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Comm.s to the Supdt. of Stationery for the issue of necessary correction to the stationery rules, proceedings, Rev. Dept., approving the proposals of the Bd. of Rev. for reduction of work in connection with the periodical returns submitted by Tahsildars & other Rev. officers.

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Reduction of Correspondence.

Approving, subject to certain remarks and modifications, the proposals of the Board of Revenue for reduction of work in connection with the periodical returns submitted by Tahsildars and other Revenue officers.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), No. 105, dated 22nd April 1899 :—

Read—again Board's Proceedings, No. 211, dated 25th June 1897.

Abstract.—Approving the suggestions of the Committee of Huzur Sheristadars in regard to the printing of taluk forms, and circulating to all Collectors a list of the forms with the request that they will report, before the 20th proximo, whether any additions should be made to it.

Read—also replies of the Collectors.

Read—also the following letter from W. S. MEYER, Esq., I.C.S., to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, dated Calcutta, 2nd April 1898, No. 40 :—

With reference to paragraph 7 of Government Order, No. 1243, Judicial, dated 27th August 1897, I have the honour to submit the following proposals (which I had not had time to fully work out before leaving Madras) for reduction of work in connection with the periodical returns submitted by Tahsildars and other Revenue officers.

2. I shall take as the basis of my proposals the returns specified in the List of taluk forms circulated in accordance with the recommendations of the Committee of Huzur Sheristadars appointed in Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 3991, dated 29th August 1896, with Board's Proceedings, No. 211, dated 25th June 1897, and this document I shall hereafter refer to as "the List." I shall have to refer also to statements A and D furnished by the Secretary to the Huzur Sheristadars' Committee from which this List appears to have been prepared in the Board's office. I have for convenience of reference numbered the returns shown under each of the six series A to F in the List and submit herewith a copy of the List as thus numbered.

Statement A.—Containing the returns which in the Committee's opinion are suitable to be prescribed for all districts.

Statement D.—Showing from and to whom the several returns are due and on what dates.

3. The replies of Collectors to Board's Proceedings, No. 211, dated 25th June 1897, having been transferred to me in connection with my special duty, I shall state in the course of my remarks on the returns in what respects the List has been found to be defective and requires improvement.

4. I may say that I have already addressed the Board on the returns relating to the under-mentioned subjects in my letters noted against them ; but I think it will be found convenient that I should deal with the List *seriatim* and note in the proper place the remarks I have already made with reference to individual items, as I have now to suggest further proposals in the case of some of them :—

Letter No. 22, dated 21st September 1897, dealt with in Court's Proceedings, No. 17, dated 29th October 1897.	Suits filed and defended on behalf of estates under the management of the Court of Wards.
Letter No. 23, dated 27th September 1897, dealt with in Government Order, No. 1031, Revenue, dated 9th December 1897, and Board's Proceedings, No. 14, dated 15th January 1898.	Destruction of wild animals and venomous snakes.
Letter Extra Tour B., dated 12th October 1897, dealt with in Board's Proceedings, No. 365, dated 1st November 1897.	Appointment, punishment, touring, &c., of public servants.
Letter No. 28, dated 20th October 1897, to the Board in the Settlement Department (copy enclosed).	Revenue Inspectors' diary.
Letter No. 32, dated 3rd November 1897, dealt with in Board's Proceedings, No. 388, dated 11th November 1897.	Progress reports of petty construction and repairs and of expenditure on minor irrigation works.

Letter No. 34, dated 5th November 1897, dealt with in Board's Proceedings, No. 432, dated 8th December 1897, and No. 349, Routine, dated 8th February 1898, and in Government Order, No. 128, Revenue, dated 3rd March 1898.	Revenue business statements and the returns covered thereby; lists of unanswered references to and from superior offices, &c.
Letter No. 36, dated 23rd November 1897, to the Board in the Separate Revenue Department (copy enclosed).	Abkári, Stamps, Income-tax and Customs.
Letter No. 38, dated 10th December 1897, dealt with in Board's Proceedings, No. 5, dated 5th January 1898, recorded in Government Order, No. 978, Revenue, dated 25th February 1898.	Compensation for lands acquired for public purposes and alienation of lands and land assessment.

SECTION I.

A Series.—List of Returns to be furnished to the Collector from the taluk.

5. $A_{1\ (b)}$.—According to the List *the certificate of verification of arrack consignments* should be submitted by the Tahsildar to the Collector the day after the verification takes place. But, as a matter of fact, these consignments are mostly verified by Revenue Inspectors and Taluk Head Accountants, and their certificates of verification are submitted direct to the Collector. Further, the forms of permits for the transport of country spirits to wholesale vendors' and farmers' depôts (Forms D_{15} and D_{16}) themselves contain the form of certificate of verification. This return need not therefore be included in the List of taluk forms, the supply of which from a Central office appears to be contemplated in the correspondence printed in Board's Proceedings, No. 211, dated 25th June 1897.

6. A_2 *and* $A_{8\ (c)}$.—According to the List *an advice of collections made for other taluks or districts* should be submitted the day after the collection is made; and a consolidated monthly statement of such collections should also be sent with the statement showing the demand, collection and balance of Land Revenue and Cesses. The Collector of South Arcot considers that the monthly statement is unnecessary, and I agree with him, for the information required (under paragraph 5 of Board's Proceedings, No. 127, dated 2nd May 1895) to be submitted along with the taluk Treasury account-current will suffice. The demand, collection and balance statement cannot contain any fresh information as (under Board's Proceedings, No. 358, dated 2nd October 1895) it is to be closed to the same date as the Sub-Treasury accounts. I recommend therefore that item $A_{8\ (c)}$ be omitted from the List.

7. $A_{3\ (a)}$ *and* $_{(b)}$—*Cholera and small-pox reports.*—According to the List, Tahsildars would have to submit five copies of cholera and small-pox reports (1) to the Collector's General office, (2) to the Treasury Deputy Collector, (3) to the Divisional officer, (4) to the nearest Medical officer and (5) to the District Medical and Sanitary Officer, immediately after the diseases break out in any village (see in addition to the items above-quoted Nos. B_2, C_1, D_5 and D_6 on the List). Under the revised Standing Order No. 195,* approved in Government Order, No. 764, Revenue Department, dated 7th September 1897, they have to report in the case of cholera to—

* *Vide* appendix to Board's Proceedings, No. 320, Land Revenue, dated 28th September 1897.

(1) the Collector,
(2) the Taluk Board President,
(3) the District Medical officer, and
(4) the Medical subordinate in charge of the nearest dispensary;

and in the case of small-pox to the above four officers and also to the local vaccinator and the Deputy Inspector of Vaccination; and in both cases they have, so long as the epidemic lasts, to send also a daily return in the form appended to the Standing Order with reference to its paragraph 4. I think that, after the original notice has been sent, the daily statistics required in this form need only be sent to the Collector, the Taluk Board President and the District Medical officer. The other officers will, if they are to be of service, come to the affected village themselves. Further, in the case of small-pox, the return seems only necessary where there are several cases in a village.

The List should, I think, be corrected accordingly. In any case there is no need to send separate returns to the Collector and to his Treasury Deputy Collector.

8. $A_{3\ (c)}$—*Reports on fairs and festivals.*—The reports on the sanitary measures taken during fairs and festivals are required not by the Collector but by the Taluk Board President who forwards them with his remarks to the District Board President for submission to Government through the Sanitary Commissioner. They should, again, be submitted to the Taluk Board President by the officer who has actually attended the festival, &c., and this is often a Hospital Assistant or a Revenue Inspector and not the Tahsildar. This item may therefore be omitted from the List.

9. A_4—*Rainfall report.*—According to the List this report should be submitted direct to the Collector the day after rainfall. In Chingleput and Salem a copy is also sent to the Divisional officer, and this course seems advisable elsewhere also when the season is at all critical.

10. A_5—*Indent for abkári, toddy and opium printed forms.*—This indent should, according to the List, be submitted by the Taluk officers to the Collector a month before the supply is exhausted. I think it might well be included in the annual general indent for printed forms submitted to the Treasury Deputy Collector (item C_{30} in List), supplemental half-yearly indents being made if necessary with reference to the fact that the arrack and toddy shop licenses generally run for different periods.

11. $A_{7\ (a)}$ *and* $_{(c)}$—*Monthly consumption statement in form* D_{22} *printed as appendix to paragraph* 1 *of Standing Order No.* 158.—In paragraphs 7 and 8 of my letter to the Board (Separate Revenue), No. 36,* dated 23rd November 1897, I suggested (*a*) that the monthly statement of consumption of country spirits could be tabulated in the Board's office itself from the issues from distilleries and warehouses as reported to it, Collectors being required to obtain and furnish information only as regards the quantities of liquor issued from wholesale vend depôts in their districts to retail shops in adjoining districts; and (*b*) that the submission of information by Collectors regarding the number of shops sanctioned and open, and the average selling prices per gallon of the different strengths of spirits, need only be furnished annually. If these proposals are accepted, the return now under discussion will be very materially curtailed.

* Copy enclosed.

But even if it is decided to maintain the submission of the return in its present shape from the Collector to the Board, there is no reason why it should not be compiled in the Collector's office. He would obtain the consumption statistics direct from the distillery and warehouse officers and the depôt-keepers, and information regarding the number of shops actually open during the month (column 17 of the return) from Abkári Inspectors, while the Tahsildar would only have to report the average selling prices per gallon (columns 20 to 22). Compilation in the Collector's office on these lines is, I understand, already in practice in South Arcot, while, in Coimbatore, statement $A_{7\ (c)}$ only is submitted by Tahsildars but not $A_{7\ (a)}$.

The date fixed for the submission of such information as may be required from the taluk for the preparation of the monthly consumption statement should, in any case, be altered from 10th to 5th of the month following, and a similar correction should be made in regard to the date fixed for the demand, collection and balance of excise revenue [item $A_{7\ (b)}$] as these statements are due in the Board's office from Collectors on the 12th of every month.

12. $A_{8\ (a)}$—*Monthly statement of demand, collection and balance of irrigation cess.*—This is a local statement, required only in the few districts† in which irrigation cess is levied, and need not appear in the general List. I may, at the same time, observe that the necessity for the submission of any separate demand, collection and balance of irrigation cess is not clear as the transactions relating to that cess are included in the entries against the item "Special Funds other than village-cess" appearing in the monthly demand, collection and balance of Land Revenue and Cesses.

† Chingleput, Tanjore, Trichinopoly, Coimbatore and Salem.

13. $A_{8(b)}$—*Monthly statement of demand, collection and balance of Land Revenue and Cesses.*—This has as an enclosure two or more statements showing the distribution of collections between Land Revenue and Cesses in each taluk of the district, one of them giving the distribution for the current fasli and the rest relating to each of the previous faslis, the arrears of which are outstanding in the accounts. In 1896, Mr. Benson proposed that this distribution should be made for the whole district in the Collector's office instead of in the taluk offices as at present; and the matter was referred to selected Collectors for report in Board's Proceedings, No. 255, dated 11th July 1896. I understand that, on a consideration of the replies received, the Board has come to the conclusion that no change need be made in the present system in the manner suggested. I beg however to bring to the Board's notice that in writing to me about the curtailment of work in Revenue offices, the Collectors of Tanjore and Nilgiris (Messrs. Andrew and Tremenheere) urged the desirability of making the distribution once for all at the end of the fasli and suggested that the objection generally raised to the adoption of this course, viz., that the District Board and Village Service funds would, in the meantime, run out of money, might be removed by the allotment to Local and Special funds, in the early portion of each year, of amounts equal to the average of the actuals of previous years. I quote Mr. Andrew's remarks in full:—

> "As under the Local Boards Act, the Local Boards are entitled to recover one anna in the Rupee of land assessment, this recovery is now effected every month at certain percentages calculated with reference to the proportion which the total collections of Land Revenue and Cesses bear to the total demand of Land Revenue and Cesses. If the recovery is effected once a year, the calculation will have to be made only once and finally. Perhaps this course may hamper the administration of Local Boards through want of funds, and to remove this inconvenience, an amount equal to the average of the past three years may be charged off in the month of April of every official year, any excess or deficiency in the amount so transferred being adjusted as soon as the revised or the final demand, collection and balance statement for the fasli is prepared. In the same way, the contribution to village-cess may be annually made and any excess or deficiency similarly adjusted as soon as the final demand, collection and balance statement for the fasli is prepared."

I submit that the reduction of the work now involved in making the distribution of collections between Land Revenue and Cesses every month in each taluk office in two or more statements, and in checking the same in the Collectors' offices, is a matter which presses for solution and accordingly venture to ask the Board's further consideration to the above proposal.

14. A_9 (*also* $B_{4(a)}$ *and* C_8)—*Monthly unanswered lists of Huzur received and sent papers.*—These returns which, according to the List, have to be submitted to the Collector, the Divisional officer and the Treasury Deputy Collector may be now omitted with reference to the orders passed in Board's Proceedings, No. 432, dated 8th December 1897, on paragraph 10 of my letter, No. 34, dated 5th November 1897.

15. A_{10}—*Monthly statements of the gross amount of excise duty collected under the Cotton Duties Act and of the amount refunded on exports of duty-paid yarn and fabrics containing such yarn.*—The letter from the Government of India prescribing these statements was communicated by the Board only to the Collectors of Maritime districts and of Bellary and Coimbatore (Board's Proceedings, No. 216, Separate Revenue, dated 20th May 1895). The return should, therefore, if retained in the general List, be accompanied by a note limiting its application to these districts.

16. A_{11}—*Monthly progress report of Income-tax assessments and collections.*—This return is at present in use only in a few districts, and no form has as yet been authoritatively prescribed. I submit that it would suffice if a quarterly statement in the revised form Q submitted to the Board in the Separate Revenue Department with my letter * No. 36, dated 23rd November 1897 (*vide* paragraph 19 of the letter and the enclosure thereto), were sent by the Tahsildar. The statements for the first and third quarters could go to the Divisional officer who may be trusted to see that the assessments and collections are made as soon as possible in his division; the return for the second quarter would be for the half-year as a whole and would go to the Collector through the Divisional officer; while the annual return required for the Administration report would take the place of the return for the fourth quarter and might be submitted in duplicate to the Divisional officer and the Collector.

* Copy enclosed.

17. A_{12} *and* B_5—*Monthly progress reports of Minor Irrigation works.*—In paragraph 20 of my letter, No. 32, dated 3rd November 1897, I proposed that these progress reports might, at the discretion of Collectors, be made quarterly for the first nine months of the year and submitted during the same period to the Divisional officer only who would prepare a consolidated statement for his division for the Collector. The Board has approved the proposal (*vide* paragraph 1 of Board's Proceedings, No. 388, dated 11th November 1897) and the List has therefore to be modified accordingly.

18. A_{13}—*Loans statements (monthly).*—(1) In paragraph 13 of Government Order, No. 516, Revenue, dated 8th October 1896 (Board's Proceedings, No. 417, Settlement, dated 10th December 1896) it has been ordered that Form No. XVI showing the disposal of applications under the Loans Acts be submitted to the Board quarterly instead of monthly and that the same course should be taken in regard to the monthly statement of advances and recoveries (Form XVII-B and its enclosure) "as soon as the Board considers that the close supervision at present exercised can safely be dispensed with."

(2) Form XVI above referred to corresponds to item $A_{13(a)}$ of the List which is entered as due monthly from taluks, and the returns are being so submitted in several districts. There seems to be no reason why they should not, like the statement sent by Collectors to the Board, be submitted quarterly by Tahsildars throughout the Presidency; it is only in times of distress that the submission of monthly returns need be insisted on and this can be specially ordered by Collectors.

The statement should, I think, be submitted on the 5th (not 10th as in the List) of the month following the quarter for which it is due.

Item A 13 (*b*), an enclosure to Form XVI, appears to be only a local return and should be omitted.

(3) I would suggest that Statement XVII-B and its enclosure [$A_{13(c)}$ and $_{(d)}$] be now made quarterly, with reference to the orders of Government above quoted, in districts in which loans transactions are not heavy. Further, this statement is at present submitted in several districts both to the Collector and to the Divisional officer or to the Collector through the Divisional officer. I think it should go direct to the Collector who can communicate a copy of any remarks he may have to make thereon to the Divisional officer.

(4) Besides the above, there are the monthly statements showing the result of inspection of works executed with the aid of State loans (Form XXV-A) and the progress made in the completion of works under the Land Improvement Loans Act*. As the Board requires only quarterly reviews of progress of loan works to be submitted to it (Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 6972, Settlement, dated 19th December 1895), I am of opinion that the latter statement may be submitted quarterly from the taluk also. It may be noted that it is not submitted in Form XXV-C as stated in the List but in the form of the statement printed in Board's Proceedings, No. 364, Settlement, dated 8th September 1894.

* Items A 13 *(e) and (f)* in the List.

Form XXV-A may also, at the discretion of Collectors, be submitted quarterly in taluks where there are few cases of incomplete works. This statement should in any case be submitted through the Divisional officer as required in Board's Proceedings, No. 462, Settlement, dated 17th November 1893 (paragraph 2) and not to the Collector direct as contemplated in the List. Further, the date fixed in that Proceedings for the submission of the monthly return is the second or third of the month following that to which it relates and not the fifth as in the List.

19. A_{14}—*Monthly statement of Fines levied and refunded in Magisterial Courts.*—My suggestions for the curtailment of this return have been submitted to Government in the Judicial Department in paragraph 19 of my letter, No. 39, dated 21st January 1898 (copy of which is enclosed).

20. A_{15}—*Monthly statement of mares and ponies inspected; statement of mares covered by Government stallions; and statement of the results of the coverings of mares by the Government stallions.*—(1) Horse-breeding operations exist only in Coimbatore, Salem and Madura, and are in charge of the Sub-Collector at Salem, of certain Tahsildars in Coimbatore, and of the Tahsildar of Dindigul in Madura. The Board requires only a single monthly statement—of mares covered by Government stallions and donkeys and of ponies castrated—and an annual statement of the same description, with another

showing the results of the coverings of mares. The Collector of Coimbatore (Mr. Bradley) states that the monthly statement of mares and ponies inspected is not in use in his district, and that the statement of mares covered by Government stallions is not submitted by Tahsildars but is prepared from the covering certificates and the register kept in the Collector's office. I would accordingly suggest that these two statements be omitted from the List and that the statement of the results of coverings of mares be made quarterly or half-yearly and omitted from the List as being a local return.

(2) The Collector of Coimbatore further suggests that the elaborate statement furnishing full particulars regarding all the mares covered by Government stallions and donkeys which forms an enclosure to the annual report on pony-breeding operations submitted from his district might be discontinued, as all the information required by the Board is furnished in the statement regarding results of coverings appended to the body of the report itself. The enclosure referred to by the Collector is not submitted in Madura and Salem and may, I think, be done away with.

I cannot, however, agree with Mr. Bradley that the maintenance of a nominal register of mares procured for Government stallions is not required. The register seems necessary to verify the results of the coverings.

21. A_{16}—*Monthly statement of Credits granted for the removal of Salt on deposit of securities.*—This need hardly figure in the List as salt credits are not usually taken out at taluk treasuries.

22. A_{17} *and* $A_{39\ (b)}$—*Statements showing the number and value of sulphate of quinine packets received from the Treasury Deputy Collector and sold in the taluk.*—The List includes both a monthly and an annual return of the number and value of quinine packets sold in taluks. The former should now be struck out with reference to paragraph 3 of Government Order, No. 128, Revenue, dated 3rd March 1898, while the latter has to be submitted for the official and not for the calendar year as stated in the List.

23. $A_{18\ (a)}$—*Demand, Collection and Balance of Port Fund Receipts.*—If this statement is required, it should be submitted by the Port officers and may therefore be omitted from the List.

24. $A_{18\ (c)}$ *and* $_{(e)}$—*Monthly Special Funds returns.*—A monthly report on the progress of *cattle-pound works* is no doubt necessary as these works are generally entrusted to village headmen, but it might preferably be submitted to the Divisional officer. For *irrigation cess*, no separate statement of receipts and charges need be submitted to the Collector as it is a special fund item and the transactions relating to it should therefore be shown in No. $A_{18\ (d)}$ (*vide* Form No. 12 appended to paragraph 2 of Standing Order No. 93).

25. A_{20}—*Monthly progress report of expenditure incurred in petty construction and repairs to civil buildings.*—Under paragraph 12 of Standing Order No. 189, Collectors have to furnish a monthly progress report of "Petty Construction and Repair" works under execution to the Accountant-General at the same time as they send in the statement of expenditure. In paragraph 15 of my letter, No. 32, dated 3rd November 1897, read in Board's Proceedings, No. 388, dated 11th November 1897, I suggested that the transmission of the progress report to the Accountant-General might be discontinued and the proposal was one of those that the Board submitted for the favourable consideration of Government. If it be approved the Tahsildar's progress report to the Collector might, like the one relating to minor irrigation works referred to in paragraph 17 above, be made quarterly for the first nine months and monthly for the last three months of the official year.

26. $A_{22\ (a)}$—*Quarterly statement of beriz deductions sanctioned by the Collector on account of religious institutions and services in lieu of land assessments resumed.*—Under Board's Proceedings, No. 2240, dated 8th September 1882, Collectors have to submit for the Board's confirmation a quarterly statement of beriz deductions sanctioned in favour of religious institutions in lieu of the land revenue originally assigned to them. I submit that it would be sufficient if this statement were submitted annually; and in fact, as a statement of beriz deductions newly sanctioned in favour of religious institutions in each fasli is submitted by Collectors as an enclosure to the jamabandi report (*vide* page 2 of enclosure 4-A), the latter might be adapted so as to serve the present purpose.

In any case, it seems unnecessary to require Tahsildars to submit either the quarterly return of beriz deductions or the annual jamabandi statement in any other than the existing form to the Collector, as the beriz deductions in question can be sanctioned only by the latter officer and the information required for compiling the return to the Board in the amplified form should therefore be available in his office. Tahsildars have already at my suggestion been relieved of the quarterly return in the Tanjore district.

27. A_{23} *and* B_9—*Quarterly statement showing the despatch of Revenue business.*—The return to the Collector (A_{23}) should be struck off the List with reference to paragraph 2 of Board's Proceedings, No. 432, dated 8th December 1897, which approved my suggestion that the Tahsildars' Business statements should go to the Divisional officer only and that it would be for the latter to furnish the Collector with a copy of his reviews thereon.

28. A_{24}—*Quarterly report of Excise Advances.*—The report of excise advances is at present submitted to the Board only half-yearly (*vide* paragraph 22 of Board's Proceedings, No. 374, Separate Revenue, dated 2nd September 1897); and I submit that it need not come with greater frequency from taluk offices.

29. A_{25}—*Quarterly statement showing the Talukwar Demand, Collection and Balance of Assessments made under Part IV of Schedule II to the Income-tax Act II of* 1886.—The return proposed in paragraph 16 above would take the place of this statement.

30. A_{26}—*Quarterly statement showing the amount of Irrecoverable Arrears under the Loans Acts.*—This was formerly required for submission by the Collector to the Board, but is no longer necessary with reference to paragraph 3 (*a*) (2) of Board's Proceedings, No. 417, Settlement, dated 10th December 1896, and may be struck off the List.

31. A_{27}—*Quarterly returns of Fines imposed on, and Stoppages made from the pay of, public servants (including village officers).*—Reference is invited to paragraphs 33 and 34 of my letter read in Board's Proceedings, No. 365, dated 1st November 1897. Under the proposals therein made, which were approved by the Board, only abstract statements (one for village servants and another for other public officers) showing the total number of men fined, the aggregate amount of the fines, &c., will hereafter be submitted; and the Tahsildar's statements, which should be submitted to the Divisional officer, need only deal with the fines imposed by him. The Divisional officer will include his own fines when sending the returns on to the Collector.

32. A_{28}—*Quarterly progress report of composition for second crop, together with the statement of financial results.*—(1) Under Board's Proceedings, No. 96, Settlement, dated 20th February 1894, whenever single-crop wet lands situated under sources of irrigation classed in the 3rd, 4th and 5th classes by the Settlement Department are protected from drought by substantial wells sunk by the ryots therein, composition for second-crop charge may be effected by Revenue officers at half the composition rates otherwise admissible; and this work devolves on the Revenue officers in districts already settled. In paragraph 8 of the above Proceedings the Board called for the submission of a quarterly progress report of the work done in this direction and of a statement (in a form prescribed) of the financial results of composition effected under each source of irrigation. The above rule has been in force for about four years and I think that it would now be sufficient to make the progress report and statement of financial results annual, as has been suggested to me by the Collector of Bellary, and to allow them to be submitted with the jamabandi report.

(2) I submit that the statement of financial results appended to the Proceedings quoted above might be curtailed by the omission of columns 8 to 13 and 16 without materially diminishing its utility.

(3) The progress report and statement might be altogether discontinued in divisions consisting of delta taluks in which composition for second-crop charge on "well" lands is *nil*.

(4) It is not clear why the return need in any case be submitted by the Tahsildars, seeing that Collectors and Divisional officers are the only authorities competent to pass orders on applications for composition (*vide* paragraph 9 of Board's Proceedings, No. 96, Settlement, dated 20th February 1894).

33. A_{29}—*Quarterly return of Irrecoverable Arrears under Local and Special Funds other than cesses.*—This return shows arrears under fishery and ferry rents collected by Revenue officers though belonging to Local Boards, arrears of irrigation cess, &c., recommended to be written off. Formerly the Board used to sanction the writing-off of irrecoverable arrears under these items; but under Government Order, No. 645, dated 17th November 1896*, the sanction of Government is being obtained. In paragraphs 2 to 5 of my letter read in Board's Proceedings, No. 384, dated 11th November 1897, I proposed (and the Board has recommended the suggestion to Government) that steps should be taken to give the Board power to write off irrecoverable arrears under all the heads of revenue which are under its control and that Collectors might be authorised to sanction on their own authority the smaller irrecoverable items of land revenue arrears, not exceeding Rs. 50 in each case. The irrecoverable arrears of Local and Special funds other than cesses being generally small, the faculty to sanction the writing-off of the same might similarly be conferred on Collectors, or on Local Boards in the case of items belonging to them, and should not in any case require reference to Government.

* In Board's Proceedings, No. 464, dated 11th December 1896.

