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I. CHANGES IN POPULATION OR BOUNDARIES.

(a) The population, as counted at the Census of 1921, is 1,33,227, and this figure is taken as the basis for all calculations during the year under report.

(b) There has been no change in the boundaries, which are shown on the map accompanying this report. A slight change in the boundary on the Southern side is contemplated and the proposals are forwarded to Government for sanction.

II. COMMENTS ON TABULAR STATEMENT FORM NO. I.

2. In the year under report, there were 55 meetings of the General Committee, as against 69 in the preceding year, and 400 items of business were disposed of, as against 557 disposed of in the year 1922-23. Out of these 55 meetings, four were ordinary quarterly meetings held in April, July, October and January, as required by the Municipal Act; 18 were special and 33 adjourned meetings. 72 meetings of the Managing Committee were called during the year under report, out of which 15 were adjourned for want of quorum. The attendance at the meetings will be seen from appendices I-B, I-C & I-D.

3. There were two changes in the personnel of the Board during the year under report. R. B. S. R. Bhagwat and Rev. B. B. Bhaskare resigned in May 1923 and Capt N. R. Satpute, L. M. & S and Rev. J. Yesudian, C.M.S. were nominated in their places by Government in August 1923. Dr. K. G. Lobokare resigned the office of the Vice-President and Mr. P. K. Naik, was elected in his place. The President Mr. N. C. Kelkar was on leave from 1st February to the end of the year.

4. For information regarding the constitution of the several executive and consultative Committees and the attendance of members thereof, reference is invited to the appendix I-D.

III. CHANGES IN THE SYSTEM OF TAXATION.

5. There was no change in the system of taxation. The scale of notice fee and warrant fee was increased as per suggestion of the auditors.

IV. COMMENTS ON TABULAR STATEMENT FORM NO. II.

6. The year under report opened with a cash balance of Rs. 5,892/-, the income amounted to Rs. 13,36,321; both these together, made up a total of Rs. 13,42,213. It may be pointed out that the income shown here, as well as in the following paras, is the net income. It is exclusive of the octroi duty, collected but subsequently refunded (vide G. R. No. 1174 dated 19th February 1937 G. D.). The income for the year consisted of the following items:—

	1923-24	1922-23
A. Municipal Rates & Taxes. ...	8,06,209	7,42,721
B. Realisations under Special Acts...	3,966	2,837
C. Revenue from property and powers.	1,06,486	1,13,256
D. Grants & Contributions.	1,33,646	77,320
E. Miscellaneous. ...	56,075	8,394
	Total Rs. 11,06,442	9,44,528
F. Extra-ordinary & Debt. ...	2,29,879	1,83,979
	Total Rs. 13,36,321	11,28,507

As compared with the previous year's total the income (leaving aside " Extraordinary & debt ") shows an increase of Rs. 1,61,914 which is due to the increased revenue from the Municipal rates and taxes, and Government grants and contributions. This is mainly on account of the city being free from any serious epidemic.

(a) *Octroi*:—As a separate chapter is devoted to octroi, fuller description of its working will be given there.

(b) *House Tax*:—Rs. 1,13,563 (23-24). Rs. 1,03,457 (22-23). Increase Rs. 10,106. The City was free from epidemic and larger amount of dues could be recovered which was not the case in 1922-23.

Sanitary Cess:—

	1923-24	1922-23	Decrease.
Privy Tax ...	54,813	55,254	441
Drainage and Cesspool			(Increase)
Tax ...	65,969	58,402	7,567

The large amount of increase in the Drainage tax is due to the progress of the drainage works as well as the recovery of past arrears after settlement of the outstanding disputes. Out of the total collection of Rs. 54,813. on account of Privy Tax. Rs. 43,578. were collected on account of private latrines, the balance of Rs. 11,235, being on account of non-privy-cess used for maintaining public latrines.

	1923-24	1922-23	Decrease.
<i>Wheel Tax:—</i>	17,605	19,325	1,720

The decrease is mainly due to less recoveries of tax on public conveyances. This is collected by the Police Department.

Details about the recovery of arrears of taxes are given in appendix IX of this report.

- (c) *Tax on professions and trades:—*Rs. 10,741 (23-24) Rs. 11,238 (22-23). Decrease of Rs. 497, is small and is due to the fall in receipt from tax on hotels.
- (d) *Water rate:—*Rs. 98,696 (23-24). Rs. 93,677 (22-23). increase of Rs. 5,019. is due to additional revenue from new connections given during the year.
- (e) *Realisations under special Acts :—*Cattle pound :—Rs. 3,629 (23-24) Rs. 2,837 (22-23). Increase Rs. 792. Due to the opening of the new cattle pound in the Reay Market.
- (f) *Rent of lands and houses etc :—*Rs. 807 (23-24); Rs. 736 (22-23). Increase Rs. 71.
- (g) *Sale proceeds of lands and produce of lands:—*Rs. 2,369 (23-24). Rs. 2,270 (22-23). Increase Rs. 99.
- (h) *Conservancy receipts:—*Rs. 20,774 (23-24). Rs. 27,303 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 6,529. The receipts are less as a large quantity of refuse was burnt at the Depot and Incinerator. Besides this amount Rs. 10,000 were received from Government as grant-in-aid to cover the loss on account of burning kachra at the Swar Gate Depot.
- (i) *Fees and Revenue from Educational Institutions :—*Rs. 3,179 (23-24). Rs. 2,867 (22-23). Increase Rs. 313. The increase is due to better realisations from the Primary School fees.
- (j) *Fees and Revenue from Markets and Slaughter houses :—*Rs. 63,024 (23-24). Rs. 62,856 (22-23). Increase Rs. 168. The revenue from Reay Market increased by Rs. 1,175 while that from Bhamburda cattle market showed a decline.
- (k) *Fees under the Municipal Act :—*
- (1) Copying and comparing fees Rs. 482 (23-24); Rs. 384 (22-23). Increase Rs. 98.
 - (2) Fees for temporary occupation of Municipal lands Rs. 2,728 (23-24). Rs. 2,696 (22-23). Increase Rs. 32.

- (l) *Fees under the Municipal Act* :—Rs. 6,049 (23-24); Rs. 6,923 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 874. Cases under the Police Act account for the decrease.
- (m) *Interest on investments* :—Rs. 3,820 (23-24); Rs. 4,020 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 200.
- (n) *Grants and Contributions* :—Rs. 1,33,646 (23-24); Rs. 77,320 (22-23). Increase Rs. 56,326. Primary education grant exceeds by Rs. 15,500, and odd while the grant for Sanitary purposes is more by about Rs. 40,000. The amounts due for Watersupply and Drainage maintenance for 1922-23 were recovered during the year and Rs. 10,000 were received from Government for destroying refuse at the Swar Gate Depot.
- (o) *Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals* :—Rs. 10,700 (23-24). Rs. 8,156 (22-23) Increase Rs. 2,544. Due to more drainage connections given.
- (p) *Other Items* :—Rs. 1,753 (23-24). Rs. 238 (22-23) Increase Rs. 1,515; due to Rs. 1,500, and odd were adjusted on account of arrears outstanding for more than three years while no adjustments made in 1922-23.
- (p-1) *Maintenance of Municipal Workshop, Press and Stores Department* :—Rs. 43,622. The accounts for the Municipal Press, Workshop and Stores were kept separate as business concerns from the year 1923-24, with a view to ascertain their value as business concerns. The various departments are debited with the cost of work done for them corresponding credit being given to the Press, Workshop or Stores. The sum of all these credits is Rs. 43,622. The amount on the expenditure side is Rs. 10,369 for the press and Rs. 29,792 for workshop and stores. The net profit is Rs. 3,461.
- (q) *Under extra-ordinary receipts there appear the following items* :—
Sale of land Rs. 94,739, against Rs. 41,459, realised in 1922-23; adjustment of Heavy Repair fund account Rs. 3,377. Details of the sale of land are given in an appendix. "Heavy Repair Fund" account was drawn upon to meet the charges of heavy repairs to the Drainage Pumps. A loan of Rs 52,000 was raised in open market at 6½ % interest for School Building as sanctioned under G. R. No. 674 of 10th June 1923 (F. D.)
- (r) *Other advances* :—Rs. Nil (23-24) Rs. 53,340 (22-23) Decrease Rs. 53,340. Amount of advances paid is less than the amount recovered and there is no entry on the receipt side.

(s) *Deposits*:—This shows an increase of Rs. 27,763, which is due to ordinary fluctuations of business.

V. WORKING OF THE OCTROI SYSTEM.

The octroi cordon under the Administration of this Municipality includes the Suburban Municipal District, the Cantonment of Poona and the Kirkee Cantonment in addition to the City Municipal District. The Kirkee Cantonment has been added to this cordon from 1st October 1911 as an experimental measure, and the last extension of this arrangement up to the 31st March 1924, was sanctioned by Government in their resolution No. 2112 G. D., dated 22-3-1922. A separate account of this body is kept and the net income from its imports is given to it every month. The Municipality levies Octroi, according to the sanctioned schedule, on articles imported into the Octroi cordon and after deducting from the gross income, the amount of duty refunded on account of the export of the same articles, as well as the establishment and other charges distributes the net income among the remaining three bodies in proportion to their population, as sanctioned by Government in their resolution No. 4053 of 9th November 1895. The figures given here, therefore, relate to the whole of the cordon, while those in Form IV and appendix (II-A) relate to the City share only.

The gross income from octroi and octroi-refund-rebate in the year 1923-24, was Rs. 6,84,161 (including Rs. 8,151 paid to the Cantonment Committee of Kirkee) as against Rs. 6,35,640, of the last year, showing an increase of Rs. 48,521. There was no epidemic in the City as in 1922-23, and hence the increase.

Out of the gross revenue of Rs. 6,84,161, Rs. 68,122 were refunded on account of export, Rs. 53,276 were spent on establishment, Rs. 9,142 on contingencies, including repairs to buildings etc., Rs. 297 on account of new Naka buildings and Rs. 1,938 on gratuity and provident fund. The amount given to the Kirkee Cantonment was Rs. 8,151 as against Rs. 6,487 in the previous year.

Thus the total expenditure amounted to Rs. 1,40,927, as against Rs. 1,49,044, of the previous year. Deducting this expenditure from the gross revenue, the remainder i. e. Rs. 5,43,234, was divided among the three bodies. The share of the City Municipality amounted to Rs. 4,00,777, of the Poona Cantonment Committee to Rs. 98,447, and of the Suburban Municipality to Rs. 44,010.

The amount of Rs. 68,122, was as mentioned above refunded in the year 1923-24, on account of exports as against Rs. 80,752, of the previous year, showing a decrease of Rs. 12,630, which is due to the fact that no arrears of claims were outstanding as in the year 1922-23.

The figures quoted above show the result of the working of the whole octroi Department. They show the gross income from and gross expenditure chargeable to Octroi. But the figures given in the statement Nos. 2 and 3 show only the share of the Poona City Municipality in the

total income and expenditure. The Octroi establishment has cost 7.8 per cent of the gross income in this year, as against 8.0 in 1922-23 and 7.0 in 1921-22.

The following table gives information regarding the average consumption of articles.

No.	Class of articles.	Standard of consumption fixed by Government.	Average consumption per head in 1923-24.		
			Mds.	S.	T.
I	(a) Grain	10 Maunds	8	31	45
	(b) Sugar refined	7 Seers	0	8	17
	(c) „ unrefined	20 Seers	0	16	34
II	Ghee	9 Seers	0	3	53
III	Oil & Oil seeds	7½ Seers	0	11	23
V	Drugs and Spices	Rs. As. Ps. 2 8 0	Rs. As. Ps. 10 9 2		
VI	Tobacco	6 Seers	0	6	12
VII	Piece goods	Rs. As. Ps. 12 0 0	Rs. As. Ps. 20 2 1		
VIII	Metals	2 8 0	17	6	11

It will be seen from the above table, that the average consumption is within the standard, under all heads where it is fixed on weight, while there is excess in all heads where it is fixed on value. This is due to the general rise in prices. The standard for class IV (building materials) and class IX (miscellaneous) is not fixed by Government; hence they are not shown in the above tables.

Appendix (II-A) gives detailed information regarding Municipal income from each of the 9 classes of articles in the last three years.

VI. COMMENTS ON TABULAR STATEMENT, FORM NO. III.

Reference to statement III will show that the total expenditure in the year under report amounted to Rs. 10,01,373, the details being as under:-

	1923-24	1922-23
A. General Administration and collection	93,971	88,972
B. Public Safety	44,229	55,009
C. Public health & conveniences	6,27,823	8,08,026
D. Public instruction	1,48,018	1,65,636
E. Contribution	....	....
F. Miscellaneous	86,739	60,701
	<u>10,00,780</u>	<u>11,78,344</u>
G. Extraordinary & Debt	1,36,104	1,35,918
	<u>11,36,884</u>	<u>13,14,262</u>
Total Rs.	11,36,884	13,14,262

The total expenditure for the year 1923-24 shows a decrease of Rs. 1,76,785, when compared to that for the previous year. The causes of increases and decreases are explained below in detail.

- (a) *General Administration*:—Rs. 37,714 (23-24). Rs. 38,025 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 311 due to less expenditure on establishment.
- (b) *Collection of Taxes*:—Rs. 48,998 (23-24). Rs. 42,654 (22-23). Increase Rs. 6,344, due to increase in the salaries, according to the new schedule and to the additional establishment employed for revision of house-tax.
- (c) *Refunds*:—Rs. 348 (23-24). Rs. 347 (22-23). Increase Re. 1.
- (d) *Pensions & Gratuities*:—Rs. 6,911 (23-24). Rs. 7,046 (22-23).
- (e) *Public Safety-Fire*:—Rs. 9,146 (23-24). Rs. 11,936 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 2,790, due to no expenditure incurred on the Fire Station building as in 1922-23. Number of fires 15, against 8 of 1922-23. Estimated loss of property Rs. 4,261, against Rs. 3,285, of 22-23. There were no serious fires during the year.
- (f) *Lighting*:—Rs. 35,083 (23-24). Rs. 43,073 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 7,990. All the Electric lights in the streets were stopped and hence less expenditure. There were 1536 kerosine lamps lighted against 1436 of the previous year.
- (g) *Police*:—No special expenditure was incurred on this account by the Municipality. The charges of five constables taken on loan are debited to the Octroi, Assessment, and Market Departments.
- (h) *Watersupply (Capital outlay)*:—Rs. 26,407 (23-24). Rs. 66,324 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 39,917. Rs. 19,066 were spent on laying new distribution mains and enlarging old ones and Rs. 4,400 were paid for the Venturi meter work and Rs. 2,800 and odd on carrying out certain improvements at the Settling Tanks.
- (i) *Watersupply (repairs)*:—Rs. 68,832 (23-24). Rs. 80,615 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 11,783, due to less expenditure on water treatment.
- (j) *Drainage (Capital outlay)*:—Rs. 37,464 (23-24). Rs. 29,126 (22-23). Increase Rs. 8,338, due to more work done as regards connecting drains to the new system, relaying defective lines and removing defects in house connections.
- (k) *Drainage establishment and repairs*:—Rs. 68,579 (23-24). Rs. 1,41,037 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 72,458. In 1922-23, the Municipality paid Rs. 1,11,375 in all for Drainage

pumping and Septic Tank expenses, while in 1923-24 it had to pay only Rs. 40,000. This accounts for the large saving.

(1) *Conservancy* :—The total expenditure on conservancy is as follows :—

Items.	1923-24.	1922-23.
A. General Supervising Establishment...	17,642	16,898
B. Road cleaning	87,980	82,034
C. Bhangi service	90,372	99,785
D. Nightsoil Depots	12,837	4,230
E. Latrines & Urinals	7,362	6,849
F. Road watering	6,097	5,977
G. Miscellaneous	5,292	1,780
Total	2,27,582	2,17,612

Increase Rs. 11,860, due to reasons given below :—

- (1) *General Supervising Establishment* :—Increase Rs. 744, due to the increased salaries of Establishment.
- (2&3) *Road cleaning and Bhangi service* :—The total under these two heads is Rs. 1,78,352 against Rs. 1,81,819 of 1922-23. There was a large saving on the item of feeding charges of bullocks on account of low charges of fodder and this compensated for the extra expense incurred for motor transport of refuse.
- (4) *Nightsoil and Katchra Depot* :—Increase of Rs. 8,548. This is due to the construction of an Incinerator (Rs. 3,221), of subsidiary Depots (Rs. 1,818) and improvements to the depot-road (Rs. 2,787).
- (5) *Latrines and Urinals* :—Increase of Rs. 513. More amount was spent on repairs to old latrines.
- (6) *Road watering* :—Increase of Rs. 120 only.
- (7) *Miscellaneous* :—Increase of Rs. 3,512. This includes Rs. 3,255, spent on office expenses of the Health Office. In previous years this amount was included under press, stationery etc. and there was no separate account kept.
- (m) *Charges on account of Health Officer and Sanitary Inspector* :—Rs. 15,135 (23-24). Rs. 13,249 (22-23). Increase Rs. 1,886, due to increase in salaries.

