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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
4th March 1868.

No. 40. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue :—

Communicating to all Collectors and to Superintendent, Revenue Survey, and Director Revenue Settlement, revised forms for Administration Reports, together with Government Orders on subject, and requesting that the forms may be filled in with reference to transactions of 1866-67, and returned soon after close of 1867-68. } (Here enter 14th February 1868, No. 1,074.)

No. 41. ORDER THEREON, 4th March 1868, No. 577.

Miscellaneous.

Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) F. BRANDT,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

List of Forms accompanying the Circular.

1. Statistics of Physical, Political and fiscal Geography.

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20. (K.) ,, Charitable institutions.

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A. No. 1.—*Area, cultivated and* …*cultivated, and communications.*

Principal Geographical divisions of Territory.	Total area in square miles.				…	Appropriated Culturable waste in acres.			Communications, mileage of.		
	Cultivated.	Waste. Culturable.	Waste. Unculturable.	Total.	…	… year.	Sold or granted during the year.	Remaining at the close of the year.	Water, distinguishing navigable rivers and canals.	Maderoads, Imperial and 1st and 2nd Class District.	Rail Roads.
British Possession. (Here enter separately each talook or division).											
Total British.....											
Native States. (Here enter separately each State).											
Total Native.....											
Grand Total.....											

N.B.—The area of all Zemindaries, Mootahs, Inams, &c., must be included in …ent a… well as the Ryotwary lands. It should exhibit the entire area within the limits of the district.

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I.—Statistics of Physical, Political, and Fiscal Geography.

A.—Physical Geography of the Territories under the Civil and Political control of the administration of the Madras Presidency.

No. 1.

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District

Statement showing area, cultivated and uncultivated, and communications.

1866-67.

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A. 2.—*Character of the Surface.*

Nature of different tracts.	Name, area, and physical description of each tract.	Where situated; in British or Native Territory.	Prevailing soils, minerals and products.
Mountains and elevated tracts ...			
Plains			
Forests			
Rivers			
Lakes			
Marshes...			

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A.—Physical Geography of the Territories under the Civil and Political control of the administration of the Madras Presidency.

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Enclosure No. 2.

District

Statement showing the character of the surface.

1866-67.

3.—*Climate.*

Places at which observations taken, and year for which taken.	Rain-fall in Inches.				Average temperature in the shade.												Prevailing winds.	
	January to May.	June to September.	October to December.	Total.	May.				July.				December.					
					Sun-rise.	2 P. M.	Sun-set.		Sun-rise.	2 P. M.	Sun-set.		Sun-rise.	2 P. M.	Sun-set.		January to May.	
																	June to September.	
																	October to December.	
1867.																		
General average... ...																		

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A.—Physical Geography of the territories under the Civil and Political control of the Administration of the Madras Presidency.

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Enclosure No. 3.

District

Statement showing the climate.

1866-67.

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A.—*Civil Division of British Territory.*

District.	Number of Judicial and Revenue Sub-divisions.	Area in square miles.	Population.	Chief towns with population.	Number of Villages.	How many Civil and Revenue Judges of all sorts.	How many Magistrates of all sorts.	Maximum distance in miles of Villages from nearest Court.	Average of do.	Number of Police.	Total cost of Officials and Police of all kinds.	Revenue. Land. Rs.	Revenue. Gross. Rs.

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I.—Statistics of Phisical, Political, and Fiscal Geography.

C.—Civil Division of British Territory.

Enclosure No. 4.

District

Statement showing the Civil Division of British Territory.

1866-67.

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D.—Po[illegible]ion.

Talooks.	Inhabited houses.			Population.						Clas[illegible]tion of Population.								Occupation.		Prevailing languages.	Emigration or Immigration during the year.	Remarks.
	Number of Masonry dwellings.	Ditto of all kinds.	Total.	Men.	Women.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Number per square mile.	European.	East Indian and other mixed classes.	Hindoos.	Mahomedans.	Parsees.	Buddhists and Jains.	Aborigines.		Agriculturists.	Non-Agriculturists.			

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I.—Statistics of Physical, Political, and Fiscal Geography.

D.—Population.

Enclosure No. 5.

District

Statement showing the population,

1866-67.

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E. No. 3.—*Varieties of Tenure held direct from Government.*

Nature of Tenures.	Number of Estates.	Number of Villages.	Number of holders or shareholders.	Gross area in acres.	Average area of each Estate.	Average assessment of each Estate.	Revenue rate per acre.	Supposed net profit per acre.
Great Zemindaries paying more than Rupees 50,000 revenue. — Held by individuals under law of primogeniture.....								
Great Zemindaries paying more than Rupees 50,000 revenue. — Held by individuals and families under ordinary law ...								
Large Zemindaries paying more than Rupees 5,000 revenue. — Under law of primogeniture ...								
Large Zemindaries paying more than Rupees 5,000 revenue. — Under ordinary law.								
Small Zemindaries, Mootahs, &c., other than those of cultivating communities.....								
Proprietary cultivating communities paying in common....								
Proprietary cultivators paying more than Rupees 100.....								
Proprietary cultivators paying separately, including all small estates paying less than Rupees 100... ...								
Holders of revenue, free tenures. — In perpetuity...								
Holders of revenue, free tenures. — For life.....								
Landholders who have redeemed the revenue.....								
Purchase of waste lands.....								
Total... ...								

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E.—Fiscal.

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Enclosure No. 6.

District

Statement showing the varieties of Tenure held direct from Government.

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E. No. 4.—Varieties of Tenure not held direct from Government.

