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Statement showing the work and Expenditure in the Settlement Department for the 4th quarter of 1871/72 ending 31st March 1872

Names of Districts	Standard Estimate for a quarter of a year	Actual work			Difference between columns 2 & 5	Expenditure	Average cost per square mile
		Completed as villages	In villages	in open			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<u>Demarcation</u>	Sq. miles	Sq. miles	Sq. miles	Sq. miles	Sq. miles	Rs.	Rs.
Kistna	"	1	3	4	"	275	
Kurnool	"	"	"	"	"	978	
Cuddapah	375	156	"	156	219	12,554	80 77
Salem	"	1	1	2	"	1,709	
Nellore	"	"	"	"	"	389	
North Arcot	"	12	22	34	"	7247	213 24
Total	"	170	26	196	"	23,152	"
Cost of Boundary Pillars	"	"	"	"	"	14,23	"
Grand Total	"	170	26	196	"	24,575	"
<u>Classification</u>							
Kistna	"	1	3	4	"	1714	
Kurnool	"	"	"	"	"	4047	
Cuddapah	375	129	2	131	244	10,672	81 75
Salem	"	1	1	2	"	1,6314	
Nellore	"	1	"	1	"	2,583	
North Arcot	"	21	15	36	"	3,707	102 157
Chingleput	"	39	7	46	"	4,799	104 53
Pichinopoly	"	"	"	"	"	104	
Total	"	192	28	220	"	43,940	
add charges not debitable to parties	"	"	"	"	"	2095	
Grand Total	"	"	"	"	"	46,035	

The reasons for the heavy average cost in North Arcot have already been furnished in the previous quarter; and it is satisfactory to observe an improvement in this respect during

during the period under review.

2. In Shingleput, the cost was enhanced owing to the employment of extra hands for experimenting during the harvest, to the increase of pay of a Supervisor, and to a falling off in the regular field work which cannot be avoided when closing a Taluk and entering upon a new scene of operations.

Revenue Settlement Office }
Madras } Geo. Banbury
15th May 1872 } Acting Director of Re. Settlement

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Revenue Settlement Office,

Madras,

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15th May 1872.

From,

Geo. Banbury Esquire
Acting Director of
Revenue Settlement
To,
The Honorable W. Huddleston
Offg. Chief Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

Sir, Fort St. George

I have the honor to submit the report of progress made in the work of Settlement during the last quarter of the official year ending 31st March.

Listna 2. The few hands at work in this District were engaged as usual upon the demarcation, classification and

and survey of lands newly occupied. The out-turn of work was as follows.

Items	Last quarter		In this quarter		Difference	
	Vil. Acres	Capas	Vil. Acres	Capas	Vil. Acres	Capas
Demarcation	31	4352	3	2336	-28	-2016
Classification	30	3313	4	2212	-26	-1101
Survey	25	4259	3	2405	-22	-1854

When compared with that of the previous quarter, the result does not look well, but the falling off is owing to the jungly nature of the tracts to be dealt with, and their distances apart, much time being thus lost in travelling. The demarcation stones put down were 761 of good quality. It may be here mentioned that the salaries of the field hands in this party

party amount to only Rs. 170, so that no very great results can be anticipated.

3. In office, the calculation of the new rates of assessment to be individually applied to fields in the uplands, went on briskly; and these details were worked out and carefully checked for 129 villages. This work was undertaken to save time in introducing the new rates when sanctioned, as there seemed no probability of any alterations or being made in the recommendations as regards these high lying tracts. The total cost of the Kistna Establishment comes to 1553 or 40 Rs.

less

less than that of the preceding quarter.

Kurnool and Juddapah

4. The Kadri Talug of Juddapah was the chief scene of work for this our largest party, and as the fever for which this Talug is proverbial somewhat abated, the out-turn of work became more satisfactory as will be seen from the annexed statement.

Items	Last quarter		In this quarter		Difference	
	Acres	^{sqrs} Miles	Acres	^{sqrs} Miles	Acres	^{sqrs} Miles
Demarcation	95,694	150	99,878	156	+4,184	+6
Classification	64,746	101	83,687	131	+18,941	+30

5. Only one village out of the 124 comprising the Kadri Talug, remained to be entered upon at the close of the official year.

year, although as many as 39 still stand under the head "Incomplete". I had hoped that the whole Talug would have been out of hand at the end of the official year; but the prevalence of fever, the census and other unforeseen causes have prevented this expectation being fulfilled.

6. There is a considerable increase in the number of field stones put down, although more attention has been paid to the straightening of bends. The stones appear to be of good size and quality. The falling off in boundary and Khandum marks is owing

owing to this branch of work in the Salug drawing to a close.

