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From R. H. CAMPBELL, Esq., President, District Board, North Arcot, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department, dated Chittoor, 8th July 1899, Dis. No. 855-D.B.

I have the honour to report on the administration of Local Funds in the District of North Arcot during the official year 1898–99, and to submit the prescribed statements.

I.—General.

2. *Administration.*—There were no changes during the year either in the territorial jurisdiction or in the number and constitution of the Local Boards or Union Panchayats. The only event of importance was the levy of house-tax at the maximum rates in Rénigunta union under sanction accorded in G.O., Mis. No. 5 L., dated 4th January 1898.

3. *District Board.*—The President excluded, the District Board consisted of 32 members—*four ex-officio*, being Revenue Divisional officers, *twelve* nominated by Government (four officials and eight non-officials) and sixteen elected by the Taluk Boards (seven officials and nine non-officials). On the 31st March 1899, there were *five* vacancies on the Board, *one* nominated non-official dying and *four* elected officials being transferred out of their jurisdiction. They occurred in January and February 1899, and they could not be filled up within the year. The vacancy among the nominated non-official seats has since been filled up, and the results of the elections held to fill up the others were submitted to Government on the 14th June 1899 for confirmation. Mr. J. K. Batten continued to be the President, and M.R.Ry. T. Gopalan Nayar Avargal, B.A. B.L., the Vice-President throughout the year. The District Board held thirteen meetings against twelve in the year previous. No meeting was adjourned for want of a quorum. The average attendance of members was fifteen (six officials and nine non-officials), against seventeen (six officials and eleven non-officials) in the preceding year, *i.e.*, 46·87 per cent. of the maximum strength, against 53·12 per cent. Among the *ex-officio* members, the Deputy Collector on General Duties attended only *one* meeting, although the Collector had asked him to be regular in attendance. Among the non-officials, the attendance of the Rev. L. R. Scudder was bad, he having attended but two meetings. His term of membership has, however, since expired and the question of filling up the vacancy by another is under correspondence. Some of the other non-official members were irregular and I have called for their explanations. Two of them have been received and found satisfactory.

4. *Taluk Boards.*—On the 31st March 1899, the four Taluk Boards had a total strength of 50 members, of whom 14 were officials and 36 non-officials, against 51 (15 officials and 36 non-officials) on the last day of the year preceding, and against 52, the sanctioned strength. There was one vacancy among the officials of each of the Taluk Boards of Ránipéttai and Arni, and they occurred on the 18th January 1899 and 31st March 1899, respectively. The Taluk Board President of Ránipéttai did not take steps to fill up the vacancy in his Board until the official (Deputy Tahsildar of Kálahasti), who vacated his seat by transfer, was retransferred as Deputy Tahsildar of Puttúr within the Taluk Board limits on the 31st March 1899. Both the vacancies

have been since filled up. The four Taluk Boards held 53 meetings in the aggregate, against 55 in the previous year. The Chittoor, Vellore and Ránipéttai Taluk Boards held thirteen meetings each and the Arni Board fourteen. *Four* other meetings, viz., Vellore (1), Ránipéttai (2), and Arni (1), had to be adjourned for want of a quorum. The average attendance of members was the same in all the Taluk Boards, viz., two officials and five non-officials. As compared with the preceding year, the attendance of the officials of the Ránipéttai Taluk Board rose from one to two, while that of its non-officials and of the non-officials of the Vellore Board declined from six to five. One of the non-officials in each of these two Taluk Boards is reported to have been very irregular. Their explanations will be obtained and dealt with in due course. The Ránipéttai Taluk Board President considers the attendance of the officials of that Board unsatisfactory and states that the Revenue Divisional officer has been requested to insist on their regular attendance. Some of the members of the Ránipéttai and the Arni Taluk Boards absented themselves from meetings for more than three consecutive months. Their explanations having been satisfactory, they were requested to be more punctual thenceforth.

5. *Working of Taluk Boards.*—The members of Taluk Boards generally took a fair amount of interest in discharging the duties entrusted to them and rendered material assistance to the Presidents. The Chittoor Taluk Board continued to have the benefit of the advice of M.R.Ry. T. S. Narasinga Rao Garu, its Vice-President and an experienced pleader. The Presidents of the Ránipéttai and Vellore Taluk Boards prominently mention the names of M.R.Ry. V. Sesha Aiyar Avargal, B.A., Pleader, Tirupati, and Muḥammad Ḥabíb-ulláh Saḥib, Vice-President, respectively, to have been specially energetic.

6. As usual, travelling allowance was paid to the non-official members of Local Boards at the rate of two annas per mile for road journeys and single second-class fare for railway journeys.

7. *Union Panchayats.*—The twenty-one Union Panchayats had, on the 31st March 1899, an aggregate strength of 207 members against 213, the sanctioned maximum number. Of these, 39 were ex-officio members, being the headmen of the several revenue villages comprised in the unions, 22 were officials and 146 non-officials against 39, 17 and 143, respectively, on the corresponding date of the year previous. Of the 207 members, seven only were Europeans and Eurasians. Of the *six* vacancies at the end of the year, *three* were in the Pallikondai Union Panchayat and *one* each in Sholingur, Karvetnagar and Arni. Most of these vacancies occurred towards the close of the year, and all of them have since been filled up. The twenty-one Union Panchayats held a total number of 286 meetings against 292 in the preceding year, *i.e.*, an average of nearly 14 per union as in the past year. Twenty-one other meetings had to be adjourned for want of a quorum, and they were in the unions of Kuppamu (2), Pernambut (3), Ránipéttai (4), Arkonam (1), Rénigunta (4), Puttúr (2), Karvetnagar (3), and Arni (2). The Wandiwash Union Panchayat held the largest number of meetings, eighteen; it is followed by Tiruttani with seventeen and Arcot with sixteen meetings. The Panchayats of Punganúru, Kuppamu and Karvetnagar held fifteen meetings each. The smallest number of meetings, viz., nine was held by the Ambúr Union Panchayat. This, as well as the Puttúr Union Panchayat, failed to meet once a month as required by section 129 of the Local Boards Act. The Ambúr Union Chairman's explanation that he could not hold meetings in some months as some vacancies on the Panchayat were not at once filled up cannot be considered satisfactory as he could have held meetings with the existing members. The Puttúr Chairman has not explained the failure. His explanation will be obtained and the necessary orders issued to both directing strict conformity with the rule on the subject in future. The average attendance of the Panchayats was six (two officials and four non-officials) as in the past year. One of the members of the Tiruttani Union Panchayat was removed for irregular attendance. Some members of eight of the Union Panchayats were reported for irregular attendance. Their explanations were obtained and were found to be satisfactory. Ten of the twenty-one Union Panchayats had non-official Chairmen and the remaining eleven had official Chairmen (three sub-registrars, five hospital assistants, one postmaster and two revenue officers) against eleven and ten, respectively, in the preceding year.

8. *Working of the Panchayats.*—The Union Panchayats worked on the whole fairly well. The ward system of supervising the Union affairs continued to be in force in all the Unions, and is reported to have worked satisfactorily except in Ambúr and Rénigunta, the members having rendered useful assistance to the respective Chairmen in carrying out the purposes of the Act. In Ambúr Union, the members take little or no interest, as it is said, they have their private avocations to attend to. Some of the members of the Rénigunta Union Panchayat, who opposed the levy of house-tax in the Union, ceased to work and resigned. They were replaced by proper persons and the Taluk Board President states that steps have been taken to re-enforce the ward system there. The Union Panchayats under the Vellore and the Ránipéttai Taluk Boards, as usual, managed the local markets, slaughter-houses and chatrams. The Muhammadan and the Panchama primary schools at Ránipéttai and Punjey, respectively, and the elementary schools at Kálahasti and Puttúr were managed by the respective Union Panchayats. In addition to the daily market and slaughter-house at Arni, the weekly market at that place was transferred to the management of the Arni Union Panchayat during the ye.ar. The market at Polur continued in the management of the Local Union Panchayat. Fees from temporary markets held on occasions of fairs and festivals were collected in some of the Unions of the Vellore and the Ránipéttai Taluk Boards and pandal fees were collected in all the Unions except Chandragiri and Rénigunta.

9. *Financial Position.*—Statements I-A and I-B furnish details of receipts and charges of the Local Boards and Union Panchayats. The subjoined abstract exhibits in one view the year's financial position as compared with that of the preceding year :—

	Actuals of 1897-98.				Actuals of 1898-99.			
	District funds.	Taluk funds.	Union funds.	Total.	District funds.	Taluk funds.	Union funds.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Opening balance	12,051	— *1,439*	15,842	26,454	20,266	21,394	14,338	55,998
Receipts	2,00,985	1,99,669	36,429	4,37,083	1,72,051	1,68,688	36,057	3,76,796
Allotment from District to Taluk Funds	— *23,770*	23,770	..	..	— *3,920*	3,920	..	..
Allotment from Taluk Funds to Union Funds	..	— *6,318*	6,318	..	..	— *7,711*	7,711	..
Total assets ..	1,89,266	2,15,682	58,589	4,63,537	1,88,397	1,86,291	58,106	4,32,794
Expenditure	1,69,000	1,94,288	44,251	4,07,539	2,06,776	1,89,674	45,393	4,41,843
Closing balance	20,266	21,394	14,338	55,998	— *18,379*	— *3,383*	12,713	— *9,049*

N.B.—This abstract includes debt head transactions. The Accountant-General's finally audited figures have been adopted in the case of the actuals of 1897-98.

Excluding the debt heads (Rs. 12,500 on the receipt side and Rs. 24,260 on the expenditure side) and allotments from the District to Taluk funds and from Taluk funds to Union funds amounting in all to Rs. 11,631, the receipts of the year amounted to Rs. 3,64,296 against Rs. 4,17,856, and the charges to Rs. 4,17,583 against Rs. 3,91,637 in the previous year. The closing balance of the year, including the debt head transactions, was a deficit of Rs. 9,049 against a surplus of Rs. 55,998 in the past year and against Rs. 56,020 anticipated in the revised estimate for the year sanctioned by Government with the budget of the current year. The deficit is made up thus—

	Rs.
Balance of Endowment Funds	13,885
The deficit in the General Funds	—*22,934*

This deficit general balance is distributed as follows :—

	Rs.
District Board	—*18,379*
Taluk Boards	—*13,354*
Unions	8,799
Total ..	—*22,934*

This result was chiefly due to a very large falling off in the receipts under "land-cess," "school-fees," "medical contribution from private individuals," "avenues" and "Provincial contribution for education," and to the non-adjustment of the sum of Rs. 27,300 taken credit for as contribution from other District Boards on account of plague charges—*vide* paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 535 L., dated 8th March 1899, the falling off being only partly counterbalanced by short expenditure under all the grants. The figure representing the District Board balance is still uncertain as the Accountant-General has yet to make certain adjustments of plague expenditure in the accounts of the year with reference to G.O., No. 915 L., dated 27th April 1899.

10. *Taxation.*—Land-cess, tolls and house-tax were the chief sources of Local fund taxation. Rs. 2,47,603 were collected under land-cess, Rs. 28,587 under tolls and Rs. 25,901 under house-tax. The incidence of taxation per head of the population was As. 2-2 excluding, and As. 2-5 including, tolls, against As. 2-7 and As. 2-9, respectively, in the preceding year. The decrease was mainly due to a large falling off in the income under "land-cess" explained further on. Taking into consideration the total Local fund receipts, the incidence per head came to As. 2-11 against As. 3-4 in 1897-98.

II.—Receipts.

11. *Opening balance.*—The year opened with a balance of Rs. 55,998 against an estimate of Rs. 68,500 and Rs. 26,454, the actuals of the preceding year. The decrease under the estimate is chiefly due to a large decrease in the receipts in 1897-98 as compared with the revised estimate for that year under "land-cess," "Municipal contribution for tolls," "school-fees," "fish rent," and "Provincial contribution for education," only partly counterbalanced by a decrease in expenditure under all the grants.

12. *Land-cess.*—The realizations under this head amounted to Rs. 2,47,603 against an estimate of Rs. 2,86,100 and the actuals of Rs. 2,97,230 in the year preceding. The total demand including arrears was Rs. 2,98, 887 against Rupees 3,30,632 in the past year. The percentage of collection to the demand was 82·84 against 89·89. The decrease in the collections as compared with the estimate and the past year's actuals is ascribed to (1) short collections in Chittoor, Gudiyáttam, Arcot and Polur taluks and in the Punganúru, Kálahasti and Karvetnagar zemindaris, and (2) the collection of December 1896 kist of North Polur taluks in April 1897, *i.e.*, in 1897-98 which nominally increased the collections of that year as compared with the collections of 1898-99.

13. *Tolls.*—At the beginning of the year there were *eight* toll-gates. During the year *four* additional toll-gates were opened—*vide* G.O., Mis. No. 1566 L., dated 19th August 1897. Thus at the end of the year there were *twelve* toll-gates described in the accompanying statement V. The toll-gate at the entrance to the railway yard at Kuppamu was moved to the junction of the Venkatagirikota and Palmanér roads at Venkatagirikota under sanction accorded in the same Government Order. The site of the toll-gate on the Chittoor-Palmanér road was also changed—G.O., Mis. No. 1479 L., dated 15th August 1898. There were no changes of sites of the other toll-gates. Half the maximum rates were collected in all the gates as usual. All the gates were leased out. The lessee of the Arni toll-gates failed to pay the kists regularly and in consequence the lease was cancelled and the gates were re-sold, the re-sale resulting in a loss of Rs. 693-4-0 for the recovery of which sum a civil suit has been filed against the defaulter in terms of the agreement. The lease amount of all the twelve gates was Rs. 19,060. The total demand including arrears amounted to Rupees 19,272-15-0 (*vide* statement VII). Of this sum, Rs. 18,363-7-0 (excluding the excess collections and interest on overdue payments detailed in statement V) were collected, Rs. 112-4-0, being the irrecoverable arrears in respect of the Wandiwash gate for 1895-96, were written off with the sanction of Government—G.O., Mis. No. 1176 L., dated 30th June 1898, leaving a balance of Rs. 797-4-0 composed of Rupees 693-4-0, the loss in respect of the Arni toll-gates referred to above and Rs. 104 explained in the remarks column of statement VII. The actual collections including

excess collections and interest on overdue payments exhibited in the remarks column of statement V were Rs. 18,449 against an estimate of Rs. 20,000 and Rs. 17,601, the actuals of the past year. The decrease was due to less competition at the sales.

The four Municipalities in the district contributed a sum of Rs. 10,224 as the Local fund share of the Municipal tolls against Rs. 10,380, the estimate for the year and Rs. 8,447, actuals of the preceding year. The decrease under the estimate is slight and calls for no remarks. The increase over the past year's actuals is the net result of an increase in the case of the Vellore Municipality and of a decrease in the case of the others, the variations following the fluctuations in the Municipal toll income. The Vellore Municipality paid *half* its toll income, Walajapet and Tirupati, *one-third* each, and Gudiyáttam *one-fourth*. Rs. 28,673 were realized from both the Local fund and Municipal tolls, the realizations being 7·87 per cent. of the total receipts against 6·23 per cent. in 1897–98.

14. *House-tax.*—During the year under report this tax was collected in all the Unions, its introduction in Rénigunta Union having been sanctioned in G.O., Mis. No. 5 L., dated 4th January 1898. Statement VII furnishes particulars of the demand, collection and balance of the tax. The demand including arrears amounted to Rs. 26,652. Of this sum, Rs. 25,901 were collected, a remission of Rs. 107 was granted on vacant houses, and Rs. 91 were written off as irrecoverable. On the 31st March 1899 there was a balance of Rs. 553 against the marginally-noted Unions. Nearly half of this balance has since been either collected or remitted. In the case of the remainder which appears chiefly against Arcot, Ambúr, Kuppamu and Pallikondai Unions, the Taluk Board President states that the lists of remissions recommended by the Chairmen concerned have been returned for verification and will be disposed of shortly. The percentage of balance to the demand is 2·07 against 1·93 in the previous year. There is an increase in collections over both the estimate and the past year's actuals which is due to (1) the imposition of house-tax in Rénigunta Union, (2) the revision of tax in certain Unions of the Vellore Taluk Board, and (3) the erection of new houses in some of the unions. The practice of reviewing the monthly demand, collection and balance statements submitted by the Union Chairmen both by the Taluk Board Presidents and in my office was continued during the year.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Punganúru	11	3	0
Arcot	164	8	0
Ambúr	169	8	0
Kuppamu	17	0	0
Pernambut	4	8	0
Pallikondai	22	12	0
Kálahasti	26	4	6
Tiruttani	1	0	0
Kávérippákkam	1	0	0
Karvetnagar	13	11	0
Rénigunta..	27	0	0
Arni	94	4	6
Total ..	552	10	6

or Rs. 553 in round number.

15. Particulars of incidence of house-tax are furnished in statement XVI. There was an appreciable increase in the number of houses finally assessed to tax in Pernambut Union and a marked decrease in Chandragiri and Arni Unions. The increase in Pernambut was partly due to the erection of new houses and partly to fewer remissions granted. The decrease in Chandragiri Union was due to accidental destruction of several houses by fire during the year. In Arni Union it was due to a larger number of cases of remissions granted. The average incidence per head of the population within the Union limits was As. 2–8, as in the preceding year. In Punganúru, Chittoor, Arni, Kuppamu, Ambúr, Tiruttani, Wandiwash, Puttúr and Arkonam Unions, it was above the average, being As. 4–3, As. 3–11, As. 3–6, As. 3–4 As. 3–1, As. 3–1, As. 3–1, As. 2–10, and As. 2–9, respectively; it was just the average in Kálahasti Union, viz., As. 2–8, and was lowest in Karvetnagar Union, viz., As. 1–4. Nine hundred and twenty-five distress warrants involving Rs. 916–8–0 were issued against 784 involving Rs. 1,193–14–0 in the previous year. Property valued at Rs. 520 was distrained in 550 cases, but was sold only in 90 cases for the realization of Rs. 47–11–0.

16. *Education.*—A sum of Rs. 15,560 was realized under this head against an estimate of Rs. 18,220 and Rs. 16,252, actuals of the preceding year. The net decrease appears chiefly under "School-fees of Lower secondary and Primary schools"

and "Sale-proceeds of books." The former was chiefly due to (1) the temporary closure of Arcot and Kuppamu middle schools owing to the prevalence of plague there, (2) the abolition of the elementary schools mentioned at foot of statement VIII, (3) the loss of strength of some of the primary schools under all the Taluk Boards, and (4) the general over-estimate of income under this head made by the Educational officers. Under "Sale-proceeds of books" shown against XI (*e*) in statement I-A, there was a heavy decrease of Rs. 521 below the estimate due mainly to absence of demand for several readers in stock which have been superseded. The District Board have since given up the arrangement of purchasing books for sale. As usual, the Kangundi zemindar contributed Rs. 150 towards the upkeep of the Kuppamu middle school.

17. *Medical, Vaccination and Sanitation.*—The receipts under this head amounted to Rs. 1,141 against an estimate of Rs. 5,370 and Rs. 7,336, actuals of the past year. The decrease occurs mainly under "contributions from private individuals." The Mahant of Tirupati did not pay the amount of contribution (Rs. 3,840) for the maintenance of the Tirupati hospital. He has been since asked to pay it. The American Arcot Mission withheld a portion of the contribution towards the pay of the civil apothecary at Ránipéttai on the ground of financial difficulties and they also declined to continue paying the contribution. The matter is under correspondence. The zemindar of Kangundi paid his usual contribution of Rs. 150 towards the maintenance of the Kuppamu dispensary.

18. *Miscellaneous*—(*i*) *V* (*a*) *and VI* (*a*), *Fishery Rents.*—A sum of Rs. 8,586 was credited to this head against an estimate of Rs. 10,000 and the actuals of Rupees 9,722 in the previous year. The decrease which appears chiefly under the Chittoor and the Vellore Taluk Boards is explained to be due, in the former case, to the non-collection of the entire kist within the year and, in the latter case, to a large number of tanks not having been leased out owing to excess of water. Of the total collection of Rs. 8,586, Rs. 6,763 were collected by the Revenue Department and the balance of Rs. 1,823 by the Public Works Department.

(ii) *Income from Choultries.*—Rs. 171 were realized under this head against an estimate of Rs. 340 and the actuals of Rs. 412 in the previous year. The decrease was mainly due to (1) only Rs. 16 out of Rs. 60, being the assessment of Kattamanchi chattram inam lands, having been credited by the Revenue Department within the official year, (2) the extremely low bid of Rs. 24 for which the vacant site opposite to the Arkonam chattram was leased out for occupation by traders against the budget estimate of Rs. 190, owing to the fact that Arkonam was made a plague observation station, and (3) the non-realization of any portion of the sum of Rs. 30 anticipated in the budget as miscellaneous receipts of the Annadana chattram at Sholinghur.

(iii) *Income from Markets.*—A sum of Rs. 11,686 was realized under this head against an estimate of Rs. 12,940 and Rs. 13,443, the actuals of 1897–98. The decrease was in the main due to want of competition at the sales of the right to collect market fees consequent on the general falling off of trade owing to the plague scare. The markets were generally popular and freely resorted to; but the Arni Taluk Board President reports that the daily market and slaughter-house at Arni were not used.

(iv) *Avenues.*—The total income derived by the sale of avenue produce and clipping was Rs. 7,974 against an estimate of Rs. 7,650 and the actuals of Rs. 7,907 in the year preceding. The increase was due chiefly to a comparatively good produce and good competition at the sales. It was also due to the collection of arrears of past year in the Chittoor Taluk.

(v) *Contribution from Private Individuals for Public Works.*—The sum of Rs. 929 credited under this head is composed of—

(1) Rs. 868, half the cost of constructing eleven tunnels on the Kuppamu-Kangundi road paid by the zemindar of Kangundi (G.O., Mis. No. 1770 L., dated 23rd September 1898), and

(2) Rs. 61, being the cost of supervision and other charges paid by certain private individuals—*vide* details in statement A in the accompanying book of statements under "VI Public works."

(vi) *Provincial contribution for Education.*—A sum of Rs. 7,397 was realized under this head against an estimate of Rs. 9,690 and Rs. 6,503, the actuals of the past year. The decrease as compared with the estimate was due to the following causes :—

(*a*) The net cost of the Board high school, Chittoor, was reduced by a rise in fee-income of the school.

(*b*) Some of the schools under all the Taluk Boards did not earn the amount of grant expected owing to restrictive orders regarding assignment in certain cases and the reduction in strength of certain other schools.

(*c*) One of the teachers of the middle school, Arcot, was not eligible for salary grant.

(*d*) The transfer grant and increased rate of grant on behalf of the Arni middle school teachers were not drawn within the year, the sanction having been received late in March 1899.

19. The variations under the other items are explained in the remarks column of statement I-A. Details of the several items of miscellaneous receipts and contributions from several sources are furnished in statement A.

III.—EXPENDITURE.

20. Excluding debt heads and allotments from District to Taluk funds and from Taluk funds to Union funds, the expenditure of the year amounted to Rs. 4,17,583 against Rs. 3,91,637 in the preceding year. Details of expenditure are given in statement I-B.

21. *Grant 1, Public Works.*—The aggregate outlay on public works of all kinds during the year under report was Rs, 1,76,466 against an allotment of Rs. 1,92,080 and the actuals of Rs. 1,73,219 in the preceding year. Of this sum Rs. 1,62,055 were spent on "Communications," Rs. 5,448 on "Civil buildings," and Rs. 8,963 on "Miscellaneous Public Improvements," both under new works and repairs. The percentage of expenditure to the total allotment was 91·87 against 91·12 in 1897–98. The variations in the several items are explained below. The following distribution shows the expenditure incurred by the several agencies other than the Local Fund Engineering establishments:—

		RS.
(*a*)	By the Revenue Department	25
(*b*)	„ Chairmen of Unions	704
(*c*)	„ Presidents of Local Boards	1,646
	Total ..	2,375

22. *New Works—Communications.*—Rs. 7,347 were spent under this head against an allotment of Rs. 8,060 or 91·15 per cent. of the allotment was spent during the year. The details of works are shown in statement III, works costing Rs. 1,000 and less having been grouped and shown as petty works under instructions conveyed in G.O., No. 2149 L., dated 8th November 1898. The following are the more important works completed or in progress during the year:—

(*a*) *Chittoor Taluk Board.*—Metalling the road from Punganúru to Sadam.

(*b*) *Vellore Taluk Board.*—Constructing tunnels on the road from Kirkanthangal to Valapandal.

(*c*) Constructing tunnels on the road from Arcot to Chitrachavadi.

(*d*) *Ránipéttai Taluk Board.*—Constructing masonry works on the road from Rénigunta to Vadamalpet.

Works (*b*) and (*d*) have been completed. The other two works were left incomplete. In the case of the Punganúru-Sadam road only Rs. 46 were allotted and spent for want of funds. The other work had to be left incomplete as the allotment made for its completion had to be transferred to the more important work of repairing the flood damages on the same road. The short expenditure of the allotments under this head is ascribed to the following causes :—

(*a*) Some of the works were completed too late in the year to admit of their being check-measured and the contractors' deposits paid within the year.

(*b*) The contractors of certain works under the Chittoor and the Arni Taluk Boards failed to complete their works in time.

(*c*) The construction of certain masonry works under the Vellore Taluk Board and of a road under the Arni Taluk Board was sanctioned too late to be completed and paid for within the year.

(*d*) The construction of culverts on the Kuppamu-Palmanér road had to be given up owing to plague in Kuppamu.

(*e*) There were savings in the estimates of some of the works.

23. *Civil Buildings, New.*—Rupees 2,970 or 65·13 per cent. of the allotment of Rs. 4,560 was spent under this head against Rs. 4,793 in the year previous. The short expenditure as compared with the allotment was due mainly to the following causes :—

(1) The sum of Rs. 400 provided in the budget for completing the construction of an operating room and a labour ward attached to the Civil and the Lying-in hospitals at Chittoor, respectively, was not spent, as the estimates have not yet been sanctioned by the Sanitary Board ; the matter is under correspondence.

(2) The work of building a latrine attached to the Lying-in-hospital at Tirupati was not taken up, as the revised estimate submitted by the Engineer at the end of the year could not be sanctioned within the year for want of certain further information that was required.

(3) Only a portion of the allotments sanctioned for the construction of chavadies at Tirumani and Polur under the Arni Taluk Board is reported to have been utilized owing to the failure of the contractors to complete the works.

24. *New works—Miscellaneous Public Improvements.*—A sum of Rs. 1,808 or 65·03 per cent. of the allotment (Rs. 2,780) was spent against Rs. 1,831 in the preceding year. The short expenditure of the allotment was chiefly due to the following causes :—

(i) The budget allotment of Rs. 500 for constructing a slaughter-house at Chittoor lapsed as the work was not put in hand pending the acquisition of the site for which the Collector has been addressed.

(ii) The allotment sanctioned for putting up an aloe fence round the Nanjampet market under the Vellore Taluk Board was not spent owing to plague in Kangundi division.

(iii) The work of putting up an aloe fence to the Chowdapalli market was sanctioned in February 1899, but was not finished and paid for within the year.

(iv) There were savings in the estimate for constructing a shed in the Kátpádi market and certain other market works.

25. *Repairs—Communications.*—A sum of Rs. 1,54,708 was spent under this head against an allotment of Rs. 1,65,910 and the actuals of Rs. 1,50,873 in the year previous. The percentage of expenditure to the allotment was 93·24 against 93·39 in the past year. The short expenditure as compared with the allotment was due mainly to the following causes :—

(*a*) A large portion of the allotment of the Kurnool trunk road, Nayudupet road, and of the Taluk Board roads in Damalcheruvu and Puttúr divisions was left unspent as the Engineer and the Overseer were engaged in constructing plague sheds at Pákala which delayed the check-measurement of road materials till it was too late to spread them.

(*b*) The major portion of the allotment for repairing the flood damages on the Madras-Calicut Trunk road was not spent as the Engineer says there was not time to complete the work within the year.

(*c*) Certain special road repairs having been done at the end of the year, they could not be check-measured and contractors' deposits paid within the year.

(*d*) The contractors of Chandragiri taluk roads failed to supply materials in time.

(*e*) The street roads of Sholinghur, Wandiwash and Arkonam Unions having been in good order, the whole of the maintenance grant in the first two Unions and a portion of the allotment in the last were not utilized.

(*f*) The budget allotments for the repair of the street roads of Vellore taluk and Rollabudugur village and that for diverting the course of a hill stream were not spent, no reason having been assigned for the former and the latter work having been executed and paid for in the preceding year.

(*g*) There were savings in the maintenance estimates of some of the roads. The percentage of expenditure on communications (new works and repairs) to half the land-cess *plus* the net income from tolls was 106·29, *i.e.*, 6·29 per cent. over the prescribed minimum was spent.

26. *Repairs—Civil Buildings.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 2,478 and was 85·74 per cent. of the allotment (Rs. 2,890). The short expenditure was due to—

(1) the non-execution of the repairs to the civil hospital, Chittoor, provided for in the budget, the estimate for it having been received too late for the work to be done and paid for within the year;

(2) a portion of the allotment for repairing the Arni Middle school and the Arni hospital not having been spent pending check-measurement of the works;

(3) the non-utilization of a portion of the allotment sanctioned for the repair of the Arni Union office, as the work was estimated to cost more than the amount sanctioned; and

(4) to savings in the estimates of some of the works under the Chittoor, Vellore and Ránipéttai Taluk Boards.

27. *Repairs—Miscellaneous Public Improvements.*—Rupees 7,155 or 90·79 per cent. of the allotment of Rs. 7,880 were spent under this head against Rs. 5,533, the actuals of the previous year. The decrease in expenditure as compared with the allotment was due mainly to the following causes:—

(i) A saving of about Rs. 273 was effected in the allotment for maintenance of avenues for District Board and the Taluk Boards of Vellore, Ránipéttai and Arni by economical application of funds.

(ii) For want of labour, the allotment for repairing the Chembukoor market was not spent.

(iii) The contractors of the work of repairing the Lakkanapalli and Sankaroyalpet markets not having rectified the defects pointed out, their security deposits were not paid.

(iv) Estimates for the repair of the markets at Gudipalli and Krishnapuram under the Vellore Taluk Board having been received very late, were not sanctioned and their budget allotment consequently lapsed.

(v) The allotment sanctioned for the repair of the Polur market was not spent as the work was not completed within the year.

(vi) A portion of the allotment for the repair of the Robinson well at Renigunta was not spent pending final check-measurement of work.

28. The expenditure on civil buildings and miscellaneous public improvements, both under new works and repairs, may be classified as follows:—

Civil Buildings—

	Rs.
(1) School buildings	1,610
(2) Hospitals and dispensaries	2,325
(3) Chattrams and bungalows	1,513
Total	5,448

Miscellaneous Public Improvements—

	Rs.
(*a*) Maintenance of avenues	6,081
(*b*) Improvements and repairs to markets and slaughter-houses	2,196
(*c*) Tanks and wells	490
(*d*) Drains and other miscellaneous works	196
Total	8,963

29. There were at the beginning of the year 1,738$\frac{4}{8}$ miles of roads in the district against 1,732$\frac{5}{8}$ miles of roads at the commencement of the preceding year. This gives an average of 2·36 miles for every ten square miles of area. 1,518$\frac{3}{8}$ miles of this total length mentioned above were repaired during the year against 1,498$\frac{3}{8}$ miles repaired in the past year. The increase of 20$\frac{3}{8}$ miles has been explained in the statement submitted to Government in this office Dis. No. 580, dated 28th April 1899. Of the total length repaired, 1,340$\frac{7}{8}$ miles belonged to the District and the Taluk Boards, and the remaining 177$\frac{7}{8}$ miles were village roads. Excluding the charges on account of the construction and repair of bridges, culverts, toll-sheds, store-sheds, &c., the average cost of maintaining each mile of road repaired was Rs. 160 in the case of the District Board roads, Rs. 70 for Taluk Board roads and Rs. 82 for village roads against Rs. 154, Rs. 69 and Rs. 91, respectively, in the preceding year. 11$\frac{4}{8}$ miles of village roads were constructed during the year at a cost of Rs. 760. There were, at the end of the year, 1,750$\frac{4}{8}$ miles of roads in the district.

30. *Village Roads.*—The total expenditure on the construction and repair of village roads during the year amounted to Rs. 15,298, or 9·90 per cent. of the total road outlay, against Rs. 15,968 or 10·57 per cent. in the past year. Rs. 760 of the total expenditure were spent for constructing new roads and the remainder Rs. 14,538, for repairing the existing roads.

31. Of the total length of 1,750$\frac{4}{8}$ miles of roads in the district, 1,018$\frac{4}{8}$ miles had avenues. At the beginning of the year, there were 225,245 trees.* 11,884 trees were planted during the year, but 6,246 trees perished. Thus at the end of the year there were 230,883 trees. The avenues were, on the whole, well cared for and were in fair condition.

* *Vide* remarks column of statement IV-B.

32. *Condition of Roads.*—Speaking generally, the roads in this district are in good order and compare very favourably with those of other districts with which I am acquainted.

33. *Establishment.*—The strength of the Local Fund Engineering establishment continued to be the same as in the year previous. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 32,007 against an allotment of Rs. 34,160 and the actuals of Rs. 33,655 in 1897–98. The short expenditure was due chiefly to—

(*a*) the pay and travelling allowances of the Assistant Engineer for the months of January and February 1899 not having been paid to him within the year pending correspondence about his leave;

(*b*) the post of the sub-overseer of Damalcheruvu having been vacant for a greater part of the year when the division was in charge of the Chittoor Taluk overseer;

(*c*) the travelling allowance of the overseers and their establishments for January 1899 not having been paid within the year pending correspondence in connection with it; and

(*d*) the savings in the allotment for contingent charges.

The percentage of the cost of establishment to the total outlay on works was 18·13 against 19·42 in the preceding year. Rs. 74 were paid to the Public Works Department for the collection of the Local Fund income from fisheries.

34. *Staging Bungalows.*—Details of receipts and charges of these bungalows are given in statement X. Three hundred and sixty-three travellers halted in the 20 bungalows against 408 travellers in the past year. For the maintenance of these bungalows, Rs. 1,659 were spent against Rs. 1,006 in 1897–98. The increase appears chiefly under "Public Works expenditure" and partly under "Contingencies," the expenditure in both the cases having been incurred to meet the actual requirements. A sum of Rs. 908 was spent on establishment and contingencies and Rs. 751 on improvements to buildings of thirteen bungalows. Generally the bungalows were in a fair state of repairs and sufficiently furnished. The bungalows under the Ránipéttai Taluk Board except Damalcheruvu are reported to need repairs. Provision has been made in the current year to repair the bungalow at Tirupati and steps are being taken to repair the Nagari bungalow. The Taluk Board President promises to get the other bungalows repaired.

35. *Tools and Plant.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 1,977, including Rs. 25, balance of cost of carriage of famine tools from Punganúru to Vellore in 1897-98 paid during the year under report, and Rs. 12 incurred by the Ránipéttai and Arni unions. The net amount spent under this head on ordinary Local Fund works was therefore Rs. 1,940, which was 1·09 per cent. of the total outlay on works, against ·95 per cent. in the previous year. The percentage only just exceeded the limit of 1 per cent. laid down in article 109 of the Local Fund Code. I am drawing the attention of the Engineer to the necessity for observing the limit in future. Of the sum of Rs. 1,940, Rs. 1,909 were spent in purchasing new tools and Rs. 31 for repairing the existing tools.

36. *Contribution to Provincial Funds.*—A sum of Rs. 37,770 was provided in the budget for 1898-99 as contribution to Provincial funds for famine expenditure. There having been no necessity for its payment, Rs. 27,770 thereof were appropriated for plague expenditure with the sanction of Government, and the remainder Rs. 10,000 was allowed to lapse and merge in the balance to be carried to the next year (1899-1900) to provide for plague—G.O., No. 535 L., dated 8th March 1899.

37. *Grant 2, Education.*—The expenditure under this grant during the year under report amounted to Rs. 59,233 against an allotment of Rs. 62,290 and Rupees 60,621, the actuals of the year preceding. This figure represents 13·68 per cent. of the total Local Fund assets. The details of expenditure are furnished in statement I-B.

38. *Inspection.*—There were no changes either in the strength or in the territorial jurisdiction of the subordinate inspecting staff. The Sub-Assistant Inspectors were, as usual, paid from Provincial funds and the inspecting schoolmasters from Local Funds. For the maintenance of the latter establishment, Rs. 4,415 were spent against an allotment of Rs. 4,640 and the actuals of Rs. 4,609 in the previous year. The decrease as compared with the allotment was chiefly due to—

(1) the retirement of the inspecting schoolmaster, Polur, and the man who was temporarily appointed instead having been paid only acting allowance for about six months of the year, and

(2) the death of the inspecting schoolmasters of Vellore and Wallajah taluks in January and February 1899, respectively, and the appointment of substitutes not having been sanctioned in time to admit of their pay being drawn within the year.

The system of reviewing the monthly diaries, &c., of the inspecting schoolmasters by the Sub-Assistant and the Assistant Inspectors and in my office was continued during the year. These officers visited 1,537 villages and prepared 1,320 schools for examination, of which 136 were Local Fund schools, 831 aided schools and 353 other schools, against 1,404 villages and 114, 722 and 345 schools, respectively, in the previous year. They examined 1,563 schools and 76,630 pupils, started 31 schools and brought 170 schools under inspection, the corresponding figures for the preceding year being 1,494 schools, 70,992 pupils, and 29 and 200 schools. The inspecting schoolmasters' work for the year was generally satisfactory. In the current year (1899-1900) the supervision of the work of inspecting schoolmasters was transferred to the Taluk Boards concerned, excepting the inspecting schoolmaster for Muhammadan schools for the district who has been retained under the direct control of the District Board.

39. *Sessional Schools.*—The number of sessional schools was two as in the year previous—one for the North Palar taluks to train Telugu teachers, and the other for the South Palar taluks to train Tamil teachers. The places where these two schools held their sessions are given in statement VIII; the period of each session continued to be *three* months. Sixty teachers were admitted for training in the two schools (25 in the north and 35 in the south sessional schools) and, with the exception of four of them who were admitted as free students, the others were paid the usual stipends at Rs. 5 each per mensem. The number of teachers who were presented for and passed the Primary School examination from the sessional schools is detailed in the foot-note appended to statement VIII. It will be seen therefrom that the results of the south sessional school were satisfactory, 82·69 per cent. of the number presented having passed, while the north sessional school did not fare so well, only 13 out of 25 students

presented having come out successful. A sum of Rs. 1,314 was spent for the upkeep of these schools against an allotment of Rs. 1,680 and the actuals of Rs. 1,487 in 1897-98. The short expenditure was due in the main to a smaller number of stipendiary students having been trained than was provided for in the budget and to the stipends of the sessional school students for January and February 1899 not having been paid within the year owing to non-receipt of bills in time.

40. *Local Fund Schools.*—At the commencement of the year, there were six secondary and 109 primary schools. During the year, eleven of the primary schools were closed by the Vellore and the Arni Taluk Boards on financial grounds, and their names are shown in statement VIII. Thus, on the last day of the year, there were six secondary and 98 primary schools.

41. *Secondary Schools.*—One of the six secondary schools at the end of the year was of the upper secondary grade, viz., the High School at Chittoor, which continued to be managed by the Chittoor Taluk Board, the Government paying the net cost of its upper and lower secondary departments. The others were all of the lower secondary grade. The high school and the lower secondary schools at Arcot and Arni continued to be salary schools, and the other three lower secondary schools at Kuppamu, Karvetnagar and Wandiwash were salary-result schools.

42. *Chittoor High School.*—On the 31st March 1899, this school had a total strength of 235 pupils against 228 on the corresponding date of the past year. This shows that the school is gradually regaining its lost strength. M.R.Ry. C. Bhashyam Aiyangar Avargal, B.A., the permanent head master, rejoined his duty, after a long leave, on the 3rd May 1898 and continued in office throughout the year. Owing to the increased strength, the second and third forms of the school were each split up into two sections, but were managed by the existing staff of teachers. For the Matriculation examination, 30 students were presented from this school, of whom 10 passed—a fair result. But the result in the Lower Secondary Examination cannot be considered satisfactory, only 12 students having been successful out of 32 sent up.

43. At the beginning of the year, three of the five lower secondary schools were of the first grade, viz., those at Arcot, Arni and Kuppamu, and the remaining two, Karvetnagar and Wandiwash, were of the second grade. During the year, the Karvetnagar school was raised to the first grade. Thus, at the end of the year, there were four first-grade and only one second-grade schools. The lower secondary departments of all the five schools had, on the 31st March 1899, a total strength of 184 students, and the average attendance was 185. The following abstract shows the results of the Lower Secondary and Primary examinations of the five schools:—

Serial number.	Name of school.	Lower Secondary Examination.		Primary School Examination.	
		Number presented.	Number passed.	Number presented.	Number passed.
1	Middle School, Arcot	8	1	16	3
2	,, Arni	15	13	20	28
3	,, Kuppamu	10	*4	13	8
4	,, Karvetnagar	8	1	11	2
5	,, Wandiwash	..	..	10	6

*One passed in the first class.

The Arni middle school did very satisfactorily in both the examinations. The results in the middle schools at Arcot and Karvetnagar were, however, extremely bad. In the case of the former, the Vellore Taluk Board President promises to effect an improvement this year (1899-1900) by changing the staff of teachers, if necessary, in communication with the Educational officers. In the case of the Karvetnagar middle school, the Ránipéttai Taluk Board President states that, in spite of the bad results in the Lower Secondary examination, the school will be tried for another year in the first grade. He will be requested to try to improve its working. The results of Kuppamu and Wandiwash middle schools may be considered fair.

44. The expenditure on secondary education during the year amounted to Rs. 11,260 against Rs. 10,349 in the preceding year. The net cost to Local Funds amounted to Rs. 382 against Rs. 63. The lower secondary departments of the Chittoor high school and of the Middle school, Arni, were worked at a profit. In the case of the middle schools at Arcot, Kuppamu and Karvetnagar, the net cost rose over the past year's figures and was heavy in Karvetnagar and Kuppamu, being Rs. 12-8-6 and Rs. 9-15-2, respectively, per pupil educated. The upper secondary department of the Chittoor high school, which was worked at a profit in the past year, cost the Board Rs. 1-9-4 per pupil educated in the year under report. There was, however, a reduction in the net cost of the lower secondary department of the Wandiwash middle school. In the case of the Karvetnagar middle school, the increase was due to the entertainment of an additional teacher on Rs. 17-8-0 for the third form newly opened. The Presidents of the Taluk Boards concerned will be requested to take steps to minimise the net cost in the above schools.

45. *Primary Schools.*—At the close of the year, there were 98 primary schools, excluding the primary departments of secondary schools. Of this number 73 schools were of the upper primary grade and the remaining 25 were lower primary schools. Excepting the Krishnier's school at Bommasamudram, an endowed institution, which was worked on the salary system with reference to G.O., No. 463, Educational, dated 10th August 1897, the remaining 97 were salary-result schools. The number of purely primary schools and the primary departments of secondary schools can be seen from statement VIII. The primary schools and the primary departments of secondary schools had, on the 31st March 1899, an aggregate strength of 4,530 boys and 642 girls against 5,253 boys and 760 girls at the end of the past year. The average attendance was 5,177 against 5,945. The fall in strength and attendance was due chiefly to (*a*) the abolition of the 11 schools referred to in paragraph 40 *supra*, and (*b*) the prevalence of plague in parts of the district. An expenditure of Rs. 27,824 was incurred on primary schools and departments against Rs. 29,054 in the year preceding. Rs. 1,175 of this amount were spent on salary-system schools and Rs. 26,649 on salary-result schools. The net cost to Local Funds amounted to Rs. 249 in the case of the former and to Rs. 15,311 in the case of the latter classes of schools against Rs. 225 and Rs. 16,529, respectively, in the previous year. The average cost per pupil educated in the salary system primary schools and departments was Rs. 2-3-0 and in the case of the schools on salary-result system, it was Rs. 3-0-5 against Rs. 2-4-9 and Rs. 2-13-3, respectively, in 1897-98. The cost was somewhat high in the case of the upper primary and lower primary departments of the Arcot middle school, being Rs. 7-10-1 in each. The foot-note appended to statement VIII furnishes details of the number of pupils of the various grades of Local Fund schools who were presented for and passed the several public and standard examinations.

46. *Grant-in-aid Schools.*—On the 31st March 1899, there were 600 schools in the district aided from Local Funds, with 15,152 pupils on their rolls, against 649 schools with 16,532 pupils on the corresponding date of the past year. Ten thousand four hundred and ninety-seven pupils were examined for grant and 7,764 were found qualified against 10,735 and 8,190, respectively, in the preceding year. Rs. 14,260, or 98·34 per cent. of the sanctioned allotment, were paid as result grants, against Rs. 14,612 or 95·94 per cent. in 1897-98. The short expenditure appears chiefly under Chittoor, Ránipéttai and Arni Taluk Boards. Of the total expenditure, Rs. 214 were paid as arrears of past year. Each pupil examined was paid a grant of Rs. 1-5-9 on an average, as in the past year.

47. *Panchama Education.*—Statement C next to statement IX shows the results of the year's operations in the direction of education of the Panchamas. There was a decline in both the number and strength of the Local Fund and aided schools. The falling off of one Local Fund school as compared with the past year was due to the abolition of the Wandiwash Panchama school under the Arni Taluk Board, there being a well conducted and thriving Mission Panchama school in the town. The efficiency of the aided Panchama schools, however, slightly improved as 1,185 pupils were sent up for examination from those schools and 765 passed against 1,154 and 719, respectively. The number of unaided Panchama schools rose from 21 to 23, and their strength from 310 to 366 pupils. The condition of the Panchama education was almost stationary during the year under report.

