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Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
30th August 1866.*

No. 794. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 24th August 1866.

Read the following:—

Report on the state of the season in the Cuddapah District, for the fortnight ending 15th August 1866.

1. The supply of rain in the fortnight was copious in the Western Section only. In the Southern Section the fall was extremely partial.

2. The Ryots in the Western Section continued preparing their lands for cultivation, and sowing those fields which had been already ploughed. The sowing of dry crops was in progress in the Northern Section also, but in the other two sections, very little progress had been made in agricultural operations in consequence of the extremely deficient rain-fall. Some paddy had been harvested in the Western Section, but the produce was deficient.

3. Owing to the scanty supply of rain, the crops in the Southern Section, which is the most extensive, were, on the whole, not thriving. In localities where channel and well irrigation could be maintained the crops were more promising. In the other sections the crops were in a fair condition, but their continuance in this state until maturity would altogether depend upon further supplies of rain.

4. The prices of grain still continued excessive, but did not affect the commercial or agricultural classes materially. The laboring classes experience the greatest difficulty in procuring means of subsistence, especially in Kadiri Talook, where they are obliged to resort to roots and leaves of certain plants for their sustenance. The importation of rice from Vellore and Madras, and its exportation to Bellary was still continued. Pasturage and water were scarce in the Southern, and in parts of the Eastern Section. Cholera was prevalent in the Royachoty, Poddatur, Jammalamadugu, and Budvel Talooks. In Cuddapah it had abated, and existed in a few villages in that and the other Talooks. The flocks and herds suffered from disease in a few localities, but not severely.

CUDDAPAH,
22nd August 1866.

(Signed) T. G. WARD,
Deputy Collector.

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(Signed) J. GROSE,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.
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Submitting report
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in Cuddalore District
for first fortnight
of August 1866.

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