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Demand, Collection & Balance Statements.

According, with Encs. No. 1 to 5, forwarding
the — of Land Revenue & Cess in the several
districts after Madras Presidency for Feb. 1898

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Note

The figures shown in Cols 3, 7 and 10 of this statement differ from those given in Cols 5, 9 and 12 of the previous month's statement as shown below:—

District	Col 3 (Col 5) Current demands.	Col 7 (Col 9) Arrear Collections	Col 10 (Col 12) Current Collections
Gangam	- 836	- 6	-
Anantapur	- 20	-	- 20
Tirumelly	+ 23	- 20	+ 23
Malabar	- 1	-	- 2

The decrease in Gangam against Col 3 is ascribed to the adoption of correct demand under 'Tinkery rents' in the Berhampore taluk, while that against Col 7 is due to the rectification of errors. The variations in Anantapur and Tirumelly are also due to the latter cause above mentioned. The decreases in Malabar have not been explained, and are presumably due to fractions of a rupee being rounded off.

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the Madras Presidency up to the end of February 1898.

COLLECTIONS.					Arrears remitted.	BALANCE.		
Total.	Current.			Total Arrears and Current.		Arrears.	Current	Total.
	Up to last Month.	In this Month.	Total.					
9.	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
2343	6,48,664	1,99,619	8,48,283	11,17,626	646	54,220	2,45,058	2,59,278
4,714	6,54,083	3,62,259	10,16,342	11,68,056	512	3288	1,57,643	1,54,931
4,582	22,25,132	16,77,467	39,02,599	39,97,151	1,461	2505	1,69,610	1,72,115
983	23,40,249	15,94,922	39,35,171	39,54,154	4360	2774	4,26,400	4,29,174
664	2,76,973	5,21,770	7,98,743	8,53,397	990	731	1,77,607	1,78,338
449	6,29,578	5,29,384	11,59,262	14,49,711		6,19,286	5,92,559	12,11,345
715	571	2,52,117	2,52,688	5,01,403		57,640	93,301	1,52,941
135	4,57,320	4,27,748	8,85,068	12,59,203	313	56,574	1,76,503	2,33,377
8978	7,13,385	4,53,328	11,66,713	14,27,691	2	78,477	1,75,575	2,54,054
746	52,729	8,432	61,161	61,907		58	7,884	7,912
604	4,79,241	4,36,921	9,16,162	9,35,766	772	1,562	1,48,501	1,50,063
773	9,42,664	5,49,738	14,92,202	15,81,785	484	807	3,18,046	3,18,853
632	11,53,894	10,91,657	22,45,553	22,54,085	640	1,482	83,526	85,008
652	15,38,712	16,40,774	31,79,486	32,41,038	1,049	3,056	1,67,938	1,70,994
560	9,41,352	5,09,461	14,50,813	15,89,373	494	3,720	220,049	223,769
9,908	4,16,938	6,47,100	10,64,038	11,63,996	1,090	3,822	79,378	83,200
0,749	79,723	6,13,956	6,93,679	8,74,428	1,833	25,964	1,50,994	1,76,958
351	7,80,787	8,07,382	15,88,169	16,12,491	392	425	63,186	63,611
1,732	33,580	12,378	45,958	60,690	1,879	1,250	4,665	5,915
0,059	12,36,007	6,60,958	18,96,965	19,07,024	132		2,352	2,352
5,146	32,199	435	22,634	37,780	69	480		480
798	10,27,898	4,63,415	14,91,313	15,26,111	3,879	96,475	1,91,397	2,87,872
5,083	1,66,68,749	1,34,63,223	3,01,31,972	3,25,77,055	21,017	9,76,598	36,45,942	46,22,540

