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FOR THE WEEK ENDING 16TH APRIL 1898.

RAINFALL AND PRICES OF THE STAPLE FOOD-GRAINS.

Districts.	Rainfall in inches.			Prices in Seers (of 80 tolas) per Rupee.											
		Up to the end of the week from 1st April.		Rice.			Ragi.			Cholam.			Cumbu.		
	In the week.	1898-99	Average of 25 years.	Average for April.*	Last week.	This week.	Average for April.*	Last week.	This week.	Average for April.*	Last week.	This week.	Average for April.*	Last week.	This week.
Circars.															
Ganjam ..	..	..	0·6	18·0	13·0	13·1	29·3	14·3	14·5	..	..	..	..	..	..
Vizagapatam. {A.	..	0·2	0·6	15·5	12·5	12·5	28·0	17·9	17·8	..	18·6	18·6	28·9	19·0	19·3
Vizagapatam. {L.	0·2	0·2	0·5												
Godavari ..	0·1	0·1	0·2	15·6	10·2	10·0	28·3	16·0	16·1	27·6	16·5	16·5	27·4	18·1	17·9
Kistna ..	..	..	0·2	14·8	10·3	10·3	28·8	15·0	15·0	23·2	13·7	13·6	22·3	12·4	12·4
Deccan.															
Kurnool ..	0·1	0·1	0·3	13·0	9·3	9·3	27·8	19·1	19·3	28·6	19·3	19·8	23·9	13·6	14·0
Bellary ..	..	..	0·3	12·5	9·3	9·4	35·7	24·6	24·4	29·0	20·5	20·5	..	..	..
Anantapur.	..	..	0·3	14·0	9·3	9·5	32·9	18·0	18·6	30·2	18·6	19·0	26·3	15·7	15·7
Cuddapah ..	..	..	0·3	13·9	9·1	9·2	31·9	19·1	18·9	28·2	17·5	17·5	28·4	15·6	15·7
Carnatic.															
Nellore ..	..	..	0·1	14·2	8·9	8·7	27·5	13·8	14·2	24·8	13·5	13·2	22·5	12·0	12·2
Chingleput.	..	..	0·2	15·5	9·5	9·5	25·5	13·9	14·2	..	..	..	..	..	..
Madras ..	..	..	0·3	12·4	8·9	8·9	24·8	15·2	15·2	..	..	..	..	..	..
South Arcot.	..	..	0·3	15·4	11·1	11·0	26·9	16·0	16·3	..	..	..	26·5	16·2	16·2
Central.															
North Arcot.	..	..	0·3	15·4	10·1	10·0	29·6	15·9	15·9	25·9	13·8	14·1	25·5	14·2	14·8
Salem ..	..	0·1	0·5	14·0	9·8	9·8	30·3	16·6	16·6	26·4	14·3	14·8	24·7	15·5	15·3
Coimbatore.	..	..	1·1	13·6	9·7	9·6	27·9	17·2	17·4	22·8	14·9	14·9	26·1	16·8	16·9
Trichinopoly.	..	..	0·4	14·7	9·4	9·4	27·8	15·2	15·0	35·8	†15·1	†16·2	26·3	15·2	15·1
South.															
Tanjore ..	..	..	0·4	15·1	11·2	11·0	26·7	16·9	13·7	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pudukkottai.	..	..	..	..	9·1	9·2	..	17·1	17·1	..	†19·4	† 19·6	..	18·4	18·4
Madura ..	0·2	0·2	1·2	14·9	10·0	10·1	28·9	16·0	16·0	31·2	17·4	17·3	26·7	15·3	15·1
Tinnevelly.	0·8	0·9	1·6	14·0	10·3	10·2	25·7	14·0	14·0	22·8	12·9	13·7	22·3	14·3	14·1
Nilgiris ..	..	..	1·9	11·1	7·7	7·7	21·2	15·5	15·8	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Coast.															
Malabar ..	0·2	0·5	2·0	13·1	9·9	9·8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
South Canara.	0·1	0·1	0·8	14·1	11·4	11·5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Travancore.	0·3	1·5	1·8	..	8·5	8·5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

A. Agency, L. Littoral, tracts. * Average for ten normal years previous to fasli 1305 (1895-96).
† Includes an inferior variety.

DISTRICTS.

GANJAM.

Water-supply sufficient. Agricultural operations *nil.* Harvest almost over. Standing crops thriving. Ragi and green-gram harvested; outturn middling to fair. Pasture moderate; fodder sufficient. Condition of cattle normal.

VIZAGAPATAM.

Water-supply generally sufficient. Sugarcane transplanted in four taluks. Standing crops good. Harvested gingelly and chillies; outturn fair; ragi and green-gram, middling to fair; cotton, middling; sugarcane, average, and tobacco, bad to middling. Pasture available; fodder ample. Condition of cattle normal. Exports by sea 3,313 maunds. Emigrants to Rangoon 84.

