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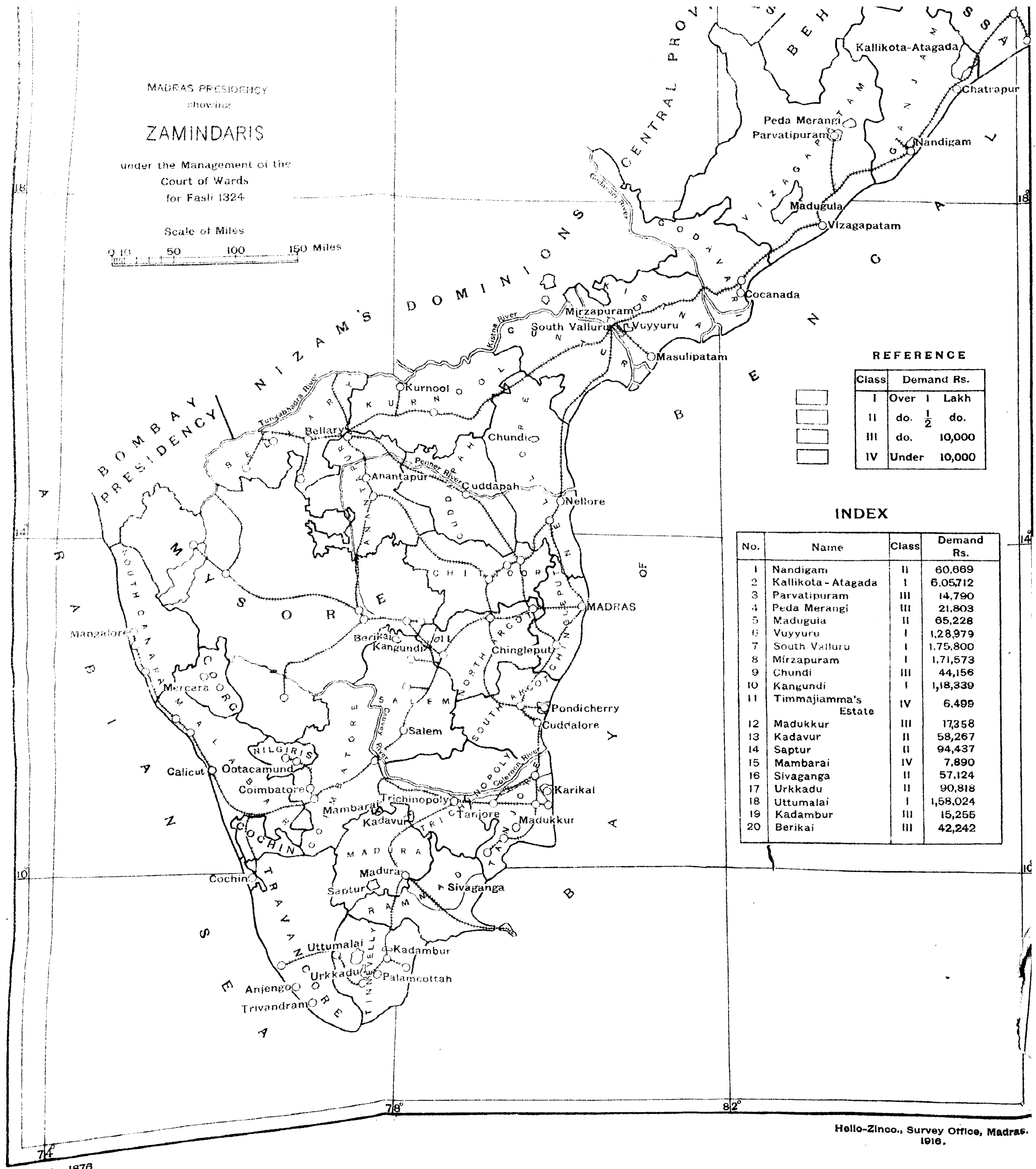
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Estates under management.—At the beginning of fasli 1324, i.e., on the 1st July 1914, there were nineteen estates under the Court's management. The *Vuyyuru* estate in the Kistna district was restored to the proprietor on the 29th April 1915, the Court having retained its superintendence for one year after the ward attained his majority with a view to improve the financial condition of the estate which was heavily involved. The *Parvatipuram* estate in the Vizagapatam district was handed over to its proprietor on his coming of age on the 6th June 1915. The *Madugula* estate in the same district was taken under the Court's superintendence during the year. The number of estates under the Court's management at the end of the fasli was therefore eighteen.

