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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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Season Report for the Week ending 16th July 1881.

READ THE FOLLOWING PAPERS :---

No. 297. Telegram from Collector of Ganjam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice 22.33, ragi 37.67, cholam 35.12, cumbu 37.45. Rain—Ganjam 1.3, Chatrapur 1.33, Berhampore 1.06, Purushottapur 1.5, Aska 1.31, Russellkonda 1.9, Ichápur 1.67, Sompét 2.15, Tekkali 1.2, Chicacole .07, Parlákimedi .37, Pattapur 1.3, Púndi 1.45, Calingapatam .5; no report Suradá, Gopálpur, Udayagiri, Halligada; no rain Narsaunapet. Sugar-cane, cotton, gingelly, cumbu, ragi thriving.

No. 298. Report from Collector of Vizagapatam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Third-sort rice 19.7, cholam 33.4, ragi 36.3, cumbu 41.0. Health—small-pox in three and fever in three taluks. Crops—sugar-cane, paddy, gingelly, cotton, chana, cumbu, korra, vooda and ragi thriving. Agricultural operations—paddy sown, cumbu and ragi transplanted; in some places paddy transplanted. Water-supply good. Rainfall—Narsapatnam .4, Elamanchilli .3, Balacheravu .1, Viravilli .7, Vizianagram .1, Kuppli .1, Sálár 1.15, Párvatipur 1.125, Rayaghada .9, Jeypore 4.35, Komput 4.4, Malkungeri 8.35, Naurangapur 10.2.

No. 299. Report from Collector of Godávari, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice 18.2, cholam 36.5, ragi 40.6, cumbu 32. Health—fever and small-pox slight. Crops—dry paddy, red-gram, cotton, gingelly good; sugar-cane thriving well. Agricultural operations—transplantation of paddy in progress. Water-supply good; Godávari water 9 feet 4 inches above locksill. Rainfall—Rajahmundry 1.1, Yernagudem .7, Coringa .3, Tuni .3, Poddápuram .75, Cocanada 1.31, Polavaram 1, Bhadráchalam .5, Tanuku .2, Pithápuram .1.

No. 300. Telegram from Collector of Kistna, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice 15.49, cholam 30.58, ragi 37.49, cumbu 31.85. Fever and measles exist slightly in some taluks. Rainfall—-inches .8 Tiruvur, nil elsewhere. Cholam, cumbu, indigo, &c., being sown; 6.4 feet water over ancient.

No. 301. Report from Collector of Nellore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice 16.90, cholam 30.81, ragi 36.25, cumbu 29.64. Health—small-pox in Kanigiri, Ongole and Kandukur taluks; ague, fever, measles and guinea-worm in a few other places; public health generally good. The standing crops are

flourishing. Agricultural operations—indigo, cholam, cumbu, kesari 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 no supply of water. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 302. Report from Collector of Cuddapah, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 18th July 1881.

Rice 14·66, cholam 34·07, ragi 33·55, cumbu 34·83. Health—fever is prevalent throughout the district. Crops—paddy, garden, cholam, wheat, tobacco and indigo are being harvested; outturn of paddy being $\frac{3}{4}$, garden, cholam $\frac{1}{2}$, wheat $\frac{1}{2}$, tobacco $\frac{1}{2}$, and indigo $\frac{3}{4}$. Agricultural operations—ragi, cumbu, korra, horse-gram and oil-seeds are being sown. Water-supply—No supply of water has been received in tanks in this week; there is sufficient water in channels. Rainfall—Cuddapah 15, Sidhout 35, Chitvel 1.

No. 303. Telegram from Collector of Bellary, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice 14·8, cholam 37·08, ragi 40·7, cumbu 31·3. Health—fever seven taluks. Rainfall—Harpanahalli 10, Kúdligi 07. Sowing paddy, cholam, ragi, cumbu, oil-seeds, korra, cotton; standing crops, wet generally good, dry withering for want of rain. Harvesting paddy, wheat; yield average.

