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RETAIL PRICES.

I.—Half-monthly return of retail prices.

Resolution by the Government of India, Nos. 1-14 to 23, dated the 18th January 1872.

In considering the advantages of a uniform method of publishing the market prices of grains, the form of price-current adopted in the *North-Western Provinces Gazette* recommended itself to the Governor General in Council as the most complete and convenient that had been devised, and it was accordingly circulated to Local Governments and Administrations for their opinion on its fitness for universal adoption and any suggestions for its improvement which might present themselves.

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| (1) Wheat. | (5) Jowar. |
| (2) Barley. | (6) Rice (common). |
| (3) Rice. | (7) Gram. |
| (4) Bajra. | |

This form showed the prices of the grains marginally noted by the number of sers of 80 tolahs purchasable for a rupee; and for purposes of comparison, it shewed, side by side with the current prices, those of the preceding week and of the corresponding week of the previous year.

2. The specimen form has been generally approved; but a few useful amendments have been proposed, and a revised form* is now circulated for information and guidance.

3. The changes made are briefly the following:—

(a) On the suggestion of the Financial Commissioner of the Panjab, the general heading has been altered to "prices-current of food grains"; the groups of columns belonging to the two kinds of rice have been brought into juxtaposition, and their headings slightly modified. In provinces where the entry of one sort of rice is considered sufficient, the columns for the best sort should be left blank.

(b) To meet the circumstances of the south of India, columns have been added for Ragi, Cholum, Cumbu, and Varagu, and a group of columns for salt has been inserted, and will be obligatory for all provinces. The Board of Revenue, Madras, would also have columns for two sorts of "paddy." The Governor General in Council will not, however, prescribe this addition, but it will be open to any Government to add such entries should it see fit. The proposal to include the prices-current of cotton and indigo does not commend itself to the Government of India. The returns under this head are doubtless valuable, but they should be published separately. As suggested by the Government of Bengal, a column for "remarks" has been added.

(c) The standard ser, as defined in Act XXXI of 1871, has been substituted for the ser of 80 tolahs as the weight to which prices are referred. The Madras Government has urged the retention of the measure standard. But the main object of change being to obtain uniformity, the Governor General in Council considers the proposal inadmissible, and believes that there will be no real difficulty in exhibiting price according to the weight standard now prescribed. A careful formula of reduction should be prepared for each district, and for each species of food entered in the table. This being once done, the labour involved in the actual working out of the reductions is infinitesimal.

4. A few general instructions need to be added—

(1) The form, as its heading implies, should, if possible, be weekly.†
(2) The fractions of the ser should be shown decimally, but only to one place of decimals.

(3) The statement should not be encumbered with arrear statistics. If the return for any district is received too late for insertion, it should be omitted altogether. But the Governor General in Council hopes that such omissions will be rare.

(4) The statement for each province should be published in the local Gazette. But separate copies should be forwarded to the Government of India as soon as prepared.

(5) It will be open to each Local Government or Administration to insert additional triple groups of columns for other kinds of food which may

* Superseded by a later form prescribed by order dated the 31st December 1885; see on page 3.

† Since rendered half-monthly; see the order dated the 28th August 1872 on page 2.

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appear to require special notice, or to omit the groups of columns pertaining to kinds of food which do not enter into the dietary of the people of the province.

5. In prescribing the accompanying form, the Governor General in Council expresses a hope that every effort will be made both by Local Governments and Administrations, and by District Officers and others charged with the preparation of the original tables, to make them a really valuable and accurate record of the current prices of food. To this end it is necessary, *first*, that the statistics in their original form should be exact; and *secondly*, that they should be correctly reduced. Special attention should be directed to both points.

Ordered, that a copy of the above Resolution, together with the prescribed form, be forwarded to the Local Governments and Administrations noted in the margin for information and guidance, and that a copy also be published in the Supplement to the *Gazette of India*.

Madras.	Oudh.
Bombay.	Central Provinces.
Bengal.	British Burma.
N.-W. Provinces.	Mysore and Coorg.
Panjab.	Hyderabad.

From the Government of India, to Local Governments and Administrations, No. 6-146-155, dated the 20th March 1872.