GODAVARI.

Water-supply generally sufficient. Godavari 4·5 feet over upper sill of Dowlaishweram lock. Delta fields in parts being manured and irrigated and seed-beds prepared. Transplantation progressing. Standing crops generally good except in parts of Ramachandrapuram and Cocanada where gingelly

and second crop paddy require water. Second crop paddy, ragi, sugarcane, gingelly, castors and tobacco being harvested. Tobacco fair, rest middling to fair. Fodder sufficient; pasture becoming scarce in parts. Condition of cattle normal. Season favourable. Cocanada—exports rice 14,925, paddy 124; imports—rice 1,140, paddy 165, bags of 164 lb.

KISTNA.

Water-supply generally sufficient. Agricultural operations going on in parts of Delta. Standing crops good. Chillies, castors, tobacco, red-gram, green-gram, ragi, oil-seeds, turmeric, cotton, paddy, cumbu, korra, variga, indigo and cholam harvested; outturn middling to fair. Pasture scarce; fodder sufficient. Condition of cattle generally normal. Season and prospects favourable.

KURNOOL.

Water-supply insufficient for irrigation. Water 5·52 feet below crest of Sunkesala anikat. Agricultural operations *nil*. Standing crops generally fair. Paddy, ragi and cotton harvested; outturn generally middling to fair. Pasture scanty; fodder sufficient. Condition of cattle generally fair. Prospects moderate. Demand for employment in Markapur locally met for the present.

BELLARY.

Water-supply sufficient except in parts of Alur and Hadagalle. Ploughing and weeding under channels continue. Standing crops generally good. Harvested cotton, white cholam, sugarcane and paddy; outturn middling to fair. No pasture; fodder abundant. Cattle generally healthy.

ANANTAPUR.

Water-supply insufficient for irrigation in parts. Harvesting paddy and picking cotton continue. Standing crops generally fair, but paddy withering in parts. Harvested paddy; outturn bad to average; cholam and ragi, middling to fair; cotton, bad to fair. Pasture scanty; fodder sufficient. Condition of cattle good. Labouring classes find work in fields. Prospects stationary.

CUDDAPAH.

Wells mostly contain sufficient supplies. Ploughing, sowing, baling, weeding under wells and harvesting in progress. Standing crops fair. Paddy, ragi, korra, harvested; outturn middling to fair; sugarcane and turmeric, average; cotton, middling. Pasture scanty; fodder available. Condition of cattle normal.

NELLORE.

Water-supply insufficient for irrigation and in parts for drinking also. No flow over the Nellore and Sangam anikats. Sowing going on under wells in parts. Standing crops under wells and channels generally thriving, but paddy withered entirely in some villages of Gudur for want of water and fading in parts of Nellore. Harvested ragi; outturn middling to fair; cholam, fair to average and bad in parts and paddy middling. Pasture almost *nil*; fodder insufficient and dear. Condition of cattle generally normal. Work afforded by harvesting, tank repairs, railway and test-relief works. Prospects unchanged.

MADRAS.

Water-supply and fodder sufficient. Pasture *nil*. Imports by sea—rice 2,349 tons; other grains 330 tons.

CHINGLEPUT.

Water-supply insufficient for irrigation. Sowing, weeding, transplanting and baling continue in parts. Standing crops generally fair. Harvested paddy, ragi, cholam, horsegram, sweet-potato, chillies and groundnut; outturn fair to middling generally. Pasture scanty; fodder available. Condition of cattle generally normal. Season unfavourable especially in parts of Ponneri, Tiruvallur, Saidapet and Chingleput.

SOUTH ARCOT.

Water-supply not required for irrigation except in a few villages. Crops mostly harvested. Ploughing, sowing, weeding and transplanting in parts especially under wells. Standing crops generally fair except under rainfed tanks; gingelly, cholam and indigo fading for want of rain in parts of three taluks. Harvested paddy; outturn middling to average; ragi, middling; sugarcane, fair to average; gingelly, fair to middling; and indigo, bad. Pasture generally scanty; fodder sufficient. Condition of cattle normal. Deaths from cholera 34. Prospects continue fair.

NORTH ARCOT.

Tanks mostly dry. Wells still hold out. Ploughing, sowing, transplanting, weeding and baling under wells continue. Standing crops fair under some tanks and under wells and spring channels, but elsewhere withering or withered. Bulk of harvest over. Paddy, ragi, groundnut, sugarcane and oil-seeds harvested; outturn middling to fair. Pasture scanty; fodder available but dear. Condition of cattle normal.

SALEM.

Water-supply insufficient for irrigation in parts. Sowing and transplanting continue under wells and some channels. Standing crops under wells and channels generally fair. Harvested paddy, ragi, cholam, cumbu, sugarcane and castor; outturn middling to average. Pasture decreasing; fodder available. Condition of cattle generally normal. Prospects continue fair.

COIMBATORE.

