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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

6th July 1881, No. 1,023.

Season Report for the Week ending 25th June 1881.

READ THE FOLLOWING PAPERS:—

No. 30. Telegram from Collector of Ganjam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Rice 22.42, ragi 37.73, cholam 36.53, cumbu 40.4. Rain—Berhampore 4.7, Purushottapur 2.35, Russellkonda 2.2, Surada 1.56, Iohapur 1.8, Tekkali 1.2, Udayagiri .7, no reports Aska, Narsannapet, Chicacole, Parla Kimedi, Gopalpur, Pattapur, Pundi, Calingapatam, Balliguda, no rain elsewhere. Gingelly, cotton, ragi, sugar-cane, cumbu planted and doing well.

No. 31. Report from Collector of Vizagapatam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Third-sort rice 19.7, cholam 33.7, ragi 36.3, cumbu 42.5. Health—Cholera in three taluks, eleven deaths during the week; small-pox in six and fever in three taluks. Crops—Gingelly, cumbu, chama, cotton, sugar-cane, ragi, indigo, vooda, and korra thriving. Agricultural operations—Paddy, cumbu, red-gram, korra, ragi, chama, and vooda sown; cumbu and ragi transplanted. Water-supply diminishing in a few places. Rain-fall—Narsapatnam .7, Yellamanchili .45, Anakapalle 1.0, Viravilli .5, Vizianagram .8, Chipurupalle 2.3, Kuppli 1.7, Palakonda 1.9, Parvatipur .25, Rayaghada 2.4, Jeypore 1.15, Koraput 1.1, Malkangiri 4.525, Nowrangapur 2.2.

No. 32. Report from Collector of Godavari, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Rice 19.6, cholam 35, ragi 40, cumbu 32. Health—fever and small-pox slightly prevalent. Crops—Gingelly and sugar-cane thriving well. Agricultural operations—Fields being ploughed and paddy sown; transplantation of paddy commenced in some places; gingelly being sown and sugar-cane planted in some places. Water-supply good; Godavari water 7.1 feet above lock-sill. Rain-fall—Ocanada 1.23, Pithapuram 1.2, Ramachandrapuram .9, Amalapuram 2.15, Narsapur .25.

No. 33. Telegram from Collector of Kistna, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Rice 16.18, cholam 30.72, ragi 37.45, cumbu 34.08. Fever and measles exist in some taluks. Rain-fall—.04 Bapatla, .05 Guntur, .22 Gudivada, .57 Bander, no reports from Sattenapalle and Gunnavaram, nil elsewhere. Agricultural operations commenced.

No. 34. Report from Collector of Nellore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Rice 16.80, cholam 30.21, ragi 34.86, cumbu 29.71. Health—Small-pox in Kanigiri and Kandakur Taluks; ague, fever, and measles in a few other places; public health generally good. Crops—The standing crops are flourishing. Agricultural

operations—Indigo, cholum, cumbu, and kasari paddy have been sown; the lands are being ploughed. Water-supply sufficient; there is water sufficient in the Delta villages for irrigation purposes; no freshes in the river. Rain-fall—Ongole 0·35.

No. 35. Report from Collector of Cuddapah, to Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department, dated 27th June 1881.

Rice 14.77, cholam 35.02, ragi 38.58, cumbu 36.07. Health—Fever is prevalent throughout the district. Standing crops are doing well; paddy, cholam, wheat, and tobacco are being harvested; outturn of paddy being $\frac{2}{3}$, cholam $\frac{1}{2}$, wheat $\frac{1}{3}$, and tobacco $\frac{1}{4}$. Agricultural operations—Cumbu is being sown; the cultivation of lands is being carried out. Water-supply—No water-supply received in tanks in this week; there is water in river channels. Rain-fall—Pullampet .15, Ráyachóti .1.

No. 36. Telegram from Collector of Bellary, to Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Rice 15·3, cholam 40·4, ragi 43·8, cumbu 31·8. Health—Fever seven taluks. Rain-fall—Harpanahalli 35. Sowing paddy, cholam, ragi, oil-seeds, sugar-cane; standing crops generally good. Harvesting paddy, wheat; yield average.

No. 37. Telegram from Collector of Kurnool, to Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Rice 12-88, cholam 35-40, ragi 88-88,umbu 35-01. Rain-fall—Pattikonda 20, Sirvel 13. Agricultural operations impeded and young crops suffering from want of rain. Prices—Rice rising Nandyal; cholam Nandikotkur, Pattikonda. Public health generally good; cattle-disease three taluks. Fodder, water sufficient.

