is also partly due to the balance of Excise duty, Rupees 41,481-10-0, owed by the renter on the 1st July 1874 on account of arrack passed out of the distillery in the previous months having been included in the demand for the current fasli.

33. *Salt.*—The salt revenue this fasli shows an increase of Rupees 1,68,481, or 6½ per cent. This increase is entirely due to larger transactions under "Home" and "Inland" sales, specially the latter. There has been a falling off in the sales under the head of Exportation to the extent of 112,996 Maunds, which was due to the want of sufficient stock at Covelong, where the manufacture suffered from the effect of the cyclone of May 1874. The stock of salt at the beginning of the fasli and that received into store during the season is as below :—

	MAUNDS.
Quantity in store on the 1st July 1874	1,973,105
Received into store during the year	1,324,238
Total...	3,297,343

Salt Cudivaram.—The storage shows a deficiency of 296,503 Maunds, but this is owing to short manufacture in the previous fasli.

	RS
Cudivaram	1,04,593
Charges for storing salt	49,173
Contingencies, including petty construction and repairs	73,250
Other charges	45,344
Total...	2,72,360

The Cudivaram, and other items of expenditure debitable to salt revenue, amounted as per margin to Rupees 2,72,360, or 36 per cent. less than the previous fasli. The decrease is due to smaller storage during the season as already observed. There is a decrease of Rs. 1,17,377 under the head of "Cudivaram," which is owing to the small quantity of salt manufactured during the season having been brought to store within the fasli, and not to diminished manufacture.

34. *Stamps.*—Under this head there is an increase of Rupees 8,269, which is due to the system of collecting fees payable on process issued by Judicial authorities in stamps having been in force throughout the fasli, as also to a better understanding of the Stamp Law by public officials, specially those connected with the working of the General Registration Act.

35. Collections, Arrears and Current.—The appended abstract gives the total collections under all sources of revenue, both current and arrears, showing a net increase of Rupees 6,98,749 :—

B., No. 7.—Statement of Collections for Fasli 1284, *Chingleput District.*

Items.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Comparison.	
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Jary Zemin...	41,638	71,757	1,13,395	37,071	89,273	1,26,344	12,949	...
Shrotriem	33,921	43,298	77,219	40,474	59,526	1,00,000	22,781	...
Ryotwar	3,87,725	8,07,087	11,94,812	2,756,26	13,49,694	16,25,320	4,30,508	...
Miscellaneous	71,847	45,604	1,17,451	69,024	94,069	1,63,093	45,642	...
Total Land Revenue...	5,35,131	9,67,746	15,02,877	4,22,195	15,92,562	20,14,757	5,11,880	...
Abkári...	48	1,73,466	1,73,514	...	1,85,099	1,85,099	11,585	...
Salt	...	25,36,228	25,36,228	...	27,04,709	27,04,709	1,68,481	...
Stamps	...	93,095	93,095	...	1,01,363	1,01,363	8,268	...
Income-tax.	785	1,055	1,840	375	...	375	...	1,465
Total...	5,35,964	37,71,590	43,07,554	4,22,570	45,83,733	50,06,303	7,00,214	1,465
Net increase...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,98,749	...

36. Of the total demand of Rupees 48,22,644 as shown in No. 7, Rupees 45,83,734, or 95 per cent., was collected within the fasli, leaving a balance of Rupees 2,38,910 on the 1st July 1875. A very considerable portion of this sum having been since realized the balance on the 1st September amounted to Rupees 1,21,021, or 2½ per cent. of the total demand of the fasli. The details of the balance are as below:—

	Rs.
Jary Mootahs	10,236
Shrotriem	8,321
Ryotwar	72,759
Miscellaneous...	29,705
Total...	1,21,021

37. Arrears Demand.—The arrears of former faslis at the beginning of the fasli amounted to Rupees 6,03,945, of which Rupees 4,22,570 were collected within the fasli and Rupees 13,712-15-3 were written off the accounts under the sanction of Government, conveyed in

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Government Order quoted in the margin, so that on the 1st July last there was a balance of Rupees 1,67,662 to be collected; since then, and up to the 31st August last, a further sum of Rupees 9,146 has been collected, leaving a net balance under this head on the 1st September last of Rupees 1,58,515-14-11, or 26 per cent. of the demand at the beginning of the fasli. Of this last named amount Rupees 22,314-10-10 were recommended to be written off in the last Settlement Report, for which the sanction of Government has not as yet been received, so that the amount still remaining to be accounted for is Rupees 1,36,201-4-1.

38. The subjoined table gives the details of the last named amount, distinguishing the recoverable from irrecoverable or doubtful :—

Items.	Recoverable.			Irrecoverable.			Total.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Jary Mootahs	12,904	5	3	...	...	...	12,904	5	3
Shrotriems	3,600	11	3	2,397	5	6	5,998	0	9
Ryotwar	53,242	7	0	32,515	8	5	85,757	15	5
Miscellaneous	22,199	13	11	7,514	5	9	29,714	3	8
Income-tax	...	...	...	1,826	11	0	1,826	11	0
Total ...	91,947	5	5	44,253	14	8	1,36,201	4	1

39. The bulk of the recoverable arrears against Jary Mootahs are withheld by the proprietors pending the settlement of their claims to compensation for lands taken up in connection with the Chembrumbakum project and other public purposes. The Special Deputy Collector is engaged in settling the several important claims connected with the Chembrumbakum project, and when he has completed the settlement a very considerable portion of the above arrears will be written off.

40. Of the Shrotriem arrears Rupees 2,397-5-6 are irrecoverable, and have been included

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under that head in Statement No. 8 under the orders of the Board quoted in the margin. Rupees 1,185-2-1 are withheld by certain Shrotriemdars pending the settlement of claims to compensation for lands taken up for public purposes in their respective estates. Deducting these two items there still remains a balance of Rupees 2,415-9-2, the bulk of which is outstanding against unenfranchised Shrotriems, the proprietors of which have been served with notices, and the villages will be recommended for resumption should the default continue after the expiration of the notice time.

41. The irrecoverable arrears under the heads Ryotwar and Miscellaneous amount to Rupees 40,029-14-2,* the fasliwar particulars of which are given in Statement No. 8, to which an explanatory memorandum is also appended. The arrears of Rupees 1,826-11-0 under the head "Income-tax" are also irrecoverable. I request the sanction of the Board for writing off the accounts the several sums named above, amounting in the aggregate to Rs. 44,253-14-8, as shown in the margin.

	S.	A.	P.
* Ryotwar	32,515	8	5
Miscellaneous	7,514	5	9
Total ...	40,029	14	2

	RS.	A.	P.
Shrotriem	2,397	5	6
Ryotwar	32,515	8	5
Miscellaneous	7,514	5	9
Income-tax	1,826	11	0
Total ...	44,253	14	8

42. The appended abstract shows the total collections under "Land Revenue," current and arrears, in each taluq as compared with the similar collections of the previous fasli :—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Comparison.		
	Demand, current and arrears.	Collections.	Percentage.	Demand, current and arrears.	Collections.	Percentage.	Increase.	Decrease.	Percentage between columns 3 & 6.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	7	9	10
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Sydapet	3,90,135	2,06,899	53	4,32,461	3,07,783	73½	1,00,884	...	49
Trivellore ...	3,26,260	2,29,372	70	3,76,940	2,79,287	74	49,915	...	22
Ponnery	3,05,135	2,21,937	73	2,91,614	2,16,719	74	...	5,218	2
Chingleput ...	2,50,293	1,61,389	64	3,10,145	2,87,467	92½	1,26,078	...	78
Conjeveram ...	5,04,871	3,71,230	73½	5,38,472	4,89,162	91	1,17,932	...	32
Madurantakum.	3,39,244	3,11,886	92	4,46,918	4,32,986	97	1,21,100	...	39

43. The collections this year show a decided improvement as will be seen from the above abstract, being an increase of 34 per cent. over the collections of the past year. The Madurantakum Taluq stands first and foremost in the list, and the exertions of the Tahsildar, Seethapathy Naidu, are highly commendable. He has been indefatigable in his exertions and most successful. The next best is Conjeveram. The present Tahsildar, Dorasamy Iyer, took charge of the taluq in November 1873, when the arrears were heavy. He has worked hard, and has realized most of these arrears and of the demand which since accrued on account of Faslis 1283 and 1284, with the exception of a few thousand rupees, and such sums which are absolutely irrecoverable or could not be collected pending the disposal of compensation claims for lands taken up in connection with different irrigation and other projects. The collections of this taluq, though not quite as good as that of Madurantakum, are highly creditable to the Tahsildar, who, in addition to his legitimate duties, has had a great deal to do as the Vice-President of the Municipality. Chingleput, which has always been behind-hand in respect of collections, shows a marked improvement in the fasli under report, the credit of which is due solely to Mr. Crole. I enclose a letter* which Mr. Crole addressed me before leaving the district, commenting on the work of the various Tahsildars and the state of collections in the Sub-Division.

* Dated 7th May 1875, No. 394.

44. Of the three taluqs of the Principal Division, Sydapet is the best. Ponnery, though a small taluq, the worst. In this taluq the Tahsildar actually collected two per cent. less than last fasli. The Tahsildar of Trivellore, who is generally forward in his collections, has not done so well this year.

45. *Enclosure A. in No.* 8.—The number of cases in which coercive process had to be issued for the collection of revenue this year was 22,392 against 23,858 last year ; the arrears

amounted to Rupees 4,55,860 against Rupees 4,49,566. The estimated value of property, both personal and real, attached amounted to Rupees 4,61,388 against Rupees 4,72,548, and the value of property actually put up for sale was Rupees 1,70,583 and the amount realized Rupees 1,89,085. Thus it will be seen that Tahsildars have been successful in collecting the revenue with a comparatively smaller number of coercive processes.

46. Village and Taluq Accounts.—The village and taluq accounts are kept according to forms. Attention has been paid during the last year or two to checking erasures and interpolations with good results.

47. As directed in Board's Circular Order, No. VIII. of 1874, the Deputy Collector in charge of the Treasury examined the Taluq Treasuries of Sydapet and Trivellore and the accounts connected therewith, as also the accounts of a few Curnams in each taluq and has reported favorably. He has not been able to examine the third Taluq Treasury owing to pressure of work at the head quarters.

48. Gross Collections and Charges—*Statement No.* 9.—The gross collections from all sources amounted to Rupees 50,06,304-8-9, showing a net increase of Rupees 6,98,750, or 16 per cent. on the collection of Fasli 1283. As already noticed this increase is chiefly due to a large increase in Land and Salt revenue. The charges amount to Rupees 4,64,183, being a net decrease of Rupees 97,210, which is chiefly due to a decrease in the expenditure on account of salt cudivaram, storage, and contingencies. The charges under the head Salaries and expenses show a net increase of Rupees 50,610, due chiefly to increased expenditure on account of salaries disbursed to Covenanted Officers, and to the appointment of a Deputy Collector for general duties.

49. *Statements Nos.* 10, 11, *and* 12.—Statements Nos. 10 and 11 relating to transactions connected with salt, and No. 12, showing taluqwar collections under all sources, are also herewith sent. They call for no special remark.

50. The following abstract shows the names of the officers who have acquired landed property during the year, together with the extent so acquired :—

Name of the Officer and the designation of the Office held by him.	Taluq.	Village.	How acquired.	Extent.
Veerasawmy Pillay, Taluq Gumastah, Chingleput..	Madurantakum Taluq.	Myyur	By purchase	1 8 0
Vencata Vurda Pillay, Taluq Sheristadar, Trivellore.	Trivellore Taluq.	Thodur	Do.	1 14 0
Cundasawmy Pillay, Shroff in the above Taluq.	Arcot Taluq, North Arcot District.	Valapakam ...	By purchase in the Court sale.	1 2 4
	Do. ...	Terupanangadu...	Do.	3 12 4
				4 14 8
Jagannada Pillay, Taluq Gumastah of Madurantakum.	Madurantakum Taluq.	Calavacum ...	Purchased by his father in the Court sale.	2 8 0
Ragava Charry, Taluq Gumastah, Conjeveram.	Chingleput Taluq.	Chettipoonium ...	By purchase	2 0 12
Krishnier, Attender in the above Taluq.	Vellore Taluq, North Arcot District.	Erunangadu and Melkalani ...	Do. ...	4 6 0
			Do. ...	1 1 4
				5 7 4
Govindier, Salt Superintendent, Voyalur.	Ponnery and Madras District.	Pulidivak and Nungumbakum.	Do. ...	31 6 8
			Do. ...	3 0 0
				34 6 8
Kayar Srinivassa Charlu, Salt Superintendent of Pulidivak.	Chingleput Taluq.	Kayar	By sale and mortgage.	8 0 0
			Total...	60 11 0

51. The usual statement of costs awarded for Government in Civil suits is herewith sent. It will be seen from this statement that at the end of the previous fasli there was an outstanding balance of Rupees 708-0-10. Adding to this sum the costs awarded, Rupees 291-8-7, during the year the total amount to be collected was Rupees 999-9-5, of which Rupees 129-12-6 were collected within the fasli, leaving a balance of Rupees 869-12-11 for collection on the 1st July last. A further amount of Rupees 87-11-7 having been since realized the net balance remaining to be collected on the 1st October amounted to Rupees 782-1-4, which is in course of collection.

52. Conduct of Public Servants.—I have had every reason to be satisfied with the manner in which the Covenanted Officers under me have performed their duties. The Sheristadar and other ministerial servants in my office have given me general satisfaction. The Tahsildars of the three taluqs in the Sub-Division have done their work well. It is to be hoped that, on a future occasion, I may be able to say as much for those of the Principal Division of the district.

Sydapet,
1st November 1875.

(Signed) R. J. MELVILLE,
Acting Collector.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

NORTH ARCOT.

I have the honor to submit my Jamabandi Report for Fasli 1284 (1874-75) together with the several statements in the prescribed form from Nos. 1 to 9.

2. Annual Settlement.—Statement No. 1 shows the manner in which the district was settled and other particulars connected with the settlement. As will be seen from this return, I conducted the settlement of the marginally-noted four taluqs, which occupied me nearly four months commencing on the 18th January last at Gudiattam and ending at Palmanair on the 11th May last. It will be observed that the first-named three taluqs are situated in the sub-division of the district. I had intended to settle this year only two taluqs of that division; but, owing to delay in the Acting Sub-Collector Mr. Lister's joining the district, I was obliged to undertake the settlement of an additional taluq. On that officer's arrival, however, he settled the taluqs of Wallajah and Poloor, the former occupying him from the 8th to 23rd March and the latter from the 5th to 17th April last. The Acting Head Assistant Collector, Mr. Cumming, settled the Chittoor and Chendragiri Taluqs between the 22nd January and 14th March last, engaging himself nearly six weeks in the former and a fortnight in the latter. Deputy Collector Iyaloo Naidu conducted the settlement of the Wandewash Taluq from 1st February to 5th March last.

1. Gudiattam. 3. Arcot.
2. Vellore. 4. Palmanair.

3. It will be seen from the above Statement No. 1 that the total number of ryotwari villages in the entire district for Fasli 1284 is 2,934. The entries in the subjoined statement will show that this number represents an increase of six villages over that of Fasli 1283, which is attributable to *portions* of six villages of the Vellore Taluq having been transferred* to the Gudiattam Taluq at the instance of the Revenue Settlement Department on account of the situation of the lands so transferred on the north side of the Palar in order to make that river the boundary between those taluqs. Under the notification above quoted, however, another entire village was transferred from the Vellore to the Gudiattam Taluq. This transaction has, of course, not affected the total number of villages in the district. Similarly, without affecting that number, five ryotwar and two rented villages were transferred† during the past fasli from the Wallajah to the Chittoor Taluq. The shrotriem village for three lives entered in the statement given below is Valavanoor in the Arcot Taluq, the owner whereof died in February last. In consideration of the death of the Shrotriemdar late in the fasli, and the Government having in their Proceedings, dated 9th August last, No. 1,193, communicated with Board's Miscellaneous Proceedings, dated 26th idem, No. 7,756, directed that the village should be fully assessed "in future," orders

* *Vide* Notification in *Fort Saint George Gazette*, dated 16th June 1874, page 930.

† *Vide* Notification in *Fort Saint George Gazette*, dated 21st October 1873, page 1,626.

have been issued to remove the village from the head of "Shrotriem" to that of "Ryotwar" from the commencement of Fasli 1285 :—

Faslies.	Ryotwar.	Shrotriem.				Rented.	Total.
		Hereditary.	For three Lives.	For one Life.	Total.		
1283 ...	2,928	117	1	4	122	3	3,053
1284 ...	2,934	117	1	4	122	3	3,059

4. The same Statement No. 1 shows also the particulars of the distribution of puttas during the past Jamabandi. The total number of puttas now held in the entire district is 204,765, of which 114,403 were not produced by the ryots at the time of the settlement for additions or alterations. I cannot think that they all require no modification in their entries, but now-a-days the generality of the ryots are indifferent about it in order to save themselves the trouble of attending the Jamabandi camp. They place reliance upon the entries in the Village Account No. 5, which is a counterpart of the putta prepared in the interests of Government. There has during the last three or four faslis been a very marked falling-off in the attendance of ryots at the settlement of their villages. I am inclined to attribute this in a measure to the greater promptitude with which, of late years, their complaints and grievances have been received and inquired into by the local officials. Five years ago each village produced a large batch of complainants whose petitions had been pending or neglected for a length of time. A vast improvement in this respect, I am happy to say, has been effected throughout the district, and now the ryots, having comparatively few grievances to redress, remain quietly in their village instead of coming up in clamorous crowds as they used to do at the Jamabandi. 12,387 new puttas were drawn out during the fasli, and in 77,975 cases modifications were effected. The above-named total number of puttas for the district represents an increase of 6,309 over that of the previous fasli, which is attributable to a large extent of fresh cultivation during the current fasli under the darkhast rules in addition to the ordinary transfers in consequence of sales, successions, and inheritance.

5. Season.—It is gratifying to report that the season of the past fasli was generally most favorable. Unlike the preceding year, there was an abundance of rain at frequent intervals during the whole agricultural season. There was no lack of water either in the tanks or channels both for wet or dry cultivation. The important rivers in the districts, such as the Palar, Poiney, and Cheyar, received more than the usual freshes. There was, therefore, a fine harvest. While on the one hand the past season was so favorable so far as the cultivation was concerned, it was to a corresponding extent injurious to public works of all descriptions. The unprecedented floods of October last destroyed the important anicuts across the Palar and Poiney rivers and the head sluices of the Cheyar anicut. A large number of tanks, especially in the Arcot and Wandewash Taluqs, breached, and by no means a small number of river and spring channels were almost entirely washed away. The Vellore and the Palmanair bridges and several other works of communication were seriously injured. Private property consisting of houses especially near Gudiattam, cattle, heaps of grain, &c., were destroyed or seriously damaged. The restoration or reconstruction of the anicuts and bridges are in vigorous progress at the hands of the Public Works Department, and as many minor works of irrigation and communication as funds in hand would admit of have been repaired. Some remission of assessment was granted on account of lands rendered unfit for cultivation or crops damaged or destroyed by inundations especially under the Palar river. So disastrous a season as regards engineering works has not been experienced in this district for many years.

6. The statement given below shows the rainfall in the district during the past five faslis. The total average fall of rain throughout the whole district in Fasli 1284 was 50 inches, or 20

inches more than the preceding year, the largest quantity that fell being during the south-west monsoon :—

Faslis.	South-west Monsoon.							North-east Monsoon.							Grand Total.
	April 1874.	May ,,	June ,,	July ,,	Aug. ,,	Sep. ,,	Total.	Oct. ,,	Nov. ,,	Dec. ,,	January 1875.	February ,,	March ,,	Total.	
	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.	In.
1280	0·2	1·5	3·6	3·3	5·7	4·5	18·8	11·4	2·2	0·8	1·4	0·3	2·5	18·6	37·4
1281	0·5	3·5	1·8	3·4	2·2	9·6	21·0	5·1	12·9	0·5	...	...	...	18·6	39·6
1282	0·7	8·5	1·9	4·6	6·8	3·9	26·4	7·0	11·9	3·1	...	5·5	...	27·5	53·9
1283	1·0	0·8	1·3	2·4	5·1	7·1	17·7	8·7	1·9	1·4	...	...	0·1	12·1	29·8
1284	...	9·0	4·0	5·6	2·6	15·0	36·2	10·0	3·0	1·0	0·3	...	0·2	14·5	50·7

7. Public Health:—The subjoined statement exhibits the number of deaths which occurred during the past fasli from the three principal causes—cholera, small-pox, and fever—as compared with its predecessor. The eight cases entered under the head "Cholera" have been ascertained to have been in reality only cases of diarrhœa caused by excessive eating of bad pork, &c. The district, therefore, enjoyed a perfect immunity from cholera during Fasli 1284. The decrease of no less than 4,334 cases of deaths from small-pox is in some degree attributable to the more energetic working of the Vaccine Department under the supervision of the Local Fund Boards. No pains in the power of the Local Fund Boards are spared to spread as widely as possible the advantages resulting from vaccination. The large increase in the number of deaths from fever is due to the unusual dampness of the country owing to heavy and constant rains. The fever-stricken parts of the district were visited by the Hospital Assistants attached to the several divisional revenue officers and dispensaries, and medicine was freely distributed to the patients with great benefit. The town of Vellore especially suffered from fever, no less than ten per mille of the inhabitants dying from that disease in the months of January, February, March, and April last. Medicines were distributed to all, and the most active steps taken to improve the public health. Generally speaking the health of the public during the year under report was satisfactory :—

Disease.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
Cholera	2	8	6	...
Small-pox	6,373	2,039	...	4,334
Fever	17,566	26,359	8,793	...

8. Farm Stock.—In the subjoined statement is shown the mortality among the farm stock of the district. It will be observed that under every head there has been a less number of deaths than in the preceding year. This is, of course, owing to the favorable character of the season and the consequent abundance of pasturage throughout the district. Thacker's cattle medicines were supplied to the heads of villages where cattle disease of any kind was reported, and the prescriptions for their use duly promulgated at the same time. The Board will recollect that in my letter, No. 493, dated 22nd September 1874, I brought to their notice the fact that I found the ryots often declined to make use of this medicine, declaring that in many instances it only aggravated the symptoms from which their cattle were suffering and induced death more quickly. That this objection was well founded has since been proved by the expression of surprise placed on record

by Veterinary Surgeon Western on finding Thacker's medicine in course of administration for every kind of ailment, whereas in reality it is only calculated to cure rinderpest.

Description of Cattle.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
Cows	6,030	4,908	...	1,122
Bullocks	8,745	8,407	...	338
She-buffaloes	2,387	2,267	...	120
He-buffaloes	2,592	2,566	...	26
Sheep...	17,294	15,328	...	1,966
Total...	37,048	33,476	...	3,572

9. The accompanying Statement No. 2 gives the particulars of average prices of grain in the district for Fasli 1284. It will be seen that as regards grains of all sorts, except horse-gram, there was a general decrease in the prices which prevailed in Fasli 1284 as compared with those of the preceding fasli and of the average of the past ten years. This, of course, is owing to the enormous stocks of grain which the favorable season placed in the hands of the ryots.

10. Ryots' Holdings, &c.—The Statement No. 3 shows the ryots' holdings at the beginning of the fasli under report, the subsequent changes therein by relinquishments and fresh cultivation during the fasli, and other usual particulars. The subjoined statement shows in one glance the results of the above changes in the holdings of the ryots during the past fasli as compared with its predecessor. The extent of lands taken up, both dry and wet, is larger than that resigned, and the total holdings of the fasli show an increase of Acres 17,228 bearing an assessment of Rupees 28,367, which is attributable to the favorable nature of the past season. Enclosure A in the above statement gives further particulars under this head:—

	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Relinquished	19,923	24,963	4,107	22.487	24.030	47,450
Taken up	35,773	46,831	5,485	29,016	41,258	75,817
Difference ..	15,850	21,838	1,378	6,529	17,228	28,367
Actual Ryots' Holding of Fasli 1284	454,175	6,29,992	205,298	11,68,513	659,473	17,98,505
Actual Ryots' Holding of Fasli 1283	438,325	6,80,154	203,920	11,61,984	612.245	17,70,138
Difference ..	15,850	11,838	1,378	6,529	17,228	28,367

11. Waste Charged and Remitted.—From the statement subjoined it will be seen that there was a decrease in the waste charged and remitted during the past fasli as compared with the preceding year. The decrease in the former (waste charged) is due to increased cultivation, and that in the latter (waste remitted) to limited remissions, both to be ascribed to the excellence of the cultivation season. Rupees 6,432, however, were remitted on account of nunja lands left waste in consequence of breaches caused in the tanks by the heavy floods of May and October 1874, especially in the Arcot Taluq, where alone the remission amounted to Rupees 4,368, or two-thirds of the total remission under this head for the whole district. Enclosure D in Statement 3 gives the particulars as regards portions of fields left waste which were either charged or remitted. The reason for charging portions of fields left waste needs no explanation, as neglect of ryots

is invariably the cause for the same. A sum of Rupees 41-0-6 was remitted on portions of wet fields left waste under special circumstances brought to notice at the time of settlement:—

Faslis.	Charged.	Remitted.
	RS.	RS.
1283	1,56,074	48,483
1284	1,27,364	6,432
Decrease ...	28,710	42,051

12. Actual Cultivation.—The actual cultivation and assessment thereon of Fasli 1284 and its predecessor are given below, from which it will be seen that there is an increase of 52,746 acres assessed at Rupees 99,127 in the cultivation of the fasli under report. This is, of course, attributable to the favorable nature of the season. In the Statement No. 1, however, submitted with the Administration Report for 1874-75, Acres 586,327 are entered as the extent of cultivation up to the end of March 1874, thereby showing an increase of Acres 3,717 in the cultivation returned in the Jamabandi Statement No. 3. This disagreement between the two statements is chiefly accounted for by the fact that Government waste lands cultivated without permission previous to the close of the official year, and therefore entered under the head of "Sevoy Jama," are subsequently brought under putcut cultivation in consequence of such lands being granted on putta at the time of Jamabandi under the recent orders of the Board of Revenue and Government:—

Faslis.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.
1283	537,298	15,65,581
1284	590,044	16,64,708
Increase ...	52,746	99,127

13. Enclosure E in Statement No. 3 gives the particulars of the extent and assessment of waste charged and actual cultivation as well as the amount of tirwajasti and fasaljasti. During Fasli 1284 a sum of Rupees 1,37,270 was charged for water supplied to dry lands; the amount of the same for Fasli 1283 was Rupees 77,966; the increase of Rupees 59,304 under this head in the fasli under report is attributable, not only to the favorable character of the season, but also to the charge of water-rate by *half* cawnies under the recent rules on the subject. A sum of Rupees 86,248 was charged during the year on account of fasaljasti. Under this head also, of course, there is an increase of Rupees 32,761, the second-crop assessment for Fasli 1283 being Rupees 53,487.

14. Enclosure B in Statement No. 3 exhibits the extent to which the special products, *viz.*, sugarcane, cotton, and indigo, were cultivated during the past fasli. There has been a decrease in the cultivation of these articles. The decrease in the cultivation of sugarcane, which is generally extensively carried on in this district, is but trifling as shown in the margin. The outturn of the other products, *viz.*, cotton and indigo, however, are not generally favorable.

	ACRES.
Fasli 1283.....	5,023
Fasli 1284.....	4,274
Decrease ...	749

15. Enclosure C in Statement No. 3 shows the single case of progressive cowle in the village of Arunadayem in this district, which calls for no remark.

16. Subjoined is a statement given for ready reference showing, in a comparative view, the land revenue and remissions of Faslis 1283 and 1284. The favorable result of the settlement of the past fasli, as will be seen from the above statement, has already been explained *seriatim* above. The net beriz of the fasli under report, which is Rupees 20,77,462, shows an increase of Rupees 2,33,654, both ryotwar and miscellaneous, over that of the past fasli :—

Comparative Statement of Cultivation and Settlement.

Items.	Last Fasli.		Present Fasli.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACS.	RS.	ACS.	RS.
Dry	438,325	6,08,153 15 2	454,175	6,29,991 14 6	15,850	21,838	...	...
Wet	263,920	11,61,983 10 7	205,298	11,68,513 4 3	1,378	6,530	...	...
Total...	642,245	17,70,137 9 9	659,473	17,98,505 2 9	17,228	28,368	...	...
Add—								
Second-crop assessment.	...	53,486 15 4	...	86,248 2 8	...	32,761	...	...
Additional do. ...	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	...	...	...
Water-tax	...	77,965 9 10	...	1,37,270 1 7	...	59,304	...	...
Road Fund	...	2,44,959 1 1	...	2,69,847 12 8	...	24,889	...	...
Village Service Fund ...	...	25,964 1 5	...	28,089 1 4	...	2,125	...	...
Total...	...	21,72,513 5 5	...	23,19,960 5 0	...	1,47,447	...	...
Deduct—								
Remission	...	48,483 0 10	...	6,432 7 9	...	...	...	42,051
Road Fund	...	2,44,959 1 1	...	2,69,847 12 8	...	24,889	...	...
Village Service Fund ...	...	25,964 1 5	...	28,089 1 4	...	2,125	...	...
Other Remissions as particularized in Statement No. 4...	...	1,60,603 3 11	...	1,11,234 2 8	...	...	...	49,569
Total...	...	4,80,209 7 3	...	4,15,603 8 5	...	27,014	...	91,620
Remaining Beriz	...	16,92,303 14 2	...	19,04,356 12 7	...	2,12,053	...	...
Add Miscellaneous Items.	...	1,51,504 12 8	...	1,73,105 15 8	...	21,601	...	...
Total...	...	18,43,808 10 10	...	20,77,462 12 3	...	2,33,654	...	...

17. Remissions.—The Statement No. 4, which accompanies this report, shows the particulars of remissions granted at the time of the Jamabandi, with reference to the state of the season, &c., except, of course, the remission on account of waste, which is shown in Statement No. 3 under the head "Waste Remitted." As may be naturally expected, owing to the flourishing state of the district, there has been a considerable decrease under this head as compared with the past fasli. The remission granted during the fasli under report on account of the items noted in the margin was owing to breaches in some of the tanks, especially in the Arcot and Wandewash taluqs, caused in May and October 1874, and the consequent want of water. The amounts were remitted after strict inspection of the fields and scrutiny of the accounts.

	RS. A. P.
Shavi...	251 3 1
Tirwacummi	294 14 6
Fasalcummi	299 13 4
Tirwajasti	10 2 9

18. The sum of Rupees 41-1-2 entered under the head of "Cowle Remissions" appertaining to the Christian village of Arunodayem referred to in paragraph 15 *supra* calls for no comment.

19. The marginally-noted remissions were granted on account of lands and crops destroyed by the unprecedented floods of October last, especially in the Palar river. In this case also every precaution was taken to guard against fraud on the part of villagers. The other items of remission shown in the statement (No. 4) under review are fixed as usual, and as such they need no remark here.

	RS. A. P.
Paaybooothy and Payamali...	1,252 13 11
Crops destroyed after shooting out	251 15 11

20. Miscellaneous Items.—The accompanying Statement No. 5 shows the Miscellaneous demand under the various items for Fasli 1284 and other particulars therewith connected. Annexed is a statement showing, in a comparative view, the variations in this revenue under each items, which are explained below *seriatim*.

Miscellaneous Items.

Items.	Demand of Last Fasli.	Demand of Current Fasli.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Jodi on Sundry Inams. Personal..	31,824 6 2	31,372 3 2	... ...	452 3 0
1. Jodi on Sundry Inams. Service ...	8,602 6 1	8,687 9 6	85 3 5	... ...
1. Jodi on Sundry Inams. Dasabandham	3,428 14 3	3,886 2 10	457 4 7	... ...
2. Taxes on trees on unassessed lands	13,604 3 1	13,052 13 2	... ...	551 5 11
4. Revenue from rented villages	100 0 0	100 0 0	... ...	... ...
6. Land cultivated but not included in the Jamabandi	40,338 2 9	41,497 5 8	1,159 2 11	... ...
8. Cultivation of unclaimed Inams	18 0 0	18 0 0	... ...	... ...
9. Do. of poramboke lands	297 15 0	... ...	... ...	297 15 0
10. Do. of lands belonging to pagodas where there is no worship ...	46 8 8	59 15 10	13 7 2	... ...
11. Do. of Chuttrum Inams...	62 10 5	37 6 11	... ...	25 3 6
13. Rent of gardens and topes	5,170 15 2	4,985 9 3	... ...	185 5 11
16. Collections from Village Service Inams for offices vacant	3,606 11 5	3,386 14 6	... ...	219 12 11
17. Revenue from sequestered inams ...	2,452 4 10	1,704 1 3	... ...	748 3 7
18. Do. from hill villages	1,720 8 5	1,734 15 0	14 6 7	.. ..
19. Do. from lands on the sides and slopes of hills	435 9 9	433 4 8	... ...	2 5 1
20. Do. from boundary lands in dispute... ...	4 11 9	... ...	... ...	4 11 9
21. Do. from lands assessed at favorable rates	1,277 8 4	1,275 15 7	... ...	1 8 9
29. Rent on palmyra trees .	3,043 10 11	3,356 11 2	313 0 3	... ...
31. Do. on fruit trees ...	590 12 10	578 14 7	... ...	11 14 3
40. Commission on the sale of distrained property attached for arrears of land revenue	196 6 5	206 9 4	10 2 11	... ...
41. Do. on private estates under circar management	3,840 6 7	301 5 1	... ...	3,539 1 6
43. Revenue fines	2,292 10 2	2,649 7 5	356 13 3	... ...
44. Savings and refunds ...	11 4 11	160 7 10	149 2 11	... ...
45. Excess collection over the demand	148 8 0	289 11 6	141 3 6	... ...
46. Water tax on zemindari and inam, &c., lands	18,810 2 4	30,009 11 10	11,199 9 6	... ...
47. Quit-rent on bungalows and gardens	1,550 13 10	1,550 13 10	... ...	... ...
51. Rattan and koray rent.	10 14 0	9 14 0	... ...	1 0 0
53. Sale proceeds of waste lands, &c.	... ...	815 0 0	815 0 0	... ...
55. Other items...	8,017 10 7	20,944 15 9	12,927 5 2	... ...
Total ...	1,51,504 12 8	1,73,105 15 8	27,641 14 2	6,040 11 2
Net increase...	...	...	21,601 3 0	...

21. *Item No.* 1, *Personal.*—The decrease of Rupees 452 under this head is owing to relinquishments by ryots, and annexations with "Ayen," of lands sold for arrears of revenue and purchased by Government for want of bidders. It also includes a certain sum which, having been hitherto wrongly shown under this head in the Vellore Taluq, was this year transferred to that of "Service Inams" to which it properly belongs. Hence also the increase of Rupees 85 under the latter item, which however includes fresh quit-rents charged during the year in a few cases. The increase of Rupees 457 under "Dasabandham" is due to extended cultivation.

22. *Item No.* 2, *Taxes on trees and unassessed lands.*—The decrease of Rupees 551 is attributable to a large sum of nearly Rupees 480 having been brought to account in Fasli 1283 under this head as penal assessment on a tamarind tope in the Palmanair Taluq which had been fraudulently concealed and no entry made in the public accounts for several years past. The remaining decrease is due to the gradual deterioration and death of old trees.

23. *Item No.* 6, *Land cultivated but not included in the Jamabandi.*—The increase of Rupees 1,159 under this item is caused by extended cultivation in consequence of the good season. I regret, however, to have to notice that the sum of Rupees 41,497 appears under this item notwithstanding that the Board's orders was strictly carried out and puttas ordered to be granted in a large number of cases of "Sevoy Jama" cultivation during the Jamabandi. This amount represents the assessment of the cases which, for some reason or other, could not be finally disposed of at the time of the settlement, and of those settled but in which, owing to the appeal time not having expired within the fasli, puttas could not be granted. The Board will observe that, had not their orders been carried out as stated above, a much larger sum would have been entered under this head in view of the favorable nature of the season of the past fasli, and the amount shown against this item in Fasli 1283 (being nearly equal to that shown in this fasli) although the season of that fasli was bad. It is hoped that in the next fasli the amount of this item will be largely reduced.

24. *Item No.* 13, *Rent of gardens and topes.*—The decrease of Rupees 185 under this item is said to have been caused by some of the topes rented out during the year not having borne fruit very well.

25. *Item No.* 16, *Collections from Village Service Inams for Offices vacant.*—The decrease of Rupees 219 under this item shows that either certain vacant village offices at the end of Fasli 1283 have been since filled up, or there were not so many vacant appointments during the fasli under report as in its predecessor.

26. *Item No.* 17, *Revenue from sequestered Inams.*—The decrease of Rupees 748 under this item is owing to certain dasabandham inams under attachment during Fasli 1283 having been restored to the Inamdars during the fasli under report.

27. *Item No.* 29, *Rent on Palmyra trees.*—The increase of Rupees 313 is attributable to fresh trees having been taxed during the fasli.

28. *Item No.* 41, *Commission on private estates.*—The large decrease of Rs. 3,539 is due to there having been only the small estate of Naraganti under management during the past fasli, whereas the large jaghire of Arni also was in our charge in the preceding year.

29. *Item No.* 46, *Water-tax on Zemindari, &c., lands.*—The large increase of Rs. 11,199 is due to the favorable nature of the past season.

30. *Item No.* 53, *Sale proceeds of waste lands.*—The sum of Rupees 815 shown under this head is the sale proceeds of certain house-sites in the town of Wandewash. This amount is shown as a separate item in the demand, collection, and balance statement and not under "Miscellaneous."

31. *Item No.* 55, *Other items.*—A separate detailed statement showing the particulars of this item is attached to Statement No. 5, and therefore it needs no special notice here. The large net increase of Rupees 12,927 under this head is, however, attributable to batta on account of service of revenue processes under Act II. of 1864 being included in this item this year, which was not the practice in the preceding fasli.

32. The items other than those noticed above, not having required special comment, were passed over.

33. A memorandum showing the particulars of remissions granted under the several items included in the Statement No. 5 is attached to it as its enclosure.

34. Enclosure A in Statement No. 5 shows the particulars of dry and wet for the items therein contained.

35. Statement No. 6, which accompanies this report, gives the details of the revenue under the heads "Permanently Settled" and "Shrotriem Jodi," of the variations of which notice will be taken further on.

36. The accompanying Statement No. 7 shows the particulars of demand, collection, and balance under all sources of revenue both current and arrears. To facilitate reference, a comparative abstract of the demand under the several heads is given below:—

All Sources of Revenue.

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Permanently Settled ...	4,87,789	4,87,597	...	192
Shrotriem Jodi	23,995	24,001	6	...
Ryotwar including Miscellaneous	18,43,808	20,77,463	2,33,655	...
Abkári	3,00,159	2,93,063	...	7,096
Stamps	1,92,433	1,88,443	...	3,990
Income-tax	11	12	1	...
Total...	28,48,195	30,70,579	2 22,384	...

37. *Permanently Settled.*—The decrease of Rupees 192-9-10 under this head is due to reductions in the peiscush of the zemindaris and polliems as particularized in the margin. The reduction in the peishcush of the Kalastri Zemindari is caused by lands having been taken up for roads in the Nellore District. The entire peishcush of the zemindari being paid in this district treasury, the reduction was made here. The sum of Rupees 5 reduced from the peishcush of the Kangundi Zemindari represents the assessment of certain lands appropriated for the Kuppam Sub-Magistrate's Office. Rupees 4-9-10 were deducted from the peishcush of the Naraganti Polliem as compensation for certain lands taken up for a road.

	Rs.	A.	P.	
Kalastri	183	0	0	G.O., 31st July 1874, No. 755.
Kangundi ...	5	0	0	G.O., 3rd Feb. 1875, No. 177.
Naraganti ...	4	9	10	G.O., 31st May 1875, No. 848.
Total...	192	9	10	

38. *Shrotriem Jodi.*—The small increase of Rupees 5-13-6 under this item is chiefly owing to a certain lapsed inam having been transferred to a shrotriem village at the instance of the Revenue Settlement Department.

39. *Ryotwar and Miscellaneous.*—The large increase of Rupees 2,33,654 under this item is attributable to the favorable season of the fasli under report.

40. *Abkári.*—The cause of the decrease of Rupees 7,096 under this head is the consumption of toddy by the drinking portion of the public, who generally form the lower orders of the community, in a larger quantity than arrack and the consequent decrease in the issue of the latter from the distilleries.

41. *Stamps.*—The decrease of Rupees 3,990 under this head is due to a general falling off in the file of civil suits in the Courts of the district.

42. COLLECTIONS.—The following memorandum extracted from Statement No. 7 shows the state of collections during the fasli under review as compared with its predecessor :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Increase.	Decrease.
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.		
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Land Revenue.								
Permanently Settled.	1,19,974	4,08,124	5,28,098	79,666	3,64,937	4,44,603	...	83,495
Jodi on Shrotriem and Inam Villages.	6,484	19,072	25,556	3,908	20,916	24,824	...	732
Ryotwar	2,31,055	15,00,839	17,31,894	1,90,712	18,18,435	20,09.147	2,77,253	...
Miscellaneous	73,796	81,418	1,55,214	71,742	1,31,711	2,03,453	48,239	...
Total ...	4,31,309	20,09,453	24,40,762	3,46,028	23,35,999	26,82,027	3,25,492	84,227
Abkári.....	30,456	2,74,482	3.04,938	25,735	2,61,170	2,86,905	...	18,033
Income-tax.....	482	11	493	12	13	25	...	468
Stamps	...	1,92,433	1,92,433	...	1,88,443	1,88,443	...	3,990
Grand Total ...	4,62,247	24,76,379	29,38,626	3,71,715	27,85,625	31,57,340	3,25,492	1,06,718

43. The decrease of Rupees 83,495 and Rupees 732 in the collection respectively under the heads "Permanently Settled" and "Shrotriem Jodi" is because some of the Zemindars and Shrotriemdars had not remitted their last kists within the end of the fasli. I may here mention that in the current collection of Rupees 3,64,937 shown in the above statement against "Permanently Settled" is included the sum of Rupees 9,000 ordered to be remitted (*vide* G.O., No. 904, dated 12th June 1875,) from the peishcush of Punganur Zemindari, "as an exceptional case and in express recognition of his good repute as a landlord and of the exemplary regularity of the usual payment of his dues to Government," in consideration of the very serious losses sustained by him in consequence of the disastrous damage done to the works of irrigation throughout his estate by the heavy rains of October 1874. Up to the end of August last there was only a balance of Rupees 3,570 against the permanently-settled estates. This amount has been since reduced to Rupees 2,486 by subsequent collections in last month, for the immediate recovery of which prompt measures have been adopted under the Act. The balance at the end of the fasli under "Shrotriem Jodi" was Rupees 7,200; deducting therefrom Rupees 1,835 recovered up to end of August last, there remained Rupees 5,365 yet to be recovered. Rupees 49 having been collected under this head during the past month, the present outstanding balance of this item is Rupees 5,316, which will be recovered in due course of law.

44. *Ryotwar.*—The Board will observe that the collections under the heads of "Ryotwar" and "Miscellaneous" during the past fasli show the large increase of Rs. 2,77,253 and Rs. 48,237 respectively. This is owing to the increased beriz of the fasli as well as to the general zeal and energy evinced by the taluq revenue officers in their revenue collection work. The balance, both arrears and current, under the "Ryotwar" head of revenue at the end of June last was Rupees 1,67,320, and that of the latter alone (current) Rupees 85,922. These sums were respectively reduced to Rupees 1,25,976 and Rupees 46,239 before the end of August last as shown in Statement No. 7. Subsequent collections in the last month have reduced the balance, both arrear and current, to Rupees 1,18,006, and current to Rupees 39,142. The percentages of the balance of "Ryotwari" revenue on the demand at the close of the fasli under report and at the end of August and September last, respectively, are particularized in the margin. The Board will thus see that up to the end of last month 98 per cent. of the current ryotwari revenue of the fasli has been brought to account. This very satisfactory state of our collections is, as far as I am aware, unprecedented in this district. Though it may be said that this result is generally attributable to the favorable character of the season,

	Both Current and Arrears.	Current only.
At end of June last ...	7⅛ per cent.	4¼ per cent.
Do. of Aug. last ...	5¾ ,,	2 7/16 ,,
Do. of Sept. last ...	5 7/16 ,,	2 ,,

I am of opinion that not a little is due to the most creditable manner in which the Tahsildars have done their duty in this branch of their taluq administration, assisted by the staff of batta peons experimentally entertained for the purpose of serving processes under the Revenue Recovery Act.

45. *Miscellaneous.*—The increase of collections under this head is attributable to the same causes as those mentioned in the last paragraph.

46. *Abkari and Stamps.*—The decrease of collections under these heads is due to a falling off in the respective demands, the causes of which have been explained in paragraphs 40 and 41 *supra*. There was, however, a balance of Rupees 31,892 up to the end of June last under "Abkari," *Current*, but this has been since recovered up to the last pie.

47. IRRECOVERABLE ARREARS RECOMMENDED FOR REMISSION.—The accompanying Statement No 8 gives the state of arrears of revenue of past faslis. Column 11 of the statement shows that a sum of Rupees 11,981 is recommended this year to be written off the accounts. The item consists of Rupees 11,632 on account of Ryotwar and Rupees 349 under Miscellaneous. An explanatory statement, giving in detail the several causes on account of which the amount in question is recommended for remission, is attached to the said statement.

48. RYOTWAR.—The large items under Ryotwar arrears which call for special notice here are noted in the margin as per entries in the explanatory statement above referred to. The sum of Rupees 4,041 under item No 1 is the arrear of assessment on lands sold under Act II. of 1864 and either purchased by Government at a nominal price for want of bidders or by private parties, the sale proceeds in the latter case having been found insufficient to cover the total arrears on such lands. Consequently the difference which thus remained unadjusted by the sale is recommended to be written off the accounts. I may add that in every case under this head local inquiries have been held by the taluq officers concerned to satisfy themselves and the Jamabandi officers that the defaulters concerned are possessed of no property of any kind, either movable or immovable, for the time being. Items Nos. 7 and 8, Rupees 1,229 and Rupees 4,651, respectively, represent the remissions granted by the settlement officers after the close of the fasli, the sums having been formally charged for in the Jamabandi accounts. The cause of such remissions needs no mention here, as it has been explained in its appropriate place. The other items recommended to be written off under the head of Ryotwar call for no comment, as the explanatory columns give the requisite information on the point.

	Rs.
No. 1	4,041
,, 7	1,229
,, 8	4,651

49. MISCELLANEOUS.—The amount recommended for remission under this head is but small, *viz.*, Rupees 349, and the various causes therefor explained in the enclosure to the Statement No. 8 above referred to are considered sufficient without any additional remark here.

50. I may add that at the time of Jamabandi, when the settlement officers passed their orders to enter the above sum in the accounts as irrecoverable, it has been certified by the taluq officers that no portion of it is recoverable by any means, and that the defaulters against whom the arrear stands are either paupers, or have died or run away from the district.

51. I request, therefore, that the Board of Revenue will be good enough to obtain the sanction of Government for the writing off of the amount of Rupees 11,981-11-3 in question from the accounts.

52. It is to be observed here that the Acting General-duty Deputy Collector has brought to notice that, owing to certain disagreement between the taluq and the villagewar demand, collection, and balance accounts of the Wandewash Taluq, the exact amount of irrecoverable balance of that taluq cannot at present be struck, and consequently with regard to that taluq and the Vellore Taluq, where also there seems to be some difficulty in the adjustment of these accounts, special applications will hereafter be submitted on this subject.

53. I take this opportunity of reminding the Board that I have not yet been favored with their orders for writing off from the accounts the amount of irrecoverable balance recommended for remission in the last Jamabandi Report.

54. Revenue Processes.—Enclosure A in the accompanying Statement No. 8 shows the extent to which coercive process was employed in the collection of revenue during the fasli under report. It will be observed that processes were issued against 96,946 ryots in 2,605 villages for the recovery of Rupees 3,15,476. Lands to the value of Rupees 23,442 and movable property valued at Rupees 92,263 were actually distrained, but the value of lands eventually sold was only Rs. 11,443 and that of movable property Rupees 12,004. In Fasli 1283 processes were issued against 68,827 ryots, which is less by 28,119 as compared with the fasli under report. The increase in the current fasli is due to the increase in the beriz as well as to the employment of batta peons to serve the processes. The value of property sold* in the current fasli, however, is less than that† of the past year as shown in the margin. This favorable result is due to payments made by ryots on the mere issue of processes for fear of the subsequent charges on account of attachment, &c., being added to their arrears. This fact is, therefore, proof of one of the good results of the experimental entertainment of the staff of revenue process servers. There can be no doubt that the great mass of the defaulters were perfectly able to pay their arrears, but they wilfully abstained from payment, knowing the slowness that used previously to characterise the action of the revenue officials in the collection; now that they find that this remissness on their part is followed by the unpleasant necessity for paying batta to the process servers, and that the sales are carried out more expeditiously and thoroughly, they pay their arrears much more readily.

	Rs.
* Land	11,443
Personal	12,004
Total ...	23,447
† Land	15,060
Personal	15,100
Total ...	30,160

55. The Statement No 9 shows the particulars of gross collection and charges of Fasli 1284 as compared with its predecessor. As the variations in the "collections" have already been explained, those of "charges" only will be considered here.

56. Refunds.—The increase of Rupees 3,065 under Refunds of Revenue is owing to claims for repayment of excess collection by village officers having been satisfied to a large extent in this year than in the preceding one.

57. Salary of Collectors, &c.—The decrease of Rupees 18,931 is due to the salaries, &c., of civil officers being charged net in the treasury accounts after deducting Civil Fund subscription at 4 per cent. (*vide* Accountant-General's Circular, No. 25, dated 24th September 1874) and to the omission of one-fifth of land revenue charges debitable to magisterial department (see Board's Proceedings, No. 2,295, dated 18th August 1874).

58. The decrease under the four following heads, *viz.* :—

	Rs.
1. Tentage and House-rent Allowance	1,846
2. Huzur and Taluq Establishment	23,665
3. Saderward	357
4. Contingencies	2,263

is attributable to the omission of one-fifth land revenue charges referred to in the above paragraph.

59. Medical Charges.—The small increase of Rupees 40 under this head calls for no remark.

60. Miscellaneous.— The increase of Rupees 1,664 under this item is owing to charges incurred for the service of revenue processes.

61. Abkari.—The decrease of Rupees 400 in the charges on account of establishment in this item is owing to the non-entertainment of any establishment in Fasli 1284. The small increase under contingencies calls for no remark.

62. Stamp Commission.—The decrease of Rupees 388 under this head is owing to the sale of stamps in Fasli 1284 being less than in Fasli 1283.

63. Enclosure A, which is forwarded with this report, exhibits the results of irrigation under the important sources, such as the Poiney, the Palar, the Cheyar, and the Alliabad anicuts, and the Kaveripak, Mamandur, and the Cheduperi tanks. The Board will observe that, except in the case of the last-mentioned tank (Cheduperi, under which there is a decrease of Rupees 1,603), there is a large increase of revenue under all the irrigation sources. This is, as already repeatedly observed, owing to the favorable nature of the past season.

64. Enclosure B is the register of lands acquired by public servants, and calls for no remarks.

65. Enclosure C is a statement showing the extent of lands granted on cowle for public and private topes under the tope rules, and calls for no remark.

66. Enclosure D gives the particulars in regard to the transfer of wet into dry lands. There has been but a single case of the kind during the fasli by which a revenue of Rupees 5-13-0 was lost to Government. It has, however, been satisfactorily established that the land in question has no means of obtaining any water-supply whatever from a Government source of irrigation.

67. Ruined Tanks.—No ruined tank was made over to private individuals during the fasli under report, and a blank statement thereof follows this report.

68. Civil Suits.—A demand, collection, and balance statement of costs awarded by Courts in favor of Government in suits brought against their officers is submitted herewith. Of the entire demand, both current and arrear, of Rupees 224-11-10, Rupees 89-0-5 were recovered during the fasli, leaving a balance of Rupees 135-11-5, for the speedy realization of which measure have been adopted.

69. Inspection of Taluq Treasuries.—A detailed account of the result of the inspection of taluq and division treasuries by the Treasury Deputy Collector accompanies this report. During the fasli under report the marginally-noted seven taluq and four division treasuries were inspected. On the observations made by Mr. Marjoribanks during his examination of the treasuries and the taluq and village accounts full instructions have been issued to the several treasury officers concerned for their future guidance. On the whole the result of the examination is satisfactory.

Taluqs.

1. Vellore.
2. Wallajah.
3. Gudiattam.
4. Arcot.
5. Palmanair.
6. Poloor.
7. Wandewash.

Divisions.

1. Kangundi.
2. Punganur.
3. Vencatagirikota.
4. Arnee.

70. Taluq and Village Accounts.—As a rule the settling officers of the respective taluqs take up the accounts of certain villages at random and some of the taluq accounts, and examine them at the close of the settlement of each taluq. Any defects noticed in the system of keeping these accounts or errors discovered therein are pointed out to the Tahsildars concerned with the necessary instructions to rectify the evil. On the whole the system works well.

71. It may not, however, be out of place here to state, for the information of the Board, that, owing to want of strict scrutiny and examination by the several taluq officials of the taluq account No. 5 (villagewar cash ledger) and the village account No. 11 (individual cash ledger) during the past several years, very unsatisfactory disagreements between the taluq and village statements of demand, collection, and balance as regards the *years* and the *heads* of the several entries have recently been brought to my notice, and I have entrusted my Treasury Deputy Collector with the duty of bringing the above state of things into a speedy and satisfactory adjustment. The discrepancies are of the kind brought to the Board's notice in my letter, No. 510, dated 25th September last, in respect of the Wandewash Taluq. Strict orders have been issued to the Tahsildars to take care that such errors are not committed during the present fasli.

72. The Sub-Collector's Jamabandi Report for the past Fasli (1284) not having as yet been received, it will be forwarded separately.

73. Conduct of Public Servants.—My Assistant, Mr. Cox, is most active and zealous, and always cheerfully undertakes any duty that is assigned him. He is a very promising young officer. My Treasury Deputy, Mr. Marjoribanks, is most careful, painstaking, and steady, and

has always given me unqualified satisfaction by the manner in which he has performed his duty. My Head Sheristadar, Kistnasami Iyer, continues to afford me the same valuable assistance aheretofore, and is most earnest and zealous. Amongst the Tahsildars I would especially commend Srinivassa Charry, Tahsildar of Wallajah, Vurdaraju Reddy, Tahsildar of Arcot, and Vencatasubbiah, Tahsildar of Gudiattam. These are all very active and trustworthy public servants well deserving promotion.

PALMANAIR, (Signed) W. S. WHITESIDE,
7th October 1875. Collector.

SUB-COLLECTORATE.

I HAVE the honor to submit the Settlement Report of the Sub-division for Fasli 1284, (1874-75) with usual statement annexed.

2. All the taluqs in the sub-division were settled by yourself. The annexed statement shows the stations at which the settlement was made, the number of villages comprising in each taluq, and the time occupied at each station :—

Name of Taluqs.	Number of Villages.	Time occupied.	Stations.	Number of Days.
1. Vellore ...	188	6th to 26th Feb. 1875 ...	Allapuram	21
2. Gudiattam ...	270	18th Jan. to 4th Feb. 1875.	(1) Gudiattam (2) Trivellum.	18
3. Arcot	347	1st to 20th March 1875 ...	(1) Arcot (2) Puthupadi ...	20

There was a decrease of one village in Vellore, and an increase of seven villages in Gudiattam Taluq. These were owing to the transfer of the whole of Kothamangalam and portions of the marginally-noted villages of the Vellore Taluq situated to the north of Palar to Gudiattam Taluq as per notification of Government published in *Fort Saint George Gazette*, dated 27th May 1874, page 930. The portions of the latter six villages were treated as six different villages in Gudiattum Taluq.

1. Virinjipuram.
2. Melkalani.
3. Ammundi.
4. Poigai.
5. Sattiamangalam.
6. Melmanur.

3. PUTTAS.—The total number of puttas distributed in the fasli was 68,413 against 67,356 of the previous fasli. Though there was an increase of 1,057 in the sub-division in the Vellore Taluq, there was a decrease of 973 puttas owing to the transfer of some lands to the Gudiattam Taluq. The increase in Gudiattam and Arcot Taluqs, which was 2,030, was owing to the grant of fresh puttas for lands newly taken up. A memorandum showing the number of puttas—new, altered, and unaltered,—is given below :—

1*st.*—New puttas	2,274
2*nd.*—Altered puttas	13,623
3*rd.*—Unaltered puttas	52,516

There was an increase under the 1st and 3rd items. The increase was chiefly owing to the larger extent of land newly taken up and larger number of people having attended with puttas during the settlement under report than in previous fasli. The decrease under the 2nd item was owing to the less extent of land given up in this fasli than in the previous fasli.

4. SEASON.—The season in this fasli was not very favorable ; rainfall heavy, but was injurious to the dry lands and crops. The yield in consequence was not very good. There were heavy freshes in Palar, and caused great damage to the bridge at Vellore and to the anicut near Arcot. The extent of the damage caused by the freshes has been specially reported to you by Mr. Pearse in his letter, No. 282, dated 4th November 1874. The lands in the Palar valley had

been inundated in many places, and were rendered unfit for cultivation. A statement showing the rainfall is given below :—

Months.	Gudiattam.	Arcot.	Vellore.
1873, July	5·17	7·72	7·36
,, August	3·15	2·32	3·51
,, September	23·8	13·55	15·40
,, October	11·35	9·25	10·57
,, November	1·15	1·4	2·4
,, December	·55	2·25	1·06
1874, January	...	·2	·6
,, February	...	...	...
,, March	...	...	...
,, April	...	...	3·
,, May	...	2·4	1·95
,, June	...	·36	1·66
Total...	45·17	41·25	44·89

There was a heavy fall of rain on the 23rd and 24th October last as reported in Mr. Pearse's letter above quoted.

5. Sanitary Condition.—The sanitary condition of the sub-division during Fasli 1284 was less favorable than in the previous fasli. Though there were no deaths from cholera, several people died of fever in all the taluqs. As soon as reports were received from the taluqs, the 1st-class Hospital Assistant attached to this office was sent with necessary supply of medicines to render medical aid, but the patients, as a rule, preferred their own native practitioners. In Velapady, &c., suburbs of Vellore Town, the fever became a regular epidemic. Several fatal cases occurred. Mr. Lister, under instructions from you, seemed to have established some temporary hospitals in different parts of the town until the disease had abated. The mortality might probably have been much reduced if the patients had submitted themselves to English treatment instead of taking medicine from ignorant native quacks. A comparative statement showing the mortality from fever and small-pox is given below :—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Fever.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Small-pox.
Arcot	539	377	646	424	107	47	...	...
Vellore	2,188	807	3,738	26	1,550	...	...	781
Gudiattam ...	3,133	311	4,414	48	1,281	...	...	263

The decrease of mortality under the head of Small-pox in Vellore and Gudiattam Taluqs was apparently owing to the extensive operations of the vaccination. The increase in Arcot Taluq, being only 47, needs no explanation.

6. Cattle.—From the annexed abstract taluqwar statement it will be seen that the mortality amongst cattle was in the decrease. This was owing to the abundant pasture available and to the prompt measures taken by the village officers to check the spreading of the disease.

As a few cases of inattention to the rules on the part of the village officers had been taken notice of in Fasli 1283, the village officers seem to have been active in applying for medicine in time and to separate the sick from the healthy ones.

Taluqs.	Fasli 1284.						Fasli 1283.	Comparison.	
	Cows.	Bullocks.	She-Buffaloes.	He-Buffaloes.	Sheep.	Total.		Increase.	Decrease.
Arcot	85	100	30	50	360	625	677	...	52
Vellore	300	254	200	400	...	1,154	2,073	...	919
Gudiattam	62	85	2	11	500	660	1,465	...	805
Total...	447	439	232	461	860	2,439	4,215	...	1,776

7. Prices.—A comparative statement showing the average prices of the staple products is given below :—

Grain.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Paddy, 1st sort... ...	139	135	...	4
Do. 2nd ,, ...	130	124	...	6
Rice, 1st ,, ...	312	317	5	...
Do. 2nd ,, ...	292	288	...	4
Cholum	191	153	...	38
Cumboo	188	174	...	14
Raggi	150	158	8	...
Horse-gram	240	249	9	...
Varagu	215	135	...	80

Though there was a decrease in the prices, they are still far above the commutation rates.

8. Ryots' Holdings.—A statement showing the particulars of the ryots' holdings as compared with Fasli 1283 is given below :—

	Fasli 1284.		Fasli 1283.		Comparison.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment	Extent.	Assessment.
	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.
Ryots' Holding at the commencement ...	231,979	6,85,535	244,664	7,04,180	— 12,685	— 18,645
Deduct Lands given up	9,819	24,116	19,298	36,036	— 9,479	— 11,920
Remainder...	222,160	6,61,419	225,366	6,68,144	— 3,206	— 6,725
Add Lands taken up	12,607	29,297	6,613	17,391	+ 5,994	+ 11,906
Total Holdings...	234,767	6,90,716	231,979	6,85,535	+ 2,788 Net increase.	+ 5,181

Though the ryots' holding at the commencement was less than that in the previous year, as a less extent was given up and a larger extent taken up than in the previous fasli, there was net increase of Acres 2,788 assessed at Rupees 5,181 at the end of fasli. Under the heads of Lands given up and Lands taken up Acres 2,644 and Acres 853 assessed at Rupees 9,304 and Rs. 4,264 relating respectively to " lands sold or transferred," and lands transferred from one taluq to another are included. Of the remainder under the former, Acres 620 assessed at Rupees 1,631 comprise

lands which became unprofitable or those taken up by the Public Works Department. The remainder, *viz.*, Acres 5,702 assessed at Rupees 8,917, was the extent actually relinquished by the ryots. Under the head of Lands taken up, besides the 1st and 2nd items already explained, Acres 9,110 assessed at Rupees 15,729 relate to the lands taken up on darkhast. The increase was partly owing to the heavy fall of rain which induced the ryots to take up more land and partly, I believe, to the giving effect of the recent orders of the Board and Government by which the officer conducting the settlement was required to inquire into each case of cultivation without darkhast as if a darkhast had been made, and grant a putta after appeal-time, &c.

9. Waste Charged and Remitted.—The following statement shows the extent and assessment of waste lands charged and remitted :—

	Waste Charged.		Waste Remitted.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Fasli 1283. Dry	26,789	41,127	13	35
Fasli 1283. Wet	3,357	17,636	4,737	27,209
Total ...	30,146	58,763	4,750	27,244
Fasli 1284. Dry	18,299	28,681	22	39
Fasli 1284. Wet	4,101	22,031	831	4,923
Total ...	22,400	50,712	853	4,962
Decrease ...	7,746	8,051	3,897	22,282

Under the head of Waste Charged there was a decrease in dry, but an increase in wet lands. The former was owing to the larger extent than in the previous fasli of dry land having been brought under cultivation immediately after the early rains. As there was plenty of water available, there was not much room for the ryots who failed to cultivate their lands through negligence or other cause to claim remissions. Hence there was an increase under "Wet Waste." Under "Waste Remitted" the remissions granted were chiefly on account of payamali and for lands situated under the tanks which had breached during the cyclone of May 1872 and in subsequent years.

10. Actual Cultivation.—The annexed statement shows the extent and the assessment of land actually brought under cultivation in this fasli as compared with the previous fasli :—

Description.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Comparison.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Dry	136,337	2,19,167	147,438	2,36,062	+ 11,101	16,895
Wet	60,746	3,80,362	64,076	3,98,981	+ 3,330	18,619
Total ...	197,083	5,99,529	211,514	6,35,043	14,431	35,514

The increase, which was universal, was owing to the heavy fall of rain.

11. Actual Cultivation of Special Products.—A memorandum showing the extent and assessment of lands cultivated with special products in this fasli as compared with the previous fasli is given below :—

Products.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Comparison.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Sugarcane	843	4,932	779	3,621	— 64	— 1,311
Cotton	11	33	8	34	— 3	+ 1
Indigo	13,409	21,583	3,929	7,349	— 9,480	— 14,234
Total ...	14,263	26,548	4,716	11,004	— 9,547	— 15,544

The cultivation of sugarcane continues to fall as in two previous faslis. Owing to want of demand in the market, the ryots seem to take no interest to extend the cotton cultivation. Besides this the heavy fall of rain was not beneficial either to cotton or indigo cultivation. Fields which in former years were cultivated with indigo appear this year to have been cultivated with wet crops as there was abundant supply of water available.

12. Remissions.—A statement showing the particulars of remissions granted in the fasli under report as compared with previous fasli is annexed below :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Comparison.	
			Increase.	Decrease.
Occasional Remissions.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Stalacummi	.....	.....	.. ...	.....
2. Shavi	28,728 8 7	38 15 4	.....	28,689 9 3
3. Payamali	3 0 9	589 7 4	586 6 7	.....
4. Teerwacummi	314 6 1	109 11 2	.....	204 10 11
5. Boghanasti	513 15 1	177 5 6	.....	336 9 7
Total ...	29,559 14 6	915 7 4	586 6 7	29,230 13 9
Net decrease ...	.....	.....	.....	28,644 7 2
Dasabandam	168 4 2	269 11 2	101 7 0	.....
Total ...	29,728 2 8	1,185 2 6	101 7 0	Net 28,543 0 2
Permanent Remissions.				
Village Servants' allowance.	48,569 12 0	45,770 8 0	.....	2,799 3 7
Grand Total ...	78,297 14 8	46,955 10 11	.....	31,342 3 9

There was no remission granted for stalakummi or for portions of fields left waste as in previous fasli. A small amount was remitted on account of shavi in Arcot Taluq for lands situated under the tanks which had breached. The increase under the head of Payamali was owing to the heavy floods. Of the sum of Rupees 109-11-2 remitted on account of teerwacummi, Rupees 85-7-6 relate to Arcot Taluq, and the remainder to Gudiattam Taluq. As some of the tanks which had breached in Arcot Taluq were not repaired, a large amount, being the difference of assessment between wet and dry, was remitted. Remission on account of Boghanasti, which was however less than that in the previous fasli, was granted owing to some of the second-crop lands which, having

been inundated, could not be cultivated with second crop. The increase under item of dasabandham, which exists only in Gudiattam Taluq, was owing to the increase of cultivation in this fasli. Notwithstanding the increase of beriz, there was a falling-off under the head "Merah" because in last year the "Merah" paid to some village officers from Faslis 1280 to 1283 on lands granted in lieu of ready-money payments was also included in it.

13. RYOTWAR BERIZ.—A comparative statement showing the Ryotwar Beriz of the fasli under report is annexed below :—

	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Comparison.	
			Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Total Holdings	6,85,535	6,90,716	+ 5,181	...
Waste Remitted	27,244	4,962	...	22,282
Remainder ...	6,58,291	6,85,754	27,463	...
Add—				
Second-crop Assessment	8,892	12,884	3,992	...
Additional do.	26,908	53,157	26,249	...
Total ...	6,94,091	7,51,795	57,704	...
Deduct remissions ...	78,297	46,956	...	31,341
Remainder ...	6,15,794	7,04,839	89,045	...

The cause of the increase under the head of Holdings and decrease under the heads of Waste Remitted and other remissions has already been explained. The increase under other heads was also owing to the heavy fall of rain and to the new mode of charging teerwajasti on dry land as already explained.

14. REVENUE FROM ALL SOURCES OF REVENUE.—A comparative statement showing the results from all sources of revenue is given below :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Comparison.	
			Increase.	Decrease.
Permanently Settled.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Jodi on Shrotriem and Inam Villages	7,342 1 5	7,342 1 5	.....	.....
2. Ryotwar	6,15,793 10 7	7,04,839 3 0	89,045 8 5	.....
3. Miscellaneous	37,942 0 7	51,691 8 7	13,749 8 0	.....
4. Abkári	26,984 10 7	24,848 3 5	.....	2,136 7 2
5. Stamps	50,791 8 0	47,617 9 5	.....	3,173 14 7
Total ...	7,38,853 15 2	8,36,338 9 10	97,484 10 8	.....

First item requires no explanation. The cause of the increase under the 2nd and 3rd items, in addition to the explanation already given, was owing to the charge of teerwajasti on half-cawny system according to the recent orders of the Board. The revenue under Abkári simply represents the remittance made into the taluq treasury by the Abkári renters, &c. There are no data in this office to enable me to give any explanation with regard to it. I have no remarks to make as regards the decrease under Stamps.

15. DEMAND, COLLECTION, AND BALANCE OF ALL SOURCES.—The following statement shows the demand, collection, and balance of all sources of current revenue :—

Taluqs.	Demand.	Collection within the Fasli.	Balance.	Subsequent Collection.	Balance.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Arcot ...	3,44,766 12 11	3,34,395 5 8	10,371 7 3	3,068 6 3	7,303 1 0
Gudiattam.	2,62,055 1 3	2,43,516 9 0	18,538 8 3	3,166 7 3	15,372 1 0
Vellore ...	2,29,516 11 8	2,21,047 10 11	8,469 0 9	1,575 13 1	6,893 3 8
Total ...	8,36,338 9 10	7,98,959 9 7	37,379 0 3	7,810 10 7	29,568 5 8

At the close of the fasli the collections amounted to 95½ per cent., but the subsequent collections raised the percentage to about 96½ per cent. It appears that immediately after the Jamabandi the large balance in Gudiattam Taluq attracted the attention of Mr. Lister, who summoned several village officers to appear in this office, examined their accounts, and warned many to clear their large balances. He took similar steps as regards the village officers whose collections were poor. Some of the village officers who were negligent were also punished. In the final balance Rupees 1,893 belong to Jodi on Shrotriems, &c., Rupees 21,872 to Ryotwar, and Rupees 5,803 to Miscellaneous. The greatest portion under the 1st item was due on account of Mangadu and Vengalathur. It has been recently recommended to you that the management of the latter village should be taken up by Government. The former village is already under attachment. For most of the arrears due under other items steps have already, I believe, been taken towards their collection.

16. DEMAND, COLLECTION, AND BALANCE OF ARREARS OF ARREARS.—The following statement shows the demand, collection, and balance of arrears :—

Arrears at the Beginning of the Fasli.	Collected.	Remission.	Total.	Balance.	Subsequent Collection.	Balance.
RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1,41,317 9 9	76,450 13 5	.....	76,450 13 5	64,866 12 4	1,411 15 9	63,454 12 7

Of this balance Rupees 3,045-14-9 belong to Jodi on Shrotriem, Rupees 33,278-7-8 to Ryotwar, and the remainder to Miscellaneous.

17. IRRECOVERABLE ARREARS.—The marginal figures show the taluqwar amount of arrears under the heads of Ryotwar and Miscellaneous. Of these amounts Rupees 1,175-3-10 under Ryotwar and Rupees 10,224-15-10 under Miscellaneous relate to doubtful items. As the taluqs in the sub-division were settled by you, I have not received detailed accounts showing the grounds and the authority under which several sums were recommended to be written off as irrecoverable.

	Ryotwar.	Miscellaneous.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Arcot	6,378 10 9	3,737 2 11
Vellore	7,738 2 3	7,182 2 6
Gudiattam.	19,161 10 8	16,211 0 9
Total...	33,278 7 8	27,130 6 2

18. DEMAND, COLLECTION, AND BALANCE ON SHROTRIEMS.—The subjoined statement shows the demand, collection, and balance on shrotriems :—

Taluqs.	Demand.			Collection.	Balance.
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.		
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Arcot	4,368 4 9	6,873 5 2	11,241 9 11	6,302 6 3	4,939 3 8
Vellore	75 3 6	398 12 3	473 15 9	473 15 9	.....
Gudiattam.....	23 2 0	70 0 0	93 2 0	93 2 0	.....
Total...	4,466 10 3	7,342 1 5	11,808 11 8	6,869 8 0	4,939 3 8

The cause of the heavy balance in Arcot Taluq has already been explained.

19. The subjoined statement shows the extent to which coercive measures have been adopted :—

Taluq.	Process Issued.			Estimated Value of Property Attached.			Property Sold.				Total.	
							Land.		Personal Property.			
	Number of Villages.	Number of Ryots.	Amount of Arrears.	Land.	Personal Property.	Total.	Estimated Value.	Actually Sold.	Estimated Value.	Actually Sold.	Estimated Value.	Actually Sold.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
			Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Arcot.....	337	17,085	24,737 4 0	7,637 0 2	15,967 3 1	23,604 3 3	961 8 0	2,174 6 4	1,730 6 0	2,759 15 6	2,691 14 0	4,934 5 10
Vellore	185	10,127	35,474 0 0	525 0 0	7,744 0 0	8,269 0 0	426 0 0	616 0 0	413 0 0	526 0 0	839 0 0	1,142 0 0
Gudiattum: ...	200	23,076	87,989 6 10	717 10 3	11,913 13 10	12,631 8 1	15 0 0	80 12 0	551 4 9	903 12 11	566 4 9	984 8 11
Total...	722	50,288	1,47,200 10 10	8,879 10 5	35,625 0 11	44,504 11 4	1,402 8 0	2,871 2 4	2,694 10 9	4,189 12 5	4,097 2 9	7,060 14 9

To prevent the accumulation of a large amount of arrears processes were issued to a greater number of ryots than in the previous fasli.