- (n) *Hospitals and Dispensaries* :—Rs. 19,143 (23-24). Rs. 13,690 (22-23). Increase of Rs. 5,453. The increase is due to the opening of the new dispensary in Mangalwar Peth and to the payment of all old dues, the bills for which were received in 1923-24.
- (o) *Plague* :—Rs. 20,636 (23-24). Rs. 27,056 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 6,421. The outbreak of plague was less severe than in 1922-23.
- (p) *Vaccination* :—Rs. 1,923 (23-24). Rs. 1,863 (22-23). Increase Rs. 60.
- (q) *Other Sanitary Requirements* :—(Preventive measures against Cholera and Influenza and removal of prickly pear) :—Rs. 518 (23-24). Rs. 1,204 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 686, due to less amounts spent on preventive measures. Rs. 460 were spent on removing prickly pear against 202 of 1922-23.
- (r) *Market and Slaughter Houses* :—Rs. 23,845 (23-24). Rs. 22,404 (22-23). Increase Rs. 1,441. The new slaughter-house at Kondwa was opened in December and the increase is due to the Establishment and Maintenance expenses required for the slaughter-house.
- (s) *Pounds* :—Rs. 2,147 (23-24). Rs. 1,586 (22-23) Increase Rs. 561, due to the opening of a new cattle pound in Reay Market.
- (s-a) *Burial and cremation grounds* :—Rs. 4,757 (23-24). Rs. 9,091 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 4,334. In the year 1922-23. Rs. 6,410, were spent on acquisition of land for and improvement of burial grounds, while in 1923-24 only Rs. 1,383, were spent on this account. More amount was however spent on their lighting.
- (t) *Public Gardens* :—Rs. 1,072 (23-24). Rs. 1,127 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 55.
- (u) *Veterinary Charges* :—Nil.
- (v) *Registration of births and deaths* :—Rs. 3,022 (23-24). Rs. 2,758 (22-23). Increase Rs. 264, due to increased salaries. Details of vital statistics can be had from the Health Officer's report. Births and deaths in 1923-24 were 2286 and 5148 against 1422 and 6069 of 1922-23. The death rate for 1923-24 was 38.67 against 45.28 of 1922-23 and the birth-rate 17.17 against 10.68 of the previous year.
- (w) *Public works establishment* :—Rs. 22,117 (23-24). Rs. 19,590 (22-23). Increase Rs. 2,527, due to increased salaries of

staff, and the charging of office expenses to this heading. Roadline establishment continued its work.

(x) *Buildings* :—Rs. 3,748 (23-24). Rs. 5,144 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 1,396, due to less work done on new buildings.

(y) *Roads* :—Main items of expenditure are given below :—

	1923-24. Miles.	1922-23. Miles.	
I Road Repairs :—			
Length of road Remetalled	10.15	11.96	
	Rs.	Rs.	
Expenditure including maintenance	57,571	58,002	
II Road widening	6,842	7,301	Details of acquisition given in appendix VII.
III Opening of new Roads :—			
East-West-Road	5,236	43,501	} This is the cost of construction. There was no land acquired.
Tilak Road	9,402	38,421	

The wheel tax collected by this Municipality does not exceed Rs. 20,000, a year at the most and the expenditure on roads generally approaches Rs. 60,000. No road toll is levied by this Municipality. The formation of a special fund for eventual expenditure on roads from the unexpended balance of the proceeds of wheel tax and road tolls is not, therefore, possible.

(s) *Stores* :—Rs. 241 (23-24). Rs. 2,274 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 2,033, due to less purchases.

(a-a) *Public Instruction* :—Schools and Colleges :—The Administration report of the School Board will be found in appendix XI of this report, wherein is given a full account of the working of the schools. It is not therefore necessary to enter into details at this place. It may suffice to state here that the total expenditure during the year under report amounts to Rs. 1,45,156, as against Rs. 1,52,364, showing a decrease of Rs. 7,208. This decrease is mainly due to less expenditure on purchase of land on School Buildings.

(a-b) *Contributions* :—The expenditure on this head was Rs. 2,705 in the year under report, as against Rs. 12,757, in the previous year, showing a decrease of Rs. 10,052. Primary Schools and other educational institutions conducted by

private bodies were not paid grants during this year. The payment will be made in 1924-25.

- (a-c) *Libraries* :—The Municipal Teachers' library cost Rs. 157 in the year under report as against Rs. 485 during the previous year, showing a decrease of Rs. 328 only.
- (a-d) *Interest on loans* :—Rs. 36,786 (23-24). Rs. 39,720 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 2,934, due to smaller amount of outstanding loans. For detailed information, vide appendix No. III-B. The loan for Plague huts was paid off in full.
- (a-e) *Work done for private individuals* :—Rs. 9,458 (23-24). Rs. 7,140 (22-23). Increase Rs. 2,318, due to more work carried out.
- (a-f) *Address* :—Rs. 150, were spent on presentation of addresses and other ceremonies.
- (a-g) *Loss account* :—Rs. Nil.
- (a-h) *Election* :—Rs. 112 (23-24). Rs. 2,638 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 2,526. No election was held in the year.
- (a-i) *Printing* :—Rs. 10,369 (23-24). Rs. 9,221 (22-23). Increase Rs. 1,148, due to purchase of more machinery and type.
- (a-j) *Repayment of loans* :—Rs. 24,439 (23-24). Rs. 95,419 (22-23). Decrease Rs. 70,980. There was no payment to be made on account of East West Road loan as in 1922-23.
- (a-k) *Deposits* :—Rs. 1,01,138 (23-24). Rs. 40,499 (22-23). Increase Rs. 60,639; this is an adjustment account only and needs no explanation.
- (a-l) *Advances* :—Rs. 10,527 (23-24). Rs. Nil (22-23). Increase Rs. 10,527. This is an adjustment account only and needs no explanation.
- (a-m) *Balance* :—Rs. 2,05,329 (23-24). Rs. 5,892 (22-23). Increase Rs. 1,99,437.

ACQUISITION OF LAND.

14. 7 Pieces of land measuring in all 5,732 sq. feet were purchased during the year under report at a cost of Rs. 14,562, for Municipal School Buildings and for road-widening, against 34 pieces of land measuring 3,60,476 sq. feet acquired for Rs. 1,08,249, for East West Road, Tilak Road, School Buildings and Roadwidening in the year 1922-23.

AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS.

15. The Municipal accounts for the year 1922-23, were audited by Mr. M. V. Shrotri and his assistant, of the Local Audit Department, in the months of September and October 1923. The audit note is just received by the Municipality and is under consideration.

PROGRESS OF MAHOMEDAN EDUCATION

There are nine day-schools, five for boys and four for girls. The number of boys on rolls on 31-3-24 was 486 and of girls 203 as against 388 and 195 respectively of the previous year. The average attendance was 403.7 and 184.9 as against 251.8 and 141.7 in the last year. One female trained teacher was taken from Government for the Urdu school and the Government Educational Department has been requested to provide for some experienced and trained mistresses for Urdu Girls' Schools. The English Class attached to Urdu full primary school (No. 10) for some years as a temporary measure and now made a permanent fixture by the Municipality showed good progress during the year. The expenditure on Urdu Schools during the year under report amounted to Rs. 24,545 as against Rs. 15,184 in the previous year. The Assistant Superintendent, knowing the Urdu language and appointed to supervise Urdu Schools, visited them from time to time during the year, inspected the work of the schools and made suggestions for their improvement. The Superintendent also looked after these schools like other Marathi Schools, and made further suggestions for the improvement of these schools. These schools were examined by the Government Educational authorities this year.

REQUIREMENTS OF THE CITY.

PUBLIC SAFETY :—

The Motor Roadwatering Lorry with fire engine is already ordered and is expected to reach Poona before the end of June 1924. The question of connecting Municipal exchange with the Police exchange of telephones is under correspondence and if the same is favourably solved, the delay in getting information will be reduced to an appreciable extent. Provision of first-aid apparatus at suitable centres is also under consideration.

PUBLIC SANITATION :—

Drainage:—There was very little progress made during the year in spite of the agreement reached between the representatives of Government and the Municipality at the conference held in October 1922. The misleading and incorrect report of the Government Auditors about the financial condition of the Municipality was the main reason for the deadlock. The Examiner, Local Fund Accounts, appears to have now modified his previous report and it is hoped that there will be no further delay in starting the work.

Water Supply:—The work of improvement of the watersupply as regards distribution and quantity is in progress. 2.87 miles of new mains were laid, while mains 1.42 miles in length were enlarged. The work of the bypass channel and other improvements at the Swar Gate tanks were completed, so also the work of fixing the venturi meter. The consumption

of water is daily increasing and waterwaste prevention will be one of the pressing problems before long. It is also necessary to have additional pumping plant and a subsidiary reservoir in order to satisfactorily meet the demand of the people from the High Level Area and the proposals will shortly be placed before the Municipality in this connection.

Katraj watersupply scheme is shelved by Government for the present; but the Municipality will have to reexamine the same as soon as the Drainage works are first started in full swing.

River-bed improvement :—Judging from the way in which the question of lowering the Jamsetjee Bund is being shelved by Government authorities for years together, the Municipality will have to tackle the problem on its own account. The question will have to be seriously taken up as soon as the work of improving the Nagzari Nala is completed.

Conservancy :—The problem of economic removal and disposal of city's refuse is nearing solution and a scheme involving the use of half-a-dozen masonry incinerators at convenient points just on the outskirts of the City is likely to prove the best of all the other alternatives. The design for public latrines of flushing type is being examined by the Sanitary Engineer and his decision is now awaited. The nuisance from the sweepers continues. Complaints about cart-load pail depots are increasing and rightly too. The number of headload pail-depots must be increased without delay. Rs. 12,000 are already provided for the purpose in the budget for 1924-25.

Fish Market :—The question is still pending and it cannot be said when it can be satisfactorily solved, as there is considerable difference of opinion about its location.

PUBLIC HEALTH :—

Hospitals and Dispensaries :—A fourth dispensary was opened during the year under report and a fifth one will shortly be opened.

PUBLIC CONVENIENCE :—

Roads and Communications :—The progress on Tilak Road was slow. The deadlock about the East West Road continued. Possibility of having a new road joining the Shankershet Road and the Bhavani Peth Road near Ramoshi Gate was investigated by the special committee appointed by the General Body and its recommendations in favour of the proposal are before the Municipality for consideration. The question of having a new North South Road from the Central Pumping Station to the Wellesley Road along the alignment of the proposed gravitation sewer is being investigated.

TOWN PLANNING :—

There was no progress. Five years have already passed since the Scheme was submitted to Government. The administration of a local authority might have received severe censure for such an act of gross neglect of the interests of the landowners and residents of the area.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Bombay Municipal Servants Act. (V of 1890) :—

In the year under report, the Bhangees and other Municipal servants coming under the Act worked quietly.

Road-widening lines under Section 91 A :—

No work was done during the year under report. The state of things as regards the administration of Building Byelaws continues as before.

*Bylaws about Dangerous and Offensive trades :—*There was no progress made during the year under report.

*Municipal Finance :—*The year 1923-24 has proved to be the best year from the financial point of view. The closing balance exceeds one lac after meeting all the outstanding liabilities and setting aside the amount of loan for School Buildings. The figures of normal annual income and recurring expenditure according to Taleband for the year 1923-24, are as follows:—

Income	...	...	...	Rs. 12,97,861
Expenditure	...	...	...	Rs. 11,03,830

Net surplus Rs. 1,94,031

If the Municipality is fortunate in maintaining its income at the level of 1923-24, it will be in a position to finance all the works of immediate urgency. It is hoped that the year 1924-25 will prove as prosperous as 1923-24 if not better.

31st May 1924.

} S. G. LAWATE,
Vice President,
Poona City Municipality.

FORM I.

STATEMENT showing the constitution of the Municipality of Poona City during the year 1923-24.

1	Name of Division & District.	
2	S. No. of Municipality.	
3	Name of Municipality.	
4	Population within Municipal limits.	
5	Elected non-official	
6	Nominated non-official.	
7	Nominated official.	
8	Ex-officio.	
9	Nominated.	
10	Elected.	
11	Total.	
12	Officials.	
13	Non-officials.	
14	Europeans.	
15	Indians.	
16	Total number of meetings held including those specified in Col. 19, 20.	
17	No. of meetings out of the total in Col. 18 which proved abortive for want of quorum.	
18	No. of meetings out of the total in Col. 18 which were adjourned.	
19	Average percentage of all members present at each meeting.	
20	Remarks.	
	Central Division Poona District.	
	Poona City Municipality.	
	1,98,227.	
	1	...

	7	...
	49	...
	50	...
	...	50

	50	...
	55	...
	13	...
	93	...
	46	...

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1st May 1924.

S. R. BHAGWAT,
Chief Officer, P. C. M.

FORM II.

STATEMENT showing the income of the Municipality of Poona City during the year ending 31st March 1924.

		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Name of Division and District—Central Division, Poona District.				
2	Serial No. of Municipality—I.				
3	Name of Municipality—Poona City Municipality.				
4	Balance in hand at close of last year ...				5,892
MUNICIPAL RATES AND TAXES.					
5	Octroi		4,44,673		
6	Terminal Tax ... ..	...		
7	Tax on houses and lands ...	1,13,563			
8	Tax on animals and vehicles ...	17,605			
9	Tax on professions and trades ...	10,741			
10	Tolls (on roads and ferries ) ...	...		
11	Water-rate	98,690			
12	Lighting rate ... ..	...		
13	General Sanitary Cess	11,235			
14	Special Sanitary Cess	43,578			
OTHER TAXES.					
15	Drainage and Cesspool Tax	65,969			
16	Dog tax	209			
17	Total rates and taxes		3,61,596	8,06,269	
<i>(II)—Realisation under Special Acts.</i>					
18	From pounds	3,620			
19	From Hackney Carriages ... ..	...		
20	From other sources (to be specified in detail in as many columns as may be necessary ) ... ..	...		
21	Local fund Cess... ..	337			
21a	Total		3,966	3,966	
REVENUE DERIVED FROM MUNICIPAL PROPERTY AND POWERS APART FROM TAXATION.					
22	Rents of lands, houses serais (rest-house), dak bungalows, &c. ...	807			
23	Sale-proceeds of lands and produce of lands &c.	2,869			

		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	brought forward...	3,176			8,10,220
24	Conservancy receipts (other than taxes and rates) ...	20,774			
25	Fees and revenue from educational institutions ...	3,179			
26	Fees and revenue from medical institutions. ...	...		
27	Fees and revenue from markets and slaughter-houses. ...	68,024			
28	Fees and revenue from tramways ...	...		
	Other fees (to be specified in detail in as many columns as may be necessary).	...			
29	Copying & comparing fees ...	482			
30	Notice and warrant fees ...	3,048			
31	Fees for temporary occupation of Municipal lands... ..	2,728			
32	Fines under Municipal and other Acts	6,049			
	INTEREST OF INVESTMENTS.				
33	For general purposes	3,820			
34	For educational purposes	208			
35	For medical purposes ... ..	...		
36	Premium on loans ... ..	...		
37	Total		1,06,486		
	GRANTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS (FOR GENERAL AND SPECIAL PURPOSES).				
	<i>From Government.</i>				
38	For educational purposes	76,860			
39	For sanitary purposes	56,232			
	<i>From Local Funds.</i>				
40	For general purposes ... ..	...		
41	For educational purposes ... ..	...		
42	For medical purposes ... ..	...		
	<i>From Other Sources.</i>				
43	For general purposes	554			
44	For educational purposes ... ..	...		
45	For medical purposes ... ..	...		
46	Total		1,33,646		
	MISCELLANEOUS.				
47	Recoveries on account of services rendered to private individuals ...	10,700			
48	Other items	1,753			
49	Expenses on Work shop, Press and Store sections	43,622			
50	Total		26,075		
51	Total income of the year excluding opening balances ... ..	...	...	...	11,06,442

		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	a.
	brought over...				11,07,200	...
	EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT.					
52	Sale-proceeds of Government Securities and withdrawals from Saving Bank ...	...			
53	Realisations from sale of plots ...	94,739				
	<i>Loans.</i>					
54	From Government ...	...			
55	Raised in the open market ...	52,000				
56	Realizations of Sinking Fund for repayment of loans...	...				
57	Realisation from heavy Repair Fund ...	3,377				
	<i>Advances.</i>					
58	Permanent ...	...			
59	Other ...	...			
60	Deposits ...	79,763				
61	Total ...		2,29,879	...		
62	Total receipts excluding opening balance ...	...	...	...	13,36,321	...
63	Total Receipts including opening balance ...	...	...	...	13,42 2	...
64	Incidence of Taxation (Column 17) per head of population	6	...10
65	Incidence of Income (Col. 51) per head of population	8	5...

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S. R. BHAGWAT,
Chief Officer, P. O. M.

FORM III.

Statement showing the Expenditure of the Municipality of Poona City
during the year ending 31st March 1924.

		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	<i>Name of Division and District</i> —Central Division, Poona District.			
2	<i>Serial No. of Municipality</i> —1.			
3	<i>Name of Municipality</i> —Poona City Municipality.			
	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION CHARGE.			
4	General Administration, Office establishment, Inspection, Honorary Magistrates' Establishment etc ...	37,714		
5	Collection of Taxes including Bonded ware-houses (establishment, purchase of account-books and paper, money-boxes, repairs to outposts etc.) ...	48,998		
6	Collection of tolls on roads and ferries ...	...	
7	Survey of Land ...	...	
8	Refunds (other than Octroi) ...	348		
9	Pensions and Gratuities ...	6911		
10	Annuities ...	...	
11	Total ...		93,971	
	PUBLIC SAFETY.			
12	Fire (establishment, purchase of fire engines and buckets, repairs, etc.)	9,146		
13	Lighting (establishment, purchase of lamps, oil, repairs, etc.) ...	35,083		
14	Police (establishment, purchase of clothing, lanterns, etc., repairs to outposts ) ...	...	
15	Rewards for destruction of wild animals and snakes ...	...	
16	Total ...		44,229	
	PUBLIC HEALTH AND CONVENIENCE.			
	<i>Water-supply.</i>			
17	Capital Outlay ...	26,407		
18	Establishment, repairs, etc. ...	68,832		
	<i>Drainage.</i>			
19	Capital Outlay ...	37,464		
20	Establishment, repairs, etc. ...	68,579		
21	Conservancy (including road cleaning & watering, cleaning of latrines) ..	2,27,582		
22	Hospital and Dispensaries ...	19,143		
22(a)	Health Officer and his sanitary staff.	15,135		
23	Plague Charges ...	20,635		
24	Vaccination ...	1,923		

		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	a. p.
	brought over...				11,07,200	.....
	EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT.					
52	Sale-proceeds of Government Securities and withdrawals from Saving Bank ...	...			
53	Realisations from sale of plots ...	94,739				
	<i>Loans.</i>					
54	From Government ...	...			
55	Raised in the open market ...	52,000				
56	Realizations of Sinking Fund for repayment of loans...	...				
57	Realisation from heavy Repair Fund ...	3,377				
	<i>Advances.</i>					
58	Permanent ...	...			
59	Other ...	...			
60	Deposits ...	79,763				
61	Total ...		2,29,879	...		
62	Total receipts excluding opening balance ...	...	...	...	13,36,321	.....
63	Total Receipts including opening balance ...	...	...	...	13,42	2.....
64	Incidence of Taxation (Column 17) per head of population	6	...10
65	Incidence of Income (Col. 51) per head of population	8	5...