No. 304. Telegram from Collector of Kurnool, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice 12·75, cholam 34·84, ragi 38·05, cumbu 34·38. Rainfall—Kurnool 01, Koilkuntla 28; more rain wanted. Agricultural operations retarded and young crops suffering from want of rain. Prices—rice rising Rámallakót, cholam falling Koilkuntla. Public health generally good; cattle-disease two taluks. Fodder, water procurable.

No. 305. Report from Collector of Madras, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice (second sort) 13·59, cholam 23·04, ragi 23·29, cumbu 23·76. Health—fever and small-pox prevalent; cattle healthy. Imports—tons, rice 69; other grains 131. Rainfall, 0·40 inch.

No. 306. Telegram from Collector of Chingleput, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice 16·83, ragi 25·54, cumbu 23·10. Health—fever parts Conjeeveram, abating Kunnathur; small-pox parts Conjeeveram, Tiruvallúr; cattle-disease except Madurántakam, Ponnéri. Crops good parts Chingleput, Saidápet where water available, withering elsewhere; paddy harvested Saidápet, Ponnéri, outturn below half; pasturage procurable Saidápet, bad elsewhere. Agricultural operations—ragi, paddy cultivation Madurántakam, Conjeeveram; ploughing, transplanting ragi, &c., Chingleput, Saidápet, Tiruvallúr; ploughing Ponnéri; sowing Chingleput. Water-supply diminishing. Rainfall—Madurántakam 3, Utramérur 2, Chingleput 3, Saidápet 26, Poonamallee 55, Homes' Gardens 21, Tiruvallúr 1, rest *nil*.

307. Report from Collector of North Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice 17·4, cholam 26·1, ragi 30·5, cumbu 25·1. Health—public health is generally good, but fever slightly prevails in parts of the Chittoor and Gudiyátam taluks and Tirupati, Punganúr and Venkatagirikóta divisions, and small-pox in parts of the Gudiyátam taluk and Tirutani and Maderpauk divisions. Crops—paddy, cholam, indigo, and gingelly-oil-seed were harvested to a limited extent and outturn was an average one; the condition of the standing crops is generally good, but in parts of the Chittoor, Palnandúr, Gudiyátam, Póhúr, Wandiwash and Alajápet taluks and in the Tirutani division want of rain is much felt for the standing crops. Agricultural operations are in progress to a limited extent; the time for sowing ragi and gingelly seed is fast passing away and that for cumbu is past and rains do not fall soon the season is likely to prove very unfavorable. Water-supply—The tanks are fast drying up owing to want of rain and the high winds. Rainfall—Arkónam 10, Kangundi 18, Póhúr 07, Punganúr 05.

No. 308. Report from Collector of South Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice 16·27, cholam 30·66, ragi 29·26, cumbu 27·05. Health generally good, but fever and small-pox were prevalent in parts of Cuddalore, and fever in parts of Vriddhachalam 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; but the season for sowing cumbu is passing away without rains. Water-supply—Almost all the tanks have dried; freshes were received only in the Coleroon. Rainfall—Cuddalore 0·40, Villupuram 0·15, Vanur 65, Titagudi 0·20, Bhuvanigiri return not received, other stations *nil*.

No. 309. Telegram from Collector of Tanjore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice 14·23, cholam 26·88, ragi 33·47, cumbu 28·55. Rainfall *nil*; rivers 1 to $\frac{1}{2}$ feet. Crops generally good except in Patukóta. Harvest *nil*; outturn *nil*.

No. 310. Report from Collector of Trichinopoly, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice 15·71, cholam 28·00, ragi 33·00, cumbu 30·73. Health generally good; light fever in Trichinopoly town; small-pox continues in Udayarpálaiyam, and is reported again from Perambalúr taluk. Crops—What little crop there is, is doing well. Agricultural operations—wet cultivation is carried on under all channels and rivers; in the dry parts of the district there is little or no cultivation in consequence of the rain holding off; cholam under wells was harvested in parts of Kuli-lai taluk with an outturn of 12 annas. Water-supply—freshes continue to come down the Canavery and the channels are full; rain-fed tanks have no supply whatever. Rainfall—None at all either in the district or Pudukóta State; the anxiety owing to want of rain is increasing, but as yet there has been no sign of distress. Rain should hold off for another week or fortnight the season for sowing the early crops will be over.

