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Submitting to Government, with remarks, a comparative statement showing the result of the sales of the privilege of vending ganja, bhang and other intoxicating drugs prepared from the hemp plant in the several districts of the Presidency for the year 1897-98.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE (SEPARATE REVENUE).

RESOLUTION—No. 225, dated 3rd June 1897.

The Board begs to submit for the information of Government a statement showing the result of the sales of the privilege of vending ganja, bhang and other intoxicating drugs prepared from the hemp plant in the several districts of the Presidency for 1897-98 as compared with those for 1896-97.

2. The sales have resulted in a net decrease of Rs. 3,108-10-0 or nearly 5 per cent. which occurs chiefly in the districts of Ganjam, Vizagapatam, Bellary, Madras, North Arcot, South Arcot and Salem. In all these districts, except Vizagapatam where the falling off is ascribed to the state of the season, there was high bidding last year and the decrease is no doubt mainly due to the natural reaction. The state of the season, a reported failure of the ganja crop and the prospect of restrictions on cultivation in the near future also probably had this effect. In Madras it is further reported that the demand at some of the shops has been largely affected by movements of native troops and that there was a good deal of combination among the bidders. There was an increase in Tanjore and Trichinopoly, which did badly at the sales last year, and in Nellore, where two additional shops have been opened. The variations in the other districts call for no remarks.

(True Extract.)

(Signed)

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To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
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" the Deputy and Assistant Commissioners.
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APPENDIX.

STATEMENT showing the results of the sales of the vend privileges of ganja, bhang, &c., in the several districts of the Madras Presidency for 1897-98 as compared with 1896-97.

Districts.	1896-97.						1897-98.						Net increase or decrease; + or -.	
	Shops sold for more than Rs. 50 each.		Shops sold for Rs. 50 and under.		Total.		Shops sold for more than Rs. 50 each.		Shops sold for Rs. 50 and under.		Total.			
	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.	Number.	Amount.		
Ganjam ..	18	Rs. 8,241	5	Rs. 175	23	Rs. 3,416	14	Rs. 2,527	6	Rs. 208	20	Rs. 2,735	3	Rs. 681
Vizagapatam ..	7	2,816	..	..	7	2,816	7	1,974	..	..	7	1,974	..	842
Goikavari ..	7	3,319	..	..	7	3,319	6	3,310	..	..	7	3,351	..	32
Kistna ..	11	2,694	2	63	13	2,757	10	2,728	2	41	12	2,765	..	38
Nellore ..	10	1,816	2	70	12	1,906	13	2,140	1	45	14	2,186	..	279
Cuddapah ..	8	1,748	2	51	10	1,799	9	1,911	1	20	10	1,931	..	141
Anantapur ..	2	162	1	47	3	209	3	273	1	11	4	284	..	18
Bellary ..	12	4,028	3	81	15	4,109	13	3,709	3	72	16	3,781	..	328
Kurnool ..	3	503	..	..	3	503	3	368	..	..	3	368	..	185
Madras ..	34	11,295	..	..	34	11,295	34	10,330	..	..	34	10,330	..	965
Chingleput ..	4	1,039	1	32	5	1,071	4	942	1	33	5	975	..	96
North Arcot ..	18	6,145	..	..	18	6,145	18	4,770	..	..	18	4,770	..	1,375
South Arcot ..	8	3,387	1	26	9	3,413	9	3,153	..	..	9	3,153	..	236
Tanjore ..	16	4,374	1	44	17	4,418	17	5,716	..	..	17	5,716	..	1,302
Trichinopoly ..	11	2,896	1	41	12	2,937	12	3,444	..	..	12	3,444	..	507
Madura ..	16	4,868	2	64	18	4,932	15	4,945	2	80	17	5,026	..	94
Tinnevely ..	13	2,796	..	..	13	2,796	13	2,722	..	..	13	2,722	..	74
Coimbatore ..	9	1,496	1	31	10	1,527	9	1,634	..	..	9	1,634	..	107
Pilgrims ..	2	607	..	..	2	607	2	495	..	..	2	495	..	112
Salem ..	5	1,653	3	118	8	1,771	6	1,065	2	62	8	1,127	..	644
South Canara ..	9	1,770	1	33	10	1,803	11	1,752	2	30	12	1,782	..	21
Malabar ..	20	4,747	1	31	21	4,778	19	4,606	1	31	20	4,637	..	141
Total ..	243	67,417	27	907	270	68,324	247	64,515	22	700	269	65,215	1	3,108

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