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Recorded with the remark that the Govt. agrees with the Board in considering the rate of progress & the most ~~unsatisfactory~~ unsatisfactory the continued pendency of log-stacking in Rocks particularly unsatisfactory.

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at the rate, forest settlement will not be completed until 1906 instead of 1900 as anticipated in the last forest review

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MARCH.

Submitting to Government Board's review of the work done by the Special Forest Settlement-officers during the quarter ending 31st December 1896.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE
(LAND REVENUE).

READ—Quarterly returns of Special Forest Settlement-officers showing the work done by them during the quarter ending 31st December 1896.

RESOLUTION—Forest No. 100, dated 11th March 1897.

The Board resolves to submit, for the information of Government, its review of the work done by the Special Forest Settlement-officers during the quarter ending with 31st December 1896.

2. As in the previous quarter, the progress made during the quarter under review was not satisfactory. Mr. Mullins who was on leave returned to duty only in the middle of November and during the rest of the quarter was employed in North Malabar: he was therefore unable to visit South Canara where most of the blocks ready for settlement are pending. Mr. Mullins is now working in South Canara and the current quarter should show satisfactory progress in his division.

3. The usual statements are appended. It will be seen from Appendix A that M.R.Ry. Ganapayya inquired into and disposed of a large number of claims during the quarter, though he was not able to submit final reports for more than three blocks. He was precluded from taking up any work in Salem, as the question of further reservation in that district is not definitely settled. The Collector has recently reported on the matter and the orders of Government will be taken very shortly. The settlement of the four blocks in Chingleput has been completed. The Forest Settlement-officer has reported to the Board that for the present he is investigating a number of shrotriem claims relating to the pending blocks in Cuddapah, and that besides this, he has not sufficient work ready for his disposal. The Board has called upon him for a further report and will, if necessary, propose the transfer of some additional work to this officer. Mr. Lushington's outturn of work is very small, and the Board has recently obtained the sanction of Government to the transfer to his file of certain blocks in the Kurnool district. The settlement work in Vizagapatam is not quite ready for disposal, and it was necessary to provide Mr. Lushington with additional work in other districts. Except as regards two blocks in Gódávari, he has completed the inspection of all the blocks standing in his name.

4. According to Appendix C there were 325 blocks pending at the close of the quarter against 318 in the preceding quarter. Of the former, 17 are pending in the Chingleput district for which no particulars as to the stage of settlement are available. The Forest Settlement-officer is requested to supply the omission in submitting his return for the current quarter. Leaving this district out of account, there remained 308 blocks pending at the close of the quarter. Of these, one-half were pending with Forest Settlement-officers as shown in the margin. It will be observed that a large number of blocks were pending with Messrs. Mullins, Smith and Singaravelu Pillai. The blocks pending with Mr. Smith are distributed over all the districts in his

—	Awaiting disposal of claims. (e).	Submission of final reports. (i).	Inspection by the Forest Settlement-officers (n).	Total.
Mr. Lushington ..	1	1	1	3
,, Smith	7	3	27	37
M.R Ry. Ganapayya ..	5	4	15	24
,, Singaravelu Pillai ..	5	1	29	35
Mr. Mullins	24	..	31	55
Total ..	..	..	..	154

charge. Of the blocks awaiting inspection, 4 in Nellore have since been visited and one in Kurnool has been transferred to Mr. Lushington. Several of the blocks pending with M.R.Ry. Singaravelu Pillai have only recently been notified. It will be observed that of the 15 blocks appearing against M.R.Ry. Ganapayya Garu as pending inspection, 11 are in the Salem district in which settlement work has been temporarily suspended. The remaining 4 blocks in North Arcot have since been inspected. The number of blocks pending with other officers is large under items (e), (f) and (h) as shown in the margin districtwar. The Collectors concerned are requested to see that the delay arising from want of sketch-maps from District Forest-officers and of information from Tahsildars is avoided as far as possible.

—	(e) Awaiting receipt of sketch-maps from the District Forest-officers.	(f) Awaiting receipt of information from Tahsildars.	(h) Awaiting receipt of answers to claims from District Forest-officers.
Ganjám ..	10	..	2
Kistna ..	..	2	1
Kurnool ..	2	1	2
Anantapur ..	1	1	..
Nellore ..	..	..	2
Cuddapah ..	..	2	2
North Arcot ..	..	3	..
Trichinopoly ..	5	..	..
Madura ..	2	..	..
Coimbatore ..	2	..	2
Malabar ..	6	..	..
South Canara ..	3	4	..
Total ..	31	13	11

5. The number of long standing blocks still continues high, and the Board trusts that the Collectors and Forest Settlement-officers concerned will use every endeavour to reduce the figure as soon as possible.

(True Copy and Extract.)

Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
,, all Special Forest Settlement-officers.
,, all Collectors.
Copy to Conservators of Forests

Exd. C. M. Thumbusamy.

APPENDIX A.

