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Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

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No. 329. Read the following letter from the Officiating Director of Revenue Settlement, to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 9th April 1867, No. 493-14 :—

1. I have the honour to forward the usual return of work performed and expenditure incurred by the Settlement Department during the fourth quarter of 1866.

2. *Godavery District.*—In the Godavery District the work consisted chiefly in the preparation of the final Settlement Registers in diglott for the Press. Registers for 180 villages were written, and those for 173 villages were compared during the quarter, and at its close Registers for 99 villages were in progress. The printing of the Registers was proceeded with by the contractors, Messrs. Graves, Cookson & Co., under the supervision of the Central Office, and the required number of copies for 115 villages was turned out during the quarter. A small amount of new demarcation and classification was also performed in the field by this party. The excess of expenditure, as compared with the previous quarter, is owing entirely to the payment of bills for printing.

3. *Kistna District.*—The establishment, under the Acting Sub-Collector on special duty, was employed chiefly in Office, in writing Diglott Settlement Registers for the villages in the Masulipatam Division for the Press, and in preparing accounts and statements connected with the report on the Guntoor Division. In addition to the Office work, 6,813 acres were newly demarcated, and 6,216 acres newly classified by the small field establishment. Registers were written for 81 villages, and compared for 103 villages. Attention was also paid to kyling, and numerous experiments of produce were made towards the end of the quarter. There is an increase of expenditure, owing to the Acting Sub-Collector's special allowance having been drawn in arrears.

4. *Kurnool and Cuddapah Districts.*—The area demarcated during the quarter was 315 square-miles, and that classified 373 square-miles. In the former branch the out-turn is slightly below that of the previous quarter, while in the latter an excess of 39 square-miles is shewn. The work was performed almost exclusively in the Markapur and Cumbum talooks of Kurnool. Throughout the quarter sickness, and especially fever, prevailed, and both the field and office establishments suffered severely from this cause. 3,977 masonry pillars were built during the quarter; of these, 2,022 were on village boundaries, and the rest on the boundaries of Khandams.

The opportunity afforded by the harvest was taken to make a considerable number of experiments of produce in cholum, korra, and paddy.

5. In Office, the extra establishment was employed in entering Survey areas in the Classification Registers, making abstracts of classification and calculations of assessment, and examining the same, and in writing and comparing the vernacular portions of the final Settlement Registers for the villages in Kurnool proper already settled. Registers for 30 villages were written.

6. The expenditure in this party shews a decrease of Rupees 1,647, attributable chiefly to one Assistant having left the department, and to the absence of another on leave.

7. *Tinnevelly District.*—The expenditure set opposite this district consists of the pay of a small establishment employed under the orders of the Collector and the Survey Department, in correcting and revising demarcation.

8. *Salem District.*—Pending final orders on the settlement of this district, the establishment, which has been very much reduced, has been employed to the best advantage in Office. The expenditure during the quarter is less than half what it was in the previous quarter.

9. The sum of Rupees 12,292, at the foot of the statement, comprises the items given in the margin. The first two are debitable to the Settlement Department by order of Government. The sum set opposite Tinnevelly includes the pay of Native Assistant Vencatacharri, employed under the Collector. The third item consists of the pay of a few hands placed at the disposal of the Superintendent of Revenue Survey, for employment in the Madras District Demarcation.

	RS.
Nellore Settlement Establishment ...	6,682
Tinnevelly do. do.	5,313
Madras Demarcation do.	297
Total...	12,292

10. The total expenditure during the quarter was Rupees 61,543, shewing a decrease below the outlay of the previous quarter of Rupees 1,210.

Return of work and expenditure in the Settlement Department for the fourth quarter ending 31st December 1866.

Names of Districts.	Standard estimate for a quarter of a year.	Actual work		Total work.	Difference.	Expenditure.	Average cost per square-mile.
		In complete villages.	In villages in-progress.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Sq. Miles.	Sq. Miles.	Sq. Miles.	Sq. Miles.	Sq. Miles.	RS.	RS. A. P.
			Demarcation.				
Godavery	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	72	.....
Kistna	...	5	4	9	.....	777	.....
Kurnool	375	224	88	312	—60	13,855	44 6 6
Cuddapah		.....	3	3		1,687	.....
Tinnevelly	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,168	.....
Total ...	375	229	95	324	.....	17,559	.....
Add cost of Boundary Pillars	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,453	.....
Total ...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	19,012	.....
			Classification and Assessment.				
Godavery	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	6,964	.....
Kistna	...	7	3	10	.....	5,103	.....
Kurnool	375	295	77	372	— 2	15,314	35 9 3
Cuddapah		.....	1	1		153	.....
Salem	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,705	.....
Total ...	375	302	81	383	.....	30,239	.....
Add charges not debitable to parties ...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	12,292	.....
Grand Total ...	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	61,543	.....

MADRAS,
9th *April* 1867.

(Signed) R. E. MASTER,
Offg. Director of Revenue Settlement.

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(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. GROSE,
Under Secretary to Government.

To the Officiating Director of Revenue Settlement.

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