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Remarks of District Officers on the state of the Season, for the Month of September

1878, Fasli 1288.

Districts.	Season.		Crops.			Prices.	Public Health.	Cattle.		Remarks.
	Rain-fall.	River-freshes.	Sown.	Standing and their condition.	Harvested and their out-turn.			Condition.	Pasture.	
Ganjam	Seasonable rain throughout the district.	Moderate freshes in all the rivers.	Culseed, horsegram, rice and gingelly.	Rice, horsegram, and other crops are in good condition. Rice is falling fast ears.	Rice, culturn 7/8, Chomai 3/4.	Slightly fallen.	Cholera and small pox slightly prevalent. 57 deaths due to cholera.	Diseases were prevalent in some places but no deaths have been reported.	Abundant.	
Vizagapatam	Rain in all Taluqs. average 6.6 inches.	Rivers and channels fresh. Tanks have received a good supply.	Rice, cholera, horsegram, green & black gram, chaff, gingelly, Arka, Roady, red gram, & sugar cane. Paddy, rice & chaffy turn planted.	The standing crops are thriving well with the exception of rice which is not very good in Vizagapatam. Paddy & Arka the fine Taluqs.	Gingelly, culturn and rice. culturn from 3/4 to 1/2.	Falling in 13 Taluqs. Rising in Narasara Taluq & stationary in the other 6 Taluqs.	Cholera in 7 Taluqs. Small pox in 5 and fever in 7.	Murrain in 5 Taluqs.	Abundant.	
Godavery	Good, more than needed.	High freshes in the Godavari and other rivers.	Cholera, and rice, rice, chaff, tobacco.	Rice, thriving well. Horse, cholera, culturn & gingelly suffered by the heavy rain and the Godavari floods.	Horse, cholera, rice, and culturn harvested. culturn below the average.	Continuing high.	Cholera and small pox prevalent in all Taluqs but one. Fever in 5.	Generally good. Little disease slightly prevalent in 5 Taluqs.	Pasture abundant. Dry fodder scanty.	Amient canals are open for irrigation and navigation except small fur canal which breached in some places.
Kistna	Moderate throughout the district.	The river was twice in flood once rising to 10 ft. over the amcut.	Rice, Paddy, green gram, cotton, tobacco, chaff, tobacco, Paddy transplanted.	Rice, dry crops failed to a great extent owing to excessive rain in July and August. Those that survived are thriving but have been slightly damaged by the floods.	30% yield 1/2 to 3/4.	Slightly risen during the month.	Small pox at the district & ager were rising. Cholera prevalent more in 10 Taluqs. 11 deaths from cholera.	Generally healthy, but slightly affected in some Taluqs by foot and mouth disease.	Abundant but submerged in some places.	The weather was fine during the latter half of the month and enabled the crops to carry on agricultural operations.
Nellore	Average 5.23 inches.	Good. Paddy, rice, and a good supply.	Rice, cotton, red and green gram.	Rice, a little rice and cotton, all in good condition.	Rice, horsegram, and culturn good.	Fell especially as regards culturn.	at the district & a woman in the district. Also a little cholera, small pox and a scurvy.	Good. Sheep subject to throat disease in Godavari.	Excellent.	The season continues to be unusually good.
Cuddarab	Average 8.34 inches.	Good freshes in the Pennar and other rivers.	Horsegram, Paddy, cholera, Indigo, cotton, culseed, rice and arikala.	The standing crops generally in good condition. Slight damage in certain places by locusts and excess of rain.	Horse 3/4, Culturn 3/4, Chickpea 3/4, Green gram 3/4, Paddy 3/4, Cholera and rice 3/4.	Fell generally to a slight extent.	Cholera and fever slightly prevalent in some places.	Good. Sheep subject to throat disease in Godavari.	Abundant.	There is a marked improvement in the state of the season.
Bellary	Good and General average 6.52 inches.	Freshes in the Pennar, Tungabhadra and other rivers.	Jonna, rice, Soyya, Horsegram, cotton, horse, Paddy, culseed, and green gram.	The standing crops are generally in good condition but damaged partially by fire, ship, and in Taluqs.	Jonna, Soyya & rice in 3 Taluqs. culturn good.	Fallen.	Cholera and fever prevail to a slight extent in some Taluqs.	Good.	Abundant.	
Kurnool	Average 7.38 inches.	Good freshes in all the rivers.	White, cholera & cotton.	The standing dry crops of horsegram, horse, & cholera are in good condition.	Culturn, horse, & cholera.	Slightly fallen.	Cholera in 3 Taluqs and fever in 2.		Abundant.	
Madras	Average 6.07 inches.	Nil.	No cultivation as all lands are charged with flood water of quit-rent.			Fallen slightly.	Cholera and fever prevalent to a slight extent.	Fair.	Fair.	
Chingleput	Rain throughout the district.	Freshes in all the rivers and transplanted.	Rice, horsegram, and transplanted.	Good except in certain places where locusts have done some damage.	Culturn, rice, culturn, and gingelly culturn from 1/2 to 3/4.	Fallen.	Small pox and fever prevalent to a slight extent.	Good but diseases called Adapan, Jummy & vaipai prevalent in some places.	Abundant.	

