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Season Report for Week ending 16th April 1881.

READ THE FOLLOWING PAPERS :—

No. 60. Telegram from Collector of Ganjam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 20th April 1881.

Rice 23·25, ragi 39·42, cholam 36·53, cumbu 43·95. Rain—Berhampore ·25, Aska ·2, Russellkonda ·46, Suradā ·75, Chicacole ·42, Parlākimedi ·1, Pattapur ·4, Pūndi ·2, Udayagiri ·11; no reports Ichāpur, Sōmpet, Narsannapet, Gopālpur, Calingapatam, Balliguda; no rain elsewhere. Second paddy, ragi flourishing.

No. 61. Report from Collector of Vizagapatam, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Third-sort rice 20·6, cholam 34·0, ragi 38·2, cumbu 42·0. Health—cholera in one taluk, three deaths during the week; small-pox in six and fever in two taluks. Crops—ragi, green-gram, gingelly, chilly, paddy, sugar-cane, onions, tobacco, cotton, indigo and lamp-oil-seeds thriving; in some places, chilly, green gram and ragi harvested, outturn half. Agricultural operations—sugar-cane transplanted. Water-supply diminishing in a few places. Rainfall—Waltair ·1, Vizianagrum ·5, Rayaghada ·2.

No. 62. Report from Collector of Godāvāri, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 20th April 1881.

Rice 19·57, cholam 39·14, ragi 43·2, cumbu 40·0. Health—fever and small-pox slightly prevalent; two cases of cholera have been reported from Yernagūdēm taluk. Crops—harvest of sugar-cane nearly completed; castor-seeds, cotton and tobacco being harvested, outturn of cotton $\frac{1}{2}$; gingelly doing well. Agricultural operations—fields being ploughed and sugar-cane planted. Water-supply good; Godāvāri water 4·9 feet above lock-sill; canals are closed for repairs. Rainfall—Cocanada ·98, Rajahmundry 1·0, Yernagūdēm ·7, Polavaram ·3.

No. 63. Telegram from Collector of Kistna, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Rice 18·03, cholam 30·23, ragi 39·65, cumbu 32·37. Fever slight, small-pox and measles here and there. Rainfall—1·80 Narsaraopet, 0·8 Gudivāda, 0·75 Nandigāma, 1·75 Vinukonda, 0·50 Nūzvid. Standing crops good.

No. 64. Report from Collector of Nellore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Rice 15·75, cholam 28·64, ragi 32·64, cumbu 28·33. Health—small-pox in Kanigiri, Kandukūr and Ongole taluks, and in Pōlūr and Podili divisions; ague, fever and measles in few other places; health generally good. Crops—paddy, black-paddy, green-gram, horse-gram, oil-seeds, cholam, ragi, cotton, black-gram and bengal-gram have been harvested; standing crops are flourishing. Agricultural

operations none. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall—Nellore 0·30, Gúdur 2·20, Darsi 0·90, Podili 2·80, Kanigiri 0·15.

No. 65. Report from Collector of Cuddapah, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 18th April 1881.

Rice 14·14, cholam 33·64, ragi 38·36, cumbu 34·59. Health—fever is prevalent throughout the district except in the taluks of Madanapalle and Pulivendla; small-pox is prevalent in Pullampet and Cuddapah taluks. Crops—paddy is not thriving well; paddy, ragi, korra, horse-gram, cotton and green-gram are being harvested; outturn paddy being $\frac{1}{2}$, ragi $\frac{3}{4}$, korra $\frac{1}{2}$, horse-gram $\frac{1}{2}$, cotton $\frac{1}{2}$, and green-gram $\frac{1}{2}$. Agricultural operations—indigo and tobacco are being sown, and sugar-cane is being transplanted; weeding operations are being carried out in paddy and cholam fields. Water-supply—No supply of water has been received in tanks this week; there is water in channels. Rainfall—Kadiri ·65, Chitvel ·2, Pullampet ·8, Madanapalle ·45, Váyalpad ·2, Pulivendla 1·0, Jammalamadugu ·8, Badvel ·45.

