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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

22nd September 1877, No. 339 L.

Irrigation.

Read the following papers:—

No. 115. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 9th April 1877, No. 1,570.

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 years as corrected; the variations in the component heads being the result of transfers from one to the other as shown below:—

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

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 years as corrected; the variations in the component heads being the result of transfers from one to the other as shown below:—

	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 Proceeding, the Board solicited instructions as to what

	Rs.
Revenue from irrigated lands ...	1,93,63
Do. from unirrigated lands...	1,84,06
Revenue from lands with regard to which it cannot be ascertained how much is due to irrigation and how much is not	64,07,6
Permanently settled revenue	51,38,877
Revenue of South Canara	12,68,803
Total ...	64,07,680

Total, land-revenue ...	4,41,78,112
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(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Sub-Secretary.

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

District.	INAM AND ZEMINDARI LANDS CHARGED AS IRRIGATED — (Contd.)				Lands irrigated free of charges.				Total Lands charged as irrigated.				Extent.	Assessment.
	Area subject to Water-rate.	Charge for Water.	13	14	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.	20	21		
	ACRES.	RS.			ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.	ACRES.			ACRES.		
1. Ganjam	395	950			15,301	44	297,803	182	297,621			3,977	8,755	
2. Vizagapatnam	292	1,074			1,115	4,152	105,908	292	105,616			13,317	24,593	
3. Godavari	120,012	5,35,581			9,614	23,816	597,111	93,784	690,895			41,334	1,55,244	
4. Krishna	28,312	1,06,435			2,490	17,849	204,070	15,716	219,786			25,370	1,36,969	
5. Nellore	2,135	7,559			31,762		237,298	2,047	239,345			7,31,849	58,616	
6. Cuddapah	5,402	18,797			13,617		165,420	6,498	171,918			19,971	73,311	
7. Bellary	2,438	13,754			13,338		65,692	5,955	71,647			1,094	1,89,052	
8. Kurnool	6,955	19,156			2,501		359,929	227	360,130			21,644	1,08,176	
9. Chingleput	1,346	4,617			43,253	386	294,620	1,722	296,342			7,892	25,313	
10. North Arcot	6,936	15,492			25,357	253	399,387	973	400,360			5,954	20,153	
11. South Arcot	6,840	12,428			3,713		554,603	10,600	565,203			33	115	
12. Tirunelveli	10,099	10,359			23,083		207,847	1,571	209,418			6,697	22,883	
13. Trichinopoly	3,659	10,435			8,624		182,301	144	182,445			22,309	1,42,324	
14. Madras	4,202	8,733			3,668		104,286	903	105,189			4,066	28,241	
15. Tinnevely	2,703	4,773			7,443		103,951	40	104,001			8,402	37,060	
16. Coimbatore	1,297	1,061				448	339,309	243	340,057			787	1,108	
17. Nilgiris														
18. Salem														
19. Malabar														
Total ..	298,373	7,94,886			187,912	45,945	5,296,225	141,669	5,154,556			210,456	10,52,015	

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.

No. 176 I.

No. 115-A.

Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

The statement of revenue due to irrigation for fasli 1285 (1875-76) compared with that of the preceding year shows the following results:—

	1874-75.		1875-76.	
	Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.
	ACRES.	RS.	ACRES.	RS.
1. Government lands ...	4,083,75	2,00,38,794	3,849,730	1,77,97,726
2. Inam and Zemindari lands ...	281,1	9,35,633	208,373	7,94,886
3. Inam lands paying quit-rent ...	1,001,1	7,91,409	1,003,962	7,71,020
4. Land irrigated (Inam ...	188,1,9	...	187,912	...
free of charge. { Zemindari ...	90,7,29	...	46,948	...
Total ...	5,645,296	2,17,65,836	5,296,925	1,95,63,632
Deduct land included twice over in 2nd and 3rd items... ..	137,509	...	141,059	...
Net Total ...	5,507,727	2,17,65,836	5,155,866	1,93,63,632

The decrease in the later year is in area ... Acres 351,861
in revenue... Rupees 24,02,204

The Board of Revenue explain that of the decrease of revenue shown, Rupees 23,48,949 are due to the grant of larger remissions on account of the unfavorable character of the season, and Rupees 53,255 are nominal. The remissions of the two years were as follow:—

