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READ—Abstract of Season Report for the week ending 24th September 1898.

RAINFALL AND PRICES OF THE STAPLE FOOD-GRAINS.

Districts.	RAINFALL IN INCHES.			PRICES IN SEERS (OF 80 TOLAS) PER RUPEE.											
	In the week.	Up to the end of the week from 1st April.		Rice.			Ragi.			Cholam.			Cumbu.		
		1928-29.	Average of 10 years.	Average for Sept.*	Last week.	This week.	Average for Sept.*	Last week.	This week.	Average for Sept.*	Last week.	This week.	Average for Sept.*	Last week.	This week.
Coastal.															
Goanjam ..	0.6	37.7	31.1	16.6	12.4	12.7	27.2	19.3	20.6	..	..	..	..	..	..
Vizaga ..	0.7	45.0	50.5	13.9	11.3	11.2	28.1	22.5	22.6	..	17.7	18.1	31.0	25.7	26.2
Yanam ..	0.2	24.8	27.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Godavari ..	0.2	27.6	25.5	14.9	10.9	10.8	27.3	17.1	17.1	25.7	17.5	16.9	26.8	21.0	21.7
Kistna ..	0.5	21.3	21.9	14.2	10.9	10.9	27.9	18.6	18.9	23.0	15.8	15.7	22.1	14.5	14.3
Deccan.															
Kurnool ..	1.2	21.0	19.3	12.8	10.1	10.2	27.2	15.3	19.1	27.7	20.5	20.4	23.0	14.9	14.9
Belury ..	0.8	15.3	15.9	12.6	9.7	9.8	34.2	21.5	21.7	27.4	20.9	21.4	..	..	..
Anantapur ..	0.6	10.7	15.2	14.2	10.4	10.5	32.6	18.2	18.4	29.6	18.1	18.1	25.6	17.9	19.1
Guddipati ..	1.3	14.3	16.1	14.5	9.8	9.7	31.2	17.6	17.4	27.9	17.2	17.1	27.4	14.0	14.5
Central.															
Nellore ..	0.8	11.4	12.0	14.2	9.3	9.4	27.3	14.7	14.7	23.8	13.8	13.9	22.0	13.1	13.2
Chingleput ..	0.6	19.9	18.5	14.5	9.0	8.9	25.2	13.4	13.9	..	..	..	..	..	..
Madras ..	3.3	20.6	17.8	12.4	9.1	8.7	21.7	14.3	14.6	..	..	..	..	..	..
South Arcot ..	3.8	21.8	18.9	14.8	9.8	9.9	27.6	13.7	17.3	..	..	..	29.0	18.6	19.0
North Arcot.															
North Arcot ..	1.3	21.0	19.0	14.8	10.1	10.1	20.9	16.2	16.2	28.0	16.7	15.7	27.1	16.4	15.4
Salem ..	2.9	18.8	19.3	18.6	9.4	9.8	30.1	16.6	16.9	26.9	14.3	14.7	26.4	14.5	14.8
Coimbatore ..	2.2	12.9	13.0	13.1	9.7	9.8	27.4	17.0	17.1	22.3	14.8	14.6	25.6	16.7	16.8
Tiruchinopoly ..	2.1	15.1	16.0	13.8	9.0	9.0	26.9	14.1	14.3	30.6	15.8	15.9	23.6	13.3	13.3
South.															
Tanjore ..	1.6	15.1	15.5	14.3	9.9	9.9	26.8	15.1	15.4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pudukkottai ..	0.1	18.2	..	13.8	9.7	9.6	..	15.1	15.2	..	16.7	15.5	..	14.0	15.1
Madurai ..	2.2	12.6	12.0	13.8	9.3	9.5	28.2	14.9	15.0	28.7	10.3	16.2	26.8	14.4	14.5
Tiruvallur ..	0.9	6.6	6.8	13.1	9.3	9.3	26.0	16.2	16.2	24.6	14.6	14.5	20.7	13.3	13.4
West Coast.															
Malabar ..	0.7	37.0	30.1	13.2	10.1	10.1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
South Canara ..	1.3	13.8	127.3	13.3	10.6	10.3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Travancore ..	3.2	33.1	42.1	..	9.7	9.7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Hills.															
Nilgiris ..	3.4	44.1	39.0	10.7	7.6	7.6	20.7	13.8	14.0	..	..	..	..	..	..

A. Agency, L. Internal, Tracts.

* Average for ten normal years previous to faili 1305 (1896-95).

DISTRICT REPORTS.

GANJAM.

Transplantation going on in parts. Standing crops thriving. Ragi harvested in places; outturn middling to fair. Pasture abundant and fodder sufficient. Condition of cattle generally good. More rain urgently wanted for rainfed land.

VIZAGAPATAM.

Water-supply insufficient in parts. Sowing and transplantation going on. Standing crops fair. Harvested ragi and cumbu; outturn middling to fair, and gingelly fair. Pasture and fodder sufficient. Condition of cattle good.

GODAVARI.

Water-supply generally sufficient; Godavari 2.7 feet over the anikat. Transplantation almost completed; ploughing for and sowing dry crops in progress. Standing crops generally good. Paddy, gingelly, cumbu, korra and chana harvested; outturn fair to average. Pasture sufficient but fodder scanty in parts. Condition of cattle generally good. Season favourable.

KISTNA.

Water-supply generally sufficient; Kistna 5.5 feet over the anikat. Ploughing, sowing and transplantation going on. Standing crops good, but require rain in parts. Harvested cumbu, korra and gingelly; outturn middling to fair. Pasture sufficient and fodder generally available. Condition of cattle generally good. Season and prospects favourable.

