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No. 229. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 17th March 1876, No. 764:—

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2. Museri ...	3,20,356	3,23,623	+ 3,267
3. Kulitalai ...	1,94,088	1,92,640	— 1,448
4. Perambalur ...	2,36,974	2,35,813	— 1,161
5. Udayarpolum ...	2,25,690	2,26,979	+ 1,289
Total ...	14,35,345	14,36,767	+ 1,422

9. KURNOOL.—The following statement compares the demand of Fasli 1284 with that of the preceding year. The result, like that for other districts already noticed, is favorable:—

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Kurnool Proper. { 1. Ramalkota ...	1,70,850	1,74,873	+ 4,023
{ 2. Nandikotkur ...	2,05,275	2,07,426	+ 2,151
{ 3. Nandial ...	1,86,267	1,87,343	+ 1,076
{ 4. Sirwell ...	1,53,761	1,53,405	— 356
Total ...	7,16,153	7,23,047	+ 6,894
5. Pattikonda ...	2,01,644	2,04,329	+ 2,685
6. Koilkuntla ...	2,03,694	2,01,817	— 1,877
Grand Total ...	11,21,491	11,29,193	+ 7,702

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By the new settlement the assessment of the four taluqs of Kurnool Proper was reduced, as marginally indicated, to the extent of Rupees 35,851. The deficit, as explained below, now stands at Rupees 6,417 for Fasli 1284. Including the more recently settled taluqs, there is an addition to the revenue of only Rupees 752.

Taluqs.	Beriz of Fasli previous to the introduction.	Beriz of Fasli 1284.	Difference.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
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Koilkuntla	1,99,986	2,01,817	+ 1,831
Total ...	11,28,441	11,29,193	+ 752

10. CUDDAPAH.—This district now needs attention in respect to the taluqs first settled as under:—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Cuddapah	2,39,139	2,31,498	— 7,641
Prodatoor	1,73,871	1,76,495	+ 2,624
Jamalamadugu	1,88,338	2,01,794	+ 13,456
Total ...	6,01,348	6,09,787	+ 8,439

Whilst there is a falling off in the Cuddapah Taluq, there is an increase in the other taluqs, and on the whole an enhancement on the previous year's revenue of Rupees 8,439. Compared with the demand of the year previous to introduction, the addition is Rupees 15,341 as exhibited below:—

Beriz of the year previous to introduction	RS.
„ Fasli 1284	5,94,446
	6,09,787
	+ 15,341

11. The demand of Fasli 1282, given as Rupees 5,53,100 at paragraph 12 of Mr. Banbury's report recorded in Board's Proceedings, No. 78, dated 15th January 1875, differs by Rupees 41,346 from the Rupees 5,94,446 now taken for comparison. Of this amount, Rupees 34,516 comprises second crop and additional assessment, brought to account, at the time of the Jamabundi, and included in the demand of the year, but which did not find a place in the comparison

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Mr. Banbury instituted. The particulars then furnished, though correct in respect to the actual results of the introduction, will not conform with the difference observable between the revenue returns of one year and the other. As the total revenue throughout this report is taken for comparison each year, it is requisite to take the corresponding total revenue for the year prior to the introduction, and not that given in reporting the results of the introduction: The variation in the first year arises partly as regards the charge for second crop and additional assessment, and partly in respect to change as to occupation between the period of introduction and the Jamabundi. The remaining sum of Rupees 6,830 needs to be accounted for under this latter cause. The same reason explains the difference noticeable between the figures of Pattikonda and Koilkuntla of the Kurnool District. It has to be borne in mind that the demand in the three taluqs of Cuddapah is not fully realized, the increase by the rates as introduced being to some extent, where at all heavy, levied gradually by increments as directed by Government.

G. O., dated 24th July 1874, No. 919.

12. SALEM.—This is the second year for which a comparison for the whole district is instituted. The result for the year is, I am glad to report, more favorable, being an enhancement of Rupees 26,043 as specified below:—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Salem	3,87,020	3,92,851	+ 5,831
2. Ahtoor	2,23,611	2,26,288	+ 2,677
3. Namkul	1,99,270	2,01,249	+ 1,979
4. Trichengode	2,75,393	2,82,596	+ 7,203
5. Darampuri	1,67,226	1,71,403	+ 4,177
6. Kistnagherry	1,38,266	1,40,428	+ 2,162
7. Ossoor	1,69,304	1,69,475	+ 171
8. Tripatore	1,05,671	1,05,217	— 454
9. Uttengherry	1,10,934	1,13,231	+ 2,297
Total ...	17,76,695	18,02,738	+ 26,043

Vide paragraph 11 of Mr. Banbury's letter, recorded in G. O., No. 255, dated 17th February 1875.

