

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE
BOARD OF REVENUE
AND IRRIGATION**

FOR THE

SECOND QUARTER ENDING 30TH JUNE 1952.

Board of Revenue, Madras

Proceedings No. 8, Press, 8th April 1952

Assessment—Charge for water drawn for the Generation of Electrical and Mechanical power—Rates of royalty and maxima—Enhanced—Amendment to the form of licence in Appendix I (i) to Board's Standing Order 11-A—Issued.

Sri W. R. S. SATTTHIANATHAN, I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Land Revenue.

READ—the following paper :—

G.O. Ms. No. 2918, Revenue, dated 8th November 1951.

Resolution—No. 8, Press, dated 8th April 1952.

With reference to paragraph 3 of the Government Order cited above, the Board issues the following amendment to its standing orders :—

2. *Board's Standing Orders—Volume I—Page 144—Appendix I (i) to Standing Order 11-A, From No. 5.*—“Form of licence for the diversion of water from Government sources for the generation of electricity” as amended by Correction Slip No. 181, dated 4th December 1940 :—

Substitute the following for the existing clause 4 of the form:—

“The ^{company}_{licensee} shall during the said term pay royalty at the following annual rates per horse-power of effective capacity installed—

Horse power. Rupees per horse-power of effective capacity.

	RS.		RS.
1 to 9	60		
10 to 19	55	Subject to a maximum of	1,000
20 to 39	50	do,	1,800
40 to 99	45	do,	4,000
100 to 249	40	do,	8,750
250 to 499	35	do,	15,000
500 to 999	30		

1,000 and above (rate to be fixed in each case with reference to power developed and the capital invested in the works subject to a maximum of Rs. 30 per horse-power).

The said royalty shall be paid without any deductions in advance every half-year on the 1st day of April and October in every year, the first of such half-yearly payments to be made on the day of 19 ”.

N. C. THOMAS,
Joint Secretary.

To the Collectors of all districts.

Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Board of Revenue, Madras

Proceedings No. 9, Press, 18th April 1952

Assessment—Charge for water drawn for industrial purposes—Concessional rate for water taken for cooling purposes and returned undiminished and unpolluted—Board's Standing Order—Amendments—Issued.

SRI V. N. KUDVA, I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Commercial Taxes.

READ—the following papers :—

G.O. Ms. No. 1307, Public Works, dated 16th April 1948.

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, Ms. No. 590, dated 30th April 1948.

Memorandum No. 1740-N/49-3, dated 11th May 1949.

Reference from the Board of Revenue, No. G. 2870/49-1, dated 23rd June 1949.

Resolution—No. 9, Press, dated 18th April 1952.

The Board issues the following amendments to its Standing Order, No. 11-A :—

(1) *Board's Standing Order, Volume I—page 19—Standing Order No. 11-A paragraph 5, as amended by Correction slip No. 226, dated 27th October 1948.—Add the following after the words and figures, “at Rs. 6 per 1,000 cubic yards subject to a minimum of Rs. 100 per annum :—*

“Water taken for cooling purposes and returned undiminished and unpolluted to the Government source shall be charged at the concessional rate of Re. 1-8-0 per 1,000 cubic yards. For the rest of the water consumed, the full charge of Rs. 6 per 1,000 cubic yards subject to the prescribed minimum shall be levied.”

(2) *Board's Standing Order, Volume I—page 139—Standing Order No. 11-A—Appendix I(1)—Form 3—Paragraph 2, amended by Correction slip No. 226, dated 27th October 1948.—Add the following as clause (b) in the paragraph :—*

“(b) For every 1,000 cubic yards of water taken for cooling purposes and returned undiminished and unpolluted to the Government source. ” “Re. 1-8-0”

(3) *Renumber the existing clause (b) as clause (c).*

(True extract)

N. C. THOMAS,
Joint Secretary.

To the Collectors of all districts.

Copy to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.
“ Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Board of Revenue, Madras

(SETTLEMENT OF ESTATES)

Proceedings No. 1, Press, 1st May 1952

Estates Land Act—Disposal of suits and applications—Half-year ending 31st December 1951—Reports from subordinate officers—Reviewed.

Sri T. N. S. RAGHAVAN, I.C.S.,
Commissioner for Settlement of Estates.

READ—the following papers :—

Statements and declarations from the Revenue Divisional Officers and Special Deputy Collectors submitted by the Collectors.

Resolution—No. 1, Press, dated 1st May 1952.

Suits and applications under the Madras Estates Land Act were filed in all the districts of the State except Kurnool, Bellary and South Arcot.

2. *Disposal of suits.*—The receipts and disposal of suits in the State during the half-year ended 31st December 1951 and during the previous half-year are as given below :—

Period.	Suits pending at the beginning of the half-year.	Suits received during the half-year.	Total for disposal.	Number disposed of during the half-year.	Number pending at the end of the half-year.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Half-year ending 30th June 1951 ..	6,322	2,537	8,859	4,027	4,832
Half-year ending 31st December 1951 ..	* 4,582	1,335	5,917	2,166	3,751

* Figures as furnished by the Collectors. Hence they do not tally with the figures for the half-year ending 30th June 1951.

There is a considerable decrease in the number of suits received during the half-year under review; but the disposal is poor when compared with the previous half-year. While about half the number of suits for disposal were disposed of during previous half-year, the disposal during the half-year under review is only about one-third of the total for disposal. Appendix 'A' shows pendency in each division at the end of the half-year. The disposal of suits (number and percentage) by districts is shown below in respect of divisions where more than 50 suits are pending :—

Suits—Disposal.

Name of division.	Previous half-year.		Half-year under review.	
	Number disposed of.	Percentage of disposal.	Number disposed of.	Percentage of disposal.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Visakhapatnam	37	11	16	6
Narasapatnam	21	16	..	..
Vizianagaram	..	..	..	..
East Godavari— Peddapuram	3	28	19	14
West Godavari— Kovvur	4	4	1	1
Eluru	6	3	10	5
Narasapuram	..	..	..	..
Krishna— Nuzvid	57	7	59	11
Chittoor— Chandragiri	101	57	17	18
Nellore— Kavali	25	15	49	28
Gudur	30	25	6	7
Chingleput— Tiruvallur	3	1	14	3
Chingleput	8	2	136	16
Tanjore— Kumbakonam	32	11	140	55
Madurai— Madurai	..	..	208	72
Dindigul	1,184	74	426	59
Tirunelveli— Tuticorin	77	40	2	2
Srikakulam— Tekkali	..	..	..	..
Parvatipur	104	56	50	52

3. Compared with the number of suits for disposal during the half-year, pendency is very heavy in the following divisions :—

Name of divisions.	Total for disposal.	Number disposed of.	Pending at the end of the half-year.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Narasapatnam	253	16	237
Vizianagaram	104	..	104
Peddapuram	139	19	120
Kovvur	86	1	85
Eluru	201	10	191
Narasapuram	65	..	65
Nuzvid	543	59	484
Guntur	61	17	44
Chandragiri	94	17	77
Kavali	177	49	128
Gudur	91	6	85
Tiruvallur	539	14	525
Chingleput	825	136	689
Kumbakonam	256	140	116
Dindigul	722	426	296
Tuticorin	113	2	111
Hosur	31	2	29
Tekkali and Parvatipur	107	56	51

4. The number of old suits pending for over one year is very large in Narasapatnam, Eluru, Nuzvid, Tiruvallur divisions. No suits have been disposed of in Vizianagaram, Amalapuram, Narasapuram, Ongole, Tirupattur, Ranipet, Tanjore, Karur, Musiri and Namakkal divisions during the half-year under review. There was practically no progress in the disposal of the suits for the last two half-years in the divisions of Narasapuram, Ranipet and Musiri. Though no fresh suits were filed in these divisions during the two half-years the number of pending suits has not been reduced. This is very unsatisfactory. The pendency is very heavy in the districts of Krishna, Madurai, West Godavari and Visakhapatnam and is the heaviest in the district of Chingleput. The Collectors of these districts should see that the pendency is appreciably reduced by the end of the current half-year. The attention of the Collectors is again invited to section 4 (1) of Act VII of 1951 and they are requested to instruct the Revenue Divisional Officers to dispose of the pending suits as early as possible.