Statement of Demand, Collection and Balance of Land Revenue of

Districts.	Arrears at the beginning of the year.	DEMAND.				Arrears.		
		Current.			Total Arrears and Current.	Arrears.		
		Up to last Month.	In this Month.	Total.		Up to last Month.	In this Month.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Tanjam ..	2,87,209	8,58,628	2,31,713	10,90,341	13,77,550	2,60,266	12,077	2,72,343
Vizagapatam ..	1,58,514	7,77,064	3,90,921	11,67,985	13,23,499	1,50,810	904	1,51,714
Godavari ..	98,678	22,91,513	17,80,696	40,72,209	41,70,727	93,784	768	94,552
Kistna ..	26,117	24,26,093	19,35,478	43,61,571	43,87,688	18,949	34	19,013
Nellore ..	58,375	2,98,694	6,77,656	9,76,350	10,34,725	56,577	137	57,114
Cuddapah ..	9,09,736	11,66,402	5,86,919	17,51,321	26,61,056	2,58,025	32,424	2,90,449
Anantapur ..	808,355	571	3,45,418	3,46,989	6,54,344	1,07,230	1,41,485	1,48,715
Bellary ..	4,31,022	6,03,530	4,58,341	10,61,871	14,92,893	3,16,470	57,665	3,74,135
Kurnool ..	3,37,489	9,08,601	4,38,687	13,44,288	16,87,747	2,09,429	49,549	2,58,978
Madras ..	804	60,594	8,121	69,015	69,819	708	38	746
Chingleput ..	21,938	5,40,492	5,24,171	10,64,663	10,86,601	19,575	29	19,604
North Arcot ..	91,064	11,29,366	6,80,882	18,10,248	19,01,312	89,457	316	90,373
South Arcot ..	10,654	11,93,071	11,36,008	23,29,079	23,39,733	8,574	18	8,592
Tanjore ..	65,657	17,04,735	15,42,689	33,47,244	34,13,081	60,557	995	61,552
Trichinopoly ..	1,42,774	10,97,887	5,72,975	16,70,862	18,13,636	1,37,013	1,547	1,38,560
Madura ..	1,04,870	4,29,892	7,13,524	11,43,416	12,48,286	99,012	946	100,018
Tinnevely ..	2,08,546	87,573	7,57,100	8,44,673	10,53,219	7,74,937	5,812	7,80,749
Coimbatore ..	15,168	8,42,538	8,15,792	16,61,325	16,76,493	14,357		16,91,150
Nilgiris ..	17,881	40,143	10,480	50,623	68,504	12,802	1,930	14,732
Salem ..	10,191	12,37,705	6,61,612	18,99,317	19,09,508	10,057		19,19,565
South Canara ..	5,695	32,199	435	32,634	38,329	5,146		43,475
Malabar ..	1,35,152	11,40,541	5,42,169	16,82,710	18,17,862	33,902	896	18,21,758
Total ..	34,62,698	1,88,64,127	1,49,12,787	3,37,77,914	3,72,20,612	21,37,573	3,07,570	24,45,143

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Board of Revenue

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Reviewing the Demand, Collection and Balance statements of Land Revenue and Cesses in the several districts of the Madras Presidency for February 1898.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE
(LAND REVENUE).

READ—Demand, collection and balance statements of land revenue and cesses in the several districts of the Madras Presidency for February 1898.

RESOLUTION—No. 95, dated 7th April 1898.

Districts.	Increase.		Decrease.	
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Ganjām	107	..	..	..
Górávari	301	..	..	..
Anantapur	..	..	2,03,756	..
Malabar	..	..	1	..
Total	408	2,03,757	..	..
Net decrease	2,03,349	..	..	..

granted. The decrease of Re. 1 in Malabar occurs under the head "Permanently-settled revenue" against the arrears due from Sultan Ali Rajah of Cannanore and has not been explained by the Collector. The increase in Ganjām is due to revision of the land-cess demand on certain zemindari and proprietary estates for fasli 1306, and that in Górávari to the adoption of revised figures with reference to the jamabandi of fasli 1306.

2. *Arrears.*—Out of the arrear demand of Rs. 34,42,698 mentioned above, Rs. 24,45,083 or 71·0 per cent. were collected, Rs. 21,017 were written off the accounts, while Rs. 90,242 are irrecoverable, leaving a recoverable balance of Rs. 8,86,356.

3. The subjoined statement exhibits the recoverable balance in each district, together with the steps taken for its recovery or the reasons that preclude the taking of such steps :—

STATEMENT II.—Particulars of recoverable balance.

Districts.	Collected or adjusted after the close of the month.	Adjustable from excess collections, deposits, or other heads of accounts, &c., but not yet adjusted.	Considered irrecoverable or doubtful recovery.	Due on estates under attachment and Government management or under Court of Wards, or due from other minors and not adjusted for want of funds.	Collections suspended or postponed.	Arrears under enquiry or correspondence including amounts embezzled.	Covered by processes.	Other items.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1. Cuddapah	Rs. 1,109	Rs. 1,004	Rs. 50	Rs. ..	Rs. 4,14,943	Rs. 80	Rs. 84,468	Rs. 1,17,631	Rs. 6,19,285
2. Karnool	1,487	124	9	..	37,031	42	39,750	..	78,443
3. Anantapur	6,746	381	15	..	..	..	52,589	..	59,631
4. Bellary	3,724	43	74	..	21,885	..	30,484	..	56,210
5. Tinnevely	216	8	1,303	12,002	6,875	..	2,080	2,642	25,126
6. Ganjām	1,795	311	1,558	..	..	2,815	7,396	..	13,875
7. Malabar	..	..	83	..	1,291	20	9,494	..	10,888
8. Madura	55	1,465	825	..	..	203	..	111	3,579
9. Trichinopoly ..	203	106	460	..	..	2	2,564	7	3,342
10. Vizagapatam ..	111	14	78	..	..	2	2,625	213	3,043
11. Tanjore	19	198	1,597	78	..	191	782	..	2,865
12. Górávari	686	285	386	..	..	..	1,148	..	2,505
13. Kistna	113	386	34	..	..	385	..	1,029	2,427
14. Chingleput ..	..	183	57	..	536	..	443	..	1,224
15. South Arcot ..	..	67	454	..	..	116	225	277	1,129
16. Nilgiris	7	..	18	..	..	153	616	..	794
17. North Arcot ..	1	196	390	..	..	98	5	..	685
18. South Canara ..	..	104	102	..	..	..	57	192	455
19. Nellore	..	133	243	..	..	19	35	..	430
20. Coimbatore ..	67	84	62	..	..	..	33	137	383
21. Madras	5	..	..	..	..	..	32	..	37
22. Salem	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	16,344	5,087	7,798	12,089	4,82,561	4,601	2,35,746	1,22,239	8,86,356

