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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.  
 REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

31st October 1878, No. 1,748.

Read the following paper:—

No. 321. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th September 1878,  
 No. 2,515.

Read the following letter from H. F. CLOGSTOUN, Esq., Acting Deputy Director of  
 Revenue Settlement, Coimbatore, to the Director of Revenue Settlement,  
 dated Kangiam, 16th August 1876, No. 262-101:—

I HAVE the honor to submit, for your information, particulars of the financial  
 results of introducing the new settlement

1. Kodyanji.  
 2. AMMURKOVIL.

of the Collector. Should the proposed assessment of these villages receive the sanc-  
 tion of Government, the new rates may be imposed during the ensuing fasli. As  
 the villages under notice are few in number and are not contiguous, it will be  
 advantageous to notice each of them separately.

2. The first of the three villages is Kodyanji. It is situated in the extreme  
 north of the Tirupatur Taluk, to which it was only lately transferred from the North  
 Arcot District for purposes of administrative convenience. It contains 114 acres of  
 good wet land irrigated by the Palar river, and has an excellent market for its pro-  
 duce in the town of Vaniembady, only two miles distant. The area and assessment of  
 all land in occupation during the past Fasli and the proposed new assessment of the  
 same lands are shown in the subjoined statement:—

பப்பருவதற்காக எடுத்துக் கொள்ளப்பட்ட

| Dry or Wet. | Group. | Items.   | As per Jambandi of Fasli 1255. |             |        |                        | As per New Settlement. |             |                         |                        | Comparison. |             |                                   |              | Unoccupied land. |             |
|-------------|--------|----------|--------------------------------|-------------|--------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|
|             |        |          | Extent.                        | Assessment. | Total. | Average Rate per Acre. | Extent.                | Assessment. | Total 1st and 2nd Crop. | Average Rate per Acre. | Extent.     | Assessment. | Per-centage Increase or Decrease. | Per-centage. | Extent.          | Assessment. |
| Dry         | 2      | Ayan Dry | 78                             | 148         | 148    | 1 11 8                 | 81                     | 138         | 138                     | 1 11 8                 | 6           | 20          | 15                                | 18           | 15               | 8 0         |
|             |        |          | 2                              | 10          | 10     | 5 0                    | 104                    | 148         | 148                     | 1 11 8                 | 6           | 20          | 15                                | 18           | 15               | 8 0         |
|             |        |          | Total                          | 158         | 158    | 1 11 8                 | 185                    | 286         | 286                     | 1 11 8                 | 12          | 40          | 30                                | 36           | 30               | 16 0        |
| Wet         | 2      | Ayan Wet | 104                            | 19          | 123    | 1 11 8                 | 104                    | 19          | 123                     | 1 11 8                 | 6           | 20          | 15                                | 18           | 15               | 8 0         |
|             |        |          | 104                            | 19          | 123    | 1 11 8                 | 104                    | 19          | 123                     | 1 11 8                 | 6           | 20          | 15                                | 18           | 15               | 8 0         |
|             |        |          | Total                          | 123         | 123    | 1 11 8                 | 104                    | 19          | 123                     | 1 11 8                 | 6           | 20          | 15                                | 18           | 15               | 8 0         |
| Total       | 4      | Ayan     | 182                            | 167         | 349    | 1 11 8                 | 185                    | 286         | 511                     | 2 11 4                 | 12          | 60          | 45                                | 54           | 45               | 16 0        |
|             |        |          | 182                            | 167         | 349    | 1 11 8                 | 185                    | 286         | 511                     | 2 11 4                 | 12          | 60          | 45                                | 54           | 45               | 16 0        |
|             |        |          | Total                          | 349         | 349    | 1 11 8                 | 370                    | 572         | 1022                    | 2 11 4                 | 24          | 120         | 90                                | 108          | 90               | 32 0        |