34. $A_{30\,(a)\ and\ (b)}$—*Half-yearly statements of inams relinquished and of lapsed inams.*—(1) The half-yearly statement of lapsed inams which is now being submitted by Collectors to the Board was originally prescribed in Board's Proceedings, No. 1101, dated 25th June 1873; and dasabhandam inams relinquished or resumed for non-fulfilment of the conditions of the grant were subsequently ordered to be included therein (*vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 2576, dated 8th September 1885). It will be seen from the correspondence printed in the earlier Proceedings quoted above that the Inam Commissioner suggested the prescription of an *annual* return of lapsed inams to be submitted with the jamabandi report, in order that the Board might be "kept acquainted with the progress of matters in this respect." I would suggest therefore that this statement be made annual both from Tahsildars to Collectors and from Collectors to the Board or preferably to the Inam Commissioner.

(2) The statement of inams relinquished and incorporated with Government lands is, as observed by the Collectors of Anantapur and Bellary, only required for the purpose of making corrections in the Inam registers maintained in the Collector's office and its submission by the Tahsildar might also be annual. I may note in this connection that in these districts the return is now submitted by Tahsildars every month which is clearly unnecessary.

(3) *A monthly return of lapsed yeomiahs and allowances remaining undisposed of* is also being submitted in several districts. It was originally called for in Board's Circular No. 153, dated 16th November 1865 (and a form was prescribed in Board's Proceedings, No. 40, dated 15th January 1881) in view to check undue delay in the disposal of cases of lapse. Collectors having at the time of the Board's reorganisation been authorised to correspond with Government direct in regard to yeomiahs (*vide* Standing Order No. 129-A), the submission of this return to the Board was discontinued under Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 1620, dated 10th March 1892; but the Board at the same time observed that Collectors should not lose sight of the subject in their own offices and that they should continue to obtain reports as theretofore. The return may, I submit, be made quarterly.

35. A_{31}—*Half-yearly statement of mines started or abandoned.*—(1) This statement is prepared and submitted for the information of the Inspector of Mines in India with reference to the Government Order disposed of in Board's Proceedings, No. 537, Land Revenue, dated 10th December 1894. It will be seen from the correspondence printed in this Proceedings that the Inspector of Mines asked for permission to obtain the returns from Divisional officers direct, but that the Director, Geological Survey, observed that this course might not procure all the information required and that the correspondence would be too heavy for the Inspector's office. The return is accordingly now submitted by Collectors to the Board and is passed on by it to Government for transmission to the Director, Geological Survey. I submit that if the Inspector of Mines wants this special statement, he should get the information direct from Collectors, though not from Divisional officers as originally proposed by him, and should have it tabulated in his office.

(2) The return need only be prescribed for taluks in which mining operations are or are likely to be carried on.

36. A_{32}—*Half-yearly Tahsildars' tour statement.*—With reference to paragraphs 13 to 16 of my letter read in Board's Proceedings, No. 432, dated 8th December 1897, and the Board's remarks thereon, this entry should be converted into a monthly statement due from the Tahsildar to the Divisional-officer.

37. A_{33}—*Annual statement of coffee and tea cultivation.*—This is a local statement necessary only in the taluks in which coffee and tea are grown and should be omitted from the general List.

38. $A_{35\,(b)}$—*The statement of declarations signed by publishers of newspapers* should be half-yearly and not annual as shown in the List—*vide* Government Order, No. 1518, Public, dated 14th November 1887.

39. $A_{37\,(a)}$—*Annual List of persons thrown out of Government employ.*—All that is now required by Government on this subject is that Heads of Departments should make their own arrangements for the publication of lists of persons thrown out of employ in consequence of the abolition or reduction of establishments (Government Order, No. 959, Public, dated 4th September 1896); and under paragraph 4 (*b*) of Board's Proceedings, No. 232, dated 26th June 1896, Collectors send their lists annually to the Superintendent of Government Press who makes out a consolidated list for the whole Presidency and publishes it in the *Fort St. George Gazette.* The information required for the preparation of the district list should be available in the Treasury Deputy Collector's office, as reduction in, or abolition of, establishments does not take place without the sanction of higher authorities. The return need not therefore be called for from the taluks.

40. $A_{39\,(a)}$—*Annual sanitary report of taluk.*—This report should, I submit, go from the Taluk Board President to the District Board President and may therefore be eliminated from the List.

41. A_{43}—*Annual return of transfer of villages from one taluk to another since the last census.*—This return owes its origin to the fact that in 1874 the late Dr. Cornish suggested to the Board the advisability of maintaining a continuous record of all changes made in the area and population of taluks since the last census owing to the transfer of villages from one taluk to another, so that the compilers of the next census might have this information before them in a succinct form and take it into account in calculating the variation in population. Collectors were accordingly directed to open and maintain a register of such changes—*vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 1677, dated 3rd July 1874; and the Board subsequently ordered the submission of extracts therefrom annually for its information—Board's Proceedings, No. 2972, dated 13th October 1874. Transfers of villages from one taluk to another have hitherto required the sanction of Government, but would, under the proposal made in paragraph 2 of my letter, No. 32, dated 3rd November 1897, and approved in Board's Proceedings, No. 388, dated 11th November 1897, be ordinarily disposed of by the Board. In either case the papers on the subject must come up to the Board and the register can be compiled in its office. It seems to me, however, that the Superintendent of Census could easily procure locally all the information he requires on this subject and that the register is superfluous.

42. $A_{44\,(b)}$—*Statement showing the inspection of liquor shops.*—This is an annual statement, but as observed in paragraph 9 (10) of my letter read in Board's Proceedings, No. 432, dated 8th December 1897, it has been supplemented in many districts by quarterly and even monthly reports. These will now be abolished under the orders in the Board's Proceedings above quoted.

43. A_{45}, $A_{64\,(a)}$ *and* $_{(b)}$ *and* $A_{67\,(b)}$—*Statements relating to the alienation of lands and land revenue by Government and to the acquisition of lands for public purposes.*—These statements have been dealt with in my letter, No. 38, dated 10th December 1897, read in Board's Proceedings, No. 5, dated 5th January 1898; and with reference to the Board's orders thereon, A_{45} has to be struck off the List, as it can be compiled in the Collector's own office, while the other returns will be submitted by the Divisional-officer annually instead of half-yearly as at present.

44. A_{46}—*Annual statement of escheats of immoveable property.*—Under Standing Order No. 279 (Old Edition), every escheat of immoveable property requires the sanction either of the Board or of Government. The information necessary for the preparation of this return can therefore be compiled in the Board's office, or in that of the Collector in case the proposal to give him powers in this respect made in paragraph 15 of my letter, No. 30, dated 29th October 1897, and accepted in Board's Proceedings, No. 384, dated 11th November 1897, be adopted. In either case the return can be struck off the List of returns due from Taluk offices.

45. A_{47}—*Annual application for allotment for the construction of minor irrigation works.*—The date on which the application is due in the Collector's office is given as the 15th April. This is incorrect as Collectors' applications are due in the Board's office before the end of January—*vide* paragraph 3 of Board's Proceedings, No. 282, Settlement, dated 11th July 1894. Further the application should, like the majority of the minor irrigation progress reports (*vide* paragraph 17 *supra*), go from the Tahsildar to the Divisional-officer who should be held responsible for the proposals for his division and submit them in a consolidated form to the Collector. The Tahsildar might submit his list to the Divisional-officer on the 7th January and the latter his divisional list (to the Collector) on 20th *idem*.

46. $A_{49\ (a)}$—*Annual statement showing the charges of Divisional-officers.*—This statement was called for in Board's Proceedings, No. 30, dated 13th January 1881, and is required with reference to a return of Divisional charges with their area, population and land revenue which is prepared by the Board year by year for the whole Presidency and circulated to Collectors, a copy being sent to Government. In Government Order, Mis. No. 5448, Revenue, dated 23rd October 1897, Government has asked whether this annual statement might not be discontinued and I think the reply should be in the affirmative. A quinquennial statement would suffice to which correction slips could be issued (the necessary statistics being obtained from the Collectors concerned) in the event of any important alteration in Divisional charges. In any case it is not necessary to get returns from the taluks.

47. $A_{49\ (b)}$—*Annual statement showing the receipts and transactions under the Treasure Trove Act.*—This statement is due from Collectors to the Board under paragraph 2 of Board's Proceedings, No. 2390, dated 19th August 1885; but there is no necessity for its preliminary compilation in the Taluk offices, as under the Treasure Trove Act and the rules * issued thereunder the Collector is the only officer competent to deal with treasure trove matters and as the entire correspondence relating to each case of treasure trove must therefore be available in his office.

* In Government Order, No. 901, Public, dated 22nd August 1896.

48. $A_{50\ (a)}$, B_{16} *and* C_{28}.—According to the list of taluk forms, each Tahsildar has to send *an annual statement of persons in superior service who have attained the age of* 55 *years or will attain that age during the ensuing year* to the Divisional-officer as well as to the Treasury Deputy Collector and to render a similar *annual return of inferior servants of* 60 *or nearly* 60 *years of age* direct to the Collector. The submission of the former statement in duplicate is superfluous, and all information required under these heads can, as is at present done in Salem, be prepared by the Treasury Deputy Collector, lists being sent to the Divisional-officers for remarks on the subordinates working in their respective divisions. These statements may therefore be struck off the List.

49. $A_{50\ (b)}$—*List of persons qualified for the post of Tahsildar.*—This return should also be omitted, its abolition having been ordered in Board's Proceedings, No. 365, dated 1st November 1897, with reference to paragraph 9 of my letter, No. Extra Tour B., dated 12th October 1897.

50. A_{52}—*Statement of cotton and hemp* * *mills.*—(1) In Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 3505, dated 15th July 1896, the Board in the Settlement Department has directed that Collectors of districts in which this return is *nil* should submit *nil* statements.

* The List says "Jute" but this is apparently an error.

I submit that no statements need be called for from districts in which there is no cotton manufacture. The districts in which this industry exists appear to be those noted in the margin. If cotton or hemp mills were started in other districts, they could, of course, be added to the list of those from which returns should be obtained. If this be approved, the item in question will become a local return and should not figure in the general List.

Vizagapatam.	Tinnevelly.
Madras.	Coimbatore.
Bellary.	Malabar.
Madura.	

(2) Besides the above, there is also a *statement of paper and woollen mills* which is submitted by Collectors to the Board (Settlement) for the calendar year and is forwarded by it both to Government and to the Director-General of Statistics. I think it would be sufficient to furnish the return to the latter officer. The remarks made above as to the submission of *nil* statements apply to this return also. It might perhaps be amalgamated with the statement of large industries which is also submitted for the calendar year, though to the Board in the Separate Revenue Department.

51. $A_{53\ (a)}$—*Statement showing the particulars of the sale of waste lands and of the redemption of land revenue.*—In paragraph 3 of Board's Proceedings, No. 2618, dated 4th September 1883, this statement was called for from Collectors in view apparently to enable the Board and Government to see whether (1) the extent of unassessed waste lands sold revenue-free under the Waste Land Rules, and of assessed waste lands sold on the Nilgiris and Shevaroy Hills and in the Wynaad subject to fixed assessment redeemable at the option of the purchaser, and (2) the amount of revenue redeemed, were so large as to necessitate a modification of the freehold and redemption rules. When considering the proposals for the curtailment of work submitted by the Board in the Settlement Department in 1896, the Government observed that the necessity of retaining this return would be separately considered "in connection with a communication recently received from the Government of India regarding the advisability of disallowing redemption of revenue"—*vide* paragraph 9 of Government Order, No. 516, Revenue, dated 8th October 1896, in Board's Proceedings, No. 417, Settlement, dated 10th December 1896. Now that the Government of India has, it is understood, concurred in the Local Government's proposals in regard to the disallowance of redemption of land revenue for the future (except in cases in which the right to redeem has been conferred in deeds executed in the past), and the abolition of the system of selling unassessed waste lands revenue-free, I would suggest that the annual statement in question (which, it may be noted, involves the maintenance of a separate taluk account — No. 33 — in each taluk office) be discontinued. Even if this view does not meet with approval, I submit that it will suffice if information regarding the extent of lands sold, and the amount realised, be ordered to be shown separately either in the jamabandi statement No. 5 showing particulars of Miscellaneous revenue or in the statement of lands sold under Standing Orders Nos. 30, 34 and 110.

52. $A_{53\ (b)}$—*Annual statement showing transfers of lands from assessed to unassessed.*—Under paragraph 2 of Standing Order No. 34, Collectors have to furnish the Board with an annual statement, for the fasli year, of such transfers as are sanctioned by them for village-sites or other communal purposes. The information required therefor should be available in their own offices and the return may therefore be omitted from the taluk List.

In any case the return is one for the *fasli* and not for the *official* year as entered in the List.

53. A_{54}—*Annual List of civil works costing more than Rs.* 500 *and proposed to be executed by the Public Works Department.*—This statement is submitted with reference to the instructions in Government Order, No. 525 W., dated 28th February 1893 (which prescribed a form) and Board's Proceedings, No. 149, Land Revenue, dated 29th March 1893. Under these orders, Collectors can get the necessary details from Superintending Engineers, and do in fact appear to get statements from the Public Works officers in several districts, such as Vizagapatam, Anantapur, Tinnevelly and Coimbatore. The submission of a return by Tahsildars to the Collector is therefore unnecessary.

In any case the date (20th January) given for the submission of the return is incorrect, the statement being due from the Collectors to the Board on 10th September.

67. $B_{4\ (b)}$, B_8 *and* B_{10}—*Progress report of A and B memoranda and statements showing the disposal of darkhast and patta transfer applications.*—These returns may be struck out as their subjects are covered by the revised Business statement prescribed on my suggestion in Board's Proceedings, No. 432, dated 8th December 1897 and No. 349-Routine, dated 8th February 1898. See in this connection remarks in paragraphs 5, &c., of my letter read in that Proceedings which apply also to superfluous statements furnished to Divisional officers by Tahsildars.

68. B_6. *Monthly progress report of sanitary works.*—This is a Local Fund return and should be submitted to the President of the Taluk Board.

69. B_7—*Monthly return showing the fines, &c., levied under the Cattle Trespass Act and the expenses therefrom.*—This return is also furnished [item C 13 (*c*)] to the Treasury Deputy Collector and its separate submission to the Divisional officer seems unnecessary, as all that he is concerned with is the amount paid for new works and repairs out of the fines realized; and this is furnished in the statement showing the progress of expenditure on cattle pounds which should, as proposed in paragraph 24 above, be submitted to him.

70. $B_{15\ (a)}$—*Annual return of titles and title-holders.*—Two statements—one showing new titles granted or assumed, and the other showing casualties among the previously existing title-holders—are submitted to Government under Government Order, Nos. 80 and 185, Political, dated 23rd January 1886 and 19th March 1895. The returns submitted by Tahsildars are, if required as periodicals at all, due to the Collector and need not be submitted through the Divisional officer; and instead of requiring all Tahsildars to submit this return, Collectors might preferably send extracts from the lists of already existing title-holders and of new title-holders to the Tahsildars concerned every year for verification and correction.

71. B_{17}—*Annual report on the working of the establishments for stamping weights and measures.*—The date on which this report is due to the Divisional officer is given as the 1st May; but as Collectors' reports are due in the Board's office on that date (Board's Proceedings, No. 496, Settlement, dated 1st December 1893), Tahsildars should submit it to the Divisional officer so as to reach him before the 10th April.

72. B_{19}—*Annual statement of works of public utility constructed by private individuals.*—This statement is sent to Government in the Local and Municipal Department for publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*. It should be submitted by Taluk Board Presidents to the District Board President, and should, if called for from Tahsildars, be sent to the Divisional officer as Taluk Board President.

SECTION IV.

C. List of Returns due to the Treasury Deputy Collector from the Taluk.

73. C_1—*Cholera and Small-pox reports.* C_8—*List of unanswered papers.* C_{18} *and* C_{32}—*Returns relating to wild animals.* C_{28}—*Statement of officers who have attained the age of 55 years, &c.*—These returns have already been dealt with, with reference to corresponding items in the A series, in paragraphs 7, 14, 63 and 48 above.

74. $C_{4\ (a)}$—*Weekly rainfall report.*—This report gives particulars of the rainfall recorded for every day of the week and is submitted to the Treasury Deputy Collector under instructions from the Meteorological Reporter to the Government of India in addition to the weekly season report. The information which it gives might be exhibited in the column showing "rainfall" in the season report itself.

75. C_9—*Monthly statement of disposal of copy applications.*—This should be struck off with reference to the remarks in paragraph 8 of my letter, No. 34, dated 5th November 1897, which were approved by the Board in paragraph 2 of Board's Proceedings, No. 432, dated 8th December 1897.

76. C_{11}—*Register of deaths from Small-pox.*—The submission of this register appears to me to be unnecessary, as deaths by Small-pox appear in the monthly returns of vital statistics (C_{17}). I may note in this connection that a nearly similar return which was being submitted in regard to *cholera* in the North Arcot district has been discontinued at my suggestion.

77. C_{15}—*Monthly statement showing the receipts, sales and balance of printed forms, books, &c.*—The Collector of Coimbatore observes that this statement is not necessary; but the information furnished therein is presumably required for communication to the Superintendent of Stationery and to the Superintendent of Government Press. It would, however, be sufficient to send the statement quarterly, as is done in regard to the expenditure of stationery and printed forms (*vide* item C_{21}) under rule 21 of the Stationery rules applicable to Divisional and Taluk offices which were circulated to Collectors with reference to Board's Proceedings, No. 75, dated 20th February 1893. I may state that Mr. Wynne has, at my suggestion, already made this statement quarterly in the North Arcot district.

In this connection I would suggest that the *quarterly statement of expenditure of stationery and printed forms* referred to above (item C_{21}) be made half-yearly.

78. C_{19}—*Statement* Q_1 * *showing the collections of Income-tax under Act II of* 1886 *for and up to each quarter.*—This statement is now submitted to the Board *half-yearly* under Government Order, No. 213, Revenue, dated 29th March 1897, and I have recently suggested its abolition in paragraph 19 of my letter to the Board in the Separate Revenue Department, No. 36, dated 23rd November 1897. If this be approved, the return under reference can be struck out; otherwise it need only be submitted half-yearly.

* Not Q as stated in the List.

79. C_{20}—*Quarterly return of unpassed candidates employed in Government service.*—As pointed out in paragraph 23 of my letter, No. Extra Tour B., dated 12th October 1897, read in Board's Proceedings, No. 365, dated 1st November 1897, the submission of this return by taluk officers is unnecessary. The statement which has to be furnished to the Board can be compiled in the Collector's own office under present circumstances, and in Collector's and Divisional offices if the grant of powers to Divisional officers proposed in paragraph 22 of my letter above mentioned obtains the approval of Government as it has that of the Board.

80. C_{25}—*Half-yearly statement showing the progress made in the collection of the balance of stamp duty awarded to Government in pauper suits.*—As pointed out in paragraph 25 of my letter, No. 36, dated 23rd November 1897, to the Board in the Separate Revenue Department this return is unnecessary, information on the subject being available in the Collector's office.

81. C_{26}—*Annual statement of verification of service registers of Government servants.*—This statement is apparently submitted with reference to the Government Order read in Board's Proceedings, No. 613, dated 12th March 1886, which requires Heads of Departments including Collectors to deal with the maintenance of service registers in their annual administration reports. But under paragraphs 5 and 6 of the Government Order read in Board's Proceedings, No. 728, dated 23rd August 1888, the service registers of all Government servants in the Land Revenue establishments are sent to the Treasury Deputy Collector every year for verification; and the Collector's annual remarks on this subject may, I submit, be based on the information available in the Treasury Deputy Collector's office, and on the replies to questions 51 and 52 in the Divisional officer's reports on inspection of sub-treasuries (*vide* questions appended to paragraph 1 of Standing Order No. 226 and my proposals made in regard to the Divisional officer's Taluk treasury and office inspection reports in paragraph 37 of my letter, No. 32, dated 3rd November 1897, which were approved in Board's Proceedings, No. 388, dated 11th November 1897). The separate statement now in question may therefore be abolished, as also any similar statements furnished by Divisional officers.

82. $C_{33\ (c)\ \&\ (d)}$—*Annual lists of establishments in Wards' estates and of advances made to the officers of the estates.*—Under Court's Proceedings, No. 2699, dated 7th November 1882, and No. 161, dated 20th January 1883, Collectors in charge of estates under the Court's management have to submit these statements at the beginning of the fasli for the information of the Court of Wards. The necessity for the submission of these voluminous statements by the managers of estates to the Collector and by Collectors to the Court is not clear. For no fresh establishment can be entertained, and no new advance granted, by Collectors without the Court's sanction;

and even such minor appointments (carrying a pay not exceeding Rs. 20) as can be added to existing establishments by Collectors under paragraph 2 B of Court's Proceedings, No. 8, dated 23rd April 1897, have to be reported to the Court for confirmation in the annual budget statements. The lists submitted in the current fasli might be kept corrected from time to time in the Court's and Collector's offices as additions or alterations are sanctioned; and detailed lists of establishment might, if necessary, be required to be submitted quinquennially, for the purpose of verification.

SECTION V.

D. List of Returns due to Miscellaneous Officers from the Taluk.

83. D_1—*Reports on the sowings and outturn of special crops (paddy, cotton, gingelly and indigo).*—These reports are not occasional as stated in the List, but annual, and their periodic occurrence is as shown below :—

Crops.	Form A. (sowings up to)	Form B. (outturn up to)
Paddy	October.	December and February.
Cotton	August and October.	Do.
Indigo ...	September.	December.
Gingelly ...	August and December.	October and April.

Besides the above, special forecast reports on groundnuts and sugarcane are also submitted by Tahsildars to the Board on the 1st January and 1st December of each year with reference to Board's Proceedings, No. 87, Settlement, dated 6th May 1896, and No. 126, Settlement, dated 10th June 1896, in 9 and 16 districts respectively.

84. $D_{2\,(a)}$—*Annual Irrigation accounts relating to works falling within classes I and II.*—These are due to the Board not on the 15th June as per List, but on the 1st *idem* (*vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 356, Settlement, dated 11th May 1897).

85. $D_{2\,(c)}$—*Statement showing the different sources of irrigation and the extent irrigated.*—This is apparently not an annual return as stated in the List, but the list of irrigation sources which was specially called for from Tahsildars direct in Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 335, Settlement, dated 13th February 1888 (*vide* also Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 5022, dated 17th December 1889, and No. 362, Routine, dated 1st March 1890). It should therefore be struck off the List.

86. $D_{3\,\&\,4}$—*Monthly returns relating to "Forests".*—(1) From the replies to Board's Proceedings, No. 211, dated 25th June 1897, which were transferred to me, it appears that the returns actually in use on this subject differ in different districts. The Collector of South Arcot states that the monthly list of cheques drawn by Forest officers and the detailed statement of forest revenue are not submitted in his district. The Collector of Coimbatore points out that a monthly memorandum of forest receipts is being sent to the Treasury Deputy Collector with the treasury account and a monthly demand, collection and balance of forest revenue to the District Forest-officer; that the abstract statement of forest receipts is not in use; and that forest P_1 and P_2 statements are not due from Tahsildars, but from Range officers in his district. In South Canara, a monthly return showing forest produce and other property seized and disposed of is submitted to the District Forest-officer under the Forest Code. It would be desirable, I think, for the Board to determine what general returns are required in this connection, and how and when they should be submitted.

$D_{3\,(a)}$—Abstract statement of forest receipts.
$D_{3\,(b)}$—Forest P_1 and P_2 statements.
$D_{3\,(c)}$—List of cheques drawn on taluk treasuries by Forest-officers.
D_4—Detailed statement of Forest revenue realized under several items of receipts.

(2) A monthly statement of tree-revenue realized and credited to "Forests" and an annual statement showing the demand, collection and balance of tree-revenue should also be included in the List as being due from Tahsildars to the District Forest-officers with reference to paragraphs 9 and 10 of Board's Proceedings, No. 268, dated 5th July 1897, Forest Department.

87. D_5 *and* D_6—*Cholera and Small-pox reports.*—These have been referred to in paragraph 7 *supra*.

SECTION VI.

E. List of Returns due to Miscellaneous Officers (including Board of Revenue) from the Treasury Deputy Collector.

F. List of Returns due from the District Magistrate to the Registrar of the High Court.

88. The Collectors of Coimbatore and Salem suggest that these two series (E and F) may be omitted from the List. As pointed out by the latter officer, the inclusion of returns due from the Treasury Deputy Collector to the Board of Revenue and other offices, and of a single return due from the District Magistrate to the High Court, seems to be out of place so long as the more important classes of returns due from Collectors to the Board and from the District Magistrate to Government and to the High Court do not find place in the List. I agree and think that the List should be limited in its present shape to returns due from all taluk offices or the majority thereof. This would also eliminate the returns from Divisional-officers, &c., in the latter part of the A series, though as they were entered in the List, I have made some suggestions in connection therewith in section II of this letter.

89. I may note that the returns shown under $E_{1,\,2\,\&\,3}$ should, though prepared in the Treasury Deputy Collector's office, be submitted with the approval of the Collector, and that the remaining returns shown in the E List are mostly Treasury returns with which I am not concerned.

SECTION VII.

Returns not included in the list of Taluk Forms.

90. A perusal of the Collectors' replies to Board's Proceedings, No. 211, dated 25th June 1897, and of the lists of forms submitted to me by Collectors and District Magistrates in connection with my special duty shows that many returns, which are not local in their origin, but have been prescribed by the Board and Government, have been omitted from the List of taluk forms. The reasons * for their omission are, no doubt, given in list B furnished by the Huzur Sheristadars' Committee; but they should not have been omitted without the express sanction of the authorities which originally prescribed them. Of these returns, the abolition or curtailment of the undermentioned statements has been already proposed by me in the letters quoted against them :—

Description of the return.	Proposal made.	Letter dealing with the return and paragraph thereof.	Board's Proceedings or Government Order thereon.
Annual statement of suits for transfer of pattas.	To be abolished ..	No. 22, dated 21st September 1897 (paragraph 4), and Extra A. Tour, dated 14th October 1897.	Board's Proceedings, No. 359, dated 29th October 1897 (paragraph 2), and Board's Proceedings, No. 17, dated 18th January 1898 (paragraph 3).
Annual statement showing the expenditure on the removal of rank undergrowth in villages in which snakes are most noxious.	To be submitted by the Taluk Board President instead of by Tahsildars.	No. 23, dated 27th September 1897, paragraph 8.	Board's Proceedings, No. 339, dated 13th October 1897 (paragraph 1).
Annual return of persons permanently appointed as Taluk Head Accountants and Revenue Inspectors.	To be abolished ..	No. Extra B. Tour, dated 12th October 1897, paragraph 18.	Board's Proceedings, No. 365, dated 1st November 1897, paragraph 2.
Quarterly return of village officers suspended or dismissed.	To be abolished ..	Do. paragraph 35.	Do. do.
Quarterly return of public servants suspended or dismissed.	Do. ..	Do. do. 35.	Do. do.
Quarterly return of persons charged and confined under Regulation IX of 1822.	Do. ..	Do. do. 36.	Do. do.