Particulars Last In the differ
quarter quarter sum
Stepfield stones put down 91,792 95,328 + 3,546
Stones put down } 7029 725 - 304
on village boundaries }
on Khundums. 5705 2978 - 2727

y. Hill boundary work is
shown much better during
the quarter under review,
as will be at once seen.

Particulars Acres ¹⁸⁹⁴ Miles Acres ¹⁸⁹⁴ Miles Acres ¹⁸⁹⁴ Miles
Government Villages 83,188 130 3,404 68 532 + 25,720 + 402
Inam Villages 5695 9 155 - - 5540 - 9
Total 88,883 139 3,406 23 532 + 25,740 393

The hands are now all engaged
upon the district boundary
between Cuddapah and Koller,
as Colonel Priestley was so
anxious that this should
be completed as soon as
possible.

possible.

8. The measurement of the
minor holdings in Jummul-
madoogoo and Pullempet
went on, and 3,397 sub-divisions
in 1201 Survey fields were
measured and the areas
calculated. This is not as
much as should have been
done; and when at Pullempet
in March, I made arrange-
ments, which will, I trust,
produce better results. The
testing of crops did not escape
attention at this season of
the year and experiments were
made as follows.

	by	test
Kadri	10	21
Lidkout	40	16
Budwail	116	5
Pullempett	2	34
Cumbum	19	9
Marlapur	6	"
Total	223	85

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9. The diglott Registers for the whole of Kurnool Proper remaining incomplete at the beginning of the quarter, numbered 73. With the exception of 3 Villages, the above have all been finished and printed during the period under review.

10. There is an increase of Rs. 4,198 in the outlay appertaining to this Party owing to Mr. Baber having received his salary during the whole period of 3 months, whereas the former quarter was only debited with his salary for November, the month in which he took up his appointment.

Other

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Other causes are the enhanced outlay in printing Registers, mounting maps, in filling up vacancies as fewer decreased, and in cost of boundary pillars.

Nellore " Mr. Randall's party maintained in demarcation the good daily average of the preceding quarter as regards acres and stones, and the out-turn of area dealt with both under demarcation and classification is greater during the past three months as shown below.

Items	Last quarter	In this quarter	Difference
	Acres sq fath	Acres sq fath	Acres sq fath
Demarcation	19,453 30	21,589 34	+2,136 4
Classification	15,738 24	22,762 36	+7,024 12

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With the exception of 8 Villages,
the detail work of the
Shendragherry Saluggi is now
completed, the hill boundary
demarkation alone remain-
ing to be taken up in certain
localities. The area classified
exceeds the area demarcated,
as there was a considerable
quantity of the latter unclas-
sified at the beginning of
the quarter, but which has
been since duly taken in
hand. Experiments to the num-
ber of 88 were made. Of
these 26 related to wet and
62 to dry crops.

12. Besides the above, Mr.
Rundall completed the
detailed

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detailed accounts relative
to the charge of land assess-
ment and water-rate upon
the excess Inam areas in Vellore
and submitted the same to
the collector. These items
furnish an annual increase
of Rs. 25,863 to the Revenue
of the District. The Deputy
Collector also worked up the
final details for the settle-
ment report on the Saluggi
comprising the sub-division
of the above District. The
extent of classification and
demarkation of newly occupied
tracts in Vellore, and of
finishing up of what may
be termed "odds and ends"

stands

stands thus.

Demarcation Acres

Classification 124.

The area thus subsequently demarcated has also been measured by the subordinates of the Settlement Department both in this and previous quarters; but it did not apparently occur to the Deputy Director to mention this point. There is an increase of Rs 795 in the expenditure on these two districts owing to larger outlay on mounting maps, higher printing charges, purchase of new furniture and a somewhat larger establishment.

Salem 13 What with
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W. Goodrich's serious accident, the heavy press of work which came simultaneously upon the party in order to introduce the new rates during the current flush, and some troublesome matters needing careful attention, the Salem District caused me for a time considerable anxiety, but matters have in the end progressed better than I expected, and the new rates will be introduced during the current flush into the Taluqs of Salem, Namul, Trichengode and Ottengherry. In my report for the previous quarter I had not hoped that Ottengherry would be amongst

amongst those thus finished.
 It is only proper to mention
 that this present result
 could not have been attain-
 ed without Mr Longley's
 ready aid and that of his
 subordinates.

14. Owing to all available
 lands being employed in
 closing the settlement details
 and preparing the necessary
 Registers and Chittahs of
 the above four Taluqs to be
 handed over to the Revenue
 authorities, but little field
 work was carried on, and
 the outturn was as follows.