No. 66. Telegram from Collector of Kurnool, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Rice 12·73, cholam 37·68, ragi 37·50, cumbu 33·41. Rainfall—Kurnool ·43, Nandikotkur ·20, Sirvel ·07, Cumbum ·20. Cotton being picked, outturn average in some places and below average in others. Prices—rice rising Pattikonda, cholam Márkápúr and cumbu Cumbum; ragi falling Cumbum. Sickness abating; cattle-disease six taluks. Fodder, water procurable.

No. 67. Telegram from Collector of Bellary, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Rice 15·3, cholam 41·4, ragi 43·6, cumbu 30·9. Health, fever in five taluks. Rainfall, Harpanahalli ·9. Sowing paddy, sugar-cane, korra and indigo; standing crops generally good except cotton and paddy in some taluks. Harvesting horse-gram, sugar-cane, cholam, cumbu, oil-seeds, dholl, cotton-picking five taluks; yield average.

No. 68. Report from Collector of North Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Rice 17·5, cholam 24·8, ragi 31·4, cumbu 25·9. Health—public health is generally good, but fever slightly prevails in parts of the Chandragiri and Pólúr taluks and Punganúr and Venkatagirikóta divisions, and small-pox in parts of the Gudiyátam taluk. Crops—paddy, ragi, sugar-cane, lamp-oil-seed and ground-nut were harvested during the week and the outturn was an average one; the condition of the crops is generally good. Agricultural operations are vigorously progressing. Water-supply—The small tanks are fast drying up owing to the excessive heat; the large ones have a sufficient supply of water. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 69. Telegram from Collector of Chingleput, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Rice 16·31, ragi 26·60, cumbu 23·10. Health—fever parts Conjeeveram, Chingleput; Saidápet small-pox; all except Madurántakam cattle-disease. Crops good, withering some places Saidápet; pasturage good Madurántakam, Saidápet, Tiruvallúr, insufficient others. Agricultural operations—cultivation of paddy Madurántakam; sowing, transplanting of paddy Conjeeveram, Saidápet, Tiruvallúr. Water-supply diminishing. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 70. Report from Collector of Madras, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Rice (second-sort) 12·08, cholam 20·16, ragi 26·03, cumbu 21·12. Health—small-pox and fever slightly prevalent; cattle suffering from foot disease at Nungumbakum and Tondiarpett, and from looseness of bowels at Nungumbakum. Imports—tons, rice 269; other grains 124. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 71. Report from Collector of South Arcot, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Rice 18·86, cholam 31·08, ragi 29·48, cumbu 30·30. Health generally good, but small-pox prevalent in parts of Cuddalore taluk. Crops—paddy, varagu and gingelly were being harvested; sugar-cane was being cut and ground-nut was being dug out, the outturn varying from 6 to 12 annas; the standing crops, viz., paddy, ragi, cholam, indigo and gingelly were generally in good condition. Agricultural operations—kar-paddy and ragi were being transplanted in parts of the district; manuring operations were in progress for future cultivation. Water-supply—tanks getting dry. No rain; returns from Tiruvannámalai, Viruddháchalam, Chengam, Mannárgudi, Merkanam and Tiruvádi not received.

No. 72. Report from Collector of Salem, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Rice 16·74, cholam 27·30, cumbu 29·24, ragi 32·24. Health—fever in two taluks, small-pox and measles in one taluk. Crops in good condition except in three taluks; paddy, ragi, cholam being harvested, and the yield about the average. Agricultural operations—cholam and gingelly-seeds being sown, ragi and sugar-cane being transplanted. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall—Hosúr 1·0, Penna-garam ·5.