No. 311. Telegram from Collector of Madurai, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice 14·89, cholam 33·48, ragi 32·88, cumbu 29·76. Cholam harvested Madurai, Periyakulam, yield average; crops fading. Water-supply deficient.

No. 312. Report from Collector of Tinnevely, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice (second sort) 12.96, cholam 32.64, cumbu 34.12, ragi 35.52. Health generally good. Crops—condition generally good, but in some taluks the crops except those under wells are reported to have withered from want of rain; cotton-picking is going on in parts of Otapidaram and the outturn is reported to be below the average. Agricultural operations—ploughing, sowing and transplanting are going on for the summer crops in some taluks. Water-supply very deficient for the time of year. Rainfall—20 Ambasamudram, 60 Tenkasi; low freshes came down the river on the 12th instant to the height of 4 feet 9 inches at Ambasamudram.

No. 313. Telegram from Collector of Coimbatore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice 15.57, cholam 30.03, ragi 35.75, cumbu 37.81. Health generally good. Crops suffering want of rain parts of five taluks, elsewhere good. Harvest—cumbu, cotton one taluk, outturn average; gingelly in two taluks poor. Rain—Coimbatore 16, Pollachi 65, others nil.

No. 314. Report from Commissioner of Nilgiris, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 20th July 1881.

Second-sort rice 11.90, cholam 26.35, ragi 27.17, cumbu 22.84. Health generally good; fever prevails in Wynad. Standing crops are in good condition, but not yet harvested. Agricultural operations progressing as usual. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall—Ootacamund 0.40 inches, Gudalur 11.90.

No. 315. Report from Collector of Salem, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice 16.23, cholam 29.04, cumbu 29.69, ragi 30.22. Health—fever in three taluks and small-pox in three. Crops in bad condition. Rain wanted. Cholam harvested in one taluk and the yield below the average. Agricultural operations—cholam and cumbu being sown in one taluk and ragi in one. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall—Salem 12, Hosur 30, Shevaroy Hills 10.

No. 316. Report from Collector of South Canara, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice 18.48, ragi 24.40. Health good on the whole; fever exists in parts of all taluks. Crops—The first rice-crop plants in lowlands are generally reported to be in fair condition. Agricultural operations—sowing and transplantations of first rice-crop in lowlands nearly completed; in most parts uplands have not yet been cultivated for want of sufficient rainfall. Water-supply insufficient especially for uplands. Rainfall—Mangalore 2.40, Uppinangadi 4.30, Coondapoor 2.76, Kasaragod 2.60, Udipi 2.30.

No. 317. Telegram from Collector of Malabar, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Rice 15.2, ragi 24.4. Rain nearly sufficient. Small-pox slight Ponani and Calicut; cattle-disease slight Wynad. Rainfall—Cannanore 4.32, Tellicherry 4.30, Badagara 4.25, Calicut 7.26, Chevayur 7.30, Vayitri 11.57, Manantoddy 15.10, Munjeri 6.72, Tirurangudi 3.38, Nilambur 8.41, Angadipuram 9.35, Palghat 4.00, Ponani 2.91, Cochin 4.17.

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No. 318. Telegram from Dewan of Travancore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 19th July 1881.

Season telegram, Trivandrum. No agricultural operations owing to want of rain, paddy plants are withering. Madras second-sort rice 11.17 and paddy 24.26 acers per rupee. No small-pox or cholera, but ophthalmia, fevers and bowel affections prevail to some extent. Week's rainfall 0.895.

No. 319. ORDER THEREON, 29th July 1881, No. 1,117.

Miscellaneous.

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