Nature of Tenure.	Number of holdings.	Average area of each holding.	Average rent of each holding.	Average rent rate per acre.
Intermediate holders between Zemindars and Ryots. — On permanent tenure ...				
Intermediate holders between Zemindars and Ryots. — On forming leases				
Ryots holding at fixed rates..... ...				
Ryots with right of occupancy at variable rates.				
Cultivating tenants with no permanent rights. ..				
Holders of service grants.....				
Total...				

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E.—Fiscal.

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District

Statement showing the varieties of Tenure ot held direct from Government.

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E. 5.—Register of Transfers.

Nature of tenure transferred.	Number of Transfers recorded.			Average area in acres of each holding transferred.			Remarks.
	By voluntary sale or gift.	By compulsory sale.	By inheritance.	By voluntary sale or gift.	By compulsory sale	By inheritance.	
Great Zemindaries, complete...							
Shares in do.							
Large Zemindaries							
Shares in do.							
Small Zemindaries.....							
Shares in do.							
Villages owned by cultivating communities.....							
Shares in do.							
Holdings of Proprietary cultivators.....							
Intermediate holdings of a transferable character.....							
Holdings of ryots at fixed rates.							
Holdings of ryots with right of occupancy.....							
Revenue free tenures...							

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E.—Fiscal.

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Enclosure No. 8.

District

Statement showing the nature, &c., of Tenure transferred.

1866-67.

E. 6.—Land Revenue.

	Revenue, last year.		Revenue, this year.		Cost of Collection.	Net collections during the year.	Outstanding balances.	Number of sales for arrears of revenue.	Revenue of estates sold.	Cause of increase or decrease of Revenue, with explanation of any items realized in addition to the annual assessed Revenue.
	Assessed.	Realized.	Assessed.	Realized.						
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	
From settled estates bearing Revenue in past years										
Settled estates added to revenue roll during present year										
Settled estates taken off revenue roll during present year...										
Collections from Government estates.										
Income from sale of Government estates										
Miscellaneous Land Revenue not included in above										
Total... ...										

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E.—Fiscal.

No. 6.

Enclosure No. 9.

District

Statement showing the particulars of Land Revenue.

1866-67.

A. No. 1.—Account of the Gross and Net Revenue.

Sources of Income.	Gross receipts.	Refunds and Drawbacks.	Charges against income.				Net receipts.	Deficit.
			Charges of collections including cost of salt and opium, and cost of maintaining reproductive works.	Allowances and Assignments payable under Treaty and other engagements.	Allowances to District and Village officers and Inamdars and charitable grants.	Total.		
	RB.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Land Revenue								
Forest								
Excise on spirits and drugs								
Tributes and contributions from Native States								
Total Territorial								
Customs								
Salt — Duty on imported.								
Salt — Excise duty								
Salt — Government sales.								
Total								
Opium — Export duty								
Opium — Government sales.								
Total								
Stamps								
Post Office								
Electric Telegraph								
Mint								
Law and Justice — Refunds								
Law and Justice — Real, fines, &c.								
Police — Refunds								
Police — Real								
Public Works — Refunds								
Public Works — Sales								
Public Works — Real								
Marine — Refunds								
Marine — Real								
Military refunds								
Miscellaneous								
Total Imperial								
Local.								
Road Funds								
Tolls on roads								
Ferry Funds								
Direct Town Funds								
Town duties or Octroi								
Nazool or Government property locally appropriated								
(Other sources, if any)								
Total Local								
Gross receipts								

Cost of maintaining to be here entered.

Here enter cost of maintaining reproductive works only.

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...—Statistics of Production and Distribution.

A.—Finance.

No. 1.

Enclosure No. 10.

District

Statement showing the amount of the gross and net Revenues.

1866-67.

A. No. 3.—*Account of Cash Receipts and Disbursements of the Treasuries.*

Receipts.	Amount.	Disbursements.	Amount.
Cash balance of last year.....		Expenditure, as per Statement No. 2.....	
Net revenue, as per Statement No. 1.....		Loans, Railways, and Interest...	
Receipts on account of Loans and Railways.....		Advances.....	
		Re-payment of Deposits.....	
Do. of Service Funds.....		Do. of Prize money.....	
Re-payments of Advances.....		Bills of other Treasuries paid...	
		Total...	
Deposits.....			
Prize money.....			
Sale of waste land.....			
Bills drawn on other Treasuries.			
Total...			
Disbursements.....			
Cash at end of year.....			

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A.—Finance.

No. 3.

Enclosure No. 12.

District.

Account of Cash Receipts and Disbursements of the Treasuries.

1866-67.

A. No. 2.—Account of Expenditure from the net Income.

Subject of Expenditure.	Amount. Last year.	Amount. Present year.	Cause of increase or decrease.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Civil and Political Establishments			
Civil Contingencies...			
Judicial Charges. { Courts &c.,*			
Judicial Charges. { Prisons...			
Police Charges			
Military...			
Marine			
Deficit—Post Office			
,, Electric Telegraph			
Superannuation and Retired Allowances			
Public Works. ... { Civil ... { New...			
Public Works. ... { Civil ... { Repairs			
Public Works. ... { Military.. { New...			
Public Works. ... { Military.. { Repairs			
Education			
Miscellaneous...			
Total Imperial...			
Local.			
District Roads and Bridges			
Other District Expenditure			
Police			
Other Municipal Expenditure			
Total Local...			
Grand Total...			
Surplus...			
Deficit...			

* A note should show, if possible, the aggregate value of stamps filed in the Courts in lieu of fees.

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3.—Statistics of Production and Distribution.

A.—Finance.

No. 2.

Enclosure. 11.

District.

Statement showing the particulars of expenditure from the net income.