In reference to the Resolution No. 14-23, dated the 18th January last, in which a revised form was prescribed for exhibiting the current prices of food-grains in different provinces, I am directed to express the desire of the Governor General in Council that all officers concerned in the preparation and submission of these statements may be made fully aware of the importance of securing truly accurate returns.

2. For commercial and statistical purposes the value of rigid accuracy in these statements can hardly be over-estimated * * *

3. The Government of India considers that the work of preparing the prices-current should be entrusted to some competent officers in the tahsils or districts who would be held personally answerable for their accuracy. In each district an officer not below the rank of Deputy Collector or Assistant Collector should be specially charged with, and made personally responsible for, checking these returns by personal enquiries, and each price-current should bear the attestation of such officer that he had satisfied himself of the accuracy of the statement. To enable him to do this, it will be essential for him not merely to commence enquiries on the day the statement is to be presented, but to keep himself informed, from day to day, of all variations of the market.

4. It is believed that the plan suggested above, if carefully carried out, will be sufficient * * * to lay the foundation of a system for the accurate record of statistics of the utmost public importance; and I am accordingly desired to request that such orders may be issued as may seem best calculated for ensuring the highest attainable accuracy in these statements.

Copy of the above Circular, and of the Resolution dated the 18th January last, forwarded to the Foreign Department for information and communication to the Political Officer under its orders.

Resolution by the Government of India, Nos. ¹³ 346-356, dated the 28th August 1872.

THE Governor General in Council much regrets that it has not been possible to carry out the scheme of weekly publication of the current prices of food-grains for all British India; but in consequence of the strong representations from several provinces, has determined so far to modify the previous orders as to substitute a return twice in each month, shewing the prices ruling on the 15th and last day of each month respectively. It will not be necessary, as supposed by the Madras Board of Revenue, to submit more than one price list for each district, and in that should be shown the prices-current at the head-quarters of such district.

2. Orders will be issued hereafter regarding the definitive adoption of the standard set to express the weights of each article of food purchasable for

a rupee. Meantime, the Governor General in Council will leave it to Local Governments and Administrations to make the best arrangements they can in this respect. His Excellency in Council desires, however, that the term of reference may be a weight and not a measure, as the value of the latter in weight varies with the substance measured, and it is hoped that it will be found possible, in each Presidency and Province, to express all values in terms of the same weight. If this cannot be done, care should at least be taken to exhibit, on the face of the price-current, the exact value of the weights used as standards of reference.

3. The Governor General in Council attaches great importance to the collection of these returns, and again urges upon Local Governments and Administrations the necessity that every effort should be made for their correct preparation and early submission.

Ordered, that a copy of the foregoing Resolution be forwarded to the several Local Governments and Administrations for information and guidance, and with a request to the Government of Bombay that the Commissioner in Sind may be instructed, in order to save time, to send the bi-monthly returns for that Province direct to Government of India.

Ordered also, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the Foreign Department, with a request that the necessary instructions may be issued to the several Political officers under the orders of that Department.

From the Government of India, to the Local Governments and Administrations, No. 1-322-331, dated the 25th August 1873.

In supersession of the Form prescribed in Resolution dated the 18th January 1872, I am directed to state that His Excellency the Governor General in Council has been pleased to direct the use of the accompanying Form* for the publication of prices-current of food-grains in future.

2. The changes made are the following:—

I.—(a) Great millet (cholum, jawar), (b) Bulrush millet (cumbu, bajra), (c) Lesser millets (ragi, kavaru, veragu, sawi, cheena, coralu, murua, nagli).

These three groups have been substituted for the present separate headings of (1) Bajra or cumbu, (2) Jawar or cholum, (3) Veragu, (4) Ragi.

II.—An additional column for entering the price of Firewood has been introduced into the amended Form.

From the Government of India, to Local Governments and Administrations, No. 3298, dated the 31st December 1885.

I AM directed to request that the form enclosed† may be substituted, with effect from January 1886, for the form prescribed in the Circular of the 25th August 1873, and now in use, for the returns of fortnightly prices of food-grains.