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1st May 1924.

S. R. BHAGWAT,
Chief Officer, P. O. M.

FORM III.

Statement showing the Expenditure of the Municipality of Poona City
during the year ending 31st March 1924.

		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	<i>Name of Division and District</i> —Central Division, Poona District.			
2	<i>Serial No. of Municipality</i> —1.			
3	<i>Name of Municipality</i> —Poona City Municipality.			
	GENERAL ADMINISTRATION AND COLLECTION CHARGE.			
4	General Administration, Office establishment, Inspection, Honorary Magistrates' Establishment etc ...	37,714		
5	Collection of Taxes including Bonded ware-houses (establishment, purchase of account-books and paper, money-boxes, repairs to outposts etc.) ...	48,998		
6	Collection of tolls on roads and ferries ...	...	
7	Survey of Land ...	...	
8	Refunds (other than Octroi) ...	348		
9	Pensions and Gratuities ...	6911		
10	Annuities		
11	Total ...		98,971	
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14	Police (establishment, purchase of clothing, lanterns, etc., repairs to outposts)		
15	Rewards for destruction of wild animals and snakes ...	...	
16	Total ...		44,229	
	PUBLIC HEALTH AND CONVENIENCE.			
	<i>Water-supply.</i>			
17	Capital Outlay ...	26,407		
18	Establishment, repairs, etc. ...	68,832		
	<i>Drainage.</i>			
19	Capital Outlay ...	37,464		
20	Establishment, repairs, etc. ...	68,579		
21	Conservancy (including road cleaning & watering, cleaning of latrines) ..	2,27,582		
22	Hospital and Dispensaries ...	19,148		
22(a)	Health Officer and his sanitary staff.	15,185		
23	Plague Charges ...	20,635		
24	Vaccination ...	1,923		

		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
25	Markets and slaughter-houses ...	23,845		
26	Pounds ...	2,147		
27	Burial and Cremation grounds ...	4,757		
28	Arboriculture, public gardens and experimental cultivation ...	1,072		
29	Other Sanitary requirements ...	518		
29(a)	Veterinary charges, ...	...	
30	Registration of Births and Deaths... <i>Public Works.</i>	3,022		
31	Establishment ...	22,117		
32	Buildings ...	3,748		
33	Roads ...	80,656		
34	Stores ...	241		
34(a)	Town Planning. ...	...	
35	Total ...		6,27,828	
	PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.			
36	Schools and Colleges ...	1,45,156		
37	Contributions ...	2,705		
38	Libraries, Museums, Manageries, etc.	157		
39	Total ...		1,48,018	
	CONTRIBUTIONS.			
40	For general purposes ...	...	
	MISCELLANEOUS.			
	<i>Interest on Loans.</i>			
41	Interest due on account of previous year ...	...	
42	Interest due on account of current year ...	36,786		
43	Discount ...	...	
44	Actual cost of work done for private individuals ...	9,458		
45	Printing and Establishment Charges	10,369		
45(a)	Charges for workshop & Stores Dept	29,792		
46	Miscellaneous ...	334		
47	Total ...		86,739	
48	Total Expenditure ...			10,00,780
	EXTRAORDINARY AND DEBT.			
	<i>Investments.</i>			
49	In Securities (other than for sink- ing funds ) ...	...	
50	In Savings Bank ...	...	
51	Payment to sinking fund ...	...	
52	Repayment of loans ...	24,439		
	<i>Advances.</i>			
53	Permanent ...	...	
54	Other ...	10,527		
55	Deposits ...	1,01,188		
56	Total ...		1,36,104	
57	Total Disbursement ...			11,36,884

	<i>Balance.</i>	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
58	Deposits	...	1,96,074	
59	- Actual Balance	...	9,255	
60	Total	...		2,05,329
61	Grand Total	...		13,42,213

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S. R. BHAGWAT,
Chief Officer, P. C. M.

FROM IV.

Statement showing the Quantity of the Principal Articles imported into, and taxed by the Poona City Municipality on which Octroi or Terminal Tax was levied during the year ending 31st March 1924, and the incidence of Taxation per head of population.

			REMARKS.
1	<i>Division</i> —Central Division.		
2	<i>District</i> —Poona District.		
3	<i>Serial No. of Municipality</i> —1.		
4	<i>Name of Municipality</i> —Poona City Municipality.		
5	Population ...	1,33,227	
	<i>Grain.</i>		
6	(a) Gross imports ...	Mds. 13,22,439	
7	(b) Gross amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 1,00,822	
8	(c) Net imports ...	Mds. 11,71,182	
9	(d) Net amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 90,620	
	<i>Refined Sugar.</i>		
10	(a) Gross imports ...	Mds. 31,568	
11	(b) Gross amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 11,840	
12	(c) Net imports ...	Mds. 27,371	
13	(d) Net amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 10,224	
	<i>Unrefined Sugar.</i>		
14	(a) Gross imports ...	Mds. 63,186	
15	(b) Gross amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 23,680	
16	(c) Net imports ...	Mds. 54,742	
17	(d) Net amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 20,588	

		REMARKS
<i>Ghee.</i>		
18	(a) Gross imports ...	Mds. 13,296
19	(b) Gross amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 7,108
20	(c) Net imports ...	Mds. 12,199
21	(d) Net amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 6,585
CLASS I.		
Including grain, sugar, ghee and articles used as food and drink for men and animals.		
22	(a) Gross imports ...	Mds. 29,72,632
23	(b) Gross amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 2,24,252
24	(c) Net imports ...	Mds. 27,98,259
25	(d) Net amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 2,08,487
CLASS II.		
Animals for Slaughter.		
26	(a) Gross imports ...	Mds. 1,415
27	(b) Gross amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 353
28	(c) Net imports ...	Mds. 1,415
29	(d) Net amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 353
<i>Oil.</i>		
30	(a) Gross imports ...	Mds. 37,966
31	(b) Gross amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 6,012
32	(c) Net imports ...	Mds. 37,607
33	(d) Net amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 5,947
CLASS III.		
Including oil and oil-seeds and articles used for fuel, lighting and washing.		
34	(a) Gross imports ...	Mds. 8,28,534
35	(b) Gross amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 34,163

			REMARKS.
36	(c) Net imports	... Mds. 8,23,178	
37	(d) Net amount of tax collected	.. Rs. 33,576	
CLASS IV.			
Articles used in the construction of buildings.			
38	(a) Gross imports	... Rs. 16,22,184	
39	(b) Gross amount of tax collected	... Rs. 50,017	
40	(c) Net imports	... Rs. 15,56,812	
41	(d) Net amount of tax collected	... Rs. 47,938	
CLASS V.			
Drugs, gums, spices and perfumes			
42	(a) Gross imports	... Rs. 14,75,106	
43	(b) Gross amount of tax collected	... Rs. 20,655	
44	(c) Net imports	... Rs. 14,08,844	
45	(d) Net amount of tax collected	... Rs. 19,877	
CLASS VI.			
Tobacco.			
46	(a) Gross imports	... Mds. 38,300	
47	(b) Gross amount of tax collected	... Rs. 25,721	
48	(c) Net imports	... Mds. 29,190	
49	(d) Net amount of tax collected	... Rs. 21,181	
Cloth, piece goods, and articles of clothing.			
50	(a) Gross imports	.. Rs. 27,83,493	
51	(b) Gross amount of tax collected	... Rs. 38,768	
52	(c) Net imports	... Rs. 26,81,923	
53	(d) Net amount of tax collected	... Rs. 36,911	

			REMARKS.
		Rs.	
	CLASS VII.		
	Including cloth, piece goods, articles of clothing and manufactured articles of dress.		
54	(a) Gross imports ...	Rs. 36,56,609	
55	(b) Gross amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 61,246	
56	(c) Net imports ...	Rs. 35,03,676	
57	(d) Net amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 58,451	
	CLASS VIII.		
	Metals and articles of Metal.		
58	(a) Gross imports ...	Rs. 56,56,158	
59	(b) Gross amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 46,046	
60	(c) Net imports ...	Rs. 23,22,757	
61	(d) Net amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 22,564	
	CLASS IX.		
	Miscellaneous.		
62	(a) Gross imports ...	Rs. 21,88,558	
63	(b) Gross amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 32,436	
64	(c) Net imports ...	Rs. 21,77,151	
65	(d) Net amount of tax collected ...	Rs. 32,246	
	<i>Incidence of Taxation.</i>		
66	Total Octroi (Net collections) ...	Rs. 3-5-5	

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S. B. BHAGWAT,

Chief Officer, P. C. M.

POONA CITY MUNICIPALITY.

Appendix (1-A) to the Administration Report for the year 1923-1924.
Statement showing in detail the number of meetings of the
General Committee held in 1923-24.

Special General Meetings.	Ordinary and Special General Meetings.	Date of Meetings.	Special General Meet- ings.	Ordinary General Meet- ings.	Adjourn- ed meet- ings.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	1	3rd April 1923 ...			1	
1	2	11th „ ...	1			Adjourned for want of quorum.
	3	12th „ ...			1	
	4	13th „ ...			1	
2	5	23rd „ ...	1			
	6	24th „ ...		1		
	7	25th „ ...			1	-Do.-
3	8	22nd May 1923 ...	1			
	9	23rd „ ...			1	
4	10	5th June 1923 ...	1			
	11	8th „ ...			1	-Do.-
	12	12th „ ...			1	
	13	15th „ ...			1	
	14	19th „ ...			1	-Do.-
5	15	22nd „ ...	1			-Do.-
	16	26th „ ...			1	
6	17	20th July 1923 ...	1			
	18	27th „ ...		1		-Do.-
	19	31st „ ...			1	
7	20	14th August 1923..	1			
	21	21st „ ...			1	
	22	23rd „ ...			1	
	23	31st „ ...			1	-Do.-
8	24	4th Sept. 1923 ...	1			
	25	7th „ ...			1	
	26	11th „ ...			1	-Do.-
9	27	16th October 1923..	1			

	28	26th October 1923.			1	
	29	30th ,, ...		1		
10	30	23rd Nov. 1923...	1			Adjourned for want of quorum.
	31	27th ,, ...			1	
	32	30th ,, ...			1	
	33	7th December 1923			1	
11	34	14th ,, ...	1			
	35	18th ,, ...			1	
	36	21th ,, ...			1	
12	37	8th January 1924...	1			
	38	11th ,, ...			1	
	39	15th ,, ...			1	
	40	18th ,, ...		1		Adjourned for want of quorum. An adjourned meeting was held on this date after the ordinary meeting was adjourned for want of quorum.
	41	18th ,, ...			1	
13	42	22nd ,, ...	1			
14	43	19th February 1924	1			Adjourned for want of quorum.
15	44	22nd ,, ...			1	
	45	26th ,, ...			1	
	46	29th ,, ...			1	
	47	4th March 1924...	1			Adjourned for want of quorum. An adjourned meeting was held on this date after the Special meeting was adjourned for want of quorum.
16	48	4th ,, ...			1	
17	49	5th ,, ...			1	
	50	6th ,, ...			1	
	51	19th ,, ...	1			
18	52	26th ,, ...	1			
	53	27th ,, ...			1	
	54	29th ,, ...			1	
	55	31st ,, ...	1			

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1st May 1924.

S. R. BHAGWAT.

Chief Officer, P. C. M.

POONA CITY MUNICIPALITY.

APPENDIX (I-B) to the Administration Report for the year 1923—24.

Statement showing the number of original and adjourned meetings of the General Committee and the Managing Committee as per Government Resolution No. 118 dated 8th January 1901.

District	Serial Number	Name of the Municipality	No. of Councillors	General Meetings				No. of members of the Managing Committee	No. of meetings held by the Managing Committee		Average attendance of members at		No. of members who failed to attend two-thirds of General meetings, original and adjourned.	No. of Meetings adjourned for want of quorum			Remarks.
				Original		Adjourned			Ordinary	Adjourned	General meetings	Managing Committee meetings		Ordinary General	Special General	Managing Committee	
				Ordinary	Special	Ordinary	Special										
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Poona	1	Poona City Municipality	50	4	18	1	32	9	72	0	23	59	42	2	11	12	

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S. R. BHAGWAT,

Chief Officer, P. C. M.

POONA CITY MUNICIPALITY.

Appendix (I-C) to the Administration Report for the year 1923-1924.

Statement showing the attendance of Municipal Councillors at the meetings of the General Body held during the year 1923-24.

The total number of meetings held during the year was 55.

No.	Name.	Total No. of meetings attended	Remarks
	PRESIDENT.		
1	Mr. N. C. Kelkar, B. A. LL. B.	27	
	VICE-PRESIDENT.		
2	Mr. P. K. Naik. ...	43	
	NOMINATED COUNCILLORS.		
3	R. B. Laxman Janardan Apte. Esqr. B.A.LL.B. ...	20	
4	{ R. B. S. R. Bhagawat. L. C. E. ... Dr. N. R. Satpute. L. M. & S.	0 30	Resigned. Appointed on 9-8-23
5	{ Rev. B. B. Bhaskare, B. A. Rev. J. Yesudian, C. M. S.	0 6	Resigned. Appointed on 9-8-23
6	Mr. L. R. Gokhale ...	21	
7	R. B. Haumantram Ramnath.	17	
8	Mr. Kaji Nuruddin Sardar Kaji Azimuddin...	34	
9	Mr. M. Salahuddin. M. L. C. ...	21	
	ELECTED COUNCILLORS.		
10	Mr. R. G. Agarwale. ...	12	
11	Mr. B. A. Barne. ...	42	
12	Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar. M. A. LL. B....	23	
13	Mr. N. B. Chandrachud, B. A. LL. B.	38	
14	Mr. Damodardas Bhukandas. ...	34	
15	Mr. S. G. Fulambrikar ...	18	
16	Mr. Gamnaji Pitaji. ...	24	
17	Mr. D. R. Gharpure, M. A. ...	26	
18	Mr. D. N. Godse. ...	21	
19	Mr. D. V. Gokhale, B. A. LL. B. ...	46	
20	Shet Gokuldas Mayachand ...	26	
21	Mr. Gulam Dastagir Khan— Hamjekhan ...	16	

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APPENDIX (I-B) to the Administration Report for the year 1923—24.

Statement showing the number of original and adjourned meetings of the General Committee and the Managing Committee as per Government Resolution No. 118 dated 8th January 1901.

District	Serial Number	Name of the Municipality	No. of Councillors	General Meetings				No. of members of the Managing Committee	No. of meetings held by the Managing Committee		Average attendance of members at		No. of members who failed to attend two-thirds of General meetings, original and adjourned.	No. of Meetings adjourned for want of quorum			Remarks.
				Original		Adjourned			Ordinary	Adjourned	General meetings	Managing Committee meetings		Ordinary General	Special General	Managing Committee	
				Ordinary	Special	Ordinary	Special										
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Poona	1	Poona City Municipality	50	4	18	1	32	9	72	0	23	59	42	2	11	12	

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Appendix (I-C) to the Administration Report for the year 1923-1924.

Statement showing the attendance of Municipal Councillors at the meetings of the General Body held during the year 1923-24.

The total number of meetings held during the year was 55.

No.	Name.	Total No. of meetings attended	Remarks
	PRESIDENT.		
1	Mr. N. C. Kelkar, B. A. LL. B.	27	
	VICE-PRESIDENT.		
2	Mr. P. K. Naik. ...	43	
	NOMINATED COUNCILLORS.		
3	R. B. Laxman Janardan Apte. Esqr. B.A.LL.B. ...	20	
4	{ R. B. S. R. Bhagawat. L. C. E. ... Dr. N. R. Satpute. L. M. & S.	0 30	Resigned. Appointed on 9-8-23
5	{ Rev. B. B. Bhaskare, B. A. Rev. J. Yesudian, C. M. S.	0 6	Resigned. Appointed on 9-8-23
6	Mr. L. R. Gokhale ...	21	
7	R. B. Haumantram Ramnath.	17	
8	Mr. Kaji Nuruddin Sardar Kaji Azimuddin...	34	
9	Mr. M. Salahuddin. M. L. C. ...	21	
	ELECTED COUNCILLORS.		
10	Mr. R. G. Agarwale. ...	12	
11	Mr. B. A. Barne. ...	42	
12	Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar. M. A. LL. B....	28	
13	Mr. N. B. Chandrachud, B. A. LL. B.	38	
14	Mr. Damodardas Bhukandas. ...	34	
15	Mr. S. G. Fulambrikar ...	18	
16	Mr. Gamnaji Pitaji. ...	24	
17	Mr. D. R. Gharpure, M. A. ...	26	
18	Mr. D. N. Godse. ...	21	
19	Mr. D. V. Gokhale, B. A. LL. B. ...	46	
20	Shet Gokuldas Mayachand ...	26	
21	Mr. Gulam Dastagir Khan Hamjekhan ...	16	

No.	Name.	Total No. of meetings attended.	Remarks
22	Mr. N. R. Gunjal.	18	
23	Mr. Haidarbhai Tayaballi.	12	
24	Mr. Haji Abdul Rahiman Haji Ahmed.	27	
25	Mr. B. G. Jagatap, B. A.	15	
26	Principal K. R. Kanitkar, M.A.B.Sc.	19	
27	Vaidya Panchanan K. N. Kawade B. A....	35	
28	Mr. R. G. Kirad.	35	
29	Mr. Lakhmichand Jiwraj.	29	
30	Mr. S. G. Lawate, B. A.	23	
31	Mr. S. A. Manurkar	24	
32	Dr. V. D. Phatak, L. R. C. P. & M. R. C. S....	39	
33	Mr. B. K. Motiwale.	22	
34	Mr. V. B. Mudliar.	12	
35	Dr. R. K. Naidu, L. M. & S.	40	
36	Mr. L. R. Karale.	30	
37	Dr. K. G. Lohokare, B. A.	12.	
38	Mr. Papamiya Karimsaheb.	40	
39	Mr. K. S. Paranjpe, B. A. LL. B. ...	12	
40	Mr. P. N. Pataskar.	20	
41	Mr. M. B. Fule,	38	
42	Mr. G. N. Pathak.	9	
43	Mr. L. R. Shirole.	23	
44	Mr. Shiwnarayan Asaram.	15	
45	Mr. A. M. Tamboli.	35	
46	Mr. V. L. Thube.	15	
47	Mr. Tikamdas Vishnudas.	27	
48	Mr. H. V. Tulpule, B. A. LL. B. ...	45	
49	Mr. Umarsaheb Maniksaheb.	21	
50	Mr. R. T. Wayal	32	
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APPENDIX(I-D).to the Administration Report for the year 1923-24.