Beriz previous to New Settlement	RS.
Do. of Fasli 1284	18,26,265
	18,02,738
	— 13,527

The demand of 1283 was less by Rupees 49,570 than that of the year preceding the introduction. This year the deficit is reduced to Rupees 13,527, as per margin, by the extension of occupation. With Mr. Banbury I share the hope that "the deficit will ere long give place to a surplus."

13. NELLORE.—The new rates of assessment were put in force in the principal division taluqs of this district for Fasli 1283. The revision of assessment then effected on the occupation of Fasli 1282 was as under:—

By Revenue Accounts	RS.
„ Settlement	11,28,804
	13,00,062
Increase ...	1,71,258

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The foregoing details are exclusive of the charge for second crop and additional assessment. Inclusive of these items, the demand of Fasli 1282 amounted to Rupees 11,67,881, and that for the succeeding year to Rupees 12,95,738; consequently, there was an enhancement of Rupees 1,27,657 on the demand of Fasli 1282 when compared with that of Fasli 1283. Particulars for the latter year are furnished below and compared with Fasli 1284. It will be seen that the result is satisfactory, the increase being Rupees 12,351:—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
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1. Nellore	5,40,585	5,31,135	— 9,450
2. Gudur	2,72,285	2,79,539	+ 7,254
3. Rapur	86,267	93,009	+ 6,742
4. Atmakur	1,95,151	1,98,023	+ 2,872
5. Kavali	1,52,028	1,56,545	+ 4,517
6. Udayagiri	49,422	49,838	+ 416
Total ...	12,95,738	13,08,089	+ 12,351

The falling off in the demand in the Nellore Taluq is not due to any less breadth of occupation, but to amendments effected, under the order marginally specified, to the wet rates of assessment as first imposed throughout the ancient villages. The assessment of 1284 was reduced to the extent of Rupees 19,008 less than that brought to account for 1283. An increase of area under occupation, 1,084 Acres in dry and 500 Acres in wet, partly recouped the amount foregone.

14. It will be remembered that under G.O., No. 896, of 22nd August 1873, the increase on puttass was foregone, and all decrease allowed to the ryots for Fasli 1283. For Fasli 1284 the increase, as directed by G.O., No. 1,333, dated 16th October 1874, was levied gradually by increments. Compared with the total demand of Fasli 1282, the year before the introduction, the corresponding assessment of Fasli 1284 indicates an enhancement of Rupees 1,40,208.

15. During Fasli 1284 the new rates of assessment were introduced into the Sub-division taluqs of Nellore with the following result:—

Taluqs.	Revenue Demand of Fasli 1283.	As per introduction of new Settlement.	Difference.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Kandakur	2,66,585	2,73,656	+ 7,071
Kanigiri	35,871	40,556	+ 4,685
Ongole	2,79,154	3,03,302	+ 24,148
Total ...	5,81,610	6,17,514	+ 35,904

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16. TINNEVELLY.—The new rates were in force for two years, Faslis 1283 and 1284, in the Tinnevelly and Tenkasi Taluqs, but no reference was made to this district in the report last submitted, consequent on the settlement of the district not then being under the Director's control. The comparison between the demands of Faslis 1283 and 1284 shows a small increase of Rupees 1,746 as under:—

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Tinnevelly	3,29,782	3,30,938	+ 1,156
Tenkasi	1,78,048	1,78,638	+ 590
Total ...	5,07,830	5,09,576	+ 1,746

17. Great variations need not be anticipated as regards these taluqs. The irrigation is superior, the lands are fertile, and the rates are moderate. There is therefore no likelihood of relinquishments, nor is there any particular extent of waste to be newly taken up. The comparison with the beriz of the year previous to introduction, viz., Fasli 1282, shows a gain of Rupees 8,207 as indicated in the margin.

