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READ—the following paper:—

From D. D. THOMAS, Esq., Chairman, Municipal Council, Palni, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Sub-Collector and Collector of Madura), dated 26th May 1898, No. 6.

I have the honour to submit the administration report of the Palni Municipality for the year 1897–98. The year under report was the twelfth after the constitution of the municipality.

I.—Constitution of the Council.

2. The council which consists of twelve nominated members, inclusive of the *ex-officio*, had its full strength at the commencement of the year under report. Eight councillors vacated office during the year—six non-officials by efflux of time and two officials by transfer from the station. One councillor vacated office on the 31st July 1897, and the gentleman who was appointed in his stead on the 24th August 1897 had to be removed, as he was not eligible to be a councillor under section 10-A of the Municipal Act as amended. Another councillor vacated office on 27th November 1897, and four others on 22nd January 1898. Of these six vacancies among the non-officials, one was filled up on 25th January 1898, one on 1st February 1898, and two others on 15th March 1898, and two more seats remained vacant at the close of the year. Of the two vacancies among the officials, one was caused by the transfer of M.R.Ry. G. S. Ponnuswami Pillai Avargal, Sub-Registrar and Chairman on the 16th October 1897, and I was appointed in his stead on 1st February 1898. The other vacancy caused by the transfer of the Tahsildar was filled up by his successor in office on 15th February 1898. Thus the council had only ten members at the close of the year—seven Natives, two Europeans and one Eurasian.

3. The office of Chairman was held by M.R.Ry. G. S. Ponnuswami Pillai Avargal, B.A., till the 16th October 1897, M.R.Ry. R. Vadivelu Pillai Avargal was the Chairman-delegate till I was appointed Chairman and assumed charge from him on the 4th February 1898.

4. Twenty-two meetings were held during the year under report against 19 in the year previous, and they were on an average attended by six councillors—one official and five non-officials—against seven in the previous year. The decrease under non-officials must be attributed to the vacancies caused in the council during the year and the great delay that has taken place in filling them up. No meeting had to be adjourned for want of a quorum.

5. The total receipts of the municipality inclusive of the opening balance amounted to Rs. 18,149–9–0 and the charges to Rs. 15,938–12–10, thus leaving a balance of Rs. 2,210–12–2 against Rs. 17,900, Rs. 17,600 and Rs. 300, respectively, the figures of the revised estimate. The small swelling under receipts occurred mainly under taxes on animals and carts, market and private scavenging fees, partly counterbalanced by short receipts under tax on houses. The decrease under charges occurred under all the grants except 5.

II.—Receipts.

6. *Tax on Buildings.*—The demand under this head as revised in 1896–97 was Rs. 3,781–2–0 and the assessment on certain new buildings and additions raised the demand to Rs. 3,849 in the year under report. Of this sum Rupees 3,565–8–0 was collected, Rs. 59–10–0 was written off the accounts as irrecoverable and Rs. 223–14–0 left as balance. The arrear balance under the head, viz., Rs. 3–8–0, was collected. The percentage of current collections to demand was 92·7, that of writes-off 1·5, and that of arrears 5·8 against 99, ·9 and ·1, respectively, in 1896–97. The low percentage of collections must be attributed to bad and unfavourable season. The number of warrants issued during the year under report was nearly double that issued in the previous year, being 165 against 89, which, when added to the one that remained unexecuted at the close of the previous year, makes 166. Of these, 149 were executed or cancelled and 17 remained unexecuted. The number of distraints made were almost the same as in the previous year, being 57 against 59, and the number of cases in which sales were effected was 11 against 25 in the previous year. The number of prosecutions was the same as in the previous year, viz., 7. Of these, 5 were withdrawn as payment was tendered and two remained undisposed of. The mode of assessing the houses was the same as in previous years.

	Rs.	A.	P.
1896–97	3,759	2	0
1897–98	3,569	0	0
Decrease ..	190	2	0

7. *Tax on lands.*—This consists of the taxes on arable lands and vacant sites. The demand fell from Rs. 177–8–0 to Rs. 165. The demand on arable lands was the same, being Rs. 80–4–0, but the demand on vacant sites fell from Rupees 97–4–0 to Rs. 84–12–0, and the decrease was because certain vacant sites have been occupied by houses and taxed under that head. Of the demand of Rs. 165, Rs. 130–12–0 was collected, Rs. 2–12–0 written off and Rs. 31–8–0 was left as balance. Out of Rs. 9–14–0 that stood as arrears under the head at the commencement of the year under report, Rs. 5–14–0 was collected and Rs. 4 remained as balance. Thus, the aggregate balance under the head was Rs. 35–8–0 against Rs. 9–14–0 in the previous year. The percentage of current collections to demand was 79·2, that of writes-off 1·7 and that of arrears 19·1 against 89·2, 6·2 and 4·6, respectively, in the previous year. The low collections must be attributed to bad season as in the case of house-tax. Five warrants were issued for the recovery of this tax, of which only three were executed within the year. One distraint was made and the property had to be sold in that case. There were seven prosecutions for this tax against only one in the previous year, of which four were withdrawn as payment of the tax was tendered and three remained undisposed of at the close of the year.

	Rs.	A.	P.
1896–97	172	12	0
1897–98	136	10	0
Decrease ..	36	2	0

8. *Tax on vehicles, animals and carts.*—The demand under these heads amounted to Rs. 1,223–12–0 against Rs. 1,172–14–0 in the previous year. The increase occurred both under vehicles and animals. There was a slight falling off under carts. As remarked in the previous year's report the increase must be attributed to the exertions of the Sanitary Inspector. Out of the demand, Rs. 1,206–4–0 was collected within the year, and Rs. 17–8–0 was left as balance—Rs. 14–8–0 under animals and Rs. 3 under carts.

	Rs.	A.	P.
1896–97	1,177	6	0
1897–98	1,206	4	0
Increase ..	28	14	0

9. *Tolls.*—The tolls were leased out for Rs. 6,005 against Rs. 6,735 in the previous year, and the decrease was owing to the occurrence of only one festival during the year under report against two in the previous year. The usual contribution to the district board—one third—was paid. The excess payment

	Rs.	A.	P.
1896–97	4,497	12	4
1897–98	4,038	1	2
Decrease ..	459	11	2

to district board during the previous year, which was transferred to advances recoverable by Government in their Memorandum No. 776, dated 21st July 1897, was recovered during the current year by short-payment.

10. The incidence of taxation per head of population was As. 8–5 including tolls against As. 9–1 in the previous year, and As. 4–8 excluding tolls against As. 4–10 in the previous year.

11. A sum of Rs. 40 was realised for the grant of a license for the performance of a drama in a temporary pandal.

12. The increase under realizations of the sale-proceeds of old materials over the figures of the revised estimate was due to the sale of an old shed in the office compound.

13. There has been a slight decrease under "sale-proceeds of rubbish" and no special reasons could be assigned for it. The rubbish was sold at 6 pies a cart-load, as the council was of opinion that it was a reasonable price.

14. There has also been a decrease under "sale-proceeds of medicines." The sale-proceeds of the fruits of the tamarind trees in the hospital compound increased.

15. *Income from Markets.*—The decrease was due to the occurrence of only one festival during the year under report against two in the previous year as already stated in paragraph 9 *supra*. The daily market was leased out for Rs. 44 only against Rs. 80 in the previous year, as the greater portion of it was occupied by the office building. This was removed from the site about the end of the year, as the office building was occupied, and so a sum of Rs. 5–7–6 had to be refunded to the contractor. Application has been made to the Collector to arrange for the acquisition of a site in the heart of the town for a market. The sum of Rs. 19–1–0 that stood as arrears under this head was written off the accounts as already stated in paragraph 18 of the last year's report.

	Rs.	A.	P.
1896–97	681	12	7
1897–98	325	3	0
Decrease ..	356	9	7

16. The slaughter-house was leased out for Rs. 270 against Rs. 261 in the previous year.

17. *Warrant fees.*—One hundred and seventy warrants were issued during the year under report, which, when added to the one that stood unexecuted at the commencement of the year, made 171. Of these 152 were executed. Out of these only fees on 142, viz., Rs. 17–12–0 was collected. Of the remaining ten, distraints had been made on seven of them and the properties remained unsold. The sale-proceeds of the property distrained on one warrant was insufficient to cover the warrant and distraint fees, and the tax for the recovery of which another warrant was issued was written off the accounts as the defaulter was a pauper, and no fee was collected on the warrant that remained unexecuted at the commencement of the year as the old Act did not enforce the levy of a warrant fee.

18. There has been a decrease of Rs. 27–12–0 under "license fees", and this decrease was chiefly due to the large collections of fees for lodging materials in streets during the previous year. There are also slight differences under other items.

19. A sum of As. 8 realised as search fees for searching certain documents of previous years and As. 6 copying fees for copies of certain papers applied for have been credited to municipal funds and shown under "other fees."

20. There has been a decrease under "magisterial fines" by about Rs. 90. One hundred and twenty-nine cases were prosecuted by the police during the year against 149 in the previous year and Rs. 179–4–0 only was collected as fine against Rs. 232–8–0 in the previous year. One hundred and fourteen prosecutions were instituted under the Municipal Act against 130 in the previous year and Rs. 89–5–0 was the amount realised as fines against Rs. 124 in the previous year. Many of the municipal prosecutions for failure to take out licenses had to be withdrawn on payment of fees being tendered.

21. Rs. 60 had been taken credit for in the revised estimate for a grant from Provincial funds for moiety of cost of gymnastic apparatus to be purchased, but nothing was recovered as the apparatus was not purchased within the year.

22. The usual contribution of Rs. 1,000 from Local funds was recovered towards the upkeep of the dispensary.

23. *Private Scavenging Fees.*—A sum of Rs. 823 was realised under this head against the revised estimate of Rs. 700. These fees were levied at the rate sanctioned in G.O., No. 159 M., dated 4th February 1895. The number of houses served increased by 13 and the demand also increased to Rs. 708–2–0 from Rs. 682–13–6 in the previous year. Of this sum, Rs. 641–14–0 was collected and Rs. 66–4–0 was left as balance. A sum of Rs. 153–2–6 was the arrears under the head as shown in the previous year's statement. The privy attached to the sub-jail, Palni, was being cleaned by municipal agency from 1st April 1892, and a sum of Rs. 60 accrued as arrears on that account till the close of March 1897. The privy attached to the taluk cutcherry was also cleaned by municipal agency and a sum of Rs. 3 accrued as arrears till the close of March 1897. Thus the arrear demand under the head amounted to Rs. 216–12–6. Of this sum, Rs. 181–2–0 was realised during the year under report, Rs. 10–8–0 was written off, and Rs. 25–2–6 left as balance. Rs. 54 out of Rs. 60, the arrears due for the sub-jail privy, was recovered within the year and the balance Rs. 6 has since been recovered. The arrear fees due for the taluk cutcherry privy has also been recovered within the year. The aggregate arrears under the head at the close of 1897–98 amounted to Rs. 91–6–6 against Rs. 216–12–6 in the previous year. The percentage of current collections has risen from 77 to 90·7. The collection of this fee was entrusted to bill-collectors during the year under report, as the peon who was entrusted with this collection in the previous year was not able to do his work satisfactorily. As the season was bad and as the collection was taken up by the bill-collectors for the first time, they were not able to clear off the whole demand. It is hoped that no arrears will be left under the head from the current year. The expenditure for the service during the year was Rs. 634–13–2, and so the business has been managed at a profit of Rs. 188–2–10.

24. The fishery was sold for Rs. 920 during the year under report.

25. A sum of Rs. 1–8–6, excess sale-proceeds of distrained property, was credited to Municipal funds as the same remained unclaimed for over six months.

26. Arrangements are being made to execute the decree of the light contractor referred to in paragraph 28 of the previous year's report, reviewed in G O., No. 1760 M., dated 11th August 1897.

27. The decree against the defaulter of the cart-stand contract was executed during the year, and the defaulter was let off by the District Munsif, Dindigul, on condition that he should pay off the decree amount in monthly instalments at Rs. 5. The first two instalments were paid.

28. The advances of Rs. 10 that remained with a vakil at Dindigul for the execution of a decree and Rs. 15 that remained with the Superintendent, Maternity Hospital, Madras, for the pay and travelling allowance of a new midwife, were adjusted during the year. The sum of Rs. 5–2–4, excess payment of toll contribution to district board, referred to in Government Memorandum, No. 776, dated 21st July 1897, was also recovered by short payment during the year under report and adjusted.

III.—EXPENDITURE.

29. *Grant 1, Public Works—New Works—Communications.*—A new tunnel was constructed at a cost of Rs. 437–15–3 just at the junction of East and North Car streets to carry off storm water which was overflowing the road there and damaging it.

30. *Buildings.*—The revised provision of Rs. 4,010 under this head consisted of Rs. 3,150 for office building, Rs. 650 for the compound wall to the office building, Rs. 250 for the construction of two privies, and Rs. 60 for the construction of a toll shed. The cost of the office building was Rs. 3,176–14–10 and the charges incurred in the purchase of betel, nuts, &c., on the occasion of the opening ceremony of the office amounted to Rs. 25. This expenditure was sanctioned by the council. Thus

the aggregate cost of the office building amounted to Rs. 3,501–14–10, of which Rs. 450 was paid in 1896–97. The construction of the compound wall to the office was almost completed within the year, and a sum of Rs. 521–8–5 was paid, but as the iron gates applied for from Madras were not received in time the whole allotment was not utilised. Two single latrines with brick walls were constructed at a cost of Rs. 244–3–4. A toll-shed with tiled roof, which was constructed in 1896–97, was paid for during the year under report as the bill was not received in time to admit of payment in 1896–97. The provision of Rs. 1,400 made under this head for a market was utilised for other purposes as it was found impossible to complete the acquisition of a site within that amount. Rs. 2,000 has been provided in the budget of 1898–99 for the purpose.

31. *Water-supply.*—A new well was partly sunk in West Car street at a cost of Rs. 95–7–4. The work had to be discontinued as the rainy season set in. A sum of Rs. 100 has been sanctioned this year from the balance for the completion of the work.

32. *Repairs—Communications.*—The expenditure on the repair and maintenance of town roads and lanes amounted to Rs. 1,290–4–10 during the year under report against Rs. 1,286–0–11 in the previous year. Payment for the construction of a tunnel estimated to cost Rs. 200 was not made within the year and hence the savings in the budget provision. Three roads were remetalled and four repaired or maintained and five lanes were repaired. The expenditure on communications was 31·6 per cent. of the toll receipts against 28·6 per cent. in the previous year.

33. *Buildings.*—Certain doors and windows of the hospital were replaced and some improvement to the cook-room attached to the medical officer's quarters was carried out in 1896–97. These were paid only during the year under report. Certain toll sheds were also repaired.

34. *Grant 2, Education—Salary-results Schools.*—The expenditure under this head was Rs. 528–7–4 against Rs. 485–7–10 in the previous year. Two schools—one for Hindus and the other for Panchamas—were maintained. The Hindu school had the third and the fourth standards only for a greater portion of the year even though the opening of the lower standards was sanctioned in G.O., No. 193 M., dated 10th February 1897, and the educational authorities had been requested to arrange for the opening of the lower classes then and there. An additional teacher on Rs. 8 a month was, however, appointed in October 1897. A shed at a cost of Rs. 28 was put up as advised by the educational authorities in front of the school to accommodate the lower standards. The average attendance in both the schools has increased to a very great extent even though there has been only a little improvement in the number on rolls on 31st March. Consequently the average cost of educating each pupil has decreased to an appreciable extent in both the schools. The results in the examinations have also been very fair.

35. *Result Grants.*—Only Rs. 700–4–0 was paid under this head against Rs. 799–11–0 in the previous year. As the provision in the budget was reduced to Rs. 700, naturally the assignments to schools were reduced. Ten schools were aided as in the previous year and they were paid grants at maximum rates. As the assignment fixed by the educational authorities was 10 per cent. in excess of the budget provision, payment of a sum of Rs. 33 to a school within its limit of assignment had to be refused. The educational statements received from the Assistant Inspector of Schools are submitted herewith. Even though the number of schools at the close of the year under report was the same as in the previous year, viz., 10, yet one school was newly opened during the year and one was closed. There has been a fair increase in the number of pupils on rolls on the 31st March, in the number of pupils presented for examination and in the number of passes secured. Result grants were paid at maximum rates subject to the assignment system. There has been a fair improvement in education during the year under report.

36. A sum of Rs. 50 was paid as contribution to the District Board for the services of the Local Fund Inspecting schoolmaster who inspects the schools in the municipality also.

37. The balance of furniture grant, viz., Rs. 36–5–0 referred to in paragraph 41 of the previous year's report embodied in G.O., No. 1760 M., dated 11th August 1897, and a building grant of Rs. 25 to a school were paid during the year under report. The building grant of Rs. 25 was met from the provision for the pay of the gymnastic instructor which remained unutilized.

38. No gymnastic instructor was appointed till the middle of March and so there was no necessity for the utilization of the allotment. Gymnastic apparatus too was not purchased even though the educational authorities were asked to utilize the provision.

39. *Grant 3, Hospitals and Dispensaries.*—Even though there has been an increase under "establishment," "diet" and "contingencies," still there has been a decrease below the figures of the previous year owing to the non-payment of the cost of the medicines within the year. The provision in the budget was only for a junior apothecary, but in spite of that the Surgeon-General appointed a senior at the close of August 1897. His posting was objected to by the council and Government was pleased to order the posting of a junior in the beginning of December 1897. However the senior was not replaced till the close of January 1898, and so he was in service for five months during the year. The excess pay for the senior for the last two months he was in service and the pay of the junior, who assumed charge on the 1st February 1898, for that month, were not paid within the year, the former owing to the receipt of the Government sanction on the 27th March 1898, after which date there was no time to obtain a bill from the apothecary who was in Tiruvalur, and the latter for want of a last-pay certificate; hence the savings in the budget provision. The Accountant-General was requested to purchase a draft on London for £12–10–8, being cost of medicines due to Messrs. Burgoyne, Burbidges & Co., London, and the dratt was not received within the year; hence that provision was left unspent. There has been no appreciable increase in the number of in-patients treated over the figures of the previous year, but the diet charges have greatly increased. During the time the senior was in charge the diet and contingent charges were very high and the District Surgeon had to be addressed to order him to see that he did not exceed even the budget allotment. No special reasons are assigned in the Medical officer's report for this increase. During the year under report there was rather a frequent change of hands, the institution having been in charge of three officers. It is now in charge of M.R.Ry. C. M. Tirumudiswami Pillai, L.M. & S., who is very useful and popular. The Council begs to bring it to the notice of Government that constant changes in the *personnel* of the officers in charge of the institution tend to affect its popularity. The midwife performed 70 cases during the year against 78 in the previous year. The Medical officer's report for 1897–98 is submitted. An estimate for the repair of the hospital building is before the council. Other improvements suggested will be taken up on hand when funds are available. Two temporary sheds have been put up—one for treatment of cholera cases and the other for the treatment of infectious diseases.

40. *Vaccination.*—The expenditure under this head was Rs. 241–13–3 against Rs. 270–8–2 in the previous year. The decrease was because the previous year's figure included certain arrear contributions paid to the District Board. The number of vaccinations during the year was almost the same as in the previous year, being 910 against 915, but the number of successful operations fell by 100, being only 750 against 850. This was owing to the supply of bad lymph during the month of July 1897. The average cost of vaccinating each case was As. 5–2 against As. 5–1 in the previous year. The number of infantile vaccinations was 569 against 450 in the previous year, and the number of successful operations was 487 against 417. There were only 175 re-vaccinations against 327 in the previous year, of which 133 proved successful. There were 247 prosecutions for failure to get children vaccinated during the year against 165 in the previous year. The work was under the supervision of the local Medical officer as usual.

41. *Registration of Births and Deaths.*—The expenditure under this head during the year under report was Rs. 139–11–11 against Rs. 157–3–0 in the previous year, and the increase in the previous year was due to the cost of printing certain forms,

Five hundred and twenty-two births and 378 deaths were recorded during the year under report against 526 births and 471 deaths in the previous year, thus showing a slight decrease of 4 under births and 93 under deaths. The increase in the number of deaths in the previous year was due to the prevalence of cholera, the number of deaths on that account being 123. During the year under report also there was cholera in a mild and sporadic form in the months of April and November 1897 and the months of January, February and March 1898. In November 1897, it lasted from the 1st to 27th of the month. In March 1898, it broke out in the form of an epidemic on the 24th, and it continued till 2nd May 1898. During the year under report 33 deaths were recorded under this head. The birth and death registrar goes out into the town and collects information and the other out-door staff also is required to make inquiries of births and deaths and report them to the registrar. There were no prosecutions for failure to register births or deaths.