* Excludes Rs. 100 being the difference between the amount of recoverable balance shown in Enclosure A to the demand, collection and balance statement of the Anantapur district and the details given in Enclosure B to the same statement. The Collector has been requested to explain the discrepancy.

4. Of the arrears outstanding at the end of the month, Rs. 29,229 (columns 2, 3 and 4) have been either collected since the end of the month, or are in process of adjustment, or have been ascertained to be irrecoverable. It is hoped that the major portion of the amounts shown in column 4 will be included in the statements of irrecoverable arrears for the quarter ending 31st March 1898.

No immediate steps can be taken for the recovery of Rs. 4,91,641, as the arrear is due from estates which are under Government management, or which belong to minors (column 5), or its collection has been postponed (column 6).

5. The postponement of collections has been ordered in the districts shown below :—

In its Proceedings noted in the margin, the Board in the Settlement Department ordered that, pending the settlement of the question of granting dry remissions in the affected parts of the Cuddapah, Bellary and Karnool districts, the collection of revenue due from the ryots in those parts should not be pressed and that the collection of the unremitted portion of the dry assessment should be postponed till the current fasli. The

amounts appearing against these districts represent the balance remaining uncollected

out of the postponements sanctioned in the orders above referred to. It is observed that in its order No. 154, Revenue, dated 15th March 1898, communicated with Board's Proceedings, No. 127, Revenue Settlement, dated 16th March 1898, Government has passed final orders on the proposals of the Collector of Cuddapah regarding the grant of these remissions, and the Board hopes that the amount shown under "Postponements" against this district will be considerably reduced in subsequent statements. Of the amount shown against *Tinnevelly*, Rs. 4,188 represent second-crop assessment imposed on certain mita lands, and the collection of the amount depends on the decision of a suit filed against Government in respect of the charge. The collection of the balance, Rs. 2,687, has been suspended by the Collector pending decision of certain appeals preferred to him. The Collector is requested to dispose of these appeals as early as practicable. Of the amount shown against *Malabar*, Rs. 1,098 represent the jammabhogam due on certain estates the collection of which has been suspended by the Collector pending inquiry into the objections of the proprietors thereof. Of the remainder, Rs. 192 represent jammabhogam due on certain lands in the Wynaad taluk the collection of which has been postponed pending submission of the report called for in Government Order, No. 531, dated 20th October 1896. Rs. 536, appearing against *Chingleput* are due on certain lands taken up for public purposes and the collection of the amount has been suspended pending the settlement of compensation.

6. The arrears, for which processes have been issued, amounted to Rs. 2,35,746.

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Arrears for which demand notice No. 1 was issued	1,73,708
Arrears for which moveable property was distrained or notified for sale	39,755
Arrears for which demand notice No. 4 was issued	7,744
Arrears for which land was attached or notified for sale	14,539
Total	2,35,746

The steps taken for the realization of this sum are shown in the margin. The amounts covered by demand notice No. 1 occur largely in Cuddapah, Anantapur, Bellary and Kurnool which are affected districts.

7. Of the amounts shown under "other items," those appearing against Cuddapah and Tinnevelly call for remarks. The major portion of the amount appearing against Cuddapah represents the dry assessment relating to fasli 1306 of some villages in the four northern taluks of the district, the collection of which was suspended till very recently (*vide* Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 1045; Revenue Settlement, dated 12th February 1898). The amount appearing against Tinnevelly represents sale-proceeds of lands placed under Revenue deposit pending confirmation of sales by Divisional-officers.

Old arrears relating to fasli 1305.

Districts.	Balance at the		Difference.
	Beginning of the month.	End of the month.	
	rs.	rs.	rs.
Ganjām	112	111	1
Vizagapatam	17	17	..
Kistna	865	865	..
Bellary	25	26	+ 1
Chingleput	213	213	..
Tanjore	361	361	..
Trichinopoly	24	23	1
Madura	124	96	28
Tinnevelly	1,530	1,512	18
Malabar	2,464	2,090	374

8. In round numbers the recoverable balance for the Presidency at the end of the month was Rs. 8,86,000 out of an arrear demand of Rs. 34,42,000 at the beginning of the fasli. The corresponding figures of the previous year were Rupees 74,000 and Rs. 9,87,000. The collections in the month aggregated Rupees 3,07,000 as against Rs. 11,000 in February 1897.