5. *Disposal of applications.*—The receipts and disposal of applications in the State during the half-year under review and during the previous half-year are as shown below :—

Period.	Applications pending at the beginning of the half-year.	Applications received during the half-year.	Total for disposal.	Number disposed of during the half-year.	Number pending at the end of the half-year.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Half-year ending 30th June 1951	5,569	7,898	13,467	6,610	6,857
Half-year ending 31st December 1951	* 6,254	4,708	10,962	6,440	4,517

* Figures as furnished by Collectors. Hence they do not agree with the figures of the half-year ending 30th June 1951.

There is a considerable decrease in the number of applications received during the half-year under review when compared to the previous half-year. The disposal is also fair as out of the total of 10,957 applications only 4,517 applications are now pending for disposal at the end of the half-year. Appendix 'B' shows the pendency at the end of the half-year in each division. The disposal of applications (number and percentage) in the districts is shown below in respect of the divisions where more than 100 applications are pending at the end of the half year :—

Applications—Disposal.

Name of division.	Previous half-year.		Half-year under review.	
	Number disposed of.	Percentage of disposal.	Number disposed of.	Percentage of disposal.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Visakhapatnam—				
Narasapatnam	92	15	54	9
Vizianagaram	30	4	25	3
West Godavari—				
Eluru	34	15	29	13
Krishna—				
Nuzvid	99	25	4	2
Madurai—				
Madurai	760	70	348	57
Uslampatti	153	55	87	18
Dindigul	152	48	180	49
Ramanathapuram—				
Ramanathapuram	848	58	1,003	90
Srikakulam—				
Tekkali and Parvatipur	1,586	42	3,215	72

6. Compared with the number of applications for disposal during the half-year, pendency was very heavy in the following divisions :—

Name of division.	Total number of applications for disposal.	Number disposed of.	Pending at the end of the half-year.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Narasapatnam	578	54	524
Vizianagaram	691	25	666
Peddapuram	138	56	82
Bhimavaram	92	8	84
Eluru	221	29	192
Nuzvid	177	4	173
Kavali	79	22	57
Tiruvellore	97	2	95
Tanjore	95	49	46
Kumbakonam	90	40	50
Uslampatti	431	87	394
Madurai	612	348	264
Dindigul	369	180	189
Tuticorin	72	3	69
Tekkali and Parvatipur	4,490	3,215	1,275

7. The number of applications pending for over one year is very large in Narasapatnam, Vizianagaram, Peddapuram, Eluru and Nuzvid divisions. The pendency is the heaviest in Visakhapatnam and Srikakulam districts where the total number of applications pending is 1,190 and 1,275 respectively. The pendency in Madurai district 847 is also heavy. The Collectors are requested to take special steps to reduce the pendency in general and in the divisions mentioned in particular.

8. In the returns submitted by the Collectors so far, there were some variations in the figures furnished by the Collectors in the column "suits pending at the end of the last half-year". Consequently the Board had to report to the Government that the variations were due to the fact that the return was based on Collectors' reports. As a copy of the review has been sent to the Collectors they are requested to reconcile their figures in the necessary columns including Appendices 'A' and 'B' of the return with reference to the previous return for the half-year ending 30th June 1951 and report to the Board in detail the full reasons for variations.

(True extract)

A. DOBAIRAJ,

Additional Assistant Secretary (Settlement of Estates).

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

.. Collectors of all districts except Ma'abar, South Kanara, Nilgiris and Madras. } (Each with copies of Appendices 'A' and 'B'.)

APPENDIX 'A'.

SUITS.

Name of division.	Number pending at the end of the last half-year.	Number received during the current half-year.	Total for disposal during the current half-year.	Number disposed of during the current half-year.	Number pending the end of the half-year for more than			Number pending at the end of the current half-year.
					One year.	Six months.	Three months.	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
Visakhapatnam—								
Narasapatnam	185	68	253	16	183	30	20	237
Vizianagaram	102	2	104	..	101	1	2	104
East Godavari—								
Kakinada	1	2	3	1	1	..	..	2
Peddapuram	127	12	139	19	116	2	1	120
Amalapuram	2	..	2	..	..	2	..	2
Rajahmundry	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	..
West Godavari—								
Kovvur	86	..	86	1	85	..	..	85
Bhimavaram	13	1	14	8	1	4	1	6
Eluru	197	4	201	10	190	1	..	191
Narasapuram	65	..	65	..	65	..	..	65
Krishna—								
Nuzvid	543	..	543	59	484	..	..	484
Bandar	6	4	10	6	2	..	2	4
Gudivada	34	..	34	34	..	..	..	..
Vijayavada	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Guntur—								
Tenali	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Narasaraopet	1	..	1	1	..	..	..	..
Ongole	1	1	2	..	1	..	..	2
Guntur	61	..	61	17	44	..	..	44
Anantapur—								
Anantapur	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Penukonda	4	..	4	1	..	3	..	3
Cuddapah—								
Rajampet	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jamalamadugu	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chittoor—								
Mudanapalle	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chandragiri	75	19	94	17	..	72	..	77
Nellore—								
Kavali	161	16	177	49	40	87	1	128
Kandukur	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Gudur	91	..	91	6	58	26	1	85
Chingleput—								
Tiruvallur	537	2	539	14	226	297	2	525
Chingleput	503	322	825	136	158	209	19	689
North Arcot—								
Tiruppattur	28	..	28	..	28	..	..	28
Tiruvannamalai	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ranipet	5	..	5	..	5	..	..	5
Tanjore—								
Tanjore	26	..	26	..	25	1	..	26
Kumbakonam	256	..	256	140	105	10	1	116
Pattukkottai	110	..	110	110	..	..	..	..
Tiruchirappalli—								
Ariyalur	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Karur	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	1
Musiri	21	..	21	..	21	..	..	21
Tiruchirappalli	11	..	11	8	3	..	..	3
Madurai—								
Veilampatti	16	1	17	16	..	..	1	1
Madurai	30	258	288	208	1	2	77	80
Dindigul	416	306	722	426	9	15	19	296
Ramanathapuram—								
Ramanathapuram	362	180	542	504	4	7	5	38
Devakkottai	208	48	256	208	..	..	..	48
Sivakasi	31	16	47	44	..	3	..	3
Tirunelveli—								
Tuticorin	113	..	113	2	111	..	..	111
Cheranmahadevi	9	24	33	33	..	..	..	..
Tirunelveli	13	22	35	12	13	..	10	23
Coimbatore—								
Gobichettipalayam	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Pollachi	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Erode	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Salem—								
Hosur	31	..	31	2	29	..	..	29
Salem	9	..	9	1	8	..	..	8
Namakkal	10	..	10	..	10	..	..	10
Srikakulam—								
Tekkali	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Parvatipur	81	26	107	56	40	4	5	51
Total ..	4,582	1,335	5,917	2,166	2,168	776	167	3,751

APPENDIX 'B'.

