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Statement of Demand, Collected April 1898.

Districts.	Arrears at the beginning of the <i>farsi</i>	Current		BALANCE.		
		Up to last Month.	In the Month.	Arrears.	Current	Total.
1	2	3	4	15	16	17
Ganjam ..	287836	14,86,297	1,16,846	6162	190023	196185
Vizagapatam ..	155587	1531928	13738 512	2217	102995	105212
Godavari ..	98548	5937673	1380 1461	705	78188	78893
Kistna ..	26117	6397062	163 4373	2449	48211	50660
Nellore ..	58375	1820710	672 990	697	346467	347164
Cuddapah ..	840160	2332822	38 1	481516	468362	949878
Anantapur ..	308355	680177	318 1	15370	165380	180750
Bellary ..	431022	1605418	293 313	11241	147396	158637
Kurnool ..	337428	1758633	154 2	31011	58790	89801
Madras ..	804	78552	21	31	3331	3362
Chingleput ..	21938	1544398	557 772	1119	407615	408734
North Arcot ..	91064	2587931	381 484	669	460925	461594
South Arcot ..	10654	3443179	1052 876	1212	410311	404223
Tanjore ..	65657	5007328	1872 1049	2349	300007	302356
Trichinopoly ..	142774	2252720	164 494	2941	137765	140706
Madura ..	104870	1904558	731 1127	2634	144558	147192
Tinnevely ..	208554	1577525	8624 1946	11314	227801	244195
Coimbatore ..	15168	2480199	8418 395	133	112818	112951
Nilgiris ..	17880	129310	122 1899	609	15818	16427
Salem ..	10191	2592717	820 132	"	6416	6416
South Canara ..	5695	777741	3749 69	405	35336	35741
Malabar ..	135183	2307964	453 3879	95913	200816	296729
Total ..	3373830	50234848	8489921441	675697	4062209	4737906

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Statement of Demand, Collection and Balance of Land Revenue

Districts.	Arrears at the beginning of the <i>farsi</i>	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
Ganjam ..	287836	14,86,297	1,16,892	16,03,189	18,91,025	279727	1301
Vizagapatam ..	155587	1531928	137386	1669314	1824901	152382	476
Godavari ..	98548	5937673	138006	6075679	6174227	96029	353
Kistna ..	26117	6397068	163401	6560469	6586586	19258	37
Nellore ..	58375	1820710	672654	2493364	2551739	56688	4
Cuddapah ..	840160	2332822	3817	2336639	3176799	335814	22829
Anantapur ..	308355	680177	318891	999068	1307423	282390	10595
Bellary ..	431022	1605418	293131	1898549	2329571	408934	10534
Kurnool ..	337428	1758633	15451	1774084	2111512	292180	14235
Madras ..	804	78552	77	78629	79433	752	4
Chingleput ..	21938	1544398	557439	2101837	2123775	19614	433
North Arcot ..	91064	2587931	381109	2969040	3060104	89864	47
South Arcot ..	10654	3443179	1052136	4495315	4505969	8562	4
Tanjore ..	65657	5007328	1672508	6679836	6745493	62092	167
Trichinopoly ..	142774	2252720	16442	2269162	2411936	139179	160
Madura ..	104870	1904558	731666	2636224	2741094	700948	161
Tinnevely ..	208554	1577525	862492	2440017	2648571	185412	482
Coimbatore ..	15168	2480199	841826	3322025	3337193	14618	22
Nilgiris ..	17880	129310	12232	141542	159422	15372	4
Salem ..	10191	2592717	82030	2674747	2684938	10059	4
South Canara ..	5695	777741	374998	1152739	1158434	5203	18
Malabar ..	135163	2307964	45359	2353323	2488476	35258	103
Total ..	3373830	50234848	8489943	58724791	62098621	2610335	66357

the Madras Presidency up to the end of

April 1898.