* The reasons assigned by the Committee are, where available, noted against the returns concerned in the statement appended to paragraph 93. In several cases no remarks appear in List B.
The omission from the list of taluk forms of a large number of returns due from the Divisional-officer to the Collector is probably attributable to the fact that it was at first intended to serve only as a list of the returns due from the taluk to the Divisional-officer, Collector and Treasury Deputy Collector respectively.

Description of the return.	Proposal made.	Letter dealing with the return and paragraph thereof	Board's Proceedings or Government order thereon.
Half-yearly return of horses and saddlery maintained by Divisional-officers and Tahsildars.	To be abolished ..	No. Extra B. Tour, dated 12th October 1897, paragraph 38.	Board's Proceedings, No. 365, dated 1st November 1897, paragraph 2.
Monthly statement of leave granted to taluk peons.	To be made quarterly	No. 29, dated 26th October 1897, paragraph 6.	Board's Proceedings, No. 385, dated 11th November 1897, paragraph 3.
Half-yearly return of rates of cart-hire.	To be abolished ..	No. 32, dated 3rd November 1897, paragraph 36 (*c*).	Board's Proceedings, No. 388, dated 11th November 1897, paragraph 2.
Annual statement of Revenue Inspectors working in the district that have been trained in Survey.	Do. ..	Do. paragraph 40.	Do. do.
Quarterly statement of disposal of patta transfer applications received through the Registration department.	Do. ..	No. 34, dated 5th November 1897, paragraph 7.	Board's Proceedings, No. 432, dated 8th December 1897, paragraph 2, and Government Order, No. 128, Revenue, dated 3rd March 1898, paragraph 3.
Return showing the transactions in sulphur and inspection of sulphur shops.	To be abolished ..	No. 39, dated 21st January 1898, to Government (Judicial Department), paragraph 22.	....
Statement showing the inspection of the stock, premises and books of account kept by licensees in forms VI and VII prescribed under the Indian Arms Act.	To be curtailed ..	Do. do.	....

The marginally-noted returns have, again, been dealt with in paragraphs 34 (3), 50 (2) and 62 above. Besides these the following returns call for remark.

Monthly return of cases of lapsed yeomiahs and allowances remaining undisposed of.
Annual statement of paper and woollen mills.
Monthly statements A and B relating to Colonial emigration under Act XXI of 1883.

91. *An annual statement showing the fees realized on account of searches for documents* was prescribed in Board's Proceedings, No. 2153, dated 28th August 1882, when the rules for the levy of search-fees had been newly introduced. It is now being submitted with the Administration report. I am of opinion that the statement may be abolished in view of the insignificance of the revenue involved (being under Rs. 20,000 *per annum* for the entire Presidency) and of the fact that the rules have been in force for over fifteen years.

92. *Quarterly and annual statements of civil suits disposed of by village munsifs* prescribed by Board's Proceedings, No. 109, Land Revenue, dated 23rd March 1896. These returns are at present compiled by the Tahsildar, and in some districts they go from him to the Divisional-officer. This is quite unnecessary; the return is of a technical nature and can go straight from the Tahsildar to the Collector, who can call the attention of the Divisional-officer, if necessary, to any special facts which he may deduce therefrom. The Collector of South Arcot suggests that the returns should go from the village to the district munsifs and thence to the District Judge, to whom the Collector now submits them; but though this course would save a good deal of work to the revenue offices, I hesitate to recommend it in view of the remarks of the High Court printed on page 1 of the Board's Proceedings above referred to. But, as observed by the High Court, the annual return can be compiled in the Collector's office itself from the quarterly returns, if information regarding the total number of village munsifs and the number that exercised jurisdiction, which is required for the preparation of the appendix to the annual return, be ordered to be furnished by Tahsildars in the statement for the last quarter.

93. There remain the following returns, whose inclusion in the List seems desirable.

Subject.	Description of return.	Periodical occurrence.	Authority.	Remarks in list B furnished by the Huzur Sheristadar's Committee.
1	2	3	4	5
	A. Series, Sub-Division (1). *List of Returns due from the Taluk to the Collector.*			
Transport ..	Resource return	Half-yearly ..	Letter from the Chief Commissariat officer, Bangalore.	....
Mines ..	Return of Collieries	Annual (Calendar year).	Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 986 (Settlement), dated 26th February 1896.	....
Administration report.	Report on the maintenance of inventory of valuable stock.	Annual (official year).	Government Order, No. 843, Financial, dated 22nd July 1887, and Board's Proceedings, No. 603, dated 17th October 1893, and No. 288, dated 5th July 1894.	This is a mere certificate.
Processes ..	Statement of collections and charges on account of process service fees.	Do.	Board's Proceedings, No. 127, dated 17th January 1882, and No. 713, Land Revenue, dated 11th December 1891, paragraph 4.	This is a fasli year return and corresponds to jamabandi statement No. 8-B.
Tombs and monuments.	Statement showing the condition of christian burial-grounds.	Do.	Standing Order No. 198.	This is a report and not a return.
Jamabandi report.	Land-cess statements (A and B) ..	Annual (fasli year).	Board's Circular Memorandum No. 998, dated 7th July 1873, and Board's Proceedings, No. 2279, dated 6th August 1885, and No. 645, dated 7th November 1892.	Unnecessary, because it is not required for any purpose.
....	Statement showing the disposal of applications for transfer of registry presented during the fasli.	Do.	Board's Proceedings, No. 223, dated 8th March 1888, and No. 472, dated 22nd May 1888.	....
Statistical returns.	A_1 showing total acreage	Do.	Board's Proceedings, No. 246, Settlement, dated 18th June 1894.	....
	A_2 do. classification of area ..			
	A_4 do. agricultural stock ..			
	C do. incidence of land revenue			
	E do. transfers of landed property.			
	G showing area cultivated with the chief products.			
	H showing the rates of hire for live and dead stock per diem.			
	Triennial.			
Special funds..	Statement showing the condition of cattle pounds.	Triennial ..	Board's Proceedings, No. 93, dated 9th March 1896.	Discontinued by Board's Proceedings, No. 93, dated 9th March 1896.
	B. Series. *Returns due from the Taluk to the Divisional Officer.*			
Loans	Statements XXV B and C regarding inspection of loans works.	Monthly ..	Board's Proceedings, No. 91, dated 9th March 1893, and No. 462, Settlement, dated 17th November 1893.	....
Income-tax ..	Statement showing the irrecoverable arrears of income-tax recommended to be written off.	Annual (official year).	Board's Proceedings, No. 67, dated 3rd February 1890.	....
Irrigation ..	List of minor irrigation works to be repaired by the Public Works Department.	Do.	Board's Proceedings, No. 102, dated 30th April 1895.	....
Do. ..	Application for allotment for repairs to minor irrigation works to be made on account of monsoon damages.	Do.	Standing Order, No. 187, paragraph 4.	....
Famine ..	Return showing the progress made in the preparation and checking of village registers and firka books.	Annual (fasli year).	Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 2821, Settlement, dated 9th June 1896.	....

94. A summary of the proposals made in the above paragraphs, excluding mere remarks as to the points on which the List of taluk forms requires correction (*a*), and proposals which have already found place in previous letters (*a*) is given in a tabular form in the following abstract:—

(*a*) As to these see paragraphs 5, 8, 9, 14, 15, 17, 19, 20 [regarding return A_{18} (*a*)], 21, 22, 23, 24 [regarding return A_{18} (*c*)], 27, 30, 31, 36, 37, 38, 40, 42, 43, 45, 49, 50(1), 55, 56, 57 59, 61, 63, 64, 68, 71, 72, 75, 78, 79, 80, 83, 84, 85, 86, 88, 89, 90 and 93 *supra*.

Serial number in the list of taluk forms.	Description of return.	Paragraph of letter dealing with the return.
1	2	3
	I.—Returns proposed to be abolished or included in other returns.	
A_5	Occasional indent for abkári, toddy and opium printed forms	10
$A_8(a)$	Monthly statement of demand, collection and balance of irrigation cess ..	12
$A_8(c)$	Do. showing the collections made for other taluks or districts.	6
$A_{18}(c)$	Do. showing the receipts and charges of the Irrigation Cess fund	
A_{25}	Quarterly demand, collection and balance of income-tax assessments under part IV	24
A_{43}	Annual return of transfer of villages from one taluk to another	29
$A_{53}(a)$	Annual statement showing the particulars of sale of waste lands and of redemption of land revenue	41
$A_{58}(a)$	Two of the enclosures to the jamabandi report	51
....	Monthly statements showing the number of emigrants registered and amounts received and disbursed on account of the Colonial Emigration Agency ..	58
$B_4(b)$, B_8 and B_{10}	Monthly and quarterly statements of disposal of darkhast and patta transfer applications	62
$C_4(a)$	Weekly rainfall report	67
C_{11}	Monthly register of deaths from small-pox	74
C_{26}	Annual statement of verification of service registers	76
....	Do. of fees levied for searches of documents	81
	II.—Returns proposed to be curtailed by alteration of periodic occurrence.	91
$A_8(b)$	Enclosure to the demand, collection and balance of land revenue and cesses showing the distribution of collections	13
A_{11}	Monthly progress report of income-tax assessments and collections	16
$A_{13}(a)$, (c), (d), (e) and (f).	Do. loans returns	18
$A_{18}(c)$	Do. statement of the results of the coverings of mares by Government stallions	20
A_{20}	Do. progress report of expenditure incurred in petty construction and repairs to civil buildings	25
$A_{22}(a)$	Quarterly statement of beriz deductions on account of religious institutions ..	26
A_{24}	Do. report of excise advances	28
$A_{30}(a)$ and (b)	Half-yearly statements of inams relinquished and lapsed inams	34
....	Monthly statement of lapsed yeomiahs and allowances remaining undisposed of	34
$A_{49}(a)$	Annual statement of alterations made in the charges of Divisional officers ..	46
A_{72}	Monthly progress report of expenditure on public works in Court of Wards' estates	65
C_{15}	Monthly statement showing the receipts, sale and balance of books, forms, &c.	77
C_{21}	Quarterly statement of expenditure of stationery and printed forms	77
$C_{33}(c)$ and (d)	Annual lists of establishments in Court of Wards' estates and of permanent advances	82
	III.—Returns proposed to be curtailed by the reduction in the number of official channels of communication or in the number of officers to whom they have to be submitted.	
$A_3(a)$ and (b), B_2, C_1, D_5 and D_6.	Daily cholera and small-pox reports	7
A_{29}	Quarterly statement of irrecoverable arrears of Local and Special funds other than cesses	33
A_{31}	Half-yearly statement of mines started or abandoned	35
....	Annual statement of paper and woollen mills	50(2)
B_7 and $C_{13}(c)$	Monthly return showing the fines, &c., levied under the Cattle Trespass Act and the expenses incurred therefrom	69
....	Quarterly and annual statements of suits disposed of by village munsifs ..	92
	IV.—Returns whose preparation it is proposed to transfer to higher offices in which information is available.	
$A_7(a)$ and (c)	D_{22}. Statement showing the consumption of country spirits, the number of arrack shops open and the average selling price per gallon	11
$A_{15}(b)$	Monthly statement of mares covered by Government stallions	20
A_{28}	Quarterly progress report of composition for second crop and statement of financial results	32
$A_{37}(a)$	Annual list of persons thrown out of Government employ	39
A_{46}	Annual statement of escheats	44
$A_{49}(b)$	Do. of receipts, &c., under the Treasure Trove Act	47
$A_{50}(a)$, B_{16} and C_{28} ..	Do. of public servants in superior and inferior service who have attained 55 and 60 years of age respectively ..	48
$A_{53}(b)$	Do. of transfers of land from assessed to unassessed	52
A_{54}	Annual list of public works costing more than Rs. 500 proposed to be executed by the Public Works Department	53
$A_{55}(b)$	Annual statement of public works executed by the Revenue Department ..	54
$A_{58}(a)$	Jamabandi statement No. 12 showing the demand, collection and balance of costs in civil suits	58
$B_{15}(a)$	Annual return of titles and title-holders	70

Resolution—No. 105, dated 22nd April 1899.

Mr. Meyer's proposals for the revision of the list of taluk returns, which formed the subject of the Huzur Sheristadars' Committee, have received the consideration of the full Board. The remarks of the Board are given below in the order of the returns according to the Huzur Sheristadars' list, which is also the order followed in Mr. Meyer's letter. For convenience of reference, the full description of each return is quoted in the margin of the Board's remarks, with the number assigned to it in Mr. Meyer's letter. Where no remarks are made against a return, it is retained unaltered in the revised list referred to in paragraph 3 *infra*.

2. The orders of Government are requested in regard to the proposals made against items A_3 (a) and (b), A_{20}, $A_{30\ (c)}$, A_{31}, $A_{37\ (a)}$, A_{49} (a), A_{51}, A_{53} (a), A_{56}, A_{64-74}, clauses (1) and (2), and C_{21}.

3. The revised list of taluk returns is printed as an appendix to these Proceedings and is in the form of a calendar, wherein are noted the date when each return is due in the office to which it is to be submitted from the taluk, the date when the return is due in the next stage from the Divisional-officer's or Collector's office to that of the Board or other authority, the authority prescribing the return and other useful information. The Board proposes to re-issue the calendar from time to time with corrections up to date. Its preparation has cost much time and labour and is the principal cause of the delay which has taken place in the submission of the Board's remarks on Mr. Meyer's proposals.

4. The revised list of returns does not include those relating to treasuries or to the magisterial functions of taluk officers (*vide* remarks against item A_6 below). The Board considers, however, that a calendar of treasury returns due from taluk officers would be a useful addition to the list appended to these Proceedings and recommends that its preparation be entrusted to the Accountant-General.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) LIONEL DAVIDSON,
Acting Secretary.

To all Collectors (Treasury Deputy Collectors, Divisional-officers, District Forest-officers, Tahsildars and Deputy Tahsildars).
„ the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, with a spare copy of Board's Proceedings, No. 211, dated 25th June 1897.
„ W. S. Meyer, Esq., I.C.S.
„ the Settlement Department.
„ the Separate Revenue Department.
Copy to the Court of Wards Section.
„ the Forest Section.

A.—List of Returns due to the Collector. A 1—5

Occasional.

1. (*a*) Advice of collection of excise duty on account of arrack (next day after collection).	This advice has to be sent primarily to the Distillery officer—a copy being sent to the Collector when spirits are sent to a district other than that in which the distillery is situated. (Paragraph 35 of the Separate Revenue Circular Order No. IV of 1889). This has been shown in the revised list of taluk returns.
(*b*) Certificate of verification of arrack consignments.	The item will be omitted from the list as suggested by Mr. Meyer in paragraph 5 of his letter.
2. Advice of collections of land revenue made for other taluks or districts (next day after collection).	
3. (*a*) Cholera report. (*b*) Small-pox report. (also B_2, C_1, D_5 and D_6 *infra*). (As soon after the first attack as possible and *daily* until the epidemic lasts.)	As observed by Mr. Meyer in the concluding sentence of paragraph 7, the daily statistics of cholera and small-pox need not be submitted by Tahsildars to both the Collector and his Treasury Deputy Collector. The Board considers that it will be sufficient if it is submitted to the latter officer who may be directed to keep the Collector informed of the progress of the epidemic. Mr. Meyer observes that, in the case of small-pox, the returns seem only necessary where there are several cases in a village. The Board is unable to accept this recommendation as one case is just as likely to be the forerunner of a serious outbreak as several cases. The Deputy Inspector of Vaccination should be furnished with daily statistics in the case of small-pox; but the Board agrees with Mr. Meyer in considering that the daily returns need not be furnished to the medical subordinate in charge of the nearest dispensary in the case of cholera and small-pox or to the local vaccinator in the case of the latter. In case Government approves of these suggestions the Board's Standing Order, No. 195, as well as the list of taluk returns will be modified accordingly.
(*c*) Report on fairs and festivals.	This item will be omitted from the list as suggested by Mr. Meyer (paragraph 8).
4. Rainfall report.	Mr. Meyer suggests that a copy of this report may also be sent to the Divisional-officer when the season is at all critical (paragraph 9). The Board, however, considers that it may be left to the discretion of Divisional-officers to call for daily reports when necessary.
5. Indent for abkári, toddy and opium printed forms. (January 1st).	This will be made an annual return to be submitted to the Treasury Deputy Collector (and not to the Collector as shown in the Huzur Sheristadar's list) at the same time as the general indent for printed forms. The Board is, however, unable to approve of Mr. Meyer's proposal to include the two indents in the same form as the two are dealt with by different clerks in the Taluk office and by different departments of the Board. The existing practice may, therefore, continue.

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6. Certificate of examination of taluk treasury by Tahsildar when leaving and rejoining head-quarters.	The Board considers that separate lists should be prepared for treasury and magisterial returns. Such items will accordingly be omitted from the revised list appended to these proceedings.

[Items 1 (*a*), 2, 3 (*a*) and (*b*) and 4 are referred to in the footnote of the list appended to these proceedings.]

Monthly.

7. (*a*) Account of consumption of country spirits in the several vend areas and towns or other tracts in which shops are sold separately. (*b*) Statement showing the demand, collection and balance of excise revenue, with enclosures. (*c*) Statement showing the number of arrack shops and the average reported selling price per gallon.	The Board has found itself unable to accept Mr. Meyer's proposals to substitute for the monthly statement of consumption of country spirits a statement showing the quantity of liquor issued from wholesale vend depots in each district to retail shops outside the same—(*vide* paragraph 5 of Board's Proceedings, No. 150, Separate Revenue, dated 17th May 1898, approved in paragraph 2 (iv) of Government Order, No. 523, Revenue, dated 12th September 1898). It has, however, no objection to his alternative proposal (paragraph 11) that the monthly statement of consumption of country spirits should be prepared in the Collector's office. Abkári Inspectors will be directed to report the number of shops sanctioned and opened and Tahsildars will only have to report the average selling price per gallon. The date for the submission of this information as well as for that of the Abkári demand, collection and balance statement will be fixed as the 5th as proposed by Mr. Meyer. He is, however, wrong in giving the 12th of the month as the date on which the monthly consumption statement is due in the Board's office. The correct date is the 15th. The following items will be substituted for those now appearing under item 7:— (*a*) Statement showing the demand, collection and balance of Excise revenue, with enclosures (5th of the month following). (*b*) Report on the average selling price of country spirits per gallon (5th of the month following).
8. (*a*) Statement of demand, collection and balance of irrigation cess.	The Board considers that a separate demand, collection and balance statement for the irrigation cess is unnecessary as this cess is at present included in the item "special funds other than cesses" in the monthly statement of the demand, collection and balance of land revenue and cesses, but in order to enable Collectors to check the collections under this head and to furnish particulars for incorporation in the Board's annual administration report of this fund, the figures relating thereto should be shown separately in the taluk demand, collection and balance statement. The item will be removed from the list of taluk returns.
(*b*) Statement of demand, collection and balance of land revenue and cesses, with enclosures (1st of every month).	This should be submitted on the 1st and not on the 5th of the month following as shown in the list. (*Vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 358, Land Revenue, dated 2nd October 1895.) Mr. Meyer proposes that one of the enclosures to this return, viz., that showing the distribution of collections between land revenue and cesses should be dispensed with as a taluk return and that the work of effecting

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the distribution should be transferred to the Collector's office. He also brings to notice a proposal by Mr. Andrew, Collector of Tanjore, urging the desirability of making the distribution once for all in the Collector's office at the end of each fasli. The Board is inclined to reconsider its Proceedings, No. 71, dated 17th March 1898, to the extent of directing that the distribution shall take place in the Collector's office instead of in the taluk office, but considers that one single distribution at the end of a fasli will not be enough. Unless the credits to cesses ascertained for a fasli year are to be adopted for the official year by which the District Board's transactions are regulated, the distribution must be made, not once for all at the end of the fasli as suggested by Mr. Andrew, but once at the end of March and again after the settled demand is known. It may be observed that in years in which the season is unfavourable and the settled demand is not known until after the close of the fasli year, the second distribution cannot be made at the end of June and may have to be deferred for several months together.

2. In these circumstances the Board prefers Mr. Benson's proposal in paragraph 3 of his letter, dated 8th May 1896, and printed in Board's Proceedings, No. 71 (Press), dated 17th March 1898, viz., to make the distribution month by month in a single calculation in the Collector's office. Mr. Wynch, as Deputy Director of Land Records and Agriculture, observed in his letter dated 3rd November 1893, printed in the same Board's Proceedings, that the difficulties in the way of making the distribution in the Collector's office were (1) that the demand, collection and balance statements are not received from the taluk office until some days after the receipt of the accounts-current and (2) that until their receipt the following particulars are not known, viz., (*a*) sums collected in the taluk on account of other taluks, (*b*) sums collected in other taluks for the taluk, (*c*) excess collections adjusted in the month, (*d*) sums kept in amanat and (*e*) advance collections made in previous months and adjusted in the month. Since the date of that letter, however, the Board has issued instructions to Collectors to the effect (1) that the demand, collection and balance statements should be closed on the same date as the taluk treasury accounts and submitted to the Collector's office on the 1st of every month (Board's Proceedings, No. 358, dated 2nd October 1895); (2) that the taluk accounts-current should themselves contain an enclosure showing the sums collected in the taluk for other taluks and districts and those recovered in other taluks and districts for the taluk, (Paragraph 5 of Board's Proceedings, No. 127, dated 2nd May 1895; (3) that excess collections of previous faslis should be adjusted in the very first kist month except in cases where the parties concerned apply for the actual refund of the sums due to them (Board's Proceedings, No. 162, dated 7th May 1896); and (4) that advance collection (including sums kept in amanat) should be included in the statement of distribution in the month in which they are received or

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reported and not in the month in which they are adjusted (Paragraph 5 of Board's Proceedings, No. 71, dated 17th March 1898). If therefore the taluk demand, collection and balance statements for every month are punctually received in the Collector's office on the 1st of the following month (and this rule should be strictly enforced) and it is also made a rule that the collections of land revenue and cesses shown in the taluk accounts-current should invariably be assigned to the fasli concerned and that no attempt need be made to exclude items of miscellaneous revenue not liable to cess from the monthly statement of distribution, there ought to be no difficulty in effecting the distribution between land revenue and cesses in the Collector's office before the District Treasury account is closed.

3. Even if the demand, collection and balance statement is not received in time from a taluk, the taluk account-current and its enclosures will furnish the information required with the exception of the provisional demand of land revenue, land-cess and village-cess, and, if the month in which the return is late happens to be the first kist month, of the excess collections adjusted in the taluk. The provisional demand should be available in the Collector's office, if, as is the practice in several districts village officers submit to the Tahsildar, and the Tahsildars submit for the Collector's approval before the commencement of the first kist month, a statement showing the provisional demand of their respective villages and taluks as well as the distribution thereof among the several kist months; this will be explicitly provided for in the village cash accounts now under revision. As regards excess collections adjusted in the taluk, they might be entered wholly under land revenue in the statement of distribution in case the demand, collection and balance statements are received after the despatch of the District Treasury account to the Accountant-General.

4. As observed by Mr. Benson (paragraph 2 of letter printed in Board's Proceedings, No. 71, dated 17th March 1898), a talukwar allocation is not required in the case of village-cess but only in regard to land-cess for the purpose of controlling transfers of funds from the District Board to Taluk Boards under section 55 of Act V of 1884. He proposed to meet the difficulty as to land-cess by giving credit to each Taluk Board for a moiety of the land-cess demand of its taluk or taluks, the deficiency due to the writing off of arrears being allowed to fall either on land revenue or on the moiety of the cess reserved to the District Board. The Board is of opinion that it will be better to allow District Boards to make lump allotments to the Taluk Boards in the first instance with reference to the actuals of the preceding three years, and subsequently to distribute the land-cess receipts of the entire district for the nine months ending March and for the three months ending June among the Taluk Boards, with reference to the proportion of the collection of land revenue and cesses to

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(*c*) Statement showing the collections made for other taluks or districts.

9. Monthly unanswered list of Huzur received and sent papers.
(Also B_4 (*a*) and C_8).

10. Statements of the gross amount of excise duty collected under the Cotton Duties Act XVII of 1894, and of the amount refunded on exports of duty-paid yarn and fabrics containing such yarn.

[*Note.*—Mr. Meyer refers to the old Act, not to Act II of 1896.]

11. Progress report of income-tax assessments and collections.
(5th of the following month.)

12. Progress report of Minor Irrigation Works.
(3rd of the following month.)
(Also B_5).

the total demand in the several taluks. For this purpose it will be sufficient if Collectors furnish District Boards with two talukwar statements every year, one in April in time for the preparation of the Local Fund Administration Report for the previous official year, and the other as soon as the settled demand is known, showing (1) the demand and collections under ryotwar miscellaneous and cesses, (2) the amounts credited to land-cess and (3) the irrecoverable arrears written off during the three months April to June of the previous fasli year. This is in effect the alternative course proposed by Mr. Benson in paragraph 6 of his letter printed in Board's Proceedings, No. 71, dated 17th March 1898.

5. Collectors will be requested to introduce the new system of distribution approved in paragraphs 2 to 4 above with effect from 1st July 1899.

The Board considers that if this return is now submitted as an enclosure to the monthly demand, collection and balance statement it should be discontinued as, under present orders, it should form an enclosure to the account current. The item will accordingly be omitted from the list.