Tanks dry. Water-supply insufficient for irrigation except under wells and channels in parts. Sowing under wells and some channels continues. Standing crops mostly under wells generally fair. Paddy and cholam harvested; outturn middling to average. Pasture scanty; fodder available though dear in parts. Condition of cattle normal.

TRICHINOPOLY.

Water-supply insufficient in parts. Some sowing, transplanting and weeding under wells and river channels. Standing crops under wells and river channels fair. Harvested paddy and gingelly; outturn poor to fair; cholam, middling to fair. Pasture scanty; fodder available. Condition of cattle normal. Deaths from cholera 85. Prospects not improved.

TANJORE.

Water-supply generally insufficient outside delta. Agricultural operations *nil*. Standing crops irrigated by baling generally fair. Paddy, ragi, cholam, gingelly, tobacco and chillies harvested; outturn middling to fair. Pasture scanty; fodder sufficient. Condition of cattle generally normal. Deaths from cholera 44. Drought much felt in Pattukottai taluk.

PUDUKKOTTAI.

Water-supply insufficient for irrigation and in parts for drinking also. Garden cultivation under wells proceeding in parts. Standing crops generally good under wells. Pasture scanty or *nil*; fodder sufficient. Condition of cattle generally normal.

TINNEVELLY.

Water-supply insufficient for irrigation under rain-fed tanks. No flow over Srivaikuntam anikat, but supply continues adequate. Ploughing, sowing and transplanting under wells and river channels continue in parts; standing crops under wells and river channels generally good; some crops benefited by rain. Paddy harvested; outturn middling to fair. Pasture available; fodder dear in parts. Condition of cattle good. Deaths from cholera 151.

MADURA.

Water insufficient for irrigation. Periyar discharge stopped. Cultivation going on under wells. Standing crops under wells fair generally. Harvest almost over. Pasture scanty; fodder available. Condition of cattle generally good. Deaths from cholera 536.

NILGIRIS.

Water growing scarce. Ploughing and sowing in progress. Standing crops good. Coffee harvested; outturn fair. Pasture scanty; fodder available. Condition of cattle normal. Prospects fair, but rain urgently wanted.

SOUTH CANARA.

Water-supply insufficient for irrigation. Ploughing and sowing for seed-beds. Small areas of standing third paddy crop fair. Harvested third paddy crop; outturn fair to average. Pasture and fodder scanty in parts. Condition of cattle generally normal. Prospects fair.

MALABAR.

Water-supply sufficient. Ploughing and sowing for first crop beginning in four taluks. Pasture scanty; fodder available. Health of cattle generally good. Prospects normal.

TRAVANCORE.

Ploughing begun. Water-supply and pasturage sufficient. Condition of cattle normal.

SEASON TELEGRAM TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, REVENUE AND AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT, SIMLA.

Week ending 16th April 1898. Rainfall during week good Tinnevelly; light scattered showers Circars, Deccan, Madura, Nilgiris and West Coast. *Nil* elsewhere. Water-supply insufficient for irrigation except Malabar and Circars. Standing crops, mostly irrigated by baling from wells and river-beds, generally fair. Harvest mostly under wells continues with middling outturn generally. Bulk of harvest over. Pasture scarce; fodder available but dear. Condition of cattle generally normal. Prices slightly risen Godavari, Nellore, Trichinopoly, Madura, Tinnevelly and Malabar; elsewhere stationary or slightly easier. No improvement in prospects. Numbers on relief in Nellore. Test-workers—252 men, 420 women, 204 children, total 876. Fed in kitchens—dependants 1 man, 1 woman, 57 children, total 59. Grand total on relief 935. Decrease reported to be due partly to harvest operations and partly to the introduction of intermediate system on certain works and to the closing of a test-work in Kanigiri.

Comparative statement showing the number of persons relieved in the Nellore district for the week ending 16th April 1898.

Nature of relief.				This week.	Last week.
Test-workers		Men		252	685
		Women		420	1,207
		Children		204	822
			Total ..	876	2,714
Gratuitous relief ..	A. In kitchens ..	1. Dependants.	Men	1	6
			Women	1	4
			Children	57	174
			Total ..	59	184
		2. Others ..	Men	..	..
			Women	..	..
			Children	..	..
			Total ..	..	..
	B. Otherwise		Men	..	..
			Women	..	..
			Children	..	..
			Total ..	..	..
			Grand Total ..	59	184
			Grand Total on relief ..	935	2,898

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Statement showing the quantity of rainfall at the several authorised rain registering stations of the Madras Presidency during the week ending the 16th April 1898