D. No. 1.—Crops cultivated in acres, actual or approximate.

Name of talook.	Rice.	Raggy.	Cholum.	Other food-grains.	Oil-seeds.	Sugar.	Cotton.	Opium.	Indigo.	Fibres.	Tobacco.	Tea.	Coffee.	Vegetables.	Other crops.
Total...															
Grand Total...															

A separate column should be opened for any crop not entered in the Statement which may be largely grown in the District.

N. B.—This Statement may be compiled from Statement No. 4 of the Village Accounts.

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—Statistics of Production and Distribution.

D.—Agriculture.

No. 1.

Enclosure No. 13.

District

Statement showing the crops cultivated in acres, actual or approximate.

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D. 2.—Stock.

Talooks.	Cows and Bullocks.	Horses.	Ponies.	Donkeys.	Sheep and Goats.	Pigs.	Carts.	Ploughs.	Boats.
Total...									

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I.—Statistics of Production and Distribution

D—Agriculture.

No. 2.

Enclosure No. 14.

District

Statement showing the particulars of Stock

1866-67.

D. No. 3.—Rates of Rent and Produce.

District.	Average rent, per acre, for land suited for									Average produce of land per acre, in *lbs.*											
	Rice.	Inferior grains.	Indigo.	Cotton.	Opium.	Oil-seeds.	Fibres.	Sugar.	Tobacco.	Rice.	Inferior food-grains.	Indigo.	Cotton.	Opium.	Oil-seeds.	Fibres.	Sugar.	Tobacco.	Tea.	Coffee.	&c., &c.
General average.																					

N. B.—A separate column should be opened for any crop not noted, which may be largely grown in the District.

D.—Agriculture.

No. 3.

Enclosure No. 15.

District.

Statement showing the rates of rent and produce.

1866-67.

E. No. 1.—*Price of produce and labour at the end of the year* 1866-67.

Talooks.	Price of Produce per maund of 80 lbs.									Plough bullocks, each.	Sheep, each.	Fish per seer.	Iron, per maund.	&c.	&c.
	Rice.	Wheat.	Linseed.	Jute.	Cotton.	Sugar.	Salt.	Indigo.	&c.						
General average.....															

N.B.—See note toStatement No. 15

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3.—Statistics of production and distribution.

E.—Produce.

No. 1.

Enclosure No. 16.

District—

Statement showing the prices of produce and labour at the end of the year.
1866-67.

E. No. 2.—Labour.

Talooks.	Wages, per diem.		Cart, per day.	Camel, per day.	Donkeys, per score per day.	Boat, per ditto.
	Skilled.	Unskilled.				
General average						

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3.—Statistics of Production and Distribution.

E.—Labour.

No. 2.

Enclosure No. 17.

District

Statement showing the wages of Labour, &c.

1866-67.

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F.—Mines and Quarries.

Where situated.	Mineral produced.	Number of Mines.	Annual produce.	Remarks.

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3.—Statistics of Production and Distribution.

G.—Manufactures.

Enclosure No. 19.

District

Statement showing the particulars of manufactures.

1866-67.

K.—*Charitable Institutions.*

Class and objects of Institution.	Number of Institutions.	Average number of persons daily aided.	Number aided in year.	Income.				Number of Institutions which afford relief.			In what shape relief is given.
				Paid by Government.	From endowment.		Subscriptions and donations.	In-door.	Out-door.	General.	
					In land.	In money.					
Government Institutions.											
Dispensaries											
Poor Houses—											
General											
For blind											
,, deaf											
,, lepers											
,, &c											
Supported by General Public.											
For cure of sickness											
To relieve paupers											
For blind											
,, deaf											
,, &c											
Hindoo.											
For cure of sickness											
To relieve paupers											
,, Brahmins											
,, &c											
Mahomedans.											
For cure of sickness											
To relieve paupers											
,, lepers											
,, &c.											
Total											

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3.—Statistics of Production and Distribution.

K.—Charitable Institution.

Enclosure No. 20.

District

Statement showing the particulars of Charitable Institutions.

E.—Fiscal,

Survey.

Area previously surveyed, in miles.				Cost per mile.			Surveyed during the year, with cost per mile.		
Trigonometrically.	Topographically.	Revenue.		Trigonometrical.	Topographical.	Revenue.	Trigonometrical.	Topographical.	Revenue.
		By villages.	By fields.						

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I.—Statistics of Physical, Political, and Fiscal Geography.

E.—Fiscal.

No. 1.

Statement showing the particulars of Survey.

1866-67.

E.—*Fiscal.*

Settlement.

Nature of settlement.	Area in miles.	Annual revenue assessed.	Date of expiry of settlement.	Remarks.
Settled in perpetuity				(Here explain conditions of settlement.)
,, for 30 years or upwards				
,, for 10 years and under 30				
,, under 10 years				
,, in progress.....				
Total...				
Settlements previously made including full records of rights.....				
Do. withou tuch record...				
Settlements during the year. {Detailed. {Summary				

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E.—Fiscal.

No. 1.

Statement showing the particulars of Settlement.

1866-67.

E.—Fiscal No. 2.

Surveyed and assessed area in acres.

K.—*Charitable Institutions.*

Districts.	Cultivated.				Uncultivated.				Assessment.				Remarks.
	Irrigated.		Unirrigated.	Total.	Grazing lands.	Cultivable.	*Uncultivable.*	*Total area assessed.*	*Gross Demand.*	*Rate per acre on cultivation.*	*Rate per acre on cultivable lands.*	*Rate per acre on total area of settlement.*	
	By Government works.	By private individuals.											
Total and average rates...													

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E.—Fiscal.

No. 2.

Statement showing the particulars of Survey and assessed area in acres.

1866-67.

No. 1,074.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 14th February 1868.