2. *Estates handed over.*—The *Vuyyuru* estate was under the Court's management for eight years and eight months. It was heavily indebted when taken over and, to discharge the debts, the Court had to sell some of the estate villages, lands and gardens and to borrow from other estates. Besides, under the deceased Zamindar's will, some villages and lands had to be granted and large sums of money paid to the legatees concerned. The revenue-demand of the estate therefore fell from Rs. 1,69,110 in fasli 1316 to Rs. 1,30,254 in fasli 1324. Debts amounting to Rs. 19,27,606 were discharged during the Court's regime, leaving an unliquidated balance of Rs. 4,33,478 on the date of rendition. The financial condition of the estate did not consequently admit of a survey being undertaken or of substantial administrative reforms being effected; but the Court spent Rs. 81,626 on irrigation works and other improvements. The debts due to the estate and recovered by the Court aggregated Rs. 47,488. The arrear rent-balance and the debts due to the estate on the date of rendition amounted to Rs. 40,035 and Rs. 12,457, respectively. A sum of Rs. 24,000 was handed over

APPENDIX A.

No. I.—Statement showing the ages, etc., of the wards and the periods during which the estates have been under management—Fasli 1324 (1914-15).

Districts.	Estates.	Government Orders by which the estates came under the management of the Court of Wards.	Sex of the wards.	Grounds of disability.	The periods during which the estates have been under management.	Ages of the wards at the end of the fasli.	Dates on which the wards attained or will attain majority.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Ganjam ..	Nandigam ..	No. 1340, dated 17th March 1898 ..	Male ..	Minority.	Y. M. 17 3	Y. M. D. 19 9 1	29th Sept. 1916.
	Kallikōta-Atagāda.	" 2521, " 11th September 1909.	Do. ..	Do.	5 10	15 5 17	14th Jan. 1921
Vizagapatam.	Parvatipuram (a)	" 368, " 7th May 1901 ..	Do. ..	Do.	14 0	21 0 0	6th June 1915.
	Pedda Merangi.	" 283, " 2nd February 1912 ..	Do. ..	Do.	3 4	10 3 24	7th Mar. 1926.
	Madugula ..	" 973 (Confid.), dated 26th April 1915.	Female ..	Sex ..	0 2	43 years and 33 years.	
Kistna ..	Vuyyuru (b) ..	" 791 (Confid. No. 71), Rev., dated 16th August 1906.	Male ..	..	8 8	22 years on the date of the rendition of the estate.	29th Apl. 1914.
	South Vallūru ..	" 967 (Confid.), Rev., dated 1st October 1906.	Do. ..	Minority.	8 9	18 7 7	24th Nov. 1917.
	Mirzapuram ..	"					

APPENDIX C.

No. II-B.—Statement showing the settled demand, collection and balance of the estates under management, for fasli 1324 (1914-15).

Districts.	Estate.	Extent.	Land revenue.	Miscellaneous revenue.	Total.	Deduct remissions.	Net revenue.	Net demand for previous fasli.	Difference.	Collection.	Amount written off.	Balance at the end of the fasli.	Subsequent collections and remissions.	Amount since recommended to be written off.	Net recoverable balance on the date of the collector's report.	Percentage of column 16 to column 8.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Ganjam ..	Nandigam ..	2,441	58,606	2,063	60,669	58	60,669	56,130	4,539	52,113	..	8,556	2,277	..	6,279	10.3
	Kallikota-Atagada ..	1,12,267	5,60,033	45,737	6,05,770	..	6,05,712	6,73,000	67,288	5,92,719	..	12,993	1,740	..	11,253	1.8
Vizagapatam ..	Pardavipuram ..	1,302	14,054	735	14,790	..	14,790	15,186	396	14,020	14	756	..	..	756	5.1
	Pedda Merangi ..	3,946	20,895	965	21,860	..	21,803	23,333	1,530	14,684	455	6,664	..			

