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Recording the report of the Inspector-General of Registration on the work done by Registration officers as--during 1894-95; and forwarding copy of the Proceedings to the Government of India.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From the Hon'ble S. SRINIVASA RAGHAVAIYANGAR, Dewan Bahadur, C.I.E., Inspector-General of Registration, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Ootacamund, 27th June 1895, No. 2888-T.

I have the honour to submit my report on the work done during the year 1894-95 by the registering officers who have been appointed notaries public under section 138 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881, as amended by Act II of 1885.

2. The appointment of the notary public at Maderpak having ceased owing to the abolition in the year under report of the office of the sub-registrar at the station under G.O., dated 26th March 1894, No. 760, Judicial, there were only 183 registering officers who had the powers of notaries public at the end of the year 1894-95 against 184 in the previous year.

3. The number of instruments dealt with under the Negotiable Instruments Act during the year 1894-95 was 98 (77 bills of exchange and 21 promissory notes) against 200 (176 bills of exchange and 24 promissory notes) in 1893-94. From the subjoined statement it will be seen that these operations were confined during the year under report to eight stations against twelve in the previous year :—

Districts and Stations.	Number of instruments dealt with.				Number pending disposal.
	Bills of exchange.		Promissory notes.		
	1893-94.	1894-95.	1893-94.	1894-95.	
Nellikuppam (South Arcot district)	1	..	..	..	1 Bill of exchange.
Bellary Registrar's office	1	..	..	..	
Calicut do.	42	14	3	9	
Cochin	7	15	6	9	
South Canara Registrar's office (Mangalore)	3	6	..	..	
Proddatur (Cuddapah district)	1	..	..	..	
Godavari Registrar's office (Cocanada)	..	2	..	..	
Guntur (Kistna district)	2	..	..	..	
Nagapatam (Tanjore district)	21	6	..	..	
Tellicherry Registrar's office	76	29	15	3	
Tuticorin (Tinnevely district)	17	2	..	..	
Oraiur (Trichinopoly district)	1	..	..	..	
Vizagapatam Registrar's office	4	3	..	..	
Total ..	176	77	24	21	

4. The manner in which the several classes of instruments were dealt with in the last two years will be seen from the subjoined statement:—

		1893-94. 1894-95.	
Noted—			
Bills of exchange	.. .. .	167	69
Promissory notes	.. .. .	24	21
Total		191	90
Protested—			
Bills of exchange	.. .. .	7	3
Promissory notes	.. .. .	—	—
Total		7	3
Noted and protested—			
Bills of exchange	.. .. .	1	5
Promissory notes	.. .. .	—	—
Total		1	5

One bill of exchange was returned in 1894-95 without being noted by the Registrar of Bellary, the drawee having been granted by the drawer extension of time for payment of the amount due under the bill. Two other bills of exchange sent to the Registrar of South Canara by the bank at Mangalore were withdrawn by the latter, as the bills were paid by the drawees on presentation by the Registrar. A third bill sent to the same officer during the year under report was noted only after the close of the official year. One promissory note was returned without being noted by the Registrar of Tellicherry at the request of the bank that forwarded it. Of the total number of instruments dealt with during 1894-95, 87 were for non-payment and 11 for non-acceptance, the corresponding figures for 1893-94 being 179 and 20 respectively.

5. During the year under report there was an increase in the number of operations under the Act at Cochin and a decrease at Calicut, Negapatam, Tellicherry and Tuticorin. The reasons for the variations as explained by the notaries are as follows:—

The increase at Cochin was due to a large number of bills drawn by a merchant at Chittagong having been dishonoured by the merchants at Cochin on whom they were drawn.

The decrease at Calicut is ascribed to a diminution in the imports of rice into Calicut from Bengal and other places and the consequent diminution in the number of rice bills.

The decrease at Negapatam is stated to be due to the absence of transactions of the kind noticed in the last year's report.

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The transactions are, on the whole, on such a small scale that it is not of much use endeavouring to trace the causes of the variations. Generally speaking, it may be stated that the favourable season and the steadiness of the prices of food-grains has caused a diminution in the imports of food-grains and in the number of cases in which the local merchants were unable to meet their engagements in connection with such imports.

6. The aggregate value of the transactions during the year 1894-95 and 1893-94 is exhibited in the following statement:—

Districts and Stations.	Aggregate value of transactions.	
	1893-94.	1894-95.
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Nellikuppam (South Arcot district)	2,212 5 3	.. ..
Bellary Registrar's office	900 0 0	.. ..
Calicut Registrar's office	60,890 0 0	28,325 0 0
Cochin	18,973 6 0	1,19,217 14 6
South Canara Registrar's office (Mangalore)	1,600 0 0	1,382 0 0
Proddatur (Cuddapah district)	3,000 0 0	.. ..
Godavari Registrar's office (Cocanada)	.. ..	975 0 0
Guntur (Kistna district)	1,450 0 0	.. ..
Negapatam (Tanjore district)	48,030 3 4	2,848 12 5
Tellicherry Registrar's office	2,03,159 2 0	41,314 5 6
Tuticorin (Tinnevely district)	12,893 8 8	2,323 15 5
Oraiyur (Trichinopoly district)	575 5 9	.. ..
Vizagapatam Registrar's office	13,683 1 11	5,520 0 0
Total	3,67,472 0 11	2,01,906 15 10

The aggregate value of transactions, it will be seen, decreased by Rs. 1,65,565-1-1. This is due mainly to the decrease in the number of transactions that took place during the year.

7. The fees realized during the year under report amounted to Rs. 302 against Rs. 548 in 1893-94. Out of the sum of Rs. 302, Rs. 281 was remitted to the treasury in 1894-95 and the balance, Rs. 21, was remitted only after the close of the official year.

8. Charges were incurred in the Inspector-General's office only for making seals for notaries, and they amounted to Rs. 52-3-0 during 1894-95 against Rs. 127-14-0 in 1893-94. The large increase in 1893-94 was due to ten additional notaries having been appointed during the year.

9. The departmental accounts were compared with those of the Accountant-General. They disclosed a difference of Rs. 8 under receipts owing to an erroneous credit in the treasury account. The Treasury officer has been asked to make the necessary adjustment.

10. During the year under report, there were no inspections by District Judges under Rule 4 of the Notarial rules.

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J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector-General of Registration.
" Accountant-General.

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CURRENT NO. 3193.

REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT.

J. No. 2888.

From

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DEWAN BAHADUR, C.I.E.,

INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF REGISTRATION,

Madras,

To

The Hon'ble J. F. Price C. S. I.

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

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Port St. George.

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THE CHIEF SECRETARY

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