APPLICATIONS.

Name of division.	Number pending at the end of the last half-year.	Number received during the current half-year.	Total for disposal during the current half-year.	Number disposed of during the current half-year.	Number pending at the end of the half-year for more than			Number pending at the end of the current half-year.
					One year.	Six months.	Three months.	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
Visakhapatnam—								
Narasapatnam ..	562	16	578	54	513	2	2	524
Vizianagaram ..	632	59	691	25	617	10	39	666
East Godavari—								
Kakinada ..	2	..	2	1	1	..	..	1
Peddapuram ..	134	4	138	56	64	14	..	82
Amalapuram ..	2	..	2	..	2	..	..	2
Rajahmundry ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Godavari—								
Kovvur ..	85	7	92	8	80	..	4	84
Bhimavaram ..	6	..	6	2	4	..	..	4
Eluru ..	193	28	221	29	151	22	19	192
Narasapuram ..	24	..	24	..	24	..	..	24
Krishna—								
Nuzvid ..	177	..	177	4	148	25	..	173
Bandar ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Gudivada ..	4	4	8	4	..	..	4	4
Vijayavada ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Guntur—								
Tenali ..	1	3	4	..	..	..	..	4
Narasaraopet ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ongole ..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	1
Guntur ..	40	21	61	40	..	..	21	21
Anantapur—								
Anantapur ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Penukonda ..	9	..	9	8	..	1	..	1
Guddapah—								
Rajampet ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jamalamadugu ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chittoor—								
Madanapalle ..	2	..	2	1	..	1	..	1
Chandragiri ..	48	122	170	144	1	8	4	26
Nellore—								
Kavali ..	66	13	79	22	51	6	..	57
Kandukur ..	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	..
Gudur ..	41	51	92	67	..	13	7	25
Chingleput—								
Tiruvallur ..	97	..	97	2	58	37	..	95
Chingleput ..	36	8	44	24	2	15	3	20
North Arcot—								
Tiruppattur ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tiruvannamalai ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ranipet ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tanjore—								
Tanjore ..	71	24	95	49	2	38	2	46
Kumbakonam ..	59	31	90	40	36	..	8	50
Pattukkottai ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tiruchirappalli—								
Ariyalur ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Karur ..	57	..	57	56	1	..	..	1
Musiri ..	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	1
Tiruchirappalli ..	19	..	19	5	..	4	10	14
Madurai—								
Usilampatti ..	127	354	481	87	..	40	44	394
Madurai ..	330	282	612	348	7	38	219	264
Dindigul ..	166	203	369	180	2	22	6	189
Ramanathapuram—								
Ramanathapuram ..	180	936	111	1,003	12	7	77	113
Devakkottai ..	731	97	828	807	..	..	..	21
Sivakasi ..	124	87	211	140	..	14	20	71
Tirunelveli—								
Tuticorin ..	71	1	72	3	69	..	..	69
Cheranmahadevi ..	1	3	4	4	..	..	..	..
Tirunelveli ..	2	..	2	..	2	..	..	2
Coimbatore—								
Gobichettipalayam ..	..	10	10	10	..	..	..	..
Pollachi ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Erode ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Salem—								
Hosur ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Salem ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Namakkal ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Srikakulam—								
Tekkali ..	2,151	2,339	4,490	3,215	98	74	29	1,274
Parvatipur ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total ..	6,254	4,703	10,957	6,440	1,947	391	518	4,517

Board of Revenue, Madras

Proceedings No. 11, Press, 17th May 1952

Special Funds Code—Village officers—Arrear claims—Authority competent to sanction—Amendment—Issued.

Sri W. R. S. SATTIANATHAN, I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Land Revenue.

READ—the following papers :—

G.O. Ms. No. 3226, Revenue, dated 20th December 1949.

From the Collector of Salem, No. Ro3. A-6-19548/51, dated 27th August 1951.

Board's Proceedings No. L. Dis. C. 10535-51, dated 26th October 1951.

Board's Proceedings Misc. No. 54, dated 21st April 1952.

Resolution—No. 11, Press, dated 17th May 1952.

The Board issues the following amendment to the Special Funds Code :—

“ Pages 22-23—Article 55.—Add the following as Note 2 under this Article :—

Note 2.—The powers of a Divisional Officer referred to in Note 1 above will, however, be exercised by the Managers of Estates not below the rank of a Deputy Collector in respect of estate villages taken over by the Government.

(True extract)

A. F. MASCARENHAS,
Secretary.

To all Collectors (each with two spare copies of printed Board's Proceedings).
“ Managers of Estates (through Collectors).

Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Madras.
“ Accountant-General, Madras (O.A. Department).
“ Board of Revenue (Settlement of Estates Branch).

Board of Revenue, Madras

Proceedings No. 12, Press, 22nd May 1952

Village officers—Powers of certain officers appointed under the Abolition Act—Amendment to B.S.O. No. 155—Draft paragraph 14—Approved—Amendments to B.S.O. No. 155—Issued.

Sri W. R. S. SATTIANATHAN, I.C.S.
Commissioner of Land Revenue.

READ—the following papers:—

Board's Reference No. A-4350/51-3, dated 12th March 1952.

G.O. Ms. No. 1011, Revenue, dated 3rd April 1952.

Resolution—No. 12, Press, dated 22nd May 1952.

With the approval of the Government the Board issues the following amendment to B.S.O. No. 155.

“ Page 869, *Standing Order No. 155*—Insert the following as paragraph 14 after the existing paragraph 13:—

“ 14. (i) *Powers of certain officers appointed under the Madras Estates (Abolition and Conversion into Ryotwari) Act, 1948*—(a) *Managers of Estates*.—Managers of estates who are not below the rank of a Deputy Collector and who are appointed under section 6 of Madras Act XXVI of 1948 are authorized to exercise the powers of a Collector under the Madras Hereditary Village Officers Act III of 1895 and also to exercise similar powers over non-statutory village officers. The Revenue Divisional Officer of the division in which the estate is situated shall not exercise such powers in respect of the village officers in the estate.

(b) Managers in grade of Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar are authorized to exercise the same powers as regular Tahsildars or Deputy Tahsildars in the matter of punishment of village officers in the estates taken over by the Government. If any heavier punishment is called for, they will take up the matter with the Revenue Divisional Officers concerned. The regular Tahsildars and Deputy Tahsildars who will continue to exercise other functions in the area comprised in the estate shall not exercise their powers of punishment over these village officers.