Statement showing the attendance of the members at the meetings of the Managing Committee, during the year 1923-24.

The total number of meetings held during the year 1923-24 was 71 out of which 15 were adjourned for want of quorum.

S. No.	Name.	No. of meetings attended.	Remarks.
	<i>Chairman.</i>		
1	Mr H. V. Tulpule, B. A. LL. B.	66	
	<i>Members.</i>		
2	Shot Gokuldas Mayachand.	44	
3	Shot Hazi Abdul Rahiman Hazi Ahamed	37	
4	Dr. V. D. Phatak, L. R. C. P.	58	
5	Mr. S. G. Lawate, B. A.	47	
6	Mr. P. N. Pataskar.	29	
7	Mr. B. A. Barne.	65	
8	Mr. S. G. Fulambrikar.	50	
9	Shot Balubhai Kikabhai Motiwale.	52	

Statement showing the attendance of the members of the School Board at their meeting during the year 1923-24.

Total number of meetings called 33. No. of meetings held-22.

S. No.	Name.	No. of meetings attended.	Remarks.
	<i>Chairman.</i>		
1	Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar, M. A., LL. B.	20	
	<i>Members.</i>		
2	Dr. R. K. Naidu, L. M. & S.	26	
3	Mr. N. R. Gunjal.	14	
4	Mr. Damodardas Bhukandas.	23	
5	Mr. Ahmedbhai Tamboli.	15	
6	Mr. D. V. Gokhale.	22	
7	Mr. Tikamdas Vishnudas.	25	

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LIST OF SUB-COMMITTEES IN THE YEAR 1923-24.

1. Town Planning Committee.

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|------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1 The President. | 3 Prof. D. R. Gharpure. |
| 2 Mr. H. V. Tulpule. | 4 Mr. N. R. Gunjal. |
| (5) Mr. B. A. Barne. | |

2. To Report on the question relating to Lazmi Road.

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|------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 The President. | 4 Mr. H. V. Tulpule. |
| 2 R. B. S. R. Bhagwat. | 5 Mr. K. N. Kavade. |
| 3 Mr. P. K. Naik. | 6 Mr. M. Salahuddin. |
| (7) N. R. Gunjal. | |

3. To Consider the question of House Tax Revision.

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|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 Mr. D. V. Gokhale. | 6 Mr. A. M. Tamboli. |
| 2 Mr. L. R. Gokhale. | 7 Mr. P. N. Pataskar. |
| 3 Mr. K. N. Kavade. | 8 Mr. Papamiya Karimsaheb. |
| 4 Mr. Balubhai Kikabhoi. | 9 Mr. Tikamdas Vishnudas. |
| 5 Mr. M. B. Fule | 10 Haji Abdul Rahiman. |
| 11 Mr. G. N. Pathak | |

4. To consider the subject of locating shops of Kerosine and fire works including any Bye-laws that may have to be framed.

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|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1 Mr. Kaji Naruddin. | 3 Mr. Tikamdas Vishnudas. |
| 2 R. B. Hanmantram Ramnath. | 4 Mr. B. A. Barne |
| 5 Shet Damodardas Bhukandas. | |

Re-appointment of the old sub-committee in connection with the improvement of milk supply of the city, to report on the financial side of the question.

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| 1 Dr. R. K. Naidu. | 3 Mr. B. G. Kirad. |
| 2 Dr. V. D. Phatak. | 4 Mr. Umarsaheb Maniksaheb. |

6. Akabari Sub-Committee appointed to arrange for rppointing and instructing Municipal preachers.

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| 1 S. G. Lawate. | 3 Mr. Tikamdas Vishnudas. |
| 2 Mr. N. R. Gunjal. | 4 Mr. M. B. Phulay. |
| 5 Mr. R. G. Kirad. | |

7. To acquire 50 acres of land for the Mohomedan Burial Ground.

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|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 Mr. Umarsaheb Maniksaheb. | 6 Mr. M. Salahuddin. |
| 2 Mr. Kaji Naruddin. | 7 Mr. Haji Abdul Rahiman. |
| 3 Vastad Gulam Dastagir Khan. | 8 Mr. Haiderbhai Tyaballi. |
| 4 Mr. A. M. Tamboli. | 9 Mr. N. R. Gunjal. |
| 5 Mr. Papamiya Karimsaheb. | 10 Mr. S. G. Lawate. |

8. The Schedul Sub-Committee.

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|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 Dr. K. G. Lohokare. | 3 Mr. N. B. Chandrachud. |
| 2 Mr. K. N. Kawade. | 4 Mr. M. Salahuddin. |
| 5. Mr. Balubhai Motiwale. | |

9. To arrange for the Local Self-Government Conference to be held under the lead of this Municipality.

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| 1 Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar. | 4 Mr. Shiwnarayan Asaram. |
| 2 Mr. B. G. Jagtap. | 5 Mr. D. V. Gokhale. |
| 3 Mr. Papamiya Karimsaheb. | 6 Mr. M. Salahuddin. |
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10. To select a suitable site for a fish market and to report the same to the General Body.

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| 1 Mr. Kaji Naruddin. | 3 Mr. Papamiya Karimsaheb. |
| 2 Mr. M. Salahuddin. | 4 Dr. R. K. Naidu. |
| 5 R. T. Wayal. | |
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11. The Retrenchment Sub-Committee.

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|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 Dr. K. G. Lohokare. | 6 Dr. R. K. Naidu. |
| 2 R. B. S. R. Bhagwat. | 7 Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar. |
| 3 Mr. L. R. Gokhale | 8 Mr. B. G. Jagtap. |
| 4 Mr. K. N. Kawade. | 9 Prof. K. R. Kanitkar. |
| 5 Mr. S. A. Manurkar. | 10 Mr. Shiwnarayan Asaram. |
| 11 Mr. Papamiya Karimsaneb. | |
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12. The Medical Relief Committee.

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| 1 Dr. V. D. Phatak. | 2 Dr. R. K. Naidu. |
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13. Sub-Committee appointed to consider the question of Draft bill for Major Municipalities.

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|-------------------------|------------------------|
| 1 The President. | 4 Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar. |
| 2 Dr. R. K. Naidu. | 5 Mr. M. Salahuddin. |
| 3 Mr. H. V. Tulpule. | 6 Mr. B. G. Jagtap. |
| 7 Prof. D. R. Gharpure. | |
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14. Sub-Committee appointed as per General Body Resolution No. 317 of 10-11-22 to consider the application received from the inhabitants of Bhamburda complaining that Bhamburda is not properly provided with roads, lamps, public latrines water pipes etc.

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| 1 Mr. Shirole. | 3 Mr. H. V. Tulpule. |
| 2 Principal K. R. Kanitkar. | 4 Dr. K. G. Lohokare. |
| 5 Mr. L. R. Gokhale. | |
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15. Sub-Committee appointed as per General Body Resolution No 316 of 10-11-22 to consider the question of making alterations in the present Octroi schedule and the objection received from the public.

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| 1 Mr. H. V. Tulpule. | 5 Shet Tikamdas Vishnudas. |
| 2 Principal K. R. Kanitkar. | 6 Shet Lakhmichand Jivraj. |
| 3 Shet Gokuldas Mayachand. | 7 Mr. Haji Ahmed. |
| 4 R. B. Hanmantram Ramnath. | 8 Mr. Haiderbhai Tayaballi. |
| 9 Mr. D. N. Godae. | |
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24. To consider about the construction of Urinals in the City-Limits.

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| 1 Mr. V. L. Thube. | 3 Dr. N. R. Satpute. |
| 2 Mr. R. T. Wyal. | 4 Mr. Kaji Nuruddin. |

25. Sub-Committee of Pleader members appointed to give defence for the suits filed by the Government against the Municipality in the matter of expenditure incurred by the Municipality for Lokmanya Tilak Statue and address to Moulana Mohamedali.

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| 1 Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar. | 4 Mr. L. R. Cokhale. |
| 2 Mr. H. V. Tulpule. | 5 Mr. K. S. Paranjpye. |
| 3 Mr. N. B. Chandrachud | 6 R. B. L. J. Apte. |

26. To consider about the Scheme of constructing a new road from Nana Shankarshet Road to Bhawani Peth.

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1 The Chairman. | 3 Sheth Haji Ahmed. |
| 2 Dr. R. K. Naidu | 4 Mr. R. G. Kirad. |
| 5 Mr. B. A. Barne. | |

27. To investigate about the work of Mr. Nikam, the Chief Sanitary Inspector.

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| 1 Mr. H. V. Tulpule. | 3 Mr. N. B. Chandrachud. |
| 2 Dr. R. K. Naidu. | |

28. To Consider about the inclusion of Kirkee into Poona Octroi cordon.

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| 1 Mr. H. V. Tulpule. | 2 R. B. L. J. Apte. |
| 3 Mr. N. B. Chandrachud. | |

29. To dispose off all disputable question about the New Drainage Scheme.

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| 1 The Vice President. | 2 Mr. H. V. Tulpule. |
| 3 Mr. D. V. Gokhale. | |

30. New Octroi Sub-Committee.

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|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Mr. Lakhnichand Jivraj. | 3 Mr. R. G. Agarwale. |
| 2 Mr. R. G. Kirad. | 4 Mr. P. N. Pataskar. |
| 5 Mr. Shiwnarayan Aaram. | |

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APPENDIX (II-A) to the Adminis-

Statement showing gross imports and net imports of duty-paid articles during the

Class.	Name of articles.	Years.	Gross imports.		
			Bengal maunds.	Value.	Duty levied
1	2	3	4	5	6
					Ra. a. p.
I.	Food for men & animals ... }	1921—22	4292633	35271495	222288 9 3
		1922—23	2779457	22890448	203062 8 3
		1923—24	2972632	26786523	226486 1 5
Grain	... }	1921—22	1402588	13909684	103930 5 5
		1922—23	1175598	8391960	89784 11 4
		1923—24	1822439	10079483	100821 9 9
Sugar	... }	1921—22	30979	485657	11635 0 0
		1922—23	25731	514622	10156 0 0
		1923—24	31565	632796	11840 4 0
Unrefined sugar	... }	1921—22	61957	991314	23241 0 0
		1922—23	51462	1029244	20313 8 0
		1923—24	63136	1265592	23680 8 0
Ghee	... }	1921—22	12794	665301	6399 0 0
		1922—23	13946	836253	7007 15 0
		1923—24	13296	826764	7108 5 2
II.	Animals for slaughter ... }	1921—22	1475	34919	365 0 7
		1922—23	1657	33140	414 10 0
		1923—24	1415	28227	353 6 3
III.	Articles of fuel, lighting and washing ... }	1921—22	1886751	4258874	36545 8 2
		1922—23	1233429	3088848	37798 7 0
		1923—24	828534	2944479	34452 10 10
Oil & Oil seeds	... }	1921—22	30243	756075	5013 1 4
		1922—23	29139	582787	4080 9 0
		1923—24	37966	835235	6012 0 2
IV.	Building materials ... }	1921—22	3137284	4064430	61053 10 3
		1922—23	4347041	1927614	48841 12 0
		1923—24	1925773	1622148	50765 4 9
V.	Drugs, Spices & Gums &c.... }	1921—22	90886	1980531	10021 8 0
		1922—23	82437	1477074	17179 15 0
		1923—24	81051	1475106	20674 15 4
Drugs & spices	... }	1921—22	88539	1614375	15271 3 2
		1922—23	78918	1306612	4681 1 6
		1923—24	79441	1339570	20047 0 7
VI.	Tobacco ... }	1921—22	21061	774571	17382 6 3
		1922—23	16402	881612	19072 6 0
		1923—24	38300	1479317	25868 1 6
VII.	Piece goods ... }	1921—22	25183	3913056	71023 8 3
		1922—23	21447	8434789	63767 9 0
		1923—24	23415	3656609	61406 12 1
VIII.	Metal ... }	1921—22	22108	2616759	47697 12 1
		1922—23	153459	4627879	39845 11 0
		1923—24	20 254	5656158	40243 9 0
IX.	Miscellaneous ... }	1921—22	135303	4297266	31276 11 3
		1922—23	87369	2189830	34171 9 0
		1923—24	97240	2188553	32482 10 2
Total...	... }	1921—22	9616231	59027313	492405 9 8
		1922—23	8722697	40551284	464164 9 3
		1923—24	6175614	45837120	498733 7 4

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past three years together with amounts of duty levied and refunded in each year.

Export.				Net Imports.				Remarks.
Bengal maunds.	Value.	Duty refunded.		Bengal maunds.	Value.	Duty levied		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13		
		Rs.	a.	p.		Rs.	a.	p.
184473	2177259	16477	12	8	4048160	3094236	205310	12 7
106726	1314396	13418	7	0	2612731	2157602	189644	1 3
174373	1424391	15764	7	5	2798259	25362132	210721	10 0
152498	1551726	11273	15	7	1250140	12357958	92656	5 10
149863	911457	9953	13	0	1034715	7480512	79830	14 4
151257	1089424	10201	11	4	1171182	9040059	90619	14 5
2622	41963	983	0	0	28357	453694	10652	0 0
1910	38211	716	6	0	23821	476411	9440	6 0
4197	42472	1546	5	6	27371	559824	10293	14 6
8245	83915	1965	0	0	56712	907399	21276	0 0
3822	76419	143	4	0	47640	952825	20170	4 0
8394	164944	3092	11	0	54742	1100648	20587	13 0
2542	132201	1271	8	6	10252	533100	5127	7 6
1329	79722	663	15	6	12617	757081	6344	15 6
1097	62259	528	13	0	12199	764505	6584	8 2
...	...	...	...	...	1475	34919	365	0 7
...	...	...	...	...	1657	33140	414	10 0
...	...	...	...	...	1415	28227	353	6 3
113220	372947	2880	3	0	1773531	3885927	33665	5 2
71961	211652	2024	12	0	1161468	2877196	35773	11 0
5356	69963	587	5	3	823178	2874510	33865	5 7
1443	36058	173	8	2	28800	720017	4839	9 2
2490	49976	390	4	9	26640	532811	4290	4 6
359	7956	64	14	2	37607	827279	5947	2 0
34861	92188	3342	8	5	3102423	3972243	57711	1 0
29476	74470	2695	0	0	4317565	1853144	46146	12 0
21561	65336	2079	0	2	1904212	1556812	48686	4 7
5411	100509	515	9	6	85475	1880022	15505	14 6
9709	70630	889	8	0	72728	1406444	16320	7 0
7408	66262	779	1	2	73583	1408844	19895	14 2
5404	98219	499	5	5	83125	1716156	14771	13 9
9616	67151	827	0	5	69362	1239461	3854	1 1
7412	64915	734	1	2	72029	1274655	19312	15 5
7077	269433	3622	10	11	13984	505138	33759	11 4
10848	494321	6137	7	0	5554	387291	12955	1 0
9110	342555	4539	7	5	29190	1136762	21328	10 0
1751	190999	8205	5	7	23432	3722057	67818	2 8
2573	420139	7658	11	0	18874	3014650	56108	14 0
921	152933	2795	6	0	22494	3503676	58611	6 1
1532	127185	2320	11	9	20576	2489574	45377	0 4
70252	8593745	26649	6	0	89207	1034134	13196	5 0
66594	3333401	23522	12	0	146660	2322757	22720	13 0
42676	287327	15341	5	7	92627	1424939	15935	5 8
1411	9117	142	7	2	85958	2180763	84029	1 10
550	11402	189	9	9	96690	2177151	32293	0 5
389651	6084679	45532	6	3	9226580	52943234	446873	3 5
362962	6188460	59575	10	2	8359735	34362824	404583	15 1
285933	5466243	50257	1	2	5389681	40370877	448476	6 2

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APPENDIX (III-B) to the Administration Report

Statement showing the loans borrowed by the Municipality

1	2	3	4	5	6		7
Name of Municipality.	Purpose of loan.	Authority of loan.	Amount of loan sanctioned.	Date on which loan was taken up.	Source from which borrowed.		Period for which required.
					From Government.	In the open Market.	
Poona City Municipality.	<p>A loan of 10 lacs of Rs. was sanctioned by the Govt. to the Municipality to enable it to meet part of the cost of the Drainage and Water-supply schemes (Vide G. R. No. 2898 dated 21-6-10 G.D.) This amount was drawn from the Govt Treasury in parts from time to time as these were required by the Executive Engineer I/C of the works.</p> <p>In the year 1911-12 Rs. 275000 were drawn as 1st instalment and paid to that officer.</p> <p>In the year 1912-13 Rs. 250000 were drawn as 2nd instalment and paid to the Executive Engineer, Poona Drainage and Water-supply District.</p> <p>In the year 1913-14 Rs. 200000 were drawn as 3rd instalment and paid to the Executive Engineer, Poona Drainage and Water-supply District.</p> <p>In the year 1914-15 Rs. 275000 were drawn as 4th Instalment and paid to the Executive Engineer, Poona Drainage and Water-supply District.</p> <p>×A loan of Rs 12000 for the purpose of paying the amount of cost of spare parts of the Pumping Machinery.</p>	<p>Applied for under the Act XI of 1879 and the rules framed there under as sanctioned by Gov. in G. R. No. 2642 of 15th Aug. 1911 (F. D.)</p>	Rs.				
			2,75,000	18th February 1912	From Govt	..	40 years.
			2,50,000	8th January 1913	"	...	"
			2,00,000	4th November 1913	"	...	"
			2,75,000	23rd June 1914	"	...	"
		G. R. F. D. No. 175 dated 16th March 1921.	...	30th March 1921	"	...	10 years
Poona City Municipality.	A loan of Rs. 52,000 was sanctioned by the Govt. to be raised in open market to meet half the cost of 4 Primary School Building.	Vide G. R. F. D. No. 674 dated 10-6-23 and G. B. Resn. No. 214 of 16-10-1923. Applied for under the Act of 1879.	52,000	18th October 1923 to 12-11-23	...	In open market	10 years

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* No sinking fund was set aside before 31-3-24.