2. The form differs from the present form in the elimination of the general heads, Great millets, Bulrush millets, and Lesser millets. The prices for millets will in future be rendered only for those specified in the new form which are those in most general use. Greater certainty will thus attach to the figures entered in the returns. The form also includes two new entries for Maize and Arhar dāl.

Copy, with copy of the form, forwarded to the Foreign Department, with

Hyderabad (Deccan).	Jhalawar.
Mysore.	Hilly Tracts, Meywar.
Jeypore and Kishengarh.	Banswara and Partabgarh.
Ulwar.	Bundi, Tonk, and Shapura.
Bhurlpore and Kerowli.	Bikanir.
Odeypore.	Dholpur.
Kotah.	Deoli.

a request that they may be communicated for guidance to the Political Officers of the States noted in the margin from whom fortnightly prices-current are received in this office.

* Superseded by the revised Form prescribed in the order dated the 31st December 1885, on this page.

† Not printed in this collection.

II.—Irregularities in the preparation and transmission of the returns.

Resolution by the Government of India, No. 4025, dated 9th November 1881.

It has been brought to the notice of the Government of India that different methods are adopted by the local officers in arriving at the average prices of salt which are quoted in the fortnightly returns of food-grains and salt published in the *Gazette of India*.

2. From enquiries which have been made by the Commissioner of Inland Customs in the North-Western Provinces and Panjab, it appears that in some districts qualities of salt are altogether ignored, the average wholesale price of all sorts, whether medicinal or otherwise, being taken either for the preceding fortnight or for the last day of the fortnight; while in others only the retail prices are shown. In some the maximum price is quoted; in others the maximum price of some particular kind is given. In some districts the average is obtained at the head-quarters only; while in others an average is struck on the prices ruling in all the principal marts in a district. The prices of salt shown in the published returns do not therefore appear to be trustworthy, inasmuch as there is no uniformity in the principle on which the calculation of the rates quoted is based, and it is not certain that the salt for which rates are quoted is the salt commonly used by the people.

3. In order that the published rates may be accurately given, the Governor General in Council considers it necessary that the officers whose duty it is to prepare the fortnightly returns of prices-current should be instructed by the Local Governments and Administrations to take into account only such salt as is chiefly in use amongst the bulk of the population of the district, and to enter in the returns both the wholesale and retail prices ruling at the head-quarters of the district on the last day of the fortnight to which the returns relate.

Ordered, that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to Local Governments and Administrations for information and guidance, and to the Foreign Department for information and communication to the Resident in Mysore and to the Political Officers under its orders.

From the Government of India, to Local Governments and Administrations, No. 2185, dated the 15th July 1884.

7. I AM to invite attention to the Circular, dated the 20th March 1872, Nos. 6—146-155, requesting that all officers concerned in the preparation and submission of prices-current of food-grains should be made fully aware of the importance of securing perfectly accurate returns. Attention should also be given to the Resolution of this Department No. 4025, dated the 9th November 1881, giving instructions for the accurate publication of the prices of salt.

A covering letter is not required with these returns. "Prices-current of Food-grains and Salt" should be written or printed on the face of the envelope.

From the Government of India, to Local Governments and Administrations, No. 68 S., dated 20th February 1885.

I AM directed to forward a statement* of the fortnightly returns of prices-current of food-grains and salt received in this office during the last three months, and to invite attention to the irregularity with which the returns are furnished and to their incompleteness in some instances.

2. There does not appear to be sufficient reason why the returns should not be complete and accurate and promptly despatched, and the Government of India trusts that measures may be adopted to ensure this in future.

3. I am to suggest that the returns should be despatched in future so as to reach this office within 14 days at most after the period to which they refer, and that care should be taken to supply in them all the information which is required.

* Not printed in this collection.

COPY, with copy of the statement, forwarded to the Foreign Department, with a suggestion that the Political Officers concerned might be addressed with the view of securing the necessary completeness and accuracy in the preparation of the returns, and promptness in their despatch to this office.

III.—Rates of unhusked Gram and Arhar to be stated.

From the Government of India, to the Government of Bengal, No. 506 S., dated the 22nd November 1889.

I AM directed to say that the rates for gram and arhar required to be shown in the fortnightly returns of retail prices of food-grains are those of unhusked grain.