(ii) *Settlement and Assistant Settlement Officers*.—Settlement officers appointed under section 5 (1) of Madras Act XXVI of 1948 and the Assistant Settlement Officers working under the Settlement officers are authorized to exercise the powers of a Collector under the Madras Hereditary Village Officers Act III of 1895 to fine village officers. They are authorized to exercise similar powers over non-statutory village officers. If any heavier punishment is called for, they will take up the matter with the Manager of the estate if he is not below the rank of a Deputy Collector and in other cases with the Revenue Divisional Officer concerned ”.

(True extract)

A. SOMASUNDARAM,
Assistant Secretary.

To the Collectors of all districts (Revenue Divisional Officers, Tahsildars and Deputy Tahsildars in independent charge).

To the Court of Wards and Settlement of Estate Branches.

Copy to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.

Board of Revenue, Madras

Proceedings No. 13, Press, 14th June 1952

Cattle pounds—Payment of feeding charges to pound keepers—Special cases—Article 129 of Special Funds Code—Authority competent to sanction payment in districts where the Judiciary has been separated from the Executive—Instructions issued Government order communicated—Amendment to the Special Funds Code—Issued.

Sri W. R. S. SATHIANATHAN, I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Land Revenue and Irrigation.

READ—the following papers :—

G.O. Ms. No. 1530, Revenue, dated 22nd May 1952.

Reference from the Board of Revenue No. C. 12634/51-2, dated 4th June 1952.

Resolution—No. 13, Press, dated 14th June 1952.

The Board issues the following amendment to the Special Funds Code :—

Page 44—Article 129.—For the words “the Subdivisional Magistrate’s Orders” occurring in the article *substitute* “the Revenue Divisional Officer’s Orders.”

(True extract)

A. F. MASCARENHAS,
Secretary.

To all Collectors (with spare copies for Revenue Divisional Officers, Tahsildars and Independent Deputy Tahsildars).

Copy to the Accountant-General (O.A. section).

” Secretary to the Government, Revenue Department.

Board of Revenue, Madras

Proceedings No. 14, Press, 26th June 1952

Advances—Loans under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Acts—
Business statements—Quarter ending 31st March 1952—Reviewed.

Sri W. R. S. SATTHIANATHAN, Esq., I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Land Revenue.

SRI. C. S. KRISHNAMOORTHY, I.A.S.,
Joint Secretary, Board of Revenue.

READ—the following paper :—

From the Collectors of all districts except Madras, West Godavari,
Kurnool and Tiruchirappalli.

Resolution—No. 14, Press, dated 26th June 1952.

The Board proceeds to review the business statements relating to the advances under Takkavi Loans Acts.

Punctuality.—The above return was due with the Board on 15th April 1952. The Collectors of West Godavari, Kurnool and Tiruchirappalli have not submitted it at all. It was received in time only from the Collectors of North Arcot and South Kanara. The other Collectors submitted the return between 18th April 1952 and 26th May 1952, the last being the Collector of Guntur. Instructions were issued to the Collectors, well in advance, to send their returns in time to enable the Board to send the consolidated review to Government without delay. The Board is unable to see why there has been this default in punctuality. Collectors are requested to investigate into the causes for the delay and take action to ensure correct submission in future.

This review is being submitted without the reports from the Collectors of West Godavari, Kurnool and Tiruchirappalli. The Collector of West Godavari has not sent his report for the previous quarter also. The non-receipt of reports from these Collectors, has caused considerable hardship, as the consolidated review for the whole State cannot be submitted to the Government. The Collectors of West Godavari, Kurnool and Tiruchirappalli are requested to send their reviews and statements direct to the Government with a copy to the Board, within a week with an explanation for the default. They are requested to see that such defaults are avoided in future and to take disciplinary action against persons at fault.

Receipt and disposal of applications.—160,922 applications were received in the quarter ending 31st March 1952, in all the districts except West Godavari, Kurnool and Tiruchirappalli. Out of the total number of 198,089 applications for disposal in the quarter, 41,799 were rejected and 24,149 were accepted, leaving a balance of 132,141. The percentage of disposal during the quarter is 33.33 as against 46 in the previous quarter. The disposal of applications is below 50 per cent and not satisfactory in the districts of Guntur, Cuddapah, Anantapur, Chingleput, Chittoor, Madurai, Tirunelveli, Coimbatore, Salem and Malabar. The first five districts maintain the *status quo*. The Collectors of districts concerned are requested to look into this poor progress in the disposal of loan applications and expedite their disposal to facilitate the ryots to avail themselves of the loans. The large number of pending loan applications is in Visakhapatnam (2,771), Guntur (3,009), Anantapur (1,364), Chingleput (3,823), North Arcot (3,140), South Arcot (2,070) and the largest is in Chittoor (56,518). In Cuddapah, too, the number of pending applications is very large (41,212). Cuddapah, Chingleput, Anantapur, South Arcot and Chittoor showed heavy pendency in the previous quarter also. There has been no appreciable progress in the disposal of applications. The Collectors of the districts, where distress is very acute, should see that the applications are disposed of quickly. In spite of the employment of a large special staff for the disposal of loan applications, the pendency has not been substantially reduced. The Collectors of these districts should pay prompt attention in regard to the disposal of loan applications.

There are 2,006 applications pending for over six months and 214 pending for over one year. The number of applications pending for over one year is large in Srikakulam (45) and Chingleput (43). The number of applications pending for over six months is very large in Chingleput (320), South Arcot (333), Coimbatore (336) and large in Nellore (108), Cuddapah (104), North Arcot (181), Tirunelveli (114) and Salem (158). The pendency continues to be heavy in Cuddapah, Chingleput, South Arcot, Coimbatore and Salem. It is unsatisfactory to note that such long delays have, probably been unnoticed by the Collectors concerned, and allowed to continue, in spite of the time-limit of two months prescribed for the disposal of loan applications. The Collectors concerned are requested to investigate the reasons for such a heavy pendency and issue special instructions to their subordinates for quick disposal of old applications and deal with them severely for any slackness or disregard of instructions.

Disbursement of loans.—Out of the sanctioned allotment of Rs. 1,77,11,230 for the State except the districts of West Godavari, Kurnool and Tiruchirappalli an amount of Rs. 1,69,04,215 was disbursed up to the end of the quarter, leaving a balance of Rs. 8,07,015 yet to be disbursed. The percentage of disbursement in the quarter is 95. On a comparison of the figures in column (11) of Appendix A, with those in column (3) of Appendix B, it is seen that in the districts of Srikakulam, East Godavari, Guntur, Anantapur, Bellary, North Arcot, South Arcot, Tanjore, Madurai, Ramanathapuram, Coimbatore, Nilgiris, Salem and Malabar, the amounts disbursed in the quarter are greater than the amounts covered by the applications accepted in the quarter. This shows that the loan amounts in some cases sanctioned in the previous quarters were disbursed in the quarter under review. Again in the districts of Visakhapatnam, Krishna, Cuddapah and South Kanara the amounts covered by the loan applications accepted in the quarter are larger than those disbursed in the quarter. This shows that the loan amounts are not disbursed as soon as they are sanctioned. The Collectors are requested to see that the loans are disbursed as soon as they are sanctioned. Prompt disbursement of loans could alone, serve the purpose for which they are granted. The Collectors are, therefore, requested not to delay either the sanction of loans or their disbursements.