East Cent.	North Arcot	General varying from 2.5 to 4 inches but partial in the Southern Taluqs.	Freshness in the 1/4 to 6 months supply in tanks.	Ragi, cholam, kambu, varagu, horsegram, paddy, etc. in dry lands.	Standing crops good in all Taluqs. Ragi attacked by insects in one Taluq. Dry crops require rain in 2 others.	Paddy, kambu, Ragi, varagu, etc. in dry lands.	Slightly fallen but fluctuating according to the supply in the market.	Generally good but some prevalent in extent.	Generally good but some prevalent in extent.	Abundant.
		Rain throughout the district varying from 12.25 to 5.00 inches.	Freshness in all the rivers.	Ragi, kambu, varagu, cholam, horsegram and cotton in Kanyakumari and Pudukkottai.	Standing crops generally in good condition.	Ragi, kambu, Ragi, varagu, etc. in dry lands.	Stationary. Ragi, kambu, and horsegram fallen a little.	Generally good; fever all over slightly in 4 Taluqs. due to loss.	Healthy.	Everywhere procurable.
Canary.	Tanjore	In all the Taluqs varying from 3 to 11.55 inches.	From 1/2 to 3 feet of water in the canyons and its branches.	Kuruvai, Kar and Varagu in dry lands.	Kuruvai, Kar and Varagu generally in good condition.	Kuruvai, Kar and Varagu in dry lands.	Fallen slightly.	Generally good but some prevalent in extent.	Healthy.	Generally sufficient.
		Good.	Further freshness in the canyons. Tanks in dry parts require an additional supply.	Standing crops wet and dry generally good.	Har 3/4, Valam paddy 7/8, Ragi from 1/2 to 3/4, Cumbu 1/2.	Har 3/4, Valam paddy 7/8, Ragi from 1/2 to 3/4, Cumbu 1/2.	Fallen especially dry grains.	Generally good. Slight loss in 1 Taluq. due to loss.	Good.	Ample.
Southern Section.	Madura	Slight throughout.	Small freshes in the River Cauvery.	Paddy in wet lands sown and transplanted. Cumbu and Ragi in dry lands.	Standing dry crops require rain. Kanyakumari crops are in good condition.	Paddy, Ragi, 4, Cumbu, etc. in dry lands.	Slightly fallen.	Generally good but some prevalent in extent.	Good.	Sufficient.
		Slight showers.	Moderate freshes in the Tambraparani and other rivers.	Paddy, cholam, varagu, Ragi, kambu, and Samai.	The crops in river valley and under wells in good condition but those in other places drooping for want of water.	Paddy, cholam, Cumbu, Ragi, etc. in dry lands.	Fallen.	Generally good but some prevalent in extent.	Generally good.	Sufficient.
West Centre.	Coimbatore	Good in 5 Taluqs. security in the others.	Slight freshes in the rivers and other rivers. Some of the tanks received a full supply.	Horsegram, Cumbu, cholam, etc. in dry lands. Paddy transplanted in wet lands.	The crops are doing well. Some crops suffered from want of rain in some places and from excessive rain in others.	Ragi, Samai, cholam, etc. in dry lands.	Slightly fallen.	Generally good but some prevalent in extent.	Generally good.	Green grass and food available.
		Sufficient.	The rivers and jungle streams were full.	Ganja and wheat sown.	Korala, Ragi, Samai, etc. and paddy are in good condition.	Ragi, ganja, wheat, mustard, Samai, etc. in dry lands.	Stationary.	Good.	Healthy.	Abundant.
West.	Salem	Good.	Moderate.	Paddy, cholam, Cumbu, Samai, varagu and gram.	Paddy, Ragi, Samai, Cumbu, varagu all in good condition.	Paddy, Cumbu, Ragi, varagu, etc. in dry lands.	Fallen slightly.	Good, after a fever in parts also quinea worm & ulcers.	Good.	Abundant.
		Excessive and unseasonable.	Moderate.	Subsistence of rice in the lands nearly completed.	The first rice crop is in good condition but excessive rain proved injurious to it in some places.	Harvesting the first rice crop commenced late owing to unseasonable rains.	Fallen slightly except wheat and Black gram.	Improving. Fever is subsiding everywhere.	Good. Disease reported only in a few villages of the Mangalore Taluq.	Abundant.
West.	Malabar	Very heavy.	In all rivers.	Preparations for the 2nd crop are being made.	Rainy crops good but slightly damaged by excessive rain.	Rainy crop in a few Taluqs.	Firm and stationary.	Cholera in 3 Taluqs. and small pox in a few places.	Healthy.	Sufficient.