20. A statement showing the demand, collection, and balance of miscellaneous revenue in the sub-division for the fasli under report is annexed.

From this it will be seen that there was no demand under items Nos. 5, 24, and 25. The current demand under the items Nos. 2 and 26 was the same as in previous fasli. The difference under all other items, except the following, being small, requires no explanation.

Statement showing the Demand, Collection, and Balance of Miscellaneous Revenue of the Taluqs of the Sub-Division for Fasli 1284.

Items.	Demand of last Fasli.	Arrears.	Demand of Present Fasli. Current. Demand.	Remission.	Net Demand.	Total.	Collections of Arrears and Current at the End of the Fasli.	Remission.	Total.	Remainder.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1. Inam Jodi. {Personal	5,020 3 9	3,847 5 7	5,017 3 2	.....	5,017 3 2	8,864 8 9	6,634 0 11	.....	6,634 0 11	2,230 7 10
{Service	2,049 7 8	4,579 11 1	2,126 1 4	.....	2,126 1 4	6,705 12 5	2,098 2 8	.....	2,098 2 8	4,607 9 9
2. Dasabandham	25 13 3	25 13 3	25 13 3	.....	25 13 3	61 10 6	25 13 3	.....	25 13 3	25 13 3
3. Tax on Trees on Unassessed Lands	5,491 15 11	6,291 11 7	5,488 10 11	.....	5,488 10 11	11,780 6 6	7,181 6 1	.....	7,181 6 1	4,599 0 5
4. Assessment of Lands not included in the Jamabandi Settlement	11,730 3 10	7,324 3 10	16,905 5 5	599 13 0	16,305 8 5	23,629 12 3	22,462 7 3	.....	22,462 7 3	1,167 5 0
	.....	5 14 3	.....	.....	.....	5 14 3	.....	.....	.....	5 14 3
5. Revenue of Unclaimed Inams	.....	38 1 9	9 13 1	.....	9 13 1	47 14 10	12 1 10	.....	12 1 10	35 13 0
6. Revenue from Inam Lands of Pagodas in which Worship was discontinued	.....	4,369 4 5	1,959 6 11	.....	1,959 6 11	6,328 11 4	2,670 0 2	.....	2,670 0 2	3,658 11 2
7. Rent of Topes	1,885 10 11	1,732 11 6	750 5 11	.....	750 5 11	2,483 1 5	765 13 5	.....	765 13 5	1,717 4 0
8. Revenue of Vacant Service Inams	1,197 4 5	1,398 7 8	9 8 0	.....	9 8 0	1,407 15 8	13 3 8	.....	13 3 8	1,394 12 0
9. Do. from Resumed Inams	.....	632 5 11	997 11 0	.....	997 11 0	1,630 0 11	1,019 9 7	.....	1,019 9 7	610 7 4
10. Do. of Hill Tracts	978 9 2	17 7 0	1 15 0	.....	1 15 0	19 6 0	.....	.....	.....	19 6 0
11. Do. from the Slope of the Hills cultivated	1 15 0	471 10 5	138 15 3	.....	138 15 3	610 9 8	174 6 8	.....	174 6 8	436 3 0
12. Do. of Land assessed at Bagayet	132 13 3	5,796 0 3	1,987 12 8	.....	1,987 12 8	7,783 12 11	2,461 8 7	.....	2,461 8 7	5,322 4 4
13. Rent of Palmyra Trees	1,768 6 11	102 8 10	100 8 11	.....	100 8 11	203 1 9	68 0 0	.....	68 0 0	135 1 9
14. Tax on Fruit Trees	100 8 11	.....	7 11 3	.....	7 11 3	7 11 3	7 11 3	.....	7 11 3	.....
15. Commission on the Sale of Distrained Property	1 8 4	.....	828 0 3	.....	828 0 3	828 0 3	828 0 3	.....	828 0 3	.....
16. Revenue Fines	801 12 11	.....	5 3 11	.....	5 3 11	5 3 11	5 3 11	.....	5 3 11	.....
17. Saving and Refund	4 11 10	.....	3 9 9	.....	3 9 9	3 9 9	3 9 9	.....	3 9 9	.....
18. Collection in Excess of Demand	43 1 11	7,849 1 10	8,479 10 3	.....	8,479 10 3	16,328 12 1	9,430 11 0	.....	9,430 11 0	6,898 1 1
19. Water-rates on Zemindaris, Inams, &c.	5,340 0 7	407 0 9	491 14 11	.....	491 14 11	898 15 8	394 2 6	.....	394 2 6	504 13 2
20. Quit-rent on Bungalows and Gardens	491 14 11	380 9 6	405 14 2	.....	405 14 2	786 7 8	414 4 8	.....	414 4 8	372 3 0
21 Caval Kandayam	388 7 3	.....	29 0 9	.....	29 0 9	29 0 9	29 0 9	.....	29 0 9	.....
22. Deposit forfeited	41 12 0	.....	62 3 6	.....	62 3 6	62 3 6	62 3 6	.....	62 3 6	.....
23. Sale Proceeds on Putta and Kucheyts	54 10 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
24. Do of Service Register Books	2 10 0	12 0 0	.....	.....	.....	12 0 0	.....	.....	.....	12 0 0
25. Rent of Cow-dung	6 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
26. Interest recovered from Railway Department on Compensation for C. Lands	12 6 7	12 6 7	12 6 7	.....	12 6 7	24 13 2	12 6 7	.....	12 6 7	12 6 7
27. Revenue Process Fee Collection	.....	.....	6,034 15 6	.....	6,034 15 6	6,034 15 6	6,034 15 6	.....	6,034 15 6	.....
28. Valapanthal Devastanam	.....	.....	60 5 11	.....	60 5 11	60 5 11	60 5 11	.....	60 5 11	.....
29. Kayam or Permanent Putta	357 4 0	1,061 4 0	351 2 0	.....	351 2 0	1,412 6 0	317 11 11	.....	317 11 11	1,094 10 1
Total...	37,942 0 7	46,355 12 0	52,291 5 7	599 13 0	51,691 8 7	98,047 4 7	63,187 1 7	.....	63,187 1 7	34,860 3 0
Penalty levied under Stamp Act	75 5 0	.....	162 8 0	.....	162 8 0	162 8 0	162 8 0	.....	162 8 0	.....
Do. remitted by the Civil Court	330 11 0	.....	133 2 0	.....	133 2 0	133 2 0	133 2 0	.....	133 2 0	.....
Total ..	406 0 0	.....	295 10 0	.....	295 10 0	295 10 0	295 10 0	.....	295 10 0	.....
Grand Total...	38,348 0 7	46,355 12 0	52,586 15 7	599 13 0	51,987 2 7	98,342 14 7	63,483 11 7	.....	63,483 11 7	34,860 3 0

Under the 4th item, *viz.*, Assessment of Lands not included in the Jamabandi Settlement there was a large increase. This, which was chiefly in Gudiattam and Vellore Taluqs, was owing to the larger extent of land cultivated without darkhast in consequence of heavy fall of rain. The decrease in the item No. 8, Revenue from Vacant Service Inams, has not been explained by the taluq officials. I believe some of the claimants for these lands must have since established their claims and taken possession of the service lands. The increase under the item of Rent of Palmyra Trees was the result of competition. The increase under the item No. 19 was owing to the heavy fall of rain. Item No. 27 being newly shown in this account, no explanation for the increase or decrease can be given.

21. The following statement gives the ayacut and cultivation under the principal sources of irrigation :—

Name of Irrigation.	Number of Tanks under the Irrigation in Column 1.	Number of Villages under the Irrigation.	Ayacut. Extent.	Ayacut. Assessment.	Cultivation. Extent.	Cultivation. Assessment.
			Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.
Palar Anicut	80	63	9,199	50,670	8,308	50,620
Ponnai	5	5	881	4,108	774	4,661
Mamandur	1	19	3,154	21,910	3,061	22,113
Sathuperi...	1	11	1,775	11,995	1,469	9,932
Total...	87	98	15,009	88,683	13,612	87,326

An increase in the Ayacut is shown under Palar Anicut. The Tahsildar of Arcot has been called upon to explain. The increase in the assessment of lands cultivated under Ponnai Anicut and Mamandur Tank was owing to the inclusion of large amount of fasaljasti, being the result of heavy rain. No ruined tanks were given for local repair in this as in previous faslis.

22. The following shows the extent and assessment of lands granted under Tope Rules :—

Taluqs.	For Private Tope. Number of Villages.	Extent.	Assessment.	Number of Cowles.	For Charity. Number of Villages.	Extent.	Assessment.	Number of Cowles.
		Acres	Rs. A. P.			Acres.	Rs.	
Arcot	1	2·48	1 14 0	1	...	...	...	...
Vellore	2	7	17 6 3	2	...	...	...	...
Gudiattam ...	...	...	... ...	...	...	...	...	..
Total ...	3	9·48	19 4 3	3	...	...	...	...

The extent granted for topes was much less than that in the previous two faslis.

No wet land was transferred to dry in this fasli chiefly owing to the heavy fall of rain and to the refusal to grant such application pending the settlement operations.

Rain-gauges kept at each cusbah station of the taluqs have been examined as usual from time to time.

23. A statement showing the lands acquired by public servants is annexed below :—

Name of Public Servant.	Office and Department.	Zillah Taluq where land is situated.	Land acquired. Extent.	Land acquired. Assessment	When acquired; whether prior or subsequent to Employment in the Public Service.	By what Means.	Nature of Interest possessed by Public Servant.
			ACRES.	RS. A. P.			
Jaganada Mudali ...	Gumastah, Vellore Taluq.	Vellore ...	36	109 15 9	Subsequent to the Service.	Inherited from his deceased brother.	Ordinary ryotwar tenure.
Ramasamy Iyer ...	Do.	Polur and Gudiattam.	19	54 2 9	Before do.	Ancestoral and by purchase.	Do.
K. Gopala Charry...	Do.	Vellore ...	31	126 5 1	Do.	Do.	Do.
Sami Doss Mudali...	Acting do.	Gudiattam..	61	186 6 7	Do.	Do.	Do.
		Total ...	147	476 14 2			

24. Village Accounts.—All the taluqs in the sub-division having been settled by you, I have no remarks to make. The Tahsildars, however, report that the taluq and village accounts were kept in good order. It also appears that under the superintendence of Mr. Lister a large percentage of village accounts, especially as regards the charging of teerwajasti, with reference to the recent orders of the Board, have been examined, and the inaccuracies rectified. The provisions regarding the Land Improvement Act have also been explained at the time of Jamabandi by Mr. Lister to the ryots.

(Signed) W. P. AUSTIN,
Acting Sub-Collector.

Vellore,
7th October 1875.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. S. WHITESIDE,
Collector.

SETTLEMENT REPORT
OF
SOUTH ARCOT.

I have the honor to submit my report on the Jamabandi Settlement of the South Arcot District for Fasli 1284, accompanied by the prescribed statements.

Mr. Garstin.

Trinomalai Taluq ... { Pennathur. Trinomalai. Pochal. Manaloorpett.

Mr. Thomson and Mr. Garstin.

Cuddalore Taluq ... { Manjakuppam Puttambakum

Mr. Kough and Mr. G. D. Irvine.

Chidamberam Taluq ... { Porto Novo.

Mr. G. D. Irvine.

Virdachellum Taluq ... { Virdachellum.

Kallakurchi Taluq ... { Tiagadroog.

Mr. Thomson.

Tindivanam Taluq ... { Gingee. Tindivanam.

Mr. Kough.

Villapuram Taluq ... { Villapuram. Panchamadevi Madurapaukam.

M. Venkatachella Pillai.

Trikalore Taluq ... { Trikalore. Elavanasoor. Ulundoorpett. Parikkal.

2. The land revenue demand of the year as fixed at the settlement amounted to Rs. 34,62,531 against Rs. 29,15,653 in the previous year. The increase was Rs. 5,46,878.

3. Of the eight taluqs in the district, Trinomalai and a part of Cuddalore were settled by me, and the rest by the respective divisional officers as shown in the marginal statement. The settlement of the Cuddalore Taluq was commenced by the Assistant Collector Mr. Thomson on the 19th March, but he was not able to complete it, being posted to the Salem District early in April to act as Head Assistant Collector. Before leaving for that district he had settled 103 villages, and the remaining 121 villages were settled by me after my return from Trinomalai

4. The variations in the number and tenure of villages are given in the annexed comparative statement :—

Description of Villages.	No. of Villages in Fasli 1283.	No. of Villages in Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
Royotwar Villages	2,998	3,006	8	..
Shrotriem do.	163	163	..	..
Service Inam Villages	7	7	..	..
Muttah do.	17	17	..	..
Amani do.	8	..	..	8
Moturpha do.	3	3	..	..
Total ..	3,196	3,196	8	8

5. The increase of eight villages under the head "Ryotwar" and a similar decrease under "Amani" is due to eight villages of the resumed Chekkadi Jaghire which were held under Amani tenure till Fasli 1283, having become Ryotwari under the Provisional Settlement carried out by Deputy Collector C. Stri Baliah under the sanction of Government contained in G.O. of the 5th October 1874, No. 1,265, Revenue Department.

6. NUMBER OF PUTTAS.—Puttas 8,274 were issued during the fasli in excess of the number issued in the preceding year, as will be seen from the annexed statement:—

Faslis.	Number of fresh Puttas.	Old Puttas modified by additional entries.	Old Puttas not altered.	Total.
1283	8,839	77,055	184,915	270,809
1284	9,829	70,291	198,963	279,083
	990 Increase.	6,764 Decrease.	14,048 Increase.	8,274 Net increase.

The increase of 990 in the number of fresh puttas issued is due partly to subdivisions of puttas and partly to persons taking up land for the first time.

7. SEASON.—The season was on the whole favorable for cultivation. The rain-fall was 48·4 inches against 33·3 in the previous year, showing an increase of 15·1 inches, as will be seen from the annexed comparative statement of monthly rain-fall for 1873-74 and 1874-75:—

Months.	Rain-fall in 1873-74.		Rain-fall in 1874-75.		Months.	Rain-fall in 1873-74.		Rain-fall in 1874-75.	
	IN.	TEN.	IN.	TEN.		IN.	TEN.	IN.	TEN.
April	2	3	0	2	December	0	7	2	3
May	1	8	6	7	January	0	0	0	4
June	1	3	2	9	February	0	0	0	0
July	1	7	3	9	March	0	1	0	0
August	3	0	5	1		33	3	48	4
September	5	0	11	3					
October	11	5	9	4	Increase ..	....		15	1
November	5	9	6	2					

The rain-fall was timely. Both wet and dry cultivation were generally successful throughout the district. In October, however, the downpour was so heavy, that in the Tindivanam and Villapuram Taluqs twenty-one tanks breached, and high freshes came down the Malattar and Pooniar Rivers, which inundated some lands along their banks. The breached tanks were immediately attended to, as already reported in my letter, No. 588, recorded in Board's Proceedings, No. 3,329, of 19th November 1874. The freshes in the Coleroon rose to 10 feet above the anicut in the months of July and August, but no damage was thereby done to cultivation. The other rivers had only ordinary freshes.

8. PUBLIC HEALTH.—The public health was not very good. The mortality from cholera fever, and other diseases was greater than in the previous fasli, as will be seen from the subjoined statement. Taking the deaths from all causes together, the death-rate in the year under report was 1·6 per cent. of the population against 1·4 in the previous year. Up to the end of May last cases of cholera were rare, but in June the disease appeared in an epidemic form in the Chidamberam Taluq and caused 201 deaths. No effort was spared to check the spread of the disease, but in spite of all exertions its ravages continued to increase, and it spread to other taluqs. In July, August, September, and October of the current fasli, 2,342, 2,339, 906, and 498 persons respectively died of it, and the disease has not yet disappeared, though it seems to have considerably abated. Stringent orders have been issued to keep towns and villages as clean as possible. A statement showing the number of deaths from this disease in each taluq during the last five months is given below, from which it will be seen that of the 6,301 deaths which

occurred in the district up to the end of last month, 2,981, or nearly one-half, were in the Chidamberam Taluq. Of the other taluqs, the two that suffered most were Cuddalore and Virdachellum which adjoin Chidamberam. Trinomalai was almost free from the disease till the end of September (up to which month only nineteen persons had died of it in that taluq), but last month it began to spread there, and carried off eighty-five persons. The outbreak seems to have originated at Negapatam, and so to have made its way northwards into this district.

Causes of Deaths.	Population.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference. Increase.	Difference. Decrease.
Cholera	1,755,817	28	242	214	..
Small-pox		3,646	3,916	270	..
Fever		10,211	11,710	1,499	..
Bowel-complaint and other diseases		10,607	13,188	2,581	..
Total ..	..	24,492	29,056	4,564	..
Total increase ..	..	..	..	4,564	..

A taluqwar statement showing the number of deaths from cholera during the five months from June to October 1875 is subjoined:—

Months.	Cudda-lore.	Chidam-beram.	Virda-chellum.	Kalla-kurchi.	Trika-lore.	Villapu-ram.	Trino-malai.	Tindiva-nam.	Total.
June 1875	6	201	6	1	2	...	...	...	216
July do.	325	1,723	74	51	78	72	4	15	2,342
August do.	589	803	493	45	128	164	9	108	2,339
September do.	240	230	97	81	126	67	6	59	906
October do.	116	24	32	90	66	43	85	42	498
Total ...	1,276	2,981	702	268	400	346	104	224	6,301

9. The number of births was 37,785 against 25,662 in the preceding year. The births out-numbered the deaths by 8,729.

10. *Cattle Disease.*—Cattle diseases known as "Vekkai" and "Adappan" were prevalent in almost every taluq, but they did not prove fatal except in a few cases.

11. *Vaccination.*—In the following statement are compared the results of the vaccine operations of Fasli 1284 with those of 1283:—

Year.	Number vaccinated.	Successful.	Unsuccessful.
1873-74.			
(Fasli 1283)	20,189	19,768	421
1874-75.			
(Fasli 1284)	24,683	23,883	800
Increase ...	4,494	4,115	379

There was a large increase of nearly 22 per cent. in the number of persons vaccinated, owing to increased exertion on the part of the Vaccine Department.

12. *Prices of Agricultural Produce*.—Owing to plentiful harvest the selling prices of all the principal grains were lower in the fasli under report than in the preceding one, and, with one exception, cholum, as low as or lower than the average selling prices of the previous ten years, as will be seen from the following statement:—

Grains.	Average Price for 10 years Fasli from 1274 to 1283.	Fasli		Difference between Cols. 2 and 4.	Difference between Cols. 3 and 4.
		1283.	1284.		
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Paddy 1st sort per garce	163	158	149	— 9	— 6
Do. 2nd do. do.	147	144	135	— 8	— 6
Cholum do.	193	248	207	+ 7	— 17
Kamboo do.	180	211	165	— 8	— 22
Raggy do.	183	202	167	— 9	— 17
Horse-gram do.	250	303	250	...	— 17
Varagoo do.	116	108	103	— 11	— 5

13. *Statement No.* 3.—The following abstract shows the changes in the ryots' holdings in the fasli under report:—

Particulars.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Holdings at the commencement of the fasli	1,184,227	30,25,945	1,134,121	29,51,072	...	...	50,106	74,873
Deduct— Relinquishment and transfer, &c.	100,979	1,86,273	49,090	1,03,582	...	...	51,889	82,691
Remainder	1,083,248	28,39,672	1,085,031	28,47,490	1,783	7,818	...	...
Add— Land taken on durkhast transfer, &c.	50,873	1,11,401	84,506	1,56,607	33,633	45,206	...	...
Total ...	1,134,121	29,51,073	1,169,537	30,04,097	35,416	53,024	...	...
Deduct— Waste remitted	22,287	42,340	559	2,527	...	...	21,728	39,813
Remainder ...	1,111,834	29,08,733	1,168,978	30,01,570	57,144	92,837	...	...
Actual cultivation	1,013,334	27,23,932	1,079,154	28,40,146	65,820	1,16,214	...	...
Waste charged	98,500	1,84,801	89,824	1,61,424	...	...	8,676	23,377

The ryots' holdings as settled this fasli comprised 1,169,537 acres against 1,134,121 in the previous one, the increase being 35,416 acres, which is due—

(1) to the extent of land taken up on durkhast exceeding that relinquished;

(2) to the transfer of eight villages of the resumed Chekkadi Jaghire from Amani to Ryotwari; and

(3) to the introduction of survey areas throughout the whole of the Chekkadi Jaghire.

The waste remitted was 559 acres against 22,287 in the previous year, and the remaining area assessed to revenue in the ryots' puttas was 1,168,978 against 1,111,834 in Fasli 1283. This large difference in the amount of waste remitted was owing to the extraordinary remissions granted in Fasli 1283 on account of bad season.

14. Particulars for the increase of 57,144 acres in extent and Rupees 92,837 in the assessment are as follow:—

	Extent. ACRES.	Assessment. RS.
(1.) Net increase in the extent of lands taken on durkhast after deducting therefrom lands resigned	23,367	42,850
(2.) Increase consequent on the introduction of the Provisional Settlement into the villages of the resumed Chekkadi Jaghire and on the transfer of eight Amani villages to Ryotwari tenure	12,300	10,887
Increase consequent on the decrease in the waste remitted	21,728	39,813
Total ...	57,395	93,550
Deduct.		
Lands taken up for public purposes or given in lieu of Inams lost	251	713
	57,144	92,837

15. The following statements exhibit the actual cultivation in the past three Faslis under "Ryotwar" and "Miscellaneous" (Svayajasti).

Ryotwar.

Fasli.	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
1282	815,384	13,95,672	269,619	14,46,730	1,085,003	28,42,402
1283	749,278	13,02,284	264,056	14,21,648	1,013,334	27,23,932
1284	807,408	13,82,783	271,746	14,57,363	1,079,154	28,40,146

Miscellaneous (Svayajasti).

Fasli.	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
1282	60,935	1,05,250	2,206	11,195	63,141	1,16,445
1283	70,815	1,10,783	2,285	11,614	73,100	1,22,397
1284	93,579	1,40,528	3,289	16,783	96,868	1,57,311

Ryotwar and Miscellaneous together.

Fasli.	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
1282	876,319	15,00,922	271,825	14,57,925	1,148,144	29,58,847
1283	820,093	14,13,067	266,341	14,33,262	1,086,434	28,46,329
1284	900,987	15,23,311	275,035	14,74,146	1,176,022	29,97,457

It will be observed from the above statements that the actual cultivation during the fasli under report, taking Ryotwar and Svayajasti together, was 89,588 acres in excess of that in the preceding one, and 27,878 acres in excess of that in Fasli 1282. In consequence of the discontinuance of the practice of charging prohibitory assessment on Svayajasti cultivation, that cultivation greatly increased last year, and formed as much as one-twelfth of the Ryotwari ayacut. In future, however, very little of such cultivation will appear under Miscellaneous, as the Board have in their Order, dated 6th April 1875, No. 826, directed the issue of puttas at the Jamabandi for all lands cultivated without durkhast if no objection to their cultivation exists, which will transfer the greater portion of them to "Ryotwar."

16. The result of the Revenue Settlement, Ryotwar and Miscellaneous combined, of Fasli 1284, as compared with that of Fasli 1283, is detailed in the annexed statement, which shows an increase of Rupees 4,41,522 under "Ryotwar," and of Rupees 1,05,356 under "Miscellaneous," amounting in all to Rupees 5,46,878.

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent	Assessment.	Extent	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Dry	840,762	14,57,078	888,920	15,09,701	48,158	52,623	..	..
Wet	271,072	14,51,655	280,058	14,91,869	8,986	40,214	..	..
Total ..	1,111,834	29,08,733	1,168,978	30,01,570	57,144	92,837	..	..
Add.								
Second-crop Assessment ..	..	42,794	..	1,45,682	..	1,02,888	..	..
Water-rate on Dry Land	..	2,02,282	..	2,74,929	..	72,647	..	..
Road-cess ..	..	1,97,383	..	2,11,618*a*	..	14,235	..	..
Meerah or Village Service Fund ..	..	1,450	..	1,467	..	17	..	..
Total ..	..	33,52,642	..	36,35,266	..	2,82,624	..	..
Deduct.								
Road-cess ..	..	1,97,832	..	2,12,087*b*	..	14,255	..	..
Meerah	..	1,450	..	1,467	..	17	..	..
Other Remissions, as per Account No. 4	..	4,44,363	..	2,71,193	..	..	..	1,73,170
Total ..	..	6,43,645	..	4,84,747	..	14,272	..	1,73,170
Net decrease ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,58,898
Remaining Beriz.								
Ryotwar	..	27,08,997	..	31,50,519	..	4,41,522	..	..
Miscellaneous ..	..	1,75,395	..	2,80,751	..	1,05,356	..	..
Total ..	..	28,84,392	..	34,31,270	..	5,46,878	..	..

(*a*) (*b*). For explanation of the difference between these two items, *vide* Statement No. 3.

The following are particulars of the increase under Ryotwar:—

	RS.
(*a*.) Taram Assessment on extended cultivation	92,837
(*b*.) Second-crop Assessment	1,02,888
(*c*.) Water-rate on Dry Lands	72,647
(*d*.) Road-cess	14,235
(*e*.) Meerah	17
(*f*.) Decrease in Remissions consequent on good season	1,58,898
Total ...	4,41,522

Items (*a*), (*d*), (*e*), and (*f*) call for no remark.

Items (*c*) and (*e*) are noticed below.

17. *Second-crop Assessment.*—Of the increase, Rupees 1,02,888, under this head, Rupees 90,125 is the amount charged on "single crop" wet lands cultivated with a second crop with the aid of Government water, and Rupees 12,763 is that charged on other classes of wet lands as shown below:—

Description of Lands.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase in Fasli 1284 over 1283.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Single-crop Lands in the seven Hulus Taluqs ...	...	...	31,510	90,125	31,510	90,125
Double-crop and doubtful double-crop Lands in the seven Hulus Taluqs ...	12,128	33,880	16,534	44,344	4,406	10,464
Wet Lands in the surveyed Taluq of Chidamberam ...	3,068	8,914	3,924	11,213	856	2,299
Total ...	15,196	42,794	51,968	1,45,682	36,772	1,02,888

The so-called "single crop" lands had never paid any second-crop assessment up to last fasli; in that year, however, they were charged with it under the sanction conveyed in the Board's Proceedings, No. 208, dated 3rd February 1874. As the imposition of this assessment was, however, vigorously protested against in the Trinomalai Taluq, the ryots of one village going so far as to create a disturbance and to refuse their puttas, and as it seems in some cases to press rather hardly, I propose to address the Board on the whole question in a separate communication.

18. *Kasser or Water-rate on Dry Lands.*—In this year the following alterations were introduced in the rates of kasser, and the new rates were charged by the half cawny* instead of on the actual area irrigated as heretofore.

* Board's Proceedings, dated 27th May 1874.

——	Old Rates per Cawny.	Revised Rates per Cawny.
(1.) If more than one dry crop is raised in the year...	Rupees 2 whether one or two crops are raised.	Rupees 2 for each crop.
(2.) If sugar-cane, betel, cocoanut, plantains, &c., requiring water longer than ordinary single crops are grown	Rupees 5.	Rupees 6.
(3.) If two wet crops are raised in the year ...	Rs. 5 whether one or two crops are raised.	Rupees 5 for 1st crop. Rupees 2 for 2nd crop.

Each of these charges has brought in additional revenue as explained below. Of the total increase of Rupees 72,647 under this head, Rupees 46,896 are due to more dry lands having been irrigated by means of Government water, of which there was an abundant supply in the tanks owing to the timely and copious rain-fall; Rupees 8,450 * is the amount of the rate charged on second wet and dry crops raised on dry lands, and Rupees 265 the revenue derived from the increase of 1 Rupee in the rates chargeable on special crops raised by means of irrigation, and Rupees 17,036 from water-rate † charged on lands not actually irrigated, but which became chargeable under the half-cawny rule. The increase of revenue under this head may also be to some extent attributed to the special exertions made by the divisional officers to bring all the lands irrigated to assessment. The area *actually* irrigated in the fasli under report was 79,997 acres against 58,044 in the previous one, and against 62,036 in Fasli 1282; but if the area not actually irrigated but charged this year under the half-cawny rule (which was 5,501 acres in extent) be included in the irrigated area, the total rises to 85,498 acres. It will thus be seen that neither the enhancement in the rates nor the half-cawny rule in any way operated to reduce the extent to which Government water was availed of for dry cultivation.

	Rs.
* On second wet crop	7,137
On second dry crop	1,313
Total ...	8,450

† Called Jamma Kasser.

19. *Prohibitory Kasser.*—The prohibitory kasser charged this year under paragraph 3 of the Board's Standing Order No. 20 of 1874 was only Rupees 202. Generally the ryots took the water with permission and without prejudice to the cultivation of wet lands.

20. Particulars of the increase under Miscellaneous are given below:—

Particulars.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
(2.) Tax on Trees on unassessed lands	6,837	15,227	8,390	..
(6.) Land cultivated but not included in the Jamabandi	1,10,890	1,54,638	43,748	..
(31.) Rent on Fruit Trees on assessed Lands	2,875	7,842	4,967	..
(46.) Water-tax on Zemindari, Inam, &c., Lands ..	12,488	29,131	16,643	..
(55.) *a.* Prohibitory Assessment	4,505	9,396	4,891	..
b. Process Fees	..	29,988	29,988	..
c. Other Receipts	913	1,866	953	..
(5.) Amani Villages	8,840	..	..	8,840
Other numbers of Statement No. 5 than those mentioned here	28,047	32,663	4,616	..
Total ..	1,75,395	2,80,751	1,14,196	8,840
Deduct decrease ..	..	..	8,840	..
Net increase ..	..	..	1,05,356	..

The increase under Items Nos. 2 and 31 was the result of the following circular published by me at page 351 of the District Gazette, dated 14th November 1874:—

Circular Memorandum.

"As the present practice of levying tree-tax on only such trees as the Curnam chooses to report as being in bearing during the year gives room for frauds on the part of the village officers, and is both irrational and troublesome, necessitating as it does the inspection of all fruit trees annually, the undersigned resolves to direct that fruit trees that have once begun to bear are to be thenceforward considered as 'bearing trees' until they decay, are destroyed, or become altogether unproductive. This practice will be put in force at once."

In accordance with this circular the village officers have now registered and brought to demand all the fruit-bearing trees on which a tax is leviable, and none of these trees will be struck out of demand in future years unless they are clearly proved to have withered or become unproductive. Trees which come to bearing hereafter will be duly added to the demand year after year. The advantage of this rule is that no tree once brought to account will go out of demand without the knowledge of the settlement officer, while under the practice hitherto in force it was in the power of the village officers to keep any number of trees out of demand without his knowledge.

The increase under Item No. 46 is due to the coming into operation of the new Kasser and Poovasi Rules during the fasli under report, as already explained in paragraphs 17 and 18 *ante*.

The increase under Item 6 is due to more lands having been cultivated without durkhast, partly in consequence of the relaxation of the rule for charging prohibitory assessment on such cultivation, but chiefly in consequence of the favorable nature of the season.

21. *Item No.* 55.—The following is a Taluqwar Statement for Faslis 1283 and 1284, showing the prohibitory assessment imposed on the cultivation of lands reserved for public purposes, such as nattam, streets, burning and burial-grounds, beds of tanks, ponds, and channels, &c.:—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Tindivanam	55	183	128	...
Trinomalai	83	562	479	...
Villapuram	517	223	...	294
Cuddalore	1,872	934	...	938
Trikalore	223	2,014	1,791	...
Kallakurchi	21	1,028	1,007	...
Virdachellam	618	2,438	1,820	...
Chidamberam	1,116	2,014	898	...
Total ...	4,505	9,396	6,123	1,232
Net increase ...	...	...	4,891	...

It will be seen that the assessment imposed this year was more than double the amount imposed in the preceding year. Encouraged by the relaxation of the rule in favor of the cultivation of land without durkhast, the ryots appear to have extended their cultivation in many instances recklessly to any land whether properly available for cultivation or required to be reserved for common use. The list of cases for prohibitory assessment submitted by the Curnams this year were very heavy, and took up a deal of the time of the settlement officers.

22. Process Fees.—This item consists of fees levied from ryots for processes served on them under Act II. of 1864 for the recovery of arrears of revenue. The amount collected was till August 1874 credited in the accounts under 13, Law and Justice, but from 1st September 1874 it has been credited to Land Revenue, Miscellaneous, under the Accountant-General's Circular, No. 22, of 31st August 1874. The credits under this head to Land Revenue were, therefore, *nil* in Fasli 1283, and the amount which appears under Fasli 1284 is that credited to this head from 1st September 1874. The actual collections under this head in each of the past two faslis are given in paragraph 42 under "Coercive Process," and the cause of the variations therein explained.

23. The following abstract shows the principal sources of anicut and channel irrigation in the district, with the ayacut and cultivation under each source:—

Anicut.	Nunjah Ayacut.		Cultivation in Fasli 1284.				
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Fasal-jasti.	Teerva-jasti.	Total.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Lower Anicut, Coleroon ...	77,070	4,05,209	71,218	383,564	10,927	23,699	4,18,190
Vellar Anicut	24,581	1,13,445	15,721	76,924	4,449	30,814	1,12,187
Gundi-lam. Pooniar Anicut. Ragavien Channel	6,891	36,340	6,155	32,587	3,820	10,186	46,593
Malattar do.	2,975	16,853	2,732	15,262	2,015	2,217	19,494
Chittalmgamadam Channel.	593	4,639	512	3,154	320	170	3,644
Vadamavadur Channel ...	420	2,372	337	1,932	412	261	2,605
Pombay Channel	4,714	22,886	3,868	18,573	1,497	1,862	21,932
Trivadi Anicut	4,064	28,441	3,910	26,646	6,190	2,738	35,574
Trivendipuram Anicut ...	1,270	17,934	801	12,117	...	732	12,849
Vanamadevi Anicut ..	450	5,629	449	5,603	...	314	5,917
Vikravandy Anicut	1,361	5,870	917	4,363	294	3,566	8,223
Kinnanur do.	1,862	9,812	1,532	7,954	310	10,877	19,141
Mumathur do.	400	2,412	398	2,379	148	8,959	11,486
Kattumailúr do.	86	614	81	579	93	201	873
Thondiar do.	1,713	8,913	1,588	8,409	2,111	2,868	13,388
Total ...	128,390	6,81,369	110,219	6,00,046	32,586	99,464	7,32,096
Pooniar River Channels ...	34,928	2,07,319	28,820	1,66,910	16,475	29,895	2,13,280
Fasli 1283 ...	163,318	8,88,688	139,039	7,66,956	49,061	1,29,359	9,45,376
	...	...	139,201	7,69,188	20,722	1,02,142	8,92,052
						Increase.	
Decrease...	...	...	16·2	2,232	28,339	27,217	53,324

The decrease in the extent of nunjah lands cultivated is very small, and is owing to some of the lands in the Villapuram Taluq having been inundated by the Pooniar and rendered unfit for cultivation. In the similar statement appended to the Jamabandi Report for Fasli 1283, the revenue from the Pooniar Anicut included that from the Reddi Channel. This channel, however, is not connected with, or influenced by, the Pooniar Anicut, and has therefore been transferred in the present year's statement from the head "Pooniar Anicut" to "River Channels." The channel branches off from the Pooniar at about ten miles below the anicut.

24. *Ruined Tanks.*—Two ruined tanks (rain-fed) were made over to ryots this year under the Board's Standing Order, No. 125, in the taluq of Trikalore. The tanks were small ones, and call for no special remark.

25. The subjoined statement exhibits the remissions given during the settlement under report for waste and shavi :—

Items.	Total Waste.		Remission granted.		Waste charged.		Remission granted in Fasli 1283.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.			
Full fields.	ACRES.	RS.	ACS.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Dry	81,626	1,27,166	114	248	81,512	1,26,918	12,593	..	12,345
Wet	8,757	36,784	445	2,279	8,312	34,505	29,747	..	27,468
Total..	90,383	1,63,950	559	2,527	89,824	1,61,423	42,340	..	39,813
Portions of fields.									
Dry	17,437	28,971	18	33	17,419	28,938	2,532	..	2,499
Wet	1,742	8,094	72	327	1,670	7,767	3,166	..	2,839
Total..	19,179	37,065	90	360	19,089	36,705	5,698	..	5,338
Total.									
Dry	99,063	1,56,137	132	*b*281	98,931	1,55,856	15,125	..	14,844
Wet	10,499	44,878	517	2,606	9,982	42,272	32,913	..	30,307
Grand Total..	109,562	2,01,015	649	*a* 2,887	108,913	1,98,128	48,038	..	45,151

Items.	Total Waste.		Remission granted.		Waste charged.		Remission granted in Fasli 1283.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.			
Nunjah Remission.	ACRES.	RS.	ACS.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Shavi	..	..	..	*a* 1,180	..	..	73,064	..	71,884
Vellapaul	..	..	..	*a* 2,918	..	..	293	2,625	..
Veraithapaul ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,211	..	1,211
Short produce ..	..	..	..	*a* 758	..	..	9,315	..	8,557
Kasser	..	..	..	*a* 1,630	..	..	7,845	..	6,215
Fasaljasti	..	..	..	*a* 337	..	..	272	65	..
Assessment on lands taken up for public purposes	..	..	..	85	..	..	22	63	..
Difference between wet and dry assessment remitted on account of wet lands having been cultivated with dry crops for want of water	..	..	..	406	..	..	467	..	61
Punjah Remission.									
Vellapaul	..	..	..	*a* 683*b*	..	..	..	683	..
Short produce ..	..	..	..	*a* 56*b*	..	..	1,12,096	..	1,12,040
Assessment on lands taking up for public purposes ..	..	..	..	30	..	..	4	26	..
Assessment on lands taken up by Forest Department ..	..	..	..	11	..	..	32	..	21
	..	..	..	8,094	..	..	2,04,621	3,462	1,99,989
Grand Total, Remission	..	..	..	*10,981	..	..	2,52,659	*3,462	2,45,140
Net decrease ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,41,678
* *Note*—									
As per Statement No. 3	..	..	..	2,527	..	..	42,340	..	..
Do. do. No. 4	..	..	..	8,454	..	..	2,10,319	..	..

The amount of remissions granted on wet and dry lands on account of withered crops and of destruction of crops by floods was Rupees 10,449* against Rupees 2,52,134 in the preceding year. The large difference is owing to Fasli 1283 having been an exceptionally bad year. Of this sum, Rupees 1,020† were remitted on punjah lands owing to the crops having been entirely swept away by floods. This remission was granted by the Acting Head Assistant Collector Mr. Kough (now on furlough to Europe) in the Villapuram Taluq, and he had apparently lost sight of the standing orders prohibiting the grant of remissions on dry lands without previous reference to the Board. As, however, the remissions were granted by him on account of crops destroyed by the unusually heavy floods of October, I request the Board's sanction for the remission.

* *Vide* items marked (*a*) in the statement.

† *Vide* items marked (*b*) in the Statement.

The other items of remission call for no remark.

26. The total remissions granted in each taluq of the district are noted in the margin, from which it will be seen that no remission whatever was granted in two of the taluqs in the Sub-division, and only Rupees 56 in the remaining taluq.

	Rs.
Tindivanam	955
Villapuram	6,352
Cuddalore	1,798
Chidamberam	56
Virdachellum	...
Kallakurchi	...
Trinomalai	920
Trikalore	900
Total ...	10,981

27. The annexed comparative statement exhibits the remissions granted in Fasli 1283 and 1284.—*Vide* Statement No. 4.

Items.	Granted in Fasli.		Increase.	Decrease.
	1283.	1284.		
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1. Occasional Remission	2,10,319	8,454	..	2,01,865
2. Fixed do.	11,727	12,024	297	..
3. Remission allowed on the collections or from the entire beriz of villages for village officers' uliyam	2,22,317	2,50,715	28,398	..
Total ..	4,44,363	2,71,193	28,695	2,01,865
Net decrease ..	..	..	..	1,73,170

The decrease of Rupees 2,01,865 under the item "Occasional Remission" has been already noticed.

The increase under the second item is due to the remissions granted under the Tope Rules on lands newly taken up for casuarina plantations in the Cuddalore Taluq.

The increase in the third item is the natural consequence of the increase in the beriz of villages.

28. *Enclosure A to Statement No.* 3.—This enclosure is blank, as the Amani villages of the Chekkadi Jaghire, which were the only villages of that description in the district, were transferred to Ryotwari owing to the introduction of the Provisional Settlement as explained in paragraph 5.

29. The annexed comparative abstract shows the extent and assessment of lands cultivated with sugar-cane, indigo, and cotton during the Faslis 1283 and 1284.

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.
Sugar-cane	2,614	13,840	2,395	14,291	..	451	219	..
Cotton	25,672	52,701	18,583	41,922	..	..	7,089	10,779
Indigo	90,957	1,66,234	48,713	93,945	..	..	42,244	72,289

There was a small decrease in the area cultivated with sugar-cane, but the assessment on the lands on which this crop was cultivated was greater than in the previous year, owing to more highly assessed lands having been devoted to this cultivation. There was a large falling off in the cultivation of cotton and of indigo; of 27 per cent. in the case of the former, and of 46 per cent. in the case of the latter. The cause of the decrease in the cultivation of indigo is not very apparent, but is attributable either to lands ordinarily cultivated with indigo being

cropped with cereals and oil seeds, or to a falling off in the demand for the article. My own belief is that of the two reasons, the former is the more real. The same remarks apply to cotton.

30. The subjoined memorandum shows the cultivation of ground-nut and rape seed during Fasli 1284 as compared with that of the preceding fasli:—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.
Ground-nut..	26,852	51,892	23,186	46,896	..	..	3,666	4,996
Rape Seed ..	32,025	55,598	70,747	1,38,575	38,722	82,977	..	..

The decrease under Ground-nut is reported by the Tahsildars to be owing to some of the lands on which it is usually cultivated having been rendered unfit for cultivation by the heavy rains of May, September, and October 1874. My own impression is that much of the land so cultivated in Fasli 1283 was cultivated with other crops, probably rape seed, in the fasli under report. Rape seed was cultivated this year on more than double the area devoted to it in the preceding year. There seems to have been a considerable increase in the demand for this article in Pondicherry, as shown by the large exports of it during the fasli. The duty on the export of this article rose during the year enormously, *viz.*, from Rupees 327 in Fasli 1283 to Rupees 17,034 in Fasli 1284.

31. The general result of the land revenue settlement including miscellaneous items of Fasli 1284, as compared with that of Faslis 1282 and 1283, is shown in the subjoined statement:—

	Items.	Fasli 1282.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase in 1284 over 1283.	Increase in 1284 over 1282.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Permanently settled	8,599	8,599	8,599	..	..
2	Jodi on Shrotriem Villages ..	22,613	22,662	22,662	..	49
3	Ryotwari	30,27,500	27,08,997	31,50,519	4,41,522	1,23,019
4	Miscellaneous	1,83,627	1,75,395	2,80,751	1,05,356	97,124
	Total ..	32,42,339	29,15,653	34,62,531	5,46,878	2,20,192

The land revenue demand of Fasli 1284 was the highest that has ever been reached.

32. The following statement shows the total revenue demand under all sources of revenue during Fasli 1284 as compared with that of Fasli 1283:—

	Items of Revenue.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Land Revenue including miscellaneous items ..	29,15,653	34,62,531	5,46,878	..
2	Abkári	1,94,005	1,89,761	..	4,244
3	Salt	5,87,183	4,19,622	..	1,67,561
4	Sea Customs	78,936	78,709	..	227
5	Land Customs	72,274	1,12,448	40,174	..
6	Stamps	1,62,794	1,87,060	24,266	..
7	Income-tax	48	..	..	48
	Total ..	40,10,893	44,50,131	6,11,318	1,72,080
	Deduct decrease ..	..	..	1,72,080	..
	Net increase ..	..	..	4,39,238	..

Under "Salt," "Sea Customs," "Land Customs," and "Stamps," the amounts of the collections have been as usual entered as the demand, and the variations in these items of revenue will therefore be noticed in the next paragraph which relates to collections. The decrease in the "Abkári" demand is owing to the issues from the distilleries having been smaller. Two statements are annexed below, one showing the quantity of liquor taken out of the distilleries by the renter, the other showing taluqwar, the quantities issued by him to the various shops in the district.

Statement showing Arrack issued from the Distilleries during Faslis 1283 *and* 1284.

Items.	Fasli 1283, Gallons 30° U. P.	Fasli 1284, Gallons 30° U. P.	Increase, 30° U. P.	Decrease, 30° U. P.
Ordinary Shops	67,112	73,132	6,020	..
Frontier do.	13,217	4,488	..	8,729
Total ..	80,329	77,620	6,020	8,729
Net decrease ..	..	..	..	2,709

NOTE.—The actual strengths of the liquor issued on account of the frontier shops were 40, 48 and 54 degrees under proof in Fasli 1283, and 38° and 44° U. P. in Fasli 1284; but they are here converted into terms of 30° U. P. to facilitate comparison.

Statement showing Taluqwar, the Quantities of Arrack issued to the Shops from the Renter's Godowns.

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283. Ordinary Shops 30° U. P.		Fasli 1283. Frontier Shops 30° U. P.		Fasli 1283. Total.		Fasli 1284. Ordinary Shops 30° U. P.		Fasli 1284. Frontier Shops 30° U. P.		Fasli 1284. Total.		Difference. Ordinary Shops.		Difference. Frontier Shops.	
	GAL.	B.	GAL.	DEC.	GAL.	DEC.	GAL.	B.	GAL.	DEC.	GAL.	DEC.	GAL.	DEC.	GAL.	DEC.
1. Cuddalore ...	9,118	4	11,126	...	20,244	·66	15,143	4	3,698	...	18,841	·66	+ 6,025	...	− 7,428	...
2. Chidamberum...	11,884	...	...	...	11,884	...	13,412	4½	...	...	13,412	·75	+ 1,528	·75	...	...
3. Verdachellum...	6,098	3	....	...	6,098	·5	6,082	4	...	...	6,082	·66	− 15	·84	...	...
4. Kallakurchi ...	7,433	5	...	...	7,433	·83	5,389	1	...	...	5,389	·16	− 2,044	·67	...	...
5. Trikalore ...	7,362	4	...	...	7,362	·66	10,556	4	...	...	10,556	·66	+ 3,194	...	...	...
6. Trinomalai ...	13,241	3	...	...	13,241	·5	11,067	3	...	...	11,067	·5	− 2,174	...	...	...
7. Tindivanam ...	8,675	3	537	·5	9,213	...	7,241	3	95	·8	7,337	·33	− 1,434	...	− 441	·7
8. Villapuram ...	7,921	2	2,187	·49	10,108	·82	8,139	3	1,352	·7732	9,492	·27	+ 218	·17	− 835	·71
Total ...	71,736	...	13,850	·99	85,586	·99	77,033	·416	5,146	·5732	82,179	·99	+ 5,297	·416	− 8,705	...
Net decrease ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	− 3,408	...

These statements show that there was a decrease of 2,709 gallons in the quantity of liquor issued from the distillery, and of 3,408 gallons in the quantity actually issued to the shops for sale from the renter's godowns. The issues to the frontier shops fell off this year by 8,705 gallons, while those to the ordinary shops rose by 5,297. This difference was chiefly caused by the transfer of 170 shops from the head "Frontier" to "Ordinary" carried out in October 1874, in accordance with the Board's Proceedings, dated 9th idem, No. 2,948.

A part of the falling off in the consumption may also be attributed to a decrease in the number of shops. The average number of shops in the fasli under report was 789 against 846 in the previous year.

33. The subjoined statement shows the difference in the collections of the current and arrear demand from all sources of revenueas compared with those of the preceding fasli :—

Items.	Fasli 1283. Arrears.	Fasli 1283. Current.	Fasli 1283. Total.	Fasli 1284. Arrears.	Fasli 1284. Current.	Fasli 1284. Total.	Increase.	Decrease.
Land Revenue.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Permanently settled...	...	6,556	6,556	2,043	7,489	9,532	2,976	...
2. Jodi on Shrotriem, &c., Villages	2,901	16,237	19,138	6,400	18,691	25,091	5,953	...
3. Ryotwari	35,881	24,05,207	24,41,088	2,97,889	30,29,928	33,27,817	8,86,729	...
4. Miscellaneous ...	25,046	1,31,341	1,56,387	40,587	2,03,965	2,44,552	88,165	...
Total ...	63,828	25,59,341	26,23,169	3,46,919	32,60,073	36,06,992	9,83,823	...
5. Abkári	11,120	1,80,319	1,91,439	13,686	1,71,505	1,85,191	...	6,248
6. Salt	...	5,87,183	5,87,183	...	4,19,622	4,19,622	...	1,67,561
7. Sea Customs	...	78,936	78,936	...	78,709	78,709	...	227
8. Land Customs ...	...	72,274	72,274	...	1,12,448	1,12,448	40,174	...
9. Stamps	...	1,62,794	1,62,794	...	1,87,060	1,87,060	24,266	...
10. Income-tax	21	48	69	...	...	...	...	69
Total ...	11,141	10,81,554	10,92,695	13,686	9,69,344	9,83,030	64,440	1,74,105
Grand Total ...	74,969	36,40,895	37,15,864	3,60,605	42,29,417	45,90,022	10,48,263	1,74,105
Net increase ...	...	...	...	...	..	...	8,74,158	...

34. LAND REVENUE.—There was a large increase in the collections under this head, amounting to Rupees 9,83,823. Of this increase, Rupees 2,83,091 were under "Arrears" and Rupees 7,00,732 under "Current." At the beginning of the year there remained an arrear of about three and-a-half lakhs for collection, the greater part of which was the current demand of the previous year, the collection of which was not pressed in that year owing to the distressed circumstances of the ryots, which had been specially reported to the Board. The collection of these three and-a-half lakhs as well as of the current demand of thirty-two and-a-half lakhs (which was five and-a-half lakhs higher than that of the preceding year) was vigorously pushed on, and the result was the increase above noticed. The collections* of current demand within the fasli under report amount to 94·15 per cent. of its total amount against 87·78 per cent. in the preceding year.

	RS.
* Current demand	34,62,531
Collections within the fasli out of it	32,60,073
Balance ...	2,02,458
or 94·15 per cent.	

35. *Salt.*—There was a falling off of 1,67,561 Rupees in the salt revenue. The following comparative statement shows the sales of salt in Faslis 1283 and 1284 in each division, from which it will be seen that there was a large decrease in the sales in the Merkanam Division, owing to there being no salt available for sale there from 1st October 1874 to April 1875, in consequence of a failure of the manufacture caused by excessive rain-fall in May 1874; and, in order to meet the requirements of the district, 160,670 Indian Maunds were imported from the Kistna and Chingleput Districts and sold at Gundalam, and this accounts for the large increase of sales in that division. The increase in the sales at Killai was due to the large amount manufactured and available for sale there :—

Salt Divisions.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Merkanam	3,70,623	48,625	..	3,21,998
Gundalam	1,85,759	3,25,144	1,39,385	..
Killai	26,240	42,590	16,350	..
Total ..	5,82,622	4,16,359	1,55,735	3,21,998
Miscellaneous	4,561	3,263	..	1,298
Grand Total ..	5,87,183	4,19,622	1,55,735	3,23,296
Net decrease ..	..	..	..	1,67,561

36. The quantity of salt sold for Home and Inland consumption and for supply to the French Government in Fasli 1284 is shown in the subjoined statement as compared with that of Fasli 1283. There was no export by sea :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	MDS.	MDS.	MDS.	MDS.
Home Consumption ..	187,645	163,453	..	24,192
Inland do. ..	101,250	42,347	..	58,903
Supply to French Government.	41,801	41,145	..	656
Total ..	330,696	246,945	..	83,751

The large decrease in the Home and Inland consumption is chiefly due to the deficiency of stock in the Merkanam Division.

37. Statement No. 11 shows the wastage of salt during the fasli under report. It amounted to 17,508 Maunds, or 4 per cent. of the quantity stored. This rate being moderate, I request sanction for writing off its value, *viz.*, Rupees 5,112-0-10, from the Demand.

38. The following is an abstract showing the quantity of salt in store at the commencement and close of the fasli, and also at the end of September last :—

Abstract.

	MDS.	MDS.
Stock in hand on the 1st July 1874		156,277
Quantity manufactured in Fasli 1284, or up to 30th June 1875.		314,641
Quantity received from the Chingleput and Kistna Districts ...		160,670
		631,588
Deduct.		
Quantity sold including that supplied to the French Government	246,945	
Wastage	17,508	
		264,453
In hand on 1st July 1875		367,135
Add.		
Quantity manufactured between 1st July and 30th September 1875		320,434
		687,569
Deduct.		
Quantity sold during the months of July, August, and September 1875	89,924	
Wastage	2,655	
		92,579
		*594,990

* *Particulars*—

	MDS.
Quantity actually in hand	551,790
Quantity supplied to the French Government, but not yet adjusted in the accounts	43,200
	594,990

The quantity actually in hand on the 1st October 1875 was distributed over the several divisions as follows, and is nearly sufficient for two years' supply :—

	MDS.
Merkanam	417,771
Gundalam	121,426
Killai	12,593
	551,790

39. Sea Customs.—The total collections under this head were nearly the same as those in the preceding year. There was an increase of Rupees 9,462 at the port of Cuddalore, and a decrease of Rupees 9,689 at Porto Novo. The increase at the port of Cuddalore resulted from larger exports of paddy to Ceylon and of ground-nut oil and indigo to London, and from the larger import of Railway materials. The decrease at Porto Novo resulted from the smaller export of paddy and rice to Ceylon and smaller import of nuts from Acheen. The following statement exhibits the variations in the imports and exports of the above articles :—

Sea Custom.

Whether Export or Import.	Description of Articles.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Export	Indigo	..	306	306	..
	Ground-nut	336	656	320	..
	Paddy	55,804	51,695	..	4,109
	Rice	21,475	19,548	..	1,927
	Sundries	346	717	371	..
	Total ..	77,961	72,922	997	6,036
Import	Railway Materials	328	4,725	4,397	..
	Betel-nut	382	41	..	341
	Sundries	173	448	275	..
	Total ..	883	5,214	4,672	341
	Miscellaneous	92	573	481	..
	Grand Total ..	78,936	78,709	6,150	6,377
	Net decrease ..	..	..	..	227

40. *Land Customs.*—The increase of Rupees 40,174 in the Land Customs revenue is due to larger exports of oil, ground-nut, and gingelly seed, and to larger imports of copper, clothes, &c., as shown by the following statement. The remarkable increase in the quantity of gingelly seed exported is certainly attributable to the great increase in the area of land cultivated with

this crop. The increase in the exports of ground-nut and ground-nut oil are possibly due to the crops being much larger owing to the excellent season than in Fasli 1283 :—

Land Customs.

Whether Export or Import.	Description of Articles.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284	Increase.	Decrease.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Export	Indigo	9,571	4,035	...	5,536
	Gingelly oil	327	17,034	16,707	...
	Ground-nut	2,134	21,133	18,999	...
	Ground-nut oil	7,652	15,642	7,990	...
	Clothes	6,806	5,873	...	933
	Sundries	4,426	4,030	...	396
	Total ...	30,916	67,747	43,696	6,865
Import	Liquor	7,400	7,006	...	394
	Clothes	3,856	3,966	110	...
	Thread	1,553	1,221	...	332
	Copper	5,446	9,184	3,738	...
	Brass or Toora	2,615	2,979	364	...
	Sundries	19,624	19,579	...	45
	Total ...	40,494	43,935	4,212	771
	Miscellaneous	865	767	...	98
	Grand Total ...	72,275	1,12,449	4 7,908	7,734
	Net increase ...	...	...	40,174	...

Sayer Stations.	Increase. Rs.
Mortandichavady...	9,495
Kottakuppam	1,977
Kundamangalam...	7,566
Tookanampakam...	1,001
Valudavoor	1,051
Madalaputt	19,077
Export by Sea from Pondicherry.	7
Total ...	40,174

The increase is distributed over the several Sayer Stations, as noted in the margin. The duty on European liquors imported from Pondicherry amounted to Rupees 7,006 against Rupees 7,400 in the previous year.

41. *Statement No.* 7.—Out of the entire current demand of Rupees 44,50,131 from all sources of revenue for Fasli 1284, a sum of Rupees 42,29,417 was collected within the fasli, leaving a balance of Rupees 2,20,714 on the 1st July 1875, which was further reduced by subsequent collection in July, August, and September last to Rupees 65,922* on the 1st ultimo. Measures are in progress for the collection of this balance, a portion of which consists of irrecoverable items which will be scrutinized at the next Jamabandi. The arrear demand at the commencement of the fasli amounted to Rupees 4,25,737, of which Rupees 3,60,605† were collected and Rupees 30,141 written off the accounts within the fasli. Deducting the above sums, which together amount to Rupees 3,90,746, there remained on the 1st July 1875 a balance of Rupees 34,991 of old arrears, which was reduced to Rupees 31,728 by subsequent collections by the 1st October last.

	Rs.
* Permanently settled	811
Jodi on Shrotriem	626
Ryotwari	41,705
Miscellaneous	22,780
Total ...	65,922

† G. O., No. 770, of 23rd June 1874.
„ „ 846, of 8th July „
„ „ 1,288, of 8th October „

42. A comparative statement showing the extent to which coercive measures were adopted during Faslis 1283 and 1284 in the collection of revenue is annexed :—

Faslis.	Items.	Value of Property attached.	Value of Property sold.
		Rs.	Rs.
1283 ..	Personal ..	29,995	5,958
	Real	32,843	20,031
	Total ..	62,838	25,989
1284 ..	Personal ..	67,935	7,967
	Real	34,852	24,148
	Total ..	1,02,787	32,115
	Increase ..	39,949	6,126

The ratio between the values of property attached and property sold in Fasli 1284 is less than that existing between those values in Fasli 1283 ; in the latter year it was 41 per cent. and in the year under report it is only 31 per cent. This shows that the ryots are getting more learned in the intricacies of the law.

The collections under Process Service Fees in Fasli 1284 amounted to Rupees 33,811-13-7 against Rupees 8,613-14-9 in the previous year. The amount to the credit of the fund at the beginning of the fasli was Rupees 2,624, which being added to the amount collected during the year gives a total of Rupees 36,435, from which deducting the salaries paid to the process-servers, there remained to the credit of the fund at the end of the year Rupees 23,297, or nine times the amount which remained to its credit at the end of last year. This large balance will, however, be greatly reduced this year, as I have from 1st July last reduced the rate of process fee demandable by one-half, that is, from 4 to 2 Annas for every five miles, with reference to the Board's Proceedings, No. 971, of 24th April 1874. As directed in the same Proceedings, fixed salaries not exceeding Rupees 7 were attached to process-servers, and the number of them required for each taluq was left to be regulated by the divisional officers.

43. *Statement No.* 8.—The arrears of former faslis which remained uncollected on the 1st October last amounted to Rupees 31,728-7-6, extending over a period of twelve years from fasli 1272 to 1283 inclusive. Of this sum, Rupees 14,995-11-0 are recoverable and Rupees 16,732-12-6 are irrecoverable. Of the latter sum, Rupees 9,530-7-10 were already recommended to be written off the accounts in my last Settlement Report, and for the remainder, Rupees 7,202-4-8, similar sanction is now requested. The following are the grounds on which the latter sum is considered irrecoverable :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
The sum recommended in paragraph 44 of the last Jamabandi Report to be written off the accounts as irrecoverable...	10,332	0	8
Deduct the amount collected subsequently after the recommendation	801	8	10
Total ...	9,530	7	10

	Rs.	A.	P.
1. Arrears of assessment charged in the accounts of two villages owing to boundary disputes and already collected in one of them in consequence of the dispute having been settled ...	1,153	1	9
2. Amount of arrears due on lands sold and bought in by Government for want of bidders, and for the collection of which no other property of the defaulters was available for distraint ...	3,316	1	5
3. Amount due on lands sold, which fetched only a portion of the arrear, and for the collection of which no other property of the defaulter is available	1,760	0	11
4. Remissions on appeal after Jamabandi	871	2	2
5. Remissions of assessment an lands taken up for Railway purposes	101	14	5
Total ...	7,202	4	8

Taluqwar particulars for the irrecoverable and recoverable arrears are given below :—

Irrecoverable.

		Rs.	A.	P.
Chidamberam Taluq	... ...	309	9	0
Cuddalore	do.	3,456	4	1
Tindivanam	do.	89	12	6
Trikalore	do.	...	...	...
Virdachellum	do.	875	10	3
Kallakurchi	do.	250	8	11
Villapuram	do.	2,116	13	3
Trinomalai	do.	103	10	8
	Total ...	7,202	4	8

Taluqs.	Arrears entered as recoverable.												
	Fasli 1272.	Fasli 1273.	Fasli 1274.	Fasli 1275.	Fasli 1276.	Fasli 1277.	Fasli 1278.	Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280.	Fasli 1281.	Fasli 1282.	Fasli 1283.	Total.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Tindivanam ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	27 5 5	170 11 2	510 12 9	2,275 12 3	2,984 9 7
Cuddalore ...	... ...	9 13 4	10 14 8	10 5 1	10 15 10	42 11 2	9 1 8	20 6 10	15 6 7	1,138 13 10	1,267 8 3	1,606 4 7	4,142 5 10
Villapuram ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	7 1 5	0 0 9	97 2 2	561 12 4	173 15 10	440 2 2	457 8 5	1,474 0 6	3,211 11 7
Virdachellum ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	10 2 0	0 9 3	176 6 1	... ...	32 7 9	991 15 3	1,211 8 4
Chidamberam ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	2,630 0 6	2,630 0 6
Kallakurchi ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	25 1 11	30 10 7	29 15 5	17 7 2	234 5 7	337 8 8
Trinomalai ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	121 13 6	121 13 6
Trikalore ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	37 7 8	27 6 10	64 14 6
Total ...	... ...	9 13 4	10 14 8	10 5 1	18 1 3	42 11 11	116 5 10	607 14 4	423 12 6	1,779 10 7	2,323 4 0	9,361 11 0	14,704 8 6
Add arrears of Income-tax.	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	284 10 6	6 8 0	... ...	291 2 6
Total ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	14,995 11 0

44. *Statement No.* 9.—The total collections under all sources of revenue amounted to Rupees 45,90,022, from which deducting the disbursements which amounted to Rupees 3,25,910, the balance or net revenue amounts to Rupees 42,64,112. This is Rupees 9,04,100 in excess of that realized in the preceding year. The charges amount to 7 per cent. of the gross receipts. The important variations in the items of charges entered in this statement are explained below.

45. Salary of Collectors, &c.—The decrease of Rupees 3,350 under this head is chiefly due to the absence from the district of the Assistant Collector Mr. Thomson for nearly eight months while on duty in other districts.

46. Contingencies.—The increase of Rupees 2,688 under this head is due partly to an increase in the travelling allowance drawn by clerks and office servants who were more frequently on the move in this year, and partly to larger expenditure on account of office furniture.

47. Miscellaneous.—The increase under this head was Rupees 4,828, and arose partly from the larger amount paid to process-servers who were employed in larger numbers on account of more revenue having had to be collected, and partly from a sum of Rupees 1,822 having had to be paid by Government from Imperial Revenues to Local Funds under G. O., No. 829, of 11th August 1873, to adjust the half charge of road-cess due on lands assigned to certain pagodas in lieu of ready-money allowances, which is paid by Government since the introduction of the Local Funds Act.

48. Sea Customs Contingencies.—The increase under this head consists of the extra salary paid to the Sea Customs officials, in accordance with the Board's Proceedings, No. 642, dated 20th March 1874, for working out of office hours.

49. Salt.—*Charges for exporting Salt.*—The expenditure shown under this head is the cost of the conveyance of the salt supplied annually to the French Government. The increase of Rupees 1,761 under this head was caused by the salt in question having been sent by land in carts instead of by sea in dhonies, in order to save the wastage resulting from the frequent loading and unloading of the salt involved in sending the salt by sea.

50. Kudivaram Charges.—*Conveying and Storing Charges.*—The decrease of Rupees 22,797 under these two heads arose chiefly from smaller manufacture of salt owing to unfavorable season as already explained in the previous paragraphs.

51. *Freight on Salt imported.*—The decrease under this head is due to the conveyance of the salt having been contracted for at much cheaper rates than in the previous fasli.

52. *Examination of Taluq Treasuries under Board's S. O., No.* 8 *of* 1874.—The Treasury Deputy Collector examined the taluq treasuries of Cuddalore and Villapuram during the fasli under report, and also the village accounts of ten villages in each of those two taluqs The balance of cash and stamps in the taluq treasuries were found correct, but in several minor matters the instructions contained in the taluq manual and the Board's Standing Orders had been neglected from ignorance or indifference on the part of the taluq officials. The Deputy Collector made a very searching and thorough examination of the accounts and registers kept in those taluqs, and copies of his elaborate reports on the results of his examinations have been forwarded to the Tahsildars concerned with stringent instructions to be more careful hereafter As regards the collection accounts kept in the villages, *viz.*, Nos. 10, 11, and 12, the Monigars and Curnams of the villages, the accounts of which were examined by the Deputy Collector. were found totally ignorant of the instructions contained in the manual. The credits in No. 10 did not always agree with those in No. 11, and No. 11 was neglected to such an extent that it was impossible to ascertain the balance due by the ryots *without going through No.* 10 and posting the collections. The taluq officials were also indifferent to the matter.

I extract below paragraphs 16 and 17 of the Deputy Collector's report on the state of the accounts in the Villapuram Taluq, containing suggestions for remedying the above state of things, and beg to report that his suggestions have been carried out.

Paragraph 16. "I would suggest, with a view to remedy these defects and to ensure uniformity and accuracy in the preparation of the collection accounts of villages, that printed books be supplied to village officers of Statements 10, 11 and 12, with a few plain and simple directions rinted on the first page of the outer sheet, as in the specimens submitted, which, if approvde, may be sent to the Revenue Board in view to the required number of forms being printed at the Penitentiary Press at Madras, and supplied to us in time for being brought into use from the beginning of Fasli 1285."

Paragraph 17. "The necessity of printing the instructions in the first page for ready reference has become apparent *to me, from the fact that* in no single village out of the twenty I examined in Cuddalore and Villapuram Taluqs did the Village Monigar or the Curnam seem to know any thing of the manual forms or as to how they were to be prepared, and the taluq officers themselves are generally so very indifferent that they never take the trouble of giving even a few hints to the village officers."

53. Village and Taluq Accounts.—A thorough and systematic examination of the village accounts was ordered this year. Statement A, that is, the pymaish account, was carefully compared with the Adangal No. 4, field by field, to see if the full taram assessment on each field was brought to account in the ryots' holdings, if any wet fields had been fraudulently classed as dry, and whether other frauds had been practised. The agreement between the

various forms of accounts and the correctness of the totals in each were also tested, and all the discrepancies and irregularities discovered were recorded by the examining clerk at the end of each account. The examining clerk was also required to attest all the erasures and corrections in the accounts with his initials, and to affix a certificate that he had attested them, and that he had examined the accounts in accordance with the special instructions given. This examination brought to light several irregularities, some of which involved loss of revenue to Government though of a trifling amount.

This examination having been commenced in the first taluq taken up for settlement, *viz.* Trinomalai, it had a very wholesome effect on the preparation of the accounts in the other taluqs; for instance, in one of the villages of the Cuddalore Taluq, since settled by me, I found that a Curnam had altered the taram assessment in some puttas so as to give the Puttadars a reduction of about Rupees 4, and that puttas had been issued for this reduced amount up to Fasli 1283. In Fasli 1284, however, the Curnam saw that the examination ordered would bring his fraud to light, and charged the correct amount in the Chittah No. 5. The matter, however, came to light in the course of the examination by the taluq and Huzur officials, and the Curnam's conduct is now under inquiry.

54. CHEKKADI JAGHIRE.—The provisional settlement of this jaghire sanctioned in G.O., No. 1,265, dated 5th October 1874, Revenue Department, was introduced during the fasli under report, and the result is embodied in the following statement.

The increase of revenue* secured was Rupees 4,545, Rupees 3,458 on dry, and Rupees 539 on wet. The anticipated increase as reported by Mr. Sullivan in paragraph 19 of his letter, No. 41, dated 22nd January 1874, recorded in the Proceedings of Government was, however, Rs. 5,745 on dry, and Rupees 757 on wet; but this was not realized, as the ryots relinquished a large extent of land after the delivery of puttas under the special option allowed them with the Board's sanction (*Vide* Proceedings, No. 3,569, dated 9th December 1874), in consideration of the new liabilities they were incurring by the introduction of the Ryotwari settlement. But for these relinquishments the increase would have been Rupees 7,038 on dry and 784 on wet, or something more than the anticipated amount. The area for which puttas were issued, and that for which relinquishments were tendered, are given below:—

* Taram assessment.

	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Area first included in Puttas	21,290	25,600	498	2,304	21,788	27,904
Relinquished under the option allowed ..	3,255	3,579	48	245	3,303	3,824
Remainder ..	18,035	22,021	450	2,059	18,485	24,080

From these figures it will be seen that the ryots resigned about $\frac{1}{7}$ of their dry holdings and $\frac{1}{10}$ of their wet ones, or between $\frac{1}{8}$ and $\frac{1}{7}$ of the whole of both. It is highly probable, however, that the extents thus resigned will soon be taken up again and cultivated either on durkhast or on svayajasti; but the resignation of such a large proportion of their holdings shows that the ryots either did not understand the effect of the new settlement and distrusted it, or else that they did understand it and disliked it.

Statement showing the Result of the introduction of the Provisional Settlement into the Villages of the resumed Chekkadi Jaghire in the Trinomalai Taluq in Fasli 1284 as compared with that of the Settlement for Fasli 1283 according to the old rate of Assessment.

Items.	Assessment according to the old rates for Fasli 1283.		The result of the introduction of the Provisional Settlement for Fasli 1284.		Increase in Assessment.	Decrease in Assessment.	Remarks.
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.			Particulars of old rates of assessment for Fasli 1283, and which now ceased.
	CAWNIES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	
DRY.							*Dry Rates, six kinds.*
Eared crop, such as cumboo, &c., called கதிர் crop.	2,003	7,439 15 7	2,644	24,080 9 5	3,997 3 5	... ...	(1.) Eared or கதிர் crops— Assessment per Cawry. RS. A. P.
Pod crop, such as pulses called கம்பு crop.	827	1,394 5 4	1,092	181 3 6	181 3 6	... ...	Mahajanam (Brahmins) 2 13 6
Totacal crops	88	667 0 4	116	113 11 4	113 11 4	... ...	Oolkudi (resident ryots) 3 8 0
Total ...	2,918	9,501 5 3	3,852	21 0 0	... ...	... ...	Purakudi (non-resident ryots) ... 2 10 0
Teerva on 842 ploughs or ஏர் ...	...	8,841 0 0	...	118 8 0	81 2 6	... ...	(2.) Pod or கம்பு crops, such as gram, &c.,—
Teerva on 126 axes or கூலி கொள்ளர். ...	...	220 8 0	...	14 0 0	... ...	... ...	Mahajans 1 6 9
Total ...	...	18,562 13 3	...	1,531 4 11	271 11 10	... ...	Oolkudi 1 12 0
WET.							Purakudi 1 5 0
Teerva pathu money (தீர்வைபடித்து) assessment.	212	753 10 0	280	26,060 5 2	4,645 0 7	... ...	(3.) Garden crops 7 0 0
Varapathu or division (வாரிபடித்து) of produce when wet crops are raised.	122	766 14 9	160				(4.) Plough system, per plough ... 10 8 0
Total ...	334	1,520 8 9	440				(5.) Axe system, per axe 1 12 0
Total Dry and Wet ...	...	20,083 6 0	...				*Wet Rates, two kinds.*
Kasser	...	... ...	...				(1.) Teervapathu system 3 8 0
Second-crop assessment ...	...	... ...	...				(2.) Varapathu system, that is equal division of produce between ryots and Government.
Quit-rent on Inam ...	...	21 0 0	...				
Tree-tax	...	37 5 6	...				
Fish-rent	...	14 0 0	...				
Road Fund	...	1,259 9 1	...				
	...	21,415 4 7	...	26,060 5 2	4,645 0 7	... ...	