On dry occupied land the new rates of assessment result in a decrease of Rupees 20 or 13 per cent. The irrigated land is classed in two different groups,—that under Palar river irrigation in the second group, and that under a fair-sized tank in the fourth group; this grouping being in accordance with that adopted for all villages in the taluk previously settled. In the wet lands irrigated by the Palar the imposition of the new rates has the effect of increasing the present assessment by Rupees 291 or 43 per cent., the new assessment averaging Rupees 8-7-8 per acre for two crops, while the old assessment averaged only Rupees 5-14-11 per acre. The proposed assessment averages 4 Annas 9 Pies per acre less than that imposed on the surrounding villages simply to the fact of the old assessment having been so low. On similar lands in the Tirupatur Taluk the old assessment averaged Rupees 8-9-10 per acre. As the assessment proposed is by no means a high assessment for the land to which it is proposed to apply it, I do not feel justified in proposing a lower one; but as it involves a large increase on the present payments, I would suggest that it be imposed gradually, the total increase being spread over a period of (say) five years. The wet lands irrigated by the tank in the village are 29 acres, which I propose to assess at an average rate of Rupees 6 per acre for two crops, the resulting assessment being Rupees 6 below the present assessment. Over the whole village the new rates of assessment will result in an increased assessment of Rupees 265, or 26 per cent. The village further contains 18 acres of dry waste land and 4 acres of waste irrigated land, bearing a total assessment of Rupees 33-8-0 per acre.

Together with the new assessment a village-cess of one anna in the rupee of assessment will be imposed, and the area now held as Inam by the village officers, viz., 34-9-acres, assessed at Rupees 145-3-0, will, when enfranchised at five-eighths, add a further sum of Rupees 90-12-0 to the Village Service Fund of the taluk.

*Vennalanganthi*.—This, the second of the three villages, is situated at a distance of seven miles to the west of Tirupatur, the chief town of the taluk, and two miles from the Bangalore and Madras road. With the adjoining village of Ammankovil described below, it constituted a small Jaghire granted by the British Government to one Mathadu Sahib for two lives, and which reverted to Government, on the 28th January 1875, on the death of the successor of the grantee. The village was attached some ten years ago for default of the Jaghiredar to pay his kists, and has since been under Government management. No difficulty appears to have been experienced by the Government officers in realising the revenue assessed on the village. The area and assessment of all lands in occupation during Fasli 1285 (1875-76) and the proposed new assessment of the same lands are shown below:—