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of the Poona City Municipality for the year 1923-24.

Poona City from Government for the year ending 31st March 1924.

8	9	10				11			12			13
Rate of Interest.	Security.	In case in which sinking funds have been formed.				In case in which there are no sinking funds.			Postponement sanctioned.			Remarks.
	Whether secured on general revenue or a particular tax; if so the income from the tax. Secured on mortgage.	Amount with interest accumulated during previous year.	Amount paid during the year including interest due on the whole amount up to 31st December 1923	Balance of loan		Amount outstanding at the commencement of the year	Amount repaid during the year	Balance due at the end of the year	Of instalment	Of interest	Total Authority	
4 per cent	General Municipal Revenue	895438 6 0	14733 4 0	880705 2 0	
"	"	
"	"	
"	"	
6 "	"	10603 11	993 14 0	9609 13 0	
6 1/2 "	"	52,000	

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Poona City Municipality.

APPENDIX VII-A to the Administration Report for the year 1923-24.

ABSTRACT showing the land acquired during the year 1923-24.

Serial No.	Peth.	House No.	Owner's Name.	Area Sq. feet.	Cost. Rs.	Remarks.
1	Rawiwar	1091	Mrs. Amirbi Kom Syad Jafar ...	3366	7020	For Scool Buildings.
2	Somwar	481-442	Mr. Bhingir Gopalgir Gosawi ...	252	700	
3	Mangalwar	113-114	Mr. Babaji Yesu Teli ...	352	350	The payment of Rs. 700is held in abeyan the orders of the court though p of land is taken by the Municipality.
4	Budhwar	1	Mr. Krishnaji Narayan Bhide ...	1396	5000	
5	Shanwar	534	Mrs. Krishnabai Mohoniraj Eknath Ghotankar...	270	1300	For Road widening.
6	Sadashiv	734	Mr. Gowind Junardan Vinze ...	20	40	
7	Sadashiv	984	Mr. Laxman Narayan Jog ...	76	152	
Total...				5732	14,572	

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APPENDIX VII-B to the Administration Report for the year 1923-24.

Abstract showing the lands sold during the year 1923-24.

Serial No.	Peth.	House No.	Owner's name.	Area Sq. Ft.	Cost.			Remarks.
					Rs.	as.	ps.	
1	Shukrawar Budhwar peth Laxmi Road.	Plots } }	Mr. Marutirao Rakhmaji.	1247.28	9,079	3	11	
2	"	" } }	Mr. V. N. Kedari.	1353.21	7,104	5	8	
3	"	" } }	Mr. V. N. Kedari.	1178.25	6,627	10	6	
4	"	" } }	Mr. Baloba Nathshet Moghal.	1272.72	7,795	6	7	
5	"	" } }	Central Co-operative Bank.	6488.77	19,466	5	0	
6	"	" } }	Mr. M.C. Wadekar.	4239	15,366	6	0	
7	"	" } }	Rao Bahadur Kenjale.	1823.57	11,397	5	0	
8	"	" } }	Rao Bahadur Kenjale.	1543.53	9,667	1	0	
9	Kasba	180	Mr. Anant Laxman Deshpande.	16	16	0	0	
10	Shukrawar	393	Mr. Anant Baburao Kshirsagar.	6	3	0	0	

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APPENDIX IX to the Administration Report for the year 1923—24.

Statement showing demands, collections and outstanding balances of taxes of the Municipality for the year ending 31st March 1924.

No.	Name of Municipality.	Names of taxes.	Outstanding balance on 1-4-1924.	Demand for 1923-24.	Total amount to be collected.	Amount collected.	Arrears standing at the end of 1923-24.		Total.	Amount written off	Amount received in advance.
							On account of previous years.	On account of the year 1922-23.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
1	Poona City Municipality.	House tax ...	19,968	1,25,322	1,45,290	1,13,784	8,583	22,051	30,639	2394	1,327
		Conservancy (Privy) Cess ...	7,569	48,619	56,188	43,410	4,049	8,160	12,215	1665	1,103
		Non-Privy Cess ...	6,034	13,955	19,984	11,327	3,935	4,323	8,258	1,080	682
		Drainage tax ...	15,699	69,251	84,950	63,036	3,233	12,838	21,121	1863	1,070
		Cess pool tax ...	710	3,308	4,018	2,868	433	786	1,219	245	314
		Wheel tax on Motorcars & Motor Cycles ...	364	1,721	2,085	1,495	110	303	418	192	20
		" on private vehicles ..	1,502	3,313	4,815	2,940	530	753	1,283	688	96
		" on public vehicles ...	...	13,193	13,193	13,193	...	...	...	...	...
		Tax on Hotels, Restaurants etc. ...	598	3,592	4,184	2,214	321	1,193	1314	168	13
		Tax on Theatres, Circuses, Cinemas etc.	...	5,303	5,303	5,303

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APPENDIX—X

TO

Administration Report of the Poona City Municipality
for the year 1923-24.

MEMORANDUM OF INVESTMENTS.

Description of Securities.	Nominal amount.
Govt. Note No. 166480 3½ o/o Loan of 1842-43	.... 100
" 296041 " 1st May 1865	.... 100
" 296040 " "	.... 100
" 296042 " "	.... 100
" 285095 " "	.... 500
" 296043 " "	.... 500
" 296044 " "	.... 500
" 296045 " "	.... 500
" 027451 " 1879	.... 100
Bombay Improvement Trust Bond No. 047 dated 5th November 1906 at 4 o/o	.... 500
Bombay Improvement Trust Bond No. 048 dated 5th November 1906 at 4 o/o	.... 500
Bombay Improvement Trust Bond No. 049 dated 5th November 1906 at 4 o/o	.... 500
	4000

1. Rs. 300 were contributed by Mr. K. C. Dhole, the interest of which amount is applied to giving of prizes to girls in the Municipal School at Poona.

2. Rs. 500 were contributed by R. B. Aba Vishnu Puranik as an endowment for two prizes to be annually awarded to students of the Poona Training College in Memory of his deceased daughter Bhima Aba Puranik.

3. Mr. Vinayak Vasudev submitted a list of subscribers who had subscribed Rs. 700 towards the proposed Duke of Albany Memorial Fund and requested Government to found an annual prize in the name of His Royal Highness to be awarded to meritorious pupils in the Female High School, Poona.

4. Mr. Narayan Govind Apte gave Government a sum of Rs. 500 as an endowment for a prize to be awarded in Mr. Apte's name to a student in the Sanskrit Pathashala in Poona.

5. Mr. Suleman Shet Ladha gave a sum of Rs. 500 as an endowment for scholarships to be awarded to deserving Mahomedan Boys in Urdu Schools under the control of the Municipality and also to Mahomedan Boys passing Vernacular standards and entering the Anglo Vernacular Schools.

6. The Hon'ble Divan Bahadur Kashinath Ramchandra Godbole placed at the disposal of the Municipality, Bombay Improvement Trust Bonds for Rs. 1,500 yielding an annual interest of Rs. 60 for awarding a scholarship to the most successful Bramin student from V. G. Municipal Technical School, Poona, who after he completes his school course should work as an artificer or join a higher Technical Institution for furthering his technical studies.

These amounts were transferred by Government as per G. R. Nos. 1785 and 1863 dated 1st and 15th October 1911 to the Poona City Municipality for administration.

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S. R. BHAGWAT,

Chief Officer, P. C. M.

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APPENDIX X-A.

Memorandum of investments of Fixed Deposits during the year ending 31st March 1924.

Date.	No. of Receipt.	Date of receipt.	Depositor's name.	Amount.	Period	Rate.	Due date.	Remarks.
	186	17-10-1923	Poona City Municipality.	Bs. a. p. 26000-0-0	1 Year	5½ o/o	17-10-1924	Deposited in the Poona Central Co-operative Bank Do.
	137	17-10-1923	Do.	26000-0-0	6 Months	5 o/o	17-4-1924	
	s-13/591	6-2-1924	Do.	50000-0-0	3 Months	7½ o/o	7-5-1924	Deposited in the Central Bank of India Bombay. Do.
	s-13/920	26-2-1924	Do.	25000-0-0	2 Months	8½ o/o	25-4-1924	
				127000-0-0				

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Poona City Municipality.

APPENDIX X-B.

MEMORANDUM of investments in $3\frac{1}{2}$ p. c. Government Promissory Notes for Rs. 39,400 on account of the Reserve Fund for payment of Drainage and Water Supply Loan of 10 Lacs, on 31st March 1924.

Date.	Particulars of Notes.	Face value.	Remarks.
6-11-22	Government of India in-scribed stock of the $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent rupee loan of 1854-55. Bombay Book Debt Certificate N. B.0088 interest payable half-yearly from 30th June 1922.	Rs. 11,500	
6-11-22	Government of India inscribed stock of the $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent rupee loan of 1865 certificate No. 0141, interest payable half yearly from 1st November 1922.	18,800	
6-11-22	Government of India inscribed stock of the $3\frac{1}{2}$ per cent rupee loan of 1900-01 certificate No. 0138, interest payable half-yearly from 30th June 1922.	9,100	
Total Rs....		39,400	

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1st May 1924.

S. B. BHAGWAT,
Chief Officer, P. C. M.

**AUDIT NOTE ON THE ACCOUNTS OF CITY MUNICIPALITY, POONA,
FOR THE YEAR 1922-23.**

No. L.33-4719-of 1923-24.

Office of the Examiner,

Local Fund Accounts :

Bombay 25th April 1924.

Reply No.

dated the

To,

THE PRESIDENT,

City Municipality

Poona.

To,

The EXAMINER,

Local Fund Accounts,

Bombay.

The audit of the accounts of the Poona City Municipality for the year 1922-23 was commenced on the 3rd September and completed on the 6th Novm. 1923. The months selected for detailed audit were June, September, December 1922 and March 1923. The following remarks are called for.

PREVIOUS AUDIT.

2. *Last Audit Note.*—The last audit note disposed of by the Municipality under its No. 3413 of the 17th February 1923, forwarded through the Commissioner, C. D. was not received in this office till the close of the present audit. The disposal of the same was, therefore, verified with reference to office copy of the replies. Matters which have not been finally settled or which require further action are embodied in the present note.

3. *Para 2 and 14 (c) and (d)—License Fees for offensive and dangerous Trades and for Foot-Boards and Steps*—It has already been pointed out that the rules and by-laws in connection with levy of these fees were sanctioned after valid objections were considered. It is not sufficient, as stated, to keep the loss of legitimate dues to a minimum possible nor is it proper to neglect revenue from a duly authorised source, because realizations therefrom appear at present to be trifling. Moreover, to recover these fees from the prompt rate-payer and not to enforce the recovery from a defaulter is tantamount to encouraging the defiance of the authority of the Municipality. The fees from foot-boards and steps alone for the year 1921-22 were found to have been assessed at Rs. 7710 exclusive of demand for Raviwar Peth I, of which the assessment register could not be traced till the close of audit. Either the recovery of fees from these sources should, therefore under proper sanction be suspended altogether or effected from all the licensees and rate-payers without exceptions.

1. Noted.

2. Noted.

3. The General Board has laid down on 23-4-24 certain principles about the levy of fees on steps and footboards (Copy of the resolution attached).

Recoveries will now be made in accordance with these principles.

The question of the License fees on offensive and dangerous trades is under consideration of the Managing Committee.

4. *Para. 3—(i) Rules for Levy of Fees in the Reay-Market and Cattle Market, Bhamburda—(ii) Para 6 An up to date sanctioned schedule of Establishment—(iii) Para. 7—Commissioner's Sanction to leases of land for more than seven years.*—The audit requirements relating to these matters were not fulfilled till the close of the present audit. Their settlement should please be accelerated as the delay is too long. (ii) A provision of auctioning right of occupation of blocks in the Reay Market under orders of the managing Committee has been made in the proposed rules. It was, however, noticed that about 16 blocks were let on monthly rent under the orders of the Chief Officer to whom the power has not been delegated. (iii) New appointments were created and additional allowances paid without obtaining the previous sanction of the Divisional Commissioner, required by section 46 of the District Municipal Act. Similarly new entrants were allowed to start on a stage higher than the minimum pay of the sanctioned graded post under orders of Chief Officer although the power of doing so vests in Managing Committee only.

5. *Para. 10—Assets and Liabilities.*—The property and land register of the Municipality is under preparation. Values of properties have yet to be appraised. The completion of this register should please be accelerated as otherwise it will not be possible to prepare a statement of assets and liabilities in accordance with the requirements of G. R. G. D., No. 3731 of the 22nd December 1922.

6. *Para. 15—Deficit in Fodder.*—Kadba weighing 7,00,000 lbs. was purchased under the supervision of two councillors and stocked for future consumption. The stock should have lasted for 117 days as the daily consumption on an average is 6,000 lbs. It, however, lasted for 102 days only and a deficit of 80,000 lbs, valued at, about Rs., 900, was noticed. Last year the Municipality had lost Rs. 700 on this account. The deficit is said to be due to dryage in Kadba which was quite fresh when purchased. The matter is already under investigation of a sub-committee. The result of the investigation is awaited.

7. *Para. 17—Irregular Expenditure without proper sanction.*—(a) The Collector of Poona has under section 56 (m) of the District Municipal Act since accorded his sanction to the expenditure not exceeding Rs. 1,000 for holding Local Self Government Conference in Poona. The decision of Government to admit expenditure in connection with other items or otherwise is awaited.

(b) The additional expenditure of Rs. 80 a month incurred throughout the year 1922-23 for preaching against the use of intoxicating drugs and drinks is also held under objection as similar expen-

4. General Board has now laid down the conditions on which the Reay market stalls are to be leased out. This was a matter of contention so long between the Municipality and the parties affected. It is hoped that the audit requirements will be satisfied before long.

ii. The Managing Committee authorised the Chief Officer to give vacant stalls on temporary lease (Vide Resolution No. 643 of 7-9-1922). The Managing Committee is considering the question of putting all the vacant stalls to auction once.

The Commissioner's sanction is asked for the leases and the matter is under correspondence.

The revised schedules have now received sanctioned and there would in future be no anomaly as reported by the auditors. The Chief Officer is vested with all powers relating to the staff with a salary of Rs. 50 and less.

5. The progress will be shown at the time of the audit.

6. Managing Committee being satisfied that there was reasonable ground for shortage ordered the papers to be filed (Vide M. C. Resolution No. 1928 of 13-3-24).

7. The cases are pending in the Civil Court.

(b) This is stopped from 1st October 1923.

diture in the case of Nasik Municipality was disallowed by Government under G. R. G. D, No. 2625 dated 19th June 1922.

8. *Para. 18—Abnormal variations in the Cost of Scavenger Service and Cost of Road Sweeping.*—In a note of the 15th October 1923 submitted by the Chief Officer to the President it has clearly been shown that there is an abnormal difference between the output of work by each scavenger serving in the same locality. It has also been pointed out that a more even distribution of work will save Rs. 10,000 a year on the salary of scavengers. The question of variation in the cost of road sweeping has not yet been properly tackled. Early settlement of the matter is requested especially when the matter is one affecting the finance of the board.

9. *Para. 19 (e) Works Ledger.*—Works of current repairs such as repairs to Octroi Nakas are not yet shown in the works ledger. Every work for which a separate estimate exists should be shown in the ledger to ascertain that the outlay is within the budget provision and the work is executed in accordance with the sanctioned estimate.

PRESENT AUDIT.

10. *Finances.*—The financial condition of the Municipality with reference to its normal requirements was reinvestigated and it was found that its normal receipts were just sufficient to meet its current expenditure. (a) Government have agreed to receive from the commencement of the current year a fixed amount of Rs. 40,000 for the working expenses of pumping station for which the Municipality had to pay on an average Rs. 80,000 a year. The saving is likely to be wiped away by increased expenditure on conservancy. (b) The provision of motor lorries for removing the road sweepings to a place further from the present depot will entail a heavy additional expenditure. (c) Additional grant-in-aid amounting to Rs. 12,000 to educational institutions conducted by private bodies are being made. (d) The scheme of making primary education free is under consideration by which the school fees of Rs. 2,500 will be discontinued. While the expenditure on all sides is thus developing, increase in receipts from direct taxation is quite small. The question of disproportionate taxation and the adoption of general consolidated tax pointed out in para 12 of the last note, have not yet been decided although outstanding on the agenda of the General Board from 31st March 1923. The revised schedule of taxation approved by the Managing Committee on the 21st May 1923 expected to yield a substantial additional revenue has not received concurrence of the Board. Unless energetic efforts are made to increase the revenue by direct taxation from all the sources, the Municipality is likely to find great difficulty in meeting its ordinary expenditure and much more

8. The question is receiving the attention of the Health Officer.

9. Necessary instructions are issued to the Municipal Engineer (Copy enclosed.)

10. Noted.

in providing for the bigger schemes of public importance, *viz.*, water supply and drainage.

