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No. 1,570.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 9th April 1877.

WITH reference to G.O., dated 25th July 1872, No. 1,766, Public Works Department, the Board resolve to submit a statement showing the actual return from irrigation in each district for Fasli 1285 (1875-76).

2. South Canara is excluded from this statement as usual, no information regarding irrigated lands in that district being available.

3. As the Board have stated before, this statement includes lands which, though not irrigated from Government sources, are still classed and assessed as nunjah, such as those cultivated with the aid of springs in Kistna, the rain-fed lands in Malabar, and a small extent of similar land designated "Manavari" in Tanjore. The area of these lands is not separately ascertainable.

4. In the areas irrigated free of all charge, a decrease will be observed as shown in the margin. The figures entered in the last return were, however, incorrect, and it will be seen that the total area entered in the present statement corresponds pretty nearly with that for the previous year's as corrected; the variations in the component heads being the result of transfers from one to the other as shown below :—

	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1285.
	ACRES.	ACRES.
Inam	188,569	187,912
Zemindari	90,749	46,948
Total ...	279,318	234,860
Decrease		44,458

	Fasli 1284 as corrected.	Fasli 1285.	Difference.
	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.
Inam	161,726	187,912	+ 26,186
Zemindari	72,926	46,948	— 25,978
Total ...	234,652	234,860	+ 208

5. In paragraph 4 of their Proceedings, dated 16th October 1876, No. 2,584, the Board solicited instructions as to whether quit-rents on Inam lands affected by irrigation should be taken into account or not in calculating the revenue due to irrigation, but as no reply has been yet received the quit-rents have been included in this statement as in last year.

	RS.	RS.
Revenue from irrigated lands ...		193,63,632
Do. from unirrigated lands ...		184,06,800
Revenue from lands with regard to which it cannot be ascertained how much is due to irrigation and how much is not ...		64,07,680
Permanently settled revenue	51,38,877	
Revenue of South Canara	12,68,803	
Total ...	64,07,680	
Total Land Revenue ...		441,78,112

6. The total amount of revenue derived from irrigated lands is Rs. 193,63,632 against Rupees 217,12,581* in the preceding year, and the decrease (Rupees 23,48,949) is due to the grant of larger remissions on account of the unfavorable character of the season.

7. The remissions granted in Fasli 1285 are compared below with those of Fasli 1284:—

—	Fasli 1284.	Fasli 1285.	Difference.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1. Remissions on account of excess or failure of water..	2,83,588	11,24,667	+ 8,41,079
2. Other usual remissions and deductions	7,99,019	7,60,986	— 38,033
Total ...	10,82,607	18,85,653	+ 8,03,046

* Note.—Corrected with reference to the explanation furnished by the Collector of Nellore in his letter, dated 12th April 1877, No. 1,677.

8. Of the remissions under the first head, nearly the whole or Rupees 10,65,440 was granted for deficiency and but Rupees 59,218 for excess of water. These remissions from the cause first mentioned were heavy in the districts noted in the margin, which suffered more or less from drought. The loss of revenue from excess of water was confined almost entirely to the districts of Vizagapatam and Kistna. In Vizagapatam the heavy rains in August and September 1875 injured the standing wet crops in the Survasiddy Taluq, rendering remissions to the extent of Rupees 8,456 necessary. In Kistna, the high floods in the river Kistna in July 1875 caused considerable damage, and remissions, amounting to no less than Rupees 45,829, had to be granted.

	Rs.
Nellore	1,89,635
Chingleput	2,21,141
South Arcot	1,55,010
Tinnevelly	1,49,023
Coimbatore	1,99,573

(A true Extract.)

Sub-Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Irrigation Branch,
with a Statement.

Copy to all Collectors, with do.
" to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, with do.
" to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, with do.

Exd. W. J. Lewis.

Statement showing the Revenue due to Irrigation in each District of the Madras Presidency for Fasli 1285 (1875-76).