COPY forwarded to the Local Governments and Administrations for information and guidance.

Copy forwarded to the Foreign Department, with the request that the letter may be communicated to the Political Officers of the States (from which returns are furnished).

From the Government of India, to the Government of Bombay, No. 55 S., dated the 16th February 1889.

In reply to your letter * I am directed to say that "hushed grain" means grain of which the husk has been removed, and "unhusked" grain of which the husk has not been removed.

IV.—Omission of certain entries from the return of the Madras Presidency.

From the Government of India, to the Government of Madras, No. 212 S., dated the 14th July 1887.

I AM directed to say that the Government of India has no objection to the exclusion, so far as the Madras Presidency is concerned, of the articles noted in the margin from the fortnightly return of prices-current of food-grains prescribed in the Circular, dated the 31st December 1885, No. 329 S.

From the Government of India, to the Government of Madras, No. 4103 S., dated the 15th August 1894.

I AM directed to say that the Government of India accept the proposal to omit the grains noted below from the districts specified in each case, in the fortnightly return of retail prices of food-grains for the Madras Presidency:—

Wheat	} All districts.
Rice, best sort	
Cholum—Ganjam, Vizagapatam, Chingleput, South Arcot, Tanjore, Nilgiris, Malabar, and South Canara.	
Cumbu—Ganjam, Godavari, Kurnool, Bellary, Anantapur, Madras, Chingleput, Nilgiris, Malabar, and South Canara.	
Ragi—Nilgiris, Malabar, and South Canara.	

V.—Instructions in regard to the return of the Bombay Presidency.

From the Government of India, to the Government of Bombay, No. 3056 S., dated the 23rd July 1892.

* * The Government of India entirely agrees that the preparation of the fortnightly returns should be closely supervised, and that every effort should be used to secure their accuracy. The Governor General in Council trusts that this point will continue to receive close attention.

Should it be considered that the returns need improvement in form as well as in substance, this Department will be glad to receive suggestions for improvement, but I am to request that no modification, except in respect of

additions to the list of articles, may be made without previous reference to this Department, as it is necessary for purposes of comparison to maintain uniformity in the returns of all Provinces. There can, however, be no objection to the addition of any particular article or articles, which may be deemed necessary to increase the local value of the return.

3. I am to invite attention to the observations below:—

(a) The Director, Department of Land Records and Agriculture, says that the revised form for a fortnightly prices-current prescribed by the Government of India from January 1886 is silent as to whether prices are to be retail or wholesale. On this point there is apparently a misapprehension, as the heading of the revised form (prescribed in Circular No. 329 S., dated the 31st December 1885) showed that the prices must be retail prices. The local returns received up to date have also reproduced in their headings the word "retail."

(b) "Whether quotations should be shown for other periods than the current fortnight." The preceding fortnight's figures should be given with those of the current fortnight.

(c) "Barley, Italian millet, and maize may be omitted from the returns of the Bombay Presidency." As these three articles do not, it is understood, enter largely into the ordinary food of the people, they may be omitted, a footnote stating and explaining the omission.

(d) "The columns for rice, 'best sort' and 'common,' may be coupled into one head 'clean rice,' or the first (best sort) may be omitted." It is understood that the prices hitherto furnished have invariably been those of clean rice. The proposal to combine the two heads (best and common) into one "clean rice" does not commend itself to the Government of India owing to the uncertainty which would arise as to the class of rice for which figures are furnished, nor does the other proposal to confine the figures to common rice.

(e) "Tur should be replaced by 'tur dal,' which is the quotations prescribed by the Government of India." On this point I am to refer to the letters from this Department noted in the margin, from which it will be seen that the rates to be quoted are for tur (arhar) unhusked.

(f) "The quotations should be shown in *ser*s and fractions of the *ser*." For the purposes of the fortnightly returns of prices-current, it is more convenient that the quotations should continue to be expressed in the prescribed term, namely, in *ser*s (of 80 tolas) and chataks, but the chataks may, if desired, be shown fractionally as sixteenths of a *ser*.