11. *Loss of Revenue owing to non-observance of Municipal Rule:*—Under rule 4 (2) of the rules governing levy of octroi goods, which (not being articles imported by Government agency for sale) are the property of a public authority and are accompanied at the time of import with an invoice endorsed with a certificate to that effect signed by the officers under whose authority goods are imported, are exempt from octroi duty. It was noticed that large consignments of building materials and engineering stores were received in the name of contractors and allowed to pass octroi barrier free of octroi under exemption certificates signed by clerks, stewards, storkeepers, &c., on slips of paper instead of signing the certificates in the form prescribed by the Municipality for the purpose. Freight for conveyance of these goods by rail was found to have been paid to railway authorities by contractors themselves. The goods was apparently, therefore, contractors' property. Besides there is no data for the Municipality to check whether all materials so imported under the so called exemption certificate were actually used on Government works. Building operations on extensive scales were in progress within the Municipal limits under the management of the same contractors who were under contract suppliers of these materials to Government. It may have been possible that some of these materials passing octroi barrier free of duty under exemption certificates signed by non-gazetted officers as pointed out above may have been used for private works executed by the contractors.

A case of noting number of carts of grass more in the foil of an exemption certificate than that noted in its counterfoils was detected by the Superintendent of Octroi in respect of certificate in 3236 of the 16th December 1922 *vide* correspondence ending with Manager's Military Grass Farm No. 42/326 of the 28th April 1922. Goods imported in the name of contractors should not, therefore, have been allowed to pass octroi barriers even under exemption certificates signed by officers much less so signed by clerks as goods were not, in original, consigned to Government. It is for this reason that a special provision of rule 11 (1) requiring that refunds of octroi paid on imported goods declared at the time of their import as vested in public authority shall be made to the credit of the public authority or to the contractor if he has paid the duty, has to be made in the rules governing the levy of octroi. The non-observance of rule 4 (2) properly had thus cost the Municipal fund about Rs. 2,000 during the period under audit by way of 10 per cent draw-backs which might have been received if goods were subjected to octroi and refund of duty allowed under rule 11 (1) pointed out above. In view of an instance of manipulation noticed in respect of grass supplied to Kirkee Military Farm it is for consideration whether it

11. Steps are being taken to prevent losses on this account.

All the officials have been requested to send the counterfoil books for verification. These are now received from some offices; but a few officers appear to be unwilling to send these books. They are again written to.

will be worthwhile to secure, for verification, counter-foils of used-up books of exemption certificates supplied to Government Officers.

12. *Application of funds for duty which is no obligatory or discretionary.*—While scrutinising the register of advances it was noticed that the Municipality has deposited a sum of Rs. 1,000 for a contract of supply of bleaching powder to the Executive Engineer, Poona Water works, for chlorination of water supplied to the Municipality and the Poona Cantonment. So far there is no loss in the transaction. The contract is also partly in fulfilment of the Municipality's own business of providing potable water. These factors are, however, not sufficient to apply Municipal funds to a purpose which is not authorised by the provisions of the District Municipal Act. It is hoped that the Municipality will not in future enter upon such an enterprise.

The Municipality had resorted to this measure as it had to lose about Rs. 6000 a year on the account.

13. *Expenditure outside Municipal Limits.*—The road lying beyond the Level Crossing No. 65 in Bhamburda on the Poona and Ganeshkhind Road is within the limits of the Suburban Municipality, *vide* boundaries of the City Municipality printed on Page 1 of Octroi Rules and bye-laws. This road is, however, being at present lit and swept at the cost of Rs. 750 a year from the City Municipal Fund. The Suburban Municipality, Poona, may be called upon to perform these duties in respect of this road, or to pay the City Municipality the cost of lighting and road conservancy.

This expenditure is now stopped.

14. *Payment of Gratuity.*—Under rule 6 of the rules governing the grant of gratuity to a municipal employee, gratuity shall in no case exceed the amount arrived at by multiplying the retiring employee's average monthly pay by the number of complete years of his active service. Periods of sick leave and furlough have been taken to include in active service although the definition accepted for active service is that recognized by C. S. Regulations in letter No. L-35-807, dated the 11th June 1919, embodied in G. R. G. D. No. 2052, dated the 23rd February 1920, it was suggested that if the words "after attaining the age of 55 years or completing full service" were not added to the revised rule 4 of the rules governing grant of gratuity, the rule is likely to be misinterpreted to allow gratuity to every employee, who may serve the Municipality for five years and resign the municipal service to better his prospects elsewhere. The suggestion was not accepted and the Municipality was relied upon to interpret the rule judiciously. The expectation has, however, been falsified by the grant of gratuity of Rs. 546 to an employee, Mr. Maheshwarkar, who resigned after putting in 17 years' municipal service. Besides, the Chief Officer, to the objection of local auditor, has pointed out that the General Board has passed a definite resolution laying down that an employee should be paid a

14. The rule is amended and sent for sanction.

The other questions are being placed before the General Body.

gratuity after five years' service even if he resigns to better his prospects elsewhere. " Gratuity has been paid also to those whose service were dispensed with on account of suspected misappropriations ". The case in point is that of Mr. Divekar, slaughter house inspector. He was suspected of committing misappropriation and suspended from municipal service on the 24th November 1920. As the evidence against him was not sufficient to secure his conviction in a court of law his services were finally dispensed with on the 22nd December 1920. He applied for a gratuity and was paid Rs. 396-7-4 on that account in March 1923 after an interval of 27 months from the date of his dismissal from service. Even admitting that for want of proper definitions of retirement, dismissal, &c., in the Municipality's rules, there is room for unlimited argument, the case of Mr. Divekar is undoubtedly not covered by the gratuity rules of the Municipality as they stand. The sanction of Government should please be obtained to the grant of gratuity in question or payment of Rs. 396-7-4 recovered from Mr. Divekar. The sanction of Government to the promised amendment of deleting the word " active " from rule 6, and to the addition to rule 5, to include cases of resignation in the word retirement according to decision of the General Board should please be obtained retrospectively to cover payments of gratuity made during the year under audit.

15. *Receipts collected by the Engineering Department.*—(i) A sum of Rs. 8-8-3 on account of short charges in respect of thirteen permits and six notices issued for occupation of public streets either for storing building materials or for erection of Mandaps was recovered during the course of audit. (ii) A sum of Rs. 6 on account of fees for preparation of plans and Rs. 2 collected on passes issued on 31st March 1923 for removal of mud from Katraj Tank were not credited to daybook till the 27th June 1923. (iii) Another sum of Rs. 158-10-3 on account of supervision charges for water pipe connections collected from September 1922, were not paid in the municipal treasury till the irregularity was pointed out during the course of audit. (iv) A sum of about Rs. 550 for a period as far back as January 1921 on account of services rendered to rate-payers in giving water connections was outstanding on 31st March 1923. It being pointed out, that the outstanding relates to a payment for service rendered, and that it is symptomatic of lack of supervision over the collection work of subordinates to ascertain whether it has really been not recovered or recovered but not brought to account, not less than Rs. 450 were recovered within a week. (v) While wading through the auction proceedings file, it was noticed that the Managing Committee in its resolution No. 1797 of the 25th March 1922 had ordered auction sale of old material taken possession of by the Municipality, of house No. 442, Rawiwar, demolished by it. The material is not yet auctioned nor it was taken on

15. Instructions are issued to check the accounts of the departments and steps are taken to see that they are checked and defects rectified.

account in the stock ledger. It has since been brought to account. The audit conducted by this department is only a test audit. Moreover, it is carried out in arrears. The irregularities noted above are sufficient to convince that audit check by Municipality itself in addition to test audit is necessary.

16. *Collection Department.*—After a continuous comment of more than three years the demand of fixed taxes for the current year has been fixed as required by provisions of the District Municipal Act. A number of discrepancies in assessing general water tax for water rates and special sanitary cess for non-privy cess and *vice versa*, however, creep in as pointed out during the course of audit, for want of prompt co-operation between the collection department and the engineering and the health departments. The arrears on 31st March 1923 were larger than those on that date of the previous year. Heavy arrears are, in the main, due to insufficient or inefficient collection staff and unless the supervision is keenly exercised, large outstandings generally result in writing them off as irrecoverable.

(ii) *Arrears on account of Dog Tax, Wheel Tax and Tax on Hotels.*—(a) The percentage of outstanding and consequent writes off of dog tax, wheel tax and tax on hotels is great owing to non-observance of the sanctioned rules governing levy of these taxes. Under rule 3 of the dog tax rules, every person possessing the dog has to apply for a licence and pay rupee 1 in advance for each year. The rule is not enforced. Unless special request is made to the Police Department to treat all dogs without badges as stray dogs the requirement of the rule referred to cannot be secured.

(b) The assessment and demand registers of wheel tax for the years 1921-22 and 1922-23 were not ready till half of each of the years was over. Late preparations of these registers resulted in leaving heavy arrears to say nothing of the conclusion clause in the demand of the tax owing to sales, transfers and discontinuance of vehicles during the first half year. Out of the demand of Rs. 372 and Rs. 261 of Nana and Bhamburda Peths Rs. 69 and 86, respectively, are already written off and appeals for writing off a further sum of Rs. 75 are under consideration of the Managing Committee.

(c) The causes assigned to large outstanding on account of hotel tax are, the discontinuance of a hotel immediately after its opening, and want of information as to the whereabouts of hotel keepers who close hotels sometimes in the middle in the year. In one Peth alone, *viz.*, Nana, the arrears and irrecoverable amount were Rs. 105 and Rs. 43, respectively, out of a demand of Rs. 303. It is for the Managing Committee to devise some means if it is desired to take full advantage of this duly authorized source of revenue.

16. Steps are taken to improve the working of the Department.

The General Body has appointed a Special Committee for the purpose.

(ii) This is being attended to.

(b) The state of things will now be found to have considerably improved.

(c) The question is being placed before the Managing Committee for consideration.

17. *Expenditure on Conservancy.*—Expenditure on conservancy inclusive of road sweeping is far in excess of receipts derived from non-privy and special sanitary cess and by sale proceeds of road sweepings. The Municipality is not prepared to levy non-privy cess in addition to special sanitary cess on houses having privies as required by Government Orders embodied in G. R. G.D., No. 192, dated the 3rd February 1922. It is represented to the Commissioner, Central Division, that when deciding whether the conservancy is self-supporting or not, revenue derived from drainage and cesspool taxes ought also to be included in conservancy receipts. Similarly certain portion of octroi receipts which bear a ratio of 53 per cent to the total revenue of the Municipality must, also, in the opinion of the General Board, be earmarked for expenditure on conservancy. In this connection it is pointed out that the presumption of the Municipality that the proceeds of the special sanitary cess, which amount to Rs. 44,800, are not less than the cost of the special private services rendered by municipal agency, because the expenditure for scavenging establishment is Rs. 41,500 only, is not correct. It fails to include incidental expenditure in connection with private services rendered such as the cost of feed of bullocks for removal of night soil. Moreover it is pointed out, that the principle that there should be no exemption from the payment of the general sanitary cess, was enunciated in the Government orders referred to above not only to make conservancy self-supporting but to secure equitable taxation, as richer houses only have privies attached to them. The cost of cleaning of these privies is paid by them but that fact should not relieve the rich houses from the cost of general sanitation when its benefits are availed of by rich and poor houses equally and latter houses only are made to pay for these benefits.

18. *Workshop accounts.*—The following registers may be introduced with advantage by the Municipal Engineer for this workshop :—

(i) Requisition book.

(ii) Raw material ledger.

(iii) Work order sheet serving the purpose of orders received, raw material used up, and labour charges incurred.

(iv) Manufactured articles register.

(v) Bill and receipt book.

(vi) Adjustment challan.

(ii) A sum of about Rs. 400 was outstanding on the 14th November 1923 for articles manufactured for private individuals. In some cases the outstandings relate to a period as far back as April 1921. Before two years only a large sum on account of such outstandings was written off as irrecoverable. Energetic efforts will be made to recover arrears as early as possible to avoid recurrence of writes off.

17. Expenditure on road sweeping cannot be charged against Special or General Sanitary cess as per present rules.

This can be taken as a charge against indirect taxation.

18. Steps are already taken to have the Workshop accounts kept in proper form.

(ii) Rs. 340 are already recovered and efforts are being made to clear off the arrears.

19. *Water Works and Drainage Accounts.*—The forms for keeping up water supply and drainage accounts by Municipality have been revised and are printed as an accompaniment to G. R., G. D. No. 1001, dated the 15th August 1923. Unless the water supply and drainage accounts are maintained in these forms the financial results of the two schemes cannot be examined.

20. *General.*—Remarks regarding general defects noticed in the accounts of the several departments of the Municipality have been communicated in this Office Letter No. L-35—3353 of the 20th December 1923. A number of irregularities noticed in audit were settled during its course owing to the prompt attention paid to them by the municipal staff; those that could not be settled are embodied in the objection statement forwarded under this Office No. L-33—4302 dated 15th February 1924, in advance of the audit note. The favour of early disposal of both is requested.

19. The G. R. on the subject is No. 1001 (General Department) of 11-3-24 and is received by the Municipality on 24-4-24. Steps are being taken to write the accounts in the new form.

P. G. SHAH,
Examiner, Local Fund Accounts.

No. L-33—4720 of 1923-24.

Copy forwarded to—

The Commissioner, C. D., Poona.

The Collector of Poona. (with two spare copies).

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(with 5 spare copies).

The Senior Auditor, Poona Circle. (M. V. S.)
Examiner, Local Fund Accounts.

POONA CITY MUNICIPALITY.

STATEMENT No. I.

Arrears of taxes at the end of three years.

	Arrears on 31-3-21.	Arrears on 31-3-22.	Arrears on 31-3-23.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
House tax	...18,827	12,048	22,062
Special sanitary cess	... 9,004	4,136	9,192
Non-privy cess	... 5,423	8,878	6,445
Drainage tax	...15,911	10,977	16,070
Cess pool	... 817	271	982
Wheel tax	... 1,835	1,474	1,915
Special water rate	... 196	...	1,914
General water tax	... 6,496	5,711	5,931
Dog tax	... 209	119	158
Hotels	... 2,033	525	505
Total	60,751	42,137	65,894

STATEMENT No. II.

	Octroi revenue	Octroi refunds.	Poona Muni-cipal share.
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1920-21	... 5,77,729	86,659	3,19,631
1921-22	... 6,78,541	61,717	4,49,181
1922-23	... 6,85,639	80,752	4,01,145

STATEMENT No. III.

Balance memoranda—

	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Opening balance on 1st April 1922	...	1,91,647	
Revenue during the year 1922-23—			
Ordinary revenue	... 9,82,400		
Extraordinary and debt	... 1,96,107		
			<u>11,28,507</u>
Total			... 13,20,154
Expenditure during the year 1922-23			
Ordinary expenditure	... 9,77,000		
Extraordinary and debt...	... 387,262		
			<u>13,14,262</u>
Closing balance on 31st March 1923	...	5,892	

Details of ordinary revenue—

1. Income from direct taxes—

	Rs.
House tax	...1,08,457
Wheel tax	... 19,325
Dog tax	... 223
Tax on trades and profession.	... 11,238

(11)

Water tax	...	98,677
Special sanitary cess	...	48,298
General sanitary cess	...	11,961
Drainage & cesspool tax	...	58,402
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		3,41,576

2. Indirect taxes—	
Octroi	...4,01,145
3 Revenue from Muni-	
cipal property apart	
from taxation.	...1,12,359
4. Grants & contribution:...	77,320
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	9,82,400

	Rs.	a.	p.
Incidence of direct taxes per head			
of population(1,33,227 souls)	...	2	9 0
Do. total do.	...	5	9 2
Do. total income do.	...	7	0 0

Annual Reports.
Administration Report of the
Poona, City Municipality for the year 1923-24.

GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY.

RESOLUTION No. 56 (4).

Bombay Castle, 11 October 1924.

Review of the Administration Report of the Poona City Municipality for the year 1923-24:—

“ The number of ordinary, special and adjourned meetings of the General Body was 55 as against 69 in the preceding year. Thirteen were adjourned for want of a quorum. The average attendance of the Councillors at these meetings was 23 which is a little less than one-half of the total number of 50. 400 items of business were disposed of during the year as against 557, in the preceding year.

“ 2. The Managing Committee and the School Board held 72 and 32 meetings respectively during the year (of which 15 and 10 respectively were adjourned for want of quorum), as against 72 and 29 in the previous year. In addition to these Committees, 30 sub-committees were appointed to report on various matters referred to them either by the General Body or the Managing Committee.

“ 3. The following progress has been made with regard to pending references between the Collector and the Municipality:—

(1) *Building by-laws.*—On 8th May 1923 the Municipality were asked at the instance of the Commissioner to prepare a set of by-laws on the lines of the by-laws for advanced Municipalities circulated with Government Order No. 6315, dated 12th September 1918. The matter was under the consideration of the Municipality, in spite of repeated reminders from this office for over a year and at last on 12th May 1924 it was reported that both the Managing Committee and the General Body had decided that it was not possible to revise the present by-laws on the model of those framed by Government and the utmost that could be done was to enforce strictly the by-laws already in operation and that the Municipality had resolved to do so. The matter is now before the Commissioner.