No. 38. Report from Collector of Madras, to Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Second-sort rice 12·08, cholam 23·04, ragi 23·29, cumbu 21·12. Health—Small-pox and fever prevalent; cattle healthy. Imports—Tons rice 4, other grains 55. Rain-fall *nil*.

No. 39. Telegram from Collector of Chingleput, to Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

* Rice 17·02, ragi 25·44, cumbu 23·10. Health—Fever and small-pox parts Conjeeveram, Saidápet; fever at Kunatur abating; cattle-disease Conjeeveram, Saidápet. Crops withering generally; paddy harvested Conjeeveram, Ponnéri; outturn moderate. Pasturage bad. Agricultural operations—Ploughing paddy Madurántakam, Saidápet; sowing Saidápet; transplanting Conjeeveram, Saidápet. Water-supply diminishing; Madurántakam moderate. Rain-fall—Madurántakam 1·85, Utramallur 1·3, Saidápet ·2, Poonamallee ·37, Homes' Gardens ·74, Ponnéri ·5.

No. 40. Report from Collector of North Arcot, to Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Rice 18·1, cholum 25·5, ragi 32·0, cumbu 25·0. Health—Public health is generally good, but fever slightly prevails in parts of the Chittoor, Chandragiri, and Gudiyátam Taluks and Punganúr Divisions; and small-pox in parts of the Gudiyátam Taluk and Madarpak Division. Crops—Paddy, cholum, and indigo were harvested during the week, and the outturn was an average one; the condition of the standing crops is generally good. In the Palmanér Taluk, however, want of

rain is felt for the standing crops. Agricultural operations are vigorously progressing. Water-supply—The tanks are fast drying up owing to excessive heat; a few tanks lying within a radius of five miles around Wandiwash have received during the week from 15 to 20 days' supply of water. Rain-fall—Arcot 1·05, Arkónam ·60, Arni ·09, Chittoor ·05, Gudiyátam ·13, Kangundi ·08, Póltur ·80, Puttur ·15, Tirutani ·40, Vellore ·57, Venkatagirikóta ·50, Walaja ·47, Wandiwash 4·50.

No. 41. Report from Collector of South Arcot, to Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Rice 18-22, cholam 31-25, ragi 30-27, cumbu 29-22. Health generally good, but fever and small-pox were prevalent in parts of Tiruvannámalai, Cuddalore, and Vriddhachalam Taluks. Crops—Paddy was harvested in parts of the district; the outturn varying from 6 to 12 annas; standing crops, viz., paddy, ragi, indigo, gingelly, and sugar-cane under wells were generally in good condition. Agricultural operations—Ragi was transplanted in some places under wells. Ploughing and manuring operations were in progress. Water-supply—Almost all the tanks have dried. Rain-fall—Cuddalore 0-50, Villupuram 0-45, Tiruvannámalai 0-70, Tirukoilur 0-50, Tindivanam 1-50, Chidambaram 1-15, Kallakurehi 0-93, Vanoor 0-25, Tittagudi 0-70, Chengam 1-70, Gingee 2-00, Ulundurpett 1-65, Bhuvanagiri 0-60, Mannargudi 1-70, Merkanam 0-75, other stations nil.

No. 42. Telegram from Collector of Tanjore, to Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Rice 15·46, cholam 27·67, ragi 31·33,umbu 31·73. Rain-fall—Kumbakó-
nam 1·55, Lower Aniout 21, Máyavaram 15, Tranquebar 52, Shiyáli 85, Naanilam
15, Negapatam 45, Tiruturaipundi 40, Mánnargudi 1·20, Patukóta 80, Muttupet
10, other stations nil. Rivers one foot. Crops good generally, but withering in
parts for want of rain. Harvest—Paddy in parts Patukóta; outturn below average.

No. 43. Report from Collector of Trichinopoly, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Rice 16-91, cholam 28-00, ragi 33-53, cumbu 30-81. Health generally good; some small-pox reported again from Perambalur Taluk; slight fever in Trichinopoly Town. Crops in parts of the several taluks are in good condition. Agricultural operations—Ploughing and sowing operations continue; paddy was harvested in Musiri with an outturn of 12 annas; cholam in Trichinopoly, Turaiyūr, Kuthalai and Manaparai with one of 4 to 12 annas; cumbu in Perambalur with one of 12 annas. Water-supply—Cauvery continues to be low for the season. There was some slight increase in its supply during the week under report. Irrigating channels, with a few exceptions, are still dry; tanks in Perambalur, Manaparai, and Illuppur are dry. Rain-fall in the district—Trichinopoly 0-05, Trichinopoly Canniyūr 0-02, Lalgudi 3-72, Perambalur 0-30, Jayankondacholapuram 1-85, Kilpaluvūr 1-40; in Pudukōta State, Pudukōta 1-27, Alangudi 0-24, Turaiyūr 0-20.