	Stations at which tested rain-gauges are kept.	Quantity of rainfall in inches		Stations at which tested rain-gauges are kept.	Quantity of rainfall in inches.
	GANJAM.			VIZAGAPATAM—*cont.*	
1	Balliguda	"		LITTORAL.	
2	Russellkonda	"	1	Párvatipur	"
3	Suradá	0·10	2	Pálkonda	0·01
4	Aska	"	3	Bobbili	"
5	Udayagiri	0·32	4	Sálúr	"
6	Ramagiri	0·05	5	Gajopatinagar	"
7	Parlákimedi	"	6	Chípurupalli	"
8	Rambah	"	7	Kuppili	"
9	Purushottapur	"	8	Vijayanagram	"
10	Chatrapur	"	9	Srungavarapukóta	1·56
11	Gopálpur	"	10	Bimilipatam	0·49
12	Berhampur	"	11	Konada	"
13	Ichápur	"	12	Waltair	1·02
14	Sómpet	"	13	Chódavaram	"
15	Púndi	"	14	Anakápalle	0·25
16	Tekkali	"	15	Balacheruvu	"
17	Narsannapet	"	16	Polavaram	"
18	Calingapatam	"	17	Yellamanchili	"
19	Chicacole	"	18	Narasapatnam	"
	Total ..	0·47		Total ..	3·33
	* Average ..	0·02		* Average ..	0·19
	VIZAGAPATAM.			GODAVARI.	
	AGENCY TRACTS.		1	Bhadrachalam	0·15
1	Nowrangapur		2	Chodavaram	0·35
2	Jeypore		3	Yellavaram	"
3	Koraput		4	Tuni	"
4	Malkanagiri		5	Pittapuram	"
5	Bissemcuttack		6	Pattipadu	"
6	Gunupur		7	Peddapuram	"
7	Royaghada		8	Rajahmundry	"
8	Pottanghi		9	Cocanada	"
9	Padwa		10	Coringa	"
	Total ..	nil			
	* Average ..				

* With reference to the number of stations for which reports were received.

Statement showing the quantity of rainfall at the several authorised rain-registering stations, &c.—*continued.*

	Stations at which tested rain-gauges are kept.	Quantity of rainfall in inches
	GODAVARI—*cont.*	
11	Alamur	-
12	Ramachandrapuram	-
13	Kottapeta	-
14	Amalapuram	-
15	Razole	-
16	Narsapuram	-
17	Bhimavaram	-
18	Pentapad	-
19	Tanuku	-
20	Chintalapudi	-
21	Ellore	-
22	Polavaram	0·70
23	Tallapudi	-
	Total ..	1·20
	* Average ..	0·05
	KISTNA.	
1	Tiruvur	0·35
2	Nandigama	0·03
3	Bezváda	-
4	Gannavaram	-
5	Gudiváda	-
6	Masulipatam	-
7	Guntúr	-
8	Sattenapalle	-
9	Gurizala	-
10	Vinukonda	-
11	Narsaraopet	-
12	Bápatla	-
13	Tenali	-
14	Répalle	-
	Total ..	0·38
	* Average ..	0·02
	KURNOOL.	
1	Markapur	-
2	Giddalore	-
3	Allágada	-
4	Koilkuntla	-

	Stations at which tested rain-gauges are kept.	Quantity of rainfall in inches.
	KURNOOL—*cont.*	
5	Owk	-
6	Kalwa	-
7	Nandyál	0·04
8	Atmakur	0·27
9	Nandikótkur	0·58
10	Kurnool	-
11	Pattikonda	-
12	Piyapalli	-
	Total ..	0·89
	* Average ..	0·07
	BELLARY.	
1	Yemmiganur	-
2	Adóni	-
3	Alúr	-
4	Sirugappa	0·05
5	Bellary	-
6	Ráyadrug	-
7	Kampili	0·27
8	Hospet	-
9	Hadagalli	-
10	Harpanahalli	-
11	Kúdligi	-
	Total ..	0·32
	* Average ..	0·03
	ANANTAPUR.	
1	Uravakonda	-
2	Gooty	-
3	Yadaki	-
4	Tadpatri	-
5	Anantapur	-
6	Kályandrúg	-
7	Dharmavaram	-
8	Penukonda	0·20
9	Hindupur	-
10	Madakasira	-
	Total ..	0·20
	* Average ..	0·02

* With reference to the number of stations for which reports were received.

Statement showing the quantity of rainfall at the several authorised rain-registering stations, &c.—*continued.*

	Stations at which tested rain-gauges are kept.	Quantity of rainfall in inches.
	CUDDAPAH.	
1	Jammalamadugu	
2	Produttur	
3	Badvél	
4	Sidhout	
5	Chitvél	
6	Rajampet	
7	Ráyachóti	
8	Cuddapah	
9	Kamalápur	
10	Pulivendla	
11	Kadiri	
12	Madanapalle	
13	Váyalpád	
14	Pilér	
	Total ..	
	* Average ..	
	NELLORE.	
1	Addanki	
2	Darsi	
3	Podili	
4	Kanigiri	
5	Udayagiri	
6	Kanuparti	
7	Ongole	
8	Pakala	
9	Kandukur	
10	Kávali	
11	Iskapalle	
12	Nellore	
13	Kristnapatnam	
14	Kota	
15	Dugarajapatam	
16	Sulurpet	
17	Tada	
18	Monapalayam	
19	Atmakúr	