Construction and inspection of works.—Inspection of works of the previous fasli is inadequate in the districts of East Godavari, Krishna, Nellore, Bellary, Chingleput, Chittoor, North Arcot, South Arcot, Madurai, Coimbatore and Salem. There was no inspection at all in the districts of Visakhapatnam and Ramanathapuram. In Visakhapatnam there was no inspection in the last two quarters. This is very unsatisfactory. The number of works inspected is very poor in East Godavari, Nellore, Chingleput and Salem compared to the works to be inspected. The Board observes that inspection of the works of the previous fasli is heavily in arrears in many districts particularly in Visakhapatnam, East Godavari, Nellore, Chingleput, Ramanathapuram and Salem.

Inspection of the works of the current fasli has also been unsatisfactory in all the districts except Malabar. Inspection of the works was poor in all the other districts in the last quarter also. There was no inspection at all in the districts of Srikakulam, Visakhapatnam, Guntur, and Ramanathapuram. The Collectors should ensure that this item of work is attended to more systematically.

Out of 1,688 completed works to be inspected by the Revenue Divisional Officers only 373 have been inspected by them up to the end of the quarter. Inspection by the Revenue Divisional Officers is heavily in arrears in Cuddapah, Bellary and South Arcot. It has been repeatedly observed that prompt inspection immediately after the completion of works will give a correct estimate and quality of the work done. The Board again wishes to impress upon the Collectors that they should stress the importance of inspection of works, and see that the instructions are strictly followed by their subordinates. While passing the diaries of Revenue Divisional Officers, Collectors may usually indicate therein the satisfaction in, or otherwise of, inspection work by the Revenue Divisional Officer in this direction. Cases where, despite these indications, inspection does not improve, should be brought to the notice of the Board. Revenue Divisional Officers may usefully adopt a similar course in respect of Tahsildars and report to the Collectors cases of repeated default.

(True extract)

C. S. KRISHNAMOORTHY,
Joint Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department
 „ Secretary to Government, Economics and Statistics Department } (each with copies of statements).
 Copy to the Collectors of all districts except Madras.

APPENDIX A.

Statement showing the disposal of applications under the Land Improvement Loans and Agriculturists' Loans Acts for the quarter ending 31st March 1952.

Districts.	Applications pending at the beginning of the quarter.			Applications received in the quarter.			Total.			Applications rejected in the quarter.			Applications accepted in the quarter.			Total applications disposed of.			Applications pending at the end of the quarter.					
	Number.	Amount.	RS.	Number.	Amount.	RS.	Number.	Amount.	RS.	Number.	Amount.	RS.	Number.	Amount.	RS.	Number.	Amount.	RS.	Three months and below.	Over months and six months.	Over months and one year.	One year and above.	Total number.	Total Amount.
Srikulam ..	2,310	10,59,800	10,59,800	3,268	14,00,400	5,578	24,60,200	2,851	12,82,950	846	2,80,300	15,63,250	3,097	15,63,250	1,553	250	33	45	1,881	8,97,150				
Visakhapatnam ..	3,081	16,47,500	16,47,500	3,164	15,95,870	6,245	32,43,370	2,793	14,59,350	681	3,03,420	17,62,770	3,474	17,62,770	2,430	270	71	..	2,771	14,69,050				
East Godavari ..	324	1,77,350	1,77,350	1,355	77,300	459	2,54,650	148	67,750	124	45,650	1,13,400	272	1,13,400	124	32	31	..	187	1,41,050				
West Godavari ..	536	6,59,645	6,59,645	1,125	7,32,835	1,661	13,92,480	756	5,27,350	334	1,50,300	6,77,650	1,140	6,77,650	438	44	39	..	521	7,08,380				
Krishna ..	631	8,86,210	8,86,210	2,796	6,31,550	3,457	10,17,760	238	2,02,450	210	36,425	2,38,875	448	2,38,875	2,355	607	47	..	3,009	6,85,435				
Guntur ..	975	3,72,310	3,72,310	1,276	7,02,730	2,251	10,75,040	465	3,48,140	756	1,09,680	5,47,720	1,221	5,47,720	730	166	108	26	1,030	5,27,320				
Nellore ..	3,892	23,41,320	23,41,320	57,277	1,38,86,790	61,169	1,62,28,110	12,984	41,08,220	6,973	13,72,010	54,80,230	19,957	54,80,230	38,196	2,912	104	..	41,212	1,06,34,810				
Cuddapah ..	2,825	19,87,500	19,87,500	12,225	56,11,500	14,450	75,99,000	2,110	12,31,000	1,976	2,78,200	15,09,200	4,086	15,09,200	9,258	1,044	62	..	10,364	60,53,120				
Anantapur ..	616	4,76,680	4,76,680	884	5,07,400	1,500	9,84,080	361	1,56,700	360	1,79,650	3,36,350	721	3,36,350	655	111	12	..	779	6,47,730				
Bellary ..	3,509	16,26,160	16,26,160	2,758	12,68,550	6,267	28,94,710	1,184	5,79,860	1,260	5,11,580	10,91,440	2,444	10,91,440	2,347	1,113	320	43	3,823	17,61,350				
Kurnool ..	6,397	22,78,990	22,78,990	68,027	1,27,28,585	75,024	1,50,04,505	11,185	17,10,340	7,321	7,06,425	24,36,765	18,506	24,36,765	44,404	12,114	181	..	59,578	1,25,02,610				
Chingleput ..	3,449	14,40,455	14,40,455	2,702	12,39,990	6,151	26,80,475	2,901	10,94,360	810	3,53,940	14,48,300	3,011	14,48,300	2,140	909	181	10	3,140	11,05,805				
North Arcot ..	2,383	10,45,515	10,45,515	1,343	5,53,925	3,726	15,99,440	1,201	5,91,110	455	1,78,695	7,69,805	1,656	7,69,805	1,148	569	333	20	2,070	8,12,035				
South Arcot ..	17	10,350	10,350	509	2,68,750	526	2,70,100	238	1,49,200	82	26,260	1,75,550	370	1,75,550	137	17	2	..	156	55,100				
Tanjore ..	394	2,86,600	2,86,600	120	75,750	524	3,62,350	59	19,400	60	33,350	52,750	108	52,750	360	56	..	..	416	3,08,150				
Trichirappalli ..	1,396	3,94,605	3,94,605	2,992	1,31,200	1,683	5,25,805	387	2,13,045	350	89,110	2,87,155	787	2,87,155	162	756	26	..	951	2,30,650				
Ramanathapuram ..	2,011	4,67,460	4,67,460	557	1,63,704	2,568	6,31,164	1,755	3,13,979	374	73,470	3,87,449	2,129	3,87,449	1,7	138	114	7	439	2,29,675				
Trinaveli ..	1,953	11,52,000	11,52,000	875	7,11,000	1,998	18,63,000	357	3,29,150	304	2,44,100	5,66,250	661	5,66,250	680	233	336	18	1,267	12,89,350				
Coimbatore ..	54	1,24,700	1,24,700	99	64,400	1,63	2,03,100	40	36,650	29	18,100	54,750	69	54,750	69	12	3	..	84	1,64,350				
The Nilgiris ..	832	9,29,955	9,29,955	813	7,63,180	1,445	16,93,133	383	4,40,775	302	1,65,230	6,06,005	685	6,06,005	605	158	158	39	960	10,87,130				
Salem ..	84	37,920	37,920	162	1,44,920	246	4,06,000	90	13,100	134	31,710	45,610	154	45,610	73	10	9	..	92	49,470				
South Kanara ..	368	1,34,900	1,34,900	505	1,44,920	873	2,70,820	53	59,920	349	63,080	1,23,000	402	1,23,000	408	41	17	..	471	1,56,020				
Malabar ..	37,167	1,90,44,525	1,90,44,525	1,60,922	4,33,27,939	1,98,039	6,23,72,461	41,799	1,49,48,689	24,149	53,33,585	2,02,82,274	65,948	2,02,82,274	1,08,359	21,562	2,006	214	1,32,141	4,15,99,740				
Total ..	37,167	1,90,44,525	1,90,44,525	1,60,922	4,33,27,939	1,98,039	6,23,72,461	41,799	1,49,48,689	24,149	53,33,585	2,02,82,274	65,948	2,02,82,274	1,08,359	21,562	2,006	214	1,32,141	4,15,99,740				