Names of officers.	Number of days spent in travelling from camp to camp.		Distance travelled in miles.				Inspection and perambulation of boundaries, length in miles.	
			From camp to camp.		From camp to reserves.			
	Quarter ending with 30th September 1896.	Quarter ending with 31st December 1896.	Quarter ending with 30th September 1896.	Quarter ending with 31st December 1896.	Quarter ending with 30th September 1896.	Quarter ending with 31st December 1896	Quarter ending with 30th September 1896.	Quarter ending with 31st December 1896
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Mr. R. H. L. Lushington (*a*)	7	..	702	1,244	..	109	3	86½
Mr E A. Smith	26	26	1,442	1,046	133	81	66¾	72
M R.Ry. K. Ganapayya ..	46	44	873	771	180	92	235¼	205
M R Ry. P. S. Singaravelu Pillai	6	30	415	1,139	..	103	..	64
Mr. H. S. Mullins (*b*) ..	9	11	284	196	..	137	..	(*c*) 21
Total ..	94	111	3,716	4,396	313	522	305	448½

Names of officers.	Number of claims enquired into.		Number of claims disposed of.		Blocks reported on			
					Quarter ending with 30th September 1896		Quarter ending with 31st December 1896	
	Quarter ending with 30th September 1896.	Quarter ending with 31st December 1896.	Quarter ending with 30th September 1896.	Quarter ending with 31st December 1896.	Number.	Area in square miles.	Number.	Area in square miles.
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Mr. R. H. L. Lushington(*a*).	..	..	8	8	3	16·50	2	16 36
Mr. E. A. Smith	53	90	125	113	11	64·00	13	90·95
M R.Ry. K. Ganapayya ..	348	226	121	216	1	4 37	3	13 15
M.R.Ry. P. S. Singaravelu Pillai	5	81	..	122	..	..	9	15·41
Mr. H. S. Mullins (*b*) ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	406	397	254	459	15	84 87	27	135 87

(*a*) Mr. Lushington was in charge of his division in the previous quarter only from 16th July 1896.
(*b*) Mr. Mullins held charge in the previous quarter up to 17th August 1896 when he went on privilege leave.
(*c*) No diary was received from Mr. Mullins for November 1896.

220 in 6 months
440 in one year
although
The balance regarding
~~settlement, boundary, etc.~~
like
Blocks reported on was
on 30th June 1896 something
like 6000 sq. miles; & the
last forest was ~~ordered~~ to be ~~published~~ in 1900.

APPENDIX B.

STATEMENT showing the progress of work done by the Special Forest Settlement-officers during the quarter ending with 31st December 1896.

Name of Forest Settlement-officers.	District.	Blocks at the beginning of the quarter.		Blocks added during the quarter.		Total.		Blocks disposed of during the quarter.		Blocks at the end of the quarter.	
		No.	Area in square miles.	No.	Area in square miles.	No.	Area in square miles.	No.	Area in square miles.	No.	Area in square miles.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Mr. R. H. L. Lushington.	Ganjám ..	(*a*) 19	384·22	..	..	19	384·22	2	16 36	17	367·86
	Gódávari ..	6	105 94	..	..	6	105 94	..	..	6	105·94
	Total ..	25	490 16	..	..	25	490 16	2	16·36	23	473 80
Mr. E. A. Smith.	Kistna	37	123 67	6	3·50	43	127·17	5	18·50	37	108·17
								(*b*) 1	0·50		
	Nellore	13	40·82	..	..	13	40 82	2	11 20	11	29 62
	Bellary	11	24·70	1	2·30	12	27 00	..	..	12	27·00
	Kurnool ..	19	318 49	..	..	19	318 49	6	61 25	13	257 24
	Anantapur ..	13	71 94	..	..	13	71·94	..	..	13	71·94
	Total ..	93	579 62	7	5 80	100	585·42	14	91·45	86	493 97
M R.Ry. K. Ganappaya.	Cuddapah ..	17	244 58	..	..	17	244 58	3	13·15	14	231·43
	North Arcot ..	8	44 02	..	..	8	44·02	..	..	8	44 02
	Salem	18	88 27	..	..	18	88·27	..	..	18	88·27
	Chingleput ..	17	12·95	..	..	17	12 95	..	..	17	12·95
	Total ..	60	389 82	..	..	60	389 82	3	13·15	57	376 67
M.R.Ry. P. S. Singaravelu Pillai.	South Arcot ..	14	28·32	..	..	14	28 32	6	12 28	8	16 04
	Tanjore ..	1	·16	..	..	1	·16	..	..	1	·16
	Trichinopoly ..	20	20 58	27	63·22	47	83·80	..	..	47	83 80
	Madura ..	11	36 98	..	..	11	36·98	2	2·38	9	34·60
	Tinnevelly ..	9	12 32	..	..	9	12 32	1	·75	8	11·57
	Coimbatore ..	15	264·53	2	1 91	17	266·44	(*b*) 3	1·70	14	264 74
	Total ..	70	3 2 89	29	65·13	99	428 02	12	17 11	87	410·91
Mr. H. S. Mullins.	Malabar ..	25	372 71	..	..	25	372 71	..	..	25	372 71
	South Canara ..	46	425 19	3	9·08	49	434 27	(*b*) 2	26·74	47	407·53
	Total ..	71	797·90	3	9 08	74	806 98	2	26·74	72	780·24
	Grand Total ..	319	2,620 39	39	80·01	358	2,700 40	33	164·81	325	2,535 59

(*a*) One block (Gundubadi) was omitted by mistake in the previous quarter.
(*b*) Initial notifications have been cancelled during the quarter.

