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Season Report for Week ending 2nd July 1881.

READ THE FOLLOWING PAPERS:—

No. 139. Telegram from Collector of Ganjam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Rice 22·49, ragi 38·19, cholum 36·53, cumbu 40·4. Rain—Chatrapur ·1, Purushottapur ·2, Aska ·81, Russellkonda 1·78, Suradá ·55, Gopálpur ·04, Pattapur ·75, Púndi ·53, Udayagiri ·47; no reports Ichápur, Sómpet, Tekkali, Chicacole, Calingapatam, Balliguda; no rain elsewhere. Gingelly, cotton, ragi, sugarcane, cumbu thriving.

No. 140. Report from Collector of Vizagapatam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Third-sort rice 19·7, cholum 33·7, ragi 37·, cumbu 42·6. Health—cholera in two taluks, nine deaths during the week; small-pox in six and fever in three taluks. Crops—sugar-cane, gingelly, cotton, cumbu, ragi, chama, korra, indigo, and vuda thriving. Agricultural operations—paddy, cumbu, cotton, korra, and red-gram sown; ragi and cumbu transplanted. Water-supply increasing. Rainfall—Narsapatnam 2·35, Ellamanchilli 2·9, Anakápalle 2·2, Balacheruvu 2·8, Viravilli 2·2, Waltair 1·2, Bimlipatam ·65, Vizianagrum 2·7, Chípurupalle ·7, Kuppili ·4, Pálkonda 1·7, Sálúr 4·3, Párvatipur 2·325, Rayaghada 1·7, Jeypore 2·8, Koraput 2·3, Malkangiri ·975, Naurangapur 1·.

No. 141. Report from Collector of Godávari, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Rice 18, cholum 40, ragi 42, cumbu 32. Health—fever and small-pox slightly prevalent. Crops—gingelly, sugar-cane thriving well. Agricultural operations—fields being ploughed and paddy and gingelly being sown. Transplantation of paddy in progress. Water-supply good; Godávari water 6·7 feet above lock-sill. Rainfall—Cocanada 1·31, Tanuku 1·35, Amalápuram 2·7, Peddápuram 2·6, Víravásaram ·85, Polavaram ·8, Rajahmundry ·1, Alamuru 1·3, Bhadráchalam ·65, Pentapadu ·7.

No. 142. Telegram from Collector of Kistna, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Rice 16·10, cholum 31·06, ragi 36·88, cumbu 33·51. Fever and measles slight. Rainfall—inches ·5 Répalle, 1·6 Bápatla, ·85 Guntúr, 1·25 Dáchepalle, 1·63 Gudiváda, 3·45 Krósúr, 1·75 Bandar, 2·5 Bezváda, ·67 Vinukonda, 1·1 Tiruvur, 1·3 Gannavaram. No reports from Narsaraopet and Nandigáma. Early dry crops being sown. ·45 foot water over anicut.

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No. 143. Report from Collector of Nellore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Rice 17·04, cholum 31·30, ragi 36·04, cumbu 29·50. Health—small-pox in Kanigiri, Kandukúr, and Ongole 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, kasari, and pottinallavari paddy have been sown. The lands are being ploughed. Water-supply sufficient. There is water sufficient in the delta villages and also in some other villages for irrigation purposes. The Pennér received a small supply of water. Rainfall—Nellore 1·75, Gúdúr 0·60, Atmakúr 1·90, Kávali 1·90, Allúr 2·35, Kottapatam 1·00, Venkatagiri 2·65, Darsi 2·30, Podili 0·50, Rápúr 2·65, Udayagiri 0·90, Kanigiri 2·05, Kandukúr 1·05, Ongole 0·70, Addanki 3·30.

No. 144. Report from Collector of Cuddapah, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 4th July 1881.

Rice 12·8, cholum 34·46, ragi 37·86, cumbu 34·26. Health—fever is prevalent throughout the district. Crops—the standing crops are doing well. Paddy, cholum, and indigo are being harvested, outturn of paddy being ¼, cholum ½, and indigo ½. Agricultural operations—paddy, cholum, cumbu, korra, indigo, gingelly seeds, and oil seeds are being sown and sugar-cane and turmeric are being planted. Water-supply—some tanks in the district have received water. There is water in channels. Rainfall—Cuddapah 1·1, Madanapalle ·75, Badvél 3·65, Sidhout 3·7, Pulivendla ·1, Proddutur ·7, Váyalpád ·5, Ráyachoti 1·7, Pflér ·8, Kamalápuram ·1 inch, Chitvél 3 inches, Pullampet 2·05.