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No. IV.—Financial statement of receipts and charges of the

Districts.	Estates.	Amount to the credit of the estate at the beginning of fasli 1324.				Total cash receipts.	Total of columns 4 and 7.	Total charges.
		Government Promissory Notes and other securities.	Cash.	Value of grain.	Total.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Ganjām ..	Nandigām ..	..	1,582	1,934	3,516	78,734	80,316	71,913
	Kallikōta-Atagāda ..	2,58,900	3,35,179	14,167	6,08,246	7,67,530	11,02,709	9,02,336
Vizagapatam.	Parvatipuram ..	1,000	7,499	..	8,499	19,876	27,375	24,907
	Pedda Merangi ..	..	5,626	..	5,626	26,335	31,961	22,432
	Madugula ..	..	..	..	..	54,510	54,510	3,953
Kistna ..	Vuyyūru ..	1,35,700	65,270	..	2,00,970	2,40,752	3,06,022	2,70,927
	South Vallara ..	5,64,100	59,919	12	6,23,131	2,57,750	3,16,769	

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ENCLOSURE A to Statement No. IV, showing the particulars of receipts and

Districts.	Estates.	Receipts.							
		Land and miscellaneous revenue.	Debts recovered.	Interest on Government Promissory Notes and other securities.	Sale-proceeds of grain.	Amount realized by the sale of property such as houses, etc.	Amount borrowed.	Other items.	Total receipts.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
		RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.		RS.	RS.
Ganjam	Nandigam ..	61,540	191	..	1,895	5	..	15,103	78,734
	Kallikōta-Atagada.	5,95,004	8,545	13,428	24,217	5,616	..	1,20,720	7,67,530
Vizagapatam	Parvatipuram ..	14,288	..	131	..	3,401	..	2,056	19,876
	Pedda Merangi ..	17,601	2,095	..	..	1,577	..	5,062	26,335
	Madugula ..	(a) 4,329	647	..	..	..	..	49,534	54,510
Kistna	Vayyuru ..	1,06,419	103	2,108	..	..	..	1,32,122	2,40,752
	South Vallaru ..	1,80,734	45,112	22,209	177	186	..	9,332	2,57,750
	Mirzapuram ..	1,75,312							

APPENDIX G.

ENCLOSURE B to Statement No. IV, showing the expenditure incurred on *maramat* works in the estates under management, for fasli 1324 (1914-15).

Districts.	Estates.	Irrigation works.		Buildings.		Roads and other works.	Establishment and contingencies.	Total expenditure.	Allotment in the budget including subsequent modifications.	Percentage of expenditure to allotment.	Value of work done but not paid for within the fasli.	Percentage of col. 9 and 12 to col. 10.
		New works.	Repairs.	New works.	Repairs.							
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.		RS.	
Ganjām.	Nandigām ..	630	848	701	632	..	289	3,100	3,398	91.2	15	91.7
	Kallikōta-Atagāda ..	10,443	30,087	13,293	17,726	2,337	8,157	* 82,043	82,043	100	..	100
Vizagapatam.	Parvatipuram ..	498	176	..	23	..	..	697	1,232	56.5	512	98.1
	Pedda Merangi ..	..	833	..	63	..	..</					

APPENDIX I.

No. V-B.—Statement showing the debts due by the estates under management for fasli 1324 (1914-15).

Districts	Estates.	Debts as per last year's account.	Debts newly contracted.	Debts newly brought to account during the year.	Interest and costs accrued during the year.	Total.	Debts paid off.	Debts struck off.	Total.	Remainder due by the estate at the end of the fasli.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Ganjām ..	Nandigām .. Kallikōta-Atagāda ..	Rs. 2,11,800 (b) 7,309	Rs. ..	Rs. 15,896 22,152	Rs. 750	Rs. 2,28,446 29,461	Rs. 7,271 (d) 21,855	Rs. ..	Rs. 7,271 21,855	Rs. (a) 2,21,175 7,606
Visagapatam	Pārvattipuram .. Pedda Merangi .. Madugula ..	24,000	..	..	Nil. 907 Nil.	24,907	5,240	..	5,240	19,667
Kistna ..	Vuyyāra .. South Vallūr .. Mirzāpuram ..	5,22,955	..	..	26,529	5,49,484	1,12,814	..	1,12,814	(c) 4,36,670
Nellore ..	Chundi ..	81,105	..	3,373	6,136	90,614	12,333	123	12,456	78,158
North Arcot.	Kangundi .. Timmājijammā's estate ..	..	..	..						