Read again the following Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 22nd November 1866, No. 3,187, Revenue Department:—

No. 525. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Government of India, (Home Department,) to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated Simla, 31st October 1866, No. 450.

1. With reference to your letter to the Financial Department, No. 1,413, dated 23rd June 1865, I am directed to transmit to you the accompanying copy of a further report by the Statistical Committee, dated the 8th August, with revised forms of statistics for the Administration Reports, and to request that an attempt may be made to collect the information embraced by the forms, in the uniform shape proposed by the Committee, if it shall appear to the Government of Fort Saint George feasible at once to instruct its Officers to set on foot the system of returns and of record, which will apparently be necessary in order to give effect to the views of the Committee.

2. I am to add, that the Governor General in Council will be much obliged by receiving early information as to the extent to which it is found practicable to adopt the recommendations of the Committee.

No. 526. ORDER THEREON, 22nd November 1866, No. 3,187.

Miscellaneous.

1. Ordered to be communicated to the Board of Revenue for the preparation of the Return called for in paragraph 1.

2. The Report containing the recommendations of the Committee will be sent on receipt.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Read also the following papers:—

Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 20th August 1867, No. 1,938, Revenue Department.

No. 384. Read the following letter from the Secretary to the Board of Revenue, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 4th July 1867, No. 4,180.

With advertence to the Order of Government, under date 22nd November 1866, No. 3,187, I am directed by the Board of Revenue to notice the several forms proposed by the Statistical Committee, with the difficulties which occur in this Presidency in the preparation of each.

1. Statement A. No. 1.—The area, cultivated and waste, of all *Ryotwary* lands except in two districts, can be given with particulars of the proportion of the waste which is culturable and unculturable. In respect, however, to Zemindary lands and Inams of all descriptions, no particulars of cultivation and waste or of the culturable and unculturable area are available. The gross area of these lands might be given approximately but no more. Thus the Statement can be properly filled up in respect only to about three-fifths of the Presidency. The column headed "Unappropriated culturable waste," appears to be intended to show the extent of land "available to settlers." There are such lands in the hill tracts and in several districts, but the area of them is unknown. In the plains, the ryots have the preferential right to all waste in their village, and such waste, therefore, is not "available to settlers" in the ordinary acceptation of the phrase.

2. A. No. 2.—Much of the information required is not to be had. The mountains and forests of this Presidency have not been surveyed, and within the compass of any statement that could be conveniently handled, it would be impossible to give the required particulars, except in so general and cursory a way as to be practically useless. A good Map, shaded so as to show the geological and other features of the country, and a descriptive memoir, would alone meet the object in view; and inasmuch as no changes are likely to occur in these physical features, this would be a more suitable method of supplying the information than an Annual Return.

3. A. No. 3.—The fall of rain is registered at all Tahsildary stations, and can be given in any form desired. The proposed division of the year into thirds is unsuited to this Presidency. No observations of the temperature are taken in the Revenue Department. The establishment recently sanctioned for meteorological observations will hereafter be in a position to supply the details required in this statement, but a diagram would be a better method of furnishing the information.

4. *B.—Political relations.*—The only Native States in this Presidency are Travancore and Cochin; Poodoocotta, Bunganapilly, Sundoor, and Jeypore are petty Chiefships rather than Native States. The Administration Reports of Travancore and Cochin contain ample information regarding those States.

5. *C.*—The details required in this Return can doubtless be obtained; but inasmuch as the Executive and Judicial ranges materially differ, the columns in the Return would require re-arrangement.

6. *D.*—The Census taken during the present year does not admit of all these details being supplied. There would, however, be no difficulty in obtaining them at the next Census in 1872.

7. *E.—Nos.* 1 *and* 2.—These Returns can be filled up by the Survey and Settlement Departments.

8. *No.* 3.—This Return might be prepared by the District Officers, but inasmuch as the cultivated area of the Zemindary estates cannot be given with accuracy, the revenue per acre could not be given, nor would there be any probability of obtaining the information requisite to fill up the last column of the Return.

9. *No.* 4.—The information necessary for the preparation of this Return is not obtainable in this Presidency.

10. *Nos.* 5 *and* 6.—These Returns can only be partially filled up.

11. *Class II—Statistics of Protection.*—The Returns under this class have no connection with the Revenue Department.

12. *Class III—Letter A.*—These Returns can be prepared by the departments concerned.

13. *Letters B and C.*—The Public Works Department of the Government Office might perhaps obtain these statements.

14. *Letter D.*—Some only of the details requisite for the preparation of these Ruturns are at present available. They might, however, be obtained by the District Officers.

The Quinquennial Returns prepared in this Presidency give some of the information required for the preparation of Statement No. 2. Any attempt to fill up No. 3 would be fruitless.

15. *Letter E—Nos.* 1 *and* 2.—The information required in these statements can be roughly furnished; but to carry the price list down to articles of daily consumption varying in every village, seems quite useless.

16. *Letter F.*—This Return might be prepared without difficulty by the District Officers.

17. *Letter G.*—The information necessary for the preparation of this statement might also be collected.

18. *Letter I.*—This Return might be prepared at the Mint.

19. *Letter K.*—This statement could without difficulty be prepared in each district.

20. The remaining statements do not apply to the Revenue Department.

21. It will be observed from the foregoing remarks that it will be quite impossible to append Returns in the forms desired to the Quinquennial Report of the present year, and that there will be considerable difficulty in supplying much of the information required until the next Quinquennial Returns are received. It will also be necessary to incur some additional expense, as the existing Revenue Establishments are quite unequal to carrying out such elaborate and extensive inquiries as will be needed.