KURNOOL.

Water-supply generally sufficient; 2 feet over the anikat. Sowing and weeding continue. Standing crops good. Korra and cumbu harvested; outturn fair to middling. Pasture and fodder generally sufficient. Condition of cattle generally good. Prospects fair.

BELLARY.

Water-supply generally sufficient. Ploughing, sowing and weeding going on. Standing crops generally good. Gingelly being harvested in parts; yield middling. Pasture and fodder generally sufficient. Condition of cattle good. Prospects fair, but more rain wanted in parts.

ANANTAPUR.

Water-supply insufficient. Ploughing, sowing, weeding and transplanting going on. Standing crops thriving. Ragi and cholam harvested in parts; outturn poor to average. Pasture sprouting; fodder sufficient. Condition of cattle good. Prospects improving, but more rain required.

CUDDAPAH.

River channels flowing; supply in tanks moderate; and in wells generally adequate. Ploughing, sowing, weeding, transplanting and baling going on. Standing crops good. Harvested korra, ragi, indigo, cumbu, cholam and paddy; outturn middling to average. Pasture sufficient and fodder available though dear in parts. Condition of cattle good. Recent rains have improved prospects considerably, but more is still wanted.

NELLORE.

Slight freshes in some of the rivers, but supply still insufficient in parts; one foot of water over the Sangam anikat. Ploughing and sowing in active progress throughout. Standing crops generally thriving. Harvested cumbu, cholam and ragi; outturn middling to average. Pasture improving, but fodder insufficient and dear. Condition of cattle improving in Udayagiri and good elsewhere. Prospects improved, but more rain still wanted in parts.

CHINGLEPUT.

Water-supply much improved. Ploughing general, and sowing transplanting and weeding in parts. Standing crops good. Harvested paddy, ragi, gingelly, cumbu and indigo; outturn bad to average. Pasture and fodder generally available. Condition of cattle good. Prospects fair on the whole but more rain wanted.

MADRAS.

Water-supply, fodder and pasture sufficient. Imports by sea—rice 293 tons, other grain 1,036 tons.

SOUTH ARCOT.

Freshets in all the principal rivers. Ploughing, manuring, sowing, weeding and transplanting in progress. Standing crops fair. Harvested paddy, ragi, cumbu, tenai, indigo and groundnuts; outturn middling to fair. Pasture and fodder generally sufficient. Condition of cattle good. Prospects continue fair.

NORTH ARCOT.

Freshets in the rivers; most tanks have moderate to full supplies. Ploughing and sowing almost everywhere; transplanting and weeding in parts. Standing crops generally good. Harvested ragi, cumbu, gingelly and indigo; outturn middling to fair. Pasture sufficient, fodder available though dear. Condition of cattle generally good. Prospects fair.

SALEM.

Some tanks received fair supplies. Ploughing, sowing, weeding and transplanting continue. Standing crops fair. Harvested paddy, ragi, cholam and cumbu; outturn fair. Pasture improving, and fodder available though dear. Condition of cattle generally good. Prospects favourable, but more rain is still wanted.

COIMBATORE.

Water-supply still insufficient in parts. Sowing and transplanting continue. Standing crops generally good or fair. Harvested paddy, ragi and cholam, outturn fair to average; cumbu, poor. Pasture scarce but fodder sufficient. Condition of cattle generally good. More rain needed in parts.

TRICHINOPOLY.

Water-supply sufficient; 0.4 foot of water over the Upper anikat and 1.7 feet over the Grand anikat on 24th current. Sowing and transplanting continue. Standing crops good. Harvested paddy, cumbu and ragi; outturn average. Pasture and fodder sufficient. Condition of cattle good. Prospects fair.

TANJORE.

Water-supply still insufficient in some parts outside delta. Sowing and transplanting in progress. Standing crops generally fair. Harvested paddy, cumbu, ragi and maize; outturn middling to average. Pasture and fodder sufficient. Condition of cattle generally good. Prospects fair, but more rain wanted in parts.

PUDUKKOTTAI.

Ploughing, manuring and sowing under tanks and transplanting continue in parts. Standing crops good. Pasture and fodder generally sufficient. Condition of cattle good.

MADURA.

Water-supply generally sufficient; some tanks have received moderate supplies. Cultivation progressing. Standing crops generally fair. Harvested paddy and ragi; outturn fair. Pasture sufficient generally and fodder available. Condition of cattle good.

TINNEVELLY.

Water-supply generally insufficient, though slightly improved by recent rain and freshets; discharge at Srivaikuntam anikat insufficient for standing crops. Ploughing continues; sowing dry land begun in parts. Standing crops under wells good; the rest require rain and have withered in parts. Harvested paddy, cholam and cumbu; outturn middling to fair. Pasture scanty and fodder generally dear. Condition of cattle normal.

NILGIRIS.

Weeding in progress. Standing crops good. Harvested barley; outturn fair. Pasture and fodder sufficient. Condition of cattle generally good. Prospects fair.

MALABAR.

Water-supply insufficient in parts. Operations for second-crop progressing. Standing crop fair, but second-crop paddy requires rain in parts. Harvest of first crop progressing, outturn fair. Pasture sufficient and fodder available. Condition of cattle generally good. Prospects fair.

SOUTH CANARA.

Water-supply sufficient. Cultivation of second paddy crop commenced. First paddy crop generally good and being harvested; outturn fair to average. Pasture sufficient; but fodder scanty in parts. Condition of cattle generally good. Prospects fair.

TRAVANCORE.

Transplanting begun. Water-supply and pasturage sufficient. Condition of cattle good.

RESOLUTION—No. 359, dated 27th September 1898.