COLLECTIONS.						BALANCE.		
Total.	Current.			Total Arrears and Current.	Arrears remitted.	Arrears.	Current	Total.
	Up to last Month.	In this Month.	Total.					
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
1028	1234798	178368	1413166	1694194	446	6162	190023	196185
2858	1389853	176466	1566319	1719177	512	2217	102995	105212
96382	5822650	174841	5997491	6093873	1461	705	78188	78893
19295	6040784	471474	6512258	6531553	4373	2449	48211	50660
56688	1615419	531478	2146897	2203585	990	697	346467	347164
58643	1701029	167248	1868277	2226920	1	481516	460362	949878
72985	561073	272615	833688	1126673	4	15370	165380	180750
19468	1423857	327296	1751553	2170621	313	11241	147396	158637
6415	1581843	133451	1715294	2021709	2	31011	58790	89801
752	71708	3590	75298	76050	21	31	3331	3362
20047	1345766	348456	1694222	1714269	772	1119	407615	408734
89911	2204355	303760	2508115	2598026	484	669	460925	461594
8566	3329975	762229	4092204	4100770	876	1212	403111	404223
62259	4951660	1428169	6379829	6442088	1049	2349	300007	302356
39339	2018178	113219	2131397	2270736	494	2941	137765	140706
101109	1822203	669463	2491666	2592775	1127	2634	144558	147192
90294	1434172	777964	2212136	2402430	1946	11314	227801	244195
14640	2429383	779824	3209207	3223847	395	133	112818	112951
15372	104728	20996	125724	141096	1699	609	15818	16427
10059	2589347	78984	2668331	2678390	132	"	6416	6416
5221	743753	373650	1117403	1122624	69	405	35336	35741
35361	2033610	118897	2152507	2187868	3879	95913	200816	296729
76692	46450144	8212438	54662582	57339274	1441	675697	4062209	4737906

The entries in columns 3, 7 and 10 differ from those in the statement for March as shown below:—

Districts	Col. 3 (Col. 5 of last month's statement) Current demand	Col. 7 (Col. 9 of last month's statement) Arrear collections	Col. 10 (Col. 12 of last month's statement) Current Collection
Ganjam	-9	-56	-9
Vizapatnam	-80	"	"
Godavari	-286	"	"
Kistna	"	"	-4
Anantapur	"	"	-23
North Arcot	-56	"	-56
South Arcot	"	-34	"
Tanjore	+78	"	+78
Salem	-552	"	541
Malabar	-1	"	"
Total	-906	-590	-555

The decreases in Godavari, North Arcot and Salem are ascribed to the adoption of settled demand with reference to the famabandi of Feb. 1307; while the variations in the remaining districts are due either to the rectification of errors or to fractions of a rupee being rounded off.

W. Swamikananda

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Reviewing the Demand, Collection and Balance statements of land revenue and cesses for April 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 April 1898.

RESOLUTION—No. 142, dated 13th June 1898.

Districts.	Increase.		Decrease.	
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
Ganjām	502	69,575	1	
Cuddapah				
Nilgiris				
Total	502	69,576		
Net decrease		69,074		

while the large decrease in Cuddapah is ascribed to the adoption of revised figures with reference to the jamabandi of fasli 1306, in two taluks in which dry remissions were granted under Government Order, No. 154, Revenue, dated 15th March 1898. The decrease of Re. 1 in Nilgiris is due to the rounding off of fractions.

2. *Arrears.*—Out of the arrear demand of Rs. 33,73,830 mentioned above, Rs. 26,76,692, or 79.3 per cent. were collected, and Rs. 21,441 were written off the accounts, while Rs. 99,132 are considered to be irrecoverable, thus leaving a recoverable balance of Rs. 5,76,565.

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.	Recovery doubtful.	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. 19	RS. 172	RS. 103	RS. ..	RS. ..	RS. 659	RS. 2,64,871	RS. 2,15,675	RS. 4,81,499
2. Kurnool ..	1,028	.. 6	64	..	..	35	29,848	..	30,975
3. Anantapur ..	1,806	..	376	..	..	8	13,039	126	15,361
4. Tinnevely ..	5,017	..	408	..	6,378	..	509	1,639	13,946
5. Bellary ..	1,560	23	474	..	..	..	8,869	315	11,241
6. Malabar ..	..	..	..	..	1,044	31	5,480	..	6,555
7. Ganjām ..	234	12	698	..	..	2,882	1,911	..	5,717
8. Trichinopoly ..	60	25	369	..	..	52	1,862	7	2,375
9. Kistna ..	..	120	236	..	..	864	..	862	2,082
10. Madura ..	26	537	153	..	..	787	298	..	1,801
11. Vizagapatam ..	14	..	9	..	..	42	1,595	..	1,660
12. Chingleput ..	..	4	241	..	536	..	..	..	781
13. Tanjore ..	1	105	177	59	..	151	213	..	706
14. South Arcot ..	..	34	11	..	..	132	191	276	644
15. North Arcot ..	..	111	169	..	..	93	..	53	426
16. South Canara ..	..	..	60	..	..	3	135	132	330
17. Nellore ..	..	131	117	..	..	19	7	..	274
18. Nilgiris ..	3	..	..	..	..	127	5	..	135
19. Godāvāri ..	..	..	..	..	..	30	..	..	30
20. Coimbatore ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	..	25
21. Madras ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
22. Salem ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	5,768	1,280	3,660	59	7,958	5,895	3,28,860	2,19,085	5,76,565

4. Of the arrears outstanding at the end of the month, Rs. 14,708 (columns 2, 3 and 4) have either been collected since the end of the month, or are in process of adjustment, or have been ascertained to be irrecoverable.