Statement showing the Result of the introduction of the Provisional Settlement into the Villages of the resumed Chekkadi Jaghire &c.—*(Continued.)*

Items.	Assessment according to the old rates for Fasli 1283.			The result of the introduction of the Provisional Settlement for Fasli 1284.			Increase in Assessment.			Decrease in Assessment.			Remarks.	Dry.	Wet.	Total.	Remarks.	Particulars of Rates of Assessment according to the New Settlement.		
	Extent.		Assessment.	Extent.		Assessment.												Dry Taram.	Assessment per Cawny.	
	CAWNIES.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.		Rs. A. P.								Rs.	Rs.	Rs.			Rs. A. P.	
DEDUCT.																		4	... ...	3 3 0
Waste remitted	...	...	278 0 10	...	...	...	...	...	...	278 0 10	...	...		24,016	470	24,486		5	... ...	2 10 0
Remuneration to Monigars ...	...	...	700 15 10	...	...	...	106 7 3	...	...	...	...	...		5,219	23	5,242		6	... ...	2 7 0
Uliums to Curnams and Notagars	...	...	1,013 0 6	...	...	...	271 11 10	...	...	...	...	...		18,797	447	19,244		7	... ...	1 15 0
Road Fund	...	...	1,259 9 1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		6,329	110	6,439		8	... ...	1 8 0
Fish-rent	...	...	14 0 0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...		12,468	337	12,805		9	... ...	1 0 0
Total deductions ...	...	...	3,265 10 3	...	...	...	378 3 1	...	...	278 0 10	...	...		1,195	4	1,199		10	... ...	0 8 0
							Net Amount. 100 2 3							13,663	341	14,004		Wet Taram.		Assessment per Cawny.
*Remaining beris ...	...	...	18,149 10 4	...	...	...	4,544 14 4	...	...	...	...	...						11	... ...	8 7 0
Ryotwar	...	...	7,821 5 7	...	...	...	8,499 10 9	...	...	...	...	...						12	... ...	7 0 0
Miscellaneous	...	...	10,328 4 9	...	...	...	...	...	...	3,954 12 5	...	...						13	... ...	5 4 0
																		14	... ...	4 4 0
																		15	... ...	2 13 0
Total Ayacut according to the new Settlement																				
Deduct Poramboke																				
Remaining assessed Ayacut																				
Deduct waste not included in the ryots' holdings																				
Remainder being cultivation and waste included in ryots' holdings...																				
Add Poramboke lands cultivated																				
Total cultivation inclusive of waste charged ...																				

* The increase of assessment by the new settlement is as nearly as possible 25 en.toper

55. *Hariagoshti.*—This is a Gundu village of the old Cuddalore Taluq transferred some years ago to the Chidamberam Taluq. It had a pymash account, which, however, was of no use and great confusion prevailed regarding the limits of occupied and unoccupied fields. There were fraudulent evasions of revenue in consequence, and the revenue authorities were powerless to check them.

On a representation of these circumstances, the Government in their Order, No. 72, of 20th January 1873, ordered the Director of Revenue Settlement to take up the settlement of the village, demarcating the fields according to the survey made by Colonel Priestley many years ago The Director of Revenue Settlement accordingly deputed some classifiers who traced out the fields as laid down in the said survey, and applied to them the existing rates of assessment which the Director did not consider it necessary to modify. Land registers newly drawn up accordingly were furnished by the Director in September 1874, and the new settlement was introduced at the last Jamabandi by the Sub-Collector. The result is exhibited in the sub-joined statement :—

Statement showing the Result of the Introduction of the New Settlement of the Hariagoshti Village in the Chidamberam Taluq in Fasli 1284, *as compared with the Result of the Settlement for Fasli* 1283.

Items.	Settlement of Fasli 1283 according to the old rate.		Settlement of Fasli 1284 according to the introduction of the new settlement.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent	Assessment.	Extent	Assessment.	Extent	Assessment	Extent	Assessment
	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.
Dry	1,333	1,992 4 6	1,483	2,190 10 0	150	198 5 6	...	... ...
Wet	700	1,283 8 10	683	1,245 15 0	...	... ...	17	37 9 10
Total ...	2,033	3,275 13 4	2,166	3,436 9 0	133	160 11 8	...	... ...
Special Water-rate on Nunjah lands.	...	191 15 11	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	191 15 11
Road Fund	...	215 4 5	...	216 11 10	...	1 7 5	...	... ...
Tree-tax	...	26 15 8	...	33 0 5	...	6 0 9	...	... ...
Total ...	...	3,710 1 4	...	3,686 5 3	...	168 3 10	...	191 15 11
Net decrease ...	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	23 12 1
Deduct.								
Temporary Remissions of 5 per cent. on Nunjah lands	...	38 11 2	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	38 11 2
Shavi Remission	...	6 9 10	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	6 9 10
Monigar's Uliums at 2¼ per cent. ...	...	77 10 3	...	78 1 1	...	0 6 10	...	... ...
Nunjah and Punjah Swantantrums allowed to the Curnam and Notagar.	...	112 2 0	...	130 1 8	...	17 15 8	...	... ...
Nunjah and Punjah Swantantrums allowed to the Pagodas, Artisans, &c.	...	126 13 9	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	126 13 9
Road Fund	...	215 4 5	...	216 11 10	...	1 7 5	...	... ...
Total ...	...	577 3 5	...	424 14 7	...	19 13 11	...	*172 2 9
Remaining Beriz	...	3,132 13 11	...	3,261 6 8	...	128 8 9	...	... ...
Particulars of the remaining Beriz...	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	172 3 6	...	... ...
Ryotwar	...	3,051 12 11	...	3,224 0 5	...	... ...	...	... ...
Miscellaneous...	...	81 1 0	...	37 6 3	...	... ...	...	43 10 9

* Net decrease, Rupees 152-4-10.

The net beriz of last fasli showed an increase of Rupees 128-8-9 on that of the previous one. There was an increase of 11 per cent. in the dry ayacut, and a decrease of 2½ per cent in the wet. These variations are almost entirely due to the introduction of the new survey areas, there having been few relinquishments or durkhasts during the year at Hariagoshti.

56. There are a few points which require to be noticed here in connection with the settlement of this village.

57. *First, the Abolition of Fees and Swantantrums.*—The old rates of assessment which were collected from the ryots previous to Fasli 1215 consisted of the Government share and certain kinds of fees known as nunjah and punjah swantantrums consolidated together as shown below:—

Description of Land.	Taram	Government Share.	Fees.	Total Assessment collected.
		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Dry	1st	2 9 2	0 7 10	3 1 0
Do.	2nd	1 12 11	0 7 10	2 4 9
Do.	3rd	1 5 0	0 7 0	1 12 0
Do.	4th	0 14 6	0 6 6	1 5 0
Wet	1st	2 14 0	0 10 0	3 8 0
Do.	2nd	2 3 6	0 6 6	2 10 0
Do.	3rd	1 9 9	0 5 9	1 15 6
Do.	4th	1 8 0	0 4 0	1 12 0

Out of the amount collected as fees payments used to be made by Government to the village officers and artizans, and to certain other persons, as noted in the margin, at various rates calculated on the beriz of each fasli. The figures marginally given show the payments made in Fasli 1283. The rates of assessment now confirmed by the Director of Revenue Settlement are the above consolidated rates. It must, therefore, be assumed that the Director has in the case of Hariagoshti raised the assessment on all the lands by exactly the assessment formerly payable by ryots as swantantrums (though this does not clearly appear to have been *his intention*), for otherwise his act amounted to an appropriation by Government of the swantantrums. From his letter to me of the 13th June 1873, I am inclined to doubt whether Mr. Banbury was aware of the nature of the existing assessment. Assuming, therefore, that the Director's intention was to raise the existing land assessment to the amount of the consolidated rate levied, I request the Board's sanction for the discontinuance of the payments of the swantantrums above detailed, with the exception of those payable to the village officers as explained in the succeeding paragraph. Pending the Board's orders, the Sub-Collector has been requested to stop the payment of the other fees.

	RS.	A.	P.
1. Curnams	82	13	1
2. Notagars	23	14	6
3. Kavalkarun	3	8	0
4. Toty	12	0	4
5. Barber...	10	5	4
6. Washerman	10	5	4
7. Blacksmith	10	5	4
8. Carpenter	10	5	4
9. Sadasiva Pundarum and others of Tripapuliur	3	8	0
10. Dundoyndha Pundarum and others ...	1	12	0
11. Trivandipuram Sreenivasa Charry and others	3	8	0
12. Trivandipuram Elanthurai Kavatharka Aiyengar	3	8	0
13. Vithilinga Pundaram	5	4	0
14. Chidamberam Natesa Anunthatheetchatar.	2	12	10
15. Punchangum Vencatarama Aiyer	2	12	10
16. Devastanum Ullur Pilliar Covil	2	12	10
17. Kristnasamy Covil	11	14	5
18. Pedariar Covil	22	6	5
19. Paradasi Amman Covil	1	6	4
20. Pachavali Ammun	1	6	5
21. Veerabhudraswami Covil	2	12	10
22. Mari Ammen Covil	1	6	4
23. Melakuppum Dropathi Amman	1	6	5
24. Puthupettai Dropati Ammen	1	6	5
Total ...	233	9	4

58. *Remuneration to Village Officials.*—Of the three village officers, the Monigar, the Curnam and the Notagar who were paid out of these fees, the Monigar was drawing his allowance at the same rate as in other Government villages, *viz.*, 2¼ per cent. of the beriz, and no interference is necessary in his case. The Curnam and Notagar were, however paid at different rates as shown in the margin and they enjoyed besides Inam lands to the extent of 12·52 acres assessed at Rs. 15-14-0. In the case of these officers the rates of fees paid in other Government villages have been ordered to be deducted from the beriz for their remuneration, and their Inam lands to be fully assessed with a view of placing them on the same footing as the village officers of other Government villages.

Curnam.

On nunjah.—7⅜ merkals for every 100 kalams of produce. This allowance was not paid in grain but in money. The rate of conversion being 4 kalams per pagoda. The produce was assumed to be 5 kalams and 8 merkals per cawny on the area actually cultivated without reference to actual harvest.

On punjah.—A fixed allowance of Rupees 63-0-4 per annum.

Notagar.

On nunjah.—5 merkals for every 100 kalams of produce value calculated and paid as in the case of the Curnam.

On punjah.—A fixed allowance of Rupees 13-1-1 per annum.

59. *Percentage Remission on Nunjah Lands in Hariagoshti.*—In the Board's Proceedings, 12th October 1854, the Collector is authorized to grant a remission not exceeding 20 per cent.

to the wet lands in the "Gundu" villages, in consideration of the heavy assessment generally prevailing in them, and the rate of remission granted to the wet lands of Hariagoshti was 5 per cent. This remission was discontinued this year, as the assessment became final. The relief sanctioned by the Board in the above Proceedings was only intended to be temporary. Moreover, the consolidated wet assessments in this village were not only the lightest of all in the Gundu villages, but are still light* when compared with those prevailing in other villages, so that the withdrawal of the five percentage remission will not be a serious infliction.

	Extent of wet land included in the ryots' holdings. ACRES.	Assessment. RS.	Rate per Acre. RS. A. P.
* Whole district ...	280,503	14,94,145	5 5 3
Hariagoshti ...	683	1,246	1 13 2

60. *Special Water-rate on Nunjah Lands.*—It has been usual in this village to levy an additional kasser charge on nunjah lands which were originally without any source of irrigation but were subsequently provided with it. The charge amounted to one-third of the nunjah rate, and was levied only on the actual extent irrigated by means of Circar water. As similar charges which existed in the Chidamberam Taluq were discontinued by the Settlement Department after their revision of the assessments therein existing, the same course has been followed in regard to this village at the last Jamabandi.

61. The following statement shows the extent of land acquired by public servants and reported during the fasli under report:—

	Extent. ACRES.	DEC.	District in which it is situated.
Huzur Head Sheristadar, A. Kistnasawmy Iyer	3	80	Tanjore.
Tindevanam Taluq, 1st Gumastah Periyasawmi Pillai	37		South Arcot.
Trinomalai Taluq, 6th Gumustah Devaroya Sastri	1	82	Tanjore.
Do. Shroff Appasawmi Nynar	18	94	South Arcot.
Do. 3rd-Class Revenue Inspector Ramanadier.	2	64	Do.
Virdachellum Taluq, Tahsildar Parthasardhi Iyengar ...	13	20	Chingleput.
Do. 5th Gumastah Narasinga Rau	2	37	South Arcot.
Do. *3rd-Class Revenue Inspector Ramasami* Iyer	23	40	Tanjore.
Kalandarbuksh Sahib, Deputy Tahsildar of Titttagudy of Virdachellum Taluq	42	18	Chingleput.
Chidamberam Taluq, 9th Gumastah Vencoba Rau	11	9	South Arcot.
Do. Porto Novo Sub-Magistrate's Office Gumastah Runga Rau	16	72	Coimbatore.
Total ...	136	53	

62. A copy of the Sub-Collector's Settlement Report is herewith forwarded. In the last paragraph of it he renews his application for a Deputy Tahsildar and Sub-Magistrate for the Kallakurchi Taluq, which is the only taluq in this district where there is not an officer of that grade to relieve the Tahsildar of a portion of his Revenue and Magisterial work. The necessity for such an officer in that taluq has already been strongly urged by Mr. Sullivan in his letter, No. 184, of 30th May 1873, and the Board in their Proceedings, No. 1,470, of 2nd August 1873, recording the above letter, recognized the force of his recommendation, but remarked that it would be useless to apply to Government for this increase in the establishment of one taluq at present, and that the letter must lie over for consideration with the general subject. In my letter, No. 253, of 25th May 1874, reporting on the revision of the taluq establishments needed in this district, as called for in the Board's Proceedings, No. 157, of 6th February 1873, I reported the necessity for the creation of this office, but no orders on this report have yet been received. As the Sub-Collector now urges the matter again, I beg that the Board will be good enough to take it into their early and special consideration.

63. *Remission on Account of Loss of Cattle by a Storm.*—In my letter, No. 499, of 25th September 1874, I proposed that remission should be granted to the ryots who suffered by the extraordinary mortality of cattle caused by the severe storm of May 1874 in the Trinomalai Taluq, if cultivation was proved to have been impeded thereby; and this proposal was supported by the Board in their Proceedings, No. 2,859, of 2nd October, and approved by Government in their Order, No. 1,330, of 16th idem. At the time of the settlement I carefully inquired into this matter, but was glad to find that cultivation had not suffered at all on this account. No remissions were in consequence granted.

64. *Azmaish of Fields.*—During the fasli under report the divisional officers were especially instructed to have a few villages in each taluq azmaished by the respective Tahsildars before commencing the Jamabundi. In the Trinomalai Taluq which I took up for settlement, I had fifteen villages thus azmaished, but nothing important was discovered. I have not before me the results of the azmaish performed in other taluqs, but it is my impression that there is a good deal of concealed cultivation carried on to the prejudice of Government revenue, which might be brought to light if I had a stronger staff of Revenue Inspectors. The present staff is quite insufficient for the due performance of the duties imposed on them, and it has been impossible for me to carry out the instructions contained in the village manual relative to having the villages azmaished by them before settlement, field by field, with the Curnam's Adangal in hand. Much of the time of the Revenue Inspectors is taken up in superintending sales for arrears of revenue to the neglect of their own legitimate duties. In Chingleput, I believe twenty-one Zilladars are employed in the six taluqs of that district in addition to the regular staff of Revenue Inspectors, for the purpose of assisting the latter officers in inspection work. The land revenue of Chingleput for Fasli 1283 was about 13½ lakhs, while that of South Arcot was upwards of 34½ lakhs for Fasli 1284, and yet there are no Zilladars in it, and only thirty Revenue Inspectors for eight taluqs. I strongly recommend that the employment of Zilladars be sanctioned for this district at the rate of one or two for each taluq in addition to the increase of fourteen Revenue Inspectors proposed by the Board to Government in their Proceedings of 18th June last, No. 1,680.

65. *Remarks on the Conduct of Subordinates.*—During the fasli under report Mr. G. D. Irvine succeeded Mr. Lister as Acting Sub-Collector, and has given me every satisfaction. From Mr. Kough, the Acting Head Assistant Collector, Mr. Thomson, the Assistant Collector, and the General Charge Deputy Collector, Stri Baliah, I received much valuable assistance and ready co-operation, while of the Tahsildars I am glad to be able to speak of all in terms of commendation in respect of their discharge of their primary duty of collection. In the Villapuram Taluq where the arrears were at the beginning of the fasli nearly 1¾ lakhs, they were reduced by its close to a little over half a lakh, proving that the Tahsildar really exerted himself. In every taluq more than 90 per cent. of the whole current and arrear demand was collected within the fasli. The Tahsildars of Trikalore, Kallakurchi and Trinomalai are to be commended for having had the smallest arrears at the beginning of the fasli as well as at its close, while the Chidamberam Tahsildar with a total demand in excess of seven lakhs of rupees had less than half a lakh outstanding at the end of the year.

Taluqs.	Arrear on the 1st July 1874 or beginning of the Fasli.	Current demand of the Fasli.	Total amount which had to be collected during the Fasli.	Deduct collections (under arrear and current) during the Fasli.	Balance at the end of the Fasli.	Per-centage of column 5 on column 4.	Amount collected in Fasli 1283, arrears and current.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.		RS.
Tindivanam ..	1,05,802	5,53,798	6,59,600	6,24,791	34,809	95	3,05,578
Trinomalai ..	5,166	2,98,648	3,03,814	2,82,784	21,030	93	2,20,510
Villapuram ..	1,74,792	4,70,541	6,45,333	5,91,222	54,111	92	2,51,789
Cuddalore ..	61,223	4,04,793	4,66,016	4,28,270	37,746	92	3,13,437
Trikalore ..	3,633	4,02,020	4,05,653	3,90,293	15,360	96	3,43,880
Kallakurchi ..	4,209	3,24,441	3,28,650	3,03,306	25,344	92	2,74,566
Virdachellam ..	16,308	3,37,577	3,53,885	3,22,514	31,371	91	2,97,094
Chidamberam ..	40,627	6,70,712	7,11,339	6,63,811	47,528	93	6,16,320
Total ..	4,11,760	34,62,530	38,74,290	36,06,991	2,67,299	744	26,23,169
Percentage ..	..	..	..	..	..	93	..

The Huzur Sheristadar, A. Kistnasawmy Iyer, B.A., who only joined the district in January last, has, in spite of a considerable period of ill-health, been of great service to me, and his diligence has been unceasing.

CUDDALORE,
15*th November* 1875.

(Signed) J. H. GARSTIN,
Collector.

SUB-COLLECTORATE.

I HAVE the honor to report on the Revenue Settlement of the sub division for Fasli 1284, and to submit the usual statements in the prescribed form as detailed in the accompanying list.

2. SETTLEMENT.—The settlement of the three taluqs was conducted by me, with the exception of a portion of the Chedumbarum Taluq, which was settled by Mr. Kough before I assumed charge of this division. The settlement commenced on the 23rd February, and came to a close on the 9th June 1875, but the time actually taken up by the settlement and distribution of puttas was seventy-two days, as particularized in Statement No. 1.

3. DISTIBUTION OF PUTTAS.—The number of puttas distributed in the fasli was 98,836, which shows an increase of 1,444 over the number distributed in the preceding fasli. This increase, observable chiefly in the number of fresh puttas issued, arose from extended cultivation and from transfers ordered by the Civil Court and those caused by the revenue sales of lands.

4. PRICES OF FOOD GRAINS.—The average prices of the principal kinds of food grain during the fasli under report were almost the same as those prevailing in the last fasli as regards paddy and varagu. here was a marked decrease in the price of cumboo, raggy, and horse-gram of 17½, 11, and 15 per cent. respectively as shown in the comparative abstract attached to Statement No. 2.

5. SEASON.—The season of Fasli 1284 was favorable for agricultural purposes, though the health of the people and cattle was seriously affected, especially towards the end of the fasli. The Coleroon, Vellar, Manimuttanadi, and Pennar all received abundant freshes for six or seven months. The following table shows the extent of rainfall during the fasli as compared with that in the preceding fasli :—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Rainfall in Fasli 1282.	Decrease in Fasli 1284 as compared with the Rainfall in Fasli 1282.
	IN. OZ.	IN. OZ.	IN. OZ.	IN. OZ.	IN. OZ.
Virdachellum	24 6	36 6	12 0	43 9	7 3
Chedumbarum	47 7	48 ...	... 3	72 1	24 1
Kullakurchi	32 5	36 9	4 4	61 3	24 4
Total ...	104 8	121 5	16 7	177 3	55 8

6. The rainfall, though satisfactory as compared with the last fasli exhibiting an increase of 16 inches 7 oz., was much less than that in Fasli 1282. Dry crops, however, as well as paddy, were grown abundantly, and the result is, as already noticed, a marked decrease in the price of the staple articles of food of the masses of the people as well as in that of horse-gram which had kept its increased price for several years past.

7. SANITAY CONDITION.—Public health was much affected. In a portion of Chedumbarum and Virdachellum Taluqs small-pox prevailed and caused considerable mortality. I have already addressed you on the subject of the inadequacy of the vaccination staff in my letter, No. 442, dated 14th July 1875. In a portion of the Kullakurchi Taluq, especially at the foot of the hills, there was a good deal of fever, but no mortality to any great extent is reported. In June last cholera broke out in the town of Chedumbarum and the surrounding villages, and the

mortality was very considerable. In not less than 200 out of 482 villages of the taluq, and in the important Deputy Tahsildars' stations of Bhowangiri, Manargudi, and Porto Novo, the prevalence of the epidemic was very great. It also appeared in the Virdachellum and Kullakurchi Taluqs, and a considerable number of deaths were reported. I went to Chedumbarum as soon as I heard of the outbreak, and personally looked to the cleaning of the streets and lanes of the town—a work which I regret to say I had found almost entirely neglected by the Municipality. I found that the principal want after cleanliness was drinking water, and I took steps by writing to the Engineer in charge of the Coleroon Anicut, and by suggestions to the Municipality, to remedy that want as far as possible. The filthiness of the town of Chedumbarum has since called forth severe comments from the Sanitary Commissioner. I found the Commissioners utterly careless in the matter, and cannot doubt that after my departure things relapsed into their usual state. The Sub-Assistant Surgeon of Cuddalore was sent out to Chedumbarum for a time, and my own Office Hospital Assistant to Manargudi for a month or two, in order to treat the patients, whose number was daily increasing, and also to attend to the sanitary arrangements which I had ordered to be carried out by the taluq officials.

8. In portions of Chedumbarum, Virdachellum, and Kullakurchi Taluqs, cattle diseases, known as "Vekkai Adappan" and "Komari" prevailed, but only a few heads of cattle died in each of the two latter taluqs, whilst in Chedumbarum the number amounted to 562. The three Tahsildars were supplied with the prescriptions and medicines received from Dr. Thacker, and segregation was insisted on.

9. Ryotwar Holdings.—The following is a comparative abstract compiled from Statement No. 3 showing the holdings of the ryots at the commencement of Fasli 1284, the subsequent variations therein caused during the fasli and the net holdings at the end of the fasli after deducting the "waste remitted." The actual cultivation, as distinguished from "waste charged" exhibits an increase of Acres 20,440, assessed at Rupees 44,849, which is the result of extended cultivation in the year under review :—

Comparative Statement.

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
Ryots' holding	403,738	11,86,461 7 5	395,210	11,69,741 2 7	...	... ...	8,528	16,720 4 10
Deduct.								
Land resigned	19,494	38,806 0 6	11,401	25,025 7 6	...	... ...	8,093	13,780 9 0
Land transferred	4,327	15,548 12 6	3,501	10,943 3 0	...	... ...	826	4,605 9 6
Land become useless or appropriated to some public purposes.	171	457 9 3	53	182 0 1	...	... ...	118	275 9 2
Total ...	23,992	54,812 6 3	14,955	36,150 10 7	...	... ...	9,037	18,661 11 8
Remainder ...	379,746	11,31,649 1 2	380,255	11,33,590 8 0	509	1,941 6 10	..	... ...
Add.								
Land taken on durkhast. ...	11,558	24,282 1 9	16,691	35,261 4 9	5,133	10,979 3 0	...	... ...
Land obtained by transfer.	3,809	13,621 9 5	3,497	10,930 8 7	...	... ...	312	2,691 0 10
Total ..	15,367	37,903 11 2	20,188	46,191 13 4	5,133	10,979 3 0	312	2,691 0 10
Total holdings	395,113	11,69,552 12 4	400,443	11,79,782 5 4	5,330	10,229 9 0	...	... ...
Deduct waste remitted ...	1,122	5,217 6 5	17	52 13 8	...	... ...	1,105	5,164 8 9
Remainder ...	393,991	11,64,335 5 11	400,426	11,79,729 7 8	6,435	15,391 1 9	...	... ...
Actual cultivation	356,235	10,85,171 6 7	376,675	11,30,020 15 7	20,440	44,849 9 0	...	... ...
Waste charged.	37,756	79,163 15 4	23,751	49,708 8 1	...	... ...	14,005	29,455 7 3

10. The total of ryotwar holdings at the commencement of Fasli 1284 was Acres 395,210, assessed at Rupees 11,69,741-12-7, from which were deducted Acres 14,955 with an assessment of Rupees 36,150-10-7 on account of lands relinquished, transferred, and taken up for public purposes, or rendered unfit for cultivation, and to the residue were added Acres 20,188, being assessment of Rupees 46,198-13-4, being lands assigned on durkhast and obtained by transfers; thus the total holdings amounted to Acres 400,443, assessed at Rupees 11,79,782-5-4, deducting therefrom the amount remitted on waste, *viz*, Acres 17, assessed at Rupees 52-13-8, the remainder as the final Land Revenue amounts to Acres 400,426, assessed at Rupees 11,79,729-7-8, of which the actual cultivation is Acres 376,675 with an assessment of Rupees 11,30,020-15-7, and the waste land charged for is Acres 23,751, assessed at Rupees 49,708-8-1. To the beriz thus obtained the water-tax on dry lands and second-crop assessment on wet lands as well as the miscellaneous items have been added as will be detailed hereafter.

11. The decrease under the heads "Lands resigned, transferred, or become unfit for cultivation" and "waste remitted," and the increase under the heads "Land taken on durkhast" and "actual cultivation" are the results of the favorable character of the season as already noticed.

12. The extent of land transferred, as shown in the comparative statement, was Acres 3,501 while the extent obtained by transfer was Acres 3,497, the difference, *viz.*, Acres 4, being the extent permanently deducted from the Government ayacut for assignment as an inam to a Yeomiadar under the sanction of the Board, No. 1,713, dated 3rd March 1875.

13. Fasaljasti and Teervajasti.—Under the heads of "second-crop assessment" and "water rates" on dry land, there is an increase of Rupees 21,881-7-6 and Rupees 18,583-4-11 respectively over the demands of the last fasli, in consequence of all the registered single crop wet lands in the Hulus Taluqs having been charged with second-crop assessment when the second crop was raised by means of Sircar water during the year under notice, under the orders of the Board of Revenue, dated 3rd February 1875, No. 208, and of the new rules, as regards charging water rate on second-crop cultivation on dry lands by means of Government water and regarding portions of fields left waste having been brought in force. A comparative taluqwar statement of revenue thus derived from these wo items in Faslis 1283 and 1284 is annexed :—

Vide Orders of Board, dated 14th December 1874, No. 3,617, and 9th February 1875.

Items.	Virdachellum.	Chedumbarum.	Kullakurchi.	Total.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Fasli 1283.				
Fasljasti	1,732 1 1	9,141 7 4	5,185 2 3	16,058 10 8
Teervajasti	18,214 1 3	50,996 7 1	14,427 0 0	83,637 8 4
Total ...	19,946 2 4	60,137 14 5	19,612 2 3	99,696 3 0
Fasli 1284				
Fasljasti	5,763 12 11	14,862 15 0	17,313 6 3	37,940 2 2
Teervajasti	22,383 10 7	62,506 11 11	17,330 6 9	1,02,220 13 3
Total...	28,147 7 6	77,369 10 11	34,643 13 0	1,40,160 15 5
Increase in Fasljasti	4,031 11 10	5,721 7 8	12,128 4 0	21,881 7 6
Teervajasti	4,169 9 4	11,510 4 10	2,903 6 9	18,583 4 11

14. Special Products.—The cultivation of the special products in Fasli 1284 is compared in the annexed table with the results of Fasli 1283 :—

Products.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Sugar-cane...	1,645	8,536	1,619	10,024	...	1,488	26	...
Cotton... ...	22,874	48,446	16,660	38,984	...	...	6,214	9,462
Indigo... ...	8,869	18,853	3,873	9,433	...	...	4,996	9,420

15. The increase in the assessment and decrease in the extent of land cultivated with sugar-cane are attributed to more highly-assessed lands having been brought under cultivation in the year under review than in the preceding fasli. The decrease in the cultivation of cotton and indigo is considerable. The former is chiefly in the Virdachellum Taluq owing to the extensive cultivation of other more profitable crops; the latter is common to all the three taluqs, and is owing in some cases to the want of timely rain for this particular product, and in others to preference given by ryots to the cultivation of other crops.

16. Permanent Sources of Irrigation.—Subjoined is a statement showing the revenue derived in this fasli from each of the permanent sources of irrigation as compared with the results of Fasli 1283. There have been no changes in the sources of irrigation since last fasli, but one village, Sittalur, was added in the fasli under report to those depending on Memathur anicut for water-supply :—

Sources of Irrigation.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Coleroon lower anicut ...	70,889	4,10,232	71,218	4,18,190	329	7,958	...	...
Vellar anicut at Satiatope.	12,052	82,620	12,383	90,960	331	8,340	...	...
Manimutta Nadi anicut at Kinanur	1,508	14,923	1,532	19,141	24	4,218	...	...
Do. do. at Memathur.	392	9,533	397	11,486	5	1,953	...	...
Mayara Nadi anicut at Kattumailur	81	718	81	873	...	155	...	...
Total ...	84,922	5,18,026	85,611	5,40,650	689	22,624	...	...

17. The above figures show an increase of Acres 689 in actual cultivation, but the increase in assessment is made up partly of the assessment on those 689 acres and partly of Teerwajasti and Fasljasti on lands already under cultivation.

18. Public and Private Topes.—The extent of plantation of public and private topes under the tope rules was at the commencement of the Fasli Acres 623·52,* assessed at Rupees 1,233-1-2, of which an extent of Acres 21·37, assessed at Rupees 52-6-3, assigned for private topes, was deducted from the grant and full assessment charged, as the prescribed period of twenty years had expired. In the case of one item in the Virdachellum Taluq (Acres 1·75 with an assessment of Rupees 3-5-2) the grant was cancelled on account of breach of its conditions. These deductions reduced the extent occupied under the

	Acres.	Rs. A. P.
* Public Tope	84·95	185 14 10
Private Tope	538·57	1,047 2 4
Total ...	623·52	1,233 1 2

tope rules to Acres 600·40, assessed at Rupees 1,177-5-9, to which must be added the fresh grant made for both public and private topes in the year under report in the Chedumbarum and Kullakurchi Taluqs, amounting to Acres 22·94, assessed at Rupees 26-15-6. Thus the total grant at the close of the fasli was Acres 623·34, assessed at Rupees 1,204-5-3, as particularized taluqwar in the subjoined memorandum :—

Taluqs.	Public Topes.		Private Topes.		Total.	
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
Virdachellum	50 51	109 6 1	295 87	736 4 11	346 38	845 11 0
Chedumbarum	5 66	18 6 2	188 4	156 10 10	193 70	175 1 0
Kullakurchi	31 26	63 1 4	52 0	120 7 11	83 26	183 9 3
Total ...	87 43	190 13 7	535 91	1,013 7 8	623 34	1,204 5 3

19. In addition to the above sum of Rupees 1,204-5-3, there are the items noted in the margin comprising Government topes and village common topes in the Kullakurchi Taluq, the extent of which is reported to be Acres 96, assessed at Rupees 189-13-7, making in all Acres 719·34, assessed at Rupees 1,394-2-10, which is the total amount shown in Statement No. 4 as cowle remission under the tope rules. I am doubtfull about the propriety of this remission on account of village topes in the Kullakurchi Taluq, as it does not appear in either of the other taluqs. I have called for explanations regarding it, and will make the matter the subject for a separate communication.

	Acres.	Rs. A. P.
Government Topes	96	131 12 7
Village do.		58 1 0
Total ...		189 13 7

20. Remissions.—Under the head "Occasional remissions" granted at Jamabundi with reference to the state of the season, there is a large decrease of Rupees 43,165-8-7, such remissions granted in the fasli being only Rupees 2-15-10. Under the head "Fixed remissions" there is an increase of Rupees 161-1-8 in the item of cowle remission under the tope rules which is due to the remission or account of Government and village topes in the Kullakurchi Taluq already noted in the last paragraph. The increase of Rupees 64-15-5 in the item of Mahajanum remissions in Kullakurchi, and that of Rupees 5,635-5-3 in the item of deductions allowed to the Village Officers, are the results chiefly of extended cultivation, while the latter increase is also to be accounted for by the absence of any occasional remissions in the fasli.

21. The decrease in the case of Tarumcommee and deduction allowed to village artizans, &c., in the Ariagosthi Village of the Chedumbarum Taluq has been caused by the recent revision made by the Settlement Department of demarcation and examination of fields in the above village. Instructions as to the propriety of continuing these deductions, even after the revision, were applied for in my letter, No. 491, dated 30th July 1875; but as I have not been favored with a reply, and as the Jumabundi Report has been urgently called for, and more particularly as no objection was raised by you to the exclusion of these items in the Tahsildar's accounts submitted to your office, I have finally closed the account No. 4 as it is.

22. Miscellaneous Revenue.—Statement No. 5 shows particulars of the miscellaneous items of revenue of the Fasli 1284 as compared with the demand of 1283. There was no remission granted from the demand of Fasli 1284. A total increase of Rupees 26,345-1-0 is observable over the demand of last fasli for the following reasons :—The increase of Rs. 4,946-2-5 in the amount of tax on trees on unassessed lands (item No. 2) and of tax on fruit trees (item No. 31) is chiefly the result of the strict observance of the recent orders directing that productive trees which have once come to bearing should be continued to be charged for in each subsequent fasli (whether they continue to bear or not) until they decay or are cut. The practice hitherto

observed was that only such trees as bore fruits in any year were charged in the accounts of that year. The increase of Rupees 4,096-10-5 in the item of cultivation after Jamabundi is the result of extensive cultivation under the Suyajasti system. The increase of Rupees 5,346-10-2 in the amount of water rates on Zemindari or Inam lands is attributable more particularly to the strict enforcement of the new water-rate rules, but also partly to extended cultivation. Under the head "Other items" the increase is Rupees 10,047-6-10, of which Rupees 5,831-15-3 form the Revenue Process Service Fund which was credited in the year under report to Miscellaneous items. The increase in other items does not call for any particular remark.

23. DEMAND, COLLECTION, AND BALANCE OF SHROTRIEM VILLAGES.—No. 6 is a statement showing the demand, collection, and balance of shrotriem villages. There was no alteration in the demand during Fasli 1284. The arrears at the commencement of the fasli and the current demand amounted to Rupees 5,494-9-0, of which the amount collected within the fasli was Rupees 4,498-3-7, and the balance left on the 1st July was Rupees 996-5-8,* which sum has been reduced by subsequent collections up to the 30th ultimo to Rupees 283-6-1.† The Tahsildars have been enjoined to collect the outstanding balances without further delay.

	Rs.	A.	P.
* Kullakurchi	658	5	10
Chedumbarum	170	0	6
Virdachellam	167	15	1
Total ...	996	15	5

	Rs.	A.	P.
† Virdachellum	48	0	4
Chedumbarum	170	0	6
Kullakurchi	65	5	3
Total ...	283	6	1

24. CURRENT REVENUE COLLECTION.—The demand, collection, and balance of all sources of revenue for Fasli 1284 are shown in Statement No. 7. The demand of Fasli 1284, including the jodi on shrotriem villages and miscellaneous items, was Rupees 13,32,730-5-8 against Rupees 12,13,057-4-8 of the preceding fasli, showing an increase of Rupees 1,19,673-1-0. The collection within the fasli amounts to Rupees 12,50,224-11-4, which is 93¾ per cent. of the whole demand. I attribute this failure in collection mainly to three causes: (1) the large increase in the demand; (2) the poverty of the ryots resulting from the distress of last year; (3) the fact that many hoped on to the last that they would get the new water rates remitted, and therefore withheld payment until after the Jamabundi. This idea is supported by the subsequent collections which amount to Rupees 53,669-0-9 and which have reduced the balance to Rupees 28,836-9-7‡ on the 1st instant, the percentage being thus increased to about 98. The balance in Kullakurchi is comparatively very small as noted in the margin, and it is gratifying to find that with a large increase in the Land Revenue and Land Revenue Miscellaneous items of Rupees 47,917-3-7, and without much resort to coercive measures (as shown by the collection of a very insignificant sum of Rupees 4-6-0 as process service fees for the fasli), the balance has been reduced to Rupees 1,810-12-7. In the case of Virdachellum and Chedumbarum Taluqs, there was increase in the demand of Rupees 36,614-9-11 and Rupees 35,141-3-6 respectively, but with all the increase of Rupees 930-6-2 and Rupees 2,339 in the process service fees realized in the year, the balances left on the 1st instant are large.

	Rs.	A.	P.
‡ Kullakurchi	1,810	12	0
Virdachellum	7,765	9	0
Chedumbarum	19,260	4	0
Total ...	28,836	9	7

25. OLD ARREARS INCLUDING IRRECOVERABLE.—The old arrears at the beginning of Fasli 1284 under the heads of Jodi and Shrotriem Villages, Ryotwar, and Miscellaneous, were Rupees 61,143-8-3,§ due for a series of faslis from 1276 to 1283 inclusive as detailed in Statement No. 8. A sum of Rupees 39,406-13-5

	Arrear. Rs.	Collection. Rs.
§ Chedumbarum	40,627	35,143
Virdachellum	16,307	13,234
Kullakurchi	4,209	2,842
Total ...	61,143	51,219

was collected within the fasli, and Rupees 11,812-2-3 remitted (*vide* your letter No. 1,105, dated 1st October 1874). The total amount ordered to be written off the accounts as irrecoverable was Rupees 11,898-12-7 as shown taluqwar in the margin, out of which a sum of Rupees 86-10-4 was realized subsequent to the recommendation for remission, leaving a balance of Rupees 11,812-2-3 which was written off the accounts. After deducting the above two items, the balance at the end of the fasli was Rupees 9,924-8-7 which has been reduced by subsequent collections up to 30th ultimo to Rupees 9,695-3-0. Of this, a sum of Rupees 5,809-10-8 was entered as recoverable, and the balance Rupees 3,885-8-4 shown as irrecoverable. Out of this last-mentioned amount a sum of Rupees 1,435-12-2 has been ascertained by me to be irrecoverable for the reason given below, the rest being the amount recommended for remission in the Jamabundi Report for Fasli 1283, for which sanction is awaited:—

Taluq.	Amount sanctioned as irrecoverable. Rs.	A.	P.	Subsequent Collection therefrom. Rs.	A.	P.
Chedumbarum	6,735	8	11	83	13	2
Kullakurchi	531	2	3	2	13	2
Virdachellum	4,632	1	5	...	...	...
Total ...	11,898	12	7	86	10	4

Items.	1279. Rs.	A.	P.	1280. Rs.	A.	P.	1281. Rs.	A.	P.	1282. Rs.	A.	P.	1283. Rs.	A.	P.	Total. Rs.	A.	P.
1. Assessment on land sold for arrears of revenue, but purchased by Government	...	...	...	9	6	0	...	...	...	2	8	5	420	0	4	431	14	9
2. Assessment on land sold for arrears of revenue, but a portion of the arrear not realized	4	4	11	43	1	11	...	...	...	0	12	3	27	10	4	75	13	5
3. Assessment on land in boundary dispute collected in one of the disputed villages	22	11	7	105	2	0	...	...	...	33	6	11	412	12	8	574	1	2
4. Assessment on land charged by mistake both in Ain and Sivajamah heads	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	16	11	5	16	11	5
5. Assessment on land taken up for Salem and Trickalore roads	..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	37	15	6	37	15	6
6. Amount of water rate remitted after Jamabundi for Shavi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	2	4	30	2	4
7. Assessment on lands washed away by river Odai, &c., as well as taken up by irrigation channels	...	...	...	1	14	5	...	..	...	...	...	...	28	0	7	29	15	0
8. Assessment on waste lands improperly charged for a time during which there was no occupant	...	...	...	5	15	6	...	...	..	...	...	...	32	6	0	38	5	6
9. Assessment on lands charged under Sivayajasti against non-puttadars who have no property	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	12	9	3	12	9
10. Amount of water-tax improperly charged on lands not irrigated with Government water	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	70	12	11	70	12	11
11. Amount of arbitrary assessment improperly charged	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	17	13	0	17	13	0
12. Portion of assessment embezzled by a Monegar not realized by the sale of his property	...	...	...	5	13	10	102	8	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	108	6	5
Total ...	27	0	6	171	5	8	102	8	7	36	11	7	1,098	1	10	1,435	12	2

26. Under the above circumstances, I have the honor to recommend that sanction be obtained for writing off the sum of Rupees 1,435-12-2.

27. According to the recommendation made by each of the three Tahsildars, the amount of irrecoverable items, exclusive of road-cess, would amount to Rupees 1,807-3-11, from which deducting the sum approved by me as irrecoverable, after careful inquiry at Jamabundi and subsequently, the balance is Rupees 371-7-9 which is still under investigation, and will eventually form the subject of a special reference.

Particulars are shown below :—

Taluq.	Amount recommended by the Tahsildars as irrecoverable.	Amount approved as irrecoverable by the Sub-Collector.	Difference under investigation.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Chedumbarum ...	331 6 8	309 9 0	21 13 8
Virdachellum ...	1,207 11 3	875 10 3	332 1 0
Kullakurchi ...	268 2 0	250 8 11	17 9 1
Total ...	1,807 3 11	1,435 12 2	371 7 9

28. The difference in Virdachellum is, as you will observe, very large. At Jamabundi an individual balance list, with explanatory remarks in each case, was prepared as usual in the taluq, and was examined, and the necessary inquiry made, as each village came on for settlement. The sum thus decided by me to be irrecoverable was recorded in each case in the Jamabundi diary. When the Tahsildar submitted his account No. 28 of the Taluq Manual, it was found that the amount recommended by him for remission (Rupees 1,207-11-3) did not correspond with the total of the sums recorded by me in the diary. As no items appeared in the account, I called for an itemwar statement in order to discover where the difference occurred, and, on this being submitted, it was found that, under the head of Sivajamah, a sum of Rupees 321-8-0 was entered as irrecoverable, because "lands sold were purchased by Government," and Rupees 10-9-0, being a portion of Sivajamah assessment "*not* realized by the sale of land," in all Rupees 332-1-0. As Sivajamah lands cannot be sold at all for arrears (being the property of Government and not in any one's putta), the Tahsildar was called upon for an explanation of this entry. In his absence the Sheristadar has reported on the matter, and from his report I find that the entry was wholly incorrect, none of the arrears having accrued on Sivajamah lands. The amount of Rupees 332-1-0 is made up of two items, one of Rupees 169-12-0 and the other of Rupees 151-12-0, both arrears under ryotwar and road-cess. The former amount was not sanctioned by me at the Jamabundi, and should not, therefore, have appeared in No. 28 without some previous reference to this office. As to the latter, although it *was* decided to be irrecoverable at the Jamabundi, it was so decided (as I now find) on incorrect information, in the list already alluded to as being prepared in the taluq and submitted to me then. The explanation given of these gross mistakes in the taluq is very unsatisfactory, and it is impossible to arrive at any correct decision regarding this amount of Rupees 332-1-0 without a searching scrutiny of the taluq and village accounts. As I do not feel justified in delaying this report, I have therefore entered only the sum of Rupees 875-10-3, about which there is no doubt, leaving the remainder to be the subject of a separate report. The differences in the other two taluqs are slight by comparison, but still they too exceed the totals sanctioned at the Jamabundi. The Tahsildars have been called upon for an explanation which has not yet been received.

29. The proportion of the collection on account of old arrears to the demand in the fasli under review in the several taluqs is given in the margin. It is to be noted that the demand included large irrecoverable balances *recommended* for remission in Fasli 1283, but not sanctioned. The old arrears entired as recoverable after deducting remissions already granted, and those now recommended, are as under :—

Virdachellum	81 per cent.
Chedumbarum	86¼ do.
Kullakurchi	67¼ do.

	RS.	A.	P.
Chedumbarum	4,259	8	2
Virdachellum	1,212	9	10
Kullakurchi	337	8	8
Total ..	5,809	10	8

The present state of arrears, both old and current as detailed above, may be considered satisfactory. I think the result, especially in the Kullakurchi Taluq, may fairly be attributed to the somewhat stringent measures adopted by me towards the Village Officers at the Jamabundi. I found, when commencing this taluq at the end of May, large arrears in almost every village, and had no difficulty in tracing the cause. The monegars had allowed the ryots to hold back their payments until then, in hopes of obtaining remission of the demand under the new water-rate rules. In this they had been assisted by the lethargy of the taluq officials who had taken no steps to insist upon the submission of the individual arrear lists for each kist. I inflicted heavy fines upon these Monegars in proportion to the amount of their arrears, and the result was that, even before the Jamabundi was over, large amounts of collections poured daily into the treasury. I have already noticed this in my remark upon the return of fines submitted for the quarter ending the 30th June.

30. *Coercive Measures.*—The extent to which coercive measures were employed in the collection of revenue during the fasli under report is detailed in Enclosure A to Statement No. 8. The amount of arrear, for the collection of which process was issued, was Rupees 28,893 due by 3,365 defaulters, and the value of the personal and real property actually sold was Rs. 9,815-0-5. In all three taluqs there is a decrease observable in the amount of arrear, for which process was issued. In Virdachellum and Chedumbarum there is an increase in the number of defaulters and in the value of property of both descriptions actually sold, while in Kullakurchi there is a considerable decrease in those two items.

31. Process Fees.—The amount of batta collected on account of the service of processes under Act II. of 1864, the fees disbursed, and the balance are exhibited in the following memorandum.

Taluqs.	Amount of Batta collected.	Amount disbursed.	Balance.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Virdachellum	1,603 13 5	562 15 1	1,040 14 4
Chedumbarum	4,629 3 1	2,582 14 9	2,046 4 4
Kullakurchi	4 6 0	... ...	4 6 0
Total ...	6,237 6 6	3,145 13 10	3,091 8 0

32. There is an increase of Rupees 932-6-2 in the Virdachellum and Rupees 2,339-15-3 in the Chedumbarum Taluqs over the amount collected in the preceding fasli, while the decrease under this head in the Kullakurchi Taluq amounts to Rupees 163-14-0. There was, in fact, only a sum of Rupees 4-6-0 collected as already noticed in paragraph 24. The undisbursed balance of these fees is considerable, being Rupees 3,091-8-8, arising particularly from fixed salaries having been paid to the Process Service Establishment in Chedumbarum and Virdachellum in the year under review. The total amount collected as batta was Rupees 6,237-6-6 and the amount credited to the "Land Revenue, Miscellaneous," items was Rupees 5,831-15-3; the difference, *viz.*, Rupees 405-7-3 is accounted for by the Tahsildar of Chedumbarum having credited the collection of the first two months to Process Service Fund as had been the former practice.

33. Acquisition of Lands by Public Servants.—The cases of land acquisition by public servants in this division, as far as they have been reported to this office during the year under report, are noted in the annexed memorandum :—

Name of Public Servant who acquired Property.	How acquired.	In what Place.	Extent.		Assessment.
					RS. A. P.
V. Parthasaradi Iyengar, Tahsildar of Virdachellum.	By mortgage.	Kolathoor in Chingleput Taluq ...	13	20	91 0 0
Kesava Moodeliar, 3rd Clerk, Sub-Collector's Office.	By purchase.	Sithalur, in Virdachellum Taluq ...	...	93	1 14 9
Ramasami Iyer, Revenue Inspector, Virdachellum Taluq.	By joint purchase.	Kilmathur in Sheali Taluq	23	40	102 11 10
Narasinga Row, Gumastah, Virdachellum Taluq.	By purchase.	Kullakurchi	2	37	15 9 8
Venkoba Row, Gumastah, Chedumbarum Taluq.	By grant as Srithanam.	Tillavadangan, Mamikollai, and Palvathunnan in Chedumbarum Taluq	11	9	32 15 3

Kalandar Bux Saib, Ancestral.

ACRES.	RS. A. P.	
39·1	133 10 7	Acquired by purchase, in Saidapet
3·17	12 8 10	and Trivalur Taluqs.

Ranga Row, Ancestral.

16·72	4 4 0	Personal inam in Caroor, Coimbatore District.

The Deputy Tahsildar of Tittagudi, Kalandar Bux Saib, and Runga Row, Gumastah, in the Porto Novo Sub-Magistrate's Office, have reported for the first time the existence of some ancestral property, and that purchased in previous years, as noted in the margin.

34. Examination of Village and Taluq Accounts.—A thorough systematic examination into the accounts of every village in the division was conducted especially into the Forms Nos. 1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 13, and 16 of the Village Manual, and all omissions, errors, and discrepancies were noted in detail in each book before each village was called for settlement, at which time orders were passed by me on each note requiring my interference in rectification of errors. The Survey Register A of each village was compared with the Adangal Account No. 4 as a rule, and all mistakes in the extent and tarams were rectified by written orders passed by me in each case brought to notice. Wrong tarams were too often detected, particularly in the interests of the State, and the survey extent found in many instances to be arbitrarily lessened by the Curnams, and the difference entered as *kaivitta* fields. Order had been previously issued forbidding this practice, and were enforced by me at this Jamabundi, and the action of my predecessor and myself in this matter has been subsequently supported by your Circular Order* on the same subject. No village was taken up for settlement before its accounts had been examined and compared, and their correctness or otherwise certified to in writing by the Examiner.

* Dated 21st June 1875, No. 21.

35. The Durkhast B Registers were examined, and errors pointed out, and delays in the disposal of durkhasts were noticed severely as reported in my letter, No 520, dated 14th August last.

36. Remarks on the conduct of Subordinates.—I have pleasure in being able to speak highly of my Sheristadar, Kanaksabai Mudelliar. I have found him hardworking and intelligent, and his knowledge of the district made him of the greatest use to me.

37. I have no particular remarks to make on any of the other officials in the sub-division.

38. I would here urge again the necessity for a Deputy Tahsildar in the Kullacurchi Taluq. I have no hesitation in saying that I believe it to be impossible for a Tahsildar single-hand to manage it.

(Signed) G. D. IRVINE,
Acting Sub-Collector.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. H. GARSTIN,
Collector.

Virdachellum,
23rd October 1875.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

TANJORE.

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I have the honor to submit my report on the Settlement of the District for Fasli 1284 (A.D. 1874-75) together with the prescribed statements.

2. Places at which the Settlement was made—*Statement No.* 1.—In this statement the stations where, and the officers by whom, the settlement of each taluq was made, as well as the time occupied in the work and the number of puttas distributed, are shown. The following is its abstract :—

Names of the Officers.	Name of the Taluq.	Station where Jamabandi was made.	Period occupied for the Settlement of each Taluq.
J. Cameron, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector.	Negapatam ...	Tiruvarur	From 17th to 21st May 1875.
		Negapatam	
	Nannilam ...	Kudavasal	From 31st May to 4th June 1875.
		Nannilam	
M. R. Weld, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Collector.	Mayaveram ...	Tiruvadutorai ...	From 21st April to 3rd May 1875.
		Mayaveram	
		Tranquebar	
	Shealli	Shealli	From 26th to 27th April 1875.
G. S. Forbes, Esq., Assistant Collector.	Combaconum ...	Combaconum... ...	From 1st February to 15th March 1875.
		Valangaman	
		Kapistalam	
		Narasingampettai...	
		Lower Anicut... ...	

Names of the Officers.	Name of the Taluq.	Station where Jamabandi was made.	Period occupied for the Settlement of each Taluq.
A. Srinivasa Row, Deputy Collector.	Tanjore	Sendalai	From 24th February to 22nd May 1875.
		Milattur...	
		Orattanad	
		Tanjore...	
	Pattukottai ...	Pattukottai	From 18th February to 18th May 1875.
		Setubava	
		Rajamadam	
Y. Alagasingari Naidu, Deputy Collector.	Mannargudi ...	Mannargudi	From 8th April to 20th May 1875.
	Tritrapundi ...	Tritrapundi	From 12th March to 28th June 1875.

3. PUTTAS UNDER RYOTWAR SETTLEMENT.—The total number of puttas under ryotwar settlement was 131,060 against 127,698 in Fasli 1283, the difference of 3,362 being the result in the net of the sub-division of holdings in the ordinary course of partition, sale, &c., as well as of the formation of new ones taken on darkhast and of the absorption of some in other existing holdings. Of the total number of puttas above specified, 5,613 were new ones, 50,710 were old puttas modified by additional entries, and the remaining 74,737 were old puttas not at all altered.

4. NUMBER AND TENURE OF VILLAGES.—The number of villages and hamlets under each head of settlement were exactly the same as in the previous year. The subjoined abstract shows the number and tenure of villages :—

——	Number of Villages.	Number of Hamlets.
Ryotwari Villages.		
Field assessed	772	725
Mottamfaisal	1,585	1,665
Olungu rented, affected by price	...	1
Do. rented, but not affected by price ...	54	104
Grain rented	...	1
Total Ryotwari Villages...	2,411	2,496
Villages held on Tenures other than Ryotwari.		
Poliput	251	...
Shrotriem...	600	...
Sarvamaniem	453	...
Fixed Money-rented...	46	...
Permanently Grain-rented	11	...
Ardhamaniem or half-assessed	6	...
Mokasa belonging to the late Rajah's Estate...	139	...
Total Inam, &c...	1,506	...
Towns not paying revenue to Government ...	17	...
Suddappal or entirely waste	..	5
Jungle...	1	...
Grand Total...	3,935	2,501

5. SEASON.—The season was on the whole favorable. There were seasonable showers throughout the year, and the cultivation operations commenced with an ample supply of freshes

in the Cauvery. At the commencement of the fasli and in the middle of July the freshes rose to an almost unprecedented height and caused breaches in different directions, but the damage sustained was on the whole inconsiderable in consequence of the floods having subsided as suddenly as they rose. The aggregate rainfall during the year under report was 39·64 inches fairly distributed over the cultivation season, although not equally spread over the different parts of the district. In the upland parts the local monsoon was particularly light, and the cultivation, both dry and wet, suffered in consequence. On the whole, however, taking the delta and the upland tracts together, the general outturn was rather over the average.

6. RAINFALL.—The subjoined table shows the rainfall for the past as well as the preceding five years :—

Months.	1869-70.	1870-71.	1871-72.	1872-73.	1873-74.	1874-75.
	INCHES.	INCHES.	INCHES.	INCHES.	INCHES.	INCHES.
April...	1·36	1·15	1·72	3·12	5·39	·64
May	·52	·10	3·43	6·42	1·92	2·4
June	·51	3·45	·82	1·40	1·15	2·32
July	1·51	1·36	1·93	4·96	1·28	2·74
August	2·85	6·81	2·71	4·70	3·38	3·35
September	7·60	2·99	6·16	2·92	3·71	6·83
October	5·44	6·50	7·93	6 78	15·15	6·52
November	14·95	7 59	13·50	14·64	6·57	8·49
December	8·5	8·90	2·39	5·90	2·30	5·84
January	2·50	3·62	·66	...	·20	·40
February	...	·87	·22	5·71	2·52	·12
March	...	1·2	·60	...	·40	·35
Total ...	45·29	44·36	42·7	56·55	43·97	39·64

7. RAIN GAUGES AND REGISTERS.—The rain gauges are generally in good condition ; the rain registers were inspected by the Divisional Officers and found to be correctly kept.

8. SANITARY CONDITION.—But for the cholera which broke out in the district in the latter end of the year the sanitary condition of the district would appear to contrast favorably with the previous year, though it is to be remembered that cholera, like other epidemics, first carries off the weakly, so that many who would have died from other causes thus become debitable to cholera. However, excluding the number of deaths from cholera, the mortality during the year as compared with Fasli 1283 fell short by 1,317, but the advent of cholera has increased the number of deaths to 49,284, or 25 per *mille* of the population, which, according to the census of 1871, amounted to 1,973,731 souls. This epidemic first made its appearance at Negapatam, and, notwithstanding all efforts to check its progress, it has spread with rapidity and extraordinary virulence along the coast and into the interior, prevailing more or less in every taluq in the district. The number carried off by it up to 9th instant is no less than 14,248. At the commencement, and during the progress, of the disease vigorous attention was given to cleanliness, the scavengering establishment was greatly strengthened, temporary latrines were everywhere run up, disinfectants were freely used, and medicines have been promptly and gratuitously distributed to all parts of the district through the agency of Tahsildars from my own office as well as from Municipal and Local Fund Dispensaries and the Dispensaries attached to the late Rajah's Chuttrums. Additional medical aid has also been obtained in the form of Hospital Apprentices, the vaccine staff of the district was utilized for cholera duty, and a portion of the staff of a neighboring district borrowed. A number of private practitioners also were, after due medical opinion on their qualification, supplied with medicines, salaried, and sent over the affected parts with instructions for the gratuitous distribution of medicines.

9. The deaths from small-pox were about a-half of what it was in the previous year—a fact which now, for the first time, bears evidence to the efficiency of the vaccine agency.

10. Fevers were as usual generally prevalent, and caused about the same amount of mortality as in Fasli 1283.

11. The following abstract shows the number of deaths during the year as compared with Fasli 1283 :—

—	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
Cholera	46	6,657
Small-pox	3,021	1,522
Fevers	5,836	5,531
Other Diseases... ...	35,087	35,574
Total ...	43,990	49,284

—	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
Average of Wholesale Bazaar Prices.	RS.	RS.
Paddy, 1st Sort, per Madras Garce	141	149
Do. 2nd Sort, do.	128	139
Cholum or Javary	173	184
Cumboo or Bajira	157	160
Raggy	147	180
Horse-gram.....	250	230
Varagu	87	90
Average of Village Retail Sales.		
Paddy (1st and 2nd Sort not distinguished)	141	123
Standard Commutation Rate for Paddy..	·56	

12. Prices—*Statement No.* 2.—The prices of all grains, except horse-gram, rose during the year under report as shown in the margin. The price of 2nd-sort paddy, which constitutes the food of the masses, exceeded the price of Fasli 1283 by about nine per cent., a result which must be attributed to large exportation from Karikal, as well as to a very large quantity of old grain hoarded by the mirassidars in previous years having been disposed of in Fasli 1283 to meet the wants of the Bengal Famine. The outturn of the year has, however, maintained its average. The returns of village retail sales of paddy show an average during the year of Rupees 1-1-0 per Tanjore Kallam, or Rs. 123-4-0 per Madras garce, being about 13 per cent. below the similar average rate of Fasli 1283 and as much as 120 per cent. above the fixed commutation rate by which the Government share of the gross produce for wet lands was converted into a money assessment.

—	Per Tanjore Kallam.			Per Madras Garce.		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS	A.	P.
Standard Price.....	0	7	8$\frac{3}{8}$	55	12	11
Commutation Price of Fasli 1283.....	1	3	4$\frac{1}{2}$	140	9	11
Commutation Price of Fasli 1284.....	1	1	0	123	4	0
Increase above the Standard.	0	9	3$\frac{5}{8}$	...	...	...
Percentage	120	0	0	...	...	...
Decrease below last Fasli ...	0	2	4$\frac{1}{2}$	...	...	...
Percentage	13	0	0	...	...	...

13. The prices of dry grains, other than horse-gram, ranged from 2 per cent. in the case of cumboo to 22 per cent. in the case of raggy in advance of those of the previous year. This increased dearness is due to the season having been especially unfavorable to these crops in consequence of the scanty monsoon in the upland taluqs of the district where they are chiefly grown. The falling-off in the price of horse-gram may probably be ascribed to the stock of previous years having been available for sale during the year.

14. Wages of Labor.—The condition of the agricultural laborers of the district must remain unaffected by the variations in the market prices of food so long as the remuneration in kind continues. With ample employment at home, which they can always find at remunerative wages, and with an ever-inviting labor market in Ceylon, the Mauritius, and the Straits Settlement, &c., the condition of these classes has been all that could be desired.

15. Ryots' Holdings—*Statement No.* 3.—The ryots' holdings for the year under report amounted to 1,039,392 acres assessed at Rupees 39,87,997, showing an increase over Fasli 1283 of 4,194 acres assessed at Rupees 9,344, resulting from 23,598 acres assessed at Rupees 85,442 taken up against 19,392 acres assessed at Rupees 75,936 given up, as will be seen from the annexed abstract. The extent given up during the year under report was, however, less than in Fasli 1283 by acres 1,008 assessed at Rupees 2,347, while the extent taken up was more by 888 acres assessed at Rupees 1,964.

—	Fasli 1284. Extent.	Fasli 1284. Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.
Ryots' holdings as they stood at the beginning of the year	1,035,198	39,78,653
Land brought to Amani from Ryotwar	12	161
	1,035,186	39,78,492
Lands given up...	1,165	2,384
Remainder ...	1,034,021	39,76,108
Lands taken up	5,371	11,889
Total Holdings ...	1,039,392	39,87,997
Deduct Waste Remitted	727	2,531
Remainder ...	1,038,665	39,85,466
Particulars... { Actual Cultivation...	946,645	38,01,604
Particulars... { Waste Charged ...	92,020	1,83,862

N.B.—Transfers of land between individual holders, which balance each other, have been excluded. The extent of such transfers is 18,227 acres and the assessment Rupees 73,553.

16. Waste Remitted.—From the foregoing statement it will be seen that the extent of waste remitted was 727 acres assessed at Rupees 2,531; this extent falls short of the waste remitted in the previous fasli by 1,009 acres assessed at Rupees 5,701.

17. Waste Charged.—The extent of waste charged aggregated not less than 92,020 acres bearing an assessment of Rupees 1,83,862, a result attributable chiefly to the exact enforcement of the rules which precludes the grant of relief when the loss is not shown to have arisen from causes strictly beyond the control of the ryots.

18. Actual Cultivation.—Deducting from the total holdings of the year the extent of waste remitted as well as waste charged, there is left the actual cultivation of 946,645 acres assessed at Rupees 38,01,604, showing a decided increase of 11,944 acres assessed at Rupees 33,452 over Fasli 1283, a result due, of course, to the more favorable character of the season. Dry cultivation in Tanjore is about one-fifth of the whole, and an increase of 8,798 acres therein, while in wet cultivation the increase is only 3,146 acres, would seem anomalous. But the fact is that there is not such a margin for change in wet as there is in dry land, for the wet is too valuable to be resigned for a single unfavorable season. Moreover, the irrigation of this district is dependent, not so much on local rainfall as on the extensive catchment basin of the Cauvery and Bhowany, which get not a little of the monsoon of the other coast :—

Faslis.	Dry. Extent.	Dry. Assessment.	Wet. Extent.	Wet. Assessment.	Total. Extent.	Total. Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
1283	226,221	2,81,358	708,480	34,86,794	934,701	37,68,152
1284	235,019	2,96,511	711,626	35,05,093	946,645	38,01,604
Increase...	8,798	15,153	3,146	18,299	11,944	33,452

19. Settlement of Land Revenue under the Head Ryotwar.—The amount of Ryotwar Land Revenue, as settled for the year under report, is Rupees 39,28,062, being Rupees 48,092 over that of the preceding year as shown in the prescribed comparative statement annexed below. The variations in the several component items out of which this increase has resulted will be noticed in detail presently. Inclusive of the sum of Rupees 2,75,309 deducted under the head of Remissions on account of the pay of the village establishment, the amount of revenue under Ryotwar Settlement for the year under report (miscellaneous items included) is Rupees 43,57,465 against Rupees 42,85,248 for the preceding year, and the total Land Revenue including Zemindari Peishcush and Jodi on Inams Rupees 45,08,682 against Rupees 44,36,644 for the preceding year :—

Items.	Last Fasli.		Present Fasli.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
1	2	3	4	5	6.	7	8	9
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Dry	292,725	3,64,920 3 4	295,401	3,68,027 8 2	2,676	3,107	...	...
Wet	740,137	36,05,500 6 6	743,264	36,17,438 14 6	3,127	11,939	...	...
Total...	1,032,862	39,70,420 9 10	1,038,665	39,35,466 6 8	5,803	15,046	...	...
Second-crop Assessment	...	71,405 0 11	...	81,306 0 6	...	9,901	...	...
Water-tax	...	1,36,085 3 0	...	1,42,166 9 2	...	6,081	...	...
Land-cess	...	2,57,963 7 9	...	2,56,556 13 7	...	...	...	1,406
Village Service Fund	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	...	...	...
Total...	...	44,35,874 5 6	...	44,65,495 13 11	...	31,028	...	1,406
Net...	...	... ...	..	... ...	...	29,622	...	...
Deduct Remissions.								
Land-cess	...	2,57,963 7 9	...	2,56,556 13 7	...	...	...	1,406
Village Service Fund	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	...	...	...
Other Remissions as particularized in Statement No. 4..	...	2,97,940 11 6	...	2,80,877 1 10	...	...	...	17,064
Total...	...	5,55,904 3 3	...	5,37,433 15 5	...	...	...	18,470
Remaining Beriz....	...	38,79,970 2 3	...	39,28,061 14 6	...	48,092	...	...
Add Miscellaneous Items	...	1,29,966 6 4	...	1,54,093 12 6	...	24,128	...	...
Total...	...	40,09,936 8 7	...	40,82,155 11 0	...	72,220	...	...

20. In the assessment of the settled area there is an increase of Rupees 15,046 made up of the difference between lands taken up and those given up and the decrease in waste remitted as already noticed under the head of Ryotwar holdings. This, *plus* an increase of Rupees 9,901 in 2nd-crop assessment and Rupees 6,081 in water-tax and *minus* a decrease of Rupees 17,061 in sundry remissions, produces in the aggregate a net increase of Rupees 48,092.

21. The increase in the 2nd-crop assessment and water-tax is due to the more favorable character of the season, and the decrease under sundry remissions is due also to the same cause and to less remissions on account of damage caused by excessive rains and floods.

22. Remissions—*Statement No.* 4.—The remissions during the year under report occurred only under the heads noted in the margin, and the amount of relief granted in every case was below that of Fasli 1283. The reason for this falling-off in the remissions has been already explained above (paragraph 21).

	Decrease. Rs.
Shavi or Withered Crops	7,218
Panyboodthy \ Or land flooded or injured by Payamalay / water	9,705
Fassul Cammi or 2nd crop not cultivated	138

23. Land Revenue, Miscellaneous—*Statement No.* 5.—Under this head there is an increase of Rs. 24,128 in the aggregate resulting from fluctuations under several minor items of which the general head is composed, the most notable of which are given below :—

Items.	Increase. Rs.	
Tax on trees on unassessed lands...	1,168	The result of increased plantation in recent years of fruit trees which gradually come into bearing and become liable to the tax.
Revenue from Amani villages ...	221	Owing to a ryotwari holding in an Olungu village unaffected by price in the Nannilam Taluq having been brought under Amani.
Land cultivated but not included in the Jamabandi.	1,485	Owing to the necessarily contingent and variable nature of the items.
Cultivation of poramboke lands ...	4,588	
Rent of gardens and topes	287	Due to increase in the rentals at the renewal of the leases.
Commission on private estates under circar management.	267	Owing to increase in the revenues of the Shealli Estate and the addition of the Vettangudi Estate to the Estates under the management of the Court of Wards.
Tax on backyards in excess of the limit allowed.	483	Owing to the necessarily contingent and variable nature of the item.
Other Items.		
Batta for the service of processes under Act II. of 1864.	16,818	Owing to the levy of fees for the collection of revenue under instruction from Board in their Proceedings, dated 24th April 1874, No. 971.

24. Special Products.—The following table shows the extent to which special products were cultivated during the year in comparison with similar statistics for Fasli 1283 :—

——	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Cotton	3,879	5,173	4,391	6,637	512	1,464	.....	.....
Indigo	1,446	2,797	1,027	1,359	.....	.....	419	1,438
Sugarcane ...	457	3,130	404	2,673	.....	.....	53	457
Total ...	5,782	11,100	5,822	10,669	512	1,464	472	1,895
Net ...	... ..	.....	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	431

25. Under the head of Cotton alone there is an increase of 512 acres. Under Indigo and Sugarcane there is a decrease of 419 and 53 acres respectively. These products are cultivated in Tanjore to a very limited extent, and therefore the variations call for no remark.

26. Agricultural Statistics.—As required in the Board's Proceedings, dated 26th November 1874, No. 3,417, the statement* of agricultural statistics for Fasli 1284 accompanies this report.

* Enclosures Nos 25 and 26.

27. Irrigation.—The cultivation and revenue under each minor branch of the Cauvery, as well as other sources of irrigation unconnected with the Cauvery, is shown in the annexed statement. As already stated in the settlement reports of the past two faslis, the regulating works recently

constructed at the heads of some of the main branches of the Cauvery and the Vennar have had the effect of ensuring a more equal distribution of the available supply. In the report for last year I have had occasion to point out that a minor branch of the Cauvery, *viz.*, the Virasholan, draws too much and leaves too little water in the parent stream, and that the attention of the Public Works Department has been called to this; but nothing has yet been done in this direction as the matter is still under discussion.

Names of Rivers or Principal Sources of Irrigation.	Total Irrigable Ayacut.	Assessment.	Actual Cultivation.	Assessment.	Add for Waste Charged.	Total of Actual Cultivation and Waste Charged.	Deduct Shavi, &c., Remitted.	Net Revenue as actually derived.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
I. Cauvery and its main branches—								
1. Cauvery	111,214	5,53,766	107,892	5,36,695	17,071	5,53,766	41	5,53,725
2. Kodamurutti	61,668	3,69,143	59,769	3,60,335	8,808	3,69,143	503	3,68,640
3. Tirumalairajan	8,539	46,535	8,238	44,456	2,079	46,535	...	46,535
4. Mudikondan	33,816	1,84,685	32,815	1,79,546	5,139	1,84,685	...	1,84,685
5. Arasalur	60,199	3,14,552	59,245	3,06,889	7,663	3,14,552	40	3,14,512
6. Virasholan	52,614	2,47,926	51,603	2,44,311	3,615	2,47,926	78	2,47,848
Total...	328,050	17,16,607	319,562	16,72,232	44,375	17,16,607	662	17,15,945
II. Vinnar and its main branches—								
1. Vinnar	81,359	4,31,235	78,993	4,22,253	8,982	4,31,235	185	4,31,050
2. Vettar	78,288	4,12,475	74,916	3,99,410	13,065	4,12,475	21	4,12,454
3. Pamani	29,366	1,16,102	28,338	1,11,500	4,513	1,16,013	...	1,16,013
4. Koraiyar	92,795	3,62,034	86,408	3,42,215	18,053	3,60,268	3,944	3,56,324
5. Velliyar	29,936	1,36,510	27,336	1,28,139	8,189	1,36,328	56	1,36,272
6. Pandavaiyar	22,356	1,21,326	21,565	1,18,103	2,868	1,20,971	...	1,20,971
Total...	334,100	15,79,682	317,556	15,21,620	55,670	15,77,290	4,206	15,73,084
III. Munniyar, a branch of the Coleroon ...	34,308	2,07,709	33,475	2,03,294	4,415	2,07,709	89	2,07,620
IV. South Rajanvaikal, another branch of the Coleroon	33,676	1,44,002	33,223	1,41,940	2,062	1,44,002	...	1,44,002
Total...	730,134	36,48,000	703,816	35,39,086	1,06,522	36,45,608	4,957	36,40,651
er	46,211	1,37,470	43,236	1,31,011	6,320	1,37,331	425	1,36,906
Grand Total	776,345	37,85,470	747,052	36,70,097	1,12,842	37,82,939	5,382	37,77,557

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28. Tanks made over to the Ryots.—In connection with the subject of irrigation, I may state that no tanks were, ruined or otherwise, made over to the ryots during the past year on the terms sanctioned in the Board's Proceedings, dated 26th May 1863 and 28th February 1866, Nos. 3,161 and 1,418, respectively, *viz.*, that they are to be kept up by the ryots themselves subject to the payment of dry assessment at the highest village rate for the whole irrigable area under the tanks.

29. General Abstract of all Heads of Revenue.—The revenue from all sources, as will be seen from the annexed general abstract, amounts, in the aggregate, to Rupees 74,33,209 against Rupees 73,66,602. The fluctuations under each source of revenue will be noticed seriatim :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
Land Revenue.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Permanently Settled	31,434	31,434	...	...
Jodi on Shrotriem, &c., Villages	1,19,962	1,19,783	..	179
Ryotwar	38,79,970	39,28,062	48,092	...
Miscellaneous	1,29,966	1,54,094	24,128	...
Total ...	41,61,332	42,33,373	72,220	179
Abkári	4,91,084	4,90,878	...	206
Income-tax...	44	...	...	44
Sea Customs	6,16,741	5,32,249	...	84,492
Land Customs	1,22,748	1,87,803	65,055	...
Salt	14,15,243	14,22,895	7,652	...
Court Fee Stamps	3,82,289	3,76,368	...	5,921
Non-Judicial Stamps...	1,77,121	1,89,643	12,522	...
Grand Total ...	73,66,602	74,33,209	1,57,449	90,842
Net ...	...	...	66,607	...

30. Jodi on Shrotriem, &c., Villages.—The fluctuations under the head of Land Revenue and Miscellaneous have been already noticed. The only other item of Land Revenue which remains to be noticed is Jodi on Shrotriem, &c., Villages. Under this head there is a very small decrease of Rupees 179, and the greater portion of the amount, Rupees 176, represents the Jodi on the inam lands belonging to the Nadiyam Mattam resumed under the orders of Government, dated 28th August 1874, No. 1,098, communicated in Board's Proceedings, dated 19th September following, Miscellaneous No. 6,499.