	Stations at which tested rain-gauges are kept.	Quantity of rainfall in inches.
	NELLORE—*cont.*	
20	Rápúr	
21	Gúdúr	
22	Venkatagiri	
	Total ..	
	* Average ..	
	CHINGLEPUT.	
1	Sathiavédu	
2	Ponnéri	
3	Trivellore	
4	Sríperumbúdur	
5	Poonamallee	
6	Saidápet	
7	Conjeeveram	
8	Utramerur	
9	Chingleput	
10	Madurántakam	
	Total ..	
	* Average ..	
	MADRAS.	
1	Madras	
	SOUTH ARCOT.	
1	Gingee	
2	Tindivanam	
3	Merkanam	
4	Vanúr	
5	Viluppuram	
6	Panrutti	
7	Cuddalore	
8	Bhavanagiri	
9	Chidambaram	
10	Mannárgudi	
11	Chengam	
12	Thiruvannámalai	
13	Thirukoilúr	

* With reference to the number of stations for which reports were received.

Statement showing the quantity of rainfall at the several authorised rain-registering stations, &c.—*continued.*

	Stations at which tested rain-gauges are kept.	Quantity of rainfall in inches.
	SOUTH ARCOT—*cont.*	
14	Ulundurpet	
15	Kallakurichi	
16	Vriddháchalam	
17	Thittagudi	
	Total ..	
	* Average ..	
	NORTH ARCOT.	
1	Kálahasti	
2	Thirupathi	
3	Chandragiri	
4	Puthur *(Náráyanavanam)* ..	
5	Tirutani	
6	Arkónam	
7	Wálájah	
8	Arcot	
9	Vellore	
10	Gudiyáttam	
11	Chittoor	
12	Tiruvattur	
13	Wandiwash	
14	Arni	
15	Pólúr	
16	Kangundi	
17	Venkatagirikóta	
18	Palamanér	
19	Punganur	
	Total ..	
	* Average ..	
	SALEM.	
1	Vániyambádi	
2	Thirupathúr	
3	Kristnagiri	
4	Rayakóta	
5	Hosúr	
6	Thalli	
7	Denkanikóta	

	Stations at which tested rain-gauges are kept.	Quantity of rainfall in inches.
	SALEM—*cont.*	
8	Palakodu	
9	Pennagaram	
10	Dharmapuri	
11	Uttankarai	
12	Harur	
13	Omalúr	
14	Salem	
15	Áthúr	
16	Thammampatti	
17	Razipur	
18	Sankaridrug	
19	Thiruchengód	
20	Námakkal	
21	Parmathi	
22	Erkád	
	Total ..	
* Average	Excluding Erkád ..	
	Including Erkád ..	
	COIMBATORE.	
1	Kollegál	
2	Gopichettipalayam	
3	Satyamangalam	
4	Bhaváni	
5	Erode	
6	Perundurai	
7	Karúr	
8	Aravakurichi	
9	Dhárápuram	
10	Kángayam	
11	Palládam	
12	Avanáshi	
13	Coimbatore	
14	Méttupálayam	
15	Pollúchi	
16	Udamalpet	
	Total ..	
* Average	Excluding Kollegál ..	
	Including Kollegál ..	

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Statement showing the quantity of rainfall at the several authorised rain-registering stations, &c.—*continued.*

	Stations at which tested rain-gauges are kept.	Quantity of rainfall in inches.
	TRICHINOPOLY.	
1	Perambalúr	
2	Jayankonda Solapuram ..	
3	Ariyalúr	
4	Kilpaluvúr	
5	Thuraiyúr	
6	Musiri	
7	Kulitalai	
8	Lálgudi	
9	Trichinopoly	
10	Manappárai	
11	Iluppúr	
	Total ..	
	* Average ..	
	TANJORE.	
1	Shiyáli	
2	Neidavasal	
3	Máyavaram	
4	Tranquebar	
5	Nannilam	
6	Kodavasal	
7	Negápatam	
8	Tiruválúr	
9	Tirutturaippúndi	
10	Vedaranyam	
11	Kumbakónam	
12	Nídámangalam	
13	Mannárgudi	
14	Tiruvádi	
15	Tanjore	
16	Vallam	
17	Patukóttai	
18	Thambikinallavankottai ..	
19	Magilánkottai	

	Stations at which tested rain-gauges are kept.	Quantity of rainfall in inches.
	TANJORE—*cont.*	
20	Muthupettai	
21	Adirampatnam	
22	Kattumavdi	
23	Arantángi	
	Total ..	
	* Average ..	
	PUDUKOTA STATE.	
1	Pudukota	
2	Alangudi	
3	Karambakudi	
4	Tirumiem	
5	Kilamlai	
6	Kulathur	
7	Viralimalai	
	Total ..	
	* Average ..	
	MADURA.	
1	Palni	
2	Védasendur	
3	Dindigul	
4	Nélakótai	
5	Periyakulam	
6	Uthamapalayam	
7	Usilampatti	
8	Thirumangalam	
9	Thirushuli	0·19
10	Muthukulathur	
11	Muthuraghunathapatnam ..	0·41
12	Morekulam	0·25
13	Pámban	0·25
14	Ramnad	2·48

* With reference to the number of stations for which reports were received.