42. *Conservancy.*—The expenditure under this head was Rs. 3,367–5–9 against Rs. 3,427–14–5 in the previous year. There was an increase under "(*a*) (ii) Contingencies" owing to the purchase of two night-soil carts, a decrease under "cholera charges" and cost of making sanitary arrangements during festivals. Cholera was not so severe during the year under report as in the previous year, and there was only one festival during the year under report against two in the previous year. The staff and plant employed was the same as in the previous year. As already reported in the last paragraph, cholera was prevalent in a mild form during certain months in the year. There were 82 attacks and 33 deaths in all during the year, of which 28 attacks and 11 deaths occurred in November 1897, and 30 attacks and 11 deaths in March 1898. Necessary sanitary arrangements were made by the employment of special establishment, &c. A cholera shed was also put up. The cost of the arrangements amounted to Rs. 68–8–6. The general health of the people was good. There was water-scarcity to some extent and therefore, during the close of the year, wells were protected. The scheme for the water-supply of the town is in the hands of the Sanitary Engineer. Necessary levels have been taken. The usual sanitary arrangements were made during the festival. The night-soil depot was cropped, but the crops failed for want of rain. Two single latrines with mud walls were replaced by brick-walled ones at a cost of Rs. 244–3–4. The matter of selecting a site for the Muhammadan burial-ground is in the hands of the Revenue Department.

43. *Grant 4, Lighting.*—The expenditure under this head was almost the same as in the previous year, being Rs. 1,000–2–4 against Rs. 992–15–0. The business was managed departmentally as in the previous year. Seven new lights were provided during the year and there were in all 114 lights or 65 per square mile.

44. *Other Charges.*—This consisted of Rs. 178–15–6, cost of printing municipal proceedings; Rs. 16–0–6, cost of executing certain decrees; Rs. 15–9–10, kist on certain lands belonging to the municipality; and Rs. 7–10–6, cost of numbering carts.

45. *Grant 5.*—The expenditure under this grant was Rs. 1,435–13–11 against Rs. 1,257–9–8 in the previous year, the increase occurring under "(*d*) Office Contingencies," and contribution for Central office establishment. Owing to the transfer of the Sub-Registrar-Chairman, there was a saving under carriage allowance. The expenditure under Office Contingencies consisted of Rs. 283–0–9; cost of forms, Rs. 92–8–0, office rent; Rs. 40, postage; and the balance such as pay of office sweeper, cost of Municipal Acts, &c. The increase under this item over the previous year's figure was due to the great increase under cost of printed forms. On account of this very high increase the allotment in the revised budget which also provided for the cost of office furniture had to be exceeded. The Accountant-General has, of late, intimated that Rs. 33–2–4 was drawn in excess of what was due on account of printed forms which he says may be adjusted from the cost due for the current year. As the furniture for office which were indented for from Madras were not supplied within the year, they were not paid for. The office building was completed in December 1897, and so rent for the old building had to be paid for nine months.

46. *Advances Recoverable.*—A sum of Rs. 10–5–4 remained with me as advance out of the sum drawn for the repair of a portion of Adivaram road and As. 7–6 remained with a Vakil in Dindigul for the execution of a decree. Rs. 39–12–0

advanced during the previous years,—Rs. 35 permanent advance with the apothecary and Rs. 4–12–0 with the Vakil for the execution of another decree—remained unrecovered at the close of the year under report.

IV. CLOSING BALANCE.

47. A sum of Rs. 2,210–12–2 remained as balance at the close of the year against Rs. 300 expected in the revised estimate.

ENCLOSURE.

CONCISE Annual Report on the Municipal Hospital, Palni, for the official year 1897–98.

Public Health.—The principal diseases treated in order of frequency during the year under report were malarial fevers, skin diseases of sorts, diseases of the eye, ear and digestive system; all these were preventable and mostly due to bad supply of drinking-water.

Cholera broke out in an epidemic form; the first case appeared on the 1st November 1897 and the outbreak continued up to the 7th February 1898. Thirty-nine cases were attacked; 17 of these proved fatal. Again by the end of March, the disease broke out, the first case occurring in a permanent resident of the town who succumbed to the disease the next day after the attack. The great crowd that poured in during the Panguni festival tended greatly towards the continuance, increase and spread of the disease. All necessary sanitary precautions and measures towards the prevention and further spread of the disease were adopted.

Four important festivals were celebrated during the year; the usual and necessary sanitary arrangements were made on these occasions.

(2) *Vital Statistics.*—There were 522 births (males 264, females 258) and 378 deaths (males 212, females 166) during the year as against 526 births and 471 deaths in the previous year.

The chief causes of mortality being cholera 33, fevers 26, bowel-complaints 4, and accidental and other causes 315.

(3) *Sanitation*—(*a*) *Conservancy.*—There are 43 dust-bins, 9 rubbish carts, 8 latrines and 3 night-soil carts, the number of dust-bins and rubbish carts being quite inadequate for the requirements of a town of such size and population. Eight hundred and sixty-eight houses are worked under the private scavenging system and 10 scavengers are employed for the purpose.

(*b*) *Drinking-water.*—Reliable drinking-water could be got at only from wells, and these are a few and quite insufficient; until and unless some more wells are sunk, it will be very difficult, nay impossible, to prevent the periodical visitations of cholera in this town.

(*c*) *Drains.*—Some of the streets and a few of the lanes have drains, those in the streets are knee-deep and only serve as receptacles for the storage of house and bazaar rubbish, while those in the lanes are quite punitive in style and build.

The slaughter-house built on the standard plan is kept clean and tidy. A public market for the town is a necessity. The proposal to remove the cemetery from the town is still under consideration.

(4) *Vaccination.*—Nine hundred and ten cases were vaccinated during the year; of these 705 were primary, 30 secondary and 175 re-vaccinations. Seven hundred and fifty of these were successful, 95 unsuccessful and 65 unknown. Five hundred and sixty-nine of these were performed on children under one year of age. Of the total number 910, 703 cases were verified by the civil apothecary. The vaccinator works directly under the civil apothecary in the municipal hospital. Glycerine paste from the Madras Municipal depot is the lymph used.

(5) *Hospitals and Dispensaries*—(*a*) *Nature and Sufficiency of Accommodation.*—The accommodation is sufficient for the provided number of beds, viz., 6, but two permanent sheds, one for cholera cases and the other for contagious and septic diseases of sorts are badly needed.

(*b*) *State of repairs of buildings.*—The buildings require white-washing, floors repairing, and better latrine accommodation should be provided.

(*c*) *State of repair of furniture.*—Good.

(*d*) *Inspections.*—By the District Medical and Sanitary officers by the end of March 1897 and by the Sub-Collector, Dindigul, once.

Their chief recommendations were the erection of a compound wall for the hospital, better latrine accommodation, white-washing of the hospital building, painting of doors and windows and increase of salary to the ward attendant and sweeper. None of these were carried out by the Municipal Council.

(*e*) *Amount of recoveries from paying patients and for medicines.*—No recoveries from paying patients, but the sum of Rs. 7–13–6 was realised during the year by sale of medicines.

(*f*) The total number of patients treated were 149 in- and 9,260 out- patients against 138 in- and 9,373 out- patients in the previous year.

(*g*) *Mortality and its causes.*—There were 13 deaths during the year among in-patients, six of which were from cholera, three from dysentery, one from Tetanus one from sarcomaleg, one from dropsy and the other from disease of the liver. Eight of these were admitted into hospital in a moribund condition. No deaths from septic diseases acquired in or outside the hospital.

(*h*) There were 475 surgical operations during the year against 426 of last year.

(*i*) *Hospital establishment.*—Sufficient and efficient.

(*j*) *Midwife.*—Seventy labour cases were conducted by the midwife during the year against 78 in the previous year.

(*k*) *Caste and Gosha hospital.*—Nil.

(*l*) *General Remarks.*—A good supply of drinking water is a desideratum.

PALNI,
11th April 1898.

(Signed) C. M. TIRUVADISAWMY,
Civil Apothecary.

Disposal No. 2075 of 1898.

Forwarded.

MADURA,
18*th May* 1898.

(Signed) W. F. THOMAS, M.D., Surgeon-Major,
Dist. Medical and Sanitary Officer.

Dis. No. 659.

1. Submitted.

2. *Paragraph* 6.—The current year's collections are not very satisfactory, the percentage of collections to the demand being only 92 as against 99 in the previous year.

3. *Paragraph* 7.—There is a falling off in the demand under the head of "Taxes on lands," which has not been adequately explained, and the current collections are unsatisfactory. It does not appear that the registers of this tax were revised as ordered by Government in its review of last year's municipal report.

4. *Paragraph* 13.—There is no improvement in the amount realised from the sale of sweepings and the price per cart-load sold is still very low.

5. *Paragraph* 20.—There is a decrease under "Municipal fines" and a falling off in the number of nuisance cases presented by the police.

6. *Paragraph* 23.—It is satisfactory to note that there was a slight increase in the number of houses served by the private scavenging agency and in the receipts from this source. There is still, however, room for considerable extension of the service. There is an improvement in collections, but fees are apparently not collected in advance as they should be.

7. *Paragraph* 32.—The expenditure on communications is still low, being only 31 per cent. of the net increase from tolls. I regret that I am not in a position to make any remarks as to the state of the municipal roads, as I have only very recently taken charge of the division and have not yet been to Palni.

8. *Paragraph* 42, "*Conservancy*".—No steps have apparently yet been taken to protect the Vyapuri tank from pollution. The defective sanitary arrangements made during festivals and the want of a proper supply of drinking water for pilgrims, &c., are matters which should engage the attention of the council. The constant outbreaks of cholera in Palni form a source of grave danger not only to the rest of the district but to the neighbouring districts also.

(Signed) L. G. MOORE,
Ag. Sub-Collector.

3rd June 1898.

Dis. No. 1623-Genl.

Submitted.

J. W. PARTRIDGE,
Ag. Collector.

4th June 1898.

ORDER—No. 1255 M., dated 13th July 1898.

The receipts and charges of the Palni Municipality for 1897–98 are compared below with the budget and revised estimates for the year and the actuals of 1896–97:—

	Actuals, 1896–97.	Budget estimate, 1897–98.	Revised estimate, 1897–98.	Actuals, 1897–98.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Receipts.				
Balance brought forward	3,772	1,230	4,950	4,941
Tax on Buildings and Lands	3,932	3,700	3,850	3,706
,, Vehicles and Animals	618	550	610	658
,, Carts	559	500	500	548
Tolls	4,498	4,000	4,010	4,038
Realizations under Special Acts	40	..	..	40
Rent of Lands, Buildings, &c., and Sale-proceeds of Lands, &c.	198	130	110	150
Conservancy Receipts	75	70	70	61
Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions	93	120	100	96
,, from Medical Institutions	29	20	10	26
Income from Markets and Slaughter-houses	943	1,000	520	596
License Fees	245	150	150	217
Other Fees	10	10	30	29
Fines under Municipal and other Acts	356	250	300	269
Grants and Contributions from Government	16	90	60	..
,, ,, from Local Boards	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Recoveries for Services to Private Individuals	609	610	700	823
Miscellaneous	628	550	930	922
Advances Recovered	29	..	..	30
Total	17,650	13,980	17,900	18,150
Charges.				
GRANT I—				
New Works—				
Communications	32	450	450	438
Buildings	885	4,010	4,010	3,881
Water-supply	110	150	100	96
Repairs—				
Communications	1,286	1,500	1,500	1,290
Buildings	158	280	300	290
Water-supply	93	150	80	83
Establishment	180	180	180	180
Tools and Plant and other Stores	28	20	20	..
Contributions for Public Works	75	..	..	..
Total	2,847	6,740	6,640	6,258

—	Actuals, 1896-97.	Budget estimate, 1897-98.	Revised estimate, 1897-98.	Actuals, 1897-98.
Charges—cont.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
GRANT 2—				
Training Schools	52	..	..	..
Municipal Schools—				
On the Salary-result System	485	680	540	529
Grants-in-aid—				
Result Grants	800	700	700	700
Building, Furniture, &c., Grants	14	80	70	61
Inspection	100	50	50	50
Miscellaneous	..	190	110	..
Total	1,451	1,700	1,470	1,340
GRANT 3—				
Hospitals and Dispensaries	1,915	1,970	2,120	1,749
Contributions	116	60	120	133
Vaccination	271	240	240	242
Registration of Births and Deaths	157	140	140	140
Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering	3,428	3,910	3,900	3,367
Total	5,887	6,320	6,520	5,631
GRANT 4—				
Lighting	993	1,000	1,000	1,000
Markets and Slaughter-houses	43	40	50	45
Public Garden, Survey of Land, Fire and other Charges	206	480	500	218
Total	1,242	1,520	1,550	1,263
GRANT 5—				
Supervision and Management	1,257	1,170	1,420	1,436
Advances Recoverable	25	..	..	11
Grand Total	12,709	17,450	17,600	15,939
Balance	4,941	— 3,470	300	2,211

2. The municipal council held 22 meetings against 19 in the previous year. The average attendance of non-official members was fair, though it showed a decline; but, notwithstanding the remarks of Government in the reviews of the reports for the three previous years, the officials again attended very irregularly. The Collector will report to Government the names of any officials who may have been at fault in this matter.

3. *Receipts.*—(1) The net current demand under the tax on buildings rose by Rs. 68, while under the land-tax it fell by Rs. 12. From paragraph 3 of the Sub-Collector's endorsement, it appears that the revision of the land-tax registers, which the municipal council was directed in paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 58 M., dated 10th January 1898 to finish as soon as possible, so that the revised assessments might be brought into force from the beginning of the current year, was not completed. This is very unsatisfactory. As under the provisions of sub-section (3) of section 66 of the Act the revised assessments can be adopted only from the beginning of the year following that in which the revision is made, the Government trusts that proper arrangements will be made to complete the revision before the close of the current year and the result of the revision should be reported to Government in due course.

(2) The collections under the tax on buildings continued to be satisfactory; but those under the tax on lands declined and were not good. There was a large increase in the number of warrants issued for the recovery of the taxes and their execution was prompt.

(3) There was an increase in the receipts from fishery rents; but the income from tolls and markets declined for the reason stated in paragraphs 9 and 15 of the Chairman's report. The amount realized by the sale of sweepings showed a slight falling off, and from paragraph 4 of the Sub-Collector's endorsement it appears that, notwithstanding the remarks of Government in paragraph 3 (2) of the previous year's review, the charge per cart-load continued to be very low. The income from fines also showed a decline.

(4) The number of houses served by the private scavenging agency was 868 or 13 more than in the previous year, and the fees collected, which amounted to Rs. 823 against Rs. 609 in 1896-97, more than covered the cost of the service. As it is not intended that this service should be a source of profit to the municipal council, the excess of Rs. 188 in the receipts over the charges should be spent in its extension, for which there is considerable scope, seeing that only 31·7 per cent. of the number of houses assessed to the tax on buildings availed themselves of this service.

4. *Expenditure*—(1) *Public Works.*—The municipal office building, which was under construction in the previous year, was completed at a total cost of Rs. 3,502 and a compound wall for it was built at a cost of Rs. 522. The total outlay on communications amounted to Rs. 1,728 or 43·6 per cent. of the net municipal income from tolls against the minimum of 50 per cent. fixed by Government; but the short expenditure under this head was allowed by Government as a special case owing to paucity of funds. The Revenue Divisional Officer has not reported on the condition of the roads, as he took charge of the division only recently; but judging from the short expenditure on communications during the last two years, it is not likely that they were maintained in good order.

(2) *Education.*—The net expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 1,244 or 13·9 per cent. of the income from taxation. Of this sum Rs. 1,081 were spent on primary, and the remainder on secondary, education. The municipal council continued to maintain two primary schools on the salary-result system and to aid one secondary and nine primary schools with result grants. The attendance at the Panchama Lower Primary school remained stationary; but at the other institutions taken together it improved. As in the previous year, all these schools appear to have done well at the departmental and grant examinations, and the allotment for result grants was fully utilized. It is satisfactory to note that the number of boys under instruction in the municipal and aided schools rose from 585 to 635 or 52·4 per cent. of the male population of school-going age.

(3) *Medical Relief.*—The number of in-patients treated at the municipal hospital rose from 138 to 149; but the attendance of out-patients declined owing to constant changes in the personnel of the medical officers in charge. The midwife attached to the hospital attended seventy cases of labour or eight less than in the previous year. The attention of the municipal council is drawn to the civil apothecary's suggestion in paragraphs 5 (*a*) and (*b*) of his report regarding the construction of two permanent sheds for cases of cholera and other infectious diseases and the execution of repairs and other improvements to the hospital buildings.

(4) *Vaccination and Vital Statistics.*—The total number of vaccine operations performed during the year remained almost stationary; but for the reason given in paragraph 40 of the Chairman's report, the quality of the work greatly deteriorated, the percentage of reported success being 82·4 per cent. against 92·9 in the previous year. It is observed that the number of children under one year successfully vaccinated rose from 417 or 24·6 per mille of the population to 487 or 28·7 per mille, but the number of cases is still too small.

The number of births registered during the year remained almost the same as in 1896-97; but the number of deaths fell from 471 to 378. The returns in both cases cannot be regarded as accurate, the rates recorded being much below the normal. The instructions issued on this subject in paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 926 M., dated 17th May 1898, should be strictly followed.

(5) *Sanitation.*—More than 13 per cent. of the allotment under this head was allowed to lapse, but the expenditure amounted to Rs. 3,367 or 25·4 per cent. of the current receipts against 24·7 per cent. in 1896-97. From paragraph 42 of the Chairman's report it appears that some attention was paid to the sanitary needs of the town; but the civil apothecary's report and paragraph 8 of the Sub-Collector's endorsement show that much yet remains to be done in this direction. The council should take energetic action to remedy the defects pointed out by those officers.

5. *General Remarks.*—The year closed with a balance of Rs. 2,211 or 16·7 per cent. of the current receipts; but the greater portion of this sum might have been spent with advantage in improving the sanitation of the town.

The improvement of roads, vaccination, registration of vital statistics and sanitation demand increased attention. In other respects, the administration of the municipality during the year under review continued to be fair.

(True Extract.)

H. TREMENHEERE,
Secretary to Government.

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Palni.
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" President, District Board, Madura.
" Accountant-General.
" Director of Public Instruction.
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Administration Report.

Reviewing the — of the Palni Municipal Council for 1897-98.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From D. D. THOMAS, Esq., Chairman, Municipal Council, Palni, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Sub-Collector and Collector of Madura), dated 26th May 1898, No. 6.

I have the honour to submit the administration report of the Palni Municipality for the year 1897–98. The year under report was the twelfth after the constitution of the municipality.

I.—CONSTITUTION OF THE COUNCIL.

2. The council which consists of twelve nominated members, inclusive of the *ex-officio*, had its full strength at the commencement of the year under report. Eight councillors vacated office during the year—six non-officials by efflux of time and two officials by transfer from the station. One councillor vacated office on the 31st July 1897, and the gentleman who was appointed in his stead on the 24th August 1897 had to be removed, as he was not eligible to be a councillor under section 10-A of the Municipal Act as amended. Another councillor vacated office on 27th November 1897, and four others on 22nd January 1898. Of these six vacancies among the non-officials, one was filled up on 25th January 1898, one on 1st February 1898, and two others on 15th March 1898, and two more seats remained vacant at the close of the year. Of the two vacancies among the officials, one was caused by the transfer of M.R.Ry. G. S. Ponnuswami Pillai Avargal, Sub-Registrar and Chairman on the 16th October 1897, and I was appointed in his stead on 1st February 1898. The other vacancy caused by the transfer of the Tahsildar was filled up by his successor in office on 15th February 1898. Thus the council had only ten members at the close of the year—seven Natives, two Europeans and one Eurasian.

3. The office of Chairman was held by M.R.Ry. G. S. Ponnuswami Pillai Avargal, B.A., till the 16th October 1897, M.R.Ry. R. Vadivelu Pillai Avargal was the Chairman-delegate till I was appointed Chairman and assumed charge from him on the 4th February 1898.

4. Twenty-two meetings were held during the year under report against 19 in the year previous, and they were on an average attended by six councillors—one official and five non-officials—against seven in the previous year. The decrease under non-officials must be attributed to the vacancies caused in the council during the year and the great delay that has taken place in filling them up. No meeting had to be adjourned for want of a quorum.

5. The total receipts of the municipality inclusive of the opening balance amounted to Rs. 18,149–9–0 and the charges to Rs. 15,938–12–10, thus leaving a balance of Rs. 2,210–12–2 against Rs. 17,900, Rs. 17,600 and Rs. 300, respectively, the figures of the revised estimate. The small swelling under receipts occurred mainly under taxes on animals and carts, market and private scavenging fees, partly counterbalanced by short receipts under tax on houses. The decrease under charges occurred under all the grants except 5.

II.—RECEIPTS.

6. *Tax on Buildings.*—The demand under this head as revised in 1896–97 was Rs. 3,781–2–0 and the assessment on certain new buildings and additions raised the demand to Rs. 3,849 in the year under report. Of this sum Rupees 3,565–8–0 was collected, Rs. 59–10–0 was written off the accounts as irrecoverable and Rs. 223–14–0 left as balance. The arrear balance under the head, viz., Rs. 3–8–0, was collected. The percentage of current collections to demand was 92·7, that of writes-off 1·5, and that of arrears 5·8 against 99, ·9 and ·1, respectively, in 1896–97. The low percentage of collections must be attributed to bad and unfavourable season. The number of warrants issued during the year under report was nearly double that issued in the previous year, being 165 against 89, which, when added to the one that remained unexecuted at the close of the previous year, makes 166. Of these, 149 were executed or cancelled and 17 remained unexecuted. The number of distraints made were almost the same as in the previous year, being 57 against 59, and the number of cases in which sales were effected was 11 against 25 in the previous year. The number of prosecutions was the same as in the previous year, viz., 7. Of these, 5 were withdrawn as payment was tendered and two remained undisposed of. The mode of assessing the houses was the same as in previous years.