48. *Purchase of Books.*—The allotment of Rs. 560 under this head remained wholly unspent, as elementary school books were not purchased during the year, the system having been abandoned with reference to paragraph 1 (7) of G.O., No. 2149 L., dated 8th November 1898.

49. *General remarks on the progress of Education.*—As already stated, eleven of the Local Fund primary schools were abolished on financial grounds. This, as well as the prevalence of plague in some parts of the district, materially diminished the strength and attendance of schools. The number and strength of the aided schools likewise declined. Female education showed a retrogression, the number of girls under instruction in Local Fund and aided schools having fallen from 1,966 in the previous year to 1,776 in the year under report. There was some improvement in the number of qualified teachers as compared with the previous year; but the Assistant Inspector's statement III for individual Taluk Boards shows that the percentage of unqualified teachers is still heavy. The Assistant Inspector hopes, however, that the sessional schools working in the district will gradually reduce the number of untrained teachers. The proportion of pupils under instruction to the male population of the school-going age (151,957), calculated at 7½ per cent. of the population within the Local Fund area of the district, was 12·48 per cent. against 13·82 in 1897-98.

50. *Grant 3, Medical Services, Vaccination and Sanitation.*—There were, as in the previous year, eight hospitals (including the three Lying-in hospitals of Chittoor, Ránipéttai and Arni) and twelve dispensaries. Two of the hospitals, viz., those at Ránipéttai and Tirupati, are endowed institutions, the former being in receipt of a contribution of Rs. 2,066 from Provincial funds, and the latter being maintained from the annual contribution of Rs. 3,840 paid by the Mahant of Tirupati. The Zamindar of Kangundi pays Rs. 150 per annum towards the cost of maintaining the Kuppamu dispensary. The main building of the Tirupati lying-in hospital has been completed, but the estimate for constructing a latrine attached to it is under correspondence. The old taluk cutcherry building at Wandiwash transferred to the Taluk Board of Arni for locating the local dispensary has not yet been adapted for the purpose for want of funds. The building at Ambur purchased for locating the dispensary having been found unsuitable for the purpose has been sold to the Ambur Union Panchayat for its office. The District Medical and Sanitary Officer reports that most of the buildings wherein medical institutions are located are in repair and adequately furnished. There were 157 beds in all the eight hospitals as in the year preceding. The number of patients treated in the various medical institutions during the year is compared in the following statement with that of the two previous years:—

Years.	In-patients.	Out-patients.	Total.
1896-97	2,320	149,594	151,914
1897-98	2,244	142,200	144,444
1898-99	1,901	112,562	114,466

There was a large decrease in the number of both in- and out- patients, and it occurs in all the medical institutions except the lying-in hospitals at Chittoor and Arni, where there was a slight increase in the number of labor cases aided both in and out of the hospitals. The falling off was mainly due to (*a*) the general suspicion regarding Government plague measures which made people afraid of resorting to the medical institutions for relief, and (*b*) the deputation of some of the medical subordinates on plague duty during the greater part of the year and the closure of the medical institutions during their absence. The dispensary committees under the Chittoor Taluk Board are reported to have done useful work by holding meetings every month for checking bills for contingent charges of the respective medical institutions. Lieutenant-Colonel John Lancaster, I.M.S., continued to be in medical charge of the district, but in the latter part of the year when his services were required in connection with

plague, he was relieved by a Special Medical officer, Mr. Charles T. Costello, B.A., M.B.

Fourteen * of the medical institutions were inspected during the year (eleven by the District Medical Officer and three by the Assistant Surgeon). The other institutions were not inspected owing to heavy work in connection with plague.

* Includes two inspected by the District Medical Officer on his plague tours.

51. Excluding the cost of midwives, Rs. 30,987 were spent during the year for maintaining the several medical institutions against Rs. 32,313 in the preceding year. The decrease appears chiefly under the heads "Medical Subordinates," "Supplies," "Diet of Patients," "Clerks and Servants" and "House-rent to Hospital Assistants," and is partly counterbalanced by an increase under "Medicines and surgical instruments" and "Clothing and Bedding." The decrease under "Medical Subordinates" was due in the main to (1) the deputation of some of the hospital assistants on plague duty, and (2) the appointment of a third-class hospital assistant to each of the dispensaries at Kuppamu and Wandiwash instead of a first-class hospital assistant. The decrease under "Supplies" and "Diet of Patients" occurs chiefly in the hospitals at Chittoor, Palmanér, Ránipéttai and Arni, and was due for the most part to the fall in the number of patients treated and to economy exercised in regulating the expenditure. The decrease under "Clerks and Servants" was due to (1) the abolition of the post of waterman on Rs. 5 in the Kuppamu dispensary, and (2) the deputation of the compounder of the Venkatagirikota dispensary as compounder of the ambulance staff at Palmanér. The decrease under "House-rent to Hospital Assistants" was due to the hospital assistant of the Wandiwash dispensary not having been paid house-rent as he occupied a portion of the dispensary building itself. The increase under "Medicines and Surgical instruments" was only nominal, as the medicines purchased for the use of the Ránipéttai and Tirupati hospitals in the previous year were paid for only in the year under report owing to delay in receipt of bills. Under "Clothing and Bedding," the increase was due to purchase on a larger scale in some of the hospitals according to requirements. The average cost of treating each patient was As. 4–4 against As. 3–7 in the past year. It was high in the three lying-in hospitals, as usual, being Rs. 4–5–11 for Ránipéttai, Rs. 2–11–7 for Chittoor and Rs. 1–11–5 for Arni, and was lowest in Ambur and Wandiwash dispensaries, being As. 1–11 for each.

52. *Midwives.*—As in the preceding year, there were 15 midwives. Miss Stracy, the Eurasian midwife attached to the Chittoor lying-in hospital, resigned at the expiry of her three months' leave. The District Board appointed a native midwife during her absence on Rs. 15 per mensem as an experimental measure pending sanction of Government. The Government, however, negatived the proposal to have a native midwife in the place of a European or Eurasian—G.O., Mis. No. 1432 L., dated 10th August 1898. Mrs. Agnes Pinto, a Eurasian trained midwife, was accordingly appointed to the post. The midwives attended a total number of 898 labour cases against 864 in the year previous. The number assisted by individual midwives is shown in statement XI. It will be seen therefrom that the midwife of the Wandiwash dispensary aided 49 labor cases over and above the last year's figure, which is very satisfactory. The midwives attached to the Arni lying-in hospital, Kalahasti dispensary and the Chittoor lying-in hospital did also a fair amount of work, they having assisted 15, 13 and 11 labor cases over their previous year's outturn. The system of rewarding midwives for assisting labor cases over a prescribed minimum was in force. The midwives attached to the hospitals at Arni, Ránipéttai and Tirupati, and to the dispensaries at Wandiwash, Arcot, Punganúru and Tiruvettiyur assisted 30, 29, 27, 20, 12, 9 and 3 labor cases, respectively, over their minimum, and all except Wandiwash, Arcot and Punganúru midwives were rewarded. An expenditure of Rs. 22 was incurred in the shape of rewards. The other midwives were not paid any reward, no claim having been made. A sum of Rs. 1,829 was spent for payment of salaries and rewards to the midwives against Rs. 2,143 in the preceding year. The decrease was mainly due to the following causes :—

(*a*) The Chittoor midwife's place was vacant for two months during the absence of Miss Stracy on leave and a native midwife was appointed thereafter for four months on Rs. 15 per mensem against Rs. 40, the sanctioned pay of the appointment.

(*b*) The midwife of the Ránipéttai hospital on Rs. 20 per mensem died and in her place one on Rs. 10 was appointed.

(*c*) The Arkonam midwife having been transferred to Ránipéttai *vice* the deceased midwife of that place, the former post was vacant for five months, and thereafter the Puttur midwife was transferred to Arkonam, it being a more important place, and the Puttur midwife's place was not filled up till the close of the year for want of applicants.

Owing to absence of funds, no steps were taken during the year towards training female medical subordinates.

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1896-97	15,881	39,503	55,384	15,212	37,906	53,118	95·96	0 3 11
1897-98	16,225	35,930	52,155	15,599	34,419	50,018	96·88	0 4 0
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56. Vaccination was carried on exclusively with calf lymph. The number of vaccinations performed in each circle and by medical subordinates and their cost are shown in the subjoined statement :—

Serial number.	Circles in the district.	Number of persons vaccinated.	Number of successful cases.	Cost.
				Rs.
1	Chittoor	7,840	7,168	926
2	Vellore	11,958	11,775	570
3	Karvetnagar	8,523	7,998	492
4	Medical subordinates	184	169	..
	Total ..	28,506	27,007	1,988

57. *General Remarks on Vaccination.*—During the year under report, vaccination work exhibited a retrogression chiefly owing to the prevalence of plague. The percentage of successful cases to the total number vaccinated by the vaccinators and medical subordinates also declined from 95·81 in the past year to 94·74. Improved results may be expected both in quantity and quality if the arrangement of getting the supply of vaccine paste from the Mysore Government Vaccine Institute, referred to in G.Os., No. 1905 L. and No. 464 L., dated 5th October 1897 and 12th March 1898, respectively, is finally sanctioned by Government, provided also that plague does not break out again. The monthly returns of vaccinators and deputy inspectors continued to receive scrutiny both at the hands of the District Medical and Sanitary Officer and in my office where they were reviewed, the system of rewarding for extra cases over, and fixing for short cases under, the prescribed minima being followed. The District Medical and Sanitary Officer reports that the results of vaccine operations required constant checking by him and that, with the exception of a few cases, they have been found fairly satisfactory and trustworthy.

58. *Sanitation.*—A sum of Rs. 23,888 was spent under the several heads of sanitation against an allotment of Rs. 30,360 and Rs. 25,970, the actuals of the previous year. Statement XIII furnishes particulars of expenditure. The net decrease of Rs. 2,082 as compared with the past year's actuals was due chiefly to a large decrease under "Improvement of water-supply" under all the Taluk Boards except Arni, under "Scavenging Establishments" under Chittoor and Arni Taluk Boards, and under "Other Sanitary outlay" under all the Taluk Boards, partly counterbalanced by an increase under "Improvement of water-supply" under Arni and under "Scavenging Establishments" under Vellore Taluk Boards. The variations are explained further on. The following abstract compares the expenditure under the several heads with the year's allotment and past year's actuals :—

	Actuals of		Allotment for 1899-99.
	1897-98.	1898-99.	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Improvement of water-supply	4,688	3,519	6,490
,, of village-site	392	403	1,030
Scavenging establishments	17,076	17,396	17,910
Arrangements at fairs and festivals	1,343	1,461	1,500
Other sanitary outlay	2,471	1,109	2,030
Total ..	25,970	23,888	30,360

59. *Improvement of Water-supply.*—Rs. 3,519 were spent under this head against an allotment of Rs. 6,490 and the actuals of Rs. 4,688 in the past year. The decrease as compared with previous year's actuals was due to copious rainfall during the year under report. The short expenditure of the allotment was due to the following causes :—

(*a*) A major portion of the allotment for repair of wells, &c., was surrendered as unnecessary owing to good rainfall.

(*b*) Certain works executed under the Arni Taluk Board were not checkmeasured and paid for owing to excess of water which prevented checkmeasurement.

(*c*) The repair of a pond in Tiruttani union was sanctioned too late to be completed and paid for within the year. Three new wells were sunk during the year at a cost of Rs. 316; and 64 existing sources of water-supply were repaired at a cost of Rs. 1,550 against 58 sources repaired at a cost of Rs. 2,722 in the previous year. Fifty-one watchmen were employed to guard sources of fresh water-supply at a cost of Rs. 1,652. The following are some of the more important works carried out during the year :—

	Rs.
(*a*) Repairing a well at Kallur in Chandragiri taluk	198
(*b*) ,, Digunavaripalli in Chandragiri taluk	104
(*c*) ,, the stone revetment of Arni Suryagunta	135

Besides the above, the Robinson well at Renigunta was repaired at a cost of Rupees 490, and under article 114 of the Local Fund Code, this work has been shown in "Grant 1—Repairs—Miscellaneous Public Improvements" under the head "Tanks and Wells" in statements I-B and III, respectively.

60. *Improvement of Village-sites.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 403 against an allotment of Rs. 1,030 and Rs. 392, the actuals of the year previous. The decrease under the allotment occurs under all the Taluk Boards, notably under Vellore and Ránipéttai, and is due to the non-utilization of the allotments made for removing prickly-pear in Gudipalli and Krishnapuram under the Vellore Board and to the probable expenditure under this head budgeted for both the Taluk Boards being found unnecessary. The slight increase over the past year's actuals does not call for remarks. The system of employing itinerant gangs of coolies for clearing village-sites in rural tracts was not adopted in any of the taluks; 167,334 square yards of prickly-pear were removed during the year under report by communal labour at an estimated cost of Rs. 3,822 under all the Taluk Boards except Arni. The President of this Board states that some work was done in this direction under that Board, but that no details are available. Particulars will be called for and furnished to Government when received. The only work of importance under this head was the construction of a drain in one of the streets of Arkonam union at a cost of Rs. 100. In ten villages prickly-pear and rank vegetation were removed at a total cost of Rs. 255.

61. *Conservancy.*—A sum of Rs. 17,396 was spent under this head against an allotment of Rs. 17,910 and the actuals of Rs. 17,076 in the preceding year. The short expenditure occurs under the Chittoor, Ránipéttai and Arni Taluk Boards, and is attributed in the case of the first and the last Boards, for the most part, to the lower rate at which the scavenging carts were hired as compared with the rate provided for in the budget. In Ránipéttai, the decrease is ascribed generally to savings under the allotment. The increase as compared with the past year's actuals mainly occurs under the Vellore and Ránipéttai Taluk Boards and was due to the pay of some of the scavenging establishments of certain unions having been raised and to the establishments in certain other unions having been strengthened as detailed in appendix to statement VI of the budget for 1898-99. As in the year preceding, 21 unions and three other villages were conserved, and 222 men including sanitary inspectors and pygusts and 69 carts were employed in the several unions at a total cost of Rs. 16,946. In the three non-union villages, six men and two carts were employed at a cost of Rs. 450. As usual, the Chairmen of unions supervised the establishments in the unions and local revenue authorities and village officers supervised those in the other villages. The system of private scavenging was in force in the unions of Ránipéttai, Kálahasti, Arkonam and Arni. The number of houses served was 40, 39, 112 and 10, respectively.

Except in Kálahasti where there was an increase of two houses as compared with the past year, the number of houses in the other three unions served by this system exhibited a decrease,* viz., 22 in Ránipéttai, ten in Arni and six in Arkonam. The collection of private scavenging fees amounted to Rs. 81-13-0 in Ránipéttai, Rs. 61-0-6 in Kálahasti, Rs. 152-4-0 in Arkonam and Rs. 20 in Arni unions, and the expenditure amounted to Rs. 106-13-10, Rs. 60 and Rs. 179-10-4, respectively, in the first three unions, the strength of the establishment being two scavengers on Rs. 5 and Rs. 4 per mensem in Ránipéttai, one scavenger on Rs. 5 in Kálahasti, and three scavengers on Rs. 5 each in Arkonam unions. In Arni union, no separate establishment was entertained for the purpose, the income being small, but the work was done by the union scavengers by turns. The system was not self-supporting except in Kálahasti union. The Ránipéttai Taluk Board President states that the establishment in the other unions was not reduced on this ground as it was apprehended that there would be difficulty in procuring scavengers when necessary owing to the prevalence of plague. The Arni Taluk Board President reports that the people of Arni do not appreciate private scavenging and that in Wandiwash and Pólúru unions the people were averse to the introduction of the system. Under the two other Taluk Boards the system was not in force, but the Vellore Taluk Board President promises to introduce it during the current year. The people of Chittoor union are not in favour of the system being introduced amongst them. In Arni union, no portion of the private scavenging fees was left in arrears at the end of the year. Information on this point in regard to the other three unions has been called for and will be furnished on receipt.

* *Vide* statement sent with this office letter, Dis. No. 959, dated 24th August 1898.

62. *Arrangements at Fairs and Festivals.*—An expenditure of Rs. 1,461 was incurred for making sanitary arrangements at fairs and festivals in sixteen villages against Rs. 1,343 spent in seventeen villages in the previous year, and Rs. 1,900 allotted for the purpose. Statement XIII furnishes details of expenditure.

63. *Other Sanitary Outlay.*—A sum of Rs. 1,109 was spent under this head against an allotment of Rs. 3,030 and Rs. 2,471, the actuals of the previous year. The short expenditure was due chiefly to—

(*a*) The non-utilization of the major portion of the provision made in the budget for 1898-99 by the several Taluk Boards as "probable expenditure" under this head, as there was no urgent necessity for any such expenditure;

(*b*) Rs. 400 provided for the construction of latrines in Ránipéttai union not having been spent pending acquisition of sites for constructing them, and Rs. 124 having been saved out of the provision made for constructing three latrines in Kálahasti union;

(*c*) The provision made for constructing a latrine in Pólúru union not having been utilized; and

(*d*) The transfer of expenditure on preventive measures against epidemics to a new head of account "Other epidemic charges", while the provision was made under "Other sanitary outlay".

The expenditure under this head was incurred solely on the construction and repair of latrines (*vide* particulars in statement XIII).

64. *Bubonic Plague.*—The measures adopted for preventing the spread of plague are fully detailed in paragraph 1 of the District Medical and Sanitary Officer's report herewith submitted. An expenditure of Rs. 37,136 was incurred under this head against an allotment of Rs. 41,390 and Rs. 10,205,* the actuals of the previous year. The details are given in statement I-B. The net decrease as compared with the allotment appears chiefly under "Apothecaries", "Plague allowance", "Petty construction and repair", "Travelling allowance" and "Purchase and repair of furniture", and is only partly counterbalanced by an increase under "Diet of patients" and "Miscellaneous".

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65. *General Remarks on Sanitation and Public Health.*—The percentage of sanitary expenditure declined from 88·54 in the previous year to 78·68 in the year under report. The decrease has already been explained under the several heads. The health of the public during the year was a source of anxiety. Cholera of a severe type prevailed in a major portion of the district as in the preceding year, the mortality therefrom being 5,711 against 5,792 in 1897-98. The number of deaths from dysentery and diarrhœa and all other causes was also large. Plague appeared in this district in August 1898 and spread during the latter half of the year, the places most affected being Vellore, Kuppamu, Walajanagar and Arcot. The Vellore Taluk Board President remarks that the union villages and towns are not kept nearly as clean as they ought to be considering the staff employed, the supervision of the Chairmen in several unions being very defective. He will be requested to adopt measures for effecting an improvement. In view to providing for the sanitation of Kátpadi and Tiruvettiyúr, the Taluk Board of Vellore recommended their formation into unions; but the District Board has deferred the question for the present. Thirteen unions were inspected once during the year under report, eight by the District Medical and Sanitary Officer and five by the Assistant Surgeon. The other unions were not inspected because of the heavy work which the medical officers had to do in connection with plague.

66. *Grant 4, Public and Charitable Institutions—Markets.*—There were, at the commencement of the year, 71 markets and 4 slaughter-houses. During the year the market at Nanjampet under the Vellore Taluk Board, sanctioned in G.O., Mis. No. 627 L., dated 31st March 1897, was opened (*vide* G.O., Mis. No. 1207 L., dated 25th June 1897). The market at Panappakkam, under the Ránipéttai Taluk Board, was abolished and the small balance of Rs. 5-3-4, which was in its favour, was transferred to Kávérippákkam market with the sanction of the Taluk Board. Thus, at the end of the year, the number of markets and slaughter-houses was 71 and 4, respectively. Except in the slaughter-house at Arni, which was not occupied, fees were levied in all the other institutions. The right of collecting fees in the weekly markets was, as usual, leased out for the year; but the daily markets, excepting Rénigunta and Kávérippákkam, were rented out at so much a month for each stall. In Rénigunta and Kávérippákkam daily market sheds have not yet been constructed, but steps are being taken towards constructing them. The fees in these two markets were collected departmentally during the year. In the slaughter-houses, the rates of fees levied were one anna per head in Ránipéttai, four pies at Arcot and Ambúr, and two pies at Arni. Some of the markets are not provided with suitable accommodation. The Vellore Taluk Board President states that steps will be taken to construct sheds, &c., in the markets which are in need of them. At the beginning of the year, the markets and slaughter-houses had an aggregate balance of Rs. 12,177. The receipts of the year, including transfers of Rs. 2,714 between markets (*vide* column 9 of statement VI), amounted to Rs. 14,809. The total assets came to Rs. 26,986. Of this sum Rs. 2,935 were spent on public works including cost of supervision and tools and plant, Rs. 1,834 * on establishment and contingencies, and Rs. 12,271 for other purposes such as the sanitation of the villages wherein the markets and slaughter-houses are situated, contributions to other markets, &c. These institutions had, at the close of the year, a balance of Rs. 9,948. In the current year's budget proposals have been made to utilize the major portion of this balance.

* *Vide* remark in statement VI.

67. *Choultries.*—There were fifteen choultries as in the year preceding (*vide* statements VI and X); five of them, viz., those at Kattamanchi, Ránipéttai and Arkonam, the langarkhana at Arcot, and the Annadana chattram at Sholinghur are endowed institutions. The Kattamanchi chattram is maintained out of the assessment of a resumed inam land. The Ránipéttai chattram is maintained at the cost of the Taluk Board, the endowment of a shop formerly attached to it having been sold (*vide* G.O., Mis. No. 951 L., dated 17th May 1897). The other endowed chattrams are dealt with further on. The expenditure on establishments and contingencies including feeding travellers in all the chattrams aggregated Rs. 3,321 against an allotment

of Rs. 3,450 and the actuals of Rs. 2,821 in the past year. The increase as compared with the actuals appears chiefly under the head "feeding travellers" and was due to a larger number of paupers having been given rations in the Arcot langarkhana and to a rise in the price of rice in the year owing to which the allotment had to be supplemented from the langarkhana balance. A sum of Rs. 328 was spent in extending the chattram building at Arkónam and in repairing the Ránipéttai chattram including cost of supervision and tools and plant (*vide* columns 11 and 12 of statement VI).

68. *Arkonam Chattram.*—This chattram was constructed at the cost of Government for accommodating travellers who halt at the railway junction at Arkonam. An endowment of maniam lands, yielding a fixed yearly income of Rs. 60, is attached to it. The Arkonam Union Panchayat manages it. A sum of Rs. 140 was spent on establishment and contingencies of this chattram and Rs. 321 on improvement to the building and percentage of supervision.

69. *Arcot Langarkhana.*—This was founded by the Nabob of Arcot and has an endowment in the shape of a money allowance of Rs. 1,200 paid by Government. Each pauper is given a quarter of a measure of rice per diem and 36,798 paupers were thus given rations against 32,495 in the previous year. The cost of establishment and contingencies amounted to Rs. 133 and the cost of feeding to Rs. 1,832 against Rs. 138 and Rs. 1,304, respectively, in 1897-98. The committee appointed for supervising this institution is reported to have done its work fairly well.

70. *Annadana Chattram at Sholinghur.*—For the maintenance of this chattram Government pays a fixed money allowance of Rs. 1,281 per annum, and it is supervised by the Sholinghur Union Panchayat. Three thousand four hundred and eleven pilgrims were fed there during the year at a cost of Rs. 702 against 5,225 pilgrims fed at a cost of Rs. 696 in the year previous. There has been an increase in expenditure despite of a fall in the number of pilgrims fed. The Chairman's explanation has been called for and will be disposed of on its receipt. The Taluk Board President, Ránipéttai, considers the rate of rations and establishment charges to be rather high and states that a reduction in both is under contemplation. The cost of establishment and contingencies amounted to Rs. 411 against Rs. 434 in the preceding year.

71. *Contributions.*—The following are the amounts of contributions paid under grants 3 and 4:—

		Rs.
Grant 3—To Municipalities—		
(*a*) Vellore Municipality towards the cost of the hospital at Vellore	..	1,200
(*b*) Gudiyáttam Municipality on account of the dispensary there	..	450
(*c*) Walajapet do. do. do.	..	836
Total	..	2,486
Grant 4—To Municipalities—		
Vellore Municipality for the upkeep of lights on the Pálár bridge	..	100

72. *Lighting Charges.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 3,246 against an allotment of Rs. 3,400 and the actuals of Rs. 2,604 in the preceding year. The short expenditure, which occurs chiefly under the Ránipéttai and Chittoor Taluk Boards, represents savings in the allotment. The increase over the past year's actuals is merely nominal, as no expenditure except Rs. 24 was incurred by the Ránipéttai Taluk Board in the previous year under this head on financial grounds. Particulars as to the number of lights in each union and the cost of their upkeep are furnished in statement II-B.

73. *Grant 5, Supervision and Management.*—Under this grant the total expenditure amounted to Rs. 23,849 against an allotment of Rs. 25,910 and Rs. 25,257, the actuals of the year previous. The short expenditure occurs under all the heads except "Law charges" (where it is a trifle of Rs. 12 over the allotment) but notably under "Postal charges," "Printing charges", "Travelling allowance to non-official

members," "Miscellaneous" and "Pensions" and may be ascribed to savings in the allotments except in the case of "Pensions" where it is only nominal, as the Account-ant-General will make certain adjustments in the supplemental March account.

74. The Local Fund accounts were, as usual, audited by the Treasury Deputy Collector, assisted by a staff of audit clerks. They have not yet been examined by the Inspector of Local Fund Accounts or any of his assistants for the year 1898-99 The local audit clerk inspected the accounts of the Chittoor and Arni Taluk Boards and of all the unions except Kuppam. There was considerable improvement in the inspection of unions during the year as compared with the preceding year when the accounts of only nine out of the 21 unions were inspected. This is due to a change in the *personnel* of the staff.

75. The District Board passed this report at their meeting held on the 8th July 1899. A copy of their resolution is enclosed.

Enclosure.

Concise Annual Report on the working of the Local Fund Hospitals and Dispensaries in the North Arcot District for the year 1898-99.

Public Health.—The general health of the people was unsatisfactory. Cholera continued from the previous year's outbreak more or less throughout the year with a slight abatement during the first four months of the year, and affected all parts of the district. The disease was more seriously prevalent in the following taluks:—Vellore, Chittoor, Gudiyáttam, Pattúr, Walajanagar, Tiruttani, Arcot, Pólúru, Arni and Chandragiri. It also prevailed to a slight extent in the taluks of Kálahasti, Wandiwash, Kangundi and Punganúru. The total number of deaths reported during the year from cholera was 5,711 against 5,792 in the previous year. Special hospital assistants and sanitary inspectors were detailed for cholera duty to places where the disease had been most severe; and the medical subordinates in charge of outlying hospitals and dispensaries attended to cases which occurred in their respective divisions and also attended to the sanitation of the affected localities.

Imported plague cases occurred first in Jangalapalli village near Tiruvallam about the 3rd week of August 1898. A few more were reported from other parts of the district in September and a great many were in the last three months of the calendar year.

Preventive Measures.—Arkonam had already been a plague inspection station, and Jalarpet and Pákála were also made inspection stations in August 1898, and four road-inspection stations were formed in this district on the Mysore frontier to prevent importations from Mysore, Bellary, Bombay and other infected parts. All arrivals from such parts were passported and strictly watched at their destination. Pilgrimage to the various festivals and shrines in the district was discouraged. Two ambulance staffs were formed, one for the frontier station at Palmanér and the other for the plains at Vellore. Inoculation, as a preventive measure against plague, was also done.

In every case of plague the nearest medical subordinate was on the spot, and with the help of the Revenue officials, and, in most cases, under the direction of the Collector and District Medical and Sanitary Officer or Assistant Surgeon, promptly carried out the necessary preventive measures of isolation of the patient, segregation of contacts and disinfection by fire or perchloride of mercury lotion or both of the house and all articles suspected of infection as per regulation. The measure of success obtained by such preventive methods may be gauged by the fact that, except in a few isolated instances, all contacts were in each case after the full period of ten days discharged free from infection and that indigenous plague appeared some months after imported cases had begun to occur. In January 1899 indigenous plague was reported from Arcot, Ránipéttai, and Kuppamu (excluding Municipalities). As the services of the District Medical and Sanitary Officer and the Assistant Surgeon were required in different parts of the district, special plague medical officers, special

plague officers and a detachment of sepoys were appointed to each of these places, the sepoys being engaged for the work of disinfection, &c. The Vellore ambulance staff was also despatched to Arcot to work under the plague officer there and the Palmanér ambulance staff to Kuppamu. About the end of March the disease began to slowly abate. In all there have been in the Local Fund areas 103 seizures and 87 deaths of imported plague and 358 seizures and 282 deaths of indigenous plague.

Small-pox also prevailed more or less throughout the year in various parts of the district, the number of deaths recorded being 1,393 against 1,304 in the preceding year.

2. *Vital Statistics.*—The following table shows the number of births and deaths and the causes of mortality as compared with the previous year:—

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* Also for want of Sanitary Board's sanction to the estimates.

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for *President.*

plague officers and a detachment of sepoys were appointed to each of these places, the sepoys being engaged for the work of disinfection, &c. The Vellore ambulance staff was also despatched to Arcot to work under the plague officer there and the Palmanér ambulance staff to Kuppamu. About the end of March the disease began to slowly abate. In all there have been in the Local Fund areas 103 seizures and 87 deaths of imported plague and 358 seizures and 282 deaths of indigenous plague.

Small-pox also prevailed more or less throughout the year in various parts of the district, the number of deaths recorded being 1,393 against 1,304 in the preceding year.

2. *Vital Statistics.*—The following table shows the number of births and deaths and the causes of mortality as compared with the previous year:—

Year.	Total births.	Causes of death.										Total deaths.
		Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Dysentery and Diarrhœa.	Suicide.	Accident.	Snake-bite.	Killed by wild beasts.	Plague.	All other causes.	
1897-98 ..	54,509	5,792	1,304	14,529	1,599	110	611	128	3	..	14,487	38,563
1898-99 ..	52,352	5,711	1,393	13,592	2,140	87	627	127	..	369	16,540	40,586

It will be seen from the above statement that there has been an increase in the number of deaths as compared with the previous year which is chiefly due to the increased mortality under "Dysentery and Diarrhœa" and "All other causes." The total number of deaths from all causes was 40,586 or 20·03 per mille of population against 38,563 or 19·03 per mille of the previous year. The total number of births was less than in 1897–98, viz., 52,352 or 25·84 per mille of population against 54,509 or 26·90 per mille of the previous year.

3. *Sanitation.*—The larger towns and unions are in a fairly satisfactory condition from a sanitary point of view. The smaller towns and villages are still defective in water-supply and drainage. The points not yet attended to and which require notice are sinking of more wells for drinking-water purposes, removal of prickly-pear bushes from the neighbourhood of villages, planting of trees and setting apart space for latrines in fields or waste lands. In many villages the drinking water is guarded from contamination.

During the latter part of the official year, when plague threatened, special arrangements were made for the sanitation of villages by the employment of supervisors and sanitary inspectors who, as far as possible, did much to keep the places in a fairly clean condition and till the end of the year under review such staff continued to work.

Thirteen unions were inspected once during the year, eight by the District Medical and Sanitary Officer and five by the Assistant Surgeon. The remaining unions were not inspected owing to the heavy work on account of the presence of plague in the district.

4. *Vaccination.*—The subjoined statement shows the vaccination work performed by the Local Fund vaccinators and its results in each of the three vaccine circles of the district:—

Circles.	Total number vaccinated.	Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.	Rate per successful case.	Percentage of successful case.
					Rs. A. P.	
Vellore	7,840	7,155	556	129	0 8 8	91·26
Chittoor	11,958	11,775	134	49	0 5 7	98·46
Kárvetnagar	8,523	7,908	572	43	0 6 10	92·78
Total ..	28,321	26,838	1,262	221	0 7 7	94·76

The total number of cases vaccinated and the number successful were 28,321 and 26,838 against 52,165 and 50,018, respectively, in the previous year, showing a decrease of 23,844 in the number operated and of 23,180 in the number successful. This great falling off is chiefly attributable to the existence of plague in the district, the rustic population having laboured under the mistaken notion that inoculation had been substituted for vaccination and thereby evaded submission to the vaccine operation as far as possible in spite of all efforts and persuasions on the part of the officials concerned. It is satisfactory to note a marked increase in the work turned out by the vaccination staff of the Chittoor circle as compared with the other two circles, which is creditable to all concerned, and it is hoped that the work of the other circles will also fast improve.

The total number operated under one year of age and the total number successful were 8,989 and 8,573, respectively, as compared with 16,235 and 15,598 of the preceding year.

The following table shows the vaccine work performed by the medical subordinates attached to the Local Fund hospitals and dispensaries as compared with the previous year:—

Year.	Total number vaccinated.				Under one year of age.			
	Total.	Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.	Total.	Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.
1897-98	282	236	40	6	38	34	4	..
1898-99	185	169	8	8	20	20	..	..

Vaccination was carried on as usual exclusively with animal lymph. Each first-class vaccinator has charge of calf vaccination and he supplies his junior vaccinators with the required lymph.

5. *Hospitals and Dispensaries.*—(*a*) The accommodation provided is limited and in some cases unsatisfactory. There are only six buildings specially constructed for the purpose. Most of the other buildings were formerly private dwelling-houses and many of them are badly situated and badly ventilated and lighted. Suitable buildings cannot be erected for want of funds.

(*b*) Most of the buildings are fairly substantial and in fair repair, but almost all need periodical petty repairs and whitewashing.

(*c*) A fair supply of furniture is given to each institution; some of the articles are in need of repair, but they are, as a rule, serviceable. Most of the wooden cots are old and worn out and require to be replaced at an early date.

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for *President.*

*Main building completed. Estimate for latrine is under correspondence.
(Signed) T. GOPALAN NAYAR,
for *President*.

†There is no information in this office.
(Signed) T. GOPALAN NAYAR,
for *President*.

‡Excludes As. 10 realized in Arkonam plague camp.
(Signed) T. GOPALAN NAYAR,
for *President*.

A new lying-in hospital is in course of construction, at Tirupati, which has almost approached completion.*

Steps are being taken towards the construction of a dispensary at Puttur. †

(*e*) A sum of Rs. 31–2–0 ‡ was realized from sale of medicines and a sum of Rs. 4–4–9 on account of diet.

(*f*) The number of hospitals and dispensaries was the same as in the previous year, viz., five hospitals, three lying-in hospitals and twelve dispensaries. The subjoined statement shows the number treated in the hospitals and dispensaries as compared with the previous year :—

Name of station.	Hospital or dispensary.	Number treated.			
		In.		Out.	
		1897–98.	1898–99.	1897–98.	1898–99.
Chittoor	Hospital	457	360	16,160	15,039
Ránipéttai	Do.	666	637	12,590	11,845
Tirupati	Do.	456	381	12,694	10,957
Palmanér	Do.	152	102	6,143	3,667
Arni	Do.	370	277	10,974	9,047
Kálahasti	Dispensary	..	..	5,756	4,871
Sholingur	Do.	..	..	6,814	4,181
Arkonam	Do.	..	..	5,019	3,503
Pólúru	Do.	..	..	4,646	3,162
Wandiwash	Do.	..	..	6,986	6,752
Arcot	Do.	..	..	10,116	7,669
Ambur	Do.	..	..	8,593	5,387
Kuppamu	Do.	..	..	10,506	9,436
Tiruvettiyur	Do.	..	..	4,955	3,139
Punganúru	Do.	..	..	6,900	5,876
Venkatagirikota	Do.	..	..	11,023	7,210
	Do.	..	..	2,339	1,233
	Total	2,101	1,757	142,114	112,474

There has been a decrease of 344 in and 29,640 out patients in the total number treated as compared with the previous year, and the decrease which is noted in all the institutions without exception was chiefly due to the plague scare, which prevented people from resorting freely to hospitals and dispensaries for medical aid.

(*g*) The total number of deaths was 148 against 249 in the previous year, showing a decrease of 101.

(*h*) The number of surgical operations performed during the year was 5,544 with thirteen deaths as compared with 5,891 with six deaths in the preceding year, showing a decrease of 347 operations.

(*i*) The establishments are efficient and complete.

(*j*) There are three lying-in hospitals in the district, viz., at Chittoor, Ránipéttai and Arni. A Eurasian midwife is attached to the first and native midwives to the last two. There is also a native midwife attached to twelve of the remaining institutions. The total number of labour cases attended by the midwives during the year was 898 against 864, showing an increase of 34. The midwife of Puttur was transferred to Arkonam in August and the former place was without a midwife during the remainder of the year for want of a substitute. There was no midwife at Arkonam till August as the midwife of this station had been transferred to Ránipéttai lying-in hospital during the previous year owing to the death of the Ránipéttai midwife and

there was no one available to take up the place of the former then. The midwives at Arni, Ránipéttai, Tirupati, Wandiwash, Arcot and Punganúru have conducted 30, 29, 27, 20, 12, and 9 cases, respectively, in excess of their minima. Each midwife is given a reward of As. 4 for every case she aids over and above her minimum. The work and conduct of the midwives have, on the whole, been fair. The following statement shows the work done in the three lying-in hospitals at Chittoor, Ránipéttai and Arni :—

The Tiruvettiyur midwife also assisted three extra labour cases and was rewarded.
(Signed) T. GOPALAN NAYAR,
for *President*.

Name of lying-in hospital.	Number of beds.	Number treated.		
		In.	Out.	Total.
Chittoor	4	22	22	44
Ránipéttai	8	89	12	101
Arni	6	36	54	90

(*k*) No steps have been taken for the education of female apothecaries from want of funds.

(*l*) The medical subordinates have on the whole worked fairly well and their conduct have been generally good.

(*m*) The results of vaccine operations have frequently required checking by the District Medical and Sanitary Officer and, with the exception of some cases, they have been found fairly satisfactory and trustworthy.

(Signed) C. T. COSTELLO, B.A., M.B.,
Ag. District Medical and Sanitary Officer.

From M.R.Ry. T. GOPALAN NAYAR, Avargal, B.A. and B.L., Vice-President, District Board, North Arcot, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department, dated Chittoor, 14th July 1899, Dis. No. 907.

In continuation of this office letter No. 855, dated the 8th instant, I have the honour to report that the rate at which result grants were paid in 1898–99 was in

Chittoor Taluk Board	Maximum.
Vellore „	66⅔ per cent.
Ránipéttai „	60 „
Arni „	Maximum.

I request that the above rates may be ordered to be entered in statement IX submitted to Government with the Local Fund Administration Report for 1898–99.

From R. H. CAMPBELL, Esq., President, District Board, North Arcot, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department, dated Chittoor, 12th August 1899, Dis. No. 1027-D.B.

With reference to paragraph 60 of Local Fund Administration Report for 1898–99 now before Government, I have the honour to report that in the limits of the Arni Taluk Board, 9,810 square yards of prickly-pear were removed by kudimaramat during that year at an estimated cost of Rs. 125–4–0.

ORDER—No. 1626 L., dated 17th August 1899.

The Local Fund receipts and charges of the North Arcot district for 1898–99 are compared below with the budget and revised estimates for the year and the actuals of 1897–98 :—

—	Actuals, 1897-98.	Budget estimate, 1898-99.	Revised estimate, 1898-99.	Actuals, 1898-99.			
				District fund.	Taluk funds.	Union funds.	Total.
Receipts.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Balance	26,454	68,500	56,000	20,266	21,394	14,338	55,998
Rates and Taxes—							
Cess on Land	2,97,230	2,86,100	2,93,070	1,23,802	1,23,801	..	2,47,603
House-tax	24,808	24,980	25,430	..	..	25,901	25,901
Tolls	26,048	30,380	28,060	28,673	..	..	28,673
Education—							
School Fees	15,798	17,330	16,260	..	15,132	209	15,341
Income from Endowments	..	..	340	..	..	..	..
Other Items	454	890	..	..	217	2	219
Medical, Vaccination and Sanitation—							
Hospital Receipts	1	..	..	4	..	..	4
Other Items	7,335	5,370	5,220	126	477	534	1,137
Contribution from District Boards on account of plague	..	..	27,300	..	..	..	..
Interest—							
On Arrears of Revenue	161	150	50	744	..	..	744
On Government Securities	164	210	190	..	185	..	185
Miscellaneous—							
Choultry Rents	412	340	240	..	16	155	171
Market and Slaughter-house Rents ..	13,724	13,280	11,990	..	7,102	4,994	12,096
Other Items	19,320	19,560	18,600	5,568	9,225	1,448	16,241
Public Works	978	940	1,880	254	3,229	174	3,657
Contributions from Provincial Funds—							
Education	6,503	9,690	8,700	..	7,238	159	7,397
Hospitals and Dispensaries	2,066	2,070	2,070	..	2,066	..	2,066
Choultries	2,481	2,480	2,480	..	..	2,481	2,481
General Purposes	360	360	360	360	..	..	360
Contributions from other Funds ..	13	50	50	20	..	..	20
Allotment from the District Fund ..	..	..	..	..	3,920	..	..
,, Taluk Funds ..	..	..	..	..	..	7,711	..
Miscellaneous Debt Accounts	19,227	..	..	12,500	..	..	12,500
Total ..	4,63,537	4,82,680	4,98,290	1,92,317	1,94,002	58,106	4,32,794
Charges.							
GRANT 1—							
New Works—							
Communications	8,856	8,060	3,860	2,150	4,108	1,089	7,347
Buildings	4,793	4,560	3,320	15	2,705	250	2,970
Miscellaneous Public Improvements.	1,831	2,780	1,420	..	560	1,248	1,808
Repairs—							
Communications	1,50,873	1,65,910	1,60,730	81,091	67,117	6,500	1,54,708
Buildings	1,333	2,890	2,440	20	2,289	169	2,478
Miscellaneous Public Improvements .	5,533	7,880	6,490	3,299	2,825	1,031	7,155
Establishment	34,650	35,390	34,580	15,984	16,701	325	33,010
Tools and Plant	1,941	2,060	2,060	980	963	31	1,977
Miscellaneous	116	110	50	34	..	..	34
Contributions	..	10,000	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	2,09,926	2,39,640	2,14,950	1,03,573	97,271	10,643	2,11,487
GRANT 2—							
Inspection	4,609	4,640	4,640	4,415	..	..	4,415
Secondary Schools—							
Salary System	10,103	10,830	10,750	..	10,580	..	10,580
Salary-result System	2,419	2,670	2,660	..	2,770	..	2,770
Elementary Schools—							
Salary System	..	130	150	..	141	..	141
Salary-result System	26,861	27,110	26,560	..	24,576	1,017	25,593
Training, &c., Schools	1,487	1,680	1,670	1,314	93	..	1,407
Grant-in-Aid Schools—							
Fixed and Result Grants	14,612	14,500	14,200	..	14,260	..	14,260
Miscellaneous	530	730	80	27	40	..	67
Total ..	60,621	62,290	60,710	5,756	52,460	1,017	59,233
GRANT 3—							
Hospitals and Dispensaries	37,320	39,800	34,930	6,804	29,223	..	36,027
Vaccination	12,589	12,980	12,880	12,678	..	..	12,678
Sanitation	25,970	30,360	27,000	..	2,972	20,916	23,888
Epidemic Charges	9,357	42,010	36,400	37,136	607	160	37,903
Contributions on account of plague ..	..	..	16,120	..	..	..	..
Other Contributions	3,216	4,020	5,660	3,972	..	..	3,972
Total ..	88,452	1,29,170	1,32,990	60,590	32,802	21,076	1,14,468

—	Actuals, 1897-98.	Budget estimate, 1898-99.	Revised estimate, 1898-99.	Actuals, 1898-99.			
				District fund.	Taluk funds.	Union funds.	Total.
Charges—cont.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
GRANT 4—							
Markets	1,806	1,880	1,960	..	841	963	1,804
Choultries	2,821	3,450	3,620	..	99	3,222	3,321
Contributions	100	100	100	100	..	..	100
Miscellaneous	2,654	3,550	3,460	..	11	3,310	3,321
Total ..	7,381	8,980	9,140	100	951	7,495	8,546
GRANT 5—							
Establishments, &c.	25,204	25,730	24,130	12,424	6,190	5,115	23,729
Refunds	53	180	120	73	..	47	120
Miscellaneous	..	..	230	..	..	..	..
Total ..	25,257	25,910	24,480	12,497	6,190	5,162	23,849
Allotment to the Taluk Funds	..	..	..	3,920	..	..	..
,, Union Funds	..	..	..	..	7,711	..	..
Miscellaneous Debt Accounts	15,902	..	..	24,260	..	..	24,260
Grand Total ..	4,07,539	4,65,990	4,42,270	2,10,696	1,97,385	45,393	4,41,843
Balance	55,998	16,690	56,020	— 18,379	— 3,383	12,713	— 9,049
Deduct—							
Balance under Union Funds	8,168	2,860	6,540	..	..	..	..
,, Endowments	20,279	15,150	12,680	..	9,971	3,914	13,885
Net balance available for general purposes	27,551	—1,320	36,800	—18,379	—13,354	8,799	—22,934

2. *Local Boards and Union Panchayats.*—The District Board held thirteen meetings or one more than in the previous year. There was a decline in the attendance of its members, which, however, continued to be fair in the case of non-officials, but indifferent in that of officials. The President is requested to obtain and submit to Government the explanation of the Deputy Collector on general duties who is stated to have attended only one meeting of the District Board. The Taluk Boards met a sufficient number of times and the attendance of their members was fair, except in the case of non-officials on the Ránipéttai Board. The President, however, promises to call for an explanation from one of these members who is reported to have been very irregular in his attendance and to deal with it in due course. As in the previous year, there were 21 Union Panchayats at work and the average attendance at their meetings was fair, being six out of an average strength of ten. The Panchayats of the Ambúr and Puttúr Unions, however, failed to meet once a month as required by section 129 of the Local Boards Act, and the President has promised to take the necessary steps to guard against the recurrence of this irregularity. The ward system of supervision continued to be in force in all the Unions and it is reported to have worked satisfactorily except in Ambúr and Rénigunta. The members of the Taluk Boards are stated to have generally taken a fair amount of interest in discharging the duties entrusted to them and to have rendered material assistance to their Presidents. The Union Panchayats are reported to have worked, on the whole, fairly well.