No. 145. Telegram from Collector of Bellary, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Rice 15·1, cholum 39·1, ragi 41·4, cumbu 33·3. Health—fever seven taluks. Rainfall—Kúdligi ·25, Hadgalli ·75, Harpanahalli ·37, Adóni 1·60, Alúr ·35. Sowing cholum, ragi, green gram, dholl, cumbu, paddy, oil-seeds. Standing crops generally good. Harvesting paddy, wheat; yield average.

No. 146. Telegram from Collector of Kurnool, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Rice 12·88, ragi 38·88, cholum 35·40, cumbu 35·01. Rainfall—Kurnool ·05, Pattikonda ·88, Ramallakót ·18, Nandikotkur ·05, Nandyál ·91, Sirvel ·81, Cumbum 4·56, Márkápur 1·30 up to 2nd instant. Agricultural operations almost at a standstill and young crops suffering from want of rain except in Cumbum. Prices tending upwards. Public health generally good. Cattle-disease in two taluks. Fodder, water sufficient. Rainfall at Kurnool since 2nd instant ·55 inch; believed to have been general. Prospects improved.

No. 147. Report from Collector of Madras, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Rice (second-sort) 12·08, cholum 23·04, ragi 23·29, cumbu 21·12. Health—small-pox and fever prevalent; cattle healthy. Imports—rice, tons 56; other grains 209. Rainfall, ·05 inch.

No. 148. Telegram from Collector of Chingleput, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Rice 16·48, ragi 25·77, cumbu 26·10. Health—fever parts Conjeeveram; small-pox Conjeeveram, Saidápet, Tiruvallúr; cattle-disease except Madurántakam, Ponnéri. Crops good parts Chingleput, Saidápet, where water available; withering

elsewhere; paddy harvested Conjeeveram, Saidápet, Tiruvallúr, Ponnéri; outturn moderate; pasturage procurable Chingleput, Saidápet; bad elsewhere. Agricultural operations—paddy, ragi cultivation Saidápet; transplanting Conjeeveram; sowing others. Water-supply diminishing. Rainfall—Sríperumbudur 1 inch, Poonamallee ·8, Homes' Gardens ·12, Ponnéri ·4, rest *nil*.

No. 149. Report from Collector of North Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Rice 17·7, cholum 25·3, ragi 32·3, cumbu 25·0. Health—Public health is generally good; but fever slightly prevails in parts of the Chittoor, Gudiyátam and Pólúr taluks and Tirupati, Punganúr and Venkatagirikota divisions, and small-pox in parts of the Gudiyátam taluk and Maderpauk division. Crops—paddy, cholum, indigo and gingelly-oil-seed 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 around Wálajápet have received during the week from one to two months' supply of water. Rainfall—Arcot 3·50, Arkónam ·40, Arni 1·15, Kálahasti ·80, Chandragiri ·95, Chittoor 1·31, Gudiyátam ·45, Kangundi ·30, Maderpauk 2·15, Palmanér ·88, Pólúr 1·40, Patúr 1·00, Tirutani 1·80, Tirupati 2·50, Vellore ·84, Venkatagirikota 1·00 Wálajápet 4·40.

No. 150. Report from Collector of South Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Rice 18·00, cholum 27·73, ragi 29·79, cumbu 28·80. Health generally good, but fever and small-pox were prevalent in parts of Cuddalore and fever in parts of Vriddháchalam taluk. 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. Rainfall—Cuddalore 0·45, Tiruvádi 0·40, Tiruvannámalai 0·10, Chengam 1·25, Merkanam 0·10, Bhuvanigiri return not received, other stations *nil*.

No. 151. Telegram from Collector of Tanjore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Rice 15·25, cholum 27·67, ragi 31·33, cumbu 31·73. Rainfall—Vallam ·15, Negapatam ·10, Mannárgudi ·30, Shiyáli ·55, other stations *nil*. Rivers, ½ foot. Crops withering for want of water. Harvest *nil*; outturn *nil*.

No. 152. Report from Collector of Trichinopoly, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 4th July 1881.

Rice 16·69, cholum *nil*, ragi 33·53, cumbu 31·16. Health generally good; a few cases of small-pox reported from Udayárpálaiyam taluk; slight fever in Trichinopoly town. Crops in parts of the several taluks are reported to be doing well. Agricultural operations—ploughing in progress; transplanting of seedlings in a few places; generally cultivation is put off owing to want of rain and of supply in channels; here and there, there has been some sowing; paddy was harvested in Musiri with an outturn of 12 annas; cholam in Trichinopoly, Tuaiyúr, Kulitalai and Manapárai with one of 4 to 12 annas; cumbu in Trichinopoly and Perambalúr with one of 6 to 12 annas. Water-supply—Cauvery continues to be low; no freshes; the irrigating channels with some exceptions have no supply whatever;

tanks are mostly dry; want of rain is much felt almost everywhere. Rainfall—(In the district) Iluppúr 0·75, Lálgudi 0·09, slight drizzling in Cantonment on two days; (In Pudukóta State) Pudukóta 1·22, Kolathur 0·66, Alangudi 0·10.