22. The Board would also suggest for consideration whether a descriptive memoir of each district, such as those now being prepared, would not be a better means of giving the public the information which it is the object of these statements to supply. They are unable to understand how such varied and extensive and minute details can, for an Empire so extensive as British India, be usefully condensed and tabulated as proposed.

No. 385. Order thereon, 20th August 1867, No. 1,938.

Miscellaneous.

1. Ordered that copy of the above letter be forwarded for the information of the Government of India, with reference to Mr. Secretary Bayley's letter, dated 31st October 1866, No. 450, Home Department, and that the Board of Revenue be requested to furnish every Collector with a set of the forms relating to their Department, with instructions to put in hand at once the work of filling in the details so far as the information is available on record, or easily procurable.

2. The Board will cause the District Returns to be posted up in the general forms as received, and will forward the Statements to Government in as complete form as they may be able to attain, for transmission to the Government of India.

3. When progress to this extent has been made, a more accurate idea may be formed how far the design of the Statistical Committee can be carried out, and whether it will be worthwhile to re-print the information annually to accompany the Administration Report.

4. The Board will also furnish the Survey and Settlement Departments with the forms relating to those subjects, which will be filled up as far as possible, and similarly forwarded to Government.

5. The other statements which relate to the Statistics of protection, including the working of the Legislature, the Courts, Prisons, Police, Military, and Marine Departments, to the Financial and Mint Departments, the Ecclesiastical, Educational, and Medical Departments, and the Public Works, will be considered in the Departments of the Secretariat to which they refer.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 20th August 1867, No. 1,940, Revenue Department.

No. 387. Read the following Endorsement of the Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department, dated Simla, the 13th July 1867, No. 2,241.

Read the following Despatch from the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor General of India in Council, Financial, dated India Office, London, the 23rd March 1867, No. 89.

1. I have considered in Council your letter, in the Public Department, dated the 19th of December 1866, No. 91, forwarding a copy of your recent proceedings relative to the adoption of revised forms of Statistics for the Administration Reports of the several Provinces and Districts of India; and I request you to convey the thanks of Government to the Members of the Statistical Committee, for the care and attention which they have bestowed on the subject.

2. The forms now submitted, though perhaps going too minutely into detail to be accurately filled up at first, appear, on the whole, to be well adapted to the purpose for which they are intended, of placing before the Government and the public useful information, which may show the progress of India in such a manner as may be readily understood, and enable a comparison to be made with the progress of other countries.

3. I approve the proposal of the Committee that such Returns as those of fiscal geography and population, which are only occasionally revised, should nevertheless be re-printed annually, care being taken that the date of the survey or census on which they are based is always stated.

4. Some of the local officers appear to anticipate that the measures necessary for the accurate compilation of these returns may tend to unsettle the minds of the people, and lead them to expect increased taxation. There is, I should hope, no reason to fear such a result, if proper precautions be adopted; and, in order to guard against the possibility of any evil consequence of that nature, the instructions for the preparation of the statistics should be accompanied by an injunction to use great discretion in the mode of obtaining the information. I cannot, however, doubt that many of the particulars are already in the possession of the Government Officers, and that it only needs clear directions as to the form in which the information should be submitted to enable them to append it to their reports.

5. I shall not object to some small additional expenditure being incurred in order to meet the object desired; but I wish to impress upon your Government the necessity for the early transmission of the reports, as much of their value depends upon their being forwarded to England shortly after the close of the period to which they refer.

6. I have a few observations to make with regard to the wording of some of the Forms:—

Page 5, *Form B.* 1.—Where treaty obligations with a Native State exists, it would be convenient that the date of the treaty should be mentioned, with a reference to the page of Mr. Aitchison's book on which it is to be found.

Pages 15 *to* 40, *Forms II., A to D.*—Some of these returns relating to Judicial matters are more minute than are required for use in this country; but, if their preparation in this detailed form is needed for the purposes of the local Administrations, there is no objection to the full particulars being forwarded to England.

Page 41, *Form II., E.* 1.—The word "Engineers" should be substituted for "Sappers." In this, and the next two forms, the word "Province" must be altered to "Presidency," as several of the facts to be recorded do not depend upon provincial arrangement, and cannot be gathered from provincial returns.

Page 43, *Form II., E.* 3.—The classification of the Native Officers and Soldiers according to their religion, race, caste, &c., will be very useful; but I do not see what good result is to be obtained from an endeavour to ascertain the average weight of the men, and little reliance could be placed on a statement of the age of the Native Troops.

Pages 46 *and* 47, *Forms III., A.* 1 *and* 2.—In the Financial Despatch of the 28th of February, No. 78, of this year, your attention was drawn to a re-arrangement of the headings of Revenue and Expenditure, which I am desirous of having adopted in the annual accounts for

Parliament. It will be convenient to make the same classification in these forms. I have no objection, however, to the additional information which the Committee propose to give, as to the cost of establishments, &c., provided that it is shown in such a manner as to avoid all chance of misconstruction. The sub-division "real," entered under some of the headings, requires further explanation. Lines should also be drawn, so as to show clearly the total receipts or expenditure under such a head as Opium or Public Works, the figures relating to which are shown in more than one sub-division.

Page 48, *Form III., A* 3.—A statement of the cash receipts and disbursements during the year does not afford evidence of progress, and is out of place in these Returns. It should, therefore, be omitted.

Page 50, *Form III., B.* 2.—Hitherto very different principles have been adopted in the several Presidencies in calculating the returns from what are termed reproductive works; and, therefore, without great caution, a such return as that on page 50 would be liable to lead to erroneous comparisons. I trust, however, that the recent appointment of an Inspector General of Irrigation Works may lead to the adoption of a method such as that described in the Public Works Despatches of the 31st of August and 25th of October last, Nos. 48 and 65, which may fairly exhibit, for the whole of India, the financial results of all reproductive works, and the relative economy in their working and management.