	1874-75.	1875-76.
	RS.	RS.
On account of excess or failure of water... ..	2,83,588	11,24,667
Other usual remissions	*7,99,019	7,60,986
	10,82,607	18,85,653

The increase under the first head in the later year is attributed to the unfavorable character of the season. The districts in which the largest remissions occurred were—

	1874-75.	1875-76.
	RS.	RS.
Nellore	30,713	1,89,635
Chingleput	18,226	2,21,141
South Arcot	7,230	1,55,010
Tinnevely	33,330	1,49,023
Coimbatore	69,172	1,09,873

The particulars of charges for the several districts are given in the subjoined statement and the general result is as follows:—

	Average.	Revenue.	+ Charges.	Per Acre.	Per cent.
1874-75	55,07,727	2,17,65,836	20,59,833	0.39	9.50
1875-76	51,55,866	1,93,63,632	15,16,345	0.29	7.83

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

+ The charges for 1874-75 include "Establishments"; those for 1875-76 do not include them.

Districts.	TOTAL LANDS IRRIGATED.				ESTABLISHMENT.				WORKS.		Total of Columns 9 and 10.	PUBLIC WORKS CHARGES "WORKS."			AVERAGE ASSESSMENT PER ACRE.		Remarks.
	Area.	Assessment.	Secr- tariat.	Account.	District Engi- neers.	Construc- tion.	Conserv- ancy.	Total.	Repairs.	Col. 10		Col. 2	Per Acres.	Per cent. on Re- venue.	On Govern- ment Lands.	On Total Area.	
											Col. 10						
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		
Ganjam ..	297,641	5,78,131	561	771	2,872	4,946	1,187	10,327	35,537	43,864	0.11	5.81	2.89	1.94			
Vizagapatnam ..	266,576	2,99,998	278	384	1,123	5,329	1,013	7,130	16,879	23,009	0.10						
Gondar ..	603,387	24,74,793	4,538	4,947	10,173	57,264	46,976	1,22,368	216,184	3,38,083	0.36						
Kistna ..	278,324	11,48,169	2,613	3,566	7,446	36,086	24,716	74,416	1,36,448	2,30,864	0.36						
Nalluru ..	294,219	6,51,961	1,493	1,923	2,976	11,338	4,016	23,266	85,341	1,07,666	0.38	12.09	3.40	2.90			
Guddipah ..	226,805	7,34,849	732	1,023	4,557	11,214	..	17,522	44,569	62,026	0.20		6.43	3.24			
Kurnool ..	34,747	2,63,692	636	839	2,713	7,472	..	11,710	38,693	50,403	0.71	14.67	6.16	4.82			
Ballari ..	163,632	6,58,829	1,016	1,432	3,913	11,908	..	17,432	63,506	81,028	0.39		5.56	4.18			
Presidney ..	..	..	41	57	102	491	..	3,175	2,483	3,175							
Chingapat ..	352,693	8,00,016	2,020	2,824	7,722	17,613	3,067	23,246	1,22,850	1,56,096	0.35	15.19	2.78	2.29			
North Arcot ..	262,898	11,37,863	2,173	3,083	4,355	14,561	5,949	23,595	1,33,175	1,60,591	0.50	11.82	5.19	4.32			
South Arcot ..	389,414	16,87,296	1,257	1,777	3,091	14,599	4,147	23,811	76,432	1,01,243	0.20	4.53	4.68	4.33			
Salem ..	105,708	4,82,414	827	1,167	6,180	16,926	..	25,084	50,311	75,395	0.48	10.43	5.98	4.96			
Bangalore ..	944,573	27,12,975	2,870	4,012	11,585	36,007	9,640	64,014	1,74,507	2,38,621	0.18	4.70	4.02	3.93			
Tanjore ..	206,376	7,75,685	1,477	2,065	5,319	14,137	3,213	26,311	82,826	1,16,137	0.44	11.62	4.15	3.78			
Technopoly ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..			2.25	2.25			
Nilgiris ..	103,383	6,57,357	920	1,287	8,687	14,464	..	26,356	66,968	81,326	0.64	10.04	5.38	5.48			
Comblatore ..	338,309	11,66,266	28	39	127	335	..	613	1,692	2,305	..	0.15	3.00	3.00			
South Canara ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..			4.15	3.68			
Madura ..	182,167	6,56,546	778	1,088	3,876	6,314	176	12,232	47,543	69,575	0.26	7.22	8.06	7.32			
Tinnevelly ..	204,894	10,00,512	1,785	2,496	5,056	18,321	3,272	30,964	1,08,577	1,39,511	0.53	7.24	..	..			
Total ..	5,155,866	1,93,63,632	24,934	34,855	91,864	2,96,582	1,06,156	5,54,384	15,16,346	20,70,729	6.69	7.83	4.62	3.75			

