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No. 697. Read the following letter from the Director of Revenue Settlement, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 18th April 1868, No. 424/16:—

1. I have the honor to forward the usual return of work performed and expenditure incurred by the Settlement Department during the fourth quarter of 1867. This return would have been submitted earlier but for my absence on duty in the northern districts.

2. *Godavery District.*—The writing in diglott of the final Settlement Registers was continued. Registers for 127 villages were completed, and those for 60 villages were in progress at the close of the quarter. In the Printing Department, Registers for 179 villages were turned out by the contractors, and the usual number of copies printed. In the field, further progress was made in the demarcation of the Godavery islands, alluded to in paragraph 2 of my letter of the 8th October last, No. 1,160, besides which the requisitions of the local officers for new demarcation and classification were complied with. The expenditure shews a net decrease of Rupees 474, resulting from an increase in the demarcation charges, and a decrease in those of assessment.

3. *Kistna District.*—The field work accomplished by a portion of the establishment under the Acting Collector on special duty amounted to 7,690 acres of new demarcation, and 7,160 acres of new classification, both in the Guntoor division; 10,558 acres were also measured in the same division by a small separate establishment employed for the purpose. The office establishment was employed on the Guntoor Settlement accounts, some of which were found to require slight revision, and in completing the Diglott Settlement Registers of the Masulipatam division. By the close of the quarter 111 of these Registers had been received in the Central Office, and they will be printed as soon as the contractors complete the delivery of the Godavery Registers, which it is expected they will do shortly. The expenditure exhibits a net increase of Rupees 143, chiefly occurring in the item of establishments.

4. *Nellore and Cuddapah Districts.*—During the quarter under review, field operations were resumed after the recess, but for the first month a portion only of the establishments were at work. Judged by the area accomplished alone, the out-turn of the quarter appears small, but tested by the number of field marks put down, it bears a different aspect. I have not at hand the particulars for October last in the two months of November and December no fewer than 82,340 field-stones were [illegible] figures bear witness in a measure to indicate the extent to which the work of this party has for some time past been impeded by the extreme smallness of the fields, and this was not the only impediment. Sickness was prevalent during the quarter, which, in this respect, has proved no exception to the previous ones, the returns of each month exhibiting numbers of field hands prostrated by fever. The establishment was also employed in fixing

masonry pillars erected was greater than [illegible]
Of these, 891 were on village boundaries, and [illegible]

6. No villages in the Kurnool district were settled during the quarter, but survey areas for eleven villages were received, of which five belong to the talooks of Kurnool proper.

7. The expenditure in this party is almost the same as in the previous quarter, the increase being inappreciable.

8. *Tinnevelly District.*—The expenditure set opposite this district consists of the pay of a small establishment employed under the orders of the Collector and of the Survey Department in the revision of demarcation.

9. *Salem District.*—As stated in my report for the previous quarter, I await the orders of Government on the Settlement Reports for this district.

10. *Nellore District.*—The Order of Government transferring the Settlement of the district to this Department was only passed on the 31st October. For some months previous to the issue of that order, however, and in anticipation of it, the Acting Collector, with the sanction of the Board, had caused the value of the land according to the established system of the Settlement Department to be recorded, while continuing the classification on the system adopted by Mr. Dykes. Consequently, the only change as far as procedure was concerned, necessary on the transfer of the work to this Department, was the abandonment of Mr. Dykes' system. Up to the end of November, 505 square-miles in the four southern talooks had been classified. The actual work of the two months of November and December being 203 square-miles. The expenditure in the two months was Rupees 5,398.

11. The small item of Rupees 5 set opposite South Arcot was a charge for binding registers and mounting maps for certain villages in the Chidambaram talook.

12. The sum of Rupees 8,117 at the foot of the statement, consists of the items noted in the margin, and constitutes the cost of the Settlement establishments employed under the Collectors of Nellore and Tinnevelly debited with the Settlement and Budget by Government.

	Rs.
Nellore Settlement Establishment	2,817
Tinnevelly do. do.	5,300
	8,117

The expenditure in Nellore is for October only, that in Tinnevelly for the whole quarter.

ork and Expenditure in the Settlement Department for the 4th quarter ending 31st December 1867.

f Districts.	Standard estimate for a quarter of a year.	Actual work: In completed villages.	Actual work: In villages in progress.	Total work.	Difference.	Expenditure.	Average cost per square mile.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
eation.	Sq. M.	Sq. M.	Sq. M.	Sq. M.	Sq. M.	Rs.	Rs. A. P.
... ...	.....	14	.....	14	.....	1,080	.....
... ...	.....	10	2	12	.....	1,982	.....
... ...	} 375	7	.....	7	} 305	1 348	.....
... ...	.....	9	54	63	.....	13,899	.....
... ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,126	.....
Total...	375	40	56	96	.....	19,435	.....
of boundary	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,957	.....
Total...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22,392	.....
and Assess-nt.							
... ...	.....	15	.....	15	.....	6,672	.....
... ...	.....	9	2	11	.....	5,336	.....
... ...	} 375	9	.....	9	} 326	4,222	.....
... ...		12	28	40		5,771	.....
... ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,590	.....
Chedamba-	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	59	.....
... ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....
... ...	250	146	57	203	47	5,898	29 0 10
Total...	625	191	87	278	.....	30,353	.....
ot debitable	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	8,117	.....
d total ...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	61,062	.....

(Signed) R. E. MASTER,
Director of Revenue Settlement.

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ORDER THEREON, 30th April 1868, No. 1,174.

Land Revenue. Ordered to be recorded.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON,
Secretary to Government.

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No. 1288.

From
The Director of
Revenue Settlements

To The Secretary to
Government Revenue
Department

Dated 18th
Rec'd 20th April 1868.
No 4241.

Forwarding Annual
Returning works pro-
posals and expen-
diture incurred by
the Settlement Depart
ment during the Fasli
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1868 Order Endorsed thereon

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