Page 51, *Form III., C.*—It appears to me that statistics relating to Railways may be more conveniently arranged with reference to an entire line, than to that portion of it which passes through one particular Province. It would also be better to show the *receipts* from the several classes of passengers, as is done with regard to the *number of persons* who travel by the Rail-road, than to exhibit them only in the aggregate.

7. In all cases, these statistical forms, instead of being incorporated into the Administration Reports under the respective subjects, should be placed together as an appendix, so that the returns for a series of years may be bound in one volume, if required.

8. I take this opportunity of pointing out some improvements which may be effected in the Trade and Navigation Returns received from India.

9. The General Statement which is furnished by the Madras Government shows the trade of the whole Presidency. It is desirable that similar returns should be forwarded for Bengal, Bombay, and British Burmah.

10. The interportal trade should be shown with reference to the particular ports, (ranged according to districts,) rather than with reference to the districts themselves, as in the Madras Return, or to a mere alphabetical order of the ports, as is the case in that from Bengal.

11. Uniformity of denomination should be adopted with regard to all articles in the same class and in all the Presidencies.

12. Whenever the information can be obtained, the quantity of articles imported or exported should be shown, as well as the value.

13. In conclusion, I have to remark that the Bengal and British Burmah Returns would be more useful if the totals of each class of article were shown, as is done in those prepared at Bombay; and that no such delay should be allowed to occur in their transmission to this country as happened with regard to those from British Burmah for 1864-65, which did not reach England till October 1866.

No. 251, dated Simla, the 31st May 1867.

Ordered that a copy of the above be furnished to the Home Department, together with a copy of the Despatch from the Secretary of State, dated 28th February 1867, No. 78, and enclosures, and with the intimation that paragraphs 8 to 13 will be considered in this department.

(Signed) J. E. COOKE,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India, Finl. Dept.

From the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor General of India in Council, Financial, dated India Office, London, the 28th February 1867, No. 78.

1. I have considered in Council your Financial letter, dated the 17th September last, No. 208, forwarding correspondence relative to a proposition made by the Controller General of Military Expenditure, to exclude the value of Europe Stores from the Indian estimates and accounts, and suggesting that in the annual accounts which are presented to Parliament, "a reference may be supplied in the Section of Military charges to the expenditure for Military Stores shown under the head of Stores."

2. With reference to the proposal to exclude the value of Stores from the estimates and accounts, it is stated in the Resolution of your Government, that "it has been ruled by the Secretary of State, that the payments in England for Stores should be adjusted in the accounts in India by a charge there and a credit to London on receipt of the invoices, and the necessary provision must be made in the estimates and accounts in this country," and you accordingly declined to accede to the proposition of the Controller of Military Accounts.

3. In Sir Charles Wood's Financial Despatch to your Government, dated the 9th August 1861, No. 129, he observes—"The Stores supplied from this country should be included among the charges of the several Governments and Departments to which they have been supplied," and stated that the account current between India and London should include the value of Stores supplied from this country.

4. Since the date of that Despatch, however, great changes have been made in the accounts as transmitted to this country for presentation to Parliament; and, in regard to Stores, it was pointed out in the Financial Despatch of the 8th February 1866, No. 27, that the annual accounts do not, as heretofore, include the value of Stores *received in India*, but the sums *paid in England* on that account during each year, and that their value is no longer included among the charges of the several departments. Consequent on that omission, you now request that a reference may be made in the Section of Military charges to the expenditure for Stores.

5. In Part I. of the accounts presented to Parliament in May last, the value of Stores from Europe was included under each department, but in Part II. (No. 14) of those accounts, which contain the Regular Estimate for 1865-66. and a comparison of that estimate with the accounts of 1864-65, the value of the Stores was stated separately. When the accounts of 1865-66, and the Regular Estimate for 1866-67, shall have been received from your Government, the value of Stores will be inserted here if necessary.

6. There are, however, defects in these accounts, which the new mode of stating the value of Stores from Europe has rendered more apparent.

7. Thus in Part I, the Account No. 1 gives the charges of collection and other payments out of the revenues, but it is not shown that charges in England for Stamp and Post Office labels, and for Mint and Telegraph Stores from England are included; although it is obvious that if they were omitted, the statement would be imperfect.

8. Statement No. 2 shows the whole expenditure in India, inclusive of the value of Stores from Europe, but the expenditure in England is stated net, after deducting the miscellaneous Civil and Military receipts in England. This is manifestly inconsistent, and should be altered.

9. In the Statement No. 3, the charges in India are shown under the several departments, including Stores from Europe, but the charges in England in three items only.

10. In the general abstract view of the total revenues and charges of India, including the charges in England for 1864-65, and as estimated for the year 1865-66, forming No. 14 of Part II. of the same accounts, the mode of stating the expenditure differs from that adopted in the last-mentioned statements. The charges of collection of, and the direct claims on, the revenues are not stated separately, but a new arrangement is made which appears to be much less convenient. After the departmental charges, the Stores from England are shown separately, and the charges in England in one item. This statement, therefore, does not give a complete view of the total expenditure under any one head, which can only be obtained by adding together the departmental charge and the value of Stores shown in this statement, and referring to another account for the charges in England. Thus, although the statement is described as a comparison of the two years, the view which it gives is exceedingly imperfect.

11. In order to remedy these defects, the accompanying forms of statements have been prepared, which, if substituted for Nos. 1, 2, and 3 of the first, and No. 14 of the second, part of the accounts, would show under each head the charge incurred in India, the value of Stores supplied from Europe, and the charge incurred in England, thus obviating the necessity for a reference to the separate items of Stores as proposed by you, and giving a more complete view than can be at present obtained of the several charges.