?
95·27 last quarter
260

A 5-20 per annum, yet
an estimated rate of 1100 per
4 settlement officers, as reported, shows
Sanction for a fifth was sought.

APPENDIX C.

STATEMENT showing the period of causes of pendency of the several blocks pending with the Special Forest Settlement-officers on 31st December 1896.

Name of the Forest Settlement-officer.	District.	1884–85.	1885–86	1886–87.	1887–88.	1888–89.	1889–90.	1890–91	1891–92.	1892–93	1893–94.	1894–95.	1895–96	1896–97.	Total.	Remarks.	
Mr. R. H. L. Lushington.	Ganjám ..	(c) 6 (h) 1 (s) 1 (m) 1 (z) 3	(r) 1 (z) 1	..	..	..	..	..	..	(c) 2	(h) 1	..	..	..	17	(a) Final report submitted subsequent to the quarter.	1
																(c) Awaiting receipt of sketch map from the District Forest-officer.	31
	Gódávari ..	..	..	..	..	..	(c) 2 (d) 1 (e) 1 (f) 1	(n) 1	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	(d) Awaiting disposal of appeals.	5
																(e) Awaiting disposal of claims by the Forest Settlement-officer.	40
	Kistna ..	..	..	..	..	..	(d) 1 (e) 1	..	(d) 1 (e) 1	(e) 3 (m) 1	(c) 1 (s) 2	(h) 1 (s) 1 (z) 1	(c) 1 (f) 2 (n) 4	(k) 10 p) 6	37	(f) Awaiting receipt of information called for from Tahsildars.	14
	Nellore ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	(n) 3	(h) 2 (n) 3	(k) 1 (p) 2	11	(g) Awaiting expiry of time prescribed for appeal.	4
Mr. E. A Smith.	Kurnool ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	(d) 1 (m) 1 (z) 1	..	(c) 1	(a) 1 (c) 1 (f) 1 (h) 1 (k) 1	..	(h) 1 (k) 1 (n) 2	13	(h) Awaiting answers to claims from the District Forest-officer.	13
	Bellary ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	(n) 4	(k) 7 (l) 1	12	(k) Awaiting expiry of time prescribed for presenting claims.	50
	Anantapur ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	(c) 1	(f) 1 (n) 9	(n) 2	..	13	(l) Awaiting publication of proclamation under section 6.	1
	Cuddapah ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	(s) 1	(c) 5 (f) 2 (h) 2 (s) 2	(h) 2	..	14	(m) Awaiting grant of compensation.	4
M R Ry. K. Ganappaya.	North Arcot.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	(f) 1 (s) 1	(f) 2	(n) 3	(n) 1	8	(n) Awaiting inspection by the Forest Settlement-officer.	105
																(p) Awaiting republication of notification under section 4.	8
	Salem ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	(n) 3 (q) 2	(n) 8 (q) 5	..	18	(q) Awaiting cancellation of initial notification.	7
	Chingleput ..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	2	3	3	4	..	17	(r) Awaiting re-notification of the block owing to the inaccuracy of the original boundary description.	9
	South Arcot .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	(e) 1 (g) 1 (z) 1	(n) 5	..	8		
	Tanjore ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	(e) 1	..	1	(z) Awaiting receipt of information from the District Forest-officer.	7
	Trieninopoly.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	(s) 1	..	(c) 5 (k) 27 (n) 14	47		
M R Ry. P. S. Singaravelu Pillai.	Madura ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	(c) 2 (g) 2 (r) 5	..	..	..	..	..	9		
	Tinnevelly ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	(c) 1	(e) 2 (n) 2 (r) 1	(n) 2	8		
	Coimbatore ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	(r) 1	..	..	..	(c) 1 (h) 2 (m) 1 (n) 3 (s) 1	(c) 1	(k) 1 (n) 3	14		
Mr H. S. Mullis.	Malabar ..	(c) 2	(c) 1	..	(n) 10	(n) 5	..	..	..	..	(d) 1 (n) 3	(c) 1	(c) 1	(c) 1	25		
	South Canara.	..	..	(c) 1	..	..	..	..	..	..	(c) 2 (e) 10 (n) 10	(c) 1 (e) 8 (n) 3	(c) 5 (g) 1 (k) 2	(f) 4	47		
Total ..	..	14	3	1	10	5	8	6	14	8	38	67	62	89	325	Total ...	308

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