9. *Old Arrears.*—The marginal statement exhibits the arrears of fasli 1305 outstanding at the beginning and end of February 1898.

Arrears relating to fasli 1304 and previous years are found in the eight districts shown in the subjoined statement:—

Old arrears.

Fasli.	Ganjām.	Vizagapatam.	Chingleput.	South Arcot.	Tanjore.	Trichinopoly.	Tinnevelly.	Malabar.
	rs.	rs.	rs.	rs.	rs.	rs.	rs.	rs.
1298	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1299	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1300	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	148
1301	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1302	..	107	..	..	..	..	..	579
1303	3	..	12	..	288	..	45	250
1304	2	10	12	364	763	28	1,309	592
Total	27	117	24	364	1,051	28	1,354	1,569
Arrears at the beginning of the month	27	134	24	364	1,051	28	1,354	1,685
Difference	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	116

The arrears shown against Ganjām, Chingleput, Tanjore, Trichinopoly and Tinnevelly continue undiminished for the reasons stated in the review for the previous month. Of the amount appearing against Vizagapatam, Rs. 66 represent the arrears of rent assigned by Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co., and Rs. 10 are under enquiry. Particulars are not given for the balance of Rs. 41. The Collector is requested to supply the omission. Rs. 364 appearing against South Arcot represents the amount due from a cowledar who objected to its payment and filed a suit against Government—*vide* paragraph 8 of Board's Proceedings, No. 103, dated 30th March 1897. It is now reported that the amount is irrecoverable. The Collector is requested to state whether the suit has been disposed of, and why the amount is considered irrecoverable. The whole of the amount appearing against Malabar relates to the Wynaad taluk, of which Rs. 1,120 are covered by processes and Rs. 20 are stated to be under enquiry. The remainder is due on certain estates and the collection of the amount has been suspended by the Collector pending enquiry into the objections of the proprietors thereof.

10. *Current.*—According to the demand, collection and balance statements for February 1898, the total *current* demand up to the end of the month amounted to Rs. 3,37,77,914 against Rs. 3,36,03,340 and Rs. 3,35,76,335 in faslis 1306 and 1305, respectively. Of this sum, Rs. 3,01,31,972 or 89.2 per cent. were collected before the close of the month, leaving at the end of it a balance of Rs. 36,45,942 or 10.8 per cent of the demand against 5.7 per cent. and 17.5 per cent. at the end of February 1896 and 1897, respectively. The subjoined statement shows by districts the demand, collection and balance of current kists and the proportion of the balance to the demand:—

STATEMENT No. III.

Districts.	Current demand at the end of		Current collections up to the end of February 1898.	Current balance up to the end of February 1898.	Percentage of balance to the demand at the close of	
	February 1897.	February 1898.			February 1897.	February 1898.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.		
Ganjām	11,44,869	10,90,341	8,45,283	2,45,058	47.1	22.5
Vizagapatam	11,69,863	11,67,985	10,16,342	1,51,643	27.4	13.0
Gódvári	40,64,477	40,72,209	39,02,599	1,69,610	12.1	4.2
Kistna	42,34,410	43,61,571	39,35,171	4,26,400	5.3	9.8
Nellore	9,91,038	9,76,350	7,38,743	1,77,607	2.1	18.2
Cuddapah	17,79,030	17,51,321	11,59,262	5,92,059	61.0	33.8
Anantapur	3,23,460	3,45,989	2,52,683	93,301	60.0	27.0
Bellary	11,09,483	10,61,871	8,85,068	1,76,803	63.7	16.7
Kurnool	13,51,640	13,44,283	11,68,713	1,75,575	37.5	86.9
Madras	68,461	69,015	61,161	7,854	8.6	11.4
Chingleput	10,83,550	10,64,663	9,16,162	1,48,501	1.6	13.9
North Arcot	17,98,121	18,10,243	14,92,202	3,18,046	28.2	17.6
South Arcot	23,34,752	23,29,079	22,45,533	83,528	4.6	3.6
Tanjore	33,64,881	33,47,424	31,79,486	1,67,938	8.0	5.0
Trichinopoly	17,04,213	16,70,862	14,50,813	2,20,049	19.1	13.2
Madura	9,17,380	11,43,416	10,64,038	79,378	11.2	6.9
Tinnevely	8,57,226	8,41,673	6,93,679	1,50,994	20.5	17.9
Coimbatore	16,79,853	16,61,325	15,98,139	63,186	3.4	3.8
Nilgiris	42,945	50,623	45,958	4,665	10.2	9.2
Salem	18,62,273	18,99,317	18,90,965	2,352	3.1	1.1
South Canara	39,427	32,634	34,634			
Malabar	16,80,938	16,82,710	14,91,313	1,91,397	17.5	10.8
Total	3,36,03,340	3,37,77,914	3,01,31,972	36,45,942		

Ryotwari kists accrued during the month in all districts except South Canara. The collections exceeded 98 per cent. in Salem and 96 per cent. in South Arcot and Coimbatore.