12. You will also observe that it is proposed to show under the revenues and receipts the sums realized in this country, which have hitherto been deducted from the Home charges.

13. In the Accounts Nos. 17, 20, 23, 24, 25, 26, and 27 of Part II., the Stores may still be stated as in those presented to Parliament during the present year.

14. I am desirous that you should consider and inform me whether, as it has been determined to state separately in the accounts the Stores from England, there is any advantage gained by debiting their value to India in the account current between India and London, and if other Stores be omitted, whether it is desirable that copper for coinage should still be entered in that account.

15. As the annual accounts will in future include the sum paid in England during the year for Stores for India, it is not apparent that any useful object would be attained by encumbering the account current with their value. Economy in the expenditure of Stores can only be secured by vigilant supervision in India, and all the information as to the value of the supplies would be obtainable from the invoices, which would be still furnished if the cost were omitted from the account current.

16. You will also inform me whether you see any objection to the forms of the accounts herewith forwarded. Their substitution for those now bearing corresponding numbers would render unnecessary Nos. 29 and 30 of Part I. and 16 of Part II. which contain the particulars of the charges in England and of Stores supplied to India.

No. I.

An account of the gross revenues of India for the year 186 -6 , with the charges of collection and other payments out of those revenues, the net receipts into the several Government Treasuries, and the rates per cent. for which the gross receipts were collected, converted into sterling money, at the rate of two shillings the Rupee.

Revenues and Receipts.	Gross receipts.	Re-payments, allowances, refunds, and drawbacks.	Net receipts within the year after deducting re-payments.	Charges against income. Charges of collection, including cost and charges of Salt and Opium, (See Account No. 13).	Allowances and Assignments under Treaties and Engagements, (See Account No. 14).	Allowances to District and Village Officers, &c., (See Account No. 15).	Miscellaneous, (See Account No. 16).	Contingencies, special and temporary, (See Account No. 17).	Total charges in India against income.	Net receipts into the several Government Treasuries in India.	Stores from England.	Total charges against income.	Net receipts.	Rate per cent. for which the gross receipt was collected.
Land Revenues, &c.	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
Land Revenue														
Forest Revenue														
Abkarry														
Tributes and Contributions from Native States														
Total Land Revenue														
Customs														
Salt														
Opium														
Stamp														
Mint														
Post Office														
Electric Telegraph														
Law and Justice and Police														
Marine														
Public Works														
Miscellaneous, Civil and Military														
Interest														
Total														Including cost of Salt and Opium. Excluding cost of Salt and and Opium.

No. II.

An account of the total income of the Revenue of India in the year ending the 31st March 186 , together with an account of the public expenditure, including re-payments, allowances, and drawbacks, and allowances and assignments under Treaties and Engagements, and other payments made out of the revenues, but exclusive of the sums applied to the reduction of debt.

Heads of Revenue and Receipts.	Gross receipts, as stated in column 1 of the account of Income No. 1.	Number of Account.	Expenditure.	In India.	Stores from England.	In England.	Total.
In India.	£	I	Re-payments, allowances, refunds, and drawbacks, payments in realization of the revenue:—	£	£	£	£
Land Revenue, including tributes and contributions from Native States, Forest Revenue, and Abkarry Revenues, &c.:—			Land Revenue, &c.				
Customs			Customs				
Salt			Salt				
Opium			Opium				
Stamps			Stamps				
Mint			Mint				
Post Office			Post Office				
Electric Telegraph			Electric Telegraph				
Law and Justice and Police			Allowances and Assignments under Treaties and other Engagements.				
Marine			Total of the direct claims and demands upon the revenues, including charges of collection and cost of Salt and Opium, &c.				
Public Works			Charges including interest on debt and Public Works Ordinary				
Miscellaneous, Civil			Guaranteed interest on the capital of Railway and other Companies in India and in England, deducting net traffic receipts				
,, Military							
Interest							
In England.							
Miscellaneous, Civil							
,, Military							
		III.	Excess of Income over Expenditure, excluding Public Works Extraordinary				
Excess of Expenditure over Income, including Public Works Extraordinary.							
			Public Works Extraordinary				

No. III.

An account of the net public income of India, in the year ending 31st March 186 , (after abating the expenditure defrayed thereout by the several Revenue Departments, and the allowances and assignments under Treaties and Engagements, and other payments made out of those Revenues), and the actual issues or payments within the same period, exclusive of the sums applied to the reduction of debt.

Revenues and Receipts.			Number of Account.	Charges.	In India.	Stores from England.	In England.	Total.
In India.	£.	£.			£.	£.	£.	£.
Land Revenue, including tributes and contributions from Native States, Forest Revenue, and Abkarry Revenue, &c.:—				Administration and Public Departments				
Customs				Law and Justice				
Salt				Police				
Opium...				Marine				
Stamps...				Education, Science, and Art				
Mint				Ecclesiastical				
Post Office				Medical Services...				
Electric Telegraph				Stationery and Printing...				
Law and Justice and Police				Political Agencies and other Foreign Services... ...				
Marine...				Miscellaenous				
Public Works				Superannuation, Retired, and Compassionate Allowances				
Miscellaneous, Civil				Army				
,, Military				Public Works Ordinary, including supervision and cost of land for Railways, and loss by exchange on Railway transactions				
Interest				Interest on funded and unfunded debt				
				Interest on Service Funds and other accounts... ...				
Total Revenue and Receipts in India ...				Dividends to Proprietors of E. I. Stock				
				Guaranteed interest on capital of Railway and other Companies, deducting net traffic receipts				
In England.								
Receipts, Miscellaneous, Civil				Excess of Income over Expenditure, excluding Public Works Extraordinary.				
,, ,, Military								
Excess of Expenditure over Income, including Public Works Extraordinary				Public Works Extraordinary				

No. 14.