No immediate steps can be taken for the recovery of Rs. 8,017, as (a) the arrear is due from estates which are under Government management or belong to minors (column 5), or (b) its collection has been postponed (column 6).

5. The postponement of collections has been ordered in the districts of Tinnevely, Malabar and Chingleput. Of the amount shown against Tinnevely, Rs. 4,188 represent second-crop assessment imposed on certain mitta 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. 2,190, has been suspended by the Collector pending the decision of certain appeals preferred to him. No progress appears to have been made in the disposal of these appeals during the month under review, but, as his attention was specially drawn to the matter in paragraph 5 of the last review, the Collector has presumably taken the necessary action by this time. The reasons for suspending the collection of Rs. 1,044 shown against Malabar have not been specified in the monthly statement, but from the separate report submitted with reference to paragraph 5 of the last review, the Board learns that this amount is made up of (i) Rs. 192, the suspension of which was directed in paragraph 7 of G.O., No. 531, Revenue, dated 20th October 1896, and (ii) Rs. 852, which form the subject of an inquiry which the Collector has been directed to complete without delay. Rupees 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. The Collector is requested to report when the matter is likely to be settled; the Board observes that the same explanation has been given for five months past.

6. The arrears, for which processes have been issued (column 8), amounted to Rs. 3,28,860. The steps taken for the realization of this sum are shown in the margin. The amounts covered by demand notice No. 1 occur chiefly in Cuddapah and Kurnool where the famine of last year has probably rendered collection more difficult than usual.

	RS.
Arrears for which demand notice No. 1 was issued	2,91,851
Arrears for which moveable property was distrained or notified for sale	12,798
Arrears for which demand notice No. 4 was issued	9,453
Arrears for which land was attached or notified for sale	14,758
Total	3,28,860

7. Of the amounts shown under "other items" (column 9), those appearing against Cuddapah and Tinnevely call for remarks. Almost the whole of the sum shown against the former district, viz., Rupees 2,15,466, represents the dry assessment of fasli 1306 in parts of the Cuddapah, Proddhatur and Pulivendla taluks, the collection of which was suspended until the receipt of Government Order, No. 154, Revenue, dated 15th March 1898, pending the settlement of the question of granting dry remissions. The Collector reports that the jamabandi of these taluks was completed at the close of the month, and states that the revised figures will be adopted in the next demand, collection and balance statement. Of the amount appearing against Tinnevely, Rs. 1,594 represent arrears which are adjustable from sale-proceeds placed under Revenue deposit pending confirmation of land sales by Divisional officers.

8. The recoverable balance for the Presidency at the end of the month was in round numbers Rs. 5,77,000 out of an arrear demand of Rs. 33,74,000 at the beginning of the fasli. The corresponding figures of the previous year were Rupees 59,000 and Rs. 9,89,000. The collections in the month aggregated Rupees 66,357 as against Rs. 1,843 in April 1897.

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

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

Districts.	Balance at the		Difference.
	Beginning of the month	End of the month.	
	RS.	RS.	RS.
Ganjām ..	102	100	2
Vizagapatam ..	17	17	..
Kistna ..	8.5	8.65	..
Hella v ..	26	26	..
Chingleput ..	213	213	..
Tanjore ..	355	200	155
Trichinopoly ..	23	23	..
Madura ..	64	78	6
Tinnevely ..	1,512	1,489	23
Malabar ..	2,071	1,792	279
Total ..	5,268	4,803	465

Old arrears.