REVENUE BOARD OFFICE,
Madras, 29th November 1872.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department.

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Secretary.

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Average Number of Government Seers of Eighty Tolahs of Grain and Salt per Rupee, and Rain Report of all the Districts of the Madras Presidency, for the Month of September 1878, Fasli 1288.

DISTRICTS.		NUMBER OF GOVERNMENT SEERS OF EIGHTY TOLAHS PER RUPEE.												RAIN-FALL.				
		Second sort Rice.		Second sort Paddy.		Cholum.		Ragi.		Horse Gram.		Sea Salt.		Northern Section.	Southern Section.	Eastern Section.	Western Section.	Average.
		Fasli 1287.	Fasli 1288.	Fasli 1287.	Fasli 1288.	Fasli 1287.	Fasli 1288.	Fasli 1287.	Fasli 1288.	Fasli 1287.	Fasli 1288.	Fasli 1287.	Fasli 1288.					
Northern Section.	Ganjam	9.0	9.1	17.5	18.1	13.1	7.7	17.7	13.0	13.1	14.6	12.1	12.1	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.	Ins.
	Vizagapatam	7.3	8.1	13.0	15.1	11.1	11.8	11.7	18.5	11.7	13.8	12.9	12.9	6.16	5.95	4.71	7.14	6.59
	Godavery	7.4	7.5	12.3	12.6	8.9	12.3	9.5	13.2	10.3	13.5	12.1	12.1	7.73	12.18	7.25	9.24	9.10
	Kistna	7.1	7.2	11.1	11.5	9.0	9.3	9.6	11.2	9.0	11.0	12.1	12.1	8.06	3.40	8.00	5.53	6.14
Ceded Districts.	Nellore	5.8	8.5	8.9	13.9	6.8	12.4	7.0	13.2	7.2	10.7	12.5	12.5	5.55	3.92	6.79	4.11	
	Cuddapah	5.6	9.0	8.8	15.1	6.7	13.4	6.8	12.8	5.9	11.1	11.7	11.7	6.25	5.90	7.04	10.59	7.47
	Bellary	5.5	8.9	9.0	14.8	6.3	10.7	7.1	11.6	6.2	10.6	10.1	10.1	6.30	6.46	8.34	4.99	6.52
	Kurnool	5.4	8.1	8.6	13.7	6.4	11.2	6.6	13.5	6.5	9.6	12.2	12.2	5.61	8.11	9.29	7.37	
East Centre	Madras	6.3	1.9	10.5	13.0	7.9	10.4	8.1	13.2	7.5	7.9	10.5	10.5					6.67
	Chingleput	6.2	8.0	9.1	12.8	7.3	13.0	8.3	13.9	7.7	10.7	15.7	15.7	6.56	8.13	8.15	6.87	
	North Arcot	5.8	8.9	9.3	15.6	6.7	14.4	6.9	15.9	6.7	11.5	16.5	16.5	7.20	10.60	8.10	6.15	8.01
	South Arcot	5.8	8.5	9.1	13.7	7.4	11.9	7.9	15.8	8.3	13.6	16.5	16.5	7.20	10.60	8.10	6.15	8.01
Cauvery.	Tanjore	6.2	8.6	10.3	15.9	9.8	13.6	10.1	16.1	8.2	11.4	16.4	16.4	4.85	5.86	8.05	5.00	5.94
	Trichinopoly	5.4	7.9	9.4	14.3	10.8	8.1	15.1	6.6	10.8	14.9	11.9	11.9	5.14	4.92	5.70	7.00	5.69
South-ern Sec.	Madura	5.8	8.5	9.4	14.8	7.4	12.8	8.2	15.0	6.9	11.3	15.8	15.8	2.76	4.47	1.07	2.05	2.58
	Tinnevelly	6.4	8.3	10.2	13.9	8.8	13.0	8.1	13.0	8.9	10.5	16.3	16.3	2.24	0.98	1.57	2.06	1.71
West Centre.	Coimbatore	6.1	8.6	9.5	14.1	7.1	13.1	7.8	15.5	6.6	13.1	14.1	14.1	4.75	1.95	4.71	1.17	3.14
	Nilgiris	5.3	7.1	-	-	6.0	10.0	6.7	10.1	6.5	11.3	10.3	10.3	4.87	-	7.55	5.12	4.38
	Salem	5.4	8.3	8.8	13.8	6.3	11.4	6.3	13.0	6.2	10.2	14.5	14.5	4.96	4.75	5.23	5.78	5.16
West.	South Canara	7.7	10.5	14.4	17.6	-	-	9.2	10.9	6.8	11.2	14.4	14.4	34.70	31.30	29.20	29.50	31.22
	Malabar	7.8	9.0	14.9	17.1	-	-	9.0	11.1	7.9	11.9	12.4	12.4	26.67	17.70	26.10	22.40	23.71