11. The balances exceeded a lakh of rupees in each of the districts noted in the margin. A portion thereof appears, however, to have been collected since the end of the month or to be covered by processes. The remainder, for which special explanation is furnished by Collectors, is referred to below. Of the amount appearing against Cuddapah, the collection of Rs. 45,000 has been suspended, with reference to Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 1441, Revenue Settlement, dated 28th February 1898, and Rs. 1,31,822 are not covered by processes owing to the non-receipt of lists of defaulters from several villages. The balance of Rs. 50,175 in Cuddapah and Rs. 34,966 in North Arcot represent assessments on wet waste and shavi which are likely to be remitted at the jamabandi. Of the remainder in North

Districts.	Balance.	Collected since the end of the month or covered by processes.	Remainder.
	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Cuddapah	5,92,059	3,65,062	2,26,997
2. Kistna	4,26,400	2,34,796	1,91,604
3. North Arcot	3,18,046	2,68,381	49,665
4. Ganjām	2,45,058	2,43,814	1,244
5. Trichinopoly	2,20,049	2,19,993	56
6. Malabar	1,88,935	1,75,350	13,585
7. Nellore	1,77,607	63,347	1,14,260
8. Bellary	1,76,803	1,68,598	8,205
9. Kurnool	1,75,575	1,61,175	14,400
10. Gódvári	1,59,610	1,48,299	21,312
11. Tanjore	1,67,938	1,59,511	8,427
12. Vizagapatam	1,51,643	1,47,326	4,317
13. Tinnevely	1,50,994	1,26,401	24,593
14. Chingleput	1,48,501	65,608	82,893

Arcot no immediate steps can be taken for the recovery of Rs. 8,433 as the amount is due from estates which are under Government management or which belong to minors. The large balance appearing against Kistna is only nominal, as the major portion (Rs. 1,69,565) represents the amount collected and remitted to the Sub-Treasury at Tenali but kept in amanat owing to the delay in shroffing the coins. Rs. 16,466 of the remainder are due on estates which are under Government management or which belong to minors. Of the amount shown against Nellore, Rs. 73,138 represent the wet and dry assessments postponed in the Udayagiri, Atmakúru and Kanigiri taluks under orders from the Settlement Department—vide Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 1363, dated 25th February 1898—and the balance Rs. 41,122 is likely to be remitted at the jamabandi. The collection of Rs. 21,310 in Gódvári is stated to have been

suspended, but no authority for the suspension has been quoted. The Collector is requested to supply the omission. The whole amount appearing against Chingleput and Rs. 11,442 in Tinnevely represent the assessments on wet waste and shavi which may have to be remitted at the jamabandi. Of the balance in the latter district, Rs. 13,109 are due on estates under attachment or belonging to minors. The balances in the remaining districts do not call for any remarks.

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To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with a statement in manuscript,
all Collectors (Divisional-officers and Tahsildars).

APPENDIX A.

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Górávari ..	2,505	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2,505
Kistna ..	2,774	13	334	..	..	..	..	347	2,427
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To the Board L.R. - Dated 17.5.98

Note

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APRIL.

Demand, Collection and Balance Statements.

Recording, with remarks, Board's Proceedings reviewing the — of land revenue and
cesses in the several districts of the Madras Presidency for February 1898.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), No. 95, dated 7th April 1898 :—

Read—Demand, collection and balance statements of land revenue and cesses in the several districts of the Madras Presidency for February 1898.

Resolution—No. 95, dated 7th April 1898.

Districts.	Increase. Decrease.	
	RS.	RS.
Ganjām	107	..
Górávari	301	..
Anantapur	..	2,03,756
Malabar	..	1
Total	408	2,03,757
Net decrease	2,03,349	

granted. The decrease of Re. 1 in Malabar occurs under the head "Permanently-settled revenue" against the arrears due from Sultan Ali Rajah of Cannanore and has not been explained by the Collector. The increase in Ganjām is due to revision of the land-cess demand on certain zemindari and proprietary estates for fasli 1306, and that in Górávari to the adoption of revised figures with reference to the jamabandi of fasli 1306.

2. *Arrears.*—Out of the arrear demand of Rs. 34,42,698 mentioned above, Rs. 24,45,083 or 71·0 per cent. were collected, Rs. 21,017 were written off the accounts, while Rs. 90,242 are irrecoverable, leaving a recoverable balance of Rs. 8,86,356.