31. *Abkári.*—The decrease of Rupees 206 under Abkári occurs under the head "Miscellaneous," which consists of fines and forfeitures—items of a necessarily contingent and fluctuating nature.

32. *Sea and Land Customs.*—The decrease of Rupees 84,492 under Sea Customs is counterbalanced to the extent of Rupees 65,055 by increased collections under Land Customs on account of duty on grain exported from the French port of Karikal. Hitherto the roads from Combaconum and other places westward to Karikal were in a bad state; but, as they were repaired during the fasli under report, a greater quantity of grain from the interior of the district was taken to that port. The remainder of the falling-off is accounted for chiefly by the absence of the special impulse which the Bengal Famine gave to the export trade in grain in the preceding year.

33. *Salt.*—The increase of Rupees 7,652 under this head is attributable to the development of the salt trade between Trichinopoly, Erode, Salem, and Coimbatore, &c., by means of the South India Railway and to the facilities afforded by the canal communication from Vedaraniem to Negapatam, which aided in supplementing and thus maintaining a sufficient supply of salt at the railway terminus at Negapatam to meet the great demand during the year.

34. *Stamps, Judicial.*—The decrease of Rupees 5,921 under this head is due to no other cause apparently than decreased litigation.

35. *Stamps, Non-Judicial.*—The increase of Rupees 12,522 in Non-Judicial Stamps is the result of the contingencies of trade and public dealings.

36. Total Demand, Collection, and Balance of all Sources of Revenue, Current—*Statement No.* 7.—Out of the total demand of Rupees 74,33,209 Rupees 72,70,999 were collected within the close of the year, leaving a balance of Rupees 1,62,210. This sum is distributed as follows:—

	Rs.
Land Revenue...	1,30,956
Abkári	31,254

The Land Revenue balance has been reduced by subsequent collection up to the end of September 1875 to Rupees 66,063, and stringent instructions have been issued for the realization of this sum.

The Abkári balance has been fully realized.

37. Actual Collections, both Arrears and Current.—The following statement exhibits the collections, current and arrears, under the several heads of revenue:—

Items.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Increase.	Decrease.
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.		
Land Revenue.	Rs.	Rs	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Permanently Settled	1,624	28,192	29,816	3,242	30,384	33,626	3,810	...
Jodi on Shrotriem, &c., Villages	2,075	1,15,744	1,17,819	4,066	1,17,602	1,21,668	3,849	...
Ryotwar	1,32,327	37,30,586	38,62,913	1,43,130	38,08,137	39,51,267	88,354	...
Miscellaneous	4,831	1,23,619	1,28,450	5,665	1,46,294	1,51,959	23,509	...
Total...	1,40,857	39,98,141	41,38,998	1,56,103	41,02,417	42,58,520	1,19,522	...
Abkari	57,367	4,31,690	4,89,057	59,394	4,59,624	5,19,018	29,961	...
Income-tax	21	44	65	...	...	...	...	65
Sea Customs	...	6,16,741	6,16,741	...	5,32,249	5,32,249	...	84,492
Land Customs	...	1,22,748	1,22,748	...	1,87,803	1,87,803	65,055	...
Salt...	...	14,15,243	14,15,243	...	14,22,895	14,22,895	7,652	..
Court Fee Stamps...	...	3,82,289	3,82,289	...	3,76,368	3,76,368	...	5,921
Non-Judicial Stamps	...	1,77,121	1,77,121	...	1,89,643	1,89,643	12,522	...
Grand Total...	1,98,245	71,44,017	73,42,262	2,15,497	72,70,999	74,86,496	2,34,712	90,478
Net...	...	...	...	...	...	..	1,44,234	...

38. Land Revenue Arrears—*Statement No.* 8.—The Land Revenue Arrears of previous years, as they stood at the commencement of Fasli 1284, amounted to Rupees 1,87,284; out of this sum Rupees 1,56,103 were collected within the fasli and Rupees 1,964 were remitted under the sanction of Government conveyed in the Board's Proceedings, dated 18th August 1874, No. 2,295 (paragraph 7), leaving a balance of Rupees 29,217 at the close of the fasli. Subsequent collections up to the end of September 1875 reduced this balance to Rupees 27,904, and, deducting from this the sum of Rupees 1,482 already recommended to be written off in the settlement report for last fasli, the remainder, Rupees 26,422, may be classed as below :—

	Rs.
Recoverable	25,037
Irrecoverable...	1,385

		Amount. Rs.	A.	P.
*Fasli	1278	33	8	4
,,	1279	78	1	4
,,	1280	191	7	4
,,	1281	343	0	8
,,	1282	375	9	10
,,	1283	363	10	7
	Total ...	1,385	6	1

For the realization of the recoverable balance requisite processes are in course of execution. The irrecoverable balance of Rupees 1,385* is recommended for remission for reasons stated in a separate statement accompanying—(Enclosure B to Statement No. 8.)

39. Coercive Process.—The extent to which coercive process was employed in the realization of revenue is shown in the following table. Processes were issued against 4,240 individuals for the recovery of Rupees 1,10,693, and property valued at Rupees 31,099 were actually sold. In the report for Fasli 1283 it was remarked that the value of property sold went on increasing from year to year, but in the year under report there is a marked decrease, which is the result of the employment of batta peons for the recovery of revenue under Board's instructions, dated 24th April 1874, No. 971 :—

Faslis.	Estimated value of Property attached.			Value of Property actually sold.		
	Real.	Personal.	Total.	Real.	Personal.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1283 ...	58,791	77,794	1,36,585	37,626	18,988	56,614
1284 ...	16,007	68,044	84,051	11,890	19,209	31,099

40. Collections and Charges—*Statement No.* 9.—The following is a comparative statement of the receipts and charges under each head of revenue. The total receipts during the fasli under report, as already shown, amounted to Rupees 74,86,496, and the total charges to Rupees 4,18,217, bearing a percentage of 5·58 on the former, while in the preceding year the receipts were Rupees 73,42,262 and charges Rupees 3,98,485, or 5·43 per cent.

Items.	Receipts.		Charges.		Percentage of Charges on Receipts.	
	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
Land Revenue.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Current including Miscellaneous...	39,98,141	41,02,417	2,29,853	2,41,710	5·55	5·67
Arrears including Miscellaneous...	1,40,857	1,56,103				
Total ...	41,38,998	42,58,520				
Sundry Sources of Revenue.						
Abkári	4,89,057	5,19,018	.....	.....	.....	.....
Income-tax	65	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sea Customs	6,16,741	5,32,249	9,230	9,921	1·5	1·86
Land Customs	1,22,748	1,87,803	3,291	4,583	2·68	2·44
Salt	14,15,243	14,22,895	1,46,037	1,49,620	10·32	10·51
Court Fee Stamps	3,82,289	3,76,368	2,514	4,364	·66	1·16
Non-Judicial Stamps ...	1,77,121	1,89,643	7,560	8,019	4·27	4·23
Total ...	73,42,262	74,86,496	3,98,485	4,18,217	5·43	5·58

41. Charges.—The variations under the head of receipts have been already reviewed. Those in charges will be noticed in their order.

42. Land Revenue.—The charges under Land Revenue exceeded those of Fasli 1283 by Rupees 11,857. The greatest portion of this amount occurs under contingencies, an item of a necessarily uncertain and fluctuating nature. The inclusion of the payment on account of process service establishment and the adjustment of road-cess on lands assigned to pagodas have contri-

buted to swell the charges under this head. The only other items under Land Revenue which require remarks are—

		Rs.	
Tent and House-rent allowance of Officers	Increase	1,361	Due to extra tentage drawn by the Special Deputy Collector and the Treasury Deputy Collector during his tour of inspection of local treasuries and accounts.
Medical Charges ...	Decrease	2,790	Due chiefly to the transfer of the vaccine establishment and some of the medical subordinates to Local Fund Boards.
Miscellaneous	Increase	1,506	Due to payment of arrears of yeomiah and other allowances.

43. Other Heads of Charges.—The only other heads under which there have been large variations in the charges are Land Customs, Salt, and Judicial Stamps.

44. Land Customs.—The increase of Rupees 1,292 under Land Customs is due to increased expenditure under Petty Construction and Repairs, the huts commenced in Fasli 1283 for the preventive establishment at the Karikal Frontier having been, under G.O., dated 22nd July 1874, No. 1,354, completed in the year under report.

45. Salt.—The increase under the head of Salt is the result of a gross increase of Rupees 14,864 under the six heads, and a gross decrease of Rupees 11,281 under the three heads, noted in the margin.

	Increase. Rs.
1. Salary of Deputy Collectors	200
2. Establishment	677
3. Country Stationery and Saderward	13
4. Travelling Allowance	24
5. Charges for conveying the Vedaraniem Salt to Negapatam on Government account	1,521
6. Petty Construction and Repairs	12,429
	Decrease. Rs.
1. Purchase of Salt and Manufacturer's Share	3,515
2. Charges for collecting and storing Spontaneous Salt	7,023
3. Contingencies	743

46. The increase on account of establishment is due to the disbursement of the arrears of pay due for Fasli 1283 in the fasli under report. The increase in the charges for conveying salt is ascribable to the large quantity of salt conveyed by canal in boats from Vedaraniem to Negapatam in Fasli 1284, as also to the enhanced rate of one rupee per garce for the tonnage allowed since September 1874. The large increase under Petty Construction and Repairs is due to the fact that the allotment sanctioned for the extension of the Vedaraniem Canal into the great salt swamp has been included in the item of Petty Construction and Repairs, besides certain more repair works having been executed in 1874-75 than in the preceding year.

47. The decrease under the head of Purchase of Salt and Manufacturer's Share is owing to a large quantity of the salt received into store having been in divisions in which low rates of kudivaram obtain; hence the decrease, though the quantity for the whole fasli exceeds that of the previous one. The falling-off under Charges for collecting and storing Spontaneous Salt is attributable to this work having been in some measure postponed to the completion of the canal extension, as it was quite impossible to obtain enough labor for both works simultaneously, and it was imperative that the canal should be completed without delay.

48. The fluctuations in the remaining items under Salt are small, and call for no remarks.

49. Judicial Stamps.—The increase of Rupees 1,851 under this head is due to the vendors who were not permitted to sell Court Fee labels in Fasli 1283 having been permitted in Fasli 1284 to sell them at 1 or 1½ per cent. discount with reference to Board's Proceedings, dated 25th March and 17th August 1874, Nos. 674 and 2,280.

50. Wastage of Salt.—Statement No. 11 shows the wastage of salt in the several divisions with the date of storage in each case. In the 594 heaps which contained, when stored, 706,621 Indian maunds of salt there were only 673,068 Indian maunds when sold. The wastage amounted to no less than 33,553 Indian maunds, which is 4·74 per cent. on the contents of the heaps. Reviewed in detail, the percentage exceeds five in the salt stored at Tranquebar and Vedaraniem. This excess is due to the heaps having been exposed to heavy rains and winds. Sanction, is therefore required for the wastage, *viz.*, Indian maunds 33,553, being written off.

Tranquebar	7·489
Vedaraniem	6·347

51. Landed Property acquired by Public Servants.—In the year under report the number of persons who acquired landed property in the Revenue Department was 136, and the assessment of the property so acquired by them amounted to Rupees 5,625. Of these, lands assessed at Rupees 3,395 were acquired by inheritance and the rest by purchase.

Items.	Fasli 1283. No.	Extent. Acres	Assessment. Rs.	Fasli 1284. No.	Extent. Acres.	Assessment. Rs.
Acquired by Purchase and Mortgage	66	495	2,154	85	785	2,230
Acquired by Inheritance	21	208	997	51	114	3,395

52. Village and Taluq Accounts.—The village and taluq accounts were as usual examined at the Jamabandi, and were found to be kept with fair neatness and accuracy. Few trifling mistakes and uninitialled interpolations were duly noticed. The registers of births and deaths showed that they were better kept than those of the previous year.

53. Examination of Taluq Treasuries and Cash Accounts.—Agreeably to the instructions contained in the Board's Standing Order No. 283-2, the Treasury Deputy Collector has examined the treasuries and accounts of the four* out of the nine taluqs of this district. The cash and stamps in every case were found correct, but the accounts were not generally well kept. The defects brought to light by the Treasury Deputy Collector were pointed out to the Taluq Sheristadars concerned.

*Negapatam. Tritrapundi. Nannilam. Pattukottai.

54. Costs awarded in Civil Suits.—With reference to Board's Proceedings, dated 19th October 1871, No. 4,434, I have the honor to submit the statement showing the demand, collection, and balance of costs awarded to Government in civil suits during Fasli 1284.

55. Remarks on the Conduct of the Subordinate Officers.—The influence of the Sub-Collector, Mr. J. Cameron, is, I fear, very limited.

The Head Assistant Collector, Mr. M. R. Weld, and the Assistant Collector, Mr. G. Stuart Forbes, have done their work well, and in this district it is not light. The chief characteristic of the former is his ever zealous interest in his charge; of the latter, his prudence.

The Salt Deputy Collector, Mr. E. G. Ricketts, has continued to do good work, having in the fasli under report raised the salt revenues of the district by another Rupees 7,652. During the eleven years he has been in the district it has risen from Rupees 9,92,360 to Rupees 14,22,895. His engineering training has this year been of great service in the completion of the salt canal extension, to which he has given unremitting attention, entailing unusual exposure.

The vigorous administration of Deputy Collector A. Shrinavasa Rau and his ability have been valuable.

The Treasury Deputy Collector, P. Sheshagiri Rau, has given satisfaction.

Of the late Huzur Sheristadar T. Venkasamy Rau, the abilities are well known, and my present Sheristadar, T. Gopalkistna Pillai, has been sufficiently noticed by me in Canara.

A. Chinnikrishna Nayudu, Tahsildar of Tanjore, maintains his high character; and of the other Tahsildars the following deserve mention :—

M. Sami Rau, Tahsildar of Mayaveram;

C. Murugesam Pillai, Tahsildar of Shealli;

A. Iyasami Shastriar, Tahsildar of Combaconum;

Thambisami Pillai, Tahsildar of Mannargudi;

Narayanasami Iyer, Deputy Tahsildar of Combaconum;

Arogiasami Pillai, Sub-Division Sheristadar, who was for a time acting as a Tahsildar, and

Devasagayam Pillai, Deputy Tahsildar of Negapatam, but now acting as Tahsildar of Nannilam.

Those whom I cannot commend are left unmentioned in the hope that they may deserve better in future years.

Tanjore, 23rd October 1876.

(Signed) H. S. THOMAS, Collector.

SUB-COLLECTORATE.

I HAVE the honor to submit the Annual Report on the Revenue Settlement of the Sub-Division for Fasli 1284, (1874-75,) together with the prescribed statements.

2. The Jamabandy of the two taluqs constituting this Division was conducted by myself at the places and on the dates specified below :—

Taluqs.	Places where Settlement was made.	Date.
Negapatam ...	Negapatam	20th and 21st May 1875.
	Trivalore	17th and 19th do.
Nannilam ...	Nannilam	3rd and 4th June 1875.
	Kodavasal	31st May and 1st June 1875.

3. VARIATIONS IN THE NUMBER AND TENURE OF VILLAGES AND HAMLETS.—The variations in the number and tenure of villages and hamlets are given in the following comparative statement :—

Description.	Tenure.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
		Number of Villages.	Number of Hamlets.	Number of Villages.	Number of Hamlets.	Number of Villages.	Number of Hamlets.	Number of Villages.	Number of Hamlets.
Government.	Ryotwar	627	731	627	743	.....	12	.....	.....
	Villages unaffected by price	9	9	9	9	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Olungu	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Total...	636	741	636	753	.....	12	.....	.....
Inam	Shrotriem	9	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Survamaniem	79	.....	79	1	.....	1	.....	.....
	Money-rented Villages...	19	.....	19	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	Grain-rented do. ...	11	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
	Mokassa do. ...	.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....
	Total...	118	.....	117	1	1	1	2	.....
	Grand Total...	754	741	753	754	1	13	2	.....
	Net...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	13	1	.....

Under Ryotwar there is an increase of twelve hamlets owing to the transfer to it, as Pugal Inam, of twelve small Survamaniem villages. The decrease in the number of Survamaniem villages caused by this transfer, and also by the transfer of one Survamaniem village to Survamaniem hamlet, was made up by the transfer to it of the villages as per margin. Under the head of Grain-rented there is a decrease of two villages owing to their transfer to Survamaniem as aforesaid. Under the head of Mokassa one village is brought, which was hitherto a part of a Ryotwar village. These changes were made under orders from the Collector.

	NO.
Grain-rented	2
Portion of do.	4
Do. of Money-rented	2
Do. of Shrotriem	1
Do. of Survamaniem	2
Two Gardens which formed part of two Survamaniem villages	2
	13

4. PUTTAS.—The total number of puttas under Ryotwar Settlement was 27,136 against 26,662 in the previous year, the net increase of 474 being the result of division of property by partition and Court sale, as well as of the acquisition of lands by purchase, durkhast, or otherwise. Of the aggregate number of puttas above specified 1,640 were new ones, 9,036 were old puttas modified by additional entries, and the remaining 16,460 were old puttas remaining unaltered— *Vide* Statement No. 1.

5. SEASON.—The season was, on the whole, tolerably good. The freshes in the river were seasonable and the rain-fall ample as far as the cultivating season is concerned. The following table shows how the rain-fall was distributed throughout the year. The rain gauges in the two taluqs are in good order :—

Months.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Increase.			Decrease.		
	F.	I.	1-100.	F.	I.	1-100.	F.	I.	1-100.	F.	I.	1-100.
April	0	6	67	0	0	32	...	...	...	0	6	35
May	0	2	24	0	1	12	...	...	...	0	1	12
June	0	0	68	0	2	15	0	1	47	...	...	...
July	0	0	62	0	2	26	0	1	64	...	...	...
August	0	1	84	0	2	79	0	0	95	...	...	...
September	0	1	17	0	4	80	0	3	63	...	...	...
October	1	3	20	0	6	31	...	...	...	0	8	89
November	0	9	93	0	11	89	0	1	96	...	...	...
December	0	3	92	0	9	55	0	5	63	...	...	...
January	0	0	5	...	...	..	...	...	...	0	0	5
February	0	3	88	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	3	88
March	...	...	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total...	3	10	20	3	5	19	1	3	28	1	8	29
Net decrease...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	0	5	1

In the latter part of the year the country suffered from want of rain to a great extent. From this statement it will be observed that there was no rain for three months from January to March, and there was not even a drizzle from April to June, a fact which, if it did not give rise to cholera in the Sub-Division, certainly rendered it more severe than it would otherwise have been. Some five or six thousand have fallen victims to cholera. Here I beg to say that more injurious effects would have resulted had it not been for the stringent steps adopted to suppress it. The Tahsildars of Negapatam and Nannilam were ordered to distribute medicine through intelligent village officers, to keep the villages clean, and to erect latrines. Besides Hospital Assistants several Vaccinators and Hakims were sent to several villages to administer cholera medicine to the patients.

6. PRICES.—The following table shows the prices of grain :—

Description of Grain.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Paddy. 1st sort ...	135	136	1	...
Paddy. 2nd ,, ...	119	123	4	...
Cumboo	192	203	11	...
Horse-gram	247	192	...	55
Varagu	...	211	...	...
Cholum	...	...	...	...

From this statement it is to be observed that the price of the staple produce, *viz.*, paddy, has almost been stationary.

7. Ryots' Holdings.—The extent of ryots' holdings at the commencement of the Fasli was Acres 230,542, assessed at Rupees 10,87,177. During the year under report Acres 7,245, with an assessment of Rupees 33,451, were given up; while Acres 7,632, assessed at Rupees 34,670, were taken up, showing an increase of cultivation (Acres 387), bearing an assessment of Rupees 1,219. The increase, together with the decrease in waste remitted and waste charged, is due to the favorable character of the season. The subjoined is the statement showing the ryots' holdings :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES	RS	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Ryots' holdings	230,368	10,86,530	230,542	10,87,177	174	647	...	...
Lands given up	7,484	35,156	7,245	33,451	...	...	239	1,705
Remainder	222,884	10,51,374	223,297	10,53,726	413	2,352	...	...
Lands taken up	7,658	35,803	7,632	34,670	...	...	26	1,133
Total ...	230,542	10,87,177	230,929	10,88,396	387	1,219	...	...
Waste remitted	68	481	36	403	...	...	32	78
Remainder	230,474	10,86,696	230,893	10,87,993	419	1,297	...	...
Actual cultivation	213,144	10,39,526	215,255	10,41,723	2,111	2,197	...	...
Waste charged	17,330	47,170	15,638	46,270	...	...	1,692	900

8. Settlement of Land Revenue.—The result of the settlement of Land Revenue, *plus* Miscellaneous items, is an increase of Rupees 8,086 over the preceding year, as exhibited in the statement annexed in the prescribed form. The various component items which make up this increase will be noticed *seriatim* hereafter :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Dry	25,637	35,713	25,771	35,904	134	191	...	...
Wet	204,906	10,51,464	205,158	10,52,492	253	1,028	...	...
Total ...	230,543	10,87,177	230,929	10,88,396	386	1,219	...	...
Add.								
Second-crop Assessment	...	10,019	...	13,420	...	3,401	...	...
Additional do.	...	12,318	...	11,778	...	...	...	540
Water Tax	...	11,330	...	11,384	...	54	...	...
Total ...	...	11,20,844	...	11,24,978	...	4,134	...	...
Deduct.								
Remission on account of Waste.	...	481	...	403	...	...	...	78
Other remission as per Statement No. 4	...	559	...	545	...	...	...	14
Total ...	...	1,040	...	948	...	...	...	92
Remainder	...	11,19,804	...	11,24,030	...	4,226	...	...
Deduct.								
Pay of Village Establishment...	...	69,288	...	69,288	...	...	...	...
Remainder	...	10,50,516	...	10,54,742	...	4,226	...	...
Add.								
Miscellaneous as per Statement No. 5	...	31,025	...	34,885	...	3,860	...	...
Total ...	...	10,81,541	...	10,89,627	...	8,086	...	...

In the assessment of the settlement area there is an increase of Rupees 1,219 as observed in ryots' holdings. In Second crop assessment there is a large increase of Rupees 3,401, though there is a decrease of Rupees 540 in the Additional assessment, and in Water tax there is an increase of Rupees 54, and in Miscellaneous items Rupees 3,860. These several items, together with decrease of Rupees 92 in remission, make up in the aggregate the increase of Rupees 8,086 as exhibited in the table.

The increase in the Second crop assessment and Water tax is due to the favorable character of the season, and the decrease in Shavi, &c., remission is also due to the same cause. The increase of Rupees 3,860 under the head of Miscellaneous results from variations in the numerous small items which compose this head.

The principal items, however, which require notice are the penal assessment on the Porumboke cultivation and the batta under Revenue Arrears Act.

9. Remissions.—The following table shows the remissions granted this year :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Shavi or withered crops	137	26	...	111
Lands not cultivated with second crop	25	16	...	9
Lands flooded	397	503	106	...
Total...	559	545	106	120
Net decrease...	...	...	...	14

From this statement it will be seen that Rupees 545 were remitted on account of withered crops, &c., against Rupees 559 in the previous year, showing a nominal decrease of Rupees 14. These remissions have been granted to Karapidagai village in the Negapatam Taluq, and Sengalipuram in the Nannilam Taluq. It has been observed in my previous report that the irrigation and drainage of these villages are in a bad state. For the improvement of the former no steps have been hitherto adopted. As for the latter, although a sum of Rupees 1,350 is sanctioned for the construction of a surplus sluice for its drainage, the work appears not to have been commenced at all. The number of petitions received for remission this year is 183 against 469 last year.

10. Special Products.—The following table shows the special products in the Sub-Division :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Sugar-cane ...	12	50	29	139	17	89	...	...
Cotton	2	3	1	1	...	...	1	2
Indigo	30	31	59	78	29	47	...	...
Total...	44	84	89	218	46	136	1	2
Net...	...	...	...	...	45	134	...	...

11. Comparative demand of all Sources of Revenue.—The statement given below shows the comparative demand on account of Government from all sources of revenue for the year under report as compared with the previous year:—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Jodi	10,849	10,849	...	...
Ryotwar	10,50,516	10,54,742	4,226	...
Miscellaneous	31,025	34,885	3,860	...
Total...	10,92,390	11,00,476	8,086	...
Abkári	1,23,047	1,22,820	...	227
Sea Customs...	6,16,741	5,32,249	...	84,492
Land Customs	1,22,748	1,87,803	65,055	...
Stamps	1,26,381	1,45,089	18,708	...
Road Cess	59,221	59,941	720	...
Pay of Village Establishment	69,288	69,288	...	...
Total...	22,09,816	22,17,666	92,569	84,719
Net increase...	...	...	7,850	...

It will be seen from the statement that there has been an increase of Rupees 92,569 in the demand. This increase is chiefly due to three items, Land Revenue, Land Customs, and Stamps. The increase of Rupees 8,086 under Land Revenue has already been explained in connection with the statement showing the cultivation and settlement. The increase under Land Customs is due to the following cause:—The roads from Combaconum and other places, westward to Karikal, were in a bad state. Last year they were repaired, consequently a greater quantity of grain from the interior of the district was taken to Karikal for exportation.

The increase in Stamps can only be attributed to the increase of litigation. The decrease under Abkári is so small that it calls for no remark; but that under Sea Customs is due to this, "that in Fasli 1283 there was an increase of about Rupees 1,15,000 in the export of grain owing to the Bengal famine," and the cause for this demand ceasing this fasli.

The total demand for the current fasli under all sources of revenue amounts to Rupees 22,17,666 against Rupees 22,09,816 in the previous year, showing net increase of Rupees 7,850. Of this 22,17,666 a sum of Rupees 21,75,944 has been collected within the fasli, leaving a balance of Rupees 41,722 as specified below. The accompanying statement shows the demand, collection, and balance :—

Items.	Demand of Fasli 1284.	Collection within the Fasli.	Balance.	Subsequent collection up to 31st July.	Balance.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Jodi	10,849	10,798	51	24	27
Ryotwar	10,54,742	10,24,416	30,326	10,675	19,651
Miscellaneous	34,885	34,175	710	225	485
Total...	11,00,476	10,69,389	31,087	10,924	20,163
Abkári	1,22,820	1,19,663	3,157	2,108	1,049
Sea Customs	5,32,249	5,32,249	...	...	...
Land Customs	1,87,803	1,87,803	...	...	...
Stamps	1,45,089	1,45,089	...	...	...
Road Cess	59,941	58,224	1,717	878	839
Pay of Village Establishment ...	69,288	63,527	5,761	2,802	2,959
Total...	22,17,666	21,75,944	41,722	16,712	25,010

From this statement it is seen that 1·88 per cent. of the total demand remained to be collected at the close of the fasli; while there remained a balance of 2·68 per cent. of the demand in the previous fasli. This favorable result is to be ascribed to the exertions of the officials concerned, as well as to the employment of Batta Peons.

Again, the subsequent collections up to 31st July leave only a balance of Rupees 25,010, which gives a percentage of 1·12 against 1·27 in the previous year.

12. A comparative statement showing the receipts under all heads, including current and arrears, is given below:—

Items.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Increase.	Decrease.
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.		
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Jodi...	1,085	10,674	11,759	245	10,798	11,043	.....	716
Ryotwar...	50,774	10,15,772	10,66,546	33,984	10,24,416	10,58,400	.....	8,146
Miscellaneous	1,107	30,173	31,280	750	34,175	34,925	3,645	.....
Total...	52,966	10,56,619	11,09,585	34,979	10,69,389	11,04,368	3,645	8,862
Abkari	10,275	1,06,557	1,16,832	16,489	1,19,663	1,36,152	19,320	.....
Sea Customs	.....	6,16,741	6,16,741	.....	5,32,249	5,32,249	.....	84,492
Land Customs	.....	1,22,748	1,22,748	.....	1,87,803	1,87,803	65,055	.....
Stamps	.....	1,26,381	1,26,381	.....	1,45,089	1,45,089	18,708	.....
Road Cess	3,332	57,022	60,354	2,635	58,224	60,859	505	.....
Pay of Village Establishment	6,628	64,414	71,042	4,875	63,527	68,402	.....	2,640
Income Tax	154	.....	154	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total...	73,355	21,50,482	22,23,837	58,978	21,75,944	22,34,922	1,07,233	95,994
Net increase...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	11,239	.....

The arrears which were outstanding at the commencement of the fasli (1284) amounted to Rupees 61,290, of which Rupees 58,978 have been collected within the fasli, and Rupees 334 within a month after. The remaining, Rupees 1,978-6-0, is still in arrears, of which Rupees 388-5-9 will have to be recommended to be written off as irrecoverable. This last figure of course includes Rupees 280-8-2, which forms part of Rupees 306-11-0 already included in the figures shown in the last Fasli report as the amount to be written off. As this Rupees 280-8-2 has not yet been struck off from the head of Arrears it has again to be brought under the head of Sums to be written off. The remaining Rupees 1,590-0-3 is in course of recovery.

13. The following table shows the coercive measures adopted in the collection of revenue :—

Faslis.	Estimated value of Property Attached.			Value of Property actually Sold.		
	Real.	Personal.	Total.	Real.	Personal.	Total.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1283	28,186	24,300	52,486	15,103	1,652	16,755
1284	1,729	2,323	4,052	2,834	2,812	5,646

From this it is seen that the property worth Rupees 5,646 was only sold, while in the previous year the property worth Rupees 16,755 was sold. The decrease in the coercive process is chiefly due to the collection of revenue then and there by the Batta Peons, and generally to the favorable aspect which the season maintained. Previous to the employment of the Batta Peons the village officers were entrusted with the collection of revenue. They had to do this along with their other equally important work, and hence delay frequently occurred. When the revenue was not thus collected monthly it turned into arrears, for the recovery of which coercive measures had to be adopted.

14. The following is the statement showing the lands acquired by public servants :—

Items.	1873.			1874.		
	Number of Persons.	Extent.	Assessment.	Number of Persons.	Extent.	Assessment.
		ACRES.	RS.		ACRES.	RS.
By purchase and mortgage	28	191	909	25	161	680
By inheritance.. ...	17	178	860	11	142	670
Total...	45	369	1,769	36	303	1,350

15. VILLAGE AND TALUQ ACCOUNTS.—The village and taluq accounts were examined in my Jamabandy tour, and found kept in the prescribed form (Enclosure No. 27.)

16. The Sheristadar (Arokiasami), the Head Clerk (Narayanasami Naidu), and the Magisterial Clerk (Saveraya Pillai), have all given me great satisfaction in the discharge of their duties during the year. The two Tahsildars have also done their duty well.

NEGAPATAM,
10th September 1875.

(Signed) J. CAMERON,
Acting Sub-Collector.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

SETTLEMENT REPORT
OF
TRICHINOPOLY.

I HAVE the honor to submit the Settlement Report for the Revenue year 1284 (1874-75), with the usual Statements.

2. STATEMENT No. 1.—This statement shows the officers who conducted the settlement of the several taluqs, the stations where puttas were distributed, and the dates of the settlement of each taluq. As Mr. Pennington was engaged at Pudukottai visiting the important stations of the Native State, holding personal inquiries, and drawing out his report, he was unable to take up any of the taluqs himself, and so the Divisional Officers were asked to settle their own taluqs. The Acting Head Assistant Collector, Mr. Pearse, settled the Musiri and Kulittalei Taluqs ; Assistant Collector, Mr. Moore, the Trichinopoly Taluq ; and the Deputy Collector, Krishna Row, the Perambalur and Udaiyarpalaiyam Taluqs.

3. VARIATION IN THE NUMBER AND TENURE OF VILLAGES.—The number of Zemindari and Government villages continued unchanged during the year under review.

Government villages	1,255
Istimrar and Muttah villages	233
Shortriem and entire Inam villages	156
Total ...	1,644

Faslis.	
1283	139,394
1284	140,255
Increase ...	861

4. PUTTAS.—The total number of puttas issued this year is 140,255 ; of these 3,410 are new puttas, 28,629 are those that were altered on account of changes in the holdings, and the rest, *i. e.*, 108,216 puttas, remained unaltered. The net increase in the number of puttas this year as compared with that of the last is 861.

5. RAIN-FALL.—The following statement shows the quantity of rain-fall in the district during the year as compared with that in the preceding year. The total fall is 34·83 against 32·36 in the year preceding. The average for the past ten years is 36·21. The quantity that fell this year, although a little short of the average, was yet seasonable, steady, and more generally distributed in the district than in the previous year :—

Months.	Fasli. 1283.	Fasli. 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
July 1874.	1·33	1·94	0·61	.....
August ,, ...	2·96	3·92	0·96	.....
September ,, ...	2·83	4·33	1·50	.....
October . ,, ...	14·36	6·53	.....	7·83
November ,, ...	2·29	8·95	6·66	.....
December ,, ...	1·57	2·44	0·87	.....
January 1875.	.....	0·27	0·27	.....
February ,, ...	0·35	.....	.....	0·35
March ,, ...	0·01	0·13	0·12	.....
April ,, ...	1·39	1·73	0·34	.....
May ,, ...	2·35	3·27	0·92	.....
June ,, ...	2·92	1·32	.....	1·60
Total...	32·36	34·83	12·25	9·78
Net increase...	.....	.....	2·47	.....

6. Season.—On the whole the season was favorable for agricultural operations, and the increase in the extent of cultivation would have been far greater than it actually was had it not been for the effect that the unfortunate experience of the two previous years' failure of rain produced on the minds of the ryots. The outturn was generally up to the average, notwithstanding the damage which the crops in some of the dry villages sustained. The freshes in the Cauvery were full and timely, and in consequence the supply in the channels continued steady and the rain-fed tanks in the dry parts of the district were fairly well filled.

7. Sanitary Condition.—The health of the people was generally good till the end of May when cholera appeared in the Trichinopoly Municipality and gradually spread over the district. This district was free from cholera for the past four or five years and the epidemic appears to have been imported from Negapatam. All necessary precautions were taken to afford Medical aid to the patients both in the Municipality and in the taluqs, and in cleansing the neighbourhoods affected with the disease. All Municipal and Local Fund Vaccinators were furnished with necessary supplies of cholera pills, chlorodyne, &c., and were sent about to those parts where the disease prevailed. Those prompt measures were not without their effect. Several individuals were saved and the loss of life was considerably smaller than what might have been expected under the circumstances. The epidemic has nearly died out now, though it still lingers here and there but in a very mild form. The entry in the margin shows the number of cases, recoveries, and deaths.

Number of individuals attacked by cholera	656
Cases recovered	91
Deaths ...	565

8. Small-pox and fever did, as usual, prevail; but the number of deaths from the former was not quite half of that of the previous year, and even under the latter item the casualties were less than what it used to be; but what was gained under these two heads were more than counterbalanced by the loss under the head "Other causes" and under Cholera, which prevailed towards the end of the year. The total number of deaths under all heads last year was 22,773, and in this year that number was exceeded almost exactly by the number of deaths by cholera, which up to the end of June was 565. The statement below shows the total deaths this year under all heads as compared with the figures of the previous year :—

Faslis.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Snake bite.	Killed by beasts.	Other causes.	Total.
1283...	...	1,360	9,101	212	12	12,088	22,773
1284...	565	603	8,327	185	14	13,612	23,306
Increase...	565	...	...	...	2	1,524	533
Decrease...	...	757	774	27	...	...	...

9. Cattle.—The cattle had abundant supply of pasture all throughout the year except in some parts of the dry taluqs, but their health cannot be said to have been satisfactory, as the number of deaths this year exceeded that of the past year by 5,228, and this is ascribable to murrain and diarrhœa breaking out amongst them in the Musiri and Udaiyarpalaiyam Taluqs.

10. Births and Deaths.—The statement given below will show the total number of births and deaths during the year. The death-rate is increased by ·42 per mille this year, which is entirely due to cholera; but there is an increase of 5·17 per mille in the rate of births, and this is rather unaccountable, and it is not unlikely that it is the result of greater scrutiny in the registration in villages :—

Faslis.	Births.	Deaths.
1283	25,872	22,773
1284	32,117	23,306
Increase...	6,245	533
Decrease...	...	...

11. Vaccination.—The memorandum in the margin shows the total number of cases successfully vaccinated this year as compared with that of the three preceding years, and it is indeed very satisfactory to find that the number in the year under review has more than doubled that of 1281. The Local Fund Board is working the Vaccinators vigorously and this is the result. I have no reason whatever to doubt the correctness of the figures.

Faslis.	
1281	9,832
1282	11,034
1283	15,218
1284	22,101

12. Emigration.—As the register kept in the Treasury Deputy Collector's office of the emigrants to British Colonies generally shows only those individuals who presented themselves before that officer, and as the emigrants find it more convenient to go to the sea-coast towns to avoid the annoyance which their creditors, landlords, or perhaps their relations would give them, my predecessor, in view to ascertain the correct number of coolies that emigrated, ordered register to be opened in each village and the figures of both the Deputy Collector's register and the entries of the village registers are given in the margin. The usual number according to the register in the Deputy Collector's office never exceeded forty or fifty; but the entries in the village registers, which must be taken to be more correct, clearly show that the number of laborers that leave Trichinopoly is very large. The greatest number was from the Musiri and Trichinopoly Taluqs.

	1283.	1284.
Deputy Collector's Register	24	25
Village Registers	1,315	3,104

13. Statement No. 2.—The prices of all food grains have been a little lower this year than in the previous year, except that of paddy which has risen ten per cent. The fall in the prices of grains is considerable when compared with the average prices for the past ten years, the exception is horse-gram alone which was sold at a higher than the average price.

14. Statement No. 3.—The abstract statement given below shows the extent of cultivation and assessment of this year as compared with the figures of the previous year:—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.
Dry	814,463	7,64,972 12 0	811,163	7,60,329 5 0	...	... ...	3,300	4,643 7 0
Wet	135,210	5,65,399 2 0	135,646	5,66,687 6 0	436	1,288 4 0	...	... ...
Total...	949,673	13,30,371 14 0	946,809	13,27,016 11 0	436	1,288 4 0	3,300	4,643 7 0
Net decrease...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	...	... ...	2,864	3,355 3 0
Add.								
Second crop	.....	97,454 2 0	.....	95,823 2 0	...	... ...	...	1,631 0 0
Water-tax	.....	35,003 9 0	.....	42,393 13 0	...	7,300 4 0	...	... ...
Road Cess	... ..	78,180 12 4	.....	76,621 2 1	...	... ...	...	1,559 10 3
Village Service Cess.	.....	1,01,510 0 9	.....	1,06,646 9 3	...	5,136 8 6	...	... ...
Total...	.....	3,12,148 8 1	.....	3,21,394 10 4	...	12,436 12 6	...	3,190 10 3
Net increase...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	...	9,246 2 3	...	... ...
Grand Total...	.....	16,42,520 6 1	.....	16,48,411 5 4	...	5,890 15 3	...	... ...
Deduct.								
Road Cess	.....	78,180 12 4	.....	76,621 2 1	...	... ...	...	1,559 10 3
Village Service Cess.	.....	1,01,510 0 9	.....	1,06,646 9 3	...	5,136 8 6	...	... ...
Remission as per Statement No. 4.	.....	1,01,949 3 2	.....	93,174 8 10	...	... ...	...	8,774 10 4
Total...	.....	2,81,640 0 3	.....	2,76,442 4 2	...	5,136 8 6	...	10,334 4 7
Net decrease...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	...	... ...	...	5,197 12 1
Remainder...	.....	13,60,880 5 10	.....	13,71,969 1 2	...	11,088 11 4	...	... ...
Add as per Statement No. 5... ...	.....	60,812 14 0	.....	77,910 13 7	...	17,097 15 7	...	... ...
Grand Total...	.....	14,21,693 3 10	.....	14,49,879 14 9	...	28,186 10 11	...	... ...

15. It will be observed that there is a net increase under all the items of Rupees 28,186. Of this, however, Rupees 10,417 is due to the Process Service Fund, and so the actual increase of revenue under all sources of Land Revenue and Miscellaneous is Rupees 17,769.

16. Ryots' Holdings.—*Enclosure A. to Statement No.* 3.—The aggregate extent under putta by the ryots at the commencement of the year was 950,130 Acres, assessed at Rupees 13,31,679-4-0. Of this the extent relinquished during the year was 24,639 Acres, assessed at Rupees 23,453. Thus there remained under occupation 925,491 Acres, assessed at Rupees 13,08,226-4-0. This when added to what was taken up for cultivation in the year, 21,470 Acres, assessed at Rupees 19,162-6-0, comes up to 946,961 Acres, assessed at Rupees 13,27,388-10-0, which is the actual extent in occupation and the land revenue as settled for the year under review. There was, however, a small remission of Rupees 371-15-0 on an extent of 152 Acres of wet under the tanks in the dry taluqs. This remission was necessary because the lands were laid waste in consequence of the absolute want of water in those tanks.

17. The extent that was laid waste, both whole and fractions of fields, from various causes amounts 148,723 Acres, assessed at Rupees 1,19,590-3-0. It will be observed that the extent of waste this year exceeded that of the preceding year by 538 Acres, while there is a decrease of Rupees 9,192-6-0 in the assessment. This is due to the waste consisting of low assessed lands.

18. *Enclosure B. to Statement No.* 3.—The following statement shows the extents cultivated with special products, cotton, sugar and indigo. There had been a considerable decrease in the extents cultivated with these products in the preceding year, and a further decrease this year, when the season was not at all unfavorable for their culture, led me naturally to conclude that there must have been some careless omission in the entries of these extents; but the Tahsildars, to whom a reference was made on the subject since the submission of my Administration Report, assert that the extents are accurate and that there were no motives to represent these extents at a low figure. One or two of them attribute it to want of rain at the season these crops are usually cultivated. The extent of cotton cultivation falls short of that of the preceding year only by 80 Acres; but when compared with the year 1282 it is less by 12,800 Acres, so are sugar-cane and indigo products which are one-third and two-thirds less, respectively, than the extents represented in the accounts for Fasli 1282. The only reason that I can suggest for this fall is that the ryots did not feel encouraged to cultivate these crops extensively from the bad season that they experienced in the previous year. Some difference will be noticed in the figures entered in this and in the return that accompanied the Administration Report, and this is due to the accounts from the Zemindari and entire Inam villages in the Perambalur Taluq having since been received and included in the Jamabundy accounts :—

Products.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Sugar-cane ...	2,727	12,705	2,075	9,423	...	...	652	3,282
Cotton	49,620	60,657	49,540	62,852	...	2,195	80	...
Indigo	1,413	2,440	679	1,205	...	...	734	1,235

19. *Enclosure D. to Statement No.* 3.—This return gives the total extent of portions of fields laid waste. The marginal entry shows the extent and the assessment thereof. The Curnams are warned against making any imaginary entries as they are apt to do as regards

	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRE.	RS.
Fractions of fields laid waste	23,773	17,321

these fractions of fields, and the Taluq authorities are made to test these entries occasionally and at random. The figures are therefore not likely to be far from correct.

20. Percentage of Waste to the Cultivated.—The total extent in occupation for the year was 946,961 Acres and that laid waste was 148,723 Acres. Thus the percentage of waste to the extent held under putta is 15·68. It was of about the same proportion last year, being 15·5.

21. *Enclosure E. to Statement No.* 3.—I have explained in the Remarks column of this return what the figures under each item represent. The decrease of 33,169 Acres in the first item of the foot-note, "Inam lands irrigated free of charge," as compared with last year's return, was the result of careful scrutiny this year as regards irrigated Inam extents which pay neither quit-rent nor water-tax. In the accounts of some of the taluqs a large extent of unirrigated Inam also has been included under this item from a misapprehension of the meaning of the foot-note.

22. Statement No. 4.—There was no remission whatever under the head Shavi, Shamilat Bunjer, or portions of fields laid waste, &c. The only small remission allowed in the Trichinopoly Taluq was Rupees 66-7-0 on account of fields flooded. The rest of the remissions that appear in this return are the usual deductions made on account of village and road cesses included in the rate of assessment—*Vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 750 of 1872. The decrease shown under the head Shavi is due to there having been no remission this year under that head.

23. *Enclosure A. to Statement No.* 4.—There is nothing in this return to be noticed except that it is one of those new forms introduced in 1281 to show the remissions, grouping them under the heads Wet and Dry.

24. Statement No. 5.—This statement shows the demand, collection, and balance of Land Revenue, Miscellaneous, and the reasons for the increase and decrease of each item are explained below :—

25. *Increase under the head Cultivation without Durkhasts, Rupees* 6,078-14-3.—The increase under the head "Cultivation without durkhasts," Rupees 6,078-14-3, is due to the Jamabandy having commenced a little too soon in the taluqs where such cultivation is common, and in consequence the Tahsildars could not dispose of them under the Durkhast rules in time to get them all entered in the puttas.

26. *Chapavani.*—The increase of Rupees 282-3-0 under concealed cultivation is due to two cases of defalcation brought to light, one in the Musiri and another in the Udaiyarpalaiyam Taluqs.

27. The increase of Rupees 952-11-11 under the items Inam water-cess and Inam second crop assessment is attributable to the more free use of Government water to the Inam lands.

	RS.	A.	P.
Inam water-cess	276	2	9
Inam second crop assessment	676	9	2
Total ...	952	11	11

28. *Enclosure A. to Statement No.* 5.—The quit-rent due on the irrigated portion of the Sundry Inams is shown in this return. The foot-note shows the particulars of the area entered in column 2, opposite to Jodi and Sundry Inams.

29. A decrease of 10,168 Acres will be observed in the extent of "Jodi and Sundry Inams, including Personal Service and Dasavandam," and this is due to the extent of Inam bearing no quit-rent having also been included in it last year in the accounts of the Perambalur Taluq. I have sent for the registers in which all the information requisite for the preparation of this return were tabulated in the taluqs, and I hope to be able to speak with more certainty as regards these extents in the next year's report.

30. The small decrease in the amount of quit-rent as compared with that of last year is due to some of the Inam lands bearing quit-rent having been relinquished in this year.

31. The following abstract statement shows the total revenue under all the items of Ryotwar and Land Revenue, Miscellaneous :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.	Remarks.
Statement No. 3.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Holdings	13,21,682 1 0	13,26,950 4 0	9,911 10 0	4,643 7 0	
Second crop assessment	97,361 7 0	95,823 2 0	... ...	1,538 5 0	
Water-rate	35,003 9 0	42,303 13 0	7,300 4 0	... ...	
Total...	14,54,047 1 0	14,65,077 3 0	17,211 14 0	6,181 12 0	11,030 2 0
Statement No. 5.					
Lands cultivated without durkhast and those cultivated since the settlement	14,062 8 9	20,141 7 0	6,078 14 3	... ...	
Cultivation of land reserved for public purposes	5,549 10 0	4,614 5 10	... ...	935 4 2	
Concealed cultivation	7 10 0	289 13 0	282 3 0	... ...	
Inam Water Cess and Inam second crop assessment	10,425 5 3	11,378 1 2	952 11 11	... ...	
All the sundry items besides the above in Statement No. 5	30,767 12 0	41,487 2 7	10,719 6 7	... ...	
Total...	60,812 14 0	77,910 13 7	18,033 3 9	935 4 2	17,097 15 7
Grand Total...	15,14,859 15 0	15,42,988 0 7	28,128 1 7	... ...	
Deduct.					
Road and Village Cess included in the rate of assessment as per Statement No. 4	93,166 11 2	93,108 1 10	... ...	58 9 4	* 28,186 10 11 Process. 10,417 8 4
Net Total...	14,21,693 3 10	14,49,879 14 9	*28,186 10 11	... ...	Net increase... 17,769 2 7

32. The net increase under all the Ryotwar and Land Revenue Miscellaneous items is Rupees 17,769-2-7, exclusive of course of the Process Service Fund.

33. Permanently Settled Estates.—*Statement No.* 6.—The balance at the end of the fasli was Rupees 5,063-3-4. Of this, however, Rupees 3,173-15-6 were already collected in July and the rest, Rupees 1,883-3-10, will soon be collected.

34. Jodi on Shrotriem and Inam Villages.—The balance under the head Jodi on Shrotriem and Inam villages at the end of the year was Rupees 5,723-6-0, and the amount since collected is Rupees 1,141-9-10. Measures have been adopted for the early realization of the rest of the dues, Rupees 4,581-12-2.

35. *Enclosure A. to Statement No.* 6.—This return, which was introduced last year by the order of the Board in their Official Memorandum, dated 11th June 1873, No. 824, shows the amount of quit-rent due on irrigated Inam lands. No pains were spared to separate the irrigated from the unirrigated extent of the entire Inam villages and to evolve the quit-rent due on the irrigated extents with reference to the Inam registers and after local inquiries, &c. ; but I have still my own doubts as to the correctness of these returns, as any errors in the proportionate distribution of the quit-rent in the Taluq accounts cannot easily be detected. I have therefore called upon the Tahsildars to submit the draft registers, which they were ordered to open for the entry of all information respecting the apportionment of the quit-rent to irrigated Inams, and it is upon a careful examination of these registers in the Huzur here that the exact wet area of Inam, and the proportionate quit-rent due thereon, could be settled satisfactorily once for all. This I hope to be able to do in my next year's report.

36. Statement No. 7.—This statement shows the demand, collection, and balance under all sources of revenue, both arrears and current. The collections up to the end of the year amounts to Rupees 18,30,510-7-2. The amount collected since is Rupees 26,336-8-0. The rest,

Rupees 82,278-1-0, exclusive of the remissions of irrecoverable arrears (Rupees 2,554-10-3) ordered in Board's Proceedings, dated 18th August 1874, No. 2,295, will be realized in due course, as steps have already been taken towards that end. Before the amount, Rupees 2,554-10-3, was written off Rupees 1-12-1 was collected and therefore the actual amount written off was Rupees 2,552-14-2.

37. The following abstract statement shows the collections under all sources of revenue :—

Items.	Fasli 1283. Arrears.	Fasli 1283. Current.	Fasli 1283. Total.	Fasli 1284. Arrears.	Fasli 1284. Current.	Fasli 1284. Total.	Increase.	Decrease.
Land Revenue.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Permanently settled...	1,889 3 10	45,871 14 1	47,761 1 11	4,027 3 10	44,835 14 7	48,863 2 5	1,102 0 6	... ...
Jodi or Shrotriem ...	3,155 1 7	7,654 3 7	10,809 5 2	4,193 7 1	8,089 7 2	12,281 14 3	1,472 9 1	... ...
Ryotwar	37,923 0 10	12,63,339 1 6	13,01,762 2 4	88,939 7 4	13,31,722 6 11	14,20,661 14 3	1,18,899 11 11	... ...
Miscellaneous	29,112 8 6	38,548 14 2	67,661 6 8	24,084 11 5	59,524 14 10	83,609 10 3	15,948 3 7	... ...
Total ...	72,079 14 9	13,55,914 1 4	14,27,994 0 1	1,21,243 13 8	14,44,172 11 6	15,65,416 9 2	1,37,422 9 1	... ...
Abkári	198 13 0	1,40,240 15 3	1,40,439 12 3	503 2 6	1,26,310 10 0	1,26,813 12 6	... ...	13,625 15 9
Income-tax...	... ...	6 10 0	6 10 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	6 10 0
Stamps	... ...	1,21,227 0 6	1,21,227 0 6	... ...	1,38,280 1 6	1,38,280 1 6	17,053 1 0	... ...
Grand Total ...	72,278 11 9	16,17,388 11 1	16,89,667 6 10	1,21,747 0 2	17,08,763 7 0	18,30,510 7 2	1,54,475 10 1	13,632 9 9
Net increase...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	1,40,843 0 4	... ...

		1283. Rs. A. P.	1284. Rs. A. P.
Non-Judicial		41,723 5 6	47,498 15 6
Judicial		79,503 11 0	90,781 2 0
Increase ...	Non-Judicial		5,775 10 0
	Judicial		11,277 7 0
			17,053 1 0

38. The increase of Rupees 17,053 under the head of Stamps, *i. e.*, about fourteen per cent. over that of the preceding year, is due to the process fees being collected in stamps, and to suits involving large amount of property having been filed in this year. The marginal entry shows the revenue under this head for this and the preceding years.

39. The favorable state of the season and the plentiful harvest rendered the money transactions between the ryots and money dealers easy and more extensive than in the previous year; hence the increase in the revenue of the Judicial stamps.

40. STATEMENT No. 8.—The total amount of old arrears under all sources of revenue is Rupees 25,744-10-11 up to the end of the year. Of this, however, Rupees 1,036-1-2 have since been collected and so there still remains a balance of Rupees 24,708-9-9. This amount includes the sum of Rupees 2,600-7-5 recommended in the last year's report to be written off the accounts.

41. The officers that conducted the settlement of the several taluqs have submitted lists of arrears which, after careful inquiry, they have considered as irrecoverable and recommended for remission. The aggregate amount of these irrecoverable arrears is Rupees 3,614-11-6, which, together with that recommended for 1283 (Rupees 2,600-7-5) and for which sanction has not as yet been received, comes up to Rupees 6,215-2-11. There was, however, a small amount, Rupees 27-5-10, collected out of the amount recommended for remission for 1283, and so I request sanction for writing off the accounts Rupees 6,187-13-1.

42. The following is a list of all the irrecoverable arrears as settled for 1284 :—

	Rs. A. P.
Assessment of lands bought in by Government in consequence of there being no bidders	2,498 13 4
Due by ryots deceased	7 5 0
Do. do. deserted	163 2 0
Do. do who have no effects	920 2 1
Assessment, the justification of which is disputed	25 5 2
Total ...	3,614 11 7

43. COERCIVE PROCESS.—Coercive processes were issued in 54,886 cases for the recovery of arrears, amounting to Rupees 3,01,453-1-9. Personal property in the case of 1,649 defaulters, and real property in that of 2,012 individuals, were attached for the arrears due by them together to the amount of Rupees 39,049-8-1. In 32 cases personal property was sold for the arrears, Rupees 1,528-12-3, and in 214 cases real property was sold to make good the arrears for Rupees 4,295-8-5. In the former case Rupees 1,256-1-6, and in the latter case Rupees 5,945-1-0, have been realized in the sale.

44. STATEMENT No. 9.—The gross collections under all sources of revenue for 1284 are Rupees 18,30,510-7-2, the charges Rupees 1,31,084-0-3, and the net revenue therefore is Rupees 16,99,426-6-11.

45. SALARIES OF COLLECTORS AND TENT ALLOWANCE AND HOUSE-RENT.—The decrease of Rupees 713 under the item Salaries of Collectors is due to the change of the Deputy Collectors of different grades, and the decrease of Rupees 603 under the item Tent allowance arose from the transfer of Assistant Collectors.

46. HUZUR AND TALUQ ESTABLISHMENT.—The decrease of Rupees 2,076 under the head Huzur and Taluq establishment is ascribable to the suspension of the 2nd Class Tahsildar of Musiri and the non-disbursement of the Town Sub-Magistrate's salary, who was absent on privilege leave during May and June.

47. MISCELLANEOUS.—The increased expenditure of Rupees 2,932 under the head Miscellaneous is ascribable to the entertainment of process servers in the year.

48. STAMPS.—The increase of Rupees 1,129 under this head is due to the large amount of discount allowed in consequence of increased sale of stamps.

49. IRRIGATION CHANNELS.—The statement below shows the important channels in the district and the revenue under each of them :—

Taluqs.	Names of Irrigating Channels.	Irrigable Area. Extent.	Irrigable Area. Assessment.	Cultivated. Extent.	Cultivated. Assessment, inclusive of that levied on 2nd crop.
		ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Trichinopoly ...	Uyyakondan	25,079	1,19,854	24,560	1,29,616
	Ramavoitallei	1,406	7,625	1,404	8,582
	Yellandavoitallei	1,927	10,115	1,925	11,518
	Puduaiyen Voikal	3,492	17,235	3,488	20,510
	Vadakayan do.	3,805	22,006	3,805	27,934
	Terkuayan do.	3,083	16,918	3,078	21,167
	Peruvala do.	8,803	36,873	8,781	42,286
	Nattu do.	3,459	18,920	3,458	20,309
	Malattar do.	2,698	11,223	2,697	12,983
	Punguni do.	6,005	22,087	5,998	25,846
	Total ...	59,757	2,82,856	59,194	3,20,751
Musiri	Musiri Nattu Voikal	1,936	10,555	1,932	11,258
	Tottiem Peria do.	1,348	8,389	1,348	8,389
	Do. Chinna do.	1,648	10,775	1,630	10,699
	Ayaur	32	162	32	162
	Total ...	4,964	29,881	4,942	30,508
Kulittalei ...	Maradur Nattu Voikal ...	5,689	38,283	5,679	38,231
	Kristnaroyapuram do. ...	1,269	7,638	1,249	7,572
	Nungapuram do. ...	2,352	11,451	2,352	11,451
	Ambravatti	2,429	6,149	2,406	6,115
	Total ...	11,739	63,521	11,686	63,369
Udaiyarpalaiyam..	Ponairy Channel	4,032	15,016	3,814	14,381

50. UNSURVEYED WASTE.—The total extent of unsurveyed waste brought under putta up to the end of the Revenue year 1284 is 81,788 Acres, assessed at Rupees 72,968-7-0.

51. TALUQ AND VILLAGE ACCOUNTS.—These accounts the Divisional Officers assert are now in a much improved state, and some of them very neatly kept.

52. LANDS ACQUIRED BY PUBLIC SERVANTS.—The register is brought up to date. A Revenue Inspector of the Trichinopoly Taluq has purchased some lands in the Tanjore District.

53. CIVIL SUITS.—A statement showing the demand, collection, and balance of costs awarded to Government in Civil suits for the Revenue year 1282 is submitted herewith in accordance with the orders conveyed in Board's Proceedings, dated 19th October 1871, No. 4,434. There were no arrears due in the beginning of the fasli. The amount of costs awarded during the year was Rupees 255-6-6 in five suits. Of this Rupees 206-14-0 have been collected, and measures have been adopted for the realization of the balance, Rupees 48-8-6.

54. STATISTICAL RETURNS.—I have submitted with this the statement according to the instructions conveyed in Board's Proceedings, dated 26th November 1874, No. 3,417. The total

extent actually cultivated in the year was 798,000 Acres, or 941,000 Acres by doubling the extents on which a second crop was raised. Of this 771,000 Acres, *i. e.*, $\frac{15}{16}$ths of the whole holdings, were cultivated with food grains. With all the encouragement and advantage that there are in these days for the growth of cotton, indigo, and sugar it is a pity that the extent of their cultivation generally bears so small a proportion to the whole of the cultivated area of the district. It is more so this year. The reason, as I said before, is to be found in the disappointment of the ryots in the two preceding years from want of rain.

Food Grains.	
Paddy	172,000
Cumboo	157,000
Varagu	145,000
Cholum	140,000
Raggy	104,000
Thuvarai	28,000
Samai	25,000
Special Products.	
Cotton	46,000
Sugar-cane	2,000
Indigo	600
Other Grains.	
Horse Gram	25,000
Gingelly and Lamp-oil seed	24,090

55. The total extent of the cultivation of each of the food grains are given in the margin in the order of their dimensions. Paddy as might be expected stands first, cumboo, varagu, cholum, and Raggy take their rank next to it. The rest are not so largely cultivated.

56. EXAMINATION OF THE TALUQ TREASURIES.—Mr. Wright, the former Treasury Deputy Collector, examined four of the five Taluq Treasuries according to the instructions conveyed in Board's Standing Circular, No. VIII. of 1874. His examination was more full and complete in this than in the preceding year, and he took twenty-six working days to complete the inspection. The result is, on the whole, satisfactory. The coins, stamps, and labels were all found correct; but several irregularities as regards entries in the Chittahs, Irusalnamahs or Remittance lists, Village collection registers, &c., are brought to notice and I shall soon take steps to have all these defects remedied.

57. Mr. Wright having been gazetted as Superintendent of Stamps immediately after his tour of inspection he was obliged to leave the district before submitting his report. His report, which is a very full one, was received only on the 24th instant. This (Settlement) report, which was ready for submission early this month, was delayed till now in consequence.

58. CONDUCT OF PUBLIC SERVANTS.—I have been so short a time in the district that I am unable to offer any remarks on this subject.

TRICHINOPOLY,
30th September 1875.

(Signed) H. SEWELL,
Acting Collector.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

SETTLEMENT REPORT
OF
MADURA.

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I HAVE the honor to submit my Report on the Annual Settlement of this District for Fasli 1284, accompanied by the usual Statements.

2. STATEMENT No. 1.—The distribution of puttas was commenced on the 7th April and completed on the 26th June 1875.

3. In the number of puttas there was a net increase of 1,607, or 1·09 per cent. There was a decrease in the number of new puttas and of old puttas modified by additional entries, and an increase in the number of puttas not altered as shown below :—

Faslis.	Number of fresh Puttas.	Number of old Puttas modified by additional entries.	Number of old Puttas not altered.	Total.
1283	10,339	40,790	95,591	146,720
1284	8,258	33,572	106,497	148,327
Increase...	...	...	10,906	1,607
Decrease...	2,081	7,218	...	...

4. The above increase is attributable to the sub-division of holdings, and to their increase in number.

5. The following statement exhibits the number of villages and their tenures in comparison with the preceding fasli :—

——	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
1. Ryotwar villages	748	786	2	...
2. Amani villages	4¼	4¼	...	...
3. Villages belonging to Muttahs and Zemindaries attached to Government Taluqs ...	244	244	...	...
4. Villages belonging to the Ramnad Zemindari	2,163⅛	2,163⅛	...	...
5. Villages belonging to the Shevagungah Zemindari	2,069²⁹⁄₃₂	2,069²⁹⁄₃₂	...	...
6. Inam villages belonging to Government Taluqs	198	198	...	...

6. The increase of two villages under the head of Ryotwar is due to the division of the villages of Vadakarai and Unjampatti, in the Pereakolam Taluq, into the villages of Vadakarai and Kykalangulam, and Unjampatti and Vadaveeranaickenpatti, respectively.

7. The following is an abstract statement of the rail-fall of the year :—

Talugs.	1874. April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	1875. January.	February.	March.	Total.	Grand Total.
	IN. CTS.	IN. CTS.	IN. CTS.	IN. CTS.	IN. CTS.	IN. CTS.	IN. CTS.	IN. CTS.	IN. CTS.	IN. CTS.	IN. CTS.	IN. CTS.	IN. CTS.	IN. CTS.
Madura	3 50	4 20	0 40	1 0	3 40	2 50	4 41	8 45	2 20	... ...	... ...	0 25	15 81	30 31
Tirumangalam	5 75	1 45	1 0	0 50	5 10	3 75	2 30	11 10	4 65	0 06	... ...	1 19	19 30	36 85
Melur	1 60	1 20	0 60	1 30	6 40	6 65	7 40	10 72	0 30	... ...	... ...	0 80	19 22	36 97
Dindigul	2 70	3 91	3 05	0 80	1 85	3 23	2 79	6 57	2 30	0 02	... ...	0 31	11 99	27 53
Pereakolam	3 65	1 05	3 16	0 70	1 52	1 27	10 45	8 85	1 55	2 50	... ...	... ...	23 35	34 70
Pulni	0 80	3 50	1 30	0 70	0 50	0 55	6 40	7 60	0 55	... ...	... ...	0 60	15 15	22 50
Ramnad Zemindari	1 0	1 75	0 24	0 70	0 98	3 04	4 35	7 02	1 35	0 07	1 20	1 0	14 99	22 70
Shevagungah do.	... ...	... ...	0 74	0 93	5 75	2 86	7 48	5 56	1 95	... ...	... ...	0 30	15 29	25 57
Total ...	19 0	17 06	10 49	6 63	25 50	23 85	45 58	65 87	14 85	2 65	1 20	4 45	134 60	237 13
Average ...	2 38	2 13	1 31	0 83	3 18	2 98	5 70	8 23	1 86	0 33	0 15	0 56	16 83	29 64

8. SEASON.—The season during the year under report was favorable in comparison with the preceding year, though not so good as could be wished. The rain-fall in the immediate neighbourhood of Dindigul and in the Ramnad Zemindari was scanty. The outturn of dry and wet crops was on the whole below the average. The freshes in the rivers were but moderate.

9. SANITARY CONDITION.—Cattle were generally free from disease.

10. The public health of the district during the year under report was good. There was no cholera, but there was a small increase in the number of deaths from small-pox and fever.

Faslis.	No. of persons who emigrated to Ceylon.
1283	91,002
1284	75,573
Decrease...	15,429

11. The marginal figures show the number of persons who emigrated to Ceylon. The decrease is owing to the large number who emigrated during the preceding fasli in which the season was worse than in that under report.

12. STATEMENT No. 2.—The following is an abstract statement showing the price of grain during the year under report as compared with that of the two previous Faslis 1282 and 1283, as well as with the commutation rate on which the land revenue was originally fixed :—

Description of Grain.	Commutation rates per Garce.	Fasli 1282.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Paddy, 1st sort, per garce ...	59	157	172	190
Do. 2nd do. ...		141	157	165
Cholum or Javary...	35	137	169	181
Cumboo or Bajira...	45	120	153	157
Raggy	50	121	162	160
Horse-gram	55	167	244	223
Harrack or Varagu	38	...	...	...

13. All kinds of grain, with the exception of raggy and horse-gram, have been higher in price than in the preceding year, and, except in the case of second sort paddy, than the average of the preceding ten years also. This is owing partly to the short outturn of dry and wet crops in the year under report, and partly to its having followed a bad year.

14. STATEMENT No. 3.—In the following statement the holdings of Faslis 1283 and 1284 are compared:—

Faslis.	Holdings at the commencement of the Fasli.		Lands given up.		Lands taken up.		Holdings at the end of the Fasli.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
1283... ...	867,463	15,64,541	37,833	57,895	42,564	63,404	872,194	15,70,050
1284... ...	872,194	15,70,050	26,717	42,225	42,519	62,145	887,996	15,89,970

15. This increase in the holdings may be attributed partly to the season being more favorable in the year under report than in the preceding year, and partly to the gradual increase of population.

16. The following abstract shows the extent of actual cultivation during the fasli under report as compared with the preceding fasli :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.
Dry.	627,873	648,999	21,126	...
Wet.	134,278	138,708	4,430	...
Total...	762,151	787,707	25,556	...

17. This increase is due to the more favorable character of the season.

18. A comparative statement of cultivation and settlement is subjoined :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment	Extent.	Assessment.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Dry	716,138	9,23,539 0 8	731,150	9,40,651 9 6	15,012	17,112	...	...
Wet	139,254	5,88,970 8 1	149,140	6,22,511 5 8	9,886	33,541	...	...
Total ...	855,392	15,12,509 8 9	880,290	15,63,162 15 2	24,898	50,653	...	...
Add.								
Second Crop Assessment	...	30,861 10 7	...	31,711 10 9	...	850	...	...
Additional Assessment	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	...	...	...
Water-Tax.....	...	1,834 1 0	...	1,196 5 10	...	...	...	638
Land Cess	...	* 75,130 4 5	...	* 76,077 0 7	...	947	...	...
Meerah to Village Servants.....	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	...	16,20,335 8 9	...	16,72,148 0 4	...	52,450	...	638
Deduct Remissions.								
Land Cess	...	75,130 4 5	...	76,077 0 7	...	947	...	...
Meerah to Village Servants	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	...	...	...
Other remissions as particularized in Statement No. 4.	...	1,89,562 3 10	...	20,713 15 0	...	...	...	1,68,848
Total ...	...	2,64,692 8 3	...	96,790 15 7	...	947	...	1,68,848
Remaining Beriz ...	...	13,55,643 0 6	...	15,75,357 0 9	...	2,19,714	...	...
Add Miscellaneous..	...	70,306 14 3	...	1,01,060 8 7	...	30,754	...	...
Total ...	...	14,25,949 14 9	...	16,76,417 9 4	...	2,50,468	...	...

* These amounts represent the Land Cess due on Ryotwari lands alone.

Faslis.	RS.
1283	57,540
1284	26,806
Decrease...	30,734

19. WASTE REMITTED.—The decrease in this item is due to the more favorable character of the season.

20. CULTIVATION OF SPECIAL PRODUCTS.—

The following is a comparative statement of the cultivation of cotton, indigo, and sugar-cane :—

Products.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.
Cotton	113,497	97,412	...	16,085
Indigo	76	35	...	41
Sugar-cane ...	345	342	...	3

21. The decrease in the area cultivated with cotton is owing partly to the season during the year having been earlier and more favorable for the cultivation of dry food grains than was the case last year, and partly to the fall in the demand for cotton.

22. The trifling difference observable between the extent cultivated with special products as here entered, and as entered in the statement which accompanied the Administration Report, is owing to a supplemental statement having been received for the Shevagungah Zemindari after the submission of the latter report.

23. Below are shown the principal sources of irrigation, the irrigable area, and the extent of cultivation under them, together with the assessment and the actual revenue derived from the works :—

	Ayacut.		Cultivation of Fasli 1284.		
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Actual revenue derived, including 2nd Crop.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	RS.
Madakolam Channel	2,497	12,209	2,400	11,699	12,698
Nelayur do.	7,202	32,429	5,572	25,861	28,669
Vadakarai do.	4,052	22,092	3,551	19,746	22,556
Tenkarai do.	2,329	13,096	2,310	12,790	14,790
Uttumattukkal do.	2,266	12,279	2,254	12,264	12,264

24. *Enclosure D. to Statement No. 3.*—This statement shows the extent and assessment of portions of fields left waste included in Columns 33 to 42 of Statement No. 3.

25. *Enclosure E. to Statement No. 3.*—This statement shows in one view the whole of the area brought under irrigation.

Faslis.	Rs.
1283.....	2,359
1284.....	2,077
Decrease...	282

26. *Statement No. 3-A.*—The net revenue derived from the Amani villages during the year under report is less than that of the preceding year by Rupees 282. This is owing to a local fall in the price of paddy.

Shavi or withered Crops.		Palanashtam or loss of Produce.		Special Remission on the extent of Dry Holdings.	
Faslis.	Rs.	Faslis.	Rs.	Faslis.	Rs.
1283 ...	65,574	1283	5,271	1283 ...	1,03,605
1284 ...	5,334	1284	...	1284 ...	...
Decrease..	60,240	Decrease ...	5,271	Decrease.	1,03,605

27. Statement No. 4.—The decrease in these items is owing to the season having been better than in the year before when heavy remissions were necessary.

28. *Enclosure A. to Statement No. 4.*—This statement shows how much of the remissions appertain to irrigated and how much to unirrigated lands.

29. Miscellaneous Items—*Statement No. 5.*—The increase of revenue shown in this statement is chiefly attributable to the increase under Items Nos. 41, (Commission on private estates under Circar management,) and 55, (Other items,) and to the collection of Process Service fees under Act II. of 1864.

Faslis.	Rs.
1283.....	80,530
1284.....	1,09,854
Increase...	29,324

30. The increase under Item No. 41 is caused by the collection of Rupees 8,903 during the year under report on account of the commission due to Government for the management of the Ramnad Zemindari for the whole of Fasli 1283.

Faslis.	Rs.
1283.....	4,735
1284.....	10,820
Increase...	6,085

31. The increase under Item No. 55 is mainly due to the crediting to "Land Revenue, Miscellaneous," under instructions of the Accountant-General, of the salary, &c., of the Survey establishment employed in the estates of Bodinaicknur and Guntamanaicknur.

Faslis.	Rs.
1283.....	1,759
1284.....	19,575
Increase ...	17,816

32. Process fees collected under Act II. of 1864 have been credited during the year under report to "Land Revenue, Miscellaneous," with reference to the Accountant-General's Circular, No. 22, dated 31st August 1874.

Faslis.	Rs.
1283.....	...
1284.....	10,036
Increase ...	10,036

33. The decrease under the item "Prohibitory tax" is due to the lands cultivated without durkhast having been generally charged with only single rates of assessment after the receipt of the Board's Proceedings, No. 826, dated 6th April 1875.

Faslis.	Rs.
1283.....	11,134
1284.....	5,651
Decrease ...	5,483

34. *Enclosure A. to Statement No. 5.*—This statement shows how much of the miscellaneous revenue is derived from irrigated and how much from unirrigated lands.

35. *Enclosure B. to Statement No. 5.*—Adverting to the Board's Proceedings, dated 17th May 1875, No. 1,320, I beg to forward herewith a statement showing the particulars of the remissions granted on certain miscellaneous items entered in Statement No. 5.

36. Statement No. 6.—The peishcush of the Zemindaries of Ramnad, Nadukottai, Melakottai, Kannivadi, and Ammayanaicknur has been altered during the year under report under G.O., dated 23rd June 1874, No. 760, Revenue Department, as shown below :—

	Faslis.	Amount of Peishcush. Rs. A. P.
1. Ramnad	1283	3,32,045 13 6
	1284	3,32,028 10 10
	Decrease ...	17 2 8
2. Nadukottai... ...	1283	808 8 5
	1284	773 14 4
	Decrease ...	34 10 1
3. Melakottai	1283	939 14 6
	1284	910 4 1
	Decrease ...	29 10 5

	Faslis.	Amount of Peishcush. RS. A. P.
4. Kannivadi	1283	38,139 14 2
	1284	38,129 11 9
	Decrease ...	10 2 5
5. Ammayanaicknur.	1283	13,969 1 2
	1284	13,683 4 3
	Decrease ...	285 12 11

The reduction is on account of lands taken up for the South Indian Railway.

