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[Despatch Abstract.]

Recording B.P. Submitting
report from the Dy. Commr. of Rev. Sett.,
explaining certain discrepancies noticed
by Govt. in the Annual Sett. Report of
Bellary & Anantapur Ds.

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Note for the Examiner

SUBJECT.

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Final Settlement Report. Sub. mitting to Govt. with remarks re port from the Dy Commr. of the Settlements, District I, explaining certain discrepancies noticed in Govt. - of the Bellary dis. & Govt. & Land Revenue notices of the Anantapur Dist.

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one under para 42 of the Proceedings dated the 14 May 1896

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Taluko		Hastar	Dry	As per Revenue Accounts									As per Settlement Accounts									Difference				
				Extent		Assessment			Average				Extent		Assessment			Average				Extent	Percentage	Assessment		Percentage
				A	B	R ₁	A	R ₂	A	R ₃	A	B	R ₁	A	R ₂	A	R ₃	A	B	A	B	R ₁	A	R ₂	A	R ₃
1	Alur	1299	Dry	191375	30	232795	7	1	3	6	198402	91	240389	14	1	3	5	+7027	11	+4	+7594	13	5	+3		
2	Adoni	1299	Dry	194663	93	183756	8		15	1	203240	47	190173	10		15		+8576	54	+4	+6417	9	4	+3		
3	Bellary	1300	Dry	277613	23	228402	13	11		13	290591	95	244010			13	6	+12978	72	+5	+15607	2	1	+7		
4	Hospett	1301	Dry	76266	80	34570			7	3	81427	17	36997	2		7	3	+5140	37	+7	+2427	2		+7		
5	Hadagalli	1301	Dry	198396	92	113913	8	9		9	206869		123537	8		9	6	+8472	8	+4	+9623	15	3	+8		
6	Rayadrug	1302	Dry	188351	77	101234			8	7	201593	95	113838	6		9		+13242	18	+7	+12604	6		+12		
7	Kudligi	1302	Dry	147588	37	68773	14	9		7	155230	84	71113			7	4	+7642	47	+5	+2339	1	3	+3		
8	Harpanahalli	1302	Dry	171964	6	94213			8	10	180799	30	103928	12		9	3	+8835	24	+5	+9715	12		+10		
Total				1446320	38	1057658	6	8		11	8	1518155	59	1123988	4		11	10	+71935	21	+5	+66329	13	4	+6	
Special rates				81	36	140	2	6				123	48	308	9				+42	12	+52	+168	6	6	+20	
Quit-rent bungalows				722	83	677	3	10				775	39	664	3				+52	56	+7	-13		10	-2	
Grand Total				1447024	57	1058475	13					1519054	46	1124961					+72029	39	+5	+66485	3	3	+6	
Total				37695	16																					
				1484720	73																					
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Deputy Commissioner

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APRIL.

Final Settlement Report.—Submitting to Government, with remarks, report from the Deputy Commissioner of Revenue Settlement, Party No. I, explaining certain discrepancies noticed by Government in the — of the Bellary district and Gcoty and Tadpatri taluks of the Anantapur district.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE
(REVENUE SETTLEMENT, LAND RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE).

READ—the following letter from M.R.Ry. S. RUNGACHARIAR, Avergal, B.A., Deputy Commissioner of Revenue Settlement, Party No. I, Bellary and Anantapur districts, to the Secretary to the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement and Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, dated Dharmavaram, 30th April 1897, No. 118:—

With reference to B.P., No. 142, dated the 18th February 1897, communicating G.O., No. 429, dated the 28th August 1896, on the final settlement report of the Bellary district and Gooty and Tadpatri of the Anantapur district and calling upon me to explain certain discrepancies noticed in paragraphs 3 and 4 thereof, I have the honour to explain as follows:—

2. Paragraph 3 of Government Order.—A difference between the revenue areas recorded in the statement under paragraph 12 of my report and in those under paragraphs 42 and 43 thereof is noticed and an explanation of this difference is called for. I beg to show in the margin the difference in regard to each taluk, from which it will be seen that as regards the Hadagalli taluk, the area in paragraph 12 of my report tallies with that in paragraphs 42 and 43, that the difference in the taluks of Alur, Adoni, Harpanahalli and Tadpatri is slight, ranging from acres 18.93 in the former to acres 92.67 in the last-named taluk. In the other five taluks, the difference is rather large varying from acres 341.53 in Gooty to acres 1,606.60 in Hospet. On an examination of the accounts in the office, it is found that the area in wet is correctly recorded and that the differences referred to above occur only in dry lands. The figures recorded in the statement under paragraph 12 are correct. They were adopted from the village financial abstracts after they were carefully checked in the office; but instead of the same course being adopted in regard to the statement under paragraph 42, the figures entered in the latter were inadvertently adopted from certain other statements, which had been previously prepared in the Taluk cutcherries. Hence the village financial abstracts referred to above are entered and request that they may be substituted for those already printed in paragraphs 42, 46 and also 77. In so doing the percentages are slightly altered in the Bellary, Hospet and Kudligi taluks of the Bellary district and in the Tadpatri taluk of the Anantapur district. The average rates of assessment for the several taluks are not affected. I further beg to state that the discrepancies noticed are only in revenue areas and that the survey areas recorded everywhere in my report are quite correct. I will see that such discrepancies do not occur in future reports.