Statement showing the quantity of rainfall at the several authorised rain-registering stations, &c.—*continued.*

	Stations at which tested rain-gauges are kept.	Quantity of rainfall in inches.
	MADURA—*cont*	
15	Manakkudi	-
16	Theethandathanam	0·23
17	Vattanam	0·57
18	Thiruvadanai	0·85
19	Thirupattur	-
20	Sivagunga	-
21	Málúr	-
22	Madura	-
23	Kodaikánal	0·08
24	Paramakudi	0·09
	Total ..	5·40
	*Average. Excluding Kodaikánal.	0·23
	*Average. Including Kodaikánal.	0·23
	TINNEVELLY.	
1	Viruthuppatti	0·17
2	Sátúr	-
3	Vilatikulam	0·42
4	Otapidaram	1·25
5	Arasadi	1·93
6	Tuticorin	2·33
7	Vartirayiruppu	-
8	Srivilliputtúr	-
9	Sankaranainárkoil	0·14
10	Tenkási	0·71
11	Ambásamudram	1·73
12	Palamcottah	1·58
13	Srivaikuntam	0·85
14	Káyalpatnam	0·50
15	Kulasegarapatnam	0·78
16	Nángunéri	0·32
17	Radhapuram	1·26
18	Kuttanguli	1·00
19	Kurumm	0·72
	Total ..	15·69
	*Average ..	0·83

	Stations at which tested rain-gauges are kept.	Quantity of rainfall in inches.
	NILGIRIS.	
1	Devála	-
2	Gúdalúr	-
3	Naduvattam	-
4	Pykara	-
5	Kaity	0·27
6	Ootacamund	-
7	Kodanad	-
8	Kótagiri	-
9	Wellington	-
10	Coonoor	0·21
11	Kilkundahs	-
	Total ..	0·48
	*Average ..	0·04
	MALABAR.	
1	Cannanore	-
2	Tellicherry	-
3	Badagara	0·36
4	Quilandi	0·48
5	Calicut	-
6	Tirurangádi	0·05
7	Ponnáni	0·23
8	Chevakad	-
9	Cochin	0·02
10	Taliparamba	0·05
11	Nilambúr	0·01
12	Manjéri	-
13	Angádipuram	0·06
14	Pálaghat	-
15	Manantoddy	0·58
16	Vayitri	0·66
	Total ..	2·50
	*Average ..	0·16

*With reference to the number of stations for which reports were received.

Statement showing the quantity of rainfall at the several authorised rain-registering stations, &c.—*concluded.*

	Stations at which tested rain-gauges are kept.	Quantity of rainfall in inches.
	SOUTH CANARA.	
1	Coondapoor	-
2	Udipi	-
3	Mangalore	0·01
4	Kásaragód	0·01
5	Hósdrúg	0·02
6	Karakal	0·54
7	Bantval	0·08
8	Beltangadi	-
9	Puttur	0·02
	Total ..	0·68
	*Average ..	0·08
	TRAVANCORE STATE	
1	Trivandrum	0·27

*With reference to the number of stations for which reports were received.

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Board of Revenue

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Rainfall for the week ending 16th April 1898.

(Sett. 64—300—12-5-97.)

RAINFALL.

Week ending 16th April, 1898.