37. On the other hand the peishcush of the Ramnad Zemindari has been increased by the sum of Rupees 6,657-7-9 for the following reason:—

The sum of Rupees 15,887-14-0 is the amount of quit-rent imposed on the Inam villages and sundry Inams in the Zemindari. This was ordered in the Board's Proceedings, dated 21st February 1874, No. 394, to be added to the peishcush, less 10 per cent. allowed to the Zemindar for the trouble of collection. The net amount to be added to the peishcush was therefore Rupees 14,299-1-5. Of this sum Rupees 7,641-9-8 were added in the preceding fasli under the circumstances mentioned in paragraph 38 of last year's Settlement Report, and the remainder, *viz.*, Rupees 6,657-7-9, * was added during the year under report. Hence a net increase of Rupees 6,640-5-1 in the peishcush of the Ramnad estate, and of Rupees 6,280-1-3 in the Zemindari demand generally.

	RS.	A	P.
* Amount of quit-rent on the Inam villages.	7,351	11	3
Do. of do. on sundry Inams ...	45	8	0
	7,397	3	3
Deduct commission of 10 per cent	739	11	6
Balance added to peishcush	6,657	7	9

38. The amount of quit-rent on Inam villages was reduced from Rupees 18,565-14-9 to Rupees 11,136-7-3 in the year under report. Of the difference (Rupees 7,429-7-6) Rupees 7,351-11-3 (inclusive of 10 per cent. commission) was added to the peishcush of the Ramnad Zemindari as shown above, and the remainder, *viz.*, Rupees 77-12-3, represents the amount of quit-rent reduced on account of lands taken up for the Railway.

39. *Enclosure A. to Statement No.* 6.—This statement shows the apportionment of quit-rent on Inam villages to irrigated and unirrigated lands.

40. General Result of Land Revenue Settlement—*Statement No.* 7.—The settlement of the year under report results in a net increase of revenue of Rupees 2,52,407, as will be observed from the following statement :—

——	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Permanently settled	7,93,290	7,99.570	6,280	.....
Jodi on Inam and Shrotriem villages	18,566	11,136	.....	7,430
Ryotwar	13,55,643	15,75.357	2,19,714	.....
Miscellaneous	70,307	1,01,060	30,753	.....
Sale of waste lands	29	3,119	3,090	.....
	22,37,835	24,90,242	2,59,837	7,430
Net increase...	...	...	2,52,407	.....

41. *Permanently Settled, Increase Rupees* 6,280—*Jodi on Inam and Shrotriem villages, Decrease Rupees* 7,430.—The variations under these heads have been explained in paragraphs 36, 37, and 38.

42. *Ryotwar, Increase Rupees* 2,19,714.—This increase is owing to a comparatively favorable season and light remissions.

43. *Miscellaneous, Increase Rupees* 30,753.—The increase in this item is explained in paragraphs 29, 30, 31, 32, and 33.

44. *Sale of waste Lands, Increase Rupees* 3,090.—The increase under this item is owing to the sale of waste lands for building purposes in the towns of Dindigul and Pulni under the sanction given in the Board's Proceedings, dated 8th April 1874, Miscellaneous No. 2,328, and of certain unassessed lands in the Melur Taluq.

45. I proceed to notice the revenue derived from other sources than land.

46. The subjoined is a comparative statement showing the demand on account of miscellaneous sources of revenue in the fasli under report as compared with the preceding fasli :—

——	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Abkári...	1,88,690	1,87,255	.....	1,435
Salt	5,36,354	6,91,952	1,55,598	... ..
Sea Customs ...	21,466	12,659	.....	8,807
Stamps	3,77,699	3,66,477	.....	11,222
Income Tax... ...	298	...	.....	298
	11,24,507	12,58,343	1,55,598	21,762
Net increase...	...	...	1,33,836	...

47. *Abkári, Decrease Rupees* 1,435.—This decrease is due to two-thirds of the difference between the original bid and the higher bid on the resale of the Abkári farm of the Dindigul Taluq having been brought to account in Fasli 1283 as against one-third only in Fasli 1284.

48. *Salt, Increase Rupees* 1,55,598.—The large increase under this item is owing to increased sales of salt during the year under report in all the stations except Muthuregunathapatnam. There was an increase in exports to neighbouring districts.

49. The particulars of the salt transactions during the year under report, as compared with those of the preceding year, are exhibited in the following abstract :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	MDS. S.	MDS. S.	MDS. S.	MDS. S.
Quantity in store at the beginning of fasli	295,705 0	325,673 30	29,968 30	... ...
Quantity manufactured during the fasli	303,848 0	432,945 0	129,097 0	... ...
Gain by measurement	5 0	12 0	7 0	... ...
Spontaneous salt	914 0	.. ...	... ...	914 0
	304,767 0	432,957 0	129,104 0	914 0
Total ...	600,472 0	758,630 30	159,072 30	914 0
Deduct sales	268,018 0	346,099 0	78,081 0	... ...
Remainder ...	332,454 0	412,531 30	80,991 30	914 0
Wastage written off under the sanction of Government	13,585 5	6,804 35	... ...	6,780 10
Remainder ...	318,868 35	405,726 35	80,991 30	—5,866 10
Wastage recommended to be struck off.	12,435 0	15,148 15	2,713 15	... ...
Balance ...	306,433 35	390,578 20	78,278 15	—5,866 10
Net increase...	...	...	84,144 25	...

50. Sanction has not yet been received for writing off the wastage of Fasli 1283 as recommended in paragraph 51 of last year's Settlement Report. I request it may be granted, as also for writing off 15,148 Maunds and 15 Seers of salt wastage of Fasli 1284, as detailed in Statement No. 11.

The wastage at Muthuregunathapatnam and Attenkarai appears to me greater than it should be. I have called for explanation which will be submitted when received.

51. In spite of increased sales the quantity in store at the beginning of Fasli 1285 exceeds that in store at the beginning of Fasli 1284 in consequence of a still more considerable increase in the manufacture.

52. *Sea Customs, Decrease Rupees* 8,807.—This decrease is due to the diminished exportation of grain from all the ports, *viz.*, Paumben, Keelakarai, Devipatam, and Tondi, and of piece goods from the first three ports. At Keelakarai the decrease is also attributable to the diminished exportation of spices and seeds.

53. *Stamps, Decrease Rupees* 11,222.—I have been unable to ascertain the reason of this decrease.

54. *Income Tax, Decrease Rupees* 298.—The decrease in Income Tax is owing to there being no arrears to be collected during the year under report.

55. The following abstract shows the revenue from all sources in the year under report as compared with Fasli 1283 :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Land Revenue	22,37,835	24,90,242	2,52,447	...
Sundry Sources of Revenue.	11,24,507	12,58,343	1,33,836	...
Total ...	33,62,342	37,48,585	3,86,243	...

It will be seen from the above that the revenue of Fasli 1284 exceeds that of Fasli 1283 by more than 3½ lakhs. It is also worthy of remark that the revenue of the fasli under report is the highest on record, as will be seen from the following statement :—

Faslis.	Land Revenue.	Sundry Sources of Revenue.	Total.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
1280	23,36,479	12,27,102	35,63,581
1281	23,61,401	10,16,256	33,77,657
1282	24,33,652	10,51,070	34,84,722
1283	22,36,761	11,24,506	33,61,267
1284	24,90,243	12,58,342	37,48,585

56. The following is a comparative statement showing the collections :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Increase.	Decrease.
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.		
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Land Revenue Permanently Settled	3,24,283	4,47,456	7,71,739	5,71,027	4,87,165	10,58,192	2,86,453	...
Quit-rent on Shrotriem, &c...	5,802	12,439	18,241	7,184	4,781	11,965	...	6,276
Ryotwar	4,39,938	8,45,131	12,85,069	5,03,761	10,87,369	15,91,130	3,06,061	...
Sale of waste lands	...	28	28	...	3,119	3,119	3,091	...
Miscellaneous	51,550	17,555	69,105	50,351	53,040	1,03,391	34,286	...
Total ...	8,21,573	13,22,609	21,44,182	11,32,323	16,35,474	27,67,797	6,29,891	6,276
Abkári	18,316	1,71,672	1,89,988	13,904	1,60,204	1,74,108	...	15,880
Income Tax	649	298	947	...	...	...	...	947
Sea Customs	...	21,467	21,467	...	12,659	12,659	...	8,808
Salt...	...	5,36,354	5,36,354	...	6,91,952	6,91,952	1,55,598	...
Stamps	...	3,77,699	3,77,699	...	3,66,477	3,66,477	...	11,222
Total ...	18,965	11,07,490	11,26,455	13,904	12,31,292	12,45,196	1,55,598	36,857
Grand Total ...	8,40,538	24,30,099	32,70,637	11,46,227	28,66,766	40,12,993	7,85,489	43,133
Net increase ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7,42,356	...

57. *Permanently Settled, Increase Rupees* 2,86,453.—This increase is chiefly owing to the collection of Rupees 1,96,592, being a portion of the arrears of peishcush outstanding against the Ramnad Zemindari at the date of the late Zemindar's death by the sale of his private property under Act II. of 1864.

58. *Quit-rent on Shrotriem, &c., Villages, Decrease Rupees* 6,276.—This decrease is owing to the remaining portion of the quit-rent due from the Inam villages in the Ramnad Zemindari having been added to its peishcush during the year under report as explained in paragraph 38.

59. *Ryotwar, Increase Rupees* 3,06,061.—This increase is owing to the comparatively favorable season which facilitated the speedy collection of revenue, and to the decrease of remissions, ordinary and special.

60. *Sale of Waste Lands, Increase Rupees* 3,091—*Miscellaneous, Increase Rs.* 34,286.—The increase under these items is explained in paragraphs 29 to 33 and 44.

61. *Abkári, Decrease Rupees* 15,886.—This decrease is due partly to the large collection of arrears during the preceding year, and partly to the late renter of the Dindigul Taluq having absconded and left his kists unpaid.

62. *Salt, Increase Rupees* 1,55,598.—The increase under this item is explained in paragraph 48.

63. The decrease in the collections of the revenue under the heads of "Income Tax," "Sea Customs," and "Stamps" is noticed in paragraphs 52, 53, and 54 *supra*.

64. At the close of the fasli under report there was an outstanding balance of Rupees 11,99,220 to be collected, which was by subsequent collections up to 1st September 1875 reduced to Rupees 6,14,639 as shown in the margin.

	RS.
Current.....	3,01,675
Arrears.....	3,12,964
..	6,14,639

	RS.
Ramnad, arrears.....	.200
Shevagungah, current	.34
Serupalai, do.	.09
Ammayanaicknur, current.....	.87
Total ...	4.30

65. *Permanently Settled.*—The current balance and arrears under this head are due by the estates noted in the margin.

66. Rupees 2,74,200 are outstanding against the Ramnad Zemindari. In G.O., dated

14th August 1873, No. 850, Revenue Department, the Government have directed that the arrears of peishcush due up to the date of the late Zemindar's death should be included in the mortgage debt of the Zemindari, which will shortly be executed.

67. The Rani of Shevagungah has been requested to discharge the arrears due by her as early as possible.

68. Steps have been taken for the collection of the balance outstanding against the Serupalai estate.

69. Of the sum of Rupees 587 outstanding against the Ammayanaicknur Zemindari, Rupees 572 are to be remitted under the Board's Proceedings, dated 9th September 1875, Miscellaneous No. 8,184, on account of the Zemindar's claim for the rent of the lands taken for the Railway for Faslis 1282 and 1283.

	Rs.
Arrears	909
Current balance	4,604
Total ...	5,513

70. *Jodi on Shrotriem, &c., Villages.*—Strict orders have been issued for the speedy realization of the arrears and current balance noted in the margin.

	Rs.
Arrears	25,477
Current balance	1,05,051
Total ...	1,30,528

71. *Ryotwar.*—The arrears and current balance under this head amount, on the 1st September 1875, to Rupees 1,30,528, as shown in the margin. Steps will be taken for their speedy collection.

	Rs.
1. Tirumangalam	8,691
2. Madura	21,519
3. Melur	11,963
4. Pereakolam	11,092
5. Dindigul	41,470
6. Pulni	10,316
Total ...	1,05,051

72. The marginal statement shows the proportion of the current balance to the debit of each taluq. These arrears are heavy, but it must be remembered that the season was not up to the average, and that very heavy arrears were outstanding at the beginning of the fasli.

	Rs.
Arrears	6,743
Current balance	16,938
Total ...	23,681

73. *Miscellaneous.*—The current balance and arrears under this head are exhibited in the margin, and are in course of collection.

74. *Abkári.*—Of the sum of Rupees 13,726, Rupees 2,523 is the sum recommended in paragraph 78 of the last year's Settlement report to be written off the accounts. Of the remainder Rupees 353 is the sum due by the renter of the Tirumangalam Taluq and will be speedily collected, and the balance, *viz.*, Rupees 10,850, is due by the renter of the Dindigul Taluq, who has absconded as already stated in paragraph 61. Of this sum Rupees 6,111 are arrears, and the remainder (Rupees 4,739) is the loss incurred by re-sale of the farm. The defaulter is a resident of Bangalore, and holds no property in the district. The property of his surety has been attached. Endeavours are being made to arrest the defaulter. I hold a Government Promissory Note for Rupees 5,000, deposited by him as security and endorsed in the name of the Collector of Madura. This will be shortly realized and the proceeds credited.

	Rs.
Arrears	5,637
Current balance	8,089
Total ...	13,726

75. STATEMENT No. 8.—Of the outstanding arrears of previous faslis, amounting to Rupees 3,12,965, Rupees 3,01,918 are recoverable, Rupees 3,683 are doubtful, and Rupees 7,364 are irrecoverable.

	Rs.
Permanently Settled	2,74,200
Quit-rent on Shrotriems	909
Ryotwar	18,134
Miscellaneous	5,561
Abkári	3,114
Total ...	3,01,918

76. The recoverable arrears comprise the items shown in the margin.

77. Of the doubtful arrears Rupees 2,744 relate to the boundary dispute between the two hill villages, one belonging to Government and the other to the Kannivadi Zemindari referred to in paragraph 76 of the Settlement Report for Fasli 1283. The appeal pending before the High Court has not yet been disposed of.

78. The remaining items entered under the head of "Doubtful arrears" appertain to petty boundary disputes which are in course of inquiry.

79. The irrecoverable arrears amount to Rupees 7,364, including the sum recommended for remission last year. A portion of this latter sum has been since collected as shown in the margin; but as no sanction has yet been received for writing off the balance, *viz.*, Rupees 6,172, it has been brought forward again in this year's account. Deducting it there remains a balance of Rupees 1,192, and I request that sanction may be obtained for writing this amount off the accounts for the following reasons :—

	Rs.
Amount recommended for remission last year	6,202
Do. since collected	30
Balance ...	6,172

Land Revenue.	Ryotwar. Rs. A. P.	Miscellaneous. Rs. A. P.
Due by ryots whose lands have been sold for arrears of revenue and purchased on behalf of Government for nominal sums. The defaulters have no other property by the sale of which the arrears can be realized	262 6 3	7 7 11
Due by defaulters whose personal property has been sold as well as the lands, but without meeting the demand in full	120 8 8	... ...
Due by persons who cultivated certain lands without orders and were granted "Eksal" puttas. They have no property by the sale of which the arrears can be made good	... ...	438 1 6
Prohibitory assessment charged on account of unauthorized cultivation of certain Porumboke lands, but subsequently ordered to be reduced	... ...	4 3 6
Erroneous double charge on certain lands entered in the accounts of two villages, but on inquiry found to belong only to one of them	8 1 1	52 9 9
Amount of fines imposed on certain village officers who are no longer in office	... ...	9 4 0
Penal assessment erroneously charged on certain land said to have been cultivated without permission and since found to be within the limits of the durkhast put in by the ryot	... ...	56 7 10
Due on certain lands purchased on behalf of Government for a nominal price at a sale held for arrears, but erroneously omitted to be struck off the accounts	14 4 10	... ...
Embezzled by a Nattamgar who was convicted and punished, and who has no property by the sale of which the amount can be made good	211 0 10	... ...
Punjah assessment at the highest rate was ordered to be charged on certain Nunjah land omitted to be entered in the accounts, but assessment at Nunjah rates was charged on the land by mistake and the difference should be struck off	... ...	6 11 5
Total ...	616 5 8	574 13 11
Total including Ryotwar and Miscellaneous...	1,191 3 7	... ...

80. Coercive measures were employed for the recovery of Rupees 42,342 due by ryots. Movable property to the value of Rupees 815, and immovable property to the value of Rupees 10,757, was sold.

81. Statement No. 9.—*Charges—Salary of Collectors, &c., Increase Rupees* 8,970.—This increase is due to the substantive Collector and Sub-Collector having been in the district and drawn full pay here for the whole instead of a part only of the year.

82. *Huzur and Taluq Establishments, Increase Rupees* 2,462.—This increase is caused by the payment, during Fasli 1284, of full salary to the Sub-Division Sheristadar and the Tahsildar of Pulni, whereas in the previous fasli acting allowances only were drawn by them.

83. *Medical Charges, Decrease Rupees* 218.—Only two Hospital Assistants instead of three drew pay for four months of the fasli under report. Hence the decrease.

84. *Contingencies, Decrease Rupees* 6,015.—The non-disbursement of any deputation allowance to the Collector or Sub-Collector in Fasli 1284 has caused this decrease.

85. *Miscellaneous, Increase Rupees* 795.—This increase is ascribable to the payment of salary to the Process Service Establishment maintained in the taluqs, and to the purchase of Service labels in Fasli 1284 being larger than in the previous year.

86. *Sea Custom Contingencies, Increase Rupees* 620.—This increase is due to the payment during the fasli under report of fees to Clerks doing duty out of office-hours, which charge was not exhibited separately in the accounts of the preceding fasli.

87. *Salt—Salt Deputy Collector, Decrease Rupees* 114.—The permanent Salt Deputy Collector drew salary for only eleven months during fasli 1284. Hence the decrease.

88. *Purchase of Salt, &c., and Charges for conveying and storing Salt, Increase Rupees* 9,693.—The large manufacture of salt during the year under report has caused the increase under these heads.

89. *Contingencies, Increase Rupees* 3,408.—This increase is chiefly due to the large expenditure under "Petty Construction and Repairs," and in "Gathering and destroying spontaneous salt" during the year under report.

90. State of the Village and Taluq Accounts.—The Village and Taluq accounts were duly examined. I consider them on the whole fairly well kept.

91. With reference to the Board's Proceedings, No. 3,417, dated 26th November 1874, I beg to forward also the statement of agricultural statistics and acreage of crops for Fasli 1284.

92. Sixty-seven per cent. (887,996 Acres) of the cultivable area (1,310,563 Acres) in Government Taluqs, excluding Inam land, is occupied. This proportion is one per cent. greater than that in the last year.

93. The following figures give the extent of land under food grains and other products as compared with the previous fasli :—

Crops.	Area cultivated in Fasli 1283.	Area cultivated in Fasli 1284.	Increase or Decrease.
	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.
Food grains	612,062	638,780	+ 26,718
Other products	148,846	149,912	+ 1,066
Total ...	760,908	788,692	÷ 27,784

94. Eighty-one per cent. of the land under cultivation is under food grains, and the remainder under other products.

95. Adverting to the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 19th October 1871, No. 4,434, I beg to forward also a statement showing the demand, collection, and balance of costs awarded to Government in Civil suits during the fasli under review.

96. A statement of the lands acquired by public servants in the year under review is annexed :—

Names of Public Servants.	Extent acquired in Acres.	Mode of acquisition.
Narayanasawmy Naidu, English Head Clerk, Collector's Office	4 14 2	By purchase.
Venkataramier, English Clerk	1 0 0	Do.
Devapriam Pillai, English Record-keeper... ...	25 11 3	Do.
Kristnasamy Naidu, English Accountant... ...	5 10 3	By purchase and mortgage.
Subbaraya Aiyan, Clerk, General Deputy Collector's Office	0 0 2	By purchase.
Kristna Row, Head Gumastah, Melur Taluq ...	1 2 2	By mortgage.
Hari Row, Gumastah, Melur Taluq	0 10 1	Do.
Venkataramanien, do. do.	9 7 0	By purchase and by durkhast.
Sundaramien, do. do.	1 3 3	By purchase.
Dhurmalinga Mudali, do. do.	0 11 3	By durkhast.
Renga Row, 2nd Class Revenue Inspector, Melur Taluq	8 8 3	By purchase and mortgage.
Arabsa, Dufterbund, Melur Taluq	0 5 1	By purchase.
Muttusamier, Pereakolam Tahsildar	38 13 0	Do.
Regupathi Row, Gumastah, Pereakolam Taluq...	8 6 3	By mortgage.
Palavanam Pillai, Shroff, do. ...	13 11 3	By purchase.
Ramien, 2nd Class Revenue Inspector, Pereakolam Taluq	1 3 3	By mortgage.
Narayana Row, Head Gumastah, Pulni Taluq...	2 12 3	By purchase.
Ramasami Pillai, Gumastah, do. ...	5 13 3	By mortgage.
Muthusamien, Head Gumastah, Dindigul Taluq.	4 13 0	Do.
Streenivasien, Revenue Inspector, do. ...	11 7 3	By purchase.
Pichoovier, Deputy Tahsildar, Vedasendoor ...	12 5 1	Do.
Narayanier, do. Tirupattur ...	56 0 0	Do.
Samaviengar, Gumastah, Deputy Tahsildar's Office, Mudukolattur	4 11 1	Do.
Pandiam Pillai, Deputy Tahsildar, Tiruvadanai.	33 1 3	By purchase and mortgage.

97. With reference to the Board's Standing Order, No. 283-2, (No. VIII. of 1874), I beg to annex the following statement showing the number of the Treasuries inspected by the Treasury Deputy Collector during the fasli under report, and the general state in which the accounts were

found by him. The defects were pointed out to the officers concerned, and instructions have been issued to them to prevent their recurrence :—

Names of Treasuries.	Result of the Examination.
1. Sea Custom Treasury at Paumben.	Not very satisfactory. No abstract was kept for posting the entries from the daily chittah, and the corrections in the accounts were not made in red ink and initialled.
2. Branch Treasury at Ramnad.	Satisfactory on the whole. A few minor defects were detected and pointed out. No list was maintained for records on hand.
3. Sea Custom Treasury at Tondy.	The corrections in the accounts were not made in red ink and initialled. No abstract was kept for posting the entries from the chittah.
4. Salt Treasury at Vuttanam.	Corrections in the accounts have not been initialled. No list for records.
5. Deputy Tahsildar's Treasury at Shevagungah.	The labels were not kept in good order. Abkári rent has been received without Irusalnamah. Huzur numbers were not entered in the Deposit Registers for January 1875.
6. Taluq Treasury at Madura.	The several heads to which Land Revenue was credited in the chittah were not preserved in the abstract. In the chittah and abstract the several heads of deposits have not been distinguished. The corrections made in the Taluq accounts have not been initialled and the alterations communicated from the Huzur for August 1874 have not been made in the office copy of the Account Current, although it has been reported that they were duly made. The Irusalnamahs and the Chittah do not agree as to the items of Land Revenue. It is not satisfactory on the whole.

98. The usual Report on the Settlement of the Sub-Division is herewith forwarded.

MADURA,
22nd October 1875.

(Signed) H. W. BLISS,
Acting Collector.

SUB-COLLECTORATE.

I HAVE the honor to submit the annual report on the settlement of the revenue in the Sub-division for Fasli 1284, together with several statements and their enclosures prepared in the prescribed forms.

2. STATEMENT No. I.—This statement shows the stations at which the settlement was made, the number of puttas distributed, and the time occupied at each station.

3. The distribution of puttas was made by Mr. Bliss in both the taluqs in the Sub-division.

4. No change has taken place in the tenure or number of villages during the year under report.

Fasli.	PUTTAS.
1283.....	42,593
1284	43,069
	+ 476

5. There has been an increase of 476 puttas this year as compared with the last as shown in the margin. This increase is attributable to the gradual increase of population and to the extension and sub-division of holdings.

6. SEASON.—The season was somewhat better than in the previous year.

7. SANITARY CONDITION.—The public health was generally good. Fever, small-pox and a disease called Kolamutti Noun prevailed here and there in Dindigul Taluq to a small extent, but the mortality from it was not large. There was murrain in a few localities, but no serious loss. There was no cholera during the year.

8. The subjoined statement shows the rain-fall at the several stations where rain gauges are kept in the Sub-division :—

Months.	Sub-Collector's Office.	Dindigul Taluq.	Pulni Taluq.
	IN. CTS.	IN. CTS.	IN. CTS.
1874, July	0 97	0 80	0 70
„ August	2 20	1 86	0 50
„ September	4 1	3 24	0 55
„ October	3 18	2 77	6 40
„ November	6 74	6 57	7 60
„ December	2 25	2 31	0 55
1875, January	0 2	0 1	0 0
„ February	0 0	0 0	0 0
„ March	0 12	0 32	0 60
„ April	5 62	6 17	1 50
„ May	3 84	3 94	1 85
„ June	1 29	1 7	1 75
Total ...	30 24	29 6	22 ...

9. STATEMENT No. II.—The prices of all kinds of grain were higher during the first half of this Fasli than during the corresponding period of Fasli 1283, but the harvest in February threw a sufficient quantity of grain into the market to lower prices again to a point, of almost as good as they had been in the beginning of 1283. There has been a downward tendency at the close of the Fasli again in most grains.

10. STATEMENT No. III.—The following statement compares the holdings of Faslis 1283 and 1284 :—

Faslis.	HOLDINGS AT THE BEGINNING OF FASLI.		LANDS GIVEN UP.		LANDS TAKEN UP.		HOLDINGS AT THE END OF THE FASLI.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
1283	364,079	5,17,907	17,713	24,101	20,788	26,940	367,154	5,20,746
1284	367,154	5,20,746	11,799	17,021	19,846	26,091	375,201	5,29,815

11. The increase of Rupees 9,069 is probably due to an increased demand for land owing to a moderate season and larger population.

12. A statement of actual cultivation (after deducting the waste remitted, Acres 2,953 assessed at Rupees 10,008 ; and waste charged, Acres 62,884 assessed at Rupees 65,813) in comparison with the preceding Fasli is given below :—

Items.	FASLI 1283.		FASLI 1284.		INCREASE.		DECREASE.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
Dry	2,67,897	3,15,205 10 3	2,78,799	3,26,584 12 5	10,902	11,379 2 2	.....	... ...
Wet	30,212	1,25,877 0 8	30,565	1,27,409 9 9	353	1,532 9 1	.....	... ...
Total ...	2,98,109	4,41,082 10 11	3,09,364	4,53,994 6 2	11,255	12,911 11 3	.....	... ...
Add—								
Second-crop assessment ...	.....	160 14 9	.....	185 4 6	.....	24 5 9	.....	... ...
Additional do....	.....	... .	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...
Water-tax	.....	1,506 0 0	.....	389 13 0	.....	... ...	.....	1,116 3 0
Land-cess	.....	39,150 4 6	.....	39,580 1 9	.....	429 13 3	.....	... ...
Village Service Fund	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...
Total ...	.....	4,81,899 14 2	.....	4,94,149 9 5	.....	12,249 11 3	.....	... ...
Deduct Remission.								
Land-cess	.....	39,150 4 6	.....	39,580 1 9	.....	429 13 3	.....	... ...
Village Service Fund	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...
Other remissions as particularised in Statement No. IV...	.....	44,431 15 6	.....	7,065 4 1	.....	... ...	.....	37,366 11 5
Total ...	.....	83,582 4 0	.....	46,645 5 10	.....	... ...	.....	36,936 14 2
Remaining Beriz.		3,98,317 10 2	.....	4,47,504 3 7	.....	49,186 9 5	.....	... ...
Add Miscellaneous items, Statement No. V	.....	23,192 1 5	.....	23,639 4 7	.....	447 3 2	.....	... ...
Total ...	.....	4,21,509 11 7	.....	4,71,143 8 2	.....	49,633 12 7	.....	... ...

13. The actual cultivation this year exceeds that of the preceding year by Acres 11,255 assessed at Rupees 12,912. This increase is also probably due to the favorable character of the season and the larger population.

14. *Enclosure A. to Statement No. III.* requires no remark.

15. *Enclosure B. to Statement No. III.*—The decrease in the cotton cultivation was in the Ayen villages. The rain in November was heavier than is favorable for cotton cultivation, and caused a diversion of labor to other crops.

16. *Enclosure C. to Statement No. III.* is blank.

17. *Enclosure D. and E. to Statement No. III.* call for no remark.

18. STATEMENT No. IV.—There is a net decrease of Rupees 37,367 in remissions because of the difference of character of the two seasons. Rupees 35,417 for punjah and Rupees 3,506 for nunjah had been granted in Fasli 1283 on account of a bad season ; no punjah remissions were granted in this Fasli, and only Rupees 1,641 for nunjah.

19. *Enclosure A. to Statement No. IV.* requires no remark.

20. STATEMENT No. V.—Of Rupees 2,845-11-2 being the Jodi and quit-rent on sundry Inams for last Fasli, Rupees 3-6-0 has been deducted on account of Inam lands transferred to the Railway Company, and the remaining sum, Rupees 2,842-5-2, is shown under the current demand. The decrease under the Item 6 (*b*) is due to the lands cultivated without durkhast having been charged at single rates after the receipt of the Board's Proceedings, dated April 6th 1875, No. 826.

No. 971, dated 24th April 1874.

The process service fees of Rupees 1,265-9-3 under Act II. of 1864 are entered under Miscellaneous, as per Board's Proceedings noted in the margin.

21. *Enclosure A. to Statement No.* V. shows how much of the miscellaneous revenue is derived from irrigated, and how much from unirrigated lands. The figures are—

	Irrigated.	Unirrigated.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Dindigul	1,118 2 4	9,625 0 3
Pulni	227 8 4	6,496 7 6

22. STATEMENT No. VI.—The peishcush of Kannivadi and Ammenaikanur Zemindaries has been reduced during the year under report from Rupees 38,139-14-2 and 13,969-1-2 to Rupees 38,129-11-9 and 13,683-4-3, respectively, under the G.O., dated 23rd June 1874, No. 760, Revenue Department, on account of lands taken up for railway purposes.

23. The balance of Rupees 11,881-7-11 shown against the Kannivadi Zemindari at the end of the Fasli has since been collected. Of the outstanding balance of Rupees 586-13-3 on the 31st August last against the Ammenaikanur Zemindari, Rupees 571-9-10 is claimed* by the Zemindar for Faslis 1282 and 1283 on account of lands taken up for railway purposes.

* *Vide* this Office letter, No. 263, dated the 29th July 1875.

24. STATEMENT No. VI.-A. explains itself.

25. STATEMENT No. VII.—An abstract statement of the demand of the several sources of revenue as compared with the last Fasli is subjoined :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Land Revenue	5,89,138	6,37,020	47,882	....
Abkári	40,671	40,700	29	....
Stamps	43,024	42,801	.....	223
Interest	613	2,044	1,431	....
Total ...	6,73,446	7,22,565	49,342	223
Net increase	....	....	49,119	....

26. The increase in the demand of "Land Revenue" is due to the increased cultivation and to the absence of remission, and the increase under "Interest" is owing to the interest having been charged on the arrears of peishcush of the Kannivadi Zemindari and on the Abkári rent of the Dindigul Taluq.

27. Annexed is a comparative statement of the collections:—

Items.	Fasli 1284. Arrears.	Fasli 1284. Current.	Fasli 1284. Total.	Increase.	Decrease.
	5	6	7	8	9
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs.	Rs.
Land Revenue.					
Permanently Settled...	29,152 4 9	85,198 7 4	1,14,350 12 1	21,825	....
Jodi on Shrotriem, &c., villages ...	169 6 0	363 6 0	532 12 0	189	....
Ryotwar	1,68,881 3 9	3,14,476 12 7	4,83,358 0 4	47,833	....
Miscellaneous ...	20,592 11 8	4,453 9 8	25,046 5 4	3,057	....
Total ...	2,18,795 10 2	4,04,492 3 7	6,23,287 13 9	72,904	....
Abkári	2,507 0 0	32,516 5 2	35,023 5 2	....	4,320
Stamps	.....	42,800 9 0	42,800 9 0	....	223
Total ...	2,507 0 0	75,316 14 2	77,823 14 2	....	4,543
Interest	.....	1,286 14 1	1,286 14 1	613	....
Grand Total ...	2,21,302 10 2	4,81,095 15 10	7,02,398 10 0	68,974	....

Items.	Fasli 1283. Arrears.	Fasli 1283. Current	Fasli 1283. Total.
1	2	3	4
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Land Revenue.			
Permanently Settled...	21,736 13 11	70,788 10 3	92,525 8 2
Jodi on Shrotriem, &c., villages ...	93 14 0	249 10 0	343 8 0
Ryotwar	1,40,332 0 2	2,95,193 1 5	4,35,525 1 7
Miscellaneous ...	19,642 14 0	2,346 1 10	21,988 15 10
Total ...	1,81,805 10 1	3,68,577 7 6	5,50,383 1 7
Abkári	2,804 0 0	36,539 2 0	39,343 2 0
Stamps	... ...	43,024 2 0	43,024 2 0
Total ...	2,804 0 0	79,563 4 0	82,367 4 0
Interest	60 15 6	612 13 6	673 13 0
Grand Total ...	1,84,670 9 7	4,48,753 9 0	6,33,424 2 7

28. *Permanently settled.*—The increase under this head is due to the large outstanding balance at the beginning of the Fasli, and to the punctual realization of the current peishcush of the Kannivadi Zemindari.

29. *Ryotwar and Miscellaneous.*—The increase is due to the large outstanding balance at the beginning of the Fasli, and to the increase in the current demand of Ryotwar.

30. *Abkâri.*—The decrease under this head is owing to the late renter of the Dindigul Taluq having absconded without paying the kists for the last three instalments of the Fasli under report. There is some hope of recovering the amount.

31. Statement No. VIII.—Arrears of former years amounted to Rupees 2,32,886 at the commencement of the Fasli under report, but were reduced to Rupees 11,584 at the end of the year. The recoverable arrears, amounting to Rupees 5,964-8-2, are in course of collection.

32. The sum of Rupees 3,843-9-9, entered under the head of "doubtful," depends on the settlement of the boundary disputes as noted below :—

		Rs.	A.	P.
Between	Tirumungalam and Dindigul Taluqs	465	10	9
Do.	Dindigul and Melur Taluqs	52	15	1
Do.	Between Pulni Taluq and Kannivadi Zemindari... ...	2,743	13	2
Do.	two Ayen villages of the Dindigul Taluq	3	0	5
Do.	do. Pulni Taluq...	578	2	4
	Total ...	3,843	9	9

33. The dispute between Pulni Taluq and the Kannivadi Zemindari was already decided as mentioned in paragraph 34 of the last year's report, but pending the appeal decision of the High Court the balance has been shown in the accounts. As regards the early settlement of other disputes orders have been sent to the Tahsildars.

34. Of the irrecoverable arrears,* Rupees 456-12-3 have been recommended for remission in the report of Fasli 1283, but as no sanction has been received for writing them off, they have been brought forward again in this year's account. Deducting the above amount there is a balance amounting to Rupees 417-7-10, and I beg to recommend that the same be remitted for the following reasons :—

* Rupees 874-4-1.

Items.	Faslis. 1280.	1281.	1282.	1283.	Total.	Remarks.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
Ryotwar.....	7 11 4	14 14 6	42 13 8	116 6 0	181 13 6	This amount is due by ryots whose lands have been sold for arrears of revenue and purchased on behalf of Government for nominal sums. They have no property, by the sale of which the arrears can be realized.
Miscellaneous..	... ...	... ...	1 7 1	2 4 5	3 11 6	
	7 11 4	14 14 6	44 4 9	118 10 5	185 9 0	
Ryotwar.....	... ...	7 11 0	42 10 9	68 6 11	118 12 8	This amount is due by defaulters whose personal property has been sold as well as the lands, but without meeting the demand in full.
Ryotwar.....	... ...	2 14 1	3 4 7	1 14 5	8 1 1	This is the tirvai for a piece of land twice entered in Faslis 1281 to 1283, which formed the subject of a boundary dispute. The dispute has been settled and the double charge should be struck off.
Miscellaneous..	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	6 11 5	Punjah highest tirvai was ordered to be charged for certain Nunjah land omitted to be entered in the accounts, but Nunjah tirvai was charged by mistake and the excess should be struck off.

Items.	Faslis. 1280.	1281.	1282.	1283.	Total.	Remarks.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
Miscellaneous ..	... ...	2 7 6	8 9 8	21 8 8	32 9 10	This amount is due by persons who cultivated certain land without permission and were granted "eksal puttas." They have no property by the sale of which the arrears can be made good.
Miscellaneous ..	... ...	1 0 0	2 8 0	5 12 0	9 4 0	These are fines imposed on certain village officers who are no longer in office.
Miscellaneous ..	... ...	... ...	... ...	56 7 10	56 7 10	Penal assessment erroneously charged on certain land said to have been cultivated without permission while it has been included in the limit of the durkhast put in by the ryot.

35. Coercive measures were resorted to in eighty-four cases for the recovery of land-revenue arrears, amounting to Rupees 1,313-5-8. Personal and real property sold in satisfaction of the arrears realized Rupees 1,392-7-8.

36. The village and taluq accounts have been kept correctly according to the prescribed manuals, but two Curnams in the Dindigul Taluq and four in Pulni had kept their accounts badly with corrections and interlineations. They have been fined.

37. A statement of lands acquired by public servants during the year under report is annexed:—

Name.	Extent of Land acquired.	Mode of Acquisition.
	Acres.	
Muttusami Iyen, Head Gumastah, Dindigul Taluq	4 13 0	By mortgage.
Strinivasayan, Revenue Inspector, Dindigul Taluq	11 7 3	By purchase.
Narayana Row, Head Gumastah, Pulni Taluq.	2 12 3	Do.
Ramasami Pillai, Gumastah do. ...	5 13 3	By mortgage.

38. One tank and seventy-two wells were newly constructed under the rules during the Fasli under report.

39. *Conduct of the Subordinates.*—I have not been long enough in charge to make any remark on the conduct of the subordinates.

Dindigul,
16th September 1875.

(Signed) C. W. W. MARTIN,
Acting Sub-Collector.

Exd. W. H. French.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

TINNEVELLY.

I have the honor to submit the Annual Report on the Land and Extra Sources of Revenue for Fasli 1284, with the usual statements.

2. Stations at which the Settlement was made.—The settlement was commenced on the 15th April and closed on the 21st October 1875.

3. There was some delay in completing the Jamabandy of Tenkarai and Ambasamudram Taluqs owing to introduction of the new settlement rates in the whole taluq of Tenkarai and the northern portion of Ambasamudram. Mr. Arundel, who was doing the settlement work at Ambasamudram, was obliged to leave the district to join his appointment as Private Secretary to Government in June 1875, just at a time when he was about to issue the fair puttas. Mr. Happell, who took up the work, received many petitions complaining of excess in measurements, inclusion of Poramboke, high rates, and mistakes in the number of palmyras, &c., and he had to hear some of the villagers *de novo* and to dispose of their objections after inquiry. It was to be expected that, on a change of officers, the villagers would try to get many things previously settled altered. The report has been further delayed by the very late date on which the Sub-Collector issued some of the puttas for Ambasamudram, 21st October, and by a want of energy and care on the part of several of the Tahsildars in getting their Jamabandy accounts prepared with as much despatch as possible. I shall deal with this myself on the present occasion, but shall bring to the notice of the Board any such neglect in future.

4. Statement No. 1 shows the names of the officers who conducted the settlement and the places at which puttas were distributed.

No. 1.

Names of the Officers who made the Settlement.	Taluqs.	Stations where the Settlement was made.
W. H. Comyn, Esq., Acting Collector.	Tenkarai	Velur Pudugudi. Strivaikuntam.
	Sankaranainarkovil ..	Vasudevanallur. Sankaranainarkovil.
A. T. Arundel, Esq., Officiating Additional Sub-Collector.	Tinnevelly	Palamcottah. Manur. Pillayarkulam.
E. Turner, Esq., Acting Head Assistant Collector.	Ottapidaram	Kylar. Ettiapuram. Ottapidaram. Tuticorin.

Names of the Officers who made the Settlement.	Taluqs.	Stations where the Settlement was made.
H. Subraya Iyer, Acting General Charge Deputy Collector.	Sattur	Kovilpatti. Nalli. Sattur. Vachakarapalli. Virudupatti. Sivakasi.
	Strivilliputtur	Watrap. Kunnur. Injar. Strivilliputtur. Rajapalayam.
W. A. Happell, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector.	Nanguneri	Nanguneri.
	Ambasamudram ..	Shermadevi. Ambasamudram. Courtallam.
	Tenkasi	Courtallam. Alangulam.

5. VARIATION IN THE NUMBER AND TENURE OF VILLAGES.—Statement No. 2 exhibits the various tenures in which the villages in the district were held.

No. 2.

Denomination of Villages.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
1	2	3	4	5
	NO.	NO.	NO.	NO.
1. Nunjah Mottafysal villages	654	487	..	167
2. Nunjah Pattam villages paying a favorable assessment	6	..	..	6
3. Do. Poruppu do. in money	12	..	..	12
4. Punjah dry villages	114	91	..	23
5. Pattam and Poruppu villages upon which Jodi (quit-rent) was imposed by the Inam Commissioner	17	..	..	17
6. Taram or Ryotwar villages	157	335	178	..
Total Government villages ..	960	913	178	225
Kattuguttagei or Shrotriem villages	76	..	..	76
Inam villages	87	166	79	..
Zemindari villages	569½	569½	..	..
Total Inam, &c., Villages ..	732½	735½	79	76
Grand Total ..	1,692½	1,648½	257	301
Net ..	..	..	..	44

6. The decrease of 225 villages under the first five heads, and the increase under the sixth head as compared with the number shown in the last year's report, arose from the clubbing of smaller villages and dividing larger ones into villages of convenient size, and the transfer of 178 villages to the head of Ryotwar by the new settlement.

7. The decrease in the number of Kattuguttagei villages is merely nominal, as there is a corresponding increase in the number of Inam villages with which these have been placed as they have been settled by the Inam Commissioner as Inam and title-deeds issued. They are so shown in the Inam Registers, and there is no necessity to retain them under the head of Kattuguttagei.

8. KATTUGUTTAGEI AND INAM.—The number of villages under both the heads comes to 166, or three villages in excess of last year. Five hamlets settled as Inam, but which till lately were portions of Ayen villages, were formed into separate Inam villages in settlement; while Alagappapuram, a village not settled by the Inam Commissioner, was by mistake entered in the accounts under the head of Inam villages; this was discovered and the village brought to Ayen. In another village, Tiruppani Pulienkadu, only the palmyra trees were Inam, but the village was shown in the accounts as an Inam village; it has been brought to Ayen in the settlement; thus there results a net increase of three villages.

9. INTRODUCTION OF PERMANENT PUTTAS.—The total number of puttas for Fasli 1284 was 154,390 as shown in the margin. The following statement shows an increase of 8,746 puttas over that of last fasli.

New puttas	86,131
Modified do.	7,981
Unaltered do.	60,278
Total ...	154,390

10. The increase is chiefly due to the introduction of the new settlement in two taluqs, where many putta transfers were effected and Samudayam (common) lands divided, and to the issue of puttas for waste and other lands cultivated without permission, as per instructions contained in Proceedings of Government, Nos. 180 and 424, dated 3rd February and 15th March 1875, communicated in Board's Proceedings, No. 826, dated 6th April 1875.

No. 3.

Faslis.	Total number of Puttas for Land Revenue.	Puttas not renewed.			Renewed or fresh Puttas issued.	Percentage of Column 6 on Column 2.
		Puttas which remained altogether unaltered.	Modified by additional entries.	Total.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	NO.	NO.	NO.	NO.	NO.	NO.
1283	145,644	50,050	17,938	67,988	77,656	53
1284	154,390	60,278	7,981	68,259	86,131	55
Increase ..	8,746	10,228	..	271	8,475	..
Decrease ..	..	..	9,957	..	..	..

11. SEASON.—The season commenced under unfavorable auspices, but improved towards the end of the calendar year when the parched up country was refreshed by a heavy and general rain-fall. On the whole, the season may be considered to have been more favorable than its predecessor.

12. RAIN-FALL.—The following statement gives the rain-fall during the fasli:—

Kar Months.	Fasli 1283. Inches.	Fasli 1284. Inches.	Peshanam Months.	Fasli 1283. Inches.	Fasli 1284. Inches.
April	2·11	1·44	October	1·48	3·11
May	3·48	1·34	November	5·72	13·51
June	0·95	1·68	December	1·19	1·89
July	0·44	0·22	January	0·21	0·24
August	1·06	0·56	February	2·11	0·17
September	0·60	0·39	March	0·47	1·29
Total ..	8·64	5·63	Total ..	11·18	20·21
			Grand Total ..	19·82	25·84

The want of seasonable rains resulted in a decrease in the extent of dry cultivation and diminished the yield of both the wet and dry crops.

13. SANITARY CONDITION.—The health of the district was not so good as in the previous year; cholera made its appearance in a mild form at the seaport town of Kulasegarapatam in the middle of April, but confined itself to the tract known as the Teri, inhabited chiefly by Shanars. The Hospital Assistant attached to the Collector's Office was sent to move about the villages attacked, and when the death-rate increased in the month of July a second Hospital Assistant was sent out, and every precaution taken to check the progress of the disease and to keep the villages clean. The returns show an increase of 12,229 deaths as compared with those of the year before. The ratio of deaths reported was 22·72 per mille of the population. The increase occurs under the heads of Cholera, Fever, and Other diseases. The absence of rain in the early months of the fasli increased the number of fever cases. The causes of the large increase, amounting to one-third in the general mortality, are not known; part of the increase is probably due to improvement in reports of deaths.

Population of the district, 1,693,959.

Disease.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
Cholera	..	98
Small-pox	2,208	1,640
Fever	7,009	10,736
Other diseases	16,751	25,563
Accidents	212	307
Suicides	90	155
Total ..	26,270	38,499

14. The price of the principal products as compared with last year are shown in the following statement. There was an increase in the prices of the staple articles in consequence of the failure of the Peshanam crop of Fasli 1283. The rise in the prices of the dry grains generally was owing to the unfavorable season and harvest. The cause of the fall in the price of raggy is at present unknown; probably it was due to an increased area sown with that grain :—

No. 4.

Faslis.	Paddy, 1st sort, per garce.	Paddy, 2nd sort, per garce.	Cholum per garce.	Horse-gram per garce.	Cumboo per garce.	Raggy per garce.	Varagoo per garce.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1283	204	180	198	327	221	201	123
1284	215	196	274	318	264	184	155
Increase ..	11	16	76	..	43	..	32
Decrease ..	..	..	..	9	..	17	..

15. RYOTS' HOLDINGS.—The ryots' holdings comprised at the commencement of the fasli 1,312,912 Acres, assessed at Rupees 24,75,458-12-7. Of these 66,670 Acres, assessed at Rupees 2,64,338-12-3, were relinquished, and 96,605 Acres, assessed at Rupees 3,90,795-3-5, were newly taken up. Thus there was an increase of 29,935 Acres, assessed at Rupees 1,26,456-7-2, above the holdings of last year. The increase was chiefly in the taluqs marginally noted.

Taluqs.	Wet.		Dry.	
	Area.	Assessment.	Area.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Tenkarai	24,012	65,885	5,243	38,057
Ambasamudram ...	3,936	3,842	2,154	21,258
Total ...	27,948	69,727	7,391	51,315

16. In the Tenkarai Taluq a large area was newly taken up under the Strivaiguntam anicut; the rest of the increase in this and the Ambasamudram Taluq is due to the introduction of the survey areas which were found to be considerably in excess of the old Curnam's areas.

17. The annexed table shows the holdings at the beginning of the fasli, the subsequent changes, and the waste remitted and charged, as well as the actual cultivation :—

No. 5.

Items.	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Land.	Assessment.	Land.	Assessment.	Land.	Assessment.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
Extent of lands in ryots' holdings at the commencement of the fasli ...	1,133,591	8,37,807 1 8	179,321	16,37,651 10 11	1,312,912	24,75,458 12 7
Deduct.						
Lands given up by the ryots and transferred from one head to another	38,369	26,406 4 5	28,301	2,37,932 7 10	66,670	2,64,338 12 3
Remainder ...	1,095,222	8,11,400 13 3	151,020	13,99,719 3 1	1,246,242	22,11,120 0 4
Add lands newly taken up for cultivation	61,035	94,097 15 3	35,570	2,96,697 4 2	96,605	3,90,795 3 5
Total ...	1,156,257	9,05,498 12 6	186,590	16,96,416 7 3	1,342,847	26,01,915 3 9
Waste remitted	1	1 3 9	11,720	88,702 1 8	11,721	88,703 5 5
Remainder ...	1,156,256	9,05,497 8 9	174,870	16,07,714 5 7	1,331,126	25,13,211 14 4
Particulars.						
Actual cultivation	778,760	7,48,776 11 6	165,758	15,35,940 5 7	944,518	22,84,717 1 1
Waste charged	377,496	1,56,720 13 3	9,112	71,774 0 0	386,608	2,28,494 13 3

18. ACTUAL CULTIVATION.—The area cultivated in Fasli 1284 in comparison with that of Fasli 1283 is given in the subjoined statement :—

No. 6.

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
Wet total cultivation including Tirwajasti and Fasaljasti ...	211,905	... ...	235,767	... ...	23,862	... ...	...	... ...
Deduct second crop	63,229	... ...	70,009	... ...	6,780	... ...	...	... ...
Remaining first crop	148,676	15,49,399 9 2	165,758	15,90,574 0 3	17,082	44,175 0 1	...	... ...
Dry cultivation...	788,320	6,88,601 4 11	778,760	7,53,385 3 2	...	64,783 14 3	9,560	... .
Total ...	936,996	22,38,000 14 1	944,518	23,43,959 12 5	17,082	1,05,958 14 4	9,560	... ...
Net ...	...	... ...	...	... ...	7,522	1,05,958 14 4	...	... ...

19. The increase of Acres 23,862 under wet occurred chiefly in the taluqs noted in the margin, and is due to the large extent left waste in the previous year, which was an unfavorable one as compared with that under report. The decrease in cultivation in dry is attributable to the want of timely rains as stated in paragraph 12.

Ambasamudram	6,024
Tinnevelly	4,037
Tenkarai	7,949
Tenkasi	1,433
Strivilliputtur	1,888
Sankaranainarkovil	1,821
Total ...	23,152

20. PRINCIPAL SOURCES OF IRRIGATION.—The subjoined statement shows the extent of wet cultivation and waste under each source of irrigation, the Tambrapurni, minor rivers, and rain-fed tanks, as compared with Fasli 1283.

The increase in waste under the Tambrapurni is due to the lands being newly taken up for wet cultivation, but not yet cultivated:—

No. 7.

Sources of Irrigation.	Fasli 1283. Extent.	Fasli 1283. Assessment.	Fasli 1284. Extent.	Fasli 1284. Assessment.	Increase. Extent.	Increase. Assessment.	Decrease. Extent.	Decrease. Assessment.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	ACRES. C.	RS. A. P.	ACRES. C.	RS. A. P.	ACRES. C.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
Cultivation.								
Tambrapurni.	97,957 91	7,80,792 6 11	105,995 74	7,71,494 3 9	8,037 0	... .	... ...	9,298 3 2
Minor rivers.	70,183 47	4,99,868 7 2	78,549 59	5,30,856 2 8	8,366 12	30,987 11 6	... ...	... ...
Rain-fed tanks.	43,763 48	2,68,738 11 1	51,221 87	2,88,224 2 10	7,458 39	19,485 7 9	... ...	... ...
Total ...	211,904 86	15,49,399 9 2	235,767 20	15,90,574 9 3	23,862 34	50,473 2 3	... ...	9,298 3 2
Net ...	...	...	...	...	23,862 34	41,175 0 1	... ...	... ...
Waste.								
Tambrapurni.	6,966 22	32,123 14 0	16,574 44	58,920 4 5	9,608 22	26,796 6 5	... ...	... ...
Minor rivers.	15,211 66	77,404 8 9	12,090 95	47,683 3 1	... ...	... ...	3,120 71	29,721 5 8
Rain-fed tanks.	17,420 98	94,616 11 10	12,812 50	55,346 11 1	... ...	... ...	4,608 48	39,270 0 9
Total ...	39,598 86	2,04,145 2 7	41,477 89	1,61,950 2 7	9,608 22	26,796 6 5	7,729 19	68,991 6 5
Net ...	...	... ...	...	... ...	1,879 3	... ...	...	42,195 0 0

21. RUINED TANKS MADE OVER TO THE RYOTS.—No ruined tanks were made over to the ryots during the year.

22. WASTE CHARGED AND REMITTED.—The following abstract shows the area of waste charged and remitted during the fasli:—

No. 8.

Items.	Fasli 1283. Extent.	Fasli 1283. Assessment.	Fasli 1284. Extent.	Fasli 1284. Assessment.	Increase. Extent.	Increase. Assessment.	Decrease. Extent.	Decrease. Assessment.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
Waste charged ...	359,934	2,04,037 12 0	398,640	2,30,824 2 1	38,706	26,786 6 1	...	... ...
Do. remitted...	25,649	1,49,313 3 4	20,966	88,703 5 5	...	... ...	4,683	60,609 13 11
Total ...	385,583	3,53,350 15 4	419,606	3,19,527 7 6	38,706	26,786 6 1	4,683	60,609 13 11
Net ...	...	... ...	...	... ...	34,023	... ...	...	33,823 7 10
Particulars.								
First crop ...	375,917	... ...	398,330	... ...	22,413	... ...	...	... ...
Second crop ...	9,666	... ...	21,276	... ...	11,610	... ...	...	... ...

23. WASTE CHARGED.—The extent of landleft waste, but for which no remission was given, was Acres 398,640, assessed at Rupees 2,30,824-2-1, or 38,706 Acres, assessed at Rupees 26,786-6-1, in excess of those of Fasli 1283.

Of this sum of Rupees 2,30,824-2-1, Rupees 40,424-5-3 are the assessment due on portions of fields left waste, the remainder, or Rupees 1,90,399-12-10, being the assessment on entire fields left waste.

	ACRES.	RS.
Tenkarai	1,544	7,982
Tinnevelly	5,927	14,620
Ambasamudram	5,694	12,743
Tenkasi	1,020	4,930
Nanguneri	476	4,067
Total ..	14,661	44,342

Out of this Rupees 56,383-4-1 is the assessment due on 16,712 Acres of wet land, a large extent of which was left waste in the river irrigated taluqs. A large part of this was in the car season, and no remission was given because the ryots had compounded for a double crop.

24. WASTE REMITTED.—Rupees 88,703 were remitted this year on lands left waste against Rupees 1,49,313 the year before; the remissions of this year being less than those of the last by Rupees 60,610.

No. 9.—*Remission.*

Items.	Occasional.	Under Standing Order, No. XX. of 1872.	Fasli 1283. Rs. A. P.	Fasli 1284. Rs. A. P.	Increase. Rs. A. P.	Decrease. Rs. A. P.
1. Remission for withered crops	.. ..	..	1,38,765 4 4	19,426 2 8	.. .. ..	1,19,339 1 8
2. Do. for flooded crops ..	.. ..	..	53 12 0	189 15 10	136 3 10	.. .. ..
3. Do. for waste	.. ..	..	1,49,196 12 2	88,469 15 2	.. .. ..	60,726 13 0
4. Do. for lands submerged	.. ..	..	116 7 2	233 6 3	116 15 1	.. .. ..
Total ..			1,49,313 3 4	88,703 5 5	116 15 1	60,726 13 0
Entire fields left waste	.. ..	..	1,36,858 10 6	85,932 12 9	.. .. ..	50,925 13 9
Portions of do. do.	.. ..	..	12,454 8 10	2,770 8 8	.. .. ..	9,684 0 2
5. Remission for flooded lands ..	.. ..	..	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	.. .. ..
6. Do. for short produce	.. ..	..	36,698 10 1	1,479 8 8	.. .. ..	35,219 1 5
7. Half assessment on high level nunjah lands cultivated by baling ..	.. ..	Do.	14,884 5 4	2,093 15 7	.. .. ..	12,790 5 9
8. Remission of dry and garden crops raised on wet land on payment of a favorable assessment ..	.. ..	Do.	12,947 1 7	12,252 7 2	.. .. ..	694 10 5
9. Percentage remission on the gross assessment of certain villages which suffered for want of water.	.. ..	Do.	15,987 11 0	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	15,987 11 0
10. Remission on dry crops withered and dry left waste	.. ..	Board's Proceedings, dated 12th February 1874, No. 307.	64,864 1 7	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	64,864 1 7
11. Remission on dry crops raised on wet lands at the rate of 1 Rupee per acre	.. ..	Do. dated 24th February 1874, No. 418.	25,768 10 9	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	25,768 10 9
12. Remission of favorable assessment on wet crops raised subsequent to Fasli 1283 in which indulgence was allowed.. ..	.. ..	..	.. .. ..	16 13 2	16 13 2	.. .. ..
Total ..			4,59,282 12 0	1,24,162 4 6	270 0 1	3,35,390 7 7
Net ..			.. .. ..	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	3,35,120 7 6

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.	Rs.	A. P.
CUSTOMARY.								
13. Ready-money Inam	15,430	13 1	6,762	4 9	..	.. ..	8,668	8 4
14. Maniems in grain	2,423	5 7	982	4 0	..	.. ..	1,441	1 7
15. Chaturbogam Reyayet	26,236	10 11	23,601	6 8	..	.. ..	2,635	4 3
16. Ardhamaniem or remission of a moiety of the full assessment	851	1 11	553	5 7	..	.. ..	297	12 4
17. Remission of one-fourth and half Tirwa on lands cultivated by Brahmin Merassidars ..	16,594	15 9	16,827	15 0	232	15 3	..	.. ..
18. Remission of three-fourths Tirwa on shrotriem lands.	7,292	0 8	8,054	14 4	762	13 8	..	.. ..
19. Deduction from Ivu and Dittam Inams on account of village servants	22,751	15 9	22,652	12 0	..	.. ..	99	3 9
20. Deduction from Ayen Beriz on account of village servants	19,709	15 0	10,435	9 8	..	.. ..	9,274	5 4
Total ..	1,11,290	14 8	89,870	8 0	995	12 11	22,416	3 7
Total Occasional and Customary ..	5,70,573	10 8	2,14,032	12 6	1,265	13 0	3,57,806	11 2
MISCELLANEOUS.								
21. Topes	3,950	8 8	1,959	8 3	..	.. ..	1,991	0 5
22. Palmyras	18,298	7 8	7,683	1 4	..	.. ..	10,615	6 4
23. Fasaljasti on Inam lands	..	.. ..	37	1 9	37	1 9	..	.. ..
Total ..	22,249	0 4	9,679	11 4	37	1 9	12,606	6 9
Particulars.								
Occasional	3,395	1 1	1,860	7 10	..	.. ..	1,534	9 3
Customary	18,353	15 3	7,819	3 6	..	.. ..	11,034	11 9
Grand Total ..	5,92,822	11 0	2,23,712	7 10	1,302	14 9	3,70,413	1 11
Net ..	..	.. ..	..	.. ..	..	.. ..	3,69,110	3 2

25. CULTIVATION OF SPECIAL PRODUCTS.—The extent and assessment of land cultivated with cotton, indigo, and sugar-cane are given in the following statement :—

No. 10.

Faslis.	Cotton.		Indigo.		Sugar-cane.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
1283..	302,589	315,433	615	522	251	2,130
1284..	284,622	298,790	571	464	231	2,131
Increase ..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Decrease ..	17,967	16,643	44	58	20	..

	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.
Strivilliputtur	1,223	1,279
Tenkarai	2,581	624
Ottapidaram	3,820	5,988
Sattur	3,986	4,952
Tinnevelly	5,546	3,416
Nanguneri	724	356
Total ..	17,880	16,615

26. COTTON.—There is a decrease of 17,964 Acres, assessed at Rupees 16,643, below that of last fasli. This decrease was principally in the taluqs marginally noted, and is owing to want of timely rains.

27. COTTON EXPORT.—The selling price of cotton ranged from Rupees 101 to 111 per candy of 500 lbs. against Rupees 104 to Rupees 111 in the previous fasli. The cotton exports have largely increased, a fact due no doubt to a good harvest of cotton.

Cotton Exports.	CANDIES.
Fasli 1283	47,804
Do. 1284	75,490

28. INDIGO AND SUGAR-CANE call for no remarks.

29. GENERAL RESULTS OF LAND REVENUE SETTLEMENT AS COMPARED WITH THAT OF THE PRECEDING YEAR.—The net land revenue of Fasli 1284 amounted to Rupees 30,38,854-12-2, or Rupees 4,04,568-8-8 in excess of last year as shown in the following table :—

No. 11.

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Comparison.	
			Increase.	Decrease.
1	2	3	4	5
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1. Land revenue beriz after deducting remission	20,30,573 14 0	24,52,587 9 5	4,22,013 11 5	.. .. ..
2. Shrotriem	48,430 3 10	50,602 15 9	2,172 11 11	.. .. ..
3. Jodi on Inam villages.				
4. Permanent peishcush.	3,08,182 15 1	3,08,120 2 11	.. .. ..	62 12 2
5. Miscellaneous ..	2,47,099 2 7	2,27,544 0 1	.. .. ..	19,555 2 6
Total ..	26,34,286 3 6	30,38,854 12 2	4,24,186 7 4	19,617 14 8
Net ..	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	4,04,568 8 8	.. .. ..

30. The increase in No. 1 is partly due to a less amount of remission having been granted through the favorableness of the season and to the discontinuance of mamul remissions in the taluqs where the settlement was introduced, as well as to increase of land revenue made in the settlement of Tenkarai Taluq.

	Occasional Mamul.	Rs.	Rs.
Fasli 1283	... ...	4,59,283	1,11,290
Do. 1284	... ...	1,24,162	89,870
	Decrease ...	3,35,121	21,420

31. There was an increase of Rupees 2,197-1-9 in Nos. 2 and 3 owing to the transfer of five villages as detailed in paragraph 8 of the report, and the decrease of Rupees 24-5-10 is owing to the reduction of quit-rent on certain lands taken up for the Railway in an Inam village, as sanctioned in Board's Proceedings, No. 3,477, dated 27th April 1875, thus leaving a net decrease of Rupees 2,172-11-11.

32. The decrease in No. 4 is due to the reduction of peishcush on lands taken up for the Railway under the sanction of Government conveyed in their orders noted in the margin.

	Rs.	A.	P.
G. O., No. 36, dated 9th January 1875 ...	61	12	11
Do. No. 1,060, „ 20th May 1875 ...	0	15	3
Total ...	62	12	2

33. According to Jamabandy Statement No. 5, "Land Revenue, Miscellaneous," there is a falling off of Rupees 3,249 in the rents of garden and topes, and Rupees 42,639 in the Palmyra tax, both of which resulted from the tree tax being compounded for with the land assessment in the taluqs of Tenkarai and Ambasamudram; of Rupees 4,864 under the head of Jodi on sundry Inams owing to certain Inams, with a quit-rent of 2,172 Rupees, being transferred to Inam villages, Item 3; and certain Inams, with a quit-rent of 2,692 Rupees, being relinquished by the Inamdars and taken up as Ayen. There is also a decrease of 3,925 Rupees under the head of Commission on private estates under Circar management. Thus the decrease under these four heads comes to Rupees 54,677, but this is reduced to Rupees 19,555 by an increase chiefly in the following items:—

	Rs.
Chank fishery	8,639
Prooess fees under Act II. of 1864	18,421
Fasaljasti on certain single crop Inam lands cultivated with 2nd crop left uncollected since the Inam settlement	6,715
Total ...	33,775

No. 12.—*Demand of Extra Sources of Revenue for Fasli* 1284 *as compared with the previous year.*

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Comparison.	
			Increase.	Decrease.
1	2	3	4	5
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1. Abkári	2,06,552 6 4	2,08,985 5 9	2,432 15 5	.. .. ..
2. Salt	9,62,018 8 1	10,51,791 11 6	89,773 3 5	.. .. ..
3. Sea Customs	1,49,074 4 9	1,44,886 15 3	.. .. ..	4,187 5 6
4. Stamps	3,20,844 15 6	3,25,277 14 6	4,432 15 0	.. .. ..
5. Income Tax	96 11 0	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	96 11 0
Total ..	16,38,586 13 8	17,30,941 15 0	96,639 1 10	4,284 0 6
Net ..	.. .. ..	.. .. ..	92,355 1 4	.. .. ..

34. *Abkári.*—The increase is due to a portion of the rental of Fasli 1283 having been collected in Fasli 1284 owing to the re-arrangement of kists effected in the former fasli at the request of the renter.

35. *Salt.*—The increase is partly due to a larger quantity of salt having been exported by sea than in Fasli 1283, and partly to the opening of the new salt pans at Sivandakulam.

36. *Sea Customs.*—The decrease is due to the small quantity of cotton piece-goods imported during the fasli.

37. *Stamps.*—The increase under this head is under Non-Judicial, which is the result of an increase of monetary transactions.

No. 13.—*Demand of Land and Extra Sources of Revenue for Fasli* 1284.

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Comparison.	
			Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Land Revenue	26,34,286 3 6	30,38,854 12 2	4,04,568 8 8	.. .. ..
Extra Sources	16,38,586 13 8	17,30,941 15 0	92,355 1 4	.. .. ..
Total ..	42,72,873 1 2	47,69,796 11 2	4,96,923 10 0	.. .. ..

38. Demand of Land and Extra Sources of Revenue.—The demand on land and extra sources of revenue for Fasli 1284 amounted to Rupees 47,69,796-11-2, or Rupees 4,96,923-10-0 in excess of last year as shown in the annexed statement:—

No. 14.—*Demand, Collection, and Balance of all Sources of Current Revenue.*

Items.	Demand of Fasli 1284.	Collections within the Fasli.	Balance.	Subsequent collections up to October 1875.	Balance.
1	2	3	4	5	6
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1. Land Revenue... ...	30,38,854 12 2	27,08,042 9 11	3,30,812 2 3	1,97,428 4 3	1,33,383 14 0
2. Abkári	2,08,985 5 9	1,84,086 6 1	24,898 15 8	7,592 15 4	17,306 0 4
3. Salt	10,51,791 11 6	10,51,791 11 6	... ...	... ...	... ...
4. Sea Customs	1,44,886 15 3	1,44,886 15 3	... ...	... ...	... ...
5. Stamps...	3,25,277 14 6	3,25,277 14 6	... ...	... ...	... ...
Total ...	17,30,941 15 0	17,06,042 15 4	24,898 15 8	7,592 15 4	17,306 0 4
Grand Total ...	47,69,796 11 2	44,14,085 9 3	3,55,711 1 11	2,05,021 3 7	1,50,689 14 4

39. Demand, Collection, and Balance of all Sources of Current Revenue.—Of the demand of Rupees 47,69,796-11-2, Rupees 44,14,085-9-3 were collected within the fasli, leaving a balance of Rupees 3,55,711-1-11. The subsequent collections up to October 1875 reduced the balance to Rupees 1,50,689-14-4; of this Rupees 17,306-0-4 is due under Abkári revenue in the following taluqs:—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Tinnevelly	6,597	2	6
Ambasamudram	3,976	8	10
Sankaranainarkovil	5,107	11	4
Tenkasi	733	1	0
Sattur	844	8	1
Strivilliputtur	46	10	9

40. The renters of the first two taluqs fell into arrears in February 1875 when their farms were taken under Amani; the balance against them, after crediting the sums collected under Amani, amounts to Rupees 10,573-11-4, for the realization of which sum the renters' property has been attached, but claims to the attached property have been put forward and are being investigated.

41. The renters of Sankaranainarkovil also fell into arrears in November 1874, and that farm also was taken under Amani. This was reported and recorded in Proceedings No. 8,328, dated 30th November 1874. There was a balance of Rupees 3,181-2-0; adding to this the difference between the kists of the remaining eight months and the collections under Amani, the balance due by the renters amounted to Rupees 5,029-11-4. One of the renters, a native of this district, is reported to be a pauper, and the other, a native of Tanjore, is ascertained to be possessed of some property in that district. The Collector has been requested to proceed against the property for the recovery of the arrears.

42. The balance of Rupees 78 in the Sankaranainarkovil Taluq is due by a sub-renter, who obtained a toddy lease of certain villages under the Amani system. The sub-renter is a native of Tanjore, and the Collector of that district has been requested to recover the amount.

No. 15.—*Demand, Collection, and Balance of Arrears of former Faslis.*

Items.	Arrears at the commencement of Fasli 1284.	Collection including remission up to the end of June 1875.	Balance.	Collections up to the end of October 1875.	Balance.
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Land Revenue, &c.	4,71,261 8 3	4,58,111 12 5	13,149 11 10	7,501 2 10	5,648 9 0

43. The balance of Rupees 5,648-9-0 is composed of the following items :—

	RS. A. P.
Recoverable	2,701 10 10
Irrecoverable	2,946 14 2
Total ...	5,648 9 0

Of the irrecoverable arrears of Rupees 2,946-14-2, Rupees 971-0-4 was recommended to be written off the accounts in the report of Fasli 1283, but this has not yet been sanctioned by Government. The particulars of the remainder, Rupees 1,975-13-10, are given below :—

	RS. A. P.
Quit-rents on certain Inams were included in the demand of Fasli 1283 at the amounts specified in the English Registers, which were at variance with the Vernacular Registers. On a reference the Board approved the amount shown in the Vernacular Registers—*Vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 3,624, dated 15th December 1874. The difference between the amount included in the demand of Fasli 1283 and that contained in the Vernacular Registers is	9 4 6
Amount of Jodi on Village Service Inams included in the demand of Fasli 1283, but which has since been ordered not to be collected—*Vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 757, dated 31st March 1875	348 3 4

	RS. A. P.
Amount of quit-rent under head "Not agreed to" first brought to demand of Fasli 1283, but since ordered not to be collected—*Vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 1,014, dated 23rd April 1875	544 12 2
Arrears due by heirless defaulters, whose lands have been bought in on behalf of Government at revenue sales ...	244 11 9
Assessment erroneously charged upon lands bought in on behalf of Government, which have not been taken up for cultivation	203 0 9
Assessment on lands left waste and remitted after Jamabandy.	149 11 0
Difference of assessment included in the demand for Fasli 1283 and that subsequently charged on certain fields in Tinnevelly Taluq on a revision of the assessment subsequently made by Mr. Puckle, the rate of assessment fixed at settlement being found too high	98 15 0
Assessment charged on certain Poramboke lands wrongly entered as cultivated	10 0 0
Assessment on lands redeemed at twenty-five years' purchase and entered by mistake	5 7 7
Fasaljasti assessment erroneously charged on certain Inam lands and remitted by Divisional Officers after Jamabandy..,	64 8 9
Difference between wet assessment on certain minor Inams resumed and the dry assessment of Rupees 3 an acre now charged on it, the land being unfit for wet cultivation owing to the ruined state of the tank. Remitted subsequent to Jamabandy by Collector	93 9 0
Usual remission to Arumuga Mangalam, which should have been made at Jamabandy due on account of a mistake in measurement	203 12 0
Total...	1,975 13 10

No. 16.

Faslis.	Land Revenue.	Shrotriem Jodi.	Miscellaneous.	Income Tax.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Amount recommended in this fasli. Fasli 1281.	69 2 9	... ...	9 11 1	... ...	78 13 10
" 1282.	4 8 11	... ...	16 4 6	... ...	20 13 5
" 1283.	808 1 5	... ...	1,068 1 2	... ...	1,876 2 7
Total ...	881 13 1	... ...	1,094 0 9	... ...	1,975 13 10
Amount recommended in Fasli 1283	659 7 4	6 0 4	284 11 8	20 13 0	971 0 4
Total ...	1,541 4 5	6 0 4	1,378 12 5	20 13 0	2,946 14 2

44. I request sanction to write off the irrecoverable arrears of Rupees 2,946-14-2 from the accounts.

45. WASTAGE OF SALT.—The wastage upon 645 heaps of salt, weighing 767,880 Indian Maunds, sold in Fasli 1284 was 31,005½ Maunds, or 4·03 per cent. The prime cost of this wastage was Rupees 2,745-4-5½, at Rupees 10-10-0 per garce.

Levingepuram 7 per cent.
Kuttanguli 9 do.
Vizayapatti 6 do.

46. The percentage of wastage in the stations noted in the margin is in excess of the usual rates.

In Tuticorin the increase is reported to be due to the salt being stored in a platform newly constructed, which extracted the moisture of the salt; in the other two stations to the use of two different machines, one of the old pattern for storing and the other of the new pattern for sale.

I request sanction for writing off the above amount from the accounts.

47. COERCIVE PROCESS IN COLLECTION OF REVENUE.—The extent to which coercive measures were resorted to for the recovery of revenue is shown below:—

No. 17.