Districts.	Government Lands charged as irrigated.									Inam and Zemindari Lands charged as irrigated.	
	Dry crops charged as irrigated.		Lands irrigated and charged as cultivated with wet crops.		Total Government Lands charged as irrigated.		Deduct.		Remainder.	Inams paying Quit-rent.	
	Area.	Assessment including charge for water.	Area.	Assessment including charge for water.	Area.	Assessment including charge for water.	Remission on account of excess or failure of water.	Other remissions and usual deductions.		Area.	Quit-rent.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.
1. Ganjam	730	1,563	181,949	5,27,014	182,679	5,28,577	....	219	5,28,358	98,884	48,823
2. Vizagapatam	....	....	48,360	2,41,930	48,360	2,41,930	8,456	263	2,33,211	113,049	64,803
3. Godavery	3,166	18,928	326,206	18,46,351	328,372	18,55,279	17,129	16,838	18,31,312	206,397	1,07,900
4. Kistna	1,558	6,925	188,571	11,26,222	190,129	11,33,747	58,256	12,432	10,63,060	57,229	18,684
5. Nellore	4,063	13,598	158,501	8,59,769	162,564	8,73,367	1,91,105	96,402	5,85,859	49,811	58,542
6. Cuddapah	....	....	100,055	7,05,620	100,055	7,05,620	30,514	31,745	6,43,361	113,133	72,891
7. Bellary	....	....	109,810	6,18,614	109,810	6,18,614	7,450	1,717	6,09,447	39,814	60,648
8. Kurnool	....	....	36,074	2,33,332	36,074	2,33,332	1,561	9,610	2,22,161	16,169	22,356
9. Chinglepur	2,277	10,163	262,415	9,67,606	264,692	9,77,769	2,23,952	16,723	7,37,094	73,263	67,305
10. North Arcot	7,736	22,022	204,039	11,91,191	211,775	12,13,213	66,113	63,028	10,85,072	21,309	37,295
11. South Arcot	10,581	34,407	341,809	19,01,764	352,390	19,36,171	1,55,096	1,29,868	16,51,207	13,444	16,661
12. Tanjore	8,022	26,021	773,557	38,93,222	781,579	39,19,243	51,709	2,49,758	36,17,776	129,906	78,577
13. Trichinopoly	38,306	1,08,643	144,820	6,97,983	183,126	8,06,626	2,241	43,812	7,60,573	14,958	8,753
14. Madura	200	652	152,256	6,73,980	152,456	6,74,632	39,568	1,591	6,33,473	17,017	11,637
15. Tinnevelly	10,454	30,847	166,907	16,00,702	177,361	16,31,549	1,49,083	52,329	14,30,137	21,201	61,692
16. Coimbatore	4,699	20,215	86,012	6,33,588	90,711	6,53,803	1,09,373	1,007	5,42,903	4,905	9,631
17. Nilgiris	....	....	40	90	40	90	....	....	90	....	....
18. Salem	396	1,210	89,673	5,03,939	90,059	5,04,149	13,543	33,198	4,57,408	13,168	23,945
19. Malabar	....	....	387,498	11,65,638	387,498	11,65,638	19	446	11,65,173	811	1,093
Total ..	92,178	2,95,224	3,757,552	193,88,155	3,849,730	196,83,379	11,24,667	7,60,986	177,97,726	1,003,962	7,71,020

Revenue Department.

1877.

Board of Revenue,
MADRAS.

PROCEEDINGS, 9TH APRIL 1877, No. 1,670.

Read the following letter from the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Irrigation Branch, dated 17th March 1877, No. 1,670.

APRIL.
No. 1,670.

Revenue due to Irrigation — in each district of Madras Presidency for Fasli 1285.—Submitting to Government statement showing —.

Received 17 March 1877.

Enclosure.

Statement showing the Revenue due to Irrigation in each District of the Madras Presidency for Fasli 1285 (1875-76.)—*(Continued).*

Districts.	Inam and Zemindari Lands charged as irrigated.—(Contd.)		Lands irrigated free of all charges.		Total Lands charged as irrigated.				Besides the Remissions on cultivated lands shown in Columns 8 and 9, assessment on Wet Lands left uncultivated for want or excess of water was remitted as shown below.	
	Area subject to water-rate.	Charge for water.	Inam Area.	Zemindari Area.	Total Area irrigated.	Deduct land included twice over in Columns 11 and 13.	Remainder land irrigated.	Assessment, Quit-rent, and water-rate.	Extent.	Assessment.
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
1. Ganjam	395	950	16,301	44	297,803	162	297,641	5,78,131	..	..
2. Vizagapatam	292	1,074	1,115	4,152	166,968	292	166,676	2,99,088	1,170	4,427
3. Godavery	129,012	5,35,561	9,514	23,816	697,111	93,724	603,387	24,74,793	3,977	8,735
4. Kistna	26,373	1,06,425	2,490	17,349	294,070	15,746	278,324	11,88,169	15,317	24,558
5. Nellore	2,185	7,569	11,762	..	226,266	2,047	224,219	6,51,961	41,334	1,95,244
6. Cuddapah	5,292	13,797	12,617	..	232,288	5,493	226,805	7,34,849	25,370	1,36,960
7. Bellary	2,458	13,734	13,328	..	165,420	1,788	163,632	6,88,829	19,971	86,615
8. Kurnool	5,955	19,195	2,564	..	60,692	5,956	54,737	2,63,692	1,094	7,311
9. Chingleput	1,346	4,617	13,233	386	352,920	227	352,693	8,09,016	55,819	1,59,662
10. North Arcot	5,926	15,492	25,367	253	264,620	1,725	262,895	11,37,863	21,644	1,08,176
11. South Arcot	6,340	19,428	17,713	..	390,387	973	389,414	16,87,296	7,892	38,413
12. Tanjore	10,930	16,622	33,088	..	954,803	10,050	944,573	37,12,975	5,954	20,193
13. Trichinopoly	8,638	10,359	6,221	..	207,947	1,571	206,376	7,79,685	33	115
14. Madura	4,202	10,435	3,026	..	182,361	144	182,167	6,56,546	6,697	22,853
15. Tinnevelly	2,703	8,783	3,668	..	204,933	39	204,894	15,00,512	23,969	1,42,324
16. Coimbatore	1,227	4,773	7,443	..	104,286	903	103,383	5,67,357	4,065	28,241
17. Nilgiris	..	..	..	..	40	..	40	60	..	..
18. Salem	547	1,061	1,929	118	106,961	543	105,708	4,82,414	8,102	37,050
19. Malabar	..	..	..	..	388,309	..	388,309	11,66,266	787	1,108
Total	208,373	7,94,886	187,912	46,043	5,290,928	141,059	5,155,866	193,63,632	240,496	10,52,015