	No. of Villages
Number of Villages	8
Number of fields	12524
Classified acres	5801

Similarly

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Similarly the restoration of
 demarcation falls off when
 compared with that of the
 previous quarter as shown
 below.

	No. of demar- cation marks restored
In last quarter	60169
In this quarter	46938
Decrease	13231

In new demarcation and
 classification there was
 likewise a diminution from
 the same cause.

	Acres	Sq. Miles	No. of marks
In last quarter	3209	5	4043
In this quarter	1341	2	3371
Decrease	1868	3	672

15. The measurement of minor
 holdings extended to 281 of
 these separate properties, com-
 prised in 110 Survey numbers
 in 37 Villages. In the writing
 of

of Siglott Registers the result shews well, and taken together with the large amount of pattah and Chit-tab writing already mentioned, compensates for the diminution in field work. The Registers were completed as follows.

	Villages
Salem - - - -	217
Athoor - - -	19
Kameul - - -	54
Trichengode -	27
Ettengherry -	105
<u>Total</u>	<u>422</u>

Siglott Registers for 33 Villages of the already settled Athoor Taluq, were forwarded to the Central Office where there are now 100 Villages ready to be printed.

16. There is an increase in the

the outlay of the past quarter amounting to Rupees 1295 arising from the employment of extra hands at this juncture, to an increase being made in the salary of a supervisor who had hitherto received only a portion of the sanctioned sum, and to a larger quantity of maps mounted and maps printed.

Shingleput 17. Work went on very fairly in Ponnerly, and this Taluq was completed. There is, however, a falling off in the actual out-turn as seen below, arising from 2 legitimate causes which can hardly be viewed as hindrances

hindrances, viz: the examination of crops, and the preparation of the report on the thembrambaukam tank improvements, which report was submitted to the Board on the 15th February last.

	No. of Villages	Acre	Sq. miles
In last quarter	62	36,304	57
In this quarter	41	29,566	46
Decrease	21	6,738	11

18. In the measurement of minor holdings, there is an increase owing partly to more time being devoted to this task, as the classification in the Ponnery Talug drew to a close.

Items	Last quarter	In this quarter	Difference
No. of Villages	62	38	- 24
Sq. of survey fields	4,686	4,688	+ 2
Sq. of minor holdings	14,617	15,869	+ 1252

Some of the field hands were specially

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specially deputed to the task of testing crops in Sydapet and Ponnery during the late harvest, and the experiments made were

in pelt crops	1,623
in dry crops	58
<u>Total</u>	<u>1,681</u>

19. In the outlay during the quarter, there was an increase of Rs. 896, owing to more maps having been mounted, and the establishment strengthened to meet the extra work which has latterly fallen upon this small party.

20. Trichinopoly: The outlay of Rupees 80 in this district is on account of charges incurred in printing Government selections

Selections.

Tinnevely 21. There is a decrease of Rupees 170 owing to the diminution of the Establishment attached to that District.

22 To Summarize - In the Kistna, the few hands retained have done useful work in calculating the new assessment to be fixed upon the individual fields, and as there seems probability of early orders being passed by Government on the proposed scheme, this work will soon be taken advantage of. Inuddapah, the Kadri Talug is nearing completion, and

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Pulivendala, the final Talug in the District has been entered upon. Captain Stuart is, moreover, hard at work upon the Settlement report for Budwail, Sidhout and Pullempett, the three Eastern Talugs of the District. Mr. Rundall, in North Arcot extended his work from Chendraghery into ~~the~~ as the former Talug drew near completion. He has also finished his Settlement of assessment and water-tax (tiruak jaky) upon the excess Inam areas in Kellore and has well nigh completed his settlement report for the subdivision Talug of that District.

District, Salem looked behind.
hand last quarter, but owing,
in a great measure, to the
encouraged Assistant Vicer-
-tacharry's exertions, matters
now present a more satisfactory
appearance, and the new rates
resulting in an increase in
Revenue will be introduced
into four Taluqs during the
current jumma bundy. In
Chingleput, work went on
fairly, many experiments were
made during the harvest
season, and the field hands
have passed out of the Ponnery
into the Trivellare Taluq. I
may finally add that the
new survey areas have during
the

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the jumma bundy of the current ³¹
July 1281 (1891-92) been in-
troduced into the Sydapet
and Ponnery Taluqs of Chingle-
put, the Kailguntla Taluq
of Eurnool, the Juddapet,
Poddatoor and Jummulma-
dagoo Taluqs of Juddapet,
and the Bowany Taluq of
Coimbatore.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedt. Servt.
Geo. Raubert
Acting Director of Rev. Settlements

Comptd. T. K.

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Respectfully,
J. D.

21st May 1872