Items.		Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
Number of defaulters against whom coercive processes were served	No.	242,260	302,980
Amount of arrears for which the processes were issued	Rs.	16,65,000	15,95,840
Number of defaulters whose property, personal or real, was attached	No.	36,569	13,557
Arrears for which the property, personal or real, was attached	Rs.	2,93,929	184,770
Number of defaulters whose property was actually sold	No.	1,016	1,646
Amount of arrears for which the property was sold	Rs.	38,925	50,372
Value of property sold. Real property. Estimated value	,,	19,940	31,969
Value of property sold. Real property. Amount actually realized	,,	23,293	38,057
Value of property sold. Personal property. Estimated value	,,	7,031	9,039
Value of property sold. Personal property. Amount actually realized	,,	7,475	9,442
Total. Estimated value	,,	26,971	41,008
Total. Amount actually realized	,,	30,768	47,499

48. COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF COLLECTIONS.—A comparative statement of collections is subjoined:—

No. 18.

Items.	Fasli 1283. Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Fasli 1284. Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Comparison. Increase.	Decrease.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Land Revenue permanently settled	19,730	2,81,108	3,00,838	25,612	2,88,520	3,14,132	13,294	...
Jodi or Shrotriem villages	5,842	44,540	50,382	3,890	45,697	49,587	...	795
Ryotwar	2,29,111	17,02,625	19,31,736	3,22,442	21,87,485	25,09,927	5,78,191	...
Miscellaneous	67,387	1,70,768	2,38,155	76,912	1,86,341	2,63,253	25,098	...
Total	3,22,070	21,99,041	25,21,111	4,28,856	27,08,043	31,36,899	6,16,583	795
Abkári	33,580	1,80,168	2,13,748	26,384	1,84,086	2,10,470	...	3,278
Salt	...	9,62,019	9,62,019	...	10,51,792	10,51,792	89,773	...
Sea Customs	...	1,49,074	1,49,074	...	1,44,887	1,44,887	...	4,187
Stamps	...	3,20,845	3,20,845	...	3,25,278	3,25,278	4,433	...
Income Tax	...	97	97	...	...	...	...	97
Total	33,580	16,12,203	16,45,783	26,384	17,06,043	17,32,427	94,206	7,562
Grand Total	3,55,650	38,11,244	41,66,894	4,55,240	44,14,086	48,69,326	7,10,789	8,357
Net	...	...	...	...	...	...	7,02,432	...

49. CHARGES.—The total collections amounted to Rupees 48,69,326-2-8 and the disbursements to Rupees 2,82,588-1-0, leaving a balance of Rs. 45,86,738-1-8, or Rs. 7,26,365-12-8 in excess of last year. The variations are explained below:—

	Rs.
Fasli 1283	3,06,522
Do. 1284	2,82,588
	23,934

No. 19.

	Items.	Fasli 1283. Rs. A. P.	Fasli 1284. Rs. A. P.	Increase. Rs. A. P.	Decrease. Rs. A. P.
	Land Revenue.				
1	Salary of Collectors, &c.	62,248 5 0	52,634 15 2	... ...	9,613 0 0
2	Deputation, Tent, and House-rent allowance	16,398 5 0	21,078 13 6	4,681 0 0	... ...
3	Huzur and Taluq Establishments	1,20,988 0 2	1,20,778 6 3	... ...	209 0 0
4	Saderward	1,342 15 2	1,395 4 4	52 0 0	... ...
5	Contingencies	8,795 14 9	7,247 13 9	... ...	1,548 0 0
	Total	2,09,773 8 1	2,03,135 5 0	... ...	6,638 0 0
	Deduct one-fifth Land Revenue charges	41,954 11 2	40,627 1 0	... ...	1,328 0 0
	Net	1,67,818 12 11	1,62,508 4 0	... ...	5,310 0 0
6	Miscellaneous	12,664 3 1	14,648 9 9	1,984 0 0	... ...
	Total	1,80,483 0 0	1,77,156 13 9	... ...	3,327 0 0
	Abkári.				
7	Contingencies	10 0 0	302 0 0	292 0 0	... ...
	Sea Customs.				
8	Establishment	3,692 5 3	3,635 6 7	... ...	57 0 0
9	Country Stationery and Saderward	41 7 8	40 8 9	... ...	1 0 0
10	Contigencies	106 8 11	849 2 5	743 0 0	... ...
	Total	3,840 5 10	4,525 1 9	685 0 0	... ...
	Salt.				
11	Salary of Deputy Collector	1,454 12 10	1,980 10 8	526 0 0	... ...
12	Establishment	11,920 7 2	12,175 0 6	255 0 0	... ...
13	Saderward	225 11 10	271 9 3	46 0 0	... .
14	Travelling allowances to Officers and Batta to Establishment	800 9 0	683 1 0	... ...	118 0 0
15	Purchase of Salt and Manufacturers' share.	81,828 1 0	54,539 0 0	... ...	27,289 0 0
16	Charges for conveying and storing Salt	2,244 15 6	2,277 8 9	32 0 0	... ...
17	Contingencies	1,516 3 1	1,889 2 3	373 0 0	... ...
18	Petty Construction and Repairs	15,431 10 6	19,581 9 1	4,150 0 0	... ...
	Total	1,15,422 6 11	93,397 9 6	... ...	22,025 0 0
	Stamps.				
19	Commission or discount to licensed Stamp Vendors.	6,661 4 6	7,101 0 3	440 0 0	... ...
20	Contingencies	105 2 3	105 7 9	... ...	... ...
	Total	6,766 6 9	7,206 8 0	440 0 0	... ...
	Grand Total	3,06,522 3 6	2,82,588 1 0	... ...	23,934 0 0

Item No. 1.—Decrease due to the absence of the permanent Collector for some time.

Item No. 2.—Increase due to the payment of deputation allowance to Acting Collector.

Item No. 3.—Increase due to the entertainment of a Hospital Assistant to the General Charge Deputy Collector's Office.

Item No. 5.—Decrease due to the absence of certain unusual charges incurred last year, and to the payment of a smaller amount as batta to establishment.

Item No. 6.—Increase due to the entertainment of Peons for serving processes under Act II. of 1864—*Vide* Board's Proceedings, dated 24th April 1874, No. 971.

Item No. 7.—Increase due to the payment of fees for registering Abkári engagements.

Item No. 10.—Increase due to the payment of extra fees to Sea Custom officials for doing duty out of office hours having been brought to account for the first time.

Item No. 11.—Increase due to the conformation of the Acting Deputy Collector in October 1874.

	IN. MDS.
Fasli 1283	959,838
„ 1284	845,868
Decrease ...	113,970, or 12 per cent.

Item No. 15.—Decrease due partly to the quantity of salt manufactured having been less than in last fasli, and partly to a portion of Cudivaram due for Fasli 1284 having been disbursed in Fasli 1285.

Item No. 18.—Increase due to the opening of Sivandakulam pans.

50. IMPORTATION OF SALT.—No salt was imported into the district either by sea or land.

51. VILLAGE AND TALUQ ACCOUNTS.—The village and taluq accounts are kept according to the prescribed form. They were examined by the Huzur Sheristadar and his Gumastahs, and the accounts in the English Department are kept according to the forms prescribed.

52. LANDS ACQUIRED BY PUBLIC SERVANTS.—The annexed statement shows the extent of landed property acquired by public servants during the year:—

No. 20.—*Statement showing the extent of Land acquired by Public Servants in Fasli* 1284.

Names of Officers.	Office and Department.	Description of Land.	Land Acquired. Extent. A.	C.	Assessment. RS.	A.	P.	Remarks.
M. Ragaviengar ..	Salt Deputy Collector ..	Wet ..	7½	Velis.	229	0	0	By purchase.
D. Narayanasawmi Mudaliar.	Tahsildar of Ambasamudram	Wet ..	27	1	188	10	0	By mortgage.
		Dry ..	117	41	36	11	0	
		Palmyras.	137	6	23	7	0	
V. Ramiengar ..	Tahsildar of Nanguneri.	Wet ..	10	0	54	1	3	By purchase.
Gomatinayagam Pillai.	Sheristadar of Strivilliputtur	Dry ..	5	16	5	4	0	Do.
Ilayaperumal Pillai ..	Gumastah, Sankaranainarkovil	Wet ..	0	83	2	7	10	Do.
Muttia Pillai	Gumastah in Sub-Magistrate's Office, Virdupatti	Wet ..	0	75	11	0	0	Do.
		Dry ..	0	35	0	8	0	
Tiyagaroya Pillai ..	Gumastah, Tenkasi Taluq	Wet ..	0	41	4	9	0	Do.
Ambalathaduvur Pillai.	Gumastah, Tenkasi Taluq	Wet ..	30	90	455	6	3	By mortgage.
		Dry ..	7	39	2	4	4	
		Palmyras.	40	0	2	7	11	
Tirumalayappa Pillai.	Gumastah of Ottapidaram Taluq ..	Wet ..	33	71	251	14	0	By purchase.
		Dry ..	56	48	18	6	9	
		Trees ..	1,876½	0	3	9	8	
Alwarappa Pillai ..	Gumastah of Ottapidaram Taluq ..	Wet ..	2	12	10	12	2	Do.
		Dry ..	11	66	5	6	10	
Subramania Pillai ..	Gumastah, Nanguneri ..	Wet ..	1	3	13	14	5	By mortgage.
Mutusawmi Pillai ..	Revenue Inspector of Nanguneri	Do ..	4	82	53	8	0	By purchase.

53. ABSTRACT STATEMENT SHOWING THE TOTAL BERIZ OF THE DISTRICT FOR FASLI 1284 IN COMPARISON WITH THE BERIZ OF LAST FASLI AND OF TEN YEARS PRECEDING.—The revenue amounted to Rupees 47,69,797, or Rupees 4,96,924 in excess of the last year, and Rupees 5,75,394 in excess of the average of the past ten years.

No. 21.—*Statement showing the total Beriz of the District for Fasli* 1284 *in comparison with the Beriz of last Fasli and of ten years preceding.*

Faslis.	Land Revenue. RS.	A.	P.	Extra Sources. RS.	A.	P.	Total. RS.	A.	P.
1274	24,98,695	4	0	10,32,216	14	6	35,30,912	2	6
1275	28,71,970	1	8	9,81,191	0	10	38,53,161	2	6
1276	30,49,819	10	8	11,09,730	6	10	41,59,550	1	6
1277	29,07,948	11	11	11,30,774	3	3	40,38,722	15	2
1278	30,30,465	9	8	11,88,842	12	2	42,19,308	5	10
1279	29,95,370	14	4	13,78,870	1	6	43,74,240	15	10
1280	28,95,615	9	11	15,76,279	8	10	44,71,895	2	9
1281	27,31,906	3	9	17,05,887	3	8	44,37,793	7	5
1282	28,51,911	11	3	17,33,650	2	0	45,85,561	13	3
1283	26,34,286	3	6	16,38,586	13	8	42,72,873	1	2
Total ..	2,84,67,990	0	8	1,34,76,029	3	3	4,19,44,019	3	11
Average ..	28,46,799	0	1	13,47,602	14	8	41,94,401	14	9
Fasli 1284 ..	30,38,854	12	2	17,30,941	15	0	47,69,796	11	2
Increase ..	1,92,055	12	1	3,83,339	0	4	5,75,394	12	5

54. DEMAND, COLLECTION, AND BALANCE OF COSTS OF SUITS.—The balance that remained uncollected at the commencement of the fasli was Rupees 3,769-9-4; add to this Rupees 2,418-1-4, the costs awarded in suits in which Government Officers were included as parties, and Rupees 2,895-6-0, the Stamp duty adjudged to be paid to Government in pauper suits during the fasli, the total amount comes to Rupees 9,083-0-8. Of this Rupees 1,882-9-3 were realized during the fasli, and the subsequent collections up to October 1875 reduced the outstanding balance to Rupees 6,178-13-4. Rupees 938-6-0 were found irrecoverable and recommended to be written off the account in the report of Fasli 1283, but this has not yet been sanctioned by Government.

55. Of the remainder Rupees 5,122-13-0, Rupees 1,474-14-0 entered against pauper suits Nos. 31, 54, 56, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 69, 72, 76, 78, 83, 84, 87, 88, 89, 91, 92, and 94, are now found irrecoverable, and I request sanction for writing this amount off the accounts.

56. The balance still to be collected is large; this is partly due to the fact that a large portion of the demand arose only in the last quarter of the fasli.

N. B.—Statement showing the demand, collection, and balance in the Inam villages for Fasli 1284 enclosed herewith. Remaining statements will be despatched from Tinnevelly separately this day.

TINNEVELLY,
23rd November 1875.

(Signed) A. J. STUART,
Acting Collector.

SUB-COLLECTORATE.

I HAVE the honor to submit the Annual Settlement Report for the Sub-Division for Fasli 1284.

Name of the Officer who made the Settlement.	Taluqs.	Stations where the Settlement was made.	Number of days occupied in distributing Puttas in each Taluq.
W. A. Happell, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector, Tinnevelly. W. H. Comyn, Esq., Acting Collector, Tinnevelly.	Nanguneri.	Nanguneri	4
		Tirukurangudi	1
		Tenkarei	1
		Kulasegarapatam	1
		Total...	7
A. T. Arundel, Esq., Additional Sub-Collector, Tinnevelly.	Ambasamudram.	Ambasamudram	4
		Shermadevi	1
W. A. Happell, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector, Tinnevelly.	Do.	Ambasamudram	3
		Courtallam	1
		Total...	9
	Tenkasi ...	Courtallam	1
		Alankulam	1
		Total...	2
		Grand Total...	18

2. The settlement of Tenkasi and the old villages of Nanguneri Taluq and part of Ambasamudram was conducted by me. Eleven hamlets of Tenkarai newly transferred to Nanguneri, and the remaining portion of Ambasamudram, were settled by Messrs. Comyn and Arundel, respectively. Statement No. 1 shows the places where the settlement was made and the time occupied in the distribution of puttas.

3. The number and tenure of villages are shown in Statement No. 2.

The increase in the Inam villages is due to the treatment of five Shrotriem villages hitherto included under Ryotwari as Inam. Hence also the decrease under Ryotwari.

Statement No. 2.

Denomination of Villages.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
1	2	3	4	5
1. Ryotwar villages	362	357	...	5
2. Do. do. in which there are no wet lands	5	5	...	...
Total...	367	362	...	5
3. Kattuguthagai (permanently settled) ...	...	...	...	...
4. Inam villages	33	38	5	...
5. Zemin do.	65	65	...	...
Total...	98	103	5	...
Grand Total...	465	465	...	...

4. The following Abstract Statement No. 3 exhibits the transactions regarding puttas. The increase in the number of new puttas is due to the issue of new settlement puttas in Ambasamudram Taluq, and the decrease in altered and the increase in the unaltered puttas are due to the decrease in remissions granted this year :—

Statement No. 3.

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
1. New Puttas	24,195	24,615	420	.....
2. Old Puttas ... Altered	8,217	2,878	.....	5,339
Unaltered	2,460	10,692	8,232	.....
Total ...	34,872	38,185	8,652	5,339
Net ...	.....	.....	3,313	.....

5. Season.—The south-west monsoon was not as favorable as usual. The Kar cultivation shows a decrease on that of the previous year in Nanguneri Taluq. The north-west monsoon was heavy. The greater part of the rain, about fifteen inches, fell in three consecutive days at the end of November.

Statement No. 4.

Months.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	IN.	OZ.	IN.	OZ.	IN.	OZ.	IN.	OZ.
April... ...	7	3½	5	3½	...	...	1	9¾
May	12	8½	4	9½	...	...	7	9
June	6	2	10	4½	4	2½	...	...
July	2	2	1	7½	...		...	4½
August ...	3	1¼	1	1½	...	...	1	9¾
September ..	...	7¼	...	3½	...	...	...	3¾
October ...	2	5	6	7½	4	2½	...	...
November...	21	4¾	51	8¼	30	3½	...	...
December ...	3	6¼	8	6½	5	0¼	...	...
January ...	...	8	1	1	...	3	...	...
February ...	9	0½	...	3	...	...	8	7½
March ...	1	3	6	1	4	8	...	...
Total ...	71	1¾	98	7¼	48	9¾	21	4¼
Net ...	...	...	...	...	27	5½	...	...

6. Sanitary Condition.—The public health was pretty good. There were fifteen death. from cholera in Ambasamudram Taluq in June, but the epidemic did not spread in that taluq here were 377 deaths from small-pox against 474 and 1,181 in the two previous years. The total number of deaths from all causes is 7,977 against 5,707 and 7,034 in the two previous years. These figures indicate a progressive improvement in registration.

Statement No. 5.

Taluqs.	Population of Villages from which the Returns were received.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Bowel-complaints.	Other Causes.	Total.
Nanguneri	178,078	.....	69	611	474	1,495	2,649
Ambasamudram	163,215	15	164	695	431	1,636	2,941
Tenkasi	122,001	.....	144	621	369	1,253	2,387
Total...	463,294	15	377	1,927	1,274	4,384	7,977

7. Statement No. 6 shows the prices of the principal grains. The Peshanum crop of the previous fasli failed extensively, and prices were consequently very high until the Kar crop was ready for the market.

Statement No. 6.

Faslis.	Paddy, 1st sort, per Garce.	Paddy, 2nd sort, per Garce.	Cholum per Garce.	Cumboo per Garce.	Raggi per Garce.	Horse-gram per Garce.	Varagu per Garce.
1283.....	.....	176	203	.....	221	323	.....
1284.....	.....	205	294	337	191	332	.....
Increase.....	.....	29	91	337	.....	9	.....
Decrease.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	.....

8. Condition of Ryots.—The condition of the Nanguneri Taluq was much better than in the previous year. The condition of the ryots in the Sub-Division is generally prosperous.

9. Ryots' Holdings.—Subjoined is the statement showing the ryots' holdings for Fasli 1284 :—

Statement No. 7.

Items.	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
Extent of lands in ryots' holdings at the commencement of Fasli 1284.	338,366	1,50,487 8 5	72,689	7,08,579 15 1	411,055	8,59,067 7 6
Deduct lands relinquished by the ryots and transferred from one head to another, &c.....	16,411	8,905 12 5	10,380	68,312 12 1	26,791	77,218 8 6
Remainder	321,955	1,41,581 12 0	62,309	6,40,267 3 0	384,264	7,81,848 15 0
Add lands newly taken up, &c.....	12,915	9,802 3 3	12,307	88,797 6 3	25,222	98,599 9 6
Total...	334,870	1,51,383 15 3	74,616	7,29,064 9 3	409,486	8,80,448 8 6
Waste remitted.....	.....	.. ..	2,063	17,722 14 0	2,063	17,722 14 0
Remainder	334,870	1,51,383 15 3	72,553	7,11,341 11 3	407,423	8,62,725 10 6
Actual cultivation.....	155,957	83,424 8 2	69,348	6,84,125 13 10	225,305	7,67,550 6 0
Waste charged	178,913	67,959 7 1	3,205	27,215 13 5	182,118	95,175 4 6

The very large extent of land relinquished and taken up is only nominal, arising from transfer of villages from one taluq to another in the settlement. On the whole 13,040 Acres of dry and 950 Acres of wet land have been transferred from the Sub to the Principal Division. Acres 7,500 of dry and 700 Acres of wet land have been transferred from the Principal to the Sub-Division. The new survey areas introduced at the settlement of the northern half of Ambasamudram Taluq show an increase of 1,926 Acres of wet land, and 9,086 Acres of single crop land in the same taluq have been changed into double crop. The real area of lands relinquished and taken up during the fasli, excluding lands transferred from one head to another, is 3,282 in dry and 787 in wet, and 2,469 in dry and 270 in wet, respectively.

10. The annexed statement shows the area under cultivation as compared with the previous fasli.

Statement No. 8.

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.
Wet including Fasaljasti and Teervajasti...	87,288	7,04,001 4 10	94,770	7,23,523 3 3	7,482	19,521 14 5	.....	... ...
Deduct second crop	27,166	1,69,620 3 7	25,421	1,55,864 3 1	.....	... ...	1,745	13,756 0 6
Remaining first crop ...	60,122	5,34,381 1 3	69,349	5,67,659 0 2	9,227	33,277 14 11	.....	... ...
Dry cultivation	171,806	87,230 11 10	157,098	79,444 8 2	.....	... ...	14,708	7,786 3 8
Total ...	231,928	7,91,232 0 8	226,447	8,02,967 11 5	.....	11,735 10 9	5,481	... ...

The decrease under dry crops and second crop is due to want of timely rains.

11. The annexed statement shows the extent of wet cultivation and waste under the Tambrapurni, minor rivers, and rain-fed tanks as compared with Fasli 1283. The increase is due to the favorable season :—

Statement No. 9.

Sources of Irrigation.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
Cultivation.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.
Tambrapurni ...	22,427	2,05,286 8 3	23,334	2,04,537 10 9	907	... ...	.....	748 13 6
Minor rivers ...	54,113	4,22,826 13 1	58,826	4,36,713 11 5	4,713	13,886 14 4	.....	... ...
Rain-fed tanks...	10,748	75,887 15 6	12,821	82,901 13 1	2,073	7,013 13 7	.....	... ...
Total ...	87,288	7,04,001 4 10	94,981	7,24,153 3 3	7,693	20,151 14 5	.....	... ...
Waste.								
Tambrapurni ...	531	4,001 7 1	872	4,576 14 5	341	575 7 4	.....	... ...
Minor rivers ...	5,407	38,720 3 0	6,435	27,586 10 9	1,028	... ...	.....	11,133 8 3
Rain-fed tanks...	4,908	27,427 15 10	3,525	14,045 12 1	.....	... ...	1,383	13,382 3 9
Total ...	10,846	70,149 9 11	10,832	46,209 5 3	.....	... ...	14	23,940 4 8

12. The following statement shows the extent of waste charged and remitted:—

Statement No. 10.

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.	ACRES.	Rs. A. P.
Waste charged...	171,623	87,342 3 7	187,498	96,092 0 9	15,875	8,749 13 2	.....	... ...
Do. remitted..	6,987	47,653 5 7	2,348	18,103 1 8	.....	... ...	4,639	29,550 3 11
Total ...	178,610	1,34,995 9 2	189,846	1,14,195 2 5	15,875	8,749 13 2	4,639	29,550 3 11
Particulars.								
First crop	177,550	1,29,858 10 11	184,181	1,02,729 8 7	6,631	... ...	.....	27,129 2 4
Second crop ...	1,060	5,136 14 3	5,665	11,465 9 10	4,605	6,328 11 7	.....	... ...

The decrease under the head of Waste remitted is due to the favorable season.

13. The subjoined statement shows the occasional and usual remissions granted in Fasli 1284. The occasional remissions granted amount to Rupees 31,087 against Rupees 1,73,380 in the previous fasli owing to the more favorable season.

The decrease under usual remissions is due to the introduction of the settlement in part of Ambasamudram and to the resumption of Inams granted to Mahajans, &c. :—

Statement No. 11.

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
Occasional.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1. Remission for withered crops	56,756 3 10	2,991 11 4	... ...	53,764 8 6
2. Remission for waste. {Entire fields ...	40,070 5 7	16,029 3 1	... ...	24,041 2 6
{Portions of fields	7,583 0 0	1,888 7 2	... ...	5,694 8 10
3. Rotten crops	1,666 6 9	319 6 7	... ...	1,347 0 2
4. Remission on flooded lands	... ...	134 4 5	134 4 5	... ...
5. Do. for short produce	7,641 10 11	... ...	... ...	7,641 10 11
6. Do. for lands for which water is raised	2,697 14 5	1,967 1 2	... ...	730 13 3
7. Remission of the difference between the Nunjah and Punjah assessment for dry crops raised on wet lands	411 14 3	256 6 7	... ...	155 7 8
8. Remission of wet assessment *minus* 1 Rupee per acre cultivated on wet lands. ...	13,910 12 0	7,500 8 6	... ...	6,410 3 6
9. Remission of 40 per cent. of the dry assessment in Nanguneri Taluq	26,654 4 0	... ...	... ...	26,654 4 0
10. Remission granted for waste, withered, &c., in Tenkasi Taluq	15,987 11 0	... ...	... ...	15,987 11 0
Total ...	1,73,380 2 9	31,087 0 10	... ...	1,42,293 1 11
Usual.				
1. Ready-money Inam	5,253 8 1	2,754 4 9	... ...	2,499 3 4
2. Maniem in grain	914 12 9	697 15 1	... ...	216 13 8
3. Varariayayet, &c.	10,632 2 3	11,492 11 1	860 8 10	... ...
4. Remission of half and quarter assessment to Mahajans	1,911 4 11	1,096 2 2	... ...	815 2 9
5. Remission of ¾ths assessment on Shrotriems	140 2 2	... ...	... ...	140 2 2
Total ...	18,851 14 2	16,041 1 1	... ...	2,810 13 1
Total Occasional and Usual ...	1,92,232 0 11	47,128 1 11	... ...	1,45,103 15 0
Miscellaneous.				
1. Palmyras	7,460 15 1	7,622 10 0	161 10 11	... ...
2. Topes	2,599 10 1	1,392 8 11	... ...	1,207 1 2
3. Inam Fasaljasti	294 12 7	34 11 6	... ...	260 1 1
4. Do. Teervajasti	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
Total ...	10,394 8 3	9,049 14 5	... ...	1,344 9 10
Particulars. {Occasional	2,672 11 10	1,327 6 8	... ...	1,345 5 2
{Usual ...	7,721 12 5	7,722 7 9	0 11 4	... ...
Grand Total ...	2,02,626 9 2	56,178 0 4	... ...	1,46,448 8 10

14. Annexed is the statement showing the extent of lands cultivated with cotton, indigo, and sugar-cane. There is a decrease in the cultivation of cotton during the year under report, probably due to low prices.

Statement No. 12.

Faslis.	Cotton.		Indigo.		Sugar-cane.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
1283	28,239	11,778	336	193	142	1,567
1284	26,613	10,626	453	296	178	1,756
Increase	...	...	117	103	36	189
Decrease...	1,626	1,152	...	...	...	...

15. Appended is the statement of the general result of Land Revenue settlement as compared with that of Fasli 1283.

The net land revenue of the year under report amounts to Rupees 10,36,745, or Rupees 1,42,064 in excess of the revenue in the last fasli, and Rupees 2,049 in excess of that in Fasli 1283. The Jodi of four Shrotriem villages has been hitherto included in Miscellaneous beriz (Item No. 4.) It is now included in Item No. 2.

Statement No. 13.

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Comparison.	
			Increase.	Decrease.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Land Revenue beriz after deducting remission	7,28,204 1 6	8,74,537 9 9	1,46,333 8 3	... ...
2. Jodi on Shrotriem and Inam villages.....	10,962 8 0	12,095 15 3	1,133 7 3	... ...
3. Permanent Peishcush.....	66,967 1 11	66,967 1 11	... ...	... ...
4. Miscellaneous	88,547 5 5	83,144 10 5	... ...	5,403 11 0
Total...	8,94,681 0 10	10,36,745 5 4	1,42,064 4 6	... ...

16. The annexed statement shows the demand, collection, and balance of land revenue of the three taluqs of this Sub-Division. Of the total demand of Rupees 10,53,376, Rupees 8,96,741 were collected within the fasli. Subsequent collections up to the end of July amount to Rupees 45,877-7-3. This leaves a balance of Rupees 1,10,757-8-8. The unusually large amount of arrears in Ambasamudram Taluq is due to the introduction of settlement rates after the close of the fasli:—

Statement No. 14.

Taluqs.	Demand of Fasli 1284.	Collections within the Fasli 1284.	Balance.	Subsequent collections to the end of July.	Balance.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Nanguneri	3,84,447 4 9	3,38,509 11 6	45,937 9 3	15,954 10 5	29,982 14 10
2. Ambasamudram	4,22,403 5 11	3,25,763 0 11	96,640 5 0	24,381 12 11	72,258 8 1
3. Tenkasi	2,46,525 14 10	2,32,468 13 2	14,057 1 8	5,540 15 11	8,516 1 9
Total...	10,53,376 9 6	8,96,741 9 7	1,56,634 15 11	45,877 7 3	1,10,757 8 8

17. The subjoined statement shows the demand, collection, and balance of the arrears due in former faslis. Of the balance of Rupees 3,445, Rupees 2,557 are irrecoverable. Of this Rupees 1,613 are Local Funds, the chief part being Korei grass-rent (Rupees 1,569-15-1) in Ambasamudram Taluq. The renter has been ascertained to be a man of no substance:—

Statement No. 15.

Items.	Arrears at the commencement of Fasli 1284.	Collection including remissions up to the end of June 1875.	Balance.	Subsequent collections up to the end of July 1875.	Balance.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Land Revenue	1,61,824 2 9	1,58,949 11 8	2,874 7 1	1,075 5 0	1,799 2 1
Local Fund	19,289 5 7	17,642 13 5	1,646 8 2	... ...	1,646 8 2
Total...	1,81,113 8 4	1,76,592 9 1	4,520 15 3	1,075 5 0	3,445 10 3

18. The annexed statement shows the extent to which coercive process was resorted to in the collection of revenue during the year under report:—

Statement No. 16.

Taluqs.	Process issued.			Estimated value of Property attached.			Property sold.					
							Land.		Personal Property.		Total.	
	Number of Villages.	Number of Ryots.	Amount of Arrears.	Land.	Personal Property.	Total.	Estimated value.	Value of actually sold.	Estimated value.	Value of actually sold.	Estimated value.	Value of actually sold.
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
			RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Nanguneri	167	58,263	2,83,649	11,498	34,487	45,985	5,144	5,214	2,681	2,931	7,825	8,145
2. Ambasamudram	121	26,517	1,26,327	5,936	10,398	16,334	246	262	1,383	1,478	1,629	1,740
3. Tenkasi	50	2,188	67,917	2,401	3,066	5,467	1,937	2,188	176	196	2,113	2,384
Total...	338	86,968	4,77,893	19,835	47,951	67,786	7,327	7,664	4,240	4,605	11,567	12,269

19. The annexed statement shows the extent of lands, &c., purchased by public servants in the Sub-Division during the year under report:—

Statement No. 17.

Name of the Public Servant.	Office.	Name of the Village and Taluq where the Lands are situated.	Description of Lands.	Extent.	Assessment.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
				A. C.	Rs. A. P.	
V. Ramiengar	Tahsildar of Nanguneri Taluq.	Athur, Chingleput Taluq, Chingleput District.	Wet... ...	10 0	54 1 8	Sale.
Subramania Pillai ...	Gumastah of do. do.	Tiruvavirudeiapuram, Tenkasi Taluq, Tinnevelly District.	Do. ...	1 8	13 14 5	Mortgage.
Muttuswamia Pillai ...	Third Class Revenue Inspector of do.	Nanguneri, Nanguneri do.	Do. ...	4 82	53 8 0	Sale.
Narayanasawmy Mudaliar.	Tahsildar of Ambasamudram.	Alangaraperi, Tinnevelly Taluq do.	Do. ...	27 1	188 10 0	Mortgage.
			Dry ...	117 41	86 11 0	
			Palmyras.	137 5	23 7 0	
					248 12 0	
Thiagaraja Pillai ...	Gumastah of Tenkasi Taluq.	Tenkasi, Tenkasi Taluq, do.	Wet... ...	0 41	4 9 0	Sale.
Ambalathiladuvar Pillai.	Do. do. ...	Tenkarei, Dalavoypuram.	Do. ...	30 90	455 6 3	Mortgage.
		Nanguneri Taluq, do.	Dry ...	7 39	2 4 4	
			Palmyras.	30 0	1 3 11	
			Cocoanut.	10 0	1 4 0	
					460 2 6	

20. Taluq and Village Accounts.—The accounts are kept in the prescribed forms. The village accounts of Nanguneri Taluq were examined during the settlement by the Sheristadar and Clerks of my office. The system of initialling the interlineations and interpolations is observed in all the taluqs in the Sub-Division.

21. Remarks on Qualifications of subordinate Officers in the Sub-Division.—The conduct of my subordinates was generally satisfactory.

(Signed) W. A. HAPPELL,
Acting Sub-Collector.

SETTLEMENT REPORT
OF
COIMBATORE.

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1 List.

I have the honor to submit my Annual Jamabandy Report for Fasli 1284, accompanied by the prescribed statements.

2. Settlement.—The Jamabandy was commenced by me with Pulladum Taluq on the 17th December 1874, and I subsequently settled Pollachy and Coimbatore. The four Sub-Divisional Taluqs and Oodoomulpettah were settled by Mr. G. McWatters, and Suttiamungalum and Collegal by Mr. Deputy Collector McGregor. The Jamabandy was completed on the 30th June.

3. Villages.—There were no changes during the year except that a large village of fifteen hamlets, named Kunnamanaiknoor in Oodoomulpettah Taluq, was reconstituted into two villages under the Board's sanction in Proceedings, No. 6,618, of 24th September 1874, which increases the number of villages from 1,578 in Fasli 1283 to 1,579 in Fasli 1284, of which 1,343 are inhabited and 236 uninhabited; of the former nine are Shrotriem and forty-six Polliput villages, of the latter (uninhabited) one is in a Shrotriem and four in Polliputs.

4. Puttas.—There are 233,183 puttas, of which 201,006 remained unaltered; 3,020 were modified; and 29,157 were renewed or newly issued. There was a net increase of 1,847 puttas over those existing in the previous year.

5. Season.—The rain-fall was slightly in excess of that in the previous year, but still below the average, which for the previous five years was 25·53 :—

	INCHES.		INCHES.
1874, April	1·41	1874, October	5·22
,, May	2·83	,, November	4·27
,, June	1·69	,, December	·70
,, July	2·26	1875, January	·12
,, August	2·04	,, February	...
,, September... ...	3·05	,, March	·65
	13·28		10·96
		Total for one year ...	24·24
		Total rain-fall in 1873-74 ...	23·21
		Increase ...	1·03

The dry crops suffered from want of rain, so also tank irrigation dependent on rain-fall, and the yield was half the full harvest and even less. The principal rivers received regular freshes, but the supply in the Noyel was not of sufficiently long duration in Pulladum to secure full harvest. The wet lands under river irrigation generally yielded a fair outturn. The second crop cultivation under the Ambravutty channels and in Erode Taluq is reported to have suffered from insufficient supply of water. A good season for dry crop means a good season for the district; the past year was an average one.

6. Sanitary Condition.—The public health was on the whole good. The chief cause of mortality in the district is fever, which is ordinarily prevalent in the villages lying at the base of the hills; reports of special outbreaks were received from Vattakarampoodoor and adjacent villages at the foot of the Annamallay hills in September and October 1874, and from Kongrapolliem and other villages at the base of the Suttiamungalum range of hills in February and March 1875; an outbreak of dengue fever was reported in February 1875 from Pullaputty, a village in Caroor Taluq, chiefly inhabited by Lubbays, but in 1,500 attacks only three cases proved fatal. In all these cases special medical aid was sent to the spot, and all visible causes were removed. The fever mortality in the district was 50 per cent. Cholera broke out in the last month of the fasli after an almost entire absence for four years, but it did not appear in an epidemic form. There were sixty-two fatal cases during the year in about half the month. Small-pox decreased by three-fourths.

Faslis.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Bowel complaints.	Other causes.	Suicide and murder.	By accidents and wounds.	By snake-bite.	By wild animals.	Total.
1283	...	2,512	10,543	2,910	6,707	109	424	132	23	23,360
1284	62	646	12,888	2,831	8,367	91	409	123	11	25,428
Difference...	+62	—1,866	+2,345	— 79	+1,660	— 18	—15	— 9	— 12	+ 2,068

Of the deaths by "Wild beasts" five were caused by panthers and one by a tiger, and the rest by wild cats, mad dogs, &c.

The condition of cattle was fair; disease prevailed slightly in Pollachy, Suttiamungalum, and Collegal Taluqs, and some losses occurred in Pollachy from the longer duration of the south-west monsoon.

——	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
Bullocks	8,656	9,627	+ 971
Cows	14,803	14,355	— 448
Buffaloes	2,522	3,798	+ 1,276
Sheep	25,360	31,007	+ 5,647
Total ...	51,341	58,787	+ 7,446

The increase is partly owing to sheep not having been fully accounted for in the Bhowany Taluq returns last year.

7. Prices.—The price of cumboo, one of the chief staple grains of the district, decreased, and the prices of other grains and paddy rose during the year.

Grains.	Comparison between Faslis 1283 and 1284.			Per-centage.
	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.	
	RS.	RS.	RS.	
Paddy. 1st Sort ...	185	201	+ 16	9
Paddy. 2nd ,, ...	167	179	+ 12	7
Cholum	234	236	+ 2	1
Cumboo or Bajira ...	177	170	— 7	4
Raggy	170	174	+ 4	2
Horse-gram	230	236	+ 6	3

The variations in the price of cotton were very slight.

Harvest Months.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Difference.		Percentage.	
	Cotton with seed per Candy of 500 lbs.	Cleaned Cotton per Candy.	Cotton with seed per Candy.	Cleaned Cotton per Candy.	Cotton with seed per Candy.	Cleaned Cotton per Candy.	Cotton with seed per Candy.	Cleaned Cotton per Candy.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
March 1875	25	96	26	92	+ 1	— 4	4	4
April ,, ...	25	92	26	93	+ 1	+ 1	4	1
May ,, ...	26	94	25	93	— 1	— 1	4	1

8. Ryotwary Holdings.—The changes in the extent and assessment of ryotwary holdings are summed up in the following table :—

Items.	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Holdings at the beginning of Fasli 1284	2,195,360	19,54,692	90,149	6,58,422	2,285,509	26,13,114
Deduct lands given up ...	48,582	42,984	1,835	14,662	50,417	57,646
Remainder	2,146,778	19,11,708	88,314	6,43,760	2,235,092	25,55,468
Add lands taken up	61,654	53,263	1,980	15,389	63,634	68,652
Total Ryotwary Holdings.	2,208,432	19,64,971	90,294	6,59,149	2,298,726	26,24,120
Deduct waste remitted ...	237	148	1,670	9,456	1,907	9,604
Waste charged	241,244	1,85,775	4,919	29,039	246,163	2,14,814
Actual cultivation	1,966,951	17,79,048	83,705	6,20,654	2,050,656	23,99,702
Total charged	2,208,195	19,64,823	88,624	6,49,693	2,296,819	26,14,516
Difference between the holdings at the beginning and end of the year respectively, *i. e.*, between Nos. 1 and 5.	+ 13,072	+ 10,279	+ 145	+ 727	+ 13,217	+ 11,006

The result is a net increase in holdings chiefly under dry.

9. Variations in Holdings.—The head of "Lands given up" comprises the following items :—

——	Extent.	Assessment.
Particulars of Lands given up.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
1. Lands resigned	11,523	9,449 0 1
2. Do. sold on account of arrears of revenue and purchased by Government	764	573 3 11
3. Do. transferred to the head of Poramboke	193	127 8 7
4. Do. sold or transferred (between ryots)	36,968	47,422 15 2
5. Deficiency found on remeasurement	21	15 15 5
6. Dry transferred to wet	24	13 6 0
7. Transferred to other villages	83	44 14 9
8. By rectification of the numbers of fields	841	... ...
Total...	50,417	57,646 15 11

Items Nos. 2 to 7 call for no remark.

Item No. 8 is the deficiency in the occupied extent caused by the rectification of the numbers of fields in putta. When introducing the new survey areas in the accounts waste fields were by clerical error entered as occupied, and occupied fields as waste. On the re-examination of these fields by the Settlement Department, now at work in the district, the errors were discovered and rectified in Coimbatore Taluq, resulting in a decrease of Acres 841 under putta lands. Of the

ten-
ores resigned (Item 1) upwards of Acres 10,000 were in the three hilly taluqs of Coimbator year under Suttiamungalum, and Collegal, and in the poor soils of Pulladum. These lands are probably such as are not suitable for annual successive cropping.

Under the head of "Lands taken up" are comprised the following items :—

——	Extent.	Assessment.
Particulars of Lands taken up.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
9. Lands taken up on durkhast —		
From Government Waste	17,879	14,581 14 11
From Poramboke	6,124	6,465 3 2
10. Lands acquired by purchase and transfer	36,968	47,422 15 2
11. Excess found on remeasurement	30	25 11 10
12. Transferred from other villages	83	44 14 9
13. Dry transferred to wet.	24	110 4 7
14. Increase of assessment	...	1 0 8
15. By rectification of the numbers of fields	2,526	... ...
Total...	63,634	68,652 1 1

Items Nos. 10 to 14 call for no remark.

To Item No. 15 the same remark as under Item No. 8 applies. The lands taken up from waste and Poramboke aggregate Acres 24,003, and more than cover the extent of relinquishments : 78 per cent. of the fresh acquisitions were in the four taluqs above named, and 15 per cent. in Erode and Bhowany.

10. Ryotwary Lands brought under Cultivation.—The actual cultivation shows a net increase of 32,000 Acres ; the decrease under wet was in Coimbatore and Oodoomulpettah Taluqs.

Faslis.	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
1823...	1,934,144	17,53,912	84,407	6,26,535	2,018,551	23,80,447
1284...	1,966,951	17,79,048	83,705	6,20,654	2,050,656	23,99,702
Difference...	+ 32,807	+ 25,136	— 702	— 5,881	+ 32,105	+ 19,255

The increase under "Dry" was distributed over all the taluqs ; in Dharapuram and Pollachy there was the largest increase, *viz.*, Acres 6,174 and 9,483, respectively ; in Bhowany the smallest, *viz.*, Acres 272.

11. Ryotwary Lands left Waste.—Deducting lands actually cultivated from the aggregate holdings leaves Acres 248,070, being the actual waste in holdings, of which Acres 1,907 were "remitted," and 246,163 were charged for : of this Acres 34,411 were Iyen Pulloo or grass lands.

12. LAND REVENUE SETTLEMENT.—The settlement aggregated Rupees 26,21,986, comprising ryotwary, Miscellaneous, Inam, and Zemindari items hereunder summed up :—

	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Difference.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Dry	2,195,360	19,54,692	2,208,432	19,64,971	+13,072	+ 10,279
Wet	90,149	6,58,422	90,294	6,59,149	+ 145	+ 727
Total ...	2,285,509	26,13,114	2,298,726	26,24,120	+13,217	+ 11,006
Add.						
Second crop assessment.	...	337	...	322	...	— 15
Additional assessment.	...	...	...	370	...	+ 370
Water-tax	...	9,888	...	15,027	...	+ 5,139
Road Cess	...	1,91,503	...	1,92,769	...	+ 1,266
Total ...	...	28,14,842	...	28,32,608	...	+ 17,766
Deduct Remissions.						
Road Cess	...	1,91,503	...	1,92,769	...	+ 1,266
Waste remitted	...	8,923	...	9,603	...	+ 680
Other remissions... ...	...	89,874	...	91,256	...	+ 1,382
Total ..	...	2,90,300	...	2,93,628	...	+ 3,328
Remainder ryotwar ...	...	25,24,542	...	25,38,980	...	+ 14,438
Miscellaneous items ...	...	52,226	...	51,872	...	— 354
Peishcush on permanently settled estates.	...	27,691	...	27,691	...	...
Shrotriem jodi	...	3,418	...	3,418	...	...
Sale of land...	...	...	...	25	...	+ 25
Total ...	...	26,07,877	...	26,21,986	...	+ 14,109

13. RYOTWARY SETTLEMENT.—The small increase in the revenue of ryotwary lands is owing to additional acquisitions from Government waste and Poramboke. The increase under water-tax is due to the introduction of the new rates of water charge,* which are higher than the old rates. The small item of additional assessment is the difference between the water charge according to the prescribed rates and the prohibitory assessment imposed for using Government water without permission—*Vide* paragraph 4 of Revenue Board's Proceedings, No. 2,295, of 18th August 1874.

* As per Standing Order, No. XX. of 1st June 1874.

14. RYOTWARY REMISSIONS.—The waste remissions comprise Rupees 148 under dry, and Rupees 9,455 under wet. The former is composed of the following items, *viz.* :—

	RS.
(1.) Ramasawmy Moodelliar's land at Annamallay in the possession of the Forest Department— *Vide* paragraph 14 of my Jamabandy Report for Fasli 1283	118
(2.) Acres 4 of land on the Coimbatore to Mettoopolliem road rendered unfit for cultivation by excavations by the Public Works Department— *Vide* do.	6
(3.) Acres 34 of land included within the Forest Reserve M. at Halhutty— *Vide* do.	21
(4.) Acres 7·16 of land at Kempumpolliem within the Forest Reserve H. and therefore left uncultivated...	3
Total dry waste remissions...	148

variation under nunjah waste remitted is slight, the small increase in the year under ...ving occurred under tanks. The "Other remissions" are hereunder detailed :—

Items.		Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
		RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
...nilat Bunjer or portions of fields waste	Dry...	...	...	...	...
	Wet...	...	...	...	...
	Total...	...	...	...	...
...vi or withered crops	Wet...	2,751	1,573	...	1,178
	Total...	2,751	1,573	....	1,178
...le remissions	Dry...	397	277	...	120
	Wet...	...	7	7	...
	Total...	397	284	...	113
...azgari or Remissions to privi- ...ed classes...	Dry...	69	69	...	...
	Wet...	341	341	...	...
	Total...	410	410	...	...
...a Cummy—					
Puncham Hissa Grass land...	Dry ...	21,253	20,201	...	1,052
...unjah lands cultivated with ...y and garden produce		27,219	29,515	2,296	...
...ourths remission allowed to Mulcers.		91	527	436	...
	Total...	48,563	50,243	1,680	...
...Cummy or second crop not culti-		37,092	38,085	993	...
...Cummy to be retained in the ac-		661	661	...	...
	Total...	89,874	91,256	1,382	...

...ONS—*Shavi.*—The "Shavi" remissions were reduced by nearly one-half, owing to more regular supply to river irrigation. The decrease under "Cowle" remissions is in conse-

Remissions, Cowle.

...rant in Soojulhutty, Acres 190 in extent having been resumed for failure on the ...ntee to act up to the conditions, and also some cowle lands having become liable to full assessment. The decrease under "Puncham Hissa Grass" remissions is owing to the ...e been brought under cultivation, and consequently fully assessed. The increase of remissions under "Nunjah lands cultivated with dry produce" is due to the cultivation of the prospects of irrigation were doubtful ; this occurred chiefly under tanks where ...on would have failed. Under the authority of the Revenue Board's Proceedings ...December 1873, 259 Acres were granted to the jungle tribes on one-fourth

...ions, Punchum Hissa Grass.

...t cultivated with dry crops.

assessment last year, and 1,373 Acres in the year under report. The increase of remissio this head is due to the additional grants made during the year. The increase of remissio

Remissions, Fussul Cummy.

"Fussul Cummy" is owing to dofussu having been cultivated with paddy, w usually raised after a dofussul crop (*viz.*, betel vine, sugar-cane, &c.) is taken off.

15. Land Revenue, Miscellaneous.—The miscellaneous items of land revenue s little variation in the aggregate as compared with the results of the previous year.

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	De
	RS.	RS.	RS.	
1. Jodi on sundry Inams (personal)	28,162	28,162	...	
2. Tax on trees on unassessed lands	1,002	992	...	
6. Lands cultivated but not included in Jamabandy ...	4,489	7,693	3,204	
9. Cultivation of Poramboke land	6,662	4,454	...	2
12. Grazing tax or Grass rent	150	147	...	
16. Collections from Village Service Inams for offices vacant	813	628	...	
17. Revenue from sequestered Inams	106	106	...	
20. Do. from boundary lands in dispute	11	11	...	
31. Rent on fruit trees	814	815	1	
40. Commission on the sale of distrained property attached for arrears of land revenue	7	1	...	
41. Commission on private estates under Circar management	162	146	...	
43. Revenue fines	903	980	77	
44. Savings and refunds	129	1,120	991	
45. Excess collection over the demand	55	175	120	
46. Water-tax on Zemindari and Inam, &c., lands... ...	2,900	4,206	1,306	
47. Quit-rent on bungalows and gardens	462	630	168	
55. Other items...	5,399	1,606	...	
Total...	52,226	51,872	5,867	
Net decrease...	...	...	...	

Items Nos. 6 and 9 represent the revenue of lands cultivated without permiss included in holdings. The decrease under "Other items" is owing to an abnormal item in the previous year from rent of C. Class Railway lands in arrears from 1866 to 1873 i

16. Water-tax on Inam Lands.—The increase of revenue in Miscellaneous I is owing to the introduction of the new water-rates which (as mentioned elsewhere, par are higher than the old rates. The demand of Water-tax on sundry and Village Se was as follows :—

——	On one Crop Inam Nunjah.	On Inam Punjah.	Total.
Sundry Inams	157	4,049	4,2
Village Service Inams ...	33	663	696
Total ...	190	4,712	4,902

Showing a net increase of Rupees 1,370 over the demand of the previous year. Z are not irrigated from Government irrigation sources in this district.

17. Entire Land Revenue Settlement.—Compared with the settled revenue of the past ten years the Land Revenue beriz of the fasli under report shows an increase of Rupees 79,539 over the average of the past ten years.

Faslis.	RS.
1274	24,24,998
1275	24,74,892
1276	25,88,029
1277	23,04,363
1278	25,86,796
1279	26,39,540
1280	26,32,170
1281	25,73,053
1282	25,92,757
1283	26,07,877
Total Beriz...	254,24,475
Average demand for each Fasli ...	25,42,447
Demand for Fasli 1284 ...	26,21,986
Net increase ...	79,539

18. Special Crops.—The area under cotton, sugar-cane, and indigo, and the assessment thereon, are given in the following table :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Sugar-cane ...	2,677	19,424	2,746	17,665	69	...	...	1,759
Cotton	195,307	1,96,998	193,464	1,91,491	...	...	1,843	5,507
Indigo	22	83	...	...	...	...	22	83
Total ...	198,006	2,16,505	196,210	2,09,156	69	...	1,865	7,349

19. Irrigation Sources.—The wet revenue was derived from the following sources of irrigation :—

	Total Ayacut.		Deduct.										Remainder under Cultivation.		Actual revenue after deducting remissions for Fasli 1284.	
			Inams.				Total.		Government waste and Putcut waste remitted.							
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.		
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.		RS.
Channels branching from Cauvery river	5,457	41,857	1,160	8,214	1,301	8,947	141	733	5,459	29,137	4,156	32,910				33,205
Do. from the Bhowany river.	28,179	2,52,974	1,788	20,711	2,465	23,032	677	3,221	1,670	9,456	25,714	2,29,042				2,21,781
Do. from the Ambravutty river	24,353	1,78,528	2,734	23,152	3,265	2,5053	531	1,901			21,088	1,53,475				1,50,168
Do. from the Auliar river ...	4,549	21,687	265	1,285	297	1,487	32	202			4,252	20,200				19,932
Do. from the Noyel river ...	19,325	1,62,155	2,743	22,032	4,018	34,015	1,275	11,983			15,307	1,28,140				98,368
Jungle streams	7,706	29,672	244	1,247	1,866	6,765	1,622	5,518			5,840	22,907				18,276
Rain-fed tanks	16,674	86,885	1,556	8,831	4,407	23,866	2,851	15,035			12,267	63,019				46,495
Total...	106,243	7,73,758	10,490	85,472	17,619	1,24,065	7,129	38,593			88,624	6,49,693				5,88,225
Government waste...	...	...	...	...	Actual cultivation..		5,459	29,137			83,705	6,20,654			Ryotwar revenue.	5,79,880
Putcut waste remitted	...	...	...	...	Waste charged ...		1,670	9,456			4,919	29,039			Jodi on Inams ...	8,345
															Total ...	5,88,225
															'Actual revenue on Wet lands for Fasli 1283 ...	5,90,261
															Decrease ...	2,036

The net decrease was wholly under rain-fed tanks.

20. Ruined Tanks.—The annexed table shows the number of tanks made over for private enterprize in previous years and still in charge of individuals :—

Taluqs.	Name and number of Tanks.	Ayacut extent.	Assessment, Pymash account.	Land applied for and granted. Rate of Assessment per Acre.	Land applied for and granted. Extent.	Land applied for and granted. Amount of Assessment.	Year in which tanks were made over to applicants.	Extent of Lands charged with the stipulated rate of Assessment for Fasli 1284. Extent.	Extent of Lands charged with the stipulated rate of Assessment for Fasli 1284. Assessment.
		ACRES.	RS.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS.	FASLI.	ACRES.	RS.
Coimbatore... Bhowany.	1. Moodoor	Wet. 18	61	1 0 0	Wet. 14	14	1275	14	14
	2. Nagaloor	Do. 47	251	2 8 0	Do. 47	125	1277	47	125
	3. Ilippily	Do. 85	343	2 8 0	Do. 85	247	1277	Wet. 4 Dry. 32	10 44
								36	54
Oodoomulpettah.	4. Ramasamudrum tank in Comaralingam village	Dry. 1,884	1,158	2 8 0 0 9 10	Do. 400 Dry. 995	1,000 615	1274	Wet. 400	1,000
					1,395	1,615			
	Acquired by purchase.	.....	.....	.....	Dry. 38	22		Dry. 1,033	637
					1,433	1,637		1,433	1,637
	5. Papancolam tank in Yelayamoothoor village	Wet. 95	448	2 8 0	Wet. 77	193	1277	77	193
Caroor.	6. Korayootoo anicut and tank in the village of Shendamungalam	Do. 136	367	2 8 0	Do. 132	330	1277	Wet. 29 Dry. 103	74 * 256
								132	330

* Jamabandy Rupees 108.

Acres 32 under No. 3, and Acres 103 under No. 6, are cultivated with dry crops and charged accordingly.

21. Revised Assessment.—The subjoined statement shows the extent of land brought under cultivation out of the 78,152 Acres on which the original Taram assessment was reduced to attract applicants in the orders marginally noted :—

* *Vide* Revenue Board's Procs , No. 3,724, of 17th June 1864; No. 4,355, of 13th July 1864; No. 2,379, of 10th May 1865.

Items.	Extent of Land.	Amount of original Assessment.	Deduct reduction.	Net Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Total extent of waste land on which reduction of assessment was made...	78,152	85,031	25,144	59,887
Deduct waste not yet brought under cultivation.	40,691	47,147	13,056	34,091
Remainder taken up by the Ryots up to Fasli 1283...	37,182	37,519	11,968	25,551
In Fasli 1284	279	365	120	245
Total immemorial waste brought under cultivation	37,461	37,884	12,088	25,796

22. Sundry Sources of Revenue.—The revenue of the district comprises the following items besides land revenue, *viz.* :—

Items.		Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
		RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Excise on Spirits and Drugs, (Abkári) ...	Rented	2,83,600	2,83,600	...	...
	Miscellaneous	357	390	33	...
	Total...	2,83,957	2,83,990	33	...
2.	Income-tax	29	7	...	22
	Miscellaneous	...	...	...	...
	Total...	29	7	...	22
3.	Court Fees Stamps	90,096	1,05,834	15,738	...
	Miscellaneous	2,207	3,221	1,014	...
	Total...	92,303	1,09,055	16,752	...
	Non-Judicial	63,254	66,740	3,486	...
	Miscellaneous	1,062	741	...	321
		64,316	67,481	3,165	...
	Total ...	1,56,619	1,76,536	19,917	...
	Grand Total ...	4,40,605	4,60,533	19,928	...

23. Entire Current Demand, Collection, and Balance.—The current demand from all sources is summed up in the following table :—

Items.	Current Demand.	Collections.	Remissions.	Total.	Balance at the end of the Fasli.	Subsequent Collections and Remissions up to 31st August 1875.			Balance.
						Collections.	Remissions.	Total.	
Land Revenue.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Permanently Settled Estates (Polliput Peishcush)	27,691	27,051	...	27,051	640	640	.....	640	.....
Shrotriem Jodi.....	3,418	3,306	...	3,306	112	112	.....	112	.....
Ryotwar.....	25,38,980	23,18,652	...	23,18,652	2,20,328	1,87,798	.....	1,87,798	32,530
Miscellaneous	51,872	26,119	...	26,119	25,753	15,923	.....	15,923	9,830
Sale of Government lands ...	25	25	...	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total...	26,21,986	23,75,153	...	23,75,153	2,46,833	2,04,473	.....	2,04,473	42,360
Sundry Sources.									
Excise on Spirits and Drugs (Abkári)	2,83,990	2,81,990	...	2,81,990	2,000	2,000	.....	2,000	.....
Income-tax.....	7	7	...	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stamps ... Court Fees.....	1,09,055	1,09,055	...	1,09,055	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Stamps ... Non-Judicial ...	67,481	67,481	...	67,481	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total...	1,76,536	1,76,536	...	1,76,536	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total...	4,60,533	4,58,533	...	4,58,533	2,000	2,000	.....	2,000	.....
Grand Total...	30,82,519	28,33,686	...	28,33,686	2,48,833	2,06,473	.....	2,06,473	42,360

91·93 per cent. of the revenue was collected within the year, and 6·70 per cent. subsequently, leaving 1·37 per cent. uncollected.

24. Demand, Collection, and Balance of Arrears.—The arrear demand was reduced 93·12 per cent. by collections within the fasli, and ·39 per cent. subsequently. These transactions are summed up in the following memorandum :—

Items.	Arrears at the beginning of the Fasli.	Collections, &c., within the Fasli.			Balance at the end of Fasli 1284.	Subsequent Collections up to 31st August 1875.	Balance.
		Collections.	Remissions.	Total.			
Land Revenue.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Polliput Peishcush (Permanently Settled Revenue)	1,660	1,660	...	1,660	...	...	...
Shrotriem Jodi	591	591	...	591	...	...	...
Ryotwar	1,78,218	1,63,673	2,657	1,66,330	11,888	622	11,266
Miscellaneous	13,789	11,020	15	11,035	2,754	195	2,559
Total ...	1,94,258	1,76,944	2,672	1,79,616	14,642	817	13,825
Sundry Sources.							
Excise on Spirits and Drugs (Abkári)	18,642	18,642	...	18,642	...	...	...
Income-tax	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	18,642	18,642	...	18,642	...	...	...
Grand Total ...	2,12,900	1,95,586	2,672	1,98,258	14,642	817	13,825

25. Irrecoverable Arrears recommended to be written off.—The arrear balance of Rupees 13,825 is classed thus—Recoverable Rupees 5,165, doubtful Rupees 3,125, irrecoverable Rupees 5,535. Out of this Rupees 3,269 were recommended to be written off the accounts last year, leaving Rupees 2,266 detailed below :—

		Fasli 1279.	Fasli 1280.	Fasli 1281.	Fasli 1282.	Fasli 1283.	Total.
Land Revenue.		RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Arrears outstanding against deceased ryots after deducting sale proceeds of property	Ryotwar	12	33	...	...	66	111
	Miscellaneous ...	...	...	...	...	5	5
2. Do. against absconded do.	Ryotwar.....	...	6	...	68	225	299
	Miscellaneous ...	1	...	...	5	16	22
3. Do. against pauper do.	Ryotwar.....	2	463	616	210	368	1,659
	Miscellaneous ...	...	...	...	21	62	83
4. From other causes	Ryotwar.....	...	...	27	47	...	74
	Miscellaneous ...	...	...	...	13	...	13
Total ...	Ryotwar.....	14	502	643	325	659	2,143
	Miscellaneous ...	1	...	...	39	83	123
	Both	15	502	643	364	742	2,266

Under "Other causes," Ryotwar, Rupees 11 each in Faslis 1281 and 1282 is the assessment of a certain land in Hossamalingay village of Collegal Taluq cultivated without permission, but left waste in Fasli 1283 by the death of the holder. As it is part of a tank-bed Poramboke, and it was not advisable to grant it on putta, the land was resumed, and as the defaulter left no movable property the arrear is irrecoverable. This is one of the cases in which unauthorized cultivation was brought under "Ryotwar lands" five years ago instead of under "Land Revenue, Miscellaneous." Rupees 3 in Fasli 1281 is the assessment of a land subsequently taken up for

Police lines at Coimbatore; the assessment due was not recovered before such transfer, and the defaulter is dead. Rupees 13 each in Faslis 1281 and 1282 is the assessment of the site occupied by the English Church at Coimbatore transferred to the head of Poramboke under the orders of the Board of Revenue, Miscellaneous No. 5,534, of 29th August 1873. Rupees 8 is the assessment of part of the Fasli year 1282 on certain lands which were converted into freehold properties in 1872-73—*Vide* correspondence noted in the margin. Rupees 15 is the difference between the Nunjah assessment and dry rate on a land in Coonnatoor village, Coimbatore Taluq, which was not collected as the land appeared to have lain waste from want of water, but might have been cultivated with dry crop.

G. O, No. 65, of *10th November* 1873, Revenue Department, with Revenue Board's Miscellaneous No. 7,921 of 20th idem.

Rupees 13 under "Miscellaneous" in Fasli 1282 is the prohibitive portion of the assessment charged on a railway land in the Billichy village of Coimbatore Taluq cultivated without permission. On inquiry it was found that the land was originally in the putta of the ryot, and though nominally taken up for, and transferred to, the railway it remained unused within the enclosure of its old owner, and as its cultivation may have been through ignorance of the boundaries of the land so transferred the prohibitive rate was left uncollected, and is recommended to be written off.

26. Comparative Collections from all Sources.—The subjoined abstract shows at one view the collections from all sources:—

Items.	Last Fasli.			Present Fasli.			Increase.	Decrease.
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.		
Land Revenue.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Zemindar or Polliput	4,883	26,031	30,914	1,660	27,051	28,711	...	2,203
Shrotriem Jodi	591	2,827	3,418	591	3,306	3,897	479	...
Ryotwar	91,087	23,55,237	24,46,324	1,63,673	23,18,652	24,82,325	36,001	...
Miscellaneous...	12,163	40,534	52,697	11,020	26,119	37,139	...	15,558
Sale of waste lands and redemption of Land-tax ...	...	...	...	...	25	25	25	...
Total Land Revenue...	1,08,724	24,24,629	25,33,353	1,76,944	23,75,153	25,52,097	18,744	...
Sundry Sources.								
Abkári or Excise on Spirits and Drugs	20,934	2,65,315	2,86,249	18,642	2,81,990	3,00,632	14,383	...
Income-tax	25	29	54	...	7	7	...	47
Stamps	...	1,56,619	1,56,619	...	1,76,536	1,76,536	19,917	...
Grand Total...	1,29,683	28,46,592	29,76,275	1,95,586	28,33,686	30,29,272	52,997	...

27. Charges of Collection.—The cost of collection was six per cent., thus—

Items.	Collections.	Charges.	Proportion percentage.
	Rs.	Rs.	
Land Revenue	25,52,097	1,68,483	7
Abkári...	3,00,632	50	...
Income-tax	7	...	...
Stamps...	1,76,536	3,841	2
Total...	30,29,272	1,72,374	6

The charges compare with the previous year as follows:—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
1. Land Revenue—	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
(a) Salaries and allowances	1,61,996	1,58,080	...	3,916
(b) Other charges	9,471	10,403	932	...
	1,71,467	1,68,483	...	2,984
2. Abkári	...	50	50	...
3. Income-tax	...	...	...	...
4. Stamps	3,599	3,841	242	...
Total...	1,75,066	1,72,374	...	2,692

The decrease in Salaries is chiefly owing to the present Acting Sub-Collector having only drawn deputation allowance, while his predecessor being a permanent Sub-Collector drew the full pay of the post.

28. Coercive Process.—Processes under the Revenue Recovery Act were issued in respect of arrears, amounting to Rupees 2,15,710, in cases numbering 28,433; but the cases in which lands had to be sold was reduced to 185. The sales of land and movable property were resorted to in respect of arrears, amounting to Rupees 1,439, of which Rupees 527 were recovered by sale.

29. Interest Account.—The interest collected on arrears amounted to Rupees 714 as shown below:—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Land Revenue	339 11 4	561 6 5
Abkári	193 4 0	153 0 7
Cost of suits awarded to Government	... ...	... ...
Total...	532 15 4	714 7 0

30. Cost awarded in Civil Suits.—The account of demand, collection, and balance of costs awarded in Civil suits shows that out of the aggregate demand Rupees 161-9-3 were collected during the year, and Rupees 300-9-9 left uncollected.

31. *Unassessed Waste Land Rules.*—No sales under the unassessed Waste Land Rules during the year.

Sub-division of Joint Inams.—Nor any sub-division of joint Inams.

32. Acquisition of Lands by Public Servants.—The subjoined statement shows the lands acquired and resigned by public servants during the fasli under report :—

	Huzur Servants.			Taluq Servants.			Total.		
	Number.	Extent in Acres.	Assessment.	Number.	Extent in Acres.	Assessment.	Number.	Extent in Acres.	Assessment.
Lands relinquished or struck off the Register.			Rs. A. P.			Rs. A. P.			Rs. A. P.
In this district	2	15	43 6 6	14	742	1,892 5 11	16	757	1,935 12 5
In other districts	...	...	... ...	...	...	... ...	...	...	... ...
Total...	2	15	43 6 6	14	742	1,892 5 11	16	757	1,935 12 5
Lands acquired.									
In this district.....	2	93	120 3 8	10	601	1,374 11 11	12	694	1,494 15 7
In other districts	...	...	... ...	1	1	1 14 0	1	1	1 14 0
Total..	2	93	120 3 8	11	602	1,376 9 11	13	695	1,496 13 7

33. Village and Taluq Accounts.—The Treasury Deputy Collector inspected the Taluq accounts of five taluqs within the fasli, and of two more subsequently. Errors and omissions were duly noticed and pointed out. Village and Taluq accounts were also examined during the settlement.

34. Sub-Collector's Report.—The Sub-Collector's report on the settlement of the taluqs of his division is herewith forwarded.

35. Crop Statistics.—In Proceedings, No. 3,417, of 26th November 1874, the Board have directed that the statement of agricultural statistics should accompany the Jamabandy Report. It is accordingly added to the Jamabandy returns. The entire arable area of the district is—

	Acres.
1. Government	3,067,915
2. Minor Inams...	289,550
3. Zemindari and Shrotriem	107,224
Total...	3,464,689

Out of the Government lands Acres 2,298,726 are under ryotwar occupation, of which 1,640,609 are cultivated with food grains and 4,10,047 with other products. The waste and fallow in ryotwar holdings is Acres 248,070, in minor Inams 47,567, and in Zemindari and Shrotriem villages 23,099. The aggregate waste under occupation is Acres 318,736, and the aggregate unoccupied waste 777,163 ; total 1,095,899.

The estimated outturn of the chief staple grains was—

	Garces.
Cholum	74,936
Cumboo	30,989
Raggy	16,132
Paddy	16,858

Wheat was raised on Acres 2,235 and yielded 138 Garces. Cocoanut topes cover an area of Acres 2,958, betel gardens 1,742, palmyrah trees 1,649, arecanut 423 ; plantains were cultivated on Acres 2,907, sugar-cane on 2,746, and cotton on Acres 193,464, and a second-crop of cotton was raised on Acres 43,612. The entire valuation of the crops raised is estimated at Rupees 263,52,707, or ten times the Land Revenue paid to Government ; but the nine-tenths include the cost of cultivation, cultivator's or renter's profits, and the wear and tear of the plant.

36. Conduct of Subordinate Officers calls for no special remark.

Coimbatore, (Signed) A. WEDDERBURN,
28th November 1875. Collector.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

SUB-COLLECTORATE.

I have the honor to submit my Jamabandi Report for Fasli 1284, accompanied by the usual statements.

2. During the year under report the sub-division has undergone a change by the transfer of the Udumalpettah Taluq to the Head Assistant Collector and by the abolition of the Southern Division comprising the Erode and Bhowany Taluqs and its amalgamation with the sub-division under the Orders of Government, dated 16th February 1875, No. 251.

The present sub-division consists, therefore, of four taluqs, *viz.* :—

(1) Erode.
(2) Bhowany.
(3) Darapuram.
(4) Caroor.

3. In consequence of this change in the division in the comparative statements subjoined to the several paragraphs of this report and in those separately accompanying it, the figures for Fasli 1283, as entered in the Jamabandi accounts and report of that fasli, have been, for purposes of comparison with those of the fasli under report, altered by omitting those of Udumalpettah and taking in those of Erode and Bhowany, as the transactions of the sub-division for Fasli 1284 refer to Erode, Bhowany, Caroor, and Darapuram Taluqs.

4. The Jamabandi of the four sub-division taluqs for Fasli 1284 was conducted by me, and the subjoined statement shows the places at which the settlement was made :—

Officer by whom the Settlement was made.	Taluqs.	Places where the Settlement was made.
G. McWatters, Esq.	Erode...	Erode, Anainasuvampoliem, Perunduray and Chengapally.
	Darapuram	Darapuram and Kangayam.
	Caroor	Caroor and Paramathy.
	Bhowany	Bhowany and Erode.

5. The number of villages and hamlets in the four taluqs is given in the annexed statement :—

Taluqs.	Villages.		Hamlets.	
	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
Erode	210	210	1,207	1,207
Darapuram	81	81	967	967
Caroor	83	83	702	704
Bhowany	65	65	448	448

6. It will be seen that in the Caroor Taluq there is an increase of two hamlets said to be newly formed in the Chinna Darapuram and Goodaloor Villages where the ryots constructed houses on their own putta lands.

7. The following abstract gives the particulars of puttas during the fasli under report :—

Total number of puttas for Fasli 1283 in the four taluqs of Erode, Darapuram, Caroor, and Bhowany	92,741
Deduct puttas cancelled on account of relinquishment and transfer of lands	867
Remainder ...	91,874
Add new puttas	1,038
	92,912
Of these—	
Puttas remaining unaltered	84,101
Old puttas altered and re-issued	69
New puttas...	8,742
	92,912

8. The rain gauges in all the taluqs are in good condition, and the register properly maintained. The rainfall at the cusbah stations of each of the sub-division taluqs is shown in the subjoined table :—

Months.	Erode.		Darapuram.		Caroor.		Bhowany.	
	Inches.	Decimals.	Inches.	Decimals.	Inches.	Decimals.	Inches.	Decimals.
April 1874	1	50	1	2	...	17	2	35
May ,, ...	2	50	2	30	2	70	4	51
June ,, ...	...	75	...	19	...	3	1	29
July ,, ...	1	55	...	16	2	7	2	35
August ,, ...	4	30	...	19	3	74	1	43
September ,, ...	5	5	...	7	1	94	8	53
October ,, ...	3	75	2	97	4	12	6	12
November ,, ...	6	50	5	47	4	75	2	99
December ,, ...	...	10	...	...	...	68	...	80
January 1875	...	...	...	...	....	...	...	...
February ,, ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
March ,, ...	...	90	...	45	...	20	1	93
	26	90	12	82	20	40	32	30
From April 1873 to March 1874	21	81	15	37	25	88	17	33

9. Season.—The rainfall during Fasli 1284, as registered at the four cusbahs; was greater than that in Fasli 1283 in Erode and Bhowany and less in Caroor and Darapuram.

Darapuram Taluq.—The Tahsildar reports that in consequence of the later scanty rains the crops on dry lands without wells suffered much and yielded in some cases only half and in others less than one-fourth of the full harvest. The crops on all lands having wells in the same taluq also yielded a very deficient harvest for want of sufficient water in the wells.

The first crop nunja yielded a full harvest, while the outturn of the second crop was only three-fourths in some cases and half in the rest owing to insufficiency of water.

Caroor Taluq.—For want of rain at the proper seasons, it appears that the punja and garden lands yielded only half or three-fourths of the full harvest. The first crop on nunja lands in this taluq yielded only an ordinary outturn, while the outturn of the second crop was less, being only one-fourth, or half of the full harvest; in some cases the crops withered altogether owing to the insufficiency of water.

The sugar-cane crop on lands under the Cauvery yielded three-fourths, and on those under the Ambravatty one-fourth of the full outturn.

Erode Taluq.—The Tahsildar reports that the outturn of paddy and raggy was full, while that of cholum, &c., was only half the full harvest.

In the Bhowany Taluq the Tahsildar reports that the crops yielded half the full outturn.

The rivers Cauvery, Bhowany, and Ambravatty received regular freshes during the year under report.

There was an increased supply of water in the Kattangany Tank in Fasli 1284 as compared with that in the preceding fasli.

The Uppadimangalam and Jagathapy Tanks in the Caroor Taluq received but a partial supply in Fasli 1284, while the other tanks in the same taluq received no water at all.

The Chengapally Tank in the Erode Taluq received a full supply in Fasli 1284, the Vellodu Tank one and-a-half months' supply, while the Vadugupoliem and Soondakoyipoliem and Nanjapalatoluvu Tanks received two months' supply, the Periyapoliem Tank receiving only fifteen days' supply of water.

All the tanks in the Bhowany Taluq, except that of Mookkasipputhoor, which is fed by a jungle stream, are rain-fed. Except in the case of the Konudappady and some other tanks, there was an improved supply of water in the others in Fasli 1284 over that of Fasli 1283.

Owing to the deficient supply of water as stated above in the tanks in the Erode and Bhowany Taluqs, remissions of assessment in the case of nunja lands under them were found necessary.

Thus it will be seen that the season for Fasli 1284 was not a very favorable one for agricultural operations.