STATISTICS OF CIVIL COURTS IN THE MADRAS PRESIDENCY FOR THE YEAR 1925.

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PART II.—MISCELLANEOUS CASES (JUDICIAL).

Class of Courts.	Total number of cases before the Courts.	Number of cases disposed of										Number of cases pending at the close of the year.	Average duration of cases pending more than three months at the close of the year.	Average duration of cases contested and uncontested.		
		Without contest.					With contest.									
		Transferred to Courts in other provinces.	Without trial.	(Compromised.	Decreed on confession.	Decreed <i>ex parte</i> .	Dismissed <i>ex parte</i> .	On reference to arbitration.	For plaintiff.	For defendant.	Judgment for plaintiff in whole or in part.	Judgment for defendant.				
I.—COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
Unpaid Tribunals ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Village and Panchayat Courts ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	
Paid Subdivisional Tribunals ...	476,703	...	293,449	632	39,472	68,833	...	...</								

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Statement showing the mode of disposal of appeals in each district in the year 1925.

Districts.	Dismissed for default or otherwise not prosecuted.	Rejected under Rule 11, Order XLI, C.C.P.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.	Remanded.	Total.
Anantapur	1	6	62	12	27	15	123
Arcot, North	...	5	192	17	50	8	272
Do. South	4	1	100	22	36	42	205
Bellary	1	...	75	23	18	8	125
Chingleput	18	1	117	26	178	25	365
Chittoor	49	1	98	14	32	20	214
Coimbatore	14	3	200	41	40	31	329
Cuddapah	1	...	25	5	3	2	36
Ganjām	...	1	290	39	90	45	465
Godāvari	19	...	185	74	115	42	435
Guntur	32	1	242	73	81	59	488
Kanara, South	22	2	324	112	67	28	555
Kistna	40	...	744	474	223	160	1,641
Kurnool	3	1	60	12	24	5	105
Madura	24	3	156	65	54	23	

Government of Madras

LAW (GENERAL) DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 3615, 24th November 1926

Civil Justice

Courts—Civil—Statistics for 1925—recorded with remarks.

READ—letter from A. C. HAPPELL, Esq., I.C.S., Registrar, High Court, to the Secretary to Government, Law (General) Department, dated Madras, the 3rd November 1926, R.O.C. No. 3833.

I am directed to forward herewith seven copies of the statistics of the Civil Courts in the Madras Presidency for the year 1925. The special statements are attached to the five copies of the statistics intended for the local Government, but they have been omitted from the remaining two copies which are intended for the Government of India.

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Recorded.

2. The Government are glad to note that there was an increase in the number of original suits disposed of by district munsifs during the year and that there was a fall in the number of suits pending for over one year in these courts. The average duration of contested original suits showed a decline, but the Government observe that it exceeded the prescribed maximum of two hundred and fifty days in as many as one hundred and twenty-three district munsifs' courts.

3. The Government regret to notice that in spite of a decrease in the number of original suits and appeals filed in subordinate judges' courts there was a marked fall in the number of cases disposed of by this class of courts. The increase in the number of one year old suits pending before these courts is a specially unsatisfactory feature and the Government trust that district judges will take such steps as may be needed to ensure that suits are dealt with expeditiously.

4. There was a fall in the number of original suits disposed of by district judges and in spite of the remarks contained in the last year's review the average duration of contested original suits in district judges' courts showed an increase. The Government are aware that disposals of original suits in these courts depend to a large extent on the state of the criminal file, but as remarked by the Honourable the Judges of the High Court, the figures for Nellore, Anantapur and Tinnevely are high even if allowance is made for this factor.

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5. It is satisfactory to note that the arrears in the Madras City Civil Court fell from four hundred and one in 1924 to three hundred and thirty-seven in 1925, although there was an increase in the number of cases filed and that there was a decrease in the average duration of contested suits in the Presidency Court of Small Causes.

(By order of the Governor in Council)

V. T. KRISHNAMA ACHARIYAR,
Secretary to Government.

To the Hon'ble the Chief Justice (with C.L.),
„ the Revenue Department.
„ the Judicial Department.
„ the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue).
„ the Chief Judge, Court of Small Causes, Madras.
„ the Judge, City Civil Court, Madras.
„ all Collectors.

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