Faslis.	Ganjām.	Vizagapatam.	Chingleput.	Tanjore.	Trichinopoly.	Tinnevely.	Malabar.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.
1298 ..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..
1299 ..	6	..	..	..	..	..	91
1300 ..	6	..	..	..	..	..	422
1302 ..	..	..	12	..	..	..	1.5
1303 ..	2	10	12	1	28	1,309	435
1304 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	27	10	24	1	28	1,309	1,063
Arrears at the beginning of the month ..	27	76	24	1,051	28	1,309	1,530
Difference ..	..	66	..	1,050	..	..	467

In Ganjām Rs. 15 are stated to be under enquiry and the remaining Rs. 12 are covered by processes. The former amount has been shown as outstanding since December last; the Collector is requested to report the nature of the enquiry in which the amount is involved and to state when he expects the investigation to be completed. Rupees 10 appearing against Vizagapatam represent the excess charge made on certain inams in the Sarvasiddhi taluk; this is under enquiry, and it is reported that the investigation will be completed soon. Particulars have not been furnished for the sum of Rs. 24 shown against Chingleput which was shown in the last statement as "under enquiry"; the Collector is requested to supply the omission, and to give details by fasli in the talukwar statement submitted by him. Rupee 1 relating to Tanjore is under enquiry. In Trichinopoly Rs. 27 relating to fasli 1304 have been shown as irrecoverable in the demand, collection and balance statements since January last; it should be explained why the amount was not included in the statement of irrecoverable arrears for the quarter ending 31st March 1898. The remaining Re. 1 is still reported to be "under enquiry"; the Collector will be requested to complete the necessary investigation without further delay. The collection of Rs. 1,309 appearing against Tinnevely depends upon the decision of a suit filed against Government. The whole of the amount appearing against Malabar relates to the Wynaad taluk, of which Rs. 849 are covered by processes, Rs. 31 are under enquiry, and Rs. 183 due from certain estates have not been collected, pending enquiry into objections preferred by the proprietors. The Collectors concerned are requested to make their best endeavours to clear off these long standing arrears, as also those relating to fasli 1305, before the close of the current revenue year.

10. *Current.*—According to the demand, collection and balance statements for April 1898, the total current demand up to the end of the month amounted to Rs. 5,87,24,791 against Rs. 5,83,67,355 and Rs. 5,79,06,255 in faslis 1306 and 1305, respectively. Of this sum, Rs. 5,46,62,582 or 93.1 per cent. were collected before the close of the month, leaving a balance of Rs. 40,62,209 or 6.9 per cent. of the demand against 4.2 per cent. and 12.6 per cent. at the end of April 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 up to the end of		Current collections up to the end of April 1898.	Current balance at the end of April 1898.	Percentage of balance to the demand at the close of	
	April 1897.	April 1898.			April 1897.	April 1898.
	RS.	RS.	RS.	RS.		
Ganjām ..	16,67,912	16,03,189	14,13,166	1,90,023	39.6	11.9
Vizagapatam ..	16,44,578	16,69,314	15,66,319	1,02,995	19.1	6.2
Gōlavari ..	61,65,284	60,75,679	59,97,491	78,188	8.1	1.3
Kistna ..	62,52,436	65,60,469	65,12,258	48,211	0.8	0.7
Nellore ..	25,98,909	24,93,364	21,46,897	3,46,467	4.0	13.9
Cuddapah ..	23,23,404	23,36,639	18,68,277	4,68,362	53.7	20.0
Anantapur ..	9,20,018	9,99,068	8,33,688	1,65,380	66.1	16.6
B. lary ..	18,37,753	18,98,549	17,51,153	1,47,396	62.8	7.3
Kurnool ..	18,06,823	17,74,084	17,15,294	58,790	36.5	3.3
Madras ..	76,775	78,629	75,298	3,331	2.9	4.2
Chingleput ..	21,68,783	21,01,837	16,94,222	4,07,615	4.2	19.4
North Arcot ..	29,64,705	29,69,040	25,08,115	4,60,925	16.9	15.5
South Arcot ..	45,98,872	44,95,315	40,92,204	4,03,111	3.4	9.0
Tanjore ..	66,47,516	66,79,836	63,79,829	3,00,007	5.6	4.5
Trichinopoly ..	22,83,854	22,69,162	21,31,397	1,37,765	7.6	6.1
Madura ..	23,52,315	26,36,224	24,91,666	1,44,558	5.6	5.5
Tinnevely ..	24,72,247	24,40,617	22,12,136	2,27,881	11.8	9.3
Coimbatore ..	33,52,752	33,22,025	32,09,207	1,12,818	3.2	3.4
Nilgiris ..	1,44,396	1,41,542	1,25,724	15,818	18.9	11.2
S. dem ..	26,08,457	26,74,747	26,68,381	6,416	7	0.2
South Canara ..	11,63,731	11,52,739	11,17,403	35,336	1.8	3.1
Malabar ..	23,13,835	23,53,323	21,52,507	2,00,816	6.8	8.5
Total ..	5,83,67,355	5,87,24,791	5,46,62,582	40,62,209	12.6	6.9

The collections exceeded 98 per cent. in Salem, Kistna and Gódvári and 96 per cent. in South Canara, Kurnool and Coimbatore; they were particularly good in the Salem district.