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Statement of Cotton and Indigo Cultivation with their Market Prices, up to the Month of September 1878, Fasli 1288.

Districts.		Cotton.				Market rate of cleaned Cotton per candy of 500 lbs.	Indigo.			
		Official year 1877-78.		Official year 1878-79.			Official year 1877-78.		Official	
		Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	Assessment.		Extent.	Assessment.	Extent.	
		Acres.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.	Rs.	Acres.	Rs.		
Northern Section.	Ganjam	8,488	10,387	4,927	5,114	127	973	4,675		
	Vizagapatam	8,342	14,490	7,745	12,376	111	1,212	2,886	17	
	Godavery	3,005	9,510	1,071	2,851	102	1,287	1,511	11	570
	Kistna	62,188	90,825	33,255	43,268	98	11,842	18,469	23,271	42,917
	Nellore	10,866	8,233	10,255	9,983	111	4,337	9,133	24,241	44,419
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Ceded Districts.	Cuddapah	9,224	6,086	32,353	41,907	906	14,833	3,923	40,282	97,574
	Bellary	66,629	71,044	112,588	114,868	117	3,541	3,883	3,076	3,552
	Kurnool	21,644	24,364	47,241	58,485	100	3,346	5,681	17,722	54,943
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East Centre.	Chingleput			50	1		1,218	4,479	2,300	6,602
	North Arcot	126	437	38	95	115	1,809	4,963	5,095	11,221
	South Arcot	716	1,528	852	1,787	114	2,733	5,617	10,688	21,290
Ca. ver.	Tanjore	5,144	5,888	227	288	92	175	224	200	279
	Trichinopoly	306	251	2,961	2,828	90	341	572	193	296
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South. ern Sec.	Madura	2,085	3,271	2,925	4,751	101	1	1	23	31
	Tinnevelly	1,373	1,288	3,156	2,081	122	41	65	71	103
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West Centre.	Coimbatore	10,097	8,169	42,688	3,9019	104				
	Nilgiris									38
	Salem	2,835	3,926	8,127	11,057	110	653	4,145	566	2,546
West.	South Canara					141				
	Malabar									
Total		198,478	246,327	310,467	350,759		70,249	162,774	150,675	272,099

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