	Rs.	A.	P.
1896–97	3,759	2	0
1897–98	3,569	0	0
Decrease ..	190	2	0

7. *Tax on lands.*—This consists of the taxes on arable lands and vacant sites. The demand fell from Rs. 177–8–0 to Rs. 165. The demand on arable lands was the same, being Rs. 80–4–0, but the demand on vacant sites fell from Rupees 97–4–0 to Rs. 84–12–0, and the decrease was because certain vacant sites have been occupied by houses and taxed under that head. Of the demand of Rs. 165, Rs. 130–12–0 was collected, Rs. 2–12–0 written off and Rs. 31–8–0 was left as balance. Out of Rs. 9–14–0 that stood as arrears under the head at the commencement of the year under report, Rs. 5–14–0 was collected and Rs. 4 remained as balance. Thus, the aggregate balance under the head was Rs. 35–8–0 against Rs. 9–14–0 in the previous year. The percentage of current collections to demand was 79·2, that of writes-off 1·7 and that of arrears 19·1 against 89·2, 6·2 and 4·6, respectively, in the previous year. The low collections must be attributed to bad season as in the case of house-tax. Five warrants were issued for the recovery of this tax, of which only three were executed within the year. One distraint was made and the property had to be sold in that case. There were seven prosecutions for this tax against only one in the previous year, of which four were withdrawn as payment of the tax was tendered and three remained undisposed of at the close of the year.

	Rs.	A.	P.
1896–97	172	12	0
1897–98	136	10	0
Decrease ..	36	2	0

8. *Tax on vehicles, animals and carts.*—The demand under these heads amounted to Rs. 1,223–12–0 against Rs. 1,172–14–0 in the previous year. The increase occurred both under vehicles and animals. There was a slight falling off under carts. As remarked in the previous year's report the increase must be attributed to the exertions of the Sanitary Inspector. Out of the demand, Rs. 1,206–4–0 was collected within the year, and Rs. 17–8–0 was left as balance—Rs. 14–8–0 under animals and Rs. 3 under carts.

	Rs.	A.	P.
1896–97	1,177	6	0
1897–98	1,206	4	0
Increase ..	28	14	0

9. *Tolls.*—The tolls were leased out for Rs. 6,005 against Rs. 6,735 in the previous year, and the decrease was owing to the occurrence of only one festival during the year under report against two in the previous year. The usual contribution to the district board—one third—was paid. The excess payment

	Rs.	A.	P.
1896–97	4,497	12	4
1897–98	4,038	1	2
Decrease ..	459	11	2

to district board during the previous year, which was transferred to advances recoverable by Government in their Memorandum No. 776, dated 21st July 1897, was recovered during the current year by short-payment.

10. The incidence of taxation per head of population was As. 8–5 including tolls against As. 9–1 in the previous year, and As. 4–8 excluding tolls against As. 4–10 in the previous year.

11. A sum of Rs. 40 was realised for the grant of a license for the performance of a drama in a temporary pandal.

12. The increase under realizations of the sale-proceeds of old materials over the figures of the revised estimate was due to the sale of an old shed in the office compound.

13. There has been a slight decrease under "sale-proceeds of rubbish" and no special reasons could be assigned for it. The rubbish was sold at 6 pies a cart-load, as the council was of opinion that it was a reasonable price.

14. There has also been a decrease under "sale-proceeds of medicines." The sale-proceeds of the fruits of the tamarind trees in the hospital compound increased.

15. *Income from Markets.*—The decrease was due to the occurrence of only one festival during the year under report against two in the previous year as already stated in paragraph 9 *supra*. The daily market was leased out for Rs. 44 only against Rs. 80 in the previous year, as the greater portion of it was occupied by the office building. This was removed from the site about the end of the year, as the office building was occupied, and so a sum of Rs. 5–7–6 had to be refunded to the contractor. Application has been made to the Collector to arrange for the acquisition of a site in the heart of the town for a market. The sum of Rs. 19–1–0 that stood as arrears under this head was written off the accounts as already stated in paragraph 18 of the last year's report.

	Rs.	A.	P.
1896–97	681	12	7
1897–98	325	3	0
Decrease ..	356	9	7

16. The slaughter-house was leased out for Rs. 270 against Rs. 261 in the previous year.

17. *Warrant fees.*—One hundred and seventy warrants were issued during the year under report, which, when added to the one that stood unexecuted at the commencement of the year, made 171. Of these 152 were executed. Out of these only fees on 142, viz., Rs. 17–12–0 was collected. Of the remaining ten, distraints had been made on seven of them and the properties remained unsold. The sale-proceeds of the property distrained on one warrant was insufficient to cover the warrant and distraint fees, and the tax for the recovery of which another warrant was issued was written off the accounts as the defaulter was a pauper, and no fee was collected on the warrant that remained unexecuted at the commencement of the year as the old Act did not enforce the levy of a warrant fee.

18. There has been a decrease of Rs. 27–12–0 under "license fees", and this decrease was chiefly due to the large collections of fees for lodging materials in streets during the previous year. There are also slight differences under other items.

19. A sum of As. 8 realised as search fees for searching certain documents of previous years and As. 6 copying fees for copies of certain papers applied for have been credited to municipal funds and shown under "other fees."

20. There has been a decrease under "magisterial fines" by about Rs. 90. One hundred and twenty-nine cases were prosecuted by the police during the year against 149 in the previous year and Rs. 179–4–0 only was collected as fine against Rs. 232–8–0 in the previous year. One hundred and fourteen prosecutions were instituted under the Municipal Act against 130 in the previous year and Rs. 89–5–0 was the amount realised as fines against Rs. 124 in the previous year. Many of the municipal prosecutions for failure to take out licenses had to be withdrawn on payment of fees being tendered.

21. Rs. 60 had been taken credit for in the revised estimate for a grant from Provincial funds for moiety of cost of gymnastic apparatus to be purchased, but nothing was recovered as the apparatus was not purchased within the year.

22. The usual contribution of Rs. 1,000 from Local funds was recovered towards the upkeep of the dispensary.

23. *Private Scavenging Fees.*—A sum of Rs. 823 was realised under this head against the revised estimate of Rs. 700. These fees were levied at the rate sanctioned in G.O., No. 159 M., dated 4th February 1895. The number of houses served increased by 13 and the demand also increased to Rs. 708–2–0 from Rs. 682–13–6 in the previous year. Of this sum, Rs. 641–14–0 was collected and Rs. 66–4–0 was left as balance. A sum of Rs. 153–2–6 was the arrears under the head as shown in the previous year's statement. The privy attached to the sub-jail, Palni, was being cleaned by municipal agency from 1st April 1892, and a sum of Rs. 60 accrued as arrears on that account till the close of March 1897. The privy attached to the taluk cutcherry was also cleaned by municipal agency and a sum of Rs. 3 accrued as arrears till the close of March 1897. Thus the arrear demand under the head amounted to Rs. 216–12–6. Of this sum, Rs. 181–2–0 was realised during the year under report, Rs. 10–8–0 was written off, and Rs. 25–2–6 left as balance. Rs. 54 out of Rs. 60, the arrears due for the sub-jail privy, was recovered within the year and the balance Rs. 6 has since been recovered. The arrear fees due for the taluk cutcherry privy has also been recovered within the year. The aggregate arrears under the head at the close of 1897–98 amounted to Rs. 91–6–6 against Rs. 216–12–6 in the previous year. The percentage of current collections has risen from 77 to 90·7. The collection of this fee was entrusted to bill-collectors during the year under report, as the peon who was entrusted with this collection in the previous year was not able to do his work satisfactorily. As the season was bad and as the collection was taken up by the bill-collectors for the first time, they were not able to clear off the whole demand. It is hoped that no arrears will be left under the head from the current year. The expenditure for the service during the year was Rs. 634–13–2, and so the business has been managed at a profit of Rs. 188–2–10.

24. The fishery was sold for Rs. 920 during the year under report.

25. A sum of Rs. 1–8–6, excess sale-proceeds of distrained property, was credited to Municipal funds as the same remained unclaimed for over six months.

26. Arrangements are being made to execute the decree of the light contractor referred to in paragraph 28 of the previous year's report, reviewed in G.O., No. 1760 M., dated 11th August 1897.

27. The decree against the defaulter of the cart-stand contract was executed during the year, and the defaulter was let off by the District Munsif, Dindigul, on condition that he should pay off the decree amount in monthly instalments at Rs. 5. The first two instalments were paid.

28. The advances of Rs. 10 that remained with a vakil at Dindigul for the execution of a decree and Rs. 15 that remained with the Superintendent, Maternity Hospital, Madras, for the pay and travelling allowance of a new midwife, were adjusted during the year. The sum of Rs. 5–2–4, excess payment of toll contribution to district board, referred to in Government Memorandum, No. 776, dated 21st July 1897, was also recovered by short payment during the year under report and adjusted.

III.—EXPENDITURE.

29. *Grant 1, Public Works—New Works—Communications.*—A new tunnel was constructed at a cost of Rs. 437–15–3 just at the junction of East and North Car streets to carry off storm water which was overflowing the road there and damaging it.

30. *Buildings.*—The revised provision of Rs. 4,010 under this head consisted of Rs. 3,150 for office building, Rs. 650 for the compound wall to the office building, Rs. 250 for the construction of two privies, and Rs. 60 for the construction of a toll shed. The cost of the office building was Rs. 3,176–14–10 and the charges incurred in the purchase of betel, nuts, &c., on the occasion of the opening ceremony of the office amounted to Rs. 25. This expenditure was sanctioned by the council. Thus

the aggregate cost of the office building amounted to Rs. 3,501–14–10, of which Rs. 450 was paid in 1896–97. The construction of the compound wall to the office was almost completed within the year, and a sum of Rs. 521–8–5 was paid, but as the iron gates applied for from Madras were not received in time the whole allotment was not utilised. Two single latrines with brick walls were constructed at a cost of Rs. 244–3–4. A toll-shed with tiled roof, which was constructed in 1896–97, was paid for during the year under report as the bill was not received in time to admit of payment in 1896–97. The provision of Rs. 1,400 made under this head for a market was utilised for other purposes as it was found impossible to complete the acquisition of a site within that amount. Rs. 2,000 has been provided in the budget of 1898–99 for the purpose.

31. *Water-supply.*—A new well was partly sunk in West Car street at a cost of Rs. 95–7–4. The work had to be discontinued as the rainy season set in. A sum of Rs. 100 has been sanctioned this year from the balance for the completion of the work.

32. *Repairs—Communications.*—The expenditure on the repair and maintenance of town roads and lanes amounted to Rs. 1,290–4–10 during the year under report against Rs. 1,286–0–11 in the previous year. Payment for the construction of a tunnel estimated to cost Rs. 200 was not made within the year and hence the savings in the budget provision. Three roads were remetalled and four repaired or maintained and five lanes were repaired. The expenditure on communications was 31·6 per cent. of the toll receipts against 28·6 per cent. in the previous year.

33. *Buildings.*—Certain doors and windows of the hospital were replaced and some improvement to the cook-room attached to the medical officer's quarters was carried out in 1896–97. These were paid only during the year under report. Certain toll sheds were also repaired.

34. *Grant 2, Education—Salary-results Schools.*—The expenditure under this head was Rs. 528–7–4 against Rs. 485–7–10 in the previous year. Two schools—one for Hindus and the other for Panchamas—were maintained. The Hindu school had the third and the fourth standards only for a greater portion of the year even though the opening of the lower standards was sanctioned in G.O., No. 193 M., dated 10th February 1897, and the educational authorities had been requested to arrange for the opening of the lower classes then and there. An additional teacher on Rs. 8 a month was, however, appointed in October 1897. A shed at a cost of Rs. 28 was put up as advised by the educational authorities in front of the school to accommodate the lower standards. The average attendance in both the schools has increased to a very great extent even though there has been only a little improvement in the number on rolls on 31st March. Consequently the average cost of educating each pupil has decreased to an appreciable extent in both the schools. The results in the examinations have also been very fair.

35. *Result Grants.*—Only Rs. 700–4–0 was paid under this head against Rs. 799–11–0 in the previous year. As the provision in the budget was reduced to Rs. 700, naturally the assignments to schools were reduced. Ten schools were aided as in the previous year and they were paid grants at maximum rates. As the assignment fixed by the educational authorities was 10 per cent. in excess of the budget provision, payment of a sum of Rs. 33 to a school within its limit of assignment had to be refused. The educational statements received from the Assistant Inspector of Schools are submitted herewith. Even though the number of schools at the close of the year under report was the same as in the previous year, viz., 10, yet one school was newly opened during the year and one was closed. There has been a fair increase in the number of pupils on rolls on the 31st March, in the number of pupils presented for examination and in the number of passes secured. Result grants were paid at maximum rates subject to the assignment system. There has been a fair improvement in education during the year under report.

36. A sum of Rs. 50 was paid as contribution to the District Board for the services of the Local Fund Inspecting schoolmaster who inspects the schools in the municipality also.

37. The balance of furniture grant, viz., Rs. 36–5–0 referred to in paragraph 41 of the previous year's report embodied in G.O., No. 1760 M., dated 11th August 1897, and a building grant of Rs. 25 to a school were paid during the year under report. The building grant of Rs. 25 was met from the provision for the pay of the gymnastic instructor which remained unutilized.

38. No gymnastic instructor was appointed till the middle of March and so there was no necessity for the utilization of the allotment. Gymnastic apparatus too was not purchased even though the educational authorities were asked to utilize the provision.

39. *Grant 3, Hospitals and Dispensaries.*—Even though there has been an increase under "establishment," "diet" and "contingencies," still there has been a decrease below the figures of the previous year owing to the non-payment of the cost of the medicines within the year. The provision in the budget was only for a junior apothecary, but in spite of that the Surgeon-General appointed a senior at the close of August 1897. His posting was objected to by the council and Government was pleased to order the posting of a junior in the beginning of December 1897. However the senior was not replaced till the close of January 1898, and so he was in service for five months during the year. The excess pay for the senior for the last two months he was in service and the pay of the junior, who assumed charge on the 1st February 1898, for that month, were not paid within the year, the former owing to the receipt of the Government sanction on the 27th March 1898, after which date there was no time to obtain a bill from the apothecary who was in Tiruvalur, and the latter for want of a last-pay certificate; hence the savings in the budget provision. The Accountant-General was requested to purchase a draft on London for £12–10–8, being cost of medicines due to Messrs. Burgoyne, Burbidges & Co., London, and the dratt was not received within the year; hence that provision was left unspent. There has been no appreciable increase in the number of in-patients treated over the figures of the previous year, but the diet charges have greatly increased. During the time the senior was in charge the diet and contingent charges were very high and the District Surgeon had to be addressed to order him to see that he did not exceed even the budget allotment. No special reasons are assigned in the Medical officer's report for this increase. During the year under report there was rather a frequent change of hands, the institution having been in charge of three officers. It is now in charge of M.R.Ry. C. M. Tirumudiswami Pillai, L.M. & S., who is very useful and popular. The Council begs to bring it to the notice of Government that constant changes in the *personnel* of the officers in charge of the institution tend to affect its popularity. The midwife performed 70 cases during the year against 78 in the previous year. The Medical officer's report for 1897–98 is submitted. An estimate for the repair of the hospital building is before the council. Other improvements suggested will be taken up on hand when funds are available. Two temporary sheds have been put up—one for treatment of cholera cases and the other for the treatment of infectious diseases.

40. *Vaccination.*—The expenditure under this head was Rs. 241–13–3 against Rs. 270–8–2 in the previous year. The decrease was because the previous year's figure included certain arrear contributions paid to the District Board. The number of vaccinations during the year was almost the same as in the previous year, being 910 against 915, but the number of successful operations fell by 100, being only 750 against 850. This was owing to the supply of bad lymph during the month of July 1897. The average cost of vaccinating each case was As. 5–2 against As. 5–1 in the previous year. The number of infantile vaccinations was 569 against 450 in the previous year, and the number of successful operations was 487 against 417. There were only 175 re-vaccinations against 327 in the previous year, of which 133 proved successful. There were 247 prosecutions for failure to get children vaccinated during the year against 165 in the previous year. The work was under the supervision of the local Medical officer as usual.

41. *Registration of Births and Deaths.*—The expenditure under this head during the year under report was Rs. 139–11–11 against Rs. 157–3–0 in the previous year, and the increase in the previous year was due to the cost of printing certain forms.

Five hundred and twenty-two births and 378 deaths were recorded during the year under report against 526 births and 471 deaths in the previous year, thus showing a slight decrease of 4 under births and 93 under deaths. The increase in the number of deaths in the previous year was due to the prevalence of cholera, the number of deaths on that account being 123. During the year under report also there was cholera in a mild and sporadic form in the months of April and November 1897 and the months of January, February and March 1898. In November 1897, it lasted from the 1st to 27th of the month. In March 1898, it broke out in the form of an epidemic on the 24th, and it continued till 2nd May 1898. During the year under report 33 deaths were recorded under this head. The birth and death registrar goes out into the town and collects information and the other out-door staff also is required to make inquiries of births and deaths and report them to the registrar. There were no prosecutions for failure to register births or deaths

42. *Conservancy.*—The expenditure under this head was Rs. 3,367-5-9 against Rs. 3,427-14-5 in the previous year. There was an increase under "(*a*) (ii) Contingencies" owing to the purchase of two night-soil carts, a decrease under "cholera charges" and cost of making sanitary arrangements during festivals. Cholera was not so severe during the year under report as in the previous year, and there was only one festival during the year under report against two in the previous year. The staff and plant employed was the same as in the previous year. As already reported in the last paragraph, cholera was prevalent in a mild form during certain months in the year. There were 82 attacks and 33 deaths in all during the year, of which 28 attacks and 11 deaths occurred in November 1897, and 30 attacks and 11 deaths in March 1898. Necessary sanitary arrangements were made by the employment of special establishment, &c. A cholera shed was also put up. The cost of the arrangements amounted to Rs. 68-8-6. The general health of the people was good. There was water-scarcity to some extent and therefore, during the close of the year, wells were protected. The scheme for the water-supply of the town is in the hands of the Sanitary Engineer. Necessary levels have been taken. The usual sanitary arrangements were made during the festival. The night-soil depot was cropped, but the crops failed for want of rain. Two single latrines with mud walls were replaced by brick-walled ones at a cost of Rs. 244-3-4. The matter of selecting a site for the Muhammadan burial-ground is in the hands of the Revenue Department.

43. *Grant 4, Lighting.*—The expenditure under this head was almost the same as in the previous year, being Rs. 1,000-2-4 against Rs. 992-15-0. The business was managed departmentally as in the previous year. Seven new lights were provided during the year and there were in all 114 lights or 65 per square mile.

44. *Other Charges.*—This consisted of Rs. 178-15-6, cost of printing municipal proceedings; Rs. 16-0-6, cost of executing certain decrees; Rs 15-9-10, kist on certain lands belonging to the municipality; and Rs. 7-10-6, cost of numbering carts.

45. *Grant 5.*—The expenditure under this grant was Rs. 1,435-13-11 against Rs. 1,257-9-8 in the previous year, the increase occurring under "(*d*) Office Contingencies." and contribution for Central office establishment. Owing to the transfer of the Sub-Registrar-Chairman, there was a saving under carriage allowance. The expenditure under Office Contingencies consisted of Rs. 283-0-9; cost of forms, Rs. 92-8-0, office rent; Rs. 40, postage; and the balance such as pay of office sweeper, cost of Municipal Acts, &c. The increase under this item over the previous year's figure was due to the great increase under cost of printed forms. On account of this very high increase the allotment in the revised budget which also provided for the cost of office furniture had to be exceeded. The Accountant-General has, of late, intimated that Rs. 33-2-4 was drawn in excess of what was due on account of printed forms which he says may be adjusted from the cost due for the current year. As the furniture for office which were indented for from Madras were not supplied within the year, they were not paid for. The office building was completed in December 1897, and so rent for the old building had to be paid for nine months.

46. *Advances Recoverable.*—A sum of Rs. 10-5-4 remained with me as advance out of the sum drawn for the repair of a portion of Adivaram road and As. 7-6 remained with a Vakil in Dindigul for the execution of a decree. Rs. 39-12-0

advanced during the previous years,—Rs. 35 permanent advance with the apothecary and Rs. 4-12-0 with the Vakil for the execution of another decree—remained unrecovered at the close of the year under report.

IV. CLOSING BALANCE.

47. A sum of Rs. 2,210-12-2 remained as balance at the close of the year against Rs. 300 expected in the revised estimate.

ENCLOSURE.

CONCISE Annual Report on the Municipal Hospital, Palni, for the official year 1897-98.

Public Health.—The principal diseases treated in order of frequency during the year under report were malarial fevers, skin diseases of sorts, diseases of the eye, ear and digestive system; all these were preventable and mostly due to bad supply of drinking-water.

Cholera broke out in an epidemic form; the first case appeared on the 1st November 1897 and the outbreak continued up to the 7th February 1898. Thirty-nine cases were attacked; 17 of these proved fatal. Again by the end of March, the disease broke out, the first case occurring in a permanent resident of the town who succumbed to the disease the next day after the attack. The great crowd that poured in during the Panguni festival tended greatly towards the continuance, increase and spread of the disease. All necessary sanitary precautions and measures towards the prevention and further spread of the disease were adopted.

Four important festivals were celebrated during the year; the usual and necessary sanitary arrangements were made on these occasions.