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| Dry or Wet. | Group. | Items.                                 | As per Jamabandi of Falli 1865. |        |        |                        |        |        |         |             |                         |                        | As per New Settlement. |             |             |           |             |             |             |         |             |         | Comparison. |         |             |         | Unoccupied land. |         |
|-------------|--------|----------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------|--------|------------------------|--------|--------|---------|-------------|-------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|------------------|---------|
|             |        |                                        | Assessment.                     |        |        | Average Rate per Acre. |        |        | Extent. | Assessment. |                         |                        | Average Rate per Acre. |             |             | Extent.   |             | Assessment. |             | Extent. | Assessment. |         |             |         |             |         |                  |         |
|             |        |                                        | Assessment.                     | Total. | Total. | Assessment.            | Total. | Total. |         | Assessment. | Total 1st and 2nd Crop. | Average Rate per Acre. | Increase of            | Percentage. |             |           |             |             |             |         |             |         |             |         |             |         |                  |         |
|             |        |                                        |                                 |        |        |                        |        |        |         |             |                         |                        |                        |             | Assessment. | Extent.   | Assessment. | Extent.     | Assessment. |         |             | Extent. | Assessment. | Extent. | Assessment. | Extent. | Assessment.      | Extent. |
| Dry...      | 3      | Ayra Dry ...<br>Wet transferred to Dry | ACS.                            | Rs.    | Rs.    | Rs. A. P.              | ACS.   | Rs.    | Rs.     | Rs.         | Rs. A. P.               | ACS.                   | Rs.                    | Rs.         | Rs.         | Rs. A. P. | ACS.        | Rs.         | Rs.         | Rs.     | Rs. A. P.   |         |             |         |             |         |                  |         |
|             |        |                                        | 546                             | 314    | 314    | 0 14 0                 | 342    | 6      | 9       | ...         | ...                     | ...                    | ...                    | ...         | ...         | ...       | ...         | ...         | ...         | ...     | ...         | ...     | ...         |         |             |         |                  |         |
|             |        |                                        | 2                               | 6      | 6      | 6                      | ...    | ...    | ...     | ...         | ...                     | ...                    | ...                    | ...         | ...         | ...       | ...         | ...         | ...         | ...     | ...         | ...     | ...         |         |             |         |                  |         |
|             |        |                                        | 348                             | 329    | 329    | ...                    | ...    | ...    | ...     | ...         | ...                     | ...                    | ...                    | ...         | ...         | ...       | ...         | ...         | ...         | ...     | ...         | ...     |             |         |             |         |                  |         |
| Wet...      | 5      | Ayra Wet ...<br>Dry transferred to Wet | 23                              | 113    | 113    | ...                    | 27     | 6      | 27      | 14          | 13                      | ...                    | ...                    | ...         | ...         | ...       | ...         | ...         | ...         | ...     | ...         | ...     |             |         |             |         |                  |         |
|             |        |                                        | 70                              | 14     | 29     | ...                    | 12     | 16     | 12      | 6           | 6                       | 52                     | ...                    | ...         | ...         | ...       | ...         | ...         | ...         | ...     | ...         | ...     | ...         |         |             |         |                  |         |
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|             |        |                                        | 23                              | 127    | 156    | 4 11 8                 | 39     | 43     | 39      | 20          | 19                      | 161                    | 4 2 1                  | 5           | 13          | 5         | 3           | ...         | ...         | ...     | ...         | ...     |             |         |             |         |                  |         |
|             |        |                                        | 381                             | 417    | 476    | 1 4 0                  | 351    | 58     | 39      | 39          | 19                      | 567                    | 1 5 2                  | ...         | ...         | 31        | 6           | ...         | ...         | ...     | ...         | ...     |             |         |             |         |                  |         |
|             |        |                                        | Grand Total                     | ...    | ...    | ...                    | ...    | ...    | ...     | ...         | ...                     | ...                    | ...                    | ...         | ...         | ...       | ...         | ...         | ...         | ...     | ...         | ...     |             |         |             |         |                  |         |

The dry lands of the village have been placed like the dry lands of all the surrounding villages in the third group. The proposed assessment on the 342 acres in occupation amount to Rupees 346, being an increase of Rupees 26 over the present assessment. There is a small tank in the village fed by surface drainage, and irrigating 39 acres of land, the proposed assessment on which for two crops averages Rupees 4-2-1 per acre, and exceeds the existing assessment by a total of only Rupees 5. There is no irrigated waste land in the village, and only two acres of dry waste, the assessment on which amounts to Rupees 1-8-0.

4. *Ammankovil.*—This village, as already stated, reverted to Government only last year, and was not, therefore, settled with the other villages of the taluk. It adjoins the previous village; its dry lands being placed in the same group, namely, the third. The area and assessment of all lands in occupation in Fasli 1285 (1875-76) and the proposed new assessments on the same lands are shown below:—

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT, 31ST OCTOBER 1878, No. 1,748.

| Dry or Wet. | Group. | Items.                                 | As per Jamabandi of Fasli 1285. |      |      |        |                        |         | As per New Settlement. |      |      |                         |                        |         | Comparison. |             |      |             | Unoccupied land. |                       |             |                       |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |  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There were in Fasli 1285 in the occupation of ryots 366 acres of dry land, the proposed assessment on which amounts to Rupees 381, a decrease of Rupees 17 on the present assessment. A small tank in the village irrigates an occupied ayacut of 95 acres, the proposed assessment on which at an average of Rupees 4-2-8 per acre for two crops amounts to Rupees 396, being an increase of Rupees 47 over the old assessment. There are eleven acres of dry waste and one acre of wet waste in the village, the total assessment on which amounts to Rupees 11.

5. The total increase of assessment on the three villages amounts to Rs. 326 or 14.57 per cent. on the existing revenue.

COMMUNICATED to the Collector of Salem with the request that the new settlement rates for Kodyanji, Veppalanatham, and Ammankovil, may be introduced from the current fasli.