The following telegram will be despatched to the Government of India, Revenue and Agricultural Department, Simla :—

Week ending 24th September 1898.—Rainfall good Central, greater part Southern, and parts Carnatic and Deccan Districts; moderate generally elsewhere. Water-supply generally sufficient except in parts Ciscars and extreme south. Agricultural operations proceeding actively. Standing crops thriving generally. Early harvest yielding moderately. Pasture improving. Condition of cattle fair. Prices show little change; generally slightly easier. Nellore 138 men, 116 women, 81 children workers; 3 men, 7 women, 24 children dependants fed, total 369 relieved; loans Rs. 2,257 disbursed.

(True Extract.)

Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government of India, Revenue and Agricultural Department.
 „ the Meteorological Reporter to the Government of India.
 „ the Survey Commissioner and Director of Land Records and Agriculture, Bombay, Poona.
 „ the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
 „ the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras.
 „ the Sanitary Commissioner.
 „ the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
 „ all Collectors.
 „ the Superintendent, Civil Veterinary Department, Madras.

APPENDIX.

Comparative statement showing the number of persons relieved in the Nellore District for the week ending 24th September 1898.

Nature of relief.										This week.	Last week.
Relief-workers	..	..	..	..	..	{ Men	..	..	..	138	110
						{ Women	..	..	..	116	95
						{ Children	..	..	..	81	79
						Total ..				355	284
					{ 1. Dependents.	{ Men	..	..	..	3	3
						{ Women	..	..	..	7	6
						{ Children	..	..	..	24	29
						Total ..				34	38
Gratuitous relief	..	{ A. In kitchens	..							Nil.	Nil.
		{ 2. Others	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil.	Nil.
		{ B. Otherwise	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Nil.	Nil.
						Grand total on relief	..			369	322

Exd. S. J. Pereira.

Statement showing the quantity of rainfall at the several authorised rain registering stations of the Madras Presidency during the week ending the 24th Sept 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		0.40	LITORAL.			
2	Russellkonda		0.79	1	Párvatipur		0.21
3	Surada		1.27	2	Pálkonda		"
4	Aska		0.72	3	Bobbili		"
5	Udayagiri		0.43	4	Sálúr		"
6	Ramagiri		0.53	5	Gajopatinagar		0.35
7	Parlákimedi		0.83	6	Chipurupalli		0.15
8	Rambah		0.35	7	Kuppili		"
9	Purushottapur		0.49	8	Vijayanagram		0.20
10	Chatrapur		0.33	9	Srungavarapukóta		"
11	Gopálpur		0.77	10	Bimilipatam		0.33
12	Bérhampur		0.43	11	Konada		0.46
13	Iebápur		0.95	12	Waltair		0.05
14	Sómpet		2.47	13	Chódavaram		0.33
15	Púndi		0.46	14	Anakápallo		0.90
16	Tekkali		1.86	15	Balachheruvu		0.13
17	Narsannapet		0.44	16	Polavaram		0.04
18	Calingapatam		0.01	17	Yellamanchili		0.29
19	Chicaeole		0.28	18	Narasapatnam		"
Total ..			12.81	Total ..			3.44
Average ..			0.64	Average ..			0.19
VIZAGAPATAM.				GODAVARI.			
AGENCY TRACTS.							
1	Nowrangapur		0.26	1	Blindrachelam		2.85
2	Jeypore		1.40	2	Chódavaram		"
3	Korapur		0.56	3	Yellavaram		"
4	Malkanagiri		1.60	4	Tuni		2.85
5	Bissemcuttaek		"	5	Pittapuram		"
6	Gárapur		1.70	6	Prattipadu		"
7	Réyaghada		0.13	7	Peddapuram		"
8	Pottanghi		0.60	8	Rajahmundry		"
9	Padwa		"	9	Cocanada		"
Total ..			6.25	10	Coringa		0.06
Average ..			0.69				

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

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.
GODAVARI—cont.			KURNOOL—cont.		
11	Alampur	0.63	5	Owk	1.25
12	Ramachandrapuram	0.37	6	Kalwa	0.99
13	Kottapeta	0.13	7	Nandyal	1.25
14	Amalapuram	0.40	8	Atmakur	0.95
15	Razole	0.80	9	Nandikotkur	0.18
16	Narsapuram	0.80	10	Kurnool	1.28
17	Bhimavaram	0.80	11	Pattikonda	0.63
18	Pentapad	0.80	12	Piyapalli	0.09
19	Tanuku	0.80	Total ..		13.66
20	Chintalapudi	0.80	* Average ..		1.24
21	Ellore	0.80	BELLARY.		
22	Pollavaram	0.80	1	Yemmiganur	0.88
23	Tallapudi	0.80	2	Adoni	0.66
Total ..		5.22	3	Alur	0.42
* Average ..		0.24	4	Sirugappa	0.15
KISTNA.			5	Bellary	2.45
1	Tiravur	0.66	6	Rayadrug	0.43
2	Nandigama	0.86	7	Kampiti	0.69
3	Bezavada	0.66	8	Hospet	0.18
4	Gannavaram	0.47	9	Hadagalli	0.21
5	Gudivada	0.50	10	Harpanahalli	1.58
6	Masulipatam	1.55	11	Kudligi	1.00
7	Guntur	0.11	Total ..		9.31
8	Sattenapalle	0.11	* Average ..		0.78
9	Gurizala	0.54	ANANTAPUR.		
10	Vinukonda	0.70	1	Guravakonda	0.81
11	Narsaraopet	0.31	2	Gooty	0.25
12	Repalle	0.19	3	Yadaki	0.42
13	Tenali	0.19	4	Tadipatri	0.22
14	Repalle	0.19	5	Anantapur	0.20
Total ..		7.75	6	Kalyandrug	0.21
* Average ..		0.46	7	Dharmavaram	1.40
KURNOOL.			8	Penakonda	1.98
1	Markapur	2.55	9	Hindupur	0.19
2	Giddalore	0.73	10	Maulakasira	5.68
3	Allagada	3.47	Total ..		0.57
4	Koilkuntla	0.57	* Average ..		0.57