The usual comparative statement is appended of the settlement commutation rate determined for each district, subject to the deductions for cartage, &c., and of the prices prevailing during Fasli 1284 (1874-75). Throughout the settled districts, it will be seen that the price of each product ruled more or less in advance of the commutation rate save in respect to Varagu for Salem, in which district an average was formerly struck on the price of the dry grains taken as representative crops. Adopting the same course now, the prices returned average Rupees 119 against the commutation rate of Rupees 100. The result, therefore, is everywhere favorable to the ryot. The percentage, as regards the whole of the districts, that the prevailing prices for each grain exceeded the commutation rate, is as below:—

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Cumbu	70
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	100	116	16	112	155	38	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
South Arcot, Cheddabram Taluk	72	153	113	117	211	80	93	178	91	93	178	91	59	92	77
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	120	131	9	125	137	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
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No. 230. ORDER THEREON, 23rd May 1876, No. 665.

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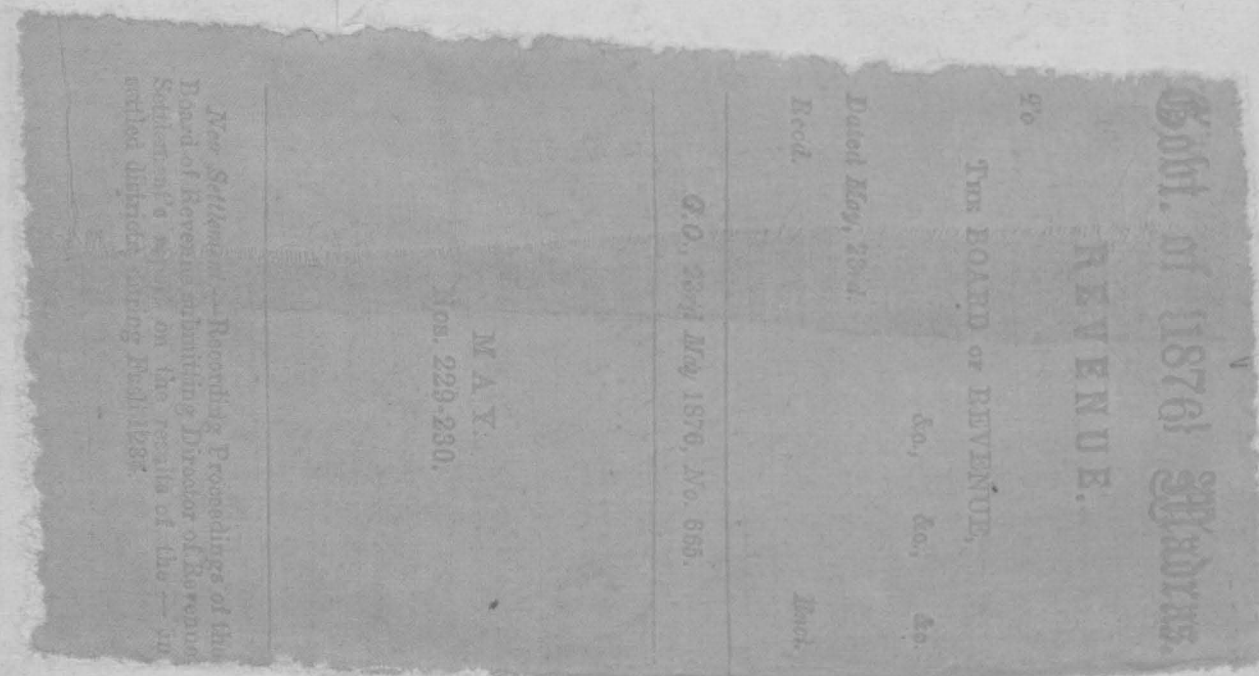
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Do. in Fasli 1284 ...	14,36,767	
	+ 2,16,760	

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Trichinopoly ...	4,58,237	4,57,712	— 525
2. Museri ...	3,20,356	3,23,623	+ 3,267
3. Kulitalai ...	1,94,088	1,92,640	— 1,448
4. Perambalur ...	2,36,974	2,35,813	— 1,161
5. Udayarpolum ...	2,25,690	2,26,979	+ 1,289
Total ...	14,35,345	14,36,767	+ 1,422

