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3. Statement No. II(a) shows the entire expenditure of the department for the year in question, which was Rupees 34,625-8-1 against the sanctioned expenditure, Rupees 38,228. The statement exhibits, side by side, the sanctioned budget allotments and the actual expenditure against each. Under heading "General Supervision and Management" there is a saving, amounting to Rupees 836-7-9, in comparison with the amount sanctioned; this is due to no expenditure having been incurred against the allotment for travelling allowance and to the allotment for contingencies being more than sufficient for the requirements of the year. The expenditure under heading "Experimental Farm" is also below the amount sanctioned. Allotments four and five were not fully utilised: in the case of the former, because the Aden cattle, which it was intended to buy with a portion of the sum, could not be procured before the year closed; and in the latter case, because the weather experienced during the Summer months was so unfavorable, only a small area of land was sown. On the other hand, the expenditure against allotments six and seven was, in both instances, in excess of the sanctioned amounts: in the first-mentioned instance, the excess was due to a rise in the price of oil-cake; and in the latter to a large purchase of manure having been made for use next year, it having been offered on unusually favorable terms. There is, as before noticed, a large saving under heading "Model Farm"; this saving is explained chiefly by the small expenditure incurred against the allotments Nos. 3, 4, 6, and 7. Allotments three and six were not fully utilised, because of the unfavorable season; and with reference to allotment three, because a quantity of manure remained in stock at the close of the previous year. Allotment four was

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4. The Superintendent of Government Farms does not explain the causes of the variations between the receipts and charges for 1873-74 and those of the previous year; but the reasons are probably the same as those given for the variations between the estimate and actuals.

5. The aggregate receipts, viz., Rupees 8,272, were paid into the Chingleput treasury. The amount advanced on the 1st April 1874 in favor of the Government Farms from funds drawn from Surplus Pound Funds was Rupees 1,71,275.

No. 64. ORDER THEREON, 7th October 1874, No. 1,278.

Miscellaneous.

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(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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To the Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
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Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

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