Name of taluk.	Area as entered in paragraph 12 of the final report.	Total revenue area as entered in paragraphs 42 and 43 of the final report.	Difference.
Alur	ACS. 191,751	ACS. 191,769.93	ACS. 18.93
Adoni	197,069	197,021.48	47.52
Bellary	281,862	280,813.06	1,048.94
Hospet	87,876	89,482.60	1,606.60
Hadagalli	199,865	199,865.29	0.29
Kudligi	197,745	198,272.21	527.21
Harpanahalli	153,268	154,365.54	1,097.54
Gooty	175,244	175,211.64	32.36
Tadpatri	230,534	230,875.53	341.53
	162,976	162,883.33	92.67

3. The discrepancy regarding the Banglow lands has been explained by the Board.

4. In paragraph 4 of the Government Order, the Government ask why, when the net increase due to the settlement in the Gooty and Tadpatri taluks was below the prescribed maximum of 10 and 15 per cent., respectively, it was more than the 6 per cent. ordered in the case of the Bellary taluk. As stated by the Board, this subject already engaged attention and was reported to Government in B.P., No. 56, Press, dated 9th February 1893. In the Gooty and Tadpatri taluks, the percentages prescribed by Government were attained by classing the dry lands in the inferior villages in the second group, where a 2-anna rate was imposed on the worst dry lands. In the case of the Bellary taluk also, I recommended a similar course and proposed the transfer of 39 villages to the second class, with the result that there was an increase of 7.96 per cent. which, though somewhat higher than the prescribed maximum of 6 per cent., would, by the granting of relief at the appeal hearing, have been reduced to the required figure (6 per cent.) or a little less, as was the case in Gooty and Tadpatri. But the then Commissioner, the late Mr. Clogstoun, disallowed my proposals and ordered that the dry lands in the whole of the Bellary taluk should be placed in the first group, but that the classification in the said 39 inferior villages should be lowered by a sort. This order was carried out; but the lowest dry rate (8/5) in a village placed in the first class was 4 annas. Hence the 8/5 blocks, whose sanctioned rate was 4 annas per acre, could not be reduced lower and all the 8/5 blocks which, under the second group, would have borne only a 2-anna rate, had to be also charged with 4 annas. For this reason the result of settlement in the Bellary taluk was somewhat higher than the prescribed maximum instead of being lower as in Gooty and Tadpatri; the excess over the 6 per cent. was, however, very small, which the Board retained as a margin for granting relief in cases which might come before them in appeal—vide B.P., No. 56, Press, dated 9th February 1893, paragraph 4.

RESOLUTION—No. 140, dated 2nd April 1898.

The Deputy Commissioner's letter will be submitted to Government with reference to paragraphs 3 and 4 of G.O., No. 429, dated 28th August 1896, and in continuation of B.P., No. 142, dated 18th February 1897.

2. He reports that the revenue areas of occupied dry lands given in paragraph 42 of his report in B.P., No. 83 R.S., dated 1st May 1896, are incorrect, but that the wet areas given in paragraph 43, and the total wet and dry areas given in paragraph 12, are correct. He has submitted revised statements to be substituted for those given in paragraphs 42, 46 and 77 of his report.

3. In paragraph 4 of its Proceedings, No. 142, dated 18th February 1897, the Board remarked that the actual increase of dry assessment in the Bellary taluk was 6.83 per cent. or slightly in excess of the limit of 6 per cent. prescribed by Government, and that this was mainly due to the percentage of excess area by survey having increased from 4.77 to 5 per cent. The Deputy Commissioner, who was at the same time requested to report further on the point, states that the increase was due to his proposal to transfer 39 villages from first to second group "dry" not having been accepted. He explains that in cases where relief was necessary, the classification of soils might be reduced by one sort, and that in consequence it was not possible to grant any reduction in the lowest class of lands (8/5) which were assessed at 4 annas, and which, if the grouping had been reduced, would have borne an assessment of two annas per acre. The reason why the Deputy Commissioner's proposal was disapproved, was reported to Government in B.P., No. 56, dated 9th February 1893, recorded in G.O., No. 1276, dated 6th April 1893.

4. About 80 per cent. of the occupied dry area in the taluk belongs to the Regar series; and while the highest dry rate of the district is Rs. 2-8-0, the highest rate in that taluk is practically only Rs. 1-8-0, the higher rates being applied only to a

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small area of 379 acres. About 12 per cent. of the total area is assessed at Rs. 1-8-0; 35 per cent. at Re. 1 per acre, and the remainder constituting more than half the area (53 per cent.) at rates ranging from 12 to 4 annas. There seems therefore to be no reason to think that the taluk is overassessed.

(True Copy and Extract.)

B. Srinivasa
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, with three statements.

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" " Collector of Anantapur.
" " " of Bellary.

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