9. KURNOOL.—The following statement compares the demand of Fasli 1284 with that of the preceding year. The result, like that for other districts already noticed, is favorable:—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Kurnool Proper. (1. Ramalkota ...)	1,70,850	1,74,873	+ 4,023
(2. Nandikotkur ...)	2,05,275	2,07,426	+ 2,151
(3. Nandial ...)	1,86,267	1,87,343	+ 1,076
(4. Sirwell ...)	1,53,761	1,53,405	— 356
Total ...	7,16,153	7,23,047	+ 6,894
5. Pattikonda ...	2,01,644	2,04,329	+ 2,685
6. Koilkuntla ...	2,03,694	2,01,817	— 1,877
Grand Total ...	11,21,491	11,29,193	+ 7,702

* Vide Board's Proceedings, No. 208, dated 3rd February 1874.

By the new settlement the assessment of the four taluqs of Kurnool Proper was reduced, as marginally indicated, to the extent of Rupees 35,851. The deficit, as explained below, now stands at Rupees 6,417 for Fasli 1284. Including the more recently settled taluqs, there is an addition to the revenue of only Rupees 752.

Taluqs.	RS.	Beriz of Fasli previous to the introduction.	Beriz of Fasli 1284.	Difference.
Demand of the year previous to introduction	7,29,464			
Do. as introduced in the first year.	693,603			
	<u>35,851</u>			
Kurnool Proper	7,29,464	7,23,047	- 6,417	
Pattikonda	1,98,991	2,04,329	+ 5,338	
Koilkuntla	1,99,986	2,01,817	+ 1,831	
Total ...	11,28,441	11,29,193	+ 752	

10. CUDDAPAH.—This district now needs attention in respect to the taluqs first settled as under:—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
Cuddapah	2,39,139	2,31,498	- 7,641
Prodatoor	1,73,871	1,76,495	+ 2,624
Jamalamadugu	1,88,368	2,01,794	+ 13,426
Total ...	6,01,348	6,09,787	+ 8,439

Whilst there is a falling off in the Cuddapah Taluq, there is an increase in the other taluqs, and on the whole an enhancement on the previous year's revenue of Rupees 8,439. Compared with the demand of the year previous to introduction, the addition is Rupees 15,341 as exhibited below:—

Beriz of the year previous to introduction	5,94,446
„ Fasli 1284	6,09,787
	<u>+ 15,341</u>

11. The demand of Fasli 1282, given as Rupees 5,53,100 at paragraph 12 of Mr. Banbury's report recorded in Board's Proceedings, No. 78, dated 15th January 1875, differs by Rupees 41,346 from the Rupees 5,94,446 now taken for comparison. Of this amount, Rupees 34,516 comprises second crop and additional assessment, brought to account, at the time of the Jamabundi, and included in the demand of the year, but which did not find a place in the comparison

Mr. Banbury instituted. The particulars then furnished, though correct in respect to the actual results of the introduction, will not conform with the difference observable between the revenue returns of one year and the other. As the total revenue throughout this report is taken for comparison each year, it is requisite to take the corresponding total revenue for the year prior to the introduction, and not that given in reporting the results of the introduction. The variation in the first year arises partly as regards the charge for second crop and additional assessment, and partly in respect to change as to occupation between the period of introduction and the Jamabundi. The remaining sum of Rupees 6,830 needs to be accounted for under this latter cause. The same reason explains the difference noticeable between the figures of Pattikonda and Koilkuntla of the Kurnool District. It has to be borne in mind that the demand in the three taluqs of Cuddapah is not fully realized, the increase by the rates as introduced being to

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some extent, where at all heavy, levied gradually by increments as directed by Government.

12. SALEM.—This is the second year for which a comparison for the whole district is instituted. The result for the year is, I am glad to report, more favorable, being an enhancement of Rupees 26,043 as specified below:—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
1. Salem	3,87,020	3,92,851	+ 5,831
2. Ahtoor	2,23,611	2,26,288	+ 2,677
3. Namkul	1,99,270	2,01,249	+ 1,979
4. Trichengode	2,75,393	2,82,596	+ 7,203
5. Darampuri	1,07,320	1,11,403	+ 4,083
6. Kistnagherry	1,38,266	1,40,428	+ 2,162
7. Ossoor	1,69,304	1,69,475	+ 171
8. Tripatore	1,05,671	1,05,217	- 454
9. Uttengherry	1,10,934	1,13,231	+ 2,297
Total ...	17,76,695	18,02,738	+ 26,043

Vide paragraph 11 of Mr. Banbury's letter, recorded in G. O., No. 255, dated 17th February 1875.