(2) *Vital Statistics.*—There were 522 births (males 264, females 258) and 378 deaths (males 212, females 166) during the year as against 526 births and 471 deaths in the previous year.

The chief causes of mortality being cholera 33, fevers 26, bowel-complaints 4, and accidental and other causes 315.

(3) *Sanitation*—(*a*) *Conservancy.*—There are 43 dust-bins, 9 rubbish carts, 8 latrines and 3 night-soil carts, the number of dust-bins and rubbish carts being quite inadequate for the requirements of a town of such size and population. Eight hundred and sixty-eight houses are worked under the private scavenging system and 10 scavengers are employed for the purpose.

(*b*) *Drinking-water.*—Reliable drinking-water could be got at only from wells, and these are a few and quite insufficient; until and unless some more wells are sunk, it will be very difficult, nay impossible, to prevent the periodical visitations of cholera in this town.

(*c*) *Drains.*—Some of the streets and a few of the lanes have drains, those in the streets are knee-deep and only serve as receptacles for the storage of house and bazaar rubbish, while those in the lanes are quite punitive in style and build.

The slaughter-house built on the standard plan is kept clean and tidy. A public market for the town is a necessity. The proposal to remove the cemetery from the town is still under consideration.

(4) *Vaccination.*—Nine hundred and ten cases were vaccinated during the year; of these 705 were primary, 30 secondary and 175 re-vaccinations. Seven hundred and fifty of these were successful, 95 unsuccessful and 65 unknown. Five hundred and sixty-nine of these were performed on children under one year of age. Of the total number 910, 703 cases were verified by the civil apothecary. The vaccinator works directly under the civil apothecary in the municipal hospital. Glycerine paste from the Madras Municipal depot is the lymph used.

(5) *Hospitals and Dispensaries*—(*a*) *Nature and Sufficiency of Accommodation.*—The accommodation is sufficient for the provided number of beds, viz., 6, but two permanent sheds, one for cholera cases and the other for contagious and septic diseases of sorts are badly needed.

(*b*) *State of repairs of buildings.*—The buildings require white-washing, floors repairing, and better latrine accommodation should be provided.

(*c*) *State of repair of furniture.*—Good.

(*d*) *Inspections.*—By the District Medical and Sanitary officers by the end of March 1897 and by the Sub-Collector, Dindigul, once.

Their chief recommendations were the erection of a compound wall for the hospital, better latrine accommodation, white-washing of the hospital building, painting of doors and windows and increase of salary to the ward attendant and sweeper. None of these were carried out by the Municipal Council.

(*e*) *Amount of recoveries from paying patients and for medicines.*—No recoveries from paying patients, but the sum of Rs. 7-13-6 was realised during the year by sale of medicines.

(*f*) The total number of patients treated were 149 in- and 9,260 out- patients against 138 in- and 9,373 out- patients in the previous year.

(*g*) *Mortality and its causes.*—There were 13 deaths during the year among in-patients, six of which were from cholera, three from dysentery, one from Tetanus one from sarcomaleg, one from dropsy and the other from disease of the liver. Eight of these were admitted into hospital in a moribund condition. No deaths from septic diseases acquired in or outside the hospital.

(*h*) There were 475 surgical operations during the year against 426 of last year.

(*i*) *Hospital establishment.*—Sufficient and efficient.

(*j*) *Midwife.*—Seventy labour cases were conducted by the midwife during the year against 78 in the previous year.

(*k*) *Caste and Gosha hospital.*—Nil.

(*l*) *General Remarks.*—A good supply of drinking water is a desideratum.

PALNI,
11th April 1898.

(Signed) C. M. TIRUVADISAWMY,
Civil Apothecary.

Disposal No. 2075 of 1898.

Forwarded.

MADURA,
18th May 1898.

(Signed) W. F. THOMAS, M.D., Surgeon-Major,
Dist. Medical and Sanitary Officer.

Dis. No. 659.

1. Submitted.

2. *Paragraph* 6.—The current year's collections are not very satisfactory, the percentage of collections to the demand being only 92 as against 99 in the previous year.

3. *Paragraph* 7.—There is a falling off in the demand under the head of "Taxes on lands," which has not been adequately explained, and the current collections are unsatisfactory. It does not appear that the registers of this tax were revised as ordered by Government in its review of last year's municipal report.

4. *Paragraph* 13.—There is no improvement in the amount realised from the sale of sweepings and the price per cart-load sold is still very low.

5. *Paragraph* 20.—There is a decrease under "Municipal fines" and a falling off in the number of nuisance cases presented by the police.

6. *Paragraph* 23.—It is satisfactory to note that there was a slight increase in the number of houses served by the private scavenging agency and in the receipts from this source. There is still, however, room for considerable extension of the service. There is an improvement in collections, but fees are apparently not collected in advance as they should be.

7. *Paragraph* 32.—The expenditure on communications is still low, being only 31 per cent. of the net increase from tolls. I regret that I am not in a position to make any remarks as to the state of the municipal roads, as I have only very recently taken charge of the division and have not yet been to Palni.

8. *Paragraph* 42, "*Conservancy*".—No steps have apparently yet been taken to protect the Vyapuri tank from pollution. The defective sanitary arrangements made during festivals and the want of a proper supply of drinking water for pilgrims, &c., are matters which should engage the attention of the council. The constant outbreaks of cholera in Palni form a source of grave danger not only to the rest of the district but to the neighbouring districts also.

(Signed) L. G. MOORE,
Ag. Sub-Collector.

3rd June 1898.

Dis. No. 1623-Genl.

Submitted.

J. W. PARTRIDGE,
Ag. Collector.

4th June 1898.

ORDER—No. 1255 M., dated 13th July 1898.

The receipts and charges of the Palni Municipality for 1897-98 are compared below with the budget and revised estimates for the year and the actuals of 1896-97:—

	Actuals, 1896-97.	Budget estimate, 1897-98.	Revised estimate, 1897-98.	Actuals, 1897-98.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Receipts.				
Balance brought forward	3,772	1,230	4,950	4,941
Tax on Buildings and Lands	3,932	3,700	3,850	3,706
,, Vehicles and Animals	618	550	610	658
,, Carts	559	500	500	548
Tolls	4,498	4,000	4,010	4,038
Realizations under Special Acts	40	..	..	40
Rent of Lands, Buildings, &c., and Sale-proceeds of Lands, &c.	198	130	110	150
Conservancy Receipts	75	70	70	61
Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions	93	120	100	96
,, from Medical Institutions	29	20	10	26
Income from Markets and Slaughter-houses	943	1,000	520	596
License Fees	245	150	150	217
Other Fees	10	10	30	29
Fines under Municipal and other Acts	356	250	300	269
Grants and Contributions from Government	16	90	60	..
,, from Local Boards	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000
Recoveries for Services to Private Individuals	609	610	700	823
Miscellaneous	628	550	930	922
Advances Recovered	20	..	..	30
Total	17,650	13,980	17,900	18,150
Charges.				
GRANT I—				
New Works—				
Communications	32	450	450	438
Buildings	885	4,010	4,010	3,881
Water-supply	110	150	100	96
Repairs—				
Communications	1,286	1,500	1,500	1,290
Buildings	158	280	300	290
Water-supply	93	150	80	83
Establishment	180	180	180	180
Tools and Plant and other Stores	28	20	20	..
Contributions for Public Works	75	..	..	..
Total	2,847	6,740	6,640	6,258

—	Actuals, 1896-97.	Budget estimate, 1897-98.	Revised estimate, 1897-98.	Actuals, 1897-98.
Charges—cont.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
GRANT 2—				
Training Schools	52	..	..	..
Municipal Schools—				
On the Salary-result System	485	680	540	529
Grants-in-aid				
Result Grants	800	700	700	700
Building, Furniture, &c., Grants	14	80	70	61
Inspection	100	50	50	50
Miscellaneous	..	190	110	..
Total	1,451	1,700	1,470	1,340
GRANT 3—				
Hospitals and Dispensaries	1,915	1,970	2,120	1,749
Contributions	116	60	120	133
Vaccination	271	240	240	242
Registration of Births and Deaths	157	140	140	140
Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering	3,428	3,910	3,900	3,367
Total	5,887	6,320	6,520	5,631
GRANT 4—				
Lighting	993	1,000	1,000	1,000
Markets and Slaughter-houses	43	40	50	45
Public Garden, Survey of Land, Fire and other Charges	206	480	500	218
Total	1,242	1,520	1,550	1,263
GRANT 5—				
Supervision and Management	1,257	1,470	1,420	1,436
Advances Recoverable	25	..	..	11
Grand Total	12,709	17,450	17,600	15,939
Balance	4,941	— 3,470	300	2,211

2. The municipal council held 22 meetings against 19 in the previous year. The average attendance of ~~the~~ non-official members was fair, though it showed a decline; but, notwithstanding the remarks of Government in the reviews of the reports for the three previous years, the officials again attended very irregularly. The Collector will report to Government the names of any officials who may have been at fault in this matter.

3. *Receipts.*—(1) The net current demand under the tax on buildings rose by Rs. 68, while under the land-tax it fell by Rs. 12. From paragraph 3 of the Sub-Collector's endorsement, it appears that the revision of the land-tax registers which the municipal council was directed in paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 58 M., dated 10th January 1898 to finish as soon as possible, so that the revised assessments might be brought into force from the beginning of the current year, was not completed. This is very unsatisfactory. As under the provisions of sub-section (3) of section 66 of the Act the revised assessments can be adopted only from the beginning of the year following that in which the revision is made, the Government trusts that proper arrangements will be made to complete the revision before the close of the current year and the result of the revision should be reported to Government in due course.

(2) The collections under the tax on buildings continued to be satisfactory; but those under the tax on lands declined and were not good. There was a large increase in the number of warrants issued for the recovery of the taxes and their execution was prompt.

(3) There was an increase in the receipts from fishery rents; but the income from tolls and markets declined for the reason stated in paragraphs 9 and 15 of the Chairman's report. The amount realized by the sale of sweepings showed a slight falling off, and from paragraph 4 of the Sub-Collector's endorsement it appears that, notwithstanding the remarks of Government in paragraph 3 (2) of the previous year's review, the charge per cart-load continued to be very low. The income from fines also showed a decline.

(4) The number of houses served by the private scavenging agency was 868 or 13 more than in the previous year, and the fees collected, which amounted to Rs. 823 against Rs. 609 in 1896-97, more than covered the cost of the service. As it is not intended that this service should be a source of profit to the municipal council, the excess of Rs. 188 in the receipts over the charges should be spent in its extension, for which there is considerable scope, seeing that only 31·7 per cent. of the number of houses assessed to the tax on buildings availed themselves of this service.

4. *Expenditure*—(1) *Public Works.*—The municipal office building, which was under construction in the previous year, was completed at a total cost of Rs. 3,502 and a compound wall for it was built at a cost of Rs. 522. The total outlay on communications amounted to Rs. 1,728 or 43·6 per cent. of the net municipal income from tolls against the minimum of 50 per cent. fixed by Government; but the short expenditure under this head was allowed by Government as a special case owing to paucity of funds. The Revenue Divisional officer has not reported on the condition of the roads, as he took charge of the division only recently; but judging from the short expenditure on communications during the last two years, it is not likely that they were maintained in good order.

(2) *Education.*—The net expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 1,244 or 13·9 per cent. of the income from taxation. Of this sum Rs. 1,081 were spent on primary, and the remainder on secondary, education. The municipal council continued to maintain two primary schools on the salary-result system and to aid one secondary and nine primary schools with result grants. The attendance at the Panchama Lower Primary school remained stationary; but at the other institutions taken together it improved. As in the previous year, all these schools appear to have done well at the departmental and grant examinations, and the allotment for result grants was fully utilized. It is satisfactory to note that the number of boys under instruction in the municipal and aided schools rose from 585 to 635 or 52·4 per cent. of the male population of school-going age.

(3) *Medical Relief.*—The number of in-patients treated at the municipal hospital rose from 138 to 149, but the attendance of out-patients declined owing to constant changes in the personnel of the medical officers in charge. The midwife attached to the hospital attended seventy cases of labour or eight less than in the previous year. The attention of the municipal council is drawn to the civil apothecary's suggestion in paragraphs 5 (*a*) and (*b*) of his report regarding the construction of two permanent sheds for cases of cholera and other infectious diseases and the execution of repairs and other improvements to the hospital buildings.

(4) *Vaccination and Vital Statistics.*—The total number of vaccine operations performed during the year remained almost stationary; but for the reason given in paragraph 40 of the Chairman's report, the quality of the work greatly deteriorated, the percentage of reported success being 82·4 per cent. against 92·9 in the previous year. It is observed that the number of children under one year successfully vaccinated rose from 417 or 24·6 per mille of the population to 487 or 28·7 per mille, but the number of cases is still too small.

The number of births registered during the year remained almost the same as in 1896-97; but the number of deaths fell from 471 to 378. The returns in both cases cannot be regarded as accurate, the rates recorded being much below the normal. The instructions issued on this subject in paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 926 M., dated 17th May 1898, should be strictly followed.

(5) *Sanitation.*—More than 13 per cent. of the allotment under this head was allowed to lapse, but the expenditure amounted to Rs. 3,367 or 25·4 per cent. of the current receipts against 24·7 per cent. in 1896-97. From paragraph 42 of the Chairman's report it appears that some attention was paid to the sanitary needs of the town; but the civil apothecary's report and paragraph 8 of the Sub-Collector's endorsement show that much yet remains to be done in this direction. The council should take energetic action to remedy the defects pointed out by those officers.

5. *General Remarks.*—The year closed with a balance of Rs. 2,211 or 16·7 per cent. of the current receipts, but the greater portion of this sum might have been spent with advantage in improving the sanitation of the town.

The improvement of roads, vaccination, registration of vital statistics and sanitation demand increased attention. In other respects, the administration of the municipality during the year under review continued to be fair.

(True Extract.)

for *Secretary to Government.*

To the Chairman, Municipal Council, Palni.
" Collector of Madura.
" President, District Board, Madura.
" Accountant-General.
" Director of Public Instruction.
" Surgeon-General.
" Sanitary Board.
" " Commissioner.
" " Engineer.
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

From D. D. THOMAS, Esq., Chairman, Municipal Council, Palni, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the Sub-Collector and Collector of Madura), dated 26th May 1898, No. 6.

I have the honour to submit the administration report of the Palni Municipality for the year 1897–98. The year under report was the twelfth after the constitution of the municipality.

I.—CONSTITUTION OF THE COUNCIL.

2. The council which consists of twelve nominated members, inclusive of the *ex-officio*, had its full strength at the commencement of the year under report. Eight councillors vacated office during the year—six non-officials by efflux of time and two officials by transfer from the station. One councillor vacated office on the 31st July 1897, and the gentleman who was appointed in his stead on the 24th August 1897 had to be removed, as he was not eligible to be a councillor under section 10-A of the Municipal Act as amended. Another councillor vacated office on 27th November 1897, and four others on 22nd January 1898. Of these six vacancies among the non-officials, one was filled up on 25th January 1898, one on 1st February 1898, and two others on 15th March 1898, and two more seats remained vacant at the close of the year. Of the two vacancies among the officials, one was caused by the transfer of M.R.Ry. G. S. Ponnuswami Pillai Avargal, Sub-Registrar and Chairman on the 16th October 1897, and I was appointed in his stead on 1st February 1898. The other vacancy caused by the transfer of the Tahsildar was filled up by his successor in office on 15th February 1898. Thus the council had only ten members at the close of the year—seven Natives, two Europeans and one Eurasian.

3. The office of Chairman was held by M.R.Ry. G. S. Ponnuswami Pillai Avargal, B.A., till the 16th October 1897, M.R.Ry. R. Vadivelu Pillai Avargal was the Chairman-delegate till I was appointed Chairman and assumed charge from him on the 4th February 1898.

4. Twenty-two meetings were held during the year under report against 19 in the year previous, and they were on an average attended by six councillors—one official and five non-officials—against seven in the previous year. The decrease under non-officials must be attributed to the vacancies caused in the council during the year and the great delay that has taken place in filling them up. No meeting had to be adjourned for want of quorum.

5. The total receipts of the municipality inclusive of the opening balance amounted to Rs. 18,149–9–0 and the charges to Rs. 15,938–12–10, thus leaving a balance of Rs. 2,210–12–2 against Rs. 17,900, Rs. 17,600 and Rs. 300, respectively, the figures of the revised estimate. The small swelling under receipts occurred mainly under taxes on animals and carts, market and private scavenging fees, partly counterbalanced by short receipts under tax on houses. The decrease under charges occurred under all the grants except 5.

II.—RECEIPTS.

6. *Tax on Buildings.*—The demand under this head as revised in 1896–97 was Rs. 3,781–2–0 and the assessment on certain new buildings and additions raised the demand to Rs. 3,849 in the year under report. Of this sum Rupees 3,565–8–0 was collected, Rs. 59–10–0 was written off the accounts as irrecoverable and Rs. 223–14–0 left as balance. The arrear balance under the head, viz, Rs. 3–8–0, was collected. The percentage of current collections to demand was 92·7, that of writes-off 1·5, and that of arrears 5·8 against 99·9 and ·1, respectively, in 1896–97. The low percentage of collections must be attributed to bad and unfavourable season. The number of warrants issued during the year under report was nearly double that issued in the previous year, being 165 against 89, which, when added to the one that remained unexecuted at the close of the previous year, makes 166. Of these 149 were executed or cancelled and 17 remained unexecuted. The number of distraints made were almost the same as in the previous year, being 57 against 59, and the number of cases in which sales were effected was 11 against 25 in the previous year. The number of prosecutions was the same as in the previous year, viz., 7. Of these, 5 were withdrawn as payment was tendered and two remained undisposed of. The mode of assessing the houses was the same as in previous years.

		Rs.	A.	P.
1896–97	.. .. ..	3,759	2	0
1897–98	.. .. ..	3,569	0	0
	Decrease ..	190	2	0

7. *Tax on lands.*—This consists of the taxes on arable lands and vacant sites. The demand fell from Rs. 177–8–0 to Rs. 165. The demand on arable lands was the same, being Rs. 80–4–0, but the demand on vacant sites fell from Rupees 97–4–0 to Rs. 84–12–0, and the decrease was because certain vacant sites have been occupied by houses and taxed under that head. Of the demand of Rs. 165, Rs. 130–12–0 was collected, Rs. 2–12–0 written off and Rs. 31–8–0 was left as balance. Out of Rs. 9–14–0 that stood as arrears under the head at the commencement of the year under report, Rs. 5–14–0 was collected and Rs. 4 remained as balance. Thus, the aggregate balance under the head was Rs. 35–8–0 against Rs. 9–14–0 in the previous year. The percentage of current collections to demand was 79·2, that of writes-off 1·7 and that of arrears 19·1 against 89·2, 6·2 and 4·6, respectively, in the previous year. The low collections must be attributed to bad season as in the case of house-tax. Five warrants were issued for the recovery of this tax, of which only three were executed within the year. One distraint was made and the property had to be sold in that case. There were seven prosecutions for this tax against only one in the previous year, of which four were withdrawn as payment of the tax was tendered and three remained undisposed of at the close of the year.

		Rs.	A.	P.
1896–97	.. ..	172	12	0
1897–98	.. ..	136	10	0
	Decrease ..	36	2	0

8. *Tax on vehicles, animals and carts.*—The demand under these heads amounted to Rs. 1,223–12–0 against Rs. 1,172–14–0 in the previous year. The increase occurred both under vehicles and animals. There was a slight falling off under carts. As remarked in the previous year's report the increase must be attributed to the exertions of the Sanitary Inspector. Out of the demand, Rs. 1,206–4–0 was collected within the year, and Rs. 17–8–0 was left as balance—Rs. 14–8–0 under animals and Rs. 3 under carts.

		Rs.	A.	P.
1896–97	.. .. ..	1,177	6	0
1897–98	.. .. ..	1,206	4	0
	Increase ..	28	14	0

9. *Tolls.*—The tolls were leased out for Rs. 6,005 against Rs. 6,735 in the previous year, and the decrease was owing to the occurrence of only one festival during the year under report against two in the previous year. The usual contribution to the district board—one third—was paid. The excess payment

		Rs.	A.	P.
1896–97	.. .. ..	4,497	12	4
1897–98	.. .. ..	4,038	1	2
	Decrease ..	459	11	2

to district board during the previous year, which was transferred to advances recoverable by Government in their Memorandum No. 776, dated 21st July 1897, was recovered during the current year by short-payment.

10. The incidence of taxation per head of population was As. 8-5 including tolls against As. 9-1 in the previous year, and As. 4-8 excluding tolls against As. 4-10 in the previous year.

11. A sum of Rs. 40 was realised for the grant of a license for the performance of a drama in a temporary pandal.

12. The increase under the realizations of the sale-proceeds of old materials over the figures of the revised estimate was due to the sale of an old shed in the office compound.

13. There has been a slight decrease under "sale-proceeds of rubbish" and no special reasons could be assigned for it. The rubbish was sold at 6 pies a cart-load, as the council was of opinion that that was a reasonable price.

14. There has also been a decrease under "sale-proceeds of medicines." The sale-proceeds of the fruits of the tamarind trees in the hospital compound had increased.