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

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.
CUDDAPAH.			NELLORE—cont.		
1	Jammalamadugu	0.33	20	Rapur	0.03
2	Proddutur	0.70	21	Gudur	0.56
3	Balvel	0.59	22	Venkatagiri	0.13
4	Sidhout	0.82	Total ..		17.95
5	Chitvel	0.08	* Average ..		0.82
6	Rajampet	0.92	CHINGLEPUT.		
7	Rayachoti	1.36	1	Sathiavedu	0.30
8	Cuddapah	1.67	2	Ponnéri	0.41
9	Kamalapur	2.14	3	Trivellore	0.35
10	Pulivendla	0.47	4	Sriperumbudur	0.93
11	Kadiri	1.03	5	Poonamallee	1.12
12	Madanapalle	4.64	6	Saidapet	0.42
13	Vayalpad	3.70	7	Conjeeveram	0.58
14	Piler	0.82	8	Utramur	0.44
Total ..		18.77	9	Chingleput	0.38
* Average ..		1.34	10	Madurantakam	1.13
NELLORE.			Total ..		6.01
1	Addanki	2.35	* Average ..		0.60
2	Darsi	0.87	MADRAS.		
3	Potili	1.08	1	Madras	3.25
4	Kanigiri	1.32	SOUTH ARCOT.		
5	Udayagiri	0.28	1	Gingee	1.38
6	Kanuparti	0.97	2	Tiddivaram	0.84
7	Ongole	1.82	3	Merkanam	0.24
8	Pakala	1.23	4	Vandur	2.66
9	Kandakur	0.91	5	Viluppuram	1.23
10	Kavali	2.04	6	Panruti	3.94
11	Tatapalle	0.52	7	Oddalore	2.89
12	Nellore	1.13	8	Bhuvanagiri	5.01
13	Krishnapatnam	0.19	9	Chidambaram	6.19
14	Kota	0.15	10	Mannargudi	8.13
15	Dugurajapatnam	0.44	11	Chengam	5.75
16	Sulurpet	0.41	12	Thiruvannamalai	1.36
17	Tada	1.52	13	Thirukoilur	3.85
18	Manupalayam	0.41			
19	Atmakur	0.41			

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SOUTH ARCOT—cont.			SALEM—cont.		
14	Ulundurpet	4.74	8	Palakodu	1.86
15	Kallakuriichi	3.14	9	Penuagaram	0.57
16	Vridhdhachalam	5.52	10	Dharmapuri	6.96
17	Thittagudi	7.37	11	Uttankarai	4.64
	Total	71.93	12	Harur	5.18
	* Average	3.77	13	Omair	0.65
NORTH ARCOT.			14	Salem	3.30
1	Kalahasti	0.41	15	Athur	1.87
2	Thirupathi	-	16	Thammampatti	2.69
3	Chandragiri	1.18	17	Razipur	5.44
4	Puthur (Narayanasanam)	0.54	18	Sankaridrug	1.37
5	Tirutani	-	19	Thiruchengód	3.44
6	Arkonam	0.35	20	Namakkal	2.33
7	Wálajah	0.44	21	Parmathi	1.91
8	Arcot	0.11	22	Erkad	4.01
9	Vellore	-		Total	62.79
10	Gudiyáttam	1.21		* Average { Excluding Erkad	2.80
11	Chittoor	0.28		{ Including Erkad	2.85
12	Tiruvattur	1.98	COIMBATORE.		
13	Wandiwash	2.37	1	Kollegal	1.35
14	Arni	0.53	2	Gopinhattipalayam	4.83
15	Pótur	2.14	3	Satyamangalam	6.53
16	Kangundi	5.24	4	Bhavani	2.47
17	Venkatagirikóta	2.60	5	Bródé	1.47
18	Palamanér	1.24	6	Perandurai	5.24
19	Panganur	3.53	7	Karur	3.29
	Total	25.98	8	Aravakuriichi	1.73
	* Average	1.30	9	Dharapuram	0.69
SALEM.			10	Kangayam	3.83
1	Váhiyambadi	3.87	11	Palladam	0.89
2	Thirupathúr	2.49	12	Ayanáshi	2.57
3	Krisnagiri	2.17	13	Coimbatore	0.59
4	Rayakóta	2.27	14	Máttupálayam	1.16
5	Hosúr	0.58	15	Polláchi	1.52
6	Tháhi	3.12	16	Udamalpet	-
7	Denkakikóta	2.07		Total	38.16
				* Average { Excluding Kollegal	2.30
				{ Including Kollegal	2.24

