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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

[illegible] November [illegible] No. 1,867.

Read the following paragraph :—

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7. South Arcot...	11,75,814	37	12,50,026	33	+ 74,212	Rupees 4,457 have been recommended for remission and the remainder is in course of recovery, progress being slow owing to the adverse character of the season.
8. Chingleput ...	5,95,325	60	6,03,893	32	+ 8,568	Rupees 9,277 have to be written off the accounts. Property, chiefly lands, worth Rupees 38,831 has been attached and will be sold. Measures have been adopted for the recovery of the balance.
9. Kurnool ...	8,37,198	89	5,88,716	31	— 2,48,482	
10. Madras... ...	27,065	26	21,235	19	— 5,830	Coercive process has been issued for the collection of the recoverable portion of the balance. The irrecoverable portion will be noticed in the Jamabandi Report for Fasli 1287.
11. Ganjam ...	1,47,697	11	1,96,473	15	+ 48,776	Due to the unfavorable character of the season and to the difficulty of collecting the revenue in the Berhampore Taluk, where there is considerable distress. Processes have been issued against Zemindars and proprietors and ryots in a position to pay.

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12. Tinnevelly ...	5,15,205	18	5,66,767	11	+ 51,562	The balance has been reduced by 2½ lakhs by subsequent collections and the necessary steps have been taken for the speedy realization of the remainder.
13. Cuddapah ...	6,90,841	74	1,85,167	9	— 5,05,674	Owing to the accumulation of heavy arrears in Fasli 1286 on account of famine. A large balance still exists notwithstanding that vigorous efforts have been made to clear it off. The balance, however, includes irrecoverable items and arrears for which no processes have been issued owing to the inability of the landholders to pay or their absence.
14. Kistna	8,17,285	21	4,54,710	9	— 3,62,575	Rupees 30,078 were recommended for remission in the Settlement Reports of 1285 and 1286. Rupees 14,287 will be recommended this year to be written off as irrecoverable. Rupees 61,821 remain uncollected pending receipt of information from the Public Works Department regarding the irrigation of lands. Rupees 9,176 to be collected as per instalments allowed to Devarakóta and Chintalapati Vuntoo Zemindaries in G.O., dated 14th February 1876, No. 201, and 17th April 1878, No. 607. Rupees 33,990 under current are uncollected pending the settlement of certain disputes. Demands have been issued for the collection of the remainder.
15. Trichinopoly..	1,66,097	11	1,41,647	8	— 24,450	Measures are being adopted for the early realization of the arrears.
16. Tanjore ...	3,81,633	9	3,30,086	7	— 51,577	Rupees 1,50,000 have been collected in July. Coercive measures have been taken to realise the remainder.
17. South Canara..	81,127	6	88,392	7	+ 7,265	The balance under "Ryotwar" exceeds the balance at the end of Fasli 1286 by Rs. 10,823, for the speedy collection of which measures have been taken.
18. Godavari ...	3,49,589	8	2,93,643	6	— 55,946	Of the permanently settled revenue, Rupees 1,316 are classed as irrecoverable and Rupees 1,080 doubtful in the Yernagudem Taluk on account of lands taken up for public purposes. Rupees 83,400 due by the Zemindar of Pittapur as kists for March, April, May, and June are held in abeyance under G.O., dated 13th March 1878, No 391. Rupees 8,000 have since been collected and processes are being issued for the rest. Ryotwar and Miscellaneous.—Rupees 22,474 were recommended for remission and Rupees 23,318 classed as doubtful in the Jamabandi Report for Fasli 1286. A portion of the remaining balance will be classed as irrecoverable and doubtful in the report about to be submitted. Measures are being taken for the realization of the recoverable remainder. The current balance has mostly been demanded in the current month on account of second crop assessment and cultivation subsequent to the Jamabandi, &c., and will be realised soon.
19. Vizagapatam...	1,05,559	7	64,714	4	— 40,845	The balances are chiefly on account of ryotwar and due to the adverse nature of the season. Steps are being taken to collect them.
20. Malabar... ...	1,22,895	6	49,583	3	— 73,312	
Total ...	132,58,560	31	136,32,306	26	+4,23,746	