3. *Receipts.*—(1) The collections under land-cess fell from Rs. 2,97,236 or 90 per cent. of the demand to Rs. 2,47,603 or 83 per cent., the decrease being due partly to short collections and partly to the existence, at the commencement of the year, of smaller arrears than in the previous year.

(2) Owing to the establishment of four additional toll-gates, the demand under tolls rose from Rs. 17,484 to Rs. 19,161 and 95 per cent. of it was realized before the close of the year.

(3) House-tax was levied at the maximum rates in all the 21 Unions, having been introduced in the Rénigunta Union during the year under review. The collections under this head rose from Rs. 24,808 to Rs. 25,901 and amounted to 97 per cent. of the demand as in the previous year. Coercive measures were resorted to in 16 Unions, the number of warrants issued being 925; but property was actually distrained in only 550 cases and sold in 90 for Rs. 48.

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Tools and Plant	1,941	2,060	2,060	980	963	31	1,977
Miscellaneous	116	110	50	34	..	..	34
Contributions	..	10,000	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	2,09,926	2,39,640	2,14,950	1,03,573	97,271	10,643	2,11,487
GRANT 2—							
Inspection	4,609	4,640	4,640	4,415	..	..	4,415
Secondary Schools—							
Salary System	10,103	10,830	10,750	..	10,580	..	10,580
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Miscellaneous	530	730	80	27	40	..	67
Total ..	60,621	62,290	60,710	5,756	52,460	1,017	59,233
GRANT 3—							
Hospitals and Dispensaries	37,320	39,800	34,930	6,804	29,223	..	36,027
Vaccination	12,589	12,980	12,880	12,678	..	..	12,678
Sanitation	25,970	30,360	27,000	..	2,972	20,916	23,888
Epidemic Charges	9,357	42,010	36,400	37,136	607	160	37,903
Contributions on account of plague ..	..	..	16,120	..	..	..	..
Other Contributions	3,216	4,020	5,660	3,972	..	..	3,972
Total ..	88,452	1,29,170	1,32,990	60,590	32,802	21,076	1,14,468

—	Actuals, 1897-98.	Budget estimate, 1898-99.	Revised estimate, 1898-99.	Actuals, 1898-99. District fund.	Taluk funds.	Union funds.	Total.
Charges—cont.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
GRANT 4—							
Markets	1,806	1,880	1,960	..	841	963	1,804
Choultries	2,821	3,450	3,620	..	99	3,222	3,321
Contributions	100	100	100	100	..	..	100
Miscellaneous	2,654	3,550	3,460	..	11	3,310	3,321
Total ..	7,381	8,980	9,140	100	951	7,495	8,546
GRANT 5—							
Establishments, &c.	25,204	25,730	24,130	12,424	6,190	5,115	23,729
Refunds	53	180	120	73	..	47	120
Miscellaneous	..	..	230	..	..	..	..
Total ..	25,257	25,910	24,480	12,497	6,190	5,162	23,849
Allotment to the Taluk Funds	..	..	..	3,920	..	..	..
,, Union Funds	..	..	..	..	7,711	..	..
Miscellaneous Debt Accounts	15,902	..	..	24,260	..	..	24,260
Grand Total ..	4,07,539	4,65,990	4,42,270	2,10,696	1,97,385	45,393	4,41,843
Balance	55,998	16,690	56,020	— 18,379	— 3,383	12,713	— 9,049
Deduct—							
Balance under Union Funds	8,168	2,860	6,540	..	..	..	..
,, Endowments	20,279	15,150	12,680	..	9,971	3,914	13,885
Net balance available for general purposes	27,551	—1,320	36,800	—18,379	—13,354	8,799	—22,934

2. *Local Boards and Union Panchayats.*—The District Board held thirteen meetings or one more than in the previous year. There was a decline in the attendance of its members, which, however, continued to be fair in the case of non-officials, but indifferent in that of officials. The President is requested to obtain and submit to Government the explanation of the Deputy Collector on general duties who is stated to have attended only one meeting of the District Board. The Taluk Boards met a sufficient number of times and the attendance of their members was fair, except in the case of non-officials on the Ránipéttai Board. The President, however, promises to call for an explanation from one of these members who is reported to have been very irregular in his attendance and to deal with it in due course. As in the previous year, there were 21 Union Panchayats at work and the average attendance at their meetings was fair, being six out of an average strength of ten. The Panchayats of the Ambúr and Puttúr Unions, however, failed to meet once a month as required by section 129 of the Local Boards Act, and the President has promised to take the necessary steps to guard against the recurrence of this irregularity. The ward system of supervision continued to be in force in all the Unions and it is reported to have worked satisfactorily except in Ambúr and Rénigunta. The members of the Taluk Boards are stated to have generally taken a fair amount of interest in discharging the duties entrusted to them and to have rendered material assistance to their Presidents. The Union Panchayats are reported to have worked, on the whole, fairly well.

3. *Receipts.*—(1) The collections under land-cess fell from Rs. 2,97,236 or 90 per cent. of the demand to Rs. 2,47,603 or 83 per cent., the decrease being due partly to short collections and partly to the existence, at the commencement of the year, of smaller arrears than in the previous year.

(2) Owing to the establishment of four additional toll-gates, the demand under tolls rose from Rs. 17,484 to Rs. 19,161 and 95 per cent. of it was realized before the close of the year.

(3) House-tax was levied at the maximum rates in all the 21 Unions, having been introduced in the Rénigunta Union during the year under review. The collections under this head rose from Rs. 24,808 to Rs. 25,901 and amounted to 97 per cent. of the demand as in the previous year. Coercive measures were resorted to in 16 Unions, the number of warrants issued being 925; but property was actually distrained in only 550 cases and sold in 90 for Rs. 48.

(4) There were 75 markets and slaughter-houses under the control of the Taluk Boards against 76 in 1897–98, and fees were levied in 74 of them or one more than in that year. The income derived from them fell from Rs. 13,724 to Rs. 12,096, the decrease being due mainly to want of competition at the sale of the leases in consequence of the plague scare. The charges, however, rose from Rs. 14,439 to Rs. 17,038 and the balance in favour of these institutions at the end of the year was thus only Rs. 9,948 or Rs. 2,229 less than in the previous year. Provision has been made in the budget for the current year to utilise the major portion of the balance on market improvements, &c.

(5) The income from avenues was almost stationary, having been Rs. 7,974 against Rs. 7,907 in the previous year. The avenues are stated to have been, on the whole, well cared for and maintained in fair condition.

4. *Expenditure.*—(1) *Public Works.*—The expenditure under this head again showed an increase, being Rs. 1,76,466 or 92 per cent. of the allotment against Rs. 1,73,219 or 91 per cent. in 1897–98. The outlay on the construction and repair of communications also rose from Rs. 1,59,729 to Rs. 1,62,055 and was 7 per cent. in excess of the minimum prescribed by Government, while in the previous year it was 8 per cent. less than the minimum. Village roads, however, received less attention, the expenditure on them having declined from Rs. 15,968 or 10·6 per cent. of the total outlay on roads to Rs. 15,298 or 9·9 per cent. The roads in the district are said to have been generally in good order and to compare very favourably with those of the other districts with which the President is acquainted. The cost of the Local Fund Engineering establishment was 18 per cent. of the outlay on works against 20 per cent. in 1897–98.

(2) *Education.*—There were eleven inspecting schoolmasters as in the previous year, and their work is reported to have been generally satisfactory. The District Board continued to maintain two sessional schools which were held at four centres each in succession and trained 56 students, of whom 48 appeared for and 32 passed the Primary examination, the corresponding figures for the previous year being 59, 58 and 43. As more than one-third of the number of teachers employed in the Boards' and aided schools were unpassed and untrained, the District Board should take energetic measures for the admission of a large number of teachers in the sessional schools. As in the previous year, the Taluk Boards maintained one high and five lower secondary schools. The high school at Chittoor, which was attended by 235 pupils against 228 in the previous year, did fairly well in the Matriculation examination, 10 students having passed out of 30 sent up. In the Lower Secondary examination, however, the results achieved by this school were below the average, 12 pupils having passed out of 32 presented. The Arni school produced good results, 12 pupils having been successful out of 15 sent up for the examination. But the results of the Karvetnagar school, in which a third form was opened during the year under review, and of the Arcot school were unsatisfactory, only one student having been successful out of six and eight, respectively, sent up. The secondary departments of the Chittoor and Arni schools continued to be worked at a profit which amounted to Rs. 549 against Rs. 335 in 1897–98. Owing to the abolition, on financial grounds, of eleven of the Boards' primary schools, there were at the close of the year only 98 primary schools attended by 4,907 pupils against 109 schools with 6,013 pupils in 1897–98, and they appear to have made fair progress, 77 per cent. of the pupils examined having passed against 81 per cent. Thirteen of these schools against fourteen in the previous year were maintained for the exclusive benefit of the Panchamas and they were attended by 348 pupils, of whom 229 appeared for and 171 passed the standard examinations, the corresponding figures for 1897–98 being 420, 269 and 215. The decrease both in the number and strength of the schools was due to the abolition of the Wandiwash Panchama school, in consequence of the existence at that place of a well-conducted and thriving Mission school for Panchamas. Owing to the prevalence of plague in some parts of the district, the number of schools aided with result grants, which were disbursed at rates varying from the maximum allowed by the Grant-in-Aid Code to 60 per cent. thereof, fell from 649 with an attendance of 15,853 pupils to 600 with 14,546 pupils, and 98 per cent. of the allotment for grants was disbursed within the year. Of the aided schools, 88 or three less than in the

previous year were intended for Panchamas and their attendance and progress continued to be satisfactory. The total number of boys under instruction in the schools maintained and aided from Local funds fell from 13·4 to 12·1 per cent. of the male population of school-going age.

(3) *Medical Relief.*—As in the previous year, the Local Boards maintained eight hospitals and twelve dispensaries and there was again a large decline in the number of patients* treated in them, which is explained in paragraph 50 of the report. There were fifteen midwives attached to these institutions as in the previous year and the average number of cases attended by each of them continued to be five per mensem. The District Medical and Sanitary officer should be requested to quote the authority for the statement in paragraph 5 of his report that steps are being taken towards the construction of a dispensary at Puttúr.

	In.	Out.
* 1897–98	2,244	142,200
1898–99	1,904	112,562

(4) *Vaccination.*—The work of this department showed a further and a large decline, the total number of operations having fallen from 52,447 to 28,506 and the reported number of successful cases from 24·8 to 13·3 per mille of the population. Infantile vaccination also showed a retrogression, the number of successful operations on children under one year having been only 4·2 per mille of the population against 7·7 in 1897–98. These unsatisfactory results are attributed to the great opposition which the vaccinators met with in the rural tracts in consequence of the misapprehension of the people that plague inoculation was being substituted for vaccination. Better results, however, are expected to follow in the current year, the plague having abated.

(5) *Sanitation.*—The outlay under this head fell from Rs. 25,970 or 89 per cent. of the allotment to Rs. 23,888 or 79 per cent., the decrease, which occurs chiefly under "Improvement of water-supply" and "Other sanitary outlay", being explained in paragraphs 59 and 63 of the report. Three new wells were sunk, 64 existing sources of water-supply were repaired or otherwise improved and 51 watchmen were employed to guard these sources from contamination, the corresponding figures for the previous year being 8, 58 and 48. The improvement of village sites, including the removal of prickly-pear and rank vegetation, however, received less attention, twelve villages having been dealt with against fifteen in 1897–98. Under all the Taluk Boards prickly-pear was removed by communal labour estimated at the value of Rs. 3,947 against Rs. 3,371 in the previous year. The private scavenging service continued to be in force in the Unions of Ránipéttai, Kálahasti, Arkonam and Arni. In Kálahasti there was a small increase in the number of houses served by this agency and the service was self-supporting. In the remaining cases, however, there was a decrease in the number of houses served and, with the exception of Arni where no separate establishment was entertained for the purpose, the system was a source of loss to the Panchayats. Every effort should be made to extend the service in these Unions so as to make it self-supporting. It is a matter for regret that the attempt made to introduce this system in some of the other Unions in the district proved a failure owing to the opposition of the people. The President of the Vellore Taluk Board, however, promises to introduce it in some of the Unions under his control during the current year. Thirteen of the Unions were inspected either by the District Medical and Sanitary officer or his Assistant, and it is stated that while the larger towns are in a fairly satisfactory condition from a sanitary point of view, the smaller towns and villages are still defective, especially as regards water-supply and drainage.

(6) *Bubonic Plague.*—In addition to Arkonam, which was already an inspection station for the observation of railway passengers arriving from plague-infected areas, Pakála was constituted an inspection station during the year, and four road inspection stations were established on the Mysore frontier to prevent the importation of plague from that side. A total expenditure of Rs. 37,136 was incurred from Local funds in connection with these measures.

5. *General Remarks.*—Owing chiefly to the non-adjustment of the contribution of Rs. 27,300 expected from the other District Boards on account of plague charges, the year closed with a deficit of Rs. 9,049; but as a sum of Rs. 13,885 was due to endowments, the total deficit against general funds amounted to Rs. 22,934.

As the result of the prevalence of plague in parts of the district and the suspicion caused in the public mind regarding plague inoculation and other measures adopted by Government for the prevention and spread of the epidemic, the administration of local affairs showed a retrogression, especially under education, medical relief and vaccination. The Government, however, trusts that the lost ground will be regained during the current year. The Government notes with pleasure the testimony borne by the Presidents of the Taluk Boards of Chittoor, Ránipéttai and Vellore to the good work done by the gentlemen referred to in paragraph 5 of the report.

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From R. H. CAMPBELL, Esq., President, District Board, North Arcot, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department, dated Chittoor, 8th July 1899, Dis. No. 855-D.B.

I have the honour to report on the administration of Local Funds in the District of North Arcot during the official year 1898–99, and to submit the prescribed statements.

I.—General.

2. *Administration.*—There were no changes during the year either in the territorial jurisdiction or in the number and constitution of the Local Boards or Union Panchayats. The only event of importance was the levy of house-tax at the maximum rates in Rénigunta union under sanction accorded in G.O., Mis. No. 5 L., dated 4th January 1898.

3. *District Board.*—The President excluded, the District Board consisted of 32 members—*four ex-officio*, being Revenue Divisional officers, *twelve* nominated by Government (four officials and eight non-officials) and sixteen elected by the Taluk Boards (seven officials and nine non-officials). On the 31st March 1899, there were *five* vacancies on the Board, *one* nominated non-official dying and *four* elected officials being transferred out of their jurisdiction. They occurred in January and February 1899, and they could not be filled up within the year. The vacancy among the nominated non-official seats has since been filled up, and the results of the elections held to fill up the others ~~have been~~ were submitted to Government on the 14th June 1899 for confirmation. Mr. J. K. Batten continued to be the President, and M.R.Ry. T. Gopalan Nayar Avargal, B.A. B.L., the Vice-President throughout the year. The District Board held thirteen meetings against twelve in the year previous. No meeting was adjourned for want of a quorum. The average attendance of members was fifteen (six officials and nine non-officials), against seventeen (six officials and eleven non-officials) in the preceding year, *i.e.*, 46·87 per cent. of the maximum strength, against 53·12 per cent. Among the *ex-officio* members, the Deputy Collector on General Duties attended only *one* meeting, although the Collector had asked him to be regular in attendance. Among the non-officials, the attendance of the Rev. L. R. Scudder was bad, he having attended but two meetings. His term of membership has, however, since expired and the question of filling up the vacancy by another is under correspondence. Some of the other non-official members were irregular and I have called for their explanations. Two of them have been received and found satisfactory.

4. *Taluk Boards.*—On the 31st March 1899, the four Taluk Boards had a total strength of 50 members, of whom 14 were officials and 36 non-officials, against 51 (15 officials and 36 non-officials) on the last day of the year preceding, and against 52, the sanctioned strength. There was one vacancy among the officials of each of the Taluk Boards of Ránipéttai and Arni, and they occurred on the 18th January 1899 and 31st March 1899, respectively. The Taluk Board President of Ránipéttai did not take steps to fill up the vacancy in his Board until the official (Deputy Tahsildar of Kálahasti), who vacated his seat by transfer, was retransferred as Deputy Tahsildar of Puttúr within the Taluk Board limits on the 31st March 1899. Both the vacancies

have been since filled up. The four Taluk Boards held 53 meetings in the aggregate, against 55 in the previous year. The Chittoor, Vellore and Ránipéttai Taluk Boards held thirteen meetings each and the Arni Board fourteen. *Four* other meetings, viz., Vellore (1), Ránipéttai (2), and Arni (1), had to be adjourned for want of a quorum. The average attendance of members was the same in all the Taluk Boards, viz., two officials and five non-officials. As compared with the preceding year, the attendance of the officials of the Ránipéttai Taluk Board rose from one to two, while that of its non-officials and of the non-officials of the Vellore Board declined from six to five. One of the non-officials in each of these two Taluk Boards is reported to have been very irregular Their explanations will be obtained and dealt with in due course. The Ránipéttai Taluk Board President considers the attendance of the officials of that Board unsatisfactory and states that the Revenue Divisional officer has been requested to insist on their regular attendance. Some of the members of the Ránipéttai and the Arni Taluk Boards absented themselves from meetings for more than three consecutive months. Their explanations having been satisfactory, they were requested to be more punctual thenceforth.

5. *Working of Taluk Boards.*—The members of Taluk Boards generally took a fair amount of interest in discharging the duties entrusted to them and rendered material assistance to the Presidents. The Chittoor Taluk Board continued to have the benefit of the advice of M.R.Ry. T. S. Narasinga Rao Garu, its Vice-President and an experienced pleader. The Presidents of the Ránipéttai and Vellore Taluk Boards prominently mention the names of M.R.Ry. V. Sesha Aiyar Avargal, B.A., Pleader, Tirupati, and Muḥammad Ḥabíb-ulláh Ṣaḥib, Vice-President, respectively, to have been specially energetic.

6. As usual, travelling allowance was paid to the non-official members of Local Boards at the rate of two annas per mile for road journeys and single second-class fare for railway journeys.

7. *Union Panchayats.*—The twenty-one Union Panchayats had, on the 31st March 1899, an aggregate strength of 207 members against 213, the sanctioned maximum number. Of these, 39 were ex-officio members, being the headmen of the several revenue villages comprised in the unions, 22 were officials and 146 non-officials against 39, 17 and 143, respectively, on the corresponding date of the year previous. Of the 207 members, seven only were Europeans and Eurasians. Of the *six* vacancies at the end of the year, *three* were in the Pallikondai Union Panchayat and *one* each in Sholingur, Karvetnagar and Arni. Most of these vacancies occurred towards the close of the year, and all of them have since been filled up. The twenty-one Union Panchayats held a total number of 286 meetings against 292 in the preceding year, *i.e.*, an average of nearly 14 per union as in the past year. Twenty-one other meetings had to be adjourned for want of a quorum, and they were in the unions of Kuppamu (2), Pernambut (3), Ránipéttai (4), Arkonam (1), Rénigunta (4), Puttúr (2), Karvetnagar (3), and Arni (2). The Wandiwash Union Panchayat held the largest number of meetings, eighteen; it is followed by Tiruttani with seventeen and Arcot with sixteen meetings. The Panchayats of Punganúru, Kuppamu and Karvetnagar held fifteen meetings each. The smallest number of meetings, viz., nine was held by the Ambúr Union Panchayat. This, as well as the Puttúr Union Panchayat, failed to meet once a month as required by section 129 of the Local Boards Act. The Ambúr Union Chairman's explanation that he could not hold meetings in some months as some vacancies on the Panchayat were not at once filled up cannot be considered satisfactory as he could have held meetings with the existing members. The Puttúr Chairman has not explained the failure. His explanation will be obtained and the necessary orders issued to both directing strict conformity with the rule on the subject in future. The average attendance of the Panchayats was six (two officials and four non-officials) as in the past year. One of the members of the Tiruttani Union Panchayat was removed for irregular attendance. Some members of eight of the Union Panchayats were reported for irregular attendance. Their explanations were obtained and were found to be satisfactory. Ten of the twenty-one Union Panchayats had non-official Chairmen and the remaining eleven had official Chairmen (three sub-registrars, five hospital assistants, one postmaster and two revenue officers) against eleven and ten, respectively, in the preceding year.

8. *Working of the Panchayats.*—The Union Panchayats worked on the whole fairly well. The ward system of supervising the Union affairs continued to be in force in all the Unions, and is reported to have worked satisfactorily except in Ambúr and Rénigunta, the members having rendered useful assistance to the respective Chairmen in carrying out the purposes of the Act. In Ambúr Union, the members take little or no interest, as it is said, they have their private avocations to attend to. Some of the members of the Rénigunta Union Panchayat, who opposed the levy of house-tax in the Union, ceased to work and resigned. They were replaced by proper persons and the Taluk Board President states that steps have been taken to re-enforce the ward system there. The Union Panchayats under the Vellore and the Ránipéttai Taluk Boards, as usual, managed the local markets, slaughter-houses and chatrams. The Muhammadan and the Panchama primary schools at Ránipéttai and Punjey, respectively, and the elementary schools at Kálahasti and Puttúr were managed by the respective Union Panchayats. In addition to the daily market and slaughter-house at Arni, the weekly market at that place was transferred to the management of the Arni Union Panchayat during the ye.ar. The market at Polur continued in the management of the Local Union Panchayat. Fees from temporary markets held on occasions of fairs and festivals were collected in some of the Unions of the Vellore and the Ránipéttai Taluk Boards and pandal fees were collected in all the Unions except Chandragiri and Rénigunta.

9. *Financial Position.*—Statements I-A and I-B furnish details of receipts and charges of the Local Boards and Union Panchayats. The subjoined abstract exhibits in one view the year's financial position as compared with that of the preceding year :—

—	Actuals of 1897-98.				Actuals of 1898-99.			
	District funds.	Taluk funds.	Union funds.	Total.	District funds.	Taluk funds.	Union funds.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Opening balance	12,051	— *1,439*	15,842	26,454	20,266	21,394	14,338	55,998
Receipts	2,00,985	1,99,669	36,429	4,37,083	1,72,051	1,68,688	36,057	3,76,796
Allotment from District to Taluk Funds	— *23,770*	23,770	..	..	— *3,920*	3,920	..	..
Allotment from Taluk Funds to Union Funds	..	— *6,318*	6,318	..	..	— *7,711*	7,711	..
Total assets ..	1,89,266	2,15,682	58,589	4,63,537	1,88,397	1,86,291	58,106	4,32,794
Expenditure	1,69,000	1,94,288	44,251	4,07,539	2,06,776	1,89,674	45,393	4,41,843
Closing balance	20,266	21,394	14,338	55,998	— *18,379*	— *3,383*	12,713	— *9,049*

N.B.—This abstract includes debt head transactions. The Accountant-General's finally audited figures have been adopted in the case of the actuals of 1897-98.

Excluding the debt heads (Rs. 12,500 on the receipt side and Rs. 24,260 on the expenditure side) and allotments from the District to Taluk funds and from Taluk funds to Union funds amounting in all to Rs. 11,631, the receipts of the year amounted to Rs. 3,64,296 against Rs. 4,17,856, and the charges to Rs. 4,17,583 against Rs. 3,91,637 in the previous year. The closing balance of the year, including the debt head transactions, was a deficit of Rs. 9,049 against a surplus of Rs. 55,998 in the past year and against Rs. 56,020 anticipated in the revised estimate for the year sanctioned by Government with the budget of the current year. The deficit is made up thus—

	Rs.
Balance of Endowment Funds	13,885
The deficit in the General Funds	—*22,934*

This deficit general balance is distributed as follows :—

	Rs.
District Board	—*18,379*
Taluk Boards	—*13,354*
Unions	8,799
Total ..	—*22,934*

This result was chiefly due to a very large falling off in the receipts under "land-cess," "school-fees," "medical contribution from private individuals," "avenues" and "Provincial contribution for education," and to the non-adjustment of the sum of Rs. 27,300 taken credit for as contribution from other District Boards on account of plague charges—*vide* paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 535 L., dated 8th March 1899, the falling off being only partly counterbalanced by short expenditure under all the grants. The figure representing the District Board balance is still uncertain as the Accountant-General has yet to make certain adjustments of plague expenditure in the accounts of the year with reference to G.O., No. 915 L., dated 27th April 1899.

10. *Taxation.*—Land-cess, tolls and house-tax were the chief sources of Local fund taxation. Rs. 2,47,603 were collected under land-cess, Rs. 28,587 under tolls and Rs. 25,901 under house-tax. The incidence of taxation per head of the population was As. 2–2 excluding, and As. 2–5 including, tolls, against As. 2–7 and As. 2–9, respectively, in the preceding year. The decrease was mainly due to a large falling off in the income under "land-cess" explained further on. Taking into consideration the total Local fund receipts, the incidence per head came to As. 2–11 against As. 3–4 in 1897–98.

II.—RECEIPTS.

11. *Opening balance.*—The year opened with a balance of Rs. 55,998 against an estimate of Rs. 68,500 and Rs. 26,454, the actuals of the preceding year. The decrease under the estimate is chiefly due to a large decrease in the receipts in 1897–98 as compared with the revised estimate for that year under "land-cess," "Municipal contribution for tolls," "school-fees," "fish rent," and "Provincial contribution for education," only partly counterbalanced by a decrease in expenditure under all the grants.

12. *Land-cess.*—The realizations under this head amounted to Rs. 2,47,603 against an estimate of Rs. 2,86,100 and the actuals of Rs. 2,97,230 in the year preceding. The total demand including arrears was Rs. 2,98, 887 against Rupees 3,30,632 in the past year. The percentage of collection to the demand was 82·84 against 89·89. The decrease in the collections as compared with the estimate and the past year's actuals is ascribed to (1) short collections in Chittoor, Gudiyáttam, Arcot and Polur taluks and in the Punganúru, Kálahasti and Karvetnagar zemindaris, and (2) the collection of December 1896 kist of North Polur taluks in April 1897, *i.e.*, in 1897–98 which nominally increased the collections of that year as compared with the collections of 1898–99.

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excess collections and interest on overdue payments exhibited in the remarks column of statement V were Rs. 18,449 against an estimate of Rs. 20,000 and Rs. 17,601, the actuals of the past year. The decrease was due to less competition at the sales.

The four Municipalities in the district contributed a sum of Rs. 10,224 as the Local fund share of the Municipal tolls against Rs. 10,380, the estimate for the year and Rs. 8,447, actuals of the preceding year. The decrease under the estimate is slight and calls for no remarks. The increase over the past year's actuals is the net result of an increase in the case of the Vellore Municipality and of a decrease in the case of the others, the variations following the fluctuations in the Municipal toll income. The Vellore Municipality paid *half* its toll income, Walajapet and Tirupati, *one-third* each, and Gudiyáttam *one-fourth*. Rs. 28,673 were realized from both the Local fund and Municipal tolls, the realizations being 7·87 per cent. of the total receipts against 6·23 per cent. in 1897-98.

14. *House-tax.*—During the year under report this tax was collected in all the Unions, its introduction in Rénigunta Union having been sanctioned in G.O., Mis. No. 5 L., dated 4th January 1898. Statement VII furnishes particulars of the demand, collection and balance of the tax. The demand including arrears amounted to Rs. 26,652. Of this sum, Rs. 25,901 were collected, a remission of Rs. 107 was granted on vacant houses, and Rs. 91 were written off as irrecoverable. On the 31st March 1899 there was a balance of Rs. 553 against the marginally-noted Unions. Nearly half of this balance has since been either collected or remitted. In the case of the remainder which appears chiefly against Arcot, Ambúr, Kuppamu and Pallikondai Unions, the Taluk Board President states that the lists of remissions recommended by the Chairmen concerned have been returned for verification and will be disposed of shortly. The percentage of balance to the demand is 2·07 against 1·93 in the previous year. There is an increase in collections over both the estimate and the past year's actuals which is due to (1) the imposition of house-tax in Rénigunta Union, (2) the revision of tax in certain Unions of the Vellore Taluk Board, and (3) the erection of new houses in some of the unions. The practice of reviewing the monthly demand, collection and balance statements submitted by the Union Chairmen both by the Taluk Board Presidents and in my office was continued during the year.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Punganúru	11	3	0
Arcot	164	8	0
Ambúr	169	8	0
Kuppamu	17	0	0
Pernambut	4	8	0
Pallikondai	22	12	0
Kálahasti	26	4	0
Tiruttani	1	0	0
Kávérippákkam	1	0	0
Karvetnagar	13	11	0
Rénigunta	27	0	0
Arni	94	4	6
Total ..	552	10	6

or Rs. 553 in round number.

15. Particulars of incidence of house-tax are furnished in statement XVI. There was an appreciable increase in the number of houses finally assessed to tax in Pernambut Union and a marked decrease in Chandragiri and Arni Unions. The increase in Pernambut was partly due to the erection of new houses and partly to fewer remissions granted. The decrease in Chandragiri Union was due to accidental destruction of several houses by fire during the year. In Arni Union it was due to a larger number of cases of remissions granted. The average incidence per head of the population within the Union limits was As. 2-8, as in the preceding year. In Punganúru, Chittoor, Arni, Kuppamu, Ambúr, Tiruttani, Wandiwash, Puttúr and Arkonam Unions, it was above the average, being As. 4-3, As. 3-11, As. 3-6, As. 3-4 As. 3-1, As. 3-1, As. 3-1, As. 2-10, and As. 2-9, respectively; it was just the average in Kálahasti Union, viz., As. 2-8, and was lowest in Karvetnagar Union, viz., As. 1-4. Nine hundred and twenty-five distress warrants involving Rs. 916-8-0 were issued against 784 involving Rs. 1,193-14-0 in the previous year. Property valued at Rs. 520 was distrained in 550 cases, but was sold only in 90 cases for the realization of Rs. 47-11-0.

16. *Education.*—A sum of Rs. 15,560 was realized under this head against an estimate of Rs. 18,220 and Rs. 16,252, actuals of the preceding year. The net decrease appears chiefly under "School-fees of Lower secondary and Primary schools"

and "Sale-proceeds of books." The former was chiefly due to (1) the temporary closure of Arcot and Kuppamu middle schools owing to the prevalence of plague there, (2) the abolition of the elementary schools mentioned at foot of statement VIII, (3) the loss of strength of some of the primary schools under all the Taluk Boards, and (4) the general over-estimate of income under this head made by the Educational officers. Under "Sale-proceeds of books" shown against XI (*e*) in statement I-A, there was a heavy decrease of Rs. 521 below the estimate due mainly to absence of demand for several readers in stock which have been superseded. The District Board have since given up the arrangement of purchasing books for sale. As usual, the Kangundi zemindar contributed Rs. 150 towards the upkeep of the Kuppamu middle school.

17. *Medical, Vaccination and Sanitation.*—The receipts under this head amounted to Rs. 1,141 against an estimate of Rs. 5,370 and Rs. 7,336, actuals of the past year. The decrease occurs mainly under "contributions from private individuals" The Mahant of Tirupati did not pay the amount of contribution (Rs. 3,840) for the maintenance of the Tirupati hospital. He has been since asked to pay it. The American Arcot Mission withheld a portion of the contribution towards the pay of the civil apothecary at Ránipéttai on the ground of financial difficulties and they also declined to continue paying the contribution. The matter is under correspondence. The zemindar of Kangundi paid his usual contribution of Rs. 150 towards the maintenance of the Kuppamu dispensary.

18. *Miscellaneous—(i) V (a) and VI (a), Fishery Rents.*—A sum of Rs. 8,586 was credited to this head against an estimate of Rs. 10,000 and the actuals of Rupees 9,722 in the previous year. The decrease which appears chiefly under the Chittoor and the Vellore Taluk Boards is explained to be due, in the former case, to the non-collection of the entire kist within the year and, in the latter case, to a large number of tanks not having been leased out owing to excess of water. Of the total collection of Rs. 8,586, Rs. 6,763 were collected by the Revenue Department and the balance of Rs. 1,823 by the Public Works Department.

(ii) *Income from Choultries.*—Rs. 171 were realized under this head against an estimate of Rs. 340 and the actuals of Rs. 412 in the previous year. The decrease was mainly due to (1) only Rs. 16 out of Rs. 60, being the assessment of Kattamanchi chattram inam lands, having been credited by the Revenue Department within the official year, (2) the extremely low bid of Rs. 24 for which the vacant site opposite to the Arkonam chattram was leased out for occupation by traders against the budget estimate of Rs. 190, owing to the fact that Arkonam was made a plague observation station, and (3) the non-realization of any portion of the sum of Rs. 30 anticipated in the budget as miscellaneous receipts of the Annadana chattram at Sholinghur.

(iii) *Income from Markets.*—A sum of Rs. 11,686 was realized under this head against an estimate of Rs. 12,940 and Rs. 13,443, the actuals of 1897-98. The decrease was in the main due to want of competition at the sales of the right to collect market fees consequent on the general falling off of trade owing to the plague scare. The markets were generally popular and freely resorted to; but the Arni Taluk Board President reports that the daily market and slaughter-house at Arni were not used.

(iv) *Avenues.*—The total income derived by the sale of avenue produce and clipping was Rs. 7,974 against an estimate of Rs. 7,650 and the actuals of Rs. 7,907 in the year preceding. The increase was due chiefly to a comparatively good produce and good competition at the sales. It was also due to the collection of arrears of past year in the Chittoor Taluk.

(v) *Contribution from Private Individuals for Public Works.*—The sum of Rs. 929 credited under this head is composed of—

(1) Rs. 868, half the cost of constructing eleven tunnels on the Kuppamu-Kangundi road paid by the zemindar of Kangundi (G.O., Mis. No. 1770 L., dated 23rd September 1898), and

(2) Rs. 61, being the cost of supervision and other charges paid by certain private individuals—*vide* details in statement A in the accompanying book of statements under "VI Public works."

(vi) *Provincial contribution for Education.*—A sum of Rs. 7,397 was realized under this head against an estimate of Rs. 9,690 and Rs. 6,503, the actuals of the past year. The decrease as compared with the estimate was due to the following causes :—

(*a*) The net cost of the Board high school, Chittoor, was reduced by a rise in fee-income of the school.

(*b*) Some of the schools under all the Taluk Boards did not earn the amount of grant expected owing to restrictive orders regarding assignment in certain cases and the reduction in strength of certain other schools.

(*c*) One of the teachers of the middle school, Arcot, was not eligible for salary grant.

(*d*) The transfer grant and increased rate of grant on behalf of the Arni middle school teachers were not drawn within the year, the sanction having been received late in March 1899.

19. The variations under the other items are explained in the remarks column of statement I-A. Details of the several items of miscellaneous receipts and contributions from several sources are furnished in statement A.

III.—Expenditure.

20. Excluding debt heads and allotments from District to Taluk funds and from Taluk funds to Union funds, the expenditure of the year amounted to Rs. 4,17,583 against Rs. 3,91,637 in the preceding year. Details of expenditure are given in statement I-B.

21. *Grant 1, Public Works.*—The aggregate outlay on public works of all kinds during the year under report was Rs, 1,76,466 against an allotment of Rs. 1,92,080 and the actuals of Rs. 1,73,219 in the preceding year. Of this sum Rs. 1,62,055 were spent on "Communications," Rs. 5,448 on "Civil buildings," and Rs. 8,963 on "Miscellaneous Public Improvements," both under new works and repairs. The percentage of expenditure to the total allotment was 91·87 against 91·12 in 1897–98. The variations in the several items are explained below. The following distribution shows the expenditure incurred by the several agencies other than the Local Fund Engineering establishments:—

		Rs.
(*a*)	By the Revenue Department	25
(*b*)	„ Chairmen of Unions	704
(*c*)	„ Presidents of Local Boards	1,646
	Total ..	2,375

22. *New Works—Communications.*—Rs. 7,347 were spent under this head against an allotment of Rs. 8,060 or 91·15 per cent. of the allotment was spent during the year. The details of works are shown in statement III, works costing Rs. 1,000 and less having been grouped and shown as petty works under instructions conveyed in G.O., No. 2149 L., dated 8th November 1898. The following are the more important works completed or in progress during the year:—

(*a*) *Chittoor Taluk Board.*—Metalling the road from Punganúru to Sadam.

(*b*) *Vellore Taluk Board.*—Constructing tunnels on the road from Kirkanthangal to Valapandal.

(*c*) Constructing tunnels on the road from Arcot to Chitrachavadi.

(*d*) *Ránipéttai Taluk Board.*—Constructing masonry works on the road from Rénigunta to Vadamalpet.

Works (*b*) and (*d*) have been completed. The other two works were left incomplete. In the case of the Punganúru-Sadam road only Rs. 46 were allotted and spent for want of funds. The other work had to be left incomplete as the allotment made for its completion had to be transferred to the more important work of repairing the flood damages on the same road. The short expenditure of the allotments under this head is ascribed to the following causes :—

(*a*) Some of the works were completed too late in the year to admit of their being check-measured and the contractors' deposits paid within the year.

(*b*) The contractors of certain works under the Chittoor and the Arni Taluk Boards failed to complete their works in time.

(*c*) The construction of certain masonry works under the Vellore Taluk Board and of a road under the Arni Taluk Board was sanctioned too late to be completed and paid for within the year.

(*d*) The construction of culverts on the Kuppamu-Palmanér road had to be given up owing to plague in Kuppamu.

(*e*) There were savings in the estimates of some of the works.

23. *Civil Buildings, New.*—Rupees 2,970 or 65·13 per cent. of the allotment of Rs. 4,560 was spent under this head against Rs. 4,793 in the year previous. The short expenditure as compared with the allotment was due mainly to the following causes :—

(1) The sum of Rs. 100 provided in the budget for completing the construction of an operating room and a labour ward attached to the Civil and the Lying-in hospitals at Chittoor, respectively, was not spent, as the estimates have not yet been sanctioned by the Sanitary Board ; the matter is under correspondence.

(2) The work of building a latrine attached to the Lying-in-hospital at Tirupati was not taken up, as the revised estimate submitted by the Engineer at the end of the year could not be sanctioned within the year for want of certain further information that was required.

(3) Only a portion of the allotments sanctioned for the construction of chavadies at Tirumani and Polur under the Arni Taluk Board is reported to have been utilized owing to the failure of the contractors to complete the works.

24. *New works—Miscellaneous Public Improvements.*—A sum of Rs. 1,808 or 65·03 per cent. of the allotment (Rs. 2,780) was spent against Rs. 1,831 in the preceding year. The short expenditure of the allotment was chiefly due to the following causes :—

(i) The budget allotment of Rs. 500 for constructing a slaughter-house at Chittoor lapsed as the work was not put in hand pending the acquisition of the site for which the Collector has been addressed.

(ii) The allotment sanctioned for putting up an aloe fence round the Nanjampet market under the Vellore Taluk Board was not spent owing to plague in Kangundi division.

(iii) The work of putting up an aloe fence to the Chowdapalli market was sanctioned in February 1899, but was not finished and paid for within the year.

(iv) There were savings in the estimate for constructing a shed in the Kátpádi market and certain other market works.

25. *Repairs—Communications.*—A sum of Rs. 1,54,708 was spent under this head against an allotment of Rs. 1,65,910 and the actuals of Rs. 1,50,873 in the year previous. The percentage of expenditure to the allotment was 93·24 against 93·39 in the past year. The short expenditure as compared with the allotment was due mainly to the following causes :—

(*a*) A large portion of the allotment of the Kurnool trunk road, Nayudupet road, and of the Taluk Board roads in Damalcheruvu and Puttúr divisions was left unspent as the Engineer and the Overseer were engaged in constructing plague sheds at Pákala which delayed the check-measurement of road materials till it was too late to spread them.

(*b*) The major portion of the allotment for repairing the flood damages on the Madras-Calicut Trunk road was not spent as the Engineer says there was not time to complete the work within the year.

(*c*) Certain special road repairs having been done at the end of the year, they could not be check-measured and contractors' deposits paid within the year.

(*d*) The contractors of Chandragiri taluk roads failed to supply materials in time.

(*e*) The street roads of Sholinghur, Wandiwash and Arkonam Unions having been in good order, the whole of the maintenance grant in the first two Unions and a portion of the allotment in the last were not utilized.

(*f*) The budget allotments for the repair of the street roads of Vellore taluk and Rollabudugur village and that for diverting the course of a hill stream were not spent, no reason having been assigned for the former and the latter work having been executed and paid for in the preceding year.

(*g*) There were savings in the maintenance estimates of some of the roads. The percentage of expenditure on communications (new works and repairs) to half the land-cess *plus* the net income from tolls was 106·29, *i.e.*, 6·29 per cent. over the prescribed minimum was spent.

26. *Repairs—Civil Buildings.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 2,478 and was 85·74 per cent. of the allotment (Rs. 2,890). The short expenditure was due to—

(1) the non-execution of the repairs to the civil hospital, Chittoor, provided for in the budget, the estimate for it having been received too late for the work to be done and paid for within the year;

(2) a portion of the allotment for repairing the Arni Middle school and the Arni hospital not having been spent pending check-measurement of the works;

(3) the non-utilization of a portion of the allotment sanctioned for the repair of the Arni Union office, as the work was estimated to cost more than the amount sanctioned; and

(4) to savings in the estimates of some of the works under the Chittoor, Vellore and Ránipéttai Taluk Boards.

27. *Repairs—Miscellaneous Public Improvements.*—Rupees 7,155 or 90·79 per cent. of the allotment of Rs. 7,880 were spent under this head against Rs. 5,533, the actuals of the previous year. The decrease in expenditure as compared with the allotment was due mainly to the following causes:—

(i) A saving of about Rs. 273 was effected in the allotment for maintenance of avenues for District Board and the Taluk Boards of Vellore, Ránipéttai and Arni by economical application of funds.

(ii) For want of labour, the allotment for repairing the Chembukoor market was not spent.

(iii) The contractors of the work of repairing the Lakkanapalli and Sankaroyalpet markets not having rectified the defects pointed out, their security deposits were not paid.

(iv) Estimates for the repair of the markets at Gudipalli and Krishnapuram under the Vellore Taluk Board having been received very late, were not sanctioned and their budget allotment consequently lapsed.

(v) The allotment sanctioned for the repair of the Polur market was not spent as the work was not completed within the year.

(vi) A portion of the allotment for the repair of the Robinson well at Renigunta was not spent pending final check-measurement of work.

28. The expenditure on civil buildings and miscellaneous public improvements, both under new works and repairs, may be classified as follows:—

Civil Buildings—

	Rs.
(1) School buildings	1,610
(2) Hospitals and dispensaries	2,325
(3) Chattrams and bungalows	1,513
Total ...	5,448

Miscellaneous Public Improvements—

	Rs.
(*a*) Maintenance of avenues	6,081
(*b*) Improvements and repairs to markets and slaughter-houses ...	2,196
(*c*) Tanks and wells	490
(*d*) Drains and other miscellaneous works	196
Total ...	8,963

29. There were at the beginning of the year 1,738$\frac{1}{4}\frac{1}{8}$ miles of roads in the district against 1,732$\frac{5}{4}\frac{}{8}$ miles of roads at the commencement of the preceding year. This gives an average of 2·36 miles for every ten square miles of area. 1,518$\frac{3}{4}$ miles of this total length mentioned above were repaired during the year against 1,498$\frac{3}{8}$ miles repaired in the past year. The increase of 20$\frac{3}{8}$ miles has been explained in the statement submitted to Government in this office Dis. No 580, dated 28th April 1899. Of the total length repaired, 1,340$\frac{7}{8}$ miles belonged to the District and the Taluk Boards, and the remaining 177$\frac{7}{8}$ miles were village roads. Excluding the charges on account of the construction and repair of bridges, culverts, toll-sheds, store-sheds, &c., the average cost of maintaining each mile of road repaired was Rs. 160 in the case of the District Board roads, Rs. 70 for Taluk Board roads and Rs. 82 for village roads against Rs. 154, Rs. 69 and Rs. 91, respectively, in the preceding year. 11$\frac{3}{4}$ miles of village roads were constructed during the year at a cost of Rs. 760. There were, at the end of the year, 1,750$\frac{3}{4}\frac{9}{8}$ miles of roads in the district.

30. *Village Roads.*—The total expenditure on the construction and repair of village roads during the year amounted to Rs. 15,298, or 9·90 per cent. of the total road outlay, against Rs. 15,968 or 10·57 per cent. in the past year. Rs. 760 of the total expenditure were spent for constructing new roads and the remainder Rs. 14,538, for repairing the existing roads.

31. Of the total length of 1,750$\frac{3}{4}\frac{9}{8}$ miles of roads in the district, 1,018$\frac{1}{2}$ miles had avenues. At the beginning of the year, there were 225,245 trees.* 11,884 trees were planted during the year, but 6,246 trees perished. Thus at the end of the year there were 230,883 trees. The avenues were, on the whole, well cared for and were in fair condition.

* *Vide* remarks column of statement IV-B.

32. *Condition of Roads.*—Speaking generally, the roads in this district are in good order and compare very favourably with those of other districts with which I am acquainted.

33. *Establishment.*—The strength of the Local Fund Engineering establishment continued to be the same as in the year previous. The expenditure amounted to Rs. 32,007 against an allotment of Rs. 34,160 and the actuals of Rs. 33,655 in 1897–98. The short expenditure was due chiefly to—

(*a*) the pay and travelling allowances of the Assistant Engineer for the months of January and February 1899 not having been paid to him within the year pending correspondence about his leave;

(*b*) the post of the sub-overseer of Damalcheruvu having been vacant for a greater part of the year when the division was in charge of the Chittoor Taluk overseer;

(*c*) the travelling allowance of the overseers and their establishments for January 1899 not having been paid within the year pending correspondence in connection with it; and

(*d*) the savings in the allotment for contingent charges.