15. *Income from Markets.*—The decrease was due to the occurrence of only one festival during the year under report against two in the previous year as already stated in paragraph 9 *supra*. The daily market was leased out for Rs. 44 only against Rs. 80 in the previous year, as the greater portion of it was occupied by the office building. This was removed from the site about the end of the year, as the office building was occupied, and so a sum of Rs. 5-7-6 had to be refunded to the contractor. Application has been made to the Collector to arrange for the acquisition of a site in the heart of the town for a market. The sum of Rs. 19-1-0 that stood as arrears under this head was written off the accounts as already stated in paragraph 18 of the last year's report.

	Rs.	A.	P.
1896-97	681	12	7
1897-98	325	3	0
Decrease ..	356	9	7

16. The slaughter-house was leased out for Rs. 270 against Rs. 261 in the previous year.

17. *Warrant fees.*—One hundred and seventy warrants were issued during the year under report, which, when added to the one that stood unexecuted at the commencement of the year, made 171. Of these 152 were executed. Out of these only fees on 142, viz., Rs. 17-12-0 was collected. Of the remaining ten, distraints had been made on seven of them and the properties remained unsold. The sale-proceeds of the property distrained on one warrant was insufficient to cover the warrant and distraint fees, and the tax for the recovery of which another warrant was issued was written off the accounts as the defaulter was a pauper, and no fees was collected on the warrant that remained unexecuted at the commencement of the year as the old Act did not enforce the levy of a warrant fee.

18. There has been a decrease of Rs. 27-12-0 under "license fees", and this decrease was chiefly due to the large collections of fees for lodging materials in streets during the previous year. There are also slight differences under other items.

19. A sum of As. 8 realised as search fees for searching certain documents of previous years and As. 6 copying fees for copies of certain papers applied for have been credited to municipal funds and shown under "other fees."

20. There has been a decrease under "magisterial fines" by about Rs. 90. One hundred and twenty-nine cases were prosecuted by the police during the year against 149 in the previous year and Rs. 179-4-0 only was collected as fine against Rs. 232-8-0 in the previous year. One hundred and fourteen prosecutions were instituted under the Municipal Act against 130 in the previous year and Rs. 89-5-0 was the amount realised as fines against Rs. 124 in the previous year. Many of the municipal prosecutions for failure to take out licenses had to be withdrawn on payment of fees being tendered.

21. Rs. 60 had been taken credit for in the revised estimate for a grant from Provincial funds for moiety of cost of gymnastic apparatus to be purchased, but nothing was recovered as the apparatus were not purchased within the year.

22. The usual contribution of Rs. 1,000 from Local funds was recovered towards the upkeep of the dispensary.

23. *Private Scavenging Fees.*—A sum of Rs. 823 was realised under this head against the revised estimate of Rs. 700. These fees were levied at the rate sanctioned in G.O., No. 159 M., dated 4th February 1895. The number of houses served increased by 13 and the demand also increased to Rs. 708-2-0 from Rs. 682-13-6 in the previous year. Of this sum, Rs. 641-14-0 was collected and Rs. 66-4-0 was left as balance. A sum of Rs. 153-2-6 was the arrears under the head as shown in the previous year's statement. The privy attached to the sub-jail, Palni, was being cleaned by municipal agency from 1st April 1892, and a sum of Rs. 60 accrued as arrears on that account till the close of March 1897. The privy attached to the taluk cutcherry was also cleaned by municipal agency and a sum of Rs. 3 accrued as arrears till the close of March 1897. Thus the arrear demand under the head amounted to Rs. 216-12-6. Of this sum, Rs. 181-2-0 was realised during the year under report, Rs. 10-8-0 written off, and Rs. 25-2-6 left as balance. Rs. 54 out of Rs. 60, the arrears due for the sub-jail privy, was recovered within the year and the balance Rs. 6 has since been recovered. The arrear fees due for the taluk cutcherry privy has also been recovered within the year. The aggregate arrears under the head at the close of 1897-98 amounted to Rs. 91-6-6 against Rs. 216-12-6 in the previous year. The percentage of current collections has risen from 77 to 80·7. The collection of this fee was entrusted to bill-collectors during the year under report, as the peon who was entrusted with this collection in the previous year was not able to do his work satisfactorily. As the season was bad and as the collection was taken up by the bill-collectors for the first time, they were not able to clear off the whole demand. It is hoped that no arrears will be left under the head from the current year. The expenditure for the service during the year was Rs. 634-13-2, and so the business has been managed at a profit of Rs. 188-2-10.

24. The fishery was sold for Rs. 920 during the year under report.

25. A sum of Rs. 1-8-6, excess sale-proceeds of distrained property, was credited to Municipal funds as the same remained unclaimed for over six months.

26. Arrangements are being made to execute the decree of the light contractor referred to in paragraph 28 of the previous year's report reviewed in G O., No. 1760 M., dated 11th August 1897.

27. The decree against the defaulter of the cart-stand contract was executed during the year, and the defaulter was let off by the District Munsif, Dindigul, on condition that he should pay off the decree amount in monthly instalments at Rs. 5. The first two instalments were paid.

28. The advances of Rs. 10 that remained with a vakil at Dindigul for the execution of a decree and Rs. 15 that remained with the Superintendent, Maternity Hospital, Madras, for the pay and travelling allowance of a new midwife, were adjusted during the year. The sum of Rs. 5-2-4, excess payment of toll contribution to district board, referred to in Government Memorandum, No. 776, dated 21st July 1897, was also recovered by short payment during the year under report and adjusted.

III.—Expenditure.

29. *Grant 1, Public Works—New Works—Communications.*—A new tunnel was constructed at a cost of Rs. 437-15-3 just at the junction of East and North Car streets to carry off storm water which was overflowing the road there and damaging it.

30. *Buildings.*—The revised provision of Rs. 4,010 under this head consisted of Rs. 3,150 for office building, Rs. 650 for the compound wall to the office building, Rs. 250 for the construction of two privies, and Rs. 60 for the construction of a toll shed. The cost of the office building was Rs. 3,476-14-10 and the charges incurred in the purchase of betels, nuts, &c., on the occasion of the opening ceremony of the office amounted to Rs. 25. This expenditure was sanctioned by the council. Thus

the aggregate cost of the office building amounted to Rs. 3,501–14–10, of which Rs. 450 was paid in 1896–97. The construction of the compound wall to the office was almost completed within the year, and a sum of Rs. 521–8–5 was paid, but as the iron gates applied for from Madras were not received in time the whole allotment was not utilised. Two single latrines with brick walls were constructed at a cost of Rs. 244–3–4. A toll-shed with tiled roof, which was constructed in 1896–97, was paid for during the year under report as the bill was not received in time to admit of payment in 1896–97. The provision of Rs. 1,400 made under this head for a market was utilised for other purposes as it was found impossible to complete the acquisition of a site within that amount. Rs. 2,000 has been provided in the budget of 1898–99 for the purpose.

31. *Water-supply.*—A new well was partly sunk in West Car street at a cost of Rs. 95–7–4. The work had to be discontinued as the rainy season set in. A sum of Rs. 100 has been sanctioned this year from the balance for the completion of the work.

32. *Repairs—Communications.*—The expenditure on the repair and maintenance of town roads and lanes amounted to Rs. 1,290–4–10 during the year under report against Rs. 1,286–0–11 in the previous year. Payment for the construction of a tunnel estimated to cost Rs. 200 was not made within the year and hence the savings in the budget provision. Three roads were remetalled and four repaired or maintained and five lanes were repaired. The expenditure on communications was 31·6 per cent. of the toll receipts against 28·6 per cent. in the previous year.

33. *Buildings.*—Certain doors and windows of the hospital were replaced and some improvement to the cook-room attached to the medical officer's quarters was carried out in 1896–97. These were paid only during the year under report. Certain toll sheds were also repaired.

34. *Grant 2, Education—Salary-results Schools.*—The expenditure under this head was Rs. 528–7–4 against Rs. 485–7–10 in the previous year. Two schools—one for Hindus and the other for Panchamas—were maintained. The Hindu school had the third and the fourth standards only for a greater portion of the year even though the opening of the lower standards was sanctioned in G.O., No. 193 M., dated 10th February 1897, and the educational authorities had been requested to arrange for the opening of the lower classes then and there. An additional teacher on Rs. 8 a month was, however, appointed in October 1897. A shed at a cost of Rs 28 was put up as advised by the educational authorities in front of the school to accommodate the lower standards. The average attendance in both the schools have increased to a very great extent even though there has been only a little improvement in the number on rolls on 31st March. Consequently the average cost of educating each pupil has decreased to an appreciable extent in both the schools. The results in the examinations have also been very fair.

35. *Results Grants.*—Only Rs. 700–4–0 was paid under this head against Rs. 799–11–0 in the previous year. As the provision in the budget was reduced to Rs. 700, naturally the assignments to schools were reduced. Ten schools were aided as in the previous year and they were paid grants at maximum rates. As the assignment fixed by the educational authorities was 10 per cent. in excess of the budget provision, payment of a sum of Rs. 33 to a school within its limit of assignment had to be refused. The educational statements received from the Assistant Inspector of Schools are submitted herewith. Even though the number of schools at the close of the year under report was the same as in the previous year, viz., 10, yet one school was newly opened during the year and one was closed. There has been a fair increase in the number of pupils on rolls on the 31st March, in the number of pupils presented for examination and in the number of passes secured. Results grants were paid at maximum rates subject to the assignment system. There has been a fair improvement in education during the year under report.

36. A sum of Rs. 50 was paid as contribution to district board for the services of the Local Fund Inspecting schoolmaster who inspects the schools in the municipality also.

37. The balance of furniture grant, viz., Rs. 36–5–0 referred to in paragraph 41 of the previous year's report embodied in G.O., No. 1760 M., dated 11th August 1897, and a building grant of Rs. 25 to a school were paid during the year under report. The building grant of Rs. 25 was met from the provision for the pay of the gymnastic instructor which remained unutilized.

38. No gymnastic instructor was appointed till the middle of March and so there was no necessity for the utilization of the allotment. Gymnastic apparatus too were not purchased even though the educational authorities were asked to utilize the provision.

39. *Grant 3, Hospitals and Dispensaries.*—Even though there has been an increase under "establishment," "diet" and "contingencies," still there has been a decrease below the figures of the previous year owing to the non-payment of the cost of the medicines within the year. The provision in the budget was only for a junior apothecary, but in spite of that the Surgeon-General appointed a senior at the close of August 1897. His posting was objected to by the council and Government was pleased to order the posting of a junior in the beginning of December 1897. However the senior was not replaced till the close of January 1898, and so he was in service for five months during the year. The excess pay for the senior for the last two months he was in service and the pay of the junior, who assumed charge on the 1st February 1898, for that month, were not paid within the year, the former owing to the receipt of the Government sanction on the 27th March 1898, after which date there was no time to obtain a bill from the apothecary who was in Tiruvalur, and the latter for want of a last-pay certificate; hence the savings in the budget provision. The Accountant-General was requested to purchase a draft on London for £12–10–8, being cost of medicines due to Messrs. Burgoyne, Burbidges & Co., London, and the draft was not received within the year; hence that provision was left unspent. There has been no appreciable increase in the number of in-patients treated over the figures of the previous year, but the diet charges have greatly increased. During the time the senior was in charge, the diet and contingent charges were very high and the District Surgeon had to be addressed to order him to see that he did not exceed even the budget allotment. No special reasons are assigned in the Medical officer's report for this increase. During the year under report there was rather a frequent change of hands, the institution having been in charge of three officers. It is now in charge of M.R.Ry. C. M. Tirumudiswami Pillai, L.M. & S., who is very useful and popular. The Council begs to bring it to the notice of Government that constant changes in the *personnel* of the officers in charge of the institution tend to affect its popularity. The midwife performed 70 cases during the year against 78 in the previous year. The Medical officer's report for 1897–98 is submitted. An estimate for the repair of the hospital building is before the council. Other improvements suggested will be taken up on hand when funds are available. Two temporary sheds have been put up—one for treatment of cholera cases and the other for the treatment of infectious diseases.

40. *Vaccination.*—The expenditure under this head was Rs. 241–13–3 against Rs. 270–8–2 in the previous year. The decrease was because the previous year's figure included certain arrear contributions paid to district board. The number of vaccinations during the year was almost the same as in the previous year, being 910 against 915, but the number of successful operations fell by 100, being only 750 against 850. This was owing to the supply of bad lymph during the month of July 1897. The average cost of vaccinating each case was As. 5–2 against As. 5–1 in the previous year. The number of infantile vaccinations was 569 against 450 in the previous year, and the number of successful operations was 487 against 417. There were only 175 re-vaccinations against 327 in the previous year, of which 133 proved successful. There were 247 prosecutions for failure to get children vaccinated during the year against 165 in the previous year. The work was under the supervision of the local Medical officer as usual.

41. *Registration of Births and Deaths.*—The expenditure under this head during the year under report was Rs. 139–11–11 against Rs. 157–3–0 in the previous year, and the increase in the previous year was due to the cost of printing certain forms.

Five hundred and twenty-two births and 378 deaths were recorded during the year under report against 526 births and 471 deaths in the previous year, thus showing a slight decrease of 4 under births and 93 under deaths. The increase in the number of deaths in the previous year was due to the prevalence of cholera, the number of deaths on that account being 123. During the year under report also there was cholera in a mild and sporadic form in the months of April and November 1897 and the months of January, February and March 1898. In November 1897, it lasted from the 1st to 27th of the month. In March 1898, it broke out in the form of an epidemic on the 24th, and it continued till 2nd May 1898. During the year under report 33 deaths were recorded under this head. The birth and death registrar goes out into the town and collects information and the other out-door staff also are required to make inquiries of births and deaths and report them to the registrar. There were no prosecutions for failure to register births or deaths.

42. *Conservancy.*—The expenditure under this head was Rs. 3,367–5–9 against Rs. 3,427–14–5 in the previous year. There was an increase under "(*a*) (ii) Contingencies" owing to the purchase of two night-soil carts, a decrease under "cholera charges" and cost of making sanitary arrangements during festivals. Cholera was not so severe during the year under report as in the previous year, and there was only one festival during the year under report against two in the previous year. The staff and plant employed was the same as in the previous year. As already reported in paragraph —*supra*, cholera was prevalent in a mild form during certain months in the year. There were 82 attacks and 33 deaths in all during the year, of which 28 attacks and 11 deaths occurred in November 1897, and 30 attacks and 11 deaths in March 1898. Necessary sanitary arrangements were made by the employment of special establishment, &c. A cholera shed was also put up. The cost of the arrangements amounted to Rs. 68–8–6. The general health of the people was good. There was water-scarcity to some extent and that, during the close of the year, wells were protected. The scheme for the water-supply of the town is in the hands of the Sanitary Engineer. Necessary levels have been taken. The usual sanitary arrangements were made during the festival. The night-soil depot was cropped, but the crops failed for want of rain. Two single latrines with mud walls were replaced by brick-walled ones at a cost of Rs. 244–3–4. The matter of selecting a site for the Muhammadan burial-ground is in the hands of the Revenue Department.

43. *Grant 4, Lighting.*—The expenditure under this head was almost the same as in the previous year, being Rs. 1,000–2–4 against Rs. 992–15–0. The business was managed departmentally as in the previous year. Seven new lights were provided during the year and there were in all 114 lights or 65 per square mile.

44. *Other Charges.*—This consisted of Rs. 178–15–6, cost of printing municipal proceedings; Rs. 16–0–6, cost of executing certain decrees; Rs. 15–9–10, kist on certain lands belonging to the municipality; and Rs. 7–10–6, cost of numbering carts.

45. *Grant 5.*—The expenditure under this grant was Rs. 1,435–13–11 against Rs. 1,257–9–8 in the previous year, the increase occurring under "(*d*) Office Contingencies," and contribution for Central office establishment. Owing to the transfer of the Sub-Registrar-Chairman, there was a saving under carriage allowance. The expenditure under Office Contingencies consisted of Rs. 283–0–9; cost of forms, Rs. 92–8–0, office rent; Rs. 40, postage; and the balance such as pay of office sweeper, cost of Municipal Acts, &c. The increase under this item over the previous year's figure was due to the great increase under cost of printed forms. On account of this very high increase the allotment in the revised budget which also provided for the cost of office furniture had to be exceeded. The Accountant-General has, of late, informed that Rs. 33–2–4 was drawn in excess of what was due on account of printed forms which he says may be adjusted from the cost due for the current year. As the furniture for office which were indented for from Madras were not supplied within the year, they were not paid for. The office building was completed in December 1897, and so rent for the old building had to be paid for nine months.

46. *Advances Recoverable.*—A sum of Rs. 10–5–4 remained with me as advance out of the sum drawn for the repair of a portion of Adivaram road and As. 7–6 remained with a Vakil in Dindigul for the execution of a decree. Rs. 39–12–0

advanced during the previous years,—Rs. 35 permanent advance with the apothecary and Rs. 4–12–0 with the Vakil for the execution of another decree—remained unrecovered at the close of the year under report.

IV. Closing Balance.

47. A sum of Rs. 2,210–12–2 remained as balance at the close of the year against Rs. 300 expected in the revised estimate.

Enclosure.

Concise Annual Report on the Municipal Hospital, Palni, for the official year 1897–98.

Public Health.—The principal diseases treated in order of frequency during the year under report were malarial fevers, skin diseases of sorts, diseases of the eye, ear and digestive system; all these preventable and mostly due to bad supply of drinking-water.

Cholera broke out in an epidemic form; the first case appeared on the 1st November 1897 and the outbreak continued up to the 7th February 1898. Thirty-nine cases were attacked, 17 of these proved fatal. Again by the end of March, the disease broke out, the first case occurring in a permanent resident of the town who succumbed to the disease the next day after the attack. The great crowd that poured in during the Panguni festival tended greatly towards the continuance, increase and spread of the disease. All necessary sanitary precautions and measures towards the prevention and further spread of the disease were adopted.

Four important festivals were celebrated during the year; the usual and necessary sanitary arrangements were made on these occasions.

(2) *Vital Statistics.*—There were 522 births (males 264, females 258) and 378 deaths (males 212, females 166) during the year as against 526 births and 471 deaths in the previous year.

The chief causes of mortality being—cholera 33, fevers 26, bowel-complaints 4, and accidental and other causes 315.

(3) *Sanitation*—(*a*) *Conservancy.*—There are 43 dust-bins, 9 rubbish carts, 8 latrines and 3 night-soil carts, the number of dust-bins and rubbish carts being quite inadequate for the requirements of a town of such size and population. Eight hundred and sixty-eight houses are worked under the private scavenging system and 10 scavengers are employed for the purpose.

(*b*) *Drinking-water.*—Reliable drinking-water could be got at only from wells, and these are a few and quite insufficient; until and unless some more wells are sunk, it will be very difficult, nay impossible, to prevent the periodical visitations of cholera in this town.

(*c*) *Drains.*—Some of the streets and a few of the lanes have drains, those in the streets are knee-deep and only serve as receptacles for the storage of house and bazaar rubbish, while those in the lanes are quite punitive in style and build.

The slaughter-house built on the standard plan is kept clean and tidy. A public market for the town is a necessity. The proposal to remove the cemetery from the town is still under consideration.

(4) *Vaccination.*—Nine hundred and ten cases were vaccinated during the year; of these 705 were primary, 30 secondary and 175 re-vaccinations. Seven hundred and fifty of these were successful, 95 unsuccessful and 65 unknown. Five hundred and sixty-nine of these were performed on children under one year of age. Of the total number 910, 703 cases were verified by the civil apothecary. The vaccinator works directly under the civil apothecary in the municipal hospital. Glycerine paste from the Madras Municipal depot is the lymph used.

(5) *Hospitals and Dispensaries*—(*a*) *Nature and Sufficiency of Accommodation.*—The accommodation is sufficient for the provided number of beds, viz., 6, but two permanent sheds, one for cholera cases and the other for contagious and septic diseases of sorts are badly needed.

(*b*) *State of repairs of buildings.*—The buildings require white-washing, floors repairing, and better latrine accommodation should be provided.

(*c*) *State of repair of furniture.*—Good.

(*d*) *Inspections.*—By the District Medical and Sanitary officers by the end of March 1897 and by the Sub-Collector, Dindigul, once.

Their chief recommendations were the erection of a compound wall for the hospital, better latrine accommodation, white-washing of the hospital building, painting of doors and windows and increase of salary to the ward attendant and sweeper. None of these were carried out by the Municipal Council.

(*e*) *Amount of recoveries from paying patients and for medicines.*—No recoveries from paying patients, but the sum of Rs. 7-13-6 was realised during the year by sale of medicines.

(*f*) The total number of patients treated were 149 in- and 9,260 out- patients against 138 in- and 9,373 out- patients in the previous year.

(*g*) *Mortality and its causes.*—There were 13 deaths during the year among in-patients, six of which were from cholera, three from dysentery, one from Tetanus one from sarcomaleg, one from dropsy and the other from disease of the liver. Eight of these were admitted into hospital in a moribund condition. No deaths from septic diseases acquired in or outside the hospital.

(*h*) There were 475 surgical operations during the year against 426 of last year.

(*i*) *Hospital establishment.*—Sufficient and efficient.

(*j*) *Midwife.*—Seventy labour cases were conducted by the midwife during the year against 78 in the previous year.

(*k*) *Caste and Gosha hospital.*—Nil.

(*l*) *General Remarks.*—A good supply of drinking water is a desideratum.

PALNI,
11*th April* 1898.