These items will be omitted with reference to paragraph 2 of B.P., No. 432, Land Revenue, dated 8th December 1897.

Statements showing (i) the quantity of cotton goods produced and the gross amount of duty realized thereon under Act II of 1896 (India), and (2) the quantity of cotton yarn spun in each mill are required from districts in which there are mills working; and a third statement showing the refunds of duty granted under the Act is required from all Collectors of maritime districts (*vide* B.P., No. 120, Separate Revenue, dated 20th March 1896). The Board considers that all these returns should be prepared in the Collector's office. Statements (1) and (2) are based on information which under the Act (II of 1896, sections 8 and 36) and the Government of India rules printed in B.P., No. 80, Separate Revenue, dated 3rd March 1896 is to be furnished by mill owners to the Collector. The refunds which are reported in the third statement referred to above are also sanctioned by the Collector (sections 20 and 21 of the Act). These returns will, therefore, be omitted from the taluk list.

The Board has not approved of Mr. Meyer's suggestion to discontinue the monthly comparative statement of collections of income-tax and stamps now submitted to it by Collectors (*vide* paragraph 14 of B.P., No. 150, Separate Revenue, dated 17th May 1898, approved in paragraph 3 (iii) of G.O., No. 523, Revenue, dated 12th September 1898). This item will, therefore, be retained in the taluk list under the designation "Income-tax monthly demand, collection and balance statement."

The Board approves of Mr. Meyer's proposal (paragraph 17) to make this return quarterly for the first nine months of the official year at the Collector's discretion. In any case it should be submitted during the first nine months to the Divisional-officer only who will submit to the Collector a consolidated statement for his division, and during the last three months in duplicate to the Collector and the Divisional-officer (paragraph 20 of Mr. Meyer's letter in B.P., No. 388, dated 11th November 1897).

The return is due from the Collector to the Board on the 10th, and the 3rd has, therefore, been fixed as the due date for the taluk return.

The Board approves of Mr. Meyer's suggestion that this return should be submitted by Tahsildars quarterly on the 5th of the month following the quarter for which it is due (paragraph 18 (2) of Mr. Meyer's letter).

This statement is at present submitted to the Collector only in the Coimbatore district. It gives *detailed particulars* of the disposal of accepted cases, whereas the form prescribed at page 61 of B.P., No. 91, dated 9th March 1893, provides only for a *brief explanation* for the pendency of payment in accepted cases on the reverse of the form. The Board, however, considers it unnecessary to introduce it generally and has accordingly removed it from the list, following Mr. Meyer's suggestion in paragraph 18 (2) of his letter.

The Board considers that the statement of advances and recoveries may, as a rule, be submitted by Tahsildars quarterly as suggested by Mr. Meyer (paragraph 18 (3); but it is of opinion that the return should go to the Collector through the Divisional-officer as, otherwise, that officer will not know the state of progress except when the Collector makes any remarks. Collectors will, of course, have the discretion to insist on the submission of special statements of all kinds when work is heavy and they have reason to fear that it is not receiving prompt attention.

The return is due from the Collector to the Board on the 15th and the 5th has, therefore, been fixed as the due date for the taluk return.

These can be made quarterly at the Collector's discretion. In any case they should be submitted through the Divisional-officer on the 3rd of the month following the period (*i.e.*, month or quarter) for which they are due (paragraph 18 (4) of Mr. Meyer's letter).

The Board approves of Mr. Meyer's suggestion to make this return quarterly. It should be submitted on the 5th of the month following the quarter for which it is due. The Collector's report is due in the Board's office on the last day of the month following the quarter.

This return will be retained in the list though it is due only from ten districts as the Board considers that all returns which are common to more than four districts should be retained in the list.

The item will be omitted from the list as it is a return due to the District Magistrate (*vide* remarks against item A 6).

This return will be omitted as suggested (paragraph 20).

This return should continue to be submitted monthly from the taluk office.

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13. (*a*) Statement showing the disposal of applications for loans, and the amount advanced under the Land Improvement and the Agriculturists' Loans Acts (Form XXI).*
(5th of the month following the quarter.)

(*b*) Statement showing the disposal of accepted cases and cases pending payment of second instalment and supplemental loans under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Acts (enclosure to the above).

(*c*) Statement of advances and recoveries under the Loans Acts (form XXIII) with *plus* and *minus* memorandum to accompany the Treasury account current (form XX).*

(*d*) Statement showing the several steps taken towards the recovery of arrears under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Acts (Enclosure A to the above).

Statement of reconciliation of Treasury figures and figures in Statement XXIII (Enclosure B to the above).
(5th of the month following the quarter.)

(*e*) Report on the inspection of works executed with the aid of State loans (form XXX).*

(*a*) Disposal of loan applications (form XXX-A).*

(*a*) Inspection of wells (Form XXX-B).*
(3rd of every month.)

(*f*) Statement showing the progress made in the completion of works under the Land Improvement Loans Act.
(5th of the month following the quarter.)

14. Statement of fines levied and refunded in Magisterial Courts.

15. (*a*) Statement of mares and ponies inspected.

(*b*) Statement of mares covered by Government stallions.

* The revised numbering of the loan forms adopted in B.P., No. 155-A (Settlement), dated 12th June 1895, has been followed throughout.

(*a*) *Added with reference to paragraph 93 of Mr. Meyer's letter.*

(*c*) Statement of the results of the coverings of mares by Government stallions.

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It will be sufficient if Tahsildars submit this return to the Collector every half-year.

Returns (b) and (c) will, however, be omitted from the list as they are merely local.

In this connection Mr. Meyer makes two other suggestions (paragraph 20)—

(i) that the enclosure to the annual report on pony-breeding operations furnishing full particulars regarding all the mares covered by Government stallions and donkeys be discontinued. The Board approves of this suggestion.

(ii) that the nominal register of mares procured for Government stallions be continued.

It is not clear what Mr. Meyer referred to: but the register of mares covered, which exists in the counterfoils of covering certificates, must be continued.

16. Statement of credits granted for the removal of salt on deposit of securities.
(3rd of every month.)

It is true that salt credits are not ordinarily taken out at taluk treasuries; but the Board is unable to accept Mr. Meyer's recommendation (paragraph 21) to remove this item from the list of taluk returns as it hopes that the present state of things will not long continue. Orders have been issued to make the advantages of the system as widely known as possible, more especially among merchants up country for whose benefit it is specially intended (B.P., No. 85, Separate Revenue, dated 15th March 1898).

17. Statement showing the number and value of sulphate of quinine packets received from the Treasury Deputy Collector and sold in the taluk, *vide* A 39-C.

The return will be omitted with reference to paragraph 3 of G.O., No. 128, Revenue, dated 3rd March 1898, dispensing with the monthly return and requiring an annual report.

18. (*a*) Demand, collection and balance of Port Fund receipts.

The item will be omitted as suggested (paragraph 23) because it is due from Port officers, not from the Tahsildar.

(*b*) Progress Report of Special Funds.
(7th of the month.)

The Board presumes that this is a report on the progress made in the construction of village chavadis and ghat huts. If so, it may be submitted, with the report on the progress of cattle pound works (next item), to the Divisional-officer instead of to the Collector. The two returns have accordingly been combined into one in the revised list under the heading of "Report on the progress made in the construction of cattle pounds, village chavadis, &c."

(*c*) Statement showing the progress of expenditure on cattle pounds.
(7th of every month.)

This should be submitted to the Divisional-officer as suggested by Mr. Meyer (paragraph 24) and not to the Collector as at present.

(*d*) Statement showing the receipts and charges of Special Funds.
(7th of every month.)
(*e*) Statement showing the receipts and charges of Irrigation Cess Fund.

In paragraph 24 of his letter, Mr. Meyer suggests that a separate statement of the receipts and charges of the Irrigation Cess Fund need not be submitted to the Collector as it is a Special Fund item and the transactions relating thereto appear in the Form No. 12 appended to paragraph 2 of Standing Order No. 93. The Board is unable to accept this proposal as under Board' Proceedings, No. 716-L.R., dated 15th December 1891, Collectors have to submit separate statements for the Irrigation Cess Fund which are dealt with in the Settlement Department. The present practice which appears to be more convenient may, therefore, continue.

Under the orders conveyed in Board's Proceedings, No. 271-L.R., dated 3rd August 1897, Collectors have to submit to the Board every month only extracts from the treasury accounts showing the transactions relating to Cattle Pounds. A separate taluk account for that item is, therefore, no longer necessary. Item 18 (*d*) will relate hereafter only to the Village Service Fund.

Special Fund account No. 12 will be revised dwith reference to the above remarks.

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19. Return of demarcation stones utilize (5th of every month).

20. Progress report of expenditure incurred in petty construction and repairs to civil buildings.
(7th of every month.)

The Board approves of Mr. Meyer's proposal (paragraph 25) to make this return quarterly for the first nine months and monthly for the last three months of the official year. The Accountant-General, whom the Board has consulted, states that these reports are not now furnished to him by Collectors although they are prescribed under paragraph 12 of Standing Order No. 189.

Quarterly.

21. Statement showing the abkári irrecoverable amounts recommended for remission.
(5th of the month after the close of the quarter.)

22. (*a*) Statement of beriz deductions on account of religious institutions and services in lieu of land assessments resumed.
(Jamabandi statement No. 4-A—August 1st.)

The return will be omitted from the list as recommended (paragraph 26). The Board considers that the statement of beriz deductions sanctioned by Collectors in favour of religious institutions now submitted by them quarterly for the Board's confirmation may be discontinued. Enclosure 4-A to the Jamabandi report has been altered as suggested by Mr. Meyer and printed as an appendix to these Proceedings. The Board approves of Mr. Meyer's proposal that Tahsildars should continue to submit their jamabandi statement in the form now in use.

(*b*) Statement showing the amount of irrecoverable arrears under land revenue and cesses recommended to be written off.
(5th of the month following the close of the quarter.)

23. Statement showing the despatch of revenue business.
(Also B [9].)
(To Divisional-officer—10th of the month following the quarter).

This return should, as observed by Mr. Meyer (paragrapn 27), be submitted by the Tahsildar to the Divisional-officer with reference to paragraph 2 of B.P., No. 432, dated 8th December 1897, and the Divisional-officer should furnish the Collector with a copy of his review on the Tahsildar's business statement.

24. Report of excise advances.
(5th April and 5th October.)

This should be submitted half-yearly on the 5th April and the 5th October.

25. Statement showing the talukwar demand, collection and balance of income-tax under part IV, second schedule of the Income-tax Act.
(5th of the month after the close of the quarter.)

The revised form Q referred to by Mr. Meyer in paragraph 16 of his letter has been accepted by the Board and Government (*Vide* B.P., No. 14, Separate Revenue, dated 13th January 1899).

26. Statement showing the amount of irrecoverable arrears under the Loans Acts.

The item will be omitted with reference to paragraph 3 (*a*) (2) of B.P., No. 417-Sett., dated 10th December 1896, dispensing with the return.

27. (*a*) Return of fines imposed on, and stoppages made from the pay of public servants;
(*b*) Return of fines imposed on, and stoppages made from the pay of, village officers).
(10th January and 10th July.)

The abstract statements should in future be submitted by Tahsildars half-yearly to their Divisional-officers as approved in G.O., No. 282, dated 18th May 1898, paragraph 2 (19). Both statements will be due in the Divisional office on the 10th of the month after the close of the calendar half-year.

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28. Progress report of composition for second crop, together with the statement of financial results.
(Jamabandi statements Nos. 15-A and 15-B.)

The Board approves of Mr. Meyer's proposal (paragraph 32) to abridge this return and make it an enclosure to the annual jamabandi report. The form, as revised by Mr. Meyer, is appended to these Proceedings. It should continue to be submitted from all taluk offices as it is a jamabandi statement, but purely delta taluks will submit a "nil" return.

29. Statement showing the amount of irrecoverable arrears under Local and Special funds other than cesses recommended to be written off.
(5th of the month following the quarter.)

In its Order, No 438, dated 6th August 1898 (paragraph 4), Government has approved Mr. Meyer's suggestion that the Board of Revenue should be allowed full power in respect of the writing off of irrecoverable arrears of land revenue and cesses, but the power cannot be exercised by the Board until provision to that effect has been made in the draft Bill to amend Madras Act II of 1864 now under consideration. The proposal to give the same power to Collectors has been disallowed by Government. In these circumstances, the Board is unable to support Mr. Meyer's recommendation in paragraph 33 of his letter.

29-A. Statement of civil suits disposed of by village munsifs.
(10th of the month following the close of the quarter.)

This is a quarterly return due to the Collector and has been entered as such in the Board's revised list, although it does not find a place in the Huzur Sheristadars' list (*vide* paragraph 92 of Mr. Meyer's letter). The annual statement may, as suggested by Mr. Meyer, be prepared in the Collector's office. Tahsildar's should add a note to the statement for the quarter ending 31st December showing the total number of village munsifs in their taluks and the number of those who exercised jurisdiction during the year.

Half-yearly.

30. (*a*) Statement of inams relinquished.
(*b*) Statement of lapsed inams.
(10th July).

The Board approves Mr. Meyer's suggestions (paragraph 34) to make these statements annual (fasli year). The latter statement should continue to be submitted by Collectors to the Board as hitherto. The Inam Commissioner will, as usual, be furnished by the Board with a copy of the statement.

The annual statements should be submitted by the Tahsildar on the 10th July. The Collector will submit his statement of lapsed inams to the Board on the 20th idem.

(*c*) Return of lapsed yeomiahs and allowances (15th of the month after the close of the quarter).

The proposal to make the "return of lapsed yeomiahs and allowances undisposed of" quarterly instead of monthly seems unobjectionable and is submitted for the approval of Government which deals with these allowances direct.

31. Statement of mines started or abandoned.

There seems to be a misapprehension in Mr. Meyer's letter (paragraph 35). By "Divisional officers" (*vide* form printed in B.P., No. 537, dated 10th December 1894), the Inspector of Mines seems to have meant "Commissioners of divisions." The Board in this Presidency supplies the place of Divisional-officers in this sense, but as the information must necessarily be obtained from Collectors the Board agrees with Mr. Meyer in considering that the returns should be sent to the Inspector of Mines direct by Collectors.

The return need not be periodically compiled in the taluk as the fact of a mine being started or abandoned will be brought, in the ordinary course, to the notice of the Collector. Should

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information from a particular taluk be really necessary, it will be simpler to call for it specially from the taluk.

32. Statement of tours of inspection performed by Tahsildars (10th of every month).

This return should be submitted monthly to the Divisional officer with reference to paragraph 2 of B.P., No. 432, dated 8th December 1897.

32-A. Resource return (10th January and 10th July).

A half-yearly return of resources in connection with the transport of troops should be submitted by the Tahsildar to the Collector at the beginning of every half-year (paragraph 93 of Mr. Meyer's letter).

32-B. Statement showing the description of horse and saddlery maintained by the Tahsildar (10th January and 10th July).

A statement showing the description of horses and saddlery maintained by Tahsildars during the previous half-year should be submitted by them to their Divisional-officers on the 10th of January and July. The Divisional-officers should include the horses and saddlery maintained by them when submitting a consolidated return for their division to the Collector. The consolidated return should and reach Collector before the 20th.

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33. Statement of coffee and tea cultivation (January 30th).

Mr. Meyer suggests the omission of this item as it is a local return, but being due from nine districts, it will be retained in accordance with the remark against item A-13 (*f*).

34. Memorandum showing the changes that occurred during the year in the list of money allowances (May 20th).

The due date will be altered from the 10th January to 20th May with reference to Government Order, No. 135, Revenue, dated 23rd February 1899. The Collector should submit the memorandum of corrections to Government on the 1st July of every year.

35. (*a*) Report of inspection of stock premises and books of persons licensed to manufacture, convert, keep, or sell arms, ammunition or military stores.

(*b*) Statement of declarations signed by publishers of newspapers under Act XXV of 1867.

These will be omitted from the list, being magisterial returns,—(*vide* remarks against item A-6. The return 35 (*b*) should, however, be submitted half-yearly as pointed out by Mr. Meyer.

36. Return of minerals and gems (January 31st).

37. (*a*) List of persons thrown out of Government employment.

The Board agrees with Mr. Meyer in considering that this return need not be called for from the taluks (paragraph 39).

As the address of persons thrown out of employ, together with other particulars, has to be published in the gazette list, all officers in the Revenue Department, who have to dispense with the services of any of their subordinates in consequence of the abolition of appointments will be instructed to record at the same time the following particulars which should be communicated forthwith to the Treasury Deputy Collector in cases where the individuals concerned are candidates for re-employment:—

1. Name of person.
2. Age.
3. Service.
4. Last employment.
5. Examinations passed.
6. Address.

A provision to this effect will be inserted in the Public Servants Chapter of the Board's Standing Orders.

(*b*) Register of lands held by public servants.	A 37—46 The Board has already directed that fasliwar statements of lands acquired by public servants should be discontinued as the rules for the personal conduct of Government servants provide for the due registry of such lands. (Board's Proceedings, No. 259, dated 28th September 1898). A separate return for the calendar year is equally unnecessary and will be discontinued in future.
38. Report on taluk records (January 15th).	This item will be omitted as suggested by Mr. Meyer (paragrah 40) because it is a return due from the President, Taluk Board, to the President, District Board.
39. (*a*) Sanitary report of taluk.	This is a return for the official year and should be submitted to the Collector on the 15th of April.
(*b*) Statement showing the number and value of sulphate of quinine packets received from the Treasury Deputy Collector and sold in the taluk (April 15th).	The date of submission has been altered from December 31st to January 5th.
40. Return showing the condition of the pillars and towers or platforms marking the principal stations of the Trigonometrical survey (January 5th).	This should be submitted before the close of the calendar year and not after the close of the official year as stated in the Huzur Sheristadars' list—*vide* Standing Order No. 282-A (Old Edition). The due date has accordingly been altered into December 15th.
41. Report on ancient monuments requiring repairs (December 15th).	The Collector's report should, in future, be addressed to the Settlement department to which this subject has now been transferred. (*Vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 87, Separate Revenue, dated 15th April 1899).
42. Return of industries (January 10th).	A list of villages transferred from one taluk to another will be compiled in the Board's office on the occasion of each census as suggested by Mr. Meyer and furnished to the Census Commissioner. The item will accordingly be omitted from the list.
43. Return of transfer of villages from one taluk to another since the last census.	This should be submitted to the Collector on the 16th January of each year (paragraph 93 of Mr. Meyer's letter).
43-A. Return of collieries (January 16th).	
Annual (*official year*).	
44. (*a*) Abkári administration report and accounts. (April 30th.)	This will be omitted with reference to Board's Proceedings, No. 99-L.R., dated 15th April 1898, dispensing with the return.
(*b*) Statement showing the inspection of liquor shops.	
45. Application for alienation of land or of land revenue and for exemption from assessment of occupied lands.	The description of this item as it stands in the Huzur Sheristadars' list is erroneous as pointed out by Mr. Meyer elsewhere. The proper description is "Annual statements of alienations of land and land revenue." The returns will, however, be omitted from the revised list, as under Board's Proceedings, No. 5, dated 5th January 1898, they are to be prepared in future in the Collector's office.
46. Statement of escheats of immoveable property.	In Government Order, No. 438, Revenue, dated 6th August 1898, Government has negatived the proposal made in paragraph 15 of Mr. Meyer's letter disposed of in Board's Proceedings, No. 384, dated 11th November 1897; but the return can be struck off the list as the annual return to be submitted to Government will, in future, be prepared in the Board's office itself. Collectors are requested to submit in the form annexed to these Proceedings all applications for declaring immoveable property escheat.

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47. Application for allotment for the construction of minor irrigation works. (January 7th.)	The date will be altered as proposed by Mr. Meyer from 15th April to 7th January and the return will be made due from the Tahsildar to the Divisional officer. The 15th January will, however, be substituted for the 20th idem, proposed by Mr. Meyer (paragraph 45) as the due date for the return from the Divisional officer to the Collector, as the latter has to submit his return to the Board, so as to reach the Board's office on 31st January.
48. (*a*) Return of presses worked and newspapers or periodicals published. (*b*) Statement of private presses established.	These items will be omitted from the list being magisterial (*vide* remarks against item A-6 and sections 4 and 5 of the Printing Presses Act, XXV of 1867).
49. (*a*) Statement showing the charges of Divisional officers.	The item will be struck off the list as recommended (paragraph 46). The Board agrees with Mr. Meyer in considering that a quinquennial statement (to be compiled in the Board's office) will suffice, to which correction slips will be issued by the Board whenever important alterations in divisional charges are sanctioned by Government.
(*b*) Statement showing the receipts and transactions under the Treasure Trove Act.	The item will be omitted because the return can, as suggested by Mr. Meyer (paragraph 47), be compiled in the Collector's office.
50. (*a*) Statement showing the names of inferior servants who have attained the age of 60 years or who will attain that age during the next official year (also B_{16} and C_{28}).	The Board agrees with Mr. Meyer in considering that the lists of persons in superior service who have attained the age of 55 years or will attain that age during the ensuing year and of inferior servants of 60 or nearly 60 years of age may be compiled by the Treasury Deputy Collector annually and circulated to Divisional officers for remarks on the subordinates employed in their respective divisions. The return will accordingly be omitted from the revised list.
(*b*) List of persons qualified for the post of Tahsildar.	The item will be omitted because, as observed by Mr. Meyer (paragraph 49), the list will in future be prepared in the Collector's office in accordance with G.O., No. 282, dated 18th May 1898 (Board's Proceedings, No. 191, dated 21st July 1898).
51. Statement of Court-fee labels filed in the taluk court and office (April 10th).	This statement is furnished from the taluk (as well as from every other office and court where stamps are filed) to the Superintendent of Stamps with reference to his letter disposed of in Board's Proceedings, No. 1852, dated 25th June 1883. In addition to this, all heads of departments have to submit to Government, in their annual Administration Reports, a statement showing fees realized on account of searches for documents in all offices under their control. These fees are collected in the shape of Court-fee stamps and the proceeds are credited to Stamp revenue. In paragraph 91 of his letter, Mr. Meyer suggests the abolition of the latter statement in view of the insignificance of the revenue involved and of the fact that the rules have been in force for over fifteen

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52. Statement of cotton and hemp mills.
(March 31st.)
Statement of paper and woollen mills for calendar year.
(February 1st.)

years. The Board concurs entirely with Mr. Meyer and recommends that the verification of the due levy of these fees may be left to Divisional officers and Collectors during their tours. If the Government approves of the suggestion, the information will be omitted from future Administration Reports.

Mr. Meyer considers that it is unnecessary to obtain "nil" returns from taluks where there are no mills working (paragraph 50). The Board, however, is of opinion that such returns serve the purpose of reminding officers of the duty of reporting, if and when, mills are started. The Board also considers that copies of the statements submitted to the Director-General of Statistics may continue to be submitted to the Local Government as the practice does not involve any extra labour.

The Board is unable to approve of the proposal to amalgamate the separate returns relating to paper and woollen mills with the statement of large industries now submitted also for the calendar year to the Director-General of Statistics by the Separate Revenue Department, as large industries "specially treated," *e.g.*, paper and woollen mills, and those "not specially treated" are dealt with separately in the Government of India volume of Financial and Commercial Statistics.

53. (*a*) Statement showing the particulars of the sales of waste lands and of the redemption of land revenue.

This return may be discontinued and the information regarding the extent of lands sold under Standing Order No. 33 and amounts realised therefrom shown separately in the Collector's jamabandi statement No. 10.

(*b*) Statement showing transfers of lands from assessed to unassessed.
(August 1st).

Collectors merely pass orders on applications submitted by Tahsildars through Divisional officers and do not keep a register of such transfers in their offices. The Board considers that no change in the existing practice is necessary. The statement will not, therefore, be discontinued as suggested by Mr. Meyer. The fact that it relates to the fasli year has been noted in the revised list of Taluk returns.

54. List of public works costing more than Rs. 500 proposed to be carried out by the Public Works Department.

As the list should contain only approved works, the Collector can get the information from the Public Works Department as suggested by Mr. Meyer (paragraph 53). The taluk return may be discontinued.

55. (*a*) List of public works in charge of Civil officers to be executed in the following official year. (August 1st).

The due date will be altered from January 20th to August 1st, as it is required for the budget of land revenue charges due in the Board's office from the Collector on the 15th August.

(*b*) Statement of public works executed by the Revenue Department.

The item will be omitted from the list because as pointed out by Mr. Meyer (paragraph 54), the Collector gets progress reports from the Tahsildars and can compile the annual report from the last of them.

55-A. Report on the maintenance of inventory of valuable stock. (April 16th).
55-B. Statement of collections and charges on account of process-service fees. (April 30th).

These returns will be added to the list as suggested by Mr. Meyer (paragraph 93). The due dates to the Collector will be April 16th and 30th respectively.

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55-C. Report on Christian burial-grounds.

Mr. Meyer suggests in the same paragraph that the report on the condition of Christian burial-grounds prescribed in Standing Order No. 198 should be added to the list (paragraph 93). The Board observes that the report referred to is one on the condition of European Christian burial-grounds and should be prepared by the Collector or his covenanted Assistants after personal inspection. The report cannot, therefore, be included in the list of taluk returns.

55-D. Statement showing the condition of cattle pounds (Triennial, July 1st).

A statement showing the condition of cattle pounds should be submitted to the Collector once in three years on July 1st. This should refer to the 3 preceding official years. (*Vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 93, Land Revenue, dated 9th March 1896.)

Annual (*fasli year*).

56. Crop experiment statement.
(July 10th).

In paragraph 38 of his letter submitted to Government with Board's Proceedings, No. 388, dated 11th November 1897, Mr. Meyer suggested that the conduct of crop experiments by Divisional-officers and Tahsildars was a mere farce and that to have any value they should be made by men who are specially qualified to deal with the matter. The Board agreed with Mr. Meyer in this opinion and if the Government also holds the same view, the return in question may be discontinued. But until other arrangements for the conduct of these experiments have been made, it is necessary to continue this return and it will therefore be included in the list of taluk returns.

57. (*a*) Budget estimate of irrigation and indirect revenue of major irrigation works. (July 15th)—(also A_{63}).

The return will be retained in the list with reference to the remarks made against item A_{13} (*f*) and will be named "budget estimate of revenue to be credited to each irrigation system classed under major works."