Official year 1898-99

No.	DISTRICT.	Annual. Average of 25 years ending 1894.	Annual. 1897-98.	Average up to the end of corresponding week for past 25 years.	1898-99 From 1st April to 16th April	Corresponding period of 1897-98.	During week ending 16th April 1897-98.	Average for corresponding period during the past 15 years.	Deaths from Cholera. From 1st April to 16th April 1898-99	Deaths from Cholera. During the last week.	Deaths from Cholera. During the present week.	Remarks.
		Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	No.	No.	No.	
1	Ganjám	45·0	57·2	0·6		1·1		0·3				
2	Vizagapatam .. .. Agency.	57·5	59·8	0·6	·2	0·1		0·3	60	33	8	
	Littoral.	42·0	47·1				0·2	0·2				
3	Gódávari	38·9	46·5	0·5	·2	1·2	0·1	0·1	26	22	3	
4	Kistna	33·6	32·0	0·2	·1	0·4		0·1	190	38	105	
5	Kurnool	27·6	25·1	0·2		0·1	0·1	0·1				
6	Bellary	22·7	29·7	0·3	·1	0·2		0·1				
7	Anantapur	23·3	25·7	0·4		0·2		0·2				
8	Cuddapah	28·6	23·7	0·3		0·2		0·2	6	3	3	
9	Nellore	34·6	24·5	0·3					51	16	16	
10	Chingleput	44·5	32·0	0·1		0·1		0·1		8		
11	Madras	* 49·0	37·9	0·2		0·2		0·1	4	2	1	
12	South Arcot	42·0	35·6	0·3		0·2		0·2	156	56	34	
13	North Arcot	37·4	31·5	0·3		0·4		0·1	13	4	2	
14	Salem	31·3	36·3	0·3		0·7		0·2	166	21	102	
15	Coimbatore	25·5	27·4	0·5	·1	0·6		0·5	539	116	339	
16	Trichinopoly	33·7	35·3	1·1		1·3		0·3	315	110	85	
17	Tanjore	43·8	30·2	0·4		0·8		0·3	48	21	5	
18	Pudukkottai	..	26·7	0·4		1·1			12	1	5	
19	Madura	29·9	26·8	1·2	·2	1·2		0·5	837	140	536	
20	Tinnevelly	26·3	26·5	1·6	·9	2·0	0·2	0·7	375	105	151	
21	Nilgiris	62·6	74·8	1·9		2·6	0·8	0·9				
22	Malabar	113·5	148·3	2·0	·5	3·8		0·9	28	1	22	
23	South Canara	142·0	181·1	0·8	·1	2·9	0·2	0·5	31	12		
24	Travancore	† 65·7	60·6	† 1·8	1·5	0·9	0·1	† 0·9	7	3		
						2·0	0·3					

* 80 years' average—1813–1892.

† 53 years' average ending December 1890.

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Board of Revenue

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PRICES OF THE STAPLE FOOD GRAINS for week ending 16th April 1898.

STATEMENT OF PRICES FOR THE WEEK ENDING 16 April 1898.

(Sett. 65 -100—14-3-98)

PRICES IN SEERS OF 80 TOLAS PER RUPEE.

Group.	District.	Rice. Last week.	Rice. This week.	Rice. *Average for April	Rice. Normal rates.†	Rice. Warning rates.†	Rice. Scarcity rates.†	Ragi. Last week.	Ragi. This week.	Ragi. *Average for April	Ragi. Normal rates.†	Ragi. Warning rates.†	Ragi. Scarcity rates.†	Cholum. Last week.	Cholum. This week.	Cholum. Average for April	Cholum. Normal rates.†	Cholum. Warning rates.†	Cholum. Scarcity rates.†	Cumbu. Last week.	Cumbu. This week.	Cumbu. *Average for April	Cumbu. Normal rates.†	Cumbu. Warning rates.†	Cumbu. Scarcity rates.†	Remarks.
Circars	Ganjám	13·0	13·1	18·0	17·0	13·6	10·2	14·5	14·5	29·3	30·0	22·5	15.0													
	Vizagapatam	12·6	12·5	15·5	15 0	12 0	9·0	17·7	17·8	23·1	28·0	21·0	14 0	18·6	18·6	"				19·0	19·0	28·9	30·0	22·5	15·5	✓
	Gódávari	10·2	10·0	15·6	15·0	12·0	9·0	16·0	16·1	28·3	28·0	21·0	14·0	16·5	16·5	27·5	28 0	21·0	14·0	18·1	17·9	27·4	28·0	21·0	14 0	+
	Kistna	10·3	10·3	14·9	15·4	12·3	9·2	15·0	15·0	28·8				13·9	13·6	23·2	26 0	19·5	13·0	12·4	12·4	22·3	26 0	19 5	13·0	✓
Deccan	Kurnool	9·3	9·3	13·0	13·2	10 6	7 9	19·1	19·3	27·8				19·3	19·8	28·6	30·0	22·5	15 0	13·6	14·0	23·9	28 0	21·0	14·0	-
	Bellary	9·3	9·4	12·5	13·2	10 6	7·9	24·6	24·4	33·7				20·5	20·5	29·0	30·0	22·5	15·0	"	"	"				✓
	Anantapur	9·3	9·5	14·0	13 2	10 6	7·9	18·0	18·6	32·9	32·0	24·0	16·0	18·6	19·0	30·2	30·0	22·5	15 0	15·7	15·7	26·3	28·0	21 0	14·0	+
	Cuddapah	9·1	9·2	13·9	13·2	10·6	7 9	19·1	18·9	31·9	32·0	24·0	16·0	17·5	17·5	28·2	30·0	22·5	15 0	15·6	15·7	28·4	28 0	21.0	14·0	-
Carnatic	Nellore	8·9	8·7	14·2	14·0	11 2	8·4	13·9	14·2	27·5	28 0	21·0	14·0	13·5	13·2	24·8	26·0	19·5	13·0	12·0	12·2	22·5	24·0	18·0	12·0	✓
	Chingleput	9·5		15·5	14·0	11·2	8·4	13·9		25·5	24 0	18·0	12 0	-									22·0	16 5	11·0	
	Madras	8·9	8·9	12·4	12 0	9·6	7·2	15·2	15·2	24·8	24·0	18·0	12·0	"						"		"				✓
	South Arcot	11·1	11·0	15·4	14·0	11 2	8 4	16·0	16·3	26·9	28·0	21·0	14·0	"						16·2	16·2	26·5	26·0	19·5	13·0	
Central	North Arcot	10·1	10·0	15·4	14·0	11·2	8·4	15·9	15·9	29·6	32 0	24·0	16·0	13·6	14·1	25·9	26 0	19·5	13·0	14·2	14·3	25·5	27 0	20·0	13·5	-
	Salem	9·5	9·8	14·0	13 6	10·9	8·2	16·6	16·6	30·3	31·0	23·0	15·5	14·3	14·8	25·4	26 0	19·5	13 0	15·5	15·3	24·7	27 0	20·0	13·5	✓
	Coimbatore	9·7	9·6	13·6	13 0	10·4	7·8	16·6	16·6	30·3	28·0	21·0	14·0	14·9	14·9	22·8	21·0	18·0	12 0	16·8	16·9	26·1	26 0	19·5	13·0	
	Trichinopoly	9·4	9·4	14·7	14 0	11·2	8·4	17·2	17·4	27·9	28·0	21·0	14 0	× 15·1	× 16·2	35·8	24·0	11·0	12 0	15·2	15·1	26·3	23·0	19·5	13·0	+
South	Tanjore	11·2	11·0	15·1	15 0	12 0	9·0	16·9	18·7	26·7	28·0	21·0	14·0	"						"						✓
	Pudukota													× 19·4	× 19·6	"				18·4	18·4	"				✓
	Madura	10·4	10·1	14·9	14·0	11 2	8 4	17·1	17·1	"	28·0	21·0	14·0	17·0	17·3	31·2	24·0	18 0	12·0	15·3	15·1	26·7	26·0	19·5	13·0	+
	Tinnevelly	10·3	10·2	14·0	13·4	10·7	8·0	16·0	16·0	28·9	26·0	19·5	13·0	12·9	13·7	22·8	23·0	17·0	11·5	14·3	14·1	22·3	22·0	16·5	11 0	+
West Coast	Nilgiris	7·7	7·7	11·1	11·0	8 8	6 6	15·5	15·3	21·2	21·0	16·0	10·5	"												/
	Malabar	9·9	9·8	13·1	13 4	10·7	8·0																			
	South Canara	11·4	11·5	14·1	14·0	11·2	8·4																			
	Travancore	8·5	8·5	"																						