The percentage of the cost of establishment to the total outlay on works was 18·13 against 19·42 in the preceding year. Rs. 74 were paid to the Public Works Department for the collection of the Local Fund income from fisheries.

34. *Staging Bungalows.*—Details of receipts and charges of these bungalows are given in statement X. Three hundred and sixty-three travellers halted in the 20 bungalows against 408 travellers in the past year. For the maintenance of these bungalows, Rs. 1,659 were spent against Rs. 1,006 in 1897–98. The increase appears chiefly under "Public Works expenditure" and partly under "Contingencies," the expenditure in both the cases having been incurred to meet the actual requirements. A sum of Rs. 908 was spent on establishment and contingencies and Rs. 751 on improvements to buildings of thirteen bungalows. Generally the bungalows were in a fair state of repairs and sufficiently furnished. The bungalows under the Ránipéttai Taluk Board except Damalcheruvu are reported to need repairs. Provision has been made in the current year to repair the bungalow at Tirupati and steps are being taken to repair the Nagari bungalow. The Taluk Board President promises to get the other bungalows repaired.

35. *Tools and Plant.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 1,977, including Rs. 25, balance of cost of carriage of famine tools from Punganúru to Vellore in 1897–98 paid during the year under report, and Rs. 12 incurred by the Ránipéttai and Arni unions. The net amount spent under this head on ordinary Local Fund works was therefore Rs. 1,940, which was 1·09 per cent. of the total outlay on works, against ·95 per cent. in the previous year. The percentage only just exceeded the limit of 1 per cent. laid down in article 109 of the Local Fund Code. I am drawing the attention of the Engineer to the necessity for observing the limit in future. Of the sum of Rs. 1,940, Rs. 1,909 were spent in purchasing new tools and Rs. 31 for repairing the existing tools.

36. *Contribution to Provincial Funds.*—A sum of Rs. 37,770 was provided in the budget for 1898–99 as contribution to Provincial funds for famine expenditure. There having been no necessity for its payment, Rs. 27,770 thereof were appropriated for plague expenditure with the sanction of Government, and the remainder Rs. 10,000 was allowed to lapse and merge in the balance to be carried to the next year (1899–1900) to provide for plague—G.O., No. 535 L., dated 8th March 1899.

37. *Grant 2, Education.*—The expenditure under this grant during the year under report amounted to Rs. 59,233 against an allotment of Rs. 62,290 and Rupees 60,621, the actuals of the year preceding. This figure represents 13·68 per cent. of the total Local Fund assets. The details of expenditure are furnished in statement I-B.

38. *Inspection.*—There were no changes either in the strength or in the territorial jurisdiction of the subordinate inspecting staff. The Sub-Assistant Inspectors were, as usual, paid from Provincial funds and the inspecting schoolmasters from Local Funds. For the maintenance of the latter establishment, Rs. 4,415 were spent against an allotment of Rs. 4,640 and the actuals of Rs. 4,609 in the previous year. The decrease as compared with the allotment was chiefly due to—

(1) the retirement of the inspecting schoolmaster, Polur, and the man who was temporarily appointed instead having been paid only acting allowance for about six months of the year, and

(2) the death of the inspecting schoolmasters of Vellore and Wallajah taluks in January and February 1899, respectively, and the appointment of substitutes not having been sanctioned in time to admit of their pay being drawn within the year.

The system of reviewing the monthly diaries, &c., of the inspecting schoolmasters by the Sub-Assistant and the Assistant Inspectors and in my office was continued during the year. These officers visited 1,537 villages and prepared 1,320 schools for examination, of which 136 were Local Fund schools, 831 aided schools and 353 other schools, against 1,404 villages and 114, 722 and 345 schools, respectively, in the previous year. They examined 1,563 schools and 76,630 pupils, started 31 schools and brought 170 schools under inspection, the corresponding figures for the preceding year being 1,494 schools, 70,992 pupils, and 29 and 200 schools. The inspecting schoolmasters' work for the year was generally satisfactory. In the current year (1899–1900) the supervision of the work of inspecting schoolmasters was transferred to the Taluk Boards concerned, excepting the inspecting schoolmaster for Muhammadan schools for the district who has been retained under the direct control of the District Board.

39. *Sessional Schools.*—The number of sessional schools was two as in the year previous—one for the North Palar taluks to train Telugu teachers, and the other for the South Palar taluks to train Tamil teachers. The places where these two schools held their sessions are given in statement VIII; the period of each session continued to be *three* months. Sixty teachers were admitted for training in the two schools (25 in the north and 35 in the south sessional schools) and, with the exception of four of them who were admitted as free students, the others were paid the usual stipends at Rs. 5 each per mensem. The number of teachers who were presented for and passed the Primary School examination from the sessional schools is detailed in the foot-note appended to statement VIII. It will be seen therefrom that the results of the south sessional school were satisfactory, 82·69 per cent. of the number presented having passed, while the north sessional school did not fare so well, only 13 out of 25 students

presented having come out successful. A sum of Rs. 1,314 was spent for the upkeep of these schools against an allotment of Rs. 1,680 and the actuals of Rs. 1,487 in 1897–98. The short expenditure was due in the main to a smaller number of stipendiary students having been trained than was provided for in the budget and to the stipends of the sessional school students for January and February 1899 not having been paid within the year owing to non-receipt of bills in time.

40. *Local Fund Schools.*—At the commencement of the year, there were six secondary and 109 primary schools. During the year, eleven of the primary schools were closed by the Vellore and the Arni Taluk Boards on financial grounds, and their names are shown in statement VIII. Thus, on the last day of the year, there were six secondary and 98 primary schools.

41. *Secondary Schools.*—One of the six secondary schools at the end of the year was of the upper secondary grade, viz., the High School at Chittoor, which continued to be managed by the Chittoor Taluk Board, the Government paying the net cost of its upper and lower secondary departments. The others were all of the lower secondary grade. The high school and the lower secondary schools at Arcot and Arni continued to be salary schools, and the other three lower secondary schools at Kuppamu, Karvetnagar and Wandiwash were salary-result schools.

42. *Chittoor High School.*—On the 31st March 1899, this school had a total strength of 235 pupils against 228 on the corresponding date of the past year. This shows that the school is gradually regaining its lost strength. M.R.Ry. C. Bhashyam Aiyangar Avargal, B.A., the permanent head master, rejoined his duty, after a long leave, on the 3rd May 1898 and continued in office throughout the year. Owing to the increased strength, the second and third forms of the school were each split up into two sections, but were managed by the existing staff of teachers. For the Matriculation examination, 30 students were presented from this school, of whom 10 passed—a fair result. But the result in the Lower Secondary Examination cannot be considered satisfactory, only 12 students having been successful out of 32 sent up.

43. At the beginning of the year, three of the five lower secondary schools were of the first grade, viz., those at Arcot, Arni and Kuppamu, and the remaining two, Karvetnagar and Wandiwash, were of the second grade. During the year, the Karvetnagar school was raised to the first grade. Thus, at the end of the year, there were four first-grade and only one second-grade schools. The lower secondary departments of all the five schools had, on the 31st March 1899, a total strength of 184 students, and the average attendance was 185. The following abstract shows the results of the Lower Secondary and Primary examinations of the five schools:—

Serial number.	Name of school.	Lower Secondary Examination.		Primary School Examination.	
		Number presented.	Number passed.	Number presented.	Number passed.
1	Middle School, Arcot	8	1	16	3
2	,, Arni	15	12	30	28
3	,, Kuppamu	10	*4	13	8
4	,, Karvetnagar	6	1	11	2
5	,, Wandiwash	..	..	10	6

* One passed in the first class.

The Arni middle school did very satisfactorily in both the examinations. The results in the middle schools at Arcot and Karvetnagar were, however, extremely bad. In the case of the former, the Vellore Taluk Board President promises to effect an improvement this year (1899–1900) by changing the staff of teachers, if necessary, in communication with the Educational officers. In the case of the Karvetnagar middle school, the Ránipéttai Taluk Board President states that, in spite of the bad results in the Lower Secondary examination, the school will be tried for another year in the first grade. He will be requested to try to improve its working. The results of Kuppamu and Wandiwash middle schools may be considered fair.

44. The expenditure on secondary education during the year amounted to Rs. 11,260 against Rs. 10,349 in the preceding year. The net cost to Local Funds amounted to Rs. 382 against Rs. 63. The lower secondary departments of the Chittoor high school and of the Middle school, Arni, were worked at a profit. In the case of the middle schools at Arcot, Kuppamu and Karvetnagar, the net cost rose over the past year's figures and was heavy in Karvetnagar and Kuppamu, being Rs. 12-8-6 and Rs. 9-15-2, respectively, per pupil educated. The upper secondary department of the Chittoor high school, which was worked at a profit in the past year, cost the Board Rs. 1-9-4 per pupil educated in the year under report. There was, however, a reduction in the net cost of the lower secondary department of the Wandiwash middle school. In the case of the Karvetnagar middle school, the increase was due to the entertainment of an additional teacher on Rs. 17-8-0 for the third form newly opened. The Presidents of the Taluk Boards concerned will be requested to take steps to minimise the net cost in the above schools.

45. *Primary Schools.*—At the close of the year, there were 98 primary schools, excluding the primary departments of secondary schools. Of this number 73 schools were of the upper primary grade and the remaining 25 were lower primary schools. Excepting the Krishnier's school at Bommasamudram, an endowed institution, which was worked on the salary system with reference to G.O., No. 463, Educational, dated 10th August 1897, the remaining 97 were salary-result schools. The number of purely primary schools and the primary departments of secondary schools can be seen from statement VIII. The primary schools and the primary departments of secondary schools had, on the 31st March 1899, an aggregate strength of 4,530 boys and 642 girls against 5,253 boys and 760 girls at the end of the past year. The average attendance was 5,177 against 5,945. The fall in strength and attendance was due chiefly to (*a*) the abolition of the 11 schools referred to in paragraph 40 *supra*, and (*b*) the prevalence of plague in parts of the district. An expenditure of Rs. 27,824 was incurred on primary schools and departments against Rs. 29,034 in the year preceding. Rs. 1,175 of this amount were spent on salary-system schools and Rs. 26,649 on salary-result schools. The net cost to Local Funds amounted to Rs. 249 in the case of the former and to Rs. 15,311 in the case of the latter classes of schools against Rs. 225 and Rs. 16,529, respectively, in the previous year. The average cost per pupil educated in the salary system primary schools and departments was Rs. 2-3-0 and in the case of the schools on salary-result system, it was Rs. 3-0-5 against Rs. 2-4-9 and Rs. 2-13-3, respectively, in 1897-98. The cost was somewhat high in the case of the upper primary and lower primary departments of the Arcot middle school, being Rs. 7-10-1 in each. The foot-note appended to statement VIII furnishes details of the number of pupils of the various grades of Local Fund schools who were presented for and passed the several public and standard examinations.

46. *Grant-in-aid Schools.*—On the 31st March 1899, there were 600 schools in the district aided from Local Funds, with 15,152 pupils on their rolls, against 649 schools with 16,532 pupils on the corresponding date of the past year. Ten thousand four hundred and ninety-seven pupils were examined for grant and 7,764 were found qualified against 10,735 and 8,190, respectively, in the preceding year. Rs. 14,260, or 98·34 per cent. of the sanctioned allotment, were paid as result grants, against Rs. 14,612 or 95·94 per cent. in 1897-98. The short expenditure appears chiefly under Chittoor, Ránipéttai and Arni Taluk Boards. Of the total expenditure, Rs. 214 were paid as arrears of past year. Each pupil examined was paid a grant of Rs. 1-5-9 on an average, as in the past year.

47. *Panchama Education.*—Statement C next to statement IX shows the results of the year's operations in the direction of education of the Panchamas. There was a decline in both the number and strength of the Local Fund and aided schools. The falling off of one Local Fund school as compared with the past year was due to the abolition of the Wandiwash Panchama school under the Arni Taluk Board, there being a well conducted and thriving Mission Panchama school in the town. The efficiency of the aided Panchama schools, however, slightly improved as 1,185 pupils were sent up for examination from those schools and 763 passed against 1,154 and

719, respectively. The number of unaided Panchama schools rose from 21 to 23, and their strength from 340 to 366 pupils. The condition of the Panchama education was almost stationary during the year under report.

48. *Purchase of Books.*—The allotment of Rs. 560 under this head remained wholly unspent, as elementary school books were not purchased during the year, the system having been abandoned with reference to paragraph 1 (7) of G.O., No. 2149 L., dated 8th November 1898.

49. *General remarks on the progress of Education.*—As already stated, eleven of the Local Fund primary schools were abolished on financial grounds. This, as well as the prevalence of plague in some parts of the district, materially diminished the strength and attendance of schools. The number and strength of the aided schools likewise declined. Female education showed a retrogression, the number of girls under instruction in Local Fund and aided schools having fallen from 1,966 in the previous year to 1,776 in the year under report. There was some improvement in the number of qualified teachers as compared with the previous year; but the Assistant Inspector's statement III for individual Taluk Boards shows that the percentage of unqualified teachers is still heavy. The Assistant Inspector hopes, however, that the sessional schools working in the district will gradually reduce the number of untrained teachers. The proportion of pupils under instruction to the male population of the school-going age (151,957), calculated at 7½ per cent. of the population within the Local Fund area of the district, was 12·48 per cent. against 13·82 in 1897-98.

50. *Grant 3, Medical Services, Vaccination and Sanitation.*—There were, as in the previous year, eight hospitals (including the three Lying-in hospitals of Chittoor, Ránipéttai and Arni) and twelve dispensaries. Two of the hospitals, viz., those at Ránipéttai and Tirupati, are endowed institutions, the former being in receipt of a contribution of Rs. 2,066 from Provincial funds, and the latter being maintained from the annual contribution of Rs. 3,840 paid by the Mahant of Tirupati. The Zamindar of Kangundi pays Rs. 150 per annum towards the cost of maintaining the Kuppamu dispensary. The main building of the Tirupati lying-in hospital has been completed, but the estimate for constructing a latrine attached to it is under correspondence. The old taluk cutcherry building at Wandiwash transferred to the Taluk Board of Arni for locating the local dispensary has not yet been adapted for the purpose for want of funds. The building at Ambur purchased for locating the dispensary having been found unsuitable for the purpose has been sold to the Ambur Union Panchayat for its office. The District Medical and Sanitary Officer reports that most of the buildings wherein medical institutions are located are in repair and adequately furnished. There were 157 beds in all the eight hospitals as in the year preceding. The number of patients treated in the various medical institutions during the year is compared in the following statement with that of the two previous years:—

Years.	In-patients.	Out-patients.	Total.
1896-97	2,330	149,584	151,914
1897-98	2,244	142,200	144,444
1898-99	1,904	112,562	114,466

There was a large decrease in the number of both in- and out- patients, and it occurs in all the medical institutions except the lying-in hospitals at Chittoor and Arni, where there was a slight increase in the number of labor cases aided both in and out of the hospitals. The falling off was mainly due to (*a*) the general suspicion regarding Government plague measures which made people afraid of resorting to the medical institutions for relief, and (*b*) the deputation of some of the medical subordinates on plague duty during the greater part of the year and the closure of the medical institutions during their absence. The dispensary committees under the Chittoor Taluk Board are reported to have done useful work by holding meetings every month for checking bills for contingent charges of the respective medical institutions. Lieutenant-Colonel John Lancaster, I.M.S., continued to be in medical charge of the district, but in the latter part of the year when his services were required in connection with

plague, he was relieved by a Special Medical officer, Mr. Charles T. Costello, B.A., M.B. Fourteen * of the medical institutions were inspected during the year (eleven by the District Medical Officer and three by the Assistant Surgeon). The other institutions were not inspected owing to heavy work in connection with plague.

* Includes two inspected by the District Medical Officer on his plague tours.

51. Excluding the cost of midwives, Rs. 30,987 were spent during the year for maintaining the several medical institutions against Rs. 32,313 in the preceding year. The decrease appears chiefly under the heads "Medical Subordinates," "Supplies," "Diet of Patients," "Clerks and Servants" and "House-rent to Hospital Assistants," and is partly counterbalanced by an increase under "Medicines and surgical instruments" and "Clothing and Bedding." The decrease under "Medical Subordinates" was due in the main to (1) the deputation of some of the hospital assistants on plague duty, and (2) the appointment of a third-class hospital assistant to each of the dispensaries at Kuppamu and Wandiwash instead of a first-class hospital assistant. The decrease under "Supplies" and "Diet of Patients" occurs chiefly in the hospitals at Chittoor, Palmanér, Ránipéttai and Arni, and was due for the most part to the fall in the number of patients treated and to economy exercised in regulating the expenditure. The decrease under "Clerks and Servants" was due to (1) the abolition of the post of waterman on Rs. 5 in the Kuppamu dispensary, and (2) the deputation of the compounder of the Venkatagirikota dispensary as compounder of the ambulance staff at Palmanér. The decrease under "House-rent to Hospital Assistants" was due to the hospital assistant of the Wandiwash dispensary not having been paid house-rent as he occupied a portion of the dispensary building itself. The increase under "Medicines and Surgical instruments" was only nominal, as the medicines purchased for the use of the Ránipéttai and Tirupati hospitals in the previous year were paid for only in the year under report owing to delay in receipt of bills. Under "Clothing and Bedding," the increase was due to purchase on a larger scale in some of the hospitals according to requirements. The average cost of treating each patient was As. 4–4 against As. 3–7 in the past year. It was high in the three lying-in hospitals, as usual, being Rs. 4–5–11 for Ránipéttai, Rs. 2–11–7 for Chittoor and Rs. 1–11–5 for Arni, and was lowest in Ambur and Wandiwash dispensaries, being As. 1–11 for each.

52. *Midwives.*—As in the preceding year, there were 15 midwives. Miss Stracy, the Eurasian midwife attached to the Chittoor lying-in hospital, resigned at the expiry of her three months' leave. The District Board appointed a native midwife during her absence on Rs. 15 per mensem as an experimental measure pending sanction of Government. The Government, however, negatived the proposal to have a native midwife in the place of a European or Eurasian—G.O., Mis. No. 1432 L., dated 10th August 1898. Mrs. Agnes Pinto, a Eurasian trained midwife, was accordingly appointed to the post. The midwives attended a total number of 898 labour cases against 864 in the year previous. The number assisted by individual midwives is shown in statement XI. It will be seen therefrom that the midwife of the Wandiwash dispensary aided 49 labor cases over and above the last year's figure, which is very satisfactory. The midwives attached to the Arni lying-in hospital, Kalahasti dispensary and the Chittoor lying-in hospital did also a fair amount of work, they having assisted 15, 13 and 11 labor cases over their previous year's outturn. The system of rewarding midwives for assisting labor cases over a prescribed minimum was in force. The midwives attached to the hospitals at Arni, Ránipéttai and Tirupati, and to the dispensaries at Wandiwash, Arcot, Punganúru and Tiruvettiyur assisted 30, 29, 27, 20, 12, 9 and 3 labor cases, respectively, over their minimum, and all except Wandiwash, Arcot and Punganúru midwives were rewarded. An expenditure of Rs. 22 was incurred in the shape of rewards. The other midwives were not paid any reward, no claim having been made. A sum of Rs. 1,829 was spent for payment of salaries and rewards to the midwives against Rs. 2,143 in the preceding year. The decrease was mainly due to the following causes :—

(*a*) The Chittoor midwife's place was vacant for two months during the absence of Miss Stracy on leave and a native midwife was appointed thereafter for four months on Rs. 15 per mensem against Rs. 40, the sanctioned pay of the appointment.

(*b*) The midwife of the Ránipéttai hospital on Rs. 20 per mensem died and in her place one on Rs. 10 was appointed.

(*c*) The Arkonam midwife having been transferred to Ránipéttai *vice* the deceased midwife of that place, the former post was vacant for five months, and thereafter the Puttur midwife was transferred to Arkonam, it being a more important place, and the Puttur midwife's place was not filled up till the close of the year for want of applicants.

Owing to absence of funds, no steps were taken during the year towards training female medical subordinates.

53. *Vaccination.*—The number and local limits of vaccination circles and the strength of the staff of deputy inspectors and vaccinators continued the same as in the previous year. A sum of Rs. 12,678 was spent under this head against an allotment of Rs. 12,980 and Rs. 12,589, the actuals of the past year. The short expenditure of the allotment was due chiefly to savings in the pay of vaccinators who were fined for short work as also under travelling allowance and rewards to vaccinators, the last being due to a large falling off in the number of successful cases vaccinated. The increase as compared with the actuals appears under pay, travelling allowance and contingencies of the establishment, partly counterbalanced by a decrease under rewards to vaccinators and cost of lymph. The increase was due chiefly to a larger amount of fine imposed on vaccinators in 1897–98 than in the year under report when vaccinators were excused in some months for short work resulting from plague inoculation scare. The decrease follows the decrease in the number of vaccine operations. The following statement compares the work turned out by the vaccinators during the year with that in the four previous years :—

Years.	Number of persons vaccinated.		Total number vaccinated.	Number of successful cases.			Percentage of successful cases to total vaccinated.	Rate per successful case.
	Under one year of age.	Above one year of age.		Under one year of age.	Above one year of age.	Total.		
								Rs. A. P.
1894–95	13,909	31,925	45,834	13,527	30,833	44,360	96·78	0 4 2
1895–96	14,513	35,215	49,755	14,057	33,622	47,679	95·82	0 4 4
1896–97	15,881	39,503	55,384	15,212	37,906	53,118	95·90	0 3 11
1897–98	16,235	35,930	52,165	15,598	34,420	50,018	95·88	0 4 0
1898–99	8,989	19,332	28,321	8,578	18,360	26,938	94·76	0 7 7

A marked falling off is noticeable in the year's operations as compared with the previous years, the decrease occurring in all the three circles; and it is, in the main, attributed to the great opposition which the vaccinators met with in villages where people laboured under a misapprehension that plague inoculation was being substituted for vaccination and would not yield to any amount of explanation on the part of the deputy inspectors and vaccinators to the contrary. With the abatement of plague better results are expected to follow.

54. Vaccination by medical subordinates exhibited a further falling off during the year, the total number vaccinated by them being 185 and 169 cases proving successful against 282 and 236 cases, respectively, in the year preceding. The necessity for improved results being shown in this direction has frequently been impressed on the medical subordinates.

55. The Local Fund vaccinators and the medical subordinates have together vaccinated 28,506 cases during the year. This gives an average of 14·07 per mille of the population in the Local Fund area against 25·88 per mille in 1897–98. The number of births registered in the Local Fund area was 52,352 and the number of infantile vaccinations performed by the vaccinators and medical subordinates was 9,009, of which 8,598 cases were successful against 16,273 and 15,632 cases, respectively, in the past year. The deputy inspectors of vaccination verified 22,821 cases or 80·57 per cent. of the total number of cases vaccinated by Local Fund vaccinators against 63·74 per cent. in the previous year.

56. Vaccination was carried on exclusively with calf lymph. The number of vaccinations performed in each circle and by medical subordinates and their cost are shown in the subjoined statement:—

Serial number.	Circles in the district.	Number of persons vaccinated.	Number of successful cases.	Cost.
				Rs.
1	Chittoor	7,840	7,155	926
2	Vellore	11,958	11,775	570
3	Karvetnagar	8,523	7,908	492
4	Medical subordinates	185	169	..
	Total ..	28,506	27,007	1,988

57. *General Remarks on Vaccination.*—During the year under report, vaccination work exhibited a retrogression chiefly owing to the prevalence of plague. The percentage of successful cases to the total number vaccinated by the vaccinators and medical subordinates also declined from 95·81 in the past year to 94·74. Improved results may be expected both in quantity and quality if the arrangement of getting the supply of vaccine paste from the Mysore Government Vaccine Institute, referred to in G.Os., No. 1905 L. and No. 464 L., dated 5th October 1897 and 12th March 1898, respectively, is finally sanctioned by Government, provided also that plague does not break out again. The monthly returns of vaccinators and deputy inspectors continued to receive scrutiny both at the hands of the District Medical and Sanitary Officer and in my office where they were reviewed, the system of rewarding for extra cases over, and fining for short cases under, the prescribed minima being followed. The District Medical and Sanitary Officer reports that the results of vaccine operations required constant checking by him and that, with the exception of a few cases, they have been found fairly satisfactory and trustworthy.

58. *Sanitation.*—A sum of Rs. 23,888 was spent under the several heads of sanitation against an allotment of Rs. 30,360 and Rs. 25,970, the actuals of the previous year. Statement XIII furnishes particulars of expenditure. The net decrease of Rs. 2,082 as compared with the past year's actuals was due chiefly to a large decrease under "Improvement of water-supply" under all the Taluk Boards except Arni, under "Scavenging Establishments" under Chittoor and Arni Taluk Boards, and under "Other Sanitary outlay" under all the Taluk Boards, partly counterbalanced by an increase under "Improvement of water-supply" under Arni and under "Scavenging Establishments" under Vellore Taluk Boards. The variations are explained further on. The following abstract compares the expenditure under the several heads with the year's allotment and past year's actuals:—

—	Actuals of		Allotment for 1898-99.
	1897-98.	1898-99.	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Improvement of water-supply	4,688	3,519	6,490
,, of village-site	392	403	1,030
Scavenging establishments	17,076	17,396	17,910
Arrangements at fairs and festivals	1,343	1,461	1,900
Other sanitary outlay	2,471	1,109	3,030
Total ..	25,970	23,888	30,360

59. *Improvement of Water-supply.*—Rs. 3,519 were spent under this head against an allotment of Rs. 6,490 and the actuals of Rs. 4,688 in the past year. The decrease as compared with previous year's actuals was due to copious rainfall during the year under report. The short expenditure of the allotment was due to the following causes:—

(*a*) A major portion of the allotment for repair of wells, &c., was surrendered as unnecessary owing to good rainfall.

(*b*) Certain works executed under the Arni Taluk Board were not checkmeasured and paid for owing to excess of water which prevented checkmeasurement.

(*c*) The repair of a pond in Tiruttani union was sanctioned too late to be completed and paid for within the year. Three new wells were sunk during the year at a cost of Rs. 316; and 64 existing sources of water-supply were repaired at a cost of Rs. 1,550 against 58 sources repaired at a cost of Rs. 2,722 in the previous year. Fifty-one watchmen were employed to guard sources of fresh water-supply at a cost of Rs. 1,652. The following are some of the more important works carried out during the year:—

	Rs.
(*a*) Repairing a well at Kallur in Chandragiri taluk	198
(*b*) ,, Digunavarapalli in Chandragiri taluk	104
(*c*) ,, the stone revetment of Arni Suryagunta	135

Besides the above, the Robinson well at Renigunta was repaired at a cost of Rupees 490, and under article 114 of the Local Fund Code, this work has been shown in "Grant 1—Repairs—Miscellaneous Public Improvements" under the head "Tanks and Wells" in statements I-B and III, respectively.

60. *Improvement of Village-sites.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 403 against an allotment of Rs. 1,030 and Rs. 392, the actuals of the year previous. The decrease under the allotment occurs under all the Taluk Boards, notably under Vellore and Ránipéttai, and is due to the non-utilization of the allotments made for removing prickly-pear in Gudipalli and Krishnapuram under the Vellore Board and to the probable expenditure under this head budgeted for both the Taluk Boards being found unnecessary. The slight increase over the past year's actuals does not call for remarks. The system of employing itinerant gangs of coolies for clearing village-sites in rural tracts was not adopted in any of the taluks; 167,334 square yards of prickly-pear were removed during the year under report by communal labour at an estimated cost of Rs. 3,822 under all the Taluk Boards except Arni. The President of this Board states that some work was done in this direction under that Board, but that no details are available. Particulars will be called for and furnished to Government when received. The only work of importance under this head was the construction of a drain in one of the streets of Arkonam union at a cost of Rs. 100. In ten villages prickly-pear and rank vegetation were removed at a total cost of Rs. 255.

61. *Conservancy.*—A sum of Rs. 17,396 was spent under this head against an allotment of Rs. 17,910 and the actuals of Rs. 17,076 in the preceding year. The short expenditure occurs under the Chittoor, Ránipéttai and Arni Taluk Boards, and is attributed in the case of the first and the last Boards, for the most part, to the lower rate at which the scavenging carts were hired as compared with the rate provided for in the budget. In Ránipéttai, the decrease is ascribed generally to savings under the allotment. The increase as compared with the past year's actuals mainly occurs under the Vellore and Ránipéttai Taluk Boards and was due to the pay of some of the scavenging establishments of certain unions having been raised and to the establishments in certain other unions having been strengthened as detailed in appendix to statement VI of the budget for 1898-99. As in the year preceding, 21 unions and three other villages were conserved, and 222 men including sanitary inspectors and pygusts and 69 carts were employed in the several unions at a total cost of Rs. 16,946. In the three non-union villages, six men and two carts were employed at a cost of Rs. 450. As usual, the Chairmen of unions supervised the establishments in the unions and local revenue authorities and village officers supervised those in the other villages. The system of private scavenging was in force in the unions of Ránipéttai, Kálahasti, Arkonam and Arni. The number of houses served was 40, 39, 112 and 10, respectively.

Except in Kálahasti where there was an increase of two houses as compared with the past year, the number of houses in the other three unions served by this system exhibited a decrease,* viz., 22 in Ránipéttai, ten in Arni and six in Arkonam. The collection of private scavenging fees amounted to Rs. 81-13-0 in Ránipéttai, Rs. 61-0-6 in Kálahasti, Rs. 152-4-0 in Arkonam and Rs. 20 in Arni unions, and the expenditure amounted to Rs. 106-13-10, Rs. 60 and Rs. 179-10-4, respectively, in the first three unions, the strength of the establishment being two scavengers on Rs. 5 and Rs. 4 per mensem in Ránipéttai, one scavenger on Rs. 5 in Kálahasti, and three scavengers on Rs. 5 each in Arkonam unions. In Arni union, no separate establishment was entertained for the purpose, the income being small, but the work was done by the union scavengers by turns. The system was not self-supporting except in Kálahasti union. The Ránipéttai Taluk Board President states that the establishment in the other unions was not reduced on this ground as it was apprehended that there would be difficulty in procuring scavengers when necessary owing to the prevalence of plague. The Arni Taluk Board President reports that the people of Arni do not appreciate private scavenging and that in Wandiwash and Pólúru unions the people were averse to the introduction of the system. Under the two other Taluk Boards the system was not in force, but the Vellore Taluk Board President promises to introduce it during the current year. The people of Chittoor union are not in favour of the system being introduced amongst them. In Arni union, no portion of the private scavenging fees was left in arrears at the end of the year. Information on this point in regard to the other three unions has been called for and will be furnished on receipt.

* *Vide* statement sent with this office letter, Dis. No. 959, dated 24th August 1898.

62. *Arrangements at Fairs and Festivals.*—An expenditure of Rs. 1,461 was incurred for making sanitary arrangements at fairs and festivals in sixteen villages against Rs. 1,343 spent in seventeen villages in the previous year, and Rs. 1,900 allotted for the purpose. Statement XIII furnishes details of expenditure.

63. *Other Sanitary Outlay.*—A sum of Rs. 1,109 was spent under this head against an allotment of Rs. 3,030 and Rs. 2,471, the actuals of the previous year. The short expenditure was due chiefly to—

(*a*) The non-utilization of the major portion of the provision made in the budget for 1898-99 by the several Taluk Boards as "probable expenditure" under this head, as there was no urgent necessity for any such expenditure;

(*b*) Rs. 400 provided for the construction of latrines in Ránipéttai union not having been spent pending acquisition of sites for constructing them, and Rs. 124 having been saved out of the provision made for constructing three latrines in Kálahasti union;

(*c*) The provision made for constructing a latrine in Pólúru union not having been utilized; and

(*d*) The transfer of expenditure on preventive measures against epidemics to a new head of account "Other epidemic charges", while the provision was made under "Other sanitary outlay".

The expenditure under this head was incurred solely on the construction and repair of latrines (*vide* particulars in statement XIII).

64. *Bubonic Plague.*—The measures adopted for preventing the spread of plague are fully detailed in paragraph 1 of the District Medical and Sanitary Officer's report herewith submitted. An expenditure of Rs. 37,136 was incurred under this head against an allotment of Rs. 41,390 and Rs. 10,205,* the actuals of the previous year. The details are given in statement I-B. The net decrease as compared with the allotment appears chiefly under "Apothecaries", "Plague allowance", "Petty construction and repair", "Travelling allowance" and "Purchase and repair of furniture", and is only partly counterbalanced by an increase under "Diet of patients" and "Miscellaneous".

* Includes Rs. 1,215 spent on petty construction and repair and shown under "Grant 1, New works", "Civil buildings" in that year's account.

65. *General Remarks on Sanitation and Public Health.*—The percentage of sanitary expenditure declined from 88·54 in the previous year to 78·68 in the year under report. The decrease has already been explained under the several heads. The health of the public during the year was a source of anxiety. Cholera of a severe type prevailed in a major portion of the district as in the preceding year, the mortality therefrom being 5,711 against 5,792 in 1897-98. The number of deaths from dysentery and diarrhœa and all other causes was also large. Plague appeared in this district in August 1898 and spread during the latter half of the year, the places most affected being Vellore, Kuppamu, Walajanagar and Arcot. The Vellore Taluk Board President remarks that the union villages and towns are not kept nearly as clean as they ought to be considering the staff employed, the supervision of the Chairmen in several unions being very defective. He will be requested to adopt measures for effecting an improvement. In view to providing for the sanitation of Kátpadi and Tiruvettiyúr, the Taluk Board of Vellore recommended their formation into unions; but the District Board has deferred the question for the present. Thirteen unions were inspected once during the year under report, eight by the District Medical and Sanitary Officer and five by the Assistant Surgeon. The other unions were not inspected because of the heavy work which the medical officers had to do in connection with plague.

66. *Grant 4, Public and Charitable Institutions—Markets.*—There were, at the commencement of the year, 71 markets and 4 slaughter-houses. During the year the market at Nanjampet under the Vellore Taluk Board, sanctioned in G.O., Mis. No. 627 L., dated 31st March 1897, was opened (*vide* G.O., Mis. No. 1207 L., dated 25th June 1897). The market at Panappakkam, under the Ránipéttai Taluk Board, was abolished and the small balance of Rs. 5-3-4, which was in its favour, was transferred to Kávérippákkam market with the sanction of the Taluk Board. Thus, at the end of the year, the number of markets and slaughter-houses was 71 and 4, respectively. Except in the slaughter-house at Arni, which was not occupied, fees were levied in all the other institutions. The right of collecting fees in the weekly markets was, as usual, leased out for the year; but the daily markets, excepting Rénigunta and Kávérippákkam, were rented out at so much a month for each stall. In Rénigunta and Kávérippákkam daily market sheds have not yet been constructed, but steps are being taken towards constructing them. The fees in these two markets were collected departmentally during the year. In the slaughter-houses, the rates of fees levied were one anna per head in Ránipéttai, four pies at Arcot and Ambúr, and two pies at Arni. Some of the markets are not provided with suitable accommodation. The Vellore Taluk Board President states that steps will be taken to construct sheds, &c., in the markets which are in need of them. At the beginning of the year, the markets and slaughter-houses had an aggregate balance of Rs. 12,177. The receipts of the year, including transfers of Rs. 2,714 between markets (*vide* column 9 of statement VI), amounted to Rs. 14,809. The total assets came to Rs. 26,986. Of this sum Rs. 2,933 were spent on public works including cost of supervision and tools and plant, Rs. 1,834* on establishment and contingencies, and Rs. 12,271 for other purposes such as the sanitation of the villages wherein the markets and slaughter-houses are situated, contributions to other markets, &c. These institutions had, at the close of the year, a balance of Rs. 9,948. In the current year's budget proposals have been made to utilize the major portion of this balance.

* *Vide* remark in statement VI.

67. *Choultries.*—There were fifteen choultries as in the year preceding (*vide* statements VI and X); five of them, viz., those at Kattamanchi, Ránipéttai and Arkonam, the langarkhana at Arcot, and the Annadana chattram at Sholinghur are endowed institutions. The Kattamanchi chattram is maintained out of the assessment of a resumed inam land. The Ránipéttai chattram is maintained at the cost of the Taluk Board, the endowment of a shop formerly attached to it having been sold (*vide* G.O., Mis. No. 951 L., dated 17th May 1897). The other endowed chattrams are dealt with further on. The expenditure on establishments and contingencies including feeding travellers in all the chattrams aggregated Rs. 3,321 against an allotment

Except in Kálahasti where there was an increase of two houses as compared with the past year, the number of houses in the other three unions served by this system exhibited a decrease,* viz., 22 in Ránipéttai, ten in Arni and six in Arkonam. The collection of private scavenging fees amounted to Rs. 81–13–0 in Ránipéttai, Rs. 61–0–6 in Kálahasti, Rs. 152–4–0 in Arkonam and Rs. 20 in Arni unions, and the expenditure amounted to Rs. 106–13–10, Rs. 60 and Rs. 179–10–4, respectively, in the first three unions, the strength of the establishment being two scavengers on Rs. 5 and Rs. 4 per mensem in Ránipéttai, one scavenger on Rs. 5 in Kálahasti, and three scavengers on Rs. 5 each in Arkonam unions. In Arni union, no separate establishment was entertained for the purpose, the income being small, but the work was done by the union scavengers by turns. The system was not self-supporting except in Kálahasti union. The Ránipéttai Taluk Board President states that the establishment in the other unions was not reduced on this ground as it was apprehended that there would be difficulty in procuring scavengers when necessary owing to the prevalence of plague. The Arni Taluk Board President reports that the people of Arni do not appreciate private scavenging and that in Wandiwash and Pólúru unions the people were averse to the introduction of the system. Under the two other Taluk Boards the system was not in force, but the Vellore Taluk Board President promises to introduce it during the current year. The people of Chittoor union are not in favour of the system being introduced amongst them. In Arni union, no portion of the private scavenging fees was left in arrears at the end of the year. Information on this point in regard to the other three unions has been called for and will be furnished on receipt.

* *Vide* statement sent with this office letter, Dis. No. 959, dated 24th August 1898.

62. *Arrangements at Fairs and Festivals.*—An expenditure of Rs. 1,461 was incurred for making sanitary arrangements at fairs and festivals in sixteen villages against Rs. 1,343 spent in seventeen villages in the previous year, and Rs. 1,900 allotted for the purpose. Statement XIII furnishes details of expenditure.

63. *Other Sanitary Outlay.*—A sum of Rs. 1,109 was spent under this head against an allotment of Rs. 3,030 and Rs. 2,471, the actuals of the previous year. The short expenditure was due chiefly to—

(*a*) The non-utilization of the major portion of the provision made in the budget for 1898–99 by the several Taluk Boards as "probable expenditure" under this head, as there was no urgent necessity for any such expenditure;

(*b*) Rs. 400 provided for the construction of latrines in Ránipéttai union not having been spent pending acquisition of sites for constructing them, and Rs. 124 having been saved out of the provision made for constructing three latrines in Kálahasti union;

(*c*) The provision made for constructing a latrine in Pólúru union not having been utilized; and

(*d*) The transfer of expenditure on preventive measures against epidemics to a new head of account "Other epidemic charges", while the provision was made under "Other sanitary outlay".

The expenditure under this head was incurred solely on the construction and repair of latrines (*vide* particulars in statement XIII).

64. *Bubonic Plague.*—The measures adopted for preventing the spread of plague are fully detailed in paragraph 1 of the District Medical and Sanitary Officer's report herewith submitted. An expenditure of Rs. 37,136 was incurred under this head against an allotment of Rs. 41,390 and Rs. 10,205,* the actuals of the previous year. The details are given in statement I-B. The net decrease as compared with the allotment appears chiefly under "Apothecaries", "Plague allowance", "Petty construction and repair", "Travelling allowance" and "Purchase and repair of furniture", and is only partly counterbalanced by an increase under "Diet of patients" and "Miscellaneous".

* Includes Rs. 1,215 spent on petty construction and repair and shown under "Grant 1, New works", "Civil buildings" in that year's account.

65. *General Remarks on Sanitation and Public Health.*—The percentage of sanitary expenditure declined from 88·54 in the previous year to 78·68 in the year under report. The decrease has already been explained under the several heads. The health of the public during the year was a source of anxiety. Cholera of a severe type prevailed in a major portion of the district as in the preceding year, the mortality therefrom being 5,711 against 5,792 in 1897–98. The number of deaths from dysentery and diarrhœa and all other causes was also large. Plague appeared in this district in August 1898 and spread during the latter half of the year, the places most affected being Vellore, Kuppamu, Walajanagar and Arcot. The Vellore Taluk Board President remarks that the union villages and towns are not kept nearly as clean as they ought to be considering the staff employed, the supervision of the Chairmen in several unions being very defective. He will be requested to adopt measures for effecting an improvement. In view to providing for the sanitation of Kátpadi and Tiruvettiyúr, the Taluk Board of Vellore recommended their formation into unions; but the District Board has deferred the question for the present. Thirteen unions were inspected once during the year under report, eight by the District Medical and Sanitary Officer and five by the Assistant Surgeon. The other unions were not inspected because of the heavy work which the medical officers had to do in connection with plague.

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of Rs. 3,450 and the actuals of Rs. 2,821 in the past year. The increase as compared with the actuals appears chiefly under the head "feeding travellers" and was due to a larger number of paupers having been given rations in the Arcot langarkhana and to a rise in the price of rice in the year owing to which the allotment had to be supplemented from the langarkhana balance. A sum of Rs. 328 was spent in extending the chattram building at Arkónam and in repairing the Ránipéttai chattram including cost of supervision and tools and plant (*vide* columns 11 and 12 of statement VI).

68. *Arkonam Chattram.*—This chattram was constructed at the cost of Government for accommodating travellers who halt at the railway junction at Arkonam. An endowment of maniam lands, yielding a fixed yearly income of Rs. 60, is attached to it. The Arkonam Union Panchayat manages it. A sum of Rs. 140 was spent on establishment and contingencies of this chattram and Rs. 321 on improvement to the building and percentage of supervision.

69. *Arcot Langarkhana.*—This was founded by the Nabob of Arcot and has an endowment in the shape of a money allowance of Rs. 1,200 paid by Government. Each pauper is given a quarter of a measure of rice per diem and 36,798 paupers were thus given rations against 32,495 in the previous year. The cost of establishment and contingencies amounted to Rs. 133 and the cost of feeding to Rs. 1,832 against Rs. 138 and Rs. 1,304, respectively, in 1897–98. The committee appointed for supervising this institution is reported to have done its work fairly well.

70. *Annadana Chattram at Sholinghur.*—For the maintenance of this chattram Government pays a fixed money allowance of Rs. 1,281 per annum, and it is supervised by the Sholinghur Union Panchayat. Three thousand four hundred and eleven pilgrims were fed there during the year at a cost of Rs. 702 against 5,225 pilgrims fed at a cost of Rs. 696 in the year previous. There has been an increase in expenditure despite of a fall in the number of pilgrims fed. The Chairman's explanation has been called for and will be disposed of on its receipt. The Taluk Board President, Ránipéttai, considers the rate of rations and establishment charges to be rather high and states that a reduction in both is under contemplation. The cost of establishment and contingencies amounted to Rs. 411 against Rs. 434 in the preceding year.

71. *Contributions.*—The following are the amounts of contributions paid under grants 3 and 4:—

		Rs.
Grant 3—To Municipalities—		
(*a*) Vellore Municipality towards the cost of the hospital at Vellore	..	1,200
(*b*) Gudiyáttam Municipality on account of the dispensary there	..	450
(*c*) Walajapet do. do. do.	..	836
Total	..	2,486
Grant 4—To Municipalities—		
Vellore Municipality for the upkeep of lights on the Pálár bridge	..	100

72. *Lighting Charges.*—The expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 3,246 against an allotment of Rs. 3,400 and the actuals of Rs. 2,604 in the preceding year. The short expenditure, which occurs chiefly under the Ránipéttai and Chittoor Taluk Boards, represents savings in the allotment. The increase over the past year's actuals is merely nominal, as no expenditure except Rs. 24 was incurred by the Ránipéttai Taluk Board in the previous year under this head on financial grounds. Particulars as to the number of lights in each union and the cost of their upkeep are furnished in statement II-B.

73. *Grant 5, Supervision and Management.*—Under this grant the total expenditure amounted to Rs. 23,849 against an allotment of Rs. 25,910 and Rs. 25,257, the actuals of the year previous. The short expenditure occurs under all the heads except "Law charges" (where it is a trifle of Rs. 12 over the allotment) but notably under "Postal charges," "Printing charges", "Travelling allowance to non-official

members," "Miscellaneous" and "Pensions" and may be ascribed to savings in the allotments except in the case of "Pensions" where it is only nominal, as the Accountant-General will make certain adjustments in the supplemental March account.

74. The Local Fund accounts were, as usual, audited by the Treasury Deputy Collector, assisted by a staff of audit clerks. They have not yet been examined by the Inspector of Local Fund Accounts or any of his assistants for the year 1898–99 The local audit clerk inspected the accounts of the Chittoor and Arni Taluk Boards and of all the unions except Kuppam. There was considerable improvement in the inspection of unions during the year as compared with the preceding year when the accounts of only nine out of the 21 unions were inspected. This is due to a change in the *personnel* of the staff.

75. The District Board passed this report at their meeting held on the 8th July 1899. A copy of their resolution is enclosed.

Enclosure.

Concise Annual Report on the working of the Local Fund Hospitals and Dispensaries in the North Arcot District for the year 1898–99.