(*b*) Comparative statement of irrigation and rainfall (July 1st).

(*c*) Statement of lands irrigated under each class of works (July 1st).

Mr. Meyer's presumption (paragraph 57) that this is the return prescribed in Board's Proceedings, No. 156 (Sett.), dated 12th June 1895, is correct. It will be retained in the list as it is required in fifteen districts.

58. (*a*) Jamabandi report with enclosures (August 1st).

The Board accepts Mr. Meyer's suggestions (paragraphs 58 and 93).
(i) to add to the list.
(*a*) Land Cess statements A and B.
(*b*) Statement showing the disposal of patta transfer application.
(ii) to omit from the list (*a*) No. 8AA. Particulars of cases of repetition of the same patta number and defaulter under sales of moveable or immoveable property.
(*b*) No. 9. Talukwar particulars of Demand, Collection and Balance of Land Revenue and cesses.
(*c*) No. 12. Demand, Collection and Balance of costs awarded to Government in Civil suits.
Information regarding the steps taken for the recovery of the balances at the end of the fasli of costs awarded to Government in Civil suits which is required for the preparation of statement No. 12 is ordinarily available in the Collector's office, and when not, may be obtained from the pleaders or Tahsildars concerned.

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(*b*) Statement showing the financial results according to the new settlement.

A list of jamabandi returns due from taluk offices will be found in a footnote to the revised list (page 72). Items 2A and 6A in the Huzar Sheristadar's list [A 58 (*a*)] have not been identified and will accordingly be omitted.

(*c*) Statement showing the inspection of cattle census (August 1st).

The item will be omitted as suggested by Mr. Meyer (paragraph 58) with reference to paragraph 3 (*a*) (1) of Board's Proceedings, No. 417, Settlement, dated 10th December 1896, dispensing with the statement.

59. (*a*) Budget estimate of loans (July 20th).

This is an enclosure to the jamabandi report (No. 18).

The due date has been altered to July 20th, as the return is due to the Board on August 15th. The estimates should relate to the ensuing official year.

(*b*) *Form XXIII.*—Statement showing advances and recoveries under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Acts.

Form XXV-A.—Statement showing the nature and extent of improvements carried out with the aid of advances under the Land Improvement Loans Act.

Form XXV-B.—Statement showing the number of cattle purchased and the agricultural improvements effected with the aid of advances made under the Agriculturists' Loans Act.

Form XXVI.—Statement showing the classification of loans granted under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Acts.

Form XXVII.—Statement showing the extent to which coercive processes were resorted to in the recovery of loans.

(August 1st.)

The date of all these returns has been changed to August 1st as they should accompany the jamabandi report (*vide* paragraph 14 of the Settlement calendar).

60. Return of sales of tank-bed lands (July 1st).

The return will be described as a "statement showing the amount of sale-proceeds of the beds of tanks rendered unnecessary by classes I and II works." The return will be retained in the list, as it is required in fifteen districts (*vide* remarks against item A-13 (*f*).

61. Return of inspection and replacement of boundary marks (August 1st).

This is an enclosure to the jamabandi report.

62. Budget estimate of revenue due to irrigation.

Vide item A-57 (*a*) *supra*, with which this is identical (paragraph 56 of Mr. Meyer's letter).

Quinquennial.

63. (*a*) Jamabandi statement (G) of lands irrigated under Government and private sources of irrigation.

This item will be omitted from the revised list of Taluk returns with reference to G.O., No. 47, Revenue, dated 18th January 1899, sanctioning its abolition.

(*b*) Statement showing the varieties of tenure (July 15th).

This is statistical return D. Mr Meyer suggests (paragraph 93) that statistical returns A-1 (total acreage), A2 (classification of area), A4 (Agricultural stock), C (Incidence of Land Revenue), E (transfer of landed property), G (chief products) and H (rates of hire for live and dead stock) may also be added to the taluk list. In its resolution printed in G.O., No. 496, dated 29th August 1898, the Government of India has directed that tables A4, C and D may be prepared annually or quinquennially at the discretion of local Governments and that head 7 of table A2 may beomitted. The

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Board considers that tables A4 C and D may be prepared quinquennially in taluk offices also—the others being submitted every year as at present. Orders regarding the years for which each of the quinquennial returns should be prepared will issue separately in due course.

64—74. Returns due to the Collector from Divisional-officers, the Treasury Deputy Collector and managers of estates under the Court of Wards.

These returns have been omitted from the revised list of taluk returns appended to these proceedings as they are not due from the taluk.

The following proposals made by Mr. Meyer under these heads (paragraphs 61, 62, 64 and 65) have been accepted by the Board:—

(1) To omit the periodical report on the examination of sub-treasuries by Divisional-officers with reference to the proposal made in paragraph 37 (3) of his letter disposed of in Board's Proceedings, No. 388, dated 11th November 1897. The orders of Government on this proposal are awaited;

(2) to discontinue the monthly statements (*a*) showing the number and particulars of emigrants registered for Colonial Emigration Agencies under Act XXI of 1883, and (*b*) giving the number of emigrants registered and the amounts received and disbursed in connection with Colonial Emigration prescribed in Rule 34 of the Colonial Emigration Rules issued by the Government of India under Act XXI of 1883. The Board requests that this proposal may be approved by Government as the submission of the return to the Local Government and the Government of India has since been discontinued as pointed out by Mr. Meyer (*Vide* G.O., Nos. 64 and 65, Public, dated 30th January 1893, and No. 677, Public, dated 23rd August 1893);

(3) to require managers in charge of estates under the Court of Wards to submit their returns to the Collector through the Divisional-officer in cases where the latter supervise the work in such estates;

(4) to require the monthly progress report of expenditure on Public Works in estates to be submitted quarterly for the first nine months and monthly for the last three months of the official year.

Proceedings will issue in the Court of Wards Department on points (3) and (4).

Paragraph 63 of Mr. Meyer's letter is a recapitulation of the orders already communicated to Collectors regarding the annual and monthly statements relative to the extermination of wild animals and snakes (Board's Proceedings, No. 14, dated 15th January 1898, communicating G.O., No. 1031, Revenue, dated 9th December 1897).

B.—LIST OF RETURNS DUE TO DIVISIONAL OFFICERS.

(1) From the taluk.

Occasional.

1, Completion report of petty minor irrigation works and repairs each costing Rs. 500 and under.

2. (*a*) Cholera report ... ...
(*b*) Small-pox report ... ...

The item is referred to in the footnote to the revised list of returns appended to these proceedings.

Vide—Remarks against item A-3, (*a*) and (*b*).

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Fortnightly.

3. Revenue Inspector's diary	This is not a return due from the taluk office and has therefore been omitted from the revised list.

Monthly.

4. (*a*) Monthly unanswered list of Huzur received and sent papers. (*b*) Progress report of A and B memoranda.	*Vide* remark against item A_9. The item will be omitted as suggested by Mr. Meyer (paragraph 67) with reference to Board's Proceedings, No. 432, dated 8th December 1897, prescribing the new form of Taluk business statement which should give this information in future.
5. Progress report of minor irrigation works.	*Vide* remarks against item A_{12}.
6. Progress report of sanitary works.	This return will be omitted from the list with reference to paragraph 1 (12) of G.O., No. 2149 L., dated 8th November 1898.
7. Return showing the fines, &c., levied under the Cattle Trespass Act and the expenses therefrom (1st of every month).	The Board agrees with Mr. Meyer (paragraph 69) in considering that the separate submission of this return to the Divisional officer is unnecessary. The item will accordingly be shown in the revised list as due only to the Treasury Deputy Collector.
8. Statement showing the disposal of applications for unoccupied assessed lands.	The item will be omitted for reasons given against item B_4 (*b*).
8A. Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to village officers (7th of the following month).	This return has been included with reference to paragraph 2 (ii) of G.O., No. 680, Revenue, dated 14th November 1898, communicated to Collectors with Board's Proceedings, No. 351, L.R., dated 20th December 1898.

Quarterly.

9. Statement of despatch of revenue business (10th of the month following the close of the quarter).	*Vide* remarks against A_{21}.
10. Statement showing the disposal of patta transfer applications.	The item will be omitted as suggested (paragraph 67). *Vide* remark against item B_4 (*b*).
10A. Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to taluk peons. (7th of the month following the close of the quarter).	This return has been included with reference to paragraph 2 (ii) of G.O., No. 680, Revenue, dated 14th November 1898, communicated to Collectors with Board's Proceedings, No. 351, L.R., dated 20th December 1898.

Half-yearly.

11. Return of cases of opium smuggling (5th April and 5th October).	

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12. Programme of Famine-relief works. (March 1st).	As the programmes are due to the Board by 1st April from Collectors, the time allowed seems too short for the Divisional officer to see that the 1st programmes are complete and for further references when they are found defective. The Board has accordingly fixed the due date from the taluk as the 1st March.
13. Report on the working of the Income-tax Act (II of 1886) (April 25th).	

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14. Return of revenue lost by reduction of quit-rent or of peishkash, or by abatement of assessment on account of lands taken up in connection with irrigation project works for which Capital and Revenue Accounts are kept (February 5th).	This return was prescribed in Board's Proceedings, No. 519, Land Revenue, dated 17th September 1892. It is due for the fasli year and should be forwarded through the Superintending Engineer to the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, before the close of the following fasli. The return must be prepared in Taluk offices, as the assessment or abatement of Land Revenue has to be specified in each case, but the date proposed in the Huzur Sheristadar's list, viz., April 5th will be altered into February 5th as the return is only due for the previous fasli year.
15. (*a*) Return of titles and title-holders ...	As suggested by Mr. Meyer in paragraph 70 of his letter, the list can be brought up to date every year by sending extracts to taluks for verification and return. The item has accordingly been omitted from the revised list of taluk returns.
(*b*) Statement showing the condition of tanks affecting railways (May 10th).	For the reasons stated against item A_{50} (*a*) *supra*, this return has been omitted from the revised list.
16. Statement showing the names of officers who have attained the age of 55 years, or who will attain that age during the next official year.	The due date will be altered to April 10th as suggested by Mr. Meyer.
17. Report on the working of the establishments for stamping weights and measures (April 10th).	The Board considers that this may, in future, go to the Treasury Deputy Collector direct. It has, accordingly, been shown in the revised list as due to that officer.
18. Indent for stationery, rubber-stamps, ink, &c. (September 15th).	
19. Statement showing works of public utility constructed by private individuals during each official year (April 1st).	The fact mentioned by Mr. Meyer (paragraph 72) that this return is due from the Tahsildar to the President, Taluk Board, has been mentioned in the revised list.
20. Return showing the progress made in the preparation and checking of village registers and firka books (May 1st). 21. Statement showing the irrecoverable arrears of income-tax recommended to be written off (October 1st). 22. List of minor irrigation works to be executed by the Public Works Department (December 1st). 23. Application for allotment for repairs to minor irrigation works to be made on account of monsoon damages (December 15th).	These have been added to the list as suggested by Mr. Meyer (Paragraph 93).

C.—LIST OF RETURNS DUE TO THE TREASURY DEPUTY COLLECTOR.

(1) From the Taluk.

Occasional.

1. (*a*) Cholera report ... ... (*b*) Small-pox report	*Vide* remarks against item A_3 (*a* and *b*).
2. List of remittances to the Huzur treasury.	The item will be omitted as it is a Treasury report.

Daily.

3. (*a*) Cash balance report ... ... (*b*) List of payments of vouchers ...	These items will be omitted from the list as they relate to treasury matters.

Weekly.

4. (*a*) Rainfall report (to be closed up to Saturday)	This weekly rainfall report is received from *rain-recording stations* and is due to the *Meteorological Reporter*; while the rainfall reported in the season report is received from

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the *taluks* and is required for publication in the *Gazette*. The dates up to which the two returns are closed also vary, as the Government of India return is always closed on the same day (Saturday) of the week, whereas in the other case the closing day varies according to the situation of the station. The Board is therefore unable to accept Mr. Meyer's recommendation to exhibit the information contained in this return in the column showing "Rainfall" in the season report. The separate statement should continue to be submitted as at present.

(*b*) Season report with remarks on public health (to be submitted to the Treasury Deputy Collector so as to reach the Board's office on Tuesday morning).

5. (*a*) Register of receipts and repayments of deposits (Imperial).
(*b*) Register of receipts and repayments of deposits (Local Fund).

These will be omitted from the list as they relate to treasury matters.

Fortnightly.

6. Return of retail prices prevailing at the head-quarters of food-grains and salt (1st and 16th of each month).

As this return is due only from 22 taluks in the Presidency, it is mentioned in the foot-note to the revised list of taluk returns, instead of being repeated every fortnight in the body of the list. The same course has been adopted with regard to the return of prices current (wholesale) of certain commodities at selected marts. (Board's Proceedings, No. 124 (Settlement), dated 9th June 1896.)

Monthly.

7. Statement showing the cases in which fines and proceeds of confiscations under the Abkári Law were credited to Law and Justice in the Treasury Accounts.

This will be omitted as it is a treasury return.

8. Monthly unanswered list of Huzur received and sent papers.

Vide remark against item A_9 *supra*.

9. Memorandum showing the disposal of applications for copies of public records.

This will be omitted from the list with reference to paragraph 2 of Board's Proceedings, No. 432, dated 8th December 1897, dispensing with the return; *vide* also remark against B_4 (*b*) *supra*.

10. Statement showing the cases in which fines and proceeds of confiscations under the Salt Law were credited to Law and Justice.

This item will be omitted as it is a treasury return.

11. Register of deaths from small-pox.

This item will be omitted as suggested by Mr. Meyer (paragraph 76).

12 (*a*) Price list of—
(1) Agricultural produce ... ...
(2) Principal food-grains and salt (Season Report, Section III).
(3rd of every month.)
(3) Third-sort Madras rice ... ...
(4) Rice next best to the above ...
(25th of every month.)
(*b*) Statement showing the rainfall (Season Report, Section I).
(*c*) Statement showing the extent of cultivation (Season Report, Section II).
(3rd of every month.)

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13 (*a*) Payment of village establishments—
(*a*) Pay abstract of village establishments in Form II.
(*b*) Return of payments to village establishments in Form III-A.
(*c*) List of payments on account of village servants in Form III-B.
(1st of every month).

(*b*) Register to be kept by pound-keepers in Form V, with receipts in Forms VI and VII (1st of every month).

(*c*) Return showing the fines, &c., levied under the Cattle Trespass Act, and the expenditure incurred therefrom (1st of every month).

14 (*a*) Indent for stamps ... ...
(*b*) Account of receipts, sales and stock of stamps.
(*c*) Memorandum showing the number and value of spoiled and unused stamps presented for renewal or refund of value.
(*d*) Statement of discount allowed to licensed stamp-vendors on the purchase of stamps.
(*e*) Statement showing account of sales and stock of telegraph stamps.

These will be omitted, as they are treasury returns.

15. Statement showing the receipts, sales, and balance of printed forms, books, &c. (1st of every month).

77. Mr. Meyer suggests (paragraph 77 of his letter) that this return may be made quarterly. The Board has consulted the Superintendent of Stationery and the Superintendent, Government Press, and these officers report that statements of (1) sale-proceeds of service registers and (2) receipts from sale of Acts and books, &c., in the District Treasuries on account of the Secretariat Press are now respectively furnished to them every month by Collectors and are required in order that the figures may be checked with the receipts shown in the Treasury Accounts furnished by the Accountant-General under Art. 22, Civil Account Code, vol. I. They accordingly state that no change should be made in the existing practice. The Board is, therefore, unable to accept Mr. Meyer's recommendation.

16 (*a*) Treasury account of receipts and disbursements—
(*a*) Imperial ... ...
(*b*) Local Funds ... ...
(*c*) Special Funds ... ...
(*b*) Acquittance roll of—
(*a*) Revenue, Civil and Mysore pensioners.
(*b*) Military pensioners.
(*c*) Family payments on account of family certificates.
(*c*) Cash balance report.
(*d*) Estimate of probable receipts and disbursements for the current and ensuing two months.
(*e*) Indent for currency notes.
(*f*) Memorandum showing the items of deposits adjusted by transfer to other heads of account.
(*g*) List of pensioners paid—
(*a*) Civil.
(*b*) Military.
(*c*) Mysore.
(*d*) Revenue.

These items will be omitted from the revised list, as they are treasury returns.

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(*h*) *Plus* and *Minus* memorandum of Forest letters of credit. (*i*) *Plus* and *Minus* memorandum of Local Fund Department letters of credit. (*j*) Schedule of Public Works receipts. (*k*) Statement of— (1) Public Works Department cheques paid. (2) Local Fund cheques paid. (3) Forest do. (4) Postal do. (5) Personal deposit do. (6) Miscellaneous do. (*l*) Statement of contributions from officers transferred to foreign service. (*m*) Statement showing the adjustment made from estate personal deposit. (*n*) Statement showing the amount pending adjustment from Criminal Court deposit to Pound Fund. (*o*) Statement showing the result of the examination of the monthly account current.	These items will be omitted from the list, as they are treasury returns.
17. (*a*) Return of births and deaths (5th of every month). (*b*) Return of cattle disease (5th of every month).	
18. Statement showing the measures adopted for the destruction of wild animals and the rewards paid.	The item will be omitted as suggested (paragraph 63).
Quarterly.	
19. Form Q_1 statement showing the collections of income-tax under Act II of 1886 up to the quarter.	Government has approved of Mr. Meyer's proposal to abolish this return (*vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 14, Sep. Rev., dated 13th January 1899). The item will accordingly be omitted from the revised list of taluk returns.
20. Return of unpassed candidates employed in Government service.	This will be omitted from the list as suggested (paragraph 79). The return should be compiled in Divisional and Collectors' offices which sanction the employment of unpassed candidates and submitted half-yearly to the Board (*vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 191, 21st July 1898).
21. Return of expenditure of stationery (January 10th and July 10th).	The return may be made half-yearly as suggested (paragraph 77). The approval of Government is requested for the necessary changes in Rule 41 of the stationery rules.
22. Statement of currency notes received into, and issued from, the treasury.	The item will be omitted as it is a treasury return.
Half-yearly.	
23. Return of outturn of principal crops.	The half-yearly return is not a regular but only an occasional one, it has accordingly been omitted from the list.
24. Statement of average wages of labourers (January 1st and July 1st).	Revised form and instructions for the preparation of this return have been issued in Board's Proceedings, No. 446, Settlement, dated 7th December 1898.
25. Statement showing the progress made in the collection of the balance of stamp duty awarded to Government in pauper suits.	Government has accepted Mr. Meyer's suggestion that this return should be prepared in the Collector's office (paragraph 4 (1) of Government Order, No. 523, Revenue, dated 12th September 1898). The item will accordingly be omitted from the list.
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26. Statement showing the progress made in the verification of service registers of Government servants.	Mr. Meyer's suggestion to omit this from the list of taluk returns (paragraph 81) is accepted, as the Treasury Deputy Collector himself verifies the service registers.

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27. Return of outturn of principal crops (July 25th).	
28. Statement showing the names of officers who have attained the age of 55 years, or who will attain that age during the next official year.	*Vide* remarks against item A_{50} (*a*) *supra*.
29-(*a*) Cultivation account with enclosures (August 4th).	
(*b*) Return of wholesale prices of produce	This statement has been abolished (*vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 124, dated 9th June 1896).
30-(*a*) Indent for printed forms (including Account Code forms) January 1st.	The indent for Account Code forms has been included in this return with reference to Government Order, No. 294, Financial, dated 24th February 1899, communicated with [Board's Proceedings, No. 76, L.R., dated 17th March 1899.
(*b*) Return of stores (May 1st).	The due date to the Board is before May 15th. The taluk date has, therefore, been altered from May 15th to 1st idem.
31-(*a*) List of establishment. (*b*) Report on the examination of taluk and other sub-treasuries. (*c*) Statement of minimum balance to be retained in the treasury. (*d*) Statement of small silver and copper coins.	These returns will be omitted from the list. as they are treasury returns. The Board agrees with Mr. Meyer (paragraph 61) in considering that item 31 (*b*) is unnecessary as the Treasury Deputy Collector will have access to the reports furnished to the Collector on the subject.
32. Statement showing the results of the measures adopted with the view of exterminating wild animals and venomous snakes (January 10th).	The return is now due to the Collector—*vide* Government Order, No. 1031, Revenue, dated 9th December 1897.
(2) From managers of estates under the Court of Wards.	
Monthly.	
33. (*a*) Account current of estates. (*b*) Statement showing particulars of calculation and payment of commission due to Government.	These items will be omitted from the list as they are due from managers of estates under the Court of Wards. The Board approves of Mr. Meyer's suggestion to discontinue the submission of return 33 (*c*). Orders will issue in the Court of Wards Department.
Annual (fasli year).	
(*c*) List of establishment of estates under the management of the Court of Wards. (*d*) List of permanent advances to officers of estates under the management of the Court of Wards.	

D. List of Returns due to officers other than the Collector, Divisional-officer and the Treasury Deputy Collector.

(1) Board of Revenue (Settlement Department).

1. Report on the sowings and outturns of special crops (paddy, cotton, gingelly and indigo).	Mr. Meyer is correct in his remark (para. 83) that these returns are not "occasional" but annual. The dates on which the reports are due from the Taluk to the Board's office are shown below :—

	Sowings.	Outturn.
Paddy ..	1st October.	1st Dec. and 1st Feb.
Cotton ..	1st Aug. and 1st Oct.	Do.
Indigo ..	1st September.	1st December.
Gingelly ..	1st Aug. and 1st Jan.	1st Oct. and 1st Apr.

The special return on ground-nut (January 1st) and the special forecasts on castor seeds and sugarcane (December 1st) have also been included in the revised list.

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2. (*a*) Irrigation accounts (classes I and II works). (June 1st.)
(*b*) Irrigation accounts (classes III and IV works). (July 7th.)
(*c*) Statement showing the different sources of irrigation and the extent irrigated.

The date has been altered to June 1st, as suggested by Mr. Meyer (paragraph 84).

(2) District Forest officer.

Monthly.

3. (*a*) Abstract statement of forest receipts.
(*b*) Forest P_1 and P_2 statements.
(*c*) List of cheques drawn on Taluk treasuries by Forest officers.
4. Detailed statement of Forest revenue realized under several items of receipts.

The item will be omitted as suggested (paragraph 85).

Under Article 444 of the Civil Account Code (Volume I, Treasury Deputy Collectors have to furnish District Forest-officers every month with a consolidated statement of forest revenue received and credited into the treasury. The submission by the Tahsildars of an abstract statement of forest receipts and a detailed statement of forest revenue realized under the several items of receipts [items D_3 (*a*) and D_4] is therefore superfluous.

Forest P_1 and P_2 statements [item D_3 (*b*)] are submitted under the instructions contained in Standing Circular No. 4, dated 31st January 1885, (Appendix 6 to the Forest Manual) issued by the Conservator, Southern Circle. Under this order Tahsildars submit P_1 statements only in those taluks where permits are supplied to issuing officers through them —*vide* sub-paragraph 1 under paragraph 3 of the circular. P_2 statements are submitted by Range officers and not by Tahsildars—*vide* sub-paragraph under paragraph 8 of the circular. P_2 statement will accordingly be removed from the list and a note will be added to the effect that the P_1 statement should be submitted only from those taluks where permits are supplied to issuing officers through the Tahsildars. The Board however, considers that the practice of supplying permits to issuing officers through Tahsildars should be put a stop to whenever other arrangements can be made for the purpose.

There is no authority for the submission by Tahsildars of a list of cheques drawn on Taluk treasuries by Forest officers. Under section 191 of the Forest Code, District Forest-officers have to prepare a monthly list of cheques drawn against all treasuries for submission to the Accountant-General. This statement is prepared from the counterfoils of cheques drawn and is sent to the Treasury Deputy Collector for verification and countersignature before submission to the Accountant-General. There is therefore no necessity for the Tahsildars to submit any list to the District Forest-officer.

The two following returns will be added to the list as suggested by Mr. Meyer.

(1) Monthly: statement of tree revenue realized and credited to forests (1st of every month).

(2) Annual: statement of demand, collection and balance of tree revenue for the fasli year (August 1st).

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(3) District Medical and Sanitary Officer.
5. (*a*) Cholera report.
(*b*) Small-pox report.
(4) Officer in charge of the nearest Dispensary.
Occasional.
6. (*a*) Cholera report.
(*b*) Small-pox report.

Vide remarks against A_3 (*a*) and (*b*).

E. List of Returns due to Miscellaneous officers from the Treasury Deputy Collector.
F. List of Returns due from the Collector and District Magistrate to the Registrar of the High Court, Original Side, Madras.

These have been omitted from the revised list as suggested by Mr. Meyer (paragraph 88).

Additional returns mentioned in paragraph 93 of Mr. Meyer's letter.

These returns have been mentioned already in their appropriate places. The following table gives the necessary references:—

Subject.	Description of return.	
1		
	A. Series, Sub-Division (1). *List of Returns due from the Taluk to the Collector.*	*Vide* Board's remarks against item.
Transport.	Resource return	A 32A
Mines ..	Return of Collieries	A 43A
Administration report.	Report on the maintenance of inventory of valuable stock.	A 55A
Processes..	Statement of collections and charges on account of process service fees.	A 55B
Tombs and monuments.	Statement showing the condition of Christian burial-grounds.	A 55C
Jamabandi report.	Land-cess statements (A and B).	A 58(*a*)
....	Statement showing the disposal of applications for transfer of registry presented during the fasli.	A 58(*a*)
Statistical returns.	A_1 showing total acreage ..	A 63(*b*)
	A_2 do. classification of area.	
	A_4 do. agricultural stock ..	
	C do. incidence of land revenue.	
	E showing transfers of landed property.	
	G showing area cultivated with the chief products.	
	H showing the rates of hire for live and dead stock per diem.	
	Triennial.	
Special funds.	Statement showing the condition of cattle pounds.	A 55D
	B. Series. *Returns due from the Taluk to the Divisional Officer.*	
Loans ..	Statements XXV B and C regarding inspection of loans works.	A 13(*e*)
Income-tax.	Statement showing the irrecoverable arrears of income-tax recommended to be written off.	B 21
Irrigation.	List of minor irrigation works to be executed by the Public Works Department.	B 22
Do.	Application for allotment for repairs to minor irrigation works to be made on account of monsoon damages.	B 23
Famine ..	Returns showing the progress made in the preparation and checking of village registers and firka books.	B 20

APPENDICES.