APPENDIX B.

Statement showing the disbursement of loans under the Land Improvement Loans and Agriculturists' Loans Acts for the quarter ending 31st March 1952.

Districts.	Allotment sanctioned.	Amount disbursed in the quarter.	Amount disbursed up to the end of the quarter.	Percentage of column (4) to column (2).	Balance.	Districts.	Allotment sanctioned.	Amount disbursed in the quarter.	Amount disbursed up to the end of the quarter.	Percentage of column (4) to column (2).	Balance.
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)		(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
Srikulam ..	7,00,000	3,05,590	7,00,000	100	..	Tanjore ..	6,73,270	37,810	6,73,270	100	..
Vaithanatham ..	11,44,000	2,88,670	11,43,950	100	..	Trichirappalli ..	..	..	..	..	..
East Godavari ..	1,43,000	90,900	1,38,900	97	4,100	Madurai ..	..	..	..	..	..
West Godavari ..	6,75,000	1,25,200	5,36,900	80	1,38,100	Ramanathapuram ..	..	..	..	..	..
Krishna ..	2,13,000	90,350	2,22,250	74	80,740	Tirunelveli ..	..	..	..	..	..
Guntur ..	4,00,000	1,99,470	4,00,000	100	..	Coimbatore ..	..	..	..	..	..
Nellore ..	19,56,000	11,58,650	19,56,000	100	..	The Nilgiris ..	..	..	..	..	..
Cuddapah ..	5,70,155	8,31,000	5,70,155	100	..	Salem ..	..	..	..	..	..
Anantapur ..	8,00,000	1,86,450	5,96,250	..	2,03,750	South Kanara ..	..	..	..	..	..
Bellary ..	..	..	..	..	..	Malabar ..	..	..	..	..	..
Kurnool ..	20,39,500	5,46,075	20,39,500	100	..	Total ..	1,77,11,230	60,23,610	1,69,04,215	95	8,07,015
Chingleput ..	19,42,000	4,10,356	13,99,960	100	40						
Chittoor ..	19,42,000	4,10,356	13,99,960	99	2,100						
North Arcot ..	10,71,000	2,46,165	10,70,340	99	660						
South Arcot ..	..	..	..	..	..						

APPENDIX C.

Statement showing inspection of works under the Land Improvement and Agriculturists' Loans Acts for the quarter ending 31st March 1952.

Districts.	Works of the previous fasli remaining uninspected.				Works of the current fasli.				Inspection of works by Revenue Divisional Officers.				(28) Remarks.														
	Number to be inspected.		Number inspected.	Up to the end of the quarter.	Number to be inspected.		Number inspected.	Number to be inspected.		Number inspected.	Number to be inspected.																
	Complete works.	Incomplete works.			Complete works.	Incomplete works.		Complete works.	Incomplete works.		Complete works.	Incomplete works.															
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)
	Works remaining uninspected at the end of the previous fasli year.	Works for which loans were granted during the quarter.	Works for which loans were granted up to the end of the quarter.	Total of columns (2) and (4).	Works completed during the quarter.	Works completed up to the end of the quarter.	Percentage of column (7) to column (5).	Works remaining incomplete at the end of the quarter [column (9) minus column (7)].	Complete works.	Incomplete works.	Total.	During the quarter.	Up to the end of the quarter.	Complete works up to the end of the quarter.	Incomplete works up to the end of the quarter.	Total.	During the quarter.	Up to the end of the quarter.	Complete works.	Incomplete works.	Complete works remaining at the end of the previous fasli.	Works completed in the quarter.	During the quarter.	Up to the end of the quarter.	Out of those shown in column (22).	Out of those shown in column (23).	
Srikulam	687	507	1,174	1,841	414	1,081	59	760	..	667	667	413	413	1,081	760	1,841	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Visakhapatnam	787	498	1,285	2,072	..	..	..	2,072	..	787	787	..	..	..	2,072	2,072	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
East Godavari	375	5	189	564	..	..	..	564	18	375	393	..	180	..	564	564	..	..	..	5	31	..	..	..	..	..	..
West Godavari	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Krishna	343	386	6,280	6,623	19	5,640	85	983	4,403	343	4,746	1,143	1,241	5,640	983	6,623	..	212	..	..	208	75	..	..	58	6	11
Guntur	52	210	513	565	45	112	17	453	..	52	52	..	14	113	453	565	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nellore	983	108	108	1,094	37	33	30	1,061	67	986	1,033	11	25	33	1,061	1,094	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cuddapah	271	1,318	2,437	2,708	536	1,041	37	1,667	..	271	271	24	102	1,041	1,667	2,708	279	415	90	159	36	102	18	26	12	12	..
Anantapur	..	1,283	1,283	1,283	719	719	54	594	..	..	..	..	..	719	594	1,283	83	146	47	60	12	11	..	27	27	8	..
Bellary	78	360	993	1,076	27	512	45	564	265	78	343	48	84	512	564	1,076	42	259	12	48	10	23	4	4	4	4	..
Kurnool	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chingleput	777	1,292	3,575	4,852	211	815	18	3,537	2,434	777	3,211	153	601	815	3,537	4,852	42	339	..	33	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Chittoor	604	2,742	1,472	2,076	147	475	24	1,601	1	604	605	51	204	475	1,601	2,076	31	99	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
North Arcot	1,807	1,243	4,497	6,304	603	2,644	41	3,660	243	1,807	2,050	186	455	2,644	3,660	6,304	443	1,613	257	238	4	2	2	5	5	5	..
South Arcot	1,140	461	1,907	3,047	812	1,287	43	1,760	3	1,140	1,143	202	475	1,287	1,760	3,047	276	684	39	261	52	56	1	1	1	1	..
Tanjore	442	75	1,169	1,611	104	1,130	69	431	5	442	447	2	333	1,130	431	1,611	..	228	54	67	9	12	..	9	9	9	..
Tiruchirappalli	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Madurai	560	73	485	1,045	59	29	3	1,016	726	560	1,286	22	494	29	1,016	1,045	40	116	..	365	2	4	..	..	..	..	3
Ramanathapuram	16	350	..	16	58	..	..	16	..	16	16	..	..	..	16	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Tirunelveli	83	110	830	913	59	145	11	768	8	83	91	56	91	145	768	913	101	223	4	82	..	..	..	..	5	5	..
Coimbatore	2,810	302	1,322	4,132	99	989	24	3,143	1,402	2,810	4,212	96	1,226	989	3,143	4,132	50	924	82	151	292	91	18	124	8	52	..
The Nilgiris	78	40	111	189	14	78	50	111	13	78	91	11	59	78	111	189	14	70	..	..	2	..	..	2	2	13	..
Salem	2,436	440	575	3,011	98	520	17	2,491	..	2,436	2,436	107	743	520	2,191	3,011	184	694	33	137	..	13	..	..	..	13	..
South Kanara	29	23	45	74	5	14	20	60	6	29	29	18	26	14	60	74	..	..	25	28	..	1	..	..	..	6	..
Malabar	30	89	86	116	24	82	71	34	..	30	36	..	36	82	34	116	27	59	5	24	3	7	..	3	5	6	..
Total	14,371	11,865	39,341	44,712	4,286	17,346	39	27,366	9,594	14,371	23,965	2,543	6,768	17,346	27,366	44,712	1,617	6,086	653	2,127	688	400	43	259	55	114	..