Beriz previous to New Settlement	18,26,265
Do. of Fasli 1284	18,02,738
	<u>- 13,527</u>

The demand of 1283 was less by Rupees 49,570 than that of the year preceding the introduction. This year the deficit is reduced to Rupees 13,527, as per margin, by the extension of occupation. With Mr. Banbury I share the hope that "the deficit will ere long give place to a surplus."

13. NELLORE.—The new rates of assessment were put in force in the principal division taluqs of this district for Fasli 1283. The revision of assessment then effected on the occupation of Fasli 1282 was as under:—

By Revenue Accounts	11,28,804
„ Settlement	13,00,062
Increase ...	<u>1,71,258</u>

The foregoing details are exclusive of the charge for second crop and additional assessment. Inclusive of these items, the demand of Fasli 1282 amounted to Rupees 11,67,881, and that for the succeeding year to Rupees 12,95,738; consequently, there was an enhancement of Rupees 1,27,657 on the demand of Fasli 1282 when compared with that of Fasli 1283. Particulars for the latter year are furnished below and compared with Fasli 1284. It will be seen that the result is satisfactory, the increase being Rupees 12,351:—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Nellore	5,40,585	5,31,135	— 9,450
2. Gudur	2,72,285	2,79,539	+ 7,254
3. Rapur	86,267	93,009	+ 6,742
4. Atmakur	1,95,151	1,98,023	+ 2,872
5. Kavali	1,52,028	1,56,545	+ 4,517
6. Udayagiri	49,422	49,838	+ 416
Total ...	12,95,738	13,08,089	+ 12,351

The falling off in the demand in the Nellore Taluq is not due to any less breadth of occupation, but to amendments effected, under the order marginally specified, to the wet rates of assessment as first imposed throughout the anicut villages. The assessment of 1284 was reduced to the extent of Rupees 19,008 less than that brought to account for 1283. An increase of area under occupation, 1,084 Acres in dry and 500 Acres in wet, partly recouped the amount foregone.

14. It will be remembered that under G.O., No. 896, of 22nd August 1873, the increase on puttass was foregone, and all decrease allowed to the ryots for Fasli 1283. For Fasli 1284 the increase, as directed by G.O., No. 1,833, dated 16th October 1874, was levied gradually by increments. Compared with the total demand of Fasli 1282, the year before the introduction, the corresponding assessment of Fasli 1284 indicates an enhancement of Rupees 1,40,208.

Fasli.	RS.
1282	11,67,881
1284	13,08,089
Increase ...	1,40,208

15. During Fasli 1284 the new rates of assessment were introduced into the Sub-division taluqs of Nellore with the following result:—

Taluqs.	Revenue Demand of Fasli 1283.	As per introduction of new Settlement.	Difference.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Kandakur	2,66,585	2,73,656	+ 7,071
Kanigiri	35,871	40,556	+ 4,685
Ongole	2,79,154	3,03,302	+ 24,148
Total ...	5,81,610	6,17,514	+ 35,904

16. TINNEVELLY.—The new rates were in force for two years, Faslis 1283 and 1284, in the Tinnevelly and Tenkasi Taluqs, but no reference was made to this district in the report last submitted, consequent on the settlement of the district not then being under the Director's control. The comparison between the demands of Faslis 1283 and 1284 shows a small increase of Rupees 1,746 as under:—

Taluqs.	Fasli 1283.	Fasli 1284.	Difference.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Tinnevelly	3,29,782	3,30,938	+ 1,156
Tenkasi	1,78,048	1,78,638	+ 590
Total ...	5,07,830	5,09,576	+ 1,746

17. Great variations need not be anticipated as regards these taluqs. The irrigation is superior, the lands are fertile, and the rates are moderate. There is therefore no likelihood of relinquishments, nor is there any particular extent of waste to be newly taken up. The comparison with the beriz of the year previous to introduction, *viz.*, Fasli 1282, shows a gain of Rupees 8,207 as indicated in the margin.