(g) "The stations of Aden, Asirgarh, Baroda Camp, Deesa Cantonment, Neemuch Cantonment, Nasirabad Cantonment, and Rajkot should be omitted." These stations are useful as indicating the prices ruling in the areas in which they are situated. The principal is to have a fairly wide basis from which to strike averages for each tract or zone as arranged in the consolidated return published by this Department; and it would not be expedient to discontinue the returns now furnished from the stations mentioned.

(h) "All other stations than head-quarters of British districts should be omitted. Thana should be substituted for Salsette, Ahmedabad for Daskrohi, and Dharwar for Hubli." This suggestion may be adopted if the change would permit of the scrutiny and verification of the returns by the Deputy Collector.

WHOLESALE PRICES.

VI.—Return of prices of certain articles in selected stations.

From the Government of India, to the Government of Bengal, No. 1753, dated the 2nd July 1885.

I AM directed to request that endeavours may be made to ascertain the market prices in Calcutta of the articles named in the margin, for the month of January in each year from 1870. The Government of India would prefer that the prices should in all cases be

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| 1. Ghi. | 6. Firewood. |
| 2. Salted fish. | 7. Bamboos. |
| 3. Potatoes. | 8. Bricks. |
| 4. Mustard oil. | 9. Lime. |
| 5. Coconut oil. | |

wholesale, but if wholesale prices cannot be obtained retail prices may be given. Special care must, however, be taken not to give wholesale and retail prices for different periods for the same article without distinctly specifying what prices are wholesale and what are retail.

2. In regard to ghi, potatoes, mustard oil, and coconut oil, as also perhaps firewood, I am to suggest that the books of the Executive Commissariat Officer in Calcutta would probably furnish the prices for the whole period required. The prices of bamboos, bricks and lime might best be obtained from the records of the Bengal Public Works Department, or those of the Calcutta Municipality, and preferably from both for purposes of test and comparison.

3. These figures are required in connection with enquiries on which the Government of India is engaged in regard to the fluctuations of prices, and I am to request that steps may be taken to obtain them. The Military Department has been requested to issue instructions to the Commissariat Department to facilitate the supply of the returns which are obtainable from the records of the Executive Commissariat Officer at Calcutta.

Copy forwarded to the Military Department for the purpose indicated in paragraph 3.

Note.

The above-mentioned return is supplemented by one obtained yearly from the Commissary General-in-Chief shewing the annual average prices (per 100 lbs) paid since 1875-76 by the Commissariat Department, Bengal, for articles for consumption by troops.

VII.—Half-monthly return of wholesale prices.

Resolution by the Government of India, No. 78.—G., dated the 16th April 1896.

The statement of prices which now forms Table B in the annual returns of the agricultural statistics furnished to the Government of India was prescribed in the letter of the 20th July 1891 (No. 19—20). That table was devised to show the prices obtained by agriculturists for their produce and those paid by them for necessaries and implements, and in this respect the return differed from other returns of prices which show the price paid for a commodity by the dealer or the consumer, not the price obtained by the producer. It was soon found, however, that the distinction had not been uniformly maintained, the table in some provinces showing prices as between dealer and consumer, instead of prices as between producer and dealer. It was moreover not at all clear that it was possible to accurately ascertain the wholesale prices ruling during the season when any particular commodity comes into the market and when the wholesale trade in it is active; or that the bases on which the figures required have been obtained and recorded could ever be sufficiently uniform to admit of useful comparison of the figures for different years of districts.

2. In view of these considerations it was proposed to discontinue the present statement of prices (Table B), and to substitute for it a return prepared twice a month of the wholesale prices of certain articles at certain large markets, the prices being the prices paid by dealers or consumers, trade market prices in short, the new return being of the same character as all other returns of prices, such as those published annually in the volume entitled *Prices and Wages in India*.

3. The opinions of the local Governments and Administrations on these proposals were invited in the letter of the 17th October 1894 (No. 49—79) in which suggestions were made in respect of the procedure for the preparation of the proposed return, and of the articles and markets to be specified.

7. Having considered the opinions and wishes of the Local Governments and Administrations as expressed in their replies, the Government of India have decided that the new return should be prepared, with effect from the 1st June

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1896, in all provinces except Coorg, from which the return will not be required, and Burma, from which a duplicate of the returns of (wholesale) prices now furnished to the Government of India (in the weekly crop reports) should be sent to the Statistical Bureau. The return should be prepared in the manner indicated below :—

(1) The articles and markets to be entered in the return will be those suggested by the Local Governments and Administrations. In Bombay the markets suggested by the Government of India should be entered, the Local Government having made no suggestions.