Public Health.—The general health of the people was unsatisfactory. Cholera continued from the previous year's outbreak more or less throughout the year with a slight abatement during the first four months of the year, and affected all parts of the district. The disease was more seriously prevalent in the following taluks:—Vellore, Chittoor, Gudiyáttam, Pattúr, Walajanagar, Tiruttani, Arcot, Pólúru, Arni and Chandragiri. It also prevailed to a slight extent in the taluks of Kálahasti, Wandiwash, Kangundi and Punganúru. The total number of deaths reported during the year from cholera was 5,711 against 5,792 in the previous year. Special hospital assistants and sanitary inspectors were detailed for cholera duty to places where the disease had been most severe; and the medical subordinates in charge of outlying hospitals and dispensaries attended to cases which occurred in their respective divisions and also attended to the sanitation of the affected localities.

Imported plague cases occurred first in Jangalapalli village near Tiruvallam about the 3rd week of August 1898. A few more were reported from other parts of the district in September and a great many were in the last three months of the calendar year.

Preventive Measures.—Arkonam had already been a plague inspection station, and Jalarpet and Pákála were also made inspection stations in August 1898, and four road-inspection stations were formed in this district on the Mysore frontier to prevent importations from Mysore, Bellary, Bombay and other infected parts. All arrivals from such parts were passported and strictly watched at their destination. Pilgrimage to the various festivals and shrines in the district was discouraged. Two ambulance staffs were formed, one for the frontier station at Palmanér and the other for the plains at Vellore. Inoculation, as a preventive measure against plague, was also done.

In every case of plague the nearest medical subordinate was on the spot, and with the help of the Revenue officials, and, in most cases, under the direction of the Collector and District Medical and Sanitary Officer or Assistant Surgeon, promptly carried out the necessary preventive measures of isolation of the patient, segregation of contacts and disinfection by fire or perchloride of mercury lotion or both of the house and all articles suspected of infection as per regulation. The measure of success obtained by such preventive methods may be gauged by the fact that, except in a few isolated instances, all contacts were in each case after the full period of ten days discharged free from infection and that indigenous plague appeared some months after imported cases had begun to occur. In January 1899 indigenous plague was reported from Arcot, Ránipéttai, and Kuppamu (excluding Municipalities). As the services of the District Medical and Sanitary Officer and the Assistant Surgeon were required in different parts of the district, special plague medical officers, special

plague officers and a detachment of sepoys were appointed to each of these places, the sepoys being engaged for the work of disinfection, &c. The Vellore ambulance staff was also despatched to Arcot to work under the plague officer there and the Palmanér ambulance staff to Kuppamu. About the end of March the disease began to slowly abate. In all there have been in the Local Fund areas 103 seizures and 87 deaths of imported plague and 358 seizures and 282 deaths of indigenous plague.

Small-pox also prevailed more or less throughout the year in various parts of the district, the number of deaths recorded being 1,393 against 1,304 in the preceding year.

2. *Vital Statistics.*—The following table shows the number of births and deaths and the causes of mortality as compared with the previous year:—

Year.	Total births.	Causes of death.										Total deaths.
		Cholera.	Small-pox.	Fever.	Dysentery and Diarrhœa.	Suicide.	Accident.	Snake-bite.	Killed by wild beasts.	Plague.	All other causes.	
1897-98 ..	54,509	5,792	1,304	14,529	1,599	110	611	128	3	..	14,487	38,563
1898-99 ..	52,352	5,711	1,393	13,592	2,140	87	627	127	..	369	16,540	40,586

It will be seen from the above statement that there has been an increase in the number of deaths as compared with the previous year which is chiefly due to the increased mortality under "Dysentery and Diarrhœa" and "All other causes." The total number of deaths from all causes was 40,586 or 20·03 per mille of population against 38,563 or 19·03 per mille of the previous year. The total number of births was less than in 1897-98, viz., 52,352 or 25·84 per mille of population against 54,509 or 26·90 per mille of the previous year.

3. *Sanitation.*—The larger towns and unions are in a fairly satisfactory condition from a sanitary point of view. The smaller towns and villages are still defective in water-supply and drainage. The points not yet attended to and which require notice are sinking of more wells for drinking-water purposes, removal of prickly-pear bushes from the neighbourhood of villages, planting of trees and setting apart space for latrines in fields or waste lands. In many villages the drinking water is guarded from contamination.

During the latter part of the official year, when plague threatened, special arrangements were made for the sanitation of villages by the employment of supervisors and sanitary inspectors who, as far as possible, did much to keep the places in a fairly clean condition and till the end of the year under review such staff continued to work.

Thirteen unions were inspected once during the year, eight by the District Medical and Sanitary Officer and five by the Assistant Surgeon. The remaining unions were not inspected owing to the heavy work on account of the presence of plague in the district.

4. *Vaccination.*—The subjoined statement shows the vaccination work performed by the Local Fund vaccinators and its results in each of the three vaccine circles of the district:—

Circles.	Total number vaccinated.	Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.	Rate per successful case.	Percentage of successful case.
					Rs. A. P.	
Vellore	7,840	7,155	556	129	0 8 8	91·26
Chittoor	11,958	11,775	134	49	0 5 7	98·46
Kárvetnagar	8,523	7,908	572	43	0 6 10	92·78
Total ..	28,321	26,838	1,262	221	0 7 7	94·76

The total number of cases vaccinated and the number successful were 28,321 and 26,838 against 52,165 and 50,018, respectively, in the previous year, showing a decrease of 23,844 in the number operated and of 23,180 in the number successful. This great falling off is chiefly attributable to the existence of plague in the district, the rustic population having laboured under the mistaken notion that inoculation had been substituted for vaccination and thereby evaded submission to the vaccine operation as far as possible in spite of all efforts and persuasions on the part of the officials concerned. It is satisfactory to note a marked increase in the work turned out by the vaccination staff of the Chittoor circle as compared with the other two circles, which is creditable to all concerned, and it is hoped that the work of the other circles will also fast improve.

The total number operated under one year of age and the total number successful were 8,989 and 8,578, respectively, as compared with 16,235 and 15,598 of the preceding year.

The following table shows the vaccine work performed by the medical subordinates attached to the Local Fund hospitals and dispensaries as compared with the previous year:—

Year.	Total number vaccinated.				Under one year of age.			
	Total.	Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown	Total.	Successful.	Unsuccessful.	Unknown.
1897-98	282	236	40	6	38	34	4	..
1898-99	185	169	8	8	20	20	..	..

Vaccination was carried on as usual exclusively with animal lymph. Each first-class vaccinator has charge of calf vaccination and he supplies his junior vaccinators with the required lymph.

5. *Hospitals and Dispensaries.*—(*a*) The accommodation provided is limited and in some cases unsatisfactory. There are only six buildings specially constructed for the purpose. Most of the other buildings were formerly private dwelling-houses and many of them are badly situated and badly ventilated and lighted. Suitable buildings cannot be erected for want of funds.

(*b*) Most of the buildings are fairly substantial and in fair repair, but almost all need periodical petty repairs and whitewashing.

(*c*) A fair supply of furniture is given to each institution; some of the articles are in need of repair, but they are, as a rule, serviceable. Most of the wooden cots are old and worn out and require to be replaced at an early date.

(*d*) The Chittoor hospital was inspected on the 8th March 1899 by the Surgeon-General. The recommendations made previously, viz., the construction of hospital assistant's quarters and contagious disease sheds and the fencing of the compound were not carried out for want of funds; also the erection of an operation room and a labour ward which had been sanctioned by the District Board had to be given up owing * to the large expenditure demanded by plague.

Twelve of the Local Fund hospitals and dispensaries were inspected once during the year, *i.e.*, nine by the District Medical and Sanitary Officer and three by the Assistant Surgeon; the remaining institutions could not be inspected owing to heavy work in connection with plague; but two of them (Ránipéttai and Tiruvettiyur) were visited by the District Medical and Sanitary Officer while he was on plague inspection duty.

* Also for want of Sanitary Board's sanction to the estimates.

(Signed) T. GOPALAN NAYAR,
for *President.*

* Main building completed. Estimate for latrine is under correspondence.

(Signed) T. GOPALAN NAYAR,
for *President.*

† There is no information in this office.

(Signed) T. GOPALAN NAYAR,
for *President.*

‡ Excludes As. 10 realized in Arkonam plague camp.

(Signed) T. GOPALAN NAYAR,
for *President.*

A new lying-in hospital is in course of construction, at Tirupati, which has almost approached completion.*

Steps are being taken towards the construction of a dispensary at Puttur. †

(*e*) A sum of Rs. 31–2–0 ‡ was realized from sale of medicines and a sum of Rs. 4–4–9 on account of diet.

(*f*) The number of hospitals and dispensaries was the same as in the previous year, viz., five hospitals, three lying-in hospitals and twelve dispensaries. The subjoined statement shows the number treated in the hospitals and dispensaries as compared with the previous year :—

Name of station.	Hospital or dispensary.	Number treated.			
		In.		Out.	
		1897–98.	1898–99.	1897–98.	1898–99.
Chittoor	Hospital	457	360	16,160	15,039
Ránipéttai	Do.	666	637	12,590	11,345
Tirupati	Do.	456	381	12,694	10,957
Palmanér	Do.	152	102	6,143	3,667
Arni	Do.	370	277	10,974	9,047
Kálahasti	Dispensary	..	..	5,756	4,871
Sholingur	Do.	..	..	6,814	4,181
Arkonam	Do.	..	..	5,019	3,503
Puttur	Do.	..	..	4,546	3,162
Pólúru	Do.	..	..	6,986	6,752
Wandiwash	Do.	..	..	10,116	7,669
Arcot	Do.	..	..	8,593	5,387
Ambur	Do.	..	..	10,506	9,436
Kuppamu	Do.	..	..	4,955	3,139
Tiruvettiyur	Do.	..	..	6,900	5,876
Punganúru	Do.	..	..	11,023	7,210
Venkatagirikota	Do.	..	..	2,339	1,233
	Total	2,101	1,757	142,114	112,474

There has been a decrease of 344 in and 29,640 out patients in the total number treated as compared with the previous year, and the decrease which is noted in all the institutions without exception was chiefly due to the plague scare, which prevented people from resorting freely to hospitals and dispensaries for medical aid.

(*g*) The total number of deaths was 148 against 249 in the previous year, showing a decrease of 101.

(*h*) The number of surgical operations performed during the year was 5,544 with thirteen deaths as compared with 5,891 with six deaths in the preceding year, showing a decrease of 347 operations.

(*i*) The establishments are efficient and complete.

(*j*) There are three lying-in hospitals in the district, viz., at Chittoor, Ránipéttai and Arni. A Eurasian midwife is attached to the first and native midwives to the last two. There is also a native midwife attached to twelve of the remaining institutions. The total number of labour cases attended by the midwives during the year was 898 against 864, showing an increase of 34. The midwife of Puttur was transferred to Arkonam in August and the former place was without a midwife during the remainder of the year for want of a substitute. There was no midwife at Arkonam till August as the midwife of this station had been transferred to Ránipéttai lying-in hospital during the previous year owing to the death of the Ránipéttai midwife and

there was no one available to take up the place of the former then. The midwives at Arni, Ránipéttai, Tirupati, Wandiwash, Arcot and Punganúru have conducted 30, 29, 27, 20, 12, and 9 cases, respectively, in excess of their minima. Each midwife is given a reward of As. 4 for every case she aids over and above her minimum. The work and conduct of the midwives have, on the whole, been fair. The following statement shows the work done in the three lying-in hospitals at Chittoor, Ránipéttai and Arni :—

The Tiruvettiyur midwife also assisted three extra labour cases and was rewarded.

(Signed) T. GOPALAN NAYAR,
for *President.*

Name of lying-in hospital.	Number of beds.	Number treated.		
		In.	Out.	Total.
Chittoor	4	22	22	44
Ránipéttai	8	89	12	101
Arni	6	36	54	90

(*k*) No steps have been taken for the education of female apothecaries from want of funds,

(*l*) The medical subordinates have on the whole worked fairly well and their conduct have been generally good.

(*m*) The results of vaccine operations have frequently required checking by the District Medical and Sanitary Officer and, with the exception of some cases, they have been found fairly satisfactory and trustworthy.

(Signed) C. T. COSTELLO, B.A., M.B.,
Ag. District Medical and Sanitary Officer.

From M.R.Ry. T. GOPALAN NAYAR, Avargal, B.A. and B.L., Vice-President, District Board, North Arcot, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department, dated Chittoor, 14th July 1899, Dis. No. 907.

In continuation of this office letter No. 855, dated the 8th instant, I have the honour to report that the rate at which results grants were paid in 1898–99 was in

Chittoor Taluk Board	.. ..	Maximum.
Vellore ,,	.. ..	66⅔ per cent.
Ránipéttai ,,	.. ..	60 ,,
Arni ,,	.. ..	Maximum.

I request that the above rates may be ordered to be entered in statement IX submitted to Government with the Local Fund Administration Report for 1898–99.

From R. H. CAMPBELL, Esq., President, District Board, North Arcot, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department, dated Chittoor, 12th August 1899, Dis. No. 1027-D.B.

With reference to paragraph 60 of Local Fund Administration Report for 1898–99 now before Government, I have the honour to report that in the limits of the Arni Taluk Board, 9,810 square yards of prickly-pear were removed by kudimaramath during that year at an estimated cost of Rs. 125–4–0.

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,, Union Funds	..	..	..	..	7,711	..	..
Miscellaneous Debt Accounts	15,902	..	..	24,260	..	..	24,260
Grand Total ..	4,07,539	4,65,990	4,42,270	2,10,696	1,97,385	45,393	4,41,843
Balance	55,998	16,690	56,020	— 18,379	— 3,383	12,713	— 9,049
Deduct—							
Balance under Union Funds	8,168	2,860	6,540	..	..	..	..
,, Endowments	20,279	15,150	12,680	..	9,971	3,914	13,885
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(True Extract.)

for *Ag. Secretary to Government.*

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Receipts.	Actuals, 1897-98.	Budget Estimate, 1898-99.	Revised Estimate, 1898-99.	Actuals, 1898-99. District Fund.	Taluk Funds.	Union Funds.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Balance	26,454	68,500	56,000	20,266	21,394	14,338	53,998
I. Rates and Taxes—							
(a) Cess on Land	297,230	286,100	293,070	123,802	123,801	"	247,603
(b) House Tax	24,808	24,980	25,430	"	"	25,901	25,901
(c) Tolls	26,048	30,380	25,060	28,673	"	"	28,673
II. Education—							
(a) (b) School Fees	15,798	17,330	16,260	"	15,132	209	15,341
(d) Income from Endowments ..	"	"	340	"	"	"	"
(c) (e) Other Items	454	890		"	217	2	219
III. Medical, Vaccination & Sanitation—							
(a) Hospital Receipts	1	"	"	4	"	"	4
(d) Income from Endowments ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
(b) (c) (e) Other Items	7,235	5,370	5,220	126	477	534	1,137
Contribution from other DB's on account of Hospitals	"	"	27,300	"	"	"	"
IV. Interest—							
(a) On Arrears of Revenue ..	161	150	50	744	"	"	744
(b) On Government Securities ..	164	210	190	"	185	"	185
(c) On Loans	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
V. Miscellaneous—							
(g) Contributions	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
(h) Choultry Rents	412	340	240	-	16	155	171
(i) (j) Market and Slaughter-house Rents.	13,724	13,280	11,990	"	7102	4994	12,096
(r) Ferry Rents	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
(a) to (f) and (k) to (q) Other Items.	19,320	19,560	18,600	5568	9,225	1,448	16,241
ublic Works	978	940	1,380	254	3,229	174	3,657
ntributions from Provincial unds—							
Public Works	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
lucation	6,503	9,690	8,700	"	7,238	159	7,397
spitals and Dispensaries ..	2,066	2,070	2,070	"	2,066	"	2,066
ultries	2,481	2,480	2,480	-	"	2,481	2,481
ral Purposes	360	360	360	360	"	"	360
nds	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
ns from other Funds ..	13	50	50	20	"	"	20
om the District Fund..	"	"	"	"	3920	"	"
n the Taluk Funds.	"	"	"	"	"	7711	"
Debt Accounts ..	19227	"	"	12,500	"	"	12,500
" 3,335 / 19,934							
Total ..	4,63,537	4,82,460	4,98,290	192,317	194,002	58,106	432,794

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	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Grant 1.							
(a) New Works—							
(i) Communications	8856	8060	3860	2150	4108	1089	7347
(ii) Buildings	4793	4560	3320	15	2705	250	2970
(iii) Mis. Public Improvements ..	1831	2780	1420	"	560	1248	1808
(b) Repairs—							
(i) Communications	150873	165910	160730	81091	67117	6500	154708
(ii) Buildings	1333	2890	2440	20	2289	169	2478
(iii) Mis. Public Improvements ..	5533	7880	6490	3299	4825	1031	7155
(c) (d) (e) Establishment	34650	35390	34580	15984	16701	325	33010
(f) Tools and Plant	1941	2060	2060	980	966	31	1977
(g) (h) Miscellaneous	116	110	50	34	"	"	34
(i) Contributions	"	10000	"	"	"	"	"
(j) Unforeseen Charges	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Total, Grant 1 ..	209926	234640	214950	103573	97271	10645	211487
Grant 2.							
(a) Inspection	4609	4640	4640	4415	"	"	4415
(b) (c) Secondary Schools—							
(i) Salary System	10103	10830	10750	"	10580	"	10580
(ii) Salary Result System ..	2419	2670	2660	"	2770	"	2770
(d) Elementary Schools—							
(i) Salary System	"	130	150	"	141	"	141
(ii) Salary Result System ..	26861	27110	28560	"	24576	1017	25593
(e) (f) (g) Training, &c., Schools ..	1487	1680	1670	1314	93	"	1407
(h) Grant-in-Aid Schools—							
(i) Salary Grants	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
(ii) Fixed and Result Grants ..	14612	14500	14200	"	14260	"	14260
(iii) Miscellaneous	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
(i) (j) Miscellaneous	530	730	80	27	40	"	67
(k) Contributions	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
(l) Unforeseen Charges	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Total, Grant 2 ..	60621	62290	60710	5756	52460	1017	59233
Grant 3.							
(a) (b) (a) Hospitals and Dispensaries.	37320	39800	34930	6804	29223	"	36027
(c) Vaccination	12589	12980	12380	12678	"	"	12678
(d) Sanitation	25970	30360	27000	"	2972	20916	23888
(e) (f) Epidemic Charges	9357	42010	36400	37136	607	160	37903
(h) Refunds Contributions &c.	"	"	16120	"	"	"	"
(i) Contributions	3216	4020	5660	3972	"	"	3972
(j) Unforeseen Charges	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Total, Grant 3 ..	88452	129170	132990	60590	32802	21076	114468
Grant 4.							
(b) Markets	1806	1880	1960	"	841	963	1804
(d) Choultries	2821	3450	3620	"	99	3222	3321
(h) Contributions	100	100	100	100	"	"	100
(a) (c) (e) (f) (g) Miscellaneous ..	2654	3550	3460	"	11	3310	3321
(i) Famine Relief	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
(j) Unforeseen Charges	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Total, Grant 4 ..	7381	8980	9140	100	951	7495	8546
Grant 5.							
(a) to (e) Establishments, &c. ..	25204	25730	24130	12424	6190	5115	23729
(f) (g) Refunds	53	180	120	73	"	47	120
(h) Interest on Loans	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
(i) Miscellaneous	"	"	230	"	"	"	"
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1898-99	1,904	112,562

the previous year and the average number of cases attended by each of them ~~in this~~ continued to be five per mensem. The District Medical and Sanitary officer should be requested to quote the authority for the statement in para 5 of his report that steps are being taken towards the construction of a dispensary at Puttur.

(4) Vaccination. The work of this department showed a further and a large decline, the total number of operations having fallen from 52,647 to 28,506 and the reported number of successful cases from 24·8 to 13·3 per mille of the population. Infantile vaccination also showed a retrogression, the number of successful operations on children under one year having been only 4·2 per mille of the population against 7·7 in 1897-98. These unsatisfactory results are attributed to the great opposition which the vaccinators met with in the rural tracts in consequence of the misapprehension of the people that plague inoculation was being substituted for vaccination. Better

results

vide para 53 of the Pdt's report.

results however are expected to follow in the current year, the plague having abated.

(5) Sanitation. The outlay under this head fell from Rs 25,970 or 89 per cent of the allotment to Rs 23,888 or 79 per cent, the decrease which occurs chiefly under "improvement of water-supply" and "other Sanitary outlay" being explained in paras 59 and 63 of the report. Three new wells were sunk, and 64 existing sources of water supply were repaired or otherwise improved and 51 watchmen were employed to guard these sources from contamination, the corresponding figures for the previous year being 8, 58 and 48. The improvement of village sites, including the removal of prickly pear and rank vegetation, however received less attention, twelve villages having been dealt with against fifteen in 1897-98. ~~while~~ Under all the Taluk Boards except that of Karwar, prickly pear

was removed by communal labour
estimated at the value of Rs 3947
against Rs 3371 in the previous year. The
private scavenging service continued
to be in force in the unions of Rami-
kottai, Kalahasti, Arkonam and
Arni. In Kalahasti there was
a small increase in the number
of houses served by this agency and
the service was self-supporting. In
the remaining cases, however, there
was a decrease in the number of houses
served and, with the exception of
Arni where no separate establish-
ment was entertained for the purpose,
the system was a source of loss to
the Panchayats. Every effort should
be made to extend the service in these unions
to make it self-supporting. This
remarked a matter for regret that
the attempt made to introduce this system
in some of the other unions in the
district proved a failure owing to the
apposition of the people. The President

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Vide para 61 of the Pol. report

Vide para. 3 of the Dt. Medl & Sanitary Officer's letter.

of the Vellore Taluk Board, however
promises to introduce it in some of
the unions under his control during
the current year. Thirteen of the
unions were inspected either by
the District Medical and Sanitary
officer or his assistant and
from the reports submitted by them
it appears is stated that while the larger
towns are in a fairly satisfactory
condition from a sanitary point of
view, the smaller towns and villages
are still defective, especially as
regards water supply and drainage.

(6) Bubonic plague. In addi-
tion to Arkonam, which was
already an inspection station for
the observation of railway passengers
arriving from plague infected areas,
Pakala was also constituted an
inspection station during the year,
and four road inspection stations
were also established on the Mysore
frontier to prevent the importation
of plague from that side. A total

expenditure of Rs 37,136 was incurred
from Local Funds in Connection
with these measures.

5 General remarks. During
chiefly to the non adjustment of
the contribution of Rs 27,300 expected
from the other District Boards on
account of plague charges, the
year closed with a deficit of
Rs 9049; but as a sum of Rs 13,885
was due to Endowments, the total
deficit against General funds
amounted to Rs 22,934.

As the result of the prevalence
of plague in parts of the district
and the suspicion caused in the
public mind regarding plague
inoculation and the other measures
adopted by Government for the
prevention and spread of the
epidemic, the administration of
local affairs showed a retrogression,
especially under education, medi-
cal relief and vaccination. The
Government

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Government (trusts, observes) that
the lost ground will be ~~completely~~
regained during the current year.
The Government notes with pleasure
the testimony borne by the Presi-
dents of the Taluk Boards of
Chittoor, Ranipettai and Vellore
to the good work done by the
Gentlemen referred to in para 5
of the report

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Extract from the Minutes of Proceedings of the District Board, North Arcot, Passed at their Meeting held on Saturday 8 July 1899.

Present

1. R. H. Campbell Esquire, Ag Collector and President

Ex-officio members

2. N. Macmichael Esquire, Ag Dy Collector.

Nominated Officials

3. Rao R. T. Gopalan Avergan Avl. B.A. & B.L. Treasury Deputy Collector and Vice President

Nominated non-Officials

4. Rao R. B. Venkata Row Garu
5. — Venkatramanayan Avadanam
6. Solomon Pereira Esquire.
7. Saiyid Mir Hussain Sahib

Elected Officials

8. Rao R. C. M. Srinivasachariar Avl. Dy Assistant Inspector of Schools, Arni Range.
9. — T. S. Narasinga Row Garu, Govt. Pleader, Chittoor
10. — V. Kadamma Mudaliar Avl. Dy Assistant Inspector of Schools, Chittoor Range

Elected non-Officials

11. Rao R. M. Krishnasawmi Ayyar Avl.
12. — V. Seshayyar Avl. B.A.
13. — Lt. Somedanapatra Ayyar Avl. B.A. & B.L.
14. — P. Narasimhayya Garu.
15. — S. Venkatachala Chettyar Avl.

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15. Read the Consolidated Local Fund Administration Report for 1898-99.

The report is passed

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(True Extract)

8.7.99.

Vice Chairman
For President.

Enclosure No. 1 to Dis. No. 855 of 1899.

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LOCAL FUND REPORT

OF THE

North Arcot DISTRICT

FOR 1898-99.

Enclosure No. 1 to Dis. No. 855 of 1899.

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LOCAL FUND REPORT

OF THE

North Arcot DISTRICT

FOR 1898-99.

I-A.—Consolidated Comparative Statement of Receipts of the District

Board of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.			Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Balance on 1st April ..	12051	14403	26454	25910	42590	68500	20266	21394	14338	55998	Vide para 11 of the report.
I. Rates and Taxes—											
(a) Cess on land	148615	148615	297230	143050	143050	286100	123802	123801	"	247603	" para 12 " "
(b) House-tax	"	24808	24808	"	24980	24980	"	"	25901	25901	" para 14 " "
(c) Tolls .. (i) Under Act V of 1884	17601	"	17601	20000	"	20000	18449	"	"	18449	Less compensation at the Sales (Vide para 13 of the report.)
(ii) Contributions from Municipalities ..	8447	"	8447	10380	"	10380	10224	"	"	10224	difference small and requires no explanation.
II. Education—											
(a) School-fees, general—											
(i) Upper secondary or high schools	"	5368	5368	"	5300	5300	"	5553	"	5553	due to steady increase in strength of the chittoor High School.
(ii) Lower secondary or middle schools	"	424	424	"	4600	4600	"	3946	"	3946	
(iii) Elementary or primary schools	"	6219	6219	"	7430	7430	"	5633	209	5842	Vide para 16 of the report.
(b) School-fees, special—											
(i) Training schools	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
(ii) Technical schools	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
(c) Contributions from—											
(i) Municipalities	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
(ii) Other district boards	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
(iii) Private individuals	"	150	150	"	150	150	"	150	"	150	
(d) Income from endowments ..	190	"	190	600	"	600	"	"	"	"	The details under this head have been shown under XI (a) (G.O. No 1075 L dated 13-6-98)
(e) Miscellaneous	"	114	114	"	140	140	"	87	2	89	Vide details in the accompanying statement A. under "Education miscellaneous."
III. Medical, Vaccination and Sanitation—											
(a) Hospital receipts	1	"	1	"	"	"	4	"	"	4	
(b) Sale-proceeds of medicines ..	12	28	40	30	60	90	10	22	"	32	increase appears in all the local boards due to non-realization of the expected income being a fluctuating item
(c) Contributions from—											
(i) Municipalities ..	213	"	213	60	"	60	60	"	"	60	
(ii) Other district boards ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
(iii) Private individuals ..	"	6236	6236	"	4410	4410	56	394	"	394	Vide para 17 of the report.
Carried over ..	187130	210152	397282	200030	232710	432740	172815	160960	40450	374225	

I-A.—Consolidated Comparative Statement of Receipts of the District

Board of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.			Actuals, 1898-99.			Explanation of variations.
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Brought forward ..	187130	210152	397282	200080	232710	432790	172815	160960	40450	374225	
III. Medical, Vaccination and Sanitation—*cont.*											
(*d*) Income from endowments ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
(*e*) Miscellaneous—											
(i) Vaccination receipts ..							13	"	"	13	
(ii) Private scavenging fees ..							"	"	315	315	Vide details appended to statement II B.
(iii) Sale-proceeds of street sweepings, &c. ..	77	769	846	50	760	810	"	23	219	242	
(iv) Miscellaneous							43	38	"	81	Vide particulars in the accompanying statement. A "under" receipt miscellaneous.
IV. Interest—											
(*a*) On arrears of revenue (land-cess)	161	"	161	150	"	150	744	"	"	744	Increase chiefly due to a large number of cases of out-of-date payments in the Kanchinagar Zamindar.
(*b*) On Government securities ..	94	70	164	140	70	210	"	185	"	185	
(*c*) Interest on loans	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
V. Miscellaneous—											
(*a*) Rents, &c., of fisheries ..	"	9722	9722	"	10000	10000	"	6692	71	6763	For this and II (a), vide para 18 (i) of the report.
(*b*) Rents and produce of lands ..	"	79	79	"	50	50	"	70	1	71	
Repayment by deduction from Bills	"	94	94	"	160	160	"	2	164	166	
(*c*) Fines under the Police and other Acts	"	951	951	"	920	920	"	64	734	798	Fluctuating item.
						1130		6828	970		
(*d*) Contributions towards Local Fund Pensions	"	"	"	"	"	"	"				
(*e*) Unclaimed deposits	1	"	1	"	"	"	29	"	"	29	
(*f*) Sale of old stores and materials ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	9827	
(*g*) Contributions from—* ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
(i) Municipalities	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
(ii) Other district boards ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
(iii) Private individuals ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
Carried over ..	187463	221837	409300	200370	244670	445040	178644	168034	41958	388632	

Intended for purposes other than Education, Medical, Vaccination and Sanitation Public Works.

I-A.—Consolidated Comparative Statement of Receipts of the District Board of South Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Heads	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.			Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs	Rs	Rs.	Rs.	
Brought forward ..	187463	22187	409302	200370	244670	445040	173644	188034	41954	383632	
V. Miscellaneous—*cont.*											
(*h*) Income from choultries ..	"	412	412	"	340	340	"	16	155	171	Vide para 18 (ii) of the report
(*i*) Income from markets	"	13443	13443	"	12940	12940	"	7102	4584	11686	Vide para 18 (iii) do
(*j*) Income from slaughter-houses ..	"	281	281	"	340	340	"	"	410	410	Due to compilation at the Sales
(*k*) Income from cart-stands ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	9	9	
(*l*) Income from miscellaneous endowed institutions	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
(*m*) Pandal fees	"	234	234	"	320	320	"	"	234	234	Fluctuating items.
(*n*) Other fees and fines	"	200	200	"	180	180	"	"	104	104	
(*o*) Sale-proceeds of avenue clippings, &c.—											
(i) By Local Fund Engineer.	949	549	1498					682			
(ii) Miscellaneous agency .	4533	1876	6409	5000	2650	7650	583	414	"	997	Vide para 18 (iv) of the report.
(*p*) Surpluses transferred from Provident funds	"	"	"	"	"	"	4947	1979	51	6977	
(*q*) Miscellaneous receipts	4	128	132	20	260	280	"	"	"	"	
(*r*) Ferry receipts	"	"	"	"	"	8430 / 11430 / 19560	9	4	80	93	Vide details in the accompanying statement A under the head "Sundry receipts"
							"	2397	270	782	
							29	136 / 2533 / 6692 / 92			
VI. Public Works—											
(*a*) In charge of Public Works Officer.							"	1823	"	1823	Columns 2 to 7. The figures are included in E (a) supra.
(*b*) In charge of Civil Officers—											
(i) Rents	"	"	"	"	"	"					
(ii) Sale of buildings ..	"	11	11	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
(iii) Sale of tools and plant ..	92	"	92	80	"	80	"	"	"	"	
(iv) Sale of old materials ..	1	"	1	20	50	70	64	"	"	64	
(v) Refunds of expenditure ..	202	53	255	200	10	210	15	"	"	15	Fluctuating item.
(vi) Miscellaneous—							46	"	173	219	
(1) Staging bungalows ..	21	427	448 / 171 / 978	"	680	580 / 940	"	470	"	470	
(2) Miscellaneous ..							68	68	1	137	
							61	2361 / 868 / 3229		990	
Carried over ..	193265	239451	432716	205690	262340	468030	179376	179910	47755	407041	

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I-A.—Consolidated Comparative Statement of Receipts of the District

Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.		
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Brought forward ..	193285	239451	432716	205690	262340	468030
VI. Public Works—*cont.*						
(*c*) Contributions from—						
(i) Municipalities	100	"	100	"	"	"
(ii) Other district boards ..	"	"	"	"	"	"
(iii) Private individuals ..	71	"	71	"	"	"
VII. Contributions from Provincial Funds—						
(*a*) Public Works	"	"	"	"	"	"
(*b*) Education	"	6503	6503	"	9690	9690
(*c*) Hospitals and dispensaries ..	"	2666	2666	"	2070	2070
(*d*) Choultries	"	2481	2481	"	2480	2480
(*e*) General purposes	"	"	"	"	"	"
miscellaneous (*f*) Refunds	360	"	360	360	"	360
VIII. Contributions from other Funds	13	"	13	50	"	50
IX. Allotments from the District Fund	"	2370	"	"	3920	"
X. Do. do. Taluk do. ..	"	"	"	"	"	"
Total Service Receipts, excluding debt accounts ..	193809	274271	444310	206100	280500	482680
XI. Miscellaneous Debt Accounts—						
(*a*) Advances recoverable ..	"	"	"	"	"	"
(*b*) Suspense account	"	"	"	"	"	"
(*c*) Recoveries of service payments	"	"	"	"	"	"
(*d*) Permanent advances ..	"	"	"	"	"	"
(*e*) Purchase and sale of books ..	"	"	"	"	"	"
(*f*) Investments in Government securities	"	"	"	"	"	"
Carried over ..	193809	274271	444310	206100	280500	482680

Board of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total.	
8	9	10	11	12
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
179376	17990	47755	407041	
"	"	"	"	
"	"	"	"	
61	868	"	929	Vide para 18(v) of the report.
"	"	"	"	
"	7238	159	7397	Do para 18(vi) of the report.
"	2066	"	2066	
"	"	2481	2481	
"	"	"	"	
360	"	"	360	
"	"	"	"	
20	"	"	20	
"	3920	"	"	
"	"	770	"	
179817	194002	58106	420294	
10	"	"	10	
"	"	"	"	
"	"	"	"	
175	"	"	175	
79	"	"	79	
"	"	"	"	
180081	194002	58106	420558	

I-A.—Consolidated Comparative Statement of Receipts of the District Board of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Heads	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.			Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Brought forward ..	193809	274271	468080	206100	280500	482680	180081	194002	58106	432796	
XI. Miscellaneous Debt Accounts —*cont.*											
(*g*) Investments in Post Office Savings Bank	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
(*h*) Capital account of loan ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
(*i*) Provident fund	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
(*j*) Deposits	15800	"	15800	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
(*k*) Local Fund Engineer's miscellaneous advances	"	"	"	"	"	"	8683	"	"	8683	
(*l*) Local Fund Engineer's stock ..	"	"	"	"	"	"	15	"	"	15	
(*m*) Do. Public Works receipts	3427	"	3427	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	
							3538	"	"	3538	
Total ..	213036	274271	487307	206100	280500	486600	192317	194002	58106	445025	

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I-B.—Consolidated Comparative Statement of Expenditure of the District

Board of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.			Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
GRANT 1, PUBLIC WORKS—											
(1) In charge of Public Works officers.											
(a) New works—											
(i) Communications ..											
(ii) Civil buildings ..											
(iii) Miscellaneous public improvements ..											
(b) Repairs—											
(i) Communications ..											
(ii) Civil buildings ..											
(iii) Miscellaneous public improvements ..											
(c) Public Works Department supervision charges ..											
(d) Scrutiny of plans and estimates		99	99	250		250					As estimate was sent to the P.W.D. for Scrutiny.
(e) Percentage for the collection of revenue								74		74	Vide para 33 of the report.
(f) Tools and plant											
(2) In charge of Civil officers—											
(a) New works –											
(i) Communications ..	1979	6877	8856	2430	5630	8060	2150	4108	1089	7347	
(ii) Civil buildings ..	1361	3432	4793	420	4140	4560	15	2705	250	2970	
(iii) Miscellaneous public improvements ..	-	1831	1831	-	2780	2780	-	560	1248	1808	
(b) Repairs—											
(i) Communications ..	78494	72379	150873	83760	82150	165910	81091	67117	6500	154708	Vide paras 22 to 27 of the report.
(ii) Civil buildings ..	239	1094	1333	200	2690	2890	20	2289	169	2478	
(iii) Miscellaneous public improvements ..	1956	3577	5533	3500	4380	7880	3299	2825	1031	7155	
(c) Local Fund Engineering establishment—											
(i) Salaries	15261	16199	31460	13390	18570	31960	14975	14747	305	30027	32028
(ii) Travelling allowances											Vide para 33 of the report.
(iii) Contingencies ..	1065	1130	2195	960	1240	2200	988	972	20	1980	
(d) Tolls and ferry establishment.	73	-	73	30	-	30	21	15717		21	
(e) Staging bungalows ..	-	823	823	-	950	950		988	-	908	Savings chiefly under Contingencies.
(f) Tools and plant ..	800	1141	1941	1080	980	2060	980	966	31	1977	Savings.
Carried over ..	101228	108582	209810	106020	123510	229530	103539	97271	10643	211453	

I-B.—Consolidated Comparative Statement of Expenditure of the District

Board of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.			Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Brought forward ..	101228	108582	209810	106020	123510	229530	103539	97271	10643	211453	
GRANT 1, PUBLIC WORKS—*cont.*											
(2) In charge of Civil officers—*cont.*											
(*g*) Refunds—											
(i) Tolls	112	4	116	60	50	110	30	.	.	30	Savings.
(ii) Other Public Works receipts							4	.	.	4	
(*h*) Miscellaneous	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
(*i*) Contributions to—											
(i) Municipalities ..	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
(ii) Private individuals ..	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
(iii) Provincial funds ..	.	.	.	10000	.	10000	.	.	.	.	Vide para 36 of the report.
(iv) Other district boards ..	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
Total, Grant 1 ..	101340	108586	209926	116080	123560	239640	103573	97271	10643	211487	
GRANT 2, EDUCATION—											
(*a*) Inspection—											
(i) Inspecting schoolmasters ..	3154	.	3154				3014	.	.	3014	
(ii) Travelling allowances ..	1157	.	1157	4640	.	4640	1107	.	.	1107	Vide para 38 of the report.
(iii) Contingencies	298	.	298				294	.	.	294	
(*b*) Upper secondary or high schools—											
(i) Salaries of masters ..	.	5543	5543	.	6180	6180	.	6055	.	6055	Officiating Head Master drew acting allowance only for the last two months of the year.
(ii) Clerks and servants ..	.	438	438	.	440	440	.	437	.	437	
(iii) Travelling allowances ..	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
(iv) House-rent	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
(v) Purchase of furniture and apparatus	.	31	31	.	150	150	.	118	.	118	
(vi) Prizes	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
(vii) Library books and maps ..	.	71	71	.	100	100	.	88	.	88	Savings
(viii) Contingencies	.	93	93	.	190	190	.	192	.	192	
			6176			7060				6890	
Carried over ..	4609	6176	10785	4640	7060	11700	4415	6890	.	11305	

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Board of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.			Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Brought forward ..	101228	108582	209810	106020	123510	229530	103539	97271	10643	211453	
GRANT 1, PUBLIC WORKS—*cont.*											
(2) In charge of Civil officers—*cont.*											
(*g*) Refunds—											
(i) Tolls	112	4	116	60	50	110	30			30	Savings.
(ii) Other Public Works receipts							4			4	
(*h*) Miscellaneous											
(*i*) Contributions to—											
(i) Municipalities ..											
(ii) Private individuals ..											
(iii) Provincial funds ..				10000		10000					vide para 36 of the report.
(iv) Other district boards ..											
Total, Grant 1 ..	101340	108586	209926	116080	123560	239640	103573	97271	10643	211487	
GRANT 2, EDUCATION—											
(*a*) Inspection—											
(i) Inspecting schoolmasters ..	3154		3154				3014			3014	vide para 38 of the report.
(ii) Travelling allowances ..	1157		1157	4640		4640	1107			1107	
(iii) Contingencies	298		298				294			294	
(*b*) Upper secondary or high schools—											
(i) Salaries of masters ..		5543	5543		6180	6180		6055		6055	He acting Head Master drew acting allowance only for the first two months of the year.
(ii) Clerks and servants ..		438	438		440	440		437		437	
(iii) Travelling allowances ..											
(iv) House-rent											
(v) Purchase of furniture and apparatus		31	31		150	150		118		118	
(vi) Prizes											
(vii) Library books and maps ..		71	71		100	100		88		88	Savings
(viii) Contingencies		93	93		190	190		192		192	
		6176				7060				6890	
Carried over ..	4609	6176	10785	4640	7060	11700	4415	6890		11305	

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Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.			Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Brought forward ..	4609	6176	10785	4640	7060	11700	4415	6890	.	11305	
GRANT 2, EDUCATION—*cont.*											
(c) Lower secondary or middle schools—											
(i) Salary system—			6176			7060		6890			
(1) Salaries of masters ..	.	3461	3461	.	3540	3540	.	3481	.	3481	Temporary closure of Arcot middle school in February 1899 on account of plague.
(2) Clerks and servants ..	.	141	141	.	140	140	.	143	.	143	
(3) Travelling allowances ..	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
(4) House-rent	.	3	3	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
(5) Purchase of furniture and apparatus	.	217	217	.	10	10	.	1	.	1	
(6) Prizes	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
(7) Library books and maps.	.	39	39	.	20	20	.	1	.	1	
(8) Contingencies ..	.	66	66	.	60	60	.	64	.	64	
			10103			10830					
(ii) Salary-result system—											
(1) Salaries of masters ..	.	1721	1721	.	1990	1990	.	1956	.	1956	Temporary closure of Kuppanna middle school on account of plague
(2) Clerks and servants ..	.	162	162	.	160	160	.	158	.	158	
(3) Travelling allowances ..	.	20	20	.	20	20	.	17	.	17	
(4) House-rent	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
(5) Purchase of furniture and apparatus	.	19	19	.	10	10	.	6	.	6	
(6) Prizes	.	13	13	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
(7) Library books and maps.	.	27	27	.	10	10	.	10	.	10	
(8) Contingencies ..	.	68	68	.	80	80	.	74	.	74	
(9) Fixed and result stipends	.	389	389	.	400	400	.	549	.	549	Increase appears chiefly in the case of Kuppanna middle school.
			2419			2670					
(d) Elementary or primary schools—											
(i) Salary system—											
(1) Salaries of masters ..	.	.	.	.	100	100	.	106	.	106	Pay of Ponnasamudram Krishnier's school teacher raised from Rs 8 to Rs 9 during the year.
(2) Clerks and servants ..	.	.	.	.	10	10	.	6	.	6	
(3) Travelling allowances ..	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
										112	
						110					
Carried over ..	4609	12522	17131	4640	13610	18250	4415	13462	.	17877	

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Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.		
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Brought forward ..	4609	12522	17131	4640	13610	18250
GRANT 2, EDUCATION—*cont.*						
(*d*) Elementary or primary schools—*cont.*						
(i) Salary system—*cont.*						110
(4) House-rent					20	20
(5) Purchase of furniture and apparatus ..						
(6) Prizes						
(7) Library books and maps.						
(8) Contingencies ..						
(ii) Salary-result system—						
(1) Salaries of masters ..		1651 6	1651 6		1662 0	1662 0
(2) Clerks and servants ..		89 1	89 1		93 0	93 0
(3) Travelling allowances ..		6	6			
(4) House-rent		206 8	206 8		211 0	211 0
(5) Purchase of furniture and apparatus		11 4	11 4		11 0	11 0
(6) Prizes						
(7) Library books and maps.		4 3	4 3		16 0	16 0
(8) Contingencies ..		155 1	155 1		176 0	176 0
(9) Fixed and result stipends		567 2	567 2		542 0	542 0
			2681		2711 0	2711 0
(*e*) Training schools—						
(i) Salaries of masters ..						
(ii) Stipends of students ..						
(iii) Clerks and servants ..						
(iv) Travelling allowances ..						
(v) Purchase of furniture and apparatus						
(vi) Prizes						
(vii) Library books and maps ..						
(viii) Contingencies						
Training Muhammadan teachers						
Carried over ..	4609	39383	43992	4640	40740	45380

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Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total.	
8	9	10	11	12
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
4415	13462		17877	
			112	
	24		24	
	5		5	
	15525	629	16154	Abolition of Permanent school in august 1898 and general savings.
	827	54	881	do —— do ——
	1		1	
	1950	24	1974	Savings.
	38	1	39	
	29	5	34	
	1353	37	1390	
	4853	267	5120	Abolition of Permanent school and general Savings.
	2457	1017	2559	
	93		93	Payment of stipend to a teacher of the female school at arcot sent to Madras for training.
4415	38160	1017	43592	

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Heads	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.			Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs	Fs	Rs.	Rs.	
Brought forward ..	4609	39383	43992	4640	40740	45380	4415	3860	1017	43552	
GRANT 2, EDUCATION—*cont.*											
(*f*) Technical schools—											
(i) Salaries of masters ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(ii) Stipends of students ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(iii) Clerks and servants ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(iv) Travelling allowances ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(v) Purchase of furniture and apparatus	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(vi) Prizes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(vii) Library books and maps ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(viii) Contingencies	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(*g*) Other schools—(Seasonal)											
(i) Salaries of masters ..	600	-	600	600	-	600	600	-	-	600	
(ii) Stipends of students ..	796	-	796	960	-	960	612	-	-	612	Vide para 39 of the report.
(iii) Clerks and servants ..	12	-	12	10	-	10	9	-	-	9	
(iv) Travelling allowances ..	8	-	8	-	-	-	20	-	-	20	
(v) Purchase of furniture and apparatus	9	-	9	-	-	-	15	-	-	15	
(vi) Prizes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(vii) Library books and maps ..	1	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	2	
(viii) Contingencies	61	-	61	110	-	110	56	-	-	56	Savings
			1487			1680	1314	93		1314 93	
(*h*) Grants-in-Aid—											
(i) Salary grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(ii) Fixed and Result grants ..	-	14612	14612	-	14500	14500	-	14260	-	14260	Vide para 46 of the report— Savings.
(iii) Building grants ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(iv) Furniture do. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(v) Rent do. ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(vi) Miscellaneous grants ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Carried over ..	6096	53995	60091	6320	55240	61560	5729	52420	1017	59166	