11. The balances exceeded a lakh of rupees in each of the districts noted in the margin. A portion thereof is reported, 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. 36,637 has been suspended, with reference to Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 1441, Revenue Settlement, dated 28th February 1898, and Rupees 42,510 are not covered by processes owing presumably to delay in the submission of lists of defaulters from several villages. Rupees 52,555 of the balance against Cuddapah and Rs. 86,062 in North Arcot represent assessment on wet waste and shavi which is likely to be remitted at the jamabandi. For the recovery of the

greater part of the remainder in North Arcot, viz., Rs. 14,278, no steps can be taken at present as the amount is due from estates which are under Government management or which belong to minors. The major portion of the amount shown against Chingleput, South Arcot and Nellore (Rs. 1,69,076, Rs. 59,976, and Rs. 2,35,622, respectively) represents assessments likely to be remitted at the jamabandi. In Tinnevely, Rupees 13,780 are adjustable from excess collections, deposits or other heads of account, Rs. 45,216 are likely to be remitted on account of waste and shavi, and Rs. 23,066 represent assessment due from estates under attachment or belonging to minors. Of the amount appearing against Ganjám, processes have not been issued for the recovery of Rs. 32,230, owing to delay on the part of village officers in sending up list of defaulters. The balances in the remaining districts do not call for any remarks.

(True Copy and Extract.)

Done Davidson
Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with a statement in M.S.
,, all Collectors (Divisional officers).

Exd. A. Rungasawmy Aiyangar.

APPENDIX A.

Districts.	Balance at the end of April 1898.	IRRECOVERABLE ARREARS AS PER QUARTERLY STATEMENTS, LESS SUBSEQUENT COLLECTIONS, IF ANY.					Recoverable balance.
		Arrears of land revenue and cesses sanctioned up to the quarter ending 31st December 1897, but not written off.	Arrears of land revenue and cesses recommended for the quarter ending 31st March 1898.	Arrears of local and special funds other than cesses recommended but not sanctioned.	Amount in respect of which further explanation has been called for.	Total.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Ganjám	Rs. 6,182	(a) Rs. 345	Rs. 100	Rs. ..	Rs. ..	Rs. 445	Rs. 5,717
Vizagapatam	2,217	245	312	..	..	557	1,660
Gódvári	705	..	675	..	..	675	30
Kistna	2,449	334	33	..	..	367	2,082
Nellore	697	301	122	..	..	423	274
Cuddapah	4,81,516	..	17	..	..	17	4,81,499
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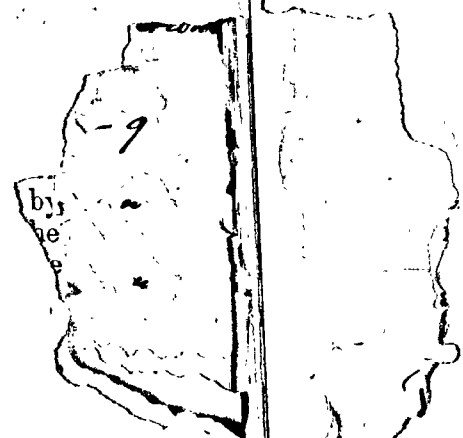
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Recording Board's Proceedings reviewing the — of land revenue and cesses for April
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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), No. 142, dated 13th June 1898:—

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

Resolution—No. 142, dated 13th June 1898.

Districts.	Increase. Decrease.		
	RS.	RS.	
Ganjām	502	69,575	1
Cuddapah	..	..	..
Nilgiris	..	..	..
Total	502	69,576	
Net decrease	69,074		

According to the demand, collection and balance statements for April 1898, the arrear demand at the commencement of fasli 1307 amounted to Rs. 33,73,830 or Rs. 69,074 less than that shown in the statements for the previous month. The variations are noted in the margin. The increase in Ganjām is due to revision of the land-cess demand for fasli 1306, in certain zamindari and proprietary estates, while the large decrease in Cuddapah is ascribed to the adoption of revised figures with reference to the jamabandi of fasli 1306, in two taluks in which dry remissions were granted under Government Order, No. 154, Revenue, dated 15th March 1898. The decrease of Re. 1 in Nilgiris is due to the rounding off of fractions.