No. 44. Telegram from Collector of Madura, to Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Rice 16-05, cholam 36-18, ragi 34-54, cumbu 31-23. Rain-fall—Madura 4, Tirumangalam 3, Sivaganga 2-8, Vattanam 17. Cholam harvested in some taluks, yield average. Water-supply deficient.

No. 45. Report from Collector of Tinnevely, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Second-sort rice 14.56, cholam nil, cumbu 32.80, ragi 37.44. Health generally good, but guinea-worm, diarrhoea, and dysentery are prevalent in parts of Otapidaram; cattle-disease exists in parts of Ambasamudram, Tenkasi, Tenkari, and Otapidaram. Crops—Condition generally good, though in some taluks the crops are reported to be withering from want of rain; paddy is being harvested in parts of Otapidaram and the outturn is below the average; cholam is being harvested up to the average; and gingelly is being harvested in parts of Sankaranainarkoil and transplanting are going on for the summer crop. Cholam is being sown in parts of Tenkasi and ragi is being cultivated on lands under wells in Srivilliputur Taluk. Water-supply very deficient for the time of year; the monsoon having entirely failed since the 19th instant, considerable anxiety is felt as to the prospects of the summer crop; rice is also being exported in unusually large quantities to Travancore. Rain-fall nil.

No. 46. Telegram from Collector of Coimbatore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Rice 16.11, cholam 31.83, ragi 37.88, cumbu 39.26. Public health and crops generally good. Harvest—cholam in four taluks, cumbu one taluk; outturn average. Rain—Coimbatore 16, Mettupalaiyam 40, Talavadi 75, Kollegal 20, others nil.

No. 47. Report from Commissioner of Nilgiris, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Second-sort rice 12.15, cholam 24.91, ragi 27.08, cumbu 31.21. Health generally good; but fever and dysentery prevail in Wynad. Standing crops are in good condition. Agricultural operations—Ploughing and sowing in progress. Water-supply sufficient. Rain-fall—Ootacamund 1.22 inches, Coonoor 1.25, Koda-nad 0.28, Gudalur 0.60.

No. 48. Report from Collector of Salem, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 28th June 1881.

Rice 17.07, cholam 32.06, cumbu 31.87, ragi 32.82. Health—fever in two taluks and small-pox in one. Crops in good condition except in one taluk; ragi harvested in two taluks, cholam in one and paddy in one, and the yield about the average. Agricultural operations—Paddy being sown in four taluks, ragi in two, and cholam in one. Water-supply sufficient. Rain-fall—Salem 15, Trichengod 40, Atur 28, Hosur 15, Dharmapuri 55, Krishnagiri 13, Uttankarai 90, Vaniyambadi 25.

No. 49. Report from Collector of South Canara, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 28th June 1881.

Rice 18.36, ragi 24.72. Health generally good, except slight fever in some localities. Crops none. Agricultural operations—Sowing broad-cast and transplanting of seedlings for the first rice-crop are progressing. Cultivation of low lands but quite insufficient for up lands. Water-supply barely sufficient for gadi 72, Coondapoor 82, Kasaragod 1.20, Udipi 71.

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No. 50. Telegram from Collector of Malabar, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 27th June 1881.

Rice 15.2, ragi 25.7. Rain insufficient for standing crops. Small-pox slight three taluks; fever two taluks; cattle-disease slight Wynad. Rain-fall—Cannanore 50, Badagara 10, Calicut 02, Chevayur 08, Vayitri 85, Manantoddy 82, Manjeri 28, Tirurangadi 1.14, Angadipuram 30, Ponani 54, Cochin 75, other stations nil.

No. 51. Telegram from Dewan of Travancore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 28th June 1881.

Season telegram, Trivandrum. Nothing is now done in the way of cultivation. Madras second-sort rice 12.6 and paddy 24.26 seers per rupee. No small-pox or cholera, but dysentery, bronchitis, and bowel-affections prevail to some extent. Week's rain-fall 0.378.

No. 52. REVENUE DEPARTMENT, 6th July 1881, No. 1,023.

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