2. The delay in disposing of this matter is owing to certain information called for in September 1876 having been only recently furnished by the Deputy Director.

3. As regards Mr. Clogstoun's suggestion that the increment in Kodyanji should be spread over a series of years, Mr. Puckle remarked that there seemed to be no reason for this when it had not been done any where else in Salem. I concur.

4. The Deputy Director has received instructions to forward direct to the Collector all accounts connected with the settlement of these villages.

(Signed) W. WILSON,  
 Acting Director of Revenue Settlement.

To the Collector of Salem.

No. 1,923-264.

Copy forwarded to the Board of Revenue for information.

MADRAS,  
 24th July 1878.

(Signed) W. WILSON,  
 Acting Director of Revenue Settlement.

THE cause of the introduction of the new settlement rates into the villages in question appears to have been the transfer of the first-mentioned, Kodyanji, from the Vellore Taluk of North Arcot and the lapse to Government of the other two which are Jaghire villages. The effect of the revision in Kodyanji is an enhancement of the assessment by Rupees 265 or 26 per cent.; the Deputy Director suggested that it be imposed gradually and spread over a period of five years, but Mr. Puckle negated the proposal on the ground that this course had not been adopted elsewhere in Salem. In consideration, however, of the recent adverse seasons, the Board think that some concession of this nature may fitly be granted, and recommend that the enhanced rates should be imposed by annual increments in three years.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,  
 Acting Secretary.

No. 322.

ORDER THEREON, 31st October 1878, No. 1,748.

Land Revenue, No. 12.

THE settlement of the three villages reported on in the foregoing papers is approved and confirmed.

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2. The Board's recommendation in regard to the gradual imposition in three years of the enhanced settlement rates in the village of Kodyanji is approved and sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) L. A. CAMPBELL,  
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.  
„ the Director of Revenue Settlement

Erd. W. H. French.

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| Dry or Wet |     | Items.                     | As per Jamabandi of Fasli 1285. |        |                        |         | As per New Settlement. |           |          |                         |                        |                       | Comparison. |                       |             |     | Unoccupied land. |     |
|------------|-----|----------------------------|---------------------------------|--------|------------------------|---------|------------------------|-----------|----------|-------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----|------------------|-----|
|            |     |                            | Assessment.                     |        | Average Rate per Acre. | Extent. | Assessment.            |           |          |                         | Average Rate per Acre. | Extent.               |             | Assessment.           |             |     |                  |     |
|            |     |                            | Assessment.                     | Total. |                        |         | 1st Crop.              | 2nd Crop. | Balance. | Total 1st and 2nd Crop. |                        | Increase or Decrease. | Percentage. | Increase or Decrease. | Percentage. |     |                  |     |
| Dry...     | 2   | Ayan Dry ...               | 73                              | 143    | ...                    | ...     | ...                    | ...       | ...      | ...                     | ...                    | ...                   | ...         | ...                   | ...         | ... | ...              | ... |
|            |     | Wet transferred to Dry ... | 2                               | 10     | ...                    | ...     | ...                    | ...       | ...      | ...                     | ...                    | ...                   | ...         | ...                   | ...         | ... | ...              | ... |
| Wet...     | 2   | Ayan Wet ...               | 75                              | 158    | ...                    | ...     | ...                    | ...       | ...      | ...                     | ...                    | ...                   | ...         | ...                   | ...         | ... | ...              | ... |
|            |     | Dry transferred to Wet ... | 104                             | 626    | ...                    | ...     | ...                    | ...       | ...      | ...                     | ...                    | ...                   | ...         | ...                   | ...         | ... | ...              | ... |
| Total...   | 4   | Ayan Wet ...               | 114                             | 645    | ...                    | ...     | ...                    | ...       | ...      | ...                     | ...                    | ...                   | ...         | ...                   | ...         | ... | ...              | ... |
|            |     | Dry transferred to Wet ... | 17                              | 108    | ...                    | ...     | ...                    | ...       | ...      | ...                     | ...                    | ...                   | ...         | ...                   | ...         | ... | ...              | ... |
| Total...   | ... | Ayan Wet ...               | 29                              | 136    | ...                    | ...     | ...                    | ...       | ...      | ...                     | ...                    | ...                   | ...         | ...                   | ...         | ... | ...              | ... |
|            |     | Dry transferred to Wet ... | 121                             | 734    | ...                    | ...     | ...                    | ...       | ...      | ...                     | ...                    | ...                   | ...         | ...                   | ...         | ... | ...              | ... |
| Total...   | ... | Ayan Wet ...               | 23                              | 47     | ...                    | ...     | ...                    | ...       | ...      | ...                     | ...                    | ...                   | ...         | ...                   | ...         | ... | ...              | ... |
|            |     | Dry transferred to Wet ... | 143                             | 781    | ...                    | ...     | ...                    | ...       | ...      | ...                     | ...                    | ...                   | ...         | ...                   | ...         | ... | ...              | ... |
| Total...   | ... | Ayan Wet ...               | 278                             | 939    | ...                    | ...     | ...                    | ...       | ...      | ...                     | ...                    | ...                   | ...         | ...                   | ...         | ... | ...              | ... |
|            |     | Dry transferred to Wet ... | 218                             | 1,014  | ...                    | ...     | ...                    | ...       | ...      | ...                     | ...                    | ...                   | ...         | ...                   | ...         | ... | ...              | ... |
| Total...   | ... | Ayan Wet ...               | 278                             | 939    | ...                    | ...     | ...                    | ...       | ...      | ...                     | ...                    | ...                   | ...         | ...                   | ...         | ... | ...              | ... |
|            |     | Dry transferred to Wet ... | 218                             | 1,014  | ...                    | ...     | ...                    | ...       | ...      | ...                     | ...                    | ...                   | ...         | ...                   | ...         | ... | ...              | ... |