APPENDIX I.

Enclosure A to Statement No. 4.—Statement showing the total deductions payable to religious institutions and the amount actually deducted during fasli 130 .

Items.	Amount.	Remarks.
	Rs. A. P.	
1. Beriz deductions or allowance to religious institutions already sanctioned		
2. Deductions sanctioned in the year under report as detailed on the reverse		
3. Undisbursed amount due on account of previous years ..		
Total amount due ..	..	
4. Amount actually deducted from the beriz during the year—		
(a) On account of previous years		
(b) On account of the year under report		
Total ..		
Balance ..		

Details of the beriz deductions

Names of the villages in which the institutions are situated, or the recipients reside.	Name of the religious institution or service.	Allowance originally paid from the treasury for which land assignment was made.	Number and date of Board's Proceedings, or Government Orders sanctioning the land revenue assignments in each case.	Assignments of land revenue now resumed.	
				Extent.	Assessment.
1	2	3	4	5	6

Note.—If deduction has been ordered to be made from the revenue payable by

sanctioned during the year.

Date of order sanctioning the payment by beriz deductions.	Amount of allowance ordered to be deducted from the beriz.		Amount due on account of previous year (if any).	Total amount due.	Remarks.
	Village.	Amount.			
7	8	9	10	11	12

individual pattadars, a note should be made to that effect in the remarks column.

APPENDIX II.

Application for declaring Immoveable property escheat, district.

1. Taluk.	
2. Village, estate or township.	
3. Description of property.	
4. Area in acres.	
5. Assessment or quit-rent.	
6. Estimated yearly rent value.	
7. Estimated market value.	
8. Date of the death of the last owner.	
9. Date of publication of notice inviting claims.	
10. Names of claimants and their relationship to the deceased.	
11. Particulars of objections raised.	
12. Collector's recommendation.	
	Dated 189 . Collector.

APPENDIX III.

A.—Statement showing the financial results of composition for second crop effected under each source of irrigation.

Taluk.	Village.	Name of source.	Capacity.	Class of source as per settlement.	Ayakat.		Average extent of second crop cultivation in the past five years.		Number of wells used for supplementing irrigation from the Government source.	Extent irrigable by the well.	Rate of composition adopted at settlement.	Rate now proposed.	Particulars of land on which the assessment is to be compounded.		
					Government.	Inam.	Government.	Inam.					Extent.	First crop assessment.	Additional assessment proposed for composition.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16

Progress report of composition for second crop.

Number of applications pending at the end of the preceding quarter.	Number received during the quarter.	Total.	Number disposed of.		Balance.
			Accepted.	Rejected.	

APPENDIX IV.

List of Periodical returns due from the Taluk office.

When due.*	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
Jan. 1st.	Indent for printed forms (including Account Code Forms).	T.D.C.	Annual (official year).	Stationery rules (Appendix K.) B.P., No. 76, L.R., 17th March 1899.	...	...
	Indent for Abkári opium, &c., printed forms.	Do.	Do.	...	...	...
	Special report on ground-nut. †	Board (Sett.)	Annual ...	B.P., No. 87, 6th May 1896 and No. 138, 19th June 1896.	...	...
	Forecast of late sowings of gingelly.	Do.	Do. ...	B.P., No. 199, 8th July 1890; No. 138, 19th June 1896 and No. 254, 18th July 1898.	...	...
	Statement of average wages of labourers.	T.D.C.	Half-yearly.	B.P., No. 446-Sett., 7th December 1898.	Board (Sett.), 8th.	...
	Statement of demand, collection and balance of land revenue and cesses for December with enclosures.	Collector.	Monthly.	Taluk Manual Account No. 37. B. P., No. 358, L.R., 2nd October 1895.	Board (L.R.), 12th.	...
	Statement showing the receipts, sales and balance of printed forms, books, &c.	T.D.C.	Do.	Civil Account Code, Vol. I (article 22).	...	...
	Payment of village establishments in Forms II, III-A and III-B.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	...	...
	Register to be kept by pound-keepers (Form V) with receipts (Forms VI and VII).	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	...
	Return showing the fines, &c., levied under the Cattle Trespass Act, and the expenditure incurred therefrom.	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	...
	Forest P_1 statement	D.F.O.	Do.	Appendix 6 to the Forest Manual.	...	This should be submitted only from those taluks where permits are supplied to issuing officers through Tahsildars.
	Statement of tree revenue realized and credited to Forests.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 268-For., 5th July 1897.	...	...
3rd.	Progress report of Minor Irrigation works.	Divl.-officer.	Do.	S.O. No. 187 (para. 39).	Collr., 6th; Board Sett., 10th.	This return can be made quarterly for the first nine months of the official year at the Collector's discretion.
	Report on the inspection of works executed with the aid of State loans (Form XXX).	Do.	Do.	B.P., Sett., No. 155-A, 12th June 1895.	Collr., 8th.	These may, at the discretion of Collectors, be submitted quarterly in taluks where there are few cases of incomplete works.
	Disposal of loan applications (Form XXX-A).					
	Inspection of wells (Form XXX-B).					

* The dates given in this column are those on which the returns should be in the hands of the officers to whom they are submitted.

† This is required only in the districts named below:—
(1) Anantapur, (2) Cuddapah, (3) North Arcot, (4) Chingleput, (5) South Arcot, (6) Salem, (7) Coimbatore, (8) Trichinopoly and (9) Tanjore.

List of Periodical returns due from the Taluk office—*cont.*

When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
Jan. 3rd—*cont.*	Season report in 3 sections (rainfall, cultivation and prices of food-grains and salt).	T.D.C.	Monthly.	B.P., No. 132, 26th Jan. 1880; B.P., No. 231, 21st July 1887; B.P, No. 487, 6th Dec. 1887; B.P., No. 467, 25th June 1892; B.P., No. 347, 15th August 1893.	Bd., (Sett.,) 8th.	...
	Price list of agricultural produce.	Do.	Do.	.....	...	...
	Statement of credits granted for the removal of salt on deposit of securities.	Collector.	Do.	B.P., S.R., No. 436, 22nd Sept. 1891, B.P., S.R., No. 85, 15th Mar. 1898.	...	...
5th.	Report on the condition of Trigonometrical survey stations.	Do.	Annual (calendar year).	.....	To the Trigonometrical Survey Office, India, 20th Jan.	...
	Statement showing the amount of irrecoverable arrears under Land Revenue and Cesses / Special Funds other than Cesses / Abkári Revenue recommended to be written off.	Do.	Quarterly.	B.P., No. 226, L.R., dated 4th May 1893, Bd.'s S.O. No. 157 (Para. 14).	Board, 20th.	...
	Statement showing the Demand, Collection and Balance of Income-tax under schedule 2, Part IV of Act II of 1886.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 14, S.R., 13th Jan. 1899.	Bd., Sep. Rev., 20th.	...
	Statement showing the disposal of applications for loans and the amount advanced under the Land Improvement and the Agriculturists' Loans Acts (Form XXI).	Do.	Do.	B.P., Sett., 155-A, 12th June 1895.	To Bd., Sett., 10th.	...
	Statement showing the progress made in the completion of works under the Land Improvement Loans Act. *	Do.	Do.	B.P., Sett., No. 364, 8th Sept. 1894, Mis. No. 6972, 19th Dec. 1895.	To Bd., Sett., 31st.	...
	Statement of advances and recoveries under the Loans Acts (Form XXIII) with *plus* and *minus* memorandum to accompany the Treasury Account current (Form XX).	D.O.	Do.	B.P., Sett., No. 155-A, 12th June 1895.	Collr. 10th Bd., Sett., 15th.	...

* This statement is required only in the following districts: (1) Cuddapah, (2) Anantapur, (3) Bellary, (4) Kurnool, (5) North Arcot, (6) South Arcot, (7) Madura, (8) Tinnevelly, (9) Coimbatore and (10) Salem.

List of Periodical returns due from the Taluk office—*cont.*

When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
Jan. 5th—*cont.*	Statement showing the several steps taken towards the recovery of arrears under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Acts (Encl. A to the above).	D.O.	Quarterly.	.....	...	...
	Statement of reconciliation of Treasury figures and figures in Statement XXIII (Encl. B to the above).	Do.	Do.	.....	...	...
	Return of Births and Deaths ...	T.D.C.	Monthly.	.....	...	...
	Return of cattle disease ...	Do.	Do.	.....	...	...
	Statement showing the Demand, Collection and Balance of Excise Revenue for December with enclosures.	Collector.	Do.	Bd.'s S O., No. 157 (Para. 6).	To Bd., Sep. Rev., 15th.	...
	Report on the average selling price of country spirits per gallon.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 105, L.R., 22nd April 1899.	Do.	...
	Income-tax Demand, Collection and Balance Statement for December.	Do.	Do.	.....	...	...
	Return of demarcation stones utilized (Form 6).	Do.	Do.	B.P., Sett., No. 351, 20th Sept. 1898.	...	...
7th.	Application for allotment for the construction of minor irrigation works.	D.O.	Annual (Official year).	Bd.'s S.O., No. 187 (Para. 3), B.P., No. 282, Sett., 11th July 1894.	Collr. 15th. Bd., 31st.	...
	Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to taluk peons.	Do.	Quarterly.	B.P., No. 351, L.R., dated 20th Dec. 1898.	...	...
	Progress report of expenditure incurred in petty construction and repairs to Civil buildings.	Collector.	Do.	Bd.'s S.O. No. 189 (Para. 12).	...	...
	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Village Service Fund.	Do.	Monthly..	Spl. Fund Account and Audit rules.	Bd., (L. R.), 22nd.	...
	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Irrigation Cess Fund.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Bd., (Sett.) 18th.	...
	Report on the progress made in the construction of cattle-pounds, village chavadis, &c.	D.O.	Do.	.....	...	...
	Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to village officers.	Do.	Do.	B P., No. 351, L.R., dated 20th Dec. 1898.	...	...
10th.	Statement showing the measures adopted with the view of exterminating wild animals and venomous snakes.	Collector.	Annual (calendar year).	G.O., No. 726, Rev., dated 13th May 1875, B.P., 295 (L.R.), 8th Nov. 1898.	Bd., (L.R.), 10th. Feb.	...
	Return of Industries ...	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 1491, 11th Oct. 1880; No. 789, 16th Mar. 1882.	Bd., Sett. 15th Feb.	...

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When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
Jan. 10th —*cont.*	Return of expenditure of stationery.	T.D.C.	Half-yearly.	Stationery Rules (article 41).	...	...
	Resource return in connection with the transport of troops.	Collector.	Do.	.....	...	...
	Return of fines imposed on and stoppages made from the pay of Village officers Public Servants	D.O.	Do.	B.P., No. 191, L.R., 21st July 1898.	Collr. 15th Bd., L. R., 20th (V.O. only.)	...
	Statement of horses and saddlery maintained in previous half-year.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 170, dated 20th May 1897; B.P., No. 191, dated 21st July 1898.	Collr. 20th.	...
	Statement of despatch of Revenue business.	Do.	Quarterly.	B.P., No. 432, L.R., 8th Dec. 1897.	...	...
	Return of Civil suits tried by village munsifs.	Collector.	Do.	B.P., No. 109, L.R., 23rd Mar. 1896; B.P., No. 343, L.R., 11th Sept. 1896.	Dt. Judge, 31st Jan.	...
	Statement of tours of inspection performed by Tahsildars.	D.O.	Monthly..	B.P., L.R., No. 432, 8th Dec. 1897.	...	...
15th.	Report on taluk records ...	Collector.	Annual (Calendar year).	B.P., No. 74, 14th Feb. 1894.	Bd. L.R., 1st Mar.	...
	Return of lapsed yeomiahs and allowances remaining undisposed of.	Do.	Quarterly.	.....	...	...
16th.	Return of Collieries	Do.	Annual (Calendar year).	B.P., Mis. No. 986, Sett., 26th Feb. 1896.	Bd., Sett., 31st.	...
25th.	Price list of— (1) Third-sort Madras rice. (2) Rice next best to the above.	T.D.C.	Monthly.	...	...	...
30th.	Statistics of coffee and tea cultivation. *	Collector.	Annual (calendar year).	B.P., Sett., No. 63, 16th Feb. 1893.	Bd., Sett., 1st Apl.	...
31st.	Return of the production of minerals.	Do.	Do.	B.P., Sett., No. 68, 27th Jan. 1892.	Bd., Sett., 1st Mar.	...
Feb. 1st.	Statement of paper and woollen mills.	Do.	Do.	B.P., Sett., No. 1932, Mis. 21st April 1891.	Bd. (Sett.) 1st March.	...

* This is required only in the following districts: (1) Vizagapatam, (2) Anantapur, (3) Madura, (4) Tinnevelly, (5) Coimbatore, (6) Nilgiris, (7) Salem, (8) South Canara and (9) Malabar.

List of Periodical returns due from the Taluk office—*cont.*

When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
Feb. 1st *cont.*	Second outturn report on cotton.	Board (Sett.)	Annual. (official year).	B.P., No. 238, 5th August 1890; No. 138, 19th June 1896.	Dir. Genl. of Statis. Feb. 10th.	...
	Second outturn report on paddy.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 461, 28th July 1891; No. 138, 19th June 1896.	Dir. Genl. of Statis. Feb. 15th.	...
	Statement of Demand, Collection and Balance of Land Revenue and cesses for January with enclosures.	Collector.	Monthly.	Taluk Manual Account, No. 37, B.P., No. 358, L.R., 2nd Oct. 1895.	Bd. (L. R.) 12th.	...
	Statement showing the receipts, sales and balance of printed forms, books, &c.	T.D.C.	Do.	Civil Account Code. Vol. I (Act. 22).	...	...
	Payment of village establishments in Forms II, III-A and III-B.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	...	...
	Register to be kept by pound-keepers (Form V) with receipts (Forms VI and VII).	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	...
	Return showing the fines, &c., levied under the Cattle Trespass Act, and the expenditure incurred therefrom.	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	...
	Forest P_1 statement	D.F.O.	Do.	Appendix 6 to the Forest Manual.	...	This should be submitted only from those taluks where permits are supplied to issuing officers through Tahsildars.
	Statement of tree revenue realized and credited to 'Forests.'	Do.	Do.	B.P., Forest No. 268, 5th July 1897.	...	...
3rd.	Progress report of Minor Irrigation works.	D.O. and Collector.	Do.	S.O., No. 187 (para. 39.)	To Bd. (Sett.), 10th.	...
	Report on the inspection of works executed with the aid of State loans (Form No. XXX).	D.O.	Do.	B.P., Sett., No. 155-A, 12th June 1895	Collr. 8th.	These may, at the discretion of Collectors be submitted quarterly in taluks where there are few cases of incomplete work.
	Disposal of loan applications (Form No. XXX-A).					
	Inspection of wells (Form XXX-B).					
	Season report in three sections (rainfall, cultivation and prices of food-grains and salt).	T.D.C.	Do.	...	Bd. (Sett.), 8th.	...
	Price list of agricultural produce.	Do.	Do.	...	...	...
	Statement of credits granted for the removal of salt on deposit of securities.	Collector.	Do.	B.P., No. 436 Sep. Rev., 22nd Sep. 1891; B.P., Sep. Rev., No. 85, 15th March 1898.	...	...

List of Periodical returns due from the Taluk office—*cont.*

When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
Feb. 5th.	Return of revenue lost by reduction of quit-rent or of peishcush or by abatement of assessment on account of lands taken up (during the preceding fasli year) in connection with irrigation project works for which Capital and Revenue Accounts are kept.	D.O.	Annual (fasli year).	B.P., No. 519, L.R., 17 Sept. 1892.	Exr., P.W. Accts through the Suptg. Engr. before 30th June.	...
	Return of births and deaths.	T.D.C.	Monthly.	...	...	...
	Return of cattle disease	Do.	Do.	...	...	...
	Statement showing the Demand, Collection and Balance of Excise Revenue for January with enclosures.	Collector.	Do.	B.S.O. No. 157 (paragraph 6).	Bd., Sep Rev., 15th	...
	Report on the average selling price of country spirits per gallon.	Do.	Do.	B.P. No. 105, (L.R.) 22nd April 1899.	Do.	...
	Income-tax demand, collection and balance statement for January.	Do.	Do.	..	..	...
	Return of demarcation stones utilised (Form 6).	Do.	Do.	B.P., Sett., No. 351, 20th Sept. 1898.	...	...
7th.	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Village Service Fund.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	B.d. L.R., 22nd.	...
	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Irrigation Cess Fund.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Bd. (Sett.), 18th.	...
	Report on he progress made in the construction of cattle pounds village chavadis, &c.	D.O.	Do.	..	...	...
	Progress report of expenditure incurred in petty construction and repairs to Civil buildings.	Collector.	Do.	B.S.O. No. 189 (paragraph 12).	...	...
	Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to village officers.	D.O.	Do.	B.P. No. 351, (L.R.) 20th Dec. 1898.	...	...
10th.	Statement of tours of inspection performed by Tahsildars.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 432, L. R., 8th Dec. 1897.	...	...
25th.	Price list of— (1) Third-sort Madras rice. (2) Rice next best to the above.	T.D.C.	Do.	...	...	...
Mar. 1st.	Programme of famine-relief works.	D.O.	Annual (official year).	Section 9, Chapter I, Madras Famine Code.	Collr. Mar. 15th. Bd., Sett. Apr. 1st.	...
	Statement of demand, collection and balance of Land Revenue and Cesses for February with enclosures.	Collector.	Monthly.	Taluk Manual Account No. 37; B.P., No. 358, L. R., 2nd Oct. 1895.	Bd., L.R., 12th.	...
	Statement showing the receipts, sales and balance of printed forms, books, &c.	T.D.C.	Do.	Civil Account Code, Volume I (Art. 22).	...	...
	Payment of village establishments in Forms II, III-A and III-B.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	...	...

List of Periodical returns due from the Taluk office—*cont.*

When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
March 1st—*cont.*	Register to be kept by pound-keepers (Form V) with receipts (Forms VI and VII).	T.D.C	Monthly.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	...	...
	Returns showing the fines &c., levied under the Cattle Trespass Act and the expenditure incurred therefrom.	Do	Do.	Do.	...	...
	Forest P1 statement	D.F.O.	Do.	Appendix 6 to the Forest Manual.	...	This should be submitted only from those taluks where permits are supplied to issuing officers through Tahsildars.
	Statement of tree-re venue realised and credited to "Forests."	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 268-For., 5th July 1897.	...	...
3rd.	Progress report of Minor Irrigation works.	D.O. and Collector.	Do.	S.O. No. 187, (Para. 39).	Bd. (Sett.) Mar. 10th.	...
	Report on the inspection of works executed with the aid of State loans (Form XXX). Disposal of loan applications (Form XXX-A). Inspection of wells (Form XXX-B).	D.O.	Do.	B.P., No. 155-A, 12th June 1895.	Collr. 8th.	These may, at the discretion of Collectors, be submitted quarterly in taluks where there are few cases of incomplete works.
	Season report in three sections (rainfall, cultivation and prices of food-grains and salt).	T.D.C.	Do.	...	Bd. (Sett). 8th.	...
	Price list of agricultural produce.	Do.	Do.	...	...	...
	Statement of credits granted for the removal of salt on deposit of securities.	Collector.	Do.	B.P. (Sep. Rev.), No. 436, 22nd Sept. 1891 and B.P., (Sep. Rev.) No. 85, 15th Mar. 1898.	...	...
	Return of births and deaths ...	T.D.C.	Do.	...	...	...
5th.	Return of cattle disease ...	Do.	Do.	...	...	...
	Statement showing the demand, collection and balance of Excise Revenue, for February with enclosures.	Collector.	Do.	B.S.O. No. 157 (Para. 6).	Bd. (Sep. Rev.) 15th.	...
	Report on the average selling price of country spirits per gallon.	Do.	Do.	B.P., L.R., No. 105, 22nd April 1899.	Do.	...
	Income-tax Demand, Collection and Balance statement for February.	Do.	Do.	...	...	...
	Return of demarcation stones utilised (Form 6).	Do.	Do.	B.P. (Sett.), No. 351, 20th Sept. 1898.	...	...
7th.	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Village Service Fund.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and audit rules.	Bd. (L.R.) 22nd.	...
	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Irrigation Cess Fund.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Bd. (Sett,) 18th.	...

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When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
March 7th—*cont.*	Report on the progress made in the construction of cattle pounds, village chavadis, &c.	D.O.	Monthly.	...	...	...
	Progress report of expenditure incurred in petty construction and repairs to civil buildings.	Collector.	Do.	B.S.O., No. 189, (Para. 12).	...	...
	Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to village officers.	D.O.	Do.	B.P. (L.R.), No. 351, 20th Dec. 1898.	...	...
10th.	Statement of tours of inspection performed by Tahsildars.	Do.	Monthly.	B.P.(L.R.), No. 432, 8th Dec. 1897.	...	...
25th.	Price list of— (1) Third sort Madras rice. (2) Rice next best to the above.	T.D.C.	Do.	...	..	...
31st.	Statement of cotton and hemp mills.	Collector.	Annual (Offl. year).	B.P., No. 129, Sett., 11th June 1896.	Bd. (Sett.) May 1st.	...
April 1st.	Outturn report on late sowings of gingelly.	Board (Sett.)	Do.	B.P., No. 199, 8th July 1890; and No. 138, 19th June 1896.	Dir.-Genl. of Statistics Apr. 15th.	...
	Statement showing works of public utility constructed by private individuals during the official year.	Taluk Board President.	Do.	...	Govt., L. and M. Dept.	...
	Statement of Demand, collection and balance of land revenue and cesses for March with enclosures.	Collector.	Monthly.	Taluk Manual Account No. 37, B. P., No. 358, L.R., 2nd October 1895.	Bd. (L.R.), 12th.	...
	Statement showing the receipts, sales and balance of printed forms, books, &c.	T.D.C.	Do.	Civil Account Code, Vol. I (Art. 22.)	...	...
	Payment of village establishments in Forms II, III-A and III-B.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	...	...
	Register to be kept by poundkeepers (Form V) with receipts (Forms VI and VII).	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	...
	Return showing the fines, &c., levied under the Cattle Trespass Act, and the expenditure incurred therefrom.	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	...
	Forest P_1 statement	D.F.O.	Do.	Appendix 6 to the Forest Manual.	...	This should be submitted only from those taluks where permits are supplied to issuing officers through Tahsildars.
	Statement of tree-revenue realised and credited to "Forests."	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 268, For., 5th July 1897.	...	...
3rd.	Progress report of Minor Irrigation works.	D.O. and Collr.	Do.	S.O. No. 187 (para. 39).	Bd. (Sett.) 10th Apl.	...

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When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Order under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
April 3rd—*cont.*	Report on the inspection of works executed with the aid of State loans (Form XXX). Disposal of loan applications (Form XXX-A). Inspection of wells (Form XXX-B).	D.O.	Monthly	B.P., No. 155-A (Sett.), 12th June 1895.	Collr 8th.	These may, at the discretion of Collectors, be submitted quarterly in taluks where there are few cases of incomplete works.
	Season report in three sections (rainfall, cultivation and prices of food-grains and salt).	T.D.C.	Do.	...	Bd. (Sett. 8th.	...
	Price list of agricultural produce.	Do.	Do.	...	...	...
	Statement of credits granted for the removal of salt on deposit of securities.	Collector.	Do.	B.P., No. 436, S.R., 22nd Sept. 1891. B.P., No. 85, S.R., 15th March 1898.	...	...
5th.	Return of cases of opium smuggling.	D.O.	Half-yearly.	B.P., No. 232, S.R., 5th July 1887. B.P., No. 40, S.R., 5th Feb. 1891. B.P., No. 46, S.R., 4th Feb. 1897.	Collr. 12th, Bd. 20th.	...
	Report of excise advances ...	Collector.	Do.	B. S. O., No. 106. B.P., No. 374, Sep. Rev. 2nd Sept. 1897.	Bd. (Sep. Rev). 30th.	...
	Statement showing the amount of irrecoverable arrears under Land Revenue and Cesses / Special Funds other than Cesses / Abkári Revenue re-	Do.	Quarterly.	B.P., No. 226, L.R. 4th May 1893. B. S. O., No. 157, (para. 14).	Board 20th.	...
	commended to be written off. Statement showing the demand, Collection and balance of Income-tax under Schedule 2, Part IV of Act II of 1886.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 14, S.R., 13th Jan. 1899.	Bd. (Sep. Rev.) half-yearly.	...
	Statement showing the disposal of applications for loans and the amount advanced under the Land Improvement and the Agriculturists' Loans Act (Form XXI).	Do.	Do.	B.P., Sett. No. 155-A., 12th June 1895.	Bd. Sett., 10th.	...
	Statement showing the progress made in the completion of works under the Land Improvement Loans Act.	Do.	Do.	B.P., Sett. No. 364, 8th Sept. 1894, Mis. No. 6972, 19th Dec. 1895.	Bd. (Sett.) 30th.	*Vide* remark against this item in page 55.
	Statement of advances and recoveries under the Loans Acts (Form XXIII) with *plus* and *minus* memorandum to accompany the Treasury Account Current (Form XX).	D.O.	Do.	B.P., No. 155-A., (Sett)., 12th June 1895.	Collr. 10th. Board Sett. 15th.	...
	Statement showing the several steps taken towards the recovery of arrears under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Acts (Enclosure A to the above).	Do.	Do.	...	...	...