3. The subjoined statement exhibits the recoverable balance in each district, together with the steps taken for its recovery or the reasons that preclude the taking of such steps :—

STATEMENT II.—Particulars of recoverable balance.

Districts.	Collected or adjusted after the close of the month.	Adjustable from excess collections, deposits, or other heads of accounts, &c., but not yet adjusted.	Considered irrecoverable or of doubtful recovery.	Due on estates under attachment and Government management or under Court of Wards, or due from other minors and not adjusted for want of funds.	Collections suspended or postponed.	Arrears under enquiry or correspondence including amounts embezzled.	Covered by processes.	Other items.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1. Cuddapah	1,109	1,004	60	..	4,14,943	80	84,468	1,17,631	6,19,285
2. Kurnool	1,487	124	9	..	37,031	42	39,750	..	78,443
3. Anantapur	6,746	331	15	..	..	..	52,589	..	59,631
4. Bellary	3,724	43	74	..	21,885	..	30,484	..	66,210
5. Tinnevely	216	8	1,303	12,002	6,875	..	2,080	2,642	25,126
6. Ganjām	1,795	311	1,554	..	..	2,815	7,396	..	13,875
7. Malabar	..	..	83	..	1,291	20	9,494	..	10,888
8. Madras	..	1,465	325	..	..	203	920	111	3,579
9. Trichinopoly ..	55	106	460	..	..	2	2,564	7	3,342
10. Vizagapatam ..	203	14	78	..	..	2	2,625	213	3,043
11. Tanjore	111	198	1,597	78	..	191	782	..	2,865
12. Górávari	19	285	386	..	..	..	1,148	..	2,505
13. Kistna	686	886	34	..	..	865	..	1,029	2,427
14. Chingleput ..	113	188	57	..	536	..	443	..	1,224
15. South Arcot ..	..	57	454	..	..	116	225	277	1,129
16. Nilgiris	7	..	18	..	..	153	616	..	794
17. North Arcot ..	1	196	390	..	..	93	5	..	685
18. South Canara ..	..	104	102	..	..	..	57	192	455
19. Nellore	..	133	243	..	..	19	35	..	430
20. Coimbatore ..	67	84	62	..	..	..	33	137	383
21. Madras	5	..	..	..	..	..	32	..	37
22. Salem	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	16,344	5,087	7,798	12,080	4,82,561	4,601	2,85,746	1,22,239	8,86,356

* Excludes Rs. 100 being the difference between the amount of recoverable balance shown in Enclosure A to the demand, collection and balance statement of the Anantapur district and the details given in Enclosure B to the same statement. The Collector has been requested to explain the discrepancy.

4. Of the arrears outstanding at the end of the month, Rs. 29,229 (columns 2, 3 and 4) have been either collected since the end of the month, or are in process of adjustment, or have been ascertained to be irrecoverable. It is hoped that the major portion of the amounts shown in column 4 will be included in the statements of irrecoverable arrears for the quarter ending 31st March 1898.

No immediate steps can be taken for the recovery of Rs. 4,94,641, as the arrear is due from estates which are under Government management, or which belong to minors (column 5), or its collection has been postponed (column 6).

5. The postponement of collections has been ordered in the districts shown below :—

In its Proceedings noted in the margin, the Board in the Settlement Department ordered that, pending the settlement of the question of granting dry remissions in the affected parts of the Cuddapah, Bellary and Kurnool districts, the collection of revenue due from the ryots in those parts should not be pressed and that the collection of the unremitted portion of the dry assessment should be postponed till the current fasli. The amounts appearing against these districts represent the balance remaining uncollected

Board's Proceedings, No. 94 (Revenue Settlement), dated 3rd February 1897.
Board's Proceedings, No. 323 (Revenue Settlement), dated 28th April 1897.
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out of the postponements sanctioned in the orders above referred to. It is observed that in its order No. 154, Revenue, dated 15th March 1898, communicated with Board's Proceedings, No. 127, Revenue Settlement, dated 16th March 1898, Government has passed final orders on the proposals of the Collector of Cuddapah regarding the grant of these remissions, and the Board hopes that the amount shown under "Postponements" against this district will be considerably reduced in subsequent statements. Of the amount shown against *Tinnevelly*, Rs. 4,188 represent second-crop assessment imposed on certain mita lands, and the collection of the amount depends on the decision of a suit filed against Government in respect of the charge. The collection of the balance, Rs. 2,687, has been suspended by the Collector pending decision of certain appeals preferred to him. The Collector is requested to dispose of these appeals as early as practicable. Of the amount shown against *Malabar*, Rs. 1,098 represent the janmabhogam due on certain estates the collection of which has been suspended by the Collector pending inquiry into the objections of the proprietors thereof. Of the remainder, Rs. 192 represent janmabhogam due on certain lands in the Wynaad taluk the collection of which has been postponed pending submission of the report called for in Government Order, No. 531, dated 20th October 1896. Rs. 536, appearing against *Chingleput* are due on certain lands taken up for public purposes and the collection of the amount has been suspended pending the settlement of compensation.