The following Abstract Statement shows in a more concise form the Areas, Revenue, Maintenance Charges and Balance of Revenue for the year 1875-76—(Fods 1285).

Districts.	GOVERNMENT LANDS.		TOTAL LANDS.		Maintenance Charges.	Balance of Revenue.
	Area.	Assessment.	Area.	Assessment.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Ganjam ..	182,679	5,23,558	397,541	5,78,131	43,864	5,34,267
Chingapat ..	48,360	2,33,211	109,676	2,99,998	23,009	2,76,979
Kistna ..	324,372	15,31,312	63,387	24,74,793	3,38,083	21,36,710
Nalluru ..	190,129	10,65,060	28,224	11,68,169	2,30,864	9,57,305
Kurnool ..	162,564	6,85,860	24,219	6,51,961	1,07,666	5,44,295
Cuddapah ..	100,053	6,43,361	26,805	7,34,849	62,026	6,72,823
Kurnool ..	36,074	2,22,161	54,737	2,63,692	50,408	2,13,289
Ballari ..	102,810	6,09,447	63,632	6,83,829	81,028	6,02,801
Presidney ..	..	..	..	..	3,176	..
Chingapat ..	264,692	7,37,094	52,693	8,09,016	1,56,096	6,52,920
North Arcot ..	211,776	10,86,672	82,898	11,37,863	1,60,531	9,77,332
South Arcot ..	352,400	16,51,207	39,414	16,87,296	1,01,243	15,86,053
Salem ..	90,059	4,57,408	105,708	4,82,414	75,395	4,07,019
Bangalore ..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tanjore ..	781,579	26,17,776	944,573	27,12,975	2,38,521	24,74,454
Trichinopoly ..	183,126	7,60,573	206,376	7,79,685	1,16,137	6,63,548
Nilgiris ..	40	90	40	90	..	..
Comblatore ..	90,711	5,42,953	103,383	5,57,357	81,326	4,76,031
Madura ..	387,498	11,66,173	388,309	11,66,266	2,305	11,63,961
South Canara ..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Madura ..	152,456	6,33,473	182,167	6,56,545	69,575	5,86,971
Tinnevely ..	177,361	14,30,137	204,894	15,00,612	1,39,511	13,61,101
Total ..	3,849,730	1,77,97,726	6,156,866	1,93,63,632	20,70,729	1,73,92,903
1874-75 ..	..	..	..	..	..	1,97,06,003

The statements for fasli 1284 (1874-75) were recorded in Proceedings of Madras Government, No. 2,314, of 31st August 1876, and the earlier statements were recorded as follows:—

Fasli 1283 (1873-74) Proceedings of Madras Government, No. 2,197 of 28th July 1875.
 " 1282 (1872-73) " " " " 1,380 " 22nd May 1874.
 " 1281 (1871-72) " " " " 2,089 " 21st Aug. 1873.

(Signed) G. T. WALCH,

FORT ST. GEORGE,

13th September 1877.

To the Joint Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Irrigation Branch.

Ag. Dy. Chief Engr. for Irrigation,
 for Chief Engr. for Irrigation.

No. 116. ORDER THEREON, 22nd September 1877, No. 339 I.

COMMUNICATED to the officers concerned and to the Revenue Department.

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(True Extract.)

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Colonel, R.E.,
 Joint Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.,
 Irrigation Branch.

To the Revenue Board.

" " Department.

" Examiner of Public Works Accounts.

" Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

To all District Engineers.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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