2. *Arrears.*—Out of the arrear demand of Rs. 33,73,830 mentioned above, Rs. 26,76,692, or 79·3 per cent. were collected, and Rs. 21,441 were written off the accounts, while Rs. 99,132 are considered to be irrecoverable, thus leaving a recoverable balance of Rs. 5,76,565.

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.	Recovery doubtful.	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. 19	RS. 172	RS. 103	RS. ..	RS. ..	RS. 659	RS. 2,64,871	RS. 2,15,675	RS. 4,81,499
2. Kurnool	1,028	.. 6	64	..	..	35	29,848	..	15,361
3. Anantapur	1,806	..	376	..	..	8	13,039	126	15,361
4. Tinnevely	5,017	..	403	..	6,378	..	509	1,639	13,946
5. Bellary	1,560	23	474	..	..	..	8,869	315	11,241
6. Malabar	..	..	..	..	1,044	31	5,480	..	6,555
7. Ganjām	234	12	698	..	..	2,862	1,911	..	5,717
8. Trichinopoly ..	60	25	369	..	..	52	1,862	7	2,375
9. Kistna	..	120	236	..	..	864	..	862	2,082
10. Madura	26	537	153	..	..	787	298	..	1,801
11. Vizagapatam ..	14	..	9	..	..	42	1,595	..	1,660
12. Chingleput	..	4	241	..	536	..	..	..	781
13. Tanjore	1	105	177	59	..	151	213	..	706
14. South Arcot	..	34	11	..	..	132	191	276	644
15. North Arcot	..	111	169	..	..	93	..	53	426
16. South Canara ..	..	..	60	..	..	3	135	132	330
17. Nellore	..	131	117	..	..	19	7	..	274
18. Nilgiris	3	..	..	..	..	127	5	..	135
19. Gódvári	..	..	..	..	..	30	..	..	30
20. Coimbatore	..	..	..	..	..	..	25	..	25
21. Madras	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	2
22. Salem	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total	9,768	1,280	3,660	59	7,958	5,895	3,28,860	2,19,085	5,76,565

4. Of the arrears outstanding at the end of the month, Rs. 14,708 (columns 2, 3 and 4) have either been collected since the end of the month, or are in process of adjustment, or have been ascertained to be irrecoverable.

No immediate steps can be taken for the recovery of Rs. 8,017, as (a) the arrear is due from estates which are under Government management or belong to minors (column 5), or (b) its collection has been postponed (column 6).

5. The postponement of collections has been ordered in the districts of Tinnevely, Malabar and Chingleput. Of the amount shown against Tinnevely, Rs. 4,188 represent second-crop assessment imposed on certain mitta 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. 2,190, has been suspended by the Collector pending the decision of certain appeals preferred to him. No progress appears to have been made in the disposal of these appeals during the month under review, but, as his attention was specially drawn to the matter in paragraph 5 of the last review, the Collector has presumably taken the necessary action by this time. The reasons for suspending the collection of Rs. 1,044 shown against Malabar have not been specified in the monthly statement, but from the separate report submitted with reference to paragraph 5 of the last review, the Board learns that this amount is made up of (i) Rs. 192, the suspension of which was directed in paragraph 7 of G.O., No. 531, Revenue, dated 20th October 1896, and (ii) Rs. 852, which form the subject of an inquiry which the Collector has been directed to complete without delay. Rupees 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. The Collector is requested to report when the matter is likely to be settled; the Board observes that the same explanation has been given for five months past.

6. The arrears, for which processes have been issued (column 8), amounted to Rs. 3,28,860. The steps taken for the realization of this sum are shown in the margin. The amounts covered by demand notice No. 1 occur chiefly in Cuddapah and Kurnool where the famine of last year has probably rendered collection more difficult than usual.

Arrears for which demand notice No. 1 was issued	2,91,851
Arrears for which moveable property was distrained or notified for sale	12,798
Arrears for which demand notice No. 4 was issued	9,453
Arrears for which land was attached or notified for sale	14,758
Total	3,28,860

7. Of the amounts shown under "other items" (column 9), those appearing against Cuddapah and Tinnevely call for remarks. Almost the whole of the sum shown against the former district, viz. Rupees 2,15,466, represents the dry assess-

ment of fasli 1306 in parts of the Cuddapah, Proddhatur and Pulivendla taluks, the collection of which was suspended until the receipt of Government Order, No. 154, Revenue, dated 15th March 1898, pending the settlement of the question of granting dry remissions. The Collector reports that the jamabandi of these taluks was completed at the close of the month, and states that the revised figures will be adopted in the next demand, collection and balance statement. Of the amount appearing against Tinnevely, Rs. 1,594 represent arrears which are adjustable from sale-proceeds placed under Revenue deposit pending confirmation of land sales by Divisional officers.