6. The arrears, for which processes have been issued, amounted to Rs. 2,35,746.

	Rs.
Arrears for which demand notice No. 1 was issued	1,73,708
Arrears for which moveable property was distrained or notified for sale	39,755
Arrears for which demand notice No. 4 was issued	7,744
Arrears for which land was attached or notified for sale	14,539
Total	2,35,746

The steps taken for the realization of this sum are shown in the margin. The amounts covered by demand notice No. 1 occur largely in Cuddapah, Anantapur, Bellary and Kurnool which are affected districts.

7. Of the amounts shown under "other items," those appearing against Cuddapah and *Tinnevelly* call for remarks. The major portion of the amount appearing against Cuddapah represents the dry assessment relating to fasli 1306 of some villages in the four northern taluks of

the district, the collection of which was suspended till very recently (*vide* Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 1045, Revenue Settlement, dated 12th February 1898). The amount appearing against *Tinnevelly* represents sale-proceeds of lands placed under Revenue deposit pending confirmation of sales by Divisional-officers.

Old arrears relating to fasli 1305.

Districts.	Balance at the		Difference.
	Beginning of the month.	End of the month.	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Ganjām ..	112	111	1
Vizagapatam ..	17	17	..
Kistna ..	865	865	..
Bellary ..	25	26	1
Chingleput ..	213	213	..
Tanjore ..	361	361	..
Trichinopoly ..	24	23	1
Madura ..	124	96	28
Tinnevelly ..	1,530	1,512	18
Malabar ..	2,464	2,090	374

8. In round numbers the recoverable balance for the Presidency at the end of the month was Rs. 8,86,000 out of an arrear demand of Rs. 34,42,000 at the beginning of the fasli. The corresponding figures of the previous year were Rupees 74,000 and Rs. 9,87,000. The collections in the month aggregated Rupees 3,07,000 as against Rs. 11,000 in February 1897.

9. *Old Arrears*.—The marginal statement exhibits the arrears of fasli 1305 outstanding at the beginning and end of February 1898.

Arrears relating to fasli 1304 and previous years are found in the eight districts shown in the subjoined statement:—

Old arrears.

Fasli.	Ganjām.	Vizagapatam.	Chingleput.	South Arcot.	Tanjore.	Trichinopoly.	Tinnevelly.	Malabar.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1298 ..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1299 ..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	148
1300 ..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1301 ..	..	107	..	..	..	..	..	579
1302 ..	3	..	12	..	288	..	45	250
1303 ..	..	10	12	364	763	28	1,309	592
1304 ..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	27	117	24	364	1,051	28	1,354	1,569
Arrears at the beginning of the month ..	27	134	24	364	1,051	28	1,354	1,685
Difference ..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	116

The arrears shown against Ganjām, Chingleput, Tanjore, Trichinopoly and *Tinnevelly* continue undiminished for the reasons stated in the review for the previous month. Of the amount appearing against Vizagapatam, Rs. 66 represent the arrears of rent assigned by Messrs. Arbuthnot & Co., and Rs. 10 are under enquiry. Particulars are not given for the balance of Rs. 41. The Collector is requested to supply the omission. Rs. 364 appearing against South Arcot represents the amount due from a cowledar who objected to its payment and filed a suit against Government—*vide* paragraph 8 of Board's Proceedings, No. 103, dated 30th March 1897. It is now reported that the amount is irrecoverable. The Collector is requested to state whether the suit has been disposed of, and why the amount is considered irrecoverable. The whole of the amount appearing against *Malabar* relates to the Wynaad taluk, of which Rs. 1,120 are covered by processes and Rs. 20 are stated to be under enquiry. The remainder is due on certain estates and the collection of the amount has been suspended by the Collector pending enquiry into the objections of the proprietors thereof.

10. *Current*.—According to the demand, collection and balance statements for February 1898, the total *current* demand up to the end of the month amounted to Rs. 3,37,77,914 against Rs. 3,36,03,340 and Rs. 3,35,76,335 in faslis 1306 and 1305, respectively. Of this sum, Rs. 3,01,31,972 or 89.2 per cent. were collected before the close of the month, leaving at the end of it a balance of Rs. 36,45,942 or 10.8 per cent. of the demand against 5.7 per cent. and 17.5 per cent. at the end of February 1896 and 1897, respectively. The subjoined statement shows by districts the demand, collection and balance of current kists and the proportion of the balance to the demand:—

STATEMENT No. III.