The usual comparative statement is appended of the settlement commutation rate determined for each district, subject to the deductions for cartage, &c., and of the prices prevailing during Fasli 1284 (1874-75). Throughout the settled districts, it will be seen that the price of each product ruled more or less in advance of the commutation rate save in respect to Varagu for Salem, in which district an average was formerly struck on the price of the dry grains taken as representative crops. Adopting the same course now, the prices returned average Rupees 119 against the commutation rate of Rupees 100. The result, therefore, is everywhere favorable to the ryot. The percentage, as regards the whole of the districts, that the prevailing prices for each grain exceeded the commutation rate, is as below:—

Paddy	36
Cholum	47
Cumbu	70
Raggy	56
Varagu	48

Districts.	Paddy 1st and 2nd Sort.				Cuddapah.				Raoor.				Vazuvu.			
	Comm. price per Garce.	Average price of past year framed in accordance with Settlement pro-cedure for this District.	Percentage of increase in the prevailing price over the commutation rate.	RS.	Comm. price per Garce.	Average price of past year framed in accordance with Settlement pro-cedure for this District.	Percentage of increase in the prevailing price over the commutation rate.	RS.	Comm. price per Garce.	Average price of past year framed in accordance with Settlement pro-cedure for this District.	Percentage of increase in the prevailing price over the commutation rate.	RS.	Comm. price per Garce.	Average price of past year framed in accordance with Settlement pro-cedure for this District.	Percentage of increase in the prevailing price over the commutation rate.	RS.
Godavery	72	107	49	84	122	153	45	60	66	114	73	...	...	...	...	...
Kistna ... { Masulipatam portion.	90	137	52	95	132	153	92	70	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
{ Guntur portion.	100	116	16	112	153	153	38	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
South Arcot, Chodambaram Taluk	72	153	113	117	211	211	80	93	93	178	91	...	52	92	114	33
Trichinopoly	67	126	90	160	130	130	30	83	83	128	54	...	50	87	77	74
{ Kurnool Proper	110	145	32	105	158	158	50	...	...	...	...	...	60	106	77	77
Kurnool ... { Patikonda	120	131	9	125	137	137	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
{ Kalkunda	126	140	11	139	195	195	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cuddapah	136	140	11	139	195	195	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Salem	100	132	32	100	157	157	57	160	160	108	...	...	100	97	...	...
Nellore	107	141	32	129	185	185	45	...	...	...	...	...	64	115	80	80
Tinnevely	108	168	65	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	1,198	1,636	36	1,245	1,827	1,827	47	406	689	536	56	...	412	611	48	48
Average ...	100	136	26	113	166	166	47	81	138	134	56	...	69	103	48	48

REVENUE SETTLEMENT OFFICE,
Madras, 12th January 1876.

(Signed) C. RUNDALL,
Acting Director of Revenue Settlement.

SUBMITTED to Government in continuation of Board's Proceedings, dated 12th August 1875, No. 2,262, recorded in G.O., dated 24th September 1875, No. 1,977.

2. The revenues of Fasli 1284 under the new settlement show an increase on those of the previous fasli of Rupees 44,909 and Rupees 58,744 in the Godavery and Kistna Districts, respectively. The increase over the assessment of the years preceding those in which the settlement was introduced are Rupees 4,10,073 and Rupees 5,13,462, respectively.

In Nellore, the increase by settlement over the assessment previous to settlement was large (Rupees 1,27,657), and there were smaller increases in the districts of Kurnool, Cuddapah, South Arcot and Tinnevely.

3. In Trichinopoly, the demand under Settlement is still Rupees 1,82,638 below the former assessment, though it has risen considerably since the introduction of the settlement.

In Salem, also, the demand, though rising, is still below the amount of the assessment prior to settlement. In each of the settled tracts, the results of the year under report show an improvement over those of the preceding year.

4. The report indicates satisfactory revenue administration as far as judgment can be formed on such returns. The prices throughout the settled districts almost invariably ruled considerably in advance of settlement commutation rates, the incidence of which may consequently be confidently assumed to be light.

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