The Abkári shar[illegible] returns given by Collectors for the [illegible] collection of the arrears, [illegible] observed that the percentage of the balance to demand was [illegible] unt of the current fasli than at the beginning of the preceding [illegible]

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	Rs.		Rs.		Rs.	
1. Kurnool	1,51,838	61	2,35,825	62	+ 83,987	
2. Madura	75,962	26	1,84,007	57	+ 1,08,045	Due to the non-realization of kists punctually in consequence of the late famine; steps have been taken for the speedy recovery of the amount.
3. North Arcot ...	1,24,108	30	2,28,802	47	+ 1,04,394	The balance under arrack is due to the non-payment of the guaranteed revenue and orders have been issued to collect it at once. The toddy balance is due to famine. Part of the arrears have been recommended to be remitted.
4. Chingleput ...	69,432	37	1,11,599	45	+ 42,167	Will be recovered from the renter when the result of the petition presented by him to Government is known. At present under the directions conveyed in Board's Proceedings, dated 31st July 1878, No. 1,419, coercive measures are not being taken.
5. South Canara..	32,022	20	78,464	45	+ 46,442	Chiefly due by the Mangalore arrack and Udipi toddy contractors against whom coercive measures have been taken.
6. Nellore	18,003	20	38,755	40	+ 20,752	
7. Kistna	64,561	22	1,20,782	39	+ 56,221	
8. Cuddapah ...	1,03,445	40	1,13,387	34	+ 9,942	The balance chiefly consists of a large sum under deposit available for adjustment in subsequent months and of the amount due for the last month of the contract payable in the succeeding month.
9. Vizagapatam...	48,680	23	61,610	28	+ 12,930	Rupees 7,258 have been recommended to be written off. The rest is due on Vippa farms by Messrs. Minchin and Co., who will pay their dues as they collect the arrears of rents due by the shopkeepers.
10. Coimbatore ...	20,604	9	39,523	18	+ 18,919	Rupees 10,299 have since been collected and for the remainder Government securities are deposited to the extent of Rupees 15,900.
11. Salem	85,755	25	44,582	13	— 41,173	The arrear balances are due by the late contractor Valayudam Pillay, whose farm was sold, and are not likely to be recovered. The current balances will be adjusted next month from the toddy renters' deposits.
12. Trichinopoly...	15,650	9	20,769	12	+ 5,119	Measures are being adopted for the early realization of the arrears.
13. Nilgiri	...	...	7,211	9	+ 7,211	
14. South Arcot ...	7,501	2·6	19,051	7	+ 11,550	Time allowed for payment till 20th July 1878.
15. Malabar... ...	36,776	14	21,823	7	— 14,953	Steps have already been taken for the early adjustment of the arrack balance.
16. Tinnevelly ...	27,273	13	12,603	8	— 14,670	Rupees 10,893 have been recommended for remission.
17. Godavari ...	12,562	4	15,640	5	+ 3,078	Rupees 6,156 have since been collected and processes are being issued for the realization of the remainder.
18. Ganjam	13,301	13	1,456	1·5	— 11,845	The toddy balances are due to the unfavorable character of the season and high prices. Coercive process has been issued against the renters.
19. Tanjore	8,632	2	6,085	1	— 2,547	Recovered in July.
20. Madras	41,027	3	5,098	·4	— 35,929	The greater part of the balance has since been collected and the remainder, which is all recoverable, will be collected soon or adjusted from the shopkeeper's deposit.
Total ...	9,57,432	17	13,67,072	22	+ 4,09,640	

4 REVENUE DEPARTMENT. 20[illegible] NOVEMBER [illegible] 1,867.

3. The Board believe that payment [illegible] of the [illegible] arrears was kept back by [illegible] concerned in the hope of [illegible] but now that the matter of remissions has been generally settled [illegible] balance will be reduced at an early date.

(True Extract.)

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

No. 249. ORDER THEREON, 20th November 1878. No. 1,867.

Miscellaneous.

RECORDED with request for early information as to how the kists under new Abkári contracts are being paid up

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue.

Fxd. W. H. French.

No. 2,834.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 19th October 1878.

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(True Extract.)

Acting Secretary.

To all Collectors.

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Exd. J. Tulloch.

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