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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

Dated 17th January 1873.

Read the following

No. 28th.

From H. R. Cornish Esqre I.C.S.
Sanitary Commissioner
In charge of the Census Office

To The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue
Madras.

Sir,

In my letter to the Board, recorded in their Proceedings dated 15th October 1872, I reported that if the increase to the establishment therein asked for, be immediately sanctioned, the work of comparative tabulation would be completed within 4 months or by the end of January 1873. But the sanction of the Government was received only at the end of October last, and the arrangements for entertaining the additional establishment could not be carried out before the 18th November, and the establishment was not at its full strength until the beginning of December, and some days were lost in training and fitting the new clerks to their work. The Malayalim and Canarese

G.O. of 26th October 1872 No 1490.

Departments

Departments have not their full strength as yet; it has been found difficult to get competent men for the work in these departments. Under the circumstances of the delay in the augmentation of the establishment, the tabulation work will not be completed by the end of January 1873 as anticipated.

2. The comparative tabulation was begun on the 3rd June 1872. The tabulation of 17.487.788 (population) has been completed up to 4th January 1873. In my letter to the Board above quoted, I reported that the work in regard to 5.789.849 was finished on the 1st October last. It will be seen from the table in the margin, that the work done during the latter period is more than double the work of the first period.

From 3rd June to 1st October 1872 (nearly 4 months)	5.789.849.
From 2nd October 1872 to 4th January 1873 (nearly 3 months)	11.697.939.
	17.487.788.

3. Up to date the comparative tabulation has been completed for the 6 Districts named in the margin. Of the population of the 11 Districts.

Districts completed	Population
Cuddapah	1.343.762
Kurnool	956.068
South Arcot	1.762.525
Tanjore	1.975.042
Trichinopoly	1.197.936
Nilgiris	50.194
Total	7.285.527.

(the tabulation of which is now in progress)

Districts under progress.

	Districts	Total population	Tabulated up to 4th January 1873	Remaining to be tabulated.
1	Vizagapatam	1.832.614	674.833	1.157.781.
2	Godavery	1.584.179	1.543.386	40.793
3	Kistna	1.439.252	706.643	732.609
4	Nellore	1.375.349	1.304.219	71.130
5	Madura	2.259.263	2.188.709	70.554
6	Tinnevelly	1.689.421	1.493.796	195.625
7	Coimbatore	1.642.710	191.359	1.451.351
8	Salem	1.768.171	48.315	1.719.863
9	Canara (including a portion of Coimbatore & Salem)	2.808.537	892.014	1.916.523
10	Bellary			
11	Malabar & Cochin	2.324.706	1.158.987	1.165.719
		18.724.209	10.202.261	8.521.948

Districts not touched.

1.	Ganjam	1.487.227
2.	Chingleput	940.744
3	North Arcot	2.008.922
		12.956.841.

10.202.261 have been tabulated, leaving 8.521.948 in these districts, besides 4.434.893 of the three still untouched districts of Ganjam, Chingleput and North Arcot, or in all, 12.956.841 remaining to be tabulated. The present average daily work comes nearly to 250.000. At this rate the completion of the unfinished portion of the work will occupy 52 working days, a certain number of days is also required to be allowed for totalling the pages as completed and for preparing necessary abstracts for the same.

4. From the malpractices of certain clerks in their work, it has been found necessary to constitute from the 1st of this month, an establishment consisting of only

10 clerks for the purpose of testing the work, the correctness of which may be suspected. Such an establishment was in existence at the time when the Direct Tabulation was in progress, but was dispensed with when the Comparative tabulation was begun. These clerks have been taken from the general body of tabulators, and are not extra to the sanctioned establish-ment.

5. Judging from the present average daily quantity of work turned out, I am fully confident that the work of tabula-tion will be finished by the end of March 1873 at the latest. From the 1st January to 31st March are included 68 working days, while allowing 250,000 tabulations per diem as the average out-turn of work, the comparative tabulation should be completed in 52 working days. In this calculation however, no allowance has been made for days occupied in totalling, nor can we entirely count upon the regular attendance of clerks, so that I have spe-cified the end of March as the time for

for which the tabulation establishment will be required. The work would have been completed much earlier, had it not been for the difficulty experienced in getting competent clerks in time, and for the loss of time involved in training the new clerks, as already explained, and also for the impediment of the work in the several departments occasioned by the bad weather and leakage, and want of proper light in the buildings during the recent monsoon.

6. In the Statistical department, the two tables, one showing the popula-tion under each caste, and another under each occupation, for each village, are ready for the Districts noted in the margin. This work was commenced on the 14th October 1872. The average number of villages for which the results are compiled under the limited number of Castes and Occupation is 318 a day. It was often found necessary to retabulate the population of such villages, the abstracts

Cuddapah
Kurnool
North Arcot (Telugu)
Nellore
Kistna
Salem
Tanjore
South Arcot.

for

for which (already paid to have been prepared) were mislaid. This impedes very much the fair progress of the work of compiling. These tables, prepared in the forms approved by the Board, cannot be sent to the Press as they are completed, for the figures in them require checking with the results of the comparative tabulation, which is now in progress. The tables to shew the particulars of area in each village have not as yet been taken in hand, a great portion of this work is to be done by simply copying the Collectors' Statistical Statements (No. III) and a sufficient number of clerks to do the work is not at present available. It can be easily done after the work of tabulation is finished. I take this opportunity to point out to the Board, that the salary of Rupees 40 recommended for a Supervisor in the Statistical Department has not been included (perhaps by an oversight) in the expenditure detailed in para 8 of their Proceedings dated 15th October 1872 No. 2014. The Accountant General has not however disallowed the item in the pay abstracts of the last two months, apparently owing to the aggregate sums of the bills being within the sanctioned amount. I beg permission for raising the salary of one of the clerks (Seshagiri Row) in the Tamil Statistical Department from 17½ to 25 Rupees, as he supervises that department in addition to his own work of compiling. He is found to be a painstaking young man.

7. As directed by the Board, a sufficient number of shelves have been provided for, in the record rooms, and the records have been arranged in the manner suggested by them. I beg to bring to the notice of the Board, that the salary of Rupees 25,

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allowed

allowed to the head Record Keeper Shengana Shetty is not at all adequate to the hard work he has to perform. He is in charge of the records in two buildings; he has to see that the schedules required for work are carefully issued to, and received from, all the Departments; he has taken great pains in the re-arrangement of records ordered by the Board. I therefore recommend that his salary may be raised to 35 Rupees a month, taking effect from 1st December last.

8. I beg to note that the Census Establishment charges for the last two months were below the sanctioned amount as shewn in the margin.

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Sanctioned	9131	–	–
November	6778	–	3
December	8358	–	10

I have &c.

(signed) W. R. Cornish. C.B.C.S.

Sanitary Commissioner

In charge of Census Office

Madras.

Census Office
Mount Road
15 January 1873.

Submitted for the information of Government.

The increase of Salary proposed in para 6 and 7 is sanctioned.

(True copy & Extract)

H. Stokes

for Secretary.

To

The Secretary to Government

Revenue Department.

C. Maughan

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Revenue 1873 Deptt

№ 164.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD
OF REVENUE.

Dated 17 January 1873.
Despatched 18 — " —— "
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SUBJECT.

Submitting to Govt. letter from Census Officer reporting on progress of Census work up to 31st January/73 and stating that Tabulation work will be completed by End of March 1873 — Sanctioning prospective increase of Salary of certain clerk & of Head Record-Keeper.

№ 1574