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When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
April 5th —*cont.*	Statement of reconciliation of Treasury figures and figures in Statement XXIII (Enclosure B to the above	D.O.	Quarterly.	...	...	...
	Return of births and deaths ...	T.D.C.	Monthly.	...	...	...
	Return of cattle disease ...	Do.	Do.	...	...	...
	Statement showing the Demand, Collection and Balance of Excise Revenue for March with enclosures.	Collector.	Do.	B.S.O. No. 157, (para. 6).	Bd. (Sep. (Rev.) 15th.	...
	Report on the average selling price of country spirits per gallon.	Do.	Do.	B.P.,No. 105, (L.R.) 22nd April 1899.	Do.	...
	Income-tax Demand, Collection and Balance statement for March.	Do.	Do.	...	...	...
	Return of demarcation stones utilised (Form 6).	Do.	Do.	B.P., Sett., No. 351, 20th Sept. 1898.	...	...
7th.	Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to taluk peons.	D.O.	Quarterly.	B.P., No. 351 (L.R.) 20th Dec. 1898.	...	...
	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the village service Fund.	Collector.	Monthly.	Special Fund Acct. and Audit rules.	Bd. (L.R.) 22nd.	...
	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Irrigation Cess Fund.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Bd. (Sett.) 18th.	...
	Report on the progress made in the construction of cattle-pounds, village chavadis, &c.	D.O.	Do.	...	...	...
	Progress report of expenditure incurred in petty construction and repairs to Civil buildings.	Collector.	Do.	B.S.O. No. 189, (para. 12).	...	...
	Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to village officers.	D.O.	Do.	B.P., No. 351 (L.R.) 20th Dec. 1898.	...	...
10th	Statement of Court-fee labels filed in the taluk court and office.	Collector.	Annual (Offil. year)	B.P., No. 1852, 25th June 1883.	Supdt. of Stamps May 15th.	...
	Report on the working of establishments for stamping weights and measures.	D.O.	Do.	B.P., No. 78, 18th May 1887.	Collr. 20th April, Bd. (Sett.) 1st May.	...
	Statement of despatch of Revenue business.	Do.	Quarterly.	B.P., No. 432 (L.R.) 8th December 1897.	...	...
	Return of civil suits tried by Village Munsifs.	Collector.	Do.	B.P., No. 109, (L.R.) 23rd March 1896, B.P., No. 343, (L. R)., 11th Sept. 1896.	Dt. Judge, 30th April.	...
	Statement of tours of inspection performed by Tahsildars.	D.O.	Monthly.	B.P., No. 432 (L.R.) 8th Dec. 1897.	...	...

List of Periodical returns due from the Taluk office—*cont.*

When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
15th.	Statement showing the number and value of sulphate of quinine packets received from the Treasury Deputy Collector and sold in the taluk.	Collector.	Annual (official year).	G.O., No. 1252, Rev., 13th Dec. 1892. B.P., No. 145, (L.R.) 27th March 1893.	Dir. of Cinchona. Plantations, 31st May.	...
	Return of lapsed yeomiahs and allowances remaining undisposed of.	Do.	Quarterly.	...	...	...
April 16th.	Report on the maintenance of an inventory of valuable stock.	Do.	Annual (official year).	B.P., No. 603, L.R., 17th Oct. 1893. B.P. No. 238, L.R., 5th July 1894.	Bd. L.R., 15th May.	...
25th.	Report on the working of the Income-tax Act (II of 1886).	D.O. ...	Do. ...	B.P, No. 286, L.R., 9th May 1891.	Collr. 15th May Bd. S.R., 1st June.	...
	Price list of— (1) Third-sort Madras rice. (2) Rice nextbest to the above.	T.D.C.	Monthly.	...	...	...
30th.	Abkári Administration Report.	Collector.	Annual (official year).	B. S. O., No. 168, (paragraph 1).	Bd. S.R., 1st June.	...
	Statement of Collections and Charges on account of Process Service Fees.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 127, 17th January 1882.	Bd. L.R., 31st May.	...
May 1st.	Return showing the progress made in the preparations and checking of village registers and firka books.	D.O.	Do.	B.P., Mis. No. 2821 (Sett), 9th June 1896.	Collr. 1st June, Bd. Sett. 15th July.	This should be submitted from all districts except Madras, South Canara and Malabar.
	Return of stores	T.D.C.	Annual ...	...	Bd. L.R., 15th May.	...
	Statement of Demand, Collection and Balance of Land Revenue and Cesses for April with enclosures.	Collector.	Monthly.	Taluk Manual Account No. 37, B. P., No. 358, L.R., 2nd October 1895.	Bd. L.R., 12th	...
	Statement showing the receipts, sales and balance of printed forms, books, &c.	T.D.C.	Do.	Civil Account Code, Vol. I, Art. 22.	...	...
	Payment of village establishments in Forms II, III-A and III-B.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	...	...
	Register to be kept by pound-keepers (Form V) with receipts (Forms VI and VII).	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	...
	Return showing the fines, &c., levied under the Cattle Trespass Act, and the expenditure incurred therefrom.	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	...

List of Periodical returns due from the Taluk office—*cont.*

When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
May 1st—*cont.*	Forest P1. statement	D.F.O.	Monthly.	Appendix 6 to the Forest manual.	...	This should be submitted only from those taluks where permits are supplied to issuing officers through Tahsildars.
	Statement of tree Revenue realised and credited to 'Forests.'	Do.	Do.	B.P., For. No. 268, 5th July 1897.	...	...
May 3rd.	Progress report of Minor Irrigation Works.	D.O.	Do.	S.O. No. 187 (para. 39).	Collr. 10th.	The return can be made quarterly for the first nine months of the official year at the Collector's discretion.
	Report on the inspection of works executed with the aid of State loans (Form No. XXX).	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 155-A (Sett.), 12th June 1895.	Collr. 8th.	These may, at the discretion of Collectors, be submitted quarterly in taluks where there are few cases of incomplete works.
	Disposal of loan application (Form No. XXX-A).					
	Inspection of wells (Form No. XXX-B).					
	Season report in three sections (rainfall, cultivation and prices of food-grains and salt).	T.D.C.	Do.	...	Bd. (Sett.) 8th.	...
	Price list of agricultural produce.	Do.	Do.	...	...	...
	Statement of credits granted for the removal of salt on deposit of securities.	Collector.	Do.	B.P., No. 436, (Sep. Rev.), 22nd Sept. 1891.	...	...
				B.P., No. 85, (Sep. Rev.), 15th Mar. 1898.	...	...
5th.	Return of births and deaths ...	T.D.C.	Do.	...	...	...
	Return of cattle disease ...	Do.	Do.	...	...	...
	Statement showing the Demand, Collection and Balance of Excise Revenue for April with enclosures.	Collector.	Do.	Bd's. S.O., No. 157 (para. 6).	Bd. (Sep. Rev.), 15th.	...
	Report on the average selling price of country spirits per gallon.	Do.	Do.	B.P. No. 105, (L.R.), 22nd April 1899.	Do.	...
	Income-tax Demand, Collection and Balance Statement for April.	Do.	Do.	...	...	...
	Return of demarcation stones utilised (Form 6).	Do.	Do.	B.P., Sett., No. 351, 20th Sept. 1898.	...	...
7th.	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Village Service Fund.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	Bd. (L.R.), 22nd.	...
	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Irrigation Cess Fund.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Bd. (Sett.), 18th.	...
	Report on the progress made in the construction of cattle pounds, village chavadis, &c.	D.O.	Do.	...	...	...
	Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to village officers.	Do.	Do.	B.P., L.R., No. 351, 20th Dec. 1898.	...	...

List of Periodical returns due from the Taluk office—*cont.*

When due.	Name of report or return	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
May 10th. —*cont.*	Report on the condition of tanks affecting the safety of railways.	D.O.	Annual (official year).	B.P., No. 62 (Sett.), 1st Feb. 1894. B.P., Mis. No. 1580, 8th Mar. 1894.	Collr., 20th May. Bd. (Sett.), 31st May.	...
	Statement of tours of inspection performed by Tahsildars.	Do.	Monthly.	B.P., No. 432, L.R., 8th Dec 1897.	...	...
20th.	Memorandum showing the changes that occurred during the year in the list of money allowances.	Collector.	Annual (calendar year).	G.O. No. 135, Rev., dated 23rd Feb. 1899.	Bd. (L.R.), A.G., Gov., (R.D.), July 1st.	...
25th.	Price list of— (1) Third-sort Madras rice ... (2) Rice next best to the above.	T.D.C.	Monthly.	...	...	...
June-1st.	Village Irrigation Accounts (Classes I and II works).	Board (Sett.).	Annual (fasli year.	B.P., No. 3210, 2nd Dec. 1882; Dir.'s Cir. No. 184, 30th Mar. 1887; No. 63, 11th Feb. 1888, B.P., No. 60, 4th Mar. 1890; No. 516, 6th Dec. 1894 and No. 356, 11th May 1897.	...	This should be submitted by all Tahsildars except those in the districts of Vizagapatam, Anantapur, Bellary, Madras, Nilgiris, South Canara and Malabar.
	Statement of Demand, Collection and Balance of Land Revenue and Cesses for May with enclosures.	Collector.	Monthly.	Taluk Manual Account No. 37, B.P., No. 358, L.R., 2nd Oct. 1895.	Board (L.R.,) 12th.	...
	Statement showing the receipts, sales and balance of printed forms, books, &c.	T.D.C.	Do.	Civil Account Code, Volume I, (Article 22).	...	...
	Payment of village establishments in Forms II, III-A and III-B.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	...	...
	Register to be kept by pound-keepers (Form V) with receipts (Forms VI and VII).	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	...
	Return showing the fines, &c., levied under the Cattle Trespass Act and the expenditure incurred therefrom.	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	...
	Forest P1 statement	D.F.O.	Do.	Appendix 6 to the Forest Manual.	...	This should be submitted only from those taluks where permits are supplied to issuing officers through Tahsildars.
	Statement of tree Revenue realised and credited to "Forests".	Do.	Do.	B.P., For. No. 268, 5th July 1897.	...	...

List of Periodical returns due from the Taluk office—*cont.*

When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
June 3rd —*cont.*	Progress report of Minor Irrigation Works.	D.O.	Do.	S.O. No. 187, paragraph 39.	Collr. 10th.	The return can be made quarterly for the first nine months of the official year at the Collector's discretion.
	Report on the inspection of works executed with the aid of State loans (Form No. XXX).	D.O.	Monthly.	B.P. (No. 155-A, Sett.), 12th June 1895.	Collr. 8th.	These may, at the discretion of Collectors be submitted quarterly in taluks where there are few cases of incomplete works.
	Disposal of loan applications (Form No. XXX-A).					
	Inspection of Wells (Form No. XXX-B).					
	Season report in three sections (rainfall, cultivation and prices of food-grains and salt).	T.D.C.	Do.	.....	Bd. (Sett.), 8th.	...
	Price list of agricultural produce.	Do.	Do.	.....	...	...
5th.	Statement of credits granted for the removal of salt on deposit of scurities.	Collector.	Do.	B.P. No. 436 (Sep. Rev.), 22nd Sept. 1891; and No. 85 (Sep. Rev.), 15th March 1898.	...	...
	Return of births and deaths	T.D.C.	Do.	...	...	...
	Return of cattle disease ...	Do.	Do.	.....	...	...
	Statement showing the Demand, Collection and Balance of excise Revenue for Maywith enclosures.	Collector.	Do.	B. S. O. No. 157 (para. 6).	Bd. (Sep. Rev.), 15th.	...
	Report on the average selling price of country spirits per gallon	Do.	Do.	B.P. No. 105, (L.R.) 22nd April 1899.	Do.	...
	Income-tax Demand, Collection and Balance statement.	Do.	Do.	.....	...	...
7th.	Return of demarcation stones utilised (Form 6).	Do.	Do.	B.P. No. 351, (Sett.), 20th Sept. 1898.	...	...
	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the village Service fund.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit rules.	Bd. (L.R.), 22nd	...
	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Irrigation cess Fund.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Bd. (Sett.), 18th.	...
	Report on the progress made in construction of cattle pounds, village chavadis, &c.	D.O.	Do.	...	...	...
	Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar, or Deputy Tahsildar to village officers.	Do.	Do.	B.P. No. 351, (L.R.), 20th Dec. 1898.	...	...
10th.	Statement of tours of inspection performed by Tahsildars.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 432, (L.R.), 8th Dec. 1897.	...	...
25th.	Price list of— (1) Third-sort Madras rice. (2) Rice next best to the above.	T.D.C.	Do.	...	...	...

List of Periodical returns due from the Taluk office—*cont.*

When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
July 1st.	Report on the condition of cattle pounds.	Collector	Triennial. (official year).	B.P., No. 93 (L.R.), 9th March 1896.	Bd., 15th Aug.	...
	Comparative statement of irrigation and rainfall.	Do.	Annual.	B.P., No. 738 (Sett.), 9th Dec. 1897.	To Bd. (Sett.), 15th July.	...
	Statement of lands irrigated under each class of works.*	Do.	Annual (fasli year).	B.P., No. 156 (Sett.), 12th June 1895.	Exec. Engr.	...
	Statement showing the amount of sale-proceeds of the beds of tanks rendered unnecessary by (Classes I and II work).†	Do.	Do. ...	B.P., No. 429, 11th September 1889, and No. 643, 10th October 1891.	To Bd. (Sett.), 15th.	...
	Statement of average wages of labourers.	T.D.C.	Half-yearly.	B.P. No. 446 (Sett.), 7th December 1898.	Bd. (Sett.), 8th.	...
	Statement of Demand, Collection and Balance of Land Revenue and Cesses for June with enclosures.	Collector.	Monthly.	Taluk Manual Account No. 37; B.P., No. 358, (L.R.), 2nd Oct. 1895.	To Bd. L.R., 12th.	...
	Statement showing the receipts, sales and balance of printed forms, books, &c.	T.D.C.	Do.	Civil Account Code, Volume I, (Article 22.)	...	...
	Payment of village establishments in Forms II, III-A and III-B.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Accounts and Audit rules.	...	...
	Register to be kept by pound-keepers (Form V) with receipts (Forms VI and VII).	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	...
	Return showing the fines, &c., levied under the Cattle Trespass Act and the expenditure incurred therefrom.	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	...
	Forest P1 statement	D.F.O.	Do.	Appendix 6 to the Forest Manual.	...	This should be submitted only from those taluks where permits are supplied to issuing officers through Tahsildars.
	Statement of tree revenue realized and credited to "Forests."	Do.	Do.	B.P., For. No. 268, 5th July 1897.	...	...
3rd.	Progress report of Minor Irrigation works.	D.O.	Do.	S.O. No. 187 (paragraph 39).	Collr., 6th Bd. Sett., July 10th.	The return can be made quarterly for the first nine months of the official year at the Collector's discretion.
	Report on the inspection of works executed with the aid of State loans (Form No. XXX).	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 155-A. (Sett.), 12th June 1895.	Collr. 8th.	These may, at the discretion of Collectors, be submitted quarterly in taluks where there are few cases of incomplete work.
	Disposal of loan applications (Form XXX-A).					
	Inspection of wells (Form XXX-B).					
	Season report in three sections (rainfall, cultivation and prices of food-grains and salt).	T.D.C.	Do.	...	To Bd. Sett., 8th.	...

* This is required only in the following districts:—(1) Ganjám; (2) Vizagapatam; (3) Gódávari; (4) Kistna; (5) Nellore; (6) Kurnool; (7) Chingleput; (8) North Arcot; (9) South Arcot; (10) Tanjore; (11) Trichinopoly; (12) Madura; (13) Tinnevelly; (14) Coimbatore; (15) Salem.

† This is required in Cuddapah and the districts named above (except Vizagapatam).

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When due.	Name of the report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
July—5th.	Price list of agricultural produce.	T.D.C.	Monthly.	...	...	...
	Statement of credits granted for the removal of salt on deposit of securities.	Collector.	Do.	B.P., No. 43 (Sep. Rev.), 22nd Sept. 1891, and No. 85, (Sep. Rev.), 15th March 1898.	...	...
	Statement showing the amount of irrecoverable arrears under Land Revenue and Cesses / Special Funds other than Cesses / Abkári Revenue	Do.	Quarterly.	B.P., No. 226 (Land Rev.), 4th May 1893.	Bd., 20th.	...
	recommended to be written off.	Do.	Do.	S.O. No. 157 (paragraph 14).	...	...
	Statement showing the Demand, Collection and Balance of Income-tax under Schedule 2, Part IV of Act II of 1886.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 14 (Sep. Rev.), 13th Jan. 1899.	Bd. (Sep. Rev.) 20th.	...
	Statement showing the disposal of applications for loans and the amounts advanced under the Land Improvement and the Agriculturists' Loans Acts. (Form XXI).	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 155-A. (Sett.), 12th June 1895.	Bd. (Sett.), 10th.	...
	Statement showing the progress made in the completion of works under the Land Improvement Loans Act.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 364 (Sett.), 8th Sept. 1894 and Mis. No. 6972, 19th Dec. 1895.	Bd. (Sett.).	*Vide* remarks against this item in page 56.
	Statement of advances and recoveries under the Loans Acts (Form XXIII) with *plus* and *minus* memorandum to accompany the Treasury Accounts current (Form XX).	D.O.	Do.	B.P., No. 155-A. (Sett.), 12th June 1895.	Collr., 10th. Bd. (Sett.), 15th.	...
	Statement showing the several steps taken towards the recovery of arrears under the Land Improvement and the Agriculturists' Loans Acts (enclosure A to the above).	Do.	Do.	...	...	...
	Statement of reconciliation of Treasury figures and figures in Statement XXIII (enclosure B to the above).	Do.	Do.	...	...	...
	Return of births and deaths ...	T.D.C.	Monthly.	...	...	...
	Return of cattle disease ...	Do.	Do.	...	...	...
	Statement showing the Demand, Collection and Balance of Excise Revenue for June with enclosures.	Collector	Do.	B.S.O. No. 157 (paragraph 6).	Bd. (Sep., Rev.), 15th.	...
	Report on the average selling price of country spirits per gallon.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 105, (L.R.,) 22nd April 1899.	Do.	...
	Income-tax Demand, Collection and Balance statement for June.	Do.	Do.	...	...	...
	Return of demarcation stones utilised (Form 6).	Do.	Do.	B.P., Sett., No. 351, 20th Sept. 1898.	...	...

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When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
July—7th.	Village Irrigation Accounts (Classes III and IV works).	Board (Sett.)	Annual (fasli year).	B.P., No. 64, 11th May 1887.	...	This should be submitted by all Tahsildars except those in the districts of Madras, Nilgiris, South Canara and Malabar.
	Progress report of expenditure incurred in petty construction and repairs to Civil buildings.	Collector.	Quarterly.	B.S.O. No. 189 (para. 12).	...	...
	Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to Taluk peons.	D.O.	Quarterly.	B.P., No. 351 (L.R.), 20th Dec. 1898.	...	...
	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Village Service Fund.	Collector.	Monthly.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	Bd. (L.R.), 22nd.	...
	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Irrigation and Cess Fund.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Bd. (Sett.) 18th.	...
	Report on the progress made in the construction of cattle-pounds, village chavadis, &c.	D.O.	Do.	...	...	...
	Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to village officers.	D.O.	Do.	B.P., No. 351 (L.R.), 20th Dec. 1898.	...	...
10th.	Statement of inams relinquished.	Collector.	Annual (fasli year.)	...	...	...
	Statement of lapsed inams ...	Do.	Do.	Taluk Manual Account No. 40.	To Bd., (L.R.), July 20th.	...
	Return of crop experiments ...	Do.	Do.	Director's Circular, No. 1796, dated 23rd Oct. 1886. B.P., No. 365, (Sett.), dated 31st July 1888; No. 124, (Sett.), dated 18th May 1895.	Bd. (Sett.), July 15th.	...
	Return of expenditure of stationery.	T.D.C.	Half-yearly.	Stationery Rules... (Article 41.)	...	...
	Resource return in connection with the transport of troops.	Collector.	Do.	...	...	...
	Return of fines imposed on and stoppages made from the pay of Village officers / Public Servants.	D.O.	Do.	B.P., No. 191 (L.R.), 21st July 1898.	Collr., 15th. Bd. (L.R.), 20th (V.O. only.)	...
	Statement of horses and saddlery maintained in previous half-year.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 170 (L.R.), 20th May 1897. B.P., No. 191 (L.R.), 21st July 1898.	Collr. 20th ...	...
	Statement of despatch of Revenue business.	Do.	Quarterly.	B.P., No. 432, L.R., 8th Dec. 1897.	...	...
	Return of civil suits tried by Village Munsifs.	Collector.	Do.	B P., No. 109, L.R., 23rd March 1896. B.P., No. 343, L.R., 11th Sept. 1896.	Dt. Judge, July 31st.	...

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When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
July 10th—*cont.*	Statement of tours of inspection performed by Tahsildars.	D.O. ...	Monthly.	B.P., No. 432 (L.R.), 8th Dec. 1897.	...	...
15th.	Statistical returns (Land Records and Agriculture).	Collector.	Annual (fasli year).	B.P., No. 246 (Sett.), 18th June 1894.	Bd. (Sett.), Aug. 15th.	...
	Budget estimate of revenue to be credited to each irrigation system classed under Major Works.	Do.	Annual ...	B.P., No. 579 (Sett.), 14th Sept. 1891.	To Bd., (Sett.), 15th Oct.	...
	Return of lapsed yeomiahs and allowances remaining undisposed of.	Do.	Quarterly.	...	...	...
20th.	Budget of loans	Collector.	Annual (Offl. year).	B.P., Mis. No. 4717 (Sett.), 7th Aug. 1894. B.P., No. 461 (Sett.), 1st Nov. 1894. B.P., No. 3727 (Sett.), 26th May 1897.	To Bd. (Sett.), Aug. 15th.	...
25th.	Return showing all crops harvested in the previous fasli.	T.D.C.	Annual ... (fasli year).	B.P., No. 18, 15th Jan. 1898.	To Bd. (Sett. 15th) Aug.	...
	Price list of— (1) Third-sort Madras rice. (2) Rice next best to the above.	T.D.C.	Monthly.	...	...	...
Aug. 1st.	First forecast of sowings of cotton.	Board (Sett.).	Annual (official year).	B.P., No. 238, 5th August 1890, and No. 138, 19th June 1896.	Dir.-Genl. of Statistics, Aug. 15th.	...
	Forecast of early sowings of gingelly.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 199, 8th July 1890, and No. 138, 19th June 1896.	Do.	...
	Jamabandi report with enclosures.*	Collector.	Annual (fasli year).	.....	Bd. (Sett., and L.R.) Oct. 1st.	...

* The following list contains the jamabandi returns to be furnished from each taluk office :—

1. Statement showing the places where the jamabandi was conducted, pattas issued, &c.
1*a*. Statement showing the officers by whom each taluk was settled during the five years ending fasli of report.
2. Statement showing the average prices of grain with comparative abstract of the prices of the principal grains in the whole district.
3. Statement of ryots' holdings and cultivation.
3*a*. Abstract statement showing changes in the ryots' holdings in the fasli.
3*b*. Abstract statement of lands held on progressive cowle.
4. Statement showing the particulars of remissions excluding those on waste.
4*a*. Statement showing the total deductions payable to religious institutions and the amount actually deducted during the fasli.
5. Statement showing particulars of the demand under Land Revenue—Miscellaneous.
6. Statement of Demand, Collection and Balance of permanently-settled estates and whole inam villages.
7. Statement of Demand, Collection and Balance of Land Revenue and Cesses (current and arrears).
7*a*. Statement showing Demand, Collection and Balance of interest charged on arrears of Land Revenue.
8. Statement showing the fasliwar particulars of balance of Land Revenue and Cesses for former faslis.
8*a*. Statement showing the details of coercive processes employed in the realization of arrears of Revenue.
8*b*. Statement showing the particulars of processes issued and the fees collected under Act II of 1864.
9. Statement showing the lands sold or otherwise disposed of under Board's Standing Orders Nos. 30, 33, 34 and 110.
10. Statement showing the disposal of patta transfer applications.
11. Statement of $\frac{\text{ruined}}{\text{abandoned}}$ tanks made over to private individuals.
12. Statement showing the inspection and replacement of survey marks.
13. Land-cess statements A and B.
14. Statement showing the inspection of cattle census.
15*a*. Statement showing the financial results of composition for second crop effected under each source of irrigation.
15*b*. Progress report of composition for second crop.
16. Statement showing the extent of ayakat under the different sources of irrigation } (*quinquennial*).
17. Rent-roll statement }

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Aug. 1st—*cont.*	Statement showing advances and recoveries under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Acts (Form XXIII). Statement showing the nature and extent of improvements carried out with the aid of advances under the Land Improvement Loans Act (Form XXV-A). Statement showing the number of cattle purchased and the agricultural improvements effected with the aid of advances made under the Agriculturists' Loans Act (Form XXV-B). Statement showing the classification of loans granted under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Act (Form XXVI). Statement showing the extent to which coercive processes were resorted to in the recovery of loans (Form XXVII).	Collector.	Annual (fasli year).	B.P. (Sett.), No. 155-A, 12th June 1895.	Bd. (Sett.) Oct. 1st.	...
	Statement showing transfers of land from assessed to unassessed.	Do.	Do.	B.S.O., 34, para. 2.	Bd. (L.R.) Sept. 15th.	...
	Statement showing the demand, collection and balance of tree revenue for the fasli year.	D.F.O.	Annual (fasli year).	B.P., Forest No. 268, 5th July 1897.	...	...
	List of public works to be executed by Civil officers during the ensuing official year.	Collector.	Annual (official year).	.....	Bd. (L.R.) Aug. 15th. With budget of land revenue charges.	...
	Statement of demand, collection and balance of land revenue and cesses for July with enclosures.	Do.	Monthly.	Taluk Manual Acct. No. 37, B.P., No. 358, L.R., 2nd October 1895.	Bd. (L.R.) 12th.	...
	Statement showing the receipts, sales and balance of printed forms, books, &c.	T.D.C.	Do.	Civil Account Code, Vol. I (Art. 22).	...	...
	Payment of village establishments in Forms II, III-A and III-B.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	...	...
	Register to be kept by poundkeepers (Form V) with receipts (Forms VI and VII).	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	...