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TRICHINOPOLY.			TANJORE—cont.		
1	Perambakúr	0.59	20	Muthupettai	2.18
2	Jayankonda Solapuram	2.70	21	Adirampattanam	-
3	Ariyalúr	2.40	22	Kattumavdi	0.25
4	Kálpaluvúr	0.23	23	Arantáugi	3.44
5	Thuraiyúr	3.46		Total	33.29
6	Musiri	2.48		* Average	1.59
7	Kuditalai	4.20	PUDUKOTA STATE.		
8	Lálgudi	2.40	1	Pudukota	13.74
9	Trichinopoly	1.34	2	Alangudi	8.28
10	Manappárai	3.72	3	Karambakudi	3.70
11	Iluppúr	-	4	Tirumiam	4.37
	Total	23.52	5	Kilantilai	3.52
	* Average	2.14	6	Kulathur	5.90
TANJORE.			7	Viralimalai	3.52
1	Shiyáli	2.14		Total	43.03
2	Neidavasal	1.25		* Average	6.14
3	Máyavaram	0.59	MADURA.		
4	Tranquebar	0.51	1	Palni	0.43
5	Nannilam	0.72	2	Vedasandur	3.58
6	Kodavasal	1.93	3	Dindigul	5.24
7	Negapatam	0.76	4	Nélakotai	2.18
8	Tiruválúr	0.60	5	Periyakulam	2.38
9	Tiruturaippundi	1.55	6	Uthamapalayam	1.10
10	Vedaranyam	0.15	7	Usilampatti	3.75
11	Kumbakonam	1.68	8	Thirumangalam	2.83
12	Nidamangalam	2.47	9	Thirushuli	5.05
13	Mannargudi	3.53	10	Muthukulathur	0.07
14	Thuvádú	2.78	11	Muthuraghunathapatnam	0.11
15	Tanjore	3.20	12	Merekulam	-
16	Vallam	1.85	13	Pámban	0.48
17	Patukóttai	0.59	14	Ramnád	0.15
18	Thambikulambakottai	-			
19	Magilankottai	1.12			

* 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.

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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.
MADURA—cont.			NILGIRIS.		
15	Manakkudi	0.48	1	Devilla	4.88
16	Theethandathanam	0.14	2	Gudalur	2.03
17	Vattanam	1.00	3	Naduvattam	2.38
18	Thiruvadanai	0.60	4	Pykkara	2.64
19	Thirapattur	4.63	5	Kaity	4.52
20	Sivagunga	4.03	6	Ottacumund	2.50
21	Málar	8.80	7	Kodanad	1.60
22	Madura	2.36	8	Kotagiri	2.31
23	Kodaikámal	2.89	9	Wellington	3.41
24	Paramakudi	0.33	10	Coonoor	4.43
Total ..		52.61	11	Kilkundahs	5.00
* Average { Excluding Kodaikámal.		2.16	Total ..		35.70
{ Including Kodaikámal.		2.19	* Average ..		3.24
TINNEVELLY.			MALABAR.		
1	Viruthupatti	3.76	1	Cannanore	0.45
2	Sátar	3.23	2	Tellicherry	0.33
3	Vilatikalam	1.13	3	Badagara	0.28
4	Otapidaram	0.25	4	Quilandi	0.10
5	Arasadi	1.46	5	Calicut	1.18
6	Taticeerin	0.24	6	Thirurangadi	1.42
7	Vattirayirappu	3.06	7	Ponmani	0.61
8	Srivilliputur	0.50	8	Chiduvakad	0.75
9	Sankaranamarkoil	0.76	9	Cochin	1.50
10	Tenkasi	0.11	10	Tatiparamba	1.28
11	Ambasamudram	2.07	11	Nilambur	1.38
12	Palameottah	0.05	12	Manjeri	0.60
13	Srivaikuntam	0.44	13	Angadipuram	1.68
14	Kayalpatnam	0.07	14	Panghat	0.10
15	Kulasagarapatnam	0.05	15	Manantoddy	0.30
16	Nanguneri	0.41	16	Nayatri	0.75
17	Radhapuram	0.14			
18	Kuttanguli	0.08			
Total ..		16.81	Total ..		10.64
* Average ..		0.98	* Average ..		0.66

* 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.

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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.
SOUTH CANABA			TRAVANCORE STATE		
1	Coondapoor	1.93	1	Trivandrum	3.20
2	Udipi	1.97			
3	Mangalore	1.89			
4	Kasaragod	1.44			
5	Hosdrug	2.49			
6	Karakal	2.51			
7	Bantval	1.80			
8	Beltangadi	1.17			
9	Puttur	1.73			
Total ..		16.45			
* Average ..		1.83			

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

REV. BOARD OFFICE,
DEPT OF REV. SETT., L. R. & AGRI.
Madras, 189

Secretary.

To
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MADRAS.

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Statement showing the quantity of rainfall at the several authorised rain-registering stations in the Madras Presidency during the week ending the 24th September 1898.

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Board of Revenue

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture),

MADRAS.

Rainfall for the week ending 24th September 1898.

RAINFALL.

(Sett. 189-20-4-98.)

Week ending 24th September 1898.

Official year 1898-99.