Arrears relating to fasli 1305.

Districts.	Balance at the		Difference.
	Beginning of the month.	End of the month.	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Ganjām ..	102	100	2
Vizagapatam ..	17	17	..
Kistna ..	865	865	..
Bellary ..	26	26	..
Chingleput ..	213	213	..
Tanjore ..	355	200	155
Trichinopoly ..	23	23	..
Madura ..	84	78	6
Tinnevely ..	1,512	1,489	23
Malabar ..	2,071	1,792	279
Total ..	5,268	4,803	465

8. The recoverable balance for the Presidency at the end of the month was in round numbers Rs. 5,77,000 out of an arrear demand of Rs. 33,74,000 at the beginning of the fasli. The corresponding figures of the previous year were Rupees 59,000 and Rs. 9,89,000. The collections in the month aggregated Rupees 66,357 as against Rs. 1,843 in April 1897.

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

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

Old arrears.

Fasli.		Ganjām.	Vizagapatam.	Chingleput.	Tanjore.	Trichinopoly.	Tinnevely.	Malabar.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1298 ..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..
1299 ..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	91
1300 ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	422
1302 ..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	115
1303 ..	..	3	..	..	..	..	1,309	435
1304 ..	..	2	10	12	1	28	..	..
Total ..	..	27	10	24	1	28	1,309	1,063
Arrears at the beginning of the month ..	..	27	76	24	1,051	28	1,309	1,530
Difference ..	..	..	66	..	1,050	..	..	467

In Ganjām Rs. 15 are stated to be under enquiry and the remaining Rs. 12 are covered by processes. The former amount has been shown as outstanding since December last; the Collector is requested to report the nature of the enquiry in which the amount is involved and to state when he expects the investigation to be completed. Rupees 10 appearing against Vizagapatam represent the excess charge made on certain inams in the Sarvasiddhi taluk; this is under enquiry, and it is reported that the investigation will be completed soon. Particulars have not been furnished for the sum of Rs. 24 shown against Chingleput which was shown in the last statement as "under enquiry"; the Collector is requested to supply the omission, and to give details by fasli in the talukwar statement submitted by him. Rupee 1 relating to Tanjore is under enquiry. In Trichinopoly Rs. 27 relating to fasli 1304 have been shown as irrecoverable in the demand, collection and balance statements since January last; it should be explained why the amount was not included in the statement of irrecoverable arrears for the quarter ending 31st March 1898. The remaining Rs. 1 is still reported to be under enquiry; the Collector will be requested to complete the necessary investigation without further delay. The collection of Rs. 1,309 appearing against Tinnevely is a suit appearing against Malabar relates to the Wynaad taluk, of which Rs. 849 are covered by processes, Rs. 31 are under enquiry, and Rs. 183 due from certain estates have not been collected, pending enquiry into objections preferred by the proprietors. The Collectors concerned are requested to make their best endeavours to clear off these long standing arrears, as also those relating to fasli 1305, before the close of the current revenue year.