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When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
Aug. 1st —*cont.*	Returns showing the fines, &c, levied under the Cattle Trespass Act and the expenditure incurred therefrom.	T.D.C.	Monthly.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	...	.....
	Forest P_1 statement	D.F.O.	Do.	Appendix 6 to the Forest manual.	...	This should be submitted only from those taluks where permits are supplied to issuing officers through Tahsildars.
	Statement of tree revenue realised and credited to "Forests"	Do.	Do.	B.P. (For) No. 268, 5th July 1897.	...	.....
3rd.	Progress report of Minor Irrigation works.	D.O.	Monthly.	S.O. No. 187 (para. 39).	Collr. 10th.	The return can be made quarterly for the first nine months of the official year at the Collector's discretion.
	Report on the inspection of works executed with the aid of State loans (Form No. XXX).	D.O.	Do.	B.P. (Sett.), No. 155A, 12th June 1895.	Collr. 8th.	These may, at the direction of Collectors be submitted quarterly in taluks where there are few cases of incomplete works.
	Disposal of loan applications (Form XXX-A.)					
	Inspection of wells (Form XXX-B.)					
	Season report in three sections (rainfall, cultivation and prices of food-grains and salt).	T.D.C.	Do.	.....	Bd. (Sett)., 8th.	.....
	Price list of agricultural produce.	Do.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Statement of credits granted for the removal of salt on deposit of securities.	Collector.	Do.	B.P. (S.R.), No. 436, 22nd Sept. 1891, and No. 85, 15th Mar. 1898.	...	.....
4th.	Cultivation account with enclosures.	T.D.C.	Annual ...	B.P. (Sett.), No. 467, 25th June 1892, No. 347 15th Aug. 1893; and No. 18, 15th Jan. 1898.	Bd. (Sett.), Aug. 15th.	.....
5th.	Return of births and deaths.	T.D.C.	Monthly.	.....	...	.....
	Return of cattle disease ...	Do.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Statement showing the demand, collection and balance of excise revenue for July with enclosures.	Collector.	Do.	B.S.O. No. 157, (para. 6).	Bd. (Sep. Rev.), 15th.	.....
	Report on the average selling price of country spirits per gallon.	Do.	Do.	B.P. (L.R.), No. 105, 22nd April 1899.	Do.	.....
	Income-tax demand, collection and balance statement for July.	Do.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Return of demarcation stones utilised (Form 6).	Do.	Do.	B.P. (Sett.), No. 351, 20th Sept. 1898.	...	.....
7th.	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Village Service Fund.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	Bd. (L.R.), 22nd.	.....
	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Irrigation Cess Fund.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Bd. (Sett.), 18th.	.....

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When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
Aug. 7th. —*cont.*	Report on the progress made in the construction of cattle-pounds, village chavadis, &c.	D.O.	Monthly.	.....	...	.....
	Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to village officers.	Do.	Do.	B.P. No. 351 (L. R.), 20th Dec. 1898.	...	.....
10th.	Statement of tours of inspection performed by Tahsildars.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 432 (L R.), 8th Dec. 1897.	...	.....
25th.	Price list of— (1) Third-sort Madras rice ... (2) Rice next best to the above.	T.D.C.	Do.	.....	...	.....
Sept. 1st.	Forecast of sowings of indigo ..	Board (Sett.).	Annual official year.	B.P., No. 302, 27th May 1891, and No. 138, 19th June 1896.	Dir.-Genl. of Statistics, Sept. 15th.	.....
	Statement of Demand, collection and balance of land revenue and cesses for August with enclosures.	Collector.	Monthly.	Taluk manual account No. 37 B.P., No. 358 (L. R.), 2nd Oct. 1895.	Bd. (L.R.), 12th.	.....
	Statement showing the receipts, sales and balance of printed forms, books, &c.	T.D.C.	Do.	Civil Account Code, Vol. I. (Art. 22.)	...	.....
	Payment of village establishments in Forms II, III-A and III-B.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	...	.....
	Register to be kept by pound-keepers (Form V) with receipts (Forms VI and VII).	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	.....
	Return showing the fines, &c., levied under the Cattle Trespass Act and the expenditure incurred therefrom.	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	.....
	Forest P_1 statement	D.F.O.	Do.	Appendix 6 to the Forest manual.	...	This should be submitted only from those taluks where permits are supplied to issuing officers through Tahsildars.
	Statement of tree revenue realised and credited to "Forests."	Do.	Do.	B.P. (For.) No. 268, 5th July 1897.	...	.....
3rd.	Progress report of Minor Irrigation works.	D.O.	Do.	S.O. No. 187 (para. 39.)	Collr. 10th.	The return can be made quarterly for the first nine months of the official year at the Collector's discretion.
	Report on the inspection of works executed with the aid of State loans (Form No. XXX).	Do.	Do.	B.P. (Sett.), No. 155A, 12th June 1895.	Collr. 8th.	These may, at the discretion of Collectors, be submitted quarterly in taluks where there are few cases of incomplete works.
	Disposal of loan applications (Form XXX-A.)					
	Inspection of wells (Form XXX-B.)					
	Season report in three sections (rainfall, cultivation and prices of food-grains and salt).	T.D.C.	Do.	.....	Bd. (Sett.), 8th.	.....
	Price list of agricultural produce.	Do.	Do.	.....	...	.....

List of Periodical returns due from the Taluk office—*cont.*

When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
Sept. 3rd —*cont.*	Statement of credits granted for the removal of salt on deposit of securities.	Collector.	Monthly.	B.P. (S.R.), No. 436, 22nd Sept. 1891, and No. 85, 15th Mar. 1898.	...	.....
5th.	Return of births and deaths. Return of cattle disease.	T.D.C.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Statement showing the demand, collection and balance of excise revenue for August with enclosures.	Collector.	Do.	B S.O., No. 157 (para. 6).	Bd. (Sep. Rev.), 15th.	.....
	Report on the average selling price of country spirits per gallon.	Do.	Do.	B.P. No. 105 (L.R.), 22nd April 1899.	Do.	.....
	Income-tax Demand Collection and balance statement for August.	Do.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Return of demarcation stones utilised (Form 6).	Do.	Do.	B.P. Sett., No. 351, 20th Sept. 1898.	...	.....
7th.	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Village Service Fund.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	Bd. (L.R.), 22nd.	.....
	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Irrigation Cess Fund.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Bd. (Sett.), 18th.	.....
	Report on the progress made in the construction of cattle-pound, village chavadis, &c.	D.O.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to village officer.	Do.	Do.	B.P. (L.R.) No. 351, 20th Dec. 1898.	...	.....
10th.	Statement of tours of inspection performed by Tahsildars.	Do.	Do.	B.P (L.R.), No. 432, 8th Dec. 1897.	...	.....
15th.	Indent for stationery, rubber-stamps, ink, &c.	T.D.C.	Annual (calendar year).	Stationery Rules ...	Collr. Oct. 1st Supdt., of Stary. Nov. 1st.	.....
25th.	Price list of— (1) Third-sort Madras rice ... (2) Rice next best to the above.	Do.	Monthly.	.....	...	.....
Oct. 1st.	Second forecast of sowings of cotton.	Board (Sett.).	Annual (official year).	B.P., No. 238, 5th Aug. 1890.	Dir.-Genl. of Statistics, Oct. 10th.	.....
	Forecast of sowings of paddy.	Do.	Do. ...	B.P., No. 461, 28th July 1891, and No. 138, 19th June 1896.	Dir.-Genl. of Statistics, Oct. 15th.	.....
	Forecast of outturn on the early sowings of gingelly.	Do.	Do. ...	B.P., No. 199, 8th July 1890; No. 138, 19th June 1896; and No. 3216, 19th May 1898.	Do.	.....

List of Periodical returns due from the Taluk office—*cont.*

When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
Oct. 1st—*cont.*	Statement showing the irrecoverable arrears of income-tax recommended to be written off.	D.O.	Annual ...	B.P., No. 67, L.R., 3rd Feb. 1890.	Bd. (Sep. Rev.), Nov. 1st.	.....
	Statement of demand, collection and balance of land revenue and cesses for September with enclosures.	Collector.	Monthly.	Taluk Manual Acct. No. 37; B.P., No. 358, L.R., 2nd Oct. 1895.	Bd. (L.R.), 12th.	.....
	Statement showing the receipts, sales and balance of printed forms, books, &c.	T.D.C.	Do.	Civil Account Code, Vol. 1, (Art. 22).	...	.....
	Payment of village establishments in Forms II, III-A and III-B.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	...	.....
	Register to be kept by pound-keepers (Form V) with receipts (Forms VI and VII).	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	.....
	Return showing the fines, &c., levied under the Cattle Trespass Act and the expenditure incurred therefrom.	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	.....
	Forest P1 statement	D.F.O.	Do.	Appendix 6 to the Forest Manual.	...	This should be submitted only from those taluks where permits are supplied to issuing officers through Tahsildars.
	Statement of tree revenue realised and credited to "Forests."	Do.	Do.	B.P., (For.) No. 268, 5th July 1897.	...	.....
3rd.	Progress report of Minor Irrigation works.	D.O.	Do.	S.O. No. 187 (para. 39).	Collr. 6th Bd. (Sett.) Oct. 10th.	The return can be made quarterly for the first nine months of the official year at the Collector's discretion.
	Report on the inspection of works executed with the aid of State loans (Form No. XXX). Disposal of loan applications (Form XXX-A). Inspection of wells (Form XXX-B).	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 155-A., (Sett.), 12th June 1895.	Collr. 8th.	These may, at the discretion of Collectors, be submitted quarterly in taluks where there are few cases of incomplete works.
	Season report in three sections (rainfall, cultivation and prices of food-grains and salt).	T.D.C.	Do.	.....	Bd. (Sett.), 8th.	.....
	Price list of agricultural produce.	Do.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Statement of credits granted for the removal of salt on deposit of securities.	Collector.	Do.	B.P. (S.R.), No. 436, 22nd Sept. 1891, and No. 85, 15th March 1898.	...	.....
5th.	Return of cases of opium smuggling.	D.O.	Half-yearly.	B.P. (S.R.), No. 232, 5th July 1887; No. 40, 5th Feb. 1891; and No. 46, 4th Feb. 1897.	Collr. 12th. Bd. 20th.	.....
	Report of excise advances ...	Collector.	Do.	B. S. O. No. 166; B.P. No. 374 (Sep. Rev.), 3rd Sept. 1897.	Board (Sep. Rev.). Oct. 30th.	.....

List of Periodical returns due from the Taluk office—*cont.*

When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
Oct. 5th.	Statement showing the amount of irrecoverable arrears under Land Revenue and Cesses / Special Funds other than Cesses / Abkári Revenue recommended to be written off.	Collector.	Quarterly.	B.P., No. 226, (L. R.), 4th May 1893. B. S. O. No. 157 (para. 14).	Board 20th.	.....
	Statement showing the demand, collection and balance of income-tax under schedule 2, part IV of Act II of 1886.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 14, Sep. Rev., 13th Jan. 1899.	Board (Sep. Rev.), (half-yearly)	.....
	Statement showing the disposal of applications for loans and the amount advanced under the Land Improvement and the Agriculturists' Loans Acts. (Form XXI).	Do.	Do.	B.P. No. 155-A, (Sett.), 12th June 1895.	Board (Sett.), 10th.	.....
	Statement showing the progress made in the completion of works under the Land Improvement Loans Act.	Do.	Do.	P.B., Sett. No. 364, 8th Sept. 1894, Mis. No. 6972, 19th Dec. 1895.	Board (Sett.). 31st.	*Vide* remark against this item in page 56.
	Statement of advances and recoveries under the Loans Acts (Form XXIII) with *plus* and *minus* memorandum to accompany the Treasury Account current (Form XX).	D.O.	Do.	B P. No. 155-A., (Sett.), 12th June 1895.	Collr, 10th. Board (Sett.), 15th.	.....
	Statement showing the several steps taken towards the recovery of arrears under the Land Improvement and the Agriculturists' Loans Acts (Enclosure A to the above).	Do.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Statement of reconciliation of treasury figures and figures in statement XXIII (Enclosure B to the above).	Do.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Return of births and deaths ...	T.D.C.	Monthly.	.....	...	.....
	Return of cattle disease ...	Do.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Statement showing the demand, collection and balance of Excise Revenue for September with enclosures.	Collector.	Do.	B. S. O. No. 157 (para. 6).	Board (Sep. Rev.), 15th.	.....
	Report on the average selling price of country spirits per gallon.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 105, (L. R.), 22nd April 1899.	Do.	.....
	Income-tax Demand, Collection and Balance statement for September.	Do.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Return of demarcation stones utilised (Form 6).	Do.	Do.	B.P., Sett., No. 351, 20th Sept. 1898.	...	.....
7th.	Progress report of expenditure incurred in petty construction and repairs to civil buildings.	Do.	Quarterly.	B. S. O No. 189, (para. 12).	...	.....
	Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or the Deputy Tahsildar to Taluk peons.	D.O.	Do.	B.P., No. 351, L.R. 20th Dec. 1898.	...	.....

List of Periodical returns due from the Taluk office—*cont.*

When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
Oct. 7th—*cont.*	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Village Service Fund.	Collector.	Monthly.	Special Fund Accounts and Audit Rules.	Board (L.R.), 22nd.	.....
	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Irrigation Cess Fund.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Bd. (Sett.) 18th.	.....
	Report on the progress made in the construction of cattle-pounds, village chavadis, &c.	D.O.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to village officers.	Do.	Do.	B.P. No. 351, D.R., 20th Dec. 1898.	...	.....
10th.	Statement of despatch of revenue business.	Do.	Quarterly.	B.P., No. 432, L.R., 8th Dec. 1897.	...	.....
	Return of civil suits tried by village munsifs.	Collector.	Do.	B.P., No. 109, L.R., 23rd Mar. 1896, and No. 343, L.R., 11th Sept. 1896.	Dist. Judge Oct. 31st.	.....
	Statement of tours of inspection performed by Tahsildars.	D.O.	Monthly.	B.P. (L.R.), No. 432, 8th Dec. 1897.	...	.....
15th.	Return of lapsed yeomiahs and allowances remaining undisposed of.	Collector.	Quarterly.	.....	...	.....
25th.	Price list of — (1) Third-sort Madras rice. (2) Rice next best to the above.	T.D.C.	Monthly.	.....	...	.....
Nov. 1st.	Statement of demand, collection and balance of land revenue and cesses for October with enclosures.	Collector.	Do.	Taluk Manual Account No. 37, B. P., No. 358, L.R., 2nd Oct. 1895.	Bd. (L.R.), 12th.	.....
	Statement showing the receipts, sales and balance of printed forms, books, &c.	T.D.C.	Do.	Civil Account Code, Volume I, Art. 22.	...	.....
	Payment of village establishment in Forms II, III-A and III-B.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	...	.....
	Register to be kept by pound-keepers (Form V) with receipts (Forms VI and VII).	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	.....
	Return showing the fines, &c., levied under the Cattle Trespass Act and the expenditure incurred therefrom.	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	.....
	Forest P_1 statement	D.F.O.	Do.	Appendix 6 to the Forest Manual.	...	This should be submitted only from those taluks where permits are supplied to issuing officers through Tahsildars.
	Statement of tree revenue realised and credited to "Forests."	Do.	Do.	B.P. (For.) No. 268, 5th July 1897.	...	.....
3rd.	Progress report of Minor Irrigation works.	D.O.	Do.	S.O. No. 187 (para. 39).	Collr. 10th.	The return can be made quarterly for the first nine months of the official year at the Collector's discretion.

List of Periodical returns due from the Taluk office—*cont.*

When due.	Name of report or return.	To whom sent.	For what period.	Orders under which submitted.	Date on which due to the Board or other authority.	Remarks.
Nov. 3rd—*cont.*	Report on the inspection of works executed with the aid of State loans (Form No. XXX).	D.O.	Monthly.	B.P. (Sett.), No. 155A, 12th June 1895.	Collr. 8th.	These may, at the discretion of Collectors, be submitted quarterly in taluks where there are few cases of incomplete works.
	Disposal of loan applications (Form XXX-A).					
	Inspection of wells (Form XXX-B).					
	Season report in three sections (rainfall, cultivation and prices of food-grains and salt).	T.D.C.	Do.	.....	Bd. (Sett.), 8th.	.....
	Price list of agricultural produce.	Do.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Statement of credits granted for the removal of salt on deposit of securities.	Collector.	Do.	B.P., S.R., No. 436, 22nd Sept. 1891, No. 85, 15th Mar. 1898.	...	.....
5th.	Return of births and deaths ...	T.D.C.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Return of cattle disease ...	Do.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Statement showing the demand, collection and balance of Excise revenue for October with enclosures.	Collector.	Do.	B.S.O. No. 157 (para. 6).	Bd. (Sep. Rev.), 15th.	.....
	Report on the average selling price of country spirits per gallon.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 105 (L.R.), 22nd April 1899.	Do.	.....
	Income-tax Demand, Collection and Balance statement for October.	Do.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Return of demarcation stones utilised (Form 6).	Do.	Do.	B.P., Sett., No. 351, 20th Sept. 1898.	...	.....
7th.	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Village Service Fund.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	Bd. (L.R.), 22nd.	.....
	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Irrigation Cess Fund.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Bd. (Sett.), 18th.	.....
	Report on the progress made in the construction of cattle-pounds, village chavadis, &c.	D.O.	Do.	.....	...	.....
	Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to Village officers.	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 351 (L.R.), 20th Dec. 1898.	...	.....
10th.	Statement of tours of inspection performed by Tahsildars.	Do.	Do.	B.P. (L.R.), No. 432, 8th Dec. 1897.	...	.....
25th.	Price list of— (1) Third-sort Madras rice. (2) Rice next best to the above.	T.D.C.	Do.	.....	...	.....
Dec. 1st.	Special forecast report on sugarcane.	Board (Sett.).	Annual (official year).	B.P., No. 126, 10th June 1896, and No. 138, 19th June 1896.	...	.....
	Special forecast report on castor seeds.*	Do.	Do.	B.P. (Sett.), No. 15, 15th Feb. 1899.	...	.....
	First outturn report on cotton...	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 238, 5th Aug. 1890, and No. 138, 19th June 1896.	Dir.-Gl. of Sts., Dec. 10th.	.....

* This is required only in the districts named below :—
Ganjám, Gódávari, Kistna, Nellore, Cuddapah, Anantapur, Bellary, Kurnool, North Arcot, South Arcot, Trichinopoly, Madura, Tinnevelly, Coimbatore, Salem.

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Dec. 1st—*cont.*	First outturn report on paddy...	Board (Sett.).	Annual (official year).	B.P., No. 461, 28th July 1891, and No. 138, 19th June 1896.	Dir.-Genl. of Statistics, Dec. 15th.	...
	Outturn report on indigo ...	Do.	Do.	B.P., No. 302, 27th May 1891, and No. 138, 19th June 1896.	Do.	...
	List of Minor Irrigation Works to be executed by the Public Works Department.	D.O.	Do.	B.P., No. 102, Sett., 30th April 1895.	Bd. (Sett.), Jan. 10th.	...
	Statement of demand, collection and balance of land revenue and cesses for November with enclosure.	Collector.	Monthly.	Taluk Manual Account, No. 37, B. P., No. 358, L.R., 2nd October 1895.	Bd. (L.R.), 12th.	...
	Statement showing the receipts, sales and balance of printed forms, books, &c.	T.D.C.	Do.	Civil Account Code, Vol. I, Art. 22.	...	...
	Payment of village establishments in Forms II, III-A and III-B.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	...	...
	Register to be kept by pound-keepers (Form V) with receipts (Forms VI and VII).	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	...
	Return showing the fines, &c., levied under the Cattle Trespass Act and the expenditure incurred therefrom.	Do.	Do.	Do.	...	...
	Forest P_1 statement ...	D.F.O.	Do.	Appendix 6 to the Forest Manual.	...	This should be submitted only from those taluks where permits are supplied to issuing officers through Tahsildars.
	Statement of tree revenue realised and credited to "Forests."	Do.	Do.	B.P. (For.), No. 268, 5th July 1897.	...	...
3rd.	Progress report of Minor Irrigation works.	D.O.	Do.	S.O. No. 187 (para. 39).	Collr. 10th.	The return can be made quarterly for the first nine months of the official year at the Collector's discretion.
	Report on the inspection of works executed with the aid of State loans (Form No. XXX).	D.O.	Do.	B.P. (Sett.), No. 155 A, 12th June 1895.	Collr. 8th.	These may, at the discretion of Collectors, be submitted quarterly in taluks, where there are few cases of incomplete works.
	Disposal of loan applications (Form XXX-A).					
	Inspection of wells (Form XXX-B).					
	Season report in three sections (rainfall, cultivation and prices of food-grains and salt).	T.D.C.	Do.	.....	Bd. (Sett.), 8th	...
	Price list of agricultural produce.	Do.	Do.	.....	...	...

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Dec. 3rd—*cont.*	Statement of credits granted for the removal of salt on deposit of securities.	Collector.	Monthly...	B.P. (S.R.), No. 436, 22nd Sept. 1891, and No. 85, 15th Mar. 1898.	...	...
5th.	Return of births and deaths ...	T.D.C.	Do.	.....	...	...
	Return of cattle disease ...	Do.	Do.	.....	...	...
	Statement showing the demand, collection and balance of Excise revenue for November, with enclosures.	Collector.	Do.	B.S.O. No. 157 (para. 6).	Bd. (Sep. Rev.), 15th.	...
	Report on the average selling price of country spirits per gallon.	Do.	Do.	B.P. (L.R.), No. 105, 22nd April 1899.	Do.	...
	Income-tax demand, collection and balance statement for November.	Do.	Do.	.....	...	...
	Return of demarcation stones utilised (Form 6).	Do.	Do.	B.P. Sett., No. 351, 20th Sept. 1898.	...	...
7th.	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Village Service Fund.	Do.	Do.	Special Fund Account and Audit Rules.	Bd. (L.R.), 22nd.	...
	Statement showing the receipts and charges of the Irrigation Cess Fund.	Do.	Do.	Do.	Bd. (Sett.), 18th.	...
	Report on the progress made in the construction of cattle-pounds, village chavadis, &c.	D.O.	Do.	.....	...	...
	Statement of leave granted by the Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar to village officers.	D.O.	Do.	B.P. (L.R.), No. 351, 20th Dec. 1898.	...	...
10th.	Statement of tours of inspection performed by Tahsildars.	D.O.	Do.	B.P. (L.R.), No. 432, 8th Dec. 1897.	...	...
15th.	Report on ancient monuments requiring repairs.	Collector.	Annual (calendar year).	S.O. No. 282-A, (O.E.)	Supdt. Archl. Survey Dec. 31st.	...
	List of Minor Irrigation works requiring repairs on account of monsoon damages.	D.O.	Annual (officical year).	B.S.O. No. 187 (para. 4).	Collr., Jan 22nd Bd. (Sett.), Jan. 31st.	...
25th.	Price list of— (1) Third sort Madras rice. (2) Rice next best to the above.	T.D.C.	Monthly.	.....	...	...

Note.—In addition to the above, weekly *reports on the state of the season* should be submitted to the Treasury Deputy Collector from all taluks in the form prescribed in Board's Proceedings, No. 138, Settlement, dated 17th April 1893, so as to reach the Board's office on Tuesday morning, and a weekly *rainfall report* for communication to the Meteorological Reporter to the Government of India (to be closed up to Saturday) has also to be submitted from each rain-recording station. The Tahsildars of head-quarters stations and of the places referred to in Board's Proceedings, No 124, Settlement, dated 9th June 1896, have also to furnish the Treasury Deputy Collector with the fortnightly price returns which are due in the Board's office on the 1st and 16th of each month. A list of important occasional reports which are due from the taluk is also given below for convenience of reference.

To whom submitted.	Name of return.	Authority.	When due.
Distillery officer and Collector (when spirits are sent to a district other than that in which the distillery is situated.)	Advice of collection of excise duty on account of arrack.	Para. 35, Circular Order (Separate Revenue) IV of 1889.	Next day after collection.
Collector	Advice of collections of Land Revenue made for other taluks or districts.	.....	Do. do.
Collector	Rainfall report	.....	Next day after rainfall.
Collector, Taluk Board President, District Medical Officer, Officer in charge of the nearest dispensary.	Cholera report	Standing Order No. 195 (New Edition.)	As soon after the first attack as possible and *daily* until the epidemic lasts.
Collector, Taluk Board President, District Medical Officer, Officer in charge of the nearest dispensary, Deputy Inspector of Vaccination and the Local Vaccinator.	Small-pox report	Do.	Do. do.
Divisional Officer	Completion report of petty Minor Irrigation works and repairs each costing Rs. 500 and under.	.....	Next day after final payment for each work.

Order—No. 526, Revenue, dated 7th August 1899.

Miscellaneous.

The Board's proposals and instructions in respect of the several returns referred to in paragraph 2 of its Proceedings are approved subject to the following remarks and modifications:—

(i) $A_{3\ (a)\ and\ (b)}$—*Cholera and Small-pox reports.*—The report intended for the Collector and his Treasury Deputy Collector should be submitted to the former officer, not to the latter.

(ii) A_{20}—*Monthly progress report of expenditure incurred in petty construction and repairs to Civil buildings.*—As in the case of progress reports for irrigation works [*vide* G.O., No. 411, dated 28th June 1899, paragraph 3 (ix),] the Tahsildar should submit monthly progress reports to the Divisional Officer throughout the year and to the Collector for the last 3 months of the year only. The Divisional Officer should submit to the Collector quarterly for the first nine months of the year a consolidated return for his division.

(iii) A_{31}—*Half-yearly statement of mines started or abandoned.*—The Director, Geological Survey of India, will be requested to state whether there would be any objection to Collectors of districts where there are or are likely to be mines, sending this statement direct to the Inspector of Mines.

(iv) A_{56}—*Crop experiment statement.*—Orders have already issued in paragraph 5 (iv) of G.O., No. 411, dated 28th June 1899, to the effect that Government is not at present prepared to modify the existing orders on the subject.

(v) A_{68}—*Annual statement showing the number of emigrants and immigrants.*—Separate orders have issued in the Public Department on this matter (*vide* G.O., No. 847 Public, dated 31st July 1899).

(vi) A_{71-74}—*Returns due to Collectors from the managers in charge of estates under the Court of Wards.*—The Proceedings of the Court of Wards on this matter are awaited.

(vii) C_{21}—*Quarterly statement of expenditure of stationery and printed forms.*—The Government considers that this statement may be made annual. Orders for the necessary alteration in the stationery rules will issue in the Financial Department.

2. The suggestion in paragraph 4 of the Board's Proceedings is approved. The Accountant-General will be requested to prepare and furnish the Board of Revenue with a calendar of treasury returns due from taluk officers.

(True Extract.)

for Ag. Secretary to Government.

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