No. 73. Report from Collector of Trichinopoly, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Rice 16·67, cholam *nil*, ragi 34·18, cumbu 31·68. Health generally good; small-pox in Perambalúr, five attacks; in Udayárpálaiyam five attacks against forty reported last week. Crops generally good. Agricultural operations—cholam and cumbu were sown; paddy was harvested in Trichinopoly, Musiri and Perambalúr, with an outturn of from 6 to 12 annas. Water-supply generally sufficient, except in Manapárai and Turaiyúr where the supply is scanty. Rainfall *nil*.

No. 74. Telegram from Collector of Tanjore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Rice 15·74, cholam 34·32, ragi 32·72, cumbu 36·08. Rainfall *nil*. Rivers, very little water. Crops generally good. Harvest—cholam, ragi, varagu, gingelly, outturn below average.

No. 75. Telegram from Collector of Coimbatore, to Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Rice 15·57, cholam 30·09, ragi 37·18, cumbu 38·58. Fever slight parts four taluks. Crops generally fair; paddy withered parts Coimbatore. Harvest—paddy four taluks; cholam, cumbu one; ragi two; others six taluks; outturn about average. Rain—Kollegál ·10, Tálavádi ·05, others *nil*. Weekly returns from Karúr not received.

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No. 76. Telegram from Collector of Madura, to Secretary to Government Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Rice 16.61, cholam 33.21, ragi 32.77, cumbu 29.69. Paddy harvested in some places, yield average; crops failing by deficiency of water-supply.

No. 77. Report from Collector of Tinnevely, to Secretary to Government Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Rice (second-sort) 15.52, cholam *nil*, cumbu 37.28, ragi 38.88. Health generally good, but fever is prevalent in parts of Ambásamudram, Otapidáram and Tinnevely; small-pox also prevails in the last two taluks and to a small extent in Tenkarai; guinea-worm, measles and dysentery prevail in parts of Otapidáram, Sankaranainárkoil and Tinnevely respectively; cattle-disease exists in parts of Otapidáram, Sankaranainárkoil, Sátúr and Tinnevely. Crops—condition generally good; paddy is being harvested in parts of all the nine taluks except Otapidáram and Tinnevely, and the outturn is below the average in Ambásamudram, Náanguné and Sátúr, and up to the average in the rest; dry crops, such as cotton, gingell and chilly are being harvested in parts of Otapidáram, and the outturn is below the average. Agricultural operations—preparations are being made for kar cultivation in parts where peshanam crops have been harvested. Water-supply sufficient. Rainfall—slight drizzling in Tenkási, *nil* in other taluks.

No. 78. Report from Commissioner of Nilgiris, to Secretary to Government Revenue Department, Madras, dated 20th April 1881.

Second-sort rice 11.90, cholam 26.76, ragi 26.35, cumbu 23.65. Health generally good. Crops none. Agricultural operations—ploughing in progress. Water supply sufficient. Rainfall—Ootacamund and Gúdálúr *nil*.

No. 79. Telegram from Collector of Malabar, to Secretary to Government Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Rice 15.4, ragi 26.8. First-crop preparations progressing. Small-pox eight taluks; cattle-disease slight Wynaad. Pasture scanty. Rainfall—Manantoddy 1.77, Angádipuram .05, other stations *nil*.

No. 80. Report from Collector of South Canara, to Secretary to Government Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Rice 18.78, ragi 25.04. Health generally satisfactory; slight fever exists in some localities and a few cases of small-pox are still reported in Udipi and Uppinangadi taluks. Crops—the standing third rice-crop is for the most part reported to be in good condition. Agricultural operations *nil*. Water-supply generally sufficient. Rainfall—Uppinangadi .83, Udipi .08, all other taluks *nil*.

No. 81. Telegram from the Dewan of Travancore, to Secretary to Government Revenue Department, Madras, dated 19th April 1881.

Season telegram, Trivandrum—. Nothing to report in the way of cultivation. Madras second-sort rice 13.12 and paddy 25.07 seers per rupee. No cholera, but chicken-pox, fevers and bowel affections prevail to some extent. Week's rainfall 0.404.

No. 82. ORDER THEREON, 4th May 1881, No. 715.

Miscellaneous.

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