(Signed) C. M. TIRUVADISAWMY,
Civil Apothecary.

Disposal No. 2075 of 1898.

Forwarded.

MADURA,
18*th May* 1898.

(Signed) W. F. THOMAS, M.D., Surgeon-Major,
Dist. Medical and Sanitary Officer.

Dis. No. 659.

1. Submitted.

2. *Paragraph* 6.—The current year's collections are not very satisfactory, the percentage of collections to the demand being only 92 as against 99 in the previous year.

3. *Paragraph* 7.—There is a falling off in the demand under the head of "Taxes on lands," which has not been adequately explained, and the current collections are unsatisfactory. It does not appear that the registers of this tax were revised as ordered by Government in its review of last year's municipal report.

4. *Paragraph* 13.—There is no improvement in the amount realised from the sale of sweepings and the price per cart-load sold is still very low.

5. *Paragraph* 20.—There is a decrease under "Municipal fines" and a falling off in the number of nuisance cases presented by the police.

6. *Paragraph* 23.—It is satisfactory to note that there was a slight increase in the number of houses served by the private scavenging agency and in the receipts from this source. There is still, however, room for considerable extension of the service. There is an improvement in collections, but fees are apparently not collected in advance as they should be.

7. *Paragraph* 32.—The expenditure on communications is still low being only 31 per cent. of the net increase from tolls. I regret that I am not in a position to make any remarks as to the state of the municipal roads, as I have only very recently taken charge of the division and have not yet been to Palni.

8. *Paragraph* 42, "*Conservancy*".—No steps have apparently yet been taken to protect the Vyapuri tank from pollution. The defective sanitary arrangements made during festivals and the want of a proper supply of drinking water for pilgrims, &c., are matters which should engage the attention of the council. The constant outbreaks of cholera in Palni form a source of grave danger not only to the rest of the district but to the neighbouring districts also.

(Signed) L. G. MOORE,
Ag. Sub-Collector.

3*rd June* 1898.

Dis. No. 1623-Genl.

Submitted.

J. W. PARTRIDGE,
Ag. Collector.

4*th June* 1898.

Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Current No. 1999 of 1898, dated 26th May 98 from the Chief Palni.

Current No. of 189 , dated from the

Current No. of 189 , dated from the

Current No. of 189 , dated from the

Order. No. 1255 M dt 13-7-98

The ~~estimated~~ receipts and charges of the Palni Municipality for 1897-98, ~~as passed by Government~~, are compared below with the budget and revised estimates for the year and the actuals of 1896-97.

	Actuals, 1896-97.	Budget Estimate, 1897-98.	Revised Estimate, 1897-98.	Actuals 1897-98.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Receipts.				
Balance brought forward	3772	1230	4950	4941
Tax on Arts	3932	3700	3850	3706
Tax on Buildings and Lands	618	550	610	655
Water-Tax on Buildings and Lands	559	500	500	575
Tax on Vehicles and Animals	4498	4000	4010	4038
Tax on Carts	40	..	..	40
Tolls	198	130	110	150
Realizations under Special Acts	75	70	70	61
Rent of Lands, Buildings, &c., and sale-proceeds of Lands, &c.	93	120	100	96
Conservancy Receipts	29	20	10	26
Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions ..	943	1000	520	596
Fees and Revenue from Medical Institutions	245	150	150	217
Income from Markets and Slaughter-houses	10	10	30	29
License fees	356	250	300	269
Other fees				
Fines under Municipal and other Acts	16	90	60	..
Interest on Investments and premium on Loans ..	1000	1000	1000	1000
Grants and Contributions from Government				
Do. from Local Boards	609	610	700	823
Do. from other bodies	628	550	920	922
Recoveries for services to private individuals				
Miscellaneous				
Loans				
Sale-proceeds of Government Securities, &c., and Realizations of Sinking Fund	29	..	..	30
Advances Recovered				
Total ..	17650	13980	17900	18150

Charges.	Actuals, 1896-97.	Budget Estimate, 1897-98.	Revised Estimate, 1897-98.	Actuals 1897-98.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
GRANT 1.				
New Works—				
Communications	32	460	450	438
Buildings	885	4010	4010	3881
Drainage				
Water-supply	110	150	100	96
Repairs—				
Communications	1246	1500	1500	1248
Buildings	158	280	300	290
Drainage				
Water-supply	98	150	80	83
Establishment	180	180	180	180
Tools and Plant and other Stores	28	20	20	..
Contributions for Public Works	75	..	..	..
Total ..	2847	6740	6640	6258
GRANT 2.				
Training Schools	52	-	..	..
Municipal Schools—				
(a) On the Salary System				
(b) On the Salary Result System	485	680	640	626
Grants-in-aid—				
(a) Salary grants				
(b) Result grants	800	700	700	700
(c) Building, Furniture, &c., grants	14	80	70	61
Inspection	100	50	50	50
Miscellaneous	-	190	110	..
Total ..	1451	1700	1470	1340
GRANT 3.				
Hospitals and Dispensaries	1915	1970	2120	1749
Contributions	116	60	120	133
Vaccination	271	240	240	242
Registration of Births and Deaths	157	140	140	140
Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering ..	3428	3910	2900	3367
Total ..	5887	6320	6320	5631
GRANT 4.				
Lighting	998	1000	1000	1000
Markets and Slaughter-houses	43	40	50	45
Choultries				
Travellers' Bungalows				
Avenues				
Public Garden, Survey of Land, Fire and other charges ..	206	480	500	218
Total ..	1242	1520	1550	1263
GRANT 5.				
Supervision and management	1258	1170	1420	142
Repayment of Debt				
Interest on loan				
Advances Recoverable	25	-	..	11
Refunds	-	-	..	-
Discount				
Pensions and Gratuities				
Investments				
Grand Total ..	12,709	17,450	17,600	15939
Balance	4941	-3470	300	2211

2. The Municipal Council held 22 meetings against nineteen in the previous year. The average attendance of the non-official members was fair, though it showed a decline; but notwithstanding the remarks of Government in the reviews of the reports for the three previous years, the officials again attended very irregularly. The Collector will report to Government the names of those at fault in this matter.

3. Receipts (1)- The net current demand under the tax on buildings rose by Rs. 68, while under the land tax it fell by Rs. 12. From para. 3 of the Sub-Collector's endorsement it appears that the revision of the land-tax registers, which the Municipal Council was directed in para. 2 of G.O. No. 58 M, dated 10th January 1898 to finish as soon as possible, so that the revised assessments might be brought into force from the beginning of the current year, was not completed. This is very unsatisfactory. As under the provisions of Sub-section (3) of Section 66 of the Act, the revised assessments can be adopted only from the beginning of the year following that in which the revision is made, the Government trusts that proper arrangements will be made to complete the revision before the close of the current year and the result of the revision should be reported to Government in due course.

(2) The collections under the tax on buildings

buildings continued to be satisfactory; but those under the tax on lands declined and were not good. There was a large increase in the number of warrants issued for the recovery of the taxes and their execution was prompt.

(3) There was an increase in the receipts from fishery rents; but the income from tolls and markets declined for the reason stated in paras. 9 and 15 of the Chairman's report. The amount realized by the sale of sweepings showed a slight falling off, and from para.4 of the Sub-Collector's endorsement it appears that notwithstanding the remarks of Government in para.3(2) of the previous year's review, the charge per cart-load continued to be very low. The income from fines also showed a decline, which is satisfactory if it was due to greater attention to sanitation on the part of the people.

(4) The number of houses served by the private scavenging agency was 868 or 13 more than in the previous year and the fees collected, which amounted to R.823 against R.609 in 1896-97, more than covered the cost of the service. As it is not intended that this service should be a source of profit to the Municipal Council, the excess of R.183 in the receipts over the charges should be spent in its extension, for which there is considerable scope, seeing that only 31.7 per cent of the number of houses assessed to the tax on buildings availed themselves of this service.

4. Expenditure (1) Public Works.

The Municipal office building, which was under construction in the previous year, was completed at a total cost of R.3,502 and a compound wall for it was built at a cost of Rs.522. The total outlay on cummunications amounted to Rs.1,728 or 43.6 per cent of the net municipal income from tolls against the minimum of 50 per cent fixed by Government; but the short expenditure under this head was allowed by Government as a special case owing to paucity of funds. The Revenue Divisional Officer has not reported on the condition of the roads, as he took charge of the Division only recently; but judging from the short expenditure on communications during the last two years, it is not likely that they were maintained in good order.

(2) Education. The net expenditure under this head amounted to Rs.1,244 or 13.9 per cent of the income from taxation. Of this sum Rs.1,081 were spent on primary and the remainder on secondary education. The Municipal Council continued to maintain two primary schools on the salary-result system and to aid one secondary and nine primary schools with result grants. The attendance at the Panchama Lower Primary school remained stationary; but at the other institutions taken together it improved. As in the previous year, all these schools appear to have done well at the departmental and grant examinations and the

allotment

allotment for result grants was fully utilized. It is satisfactory to note that the number of boys under instruction in the Municipal and aided schools rose from 585 to 635 or 52.4 per cent of the male population of schoolgoing age.

(3) Medical Relief. The number of in-patients treated at the Municipal hospital rose from 133 to 149, but the attendance of outpatients declined owing to constant changes in the personnel of the Medical Officer in charge. The Midwife attached to the hospital attended seventy cases of labour or eight less than in the previous year. The attention of the Municipal Council is drawn to the Civil Apothecary's suggestion in paras. 5 (a) and (b) of his report regarding the construction of two permanent sheds for cases of cholera and other infectious diseases and the execution of repairs and other improvements to the hospital buildings.

Vide para 39 of this report

(4) Vaccination and Vital Statistics.

The total number of vaccine operations performed during the year remained almost stationary; but for the reason given in para.40 of the Chairman's report, the quality of the work greatly deteriorated, the percentage of reported success being 82.4 per cent against 92.9 in the previous year. It is gratifying to observe that the number of children under one year successfully vaccinated rose from 417 or 24.6 per mille of the population to 487 or 28.7 per mille, but the number of cases is still too small.

The number of births registered during the year remained almost the same as in 1896-97; but the number of deaths fell from 471 to 378. The returns in both cases cannot be regarded as accurate, the rates recorded being much below

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below the normal. The instructions issued on this subject in para.2 of G.O. No.926 M dated 17th May 1898 should be strictly followed.

(5) Sanitation. More than 13 per cent of the allotment under this head was allowed to lapse, but the expenditure amounted to Rs.3,367 or 25.4 per cent of the current receipts against 24.7 per cent in 1896-97. From para.42 of the Chairman's report it appears that some attention was paid to the sanitary needs of the town; but the civil apothecary's report and para.3 of the Sub-Collector's endorsement show that much yet remains to be done in this direction. The Council should take energetic action to remedy the defects pointed by those officers as funds permit.

5. General Remarks. The year closed with a balance of Rs.2,211 or 16.7 per cent of the current receipts, but the greater portion of this sum should have been spent with advantage in improving the sanitation of the town.

The improvement of roads, vaccination registration of vital statistics and sanitation demand increased attention. In other respects the administration of the Municipality during the year under review continued to be fairly efficient.

V.R. 8/7/98

To
The Chairman, M.C.Palni.
,, Collector of Madura.
,, Prest. Dt. Pd. Madura.
,, Acctt.-Genel.
,, Dir. of Pub. Instn.
,, Surgeon-General.
,, Sanitary Board.
,, Sanitary Commissioner.
,, Sanitary Engineer.
Editors' Table.

Desp 5/8/98

Enclosure No 1 to letter No 6 of 26.5.98

Patna

STATEMENT I.—Revenues and Receipts of the Municipal Fund of the Town of Patna during the official year 1897-98.

	Actuals 1897-98.		Budget	Revised	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
	Details of Minor Heads.	Totals of Major Heads.	Estimate for 1897-98.	Estimate for 1897-98.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. BALANCE BROUGHT FORWARD—					
a. Municipal Fund	4940 15 2		1250	4950 . .	3771 15 6
b. Endowments					
c. Water-tax Fund					
2. MUNICIPAL RATES AND TAXES—					
a. Tax on arts, &c. (section 53) ..					
b. Tax on buildings (section 63) ..	3669		3550	3700 . .	3759 2 .
c. Tax on lands (section 63) ..	136 10 .		150 . .	150	172 12 .
d. Water-tax on buildings and lands (section 75)					
e. Tax on vehicles with springs and palanquins (section 77) ..	76 8		50 .	60	61 8 .
f. Tax on animals (section 77) ..	681 12 .		500 . .	650 . .	566 4 .
g. Tax on carts and other vehicles without springs (section 85) ..	548 . .		500 . .	500 . .	569 . .
h. Tolls (section 91)—					
Gross receipts 6017.6.11					
Less Local Fund share 1979.8.9	4038 1 2		4000	4010 . .	4497 12 4
i. Penalties on account of—					
i. Tax on arts					
ii. Tax on buildings ..					
iii. Tax on lands					
iv. Water-tax on buildings and lands					
v. Tax on vehicles, &c. ..					
vi. Tax on animals					
vii. Tax on carts, &c. ..					
vii. Evasion of tolls		8949 15 2			
3. REALIZATIONS UNDER SPECIAL ACTS—					
a. Pounds					
b. Ferry rents					
c. Fees under Act II of 1888 ..	40 . .	40 . .			40 . .
Carried forward ..		8989 15 2	8750 . .	8970	9647 . 4

Statement I.—Revenues and Receipts of the Municipal Fund of the Town of Pabna during the official year 1897-98—*continued.*

	Actuals 1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals 1897-98. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1897-98.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Brought forward ..		8929 15 2	8750 - -	8970 - -	9647 - 4
4. REVENUE DERIVED FROM MUNICIPAL PROPERTY AND POWERS APART FROM TAXATION—					
a. i. Rent of lands	22 8 -		20 - -	20 - -	22 8 -
ii. Rent of buildings					
iii. Avenue receipts	9 13 -		10 - -	10 - -	12 4 -
iv. Fees from Travellers' Bungalows					
b. i. Sale-proceeds of lands and buildings					42 - -
ii. Produce of lands, gardens, &c.					1 4 -
iii. Sale-proceeds of old materials, empty oil cans, packing cases, &c.	118 2 3		100	80 - -	119 10 6
c. Conservancy receipts—					
Sale-proceeds of night-soil, street refuse, &c.	61 3 -		70 - -	70 - -	74 11 -
d. i. Fees from educational institutions	96 1 6		120 - -	100 - -	92 14 -
ii. Other revenue from educational institutions ..					
e. i. Sale-proceeds and composition fees of medicines ..	7 13 6		20 - -	10 - -	21 13 3
ii. Other Hospital receipts ..	17 12 -				7 7 2
f. i. Income from markets ..	325 3 -		750 - -	250 - -	681 12 7
ii. „ slaughter-houses.	270 8 4		250 - -	270 - -	261 4 11
g. Other fees	17 12 -				
i. Distraint fees	10 8 -		10 - -	20 - -	10 6 -
ii. License fees	217 - 3		150 - -	150 - -	244 12 3
iii. Cartstand fees					
iv. Other fees	- 14 -			10 - -	
h. Fines under Municipal and other Acts.	268 9 -		250 - -	300 - -	356 8 -
i. Interest on investments					
i. General, including choultries					
ii. Educational					
iii. Medical					
j. Premium on loans		1443 11 10			
Carried forward ..		10433 11 -	10500	10260 - -	11596 4 -

Statement I.—Revenues and Receipts of the Municipal Fund of the Town of Pabna during the official year 1897-98—*cont.*

	Actuals 1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals 1897-98. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1897-98.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Brought forward ..		10433 11 -	10500 - -	10260 - -	11596 4 -
5. GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS—					
a. From Government—					
i. Education—					
Normal stipends ..					16 8 9
Buildings					
Municipal Schools ..					
Other purposes			90 - -	60	
ii. Medical					
iii. Other purposes—					
Communications ..					
Water-supply					
Drainage					
Sanitation					
Other purposes ..					
b. From Local Boards—					
i. Education					
ii. Medical	1000 - -		1000 - -	1000 - -	1000 - -
iii. Other purposes					
c. Other grants and contributions—					
i. Education					
ii. Medical					
iii. Other purposes		1000 -			
6. MISCELLANEOUS—					
a. Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals—					
i. Private scavenging ..	823 - -		610 - -	700 - -	608 13 6
ii. Other purposes					
b. Other items—					
i. Fishery rents	920		550 - -	920 - -	625 - -
ii. Refunds of Expenditure of previous year				10 - -	12 -
iii. Fee for numbering carts, &c.	- 4 -				
iv. Other items Deposits unclaimed	1 8 6	1744 12 6			1 14 -
Carried forward ..		13178 7 6	12750 - -	12950 - -	13849 4 3

Statement I.—Revenues and Receipts of the Municipal Fund of the Town of Patna during the official year 1897-98—*cont.*

	Actuals 1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals 1897-98. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1897-98.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
1	2	3	4	5	6
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Brought forward ..		13178 7 6	12750 - -	12950 - -	13849 4 3
7. Extraordinary and debt—					
a. Sale-proceeds of Government securities and withdrawals from Savings Bank.					
b. Loans—					
i. From Government ..					
ii. In the market from private individuals					
c. Realizations of Sinking fund for repayment of loans.					
d. Advances—					
i. Permanent					
ii. Others	30 2 4	30 2 4			28 13 10
Total Receipts ..		13208 9 10	12750 - -	12950 - -	13878 2 1
Grand Total ..		18149 9 .	13980 - -	17900 - -	17660 1 7

Note to Statement I.

1. Tax on arts, &c., is levied on the first—all classes.
2. Tax on buildings is levied at — per cent. and tax on lands at 7½ annas per cent. of rent value. 2 for every 80 square yards.
3. Water-tax on buildings and lands is levied at — per cent.
4. Tax on vehicles and animals is levied at half the maximum rates.
5. Tax on carts, &c., is levied at Rs. 2 per cart. per annum.
6. Tolls are levied at 3/4 the maximum rates. 969 m. min 28-6-90, 1213 m. min 18-9-90, 1634 m. min 4-11-90, 1774 m. min 17-10-91 & 1598 m. min 2-11-94
7. License-fees are levied at the rates sanctioned in G.O.
8. The house-tax registers were last revised in the official year 1897 and the land tax registers in the official year. 91-92
9. Total extent of land assessed is 275.44 acres.
10. The mode of estimating the annual rental of houses and lands is as follows :—

The annual rental for house is calculated on measurement at the rate of Rs 1-8, Rs 2-4, & Rs 3- for every 100 sq feet of thatched, tiled, and terraced building respectively, while bazaars and bungalows let on rent are taxed on the actual rental.

The annual rental on land is calculated at Rs 15. and Rs 3-8 per acre of wet and dry land respectively.

Statement I-A.—Endowments entrusted to the Municipal Council under Sections 25 and 26 of Act V of 1884 for the official year 1897-98.

Name of Institution	Amount of Funded Capital.	Opening Balance.	Interest, Produce of Land, or Rent of buildings.	Appropriation from Capital for Expenditure.	Private Contributions and Donations.	Sale of Medicines or Sundry Property.	Total (Columns 4—7).	Contribution from Local Funds.	Contribution from Provincial Funds.	Total Receipts (Columns 3, 8 and 9).	Appropriation from Municipal Funds (Column 16 minus Column 10).	Invested.	Current Charges.	Total (Statement II).	Allotted for Public Works, (Statement II-A)	Total Charges (Column 14 plus Column 15).	Closing Balance (Column 10 minus Column 16).	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	Rs	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	

Statement II.—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Pabna for the official year 1897-98.