Board of Revenue, Madras

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Administration report—Panchayat forests—Return for 1950-51—Recorded.

W. R. S. SATTHIANATHAN, I.C.S.,
Commissioner of Land Revenue.

Read—the following papers :—

I

Reports received from the Collectors of West Godavari, Ramanathapuram, Tirunelveli, South Kanara and Coimbatore.

II

Reference from the Board of Revenue, No. E. 7153/51, dated 3rd May 1952.

[Administration and working report of the forest panchayats under the control of Revenue department for the year ending 30th June 1951.]

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Reports received from the Collectors of West Godavari, Ramanathapuram, Tirunelveli, South Kanara and Coimbatore.

Resolution—No. E. 7153/51, dated 3rd May 1952.

The Board submits below the administration report on the working of the forest panchayats during 1950-51.

Constitution.—During the year under report, proposals were submitted for handing over the panchayat forests in the districts of East Godavari, West Godavari, Madurai, Ramanathapuram, Tirunelveli and Coimbatore to the control of the Forest department in pursuance of the policy of the Government in this respect. Orders sanctioning their transfer were received subsequently. These were in addition to the forest panchayats in the districts of South Arcot, Chingleput, Visakhapatnam, Krishna, Guntur, Chittoor, Tiruchirappalli, North Arcot, Cuddapah, Kurnool, Bellary, Anantapur, Nellore and Salem which were already transferred to the control of the Forest department. Administration reports were received only from the Collectors of West Godavari, Ramanathapuram, Tirunelveli, South Kanara and Coimbatore. In these five districts 55 forest panchayats were left under the management of the Revenue department. The area covered by the 55 panchayat forests was 144.08 sq. miles paying an annual rent of Rs. 6,583 as against 74 panchayats comprising an area of 171.19 sq. miles and paying an annual rent of Rs. 8,169 in the previous year.

Renewal of agreements.—The number of agreements renewed in the Coimbatore district during the year ending 30th June 1951 has not been furnished. No agreements were renewed from 1st July 1951 in this district on account of the transfer of panchayats to the Forest department. Out of a total number of 34 agreements due for renewal during the year under report in the remaining four districts specified above, only 31 were renewed and in the case of the remaining panchayats the Revenue Divisional Officers concerned have been reminded by their Collectors to submit renewal proposals urgently. These proposals must be expedited.

Permits and grazing.—The total number of cow units fixed in the agreements by the Government for the year in these districts was 35,156 while the panchayats as a whole had utilized only 30,450 units. There was only one panchayat which had exceeded the quota of permits sanctioned to it and instructions were issued to recover the value of the excess permits. The rate of grazing fees for a cow, buffalo and sheep ranged from anna one to Rs. 3.

Protection.—The number of watchers employed in the 34 panchayats during the year was 101 as against 140 during last year. The average area for a watcher during the current year comes to 1.42 sq. miles as against 1.22 sq. miles for the previous year.

Offences.—The forest offences detected and disposed of during the year under report were 1,001 and 410 respectively working out to 41 per cent in the rate of disposal. The number of forest offences in the district of

Tirunelveli and Coimbatore were comparatively more than in South Kanara and West Godavari and the rate of disposal of cases was poor in Tirunelveli, while it was good in Coimbatore district. The number of panchayats exercising powers to compound forest offences was 6 and the amount of compounding fees levied comes to Rs. 1,077-10-0.

General administration.—Out of 55 panchayats under the control of the Revenue department in the districts of West Godavari, Tirunelveli, Ramanathapuram, South Kanara and Coimbatore only one in Tirunelveli and another in Coimbatore were working in good condition and the remaining were either fair or indifferent. In general all the Collectors have reported about the continued lack of efficiency in the management of the panchayats.

Tree-planting.—The total number of trees planted and kept alive at the end of the year 1950-51 in the panchayats in the districts was 2,933 as against 4,871 in the previous year. Twelve panchayats in the five districts took some interest to plant trees especially fruit-bearing ones. Only 3,048 trees were planted to replace the trees which died or were felled during the year. On the whole not much progress was shown regarding this item of work due to the reasons such as rocky nature of soil, want of water facilities in the surroundings and continued failure of monsoon.

Inspection of panchayats.—The Collector of Ramanathapuram has not given any information about the inspection of the forest panchayats by the Revenue officers of his district while the Collector of Coimbatore has not furnished separate figures of panchayats inspected by the Collector, Revenue Divisional Officers, Tahsildars, etc. Out of the 33 panchayats in the remaining three districts of South Kanara, Tirunelveli and West Godavari, 3 were inspected by the Collectors and 27 by the Revenue Divisional Officers. The Collectors of South Kanara and West Godavari have not inspected any forest panchayat. The lack of interest in the inspection of the panchayats in the districts is probably due to the fact that orders of the Government for the transfer of the panchayats to the control of the Forest department were expected from the beginning of the year.

Demand, collection and balance and financial position.—The following statement shows the demand, collection and balance of the rents payable to the Government by the forest panchayats concerned in these four districts :—

	Demand.			Collection.			Balance.		
	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
Arrears ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Current ..	6,573	0	0	6,403	0	0	170	0	0

Rs. 64,037-5-10 at their disposal as against Rs. 86,922-11-7 for 57 panchayats during the last year.

General.—In pursuance of the policy of the Government to transfer the control of the panchayat forests to the management of the Forest department proposals for the transfer of panchayats in the remaining districts of East Godavari, West Godavari, Coimbatore, Madurai, Ramanathapuram and Tirunelveli were submitted and orders sanctioning the transfer were received subsequently. Proposals for the transfer of panchayat forests in the district of South Kanara are under the consideration of the Government.

STATEMENT I.—Showing the particulars on the administration of the forest panchayats in the presidency for the year ending 30th June 1951.