10. With the exception of an outbreak of cholera in a mild form in the Erode* and Bhowany* Taluqs in the month of June, of which daily reports have been furnished to your office by the Tahsildars, and the attack of dengue in the Pallapatty Hamlet of Aravakurichi Village in Caroor Taluq, which has been reported to you in my letter No. 75, dated 31st March 1875, the sanitary condition of the sub-division may be said to have been good.

* Number of deaths by cholera in the Bhowany Taluq in Fasli 1284 6
Number of deaths by cholera in Erode 11

11. The cholera since the end of the fasli broke out in all the taluqs of the sub-division, but the disease did not appear in an epidemic form, and the number of fatal cases were comparatively few. Medical aid was afforded immediately; its appearance came to notice. The town and villages where it broke out were kept clean, and the instructions to be observed when cholera breaks out were duly published and acted on

12. A statement showing the mortality amongst the cattle is subjoined :—

Taluqs	Cows, Bullocks, and Buffaloes.		Sheep.	
	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
Erode	1,319	504	1,474	759
Darapuram	106	58	434	76
Caroor	915	1,271	1,315	2,337
Bhowany	3,000	2,458	...	2,302

The Tahsildar of Bhowany reports that for Fasli 1283 no account was kept in his taluq showing the mortality amongst the sheep; consequently there is no entry for Fasli 1283 for that taluq under the head "Sheep." From the above statement, it will be seen that the mortality amongst the cattle was less in Fasli 1284 than in the preceding year, except in the Caroor Taluq; none of the Tahsildars report any outbreak of cattle disease in their taluqs during the year under report.

13. The following stement exhibits the price of the principal grains. It will be seen that the prices of all the grains fell during the Fasli 1284 with the exception of that of paddy which rose slightly :—

Names of Grains.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Paddy	178 13 5	188 1 10	9 4 5	... ...
Cholum	244 12 10	229 8 10	... ...	15 4 0
Cumboo	178 8 0	159 8 2	... ...	18 15 10
Raggy	178 3 4	170 14 1	... ...	7 5 3
Horsegram ...	242 14 1	237 0 9	... ...	5 13 4

14. The ryots' holding and cultivation are shown in Statement No. 3 and its enclosure, from which it will be seen that in ryots' holdings there is an increase of Acres 3,204 with an assessment of Rupees 3,146 as shown below. The chief increase is due to new lands having been taken up for cultivation during the year under review :—

	Acres.	Assessment. RS. A. P.
Fasli 1283	1,037,060	10,97,759 13 6
,, 1284	1,040,264	11,00,905 8 3
Increase ...	3,204	3,145 10 9

15. The following table exhibits the particulars of lands under the head "given up"—*vide* enclosure A to Statement No. 3 :—

Items.	Extent. ACRES.	Assessment. RS. A. P.
1. Lands resigned	1,682	1,478 11 2
2. Do. sold or transferred	13,892	16,572 13 1
3. Do. that became useless, or were appropriated for some public purposes	23	17 2 1
4. Deficiency of measurement	16	12 9 2
5. Transferred to nunja	23	12 5 4
Total ...	15,636	18,093 8 10

16. Item No. 1 consists of 1,391 acres of land thrown up by the ryots as unfit for cultivation, and 291 acres sold for arrears of revenue under the Madras Act No. II. of 1864, and bought in on behalf of Government for want of bidders at a nominal price, and then transferred to the head "Sirkar Waste."

Items Nos. 2, 4, and 5 are of usual occurrence, and call for no remarks.

Item No. 3 consists of lands transferred to Poramboke, in consequence of their having been taken up for public purposes as specified below :—

(1.) Acres 10·93, assessed at Rupees 6-9-6, taken up for the road from Muttur to Kodumudi* in the limits of Darapuram Taluq.

(2.) Acres 0·10, assessed at Annas 1-6 taken up on account of the burial ground at Bhowany.†

(3.) Acres 2·65, assessed at Rs. 1-11-6, taken up on account of the dispensary at Erode.‡

(4.) Acres 1·32. This land is Poramboke; but according to an account furnished by the Settlement Department in Fasli 1283 in which these lands were entered under the head of "Oolkalai Poramboke cultivated" (while such was not the case), they were wrongly included in "Ayen." The mistake, however, was brought to notice at the Jamabandi of the fasli under report, and the land retransferred to the head "Poramboke."

(5.) Acre 0·72 was taken up by the Department of Public Works for improving and widening the bund of the Pogalore Channel. The land was, therefore, transferred to the head "Poramboke."

(6.) Acres 7·70 taken up on account of the roads from Kodimudi§ to Muttur and from Chinna Darapuram to Tenuilai in the limits of the Caroor Taluq.

(7.) Acre 0·30 was taken up for diverting a bend of the Calingaroyen Channel, and it was consequently transferred to Poramboke.

* *Vide* this Office letter to you, dated 8th July 1874, No. 175.

† *Vide* Collector's letter to Sub-Collector, dated 8th April 1875, No. 336.

‡ *Vide* G. O., dated 18th September 1874, No. 1,190, Revenue Department.

§ *Vide* this Office letters, dated 22nd October 1874, Nos. 249 and 250.

17. The particulars of lands taken up are shown in the annexed statement :—

Items.	Extent. ACRES.	Assessment. RS. A. P.
1. Lands taken up on durkhast ...	2,879	2,406 0 3
2. Do. purchased or obtained by transfer...	13,892	16,572 13 1
3. Poramboke lands brought under cultivation	2,024	2,134 9 10
4. Excess found on measurement.	22	19 5 7
5. Punja transferred to nunja ...	23	106 6 10
Total ...	18,840	21,239 3 7

18. The above items are all of usual occurrence, and do not, therefore, call for any explanation.

19. The area under actual cultivation during the fasli under report was Acres 900,717 assessed at Rupees 9,83,285-6-6 against Acres 888,495 assessed at Rupees 9,73,285-6-0 in Fasli 1283, thus showing an increase of Acres 12,222 assessed at Rupees 10,000-0-6.

20. From enclosure A to Statement No. III., it will be seen that the waste charged amount to Acres 138,450 bearing an assessment of Rupees 1,11,016-9-1, a portion of which being Acres 16,030, assessed at Rs. 12,225-12-10, is held on Ayen or Puncham Hissa grass tenure on payment of one-fourth of the taram assessment under the Hukkumuamah rules of the district. The remaining Acres 122,420, assessed at Rupees 98,790-12-3, were left uncultivated under circumstances not warranting a remission of assessment, and they were, therefore, charged with full assessment.

21. The extent of lands left waste, and on which the assessment was remitted, amounts to Acres 1,097 assessed at Rupees 6,603-8-8. These are nunja lands under the irrigation of the tanks in the Erode and Bhowany Taluqs. The lands were left waste for want of sufficient supply of water in the tanks as stated in paragraph 9 of this report, and remissions were, therefore, necessarily granted. The remissions for this fasli are greater than in Fasli 1283, as shown below :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Fasli 1283	6,143	10	5
,, 1284	6,603	8	8
Increase ...	459	14	3

22. The remissions were greater in Erode and less in Bhowany in Fasli 1284 than in the preceding year.

23. The cultivation and settlement for Fasli 1284, as compared with those of Fasli 1283, are shown in the annexed abstract :—

Items.	Last Fasli.		Present Fasli.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	Acres.	Rs. A. P.	Acres.	Rs. A. P.	Acres.	Rs. A. P.	Acres	Rs. A. P.
Dry	1,004,540	8,35,399 2 6	1,007,709	8,38,284 8 7	3,169	2,885 6 1	...	... ...
Wet	31,530	2,56,217 0 7	31,458	2,56,017 7 0	...	... ...	72	199 9 7
Total ...	1,036,070	10,91,616 3 1	1,039,167	10,94,301 15 7	3,169	2,885 6 1	72	199 9 7
Add.								
Second crop assessment	...	131 4 0	...	116 1 11	...	... ...	...	15 2 1
Additional do. ...	...	122 10 2	...	121 6 8	...	... ...	...	1 3 6
Water-tax	...	7,027 10 1	...	11,024 6 10	...	3,996 12 9	...	... ...
Local Fund Cess.	...	69,183 4 3	...	69,650 3 10	...	466 15 7	...	... ...
Total ...	...	76,464 12 6	...	80,912 3 3	...	4,463 12 4	...	16 5 7
Grand Total ...	...	11,68,080 15 7	...	11,75,214 2 10	...	7,349 2 5	...	215 15 2
Deduct Remission								
Local Fund Cess.	...	69,183 4 3	...	69,650 3 10	...	466 15 7	...	... ...
Other remissions particularized in Statement No. 4	...	23,893 1 7	...	26,420 0 7	...	2,526 15 0	...	... ...
Total ...	...	93,076 5 10	...	96,070 4 5	...	2,993 14 7	...	... ...
Remaining beriz.	...	10,75,004 9 9	...	10,79,143 14 5	...	4,139 4 8	...	... ...
Add.								
Miscellaneous Items	...	27,758 9 2	...	27,393 7 4	...	... ...	...	365 1 10
Total ...	...	11,02,763 2 11	...	11,06,537 5 9	...	4,139 4 8	...	365 1 10
Net Increase ...	...	... ...	...	... ...	...	3,774 2 10	...	... ...

24. The net increase of Acres 3,097, with an assessment of Rupees 2,685-12-6, is owing chiefly to new lands having been taken up and brought under cultivation.

25. The increase of Rupees 2,526-15-0 under the head "other remissions as particularized in Statement No. 4" is chiefly due to nunja lands having been charged with punja assessment on account of their cultivation with punja produce for want of sufficient water as already noticed.

The increase under the head water-tax (Rupees 3,996-12-9) is due to water-rate having been charged under the new rules.

26. Special Products.—The cultivation of cotton, indigo, and sugar-cane is shown in enclosure B to Statement No. 3. There is a decrease in both the sugar-cane and cotton cultivation as shown below. There was no indigo cultivation at all in the sub-division during the Fasli 1284.

Faslis.	Sugar-cane.	Cotton.	Indigo.
	Acres.	Acres.	Acres.
1283	329	113,818	...
1284	227	106,287	...
Decrease...	102	7,531	...

27. Statement No. 4 exhibits the particulars of the remissions granted other than on account of lands left waste, and they are explain below :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
1. Shavi or withered crops ...	261 0 10	47 3 7	... ...	213 13 3
2. Kowle remissions	316 13 11	211 3 11	... ...	105 10 0
3. Teazgari remissions granted to privileged classes	215 2 10	215 2 10	... ...	... ...
4. Tervacummi—				
(1.) On Pencham Hissa grass lands...	9,829 7 4	9,157 15 0	.. ..	671 8 4
(2.) On nunja lands cultivated with dry crops ...	9,073 6 4	12,481 1 4	3,407 11 0	... ...
5. Fasleummi	4,197 2 4	4,307 5 11	110 3 7	... ...
Total...	23,893 1 7	26,420 0 7	3,517 14 7	990 15 7
Net Increase ...	... ...	... ...	2,526 15 0	... ...

28. Item 1 is the remission granted for shavi or withered crop on certain lands under some of the tanks in the Erode and Bhowany Taluqs owing to the deficient supply of water as already noticed.

The decrease under Kwole remissions is due to the charge of the prescribed increased rates of lands granted in previous year.

Item 3 is the usual remissions of one-fifth, one-eighth and one-tenth of the assessment granted to certain Brahmins and Mahomedans for cultivating their lands with their own stock. No. 1 under *Item 4 is also* the usual remissions granted on Ayen or Pucham Hissa grass lands held at one-fourth of the full assessment under the Hukkumnamah rules of the district. The decrease under this head is due to some of the lands held under this tenure having been cultivated and charged with full assessment. No. 2 under the same item is the remissions of the difference between nunja and punja assessment on account of nunja lands cultivated with dry crops owing to insufficiency of water.

Item No. 5. Fuslcummi is of usual occurrence, and calls for no remark.

29. Statement No. 5 shows the Miscellaneous items, and a comparative abstract is sub-joined.

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Jodi on sundry Inams, personal	17,495 13 5	17,495 13 5	... ...	... ...
2. Tax on trees on unassessed lands	405 8 9	405 2 9	... ...	0 6 0
6. Lands cultivated, but not included in the Jamabandi	273 15 2	1,275 11 4	1,001 12 2	... ...
9. Cultivation of poramboke lands	4,639 7 0	1,941 1 8	... ...	2,698 5 4
Lands cultivated without authority	725 15 11	1,629 1 7	903 1 8	... ...
12. Grazing tax or grass rent	59 10 1	56 6 2	... ...	3 3 11
16. Collection from Village Service Inam for offices vacant	688 14 1	357 13 5	... ...	331 0 8
17. Revenue from sequestered Inams	75 7 2	74 6 6	... ...	1 0 8
31. Rent on fruit trees ...	122 12 0	122 12 0	... ...	... ...
40. Commission on the sale of distraint property attached for arrears of rent under Act VIII. of 1865	1 1 6	... ...	... ...	1 1 6
43. Revenue fines	539 12 3	315 13 7	... ...	223 14 8
45. Excess collection over the demand	2 5 2	110 7 0	108 1 10	... ...
46. Water-tax on Zemindari Inams, &c., lands.	2,361 4 11	3,201 9 7	840 4 8	... ...
51. Other items	366 9 9	407 4 4	40 10 7	... ...
Total ...	27,758 9 2	27,393 7 4	2,893 14 11	3,259 0 9
Net Decrease ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	365 1 10

Item No. 6. *Lands cultivated, but not included in the Jamabandi.*—Rupees 1,275-11-4 for Fasli 1284 are accounted for as follows :—

Rupees 187-4-1. This amount is the second crop assessment on nunja lands cultivated after the Jamabandi in the Darapuram Taluq.

Rupees 1,088-7-3. This amount is the assessment of lands newly taken up in the Bhowany Taluq, but for which puttas were not granted in Fasli 1284, as the lands were near the forests, the grant of puttas for which was postponed pending a reference to you—*vide* correspondence noted in the margin.

Sub-Collector's letter to Collector, dated 15th February 1875, No. 38.

Item No. 9. *Cultivation of Poramboke lands.*—This is the amount charged on lands cultivated without durkhast. There is a decrease under this item in consequence of the less extent of unauthorised cultivation.

Cultivation of lands without durkhast.—The sum of Rupees 1,629-1-7 under the head "Lands cultivated without durkhast" is the prohibitory assessment charged on account of assessed waste lands cultivated without authority. The increase is due to the greater extent of lands being entered upon without formal application and sanction.

The final order of Government* laying down instructions to be observed in such cases was received after the close of the Jamabandi of my division. It will be strictly observed from this fasli. The rates charged in the year under report, however, were not high.

* Dated 15th March 1875, No. 424, circulated with the Revenue Board's Proceedings, dated 6th April 1875, No. 826.

Item No. 46. *Water-tax on Zemindari Inam, &c., lands.*—The increase under this head is due to the charge of water-rate under the new rules.

Item No. 51. *Other items.*—The increase under this head is chiefly due to the charge of water-rate under the new rules in case of Village Service Inam lands.

30. As directed in the Revenue Board's Proceedings, dated 31st March 1869, No. 2,070, two statements are subjoined showing the particulars of water-tax collected on Inam lands.

Statement showing the Amount of Water-tax collected as second crop assessment on one crop Inam Nunja.

Taluqs.	Extent in Cawnies.	Whether the Crop raised is Nunja or Punja.	Rate per Cawny.	Amount of Water-tax.
			RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Darapuram...	25 8 0	Nunja	3 8 0	91 7 3
	2 6 3	Punja	1 12 0	4 3 10
	2 0 0	Nunja	3 8 0	7 0 0
		Punja	1 12 0	3 8 0
				10 8 0
	15 4 2	Nunja	3 8 0	53 7 9
	1 3 2	Punja two crops	3 8 0	4 4 3
				57 12 0
Caroor...	0 6 0	Nunja	3 8 0	1 5 0
				165 4 1

Statement showing the Amount of Water-tax collected on Inam Punja Lands irrigated from Government Sources.

Taluq.	Extent in Acre.	Whether one Crop or two Crops.	Rate per Acre.	Amount of Water-tax.
			RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Caroor	4 0	Nunja two crops	6 0 0	24 0 0
Darapuram	1 79	Do. one crop	4 0 0	8 0 0
Bhowany	4 50	Do. two crops by picottah ...	4 8 0	20 4 0
	12 79	Do. one crop do.	3 0 0	38 5 11
Caroor	7 50	Do. two crops do.	4 8 0	33 12 0
	10 0	Do. one crop do. ... } Punja one crop do. ... }	4 8 0	45 0 0
	2 0	Do. two crops do.	3 0 0	6 0 0
Darapuram	24 36	Do. do. do.	3 0 0	76 8 0
	3 11	Do. one crop do.	1 8 0	5 4 0
Caroor	0 46	Do. do. do.	1 8 0	0 11 6
	1 0	Do. 2nd-class irrigation do. ...	1 2 0	1 2 0
Erode	328 58	Nunja one crop	4 0 0	1,314 8 11
	175 91	Do. two crops	6 0 0	1,057 15 8
	1 75	Do. two crops by picottah ...	4 8 0	9 12 0
	2 50	Punja one crop	2 0 0	5 0 0
	1 50	Do. do. by picottah, 1st-class irrigation...	1 8 0	2 4 0
	119 54	Do. two crops do. ...	3 0 0	361 0 1
	1 47	Do. one crop by picottah 2nd-class irrigation	1 2 0	2 9 6
	9 91	Do. two crops do. do. ...	2 4 0	22 4 8
				3,034 6 3
		Grand Total of two items...		3,199 10 4
		Add to this Rupees 1-15-3, being the Teervajasty on Cawnies 0-9-3 accounted for as follows		1 15 3
		Total of item No. 46 in Statement No. 5...		3,201 9 7

The above sum of Rupees 1-15-3 is accounted for as follows :—

The Inam land in question, Cawnies 0-9-3, used to be irrigated by means of baling water from a Government source of irrigation and was assessed, in consequence, at a rate lower than the assessment of similar lands of the village irrigated direct without mechanical appliances. The ryot in question, however, irrigated his land directly from the channel, and thus the difference between the rate charged for lands in such cases and that originally fixed on the land in question was brought to account under the head "Teervajasty."

31. Statement No. 6 shows the demand, collection, and balance of Poliputs. There is only one Poliput now in the sub-division against six in Fasli 1283. The decrease is due to the transfer of Udumalpettah containing five Poliputs to the Head Assistant's Division.

32. Statement No. 7 shows the demand, collection, and balance of all sources of revenue, current and arrears. The total demand of the fasli under report is Rupees 12,50,525-10-9, of which Rupees 11,42,186-4-7 were collected within the fasli, leaving on the 30th June 1875 a balance of Rupees 1,08,339-6-2, reduced by subsequent collections till the end of August to Rupees 17,431-8-6, for the realization of which prompt measures are being taken.

33. A comparative statement of collections according to Form B is annexed :—

Items.	Fasli 1283. Arrears.	Fasli 1283. Current.	Fasli 1283. Total.	Fasli 1284. Arrears.	Fasli 1284. Current.	Fasli 1284. Total.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Land Revenue.								
Permanently Settled... ...	258 5 3	4,908 0 0	5,166 5 3	258 5 3	4,908 0 0	5,166 5 3	... ...	... ...
Ryotwar	29,396 2 7	10,03,883 11 8	10,33,279 14 3	69,962 1 8	9,84,324 15 11	10,54,287 1 7	21,007 3 4	... ...
Miscellaneous	8,680 11 11	21,339 6 0	30,020 1 11	6,290 8 7	16,131 4 11	22,421 13 6	... ...	7,598 4 5
Total ...	38,335 3 9	10,30,131 1 8	10,68,466 5 5	76,510 15 6	10,05,364 4 10	10,81,875 4 4	21,007 3 4	7,598 4 5
Abkári	4,900 0 0	71,173 7 0	76,073 7 0	4,900 0 0	74,096 8 9	78,996 8 9	2,923 1 9	... ...
Stamps	... ...	62,271 2 0	62,271 2 0	... ...	62,725 7 0	62,725 7 0	454 5 0	... ...
Total ...	43,235 3 9	11,63,575 10 8	12,06,810 14 5	81,410 15 6	11,42,186 4 7	12,23,597 4 1	24,384 10 1	7,598 4 5
Net Increase ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	16,786 5 8	... ...

34. Statement No. 8 shows the collections of arrears on account of all sources of revenue; of the outstanding balance of former Faslis, *viz.*, 1276, 1277, 1279, 1280, 1281, 1282, and 1283, amounting to Rupees 85,244-6-8, Rupees 81,410-15-6 were collected within the fasli and Rupees 890-14-0 were written off the accounts (*vide* Revenue Board's Proceedings, dated 18th August 1874, No. 2,295), thus leaving at the close of the fasli a balance of Rupees 2,942-9-2. This amount is now reduced by subsequent collections to Rupees 2,739-8-11, of which the amount recoverable is Rupees 123-11-0. The recovery of Rupees 1,652-5-4 is doubtful, and the remaining sum of Rupees 963-8-7* is irrecoverable for reasons stated below :—

* To this add Rupees 3-4-6, being the road-cess on prohibitory assessment as mentioned below.

RS.	A.	P.	
16	1	6	in Erode Taluq.
466	13	7	in Bhowany Taluq.

There are the arrears due by certain ryots of Bhowany and Erode Taluqs for Faslis 1280, 1281, and 1282, and it appears that the Tahsildars have recommended these sums to be written off in their accounts of Fasli 1283.

RS.	A.	P.	
19	5	10	in Erode Taluq.
371	0	1	in Bhowany Taluq.

These sums are also the arrears due by certain ryots of these two taluqs for Faslis 1282 and 1283. The defaulters having no moveable property their lands were sold, and in the absence of bidders were purchased at a nominal price on behalf of Government.

RS.	A.	P.	
30	0	4	in Caroor Taluq.
Road-cess... 1	14	0	
31	14	4	

This is the amount of prohibitory assessment including road-cess due by a ryot of Senthamangalam Village in Caroor Taluq. On this subject, *vide* paragraph 25 of my Jamabandi Report for Fasli 1283. (Letter No. 219, of 15th September 1874).

RS.	A.	P.
22	7	7
Road-cess... 1	6	6
23	14	1

This amount is also the prohibitory assessment including road-cess charged on a certain piece of land in the Kombuppoliem Village by mistake of the Curnam. On this subject, *vide* paragraph 23 of the Jamabandi Report for Fasli 1282.

Rupees 37-11-8. As regards this amount the Tahsildar of Erode reports that in the Periyapoliem Village a certain piece of land was taken up out of Government waste in Fasli 1282, and that the Curnam instead of charging the punja assessment wrongly entered the nunja rate, and the Tahsildar accordingly recommends that this sum, which is the difference between the nunja and punja rates as yet uncollected, may be remittted. I request that the above sums may be recommended to be written off the accounts.

35. The extent to which coercive process was employed is shown in enclosure to Statement No. 8.

36. The taluq and village accounts were examined at the time of Jamabandi, and were found to be properly kept in most cases. Where there were omissions they were duly pointed out, and strict orders given for the accounts being correctly kept in future. The chief drawback was the omission to initial the erasures and interlineations in the village accounts, and a warning on the subject has been given to all concerned, and I hope that this will not occur again. In one taluq, Caroor, the remission list account No. 8 of the village manual was not written at all. This omission has also been pointed out, and these lists have been ordered to be prepared.

37. A statement of lands newly acquired by public servants during the fasli is appended.

Name of the Public Servants.	Land where situated.		Whether Nunja or Punja.	Extent.	Assessment.	How acquired.
	Taluq.	Village.				
				ACRES.	RS. A. P.	
B. Pudmanabhiah, Deputy Tahsildar of Kangayam, Darapuram Taluq.	Udumalpettah.	Agrahara Kannadiputtur.	Nunja.	1 93	25 15 0	Purchased by his father at Court's sale.
		Sirkar Kannadiputtur.	Do.	1 40	14 1 4	
				3 33	40 0 4	
Rama Rao, 3rd-class Revenue Inspector, Bhowany Taluq.	Bhowany.	Andiyur...	Punja.	1 63	1 5 7	By durkhast by his father.

38. The subjoined statement shows the principal sources of irrigation in the four taluqs of the sub-division :—

Taluqs.	Irrigation Work.	Ayacut after deducting Inam.		Cultivation.		
		Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Assessment of Collection.
		ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	RS.
Erode ...	Tanks	1,455	9,262	949	6,031	2,054
	Noyel River	141	631	130	589	553
	Nallar River	126	493	112	436	211
	Calingaroyen Channel branching from the Bhowany River ...	7,969	87,501	7,914	86,709	86,441
Darapuram.	Channels branching from the Ambravatty ...	6,537	60,862	6,505	60,667	56,215
	Tanks	367	1,725	310	1,492	1,320
Caroor ...	Channels branching from the Ambravatty ...	9,174	55,652	8,973	54,646	53,303
	Do. do. from the Cauvery	4,262	33,444	4,127	32,746	32,675
	Jungle stream	554	2,362	551	2,323	764
	Tanks	831	4,046	754	3,703	2,475
Bhowany...	Tanks	2,279	12,772	1,114	6,602	3,274

39. No ruined tanks were newly made over to individuals during the fasli under report.

40. The conduct of my office establishment and of the taluq officials has been in general satisfactory ; but I mention, in this respect in particular, my Sheristadar Rangachari and the Tahsildars of Erode and Caroor, Vencataramaniah and Seetaramian.

KANGAYAM, 14th September 1875.

(Signed) G. McWATTERS,
Acting Sub-Collector.

Exd. A. Grubert.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

NILGIRIS.

I HAVE the honor to submit my Report on the Revenue Settlement of the Nilgiri District for Fasli 1284 (1874-75). The usual statements accompany.

2. VILLAGES AND STATIONS AT WHICH THE SETTLEMENT WAS MADE.—The settlement throughout the district was conducted by myself. The following statement gives the stations at which it was made and the dates :—

Name of Officer.	Village.	Places where settlement was made.	Places where Puttas were distributed.	Time occupied by the Settlement.
J. R. Cockerell, Esq., Commissioner, Nilgiris.	Paranganad ... ... 1 Combays 10	Kotergherry.	Kotergherry.	1st May 1875.
	Mekenad	Deva Sholah.	Deva Sholah.	27th ,, ,,
	Todanad, Boothinuthum, Sembanuthum, and Seegoor.	Ootacamund.	Ootacamund.	7th June ,,
	Koondah	Avalanchy.	Avalanchy.	12th ,, ,,

3. THE NUMBER AND TENURE OF VILLAGES are as follow :—

Items.		Number of Villages.	Number of Hamlets.
Ryotwar.	Cultivated	17	401
	Deserted	...	...
	Total ...	17	401
Shrotriem and Jaghire...		...	...
Poliput		...	...
Total for Fasli 1284.	Cultivated.	17	401
	Deserted...	...	...
Total for Fasli 1283.	Cultivated.	17	401
	Deserted...	...	...
	Total ...	17	401

No change has occurred in the number of cultivated hamlets.

9. Deductions in consequence of Transfers.—The following statement exhibits these particulars:—

Items.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
1. Transferred to Inam...	...	... ...
2. Deficiency in remeasurement found in plantation bill No. 30, Koterygherry	1	0 5 0
3. Nunjah transferred to Punjah...	...	... ...
4. Punjah transferred to Nunjah	...	... .
5. Reduction of assessment as per order of Government, No. 1,656, of 22nd September 1871	...	49 0 7
6. Land relinquished as per Board's Proceedings, No. 4,627, of 10th July 1874, in the Coonoor ravine, and land relinquished in the Ouchterlony Valley	28	22 1 10
7. Lands sold or transferred...	409	149 9 10
8. Do. become useless or appropriated for some public purpose ...	...	... ...
9. Do. sold for arrears of revenue	269	227 15 6
10. Do. transferred from Iyen to Plantation	280	87 15 4
Total...	987	537 0 1

Item No. 5 pertains to certain reductions of assessment made in accordance with G. O., No. 1,656, of 22nd September 1871.

Item No. 6.—One item included under this head is a resumption in the Coonoor ravine of certain Koorumber holdings on which land revenue had fallen into arrears. The resumption was carried out under sanction of the Board of Revenue, conveyed in their Proceedings of 10th July 1874, No. 4,627. Eight acres were relinquished by Captain Griffin in the Ouchterlony Valley.

Item No. 9 contains the acquisition by Government, on behalf of the Public Works Department, of 169 Acres of land situated t the head of the Seegoor ghaut, and known as the "Brooklands" firewood estate, sold for ears of revenue in September 1872. The purchase was reported and sanction for the amou.. of purchase money given by the Board of Revenue in their Proceedings, No. 7,992, of 3rd December 1872. The transaction was one of Fasli 1282, and the amount should have been deducted from the demand for Fasli 1283. But as, by Order of Government, No. 908, of 5th April 1869, the demand for 1283 becomes the sum to be collected in Fasli 1284 the matter was not noticed in the report of the previous year.

Eighty-two acres of land were sold up for arrears in the plains, on the north side of the district, where land can be obtained on durkhast. The arrears accrued on land held by absconded or deceased ryots, from whom it was impossible otherwise than by sale of the holdings to recover the outstandings. The other items call for no special remark.

10. The increase in the Ryots' Holdings.—This is detailed in the following statement :—

Items.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
1. Lands taken on durkhast in the villages of the plains on the Seegoor side and in the Ouchterlony Valley	365	640 2 11
2. Lands taken on cowle tenure as per G. O., No. 460, of 7th May 1873	170	148 15 1
3. Lands obtained by purchase or transfer	409	149 9 10
4. Do. transferred from Iyen to Plantation	69	19 13 6
5. Do. purchased under the Waste Land Rules	371	203 3 4
6. Excess found in remeasurement	195	81 7 8
Total ...	1,579	1,243 4 4

In the Ouchterlony Valley an additional area, aggregating 309 Acres, was brought under taxation during the year. The land was not taken up on durkhast as the statement would indicate, but was extension of cultivation.

Item No. 2 represents the coffee estates in the Seegoor Valley, which formed the subject of my letter, embodied in Proceedings of Government, No. 460, of 7th May 1873. These estates were for the first time assessed to land revenue during the year under report.

Item No. 3 corresponds with Item No. 7 of the statement in the previous paragraph.

Item No. 5 represents the extent and assessment on grass land sold under the Waste Land Rules, which became liable to land revenue from the date of appropriation under orders, prior to the issue of G. O., No. 1,102, of 28th August 1874.

11. Actual Cultivation.—The subjoined statement exhibits an increase in the extent of land under cultivation, amounting to 2,007 Acres ; of this extent 1,448 Acres constitute extensions to which the very favorable south-west monsoon at the commencement of the year under report gave rise. Five hundred and fifty-nine acres represent the additional area put under special products, such as tea and coffee, during the same period :—

Faslis.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
1283	48,604	30,617 0 0
1284	50,611	31,765 0 0
Increase ...	2,007	1,148 0 0

12. Waste charged and remitted.—These particulars are given below :—

Items.	Waste Charged.		Waste Remitted.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Dry ... Waste land	14,681	7,405	...	...
Dry ... Grazing land or Punchumhissa grass land	2,350	769	...	...
Wet	...	...	...	...
Total ...	17,031	8,174	...	...

13. Particulars of Remission are given in the following statement :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Remission on grazing land or Punchumhissa grass...	644	578	...	66
2. Teerwa Cummee	126	98	...	28
3. Reduction of assessment in accordance with G. O., No. 1,656, of 22nd September 1871.	8,722	6,140	...	2,582
4. Cowle remission	467	467	...	...
5. Ouchterlony Valley	7,270	...	...	7,270
Total ...	17,229	7,283	...	9,946

Item No. 2 includes remissions from the usual assessement on lands sold under the Waste Land Rules, consequent on these sales taking place at different periods of the Revenue year, and the reduction of the demand, proportioned to the period of the year elapsed, before the date of sale.

Item No. 3 is remission through the operation of G. O., No. 1,656, of 22nd September 1871. The permanent remission amounts to Rupees 49-0-7, arising from the rate on grass land having been reduced from 1 Rupee to 8 Annas—*Vide* Item No. 5 of Statement appended to paragraph 9 *ante*. The balance of Rupees 6,091 is a temporary remission, which, by lapse of time, will be reduced in amount until the estates on which it has been granted fall under assessment. The adjustments under the order above quoted have now been completed. This work involved a revision of 256 individual accounts. In the case of 155 assignments land revenue fell due either prior to or during the fasli under report. In 101 cases the tax is not yet payable. These adjustments were laborious and necessitated a reference to transactions of ten and twelve years back. They were made by the regular establishment in addition to ordinary current work.

Item No. 4 is the cowle remissions arising from the grant to Mrs. Rae, free for seven years, of land at Sholoor as per Order of Government, No. 1,435, dated 16th December 1873, and assignments for firewood cultivation made for similar periods of free tenure under sanction conveyed in Order of Government, No. 2,228, dated 30th July 1869. The result of the experimental allotments made under orders above quoted has been unsatisfactory. Fifteen grants were made of 462 20 Acres of grass land, free for seven years. The grantees are required, during the first three years of the currency of the lease, to plant up half the area. This has not been done. Resumption, however, for violation of this term of the lease does not appear expedient. It would seem preferable to let the seven years run out and then resume. The locality in which the largest number of grants was made is exposed and the holdings specially liable to cattle trespass. Frost, also periodically, does much damage to the seedlings put out.

14. Particulars of Land Revenue, Miscellaneous, are exhibited in the following statement :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
9. Tax on trees	7	7	...	...
6. Land cultivated but not included in the Jammabandi	9,348	1,802	...	7,546
43. Revenue fines	3	1	...	2
47. Quit-rent on bungalows and gardens	4,293	4,302	9	...
Quit-rent paid by squatters at Coonoor as per Proceedings of the Board of Revenue ...	190	195	5	...
Retrenchment against the Assistant Commissioner in the item of fixed tentage	...	54	54	...
Sale proceeds of waste land...	3,360	7,194	3,834	...
Collection in excess of revenue due on land sold for arrears of revenue	1,238	...	...	1,238
Savings in the pay of village servants ...	15	...	...	15
Total...	18,454	13,555	...	4,899

Item No. 6 represents the collection of the fourth sexennial instalment of arrears of land revenue due on the Kartery estates in accordance with G. O., No. 1,353, of 11th August 1871.

The sale proceeds of waste lands reached the sum of Rupees 7,194. Of this item Rupees 2,308 were paid by a native for land purchased by him in the neighbourhood of the Thaymullay coffee estate, which has formed the subject of reference to Government—*Vide* G. O., No. 762, dated 19th May 1875. Rupees 3,241 were paid by Captain Reade for some land near Coonoor purchased on the same date as the above, *viz.*, 19th February 1874, and Rupees 637-8-0 for land at Billicul. The balance is made up of small items which need no special mention.

15. Extent of Land cultivated with Special Products.—The following statement shows the extent under cultivation of special products, such as tea, coffee, cinchona, potatoes, and the ordinary native grains in comparison with the previous fasli. The statistics for the fasli year are separately rendered under orders of the Board as per their Proceedings, No. 3,470, of 26th November 1874 :—

—	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	—	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
	ACRES.	ACRES.		ACRES.	ACRES.
Tea	1,770	2,029	Potatoes	1,620	1,744
Coffee	11,300	11,654	Horse-gram	103	107
Cinchona	1,311	1,311	Mustard	445	478
Raggy	4,002	4,107	Vendiem	162	177
Koraly	16,088	16,533	Opium	61	68
Samay	5,111	5,432	Vegetables	172	178
Wheat	3,098	3,227	Other crops	397	478
Gangee	4,118	4,355			
Other food grains	1,212	1,080	Total...	50,970	52,958

The figures given in this statement can hardly be taken as even approximately correct. Most of the food grains show a larger area under cultivation. Considerable extensions of tea and coffee cultivation took place during the year.

16. Abstract Statement showing the General Result of Land Revenue Settlement in comparison with the preceding year under the three heads of Ryotwar, Plantation, and Miscellaneous.—A comparative abstract of cultivation and settlement according to Form A, furnished with the Board's Circular Memorandum of 14th August 1866, No. 787, is subjoined :—

—	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Dry	67,010	39,143	67,602	39,849	592	706	...	...
Wet	40	90	40	90	...	...	...	...
Total...	67,050	39,233	67,642	39,939	592	706	...	...
Land Cess	...	2,097	...	2,190	...	93	...	...
Total ..	67,050	41,330	67,642	42,129	592	799	...	...
Deduct Remission.								
Land Cess	...	2,097	...	2,190	...	93	...	...
Village Service Fund.	...	162	...	162	...	...	...	...
Other remissions particularized in Statement No. 4	...	15,280	...	7,283	...	...	...	7,997
Total...	...	17,539	...	9,635	...	...	...	7,904
Remaining Beriz ...	67,050	23,791	67,642	32,494	592	8,703	...	...
Add Miscellaneous items	...	18,454	...	13,555	...	...	...	4,899
Total...	...	42,245	...	46,049	...	3,804	...	...

The statement exhibits a net increase under all heads of Rupees 3,804, a result due mainly to the circumstance that a larger number of estates fell under assessment during the year, the period for suspension of the demand under G. O., No. 1,656, of 22nd September 1871, having expired as explained in paragraph 13 *ante*. A slight increase occurs in the item of Land Cess, which calls for no explanation.

17. The revenue for the year is Rupees 8,702 in excess of that of the previous fasli, and Rupees 6,811 in excess of the average of past ten years as shown in the subjoined statement: —

Beriz.

	RS.	A.	P.
Fasli 1274	21,758	14	9
,, 1275	23,729	7	9
,, 1276	24,664	14	5
,, 1277	27,109	4	0
,, 1278	29,573	12	5
,, 1279	29,478	13	7
,, 1280	29,845	10	2
,, 1281	24,750	1	11
,, 1282	22,112	6	5
,, 1283	23,790	15	8
Total...	2,56,814	5	1
Average...	25,681	6	11
Fasli 1284	32,493	13	10

18. A statement showing the ayacut and cultivation under irrigation, together with the assessment and actual revenue therefrom, is appended as required in Board's Circular Memorandum of 14th August 1866, No. 787, paragraph 4, Column 5 :—

—	Total Ayacut.		Deduct.						Remainder under Cultivation.		
			Inam.		Government waste and Putcut waste remitted.		Total.				
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Actual revenue after deducting remissions.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	RS.
Jungle stream.	292	806	...	...	252	716	252	716	40	90	90

19. Sundry Sources of Revenue.—The revenue under Sundry sources exhibits an increase in every item, and an aggregate increase of Rupees 4,847. Judicial stamps show an advance of Rupees 3,110 over the return of last year. The increase may be attributed to the fact that larger and more important civil cases have occurred involving heavier Court fees.

Rupees 1,500 is the increase shown under Abkári, Miscellaneous Revenue, and accrued partly on a larger quantity of beer that left the Breweries of Messrs. Frend and Honeywell, and partly from the circumstances that fees for licenses renewed for Fasli 1285 were received and credited in the months of June last. It thus happens that the bulk of the license fees for two years were credited in Fasli 1284.

Ninety-four thousand five hundred and thirty gallons of Hill brewed beer left the factories during the year against 89,080 gallons in Fasli 1283.

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Abkári revenue	65,600	65,600	...	...
Miscellaneous	6,847	8,347	1,500	...
Total...	72,447	73,947	1,500	...
Non-Judicial stamps	7,197	7,428	231	...
Judicial stamps	6,571	9,681	3,110	...
Miscellaneous	92	104	12	...
Total...	13,860	17,213	3,353	...
Income-tax	6	...	...	6
Total...	86,313	91,160	4,847	...

20. An Abstract showing the Revenue from both Land and Sundry Sources is given below :—

—	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Land revenue	42,245	46,049	3,804	...
Sundry sources	86,313	91,160	4,847	...
Total...	1,28,558	1,37,209	8,651	...

The entire revenue of the district during Fasli 1284, both from land and sundry sources, amounts to Rupees 1,37,209, showing an increase of Rupees 8,651, or of 6¾ per cent. over the revenue for Fasli 1283. The various items which produced this result have been detailed in previous paragraphs.

21. The interest account amounts to Rupees 347-15-11. The money was recovered from purchasers of waste lands, who elected to pay the purchase money by annual instalments in accordance with the terms of Title-deed, Form Y., attached to the rules of 6th March 1863, No. 478-A.

22. Demand, Collection, and Balance of all Sources of Revenue are shown in the following statement :—

Items.	Demand for Fasli 1284.	Collections within the Fasli.	Balance on 30th June 1875.	Subsequent collections up to 31st August 1875.	Balance still due.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Ryotwar	32,494	32,058	436	358	78
Miscellaneous	13,555	13,317	238	238	...
Total...	46,049	45,375	674	596	78
Abkári revenue	73,947	73,947	...	...	...
Stamp revenue	17,213	17,213	...	...	...
Total...	1,37,209	1,36,535	674	596	78

The outstanding on 31st August was small and amounted to Rupees 78. The arrears accrued through defaulters at Seegoor against whom processes under Act II. of 1864 have been issued.

23. Demand, Collection and Balance of Arrears are given below :—

Items.	Arrears at the commencement of Fasli 1284.	Collections within the Fasli.			Balance on the 30th June 1874.	Subsequent collections.	Balance.
		Collections.	Remissions.	Total.			
Land Revenue.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Ryotwar	1,149	206	700	906	243	...	243
Miscellaneous	78	67	1	68	10	...	10
Total...	1,227	273	701	974	253	...	253
Abkári revenue... ...	1,900	1,900	...	1,900	...	...	...
Stamp do.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Income-tax...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total...	3,127	2,173	701	2,874	253	...	253

During the year Rupees 701 were written off the accounts on sanction accorded in Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, No. 2,295, of 18th August 1874. The outstandings, amounting to Rupees 253, are irrecoverable. Of this sum Rupees 188 were recommended for remission in Fasli 1283 and Rupees 65 appertain to the fasli under report, for which sanction is now sought.

24. A comparative abstract of collections is appended :—

Items.	Last Fasli.			Current Fasli.			Increase.	Decrease.
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.		
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs	Rs.	Rs.
Land revenue ...	111	23,528	23,639	206	32,058	32,264	8,625	...
Miscellaneous ...	235	18,380	18,615	67	13,317	13,384	...	5,231
Total...	346	41,908	42,254	273	45,375	45,648	3,394	...
Abkári revenue ...	...	70,547	70,547	1,900	73,947	75,847	5,300	...
Stamp do. ...	...	13,860	13,860	...	17,213	17,213	3,353	...
Income-tax... ...	...	6	6	...	...	...	...	6
Total...	346	1,26,321	1,26,667	2,173	1,36,535	1,38,708	12,041	...

There has been an increase of Land Revenue collections in comparison with the previous fasli, amounting to Rupees 8,625, indicating prompt realizations of revenue. The collection under Abkári and Stamps tally with the demand, except in certain items already specified. The variations are explained by an increase under both heads.

25. Demand, Collection, and Balance under Land Revenue are shown in the annexed statement :—

Items.	Demand for Fasli 1284.	Collections within the Fasli.	Balance.	Subsequent collections up to 31st August 1875.	Balance.
Land Revenue.					
Ryotwar.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Lands held by Burghers and other Hill tribes	16,622	16,193	429	351	78
Land held by Europeans, East Indians, &c., for tea, coffee, and cinchona plantations and other agricultural purposes	15,872	15,865	7	7	...
Total...	32,494	32,058	436	358	78
Miscellaneous.					
Quit-rent on house property ...	4,302	4,069	233	233	...
Do. on native houses in Coonoor	195	190	5	5	...
Land cultivated but not included in the Jammabandi	1,802	1,802	...	...	...
Sale of waste land...	7,194	7,194	...	...	...
Tax on trees	7	7	...	...	...
Revenue fines	1	1	...	...	...
Amount retrenched from the Assistant Commissioner as fixed tentage	54	54	...	...	...
Total...	13,555	13,317	238	238	...
Grand Total...	46,049	45,375	674	596	78

The greater portion of the outstandings of Rupees 78 is due from ryots in the direction of Seegoor, which has been already remarked upon in paragraph 22.

26. Remissions recommended to be written off are given below :—

Items.	Recommended for remission in Settlement Report for Fasli 1283.	Now recommended for remission.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Due from deceased ryots	...	...	...
Do. absconded ryots	...	...	...
Do. pauper ryots	...	...	...
Other causes	188	65	253
Total...	188	65	253

The orders of Government on the Settlement Report for Fasli 1283 have not yet been received; hence the remission for that year is shown in the above statement. Rupees 65 are now recommended. The items of which the amount is composed are all small and due by native defaulters.

27. Irrecoverable Arrears struck off the Accounts.—The irrecoverable arrears for Fasli 1282, amounting to Rupees 701, were written off the accounts under sanction of the Board

of Revenue, conveyed in their Proceedings, No. 2,295, of 18th August 1874. As remarked above no orders have yet been received to write off Rupees 188, the irrecoverable arrears for Fasli 1283.

28. Extent to which Coercive Process was employed.—The number of processes issued for the collection of arrears was 87 for revenue, amounting to Rupees 405-15-10. The number of cases in which property was attached was 25 for arrears, amounting to Rupees 138-13-4. In fourteen cases, all of native defaulters, sales took place for arrears, amounting to Rupees 75-5-6.

29. Charges.—The following table exhibits the charges of the Revenue Department in comparison with similar items for the previous fasli :—

Items.	Last Fasli.	Current Fasli.	Increase.	Decrease.
Refund of Revenue.				
Salary and Expenses.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Commissioner and Assistant Commissioner's salaries	13,510	13,312	...	198
Tentage and house-rent	1,998	2,028	30	...
Huzur and Taluq establishment	11,867	11,790	...	77
Saderward	60	60	...	...
Contingent charges	1,405	1,319	...	86
Miscellaneous	765	497	...	268
Total ...	29,605	29,006	30	629
Abkári charges	...	...	...	...
Stamp discount and contingencies	223	363	140	...
Total ...	29,828	29,369	170	629

The decrease under the head of Salaries of the Commissioner and his Assistant is attributable in part to the debit in the accounts of the net salaries, instead of the gross as heretofore, of the Commissioner and the Assistant Commissioner in accordance with Circular, No. 25, of the Accountant-General, dated 21st September 1874. The decrease under the head "Miscellaneous" is in the item of "Fees for registering Title-deeds," "Service Telegram, &c." The increase under Stamp discount is due to the larger sales and to sale exclusively through the vendor of all stamps below Rupees 50 in value.

30. Examination of the Village Accounts.—I examined some of the village accounts at the Jammabandi and found them in better order than could be expected.

31. A statement is subjoined showing the extent of land held by public servants employed in the district :—

——	In this District.		In other Districts.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
S. Narasappya, English Head Clerk	...	... ...	118·41	228 3 0	118·41	228 3 0
C. Venkataramaniah, Vernacular Head Clerk	4·68	1 3 10	24·47	37 3 10	29·15	38 7 8
C. Suthiavijaya Row, 4th Vernacular Clerk	...	... ...	38·83	238 1 6	38·83	238 1 6
Naranier, 1st Revenue Inspector	22·74	7 9 6	21·56	38 10 4	44·30	46 3 10
Vencatramier, 2nd Revenue Inspector	...	... ...	5·19	5 5 11	5·19	5 5 11
Mr. W. G. McIvor, Superintendent, Government Cinchona Plantations	601·43	714 15 7	...	... ...	601·43	714 15 7

32. Remarks on the Conduct of Subordinate Officers.—The conduct of the subordinate officers has been satisfactory.

33. Working of the Rules for the sale of Waste Lands on the Nilgiris.—During the year six sales of land by public auction took place. The extent taken up is 1581·74 Acres, or nearly three times the extent purchased during the previous fasli. The amount realized by these sales was Rupees 1,938, or an average of Rupees 1-3-7 per acre. This rate includes both the value of the land and the expenses of demarcation and survey. In comparison with similar transactions of previous years the land sold during Fasli 1284 must be considered to be satisfactory, and to indicate a disposition to settle in the district. In their Order, Revenue Department, No. 1,102, of 28th August 1874, the Government were pleased to extend to tea or grass land the same favorable terms as regards freedom from assessment for the first five years from date of appropriation, which by Order, No. 1,656, of 22nd September 1871, was conceded to forest or coffee soil. In the same Order I was directed, in communication with gentlemen acquainted with the conditions of land on the Hills, to draw up a new set of rules for the disposal of waste land calculated to develop the district. This has been done. The main features of the report are a recommendation to abolish the auction system. It is believed that the rules proposed are calculated to give a considerable impulse to the cultivation of the special products of the district.

During the year under review Government made two assignments of land in Ootacamund under the provisions of Rule XXIII. of the Waste Land Rules, one grant was to Brigadier-General Woods of 13·75 Acres for 250 Rupees, sanction for which was conveyed in Order of Government, No. 334, of 2nd March 1875; the other to Mr. Liddell of 1·52 Acres for 125 Rupees, sanctioned in Government Order, No. 165, of 6th February 1874.

34. A Statement showing the Demand, Collection, and Balance of Land Cess under Act IV. of 1871 is subjoined :—

——	Arrears.	Current.	Total.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Demand	38	2,190	2,228
Collection within the Fasli	3	2,177	2,180
Remission	21	...	21
Total...	24	2,177	2,201
Balance	14	13	27
Subsequent collection to 31st August 1875	...	8	8
Outstanding	14	5	19

It is proposed to write off the accounts the balance of arrears, amounting to Rupees 14, which comprise 11 Rupees pertaining to Fasli 1283 recommended in paragraph 34 of the Settlement Report for that year, and Rupees 3 calculated on the remissions recommended in this report.

35. Examination of Huzur and Taluq Treasuries.—One examination of the Huzur Treasury was conducted by the Madras Accountant-General in August 1874. The result was reported to the Board, and is recorded in their Proceedings, No. 3,327, of 19th November 1874.

The Treasury of the Coonoor Deputy Tahsildar was inspected by my Assistant twice during the fasli, once in August 1874. This inspection was reported to the Board in his letter, No. 18,

of 26th November 1874, and the result is stated to be satisfactory. The Assistant Commissioner inspected the same Treasury in April last.

(Signed) J. R. COCKERELL,
Commissioner.

OOTACAMUND,
30th September 1875.

Ed. J. Tulloch.

SETTLEMENT REPORT
OF
SALEM.

I HAVE the honor to report on the Revenue Settlement of the District for Fasli 1284 (1874-75), and to submit the usual Statements.

2. The Settlement was commenced in January and completed in June. The Jamabundi of the Uttengeri Taluq was put off to about the end of the fasli, owing to the prevalence of fever of a very severe type in Uttengeri, which laid up every official in the taluq, beginning with the Tahsildar downwards.

3. The taluqs of Ahtur, Oossoor, and a portion of Salem were settled by myself; the Sub-Collector settled Kistnageri, Darampury and Trichengode; and the Head Assistant Collector settled his own division, while the General Deputy-Collector settled Namkul and a portion of the Salem Taluq.

4. Statement No. 1 shows the time occupied in the Settlement of each taluq.

5. NUMBER OF VILLAGES.—The aggregate number of villages shows an increase of one village, and this is the Chinna Kulroyen Hill which has been taken by Government on lease, and which appears under the head of "Rented Villages."

6. TENURE OF VILLAGES.—In the tenure of villages there has been no change.

7. PUTTAS.—Contrasted with the previous year, the gross number of puttas, *viz.*, 2,04,759, shows an increase of 1,825. This is the result of an increase in the cultivation.

8. Out of the above total, 9,449 puttas underwent alterations, 25,083 were issued afresh, and 1,70,227 were unaltered.

9. SEASON.—The season was favorable both for dry and wet crops. The rainfall was seasonable and copious, and a fair average outturn has been the result.

10. The average rainfall of the district is shown below. Compared with the past year it shows an increase of 14·3 :—

Months.	Inches.	Tenths.	Months.	Inches.	Tenths.
April	...	$2\frac{2}{3}$	October	8	$\frac{1}{2}$
May	9	$9\frac{1}{4}$	November	2	$6\frac{1}{8}$
June	1	$8\frac{1}{2}$	December	...	$3\frac{5}{6}$
July	3	$2\frac{3}{4}$	January 1875	...	...
August	4	$\frac{7}{8}$	February	...	...
September	9	2	March	...	$7\frac{7}{9}$
Total ...	28	$6\frac{1}{24}$	Total ...	11	$8\frac{6}{18}$
			Grand Total ...	40	$4\frac{23}{72}$

11. SANITARY CONDITION.—Public health suffered much from fever. It prevailed in every taluq, but especially in Uttengeri, and the number of deaths from fever was very marked. The returns show an increase of 4,965 deaths over the number during the preceding year.

12. Cholera and Small-pox.—There was no cholera. Small-pox prevailed to some extent in every taluq. The number of deaths however from this epidemic shows a decrease of 3,956 as contrasted with the previous year.

13. Cattle Disease.—Komari and other diseases prevailed among cattle but not to any considerable extent, and the mortality has been comparatively small. Scarcity of pasture for cattle was felt in some places at the end of the year.

14. Grain Prices.—The annexed abstract gives in a comparative form the ruling prices of all grains :—

Grains.	Fasli 1282.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
Paddy... 1st sort	144	164	161
Paddy... 2nd sort	126	144	139
Cholum	139	169	191
Cumboo	127	156	138
Horse-gram	177	226	205
Raggi	114	122	144
Varagoo	78	79	118

15. It will be seen from the above that prices of some grains have fallen while others have risen. They varied with the yield of the different crops and with the export demand.

16. Commutation Rates.—The commutation rates are the same as those given last year, *viz.*, Rupees 91-10-8 for the northern and Rupees 100 for the southern taluqs, and they are uniform both for wet and dry. It will be seen from the table above given that the ruling prices of all grains without exception far exceed the commutation rates.

17. Wages of Labor.—There has been no material variation under this head.

18. Revenue Settlement.—The introduction of the new Settlement rates having been completed last year, the operations of the Settlement Department were confined during the year under report to the redemarcation of the ryots' holdings.

19. Ryots' Holdinds.—Acres 11,93,708, assessed at Rupees 17,72,048, were in occupation at the beginning of the year; Acres 43,946, assessed at Rupees 41,112, were resigned, and Acres 64,429, assessed at Rupees 64,121, were newly taken up. The result shows that at the end of the fasli under report the land under ryots' occupation was in excess of that under cultivation at the end of the preceding year by Acres 22,140, assessed at Rupees 30,738.

20. The item "Lands transferred to other heads" in Enclosure A. to Statement No. 3 represents the lands transferred from dry to wet and *vice versa*, as well as the alterations made in the Settlement rates and areas by the Deputy Director since the introduction of the Settlement.

21. Actual Cultivation.—The land actually cultivated during the year was Acres 11,74,614, assessed at Rupees 17,39,640, or Acres 27,018, assessed at Rupees 35,817, in excess of the cultivation in the previous year. This is, of course, the result of a good season.

22. Waste Remitted.—Acres 1,579, assessed at Rupees 8,641, were remitted under the head "Wet." These remissions were given chiefly in the Oossoor and Trichengode Taluqs, where the lands under certain tanks which were breached in the cyclone of May 1874 were left waste.

23. Waste Charged.—Acres 37,534, assessed at Rupees 46,142, were charged. Most of this was "Dry."

24. The total Ryotwari beriz, exclusive of miscellaneous items, amounts according to Column 59 of Statement No. 3 to Rupees 16,69,997-2-11, while the Demand, Collection, and Balance Statement for June last shows Rupees 16,70,042-11-2. The difference, *viz*, Rs 45-8-3, is owing to a mistake by which the Neercooly levied on Inam lands in the Trichengode Taluq was included under "Ryotwari" instead of "Miscellaneous" in the Demand, Collection, and Balance Statement.

25. Final Settlement.—The subjoined statement shows the cultivation and settlement of the year under report contrasted with the preceding one :—

Items.	Last Fasli 1283.		Present Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACS.	RS. A. P.
Dry	1,098,809	12,46,260 8 4	1,118,220	12,65,763 8 4	19,411	19,503 0 0	...	... ...
Wet	91,199	5,08,782 15 2	93,928	5,20,018 6 0	2,729	11,235 6 10	...	... ...
Total ...	1,190,008	17,55,043 7 6	1,212,148	17,85,781 14 4	22,140	30,738 6 10	...	... ...
Add.								
Second crop assessment ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	...	... ...
Water-tax... ...	.....	4,646 12 2	.....	8,314 10 0	.....	3,667 13 10	...	... ...
Road Fund ...	.....	1,69,186 0 8	.....	1,63,860 8 2	.....	... ...	...	5,325 8 6
Village Service...	.....	2,30,746 11 0	.....	2,31,242 9 7	.....	495 14 7	...	... ...
Total ...	.....	21,59,622 15 4	.....	21,89,199 10 1	.....	29,576 10 9	...	... ...
Deduct.								
Road Fund ...	.....	1,69,186 0 8	.....	1,63,860 8 2	.....	... ...	...	5,325 8 6
Village Service Fund	.....	2,30,746 11 0	.....	2,31,242 9 7	.....	495 14 7	...	... ...
Other remissions particularized in Statement No. 4.	.....	1,24,726 7 10	.....	1,24,099 5 5	.....	... ...	...	627 2 5
Total ...	.....	5,24,659 3 6	.....	5,19,202 7 2	.....	... ...	...	5,456 13 4
Remaining beriz.	.....	16,34,963 11 10	.....	16,69,997 2 11	.....	35,033 7 1	...	... ...
Add Miscellaneous	.....	86,830 12 11	.....	1,01,841 2 4	.....	15,010 5 5	...	... ...
Total ...	.....	17,21,794 8 9	.....	17,71,838 5 3	.....	50,043 12 6	...	... ...

26. The increase in the cultivation has already been accounted for.

27. No second crop assessment system exists in this district.

28. The introduction of the new system of water-tax accounts for the disappearance of the head "additional assessment" and the increase under "Water-tax."

29. In reality the "Road Fund" ought to show an increase in proportion to the increase in the cultivation; but, owing to the late period at which several of the Muttadars and Agrahaaramdars rendered their statements, the assessment was not fully completed within the fasli. Hence the decrease.

30. The increase in the "Village Service Fund" is in proportion to the increase in the cultivation.

31. Sugar-cane, Cotton, and Indigo.—The following abstract shows the particulars under this head :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Sugar-cane	1,815	8.869	1,457	7,289
Cotton	22,879	28,364	20,999	24,377
Indigo	1,746	7,805	1,457	5,983

32. There is a falling off in the cultivation of all these products, especially cotton and indigo, for which the demand has been slack.

33. There is a difference of Acres 96, assessed at Rupees 351, between the figures entered under sugar-cane cultivation in Enclosure B to Statement No. 3 and those entered in Statement No. 2 which accompanied the Revenue Administration Report. This is owing to the omission in the latter statement of the extent of sugar-cane cultivation in the Poliputs of the Oossoor Taluq. This has been rectified in the present return. There is also a difference of 8,900 Acres, assessed at Rupees 8,767, in cotton, and this is owing to the omission in the Namkul Taluq of this species of cultivation in the permanently settled estates.

34. Remissions.—Remissions given under all heads during the year were as follows :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
1	2	3	4	5
Occasional Remissions.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Shavi	4,672	635	...	4,037
Palanastam...	1,601	4,087	2,486	...
Progressive Cowle Remissions	...	21	21	...
Teazgari Remissions	...	...	...	...
Fasal Commi	...	...	...	...
Payamali	38	80	42	...
Neercooly	25	...	...	25
Total ...	6,336	4,823	...	1,513
Fixed Remissions.				
Fixed Cowle Remissions	31	6	...	25
Remissions on pasture lands	761	...	...	761
Total ...	792	6	...	786
Items allowed on collection or from the entire beriz of villages.				
Share of Shrotriem proceeds	10,894	11,001	107	...
Allowance for Head of Villages and Curnams, &c.	1,06,456	1,08,014	1,558	...
Dasavandam shares	248	255	7	...
Total ...	1,17,598	1,19,270	1,672	...
Grand Total ...	1,24,726	1,24,099	...	627

35. The small remission (635) for Shavi was given in the Trichengode Taluq, where two or three tanks at the northern end of the taluq did not receive a sufficient supply of water.

36. The remission (Rupees 4,087) under the head "Palanastam" represents the difference between dry and wet rates on lands lying under breached anicuts and tanks. The increase under this head has been occasioned by the breaching of many tanks during the floods of May and October 1874.

37. The amount (Rupees 21) under "Progressive Cowle" appertains to lands covered with prickly-pear given on cowle tenure, in accordance with the Board's Standing Order, No. 38 of 1874.

38. The small amount (Rupees 6) under "Fixed Remissions" belong to lands which are situated in jungly parts of the Salem and Kistnageri Taluqs, which were not brought under the new settlement owing to their unhealthiness.

39. The variations in other items do not call for any special remark.

40. Miscellaneous Revenue.—The revenue under this head amounts to Rupees 1,04,694 or Rupees 15,269 over the revenue for the preceding year. The particulars are as follows :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Land Revenue, Miscellaneous	86,831	1,01,841	15,010	...
Abkári	24	29	5	...
Stamps...	2,570	2,824	254	...
Total ...	89,425	1,04,694	15,269	...

41. The increase is chiefly in the Inam quit-rent and the collection of "Revenue Process Batta." The variations in other items are not material.

42. The difference (Rupees 45-8-3) between Statement No. 5 (Miscellaneous) and the Demand, Collection, and Balance Statement for June last is owing to the cause explained in paragraph 24 of this report.

43. Permanently Settled Estates—*Statement No.* 6.—The number of permanently settled estates, *viz.*, 133, shows an increase of three estates over the number in Fasli 1283. The sub-division of three muttahs in the Tripatore Taluq, two on account of arrears of revenue and one at the instance of the proprietors, has caused this increase.

44. General Result of Land Revenue.—The following abstract gives the particulars under this head :—

Items.	Total Demand.	Balance at the end of the Fasli.	Balance at the end of August 1875.	Percentage between Columns 2 and 3.	Percentage between Columns 2 and 4.
1	2	3	4	5	6
Land Revenue.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Permanently Settled	4,45,701	32,878	16,863	7	4
Shrotriem Jodi	45,134	14,616	7,984	32	18
Ryotwari	16,69,997	1,50,282	80,853	9	5
Miscellaneous	1,01,841	34,615	22,227	33	22
Total ...	22,62,673	2,32,391	1,27,927	9	6
Abkári Rent	3,71,915	23,964	22,447	6	6
Do. Miscellaneous ...	29	...	...	...	...
Total...	3,71,944	23,964	22,447	...	...
Stamps	1,90,686	...	...	...	...
Do. Miscellaneous... ...	2,824	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1,93,510	...	...	...	...
Grand Total ...	28,28,127	2,56,355	1,50,374	9	5

45. *Peishcush and Shrotriem Jodigay.*—The demand under these heads was the same as in the previous year.

46. *Ryotwar and Miscellaneous.*—The variations under these heads have already been explained.

47. *Abkári.*—The triennial lease of the Abkári Farm expired with the fasli under report. The balance under this head (22,447) is nominal, as the Promissory notes deposited by the several renters in the Treasury are available for the balance. The necessary adjustment is being made.

48. Demand, Collection, and Balance Current.—The balance against the permanently settled estates was at the end of the fasli Rupees 32,878. The subsequent collection to the end of August reduced this to Rupees 16,863. The balance is due chiefly on three muttahs, two of which will be brought to auction and one will be taken under management.

49. *Jodigay.*—The balance under this head at the end of the fasli was Rupees 14,616 and at the end of August Rupees 7,984. The Agraharams in arrears have been advertised for sale.

50. *Ryotwari and Miscellaneous.*—The balance under these heads was at the end of the fasli Rupees 1,84,897 and at the end of August Rupees 1,03,080. All arrears which can be collected without having recourse to coercive measures have been collected, and the necessary steps have been taken for realizing the balance.

51. The annexed statement shows the Revenue collections for the year under report as contrasted with the preceding one :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Increase.	Decrease.
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.		
Land Revenue.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Permanently Settled	63,915	3,97,140	4,66,055	43,048	4,12,823	4,55,871	...	10,184
Jodi, Shrotriem, &c., Villages	27,666	29,260	56,926	16,497	30,517	47,014	...	9,912
Ryotwar	1,28,616	14,52,407	15,81,023	1,58,847	15,19,715	16,78,562	97,539	...
Miscellaneous... ...	19,663	61,787	81,450	22,046	67,226	89,272	7,822	..
Total...	2,44,860	19,40,594	21,85,454	2,40,438	20,30,281	22,70,719	85,265	...
Abkari	21,146	3,72,111	3,93,257	...	3,47,979	3,47,979	...	45,278
License-tax	167	10	177	...	...	...	...	177
Stamps	...	1,67,260	1,67,260	...	1,93,511	1,93,511	26,251	...
Total...	2,66,173	24,79,975	27,46,148	2,40,438	25,71,771	28,12,209	66,061	..

52. The above shows a decrease of Rupees 10,184 in the collections under permanently settled estates. In reality, the muttah peishcush was recovered more promptly during the year under report than in the preceding years, as will be seen from the figures under the head "Current." The decrease is however owing to the fact that the arrears at the beginning of the fasli were smaller than those at the beginning of the preceding year. Hence the decrease in the collections on account of arrears.

53. *Shrotriem Jodigay.*—The reason given in the preceding paragraph accounts for the decrease under this head also.

54. *Ryotwar and Miscellaneous.*—The p[illegible]pt measures adopted for the recovery of the arrears and the several kists have occasioned the increase under these heads.

55. The increase is chiefly in the Court Fee Stamps which are extensively used.

56. Arrears of Revenue.—It will be seen from Statement No. 8 that arrears of former faslies amounted at the end of the year to Rupees 1,05,171 and at the end of August to Rupees 1,02,000. Of this, Rupees 58,289 are irrecoverable. This sum includes Rupees 36,186 recommended for remission in the last year's report, and for which no sanction has as yet been received. The amount now set down as irrecoverable is therefore only Rupees 22,103. To this I must add Rupees 4,214 which is shown at the foot of Statement No. 8 under Column 11. This is the assessment of lands taken up for public purposes in the several muttahs referred to in the correspondence noted in the margin. As final orders were received only in the middle of June, it was not possible to make the necessary deductions in the peishcush during the fasli under report. It will however be effected during the current fasli. In the meanwhile, I have included the amount for Fasli 1284 as well as that which should be refunded for former faslies (*vide* paragraph 3 of Mr. Price's letter, dated 4th June 1874, No. 226) under the "Irrecoverable head". The amount for which sanction is now sought is for writing off Rupees 62,503.

* Board's Proceedings, dated 22nd April 1875, No. 991. G. O., dated 20th May 1875, No. 763.

57. The Ryotwari balance recommended for remission is that which remained as hopeless of recovery after all the available property, real and personal, was distrained and sold. Careful inquiries were made at the Jamabundi regarding each item set down as irrecoverable.

58. The sum of Rupees 109 shown under "Income-tax" is the amount recommended for remission in the last year's report.

59. Coercive Process.—Fifteen thousand two hundred and forty-seven processes were issued for the recovery of Rupees 2,39,640. The property actually sold realized Rupees 70,037. The process fees collected during the year amounted to Rupees 9,798.

60. Interest.—The usual statement showing the interest levied on arrears of revenue is enclosed. It shows Rupees 4,213 under Land Revenue and Rupees 313 under Abkári.

61. Charges.—The charges for the year amounted to Rupees 1,98,398 or Rupees 2,792 over the sum for the past year. The variations are not of such a nature as to call for any special remark.

62. Land acquired by Public Servants.—Lands acquired by Public Servants during the year were as follows :—

	Extent.	Assessment.
	Acres.	Rs. A. P.
1. By Huzoor Servants	26 17	241 13 0
2. By Taluq Servants	135 31	277 0 4
Total ...	161 48	518 13 4

63. Agricultural Statistics.—In accordance with the Board's Proceedings of the 26th November 1874, No. 3,417, two statements showing the agricultural statistics and acreage of crops are enclosed. No experiments were made as to the yield of crops.

64. Village and Taluq Accounts.—These accounts were examined by the different officers who conducted the Jamabundi. I found the Darkast Registers in the Oossoor and Tripatore Taluqs badly kept, and issued the necessary orders on the subject. The Sub-Collector speaks unfavorably of the accounts of the Kistnageri Taluq. He however adds that an improvement is already apparent. On the whole the accounts of the several taluqs were kept satisfactorily.

65. The Treasury Accounts of the Salem, Ahtur, Darampury, Tripatore, and Uttengeri Taluqs were examined during the year by the Treasury Deputy-Collector Mr. Johnston. He found several defects in the accounts to rectify which instructions have been issued.

66. To sum up, I subjoin an abstract showing the Revenue for the last five years:—

Faslies.	Land Revenue.	Abkári.	Stamps.	Total.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1280	23,02,997	3,35,914	1,34,327	27,73,238
1281	22,40,796	3,36,310	1,34,531	27,11,637
1282	22,56,368	3,71,530	1,33,596	27,61,494
1283	22,12,629	3,72,111	1,67,260	27,52,000
1284	22,62,673	3,71,943	1,93,511	28,28,127

67. It will be seen from the above that the loss sustained by the large relinquishments of lands during the introduction of the new Revenue Settlement is being rapidly made up, and that the gross revenue of the district for the year under report shows rather more than three-fourths of a lac of rupees over the past year.

68. The report of the Sub-Collector on the Settlement of his division is enclosed.

69. Conduct of Subordinates.—With the exception of Tahsildar Soondriah, I have had every reason to be satisfied with the conduct of all the Subordinates. My Sheristadar, D. Paul Pillay, has as usual been of great service to me, and has fully maintained his reputation as an honest, hard-working, and most intelligent public servant.

Salem,
8th October 1875.

(Signed) C. T. LONGLEY,
Collector.

Exd. J. W. Lewis.

SUB-COLLECTORATE.

I have the honor to submit the Annual Settlement Report of the Sub-division for Fasli 1284.

2. Villages at which Settlement was made.—The subjoined abstract shows the names of the officers who conducted the Jamabandi of the several taluqs, the stations at which the Jamabandi was made, and the period occupied for the settlement of each taluq. The Oossoor Taluq was settled by the Collector for the third year running, and the other two taluqs by myself:—

Names of Officers.	Taluqs.	Villages at which Jamabandi was made.	Time occupied.
C. T. Longley, Esq., Collector.	Oossoor.	1. Oossoor. 2. Denkencottah.	From 4th to 13th May 1875.
F. H. W. Wilkinson, Esq., Acting Sub-Collector.	Kistnagiri.	1. Kistnagiri. 2. Maharazgade. 3. Caveripatnam. 4. Mathoor.	From 26th January to 11th February 1875.
	Dharampuri.	1. Palcode. 2. Pennagaram. 3. Dharampuri.	From 23rd February to 11th March 1875.

3. Variations in the Number and Tenure of Villages.—There has been no variation in the number or tenure of villages in the year under report.

4. Puttas.—In the number of puttas issued there has been an increase of 638 as shown in the subjoined statement:—

Faslis.	Number of Fresh Puttas.	Old Puttas modified by Fresh Entries.	Old Puttas not modified.	Total.
1283	23,843	1,995	35,735	61,573
1284	12,512	2,707	46,992	62,211
Comparison	— 11,331	+ 712	+ 11,257	+ 638

5. The increase being small calls for no remark.

6. Season.—The season was very favorable both for wet and dry crops. Early in May there was a cyclone which filled the tanks, and, though it occasioned great loss of cattle, was favorable for agriculture. A few tanks in the Kistnagiri and Oossoor Taluqs were breached. The rainfall during the remainder of the fasli was seasonable and sufficient. The area cultivated during

the fasli was larger than in the preceding year. The outturn of wet and dry crops was fair. The average rainfall in the year was 48·54 inches against 21·68 inches in the preceding year as shown below :—

Months.	1873-74.	1874-75.	Increase.	Decrease.
April	1·49	·02	...	1·47
May	·42	11·03	10·61	...
June	·85	2·1	1·25	...
July	·66	5·8	5·14	...
August	5·67	4·12	...	1·55
September...	3·13	11·17	8·04	...
Total for first half-year ...	12·22	34·24	25·04	3·02
October	8·17	9·67	1· 5	...
November...	·33	3·16	2·83	...
December...	·88	·41	...	.47
January	...	...	...	...
February	...	...	...	...
March	·08	1·06	·98	...
Total for second half-year ...	9·46	14·30	5·31	·47
Grand Total ...	21·68	48·54	30·35	3·49
Comparison ...	...	...	26·86	...

7. Sanitary Condition.—The public health was not so good as in the previous year. The division was entirely free from cholera. Fever prevailed to an unprecedented extent, but the mortality was not very great. Small-pox was prevalent in many places, but the loss of life was trifling. A new scheme of vaccination has been introduced, by which each village in the division is visited annually, and the returns show a great improvement upon the old system.

8. Cattle Disease.—Cattle suffered from "kumari" and "kundu" to a certain extent. Cattle medicine was distributed, but it is difficult to overcome the apathy of the people, who will not believe in remedial measures and who cannot be persuaded to segregate the sick cattle or to destroy the carcases. The loss of cattle from disease was not large.