(2) *Amendment of the rule for levy of fees for occupation of parts of public streets.*—This was first submitted by the Municipality in March 1923, but was returned in May with certain suggestions. It was resubmitted by the Municipality in July and was again returned for compliance with the Commissioner's suggestion to consider the advisability of drawing up schedules of roads to be charged at rates exceeding Rs. 2 and the matter is still pending with the Municipality although they have been expedited five times.

(3) *Additional Election rules*:—These were first received from the Municipality in May 1923 and were returned in June in order that an entire set of election rules should be drawn up revised on the lines of the model rules sanctioned in Government Resolution, General Department, no. 7238, dated 15th October 1917 as subsequently amended from time to time, with such additions and alterations as might be suitable to local circumstances. It is necessary to have the revised rules ready in advance of the ensuing elections which are due to take place in March 1925. The Municipality have been expedited several times, but have not yet submitted the revised rules.

(4) In August 1922, the Municipality applied to the Collector to acquire land for the Lakdipool Training College section of the East West Road Scheme, but the papers were returned to them in November 1922 for certain corrections to be made and the Municipality took more than 18 months to return them. It was not till June 1924 that they resolved to proceed with the scheme and a draft notification under section 4 of Act I of 1894 has been submitted on 2nd July 1924.

(5) *Site for Refuse Depot*.—The Municipality have ceased to use the kachra depot on the Satara Road since last year and are temporarily using a site further away from the city and cantonment. A part of the refuse is destroyed in an incinerator and the remainder carried away by motor lorry. In July 1923 the Municipality was asked to submit proposals for acquisition of land for dumping kachra. Two sites one at Kothrud on the right of the Poona-Paud Road and another at Munjeri beyond Bibewadi were selected by my predecessor in consultation with the Military authorities and recommended to the Municipality who did not approve of either on the ground that they were too far from the city. They therefore chose a site at Parwati which is objectionable since it is on a much frequented road and is near the canal and the river. The Municipality were informed accordingly and asked to choose a fresh site but have persistently adhered to their first choice. The matter has dragged on for over a year and it is not yet certain whether the Municipality will come to terms in the near future unless steps are taken under section 175 of the Bombay District Municipal Act. The Municipality have been given the opportunity of selecting another site to be approved by the medical authorities and myself failing which the Collector will have to select a site for the Municipality's acceptance after consulting the Commissioner. The Municipality will in that case not be given the grant-in-aid promised by Government (in Government Resolution, General Department, No. 2465 of 7th July 1923).

(6) (a) *Illegal expenditure*:—Government have in Government Resolution, No. 426, dated 14th February 1924, Legal Department, sanctioned the institution of suits against certain councillors of the Municipality for the recovery of amounts spent out of the Municipal funds in contravention of the the provision of Bombay District Municipal Act, 1901.

(b) Government have also in their Resolution, Legal Department No. 427, dated 14th February 1924 sanctioned the institution of suits against the Municipality for injunction restraining them from spending any money on (a) the presentation of an address to Mr. Mahomed Ali and (b) the marble statue of the late Mr. Bal Gangadhar Tilak. The results are awaited.

Municipal Income.

" 4. The subjoined table shows income under principal heads compared with that of the previous year:—

Serial No.	Item.	1923-24	1922-23	Increase.	Decrease.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Octroi	4,44,673	4,01,145	43,528	...
2	House Tax	1,13,563	1,03,457	10,106	...
3	Water Tax	98,696	93,877	5,019	...
4	Drainage and Cess Pool Tax	65,969	58,402	7,567	...
5	General Sanitary Cess	11,235	11,961	.....	726
6	Special Sanitary Cess	43,578	43,293	285	...
7	Market fees	63,624	62,856	168	...
8	Magisterial fines	6,049	6,923	...	874

It will be seen that income from all sources except General Sanitary Cess and Magisterial fines increased during the year. The increase in octroi is primarily due to the fact that the city was free from epidemic and that the amount refunded on account of exports during the year was smaller than in previous year as there was no outstandings for 1922-23. The increase in house-tax is due to the fact that the city being free from epidemic a large amount of dues could be recovered than in 1922-23. The increase in drainage and cess-pool tax is due to the progress of the drainage works as well as to the recovery of past arrears while the increase under the head 'water rate' is due to the additional revenue from new connections given during the year. A smaller number of cases under the Police Act accounts for the decrease in Magisterial fines.

The closing balance at the end of the year was Rs. 2,05,329 as against Rs. 5,802 in the previous year. The large increase was due to a general increase in income during the year 1923-24 of Rs. 213706.

Municipal Expenditure.

" 5. The year's disbursements amounted to Rs. 11,36,884 as against Rs. 13,14,262 in the previous year. The details of the chief items for 1922-23 and 1923-24 are compared below :—

Serial No.	Item.	1923-24	1922-23	Increase.	Decrease.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Administration	41,978	43,689	1,294	.....
2	Collection of taxes	48,998	42,654	6,344	.....
3	Lighting (public safety) and water supply.	1,39,468	2,01,948	.....	62,480
4	Drainage establishment, repairs etc...	1,06,043	1,70,163	.....	64,120
5	Conservancy, including Health Officer and Sanitary staff.	2,42,717	2,30,861	11,856	.....
6	Plague charges	20,635	27,056	.....	6,421
7	Public Instruction	1,48,018	1,65,636	.....	17,618
8	Road repairs	80,656	1,52,336	.....	71,680
9	Public Works department establishment	22,117	19,590	2,527	.....
10	Repayment of loans (including interest)	61,225	1,35,139	.....	73,914
11	Markets and slaughter houses	23,845	22,404	1,441	.....
12	Advances	10,527	.....	10,527	.....
13	Other items	1,87,662	1,02,786	84,876	.....

The total expenditure decreased by Rs. 1,77,378. No special reason is assigned for the increase under 'Administration.'

The increase under 'collection of taxes' is due to increase in salaries according to the new schedule and to the additional establishment employed for revision of house tax.

The decrease under 'lighting and water supply' is due to stopping of all electric lighting of streets and to smaller expenditure on water treatment.

The fact that the Municipality paid less for drainage pumping and septic tank expenses than in the preceding year accounts for the decrease under 'drainage establishment, repairs, etc.'

The increase under 'Conservancy including Health Office and Sanitary Staff' is due to increase in salaries of establishment, the construction of an incinerator, subsidiary Depots and improvements to depot-road.

The fact that plague was less severe during the year of report than in the previous year accounts for the decrease under 'plague charges'.

The decrease under 'public instruction' is due to less expenditure on purchase of land for school buildings and also to the fact that schools and institutions conducted by private bodies were not paid the grants due to them.

The decrease under the head 'Road repairs' is due to less expenditure on the opening of new roads. Last year more money was spent on the East West and Tilak Roads than during the year under report.

The increased salaries of the establishment and the charging of office expenses to this heading account for the increase in the Public Works Department establishment.

There was no payment to be made on account of the East West Road loan during the year as in the preceding year and this fact accounts for the large decrease under 'repayment of loans'.

The increase of ' Market and slaughter houses ' is due to the establishment and maintenance expenses of the new slaughter-house opened at Kondhwa during the year.

The increase under ' advances ' needs no explanation as it is an adjustment of accounts.

6. " The Municipality paid during the year the following amounts which were due to Government :—

No.	Item.	mount.	Date of payment.
1	Maintenance & Repairs Swar Get Settling Tanks	16,191	Various dates.
2	Central Pumping Station maintenance ...	40,094	May & June 1923.
3	Repairs to buildings at Settling tanks ...	1,865	April 1923.
4	Ventury Meters (Supplementary) ...	4,400	December 1923.
5	Advance for plague huts refunded ...	8,779	November 1923.
6	Infectious Diseases Hospital ...	11,966	May, November, 1923 and February 1924. Monthly payments.
7	Canal water charges ...	22,799	Various dates.
8	Repayment of Government loans ...	61,225	Various dates.
9	Rent for Telephone lines ...	1,215	Do.
10	Rent for Katraj Tanks ...	1,197	March 1923.
11	Establishment of Bench Magistrates ...	1,860	19th Decem. 1923. & 24th March 1924.

The Municipality have postponed the payment of Rs. 6,000 on account of audit fees for the years 1921-22, 1922-23 and 1923-24 and requested the Collector on 27th June 1924 to move Government to forego the amounts for the previous year and allow them to appoint their own auditor approved by Government but on the 17th July 1924 I informed the President that the proposal to appoint their own auditor did not seem to me economically sound and that it had not made out a case for Government to forego the fees of previous year. They were also directed to pay up the amount due forthwith in accordance with the order contained in Government Resolution, Finance Department, no. 1254, dated 7th March 1924 but have not yet done so.

General.

7. "(a) In accordance with paragraph 2 of Government Resolution, General Department, no. P.-56 (4), dated 4th December 1923 the Municipality were asked to forward proposals for increased taxation. The President reported on 12th May 1924 that the Managing Committee had since put up before the General Board certain proposals for increased taxation, but that as strong feeling against any increase of taxation had been growing in the city for the last year or so and as the Municipality had received a number of representations from rate-payers against any increase the Councillors were

not in favour of additional taxation this year; but that they had resolved on 23rd April 1924 that the question of fresh taxation should be brought up before the board after one year, i.e. after a new body of Councillors had come in to office. This is an obvious evasion of responsibility and the Municipality have been advised not to shelve the proposal put up by the Managing Committee.

(b) The Municipality have also resolved on 7th June 1924 not to pay to Government the instalments of the drainage loan (Rs. 25,161) and the municipal share of the maintenance charges of the Central Pumping Station (Rs. 40,000) which were due on 30th June 1924, until the construction work of the Poona Drainage Remodelling and of the outfall sewer is actually commenced. They have, however, been advised to reconsider the resolution at a meeting to be attended by a still larger proportion of members and their reply is now before the Commissioner. The Municipality seems to me to have adopted a foolish attitude in this matter.

(c) I endorse my predecessor's opinion of the work of Mr. Bhagwat and Dr. Khambatta. The former is as the Commissioner observed last year a very efficient as well as energetic officer.

(d) As regards the Board as a whole there is little for me to say. Comment seems superfluous on the attitude of the majority towards the various questions above referred to, which have been the subject of correspondence. The said majority appears to resent criticism as much as it disdains advice, seeing that one of the most recent acts of the Board was the passing of a vote of censure on Mr. Mackie on account of the not very severe remarks made by him in regard to the illegal expenditure which forms the subject of the civil suits to which I have referred. It is to be regretted that Mr. Mackie will in all probability remain ignorant of this resolution.

(e) Mr. Lawate has filled the President's place at many of the meetings and has shown keenness and ability: and Rao Bahadur Apte and some others can be relied on to take a reasonable and commonsense view of questions under discussion."

Memorandum from the commissioner, C. D. no. Poono-4/4, dated the 22nd September 1924 :—

" Submitted to Government in the General Department.

" 2. The Municipality have refused to take up the revision of their building by-laws on the lines of the model for advance Municipalities as desired by Government in their Resolution, No. 2101, dated 7th March 1922 General Department. The Municipality on the other hand proposed the cancellation of an important existing by-laws which required the keeping of open space equal to $\frac{1}{2}$ the area built upon. They were told that this proposal could not be recommended to Government and were again asked to take up the revision of the existing by-laws on the lines of the model by-laws on the subject. After considering the question for two years the

Municipality have decided that it is not possible to revise the by-laws as suggested. In communicating this decision the President writes:—

'The general public is not as yet sufficiently conscious of the necessity of every house owner making some sacrifice for the good of the whole city, and hence the enforcement of by-laws based on advanced ideas would be almost impossible in this city'.

"3. On the Administration report for 1922-23 Government remarked that the financial condition of the Municipality was not sound and asked the Commissioner to call upon the Municipality to submit their proposal for increased taxation without further delay. After a good deal of correspondence the President has made it clear that additional taxation could not be passed during the term of the current Board, which expires in March 1925. This has been reported to Government and Government have directed that the question should be put before the new Board early next year (*vide* Government memorandum, no. 884-A., dated 16th July 1924, General Department

" 4. * * * * *

" 5. Progress has been made with the Poona Drainage Improvement Scheme. It has now been decided to take up the scheme in stages and orders providing funds are only awaited for the work to be started.

" 6. The Municipality has with-held payment of audit fees for the last two years in spite of the orders passed in Government Memorandum, Finance Department, No. 2136-E., dated 30th July 1923. They have been informed that they cannot be freed from their liability in this respect. They still persist in their default and the Commissioner has had to tell them finally that, in case they do not reconsider the decision and make payment of the arrears due, the Commissioner will have reluctantly to recommend suspension of payment of all Government grants until the arrears are paid.

" 7. *General*:—The Commissioner endorses the remarks made by the Collector on the general attitude of the Board."

(8)

Resolution:—Recorded.

By order of the Government of Bombay

(Transferred Departments),

H. D. BASKEVILLE,

Deputy Secretary to Government.

G. B. no. 56 (4), G. D. dated the 11th October 1924.

To.

The Commissioner, C. D.,

The collector of Poona.

No. P. R. B. 2 of 1924.

Poona 12th November 1924.

Copy forwarded for information and guidance to the:—

PRESIDENT; Poona City Municipality.

By Order,

J. F. GONSALVES.

Head Clark to

Collector Poona.

POONA CITY MUNICIPALITY.

ADMINISTRATION REPORT

OF THE

HEALTH DEPARTMENT,

FOR

1923-24.

POONA CITY MUNICIPALITY
HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

FROM,

Dr. Kershaw D. Khambatta,

L. M. & S., L. R. C. P. & S., D. P. H.

HEALTH OFFICER,
POONA CITY.

TO,

The President,
POONA CITY MUNICIPALITY.

SIR,

I have the honour to submit the Annual Health Report for the year 1923-24.

AREA.

There is no change.

BOUNDARIES.

Boundaries are the same as before.

VITAL STATISTICS & PUBLIC HEALTH.

The population of the city as per census of 1921 is 1,33,125, of these males are 69,647 and females 63,478.

(a). The subjoined statement shows population by castes and sexes.

No.	Caste.	Sex.			Remarks.
		Male.	Female.	Total.	
1	Hindu	60934	55721	116655	
2	Musalman	6187	5478	11665	
3	Christian... ..	1069	1234	2303	
4	Budhist	2	1	3	
5	Jain	1218	780	1998	
6	Shikh	1	1	2	
7	Zorastrian	81	78	159	
8	Jews	153	180	333	
9	Other religions	2	2	4	
Total		69647	63475	133122	

(b). The statement below shows population by sexes and ages.

Age.	Population.			Remarks.
	Male.	Female.	Total.	
0-1	1720	1667	3387	
1-2	843	965	1807	
2-3	1261	1322	2583	
3-4	1304	1540	2844	
4-5	1894	1488	2832	
5-10	8209	7771	15980	
10-15	8240	6500	14740	
15-20	6730	5600	12330	
20-25	7076	6414	13490	
25-30	7291	6212	13503	
30-35	6520	5974	12494	
35-40	4975	4830	9005	
40-45	4899	4600	9499	
45-50	2530	2244	4774	
50-55	2745	3198	5943	
55-60	1136	953	2089	
60-65	1683	1871	3554	
65-70	429	389	818	
70 & over	668	787	1455	
Total	69647	63475	133122	

(c). The table below gives area in acres of the city; the number of houses and the number of houses per acre and persons per acre.

Area in acre.	Houses.			Houses per acre	Population.			Persons per acre.
	Occupied	Un-occupied	Total.		Male.	Female.	Total.	
4083	29082	4197	33279	8.15	69647	63475	133122	32.60

The extension of the city towards west and the development of areas round Tilak Road will remove, it is hoped, congestion in the city. The development around Bhamburda, specially Deccan Gymkhana Colony, where well-to-do and the middle class are now constructing residential quarters, will in the near future greatly help to relieve congestion in the most crowded localities in the city. A few words in this connection, I hope will not be out of place. Nearly all peths, except Budhawar and Raviwar peth, have lands undeveloped and some of these are used for irrigation purposes attached to each one of the peths. The proximity of the lands to living habitations are a source injurious to public health, and on sanitary grounds I would suggest to the authorities that they be acquired or bought out-right. The owners, reluctant to give them up, might be compelled to use these large tracts of land for purposes of building. The lands used for agricultural purposes in the heart of the city in various peths should be done away with, and I am of opinion that malaria rampant in the city will be mitigated to a very great extent.

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS

(a). Registration of births has not improved during the year. The staff employed for the work is inadequate. Owing to retrenchment the services of two mukadamas who brought information regarding births have their services dispensed with. These two men detected about four-hundred unregistered births during the year.

(b). Registration of deaths is fairly accurate. No dead body is allowed to be buried or cremated, unless the death pass is received from the Health Office. The rakhawaldars at the burial and burning ghats who receive the passes form an additional check.

BIRTHS & STILL-BIRTHS.

The number of births registered during the year is 2,286 against 1,422 of the preceding year. The ratio per milla population comes to 17.17 against 10.03 of the last year. This shows some improvement.

STILL BIRTHS.

The undermentioned table compares between births and deaths excluding and including still births for the quinquennial.

Year.	Births including still-births and deaths.				Births excluding still-births and deaths.				Remarks.
	Births.	Birth-rate.	Deaths.	Death-rate.	Births.	Birth-rate.	Deaths.	Death-rate.	
1919-1920	2443	20.83	7113	60.66	2266	19.32	7113	60.66	
1920-1921	2603	22.19	5721	48.79	2393	20.40	5721	48.79	
1921-1922	2244	16.85	5771	43.33	2027	15.22	5771	43.33	
1922-1923	1601	12.01	6029	45.28	1422	10.68	6029	45.28	
1923-1924	2490	18.70	5148	38.67	2286	17.17	5148	38.67	
Difference between 1922-1923 & 1923-1924	889		-881		864		-881		

The statement below gives number of births registered by months during last five years.