Districts.	Current demand at the end of		Current collections up to the end of February 1898.	Current balance up to the end of February 1898.	Percentage of balance to the demand at the close of	
	February 1897.	February 1898.			February 1897.	February 1898.
Ganjām	Rs. 11,44,869	Rs. 10,90,341	Rs. 8,45,283	Rs. 2,45,058	47.1	22.5
Vizagapatam	11,69,863	11,67,985	10,16,342	1,51,643	27.4	13.0
Gódvári	40,64,477	40,72,209	39,02,599	1,69,610	12.1	4.2
Kistna	42,34,410	43,61,571	39,35,171	4,26,400	5.3	9.8
Nellore	9,31,088	9,76,350	7,38,743	1,77,607	2.1	18.2
Cuddapah	17,79,030	17,51,321	11,59,262	5,92,059	61.0	33.8
Anantapur	8,23,460	3,45,989	2,52,688	93,301	60.0	27.3
Bellary	11,09,488	10,61,871	8,85,068	1,76,803	63.7	16.7
Kurnool	13,51,640	13,44,288	11,68,713	1,75,575	37.5	86.9
Madras	68,451	69,015	61,161	7,854	8.6	11.4
Chingleput	10,83,550	10,64,663	9,16,162	1,48,501	1.6	13.9
North Arcot	17,98,121	18,10,248	14,92,202	3,18,046	28.2	17.6
South Arcot	23,34,752	23,29,079	22,45,553	83,526	4.6	3.6
Tanjore	33,64,881	33,47,424	31,79,486	1,67,938	8.0	6.0
Trichinopoly	17,04,213	16,70,862	14,50,813	2,20,049	19.1	13.2
Madura	9,17,380	11,43,416	10,64,038	79,378	11.2	6.9
Tinnevely	8,57,226	8,44,673	6,93,679	1,50,994	20.5	17.9
Coimbatore	16,79,858	16,61,325	15,98,139	63,186	3.4	3.8
Nilgiris	42,945	50,623	45,958	4,665	10.2	9.2
Salem	18,62,273	18,89,317	18,96,965	2,352	3.1	1
South Canara	39,427	32,634	32,634			
Malabar	16,80,938	16,82,710	14,91,313	1,91,397	8.8	11.4
Total ..	8,36,08,340	8,37,77,914	8,01,31,972	36,45,942	17.5	10.8

Ryotwari kists accrued during the month in all districts except South Canara. The collections exceeded 98 per cent. in Salem and 96 per cent. in South Arcot and Coimbatore.

11. The balances exceeded a lakh of rupees in each of the districts noted in the margin. A portion thereof appears, however, to have been collected since the end of the month or to be covered by processes. The remainder, for which special explanation is furnished by Collectors, is referred to below. Of the amount appearing against Cuddapah, the collection of Rs. 45,000 has been suspended, with reference to Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 1441, Revenue Settlement, dated 28th February 1898, and Rs. 1,31,822 are not covered by processes owing to the non-receipt of lists of defaulters from several villages. The balance of Rs. 50,175 in Cuddapah and Rs. 34,966 in North Arcot represent assessments on wet waste and shavi which are likely to be remitted at the jamabandi. Of the remainder in North

Districts.	Balance.	Collected since the end of the month or covered by processes.	Remainder.
1. Cuddapah ..	Rs. 5,92,059	Rs. 3,65,062	Rs. 2,26,997
2. Kistna ..	4,26,400	2,34,796	1,91,604
3. North Arcot ..	3,18,046	2,68,381	49,665
4. Ganjām ..	2,45,058	2,43,814	1,244
5. Trichinopoly ..	2,20,049	2,19,995	54
6. Malabar ..	1,88,985	1,75,350	13,635
7. Nellore ..	1,77,607	63,347	1,14,260
8. Bellary ..	1,76,803	1,68,698	8,205
9. Kurnool ..	1,75,575	1,61,175	14,400
10. Gódvári ..	1,69,610	1,48,298	21,312
11. Tanjore ..	1,67,938	1,59,511	8,427
12. Vizagapatam ..	1,51,643	1,47,328	4,317
13. Tinnevely ..	1,50,994	1,26,401	24,593
14. Chingleput ..	1,48,501	65,608	82,893

Arcot no immediate steps can be taken for the recovery of Rs. 8,433 as the amount is due from estates which are under Government management or which belong to minors. The large balance appearing against Kistna is only nominal, as the major portion (Rs. 1,69,565) represents the amount collected and remitted to the Sub-Treasury at Tenali but kept in amanat owing to the delay in shroffing the coins. Rs. 16,466 of the remainder are due on estates which are under Government management or which belong to minors. Of the amount shown against Nellore, Rs. 73,138 represent the wet and dry assessments postponed in the Udayagiri, Atmakuru and Kanigiri taluks under orders from the Settlement Department—vide Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 1368, dated 25th February 1898—and the balance Rs. 41,122 is likely to be remitted at the jamabandi. The collection of Rs. 21,310 in Gódvári is stated to have been suspended, but no authority for the suspension has been quoted. The Collector is requested to supply the omission. The whole amount appearing against Chingleput

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(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. C. C. CARR,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
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