—	Actuals 1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals 1897-98. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1897-98.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
GRANT I—(*Public Works*)—					
1. New Works—					
a. Communications	437 15 3		450 - -	450 - -	32 - -
b. Buildings	3881 4 9		4010 - -	4010 - -	984 4 5
c. Drainage					
d. Water-supply	95 7 4	4414 11 4	150 - -	100 - -	109 12 -
2. Repairs—					
a. Communications	1290 4 10		1600 - -	1600 - -	1286 - 11
b. Buildings	290 2 9		280 - -	300 - -	158 3 1
c. Drainage—					
i. Repairs to works ..					
ii. Establishment for flushing drains, &c.					
d. Water-supply—					
i. Repairs to works, machinery, &c			70		27 6 6
ii. Establishment	82 13 5		80 - -	80 - -	66 3 3
iii. Contingencies		1663 5 -			
3. Establishment	180 - -	180 - -	180 - -	180 - -	180 - -
4. Tools and Plant and other stores.			20 - -	20 - -	27 11 -
5. Contributions—					
a. To Local Boards for works ..					
b. To Provincial Funds for scrutiny of estimates, &c. ..					
c. To others for public works ..					75 - -
Total, Grant I ..		6258 - 4	6740 - -	6640 - -	2847 3 2
GRANT II—(*Education*)—					
1. Training Schools—					
a. Contributions to Local Boards ..					
b. Stipends to Normal students ..					51 10 6
2. Municipal Schools—					
i On Salary System—					
a. Establishment					
b. Contingencies					
Carried forward ..					51 10 6

Statement II.—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Pabna for the official year 1897-98—*cont.*

—	Actuals 1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals 1897-98. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1897-98.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Brought forward ..					51 10 6
GRANT II—(*Education*)—cont.					
ii. On Salary-Results System—					
a. Fixed Payments	362 11 5		490 - -	370 - -	340 2 1
b. Result Grants	105 13 -		140 - -	100 - -	100 - -
c. Contingencies	69 14 11	528 7 4	60 - -	70 - -	45 5 9
3. Salary Grants					
4. Results Grants	700 4 -	700 4 -	700 - -	700 - -	799 11 -
5. Combined Grants—					
a. Fixed Payments					
b. Result Grants					
6. Inspection—					
a. Contributions to Local Boards ..	50 - -	60 - -	60 - -	60 - -	100 - -
b. Municipal Inspectors—					
i. Establishment					
ii. Contingencies					
7. Miscellaneous—					
a. Building, furniture, &c., grants ..	61 5 -		80 - -	70 - -	13 11 -
b. Common gymnasium—					
i. Establishment			80 - -		
ii. Contingencies			110 - -	110 - -	
c. Common Drawing Master—					
i. Establishment					
ii. Contingencies					
d. Other items		61 5 -			
Total, Grant II ..		1340 - 4	1700 - -	1470 - -	1450 8 4
GRANT III—(*Sanitation and Medical Services*).					
1. Hospitals and Dispensaries—					
a. Establishment	1361 6 7		1380 - -	1530 - -	1279 3 9
b. Medicines and Supplies	84 4 -		300 - -	300 - -	401 10 -
c. Diet of Patients	144 5 3		150 - -	150 - -	98 9 2
d. Sundries and Contingencies ..	158 13 2		140 - -	140 - -	135 9 10
e. Contributions to Local Boards ..					
&c., &c., &c. ..		1748 13 -			
Carried forward ..		1748 13 -	1970 - -	2120 - -	1915 - 9

Statement II.—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Pabna for the official year 1897-98—*cont.*

—	Details of Minor Heads.	Total of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1897-98.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Brought forward ..		1748 12 .	1970 . .	2120 . .	1915 . 9
GRANT III—*Sanitation and Medical Services*—cont.					
2. *a.* Contributions to Provincial funds for—					
i. Medical College ..	72 . .		20 . .	60 . .	57 . .
ii. Sanitary Inspection ..	45 . .		30 . .	50 . .	46 . .
iii. Medical Reserve staff ..	16 . .		10 . .	10 . .	13 . .
iv. Cutlers' Establishment ..					
b. Contributions to Local Boards, &c., for—					
i. Medical Schools ..					
ii. Reserve staff					
&c., &c., &c, ..					
c. Other contributions		133 . .			
3. Vaccination—					
a. Establishment	120 . .		120 . .	120 . .	116 8 8
b. Contingencies	121 13 3	241 13 2	120 . .	120 . .	153 15 6
c. Contributions to Local Boards ..					
4. Registration of Births and Deaths—					
a. Establishment	139 11 11		140 . .	140 . .	144 . .
b. Contingencies		139 11 11			13 3 .
5. Conservancy, Road cleaning and Road watering—					
a. i. Establishment	1043 10 7		1070 . .	1060 . .	1049 14 10
ii. Other charges such as purchase or hire of carts, dry earth, purchase and maintenance or hire of bullocks, &c. ..	1575 1 .		1600 . .	1580 . .	1412 12 11
b. Private scavenging—					
i. Establishment	577 8 5		590 . .	580 . .	581 13 6
ii. Contingencies, such as cost of scavenging carts, &c. ..	57 4 9		60 . .	60 . .	56 9 2
c. Cholera charges .. .	68 8 6		540 . .	570 . .	214 9 .
d. Contingencies	45 4 6	3367 5 9	50 . .	50 . .	112 3 .
&c., &c., &c. ..					
Total, Grant III ..		5630 11 11	6320 . .	6520 . .	5896 10 4

Statement II.—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Pabna for the official year 1897-98—*cont.*

—	Details of Minor Heads.	Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1897-98.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
GRANT IV—(*Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal purposes*).					
1. Lighting—					
a. Establishment	226 12 4		240 . .	230 . .	211 11 6
b. Contingencies	773 6 .	1000 2 4	760 . .	770 . .	781 3 6
2. i. Markets—					
a. Establishment					
b. Contingencies					
ii. Slaughter-houses—					
a. Establishment	41 14 10		40 . .	40 . .	42 . .
b. Contingencies	2 9 .	44 6 10	.	10 . .	. 10 .
3. Choultries—					
a. Establishment					
b Contingencies					
c. Feeding Travellers					
4. Travellers' bungalows—					
a Establishment					
b. Contingencies					
5. Avenues—					
a. Establishment					
b. Contingencies					
6. Public Garden—					
a. Establishment					
b. Purchase of seeds, repair of well, purchase of bullocks, &c. ..					
7. Survey of land					
8. Fire—					
a. Establishment					
b. Purchase of fire-engine, buckets, repairs, &c.					
9. Other charges—					
i. Work done for private individuals other than private scavenging					
Carried forward ..		1044 9 2	1040 . .	1050 . .	1035 9 .

Statement II.—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Palai for the official year 1897-98—*cont.*

	Actuals 1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals 1897-98. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1897-98.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Brought forward ..		1044 9 2	1040 . .	1050 . .	1035 9 .
GRANT IV—(*Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal purposes*)—cont.					
9. Other Charges—*cont.*					
ii. Rewards for destruction of wild animals and snakes ..					
iii. Printing	178 15 6		180 . .	200 . .	182 5 4
iv. Compensation for lands ..			250 . .	250	
v. Other items	39 4 10		50 . .	50	24 2 3
		218 4 4			
Total, Grant IV ..		1262 13 6	1520 . .	1650 . .	1242 . 7
GRANT V—					
a. General Establishment—	440				
i. Office Establishment ..	432 . .		430 . .	430 . .	431 . .
ii. Inspection	125 9 7		180 . .	120 . .	180
b. Collection of Municipal Taxes—					
i. Establishment	229 14 1		270 . .	270 . .	218 6 8
ii. Purchase of account books, paper, money-boxes, repair to out-posts, &c. ..	57 11 6		50 . .	60 . .	47 9 6
c. Collection of Tolls—					
i. Establishment					
ii. Contingencies					
d. Office contingencies other than (*b*) (ii)	450 10 9		100 . .	400 . .	299 9 6
e. Contributions for Central office and Audit establishments ..	140 . .	1435 13 11	140 . .	140 . .	81 . .
Total, Grant V ..		1435 13 11	1170 . .	1420 . .	1257 9 8
Repayment of Debt—					
a. Instalments paid during the year.					
b. Invested on account of Sinking Fund (Value of securities purchased)					
c. Charges of investment ..					
Interest—					
a. On account of last year ..					
b. ,, of current years.					

Statement II.—Expenditure from the Municipal Fund of the Town of Palai for the official year 1897-98—*cont.*

	Actuals 1897-98. Details of Minor Heads.	Actuals 1897-98. Totals of Major Heads.	Budget Estimate for 1897-98.	Revised Estimate for 1897-98.	Actuals, 1896-97 (audited figures).
1	2	3	4	5	6
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Advances recoverable—					
a. Permanent					
b. Others	10 12 10	10 12 10			25 2 4
Refunds of other than current collections ..	. 8 .	. 8 .			
Discount					
Pensions and gratuities					
Investments—					
a. In Government securities for purposes other than Sinking Fund					
b. In Savings Bank					
Total Expenditure ..		15938 12 10	17450 . .	17600 . .	12709 2 5
Balances—					
a. Municipal Fund		2210 12 2	-3470 . .	300	4940 15 2
b. Endowments					
c. Water-tax Fund					
Grand Total ..		18149 9 .	13980 . .	17900 . .	17650 1 7

Note to Statement II.

Position of the Municipality of Palai *on 31st March* 1898.

Liabilities.	RS.	Assets.	RS.
Liabilities—		Municipal Balance .. Cash	2210-12-2
Balance of Loans		Municipal Balance .. Securities	
Deposits to be adjusted	2674-3-	Deposit Balance .. Cash	2674-3-
Other Liabilities (in detail)		Deposit Balance .. Securities	
		Sinking Fund of loans	
		Funded Capital of endowed institutions, Hospitals, &c.	
		Total ..	4884-15-2
		Value of Premises, &c.	12500- -
		Do. of Tools and plant	43-8-
		Do. of Live stock	
		Do. of Furniture	498- -
		Arrears of taxes, &c.	451-12-6
		Other assets (in detail)	
		Total ..	13493-4-6
Total ..	2674-3-	Claims—	
		Advances Recoverable—	
		Permanent advance	35- -
		Advances for works, &c.	15-8-10
		Total ..	50-8-10

Statement II-A.—Details of Expenditure on Public Works.

Part I.—New Works.

Number.	Project.	Amount of estimate.	Past expenditure.			Expenditure in 1897-98.			Remarks.
1	2	3	4			5			6
		Rs.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
(a)	Communications								
1	Construction of a Tunnel in North Car shed	450				437	15	3	
2									
3									
	Total ..	450				437	15	3	
(b)	Buildings								
1	Office building	3600	450	.	.	3051	14	10	
2	Do Compound wall	650				521	8	5	
3	Two privies	250	.	.	.	244	3	4	
4	One Tool Shed . .	60	.	.	.	63	10	2	
	Total ..	4560	450	.	.	3881	4	9	

Statement II-A.—Details of Expenditure, &c.—*cont.*

Part I.—New Works.—*cont.*

Number.	Project.	Amount of estimate.	Past expenditure.			Expenditure in 1897-98.			Remarks.
1	2	3	4			5			6
		Rs.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
(c)	Drainage								
1									
2									
3									
	Total ..								
(d)	Water-supply								
1	Sinking of a well in West Car shed	130	.	.	.	95	7	4	
2									
3									
	Total ..	130				95	7	4	

Statement II-A.—Details of Expenditure, &c.—*cont.*

PART II.—Repairs—*cont.*

Number.	Project.	Grant.			Actual expenditure.			Remarks.
1	2	3			4			5
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
(*c*)	Drainage							
1								
2								
3								
	Total ..							
(*d*)	Water-supply							
1								
2								
3								
	Total ..							

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments.

	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
GRANT I.—2. *c.* DRAINAGE—							
Overseers							
Drain cleaners							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
d. Water works—							
Overseers							
Watchmen .. at Rs 3-8- each.	2	7			84		
Total ..	2	7			84		
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					1	2	7
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					82	13	5
3. GENERAL.—							
Overseers							
Maistries	1	15			180		
Total ..	1	15			180		
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					180		

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments *cont.*

——	Number	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
GRANT II.—Education—							
1. Training Schools—							
Pupils receiving scholarships							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
2. Municipal Schools—							
a. On the Salary System—							
Head Master							
1st Assistant Master							
2nd „ „							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

——	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		RS	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
GRANT II.—Education—*cont.*							
b. On the Salary Result System—							
Hindu School							
Head Master . .	1	10	.	.	120	.	.
First Assistant . .	1	8	.	.	96	.	.
Panchama School							
Head Master . .	1	7	.	.	84		
First Assistant . . .	1	5	.	.	60	.	
Total ..	4	30	.	.	360	.	.
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					7	4	7
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					352	11	5

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
GRANT II.—Education—*cont.*							
6. Inspection—							
Inspecting schoolmaster							
Contribution by District Board Madura					50		
Total ..					50		
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					50		
7. *b.* Gymnastic Instructors							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
8. Drawing Masters							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages .							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		Rs.	A.	P	Rs.	A.	P.
GRANT III.—Sanitation and Medical Services—							
1. Hospitals and Dispensaries—							
Medical Subordinates for 7 months..	1	65	10	.	459	6	.
„ „ do .. for 5 months..	1	109	6	.	546	14	.
Midwife	1	15	.	.	180	.	.
Clerk							
Compounder	1	12	.	.	144	.	.
Servants .. Ward Coolie	1	6	.	.	72	.	.
„ .. Sweeper	1	4	.	.	48	.	.
„ .. Lolie	1	4	.	.	48	.	.
Total ..					1498	4	.
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					136	13	5
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					1361	6	7

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
GRANT III.—Sanitation and Medical Services—*cont.*							
3. Vaccination—							
Vaccinators	1	10			120		
Peons							
Total ..	1	10			120		
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					120		
4. Registration—							
Registrars	1	12			144		
Peons							
Total ..	1	12			144		
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					4	4	1
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					139	11	11

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		Rs	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
GRANT III.—Sanitation and Medical Services—*cont.*							
5. *a.* "Conservancy, Road-cleaning and Road-watering."—							
Nuisance Inspectors	1	15			180		
"							
"							
Maistries Peons .. at Rs 5 each ..	2	10			120		
Scavengers .. at Rs 4 each ..	5	20			240		
Sweepers .. at Rs 4 each ..	9	36			432		
Night-soil Cart drivers at Rs 4 each	2	8			96		
Total ..	19	89			1068		
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					24	5	
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					1043		

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
GRANT III.—Sanitation and Medical Services—*cont.*							
b. Private Scavenging—							
Inspectors							
Maistries Peon	1	5			60		
Scavengers at Rs 4 each ..	10	40			480		
Night Soil Cart driver	1	4			48		
Total ..	12	49			588		
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					10	11	
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					577	8	5
GRANT IV.—Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal Purposes—							
1. Lighting—							
Superintendents							
Masalchies at Rs 5 each ..	4	20			240		
Total ..	4	20			240		
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					13	3	8
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					226	12	4

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		Rs	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
GRANT IV.—Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal Purposes—*cont*							
2. i. Markets—							
Superintendents							
Servants							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
ii. Slaughter-houses—							
Superintendents							
Servants	1	3	8		42		
		4					
Total ..	1	3	8		42		
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..						1	2
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					41	14	10
3. Choultries—							
Servants							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
GRANT IV.—Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal Purposes—*cont.*							
4. Travellers' Bungalows—							
Maty							
Servants							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
5. Avenues—							
Servants							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
6. Public Garden—							
Gardeners							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

—	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
GRANT IV—Lighting and Miscellaneous Municipal Purposes—*cont.*							
8. Fire—							
Servants							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							
9.—							

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

——	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
GRANT V.—*a.* General Establishment—							
i. Office—							
Manager	1	30			360		
Clerks							
,, ...							
,, ...							
Accountants							
Peons	1	6			72		
Total ..	2	36			432		
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					432		
ii. Inspection—							
Chairman's salary or carriage allowance ..	1	15			180		
Total ..	1	15			180		
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					54	6	5
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					125	9	7

Statement II-B.—Details of Municipal Establishments—*cont.*

——	Number.	Salary per mensem.			Salary per annum.		
1	2	3			4		
		Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
GRANT V.—*a.* General Establishment—*cont.*							
b. Collection—							
Clerks							
Bill Collectors at Rs 9 each	2	18			216		
Peons							
Temporary toties at Rs 4 each for two months	2	8			16		
Total ..					232		
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..					2	1	11
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..					229	14	1
c. Collection of tolls—							
Inspectors							
Gate-keepers							
Total ..							
Deduct Fines and Stoppages ..							
Add arrears for last year paid this year ..							
Balance (Statement II) ..							

STATEMENT III.—*Municipality of* Pabna Abstract of Deposits Account for the year 1897-98.

	Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.
Balance brought forward	1749	14	6				
1750							
1. Deposits by appellants				1. Credited to Municipal Funds ..	1581	4	6
2. Deposits by renters	2535	12	-	2. Returned to appellants			
3. Deposits by contractors	119	8	-	3. Returned to renters			
4. Deposits as security by municipal servants				4. Returned to contractors	154	-	-
				5. Returned to municipal servants ..			
5. Deposited for the execution of work for which private parties are liable..							
				6. Returned to parties			
6. Other deposits under the Act or bye-laws	5	15	-	7. Paid to claimants	1	10	-
				1737 Total ..	1736	14	6
2661 Total, Receipts ..	2661	3	-	2674 Balance ..	2674	3	-
4411 Total, including balance ..	4411	1	6	4411 Total ..	4411	1	6

STATEMENT IV-A.—*Municipality of* Patri

Demand, Collection and Balance tatement for the year 1897-98.

Current.

Tax.	Demand as originally assessed by the Chairman.			Remitted by the Council on appeal.			Demand as finally settled (column 2 *minus* column 3).			Collected.			Remitted on account of vacant houses, &c.			Written off as irrecoverable.			Balance (column 4 *minus* columns 5, 6 and 7).		
1	2			3			4			5			6			7			8		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
1. Tax on arts, &c.																					
2. Tax on buildings	3949						3849			3565	8					59	10		223	14	
3. Tax on lands	165						165			130	12					2	12		31	8	
4. Water-tax on buildings and lands																					
5. Tolls (gross receipts)	6017	6	11				6017	6	11	6017	6	11									
6. Market rents	330	10	6	5	7	6	325	3		325	3										
7. Slaughter-house fees	270	8	4				270	8	4	270	8	4									
8. Rent of cart-stands	210	12																	66	4	
9. Private scavenging fees	708	2					708	2		641	14										
10. Tax on vehicles	76	8					76	8		76	8										
11. Tax on animals	596	4					596	4		681	12								14	8	
12. Tax on Carts	551						551			548									3		
13. Rent of lands	22	8					22	8		22	8										
14. Warrant fees	21	4					21	4		17	12								3	8	
15. Licence fees	217		3				217		3	217		3									
Total	12925	4		5	7	6	12819	12	6	12414	12	6				62	6		342	10	

Statement IV-B.—Arrears.

—	Balance of old demand.			Arrears of previous year.			Total demand.			Collected.			Remitted.			Written off.			Balance (column 4 *minus* columns 5, 6 and 7).			Years to which the balance relates.			
1	2			3			4			5			6			7			8			9			
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P	RS.	A.	P.	A.	B.	C.	&c.
1. Tax on arts, &c.																									
2. Tax on buildings	-	-	-	3	8	-	3	8	-	3	8	-													
3. Tax on lands	1	12	-	1	2	-	2	14	-	2	14	-							4	-	-	1896-97			
4. Water-tax on buildings and lands ..																									
5. Tolls																									
6. Market rents	19	1	-	-	-	-	19	1	-							19	1	-							
7. Slaughter-house fees																									
8. Rent of cart-stands	80	-	-				80	-	-										80	-	-	1893-94			
9. Private scavenging fees	48	-	-	168	126	-	216	126	-	181	2	-				10	8	-	25	2	6	1896-97			
Total ..	148	13	-	180	6	6	329	3	6	190	9	-				29	9	-	109	2	6				

Appendix A to Statements IV-A and IV-B.

Taxes.	Warrants remaining unexecuted at the beginning of the year.				Warrants issued during the year.				Total.				Warrants executed and warrants cancelled during the year.				Warrants remaining unexecuted at the close of the year.				Cancelled warrants on which no collections were made.				Collected after issue of warrants, but before distraint.				Property distrained, but not sold.				Property sold.			
	Number.	Amount involved.			Number.	Amount involved.			Number.	Amount involved.			Number.	Amount involved.			Number.	Amount involved.			Number of cases	Amount involved.			Number of cases.	Amount.			Number of cases.	Amount realized on distraint.			Number of cases.	Amonnt realized by sale.		
1	2	3			4	5			6	7			8	9			10	11			12	13			14	15			16	17			18	19		
		RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A	P.		RS.	A	P.		RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.		RS.	A.	P.		RS	A.	P.
1. Tax on arts, &c. ..																																				
2. Tax on buildings ..	1	2	6	-	165	290	3	-	166	292	9	-	149	267	11	-	17	24	14	-	1	-	14	-	91	191	7	-	46	62	8	-	11	12	14	-
3. Tax on lands ..					5	5	14	-	5	5	14	-	3	3	-	-	2	2	14	-					2	1	12						1	1	4	
4. Water-tax on buildings and lands ..																																				
5. Tax on vehicles with springs and palanquins ..																																				
6. Tax on animals ..																																				
7. Tax on carts, &c ..																																				
Total ..	1	2	6	-	170	296	1	-	171	298	7	-	152	270	11	-	19	27	12	-	1	-	14	-	93	193	3	-	46	62	8	-	12	14	2	-

Appedix B to Statements IV-A and IV-B.

Taxes.	Prosecutions instituted.		Collections before judgment.		Collections after judgment.		Prosecutions withdrawn or dimissed.		Balance.	
	Number of cases.	Amount involved.	Number of cases.	Amount collected	Number of cases.	Amount collected.	Number of cases.	Amount involved.	Number of cases.	Amount involved.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.		Rs. A. P.
1. Tax on arts, &c.										
2 Tax on buildings.	7	7 12 .	5	4 14 .					2	2 14 .
3. Tax on lands ..	7	8 . .	4	4 2 .					3	3 14 .
4. Water-tax on buildings and lands ..										
5. Tax on vehicles with springs and palanquins ..										
6 Tax on animals ..										
7. Tax on carts and other vehicles without springs.										
Total ..	14	15 12 .	9	9 . .					5	6 12 .

Statement V-A.—Showing the Statistics of Municipal Schools in the Municipality of Palni for the official year 1897-98.

STATEMENT V-A.—Showing the Satistics of Municipal Schools in the Municipality of Pabna for the official year 1897-98.

