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No. 91. Read the following endorsement of the Revenue Department, dated 29th August 1872:—

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 7th August 1872, No. 1,519.

Read the following replies of Collectors to Board's Proceedings, dated 15th January 1870, No. 286.

From the	Offg.	Collector of Vizagapatam,	dated	14th April	1871, No.	359.
,,		Collector of Kurnool,	,,	13th ,,	,, ,,	108.
,,		Collector of Madura,	,,	19th ,,	,, ,,	107.
,,	Acting	Collector of South Canara,	,,	17th ,,	,, ,,	492.
,,	Offg.	Collector of Kistna District,	,,	12th Feb.	1870, ,,	652.
,,	,,	Collector of Nellore,	,,	5th April	,, ,,	701.
,,	Acting	Collector of Bellary,	,,	1st June	,, ,,	197.
,,	,,	Collector of Chingleput,	,,	5th ,,	1871, ,,	234.
,,		Collector of South Arcot,	,,	13th April	,, ,,	90.
,,		Collector of Godavery District,	,,	14th July	1870, ,,	206.
,,	Offg.	Collector of Tanjore,	,,	14th April	1871, ,,	110.
,,		Collector of Coimbatore,	,,	6th May	,, ,,	129.
,,	Acting	Collector of North Arcot,	,,	2nd ,,	,, ,,	249.
,,		Collector of Malabar,	,,	21st April	,, ,,	105.
,,		Commissioner of the Nilgiris,	,,	9th June	1870, ,,	80.
,,		Collector of Salem,	,,	11th Sept.	1871, ,,	2,586.
,,	Acting	Collector of Trichinopoly,	,,	20th May.	,, ,,	146.
,,	,,	Collector of Tinnevelly,	,,	10th Feb.	1870, ,,	53.

THESE replies will be submitted to Government, with reference to G. O., 15th September 1869, No. 3,026.

2. In the comparative statement of irrigation and rainfall, communicated by the Government of India, the cultivation of irrigated areas is divided into Fusl Khurreef and Fusl Rubbee.

3. It has been directed by Government that in this Presidency first and second crop cultivation shall be sown instead of Khurreef and Rubbee.

4. This order the Board believe to be too vague.

5. In the first place "second crop" is a technical term generally used for a crop grown on land on which a first crop has been already harvested. In the second place, it is doubtful what crop is a *first* crop, and what a *second*, when the growth of crop lasts from one Fasli to another.

6. The Board think it will be better if the following columns are substituted for Khurreef and Rubbee:—

(1.) Sown from April to November.
(2.) Sown from December to March.

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Secretary.

TRANSFERRED to the Department Public Works, with reference to G. O., 15th September 1869, No. 3,026, in that department.

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government, R.D.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
5th December 1873.

No. 92. ORDER THEREON, 5th December 1873, No. 2,934.

IRRIGATION, No. 7.

HIS Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to approve of the substitution of "sown from April to November" and "sown from December to March" for first and second crop cultivation, in the comparative statements of irrigation and rainfall, and as synonyms for "Khurreef" and "Rubbee," as recommended by the Board of Revenue in their Proceedings above recorded.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Revenue Department.
„ Revenue Board.
To all District Engineers.
To the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
„ Officiating Controller of Public Works

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Proceedings of the Madras Government.
Under date the November 1873
Read the following

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Revenue Department ✓
" Board ✓
All District Engineers ✓
Chief Engineer for Irrigation ✓
Controller of Public Works accounts ✓

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His Excellency the
Governor in Council ob-
serves that the Seasons
during which Rice Crop
are grown in the Districts
of the Madras Presidency
vary considerably and
that the definition of the
Crops as proposed by the
Revenue Board viz
1st That sown from April
to November
2nd That sown from De-
cember to March

By the South East Monsoon
begins in October in
the Northern division
[illegible]

[illegible] 11-73 Cir 21 Nov 73
[illegible] Comm 18-11-73.

is not applicable to many of the Districts.

2. From the Collectors letters the cultivating seasons are as given below and the wet Crops raised in the periods noted under 1st Crop should be regarded as the 1st Crop & those cultivated at any other periods as the 2nd Crop and should appear as such in the Comparative Statements of Irrigation and Rainfall. In some Districts no second Crops appear to be raised

Districts

It is impossible to define accurately the season of cultivation for practically the "quality" of the monsoon shifts upwards & backwards & forwards and a considerable space of time - hence the Collrs letters are obviously inaccurate - Eg. if grain the same average condition of the season is still most Chingleput & Nellore the range of special Rainfall round the same on the average - but all Collrs differ widely - and so on throughout the list.

The Bds recommendation comes as near the right average division of agricultural conditions as can be laid down.

Jeypore 6th Nov. 1871

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Districts	1st Crop	2nd Crop
Ganjam	July to October	
Vizagapatam	June to September	October to March
Godavery	April to November	December to March
Kistna	July to December	
Nellore	May to November	September to January
Cuddapah	June to September	October to January
Kurnool	June to September	October to January
Bellary	July to September	November to February
Chengleput	June to September	September to January February to May
North Arcot	June to October	November to March
South Arcot	August to January	February to June
Salem	July to November	March to May
Tanjore	June to October	October to January
Trichinopoly	June to September	October to March
Combatore	July to December	November to February
Vellore	April to September	October to January
Madura	July to January	February to June
Tinnevelly	June to September	November to February

H. F.

Chief

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G. O. 5th Dec. 1873, No. 2934.

Nos. 91 & 92

Comparative Statements of Irrigation and Rain-fall.

The substitution of "Sown from april to November" & "Sown from December to March" for first and second crop cultivation, in the comparative Statements and as Synonymous for Khureef & Rubbee, approved.

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