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* Average for ten normal years previous to fasli 1305 (1894–95).

† *Vide* G.O., No. 316 of 2nd July 1896.

† *Vide* Board's Proceedings, No. 31 of 1897.

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Season Report for the week ending 16th April 1898

Rainfall — There was good rain during the week in Tinnevelly and fair falls in Malabar and parts of South Canara and ~~Madura~~. There were also some isolated showers in the Northern and the Deccan Districts and in the Nilgiris.

Public health — was generally fair during the week, but fever, small-pox and cholera continued unabated in most parts. Cholera is said to exist in all the talukas of the Coimbatore district except Kollegal and Bhavani, while it is reported to be very severe in the Palni taluk.

Price. The prices of all the food grains were more or less stationary and the only noticeable fluctuations are that the price

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price of raggi in Tanjore fell by 1.8 seers and that of Cholum in Trichinopoly and Tinnevelly by 1.1 and .8 seers respectively.

Prospects – No material change in prospects. Agricultural operations are generally reported to be in fair progress, but water supply for irrigation is insufficient in most of the Deccan and Southern districts. In Nellore, it is stated that the supply in ranifed tanks is almost exhausted, while in greater part of it there is also dearth of water for drinking purposes. Pasture is generally scanty, while fodder is available though dear. ~~Labourers find employment in general agriculture for the generality of labourers; in Nellore, coolies are reported to find employment~~ on harvesting, railway, test and relief works and tank repairs.

Numbers on relief – ~~Both~~ The number of relief workers and of those on gratuitous relief fell by 1838 and 125 respectively. The subjoined statement exhibits the numbers relieved during the week. The decrease is stated to be due partly to harvesting operations, partly to the introduction of the intermediate system. The decrease in Kanigiri is said to be also due in part to the closure of the Nandavanam work as a test work:–

Taluks &c.	Number on work			Number on gratuitous relief		
	This week	Last week	Diff.	This week	Last week	Diff.
Udayagiri	302	518	-216	49	45	+4
Kanigiri	78	963	-885	⊗	109	-109
Podili	496	1233	-737	10	30	-20
Total	876	2714	-1838	59	184	-125

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