10. *Current.*—According to the demand, collection and balance statements for April 1898, the total current demand up to the end of the month amounted to Rs. 5,87,24,791 against Rs. 5,83,67,355 and Rs. 5,79,06,255 in faslis 1306 and 1305, respectively. Of this sum, Rs. 5,46,62,582 or 93.1 per cent. were collected before the close of the month, leaving a balance of Rs. 40,62,209 or 6.9 per cent. of the demand against 4.2 per cent. and 12.6 per cent. at the end of April 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 up to the end of		Current collections up to the end of April 1898.	Current balance at the end of April 1898.	Percentage of balance to the demand at the close of	
	April 1897.	April 1898.			April 1897.	April 1898.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
Ganjām ..	16,67,912	16,03,189	14,13,166	1,90,023	39.6	11.9
Vizagapatam ..	16,44,578	16,69,314	15,66,319	1,02,995	19.1	6.2
Gōdāvari ..	61,65,284	60,75,679	59,97,491	78,188	8.1	1.3
Kistna ..	62,52,436	65,60,469	65,12,268	48,211	0.8	0.7
Nellore ..	25,98,909	24,93,364	21,46,897	3,46,467	4.0	13.9
Cuddapah ..	23,23,404	23,36,639	18,68,277	4,68,362	53.7	20.0
Anantapur ..	9,20,018	9,99,068	8,33,688	1,65,380	66.1	16.6
Bellary ..	18,37,753	18,98,549	17,51,153	1,47,396	62.8	7.8
Kurnool ..	19,06,823	17,74,084	17,15,294	58,790	36.5	3.3
Madras ..	76,775	78,629	75,298	3,331	2.9	4.2
Chingleput ..	21,68,783	21,01,837	16,94,222	4,07,615	4.2	19.4
North Arcot ..	29,64,705	29,69,040	25,08,115	4,60,925	16.9	15.6
South Arcot ..	45,98,872	44,95,315	40,92,204	4,03,111	3.4	9.0
Tanjore ..	66,47,516	66,79,836	63,79,829	3,00,007	5.6	4.6
Trichinopoly ..	22,83,854	22,69,162	21,31,307	1,37,765	7.6	6.1
Madura ..	23,52,315	26,36,224	24,91,666	1,44,558	5.6	5.6
Tinnevely ..	24,72,247	24,40,017	22,12,136	2,27,881	11.8	9.3
Coimbatore ..	33,52,752	33,22,025	32,09,207	1,12,818	3.2	3.4
Nilgiris ..	1,44,396	1,41,542	1,25,724	15,818	18.9	11.2
Salem ..	26,08,457	26,74,747	26,68,331	6,416	7	0.2
South Canara ..	11,65,731	11,52,739	11,17,403	35,336	1.8	3.1
Malabar ..	23,13,835	23,53,323	21,52,507	2,00,816	6.8	8.5
Total ..	5,83,67,355	5,87,24,791	5,46,62,582	40,62,209	12.6	6.9

The collections exceeded 98 per cent. in Salem, Kistna and Gódvári and 96 per cent. in South Canara, Kurnool and Coimbatore; they were particularly good in the Salem district.

11. The balances exceeded a lakh of rupees in each of the districts noted in the margin. A portion thereof is reported, 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. 36,637 has been suspended, with reference to Board's Proceedings, Mis. No. 1441, Revenue Settlement, dated 28th February 1898, and Rupees 42,510 are not covered by process owing presumably to delay in the submission of lists of defaulters from several villages. Rupees 52,555 of the balance against Cuddapah and Rs. 86,062 in North Arcot represent assessment on wet waste and shavi which is likely to be remitted at the jamabandi. For the recovery of the greater part of the remainder in North Arcot, viz., Rs. 14,278, no steps can be taken at present as the amount is due from estates which are under Government management or which belong to minors. The major portion of the amount shown against Chingleput, South Arcot and Nellore (Rs. 1,69,076, Rs. 59,976, and Rs. 2,35,622, respectively) represents assessments likely to be remitted at the jamabandi. In Tinnevely, Rupees 13,780 are adjustable from excess collections, deposits or other heads of account, Rs. 45,216 are likely to be remitted on account of waste and shavi, and Rs. 23,066 represent assessment due from estates under attachment or belonging to minors. Of the amount appearing against Ganjám, processes have not been issued for the recovery of Rs. 32,230, owing to delay on the part of village officers in sending up list of defaulters. The balances in the remaining districts do not call for any remarks.

Districts.	Balance.	Collected since the end of the month or covered by processes.	Remainder.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1. Cuddapah ..	4,68,862	3,35,071	1,33,291
2. North Arcot ..	4,60,925	3,57,574	1,03,351
3. Chingleput ..	4,07,615	2,38,137	1,69,478
4. South Arcot ..	4,03,111	3,41,525	61,586
5. Nellore ..	3,46,467	1,10,576	2,35,891
6. Tanjore ..	3,00,007	2,80,203	19,804
7. Tinnevely ..	2,27,881	1,45,819	82,062
8. Malabar ..	2,00,816	1,93,454	7,362
9. Ganjám ..	1,90,023	1,44,668	45,355
10. Anantapur ..	1,65,380	1,51,348	14,032
11. Bellary ..	1,47,396	1,41,433	5,963
12. Madura ..	1,44,558	1,38,069	6,489
13. Trichinopoly ..	1,37,765	1,37,765	..
14. Coimbatore ..	1,12,818	1,12,636	182
15. Vizagapatam ..	1,02,995	1,02,606	389

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Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
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,, all Collectors (Divisional officers).

APPENDIX A.

Districts.	Balance at the end of April 1898.	IRRECOVERABLE ARREARS AS PER QUARTERLY STATEMENTS, LESS SUBSEQUENT COLLECTIONS, IF ANY.					Recoverable balance.
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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
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