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Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.			Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Brought forward ..	6096	53995	60091	6320	55240	61560	5729	52420	1017	59166	
GRANT 2, EDUCATION—*cont.*											
(i) Miscellaneous—Purchase of books	459	.	459	560	.	560	-	-	-	-	Vide para 48 of the report.
(i) Commission on sale-proceeds of books	26	.	26	90	.	90	5	-	-	5	Follows decrease in the income under "Sale proceeds of books.
(ii) Miscellaneous (Books & Records sale)	9	26	35	30	40	70	22	22	-	44	Savings.
(j) Refunds	.	10	10	.	10	10	-	18	-	18	
(k) Contributions to—			730			730	27	40		67	
(i) Municipalities	.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(ii) Private individuals ..	.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(iii) Provincial funds ..	.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(iv) Other district boards ..	.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Total, Grant 2 ..	6590	54031	60621	7000	55290	62290	5756	52460	1017	59233	
GRANT 3, MEDICAL SERVICES, VACCINATION AND SANITATION—											
(a) Medical Establishment—											
(i) District Medical and Sanitary officer's establishment including travelling allowances, &c.	668	.	668	700	.	700	693	.	.	693	
(ii) Reserve medical staff ..	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
(b) Hospitals and Dispensaries—											
(i) Medical subordinates ..	300	12255	12555	300	12600	12800	300	10359	-	10659	Vide para 51 of the report.
(ii) Medical practitioners ..	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	
(iii) Clerks and servants ..	1197	5630	6827	1150	5700	6850	1136	5586	-	6722	Do —— Do ——
(iv) Midwives—											
(1) Salaries	480	1663	2143	480	1700	2180	290	1517	-	1807	Vide para 52 of the report.
(2) Rewards to midwives ..							.	22	-	22	
(v) Diet of patients	897	3464	4361	850	3350	4200	815	3121	-	3936	Savings.
(vi) Clothing and bedding ..	111	.	111	70	.	70	65	433	-	498	Vide para 54 of the report.
(vii) Medicines and surgical instruments ..	621	3732	4353	700	4770	5470	663	5044	-	5707	Do —— Do ——
			31018			32270	3962	26082		30044	30044
Carried over ..	4274	26744	31018	4250	28020	32270	3962	26082	-	30044	

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Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.		
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	RS	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Brought forward ..	6096	53995	60091	6320	55240	61560
GRANT 2, EDUCATION—*cont.*						
(*i*) Miscellaneous—						
Purchase of books	459	.	459	560	.	560
(i) Commission on sale-proceeds of books	26	.	26	90	.	90
(ii) Miscellaneous (Books & Records sale)	9	26	35	30	40	70
(*j*) Refunds	.	10	10	.	10	10
(*k*) Contributions to—			530			730
(i) Municipalities	.	.	.	.	.	.
(ii) Private individuals ..	.	.	.	.	.	.
(iii) Provincial funds ..	.	.	.	.	.	.
(iv) Other district boards ..	.	.	.	.	.	.
Total, Grant 2 ..	6590	54031	60621	7000	55290	62290
GRANT 3, MEDICAL SERVICES, VACCINATION AND SANITATION—						
(*a*) Medical Establishment—						
(i) District Medical and Sanitary officer's establishment including travelling allowances, &c.	668	.	668	700	.	700
(ii) Reserve medical staff ..	.	.	.	.	.	.
(*b*) Hospitals and Dispensaries—						
(i) Medical subordinates ..	300	12255	12555	300	12600	12800
(ii) Medical practitioners ..	.	.	.	.	.	.
(iii) Clerks and servants ..	1197	5630	6827	1150	5700	6850
(iv) Midwives—						
(1) Salaries	480	1663	2143	480	1700	2180
(2) Rewards to midwives ..						
(v) Diet of patients	897	3464	4361	850	3350	4200
(vi) Clothing and bedding ..	111	.	111	70	.	70
(vii) Medicines and surgical instruments ..	621	3732	4353	700	4770	5470
			31088			32270
Carried over ..	4274	26744	31018	4250	28020	32270

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Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total.	
8	9	10	11	12
RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	
5729	52420	1017	59166	
			-	Vide para 48 of the report.
5	"	"	5	Follows decrease in the income under "Sale proceeds of books.
22	22	"	44	Savings.
"	18	"	18	
27	40		67	
-	-	-	-	
.	.	.	.	
.	.	.	.	
.	.	.	.	
5756	52460	1017	59233	
693	.	.	693	
.	.	.	.	
300	10359	"	10659	Vide para 51 of the report.
.	.	.	.	
1136	5586	"	6722	do —— do ——
290	1517	"	1807	Vide para 52 of the report.
.	22	"	22	
815	3121	"	3936	Savings.
65	433	"	498	Vide para 57 of the report.
663	5044	"	5707	do —— do ——
3962	26082		29951	30044
3962	26082	.	30044	

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Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.			Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	
Brought forward ..	4274	26744	31018	4250	28020	32270	3962	26082	-	30044	
GRANT 3, MEDICAL SERVICES, VACCINATION AND SANITATION—*cont.*											
(*b*) Hospitals and Dispensaries—*cont.*			31018								
(viii) Supplies	209	1556	1765	180	1620	1800	75	1090	-	1165	Vide para 51 of the report
(ix) House-rent to Hospital Assts.	-	300	300	-	370	370	-	254	-	254	Vide para 51 of the report, also due to some hospital assistants having been deputed for plague duty.
(x) Travelling allowances ..	-	50	50	10	70	80	1	42	-	43	
(xi) Midwifery pupils	10	-	10	40	-	40	32	-	-	32	
(xii) Medical pupils	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(xiii) Contingencies	247	1744	1991	250	2490	2740	248	1755	-	2003	Sanctioned.
(xiv) Grants to hospitals and dispensaries—											
(1) Municipal hospitals and dispensaries ..	2186	-	2186	2500	-	2500	2486	-	-	2486	
(2) Private institutions (including Mission dispensaries	-	-	37320	7230	-	34800	6804	29223	-	36027	
(*c*) Vaccination—											
(i) Deputy Inspectors of Vaccination	2342	-	2342	2410	-	2410	2435	-	-	2435	
(ii) Vaccinators	4542	-	4542	4820	-	4820	4649	-	-	4649	
(iii) Travelling allowances ..	2587	-	2587	3050	-	3050	2778	-	-	2778	
(iv) Rewards to vaccinators ..	578	-	578	500	-	500	465	-	-	465	Vide para 53 of the report.
(v) Cost of lymph	2304	-	2304	2100	-	2100	1988	-	-	1988	
(vi) Contingencies	236	-	236	100	-	100	363	-	-	363	
(*d*) Sanitation—			12589			12980	12678			12678	
(i) Improvement of water-supply	-	4688	4688	-	6490	6490	-	1466	2053	3519	Do— para 59 of Do
(ii) Improvement of village-sites ..	-	392	392	-	1030	1030	-	37	366	403	Do— 60 Do
(iii) Conservancy of towns and villages—			5080			7520		1503	2419	3922	
(1) Establishment ..							-	389	13106	13495	
(2) Contingencies ..							-	61	3493	3554	Do— 61 —Do—
(iv) Private scavenging—											
(1) Establishment ..	-	17076	17076	-	17910	17910	-	-	347	347	17376
(2) Contingencies ..			22156			25430	-	1958	19360	21318	
Carried over ..	19515	52550	72065	20210	58000	78210	19482	31176	19365	70023	

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Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.			Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Brought forward ..	4274	26744	31018	4250	28020	32270	3962	26082	-	30044	
GRANT 3, MEDICAL SERVICES, VACCINATION AND SANITATION—*cont.*											
(*b*) Hospitals and Dispensaries—*cont.*			31018			32270					
(viii) Supplies	209	1556	1765	180	1620	1800	75	1090	-	1165	Vide para 51 of the report.
(ix) House-rent to Hospital Assts.	-	300	300	-	370	370	-	254	-	254	Vide para 51 of the report, also due Rs. 1 to Hospital assistant having been deputed for plague duty.
(x) Travelling allowances ..	-	50	50	10	70	80	/	42	-	43	
(xi) Midwifery pupils	10	-	10	40	-	40	32	-	-	32	
(xii) Medical pupils	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(xiii) Contingencies	247	1744	1991	250	2490	2740	248	1755	-	2003	Savings.
(xiv) Grants to hospitals and dispensaries—											
(1) Municipal hospitals and dispensaries ..	2186	-	2186	2500	-	2500	2486	-	-	2486	36027 2440 2086 339 61
(2) Private institutions (including Mission dispensaries	-	-	37320	7230	-	39980	2804	29223	-	36027	36027
(*c*) Vaccination—											
(i) Deputy Inspectors of Vaccination	2342	-	2342	2410	-	2410	2435	-	-	2435	
(ii) Vaccinators	4542	-	4542	4820	-	4820	4649	-	-	4649	
(iii) Travelling allowances ..	2587	-	2587	3050	-	3050	2778	-	-	2778	
(iv) Rewards to vaccinators ..	578	-	578	500	-	500	465	-	-	465	Vide para 53 of the report.
(v) Cost of lymph	2304	-	2304	2100	-	2100	1988	-	-	1988	
(vi) Contingencies	236	-	236	100	-	100	363	-	-	363	
			12589			12980	12678			12678	
(*d*) Sanitation—											
(i) Improvement of water-supply.	-	4688	4688	-	6490	6490	-	1466	2053	3519	Do—para 59 of do
(ii) Improvement of village-sites..	-	392	392	-	1030	1030	-	37	366	403	Do— 60 Do
(iii) Conservancy of towns and villages—			5030			7520		1503	2419	3922	
(1) Establishment ..							-	389	13106	13495	
(2) Contingencies ..							-	61	3493	3554	Do— 61 —Do—
(iv) Private scavenging—											
(1) Establishment ..	-	17076	17076	-	17910	17910	-	-	347	347	17376
(2) Contingencies ..			22130			25430	-	1958	19365	21318	
Carried over ..	19515	52550	72065	20210	58000	78210	19482	31176	19365	70023	

I-B.—Consolidated Comparative Statement of Expenditure of the District Board of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.			Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Brought forward ..	4274	26744	31018	4250	28020	32270	3962	26082	-	30044	
GRANT 3, MEDICAL SERVICES, VACCINATION AND SANITATION—*cont.*											
(*b*) Hospitals and Dispensaries—*cont.*			31018								
(viii) Supplies	209	1556	1765	180	1620	1800	75	1090	-	1165	Vide para 51 of the report
(ix) House-rent to Hospital Assts.	-	300	300	-	370	370	-	254	-	254	Vide para 51 of the report also due to some hospital assistants having been deputed for plague duty
(x) Travelling allowances ..	-	50	50	10	70	80	1	42	-	43	
(xi) Midwifery pupils	10	-	10	40	-	40	32	-	-	32	
(xii) Medical pupils	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(xiii) Contingencies	247	1744	1991	250	2490	2740	248	1755	-	2003	Savings.
(xiv) Grants to hospitals and dispensaries—											
(1) Municipal hospitals and dispensaries ..	2186	-	2186	2500	-	2500	2486	-	-	2486	
(2) Private institutions (including Mission dispensaries	-	-	-	7320	-	7320	1804	2223	-	3627	
(*c*) Vaccination—											
(i) Deputy Inspectors of Vaccination	2342	-	2342	2410	-	2410	2435	-	-	2435	
(ii) Vaccinators	4542	-	4542	4820	-	4820	4649	-	-	4649	
(iii) Travelling allowances ..	2587	-	2587	3050	-	3050	2778	-	-	2778	
(iv) Rewards to vaccinators ..	578	-	578	500	-	500	465	-	-	465	Vide para 53 of the report.
(v) Cost of lymph	2304	-	2304	2100	-	2100	1988	-	-	1988	
(vi) Contingencies	236	-	236	100	-	100	363	-	-	363	
(*d*) Sanitation—			12589			12980	12678			12678	
(i) Improvement of water-supply.	-	4688	4688	-	6490	6490	-	1466	2053	3519	00—para 59 of 00
(ii) Improvement of village-sites..	-	392	392	-	1030	1030	-	37	366	403	00— 60 00
(iii) Conservancy of towns and villages—			5080			7520		1503	2419	3922	
(1) Establishment ..							-	389	13106	13495	
(2) Contingencies ..							-	61	3493	3554	00— 61—00—
(iv) Private scavenging—											
(1) Establishment ..	-	17076	17076	-	17910	17910	-	-	347	347	17376
(2) Contingencies ..			22156			25430	-	19458	19365	21318	
Carried over ..	19515	52550	72065	20210	58000	78210	19482	31176	19365	70023	

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I-B.—Consolidated Comparative Statement of Expenditure of the District

Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.		
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Brought forward ..	19515	52550	72065	20210	58000	78210
GRANT 3, MEDICAL SERVICES, VACCINATION AND SANITATION—*cont.*						
(*d*) Sanitation—*cont.*			22156			25230
(v) Arrangements at fairs and festivals	-	1343	1343	-	1900	1900
(vi) Other sanitary outlay ..	-	2471	2471	-	3030	3030
			23970			30360
(*e*) Expenses in connection with the Bubonic Plague—						
(i) Apothecaries	3584	-	3584	950	-	9
(ii) Hospital Assistants				3000	-	300
(iii) Other subordinate officers at Rague camp and Inspection Stations	454	-	454	4500	-	45
(iv) House rent allowance	-	-	-	230	-	2
(v) Rague allowance	1172	-	1172	4800	-	480
(vi) Matrons and nurses	-	-	-	3320	-	33
(vii) Ward attendants and Servants	-	-	-	2300	-	230
(viii) Compounders	-	-	-	80	-	8
(ix) Store Keepers	-	-	-	-	-	-
(x) Travelling allowances of establishments	63	-	63	2200	-	220
(xi) Petty Construction and repair	2	-	2	7220	-	722
(xii) Diet of patients	-	-	-	1600	-	160
(xiii) Bedding and Clothing	579	-	579	1050	-	105
(xiv) Medicines and Instruments	-	-	-	1350	-	135
(xv) Other Hospital necessaries	-	-	-	450	-	45
(xvi) Railway passage	-	-	-	20	-	2
(xvii) Funeral Expenses	-	-	-	150	-	15
(xviii) Postage Charges	50	-	50	300	-	30
(xix) Purchase and Repair of Furniture	1584	-	1584	3000	-	300
(xx) Cost of Stationery	-	-	-	200	-	20
(xxi) Dhoby and Barber's Charges	-	-	-	10	-	1
(xxii) Petty Carriage and Coolly Charges	-	-	-	400	-	40
(xxiii) Office expenses	49	-	49	150	-	15
(xxiv) Miscellaneous	1453	-	1453	4110	-	411
			367			620
			9357			4201
						150

Board of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total.	
8	9	10	11	12
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
19482	3146	19365	70023	
	1953	19365	21318	
-	1020	441	1461	Decrease occurs chiefly in Vellore and Ranipettai Taluk Boards Savings.
-	-	1110	1109	Vide para 63 of the report.
	2972	20916	23888	
1053	-	-	1053	
3031	-	-	3031	
476	-	-	476	
212	-	-	212	
752	-	-	3752	
311	-	-	3311	
258	-	-	2258	
74	-	-	74	
-	-	-	-	
2054	-	-	2054	
5966	-	-	5966	
1925	-	-	1925	Vide Concluding endnote of para 99 of the report.
1047	-	-	1047	
1322	-	-	1322	
420	-	-	420	
14	-	-	14	
149	-	-	149	
278	-	-	278	
2843	-	-	2843	
103	-	-	103	
3	-	-	3	
343	-	-	343	
121	-	-	121	
4487	-	-	4487	
189	607	160	767	
1053	607	160	38956	
37136			1053	
			37903	
			767	
			37136	

I-B.—Consolidated Comparative Statement of Expenditure of the District

Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.		
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Brought forward ..	19515	52550	72065	20210	58000	78210
GRANT 3, MEDICAL SERVICES, VACCINATION AND SANITATION—*cont.*						
(*d*) Sanitation—*cont.*			22186			25230
(v) Arrangements at fairs and festivals		1343	1343		1900	1900
						3030

Board of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total.	
8	9	10	11	12
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
19482	31176	19365	70023	
-	1953	1936	41318	
-	1020	441	1461	Increase occurs chiefly in Vellore and Ranipettai Taluk Boards Savings.
-	-	1110	1109	Vide para 63 of the report.
	297	2096	2384	
1053	-	-	1053	
-	1	12	13	} vide para 63 (d) of the report
-	342	-	342	
-	284	148	412	
	607	160	767	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
56618	32802	21076	110496	

I-B.—Consolidated Comparative Statement of Expenditure of the District

Board of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.			Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Brought forward ..	28505	56731	85236	61600	63550	125150	56618	32802	21076	110496	
GRANT 3, MEDICAL SERVICES, VACCINATION AND SANITATION—*cont.*											
(f) Contributions to—*cont.*											
(iii) Provincial funds for—											
(1) Medical College ..	1749	-	1749	2410	-	2410	2410	-	-	2410	
(2) Sanitary inspection ..	1084	-	1084	1250	-	1250	1214	-	-	1214	
(3) Reserve medical staff	383	-	383	360	-	360	348	-	-	348	
(iv) Other district boards ..	-	-	3216	-	-	4020	3968	-	-	3972	
							3972				
Total, Grant 3 ..	31721	56731	88452	65620	63550	129170	60590	32802	21076	114468	
GRANT 4, PUBLIC AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS—											
(a) Rewards for killing dogs and pigs	-	30	30	-	110	110	-	-	34	34	Due to the non-utilization of the allotment made by the Ramnattam Taluk Board.
(b) Markets and slaughter-houses											
(i) Establishment	-	1513	1513	..	1560	1560	..	807	690	1497	Due chiefly to temporary retention of establishments in Ramnattam weekly markets in charge of the remains as the water pumps of the market are not of use.
(ii) Contingencies	-	293	293	-	320	320	..	34	273	307	
(c) Cart-stands—	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(d) Choultries—											
(i) Establishment	-	742	742	-	730	730	-	82	637	719	
(ii) Feeding travellers	-	2000	2000	-	2620	2620	-	-	2535	2535	
(iii) Contingencies	-	79	79	-	100	100	-	17	50	67	Savings
(e) Miscellaneous endowed institutions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(f) Miscellaneous—											
(i) Lighting charges	-	2604	2604	-	3400	3400	-	-	3246	3246	Vide para 72 of the report.
(ii) Water sheds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(iii) Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(g) Refunds—											
(i) Refunds of lapsed deposits ..	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	11	30	41	
(ii) Other refunds	-	20	20	-	40	40	100	-	-	100	
(h) Contributions to—											
(i) Municipalities	100	-	100	100	-	100	100	951	7495	8546	
Carried over ..	100	7281	7381	100	8880	8980					

I-B.—Consolidated Comparative Statement of Expenditure of the District

Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.		
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	RS	Rs.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Brought forward ..	100	7281	7381	100	8880	8980
GRANT 4, PUBLIC AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS—*cont.*						
(*h*) Contributions to—						
(i) Municipalities	-	-	-	-	-	-
(ii) Private individuals .	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iii) Provincial services ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iv) Other district boards ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(*i*) Famine-relief charges—						
(1) Salaries and establishment—						
(*i*) Salaries	-	-	-	-	-	-
(ii) Establishments ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iii) Travelling allowances of officers ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iv) Travelling allowances of establishments ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(v) Contingencies ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(2) Relief works—						
(i) Communications ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(ii) Miscellaneous public improvements .	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, Grant 4 ..	100	7281	7381	100	8880	8980
GRANT 5, SUPERVISION AND MANAGEMENT—						
(*a*) General establishments of Local Funds—						
(i) Establishments in the Collector's office	864	-	864	870	-	870
(ii) Local Board's office establishments	2352	6174	8526	2340	6290	8630
(iii) Local fund inspectors ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iv) Stationery	1533	414	1947	1500	570	2070
(v) Postal Charges	592	884	1476	600	970	1570
(vi) Printing charges* ..	450	1632	2082	610	1620	2230
(vii) Travelling allowance to non-official members ..	415	926	1341	500	1120	1620
(viii) Travelling allowance to office establishment ..	1	378	379	40	580	600
(ix) Law charges	-	362	362	50	210	260
(x) Miscellaneous	113	1080	1193	290	1300	1590
(xi) Refunds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carried over ..	6320	11850	18170	6800	12640	19440

*Only cash payments

Board of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total.	
8	9	10	11	12
RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	
100	951	7495	8546	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
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-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
100	951	7495	8546	
864	-	-	864	
2322	2542	3701	8565	
1396	466	102	1964	} Vide para 73 of the report.
579	522	216	1317	
448	1010	367	1825	
434	802	-	1236	
4	355	121	480	
50	222	-	272	
284	271	608	1166	do do
-	-	-	-	
6384	6190	5115	17689	

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I-B.—Consolidated Comparative Statement of Expenditure of the District

Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.		
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Brought forward ..	100	7281	7381	100	8880	8980
GRANT 4, PUBLIC AND CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS—*cont.*						
(*h*) Contributions to—						
(i) Municipalities	-	-	-	-	-	-
(ii) Private individuals .	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iii) Provincial services ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iv) Other district boards ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(*i*) Famine-relief charges—						
(1) Salaries and establishment—						
(i) Salaries	-	-	-	-	-	-
(ii) Establishments ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iii) Travelling allowances of officers ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iv) Travelling allowances of establishments ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(v) Contingencies ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(2) Relief works—						
(i) Communications ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(ii) Miscellaneous public improvements .	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, Grant 4 ..	100	7281	7381	100	8880	8980
GRANT 5, SUPERVISION AND MANAGEMENT—						
(*a*) General establishments of Local Funds—						
(i) Establishments in the Collector's office	864	-	864	870	-	870
(ii) Local Board's office establishments	2352	6174	8526	2340	6290	8630
(iii) Local fund inspectors ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(iv) Stationery	1533	414	1947	1500	570	2070
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(vii) Travelling allowance to non-official members ..	415	926	1341	500	1120	1620
(viii) Travelling allowance to office establishment ..	1	378	379	40	560	600
(ix) Law charges	-	362	362	50	210	260
(x) Miscellaneous	113	1080	1193	290	1300	1590
(xi) Refunds	-	-	-	-	-	-
Carried over ..	6320	11850	18170	6800	12640	19440

* Only cash payments

Board of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total.	
8	9	10	11	12
RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	
100	951	7495	8546	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
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-	-	-	-	
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-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
100	951	7495	8546	
864	-	-	864	
2322	2542	3701	8565	
1396	466	102	1964	} Vide para 73 of the report.
579	522	216	1317	
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I-B.—Consolidated Comparative Statement of Expenditure of the District

Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.		
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	RS	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Brought forward ..	6320	11850	18170	6800	12640	19440
GRANT 5, SUPERVISION AND MANAGEMENT —*cont.*						
(*b*) Superannuation and retired allowances—						
(i) Pensions	999	-	999	1050	-	1050
(ii) Contributions towards services lent	-	-	-	-	-	-
(*c*) Gratuities	-	-	-	-	30	30
(*d*) Bonuses to Provident fund ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(*e*) Contributions to—						
(i) Provincial funds—						
(1) Controlling establishment at the Presidency ..	3990	-	3990	3000	-	3000
(2) Local audit establishment ..	1533	-	1533	1640	-	1640
(3) Taluk local fund gumastahs.	-	-	-	-	-	-
(4) Printing work done at Government Presses ..	512	-	512	570	-	570
(5) Printing work done at press selected by Accountant-General for account forms.	-	-	-	-	-	-
(6) Repayment of contribution to cover deficits ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(ii) Other district boards ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(*f*) Refunds of cesses	2	51	53	100	80	180
(*g*) Other refunds						
(*h*) Interest on loans	-	-	-	-	-	-
(*i*) Miscellaneous	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, Grant 5 ..	13356	11901	25257	13160	12750	25910
Allotments to the District fund ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Do. do. Taluk funds ..	23770	-	-	3920	-	-
Do. do. Union funds ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Service Charges, excluding debt accounts ..	176877	238530	391637	206880	264030	465990
Carried over ..	176877	238530	391637	206880	264030	465990

Board of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total.	
8	9	10	11	12
RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	
6384	6190	5115	17689	
948	-	-	948	Vide para 73 of the report.
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	Non-payment of Arabic pleader to three of Moorle School pending for want of sanction within the year (G.O. No 385 Revenue dated 21-6-99.
-	-	-	-	
3000	-	-	3000	
1538	-	-	1538	Savings chiefly under travelling allowance and Contingencies
-	-	-	-	
554	-	-	554	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
73	-	47	120	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
12497	6190	5162	23849	
-	-	-	-	
3920	-	-	-	
-	7711	-	-	
186436	197385	45393	417583	
186436	197385	45393	417583	

I-B.—Consolidated Comparative Statement of Expenditure of the District

Heads.	Actuals, 1897-98.			Estimate, 1898-99, including subsequent allotments, &c.		
	District.	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Taluk.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Brought forward ..	176877	238530	391637	205880	264030	465990
MISCELLANEOUS DEBT ACCOUNTS—						
(a) Advances recoverable	-	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Suspense account	-	-	-	-	-	-
(c) Recoveries of service payments ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(d) Permanent advances ..	100	9	109	-	-	-
(e) Purchase and sale of books ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(f) Investments in Government securities	-	-	-	-	-	-
(g) Investments in Post Office Savings Bank	-	-	-	-	-	-
(h) Capital account of loan ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(i) Provident Fund	-	-	-	-	-	-
(j) Deposits	12366	-	12366	-	-	-
(k) Local Fund Engineer's miscellaneous advances	-	-	-	-	-	-
(l) Local Fund Engineer's stock ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
(m) Local Fund Public Works receipts adjusted	3427	-	3427	-	-	-
			15902			
GRAND TOTAL ..	192770	238539	407539	205880	264030	465990
BALANCE	20266	35732	55998	220	16470	16690
DEDUCT—						
(1) Balance under Union funds ..	"	8168	8168	.	2860	2860
(2) Balance under Endowments ..	"	20279	20279	.	15150	15150
Net balance available for general purposes.	20266	7285	27551	220	-1540	-1320

Board of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Actuals, 1898-99.				Explanation of variations.
District.	Taluk.	Union.	Total.	
8	9	10	11	12
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
186436	197385	45393	417583	
10	-	-	10	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
6720	-	-	6720	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	
13906	-	-	13906	
86	-	-	86	
-	-	-	-	
3538	-	-	3538	
24260	-	-	24260	
210696	197385	45393	441843	
-18379	-3383	12713	-9049	
	9971	3914	13885	
-18379	-13354	8799	-27934	

II-B.—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure of Unions in the Local Fund District of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

No.	Name of Union.	Receipts. Opening Balance.	House-tax.	Fees.	Miscellaneous.	Contributions from Taluk Boards.	Total.	Expenditure. Sanitation.	New Communications.	New Buildings.	Public Works. Works. Miscellaneous Public Improvements.	Repairs. Communications.	Repairs. Buildings.	Repairs. Miscellaneous Public Improvements.	Schools.	Lighting. Number of lights.	Lighting. Cost	Miscellaneous.	Office Establishments including Contingencies.	Total.	Closing Balance.	Remarks showing details of the fees and miscellaneous receipts and of the educational, &c., charges entered in the preceding columns.
		2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	Chittoor Taluk Board	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
1	Chittoor	101 13 -	380 7 5 4	23 5 6	119 15 3	1010 - -	5062 7 1	2610 10 6	225 12 -	- - -	- - -	460 6 8	- - -	4 4 -	- - -	163	595 0 5	10 - -	2234 - 4	4130 9 9	932 5 4	N.B. The figures in col. 8 includes expenditure incurred on other Epidemics than plague viz cholera.
2	Palmaner	- - -	574 8 -	12 6 9	15 9 -	653 12 11	1276 4 8	744 11 7	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	1488 - 12	7648	- - -	
3	Punganur	179 4 1	1518 12 4	8 7 6	22 7 -	200 - -	1928 4 11	951 2 10	- - -	- - -	- - -	383 7 1	- - -	- - -	- - -	40	163 8 11	- - -	2554 - 0	1725 11 7	203 4 4	
	Total	281 1 -	5920 9 8	44 3 9	157 15 3	1863 12 11	8267 10 8	4306 8 11	225 12 -	- - -	- - -	355 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	6274 - 4	13732 1 -	1135 9 8	
	Vellore Taluk Board											1178 7 9	- - -	4 4 -	- - -	203	759 3 4	10 - -	6274 - 4	07321 -	1135 9 8	
4	Arcot	338 9 8	2172 - -	63 2 7	202 4 5 2	400 - -	8049 5 1	8 1 8 2 0	329 2 7	- - -	- - -	364 3 9	- - -	- - -	- - -	113	398 3 11	207 2 11	2852	6527	5 6	2773 0 11 @ Includes Rs 17-2-0 — Refund of house tax.
5	Amboor	503 2 7	2105 8 -	1 10 7	59 12 -	400 - -	3602 1 2	1759 4 4	- - -	- - -	- - -	537 9 11	125 2 10	118 9 3	- - -	140	399 1 4	113 11 -	286 4 1	3400 6 8	201 10 6	
6	Kuppanur	592 5 6	643 - -	2 13 3	45 4 12 6	- - -	1743 7 3	66 10 -	- - -	- - -	- - -	200 - -	- - -	189 5 1	- - -	-	- - -	38 - -	240 4 -	1527 9 1	414 4 2	
7	Permanbut	108 6 10	912 - -	6 14 -	98 8 -	- - -	1125 12 10	645 11 8	- - -	- - -	- - -	88 1 7	- - -	42 12 11	- - -	-	- - -	- - -	263 6 8	1040 - 10	85 12 -	
8	Pallicondai	199 8 9	951 8 -	9 7 9	91 5 -	- - -	1251 13 6	643 5 1	364 8 -	- - -	- - -	62 12 -	- - -	- - -	- - -	-	- - -	- - -	286 15 4	1080 2 5	171 11 1	@ Includes as 12 — Refund of house tax
	Total	1793 4 6	6834 - -	84 2 3	2260 10 8	800 - -	15772 4 2	5578 5 3	664 15 -	- - -	- - -	1253 7 9	125 2 10	350 11 3	- - -	253	797 15 10	2230 12 11	3621	5121	2536	3647 8 -
9	Ranipettai	25 8 8 5	977 4 -	24 1 7	2165 3 6	440 - -	6185 1 6	1100 4 1	122 2 2	- - -	- - -	1868 13 4	14 5 11	195 7 1 8	237 15 6	36	154 5 4	400 5 5	2503	4435	2 1831 13 4	
10	Tiruttani	1808 1 11	1208 4 -	26 11 6	138 15 3	150 - -	3329 - 8	1176 13 6	- - -	- - -	- - -	175 5 2	- - -	- - -	- - -	30	120 4 8	- - -	2841	3617	4 1551 1 10	
11	Sholinghur	580 11 2	916 8 -	24 5 -	135 9 8	350 - -	3222 1 0	651 13 4	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	47	205 9 9	113 5 1	2291	4218	0 1041 7 -	
12	Kalahasti	109 7 9 8	1523 4 -	3 12 9	263 6 6	270 - -	3568 - 11	1811 13 -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	173 3 -	38	186 13 6	10 - -	2937	7285	4 9708 1 22	
13	Arkonam	1615 4 8	721 12 -	7 13 7	131 7 11 8	130 - -	3785 13 4	963 8 -	- - -	297 4 5	- - -	383 13 8	- - -	- - -	- - -	34	124 12 8	345 3 4	2481	3321	8 1163 7 5	
14	Chandragiri	74 1 3	567 - -	- - -	19 8 2 3	140 - -	979 13 6	411 6 1	- - -	- - -	- - -	1164 7 9	23 12 8	68 - -	- - -	11	51 3 3	43 - 2	2241	3990	1 78 3 6	@ Includes Rs 3-12-0 — Refund of house tax
15	Reingunta	168 10 4	340 10 -	- - -	17 5 6	546 2 2	1230 12 6	380 8 7	- - -	- - -	- - -	200 - -	10 - -	- - -	- - -	18	71 8 9	30 - 1	1662	8122	8 4 2 8 6	
16	Kanerippakkam	277 9 8	795 12 -	3 12 9	103 10 1	107 9 10	2252 6 4	546 14 2	204 11 3	- - -	- - -	90 - -	- - -	490 - -	- - -	-	- - -	11 - -	2479	7225	8 4 - - -	
17	Puttur	36 6 6	499 8 -	1 4 -	32 0 12 3	508 2 3	1366 - -	506 13 7	- - -	- - -	1243 - 2	- - -	- - -	- - -	606 1 -	-	- - -	2 - -	2377	6 1552	6 1 3 9 4	@ Includes Rs 4-4-0 — Refund of house tax
18	Kanchinaga	52 7 3	499 14 3	2 4 6	63 2 1	270 - -	887 12 8	455 4 2	- - -	- - -	- - -	926 7 -	- - -	35 6 6	- - -	-	- - -	42 9 4	2345	8861	8 3 2 6 4 3	
	Total	8287 - 3	8459 12 3	86 11 1	6097 9 3	3875 14 3	26806 15 1	8005 11 -	326 13 5	297 4 5	1243 - 2	3979 14 6	48 2 7	777 9 7	1017 3 6	214	914 9 11	1957 7 2	24179	11	2078	8 6 2	5821 8 11	
	Arni Taluk Board																					
19	Arni	807 7 4	2362 12 -	7 2 8	313 4 3	424 11 -	3916 5 3	1656 4 5	- - -	- - -	- - -	203 4 2	- - -	- - -	+ 3 12 -	- - -	- - -	99	424 11 -	50 4 -	2758	8	2615 3	1305 8 @ Includes Rs 21 — Refund of house tax
20	Wandiwash	15 - 11	984 12 -	4 3 2	23 1 3	497 - -	1524 1 4	835 8 10	12 1 -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	22	99 9 4	- - -	2424	8	1306 6 5	218 4 11 & Includes Rs 0-8-0 — Refund of house tax
21	Polur	153 9 4	1339 8 -	6 18 7	64 14 3	250 - -	1817 15 2	643 11 8	49 7 7	- - -	- - -	715 7 -	- - -	3 12 -	- - -	77	249 4 8	- - -	2351	2	1228 12	589 3 1
	Total	976 1 7	4687 - -	18 15 5	405 7 9	1171 11 -	7259 3 9	3186 2 11	170 7 7	- - -	203 4 2	715 7 -	- - -	3 12 -	- - -	198	774 5 -	50 4 -	7534	8	5160 3	2109 - -
	Grand Total ..	14337 2 3	25901 6 11	233 14 5	9921 10 11	7711 6 2	56106 1 8	21076 13 3	1084 4 7	297 4 5	1446 4 4	6500 - 3	173 5 6	1124 - 10 2 4 -	1017 3 6	865	3240 - -	4248 9 -	15161	8	45392	4 8	12713 3 3	

Note.—The unions under each Local Board should be shown separately in this statement.

* Represents the cost of measuring tapes purchased for the use of the engineer charged to Tools & Plant under grant.

other fees and fines - Temporary market fees 1 15 0

Details of miscellaneous receipts Column 5.

Chettikulam Union

Fines under the Police Act	84 3 .		
Sale proceeds of Street sweepings	6 5 .		
do —— of avenue clippings	5 1 6		
do —— of dried trees and branches and grass in the Muhammadan cemetery and triangular garden in the Union	25 5 9	119 15 3	
Palavankottai Union			
Fines under the Police Act	6 14 .		
Sale proceeds of Street sweepings	6 12 .		
do —— of unserviceable articles	1 . .		
Rent of a piece of encroached land in the Union	. 15 .		
Periyanayagipuram Union		15 9 .	
Fines under the Police Act	21 8 .		
Sale proceeds of Street sweepings	. 15 .		
Miscellaneous		22 7 .	
Fines under the Police Act	156 8 .		
Sale proceeds of Street sweepings	4 6 .		
do —— of avenue clippings	5 4 11		
do —— dealwood cases and empty kerosine tins	10 14 6		
do —— unserviceable articles	23 3 9		
Rent of Srivaikuntam market	4 2 9 .		
Srivaikuntam Slaughter house fees	102 . .		
Provincial Contribution for Srivaikuntam Langerkhana	1200 . .		
Amount of deduction from Beriz made over to the union for maintaining Springs in the Polar roads within the Union limits during the hot season	92 6 .		
Ambasamudram Union		2024 5 2	
Fines under the Police Act	47 12 .		
Sale proceeds of Street sweepings &c	1 . .		
do —— of avenue clippings	11 . .		
do —— dealwood cases and empty kerosine tins	9 . .		
Rent of Ambasamudram market	266 . .		
Ambasamudram Slaughter house fees	257 . .		
Nanguneri Union		591 12 .	
Fines under the Police Act	10 8 .		
Rent and produce of land	. 8 .		
Other fees and fines —— Temporary market fees	2 . 3		
Koppam market rents	441 12 3		
Pernambut Union		454 12 6 .	
Sale proceeds of avenue clippings &c	2 8 .		
Pernambut market rents	96 . .		
Palamcottah Union		98 8 .	
Sale proceeds of Street sweepings	14 4		
Amount of deduction from Beriz made over to the union for maintaining Springs in the Polar roads within the union limits during hot weather	7 12 .		
Other fees and fines - Temporary market fees.	5 5 .		
Ramnattam Union		91 5 .	
Fines under the Police Act	56 12 .		
Sale proceeds of Street sweepings	3 . .		

Other fees and fines - Temporary market fees	1 15 9		
Rent of Rampettai weekly market including miscellaneous	1562 . 1		
do —— do —— daily market	400 . 2		
Rampettai Slaughter house fees	50 10 .		
Fees from the Rampettai Muhammadan Primary School	9 . 6	2185 3 6	
Tenkasi Union			
Fines under the Police act	63 12 .		
Sale proceeds of Street sweepings &c	14 6 6		
Other fees and fines - Temporary market fees	60 12 9	138 15 3	
Sholinghur Union			
Fines under the Police act	37 . .		
Sale proceeds of Street sweepings &c	1 4 .		
Provincial contribution for Annadana chattram	1280 9 5		
Sholinghur market rents	31 12 3	1350 9 8	
Kalakadu Union			
Fines under the Police act	42 4 .		
Sale proceeds of Street sweepings &c	43 12 .		
do —— of avenue clippings	. 8 .		
Private Scavenging fees	67 . 6		
Other fees and fines - Temporary market fees	20 . .		
Fees from the Local Fund Elementary School at Kalakadu	60 6 .		
Provincial contribution for education for —do—	35 8 .	263 6 6 .	
Arkonam Union			
Fines under the Police act	54 12 .		
Sale proceeds of Street sweepings &c	70 8 .		
Private Scavenging fees	152 4 .		
Sale proceeds of dealwood cases & empty kerosine tins	1 14 6		
Receipts of Arkonam Chattram	154 7 1		
Rent of Arkonam market	883 14 1	1317 11 8	
Chandragiri Union			
Fines under the Police Act	21 8		
Sale proceeds of Street sweepings &c	1 4 3		
Other fees and fines — Temporary market fees	2 5 6		
Refund of expenditure	173 . 6	198 12 3	
Renigunta Union			
Fines under the Police Act	20 . .		
Sale proceeds of Street sweepings &c	28 4 .		
do —— of avenue clippings	2 7 .		
Fish rent	4 4 .		
House rent paid by the union clerk for a portion of the office building occupied by him	3 12 .		
Renigunta daily market rents	119 8 .	175 6 .	
Kanampakkam Union			
Sale proceeds of avenue clippings	. 6 .		
Kanampakkam market rents	103 4 1	103 10 1	
Pattur Union			
Fines under the Police Act	2 . .		
Rent and produce of land	. 4 .		
Fish rent	1 . .		
Sale proceeds of Street sweepings &c	9 . .		
do —— of avenue clippings	. 4 .		

Other fees and fines – Temporary market fees	9 . 3	
Puttur market rents &c	34 2 8	
Fees from the Local Fund Elementary school at Puttur	139 11 6	
Miscellaneous receipts from the above School	2 5 10	
Provincial contribution for education for the above School	123 . .	320 12 3
Kanchangar Union		
Sale proceeds of street sweepings &c	3 14 6	
do ——— of avenue clippings	1 . .	
Other fees and fines – Temporary market fees	1 15 3	
Kanchangar market rents	56 4 4	63 2 1
Arne Union		
Fines under the Police Act	86 . .	
Sale proceeds of Street Sweepings &c	3 13 6	
do ——— of avenue clippings	2 17	
Fishery rent	66 . .	
Private Scavenging fees	20 . .	
Arni weekly market rent	92 4 .	
do — Daily —— do ——	36 11 .	313 14 3
Mandiwak Union		
Fines under the Police Act	7 8 .	
Sale proceeds of Street Sweepings &c	7 8 .	
do ——— of dead wood cases and empty kerosene tins	2 9 3	
do ——— of stones of a bridge in the union limits	1 9 .	
do ——— of avenue clippings	4 9 .	23 11 3
Pothy Union		
Fines under the Police Act	15 8 .	
Sale proceeds of cart stand sweepings	9 . .	
do ——— of avenue clippings	7 14 6	
Cost of distraint recovered in the Union	3 1 9	
Sale proceeds of broken glass in the Union	12 .	
Pothy market rents &c	31 10 .	67 14 3

Expenditure

Public works

Chettoor Union	
Restoring and improving the causeway across the chettoor rivers in the union limits, N.W. com: Item N2 (2) in Statt III	225 14 2
Repairing Street roads Rep: com: Item N2 19 in Statt III	460 6 8
do —— the walls around the Muhammadan cemetery in the Union Rep: Civil Engrs: Ord. Impts: Item N2 7 in Statt III	4 4 . 690 8 10
Padavedu Union	
Repairing street roads Rep: com: Item N2 19 in Statt III	383 1 1
Punganur Union	
Repairing Street roads Rep: com: Item N2 19 in Statt III	355 . .
Street Union	
Improving masonry works on the street roads N.W. com: Item No: (4) in Statt III	191 6 2
Forming a road to Street market; N.W. com: Item N2 (4) in Statt III	137 12 5
Repairing Street roads Rep: com: Item N2 24 in Statt III	364 13 9 694 . 4
Arnbore Union	
Repairing Street roads, Rep: com: Item N2 24 in Statt III	597 9 11
do — the Building purchased by the Salute Board, Vellore at Arnbore to make it fit for the union offices Rep: Civil Engrs: Item N2 10 in Statt III	125 2 10
do the Arnbore market; Rep: Civil: Pub: Impts: Item N2 4 in Statt III	49 13 6
Cost of Supervision on the above	8 14 7
Tools & plant on —— do ——	. 8 9
Repairing the Arnbore Slaughter house Rep: Civil: Pub: Impts: Item N2 4 in Statt III	49 13 1
Cost of Supervision on the above	8 14 7
Tools and plant on — do —	. 8 9 841 6
Reppanam Union	
Repairing Street roads Rep: com: Item N2 24 in Statt III	200 . .
do —— the Reppanam market Rep: Civil: Pub: Impts: Item N2 4 in Statt III	159 4 .
Cost of Supervision on the above	28 5 4
Tools and plant on —— do ——	1 11 9 389 5 1
Pernambut Union	
Repairing street roads: Rep: com: Item N2 24 in Statt III	88 1 7
do —— the Pernambut market; Rep: Civil: Pub: Impts: Item N2 4 in Statt III	36 . .
Cost of Supervision on the above	6 6 8
Tools and plant on —— do ——	. 6 3 130 14 6
Palliconda Union	
Constructing a tunnel at the north western corner of the temple in the union Nem: Rep: com: Item N2 (5) in Statt III	36 14 10
Repairing street roads Rep: com: Item No: 24 in Statt III	63 1 2 100 . .
Rampattai Union	
Constructing tunnels on the street roads N. W. com: Item N2 (6) in Statt III	86 11 .
do — a tunnel on the road near Vythialinga Mudr's chattram N. W. com: Item No: (6) in Statt III	35 7 2
Repairing street roads Rep: com: Item N2 34 in Statt III	115 13 10
do — the road from Rampattai to Pannai serving as market feeder & charged to market funds Rep: com: Item N2 25 in Statt III	1308 13 11
do — the Rampattai market feeder road — do — do — 34 in Statt III	233 15 .
do — the road from Rampattai to Vythialinga Mudr's chattram Rep: com: Item N2 34 in Statt III	96 14 .
do — the road from Madras – Calicut Trunk road to join the market feeder road East of English Church in the union Rep: com: Item N2 34 in Statt III	113 4 7
do — the Rampattai Chattram Rep: Civil Buildings Item Statt No 11 in Statt III	5 14 6
Cost of Supervision on the above	1 1 2
Tools and plant on —— do ——	. 1 1
Repairing the Pongey panchama school building managed by the Union Rep: Civil Buildings Item N2 8 in Statt III	2 . .