No. 153. Telegram from Collector of Madura, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Rice 15·61, cholum 35·10, ragi 34·32, cumbu 30·87. Rainfall—Madura ·3, Tirumangalam 1·3, Dindigul ·50 Palni ·55, Sivaganga ·6. Cholum harvested in some taluks, yield average. Water-supply deficient.

No. 154. Report from Collector of Tinnevelly, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Rice (second sort) 14·08, cholum *nil*, cumbu 35·20, ragi 38·40. Health generally good; cattle-disease is abating in parts of Otapidáram. 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 Otapidáram, and the outturn is below the average; cumbu and cholum under wells in parts of Sátúr are being harvested and their outturn is up to the average. Agricultural operations—ploughing, sowing and transplanting are going on for the summer crops; ragi is being cultivated on lands under wells in Srívilliputur taluk. Water-supply very deficient for the time of year. Rainfall—slight showers (sharel) near hills. Slight and very temporary freshes came down the river on the 30th ultimo to the height of four feet seven inches near Ambásamudram.

No. 155. Telegram from Collector of Coimbatore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Rice 15·87, cholum 31·33, ragi 37·72, cumbu 38·55. Fever slight two taluks. Wet crops generally good; dry crops suffering want of rain parts of five taluks. Harvest—cholum two taluks, cumbu, gingelly each one taluk; outturn about average. Rain—Coimbatore ·15, Mettupálaiyam ·10, Satyamangalam ·02, Tálavádi ·25, Kollegál ·20, Bhaváni ·56, Pollúchi ·70, others *nil*.

No. 156. Report from Commissioner of Nílgiris, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Second-sort rice 11·63, cholum 22·57, ragi 23·93, cumbu 21·21. Health generally good. Standing crops are in good condition. Agricultural operations—weeding in progress. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall—Ootacamund 2·14 inches, Kódanád 0·45, Coonoor 0·49.

No. 157. Report from Collector of Salem, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Rice 16·60, cholum 32·68, cumbu 31·87, ragi 32·54. Health—fever in three taluks and small-pox in two. Crops in bad condition in four taluks; cholum harvested in four taluks and ragi in one, and the yield below the average. Rain wanted. Agricultural operations—cumbu being sown in two taluks and ragi in one. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall—Salem ·32, Tiruchengód ·15, Atúr ·25, Dharmapuri ·55, Tirupatúr ·85, Krishnagiri ·35, Shevaroy Hills 1·30, Vániyambádi 1·05, Sankaridrug ·90, Rasipur ·40.

No. 158. Report from Collector of South Canara, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Rice 18·14, ragi 24·39. Health—fever is reported in Uppinangadi Taluk, as well as in some parts of other taluks; public health is otherwise satisfactory. Crops—the first rice-crop plants are generally reported to be in fair condition.

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Agricultural operations—sowing broadcast and transplantation of seedlings for the first rice crop are progressing. Water-supply sufficient for low lands, but insufficient for uplands. Rainfall—Mangalore 7·45, Uppinangadi 8·24, Coondapoor 11·01, Kásaragód 8·45, Udipi 8·13.

No. 159. Telegram from Collector of Malabar, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 6th July 1881.

Rice 15·4, ragi 25·4. Rain insufficient some taluks for standing crops. Small-pox slight Ponáni. Cattle-disease slight Wynaad. Rainfall—Cannanore 7·35, Tellicherry 4·57, Badagara 5·47, Calicut 8·17, Chevayur 6·24, Vayitri 8·40, Manantoddy 4·44, Manjeri 2·90, Tirúrangádi 5·24, Nilambúr 1·77, Angádipuram 2·32, Pálghat ·92, Ponáni 4·44, Cochin 4·82.

No. 160. Telegram from Diwan of Travancore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 5th July 1881.

Paddy-fields are being weeded in some places; Madras second-sort rice 11·77 and paddy 24·26 seers per rupee. No small-pox or cholera, but sore-eyes, fevers, and bowel affections prevail to some extent. Week's rainfall 1·449.

No. 161. ORDER THEREON, 12th July 1881, No. 1066.

Miscellaneous.

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