DISTRICT.		ANNUAL.		Average up to the end of corresponding week for past 25 years.	1898-99. From 1st April to 24 th Sept.	Corresponding period of 1897-98.	During week ending 24 th Sept. 1898-99.	Average for corresponding period during the past 16 years.	DEATHS FROM CHOLERA.			REMARKS.
		Average of 25 years ending 1894.	1897-98.						From 1st April to 24 th Sept. 1898-99.	During the last week.	During the present week.	
		Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	Inches.	No.	No.	No.	
1	Ganjām	45.0	54.2	31.1	33.7	36.2	0.6	1.8	1	"	"	
2	Vizagapatam ..	Agency.	57.5	59.8	50.5	43.0	47.3	0.7	2.9			
		Littoral.	42.0	47.1	27.7	24.8	32.1	0.2	1.9	88	"	"
3	Gōdāvari	38.9	46.5	25.5	27.6	32.2	0.2	1.8	60	"	"	
4	Kistna	33.6	32.0	21.9	21.3	24.7	0.5	1.2	3049	229	100	
5	Kurnool	27.6	25.1	19.3	21.0	21.1	1.2	1.0	260	75	49	
6	Bellary	22.7	29.7	15.9	15.3	23.6	0.8	1.2	82	"	"	
7	Anantapur	23.3	25.7	15.2	10.7	18.6	0.6	1.1	"	"	"	
8	Cuddapah	28.6	23.7	16.1	14.3	18.2	1.3	1.1	8	"	1	
9	Nellore	34.6	24.5	12.0	11.4	16.6	0.8	0.9	946	118	93	
10	Chingleput	44.5	32.0	18.5	19.9	22.0	0.6	1.2	544	111	67	
11	Madras	49.0	37.9	17.8	20.5	23.6	3.3	1.0	556	41	31	
12	South Arcot	42.0	35.6	18.9	21.8	21.4	3.8	1.4	2473	80	46	
13	North Arcot	37.4	31.5	19.6	21.0	23.9	1.3	1.4	598	89	37	
14	Salem	31.3	36.3	19.3	18.8	24.2	2.9	1.4	839	"	2	
15	Coimbatore	25.5	27.4	13.0	13.9	16.5	2.2	2.8	696		"	
16	Trichinopoly	33.7	35.3	16.0	15.1	21.6	2.1	1.1	2098	51	26	
17	Tanjore	43.8	30.2	15.5	15.1	14.6	1.6	0.8	1150	73	60	
18	Pudukkottai	"	26.7	"	18.2	18.2	6.1	"	176	"	1	
19	Madurai	20.9	26.8	12.0	12.6	14.2	2.2	0.7	3773	12	25	
20	Tinnevely	26.3	26.5	6.8	5.6	11.5	0.9	0.3	960	15	5	
21	Nilgiris	62.6	74.8	39.0	44.1	60.9	3.2	1.6	1	"	"	
22	Malabar	113.5	148.3	96.1	87.0	134.3	0.7	1.4	164	"	"	
23	South Canara	142.0	181.1	127.3	135.8	168.6	1.8	2.0	47	"	"	
24	Travancore	† 65.7	60.6	43.1	33.1	41.7	3.2	0.7	9	"	"	

* 80 years' average—1813—1892

† 53 years' average ending December 1890.

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Board of Revenue

(Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture),

MADRAS.

PRICES OF THE STAPLE FLOOD GRAINS for week ending 24th September 1898.

STATEMENT OF PRICES FOR THE WEEK ENDING 24th September 1898.

(Soll. 65-100-14.3.98)

		PRICES IN SEERS OF 80 TOLAS PER RUPEE.																								REMARKS.
Group.	District.	RICE.						RAGI.						CHOLU.						CUMBU.						
		Last week.	This week.	Average for Sept.	Normal rates.†	Warning rates.†	Scarcity rates.†	Last week.	This week.	Average for Sept.	Normal rates.†	Warning rates.†	Scarcity rates.†	Last week.	This week.	Average for Sept.	Normal rates.†	Warning rates.†	Scarcity rates.†	Last week.	This week.	Average for Sept.	Normal rates.†	Warning rates.†	Scarcity rates.†	
Circars ..	Ganjām ..	12.4	12.7	16.6	17.0	13.6	10.2	19.3	20.6	27.2	30.0	22.5	15.0	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
	Vizagapatam ..	11.3	11.2	13.9	15.0	12.0	9.0	22.5	22.6	28.1	28.0	21.0	14.0	17.7	18.1	"	"	"	"	25.7	26.2	31.0	30.0	22.5	15.5	✓
	Godavari ..	10.9	10.8	14.9	15.0	12.0	9.0	17.1	17.1	27.3	28.0	21.0	14.0	17.5	16.9	25.7	28.0	21.0	14.0	21.0	21.7	26.8	28.0	21.0	14.0	✓
	Kistna ..	10.9	10.9	14.3	15.4	12.3	9.2	18.6	18.3	27.9	"	"	"	15.8	15.7	23.0	26.0	19.5	13.0	14.5	14.3	22.1	26.0	19.5	13.0	✓
Deccan ..	Kurnool ..	10.1	10.2	12.8	13.2	10.6	7.9	19.3	19.1	27.2	"	"	"	20.5	20.4	27.7	30.0	22.5	15.0	14.9	14.9	23.0	28.0	21.0	14.0	✓
	Bellary ..	9.7	9.8	12.6	13.2	10.6	7.9	21.5	21.7	34.2	"	"	"	20.9	21.4	27.4	30.0	22.5	15.0	"	"	"	"	"	"	✓
	Anantapur ..	10.4	10.5	14.2	13.2	10.6	7.9	18.2	18.4	32.6	32.0	24.0	16.0	18.1	18.1	29.6	30.0	22.5	15.0	17.9	19.1	25.6	28.0	21.0	14.0	✓
	Cuddapah ..	9.8	9.7	14.5	13.2	10.6	7.9	17.6	17.4	31.2	32.0	24.0	16.0	17.2	17.1	27.9	30.0	22.5	15.0	14.9	14.5	27.4	28.0	21.0	14.0	✓
Carnatic ..	Nellore ..	9.3	9.4	14.2	14.0	11.2	8.4	14.7	14.7	27.3	28.0	21.0	13.0	13.8	13.9	23.8	26.0	19.5	13.0	13.1	13.2	22.0	24.0	18.0	12.0	✓
	Chingleput ..	8.9	8.9	14.5	14.0	11.2	8.4	13.4	13.9	25.2	24.0	18.0	12.0	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	22.0	16.5	11.0	✓
	Madras ..	9.1	8.7	12.4	12.0	9.6	7.2	14.3	14.6	24.7	24.0	18.0	12.0	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	✓
	South Arcot ..	9.8	9.9	14.8	14.0	11.2	8.4	15.7	17.3	27.6	28.0	21.0	14.0	"	"	"	"	"	"	18.5	19.0	28.0	26.0	19.5	13.0	✓
Central ..	North Arcot ..	10.1	10.1	14.8	14.0	11.2	8.4	16.2	16.2	29.9	32.0	24.0	16.0	15.7	15.7	28.0	26.0	19.5	13.0	15.4	15.4	27.1	27.0	20.0	13.5	✓
	Salem ..	9.5	9.8	13.5	13.6	10.9	8.2	15.6	15.9	30.1	31.0	23.0	15.5	14.3	14.7	26.9	26.0	19.5	13.0	14.5	14.8	26.4	27.0	20.0	13.5	✓
	Coimbatore ..	9.5	9.8	13.1	13.0	10.4	7.8	17.0	17.1	27.3	28.0	21.0	14.0	14.8	14.6	22.3	21.0	18.0	12.0	16.7	16.8	25.6	26.0	19.5	13.0	✓
	Trichinopoly ..	9.0	9.0	13.8	14.0	11.2	8.4	14.1	14.3	26.9	28.0	21.0	14.0	15.8	15.9	30.6	24.0	11.0	12.0	13.3	13.3	23.6	23.0	19.5	13.0	✓
South ..	Tanjore ..	9.9	9.9	14.3	15.0	12.0	9.0	15.1	15.4	26.8	28.0	21.0	14.0	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	✓
	Pudukota ..	8.7	8.6	"	"	"	"	15.1	15.2	"	"	"	"	16.7	15.5	"	"	"	"	14.6	15.1	"	"	"	"	✓
	Madura ..	9.3	9.5	13.8	14.0	11.2	8.4	14.8	15.0	28.2	28.0	21.0	14.0	16.3	16.2	28.7	24.0	18.0	12.0	14.4	14.5	26.8	26.0	19.5	13.0	✓
	Tinnevely ..	9.3	9.3	13.1	13.4	10.7	8.0	16.2	16.2	25.0	26.0	19.5	13.0	14.5	14.5	24.5	23.0	17.0	11.5	13.3	13.4	20.7	22.0	16.5	11.0	✓
West Coast	Nilgiris ..	7.6	7.6	10.7	11.0	8.8	6.6	13.8	14.0	20.7	21.0	16.0	10.5	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	✓
	Malabar ..	10.1	10.1	13.2	13.4	10.7	8.0	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	✓
	South Canara ..	10.5	10.3	13.3	14.0	11.2	8.4	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	✓
	Travancore ..	9.7	9.7	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	✓