(2) The prices should be collected on the same day as the retail prices of food-grains and salt, of which half-monthly returns are now published in the local Gazettes and sent to the Statistical Bureau by the Local Governments and Administrations. This arrangement will enable the staff which now collects the retail prices to collect also the wholesale prices at the same time.

(3) The returns should be furnished to the Statistical Bureau of the Government of India in the same form as the returns of retail prices, the column "past fortnight" being omitted.

(4) The prices should be those current for quantities of not less than ten maunds of food-stuffs, seeds, grass, and straw, for a score of sheep, and for a pair of bullocks; but in the Madras Presidency the record should be, as suggested by the Local Government, maintained in terms of the local unit most nearly approaching the limit prescribed for the other provinces.

(5) No return need be made by any province of prices of articles which are not staples of local trade.

(6) No prices need be quoted for an article unless wholesale transactions in the article have actually taken place.

(7) The prices should be rendered in terms of rupees for a unit of quantity, not in terms of the quantity obtained for one rupee.

(8) In Bengal the new table may, as suggested by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, take the place of the table of wholesale prices now rendered from that province.

Ordered, that a copy of the foregoing Resolution be forwarded to the

Madras.
Bombay.
Bengal.
North-Western Pro-
vinces and Oudh.
Panjab.

Central Provinces,
Burma.
Assam.
Ajmere.
Coorg.
Berar.

Local Governments and Administrations noted on the margin, for information and guidance.

Ordered also, that a copy of the Resolution be forwarded to the Resident in

Mysore, the Agents to the Governor General in Central India, Rajputana, and Baluchistan, for information.

WAGES.

VIII.—Half-yearly return of wage rates.

From the Government of India, to Local Governments and Administrations, Nos. ⁶/₂₉₅₋₃₀₄, dated the 19th July 1873.

IN continuation of the Resolution by the Government of India, Nos. ¹³/₃₁₆₋₃₆₆, dated the 28th August 1872, I am directed to request that you will be good enough to furnish the following information in every six months with the statement showing the prices-current of food-grains for the second-half of June and of December in each year, three extra columns being added to the statement for the purpose as shown below :—

Average wages per month.

Able-bodied agricultural labourer.	Syce or horse-keeper.	Common mason, carpenter, or blacksmith.

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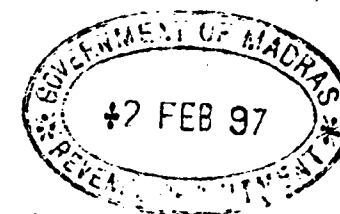
The foregoing official returns have since been supplemented by others, obtained yearly from official and non-official sources, giving statistics of wages in the industrial and other establishments hereunder mentioned :—

I.—RAILWAYS AND STATE ESTABLISHMENTS.

	Years from which the returns begin.
(1) Postal runners and postmen	1855
(2) Artisans and labourers at certain stations on the East Indian Railway	1866
(3) Artisans in the North-Western Railway locomotive workshops at Lahore.	1870
(4) The Orissa Canals	1869
(5) The Canal Foundry and Workshops, Roorkee	1870
(6) The Printing Office of the Government of India, Calcutta	1870-71
(7) The Harness and Saddlery Factory, Cawnpore	1879-80

II.—PRIVATE ESTABLISHMENTS.

(1) A Coal Company in Bengal	1882
(2) Another Coal Company in Bengal	1882
(3) A Paper Mill in Bengal	1867
(4) The Army Boot Factory, Cawnpore	1886
(5) The Murree Brewery, Panjab	1873
(6) A mill in Northern India	1877
(7) Another mill in Northern India	1876
(8) The Manockjee Petit Mills, Bombay	1882
(9) A mill managed by Messrs. Binny & Co., Madras	1878
(10) The Salona Tea Gardens, Assam	1870
(11) The British India Steam Navigation Company (carpenters, serangs, and lascars)	1870



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