On dry occupied land the new rates of assessment result in a decrease of Rupees 20 or 13 per cent. The irrigated land is classed in two different groups,—that under Palar river irrigation in the second group, and that under a fair-sized tank in the fourth group; this grouping being in accordance with that adopted for all villages in the taluk previously settled. In the wet lands irrigated by the Palar the imposition of the new rates has the effect of increasing the present assessment by Rupees 291 or 43 per cent., the new assessment averaging Rupees 8-7-8 per acre for two crops, while the old assessment averaged only Rupees 5-14-11 per acre. The proposed assessment averages 4 Annas 9 Pies per acre less than that imposed on the surrounding villages of the Tirupatur Taluk, which are similarly irrigated, and the large increase is due simply to the fact of the old assessment having been so low. On similar lands in the Tirupatur Taluk the old assessment averaged Rupees 8-9-10 per acre. As the assessment proposed is by no means a high assessment for the land to which it is proposed to apply it, I do not feel justified in proposing a lower one; but as it involves a large total increase being spread over a period of (say) five years. The wet lands irrigated by the tank in the village are 29 acres, which I propose to assess at an average rate of Rupees 6 per acre for two crops, the resulting assessment will result in an increased assessment of Rupees 265, or 26 per cent. The village further contains 18 acres of dry waste land and 4 acres of waste irrigated land, bearing a total assessment of Rupees 33-8-0 per acre.

Together with the new assessment a village-cess of one anna in the rupee of assessment will be imposed, and the area now held as Inam by the village officers, viz., 34-2 acres, assessed at Rupees 145-3-0, will, when enfranchised at five-eighths, add a further sum of Rupees 90-12-0 to the Village Service Fund of the taluk.