OFFICE OF THE COMM. OF REV. SETT., AND DIR. OF THE
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* Average for ten normal years previous to fall 1905 (1894-95).

† Fide G.O., No. 300 of 2nd July 1898.

† Fide Board's Proceedings, No. 31 of 1897.

Season Report for the week
ending 24th Sept '98

A Rainfall — The rainfall during the week was above the average in all the districts except the ~~Coast~~ ^{Coast} ~~and~~ ^{the} West Coast districts, and Bellary, Anantapur, Nellore, Chingleput, and North Arcot. In the affected parts of Nellore, Podile received 0.87 inches, Kanigiri 1.08 inches and Udayagiri 1.32 inches. The fall up to date was above the average in all the districts except Viragapattam, Kistna, Bellary, Anantapur, Cuddapah, Nellore, Salem, Tanjore, Trichinopoly, Tirunelveli and Malabar.

B Public Health — was generally good, but cholera still prevails in Kistna, Kurumb, Nellore, Chingleput, North Arcot, South Arcot and Tanjore. There was an imported case of plague death in the North Arcot district.

C Prices — The following were the chief variations

in prices:—

<u>Ragi</u>	<u>Rise</u> cents per mpe	<u>Full</u>
Gajam		1.3
S. arcot		1.6
<u>Cholam</u>		
Gosavari	.6	
Bellary	.5	
<u>Cumbe</u>		
Vidagapatam	.5	
Gosavari	.7	
Anantapur	1.2	
S. arcot	.5	

Prospects

Gajam — Water supply suffi-
for drinking. More rain urgently
wanted for rained lands.

Vidagapatam — Water supply
insufficient except in parts
for paddy cultivation.

Gosavari — Water supply suffi-
for agricultural purposes except
in parts of Ellore and to divi-
sions where it is insufficient
for agricultural purposes. Standing
crops generally good.

Kistna — Water supply general-
ly sufficient. Standing crops
generally good, but require more
rain

rain in parts of Ganavaram
and Gungala.

Kurnool — Water supply suffi-
cient for irrigation except in
parts of Pattikonda and Kail.
Kuntla where tanks receives no
fresh supply during the week.
Standing crops in good condi-
tion. Prospects fair.

Bellary — Water supply suffi-
for irrigation purposes in all
talukhs except in parts of Hospet
where the supply is reported to be
limited. Some of the tanks in
the Bellary and Raichur talukhs
received a few months supply.

Standing crops generally good.
Prospects fair, but more rain
is required in parts of Hospet
and Raichur.

Anantapur — Water supply
suffi for drinking and insufficient
for irrigation purposes.

Agricultural operations — Planting, sowing
& weeding paddy. Transplanting ragi
in parts. Sowing jowar, Kharra
cotton, Chama & horsegram.

Standing crops — Rathi dry

and wet crops under wells and
kalas & tanks are fair. Dry
crops on unirrigated dry lands
are thinning owing to recent rains.