Repairing the Rampettai Union office building Rep: civil Buildings Item No 11 in stt III — 5 8 2

do the Rampettai weekly market Rep: Mis: Pub: Supt Item No 5 in stt III — 83 9 8

Cost of Supervision on the above — 14 12 8

Tools and plant on do — 1 4 5

Repairing the daily market at Rampettai, Rep: Mis Pub: Supts Item No 5 in stt III — 80 13 3

Cost of Supervision on the above — 14 6 11

Tools and plant on do — 1 4 2

Cost of a measuring tape purchased for the use of the Union (Tools and plant) — 8 8 . — 2209 4 6

Tuttam Union

Repairing street roads Rep: com: Item No 34 in stt III — 157 5 9

do a tunnel on the union street roads do do Item No 34 in stt III — 17 15 5 — 175 5 2

S Lolingsuram Union Nil

Kalakasti Union

Repairing street roads Rep com Item No 34 in stt III — 383 13 8

Arkonam Union

Extending the chattram building at Arkonam New work Civil Buildings Item No 6 in stt III — 250 . .

Cost of Supervision on the above — 44 8 10

Tools and plant on do — 2 11 7

Repairing the roads from Arkonam to Pallur serving as market feeds charged to Arkonam market fund Rep: com: Item No 34 in stt III — 456 11 8

do or from Arkonam to Tuttam do do Item No 34 in stt III — 212 12 1

Portion of cost of repairing the road from Arkonam to Ochen: do do do of Item No 28 in stt III — 500 . .

Repairing the chattram at Arkonam Rep: civil Buildings Item No 11 in stt III — 20 0 2

Cost of Supervision on the above — 3 9 .

Tools and plant on do — - 3 6

Pay of avenue Coolly of the Arkonam - Tuttam road within the limits of the union — 48 . . — 1538 8 10

Chandrapuram Union

Repairing street roads Rep: com: Item No 34 in stt III — 200 . .

do the union office building Rep: civil Buildings Item No 11 in stt III — 10 . . — 210 . .

Ranganatha Union

Repairing street roads Rep com: Item No 34 in stt III — 90 . .

do the Robinson's well in the union Rep: Mis: Pub: Supts: Item No 2 in stt III — 490 . . — 580 . .

Kandaspakkam Union

Constructing 7 tunnels on street roads N W com: Item No 12(b) in stt III — 204 1 3

Compensation paid for land purchased for the Kandaspakkam market site N W Mis: Pub: Supts Item No 12 in stt III — 1046 3 5

Cost of supervision on the above — 186 6 4

Tools and plant on do — 10 6 5 — 1442 11 5

Pallur Union — N L

Karaitaaga Union

Repairing street roads Rep: Com: Item No 34 in stt III — 9267

do the Karaitaagar market Rep: Mis: Pub: Supts Item No: 5 in stt III — 30 . .

Cost of Supervision on the above — 5 5 6

Tools and plant on do — - 5 - — 128 1 1

Arni Union

Erecting a pandal in front of the Arni Daily market N W. Mis: Pub: Supts Item No 12 (b) in stt III — 10 . .

cost of supervision on the above — 1 12 6

Tools and plant on do — - 1 8

constructing drains in the streets of the union New work Mis: Pub: Supts Item No (b) in stt III — 192 . .

Tools and plant (cost of a measuring tape purchased for the use of the Union) — 3 12 - — 207 10 2

Vandavasi Union

constructing masonry works on the street roads N. W. com: Item No (i) in stt III — 121 . .

Repairing street roads Rep: com: Item No 42 in stt III — 7 15 7 — 128 15 7

Polur Union

Constructing a tunnel over the supply channel on the road near the weekly market New work com: Item No (i) in stt III — 49 7 7

Detail of Miscellaneous Charges on 48

Cuttoor Union

Reward for clubbing stray dogs — 10 . .

Salmanur Union:

Ranganpet Union — N L

Cuddalore Union

Arcot market Establishment — 59 14 .

do contingencies — 5 . .

do Slaughter house Establishment — 48 . .

do do contingencies — 1 . .

do Cangerkhana Establishment — 132 . .

do do feeding travellers — 1832 4 11

do do contingencies — 1 - . — 2079 2 11

Arnboor Union

Arnboor market Establishment — 48 . .

do do contingencies — 3 . .

do Slaughter house Establishment — 59 11 -

do do contingencies — 3 . . — 113 11 .

Kuppanam Union

Kuppanam market Establishment — 36 —

do do contingencies — 2 . . — 38 . .

Pernambut Union — N L

Pallikonda Union — N L

Rampettai Union			
Rampettai weekly market Establishment	199 15 5		
Rampettai do contingencies	165 12 2		
do do daily market do	6 12 .		
do do Slaughter house do	24 15 4		
do do Chattram Establishment	1 7 6		
do do do contingencies	1 8 .	400 8 5	
Nil			
Tirutani Union			
Sholinghur Union			
Sholinghur Annadana chattram Establishment	396 .		
do do feeding travellers	702 7 8		
do do contingencies	14 12 5	1113 5 1	
Kalahasti Union			
Reward for clubbing Stray dogs		10 .	
Arkonam Union			
Arkonam market Establishment	161 4 8		
do contingencies	42 2 6		
do chattram Establishment	107 7 9		
do do contingencies	32 14 5	343 13 4	
Chandragiri Union			
Reward for clubbing Stray dogs		4 8	
Renigunta Union			
Refund of Renigunta market rents		30 .	
Kaveripakkam Union			
Kaveripakkam market contingencies		11 .	
Puttur Union			
Puttur market contingencies		2 .	
Karvetnagar Union			
Karvetnagar market Establishment	41 9 4		
do do contingencies	1 . .	42 9 4	
Arni Union			
Reward for clubbing Stray dogs	9 4 .		
Arni daily market Establishment	36 . .		
do do contingencies	5 . .	50 4 .	
Vandiwash Union	Nil		
Polur Union	Nil		

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60 4 0
12 12 0
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III.—Statement showing the Progress of New Works and Repairs in the Local

Taluk.	Number of item in the Budget.	Description of Work.*	Amount of Estimate.
1	2	3	4
		Communications—New works	RS.
		District Board—	
	(a)	Petty works	4055
		Chittur Taluk Board—	
Punganum Dvisn	(b)	Installing the Road from Punganum to Sadme	6820
	(c)	Petty works	2100
		Total	8920

* *Note.*—All new works in the district falling under "Communications" should be given first, and then those under

(2) Petty works estimated to cost Rs. 1,000 and under should be shown in a lump under each main head.

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		From the commencement of the work up to the close of the preceding year.	In the year under report				
			By Public Works Department.	By Local Fund Engineering Department	By other Agency.	Total (of columns 8, 9 and 10).	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
3 dated 25-6-98							
7 dated 10-9-98							
11 dated 12-1-99							
5 dated 11-11-98							
2 dated 4-2-99							
11 dated 8a—	2426	1299	12 8	— —	1569 2 5 8 0	— —	2499 2 + By Presidt.
22 dated 14-3-99							
3 dated 28-4-98	46	5926	138	— —	461	— —	461 — Work was done up to the year's allotment, no allotment have been made for completing of the work for want of funds.
2 dated 31-5-98							
12 dated 30-6-98	1986	116	— —	— —	1710 2 6	— —	1710 2 6
2 dated 28-4-98							
"	2032	6042	138	— —	1756 3 6	— —	1756 3 6

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Taluk.	Number of item in the Budget.	Description of Work.*	Amount of Estimate.
1	2	3	4
		Communications—New works	RS.
		District Board—	
	(a)	Petty works	4055
		Chittoor Taluk Board—	
Punganuru Drive	(b)	Metalling the road from Punganuru to Sadum	6820
	(c)	Petty works	2100
		Total	8920

* Note.—All new works in the district falling under "Communications" should be given first, and then those under

(1) Petty works estimated to cost Rs. 1,000 and under should be shown in a lump under each main head.

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		From the commencement of the work up to the close of the preceding year.	In the year under report				
			By Public Works Department.	By Local Fund Engineering Department	By other Agency.	To'al (of columns 8, 9 and 10).	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
3 dab 25-6-98 7 dab 10-9-98 11 dab 12-1-99 5 dab 11-11-98 2 dab 4-2-99 11 dab do 22 dab 11-3-99	2426	1299	128	--	-- 1559	2 580 -- 2139	2 By Provisional.
3 dab 28-4-98 2 dab 31-5-98 1 dab 30-6-98 2 dab 28-4-98	46	5926	138	-- --	46 1 -	-- -- 46 1 -	Works was done up to the year's allotment, no allotment having been made for completion of the work for want of funds.
	1986	116	-- --	-- --	1710	2 6 -- 1710	2 6
--	2032	6042	138	-- --	1756	3 6 -- -- 1756	3 6

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Taluk.	Number of item in the Budget.	Description of Work.*	Amount of Estimate.
1	2	3	
		Vellore Taluk Board	
Arcot	(d)	Constructing tunnels on the road from Kirkonumangal to Valapoundal	3240
Do	(e)	Do —— Do on the road from Arcot to Chikanchavadi.	3000
	(f)	Petty works.	751
		Total	6991
		Ranipettai Taluk Board	
Chandragiri	(g)	Constructing masonry works on the road from Renigunta to Vadamalpet	1140
	(h)	Petty works	2647
		Total	3787

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5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
6 dated 30-8-89	100	26 3 10 6	.. .. 13	.. .. 13	Completed.		
1 dated 7-10-98							
—— Do ——	7	26 3 12 2	.. .. 6 4 2	.. .. 6 4 2	Completed, the year's allotment having been transferred for the urgent repairing of flood damages on the same road.		
4 dated 6-2-99							
5 dated 24-6-98							
12 dated 16-8-98							
6 dated Do							
2 dated 7-10-98	562	.. ..	566 11 4	.. .. 566 11 4			
4 dated 6-2-99							
2 dated 9-12-98							
2 dated 9-3-99							
and Budget							
	669	5267 6 8	.. .. 585 15 6	.. .. 585 15 6			
4 dated 19-3-97							
9 dated 16-12-98	20	1069 15 2	.. .. 20	.. .. 20	Completed.		
9 dated 16-12-98							
9 dated 15-3-99							
27 dated 15-3-99							
11 dated 29-7-98							
1 dated 24-7-97							
31 dated 10-2-98	917	1955 4 8	.. .. 540 3 1	240 25 780 5 6	× By the chairmen of Ranipettai and Kaveripakkam Unions		
4 dated Do							
9 Do —— Do							
33 Do —— Do							
3 Do —— Do							
28 Do —— Do							
3 dated 18-3-98							
1 Do —— Do							
6 Do —— Do							
	937	3025 3 6	.. .. 560 3 1	240 25 800 5 6			

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Taluk.	Number of item in the Budget.	Description of Work.*	Amount of Estimate.
1	2	3	4
		Vellore Taluk Board.	
Arcot	(d)	Constructing tunnels on the road from Kirkonumangalam to Valapandal	3240
Do	(e)	Do——Do on the road from Arcot to Chitrachavadi.	3000
	(f)	Petty works.	751
		Total	6991
		Ranipettai Taluk Board.	
Chandragiri	(g)	Constructing masonry works on the road from Ranipettai to Vadamalpet	1140
	(h)	Petty works	2647
		Total	3787

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		From the commencement of the work up to the close of the preceding year.	In the year under report				
			By Public Works Department.	By Local Fund Engineering Department	By other Agency.	Total (of columns 8, 9 and 10).	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
6 dated 30-8-89 1 dated 7-10-99	100	2603 10 6	-- --	13 --	-- --	13 --	Completed.
——Do——	7	2663 12 2	-- --	6 4 2	-- --	6 4 2	Incomplete, the year's allotment having been transferred for the urgent repairs of flood damages in the same road
4 dated 6-2-99							
5 dated 24-6-98 12 dated 16-8-98 6 dated Do							
2 dated 7-10-98 4 dated 6-2-99 2 dated 9-10-98 2 dated 9-3-99 and Budget	562	-- --	-- --	586 11 4	-- --	586 11 4	
	669	5267 8 8	-- --	585 15 6	-- --	585 15 6	
4 dated 19-3-97 9 dated 16-12-98	20	1069 15 2	-- --	20 --	-- --	20 --	Completed.
9 dated 16-12-98 9 dated 15-3-99 27 dated 15-3-99 11 dated 29-7-98 1 dated 24-7-97 31 dated 10-2-98 4 dated Do 9 Do——Do 33 Do——Do 3 Do——Do 28 Do——Do 3 dated 18-3-98 1 Do——Do 6 Do——Do	917	1955 4 8	-- --	540 3 1	240	25780 5 6	× By the Chairman of Ranipettai and Kavanipakkam Unions
	937	3025 3 6	-- --	560 3 1	240	25800 5 6	

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Taluk.	Number of item in the Budget.	Description of Work.*	Amount of Estimate.
1	2	3	4
		Amin Taluk Board—	
	(i)	Petty works	3572
		Grand Total Communications new works	27265
		Civil Buildings new—	
		District Board—	
	(j)	Petty works	15
		Ramnathan Taluk Board	
Chandrajiri	(k)	Constructing the Lying in hospital with pials	9200
	(l)	Petty works	530
		Total	9730
		Amin Taluk Board—	
	(m)	Petty works	2001
		Grand Total Civil Buildings new	1174

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		From the commencement of the work up to the close of the preceding year.	In the year under report				
			By Public Works Department.	By Local Fund Engineering Department	By other Agency.	Total (of columns 8, 9 and 10).	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
3 dated 17-12-98							
4 dated 17-12-98							
3 dated 8-3-99							
4 dated 16-7-98							
9 dated 20-3-99							
7 dated 22-2-99							
6 dated 22							
8 dated 22 ~~3/99~~ 1991	493 7 5			205 4 10		205 4 10	
6 dated 17-12-98							
2 dated 8-3-99							
1 dated 20-3-99							
5 dated 15-10-98							
3 dated 9-10-97							
	8055	16128 12 3		1526 8 1	820 2 5	7346 10 6	
Budget	415			15		15	+ By Precis ment
30 dated 20 2773/E-12-98	2370	6833 4 2		1380 10 10		1380 10 10	Incomplete the revised estimate for the Catamaran being under correspondence with the Engineer.
10 dated 17-6-98 2 dated 16-12-98 1 dated 20-8-98 4 dated 20-8-98	370			391 5 5		391 5 5	
	2740	6833 4 2		1772 3		1772 3	
4 dated 28-3-99 8 dated 13-7-98 15 dated 18-11-98 5 dated 28-3-99 6 dated 20-3-99 3 dated 28-3-99	1404	367		1182 12 6		1182 12 6	
	4559	7200 4 2		2954 12 9	15	2969 12 9	

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Taluk.	Number of item in the Budget.	Description of Work.*	Amount of Estimate.
1	2	3	4
		Miscellaneous Public Improvements Rev—	
		Chittoor Taluk Board—	
Punganuru Divn	(K)	Constructing sheds in the Chendapalle Market	1264
	(O)	Petty works	146
		Total	1390
		Vellore Taluk Board—	
	(P)	Petty works	185
		Ranipettai Taluk Board—	
Walajah	(Q)	Cost of land purchased for forming a market in Kavanipakkam Chavadi	1047
	(R)	Petty works	804
		Total	1851
		Arni Taluk Board—	
	(S)	Petty works	510
		Grand Total Miscellaneous Public Improvements Rev	3936

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5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1 dated 30-6-98							
7 dated 31-3-98	125	1118	23		121	121	Completed.
1 dated 30-6-98	556	90			10	10	
2 dated 11-2-99 and B. of St.							
	681	1208	23		131	131	
2 dated 9-9-98							
2 dated 7-10-98	185				115	115	
22 dated 29-7-98	1047				1046 3 5	1046 3 5	+ The allotment fund in full.
6 dated 29-11-98 1 dated 26-8-98 9 dated 16-8-98 1 dated 31-5-95	362	408	41		313 3 9	313 3 9	by the aforesaid Taluk Board.
	1409	408	41		313 3 9	1046 3 5	1359 7 2
1 dated 19-5-98 13 dated 22-12-98	510				202	202	
	2785	1616	64		762	1648 3 5	1808 3 9

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Taluk.	Number of item in the Budget.	Description of Work.*	Amount of Estimate.
1	2	3	4
		Communications — Repairs	
		District Board	
Wallajah and Vellore	1	Road from Madras to Calicut	1146 00
Chittoor & Palmaner	2	Bombay Trunk Road	8800
Chittoor & Gudiyattam	3	Road from Katpadi Railway station to Chittoor	3600
Palmaner & Gudiyattam	4	Do — Gudiyattam Railway station to Palmaner	1700
Wallajah, Arcot & Vandiwash	5	Do — Arcot Railway station to Vandiwash Via Tirumeltyur	7430
Arcot, Polur & Vandiwash	6	Do — Arcot to Sehanwasam via Arni	8610
Chittoor	7	Kurnool Trunk Road	5750
Chittoor & Chandragiri	8	Road from Parthalapet to Kandipet via Chandragiri, Irrupati and Kalahasti	11350
Palmaner	9	Do — Kuppam Railway station to Palmaner	7460
Gudiyattam & Vellore	10	Do — Katpadi Do — to Vellore Arni Road	6480
Gudiyattam & Palmaner	11	Do — Vinkatagirikota Gudiyattam through Kaikeeny Ghaut	4300
Wallajah & Chittoor	12	Do — Ranipettai Karaikapet Junction via Tirumellam	1730
Polur	13	Do — Kannamangalam to Arcot Junction Via Santhavasal and Polur	4050

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5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Budget 1 dated 11-3-99 1 dated 30-4-98 1 dated 28-5-98	1146 00	—	—	1048 5 4 7	—	1048 5 4 7	
Budget 2 dated 25-6-98 7 dated 10-9-98 1 dated 30-4-98	8430	—	—	8687 4 3	—	8687 4 3	
Budget 2 / 25-6-98 2 dated 12-1-99 1 dated 30-4-98 1 dated 28-5-98	3554	—	—	3519 12 8	—	3519 12 8	
Budget 2 / 25-6-98 7 dated 10-9-98 1 dated 30-4-98 1 dated 28-5-98	4655	—	—	4659 6 8	—	4659 6 8	
Budget 5 / 11-3-99 1 dated 30-4-98 1 dated 28-5-98	7350	—	—	6786 1 5	—	6786 1 5	
Budget 5 / 11-3-99 1 dated 29-3-99 1 dated 12-1-99 1 dated 30-4-98 1 dated 28-5-98	8475	—	—	8249 5 6	—	8249 5 6	
Budget 3 dated 25-6-98 2 dated 28-6-98 7 dated 10-9-98 22 dated 11-3-99 1 dated 30-4-98	5830	—	—	4804 5 11	—	4804 5 11	
Budget 3 dated 25-6-98 7 dated 10-9-98 1 dated 29-3-99 1 dated 30-4-98 1 dated 28-5-98	10769	—	—	10168 14 5	—	10168 14 5	
Budget 2 dated 25-6-98 7 dated 10-9-98 11 dated 11-2-99 5 dated 11-11-99	6713	—	—	6846 13 4	—	6846 13 4	
Budget 2 / 11-2-99 1 dated 11-2-99 1 dated 28-5-98	6320	—	—	6074 13 11	—	6074 13 11	
Budget 2 / 25-6-98 7 dated 10-9-98 1 dated 30-4-98	4300	—	—	4099 2 7	—	4099 2 7	
Budget 2 / 25-6-98 1 dated 30-4-98	1730	—	—	1717 5 11	—	1717 5 11	
Budget 3 / 28-6-98 11 dated 12-1-99 1 dated 4-2-99	4079	—	—	4278 10 0	—	4278 10 0	

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Taluk.	Number of item in the Budget.	Description of Work.*	Amount of Estimate.
1	2	3	4
	14	Petty works	1976
		Total	87876
		Deduct amount transferred from general Savings of Maintenance and Communications Revenue works	
		Chittoor Taluk Board	
Chittoor	15	Road from Chittoor to Ponnai	1300
Do	16	—Do— to Parasarami	1400
Do	17	—Do— to Punamari	950
Do	18	—Do— to Angundra	1250
	19	Petty works	8048
		Total	13048
		Vellore Taluk Board	
Vellore	20	Road from Alamelupuram to Vakam	2100
Gudiyatham	21	Do—from Ernellam to Gudiyatham	1660
Do	22	Do— Ruppanna to Kangundra	1050

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5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Budget 3 11-5-98 7 dated 10-9-98 5 dated 11-5-99 5 dated 27-12-97 3 dated 12-1-99 3 dated 29-7-98 2,639 dated 26-2-98	728	—	—	—	6156 9	6156 9	
"	84393						
"	629	—	—	—	8091 51	8091 51	
Total	83764						
Budget 4 21-5-98	1300	—	—	—	1245 158	1245 158	
Do 2 dated 4-8-98	1370	—	—	—	1315 41	1315 41	
Do 4 dated 31-5-98	1050	—	—	—	979 32	979 32	
Do 1 dated 30-12-98	1210	—	—	—	1105 86	1105 86	
Budget 1 dated 30-4-98 1 dated 12-1-99 4 dated 21-5-98 1 dated 25-3-99 3 dated 16-11-98 2 dated 30-6-98 3 dated 11-1-98 1 dated 9-7-98 3 dated 28-1-98 6 dated 25-3-98	8437	—	—	—	7567 84	7567 84	
	13367	—	—	—	12213 129	12213 129	
Budget 2 10-98 1 dated 7-10-98	1980	—	—	—	1968 46	1968 46	
Budget 7 1 dated 9-12-98	1660	—	—	—	1646 129	1646 129	
Budget 11 Dated 16-8-98 Dated 24-6-98 16-2-98	1018	—	—	—	927 85	927 85	

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Taluk.	Number of item in the Budget.	Description of Work.*	Amount of Estimate.
1	2	3	4
Arcot	23	Road from Tiruvettipur to Mamandur	1402
	24	Petty works	18478
		Total	24688
		Ranipettai Taluk Board	
Wallajah	25	Road from Ranipettai to Tonmai	1310
—Do—	26	Do — Wallajapet to Ramakrishnarajapet	1690
—Do—	27	Do — Kavanpokham to Cholingur Railway Station	1090
—Do—	28	Do — Athmanur to Echur via Ammanur	1500
—Do—	29	Do — Yerpedu to Venkatagiri	2100
Kalahasti Division	30	Do — Kalahasti to Varadapolam	1760
—Do—	31	Forking of Cuddapah Trunk road from Nagari Railway station to Tada Railway station	1870
Ranipettai Do	32	Road from Kaklian Chatram to Kottalapalli via Pallipet from 1st to 25 mile	1300
—Do—	33	Do — Puttur Railway station to Nagalapuram as far as the boundary of the Chingleput District at the 13 mile stone.	16892
	34	Petty works	30862
		Total	

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5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Budget 9-12-98	1275	—	—	1259 4 2	—	1259 4 2	
2 dated 24-6-98							
Budget 2 & 4 6-3-99							
4 dated 6-2-99	18044	—	—	16686 5 1	—	16686 5 1	
6 dated 16-8-98							
1 dated 9-12-98							
2 dated 24-6-98							
1 dated 7-10-98							
4 dated 31-8-99							
5 dated 24-6-98							
8 dated 6-2-99							
	23977	—	—	22688 4 11	—	22688 4 11	
Budget 9 & 1 dated 15-4-98	1310	—	—	1308 13 11	—	1308 13 11	
8072 — Do	1490	—	—	1487 14 3	—	1487 14 3	
Do	1090	—	—	1085 4 1	—	1085 4 1	
Do	1500	—	—	1464 12 8	—	1464 12 8	
8082 dated 17-6-98	1550	—	—	1109 2 9	—	1109 2 9	
8084 Do	2100	—	—	1916 13 9	—	1916 13 9	
8071 Do	1760	—	—	1525 12 7	—	1525 12 7	
8081 dated 7-5-98	1870	—	—	1787 1 9	—	1787 1 9	
8091 dated 17-6-98	1300	—	—	1169 4 4	—	1169 4 4	
Bgt. 4 & 6 17-6-98							
799 dated 15-3-99							
27 dated 2 —							
9 dated 16-12-98							
5 dated 15-3-99	16955	—	—	14670 7 1	202 10 4	14873 1 5	+ By the Chairman of Tindivanam and Ranipettai Unions.
7 dated 17-6-98							
3 dated 20-8-98							
18 dated 29-7-98							
	30925						
	— 204	—	—	27525 2	202 10 4	27727 10 6	
	30721						

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Taluk.	Number of item in the Budget.	Description of Work.*	Amount of Estimate.
1	2	3	4
		Arni Taluk Board	
Vandiwash	35	Road from Vandiwash to Chetpat	1290
Do	36	Do — Cunjeveram to Vandiwash	1300
Do	37	Do — Vandiwash to Tindivanam	1370
Polur	38	Do — Arni to Ettivasi	1760
Do	39	Do — Chetpat to Polur	1290
Do	40	Do — Vasur to Kadalady Via Pakashikakol	1400
Do	41	Do — Arni to Chetpat	1800
	42	Petty works	3962
		Total	14102
		Deduct amount transferred from general Savings to New works Communications	
		Grand Total Communications & Repairs	170576
		Civil Buildings — Repairs	
		1. Hospitals and Dispensaries	
		District Board	
Chittoor	1	Petty works	149
		Chittoor Taluk Board	
Palmanair	2	Petty works	30
		Vellore Taluk Board	
Arcot and Gunjikan	3	Petty works	62

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5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Budget 22-2-99							
4 dated 20-6-98	1090	—	—	1071 12 6	—	1071 12 6	
3 dated 28-3-99							
Budget 22-2-99	1500	—	—	1411 4 —	—	1411 4 —	
do 5 dated 22-2-99	1146	—	—	1132 11 11	—	1132 11 11	
3 do 8-3-99							
do 9 & 37 dated 22-2-99	1489	—	—	1530 8 4	—	1530 8 4	
do 93 dated 17-12-98	1080	—	—	1028 8 1	—	1028 8 1	
7 dated 22-2-99							
do 94 dated 20-2-98							
7 dated 22-2-99	1180	—	—	992 12 2	—	992 12 2	
do 93 dated 17-12-98	1631	—	—	1493 11 —	—	1493 11 —	
47 dated 22-2-99							
Budget 4 dated 20-6-98 6 dated 17-12-98 186 dated 20-3-99 578 dated 22-2-99 5713 dated 22-2-99 4 dated 16-7-98 9 dated 20-3-99 293 dated 8-3-99	5038	—	—	2525 12 —	—	2525 12 —	
	14154						
	75	—	—	1187 — —	—	1187 — —	
	14079						
	165908	—	—	15[illegible] 9 9	202 10 4	197[illegible] 2 1	
Budget 7 dated 10-9-98	200	—	—	20 4 5	—	20 4 5	
3 dated 28-4-98	9	—	—	9 — —	—	9 — —	
dated 1-9-98	62	—	—	60 5 7	—	60 5 7	

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Taluk.	Number of item in the Budget.	Description of Work.*	Amount of Estimate.
1	2	3	
		Miscellaneous Public Improvement & Superintendence of avenues	
	1	District Board	
		Chittoor Taluk Board	
		Vellore Taluk Board	
		Ranipettai Taluk Board	
		Arni Taluk Board.	
		Total maintenance of avenues	
		ii Tanks and wells	
		Ranipettai Taluk Board	
Chandragiri	2	Petty work	544
		iii Markets	
		Chittoor Taluk Board	
Palmanair & Punganur Do.	3	Petty works	350
		Vellore Taluk Board	
Vellore & Gudiyatham	4	Petty works	716
		Ranipettai Taluk Board	
Ballajah & Kaveripak Do.	5	Petty works	232
		Arni Taluk Board	
Wandiwash	6	Petty works	110
		Total markets	1358

Fund ~~District~~ ~~Taluk~~ of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Date and Number of Sanction.	Total Amount sanctioned in the year.	Expenditure: From the commencement of the work up to the close of the preceding year.	Expenditure: In the year under report — By Public Works Department.	By Local Fund Engineering Department	By other Agency.	Total (of columns 8, 9 and 10).	Remarks on the progress made during the year.
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
				3299-6		3299-6	
Budget	3500			504 1 8		504 1 8	
—Do—	500			977 9 10		977 9 10	
—Do—	1000			989 5 5	47 68	1037 5 5	+ By the Chairman of Arkonam Union.
—Do—	1050			262 11 3		262 11 3	
—Do—	300						
	6350			6032 4 3	48	6080 12 8	
9 dated 17-6-98				490		490	
5 dated 20-5-98	544						
1 dated 30-1-98	77						
Budget and 3 dated 7-10-98	576			195 4	124 10 7	319 14 7	+ By the Chairman of Ambur Union and by Tahsildar of Kaveripak
Budget & 6 dated 27-10-98 7 dated 17-6-98 2920 dated 17-6-98	217			93 3 10	101 3 1	194 6 11	+ By the Chairman of Ranipettai Union
506 dated 22-2-97 5 dated 17-12-98	110			66 2 1		66 2 1	
	980			354 9 11	225 13 8	580 7 7	

III.—Statement showing the Progress of New Works and Repairs in the Local

Taluk.	Number of item in the Budget.	Description of Work.*	Amount of Estimate.
1	2	3	
		iv other Repair Works	
Chittoor	1	Petty works (Chittoor Taluk Board)	4
		Total Miscellaneous Public Improvements	
		Repairs	1906

Fund ~~District~~ / ~~Taluk~~ of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Date and Number of Sanction.	Total Amount sanctioned in the year.	Expenditure					Remarks on the progress made during the year.
		From the commencement of the work up to the close of the preceding year.	In the year under report				
			By Public Works Department.	By Local Fund Engineering Department	By other Agency.	Total (of columns 8, 9 and 10).	
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
—	4	"	"	"	4 4	4 4	*By the chairman chittoor Union
	7878	"	"	6877 67	278 1	7155 8 3	

" Buildings " and lastly, those under " Miscellaneous Public Improvements." Repair works should the follow in the same order.

14500 | 14260 | 98.3
13050
1210
1160
50
43
6

IV-A.—Statement showing the Mileage and Cost of Roads constructed and repaired out of

Taluks.	Number of miles of road in charge of Local Boards at the commencement of the year.			Number of miles of new road constructed during the year.			Cost of new roads constructed during the year.		
	Village.	Taluk.	District.	Village.	Taluk.	District.	Village	Taluk.	District
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
							RS.	RS.	RS.
District Board	"	"	579 5/8	"	"	"	"	"	"
Chittoor Taluk Board	82 3/8	224 13/16	"	2	"	"	169	"	"
Vellore Taluk Board	45 1/2	248 5/8	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Ranipettai Taluk Board	75 3/8	370 1/6	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Arni Taluk Board	41 1/2	130 7/8	"	9 3/4	"	"	591	"	"
Total	244 3/4	974 23/48	579 5/8	11 3/4	"	"	760	"	"

Taluks.	Expenditure on roads surveyed and in progress.			Total outlay on roads.					Land-cess appertaining to	
	Village.	Taluk.	District.	Village	Taluk.	Total.	District.	Grand Total.	Taluk.	District
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
District Board	"	"	"	"	"	"	80808	80808	"	123602
Chittoor Taluk Board	"	"	"	2498	9463	11961	"	11961	19065	"
Vellore Do	"	"	"	1857	17331	22188	"	22188	31753	"
Ranipettai Do	"	"	"	5323	22387	27710	"	27710	44144	"
Arni Do	"	"	"	2620	9128	11748	"	11748	28857	"
Total	"	"	"	15298	58309	73607	80808	154415	123801	123602

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Number of miles of road repaired during the year.			Cost of repairs.			Average cost of maintaining each mile of road repaired.			Number of miles of road in progress and surveyed.		
Village.	Taluk.	District.	Village	Taluk.	District.	Village.	Taluk.	District.	Village	Taluk.	District.
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
			RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS	RS.			
"	"	505 3/4	"	"	80808	"	"	160	"	"	"
36 1/4	140 5/8	"	2329	9463	"	64	67	"	"	"	"
43 1/4	247 1/2	"	4857	17331	"	112	70	"	"	"	"
56 7/8	322	"	5323	22387	"	94	70	"	"	"	"
41 1/2	125	"	2629	9128	"	49	73	"	"	"	"
177 7/8	835 1/8	505 3/4	14538	58309	80808	82	70	160	"	"	

Percentage of column 28 to column 31.	Percentage of column 29 to column 32.	Remarks
33	34	35
"	65.27	The Variations in the number of miles of roads maintained by the Chittoor, Ranipettai and Arni Boards as compared with the number in the previous year (1897-98) are explained in the statement showing the length of road communications maintained in 1898-99 submitted to Government as the office Dis Do 580 dated 28-6-99.
62.80	"	
69.87	"	
62.77	"	
40.70	"	
59.45	65.27	

IV-B.—Statement showing the length, &c., of Road avenues in the Local Fund

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Length in miles of road avenues	Number of trees in the avenues at the end of the previous year.	Number of trees planted during the year.	Number of trees perished during the year.	Total number of trees at the end of the year	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6
1018/2	225245 *	11884	6246	230883	* The increase of 13207 trees as compared with the total number of trees at the end of 1897-98 is the net result of an increase of 13240 trees appearing in all the local Boards except Ranipettai and due to the existence of the self grown trees found on actual recounting, and of a decrease of 33 trees in the Ranipettai Taluk board belonging to private individuals and removed by unknown in the past year's returns but now excluded.

V.—Statement showing the Receipts and Charges of Tolls and Ferries in the

Name of tolls and ferries.	Date and number of sanction.	Rate of toll (maximum, half the maximum, &c.).	Under amani or leased.
1	2	3	4
Tolls under the management of the District Board.			
1. Toll gate at Chittoor at the 95 mile of the road from Chittoor to Vellore.		Half the maximum	
2. Do — at Pakmanair at 25 p. mile of the road from Pakmanair to Gunjakam.		Do	
3. Do — at the 23 p. mile of the road from Chittoor to Pakmanair east of the Cart tracks leading to Manammangipallis		Do	
4. Do — at the junction of the Madanapallis and Sadum roads near Punganur		Do	
5. Do — at Venkatagirikota at the junction of the Gungatam Venkatagirikota road with the Kuppam Pakmanair road		Do	
6. Do — at Amboor at the 116½ mile to the west of the spot where the Madras Cabinet road and the Cross road to Amboor town meet.		Do	
7. Do on the road from the Railway Station to Ranipettai at the 1 mile where it is met by the Cart tracks leading to Arcot & Villages and crossing the road from Wallajapet to Arcot Railway Station.		Do	
8. Toll gate at Ramakrishnarajupet at the junction of the road from Vellore to Ramakrishnarajupet and Tirukkani Railway Station to Ramakrishnarajupet		Do	
9. Do — at the 19¼ mile of the Ranipet road about a furlong from the Village of Kannali		Do	
10. Two toll gates to the North of the Kamandalnadi one at the 18 mile of the Arcot Arni road and the other at the 18¾ mile of the Vellore Arni road at the point where it is joined by the branch road from Athimbapet		Do	
11. Do — at Potur at the junction of the Vellore and Chittoor roads.		Do	
12. Do — South of Tandavanam on the 25 mile of the Tindivanam road.		Do	

Receipts.	Expenditure. On works.	Establishment.	Contingencies.	Total.	Remarks.
5	6	7	8	9	10
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Ps.	Ps.	
1800 10 7	"	"	"	"	(a) Lease amount collected Rs 1800 — Interest on over due payments 2-9-10 Excess Collection " — 9 Total Rs 1802-10-7
1000 12 6	195	"	"	195	(b) Lease amount Collected Rs 1000 — Interest on over due payments a-12-6 Total Rs 1000-12-6
1912 " 9	220 13 2	"	"	220 13 2	(c) Lease amount Collected Rs 1905 — Interest on over due payments 7 — 9 Total Rs 1912 — 9
1161 2 1	23 2 4	"	1 "	24 2 4	(d) Lease amount Collected Rs 1160 — Interest on over due payments 1-2-1 Total Rs 1161-2-1
375 14 3	205 2 8	"	"	205 2 8	(e) Lease amount Collected Rs 375 — Interest on over due payments " — 6-8 Excess Collection " — 7-7 Total Rs 375-14-3
1107 7 "	13 12 4	"	"	13 12 4	(f) Lease amount Collected Rs 1105 — Interest on over due payments 2-6-4 Excess Collection " — 8 Total Rs 1107-7 —
500 9 "	484 "	"	"	484 "	(g) Lease amount for 1898-99 Rs 3260 Amount actually paid by the lessee 3087 — — Or of Composition for Toll leased in 1898-99 for that year to be taken Credit for the less realized 69 — — Amount of Composition for Toll Rs 104 Collected for 1898-99 in January 1898 in the preceding year which has to be taken credit for the Contractors dues made up the lease amount.
2039 10 5	"	17 "	2 94	19 94	(h) Interest on over due payments 1-2-11 Excess Collection " — 2 Total Rs 3157-3
449 11 "	25 "	"	"	25 "	(i) Lease amount Collected Rs 500 — Interest on over due payments " — 9 Total Rs. 500-9
9349 4 6	731 2 6	17 "	4 14	752 3 10	

Leased out.

Total ..

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V.—Statement showing the Receipts and Charges of Tolls and Ferries in the

Name of tolls and ferries.	Date and number of sanction.	Rate of toll (maximum, half the maximum, &c.).	Under amani or leased.
1	2	3	4
Tolls under the management of the District Board.			
1. Toll gate at Chittoor at the 95 mile of the road from Chittoor to Vellore.		Half the maximum	
2. Do — at Palmaner at 25 3/8 mile of the road from Palmaner to Gurramkonda.		Do	
3. Do — at the 23 3/8 mile of the road from Chittoor to Palmaner east of the Cart track leading to Nanammanjinipalli		Do	
4. Do — at the junction of the Madanapalli and Sadum roads near Ringanur		Do	
5. Do — at Venkatagirikota at the junction of the Gurramkonda Venkatagirikota road with the Kuppam Palmaner road		Do	
6. Do — at Amboor at the 116 1/2 mile to the west of the spot where the Madras Cabinet road and the Cross road to Ambur town meet.		Do	
7. Do on the road from the Railway station to Ranipettai at the lake where it is met by the Cart track leading to Amanthakal &c. Villages and crossing the road from Walajapet to Arcot Railway station.		Do	
8. Toll gate at Ramakrishnaraopet at the junction of the road from Vellore to Ramakrishnaraopet and Tiruttani Railway station to Ramakrishnaraopet		Do	
9. Do — at the 19 1/4 mile of the Naidupet road about a furlong from the Village of Kannali		Do	
10. Two toll gates to the North of the Kammandalapuram one at the 18 mile of the Arcot Arni road and the other at the 18 3/4 mile of the Vellore Arni road at the point where it is joined by the branch road from Athimulapet		Do	
11. Do — at Pillur at the junction of the Vellore and Chittoor roads.		Do	
12. Do — South of Nandiyambakam on the 25 mile of the Tiruvannamalai road.		Do	

T. G. Rates

1st June 1889 to 12 49 2 pies
2nd April 1889 to 75 2 pies
25 — do — 319 2 pies
30 — May 1889 to 1246 2 pies
4 — January 89 to 2575 2 pies
7th January 1890 to 14 2 pies
10th March 1891 to 526 2 pies
18th June 1892 to 1448 2 pies
19th February 1895 to 308 2 pies
6th January 1896 to 2 2 pies
16th January 1898 to 2165 2 pies
19th August 1897 to 1546 2 pies
15 — do — 1895 to 1877 2 pies

Leased out.

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Receipts.	Expenditure. On works.	Establishment.	Contingencies.	Total.	Remarks.
5	6	7	8	9	10
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Ps.	Ps.	
(a) 1802 10 7	— — — — — — — —			— —	(a) Lease amount Collected — Rs 1800 — Interest on over due payments — 2-9-10 Excess Collection — — 9 Total Rs 1802-10-7
(b) 1000 12 6	195 — — — — — — —			195 —	
(c) 1912 — 9	220 13 2 — — — — —			220 13 2	(b) Lease amount Collected — Rs 1000 — Interest on over due payments — a-12-6 Total Rs 1000-12-6
(d) 1161 2 1	23 2 4 — — —	(e) 1 — —		24 2 4	(c) Lease amount Collected — Rs 1905 — Interest on over due payments — 7 — 9 Total Rs 1912 — a — 9
(e) 375 14 3	205 2 8 — — — — —			205 2 8	
(f) 1107 7 —	13 12 4 — — — — —			13 12 4	(d) Lease amount Collected — Rs 1160 — Interest on over due payments — 1-2-1 Total Rs 1161-2-1
(g) 357 3 1	— — — — — — — —			— —	(e) Lease amount Collected — Rs 375 — Interest on over due payments — a — 6-8 Excess Collection — — 7-7 Total Rs 375-14-3
(h) 500 9 —	484 — — — — — — —			484 —	(f) Lease amount Collected — Rs 1105 — Interest on over due payments — 2-6-4 Excess Collection — — 8 Total Rs 1107-7-—
(i) 7283 7 —	— — — — — — — —			— —	(g) Lease amount for 1898-99 Rs 3260 Amount actually paid by the lessee — 3087 — — Or of Composition for tolls leased in 1898-99 for that year to be taken Credit for the less amount due — 69 — — Amount of Composition for tolls Rs 104 Collected for 1898-99 in January 1898 in the previous year which has to be taken credit for the Contractors dues makes up the lease amount. — — —
(j) 4213 14 3	— — — — — — — —			— —	
(k) 2039 10 5	— — — 17 — —	(m) 2	(n) 94	19 9 4	(h) Interest on over due payments — 1-2-11 Excess Collection — — 2 Total Rs 3157-3-1
(l) 449 11 —	25 — — — — — —	(p) 8 —		25 8 —	(h) Lease amount Collected — Rs 500 — — Interest on over due payments — a — 9 — Total Rs 500 — —
449 2 6					
31 2 6					
17 — —					
4 1 4					
52 3 10					

V.—Statement showing the Receipts and Charges of Tolls and Ferries in the

Name of tolls and ferries.	Date and number of sanction.	Rate of toll (maximum, half the maximum, &c.).	Under amani or leased.
			Bungalow for S
Vellore Tolls			
Contribution paid by the Vellore Municipality — 3172-2-8			
Do — Gudiyatham Do 571-1-2			
Do — Vellajala Do 840-4-6			
Do — Tirupati Do 840-6-10			

Grand Total

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Receipts.	Expenditure. On works.	Establishment.	Contingencies.	Total.	Remarks.
5	6	7	8	9	10
Rs. 18449 2 6	Rs. 731 2 6	Rs. 17 - -	Rs. 4 1 4	Rs. 752 3 10	(a) Lease amount collected — 700 — — Amount of Compositions fees collected and subsequently refunded to the parties, the collections having been made out of time, and the lessee having paid the full lease amount inclusive of over due payments — 2-2-9 Excess collections — — 10 Total Rs 728-3-7
10223 15 2	- -	- -	- -	- -	(b) Lease amount for 1898-99 Rs 4900 * Amount of Collections towards the lease amount — 4206-12- Interest on over due payments — 7-2-3 * For the difference of Rs 193-4- vide remarks in Statement XII. Total Rs 4213-14-
					(c) Lease amount Collected — Rs 2000 — The amani collections of 31st March 1898 i.e. of the previous year remitted into the Treasury — 6 — Interest on over due payments — 6-9-1 Excess collections — 9-0- Amount of Compositions for tolls Collected during the year for 1899-1900 but subsequently refunded being paid the lease amount in full — 18 — Total Rs — 2039-6-
					(d) Lease amount Collected — 355 — Arrear Collections (Vide remarks in Statement VII.) — 94-11- Total 449-11-
28673 1 8	731 2 6	17 - -	4 1 4	752 3 10	(m) This amount is the pay of the establishment for March 1898 when the gate was managed departmentally and paid in April 1898. (n) Represents Rs 2-1-4 the Contingencies for March 1898 and Rs 2-8-— the house tax on the toll shed for 1898-99. paid in April in 1898. (o) This amount is the house tax paid for the toll shed. (p) Do — Do —

VI.—Statement of Receipts and Expenditure on account of Endowments in the

Designation of endowments.	Receipts.								
	Balance.	Government contributions.	Other contributions.	Interest.	Rents and produce of land and market fees.	Miscellaneous.	Contribution from General Local Revenues		Total.
							As loan.	As contribution.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Hospitals									
1 Sirupatti	536 9 4					17 14 9		1641 13 2	2214 13 3
2 Ramipettai		2065 8 -	244 5 2			8 10 0		2357 2 2	5376 14 4
Total	536 9 4	2065 8 -	244 5 2			26 9 9		4598 15 4	7591 7 7
Chattrams									
1 Kattamanchi	27 - -					16 5 -			43 5 -
2 Arcot Langerkhana	2587 5 10	1200 - -							3787 5 10
3 Annaikattu Chattram at Sholinghur	523 - 9	1280 9 5							1803 10 2
4 Arkonam	392 7 6				154 7 1				546 14 7
5 Ramipettai	9 8 -								9 8 -
Total	3339 1 -	2480 9 5				170 4 2 1			5989 15 6
Schools									
1 Sommasundara Mudaliyar's School	11 6 8				114 9 4		34 6 -		160 2 -
2 Muhammadan Orphan School chuck	1692 14 8	1271 12 - (a)			69 13 2				2934 8 -
3 Yeomial School do	2621 15 7	1266 9 -							3888 8 7
Total	4325 12 3	2538 5 -			184 2 6		34 6 -		6982 18 9
Markets									
1 Chittoor Taluk Board	2768 3 11					30 2 5 -	60 15 3	1000 - -	3859 1 8
2 Vellore do	3458 3 7					372 5 3 6 4 -		637 - -	7864 7 10
3 Ramipettai do	3805 9 5					420 4 4	25 4 9	1377 3 2	7844 5 10
4 Arni do	2101 6 -					525 11 4	3 8 -		2940 7 4
Total of markets	12134 6 11					1317 5 1	3 12 2	2714 5 2	16708 14 3
Grand Total for Endowments	20197 14 6	7083 13 5	344 5 8	184 2 6	1317 5 1	373 2 9		7312 5 7	37811 15 5

Note.—The Transactions relating to markets should be shown in lump for each taluk and the number of

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Expenditure.												Balance.	Remarks.
Allotted for public works.	Cost of supervision and tools and plant.	Fixed charges.	Contingent charges.	Allotted for education.	Allotted for dispensary.	Allotted for other purposes.	Repayment of loan.	Number of travellers halted.	Number of travellers fed.	Cost of feeding.	Total.		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
											8072 6 5 7		
1290 12 10	261 2 4	1748 4 9	1882 7								5236 14 -		
670 - -	126 11 2	1602 9	1129 7 8	23							10348 3 10		
2088 12 10	387 13 6	3258 4	8465 8 10										
											18 -	25 5 -	
		12 -	6										
		132	1								1812 4 4	1485 4 11	1891 1 11
		396 -	14 135								702 7 8	1135 5 1	4905 5 1
370 - 2	57 - 11	1077 9	32 145								461 7 3	855 7 3	
5 11 6	1 23 1	96	18 -								9 15 3		
276 1 8	52 3 2	649 3	56 3 10								2534 12 7	3568 - 6	6422 13 3
											140 15 8	19 14 6	
		112 -	28 5 8								1007 9 9	926 14 3	
		204 7 9	693 2 -			110 -					1242 8 7	2446 9 2	(a) Includes Rs. 1266-9-0 Bandipalayam
		1124 6 7	78 7 -			240 -					259 1 9	4396 9 -	
		1440 4 4	500 1 8			350 -							Number of markets and Slaughter houses. / Number in which fees are levied.
131 12 7	24 15 3	515 3 1	26 3 -								3462 13 2	3370 14 -	21 / 21
436 6 7	82 4 6	3755 6 5	21 - -								4812 10 5	3205 8 -	21 / 21
(a) 1901 1 8	267 2 -	5705 3 8	282 7 5			4	4837 6 5				7863 7 9	4885 5 1	18 / 18
76 2 1	14 5 8 3 6	- 5 -					770 - -				901 7 9	2058 1 7	15 / 14
2593 4 11	388 10 3	4976 11	337 6 5				12870 5 2				17028 4 8	3764 1 5	
4830 5 5	838 11 11	6538 5 2	5863 14 9				13640 5 2				25340 7 3	23082 2 -	13882 5 5

markets in each taluk and the number in which fees are levied should be given in the remarks column.