3. *Veppalanatham*.—This, the second of the three villages, is situated at a distance of seven miles to the west of Tirupatur, the chief town of the taluk, and two miles from the Bangalore and Madras road. With the adjoining village of Ammankovil described below, it constituted a small Jaghire granted by the British Government to one Mathadu Sahib for two lives, and which reverted to Government, on the 28th January 1875, on the death of the successor of the grantee. The village was attached some ten years ago for default of the Jaghiredar to pay his kists, and has since been under Government management. No difficulty appears to have been experienced by the Government officers in realising the revenue assessed on the village. The area and assessment of all lands in occupation during Fasli 1285 (1875-76) and the proposed new assessment of the same lands are shown below:—

| Dry or Wet  | Group. | Items.                                     | As per Jansabadi of Fasli 1285. |             |             |           |                        |         | As per New Settlement. |       |           |                      |                 |                        |            |          |                         |                       | Comparison. |                       |             |  | Unoccupied land. |
|-------------|--------|--------------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|------------------------|---------|------------------------|-------|-----------|----------------------|-----------------|------------------------|------------|----------|-------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|--|------------------|
|             |        |                                            | Extent.                         | Assessment. |             |           | Average Rate per Acre. | Extent. | Assessment.            |       |           |                      |                 | Average Rate per Acre. | Extent.    |          | Assessment.             |                       |             |                       |             |  |                  |
|             |        |                                            |                                 | Assessment. | Teerwajast. | Total.    |                        |         | Rs.                    | A.    | P.        | 1st Crop Assessment. | Total 2nd Crop. |                        | Remission. | Balance. | Total 1st and 2nd Crop. | Increase or Decrease. | Percentage. | Increase or Decrease. | Percentage. |  |                  |
| Dry...      | 3      | Ayan Dry ...<br>Wet transferred to Dry ... | ACS.                            | Rs.         | Rs.         | Rs. A. P. | ACS.                   | Rs.     | Rs.                    | Rs.   | Rs. A. P. | ACS.                 | Rs.             | ACS.                   | Rs.        | ACS.     | Rs.                     | Rs. A. P.             |             |                       |             |  |                  |
|             |        |                                            | 343                             | 343         | 314         | 0 13 9    | 33                     | 346     | 346                    | 1 0 2 | 6         | ...                  | ...             | ...                    | ...        | ...      | ...                     | ...                   | ...         |                       |             |  |                  |
|             |        |                                            | 2                               | 6           | 6           | ...       | ...                    | ...     | ...                    | ...   | ...       | ...                  | ...             | ...                    | ...        | ...      | ...                     | ...                   | ...         |                       |             |  |                  |
| Wet...      | 5      | Ayan Wet ...<br>Dry transferred to Wet ... | 23                              | 113         | ...         | ...       | 75                     | 96      | 27                     | 14    | 13        | 109                  | 101             | 18                     | ...        | ...      | ...                     | ...                   |             |                       |             |  |                  |
|             |        |                                            | 10                              | 14          | 29          | 43        | ...                    | 40      | 12                     | 6     | 6         | 32                   | ...             | ...                    | ...        | ...      | ...                     | ...                   | ...         |                       |             |  |                  |
|             |        |                                            | 33                              | 127         | 29          | 155       | 4 11 8                 | 29      | 132                    | 39    | 20        | 19                   | 101             | 4 2 1                  | 6          | ...      | ...                     | ...                   | ...         |                       |             |  |                  |
| Grand Total |        |                                            | 881                             | 447         | 29          | 476       | 1 4 0                  | 488     | 39                     | 20    | 19        | 507                  | 1 5 3           | ...                    | ...        | ...      | ...                     | ...                   |             |                       |             |  |                  |

The dry lands of the village have been placed like the dry lands of all the surrounding villages in the third group. The proposed assessment on the 342 acres in occupation amount to Rupees 346, being an increase of Rupees 26 over the present assessment. There is a small tank in the village fed by surface drainage, and irrigating 39 acres of land, the proposed assessment on which for two crops averages Rupees 4-2-1 per acre, and exceeds the existing assessment by a total of only Rupees 5. There is no irrigated waste land in the village, and only two acres of dry waste, the assessment on which amounts to Rupees 1-8-0.

4. *Ammankovil.* This village, as already stated, reverted to Government only last year, and was not, therefore, settled with the other villages of the taluk. It adjoins the previous village; its dry lands being placed in the same group, namely, the third. The area and assessment of all lands in occupation in Fasli 1285 (1875-76) and the proposed new assessments on the same lands are shown below:—