Prospects - improving. More
rain required for irrigation
purposes. Labouring classes
find work. Mumber worked
in Hessaumpuram channel in
Tadpatri taluk - Men 339,
Women 134 & Children 15.

Cuddapah

Water supply - Some tanks
in Madanapalle, Vayalpad,
Pulimudla and Cuddapah have
received supplies varying from
15 days to two months and full.
The Chief Rivers are flowing well
tally as also the channels.
Wells contain adequate supply.
The Dy. Tahildar Piler, however,
reports that wells are almost
dry in his Division.

Ag. operations - Ploughing &
sowing are in progress. Weeding,
transplanting & watering
to standing crops are being
proceeded with on wet lands.

Standing

This is an ordinary work
S.H.

For nos. etc
on works please
see at end.

Standing crops are reported
to be in good condition.

Recent rains have in-
proved the prospects considerably.
but more rain is still wanted
for wet cultivation. In some
places laborers still find no
work.

Nellore

Water supply - Supply in main
fed tanks varies in general from
15 days to 3 months except in
Bedagagiri and Mandiker where
the supply is below one month.
The supply is generally sufficient for
irrigation in Nellore, Gudur,
Polur, and Venkatagiri and in-
sufficient in parts elsewhere.

17.5 ft. of water in the Mangiri
Reservoir and 2 1/2 months supply
in the Nellore tank. Supply for
drinking generally sufficient through-
out.

Ag. operations - Ploughing and
sowing is active progress through-
out. Crops sown are paddy &
Nellore, Gudur, Polur, Venkatagiri,
Kannali and Mandiker, paddy &c.

Crops

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crops in Rapur and Atmakur
and dry crops elsewhere.

Mustard, paddy, indigo,
Ragi, Cumin, vengai, gingelly
and other oilseeds are generally
turning.

Coolies generally find employ-
ment on agricultural operations,
harvesting, mica mining,
tank repairs, railways and
relief works.

Prospects improved, but more
rain is still wanted in Idasa-
giri and Darsi and in parts of
Rapur, Atmakur, and in the
Kota and Srikakulam divisions
of the Godavari taluk. Slight
fresher in the Pennaru, Paleru,
Musai and Ponggeru.

Chingleput — Improvement
in supply in tanks continues.
Prospects continue to be
on the whole fair, but more
rain is wanted at an early
date to bring supplies to
the tanks.

to & South Arcot — Prospects con-
tinue fair.

North Arcot

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North Arcot —

Water supply — the major portion
of the tanks contains supplies
ranging from 15 days to 3 months.
Most have supply of 4 to
6 months. Fresher in the Palaru,
Cheyyar, Pennar & other rivers.

Agricultural operations — Ploughing &
sowing paddy & some dry crops
almost everywhere. Transplant-
ing & weeding here & there.

Standing crops generally good.

Prospects fair.

Sealasar — Water supply
sufficient for drinking purposes
and for dry cultivation. Some
tanks have received a fair sup-
ply.

Agricultural operations in
progress. Standing crops are in
fair condition. Cumin and
pulses are being damaged
by caterpillars in parts of
Trichengode.

Prospects are favorable.
Employment is available.
More rain is wanted for supply
to tanks and for wet culti-

water

vation.

Coimbatore Water supply generally sufficient; but it is reported to be insufficient in parts of Palladam, Coimbatore and Idamalpet. The tanks in Erode and Palladam received a slight supply. No water in the tanks of Dharmapuram, Idamalpet and Coimbatore. There is scarcity of water in wells for irrigation purposes in Coimbatore, Karur, and the supply in wells diminishing in Dharmapuram.

Agricultural operations in progress.

Standing crops generally in good or fair condition. The dry crops in Idamalpet, Cholam, Cotton, Dholl, Castor and pulses in Dharmapuram are in need of rain.

There has been rain almost throughout the districts last week. There has been a little improvement in Palladam in water supply.

Ames

Since last week. Rain is urgently needed for Idamalpet and more rain necessary for Dharmapuram and Coimbatore.

Trichinopoly - Prospects fair. Tanjore - Prospects generally fair. More rain is wanted in parts of the district.

Madurai Water sufficient for drinking and irrigation except in parts of some taluks. Tanks received one or two months supply. Crops fair generally.

Tirunelveli - Water supply sufficient for drinking except in parts of Tirunelveli & Srivilliputhur; insufficient for irrigation generally; slightly improved by rain and fresher abundant supply insufficient for standing crops under ancient. Ploughing continues. Paddy seedlings, Paddy seedlings raised in Ambasamudram, Tirunelveli and Srivilliputhur. ^{around Tenkasi} Sowing dry seeds began in parts of Sankaracinarthar.

Sathu

Batur, Tenkasi, Srivilliputhur
 & Otapidaram, and paddy in
 parts of Batur. Rapi trans-
 planted in parts of Sankara
 Nainarkoil, Srivilliputhur
 & Otapidaram on well
 lands.

Standing crops under
 wells generally good. Cholera
 in parts of Kanchimari hithered.
 Wet crops require rain and
 withered in parts.

The Nilgiris Prospects
 fair.

Malabar Water supply
 insufficient in parts.

S. Canara Water supply
 sufficient. Prospects fair.

Numbers relieved.

There was a slight
 increase in the number
 of relief workers during
 the week. The annexed
 statement shows the
 numbers relieved.

	Number of workers		for distribution of relief	
	This week	Last week	This week	Last week
Ettagapin	240	199	34	38
Kanipin	95	85	"	"
Total	335	284	34	38

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H.M.
 Trivivelly is rather
 behind: but the recent
 rains on the South of
 Travancore if they have
 extended to the Ghats
 &c. bring down the
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