(a) Includes Rs. 347-3-7 being the cost of repair of Ramipettai

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VI-A.—Statement showing investments in favour of Endowed institutions in charge of Local Boards in the Local Fund ~~District~~ / ~~Taluk~~ of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Taluk.	Name of the endowment.	Amount invested.	Whether in Savings Bank or Government Securities.	Rate of interest (per cent.)	Amount of interest drawn during the year.			Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6			7
		Rs.			Rs.			
Chittoor	B. Krishniah's School at Bommasamudram village	4000	Government Security	3½ per cent per annum	114	9	4	
		⊕ 91-6-3	Postal savings bank	3½ do calculated at 3 pies a month in each multiple of Rs 6 portion below Rs 6 being neglected				⊕ The difference of Rs 29-2-0 between the figure and that shown in the statement for 1897-98 is due to — (a) Rs 1-14-0 being the interest adjusted by the postal department for 1897-98 at — (b) Rs 27-4-0 being the balance that remained after the purchase of Government promote for Rs 1350 the Lala endowment grant sanctioned in G.O. Rd. No. 463 Ecol dated 10th August 1897, deposited in the Postal savings Banks
Arcot	Muhammadan Orphan School at Arcot	2000	Government Security	3½ per cent per annum	69	13	2	
Total ..		6091-6-3	-	-	184	6	6	

VI-A.—Statement showing investments in favour of Endowed institutions in charge of Local Boards in the Local Fund ~~District~~ / ~~Taluk~~ of North Arcot for the official year 1898 -99.

Taluk.	Name of the endowment.	Amount invested.	Whether in Savings Bank or Government Securities.	Rate of interest (per cent.)	Amount of interest drawn during the year.			Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6			7
		Rs.			Rs.			
Chittoor	B. Krishniers School at Bommasamudram village	4000	Government Security	3½ per cent per annum	114	9	4	
		⊛ 91-6-3	Postal savings bank	3½ - due calculated at 3 pies a month on each multiple of Rs 6 portion below that being neglected				⊛ The difference of Rs 29-2-0 between this figure and that shown in this statement for 1897-98 is due to — (a) Rs 1-14-0 being the interest adjusted by the postal department for 1897-98 at — (b) Rs 27-4-0 being the balance that remained after the purchase of Government promotes for Rs 1350 the last endowment grant sanctioned in G.O No. 463 Educ dated 10th August 1897, deposited in the Postal savings Banks
Arcot	Muhammadan Orphan School at Arcot	2000	Government Security	3½ per cent per annum	69	13	2	
Total ..		6091-6-3	-	-	184	6	6	

VII.—Statement showing the Demand, Collection and Balance of Land cess and miscellaneous items of Revenue in the Local Fund District ~~Taluk~~ of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Items.	Rate of Tax.	Demand.			Collections.			Balance.			Remarks.
		Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Arrears.	Current.	Total.	Remissions.	Amount written off as irrecoverable.	Arrears	Current.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
1 Land cess	one anna with rupee of land cess income	30170 4 3	268717 - 9	298887 5 -	291801 10	21822 7 11	247603 3 9	- - -	31 4 9	957 9 8	50294 8 10	51252 2 6	※ Vide P.O. No. 1176 Land Revenue dated 30th June 1898.
2 Tolls	half the maximum rate	212 15 -	19060 - -	19272 15 -	100 11 -	18262 12 -	18363 7 - (c)	- - -	112 4 - ※	- - -	7974 -	7974 -	× Of this amount, Rs 693-4-6 is due by the defaulting lessee of the Arni toll-gate for 1898-99. A civil suit has been filed against the defaulter for the recovery of that amount. The remaining sum of Rs 104 is only a nominal balance as it represents the toll commutation fees in respect of the Ranipettai toll-gate for the year under report but collected in January 1899 & credited in the accounts of 1899-900 (vide remarks (c) in Col: 10 of statement V for that year.)
3 House-tax	maximum rate	495 8 8	26155 15 9	26651 8 5	404 10 -	25498 11 11	25901 5 11 (c)	106 9 4	90 14 8	- - -	552 10 6	552 10 6	
4 Fishery rents		1119 15 -	8429 4 4	9549 3 4	1119 15 -	7466 8 8	8586 7 8 (c)	- - -	- - -	- - -	962 11 8	962 11 8	
5 Ferry rents		- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	
Endowment Fund.													
6 Interest on Government securities	3½ per loan	- - -	184 6 6	184 6 6	- - -	184 6 6	184 6 6	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	
7 Money-rent of land ..		- - -	60 - -	60 - -	- - -	60 - -	60 - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	
8 Value of produce and rent in kind of land		- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	
9 Money allowances due from Government		- - -	7018 4 5	7018 4 5	- - -	7018 4 5	7018 4 5	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -	
Total ..		31998 10 11	329626 4 5 (d)	361623 15 4	303805 15 10	276931 3 5	307717 3 3	106 9 4	235 1 5	957 9 8	52607 3 -	53564 12 8	

Details of arrears (column 11).

Items.	1895-96.	1896-97.	1897-98.	Total.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1 Land cess	- - -	- - -	957 9 8	957 9 8
2 Tolls	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
3 House-tax	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
4 Fishery rents	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
5 Ferry rents	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
Endowment Fund.				
6 Interest on Government securities	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
7 Money-rent of land	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
8 Value of produce and rent in kind of land	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
9 Money allowances due from Government	- - -	- - -	- - -	- - -
Total ..	- - -	- - -	957 9 8	957 9 8

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(a) This is the demand settled after Jamma bandi & hence the difference between the closing balance of 1897-98 and the arrear demand shown in this statement.

(b) The difference of Rs 6 between this & five and the closing balance as per statement VII for 1897-98 represents the amount collection of the 31st March 1898 in respect of the Arni toll-gate which was remitted into the treasury on the 1st April 1898.

(c) For the difference between this & five and the total Collections as per statement I.A & V, vide remarks in Col: 10 of the latter statement

(d) This is the total of the amounts shown against I (a), & VI (a) in statement I.A.

VIII.—Statement showing the Statistics of Local Fund Schools in the

Schools.	Number of Schools.				No. on rolls on the 31st March 1899.		Average number on the rolls monthly during the year.	Receipts.			
	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 Municipal Funds.	School fees.	Other receipts.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
I Seasonal Schools								Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1 Srinpati	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2 Kalahasti	1	.	1	.	.	.	4	.	.	.	.
3 Perumkanchi	.	1	1	.	.	.	7	.	.	.	.
4 Panapak	.	1	1	.	.	.	8	.	.	.	.
5 Arumanu	.	1	.	1	6	.	6	.	.	.	.
6 Wallajah	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
7 Wallajah	1	.	1	.	.	.	7	.	.	.	.
8 Arni	.	1	1	.	.	.	10	.	.	.	.
9 Wandewash	.	1	1	.	.	.	10	.	.	.	.
10 Vellore	.	1	.	1	8	.	8	.	.	.	.
Total	2	6	6	2	14	.	60	.	.	.	.
II Upper Secondary Schools & Departments											
1 High school, Chittoor	1	.	.	1	103	.	90	508	9	.	334/14 · 3 3 11
III Lower Secondary Schools & Departments											
(a) Salary System											
1 High School, Chittoor	1	.	.	1	132	.	110	847	55	.	220 5 1 · 1 15 1
2 Middle-do-, Arcot	1	.	.	1	31	.	35	424	.	.	61 7 10 · .
3 do —, Arni	1	.	.	1	87	.	84	402	45	.	146 8 10 6 · .
Total	3	.	.	3	250	.	229	1673	1210	.	429 15 6 1 15 1
Total ..											

Notes.—(1) Information regarding the actual number of schools of different grades should be given in the remarks column of the statement

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Local Fund District ~~Taluk~~ of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Total.	Expenditure.								Net cost to Local Funds.	Average net cost per pupil in each class of Local Fund Schools.	Remarks.
	Masters.			Clerks and Servants	Stipends and Scholarships.	House-rent, Library, furniture, apparatus and appliances.	Contingencies and Miscellaneous.	Total.			
	Fixed salary.	Fixed and result stipends	School fees.								
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
. . 25	. . . .	. .	8 30	. . 2	. . 1 10	59 2	. . 59 2	. . . .			N.B. The Seasonal schools at Srinpati and Wallajah — Nos 1 & 6 respectively — are shown here as their charges for March 1898 etc for 1897-98 were paid in April 1898 i.e in the official year under report. The latter continued in the same place for the next season
. . 75	. . . .	. .	18 94	8 75	. . 4 96	14 2 14 6	14 2 14 6	35 11 7			
. . 75	. . . .	. .	18 80	65 4	8 11 6	4 4 ·	17 0 6	10 17 0 6	10 24 5 7		
. . 75	. . . .	. .	18 116	72 7	12 4 ·	. .	20 4 11	2 20 4 11	2 25 9 5		
. . 75	. . . .	. .	1 .	. . .	6 8 ·	3 13 3	6 4 5 3	6 4 5 3	10 3 6		
. . 50	. . . .	. .	. .	. . .	8 36	9 10 2	. . 26 1	66 7 11	66 7 11	. . .	
. . 25	. . . .	. .	18 100	. . 6	. . 3 1 9	185 9 9	185 9 9	26 8 3			
. . 75	. . . .	. .	. .	. . 96	2 · 2 9 6	5 2 9	178 14 3	178 14 3	17 14 8		
. . 75	. . . .	. .	. .	. . 8	97 3 2	4 13 ·	3 8 6	18 1 · 8	18 · 8	18 18	
. . 50	. . . .	. .	. .	. . 8	. . .	74 · 5 8 ·	6 3 4 ·	6 3 4 ·	7 14 6		
. . 600	. . . .	. .	. .	. . 9	. . 64	13 6 5 4	5 · 3 7	15 7 0	13 13 12 4	13 13 12 4	21 14 4
3859 10	11 3 6 8 2 ·	. .	. .	. . 164	. . 2	. . .	73 3 11	74 9 10	400 15	11 14 2 5 ·	1 9 4
3055 2	6 2 3 6 8 7 5	. .	. .	. . 273	57	. . .	128 9 1	17 6 3	288 7 2 4	7 1 1	. . .
1041 10	· 1 2 4 9 2 9	. .	. .	. . 41	13	. . .	. . 18 6	1 3 0 8 11	· 26 7 1	· 7 10 1	
1870 14	11 12 8 2 5 7	. .	. .	. . 43	15 3	. . .	63 14 4	5 13 4 7	1 6 · 5 3 3	. . .	
5767 11	5 4 8 0 3 9	. .	. .	. . 358	47	. . .	128 15 4	14 5 11 2	554 3 8 10	· 4 2 4 2	. . .

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VIII.—Statement showing the Statistics of Local Fund Schools in the

Schools.	Number of Schools.				No. on rolls on the 31st March 1899.		Average number on the rolls monthly during the year.	Receipts.			
	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 Municipal Funds.	School fees.	Other receipts.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
I Sessional Schools								Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1 Tirupati	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
2 Kalahasti	1	.	1	.	.	.	4	.	.	.	.
3 Perumkanchi	.	1	1	.	.	.	7	.	.	.	.
4 Panapak	.	1	1	.	.	.	8	.	.	.	.
5 Ammani	.	1	.	1	6	.	6	.	.	.	.
6 Wallajah	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
7 Wallajah	1	.	1	.	.	.	7	.	.	.	.
8 Arni	.	1	1	.	.	.	10	.	.	.	.
9 Vandavasi	.	1	1	.	.	.	10	.	.	.	.
10 Vellore	.	1	.	1	8	.	8	.	.	.	.
Total	2	6	6	2	14	.	60	.	.	.	.
II Upper Secondary Schools & Departments											
1 High school, Chittoor	1	.	.	1	103	.	90	508 9 .	.	324 14 .	3 3 11
III Lower Secondary Schools & Departments											
(a) Salary System											
1 High School, Chittoor	1	.	.	1	132	.	110	847 55	.	220 5 11 .	1 15 1
2 Middle do., Arcot	1	.	.	1	31	.	35	424 .	.	61 7 6 .	.
3 do —— , Arni	1	.	.	1	87	.	84	402 45	.	146 8 10 6	.
Total	3	.	.	3	250	.	229	1673 12 10	.	429 15 6	1 15 1
Total ..											

Notes.—(1) Information regarding the actual number of schools of different grades should be given in the remarks column of the statement.

(2) The number of secondary and other students in the training schools during the year and the number of students that appeared for and passed

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Local Fund ~~District~~ Taluk of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Total.	Expenditure. Masters. Fixed salary.	Masters. Fixed and result stipends	Masters. School fees.	Clerks and Servants	Stipends and Scholarships.	House-rent, Library, furniture, apparatus and appliances.	Contingencies and Miscellaneous.	Total.	Net cost to Local Funds.	Average net cost per pupil in each class of Local Fund Schools.	Remarks.
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
. . 25	. . . .	. . 8 30	. . 2	. . 1 10	. 59 2	. 59 2	. . .				Nos 5 & 6 Sessional schools at Tirupati and Wallajah — Nos 1 & 6 respectively — are shown here as their charges for March 1898 etc for 1897-98 were paid in April 1898 etc in the official year under report. The latter continued in the same place for the next Season
. . 75	. . . .	. . 18 54	8	4 6	4 .	170 6	10 170	6 12 4	5 7		
. . 75	. . . .	. . 18 80	15 4	8	4 6	4 .	170 6	10 170	6 12 4	5 7	
. . 75	. . . .	. . 18 116	7 2	7 2	4 .	20 4	11 2	20 4	11 2	2 5 9	5
. . 50	. . . .	. . 1 .	. .	. .	. .	6 8	3 6	3	6 4	5 3	6 5 3 10 3 6
. . 25	. . . .	. . 8 36	9 10	2 .	26	6 6	7 11	6 8	7 11	. .	
. . 75	. . . .	. . 18 100	. .	6 .	3	9	18 5	9 9	18 5	9 9	2 6 8 3
. . 75	. . . .	. . . .	962	. 2	9 6	5 2	9	178	14 3	178	14 3 17 14 3
. . 75	. . . .	. . 8	97	3 2	4	13	3	8 6	18	8	18 18 18 for the next Season
. . 75	. . . .	. . 8	. . .	74	58	6	3	4	6	3	4 7 4 6
. . 50	. . . .	. . 8	. . .	74	58	6	3	4	6	3	4 7 4 6
. . 600	. . . .	. . 9	61	13	6	5	4	15	3	7	10 13 13 12 4 13 13 12 4 21 14 4
3859 10 11	3686 2	. . . .	. .	164	2	. .	77	3	11	74	9 10 40 0 15 11 14 2 5 . 1 9 4
30552	6 23 6 8 7 5	. . . .	. .	473	57	. .	128	9	1	17	6 5 28 8 7 12 4
1041	10 . 1 2 4 7 2 9	. . . .	. .	41	8	. .	. .	18	6	13	0 8 11 . 26 7 1 . 7 10 1
1870	14 11	1 2 8 2 5 7	. . . .	. .	43	13	3	. .	6	3	19 4 5 13 4 7 1 6 . 3 3 3 5 . .
5767	11 5	4 8 0 3 9	. . . .	. .	35	4	7	. .	12	8	5 5 4 3 8 10 . 4 2 4 2 7 . . .

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VIII.—Statement showing the Statistics of Local Fund Schools in the

Schools.	Number of Schools.				No. on rolls on the 31st March 1899.		Average number on the rolls monthly during the year.	Receipts.			
	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 Municipal Funds.	School fees.	Other receipts.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8				
(b) Salary result system											
1 Middle School, Kuppam	1	.	.	1	31	.	33	231	58	238	6 42 91
2 do — Karvetnagar	1	.	.	1	24	.	23	67	. .	290	43 . .
3 do — Wandiwash	1	.	.	1	11	.	10	89	3 .	90	12 . 13
Total	3	.	.	3	66	.	66	387	88	620	7 42 104
II Type Primary Schools, Department.											
(a) Salary System											
1 Middle school Arcot	1	.	.	1	13	.	13	20	. .	154	. .
2 do — Arni	1	.	.	1	22	.	33	17	154	290	11 . .
3 Chittoor Taluk	.	1	.	1	6	1	6	.	. .	18	. . 60 107
Total	2	1	.	3	41	1	52	37	154	462	11 . 60 107
(b) Salary Result System											
1 Middle school Kuppam	1	.	.	1	14	.	16	85	122	71	. . 18 311
2 do Karvetnagar	1	.	.	1	13	.	12	9	8 .	96	14 . . .
3 do - Wandiwash	1	.	.	1	10	.	10	44	8 .	67	. . . 13
4 Chittoor Taluk	12	.	4	8	100	5	93	257	13 .	303	8 . . .
5 Palmaner —	7	.	1	6	15	.	14	36	. .	47	12 . . 4 .
6 Punganur Do	9	.	2	7	31	.	37	64	8 .	92	8 . . .
7 Vellore Taluk	11	.	1	10	74	4	79	163	12 .	268	7 . . .
8 Arcot —	8	.	.	8	82	.	81	436	145	150	10 . 21 7
9 Gudiyattam	4	.	1	3	23	1	30	39	15 .	47	8 . . .
10 Kangundy Division	2	.	1	1	5	.	4	7	8 .	15	. . . .
11 Wallajah Taluk	5	.	1	4	25	.	28	52	14 .	74	15 . . .
12 Chandragiri —	3	.	.	3	25	2	27	42	4 4	58	9 4 4 12 .
13 Tirutturi Do	2	.	.	2	29	.	28	60	2 8	86	7 . . . .
carried over	66	.	11	55	446	12	459	1301	77	1380	24 44 122

Note.—In the case of Special Schools, the actual number of scholars or other unit of grades of cost is to be given in the remarks column of the statement.

(a) The grades of stipendiary and aided schools in the Provincial Service shall be shown in the remarks column.

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Expenditure.									Net cost to Local Funds.	Average net cost per pupil in each class of Local Fund Schools.	Remarks.
Total.	Masters.			Clerks and Servants	Stipends and Scholarships.	House-rent, Library, furniture, apparatus and appliances.	Contingencies and Miscellaneous.	Total.			
	Fixed salary.	Fixed and result stipends	School fees.								
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.			
512 12 1521	5 29 0	114	. .	15 14	2 . .	.	55 13	18 841	1 1 3285	. 9	152
357 14 5	538	45	53 15	10 . .	36 . .	. . .	.	17 29	646	1 . 2882	9	1286
180 . 3	184	65	34	95 . . .	4 152	. . .	3 . .	26	227	16	47	13	4	14
1050	107	1245	3	37	94	7 . . .	56	135 . . .	355	38	61	17	14	3	7	63	9 .	10 .	10
174 . .	25	14	. . .	. . .	15	42 . . .	. . .	6	135	27	3	21	1	99	21	1	7	101
308	104	29	1	4 . . .	. . .	16	46 . . .	.	25	7	10	10	31	5	13	1	7	29 .	3	6
78	10	7	26 . .	. . .	. . .	. . .	12 . . .	.	4	4	7	1	15	3	2	0 .	4	5	2	7 . . .
561	4	11	58	8 . . .	. . .	2 . .	33	48 . .	47 .	15	28	6	21	8 .	10	3	1	1	26
										20 .	8								
175 .	1	90	9	11	38	4	1 . . .	.	6	13 . . .	.	24	6	11 .	142	8	4	32	7 .	. . .
106	6 .	102 . .	1	1	7	2 . . .	.	12 . . .	.	6 .	55	7	15	12	9	24	12	9	2	1
111	9	3	14	2	6	10	27	109 . . .	.	48 . . .	.	112 .	7 . .	177	5	7	45	124	6	9	3
561	5 .	68	4	10	8	17	7	49 . . .	.	32 . . .	.	49	6	10	14	4	5	95	8	48	39	6	15	8	4	44
84 . .	10	7 . .	2	3	4	8 . .	.	6 . . .	.	7	5	10	13	5	7	15	7 .	1	7	3 .	1	5	35
157 . .	122	5	10	6	0	13	4 . .	.	7 . . .	.	21	1	1	66	11	21	7	12 .	6	0	12 .	1	0	3
432	3 .	57	2 .	25	2	3	4 . . .	.	6	10	4 . .	.	18	12	4	68	2	85	6	22	4	23	15	2	5	5	10
608	15	5	90	4 . .	16	7	13	3 . . .	.	21	8	4 . .	.	11	8 .	3	1	5 .	11	3	7	1	7	52	8	2	2	6	8	4
87	7 .	15	8 .	3	2 .	.	.	6	8	4 . .	.	17	2	3	5	10	9	21	8	8	4	13	1	4	4	5	11
22	8 .	3	6 .	7	8 .	.	.	11	. . .	.	6	2 .	6	2	4	4	6	5	2	2	7	5	5	9	10
127	13 .	14	2	13	6	9	12 .	.	7 . .	.	3	4	0	11	1	5	11	2	6	5	8	1	13	7	11	1	4	14	8
105	9	8	13	8	4	0	7	6	11 .	. . .	.	6 .	.	.	2	4	11	4	10	4 .	25	6	9	2	15	0	15	6	5	9	6
146	9	8	17	4 . .	11	1	3	4	. . .	.	8 .	.	.	.	12	1 .	9	4	4	3	14	15	8	15	8	6 .	8
2726	6	1	37	2	14	15	8	11	8 . . .	.	125	21 . . .	.	19	9	11	12	5	8	0	4	8	7	7	3	10	2	5	1	7	9	. . .

VIII.—Statement showing the Statistics of Local Fund Schools in the

Schools.	Number of Schools.				No. on rolls on the 31st March 1899.		Average number on the rolls monthly during the year.	Receipts.			
	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 Municipal Funds.	School fees.	Other receipts.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Brought forward	66	-	11	55	446	12	459	1301 7 7	- -	1380 2 4	44 12 2
14 Narayanavanam	4			4	45	2	47	116 5		137 13 8	3 3 7
15 Kalahasti "	3			3	30	1	33	16 10		43 10 6	
16 Arni "	4		1	3	28	..	23	6 13		7 8 6	
17 Polur Taluk	10		4	6	59	1	55	17 7 7		21 1 8	
18 Wandiwash "	6		2	4	31	1	33	9 5 6		11 7	
Total	93	-	18	75	639	17	654	1769 - 7	- -	1972 12 10	48 - 1
V Lower Primary Schools (not otherwise classified)											
(a) Salary System											
(1) Middle School Arcot	1			1	9		13			114 10 6	
(2) " Arni	1			1	30		22	6 3		173 15 6	
(3) Chittoor Taluk		1		1	21	7	27			16 5	53 14 9
Total	2	1	-	3	60	7	62	6 3		304 15	53 14 9
(b) Salary Result System											
1 Middle school Kuppam	1			1	46	9	64	10 4 2		114 10 8	8 3 -
2 " Wandiwash	1			1	82	17	70	5 4		156 3	10 3
3 Chittoor Taluk	16	3	4	15	452	60	532	59 13		469 6	
4 Palmaner "	7	1	1	7	124	38	151	14 6		137 7 6	2 3 3
5 Punganur Do.	9	2	2	9	236	64	308	106 1		316 10	3
6 Vellore Taluk	13	1	1	13	641	94	736	130 6		575 5	
7 Arcot "	11		1	10	482	67	517	2000 3 7		375 9	69 13 2
8 Gudiyattam "	4		1	3	92	22	112	30 3		92 4 6	12 5 6
9 Kangundi Do	2	1	1	2	31	1	43	10		42 1 6	
10 Wallajah Taluk	7	1	1	7	170	23	194	120 10		149 4	
11 Chandragiri "	4	-	-	4	99	37	137	84 8 8		117 2 8	9 8
carried on	75	9	12	72	2422	432	2864	2562 5 5		2540 9 10	188 4 2

Note.—(a) In entering the actual number of schools of different grades should be given in the remarks column of the statement.

(b) The number of stipendiary and other students in the training schools during the year and the number of students that appeared for and passed

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Local Fund ~~District~~ Taluk of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Total.	Expenditure. Masters. Fixed salary.	Masters. Fixed and result stipends	Masters. School fees.	Clerks and Servants	Stipends and Scholarships.	House-rent, Library, furniture, apparatus and appliances.	Contingencies and Miscellaneous.	Total.	Net cost to Local Funds.	Average net cost per pupil in each class of Local Fund Schools.	Remarks.
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
2726 6 1	337 2 11	4 10 5 6 11 8	- - -	125 2 1	- - -	199 11 11	23 8 10	487 7 13	10 2 5 7 9	- - -	
259 6 7	34 7 4 1	3 2 1 ·	· · ·	1 8 ·	· · ·	32 9 10	2 12 4	55 11 3	29 2 4 8	- 8 3 6	
60 4 10	8 2 14 9	4 9 7 ·	· · ·	6 —	· · ·	2 6 8 6	9 1 7	17 4 6	10 11 4 2	- 3 7 4	
140 7 ·	24 4 ·	5 5 6 7	· · ·	6 3 6	· · ·	8 ·	3 9 1	31 7 3	2 17 6 12 2	- 6 8 9	
388 15 ·	39 1 ·	9 8 5 -	· · ·	12 2 ·	· · ·	2 6 8 10	7 6 8	52 9 1 6	14 0 2 6	- 2 8 8	
214 6 ·	28 5 ·	6 4 4 ·	· · ·	7 · ·	· · ·	2 1 4 4	5 8 2	38 7 10 6	16 7 4 6	- 5 1 1	
3789 13 6	470 14 2	145 6 3 3	- - -	174 7 7	- - -	30 9 12 5	17 0 9 8	683 15	13 0 4 2	17 4 10 5	
114 10 6	19 7 11 4	· · ·	· · ·	15 4 2	- - -	- - -	6 13 4	21 3 13 5	9 9 2 4	7 10 1	
180 2 6	21 5 2 2	· · ·	· · ·	11 4 3	- - -	- 7 7	5 11 1	23 19 11	5 1 7 5	2 5 5	
70 3 9	8 0 ·	· · ·	· · ·	4 4 ·	- - -	19 11 5	3 14 3	10 8 7 8	3 8 3 11	1 6 8 ·	
365 · 9	48 6 14 1	· · ·	· · ·	31 6 5 ·	- - -	19 13 ·	15 13 6	55 3 15 ·	18 8 14 3	3 - 9	
214 11 10	18 8 4 5 7 ·	· · ·	· · ·	33 4 9	· · ·	1 7 3	30 2 5	29 1 14 7	6 15 6	1 3 3	
162 1 3	20 7 9 7	3 3 11 10	· · ·	4 4 5 10	· · ·	10 4 ·	16 13 6	31 2 15 9	18 0 14 6	2 2 6	
529 3 ·	17 4 12 ·	4 6 9 3	- - -	13 5 6 ·	- - -	28 3 7 2	8 4 3 7	26 8 7 14 ·	21 8 11 ·	4 · 11	
154 · 9	14 4 9 8 6	9 8 4 6	· · ·	3 5 8 ·	· · ·	6 9 2	2 4 12	46 7 7	14 5 2 3 ·	7 3 7 5	
825 11 ·	83 2 5	1 2 9 7 8	- - -	4 7 -	- - -	- - -	13 8 7	4 1 6	13 5 0 5 6	9 2 4 10 6	3 ·
705 11 ·	156 1 9	8 4 7 9 4 8	· · ·	7 1 5 4 ·	· · ·	20 6 10 8	6 8 2 2	23 8 6	14 6 16 8	1 3 6	2 4 7
2445 9 9	185 6 4 11	5 4 4 6 ·	· · ·	11 7 5 7	· · ·	26 0 6 —	7 11 6	31 6 0 5 ·	7 14 11 3	1 6 4	
634 13 ·	25 2 -	12 8 4 ·	· · ·	17 · 8	- - -	4 2 13 9	12 12 5	45 2 14 10	31 8 10	2 13 5	
421 6	14 4 ·	2 9 8 -	· · ·	11 4 11	- - -	11 5 10	11 9 11	20 8 · 7	16 5 5 1	3 13 6	
270 8 ·	52 9 6 6	21 4 6	· · ·	3 0 ·	· · ·	9 8 1 1	3 13 7	9 3 7	15 8 6 9	7 8	3 7 3
211 3 4	37 0 6	11 5 8 14 ·	· · ·	1 8 ·	· · ·	6 2 9 10	2 6 8 11	6 2 6	7 8 4 2 5	4 4	3 1 8
329 6 4	5 7 7 6	7 6 2 0 4 3 4 ·	· · ·	8 6 0 2 1	- - -	1 8 4 ·	16 5	23 13 10	4 10 2 7	10 8 5 9	- - -

VIII.—Statement showing the Statistics of Local Fund Schools in the

Schools.	Number of Schools.				No. on rolls on the 31st March 1899.		Average number on the rolls monthly during the year.	Receipts.			
	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 Municipal Funds.	School fees.	Other receipts.
Brought forward	1										
Brought forward	75	9	12	72	2422	432	2864	2562	155	- - -	256 9 6
12 Srivilliputtur Division	3			3	125	10	166	120	5 4	- - -	19 7 6
13 Narayanavaram "	5			5	280	67	349	234	14 -	- - -	37 0 4
14 Kalahasti "	3			3	69	1	69	33	4 -	- - -	8 7 5
15 Arni "	6		1	5	358	35	375	8	- -	- - -	36 7 1
16 Polur Taluk	11		4	7	340	42	386	41	13 -	- - -	48 6 7
17 Wandiwash "	8		4	4	188	30	200	12	10 -	- - -	27 5 -
Total	111	9	21	99	3790	617	4409	3013	139	- - -	434 8 7
Grand total	217 2	17 6	45 6	189 2	4964 14	642 .	5622 60	7396	152	- - -	1534 14 5
	215	11	39	187	4749	642	5562				

N.B The decrease of 11 Board Primary schools as compared with the number in the preceding year is due to the abolition of the following schools approved of by Government in the budget for 1899-900. These schools were closed on the 1st march 1899 and hence they did not exist at the end of the year:— Vellore Taluk Board

(1) Kalapandal
(2) Pasumathur (Hindu)

Arni Taluk Board

(3) Sevur
(4) Karanjeek
(5) Velavan
(6) Adamangalam Pudur
(7) Kalambur
(8) Enjambakkam Mangalam
(9) Pallam
(10) Wandavasi (Panchami)
(11) Permanallur

The other three schools proposed to be closed in the budget for 1899—900 and approved of by Government viz (1) Venkatagiri (2) Komala (3) Arukkal existed till the end of 1898-99 i.e. on the 31st March 1899 —

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Local Fund ~~District~~ Taluk of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Total.	Expenditure.								Net cost to Local Funds.	Average net cost per pupil in each class of Local Fund Schools.	Remarks.
	Masters.			Clerks and Servants	Stipends and Scholarships.	House-rent, Library, furniture, apparatus and appliances.	Contingencies and Miscellaneous.	Total.			
	Fixed salary.	Fixed and result stipends	School fees.								
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
5296	4577	676	2574	- - -	560	121 - - -	1184	1 - 10	3 13 10	4 2 7	808 5 9 - - -
317	114	49	12	4	24	1 - - -	22 - - -	43 - -	34 6	1 8 3 3	11 5 5 6 7 3 1 8
611	63	94	68	2	38	2 - - -	36 - - -	74 - 8	49 3 8	1 4 8 8	2 6 8 7 5 3 2 8 2
120	9	8	16	5	12	6	14 - - -	12 - - -	5 3 5 -	18 3 2	3 4 8 5 8 2 2 4 - 3 4 1
375	116	92	31	19	14	1 - - -	53 12 6 - - -	91 10 -	33 6 8	1 2 9 7 -	4 9 2 1 4 0 2 7 4
538	46	186	82	27	09	10 - - -	85 8 7 - - -	151 8 0	50 6 8	1 6 2 6	14 2 1 0 8 7 8 2 3 1
287	10 -	77	5 -	11	7	12 - - -	37 8 - - -	152 9 8	34 5 4	1 1 1 7	13 1 8 3 0 3 1 4 2 5
7547	98	1244	121	3833	101	- - -	807 7 2	- - - 1750	13 2 1 3 7 9	12 8 1 9 8 1 6	8 10 1 2 4 8 5 2 2 2 6
28141	39	2835	12	5669	29	- - -	1634 12 9	- 641 15 6 64	2349 5 3 61 5 2	1780 9 5 27 8 0	40397 7 7 13 3 12 4 13 8 4 2 1 4 4 4
		6									
		2875	6	11			1625 12		2294 6 3 1742 9 5	1742 9 5	39083 13 3 941 13 6
									4036 5 8		

Actual number of Schools
Upper Secondary — 1
Lower do — 5
Upper Primary — 73
Lower do — 25
Total 104

consists of:—
(1) contributions from municipal funds — 150 — —
(2) Insurance & Endowments — 69-3-6
(3) Interests on Govt. securities — 184-6-6
403-9-10

Amount of Rs 1609-8-4 was spent on improvements to school buildings

FOOT-NOTE TO STATEMENT VIII.

Number of pupils from Local Fund Schools, who appeared for and passed the several examinations during the year.

Examination.	No. of pupils examined.	No. of pupils passed.
Matriculation	30	10
Lower Secondary or Seventh Standard	71	30
Sixth Standard	9	6
Fifth do.	27	17
Primary or Fourth Standard	470	273
Third Standard	657	515
Second do.	748	635
First do.	914	720
Infant do.	902 3691 3727	707 2850 2873

Name of Training School.	Number of stipendiary students under training during the year.	Number of other students under training during the year.	Total Number of students on 31st March 1899.	Number of students presented for examination.	Number of students passed.
North Sessional school	25	-	6	25	13
South Sessional School	31	4	8	23	19
Total	56	4	* 14	48	32

* Was the strength of the two Schools at the last session ending 31st March 1899.

VIII-A.—Statement showing the working of the Boards' Secondary Schools in the Local Fund ~~District~~ ~~Taluk~~ of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

No.	Name of School.	Grade of School.	Number of pupils on the 31st March 1899.	Matriculation Examination.		Lower Secondary Examination.		Remarks.
				Number presented.	Number passed.	Number presented.	Number passed.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	High School, Chittoor	High School	235	30	10	32	12	
2	Middle school, Arcot	1st grade	53	-	-	8	1	
3	do —— Arni	do	139	-	-	15	12	
4	do —— Kuppanur	do	100	-	-	10	4	
5	do —— Karvetnagar	do	37	-	-	6	1	
6	do —— Wandiwash	2nd grade	120	-	-	-	-	
				1				
	Total ..	——	684	30	10	71	30	

3691) 285000 (77
25837
26630
25837
793

3727) 287300 (77
26089
26410

4949
642
5591
5184
4907

7397
15341
616
23142

2752
5089
1626
4037
39084
23142
15942

215
11
2366
39
1899

4949
642
5591
5.684
4907

7297
15.361
626
23142

27752
5669
16216
4037
39084
23142
15942

215
11
26
39
189

IX.—Statement showing the Statistics of Aided Schools in the Local Fund ~~District~~ ~~Taluk~~ of North Arcot for the official year 1898-99.

Schools.	Number of Schools				Number on rolls on the 31st March 1899.		Number of pupils examined in fixed and result grants schools.	Number of pupils found qualified for fixed and result grants.	Full amount of fixed and result grants earned.	Amount of fixed and result grants passed for payment.	Amount of fixed and result grants disbursed.			Amount of salary grants disbursed.	Total expenditure from Local Funds (columns 14 and 15).	Remarks.
	At the beginning of the year.	Opened during the year.	Closed during the year.	At the close of the year.	Boys.	Girls.					For current year.	For previous year.	Total.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Grant in aid																
A Recall grant. i.e.																
Schools which examined																
for Recruit grant.																
(a) Secondary.																
(1) American Mission School, Vellore	1	"	"	1	20	"										
(2) Middle School, Ranipettai	1	"	"	1	15	"										
Total	2	"	"	2	35	"										
(b) Upper Primary																
(1) American Mission School, Vellore	1	"	"	1	10	"										
(2) Middle School, Ranipettai	1	"	"	1	9	"										
(3) Chittoor Taluk	8	4	3	9	38	1										
(4) Palmaner "	2	"	"	2	16	1										
(5) Punganur Division	"	1	"	1	1	"										
(6) Arcot Taluk	21	4	10	15	96	"										
(7) Vellore "	11	2	7	6	45	"										
(8) Gudiyatam "	8	5	4	9	38	3										
(9) Ranipettai Division	"	"	"	"	"	"										
(10) Wallajah Taluk	14	4	3	15	128	1										
(11) Tirutthani Division	10	4	2	12	58	"										
(12) Narayanavaram "	3	"	1	2	9	"										
(13) Kalahasti "	1	1	"	2	9	"										
(14) Chandragiri Taluk	3	"	1	2	15	"										
(15) Arni Division	5	1	4	2	10	"										
(16) Polur Taluk	12	1	5	8	56	1										
(17) Tiruvannamalai "	5	3	3	5	24	2										
Total ..	105	30	43	92	562	9										

NOTE.—Information regarding the actual number of schools of different grades and the rate at

IX.—Statement showing the Statistics of Aided Schools in the Local

Schools.	Number of Schools				Number on rolls on the 31st March 1899.		Number of pupils examined in fixed and result grants schools.	Number of pupils found qualified for fixed and result grants.	Full amount of fixed and result grants earned.
	At the beginning of the year.	Opened during the year.	Closed during the year.	At the close of the year.	Boys.	Girls.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Lower Primary									
(1) American Mission School, Ranipet	1	—	—	1	38	8	35	31	98 10 —
(2) Middle School, Ranipet	1	—	—	1	56	18	24	24	91 4 —
(3) Chittoor Taluk	70	18	31	57	925	145	810	574	1062 — (a)
(4) Palmaner "	9	3	3	9	140	23	129	83	135 13 — (a)
(5) Punganur Division	13	12	7	18	402	6	281	223	489 9 — (a)
(6) Arcot Taluk	84	10	18	76	1864	208	1588	1242	2481 15 —
(7) Vellore "	48	11	15	44	860	76	764	609	1203 2 —
(8) Gudiyatam "	62	21	13	70	1541	161	1124	808	1622 11 —
(9) Kangundi Division	7	1	3	5	97	12	80	58	88 7 — (a)
(10) Wallajah Taluk	93	21	23	91	2476	185	1756	1304	3249 15 —
(11) Tirutthani Division	41	12	13	40	781	54	623	469	1170 4 —
(12) Narayanavaram "	26	9	6	29	515	60	409	304	769 14 —
(13) Kalahasti "	18	6	6	18	422	23	307	218	565 9 —
(14) Chandragiri Taluk	21	3	8	16	305	13	216	162	324 8 —
(15) Arni Division	43	4	12	35	977	49	790	525	1080 6 — (a)
(16) Polur Taluk	53	3	12	44	1069	36	752	531	1085 8 — (a)
(17) Wandiwash "	59	11	24	46	953	58	819	599	1209 2 — (a)
Total	649	146	194	600	13621	1125	10497	7764	18715 9 —
Grand Total	756	175	237	694	14018	1134	10497	7764	18715 9 —

N.B Information as to the rates at which result grants were paid has been called for and will be furnished on receipt. Furnished with Cov. 2068 15/12/99

Chittoor Tal. Nos. 1 to 3
Vellore " 6 & 7
Ranipet " 1 & 2

Arni Division

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Amount of fixed and result grants passed for payment.	Amount of fixed and result grants disbursed. For current year.	For previous year.	Total.	Amount of salary grants disbursed.	Total expenditure from Local Funds (columns 14 and 15).	Remarks.
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
65 7 —	65 7 —	— — —	65 7 —	— — —	65 7 —	Lower secondary 2 Upper Primary 90 Lower Primary 508 Total 600
55 — —	55 — —	14 12 —	69 12 —	— — —	69 12 —	Actual number of schools
1366 13 —	1366 13 —	14 12 —	1381 9 —	— — —	1381 9 —	⊛ The difference of 4 schools and 245 boys
270 12 —	270 12 —	18 2 —	289 — —	— — —	289 — —	between this statement and statement No 1
971 10 —	971 10 —	60 — —	1031 10 —	— — —	1031 10 —	relating to General statistics received
1769 13 —	1769 13 —	10 8 —	1780 5 —	— — —	1780 5 —	from the Assistant Inspector of Schools, Arcot
836 10 —	827 2 —	21 2 —	848 4 —	— — —	848 4 —	Revenue and herewith submitted Government
129 — —	129 — —	2 11 —	1221 11 —	— — —	1221 11 —	is due to the fact that, in this statement
118 — —	118 — —	1 6 —	119 6 —	— — —	119 6 —	(1) the High School at Ranipet and the
2095 6 —	2080 4 —	10 4 —	2091 2 —	— — —	2091 2 —	Middle Schools at (2) Sholingur, and (3)
745 7 —	706 7 —	— — —	706 7 —	— — —	706 7 —	Arkonam, and (4) the Library branch
414 7 —	398 7 —	— — —	398 7 —	— — —	398 7 —	of the Arni Industrial School, the Lower
343 5 —	343 5 —	57 9 —	400 14 —	— — —	400 14 —	Primary departments of which were not
265 12 —	265 12 —	— — —	265 12 —	— — —	265 12 —	aided from local funds, are not
1158 14 —	1156 4 —	— — —	1156 4 —	— — —	1156 4 —	included, whereas they are included
1177 4 —	1177 4 —	1 4 —	1178 8 —	— — —	1179 8 —	in the statement of the Assistant
1253 14 —	1253 14 —	1 8 —	1265 6 —	— — —	1255 6 —	Inspector. The 245 boys represent the
14125 8 —	14045 14 —	214 — —	14259 12 —	— — —	14259 12 —	strength of the above mentioned ~~first three~~
14125 8 —	14045 14 —	214 — —	14259 12 —	— — —	14259 12 —	schools, the strength of the 4th School being
						included in the 74 boys shown in Col: 6 of
						the Assistant Inspectors statement I of the
						"Industrial Schools", as the students of
						the Industrial branch were also the
						students of the Literary branch
						(a) In these cases the amounts disbursed
						for the current year, exceed the full amount
						of grant earned and the excess is due to
						the schools for backward and indigent
						classes and in backward localities having
						been paid extra grant up to the assessment
						sanctioned for the schools

which result grants are paid should be given in the remarks column of the statement.

Statement Showing the progress of Panchama Education in North Arcot District during 1898-99

Panchama Schools	Number of Schools		Number of pupils on the 31st March		Number presented for Examination		Number passed		Remarks.
	1897-98	1898-99	1898	1899	1897-98	1898-99	1897-98	1898-99	
Board Schools	14	13	420	348	269	229	215	171	The falling off in the number of Board panchama Schools was due to the closure of two Wandivash School at the end of the year in No 2535 Dated 8th March 1899 - vide above 29 of the L.F. to Col Statement for 1899-1900 and for details in Statement VIII Sub-para. The was a corresponding decline in them strength & efficiency the aided Schools exhibited a decline in them number & strength, while there has been an improvement in them efficiency. The number of unaided Schools was, however on the increase in the corresponding increase in them strength, the number of pupils presented for examination therein & in the number passed.
Industrial Schools	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Aided "	91	88 101	1975	1878	1154	1185	719	763	
Unaided -	21	23	340	366	-	-	-	-	
Total.	126	124	2735	2592	1423	1414	934	934	

X.—Statement showing the Receipts, Charges, &c., of the unendowed Choultries and

No.	Name.	Number of travellers halted.	Class of bungalow and rate of fees collected.	Receipts.		
				Fees from travellers.	Other receipts.	Total.

Bungalows in the Local Fund ~~District~~ ~~Taluk~~ of North Arcot for the official year 189[illegible]-99.

Charges.				Remarks.
Establishment charges.	Contingent charges	Public Works expenditure.	Total.	
8	9	10	11	12