Schools.	Number of schools.				Number on rolls on 31st March 189 .		Average attendance throughout the year.	Receipts.					Expenditure.					Net cost to Municipality.	Average net cost per pupil in each class of municipal schools.	Remarks.
	At the beginning of the year.	Opened during the year.	Closed in the year.	At the close of the year.	Boys.	Girls.		Grants from Provincial Funds.	Grants from Local Funds.	School fees.	Other receipts.	Total.	Masters.			Contingencies and Miscellaneous.	Total.			
													Fixed salary (masters, clerks and servants).	Results grant.	School fees.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
								Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
I.—Colleges																				
II.—Upper Secondary Schools and Departments.																				
(1)																				
(2)																				
(3)																				
Total ..																				
Total of Colleges and Upper Secondary Schools and Departments ..																				
III.—Lower Secondary Schools and Departments.																				
(a) Salary System—																				
(1)																				
(2)																				
(3)																				
Total ..																				
(b) Salary-results System—																				
(1)																				
(2)																				
(3)																				
Total ..																				
Total, College and Secondary Schools.																				
IV.—Primary Schools and Departments.																				
(a) Salary System—																				
(1)																				
(2)																				
(3)																				
Total ..																				

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STATEMENT V-A.—Showing the Statistics of Municipal Schools in the Municipality of Pabna for the official year 1897-98.—*cont.*

Schools.	Number of schools.				Number on rolls on 31st March 189 .		Average attendance throughout the year.	Receipts.					Expenditure.					Net cost to Municipality.	Average net cost per pupil in each class of municipal schools.	Remarks.
	At the beginning of the year.	Opened during the year.	Closed in the year.	At the close of the year.	Boys.	Girls.		Grants from Provincial Funds.	Grants from Local Funds.	School fees.	Other receipts.	Total.	Masters. Fixed salary (masters, clerks and servants).	Masters. Results grant.	Masters. School fees.	Contingencies and miscellaneous.	Total			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
								Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	
(b) Salary-results System—																				
(1) Hindu	1	.	.	1	38	.	37	. . .	. . .	96 1 6	. . .	96 1 6	20 11 5	81 4 .	. . .	61 0 9	351 0 2	255 9 8	6 14 6	
(2) Panchama	1	.	.	1	52	.	51	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	14 4 .	24 9 .	. . .	8 4 2	176 13 2	176 13 2	3 7 6	
(3)																				
Total ..	2	.	.	2	90	.	88	. . .	. . .	96 1 6	. . .	96 1 6	35 2 11 5	105 13 .	. . .	69 4 11	528 7 4	432 5 10	4 14 7	
Total, Primary Schools ..	2	.	.	2	90	.	88	. . .	. . .	96 1 6	. . .	96 1 6	35 2 11 5	105 13 .	. . .	69 4 11	528 7 4	432 5 10	4 14 7	
Grand Total of all Schools and Colleges	2	.	.	2	90	.	88	. . .	. . .	96 1 6	. . .	96 1 6	35 2 11 5	105 13 .	. . .	69 4 11	528 7 4	432 5 10	4 14 7	

Foot-note to Statement V-A.

NUMBER of Students from Municipal Schools and Colleges who appeared for and passed the several Examinations during the year.

Examinations.	Number of Pupils examined.	Number of Pupils passed.
First in Arts		
Matriculation ..		
Upper Secondary ..		
Lower Secondary ..		
Primary School ..		
Infant Standard ..	23	20
First Standard ..	8	8
Second Standard ..	7	7
Third Standard ..	7	7
Fourth Standard ..	18	15

STATEMENT V-B.—Showing the Statistics of Aided Schools in the Municipality of Vaku for the official year 1897-98.

Schools.	Number of Schools. At the beginning of the year.	Opened during the year.	Closed during the year.	At the close of the year.	Number on rolls on 31st March 1898. Boys.	Girls.	Number of pupils examined.	Number of pupils found qualified for grants.	Full amount of grant earned. Rs. A. P.	Amount of such grant payable. Rs. A. P.	Amount disbursed. For current year. Rs. A. P.	For previous year. Rs. A. P.	Total. Rs. A. P.	Paid as salaries to masters. Rs. A. P.	Total expenditure from Municipal funds, columns 14 and 15. Rs. A. P.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Grant-in-Aid.																
A. Result Grant (*i.e.*, Schools actually examined for results grants)—																Rate at which grants were paid.
(*a*) Secondary	1	.	.	1	39	.	24	13	196 8 .	196 8 .	163 8 .	. . .	163 8 .	. . .	163 8 .	Maximum
Total ..	1	.	.	1	39	.	24	13	196 8 .	196 8 .	163 8 .	. . .	163 8 .	. . .	163 8 .	
(*b*) Primary																
1. Hindu Sanskrit School	1	.	.	1	37	24	28	19	36 12 .	36 12 .	36 12 .	. . .	36 12 .	. . .	36 12 .	
2. A.M. A.V. School	1	.	.	1	79	.	62	59	209 8 .	110 . .	110 . .	. . .	110 . .	. . .	110 . .	
3. A.M. Boarding	1	.	.	1	34	21	36	33	177 . .	120 . .	120 . .	. . .	120 . .	. . .	120 . .	
4. Arunagam Pillai School	1	.	.	1	60	5	39	36	86 6 .	70 . .	70 . .	. . .	70 . .	. . .	70 . .	
5. Chekkakkanni Pillai's	1	.	.	1	33	4	28	25	57 14 .	35 . .	35 . .	. . .	35 . .	. . .	35 . .	
6 Nageswaran's	1	.	.	1	93	.	55	50	104 4 .	70 . .	70 . .	. . .	70 . .	. . .	70 . .	
7. Annamalai Pillai's	1	.	.	1	52	.	44	40	72 2 .	40 . .	40 . .	. . .	40 . .	. . .	40 . .	
8. Mahomedan School	1	.	.	1	80	.	46	46	101 3 .	40 . .	40 . .	. . .	40 . .	. . .	40 . .	
9. Perijasami Pillai's	.	1	.	1	38	.	26	26	38 11 .	15 . .	15 . .	. . .	15 . .	. . .	15 . .	
10. Thittai Chidambaram Pillai's	1	.	1	.												
Total ..	9	1	1	9	506	54	364	334	894 6 .	536 12 .	536 12 .	. . .	536 12 .	. . .	536 12 .	
Grand Total ..	10	1	1	10	545	54	388	347	1080 14 .	733 4 .	700 4 .	. . .	700 4 .	. . .	700 4 .	

STATEMENT VI-A.—Showing the Budget Grants with subsequent Additions and Deductions for the Town of Palni for the year 1897-98.

(To be prepared in accordance with the instructions in G.O., dated 4th June 1892, No. 978 M.)

Items of Expenditure.	Original budget grant as sanctioned by Government.			Subsequent additions.			Subsequent deductions.			Total grant.			Authority for the additions and deductions shown in columns 3 and 4.
1	2			3			4			5			6
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS	A.	P.	
Entries as per Statement II wherever there is alteration ..													Additional allotment of Rs 60 sanctioned in G.O. no 1279 M. Mis dt 28-5-97, Rs 3700 in G.O. no 1531 M. Mis dt 8-7-97, & Rs 100 transferred from Grant I. 1-d in Council's Resolution no 75 dt 4-12-97; Rs 500 transferred to Grant I. 2-a in G.O. no 2391 M. Mis dt 1-11-97.
Grant I Public Works													
1. New Works - b. Buildings	650	-	-	3860	-	-	500	-	-	4010	-	-	
d. Water Supply	250	-	-	-	-	-	100	-	-	150	-	-	Transferred to Grant I 1-b in Council's Reso no 75 dt 4-12-97
2. Repairs. a. Communications	1000	-		600	-	-				1500	-	-	Transferred from Grant I 1-b in G.O no 2391 M. Mis dt 1-11-97
b. Buildings.	-			280	-	-				280	-	-	Sanctioned in G.O no 1297 M. Mis dt 28-5-97
Grant II. Education													
7. Miscellaneous. a. Building and furniture grant	50	-	-	30	-	-				80			Transferred from 7-b-i in Council's Reso: No 2 dt 5-3-98
b. Common Gymnasium													
i Establishment	110	-	-				30	-		80			Transferred to 7-a. Vide above. These alterations are also made in the figures of the Revised Estimate

Statement VI-A.—Showing the Budget Grants with subsequent Additions and Deductions for the Town of Patna for the year 1897-98—*continued.*

(To be prepared in accordance with the instructions in G.O., dated 4th June 1892, No. 978 M.)

Items of expenditure.	Original budget grant as sanctioned by Government.			Subsequent additions.			Subsequent deductions.			Total grant.			Authority for the additions and deductions shown in columns 3 and 4.
1	2			3			4			5			6
	Rs	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	
Grant III. Sanitation and Medical Services													
1. Hospitals and Dispensaries													
a Establishment	1280	.	.	100	.	.				1380			Sanctioned in G.O. No 640 M. dtd. 23-3-98. Also vide item 82 the figures of the Revised estimate.

Statement VII.—Tolls.

Number of toll-gates.	Whether collection of tolls is leased out or managed departmentally.	Amount of collections.	Expenditure on				Balance (column 3 *minus* column 7.)	Share due to the District Board.	Amount paid to the District Board.	Balance, if any, due to the District Board and date on which it was paid.
			Works.	Establishment.	Contingencies.	Total.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
6	Leased out									
	Lease amount	6005 . .								
	Interest	12 6 11								
		6017 6 11	79 5 8			79 5 8	5938 1 3	1979 5 9	1974 3 5	b/s 2-4 paid in Oppers last year adjusted in Current Year

Statement V.III—Loans.

Amount of loan and rate of interest.	For what purpose and terms on which obtained and year in which taken.	Date of Government sanction.	Amount re-paid.			Amount transferred to Sinking Fund.			Invested out of the total amount transferred up to end of 189 -9 .	
			Up to 31st March 189 .		In 189 -9 .	Up to 31st March 189 .		In 189 -9 .	In Government Securities.	In the Savings Bank.
			Number of years.	Amount.		Number of years.	Amount.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
RS. A. P.				RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.

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Statement IX.—Showing the Incidence of the House-tax.

Name of Municipality.	Total Number of houses, as per census (occupied and unoccupied).	Number of houses on the municipal register out of the number in column 2.	Assessed.															
			Under 8 Annas.		8 Annas to Rs. 1½.		Rs. 1½ to Rs. 5.		Rs. 5 to Rs. 15.		Rs. 15 to Rs. 30		Rs. 30 and above.		Total.	
			Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
				RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.
Pahi	3175	3175	65	22 10 -	1884	1581 4 -	714	1671 6 -	69	479 8 -	5	95 4 -			2741	3849 - -

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Statement IX-A.—Showing the Incidence of the Tax on Arts.

Name of Municipality.	Assessed in	Class I.		Class II.		Class III.		Class IV.		Class V.		Class VI.		Class VII.		Class VIII.		Total.	
		Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number	Amount.	Number.	Amount.
1		2	Rs. A. P. 3	4	Rs. A. P. 5	6	Rs. A. P. 7	8	Rs. A. P. 9	10	Rs. A. P. 11	12	Rs. A. P. 13	14	Rs. A. P. 15	16	Rs. A. P. 17	18	Rs. A. P. 19

Statement X.

1. Name of Municipality .. .. Vaku

2. Population as per last census 16940

3. Sanctioned number of Councillors { (a) Nominated .. .. 12 ; (b) Elected .. .. "

4. Actual number of Councillors on 31st March 189 —

(a) Ex-officio		1
(b) Nominated	Officials	2
	Non-officials	7
(c) Elected ..	Officials	-
	Non-officials	
	Total ..	10
(d) Europeans and Eurasians		3
(e) Natives		7

5. Total number of meetings actually held during the year .. 22

6. Number of meetings adjourned for want of a quorum .. .. "

7. Average attendance at each meeting *actually* held—

(a) Officials	1
(b) Non-officials	5
Total ..	6
(c) Europeans and Eurasians	1
(d) Natives	5
Total ..	6

8. Is the Chairman appointed or elected .. .. .. Appointed

9. Name and designation of persons who have held the office of Chairman during the year, with the date of appointment or election in each case .. ..

M. R. Ry. C. S. Ponnuswami Rao Avargal B.a. Sub-Registrar appointed on 7-1-96

Vacated office by transfer on 16 October 1897

D. D. Thomas Esq. Sub. Registrar. Appointed on 1st February 1898

Statement X-A.—Showing the particulars of Sel ections held in the Municipality of in 189 - 9 .

Name of the wards, if any, into which the town is divided.	Population.	Number of registered voters.	Date of election.	Number of seats filled by election	Whether election was contested or not and the number of seats contested	If contested, number of voters who went to the poll.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1.						
2.						
3.						
4.						
5						
6.						
7.						
8.						
9.						
10						
Total ..						

Statement XI.—Furnishing information regarding Municipal markets, houses served by the private scavenging agency, number of latrines and of lights, &c., in the Town of Pabna for the year 1897 - 98.

Area of Municipality in square miles.	Name of Municipal markets.	Whether collection of fees, rents, &c., was leased out or managed departmentally.	Number of houses served by the private scavenging agency on the registers on 31st March 1898	Number of public latrines on 31st March 1897.	Number of latrines constructed in 1897-98.	Number of latrines demolished in 1897-98.	Number of latrines on 31st March 1898.	Number of lamps on 31st March 1897.	Number of lamps put up in 1897-98.	Number of lamps removed in 1897-98.	Number of lamps on 31st March 1898.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1 3/4 sq miles	Bailey market Cutchery market	Leased out	868	8	2	2	8	107	7	-	114

STATEMENT XII – Showing particulars regarding the number of patients treated, &c., in the Town of Pabna during the year 1897-98.

Name of hospital and dispensary.	Patients treated. In	Out.	Total.	Number and name of midwives employed.	Number of labour cases attended by the midwives.	Date and Number of G.O. sanctioning rules for the treatment of the sick under section 127 of Act IV of 1884.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Municipal Hospital, Pabna	149	9260	9409	one. Authoniacumal	70	G.O No 1226 M. Dated 29 October 1889

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STATEMENT XIII.—Showing the Statistics of Vaccination and of Births and Deaths registered in the Town of Pabna during the year 1897-98.

Number of births registered.	Number of deaths registered.	Number of prosecutions instituted for failure to register births or deaths.	Name of Medical subordinates and vaccinators performing vaccine operations.	Number of operations performed. Below one year of age.	Number of operations performed. Above one year of age.	Number of successful operations. Below one year of age.	Number of successful operations. Above one year of age.	Number of operations with animal lymph.	Number of successful operations with animal lymph.	Number of prosecutions instituted for failure to have children vaccinated.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
522	378		Medical Subordinates								
			1								
			2								
			3								
			Total ..								
			Municipal Vaccinators								
			1 Nandavaraja Basu	569	341	487	263	910	750	247	
			2								
			3		910		750				
			Total ..	569	341	487	263	910	750	247	
			Grand Total ..	569	341	487	263	910	750	247	D. N. Thomas Chairman

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Enclosure No 2 to Letter No 6926-5-98

Statement No. I relating to General Statistics in Palni municipality for 1897—98

Institutions.		1897.			1898.			Remarks.
		Number of schools.	Number of pupils on 31st March.		Number of schools.	Number of pupils on 31st March.		
			Boys.	Girls.		Boys.	Girls.	
1		2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Colleges	Government							While the number of institutions is the same under all sub-heads in the two years the number of pupils has increased by 56. The aided Lower Secondary School and the two municipal schools are not yet as strong as they ought to be though their attendance is slightly better.
	Local or municipal							
	Aided from public funds							
	Unaided and indigenous							
Secondary schools ..	Government							
	Local or municipal							
	Aided from public funds	1	36	-	1	39	-	
	Unaided and indigenous							
Primary schools ..	Government							
	~~Local or~~ municipal	2	87	-	2	90	-	
	Aided from public funds	9	462	54	9	506	51	
	Unaided and indigenous	3	89	2	3	99	1	
Training schools ..	Government							
	Local or municipal							
	Aided from public funds							
	Unaided and indigenous							
Sessional schools ..	Government							
	Local or municipal							
	Aided from public funds							
	Unaided and indigenous							
Industrial schools ..	Government							
	Local or municipal							
	Aided from public funds							
	Unaided and indigenous							

NOTE.—1. *No comments should be made except as notes entered in the column of remarks.*

2. *This statement should be submitted in time to reach the Presidents of local boards or the Chairmen of municipal councils concerned before the* 1st *May.*

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Statement No. II showing the proportion of pupils of the great classes of the population to children of school age in the Palni ~~Board~~ Municipality, for 1897–98.

Classes of population.	Population of school age.		Pupils under instruction.		Percentage.		Remarks.
	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Europeans and Eurasians	..	–	–	–	.	–	The native Christians are exactly the same for the two years. As compared with the previous year, Muhammadans are six more, Brahmans one less, Non-Brahmans 54 more and Panchamas are three less; so there has not been much of variation
Native Christians	23	21	6	5	26·09	23·8	
Muhammadans	118	125	77	–	65·2	–	
Hindus .. Brahmans	1071	1182	64	15	60·8	3·9	
Hindus .. Non-Brahman caste Hindus			504	16			
Hindus .. Panchamas			83	16			
Others	,	,	,	,	,	,	

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NOTE.—1. *No comments should be made except as notes entered in the column of remarks.*

2. *In the column of remarks the figures of the previous year should be briefly compared.*

3 *This statement should be submitted in time to reach the Presidents of local boards or the Chairmen of municipal councils concerned by the 1st May.*

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s of the teaching staff employed in Pilvi municipa qualificati

ber possessing eral education ficates only, bu are qualified by gth of service st April 1895.	Number possessing neither general nor professional qualifications but who are qualified by length of service on 1st April 1895.	Number entirely unqualified.	Remarks.	ber possess- trained ers' es.
5	6	7	8	
			Of the Seven teachers entirely unqualified, five have got General Education certificates and are thus on the way to qualify themselves technically.	
1	-	(a) 1		
-	1	-		
3	6	(a) 3	(a) Possess General Education certificates.	
-	1	2		

training teachers during the year under report had been utilized.

airmen of municipal councils concerned before the 1st May.

late to female teachers

Statement No. III giving particulars as to the qualificatio

Classes of institutions.		Number of teachers employed.	Number possessing trained teachers' certificates.	Number possessing untrained teachers' certificates.
1		2	3	4
Colleges ..	Government			
	Local or municipal			
	Aided from public funds			
	Unaided and indigenous			
Secondary Schools.	Government			
	Local or municipal			
	Aided from public funds	3	1	-
	Unaided and indigenous			
Primary Schools.	Government			
	~~Local or~~ municipal	4	1	2
	Aided from public funds	15 2	2 1	1
	Unaided and indigenous	3	-	-

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NOTE.— 1. *In the column of remarks it should be noted whether the provision made in the budge*
2. *No comments should be made except as notes entered in the column of remarks.*
3. *This statement should be submitted in time to reach the Presidents of local boards or*

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Name of Subject.	Optional subjects								
English	44 11	32 9	1 4	31 5	43 9	28 8	5 4	23 4	
Second Language Tamil	2	2	-	2	2	2	-	2	Under optional subjects, there has not been much of variation.
Geography	56 7	38 5	5 2	33 3	53 12	44 8	11 3	33 5	
Hygiene	23 7	21 5	1	20 5	36 8	27 6	5 3	22 3	
History of India	19	15	2	13	16	12	4	8	
Mathematics	9	6	-	6	9	5	2	3	
Needle work	13	13	5	8	12	12	9	3	
Action Songs	9 3	6 3	-	6 3					

* Particulars relating to optional subjects need not be shown by standards.

Asst Inspectress

NOTE.—1. This statement should be submitted for pupils examined for results grants only and not for those examined for results stipends in salary results schools. M.S.

2. In the last column should be entered the remarks of the inspecting officer bearing directly on the results.

3. No comments should be made except as notes entered in the column of remarks.

4. This statement should be submitted in time to reach the Presidents of local boards or the Chairmen of municipal councils concerned by the 1st May.

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Figures in red ink relate to girls.

Results Schools.

Statement No. IV relating to the results of the grant examinations in Palni municipality for 189 7 8

Standard.	1896-97 Compulsory subjects only.				1897-98 Compulsory subjects only.				Remarks.
	Number of pupils presented.	Number of pupils passed.	Merit.	Ordinary.	Number of pupils presented.	Number of pupils passed.	Merit.	Ordinary.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Seventh standard (or Lower Secondary Examination)	6	2	-	2	9	2	-	2	
Sixth standard	9	7	-	7	8	7	-	7	Numbers presented, passed, merit passes and Ordinary passes are all on the increase. Fourth Standard results are strictly good.
Fifth do.	13	11	-	11	7	4	-	4	
Fourth do. (or Primary Examination)	14 3	6 3	1	5 3	29 3	21 3	4 -	17 3	
Third standard	55 3	50 3	24 2	26 1	57 8	53 6	18 5	35 1	
Second do.	79 7	68 7	9 2	59 5	65 8	59 8	20 2	39 6	
First do.	66 6	60 6	32 1	28 5	84 2	81 2	40 1	41 1	
Infant do.	87 2	73 1	17	56 1	98 10	92 19	32 5	60 4	

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Enclosure No 4 to Letter No 6926 dated 28 May 98

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Present: D. D. Thomas Esqre. Chairman
" R.Rj. P.Samavaia Thevgal. Commissioner
" S. Thiraviyam Pillai Avergal "
" R. Vadivalu Pillai Avergal "
" Shakomed Badiyudin Sahibsahib "
" K. Perumal Nadan Avergal "
" Balasankaraman Chettiar Avl.

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Adopted.

(Signed) Dan. D. Thomas
Chairman

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