Abstract view of the total revenues and charges of India, including the charges disbursed in England for the year 186 -6 , and as estimated for the year 186 -6 .

...nues and Receipts.	186 -6 .	Estimate 186 -6 .	Expenditure.	186 -6 . In India.	186 -6 . Stores from England.	186 -6 . In England.	186 -6 . Total.	Estimate, 186 -6 . In India.	Estimate, 186 -6 . Stores from England.	Estimate, 186 -6 . In England.	Estimate, 186 -6 . Total.
	£.	£.		£.	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.	£.
...evenue			Allowances, Refunds, and Drawbacks								
... and contributions			Land Revenue								
... Native States ...			Forest								
... ...			Abkarry								
... (Excise.)			Customs								
... ...			Salt, cost								
... ...			,, charges								
... ...			Opium, cost								
... ...			,, charges...								
... ...			Stamps								
...dice			Mint								
...ph ... ,, ...			Post Office								
...d Justice			Telegraph								
... ...			Allowances and Assignments under Treaties and Engagements ...								
... ...			Allowances to District and Village Officers, &c.								
...ion											
...t			Total of the direct claims and demands on the Revenue, including charges of collection and cost of Salt and Opium.								
...aneous			Administration and Public Departments								
... Miscellaneous ...			Law and Justice								
... Works, Miscellaneous..			Police								
Total Revenues and Receipts of all the Presidencies and Provinces of India ...			Marine charges								
...te in England, { Civil ...			Education, Science, and Art								
...ellaneous ... { Military			Ecclesiastical &...								
			Medical Services								
Total Revenues and Receipts in India and England			Stationery and Printing								
Excess of Expenditure over Income, including Public Works Extraordinary ...			Political Agencies and other Foreign Services								
			Miscellaneous								
			Superannuation, Retired, and Compassionate Allowances ...								
			Army								
			Public Works Ordinary								
			Public Works								
			Supervision and cost of land for Railways								
			Loss on exchange on Railway transactions...								
			Interest on funded and unfunded debt								
			Interest on Service Funds and other accounts								
			Dividends to Proprietors of E. I. Stock								
			Total ...								
			Guaranteed interest on the capital of Railway and other Companies in India and in England, deducting net traffic receipts, (Account No.).								
			Excess of Income over Expenditure Excluding Public Works Extraordinary								
			Public Works Extraordinary								

(True Copies.)

(Signed) J. E. COOKE,
Secretary to the Govt. of India, Finl. Dept.

Copy forwarded to the Government of Madras for compliance, in continuation of Circular No. 450, dated 31st October last.

(By Order.)

(Signed) A. H. HARINGTON,
Offg. Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 388.

ORDER THEREON, 20th August 1867, No. 1,940.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

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1. With the first of the foregoing orders, the Government forwarded to the Board the revised forms proposed by the Statistical Committee for the Administration Reports, received from the Government of India for adoption in this Presidency. The remarks of the Board on these forms were communicated in their letter to Government, dated 4th July 1867, No. 4,180, recorded in the second of the papers above recorded. The views of the Secretary of State for India regarding these forms are given in the third paper.

2. The Board now resolve to communicate these papers to all Collectors with the accompanying forms which relate to the Revenue Department, and which the Board believe can be prepared in the Collector's Office without much difficulty. The Collectors will put them in hand at once, and will have the details filled into the Statements so far as the information is available on record or easily procurable.

3. This duty may well be entrusted by the Collectors to one of their Assistants, who should be able to have the work properly and correctly executed with the help of the Huzoor Serishtadar and the Treasury Deputy Collector. It is admitted that there will be some difficulty in obtaining accurate information for filling up many of these Statements correctly; but in any such cases, every endeavour should be made to collect details, and where this cannot be done, the information should be entered as approximately as possible, estimate or calculation being framed on some pro-per basis. The fact, however, that the information given is only on estimate should be clearly stated at the foot of the statement, with an explanation of the mode in which the figures have been arrived at.

4. The statements should be prepared with reference to the transactions of the past year 1866-67. The number of the forms now sent is only twenty, and the Board believe that two months will be ample for their preparation. It is, therefore, requested that Collectors will adopt measures to insure these forms being filled up by the end of March and despatched to the Board soon after the expiration of the current official year, in order that they may be compiled into general statement for the Board's Administration Report.

E. Fiscal No. 1.—Statement showing the particulars of Survey. (To the Superintendent of Revenue Survey.)
" " No. 1.—Statement showing the particulars of Settlement. (To the Director of Revenue Settlement.)
" " No. 2.—Statement showing the particulars of Survey and Assessment. (To the Director of Revenue Settlement.)

5. The three forms noted in the margin will be forwarded to the Superintendent of Revenue Survey and the Director of Revenue Settlements, with the request that these Officers will prepare the Returns which concern their Departments as far as practicable, and will forward them to the Board by the end of March next for submission to Government. The papers referred to in the first paragraph of these Proceedings will be communicated to these Officers also.

(True Extracts.)

(Signed) R. A. DALYELL,
Secretary.

(True Copy.)

from Nos. 1 to 2
Revenue Settlement,
with two forms.
the Superintendent of Revenue Survey,
with one form of a statement.
Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
for information.

Exd. T. Cartledge.

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No. 643.

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,

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No. 1,074.

Communicating to all Collectors and to Superintendent Revenue Survey and Director Revenue Settlement, revised forms for Administration Reports together with Government Orders on the same and requesting that the forms may be filled in with reference to transactions of 1867 and returned soon after close of 1868.

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