Name of the district.	Total area in square miles of the forest panchayats in each district.	Number of forest panchayats.	Area in acres.	Annual rent payable by the forest panchayats.	Cow units fixed in the agreements.	Cow units permitted by the panchayats.	Number of panchayats that issued permits in excess of the grazing limit.	Grazing fee fixed in the agreement.	Grazing fee adopted by the panchayats.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
			ACS.	RS.				RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
Ramanathapuram ..	1.00	1	550.00	264	183	74	..	Buffalo .. 0 8 0 Cow .. 0 4 0 Sheep .. 0 2 0 Cow .. 0 1 0	Buffalo .. 0 8 0 Cow .. 0 4 0 Sheep .. 0 2 0
South Kanara ..	3.04	10	1,946.68	..	1,387	967	..	to 0 2 0 Buffalo .. 0 2 0 to 0 3 0 Cow .. 0 8 0	..
Tirunelveli ..	9.89	8	6,697.38	738	2,731	2,498	1	to 1 0 0 Buffalo .. 1 0 0 to 2 0 0 Sheep .. 0 4 0 to 0 8 0 Buffalo .. 0 6 0	..
West Godavari ..	71.90	15	46,002.00	1,435	15,821	13,350	..	to 0 12 0 Cow .. 0 4 0 to 0 6 0 Sheep .. 0 2 0 to 0 3 0 0 15 0 (average)	..
Coimbatore ..	58.25	21	37,276.86	4,146	15,034	13,561	Nil.	0 15 0 (average)	0 15 0 (average)
Total ..	144.08	55	92,472.92	6,583	35,156	30,450	1		

Name of the district.	Area of manure leaf coupes cut in the year.	Area of fuel coupes cut in the year.	Number of watchers employed in the panchayats.	Number of trees planted and kept living at the end of the year.	Area of prickly-pear.	Number of panchayats that dug pond or well, sunk or repaired.	Other improvements effected by the panchayats.	Offences.		Compounding fees imposed.
	(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)	(16)	(17)	Number of offences detected.	Number of offences disposed of.	
	ACS.	ACS.			ACS.					RS. A
Ramanathapuram ..	Nil.	..	2	20	..	..	..	..	..	..
South Kanara ..	530.44	8.00	11	2,421	1	1	Planted tree.	1	1	..
						Well.	Do.			
Tirunelveli ..	..	..	12	100	..	..	Do.	188	33	..
West Godavari ..	..	72.60	37	..	..	..	..	128	39	262 0
Coimbatore ..	Nil.	Nil.	39	392	Nil.	One pond.	Nil.	684	337	815 10
Total ..	530.44	80.60	101	2,933	1	..	..	1,001	401	1,077 10

Name of the district.	Number of good panchayats.	Number of fair panchayats.	Number of panchayats either improving or indifferent.	Number of panchayats exercising powers to compound offences.	Amount spent for digging new wells.	Amount spent for other improvements.	Number of panchayats inspected by		
							Revenue Officers.	Collectors.	Board.
	(21)	(22)	(23)	(24)	(25)	(26)	(27)	(28)	(29)
						RS. A.			
Ramanathapuram ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
South Kanara ..	Nil.	Nil.	Nil.	1	..	100 00	4	..	..
Tirunelveli ..	1	5	2	..	..	..	5	3	..
West Godavari ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15	..	..
Coimbatore ..	1	4	16	5	..	..	Inspection was done properly.		
Total ..	2	9	18	6	..	100 0	24	3	..

STATEMENT No. II—Showing the financial particulars of the forest panchayats for the year 1950-51.

District.	Number of panchayats on the district.	Total income of the panchayats during the year.	Number of panchayats that had cash balance at the beginning of the year.	Total cash balance at the beginning of the year.	Total amount at the disposal of the panchayats.	Total expenditure during the year.	Balance.			Number of panchayats that had cash balance at the end of the year 1951.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)		(10)
		RS. A. P.		RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.			
Ramanathapuram ..	1	876 10 6	1	1,514 10 0	2,391 4 6	900 4 6	1,401 0 0	1		
South Kanara ..	10	1,878 5 0	10	5,097 7 0	6,975 12 0	1,862 1 10	5,113 10 2	10		
Tirunelveli ..	8	2,193 14 6	6	1,180 12 5	3,374 10 11	2,191 11 0	1,182 15 11	7		
West Godavari ..	15	17,179 7 0	15	16,360 12 2	33,540 5 2	20,560 1 6	12,980 1 8	15		
Coimbatore ..	21	10,419 4 0	21	42,927 12 1	53,347 0 1	9,987 6 0	43,359 10 1	21		
Total ..	55	32,547 9 0	55	67,081 5 8	99,628 14 8	35,591 8 10	64,037 5 10	54		

STATEMENT No. III—Showing the demand, collection and balance of the rent payable to the panchayats for the year 1950-51.

District.	Demand.		Collection.		Balance.		Number of panchayats in each district.
	Arrear.	Current.	Arrear.	Current.	Arrear.	Current.	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	
Ramanathapuram ..	..	254 0 0	..	254 0 0	..	..	1
South Kanara ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
Tirunelveli ..	..	738 0 0	..	568 0 0	..	170 0 0	8
West Godavari ..	..	1,435 0 0	..	1,435 0 0	..	..	..
Coimbatore ..	..	4,146 0 0	..	4,146 0 0	..	..	21
Total ..	..	6,573 0 0	..	6,403 0 0	..	170 0 0	40

STATEMENT No. IV.—Showing the measures adopted by the panchayats to replace the trees dying or were felled during 1950-51.

District.	Number of panchayats which adopted measures to replace the trees dying or were felled.	Number of trees which died or were felled during the year.	Number of trees planted to replace the trees in Col. (3).	Remarks.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
Ramanathapuram	1	..	30	..
South Kanara	7	..	2,526	..
Thirunelveli	..	..	100	..
West Godavari	4	280*	..	* Scarcity of water.
Coimbatore	..	11	392	..
Total ..	12	291	3,048	

STATEMENT No. V.—Showing the number of agreements renewed and due for renewal for the year ending 30th June 1951.

District.	Agreement due for renewal.	Agreement renewed.	Remarks.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
Ramanathapuram	1	1	Agreement renewed for three years from 1st July 1949.
South Kanara	10	10	Agreements renewed last are in force.
Thirunelveli	8	7	Agreement for one year is under consideration of District Forest Officer.
West Godavari	15	13	Agreement for two years are under consideration.
Coimbatore	Nil.	Nil.	No renewal from 1st July 1951, as the Panchayat Forests except Andiyur have been transferred to Forest department under G.O. No. 1965, Development, dated 30th April 1951.
Total ..	34	31	

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G.O. Ms. No. 2344, Development, dated 31st May 1952.

[Administration report—Forest panchayats—1950-51—Recorded.]

Read—the following paper :—

From the Board of Revenue No. E. 7153/51, dated 3rd May 1952.

Order—No. 2344, Development, dated 31st May 1952.

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(By order of His Excellency the Governor)

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Secretary to Government.To the Board of Revenue.
,, Chief Conservator of Forests.

Resolution—No. 15, Press, dated 30th June 1952.

Communicated to the Collectors of West Godavari, [Ramanathapuram, Tirunelveli, South Kanara and Coimbatore.

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