9. Prices.—The following statement gives the prices of different grains during the year under report. It might have been expected that, as the season was so favorable for agriculture, prices would fall, but the large demand from the neighboring districts caused a small increase.

Articles.	Average Price of the Madras Garce.		Increase.	Decrease.
	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.		
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Rice ... 1st sort ...	382	375	...	7
Rice ... 2nd do. ...	324	320	...	4
Paddy ... 1st sort ...	169	162	...	7
Paddy ... 2nd do. ...	136	132	...	4
Wheat	511	429	...	82
Horse-gram	199	221	22	...
Black-gram	372	386	14	...
Raggy	121	135	14	...
Cumboo	116	113	...	3
Cholum	176	236	60	...
Varagoo	100	118	18	...
Salt (Sea)...	342	367	25	...

10. Ryots' Holdings.—The following abstract shows the ryots' holding at the beginning of the fasli, the subsequent fluctuations during the year, and the net ryots' holding at the end of the fasli.

Items.	Dry.		Wet.		Total.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.
Holding at the beginning of the Fasli 1284....	356,116	3,29,824	31,090	1,44,010	387,206	4,73,834
Deduct— Lands relinquished and otherwise struck out of the puttas	22,562	18,285	1,421	6,494	23,983	24,779
Remainder ...	333,554	3,11,539	29,669	1,37,516	363,223	4,49,055
Add— Lands taken up on darkhast and otherwise included in puttas ...	25,725	21,792	1,620	7,048	27,345	28,840
Total holding at the end of Fasli 1284...	359,279	3,33,331	31,289	1,44,564	390,568	4,77,895
Increase ...	3,163	3,507	199	554	3,362	4,061
Decrease ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Net Increase ...	...	...	...	...	3,362	4,061

11. The above statement shows an increase of Acres 3,362 in land and Rupees 4,061 in assessment as compared with the preceding year, which is attributable to the favorable character of the season.

12. Actual Cultivation.—The actual cultivation exclusive of the entire waste and inclusive of the water-rate is compared in the subjoined abstract with the results of Fasli 1283 :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.
Dry...	340,729	3,17,519	347,338	3,23,598	6,609	6,079	...	...
Wet	26,751	1,25,022	29,810	1,38,370	3,059	13,348	...	...
Total ...	367,480	4,42,541	377,148	4,61,968	9,668	19,427	...	...
Second-crop assessment ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Additional assessment ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Water-rate ...	...	962	...	3,392	...	2,430	...	...
Total ...	...	962	...	3,392	...	2,430	...	...
Grand Total ...	367,480	4,43,503	377,148	4,65,360	9,668	21,857	...	...

13. Waste Charged and Remitted.—The following is a comparative statement showing the lands left waste and the portions thereof remitted and charged :—

Fasli.	Description of Lands.	Waste Charged.		Waste Remitted.		Total Waste.	
		Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
		ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
1283... ...	Dry... ...	15,387	12,305	..	...	15,387	12,305
	Wet ...	1,547	6,367	2,792	12,620	4,339	18,987
	Total...	16,934	18,672	2,792	12,620	19,726	31,292
1284... ...	Dry... ...	11,941	9,732	...	...	11,941	9,732
	Wet ...	1,074	4,003	405	2,192	1,479	6,195
	Total...	13,015	13,735	405	2,192	13,420	15,927
Decrease in Fasli 1284.		3,919	4,937	2,387	10,428	6,306	15,365

14. The decrease is the result of the good season. The wet waste entered in the statement as remitted was the ayacut of the tanks that were breached in the cyclone of May.

15. Particulars of other Remissions.—The following table shows the other remissions as per Jamabandi Statement No. 4 as compared with those of the previous fasli : —

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Teerwa Kummi	300	413	113	...
Shavy	2,366	...	...	2,366
Fixed Cowle Remissions	31	5	...	26
Remission on Lands covered with Prickly-pear..	...	9	9	...
Remission on Pasture Lands	761	...	...	761
Dasabandam Shares	114	124	10	...
Agraharam Shares	502	519	17	...
Allowance for Heads of Villages and Curnmas..	31,908	32,704	796	...
Total...	35,982	33,774	945	3,153

16. *Teerwa Kummi.*—This item refers only to the Oossoor Taluq. Besides the ruined tanks already existing in this taluq, the rains of the year under report caused a breach of several tanks. Consequently the wet lands under some of them were charged with dry rates by the Collector at the time of settlement. Hence there is an increase of Rupees 113 under this item.

17. *Fixed Cowle Remissions.*—This item existed in some of the unsettled villages of Oossoor and Kistnagiri Taluqs. In the fasli under report the cowle lands in Oossoor Taluq have been fully assessed, so the amount of Rupees 31 in Fasli 1283 has been reduced to Rupees 5 in Fasli 1284. Steps will be taken to assess the cowle lands in Kistnagiri Taluq with full assessment.

18. *Remission on Lands covered with Prickly-pear.*—According to the provisions of Standing Order No. 38 of 1874 of the Board of Revenue, certain lands covered with prickly-pear and assessed at Rupees 9-2-4 were given on cowle in Dharampuri Taluq.

19. *Remission on Pasture Lands.*—This item, which refers only to Oossoor Taluq, no longer exists, as all pasture lands have been fully assessed in Fasli 1284.

20. The last three items vary with the cultivation, and the increase in them is the result of the increased cultivation.

21. Net Ryotwari Settlement.—A comparative statement of the net ryotwari settlement made in Fasli 1284 is given below :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Dry	356,116	3,29,824	359,279	3,33,330	3,163	3,506	.....	.....
Wet	31,090	1,44,010	31,289	1,44,565	199	555	.....	.....
Total...	387,206	4,73,834	390,568	4,77,895	3,362	4,061	.....	.....
Add—								
Second-crop Assessment	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Additional Assessment.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Water-rate	.....	962	.....	3,392	.....	2,430	.....	.....
Road Fund	.....	38,436	.....	38,469	.....	33	.....	.....
Village Service Fund	.....	35,316	.....	34,999	.....	.....	.....	317
Total...	.....	74,714	.....	76,860	.....	2,463	.....	317
Grand Total...	.....	5,48,548	.....	5,54,755	.....	6,524	.....	317
Deduct—								
Remission on Waste	.....	12,620	.....	2,192	.....	.....	.....	10,428
Road Fund	.....	38,436	.....	38,469	.....	33	.....	.....
Village Service Fund	.....	35,316	.....	34,999	.....	.....	.....	317
Other Remissions in para. 15.	.....	35,982	.....	33,774	.....	.....	.....	2,208
Total...	.....	1,22,354	.....	1,09,434	.....	33	.....	12,953
Net Ryotwari Settlement.....	.....	4,26,194	.....	4,45,321	.....	19,127	.....	.....
Land Revenue, Miscellaneous...	.....	17,723	.....	18,849	.....	1,126	.....	.....
Total ..	.....	4,43,917	.....	4,64,170	.....	20,253	.....	.....

22. The increase in the Road Fund and the decrease in the Village Service Fund being small call for no remarks.

23. The other items in the above statement, with the exception of Land Revenue, Miscellaneous, have already been explained. The Land Revenue, Miscellaneous, will be referred to in its proper place.

24. Cultivation of Special Products.—Annexed is the comparative statement of the cultivation of special products :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.		Fasli 1284.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
Sugarcane. Circar	445	1,876	333	1,512	.....	.....	112	364
Sugarcane. Inams	32	149	23	99	.....	.....	9	50
Sugarcane. Mittahs and Poliputs.....	126	426	97	357	.....	.....	29	69
Total...	603	2,451	453	1,968	.....	.....	150	483
Cotton Circar	.....	.....	2	1	2	1	.....	.....
Indigo	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total...	.....	.....	2	1	2	1	.....	.....
Grand Total...	603	2,451	455	1,969	2	1	150	483
Net Decrease...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	148	482

25. There has been a small falling off in the cultivation of special products.

26. General Result of all Land and Extra Sources of Revenue.—The subjoined statement shows the general results of all sources of land and extra revenue as compared with the previous fasli :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
Land Revenue.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Permanently Settled	75,948	75,948	.....	.....
Shrotriem Jodi	19,906	19,906	...	.....
Ryotwar	4,26,195	4,45,321	19,126	.....
Miscellaneous	17,723	18,850	1,127	.....
Total Land Revenue...	5,39,772	5,60,025	20,253	.....
Extra Revenue.				
Forest Revenue and Miscellaneous	10,729	15,024	4,295	.....
Abkári and Miscellaneous...	1,38,653	1,38,618	.....	35
Stamps and Miscellaneous...	53,991	62,850	8,859	.....
Total Extra Revenue...	2,03,373	2,16,492	13,154	35
Total of all Sources of Land and Extra Revenue.	7,43,145	7,76,517	33,407	35
Net increase	.....	.....	33,372	.....

27. *Permanently Settled and Shrotriem Jodi.*—There have been no changes in these items.

28. *Ryotwar.*—The reasons for the increase under this head have already been pointed out.

29. *Laud Revenue, Miscellaneous.*—The increase in this item is owing to the increased cultivation subsequent to Jamabandi and to the Revenue Process Service Fund having been included in this item, which was not done in the previous year.

30. *Forest Revenue.*—The increase under this head is attributable to the great demand for wood.

31. *Abkári.*—The decrease is small and calls for no remark.

32. *Stamps.*—The large increase under this head is the result of the increasing use of Court Fee Stamps.

33. Demand, Collection, and Balance of all Sources of Current Revenue.—The subjoined abstract shows the particulars under this head :—

Items.	Total Demand.	Collections up to 30th June 1875.	Balance.	Subsequent Collections up to 31st July 1875.	Balance on 1st August 1875.
Land Revenue.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Permanently Settled...	75,948 4 2	58,882 7 5	17,065 12 9	1,812 11 9	15,253 1 0
Shrotriem Jodi ...	19,906 4 0	14,348 7 6	5,557 12 6	2,023 4 8	3,534 7 10
Ryotwar	4,45,321 3 1	3,82,189 6 0	63,131 13 1	16,940 4 0	46,191 9 1
Miscellaneous ...	18,849 9 7	12,753 4 3	6,096 5 4	1,081 8 0	5,014 13 4
Total ...	5,60,025 4 10	4,68,173 9 2	91,851 11 8	21,857 12 5	69,993 15 3
Extra Revenue.					
Forest Revenue and Miscellaneous	15,024 0 2	15,024 0 2	... ...	... ...	... ...
Abkári and Miscellaneous ...	1,38,617 11 10	1,38,617 11 10	... ...	... ...	... ...
Stamps and Miscellaneous ...	62,850 5 2	62,850 5 2	... ...	... ...	... ...
Total ...	2,16,492 1 2	2,16,492 1 2	... ...	... ...	... ...
Grand Total ...	7,76,517 6 0	6,84,665 10 4	91,851 11 8	21,857 12 5	69,993 15 3

34. The balance of land revenue remaining on 1st August 1875 is twelve per cent. on the total demand as in the previous year. Considering the good character of the season, the state of collection was not as satisfactory as could be wished.

35. Demand, Collection and Balance of all Sources of Arrears of Revenue.—The statement below shows the details under this head :—

Items.	Balance on 1st July 1874.	Collections up to end of June 1875.	Remissions.	Total.	Remainder.	Subsequent Collections up to 31st July 1875.	Balance on 1st August 1875.
Land Revenue.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Permanently Settled...	18,477 6 0	8,588 7 7	3,032 11 8	11,621 3 3	6,856 2 9	... ...	6,856 2 9
Shrotriem Jodi	5,620 3 8	5,457 2 10	... ...	5,457 2 10	163 0 10	4 0 9	159 0 1
Ryotwar	91,834 4 0	54,987 14 0	6,667 5 7	61,655 3 7	30,179 0 5	642 6 5	29,536 10 0
Miscellaneous	7,680 11 7	6,015 14 7	122 12 8	6,228 11 3	1,452 0 4	29 0 1	1,423 0 3
Total ...	1,23,612 9 3	75,049 7 0	9,822 13 11	84,962 4 11	38,650 4 4	675 7 3	37,974 13 1
Extra Revenue.							
Forest Revenue	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
Abkári	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
Income-tax	27 8 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	27 8 0	... ...	... ...
Stamps	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...	... ...
Total ...	27 8 0	... ...	... ...	... ...	27 8 0	... ...	27 8 0
Grand Total ...	1,23,640 1 3	75,049 7 0	9,822 13 11	84,962 4 11	38,677 12 4	675 7 3	38,002 5 1

36. Recommendation in regard to Irrecoverable Arrears.—The subjoined table shows the particulars of the balance under the heads Recoverable, Doubtful, and Irrecoverable.

Items.	Balance on 1st August 1875.	Recoverable.	Doubtful.	Irrecoverable.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Permanently Settled	6,856 2 9	6,584 14 4	13 12 9	257 7 8
Shrotriem Jodi	159 0 1	139 14 9	... ...	19 1 4
Ryotwar	29,536 10 0	18,191 6 6	109 5 3	11,235 14 3
Miscellaneous	1,423 0 3	1,190 4 8	... ...	232 11 7
	37,974 13 1	26,106 8 3	123 2 0	11,745 2 10
Income-tax	27 8 0	... ...	... ...	27 8 0
Total ...	38,002 5 1	26,106 8 3	123 2 0	11,772 10 10
Local Funds.				
Road Fund	2,302 8 8	1,176 2 10	... ...	1,126 5 10
Ferry Rent	167 4 8	... ...	... ...	167 4 8
Fish Rent	352 7 8	151 0 0	... ...	201 7 8
Avenue Trees Rent	6,239 14 11	588 13 4	... ...	5,651 1 7
Total ...	9,062 3 11	1,916 0 2	... ...	7,146 3 9
Special Funds.				
Village Service Fund ...	3,010 4 2	2,808 13 7	... ...	201 6 7
Total ...	3,010 4 2	2,808 13 7	... ...	201 6 7
Grand Total ...	50,074 13 2	30,831 6 0	123 2 0	19,120 5 2

Items.	Fasli.	Amount.	Grounds.
		Rs. A. P.	
Permanently Settled.	1282 ...	160 15 4	The assessment of lands in jari mutas taken up for roads and the amount of jodi on inams in jari mutas included in the peishcush, which Inams were resumed and incorporated with Government lands.
	1283 ...	96 8 4	
	Total...	257 7 8	
Shrotriem Jodi ...	1283 ...	19 1 4	The assessment of lands in shrotriem villages taken up for roads.
Ryotwar	1276 ...	19 12 10	Out of this amount the sum of Rupees 1,522-1-4 refers to Kistnagiri Taluq, and is the difference between the settlement assessment and the pymaish assessment on cultivated lands relinquished after the issue of rough puttas by the Settlement Department. The pymaish assessment was ordered to be collected on such lands while the settlement assessment had been included in the beriz of Fasli 1282.
	1277 ...	1 14 2	
	1278 ...	72 11 9	
	1279 ...	109 3 0	
	1280 ...	263 12 1	
	1281 ...	1,430 11 3	
	1282 ...	4,141 4 5	
	1283 ...	5,196 8 9	
	Total...	11,235 14 3	Rupees 19-12-10 due for Fasli 1276 had been misappropriated by certain village officers. They were tried and punished. They had no property by which this amount might be collected.

Items.	Fasli.	Amount.	Grounds.
		Rs. A. P.	
Ryotwar.-(*Contd.*)			The sum of Rupees 1-12-10 is the difference between the wet and dry assessment for certain wet lands transferred to the head of dry subsequent to Jamabandi. The remaining amount of Rupees 9,692-3-3 is the assessment of lands sold for arrears of revenue which did not realize the full amount of arrears. The defaulters have no other property on which proceedings can be taken.
Miscellaneous ...	1279 ...	1 14 11	This amount consists of the assessment of lands cultivated subsequent to Jamabandi and the quit-rent of inams which were sold for arrears of revenue and which did not realize the full amount of arrears. The defaulters have no other property.
	1280 ...	60 13 3	
	1281 ...	7 1 11	
	1282 ...	73 5 7	
	1283 ...	89 7 11	
	Total...	232 11 7	
Income-tax ...	1280 ...	19 8 0	This amount refers to Dharampuri Taluq. This was entered under the head of irrecoverable in the reports of the previous years.
	1281 ...	8 0 0	
	Total...	27 8 0	
Road Fund ...	1277 ...	1 7 3	This is the amount of road-cess on lands sold for arrears of revenue which did not realize the full amount of arrears. The defaulters have no property.
	1278 ...	79 10 10	
	1279 ...	435 10 11	
	1280 ...	205 3 3	
	1281 ...	231 10 0	
	1282 ...	61 15 4	
	1283 ...	110 12 3	
	Total...	1,126 5 10	
Ferry-rent	1278 ...	167 4 8	The renter became "Nadar." He has no property on which proceedings can be taken. This was entered under the head of irrecoverable in the previous reports.
Fish-rent ...	1274 ...	21 0 0	The renters became "Nadar." They have no property of any description which can be attached and sold. This amount also was entered in the previous reports as irrecoverable.
	1279 ...	75 7 8	
	1280 ...	84 0 0	
	1281 ...	21 0 0	
	Total...	201 7 8	
Avenue Trees Rent.	1276 ...	14 1 1	The renters became "Nadar." They have no property.
	1277 ...	833 7 9	
	1278 ...	4,450 6 11	
	1279 ...	71 0 0	
	1280 ...	71 0 0	
	1281 ...	211 1 10	
	Total...	5,651 1 7	
Village Service Cess.	1282 ...	85 12 2	This is the amount of cess on lands sold for arrears of revenue which did not realize the full amount of arrears.
	1283 ...	115 10 5	
	Total...	201 6 7	

37. Extent to which Coercive Process was employed.—The statement below gives the extent to which coercive process was employed in the collection of revenue :—

Fasli.	Process issued.			Property attached.		Property sold.	
	Number of Villages.	Number of Ryots.	Balance.	Movable.	Immovable.	Movable.	Immovable.
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1283	386	834	20,002	5,837	2,708	625	1,732
1284	977	1,732	97,373	6,015	14,944	640	22,794
Increase in Fasli 1284	591	898	77,371	178	12,236	15	21,062

38. The abkári renters of Oossoor Taluq were very irregular in their payments. Besides, several mittahdars and shrotriemdars were in arrears. Consequently demands had to be frequently issued. Finally, several shrotriems were attached and sold for arrears. These circumstances account for the large increase under this head.

39. Interest.—The following table shows the comparison between Faslis 1283 and 1284 in the realization of interest :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Land Revenue	2,314 4 9	1,734 15 5	... ...	579 5 4
Abkari	59 0 0	180 15 4	121 15 4	... ...
Total ...	2,373 4 9	1,915 14 9	121 15 4	579 5 4
Net Decrease ..	... ...	... .	... ...	457 6 0

40. Lands acquired by Public Servants.—In the year under report no public servant in this division acquired lands newly. But one Chinnasamudram Strinivassa Row was transferred in October last from Namkul to Oossoor Taluq. He has already furnished an account of his lands, and there have been no changes in Fasli 1284.

41. Taluq and Village Accounts.—I examined the records in the Kistnagiri and Dharampuri Taluqs during the Jamabandi, and have in my letter, No. 150, dated 2nd April last, pointed out that at present the record-rooms are full of antique rubbish ; that Mr. Boswell's list is practically useless ; and that neither Tahsildars nor record gumastas have more than a very hazy idea what records should be kept and what destroyed. A list applicable to a taluq cutcherry showing what records should be destroyed at once, what records should be preserved and how long is a desideratum. The village accounts in the Kistnagiri Taluq were very bad indeed, and the Revenue Inspectors had entirely neglected their work, but an improvement is already apparent. The village accounts in the Dharampuri Taluq were fairly kept, but here too the Revenue Inspectors had not, in their periodical visits, scrutinized the accounts. Having not yet been permitted to settle the Oossoor Taluq, my experience of the village accounts is confined to those I have scrutinized in my tours.

42. Birth and Death Registers.—Those in Kistnagiri and Dharampuri were scrutinized carefully at the time of Jamabandi and found very accurate.

43. Conduct of Subordinates.—I have had every reason to be satisfied with the conduct of all my subordinates except of S. Sheshagherry Row, Tahsildar of Kistnagiri, who showed himself most remiss in the matter of collections and the state of whose taluq at the time of Jamabandi was extremely unsatisfactory. He has, however, since turned over a new leaf, and is now working well. In May, Sundriah, Tahsildar of Tripatur, was transferred by the Collector to Oossoor, and, owing entirely to his negligence and carelessness, early in June Rs. 2,455 were found missing from the treasury. Had Sundriah observed the most ordinary precautions, the sum could not have been abstracted, but he is old and totally unfit for the charge of such a taluq as Oossoor, where, owing to the vicinity of the Remount Depôt, the cash transactions are considerable. If he is to remain in the service, the sooner he reverts to his former post, the better for the interests of Government.

(Signed) F. H. WILKINSON,
Acting Sub-Collector.

(True Copy.)
(Signed) T. PRITCHARD,
Deputy Collector, for Collector.

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

SOUTH CANARA.

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I have the honor to submit my Annual Report on the Settlement of the Revenue of this District for Fasli 1284, (A. D. 1874-75,) together with the prescribed statements as per accompanying list.

2. Places at which the Settlement was made.—*Statement No.* 1.—The places at which the Jamabandy was held, and the period occupied for the settlement of each taluq, are shown in Statement No. 1. The Jamabandy of the Kassergode and Kundapur Taluqs was conducted by myself, and that of Upperangady and Udipi by my Head Assistant Mr. E. Gibson. My Assistant Mr. Stokes settled the Mangalore Taluq. The Kassergode and Kundapur Taluqs were settled between 26th February and 12th April 1875, and the Upperangady and Udipi between 5th January and 12th February 1875. The Jamabandy of the Mangalore Taluq commenced on the 12th and was completed on the 19th February 1875.

3. Puttas.—The total number of puttas was 38,491 in the year under report against 37,775 in the previous year. The increase of 716 consists chiefly of puttas issued for lands taken up on durkhast, &c., and of a small number issued to purchasers of portions of former holdings.

Faslis.	Number of Puttas.
1283 ...	37,775
1284 ...	38,491
Increase ...	716

4. Rain-fall.—The rain-fall was more than ordinarily copious, and as shown in the subjoined statement was 65 inches in excess of that of the preceding year :—

Months.	1873-74.	1874-75.	Months.	1873-74.	1874-75.
April	2·30	1·90	October	7·86	11·52
May	7 98	23·70	November...	0·10	4·17
June	40·82	38·15	December...	0·54	0·42
July	29·48	54·30	January	.....	.....
August	16·20	21·03	February	.....	.....
September	10·85	25·67	March	.....	0·45
Total ...	107·63	164·75	Total ...	8·50	16·56
Average ...	17·94	27·46	Average ...	2·83	4·14
			Grand total of 12 months...	116·13	181·31
			Increase ...	65·18	

5. Season.—The season was not an unfavorable one. The rain-fall having at the commencement been moderate and seasonable the first rice crop at first promised well ; but the heavy rain in July, and again about the harvest time in September, appeared to have damaged the crops on low lying lands and affected the yield generally to some extent. The loss thus caused was, however, made good by the subsequent crops, and on the whole the outturn of the year under report was better than that of the preceding year.

6. Sanitary Condition.—The sanitary condition of the district was not good. As will appear from the statement given below the mortality from fever and other causes was greater than in the preceding year. Fever prevailed throughout the district in May and continued for some months in the Upperangady, Kassergode, and Kundapur Taluqs. Dysentery and measles were also prevalent in the district, to which is attributed the increase in the number of deaths from all other causes. The district was, however, entirely free from cholera. There was a great decrease in the number of deaths from small-pox :—

Faslis.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.	All other causes.	Total.
1283	2	607	3,828	9,561	13,998
1284	...	263	4,532	12,309	17,104
	Decrease. 2	Decrease. 344	Increase. 704	Increase. 2,748	3,106

7. Health of Cattle.—The health of cattle also was not good. The number of deaths from disease and wild animals show an increase of 2,550 cases. Cattle suffered from inflammation in the throat, hoof disease, and rinderpest. The first mentioned disease was more virulent and fatal than the others. The loss of cattle from wild beasts was also greater, notwithstanding the efforts made of late years for the destruction of these animals.

Faslis.	Deaths.		
	By Disease.	By wild Animals.	Total.
1283	2,956	1,077	4,033
1284	4,412	2,171	6,583
Increase...	1,456	1,094	2,550

8. Prices.—The prices of all the grains, except first sort rice and paddy, were about the same as those of the preceding year, and below the average prices of the last ten years. The price of the first sort or jeera rice increased, a large quantity of it having been exported to Kutch. The slight rise in the price of paddy calls for no special remark.

9. Exports of Rice.—The quantity of rice exported from the district was less in Fasli 1284 than in the preceding year in which the Malabar demand was temporarily increased, owing to the usual sources of supply to that district having been closed in consequence of the Bengal famine. The Malabar demand abated as soon as the famine was over, and the usual sources of supply again available. It is satisfactory, however, to observe that the export trade to Arabia shows a marked increase. This used formerly to be one of our best markets, but for some years the trade has decreased :—

Ports.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	IN. MDS.	IN. MDS.	IN. MDS.	IN. MDS.
Aden	1,571	305	...	1,266
Arabia and other ports in the Persian Gulf	24,234	67,580	43,346	...
Kutch	20,905	36,832	15,927	...
Guzerat	6,629	6	...	6,623
Portuguese ports	56,899	35,031	...	21,868
Bombay	85,858	40,961	...	44,897
Dwarka	777	647	...	130
Zanzibar	5,598	9,038	3,440	...
Kurrachee	40	...	...	40
Turkish ports	9,949	11,542	1,593	...
Ceylon	11,960	35	...	11,925
Alleppi	1,297	...	...	1,297
Malabar	505,199	341,494	...	163,705
Total...	730,916	543,471	64,306	251,751
Net decrease...	...	...	...	187,445

10. Exports of Coffee.—There is an increase of 19,673 cwts. in the quantity of coffee exported. The produce of Coorg is generally brought for export to the ports of Mangalore and Tellicherry. One of the principal Coffee agents at Tellicherry, Bavachi Kunhi Pukki, having failed about the end of Fasli 1283 some Coffee planters, who used to send their produce to him for export, have in the year under report exported it from Mangalore.

Ports.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	CWTS.	CWTS.	CWTS.	CWTS.
United Kingdom	28,452	29,667	1,215	...
France	...	29,995	29,995	...
Persian Gulf	3,389	2,421	...	968
All other ports...	22,732	18,208	...	4,524
Malabar	13,397	7,352	...	6,045
Total...	67,970	87,643	31,210	11,537
Net increase...	...	...	19,673	...

11. Ryots' Holdings.—The extent of occupied and unoccupied land cannot be given, the district being unsurveyed.

12. Cultivation and Settlement.—The following abstract shows the gross assessment, the remission, and the net revenue, including miscellaneous items, as compared with the results of Fasli 1283:—

Items.	Last Fasli (1283.)		Present Fasli (1284.)		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
Dry ... ... } Wet ... ... }	.....	12,78,035 15 0	.....	12,81,170 15 11	...	3,105 0 11	...	... ...
Add Land Cess ...	.....	85,828 5 9	.....	86,373 10 6	...	545 4 9	...	... ...
Total...	.....	13,63,894 4 9	.....	13,67,544 10 5	...	3,650 5 8	...	... ...
Deduct Remissions.								
Road Fund	.....	85,828 5 9	.....	86,373 10 6	...	545 4 9	...	... ...
Other remissions as particularized in Statement No. 4...	.....	70,922 13 3	.....	70,757 4 3	...	... ...	...	165 9 0
Total...	.....	1,56,751 3 0	.....	1,57,130 14 9	...	545 4 9	...	165 9 0
Remaining Beriz ...	.....	12,07,143 1 9	.....	12,10,413 11 8	...	3,270 9 11	...	... ...
Add Miscellaneous items as per Statement No. 5.	.....	60,524 11 4	.....	77,164 13 11	...	16,640 2 7	...	... ...
Total...	.....	12,67,667 13 1	.....	12,87,578 9 7	...	19,910 12 6	...	... ...

13. Ryotwar Demand.—The total Ryotwar demand exhibits a net increase of Rupees 3,105-0-11, which consists of the following items :—

		RS. A. P.
Amount of settlement for Fasli 1283...		12,78,065 15 0
Add.		
Assessment on lands newly taken up in Fasli 1284	3,039 14 9	
Do. charged on a salt pan in Kundapur Taluq in consequence of the owner neglecting without sufficient cause to manufacture salt	69 1 7	
		3,109 0 4
Total ...		12,81,174 15 4
Deduct.		
A.—A portion of the assessment of a wurg in the Upperangady Taluq, amounting to Rupees 3-1-7, had been assigned to a religious institution and brought under permanent remission. The holder resigned the wurg in Fasli 1282 and the whole amount of assessment, including this item, was brought under temporary remission in Fasli 1283; the wurg having been again brought under cultivation and the assignment renewed	3 1 7	
B.—Assessment of land taken up for erecting a wall to enclose the Salt depôt of Devaragra	0 13 10	
		3 15 5
Balance ...		12,81,170 15 11
Increase ...		3,105 0 11

14. Permanent Remissions.—The amount of remissions under this head is Rupees 2,58,300-10-6, or Rupees 65-2-2 less than that of the preceding year as shown below :—

		RS. A. P.
Total amount of permanent remissions in Fasli 1283		2,58,365 12 8
Add.		
Item marked A....	3 1 7	
Do. do. B....	0 13 10	
		3 15 5
Total...		2,58,369 12 1
Deduct.		
Assessment charged on a salt pan in the Kundapur Taluq for having been left waste		69 1 7
Balance...		2,58,300 10 6
Decrease...		65 2 2

Statement No. 4.

Faslis.	RS. A. P.
1283	70,922 13 3
1284	70,757 4 3
Net decrease...	165 9 0

15. Temporary Remissions.—The remission granted under this head in the year under report amounted to Rupees 70,757-4-3. The difference of Rupees 165-9-0 is mainly attributable to changes in the following heads :—

Item No. 11.—*Lands unoccupied.*

	RS. A. P.
Fasli 1283	9,300 7 7
Do. 1284	8,614 11 6
Decrease...	685 12 1

The falling off in this item is owing to certain lands which were lying fallow having been taken up for cultivation during the year.

Item No. 12.—*Deficiency of land and over-assessment.*

	RS. A. P.
Fasli 1283	8,472 2 3
Do. 1284	8,861 11 6
Increase...	389 9 3

The increase is due to some lands hitherto waste, owing to the heaviness of the Tarrow assessment having been granted on durkhast on stiti beriz at reduced rates during the year under report. The difference between the Tarrow assessment and the rates now paid is shown under the item of Temporary remissions.

16. Cultivation of Special Products.—The only special products raised in this district are sugar-cane and cotton. The extent of land cultivated with these products is given below, and shows a slight increase. The high price of jaggery during the preceding year appears to have given an impetus to sugar-cane cultivation :—

Faslis.	Sugar-cane.	Cotton.
	ACRES.	ACRES.
1283	798	77
1284	887	164
Increase...	89	87

The extent of Coomery cultivation was larger in Fasli 1284, and it is in the Coomeries that cotton is generally grown. This accounts for the increase in cotton cultivation.

Item No.		Increase in Fasli 1284. Rs.	A.	P.
6.	Land cultivated but not included in the Jamabandy	4,268	4	11
38.	Cultivation of jungle land newly cleared by burning	787	14	1
50.	Revenue derived from Amindivi coir.	10,641	6	5
55.	Process Service fees.....	1,864	10	5

17. MISCELLANEOUS DEMAND.—In Fasli 1284 the total demand under Land Revenue, Miscellaneous, amounted to Rupees 77,164-13-11 or a net increase over the demand of the previous year of Rupees 16,640-2-7. The chief items of increase in the year are shown in the margin and are explained below.

18. *Item No.* 6.—*Land cultivated but not included in the Jamabandy.*—The increase under this head is owing to a larger number of durkhast cases having been disposed of in Fasli 1284, and also to a larger amount of back assessment having been imposed on certain Hossagame lands in the Kassergode Taluq and having been brought to account in the fasli under report.

19. *Item No.* 38.—*Cultivation of jungle land newly cleared by burning.*—The increase is owing to extended Coomery cultivation, and will probably continue to increase in future years.

Faslis.	Extent.	Rupees.
	ACRES.	
1283	5,639	6,418
1284	6,167	7,206
Increase ...	528	788

20. *Item No.* 50.— *Revenue derived from Amindivi Coir.*—The quantity of coir sold was larger, and the prices obtained higher than in the preceding year; hence the increase in this item.

Faslis.	Quantity.	Rates.
	CANDIES.	RS. A. P.
1283	806	53 0 0
1284	838	63 11 6
Increase ...	32	10 11 6

21. PROCESS SERVICE FEES.—Batta on the service of processes in Miscellaneous Revenue cases was collected in cash* and credited to the above head in Fasli 1284 instead of to Law and Justice as in the preceding fasli. The difference is due to a charge in the head of account. Other items of increase are trifling, and do not call for special remark.

* Board's Proceedings, No. 682, of 6th March 1872.

Item No.		Rs.	A.	P.
18.	Rent of gardens and topes	409	8	8
39.	Huckle cultivation	141	11	9

22. The principal items under Land Revenue, Miscellaneous, in which there is a falling off, are shown in the margin.

23. THE RENT OF GARDENS AND TOPES.—The decrease under this head is due to a certain garden held under grant and resumed by Government having been restored to its former holder, and to the absence of receipts from sales of trees standing on lands taken up for public purposes as was the case in Fasli 1283.

G. O., 14th May 1872, No. 771, Revenue Department.

24. HUCKLE CULTIVATION.—Some of the lands cultivated with Huckle during the previous year have been granted on durkhast and brought under Jamabandy, the effect of which was a reduction in the extent of Huckle cultivation and consequent decrease in the demand.

25. STATEMENT No. 6.—There being no Zemindari estates in the district the statement is blank.

26. SUNDRY SOURCES OF REVENUE.—The statement below shows a net increase of Rupees 43,329 over the demand of the preceding year under sundry sources The increase is chiefly in the items of Salt and Sea Customs, and the decrease in Judicial Stamps :—

Statement No. 7.

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Abkári	1,24,965	1,24,923		42
Salt	5,60,926	5,97,489	36,563	...
Sea Customs	43,520	51,641	8,121	...
Stamps. {Judicial	1,44,540	1,41,871	...	2,669
Stamps. {Non-Judicial ...	50,809	52,220	1,411	...
Income Tax	55	...	...	55
Total...	9,24,815	9,68,144	46.095	2,766
Net increase...	...	...	43,329	...

27. *Salt.*—A larger quantity of salt was imported during the fasli under report, and the amount of duty levied thereon was credited to this head. The monopoly price of salt was also raised during the year; hence the increase. There was, however, a decrease in the quantity of salt sold for home and inland consumption, attributable chiefly to the temporary suspension of wholesale trade for about a fortnight during the busiest part of the season under the orders of Government pending the introduction of the increased monopoly price.

Salt sales.

Faslis.	Home consumption.	Inland consumption.
	IN. MDS.	IN. MDS.
1283	134,412	129,234
1284	131,974	126,696
Decrease..	2,438	2,538

28. *Salt Wastage.*—The subjoined statement shows that the percentage of wastage of salt was higher than that of the preceding year. The wastage occurred chiefly at the Harnad salt depôt, the Superintendent of which ascribed it to some defect in the weighing machine used at

his station, but on examination his allegation having been found to be incorrect he was ordered to make good the value of the excess wastage:—

Faslis.	Quantity stored.	Outturn of the stores.	Wastage.	Per-centage.
1283	126,711	124,259	2,452	1·93
1284	166,606	163,171	3,435	2·06
Increase...	39,895	38,912	983	0·13

In the Jamabandy Report for Fasli 1283 sanction was solicited for striking off from the account 2,452 Indian Maunds of salt on account of wastage. As sanction has not yet been accorded I request that I may be allowed to strike off the said quantity, as well as the wastage of the fasli under report, amounting in the aggregate to Indian Maunds 5,887-27.

29. *Sea Customs.*—The increase of Rupees 8,121 under this head is caused by the increased importation of Europe liquor.

30. *Stamps.*—There is a falling off in the receipts from the sale of Judicial stamps. This is to be ascribed to two causes, first to the realization in cash instead of in Court Fees stamps, of fees for service of processes in Miscellaneous Revenue cases under Board's orders,* and secondly to the sale proceeds of Court Fees stamps during the preceding year having been unusually large. The rise in the sale proceeds of Non-Judicial stamps being trifling calls for no special remarks.

*Board's Proceedings, dated 26th March 1874, No. 682.

31. The following abstract shows the demand, collection, and balance of all sources of current revenue for the year under report :—

Items.	Demand.	Collection.	Balance.	Subsequent collections up to 30th September 1875.	Balance.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Land Revenue.	12,87,578 9 7	12,16,686 5 1	70,892 4 6	56,853 9 2	14,038 11 4
2. Sundry Sources of Revenue...	9,68,143 15 10	9,45,770 5 6	22,373 10 4	22,373 10 4	... ...
Total...	22,55,722 9 5	21,62,456 10 7	93,265 14 10	79,227 3 6	14,038 11 4

Out of the total demand of Rupees 22,55,722-9-5, Rupees 21,62,456-10-7 were collected within the fasli, and Rupees 79,227-3-6 subsequently and within the 30th September, leaving still an uncollected balance of Rupees 14,038-11-4, as particularized in the subjoined statement. This is in process of collection :—

Taluqs.	Land Revenue.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Mangalore	498 3 5	346 11 0	844 14 5
Kassergode	3,782 14 5	2,806 6 7	6,589 5 0
Upperangady	2,371 6 4	122 6 10	2,493 13 2
Udipi	1,424 9 8	19 10 2	1,444 3 10
Kundapur	2,553 0 8	113 6 3	2,666 6 11
Total ..	10,630 2 6	3,408 8 10	14,038 11 4

32. The demand shows an increase over that of the preceding year of Rupees 63,239 as given in the following statement, and is, as already explained, principally due to the items of Land Revenue Miscellaneous, Salt, and Sea Customs :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Land Revenue	12,67,668	12,87,578	19,910	...
2. Sundry Sources of Revenue...	9,24,815	9,68,144	43,329	...
Total ...	21,92,483	22,55,722	63,239	...

33. The demand, collection, and balance of arrears are shown in the following abstract :—

——	Land Revenue.	Sundry Sources of Revenue.	Total.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Balance at the commencement of Fasli 1283.	43,152 5 4	6,371 7 0	49,523 12 4
Amount collected within the Fasli...	36,244 5 2	6,371 7 0	42,615 12 2
Balance at the close of the Fasli	6,908 0 2	... ...	6,908 0 2
Subsequent collections	124 12 10	... ...	124 12 10
Net balance ...	6,783 3 4	... ...	6,783 3 4

34. Of the balance of Rupees 6,783-3-4, Rupees 5,385-12-8 are recoverable, and Rupees 1,397-6-8 are irrecoverable. The Tahsildars have been instructed to collect the amount of recoverable balance as early as possible.

35. The irrecoverable balance is composed of Rupees 1,317-1-2 and Rupees 80-5-6.

A sum of Rupees 1,320-14-6 was already recommended in the last year's Settlement Report to be written off the accounts. The necessary sanction not having, however, been received, and Rupees 3-13-4 having been since collected, the aforesaid amount of Rupees 1,317-1-2 has been included in this year's statement. The other item of Rupees 80-5-6 is the revenue due on estates which were sold for arrears and bought on behalf of Government, and is made up of Rupees 20-11-2 appertaining to Fasli 1282, and of Rupees 59-10-4 to Fasli 1283. I beg that sanction may be granted for writing off this amount also from the account.

Property sold.	Value.
	RS. A. P.
Movable property	2,633 5 2
Immovable do.	99 7 0
Total ...	2,732 12 2

36. Coercive Processes had to be issued in seventy-six cases for the collection of arrears. As detailed in the marginal statement property of the value of Rs. 2,732-12-2 was sold for the realization of the arrears, amounting to Rupees 3,479-6-2.

37. In the following abstract the collections and charges of the fasli are shown in comparison with those of Fasli 1283 separately under each head. The collections show an increase

of Rupees 4,502 as compared with those of the preceding year, and the charges show an increase of Rupees 3,34,599 when compared with those of Fasli 1283 :—

Items.	Collections.				Charges.			
	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.		Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.	
			Increase.	Decrease.			Increase.	Decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Land Revenue	12,71,769	12,52,488	...	19,281	1,52,701	1,44,124	...	8,577
Abkári	1,28,489	1,08,920	...	19,569	.. 17	222	222	...
Income Tax	75	...	...	75		...	...	17
Sea Customs	43,520	51,641	8,121	...	6,964	7,125	161	...
Salt	5,60,926	5,97,490	36,564	...	87,235	4,30,026	3,42,791	...
Stamps. Judicial	1,44,540	1,41,871	...	2,669	} 5,511	5,530	19	...
Stamps. Non-Judicial.	50,809	52,220	1,411	...				
Total ...	22,00,128	22,04,630	46,096	41,594	2,52,428	5,87,027	3,43,193	8,594
Net increase ...	...	...	4,502	...	...	...	3,34,599	...

38. Charges.—The increase in the charges occurred chiefly under salt.

——	Quantity of Salt purchased for the monopoly.	Price Paid.	
		Rate.	Amount.
1283.	In. mds.		Rs. A. P.
Bombay salt ...	1,00,017	at Rs. 46 per garce	38,339 13 2
Goa salt	52,681	at Rs. 30 and 28 per garce...	13,125 9 0
Local manufacture.	28,823	at Rs. 25, 23-12-0, and 28-8-0 per garce ..	5,493 14 2
Total ...	1,81,521		56,959 4 4
1284.			
Bombay salt ...	1,55,020	at Rs. 290 per garce	3,74,631 10 8
Goa salt	58,233	at Rs. 30 per garce	14,558 4 0
Local manufacture.	55,782	at Rs. 22-8-0, 23-12-0, and 25 per garce ...	10,620 14 6
Total ...	2,69,035		3,99,810 13 2
Increase ...	87,514	Increase. .	3,42,851 8 10

A larger quantity was purchased for the monopoly during the year at somewhat higher rates, and in addition the duty paid to the Bombay Government by the Salt contractor was reimbursed to him, and appears therefore as a charge against the district. The quantity of home manufactured salt, owing to the favorable season and to an increased rate of Kudivaram, was also larger and necessitated an increased expenditure.

39. The charges under Land Revenue, compared with those of the preceding year, show a net decrease of Rupees 8,586, which, however, does not materially affect the increase in the total charges of the year above alluded to. The above decrease occurs under the subordinate head "Salaries," &c., and is owing to the amount of Annuity Fund deductions from the salaries of Covenanted Officers not having been debited to this head during the year under the orders* of the Accountant-General. Another cause for the decrease in charges under Land Revenue,

* Circular Order, dated 21st September 1874, No. 25.

Miscellaneous, is that a smaller quantity of coir was imported by the Amindivi islanders as shown below, and the price paid for it in kind and cash was consequently smaller :—

	Faslis.	Quantity.
		Candies.
	1283	784
	1284	634
	Decrease ...	150

40. Lands acquired by Public Servants.—The number of servants who acquired and alienated lands during the year, and the amount of assessment on them, is shown in the following statement :—

Number of Servants.	Assessment of Lands.	Remarks.
	Lands acquired.	
28	Rs. A. P. 719 14 10	By private purchase, mortgage, &c.
	Lands alienated.	
5	157 10 1	By sale, &c.

41. Cost of Civil Suits.—A statement of costs of Civil suits for and against Government is enclosed.

42. Taluq and Village Accounts.—The taluq and village accounts were examined during the Jamabandy and are on the whole properly kept.

43. Examination of Taluq Treasuries.—Owing to the absence on other duty and leave of my permanent Treasury Deputy, Mr. Leggatt, for more than six months in the year Taluq Treasuries and accounts were not examined by the Treasury Deputy Collector as required by the Board's Standing Circular, No. VIII. of 1874. Measures will, however, be taken for the examination of Taluq Treasuries and accounts as soon as Mr. Leggatt returns to duty.

44. Agricultural Statistics of the district cannot accompany this report as the returns from one of the taluqs have not yet been received. They will, however, be sent as soon as possible.

45. Conduct of Subordinate Officers.—I have great pleasure in testifying to the ready help and assistance I have received from my Head Assistant Mr. E. Gibson and my Assistant Mr. G. Stokes. They are both hard-working and efficient officers with sound judgment, and are well conversant with the peculiarities of the district. Mr. Stokes has had unusually hard work during the year, as for three months he had charge of the Head Assistant's Division in addition to his own heavy taluq of Kassergode.

Mr. Leggatt, my Deputy in charge of the Treasury, was absent on other duty for five months at the commencement of the fasli, and went on leave in April. I have been satisfied with the manner in which he performed his duties.

Mr. J. Ball, my Deputy in charge of Salt, has also given me satisfaction.

Mr. J. L. Fernandez acted as my Deputy in charge of the Treasury during part of the year, and has given me great satisfaction. He is a thoroughly accurate business man and has been of the greatest assistance to me.

T. Gopalakrishna Pillay, who was in charge of the Treasury when I joined the district, reverted to his permanent post of Huzur Sheristadar in November and performed his duties satisfactorily. He has now been permanently posted to Tanjore.

Venkappa Punja succeeded him as Sheristadar at the end of the fasli and promises well. As a Tahsildar, and indeed throughout his service, he has borne a high character for integrity and is a very sound man.

The Tahsildars have as a body given me satisfaction. Mr. N. Brito continues to manage his difficult taluq of Udipi most satisfactorily. Of the Deputy Tahsildars, Dhareshwar Anantaya deserves special mention. He has given me the greatest satisfaction as Deputy Tahsildar of Nileshwar, and has since been recommended for permanent promotion as Tahsildar.

MANGALORE,
11th October 1875.

(Signed) A. McC. WEBSTER,
Collector.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

SETTLEMENT REPORT

OF

MALABAR.

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I HAVE the honor to submit the Report on the Revenue Settlement and Collections of this District for Fasli 1284 (1874-75), together with the prescribed statements as per accompanying list.

2. The settlement of the district was commenced on the 20th January and completed on the 28th June. The settlement of the Calicut Taluq was conducted by my predecessor Mr. Macgregor, while that of Cochin was undertaken by me. The Sub-Division Taluqs, three in number, were settled by the late Acting Sub-Collector Mr. Hardinge. The Palghaut, Ponani, and Ernad Taluqs were taken up by the Assistant Collector Mr. W. G. Underwood, while that officer held charge of the Head Assistant and Special Assistant's Divisions, respectively. Mr. Winterbotham completed the settlement of the Walluvanad Taluq, and the Deputy Collector Mr. W. E. Underwood undertook that of the Wynaad Taluq, which forms his Divisional charge.

3. PUTTAS.—The number of puttas issued during the year amounted to 171,418, resulting in an increase of 1,539 over the previous year, which is due to ordinary causes, such as transfer of holdings and extension of cultivation.

4. CHANGES IN THE NUMBER AND TENURE OF VILLAGES.—No change whatever has taken place in the tenure or number of villages during this period. The villages are 431 in number.

5. SEASON.—The season was on the whole favorable for agricultural operations. The south-west monsoon broke early in May, and the total rain-fall registered for the year came to 135·58 inches. On reference to the following table it will be seen that the fall was much in excess of

that for the previous four years. The rains, though much heavier than usual, were on the whole favorable for cultivation, and more especially for cocoanut plantations :—

Months.	1870-71.	1871-72.	1872-73.	1873-74.	1874-75.
April...	1·24	5·17	3·56	5·14	3·25
May	3·69	7·51	7·01	11·54	20·60
June	28·55	37·02	30·84	29·71	44·25
July	26·49	38·81	30·88	37·12	30·46
August	8·27	12·14	15·72	8·60	12·69
September ...	7·07	8·58	15·30	6·53	8·93
October	15·10	6·48	3·89	7·85	10·23
November... ...	2·59	8·68	3·36	0·41	2·56
December... ...	0·33	0·23	1·98	0·75	1·09
January	2·94	.....	.....	.....	0·06
February	0·56	0·28	3·02	0·19	.....
March	1·68	0·12	0·08	0·05	0·46
Total...	98·51	125·02	115·64	107·89	135·58

6. Sanitary Condition.—In the matter of public health the year was not very unfavorable and contrasted favorably with previous years. The annexed statement will show the mortality of the district for the past five years from cholera, small-pox, and fever. Only a few sporadic cases of cholera occurred. The district suffered less from the ravages of small-pox : the mortality from this cause shows a marked decrease on that of the past two years. More than two-thirds of the cases that happened during the year occurred in the Taluq of Kurumbranad. Fever was prevalent during the year in Ernad, Walluvanad and Palghaut, but the casualties from this source were heavy only in the last mentioned taluq :—

Fasli.	Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Total.
	NO.	NO.	NO.	NO.
1280	1,526	125	10,781	12,432
1281	55	606	10,762	11,423
1282	31	4,528	12,698	17,257
1283	10	14,858	12,166	27,034
1284	13	7,029	13,945	20,987

7. Prices.—From the statement noted below it will be seen that the prices of food grains of all descriptions ruled higher than in the previous year, but they appear to be generally below the decennial average :—

Articles.	Average price of the last ten years.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Rice, 1st sort	...	416	441
Do. 2nd sort	...	377	399
Paddy, 1st sort	202	183	201
Do. 2nd sort	186	167	180
Raggy	224	194	209
Horse-gram	299	292	305

Looking at the favorable condition of the season I can hardly attribute any special cause for this rise in prices. The local markets were all well supplied.

8. Ryotwar Holdings and Cultivation.—Appended is a comparative statement of the cultivation and settlement for the past two years :—

Items.	Last Fasli.		Current Fasli.		Increase.		Decrease.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.	ACRES.	RS. A. P.
Dry	394,388	6,22,029 1 0	398,346	6,24,418 14 1	3,958	2,389 13 1	.....	... ...
Wet	388,171	11,66,998 2 4	388,566	11,67,045 5 1	395	47 2 9	.....	... ...
Total...	782,559	17,89,027 3 4	786,912	17,91,464 3 2	4,353	2,436 15 10	.....	... ...
Second Crop Assessment ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...
Additional... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...
Water-tax	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...
Local Fund Cess.	.....	1,09,892 15 5	.....	1,10,376 14 7	.....	483 15 2	.....	... ...
Village Service Cess...	.....	90,303 10 3	.....	90,298 7 8	.....	... ...	.....	5 2 7
Grand Total...	782,559	19,89,223 13 0	786,912	19,92,139 9 5	4,353	2,920 15 0	.....	5 2 7
Deduct.								
Remissions... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...	.....	... ...
Local Fund Cess.	.....	1,09,892 15 5	.....	1,10,376 14 7	.....	483 15 2	.....	... ...
Amshom Service Cess...	.....	90,303 10 3	.....	90,298 7 8	.....	... ...	.....	5 2 7
Other remissions as particularized in Statement No. 4	4,290	12,022 13 0	1,576	6,630 10 8	.....	... ...	2,714	5,392 2 4
Total...	4,290	2,12,219 6 8	1,576	2,07,306 0 11	.....	483 15 2	2,714	5,397 4 11
Remaining Beriz.	778,269	17,77,004 6 4	785,336	17,84,833 8 6	7,067	7,829 2 2	.....	... ...
Add Miscellaneous items ...	.....	54,061 12 2	.....	39,933 7 2	.....	... ...	.....	14,128 5 0
Total...	778,269	18,31,066 2 6	785,336	18,24,766 15 8	7,067	... ...	.....	6,299 2 10

9. It will be observed from the above statement that in the year under review, compared with its predecessor, there is an aggregate increase of Rupees 7,829 in all the items of revenue except "Miscellaneous," under which there occurs a decrease of Rupees 14,128. The increase above noticed is but ordinary and appertains to the marginally noted items.

	Rs. A. P.
Increase under Garden	3,273 11 2
Do. Coffee	2,940 13 8
Do. Dry	2,489 7 8
	8,704 0 6
Deduct decrease under Wet	874 14 4
Net increase...	7,829 2 2

10. Under the recent rules purchasers of escheat lands are relieved from the necessity of making immediate payment of the purchase money, or, in other words, it is now optional with such a purchaser to leave the amount of money unpaid so long as he elects to discharge the interest accruing thereon. A number of such purchasers having availed themselves of the above concession the decrease in the demand above referred to is sufficiently explained.

11. Waste remitted and charged.—Remissions to the extent of Rupees 2,859-13-5 were granted during the year for lands left uncultivated, while a sum of Rupees 2,570-7-10 was collected on lands of a similar description, more than half of which were dry lands, assessed at the permanent rate of 6 Annas an acre.

12. Grant of Cowles.—Cowles, thirty-two in number, were granted during the year for the reclamation of waste land, consisting of nineteen for 132 Acres of wet and thirteen for 82 Acres dry of lands.

13. Remissions.—As exhibited in Statement No. 4 the remissions granted during the year amounted to Rs. 6,630-10-8, consisting of temporary remissions to the extent of Rs. 3,039-3-4, and fixed remissions amounting to Rupees 3,591-7-4. It will be found that, compared with the past year, there is an increase of Rupees 1,021 under the former head, which is explained by the fact that, owing to the heavy rains the usual dry crops could not be raised on lands in the vicinity of the Enamakal dam situate in the Ponani Taluq.

14. The decrease under fixed remissions, *viz.*, Rupees 6,414, is attributable to the tax on coffee estates within the Ouchterlony Valley (which was transferred to the Nilgiris in Fasli 1283) having been paid into the treasury of that district in that year, and therefore treated as a remission in the accounts of Malabar.

15. Collections.—The subjoined statement exhibits the collections on account of land and sundry sources of revenue as compared with the previous year :—

Items.	Fasli 1283.			Fasli 1284.			Increase.	Decrease.
	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.		
Land Revenue.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Permanently Settled	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shrotriem Jodi	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ryotwar...	39,268	17,22,877	17,62,145	58,851	17,34,085	17,92,936	30,791	...
Miscellaneous	2,051	52,024	54,075	2,031	39,821	41,852	...	12,223
Total...	41,319	17,74,901	18,16,220	60,882	17,73,906	18,34,788	30,791	12,223
Abkári	...	2,81,561	2,81,561	...	2,74,666	2,74,666	...	6,895
Salt...	...	10,40,923	10,40,923	...	11,05,766	11,05,766	64,843	...
Sea Customs	437	1,14,017	1,14,454	437	1,40,216	1,40,653	26,199	...
Land Customs	...	12,154	12,154	...	4,292	4,292	...	7,862
Stamps	...	6,19,892	6,19,892	...	6,75,403	6,75,403	55,511	...
Income-tax	1,582	209	1,791	41	6	47	...	1,744
Grand Total...	43,338	38,43,657	38,86,995	61,360	39,74,255	40,35,615	1,77,344	28,724
Net increase...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,48,620	...

16. The collections under the several heads of Revenue aggregated Rupees 40,35,615, and are in excess of the previous year by Rupees 1,48,620. The causes of fluctuations under each head are explained as follows :—

17. Land Revenue—*Ryotwar.*—The increase of Rupees 30,791 under this head is attributable to the arrears, which were greater than those of the previous year, having been realized to a greater extent, and to the fact that the kists of the year were collected with more promptitude.

18. *Miscellaneous.*—The decrease here observable (Rupees 12,223) is due to the recent method of settlement of escheat sales, by which purchasers are relieved from the necessity of paying the amount of purchase money so long as they elect to discharge the interest accruing thereon.

19. *Abkári.*—Under this head there occurs a decrease of Rupees 6,895, which is only nominal. It represents the last kist payable by the Abkári renter of the Palghaut Taluq. The amount ought to have been made good from his deposit, but before this could be effected the year closed.

20. *Salt.*—This source of revenue exhibits an increase of Rupees 64,843. The quantity of salt sold during the year, compared with the preceding year, was less by 15,864 Maunds, which may partly be ascribed to the fact that from the middle of August to the 10th of March last extensive sales of salt were prohibited in the anticipation of a speedy enhancement in its price, due to legislative measures. The passing of Act No. XI. of 1875 raised the price of this

commodity by 5 Annas a maund. The increase of revenue alluded to above is therefore the direct result of this enhancement in the selling price.

21. *Sea Customs.*—The increase of Rupees 26,199 under Sea Customs is due to larger exports of pepper and cocoanut oil, the former to Arabia and France and the latter to the United Kingdom.

22. *Land Customs.*—The decrease of Rupees 7,862 under Land Customs is owing to the fact that the French territory of Mahé was not used as a bonded warehouse (so to speak) to the same extent as in previous years.

23. *Stamps.*—This item of revenue exhibits an increase of Rupees 55,511, of which Rupees 6,327 appertain to Non-Judicial stamps and Rupees 49,184 to Court Fees. The increase under the former head is partly due to the increase in monetary transactions and to the number of engagements entered into consequent on the new system now introduced, (referred to in paragraph 10,) making it optional with purchasers of escheat lands to hold their purchases on payment of interest. The increase under "Court Fees" is due to increased litigation. An influential Moplah merchant of Tellicherry suddenly absconded and his disappearance gave rise to the institution of numerous heavy suits in the year under review.

24. *Income-tax.*—Although this Act has been repealed the total collection of Rupees 47 entered under this head is composed of Rupees 41, being the arrears of previous years, and of Rupees 6, which is the tax levied on the interest accruing on a Promissory Note paid only in the course of the year.

25. Balances.—An aggregate sum of Rupees 1,35,803 remained uncollected at the close of the year, which included Rupees 62,052, the balances of previous years. Of the above amount of Rupees 1,35,803 about 60,000 Rupees are the arrears of peishcush due by Sultan Ali Rajah of Cannanore. This is a subject which has already been reported to the Board in several separate communications and needs not therefore special notice here.

Towards the realization of this large arrears the Rajah's Laccadive Islands have been, under the orders of Government, placed under sequestration since the commencement of the current official year.

26. The balances under Ryotwar chiefly appertain as usual to assessment on coffee estates in Wynaad due by European planters.

27. Of the previous years' outstandings of Rupees 62,052 a sum of Rupees 15,922-0-1 being irrecoverable has to be written off the accounts. It includes Rupees 7,156-13-10, which formed portion of the sum recommended to be struck off in paragraph 23 of last year's report.

28. The particulars of the amount to be expunged are as noted below :—

Land Revenue.	Rs.	A.	P.
1. Arrears on unproductive lands that had to be sold for the arrears and purchased by Government at nominal price.	1,436	6	8
2. Arrears where gardens became unproductive and defaulters left the place	10	14	1
3. Assessment remitted for three years on lands purchased under the Waste Land rules	3,801	0	1
4. Arrears where gardens have become unproductive, and defaulters have no means to pay	319	8	0
5. Arrears where gardens have become unproductive and defaulters have died	53	0	0
6. Excess assessment charged owing to error in area	717	15	1
7. Assessment erroneously charged on the same land a second time	164	0	0

	Rs.	A.	P.
8. Assessment erroneously charged on coffee land before the trees attained maturity	180	0	0
9. Assessment on lands in the Ouchterlony Valley (transferred to the Nilgiris) for Fasli 1282, collected in the Nilgiri District	4,795	0	0
10. Jenmabhogam erroneously charged	22	5	6
11. Arrears on account of Coimbatore boundary dispute ...	208	8	0
12. Do. do. of Cochin do.	25	8	9
13. Assessment erroneously entered in demand	6	14	9
14. Assessment on land granted on cowle, which was subsequently left uncultivated owing to the passage of boats ...	1	4	1
Total...	11,742	5	0
Income-tax.			
1 Arrears due by persons having no property	2,115	2	0
2. Do. do. who have left the district	1,480	7	0
3. Do. do. who died having no property ...	273	4	0
4. Do. due on account of assessment erroneously made a second time	236	11	0
5. Arrears irrecoverable, with reference to paragraph 2, Clause 1, of the Board's Circular of 9th May 1871, No. 1,923	74	3	1
Total ...	4,179	11	1
Grand Total ...	15,922	0	1

The sum entered against Item No. 9 formed portion of the *demand of this district* for Fasli 1282. The Commissioner of the Nilgiris having intimated that the parties concerned had paid the amount into his treasury that officer was requested to remit the sum by means of a Transfer Receipt, when a reply was received to the effect that the money had already been carried to the credit of the Nilgiri District. It is consequently necessary that this item should be removed from the accounts of this district.

29. As regards the other items it will be perceived from the entries set opposite to them that their recovery cannot or should not be enforced.

30. CHARGES.—Statement No. 9 shows that the total charges of the year amounted to Rupees 12,49,210, which, compared with the preceding year's expenditure, exhibits a net increase of Rupees 6,97,790. Of this excess Rupees 6,94,737 wholly appertains to salt and is explained as follows :—

A quantity of salt, weighing 655,276 Indian Maunds, was purchased during the year at a total cost of Rupees 9,46,518. This stock was composed of 438,109 Maunds of Bombay and 217,167 Maunds of Tinnevelly salt, valued at Rupees 8,47,703 and Rupees 98,815, respectively. Of the aforesaid quantity of Bombay salt 349,635 Maunds were purchased at a rate which included the Excise duty payable thereon of Rupees 217-8-0 per garce.

31. The entire quantity of salt purchased is 44,186 Maunds in excess of the previous year. This, and the increased rate paid owing to the levy of Excise duty at Bombay, accounts for the increased expenditure under Salt.

32. The average price of salt purchased during the last year was Rupees 51-0-8 per garce, and that during the year under report was Rupees 232-3-0 for Bombay and Rupees 54-9-9 for Tinnevelly salt per garce.

33. The increase of Rupees 8,712 under Contingencies is due to the construction of a new salt gollah at Beypore, sanctioned in G. O., dated 17th March 1874, No. 357, and to the repair of the gollah at Calicut, sanctioned in G. O., 10th March 1874, No. 59.

34. LAND ACQUIRED BY PUBLIC SERVANTS.—The subjoined statement exhibits the extent of landed property acquired by public servants during the fasli year under review :—

Name and designation.	Taluq in which situated.	Extent.			Assessment.		
					Rs.	A.	P.
P. Karunagara Menon, Tahsildar of Palghaut ...	Calicut and Ernad.	28	7	5	92	4	6
Ayasamy Pattar, Shroff, Palghaut Taluq	Palghaut	72	1	8	130	8	0
M. R. Kelappan, Sheristadar of Kurumbranad Taluq.	Calicut	9	1	7	11	7	10
Karunagara Nair, 1st Revenue Inspector of Kurumbranad Taluq.	Kurumbranad ...	0	9	14	4	3	6
Raman, 1st Gumastah of Kurumbranad Taluq ...	Do. ...	4	6	5	...	...	...
P. Krishna Pattar, Huzur Sheristadar	Palghaut	6	15	9	17	10	0
Vengideswara Iyen, Gumastah, Alatur Magistrate's Court.	Do.	5	5	0	4	5	6
T. C. Shangooney Menon, 3rd English Clerk, Huzur.	Do.	7	15	10	2	9	8

35. EXAMINATION OF TALUQ AND VILLAGE ACCOUNTS.—The taluq and village accounts were examined by the several settling officers, and found to be generally satisfactorily kept.

36. EXAMINATION OF TALUQ TREASURIES UNDER BOARD'S STANDING ORDER, No. VIII. OF 1874.—The Taluq Treasuries of Calicut, Walluvanad, and Ernad were examined by the Treasury Deputy Collector in the months of October, November, and December of the year under report, and the cash, notes, and stock of stamps were found correct. The accounts were reported to be fairly kept.

37. REMARKS ON THE CONDUCT OF SUBORDINATES.—The death under very painful circumstances of the Huzur Sheristadar, Krishna Pattar, has been already specially reported to the Board. Nothing else of moment occurred, and I understand that the subordinates generally gave satisfaction in the performance of their duty.

38. Copy of the Sub-Collector's report is herewith forwarded.

CALICUT,
17th September 1875.

(Signed) W. LOGAN,
Acting Collector.

SUB-COLLECTORATE.

I HAVE the honor to report on the Annual Settlement of the Sub-Division for Fasli 1284.

2. The settlement commenced on the 20th January and terminated on the 17th April 1875. It was conducted by my predecessor, Mr. Hardinge.

3. Puttas were distributed in the following places in the Sub-Division :—

		Number of days occupied in each Taluq.
1. Cherakal Taluq	Kavai ... ... Taliparamba... ... ... Cannanore	20
2. Kottayam Taluq... ...	Tellicherry ... ... Kuttuparamba	18
3. Kurumbranad Taluq...	...Badagara	17

4. As small-pox of a virulent type was very prevalent during the time allotted for the settlement of the Kurumbranad Taluq puttas for that taluq were distributed only at Badagara, the Kusbah station of the taluq.

5. In the fasli under report 4,233 puttas were distributed in the three taluqs, forming the Sub-Division, of which 1,031 puttas were new ones and 3,202 were old puttas, in which it was found necessary to make alterations according to the circumstances of each particular case.

6. The rain-fall for this and the preceding years was as shown below :—

Taluqs.	In Fasli 1283.			In Fasli 1284.		
	Glass.	Ounce.	Fraction of Ounce.	Glass.	Ounce.	Fraction of Ounce.
1. Cherakal	144	3	...	119	2	¼
2. Kottayam	164	3	...	114	4	...
3. Kurumbranad ...	141	4	¼	117	7	...

The rains were timely, and the season may be described on the whole as a good one.

7. The public health was fair. No cholera occurred in the division during the fasli, but on the other hand there was a considerable increase in the mortality from small-pox. In some parts

of Kurumbranad, and notably in the neighbourhood of Quilandi, it assumed an almost epidemic form. The mortality is as shown below :—

	From Cholera.	From Small-pox.
1. Cherakal	1	415
2. Kottayam	...	140
3. Kurumbranad	...	1,681
Total...	1	2,236
In Fasli 1283...	...	1,683
Increase...	1	553

8. A comparative statement of the price of paddy is given below :—

	Value of 1st sort Paddy per garce. RS. A. P.
Fasli 1283	194 7 4
,, 1284	204 8 1

The rise was not of importance, and was probably due to fluctuations in the imports of grain. The local production was probably above the average.

9. The difference between the total amount of revenue for Faslis 1283 and 1284 is as follows :—

	RS. A. P.
Fasli 1283	5,18,873 13 11
,, 1284	5,21,887 3 9
Increase ...	3,013 5 10

10. The several items of increase and decrease in the revenue are as shown below:—

Wet Lands.

Particulars of Increase.

	RS. A. P.
By resumption of remission	83 12 8
By assessment on new lands	116 12 7
Do. do. granted on cowle ...	112 6 2
Do. do. as per crops	42 13 1
Total...	355 12 6

Particulars of Decrease.

Decrease of assessment of land converted into garden	25 10 1
Do. do. on lands left waste	82 9 8
Do. do. on lands rendered uncultivable ...	20 13 6
Do. do. on lands over-assessed	9 4 8
Do. do. of shistom on escheat lands sold ...	66 14 5
Total ...	205 4 4
Net increase ...	150 8 2

DRY LANDS.

Items.	For Fasli 1283.	For Fasli 1284.	NET. Increase.	NET. Decrease.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Moden	3,330 8 9	2,722 14 1	... ...	607 10 8
Ponom	11,380 13 8	12 576 9 0	1,195 11 4	... ...
Palliyal	638 7 1	697 1 4	58 10 3	... ...
Yelloo	794 1 4	734 11 11	... ...	59 5 5
Total ...	16,143 14 10	16,731 4 4	1,254 5 7	667 0 1
Net ...	... ...	... ...	587 5 6	... ...
Assessment at 6 Annas per acre ...	3,828 14 0	3,828 14 0		
Grand Total ...	19,972 12 10	20,560 2 4	587 5 6	... ...

GARDEN LANDS.

Particulars of Increase.

	RS. A. P.
Assessment on new gardens...	1,406 11 3
Do. on gardens granted on cowle	447 1 10
Do. on gardens already assessed	551 14 0
Remission assumed	24 0 0
Assessment on coffee plantations	7 1 5
Total ...	2,436 12 6

Particulars of Decrease.

	RS. A. P.
Decrease of assessment on trees which have ceased bearing	110 15 11
Decrease of assessment on gardens taken for Government purposes	5 0 7
Decrease of assessment on gardens twice assessed...	4 9 7
Assessment temporarily remitted...	40 10 3
Total ...	161 4 4
Net increase ...	2,275 8 2
Net increase on account of Wet, Dry, and Garden lands	3,013 5 10

11. There is an increase of Rupees 11-7-7 in the Amshom Service Fund as noted below:—

	RS. A. P.
Fasli 1283	4,745 0 9
,, 1284	4,756 8 4
Increase...	11 7 7

12. The following are the particulars of the Local Fund Cess for the Division :—

	RS. A. P.
Fasli 1283	31,203 3 11
,, 1284	31,395 10 0
Increase...	192 6 1

13. The annexed statement shows an increase of Rupees 4,327-3-6 against the average revenue for the last five years :—

Faslis.	Cherakal.	Kottayam.	Kurumbranad.	Total.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1279	1,96,652 8 1	98,590 1 10	2,06,095 2 10	5,01,337 12 9
1280	1,97,141 12 1	98,641 6 6	2,05,839 9 6	5,01,622 12 1
1281	1,97,899 1 0	97,303 14 7	2,05,889 15 4	5,01,092 14 11
1282	1,98,764 2 10	99,259 2 7	2,06,849 2 6	5,04,872 7 11
1283	1,97,358 4 4	98,938 1 11	2,07,577 6 9	5,03,873 13 0
Total...	9,87,815 12 4	4,92,732 11 5	10,32,251 4 11	25,12,799 12 8
Average...	... ...	... ...	... .	5,02,559 15 4
1284	1,98,368 8 5	99,800 15 4	2,08,717 11 1	5,06,887 2 10
Increase...	... ...	... ...	... ...	4,327 3 6

14. The Abkári farms were rented out for three years, from Fasli 1282, at Rupees 1,07,100 a year. The renter of the Kurumbranad Taluq, however, failed to pay the stipulated kists according to his agreement, so his farm was resold and an increase of Rupees 1,000 was secured by the resale. There is therefore an increase of Rupees 1,000 in the Abkári farm for this fasli.

15. The following table exhibits the various items of revenue :—

Particulars.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Increase.	Decrease.
Land Revenue.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Wet	2,63,099 14 7	2,63,250 6 9	150 8 2	... ...
Dry	19,972 12 10	20,560 2 4	587 5 6	... ...
Garden	2,19,853 3 9	2,22,128 11 11	2,275 8 2	... ...
Cannanore Karar ...	15,000 0 11	15,000 0 11	... ...	... ...
Total...	5,17,926 0 1	5,20,939 5 11	3,013 5 10	... ...
Inam Jodi	947 13 10	947 13 10	... ...	... ...
Grand Total...	5,18,873 13 11	5,21,887 3 9	3,013 5 10	... ...
Miscellaneous.				
Amshom Service Fund.	4,745 0 9	4,756 8 4	11 7 7	... ...
Local Fund Cess ...	31,203 3 11	31,395 10 0	192 6 1	... ...
Abkári	1,07,171 6 4	1,08,171 6 4	1,000 0 0	... ...
Grand Total...	6,61,993 8 11	6,66,210 12 5	4,217 3 6	... ...
Net increase...	... ...	... ...	4,217 3 6	... ...

16. There was a small collection of Rupees 57-1-0 on account of Sevoy Jama.

17. The interest on the arrears amounted to Rupees 62-5-7 against Rupees 31-13-7 for the last fasli.

18. The total demand for the fasli according to the settlement made at the Jamabundy was Rupees 6,66,210-12-5. Of this amount Rupees 6,46,443-15-10 was collected before the close of the fasli, leaving a balance uncollected of Rupees 19,766-12-7. Of this amount Rupees 4,765-1-8 was due by ryots of the Kurumbranad Taluq, Rupees 15,000-0-11 was on account of the peishcush

due by the Sultan Ali Rajah of Cannanore for this fasli, and the trifle of Rupees 1-10-0 was due by two ryots of the Cherakal Taluq. Of the arrears due from the Kurumbranad Taluq a sum of Rupees 3,879-12-9 has since been collected. There still remains a balance of Rs. 885-4-11. Of this sum Rupees 576-6-4 is on account of the revenue due by the Avingat Nair. As directed in the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 2nd August 1873, No. 1,476, this sum will be deducted from the Malikhana allowance when next payable to him. The remaining balance of Rupees 308-14-7 consists of small sums due by several ryots, and steps are now being taken to collect it.

The small sum of Rupees 1-10-0 due from the Cherakal Taluq has since been collected.

The Sultan Ali Rajah of Cannanore is in arrears to the extent of Rupees 59,426-4-0, including the peishcush due for this fasli as shown below. The collection of this heavy arrear is held over pending reply to this office letter, dated 12th February 1875, No. 76 :—

	Rs.	A.	P.
Fasli 1281	14,426	1	3
,, 1282	15,000	0	11
,, 1283	15,000	0	11
,, 1284	15,000	0	11
Total...	59,426	4	0

TELLICHERRY,
10th August 1875.

(Signed) D. BUICK,
Acting Sub-Collector.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. LOGAN,
Acting Collector.