Month.	1919-20	1920-21	1921-22	1922-23	1923-24	Remarks.
April ...	146	144	126	102	289	
May ...	160	178	209	81	228	
June ...	127	201	232	102	187	
July ...	186	256	242	156	213	
August ...	173	266	193	110	178	
September ...	236	246	224	145	158	
October ...	256	197	145	139	164	
November ...	241	224	147	121	214	
December ...	197	214	144	87	159	
January ...	150	164	141	153	191	
February ...	168	156	114	109	144	
March ...	224	147	110	117	161	
Total ...	2266	2393	2027	1422	2286	

TOTAL MORTALITY.

Number of deaths during the year was 5,148 against 6,028 of the preceding year. The ratios per milla population are 38.67 and 43.28 respectively. The decrease in death rate is due to almost complete absence of plague during the year and which claimed 1,088 deaths in the preceding year.

The subjoined table gives number of deaths by peths and sex.

No.	Peths.	Total mortality.			Remarks.
		Male.	Female.	Total.	
1	Shukrawar ...	413	341	754	
2	Vetal ...	99	100	199	
3	Ganj Gohrpade ..	133	143	276	
4	Raviwar ...	200	217	417	
5	Ganesh ...	98	109	207	
6	Budhwar ...	146	161	307	
7	Sadashiv ...	200	206	406	
8	Narayan ...	99	86	185	
9	Shanwar ...	138	161	299	
10	Bhawani ...	200	174	374	
11	Nana ...	172	177	349	
12	Raste Nyhal ...	101	118	219	
13	Kasba ...	258	247	505	
14	Somwar ...	118	109	227	
15	Mangalwar ...	80	83	163	
16	Bhamburda ...	113	119	232	
17	Hospital ...	15	14	29	
	Total ...	2583	2565	5148	

The number of deaths by months and by sex will be seen from the following statement.

Months.	Total Mortality.			Remarks.
	Male.	Female.	Total.	
April ...	202	200	402	
May ...	181	163	344	
June ...	171	152	323	
July ...	168	150	318	
August ...	221	236	457	
September ...	203	213	416	
October ...	202	210	412	
November ...	200	180	389	
December ...	224	195	419	
January ...	222	226	448	
February ...	249	259	508	
March ...	340	372	712	
Total ...	2583	2565	5148	

The month of March registered the largest number of deaths and the month of July registered the lowest number of deaths.

INFANT MORTALITY.

The deaths under one year registered during the year were 1,822, shows an increase of 180 over the last year's figures. So long as the registration of births is not correct the ratio derived per 1000 births will not be accurate, as many births escape registration. The heavy infant mortality may be accounted for the following principal causes.

- 1 Ignorance of the mother.
- 2 Inefficient aid during parturition.
- 3 Poverty
- 4 Insanitary surroundings amongst the poor.
- 5 Epidemics.

But of this more hereafter.

The statement given below shows infant mortality by months.

Months.	Infant mortality.	Remarks.
April	126	
May	110	
June	96	
July	111	
August	173	
September	181	
October	146	
November	125	
December	146	
January	158	
February	180	
March	270	
Total	1822	

The month of March shows the highest death rate owing to prevalence of small-pox in an epidemic form.

CHILD MORTALITY.

The mortality amongst children under three years was 2,584 against 2,290 of the preceding year. The prevalence of small-pox and measles may be the cause of increased mortality. The table given below shows number of deaths among children under three years in the last five years as compared with still-births.

Year.	Number of still-births.	Mortality of children under three years excluding still-births.	Remarks.
1919—1920	177	2676	
1920—1921	204	2504	
1921 - 1922	217	2804	
1922—1923	179	1821	
1923—1924	204	2026	

This table shows the number of deaths of children under three years and infant mortality for the year.

Months.	Mortality among children under three years including infants.	Infants.	Remarks.
April	184	126	
May	168	110	
June	144	96	
July	154	111	
August	244	173	
September	237	181	
October	200	146	
November	163	125	
December	190	146	
January	214	158	
February	232	180	
March... ..	404	207	
Total	2584	1822	

ZYMOTIC DISEASES & THEIR DEATH RATES DURING THE YEAR.

The following is a table showing deaths from notifiable diseases.

Caste.	Small-pox.			Plague.			Cholera.			Measles.			Total from Zymotic diseases.			Remarks.
	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	
Hindu ...	155	166	321	68	52	118	22	26	48	46	52	98	289	296	585	
Musalman ...	8	5	13	6	5	11	...	...	...	15	15	30	29	25	54	
Other caste...	...	1	1	1	...	1	1	...	1	2	1	3	
Total ...	163	172	335	73	57	130	22	26	48	62	67	129	320	322	642	

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PHTHISIS.

Number of deaths from Phthisis was 490 against 512 of the last year.

The statement below shows mortality from Phthisis by months during the year.

No.	Months.	Number of deaths from Phthisis.	Remarks.
1	April	44	
2	May	19	
3	June	39	
4	July	39	
5	August	47	
6	September	45	
7	October	43	
8	November	41	
9	December	49	
10	January	40	
11	February	41	
12	March	43	
	Total	490.	

The mortality from Phthisis by peths is as under.

No.	Peths,	Number of deaths from Phthisis.	Remarks.
1	Shukrawar	78	
2	Vetal	14	
3	Ganj Ghorpade	27	
4	Raviwar	53	
5	Ganesh	26	
6	Budhwar	35	
7	Sadashiv	28	
8	Narayan	9	
9	Shanwar	25	
10	Bhawani	26	
11	Nana	29	
12	Raste Nyhal	22	
13	Kasba	48	
14	Somwar	33	
15	Mangalwar	16	
16	Bhamburda and Pulachi wadi }	21	
	Total	490	

CHOLERA.

Cholera accounted for 48 deaths and these spread over the months of June, July and August. Each of the cases were verified personally by the Health Officer and immediate precautions were taken to prevent its further spread.

SMALL-POX.

Small-pox registered 335 deaths against 114 in the previous year. It prevailed as an epidemic during the latter part of the year. It is still prevalent in the town. Many of the cases were personally verified by the Health Officer. Advice was given in all cases. The infected houses were promptly disinfected. The Health Officer gave all possible help as required by the Assistant Director of Public Health. The Divisional Sanitary Inspectors were ordered to assist the Public Vaccinators, both temporary and permanent.

MEASLES.

Deaths from measles were 129 against 79 in the last year.

DIARRHOEA & DYSENTRY.

Diarrhoea and dysentery claimed 220 and 12 deaths respectively against 224 and 28 registered during the last year. The following statement shows deaths by these diseases during the year under report. The highest recorded was in the month of September 1923. The lowest was in the month of November.

PLAGUE.

There were 152 attacks and 130 deaths from plague during the year. It was more or less a sporadic attack prevalent throughout the year. The special report on plague is embodied in here and will be found on the last pages of the report.

Plague attacks and deaths by peths is shown below.

No.	Peths.	Plague.		Remarks.
		Attack.	Deaths.	
1	Shukrawar	41	32	
2	Vetal	2	2	
3	Ganj Ghorpade	5	5	
4	Raviwar	7	7	
5	Ganesh	1	1	
6	Budhwar	4	4	
7	Sadashiv	3	3	
8	Narayan ... ..	...	...
9	Shanwar	4	4	
10	Bhawani	12	12	
11	Nana	5	3	
12	Raste Nyhal	3	3	
13	Kasba	10	5	
14	Somwar	5	4	
15	Mangalwar ... ..	...	...
16	Bhamburda and Pulachiwadi }	6	4	
	Total	108	89	

The following plague attacks are given below by months.

No.	Months.	Plague.		Remarks.
		Attacks.	Deaths.	
1	April	36	34	
2	May	9	7	
3	June ... ..	...	...
4	July ... ..	...	...
5	August	3	3	
6	September	13	7	
7	October	19	36	
8	November	30	22	
9	December	10	9	
10	January	5	5	
11	February	4	4	
12	March	3	3	
	Total	152	130	

MALARIA.

There were 221 deaths against 256 in the preceding year. The malaria may be said to be endemic and I would refer the reader to my last year's report for the causes of its existence in the city.

MUNICIPAL CHARITABLE DISPENSARIES.

There are two allopathic and one aurvedic dispensary. A fourth allopathic dispensary was opened from the 1st of January 1924. It is located in Kasba Peth where demand for the same was great.

The number of patients treated at the dispensaries is given below.
The number of patients treated according to castes is given below.

No.	Name of dispensary.	Number of patients treated.	Caste.		Remarks.	
			Musal-mans.	Other castes.		
1	Narayan Peth dispensary.	32,457	31,436	857	164	
2	Nana Peth dispensary ...	28,526	14,643	6,917	6,966	
3	Kasba Peth dispensary ...	7,750	6,179	1,292	279	
4	Sadashiv Peth dispensary (Aurvedic)	52,036	51,299	690	97	
	Total ...	1,20,819	1,03,557	9,756	7,506	

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION.

I continued to be the Health Officer of the city during the year under report. Messrs. Godbole and Nikam occupied the posts of Assistant Health Officer and Chief Sanitary Inspector respectively. There was no change in the personnel of the out-door and the office staff. Cost and income during

the year was Rs. 303352 against Rs. 2,84,870-15-0 of the preceding year. The income from all sources was Rs. 52920 against Rs. 39,529-9-4 of the last year.

MUNICIPAL STABLES.

There were 160 bullocks at the stables at the beginning of the year. The casualties during the year amongst the bullocks were as under. Seven bullocks died during the year. Thirteen bullocks were given away to agriculturists as they were old and unfit for municipal work. They were not supplemented. A Divisional Sanitary Inspector was put in special charge of the stables. The experiment is in a stage of trial.

NOTICES & PROSECUTIONS.

The number of notices issued during the year were as under.

Number of notices issued.	Number of notices complied with.	Number of notices cancelled.	Number of notices sent for prosecution.	Number of notices un-disposed.	Remarks.
3173	1714	165	971	323	
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The total number of notices disposed of is given below.

Sections of the District Municipal Act.	Number of notices issued.	Remarks.
107 (1) ...	239	
101 (1) ...	139	
129 ...	205	
132 ...	133	
128 ...	120	
39 (V clause) ...	1	
135 ...	34	
106 (1) ...	9	
106 (3) ...	5	
107 ...	1246	
101 ...	546	
106 ...	167	
131 ...	160	
118 ...	16	
151 ...	2	
142 ...	16	
120 ...	1	
100 ...	1	
141 ...	1	
48 (d) ...	53	
48 & other clauses ...	89	
Total ...	3173	

The Government has sanctioned two Special Magistrates for the disposal of municipal cases. This change from the previous procedure has shown a marked improvement. The undersigned is thankful to the two Magistrates, Sirdar Natu and Mr. Ranade, for the promptness in their execution. In some instances exemplary punishments for gross dereliction of sanitary laws by a section of perverse public have had a marked effect. Undersigned has always been ready to withhold prosecutions when the end is served. Prosecution and not persecution is the aim followed.

CATTLE POUND.

The total impounded during the year was 6280. The amount of fines recovered during the year is Rs. 1095-10-0. The work of auctioning cattle in absence of claimants after an interval of seven days is done by the Health Officer.

HOUSE-INSPECTIONS.

As per General Body's resolution house to house inspection from the 10th October 1923 is now done by the Divisional Sanitary Inspectors. Defects noted in general with respect to houses inspected are noted in the registers. The owners are served with notices to remedy the defects and on their failure to do so within a specified period prosecutions are lodged against them.

MENIALS.

Owing to the dumping grounds near Swargate for kachara having been given up kachara is lifted out of the city by motor lorries on contract system to Bibewadi, a distance of five miles and more from some parts of the city. Six subsidiary depots were opened in convenient spots in the city. The kachara is dumped on these depots whence the removal to Bibewadi is carried out in lorries. The undersigned objected to these depots on sanitary grounds being situated amidst inhabited areas. The system of removing kachara in motor lorries on contract system has proved a failure. The bullock carts had to be in readiness always and as expected the stipulated four lorries were reduced to two lorries and very often to one lorry which was found inadequate to the removal of kachara from the whole city. The kachara drivers who are hard worked resented to make six trips to the subsidiary depots. They, as feared by the undersigned, struck work on the morning of 27th October 1923. The situation was handled promptly by the undersigned with the assistance of Messrs. Godbole and Nikam. The davanwalas, two of the ring-leaders, were removed bag and baggage from the stables, with a threat to hand them over to the police. This had a salutary effect on the remaining crew and a strike averted.

BHANGIS.

The bhangis gave no trouble during the year. It is true that some amongst them are badmashes and do not carry out their duties efficiently. They are punished, fined or suspended. But undersigned has always handled

them with kindness and consideration. Owing to changing and democratic times their attitude also is brusque and at times rude, and unless and until the privies and mori water of property holders are properly drained in main drains, and the main drains are extended throughout the town the services of bhangis will remain always as items to be seriously considered.

ROAD-SWEEPERS.

There are 211 roadsweepers. The roads, bols, lanes etc., are constantly under repairs or are dug out for laying water, mains, drains etc. Consequently sweeping is not done efficiently. The earth thrown up is never rolled down properly and in some instances the earth and road metals are heaped round dustbins. The public use the heaps for dumping kachara keeping the dustbins near-by empty. The roads are kept clean and also the lanes and bols as circumstances permit.

SANITARY & CONSERVANCY WORKS.

(a). *Drainage*:—The work of new drainage is progressing slowly. The old drainage is defective. In absence of levels in many instances mael water leaks into the privies and moris and the Health Department comes in for a large share of the blame as public fail to understand that the Health Department is not in charge of drainage work. The Eastern part of the town specially Nana and Bhawani, are not sewered. Cesspools and gol gutters take the place of sewers. The former are removed by manual labor, the latter empty into the Nagazari.

(b). *Gully traps*:—My suggestion regarding gully traps lids to be of lock and key is now carried out with regard to new connections at present constructed. Bhangis will have no access to these traps to empty their head-loads. The number of gully traps is 7906.

(c). *Gutters (Katchha & Goal)*:—The katchha gutters are a source of great harm to the city. The storm water collects in these which stagnates and breeds mosquitoes. In some instances these gutters are very deep. In many instances owners of houses utilise these for purposes of draining the foul water from their premises. My suggestion to close these permanently has found favour with some councillors. *Goal gutters*:—The unsewered part of the city is given gol gutters to drain away the mael water from their premises. These gutters are pacca built in stone and masonry and a special staff of the Health Department cleans them daily. These gol gutters empty in most instances into the Nagazari.

(d). *Public latrines*:—There are 62 public latrines. Of these 14 are of flushing type.

(e). *Public urinals*:—They are 63 in all. 37 of them are of flushing pattern. The need for more urinals is keenly felt in the Eastern part of the city.

(f). *Private privies*.—Private privies are 6813 in number. Of these 137 are of the flushing type and the rest are of the basket type. The house owners, several of them, are inclined to convert their old type privies into flushing ones but the difficulty in most instances comes in when the water from the canals is at a low pressure and the parts of the city are on a high level. In some cases the argument held out is genuine as personally verified by the undersigned. Considering the increasing arrogant attitude of the bhangis the undersigned would welcome the conversion of the basket system wholesale into flushing types but for the very great difficulty mentioned above. Besides there are other difficulties which are not easy of solution. Many houses, which previously belonged to one owner, are now divided amongst several owners, each owner claiming his share of the one privy which formerly belonged to the house now divided. Poverty is another great drawback and the owners reduced to penury owing to family litigations or deaths of their principal bread-winners cannot be forced to lay out a large sum on their privies alone. Hence many houses are with the court of wards or are mortgaged and until these houses are free from encumbrances, nothing could be done to induce owners to convert the basket system into flushing ones. Many rich house-owners, who argue that their neighbours should also be compelled to do what they are told with regard to their privies, should find no favor with the municipality.

(g). *Cesspools*.—The eastern part of the town which is an unsewered area contains many cesspools. Some of them are the size of small ponds. With the limited numbers of carts at the disposal of the Health Department these cesspools can not be cleared from the bottom. Besides the people who use the service of pipes at such a high pressure so that cesspools soon get filled no sooner they are emptied.

(h). *Dustbins*.—Dustbins are 567, Most of them round. Square ones being replaced by these Madras pattern dustbins. The square ones are preferable to round dustbins. The latter have no bottom, are very unstable and could be easily displaced.

(i). *Pail Depots*.—Alang, Khagina Vahir, Shanwar, and Dhangar Ali Pail Depots were closed to save costs. All the pail depots in the town would work satisfactorily, but the engines at the pumping station are incapable of receiving loads of mails for pumping them to Hadapsar. Health Officer had several times appealed to the authorities concerned not to let the mails into the Nagazari from time to time, but it was all to no purpose. The undersigned was told by the Executive Engineer at the pumping station some three years ago that new pumps were ordered from Europe, but they have been not arrived upto date. Motor lorries for removal of city refuse was used during the portion of the year and still continues but they have proved a failure. Unless the Municipality has motor lorries with a workshop of its own contract system, as it is hitherto experinced, will never work satisfactorily. The removal of kaohara by bullocks to incinerators and construction of such incinerators will be found the cheapest and salutar

method for the disposal of kachara of the Poona City. Income from the sale of kachara derived during the year is as under.

Items.	1922-23			1923-24			Remarks.
	Rs.	As.	Ps.	Rs.	As.	Ps.	
Swar Gate Depot ...	10970	14	...	13291	7	3	
Yerandawana Depot...	7406	11	11	4016	13	3	
Donkey passes ...	2370	...	...	2580	...	...
Kachara carts ...	6812	15	3	10885	3	7	
Total ...	27560	9	2	30773	8	1	

Income, under the same head, for the last five years is as under:—

	Rs.	As.	Ps.
1919—1920 ...	21550	8	9
1920—1921 ...	36626	1	3
1921—1922 ...	41275	13	3
1922—1923 ...	27560	9	2
1923—1924 ...	30773	8	1

MARKETS.

Vegetable and meat markets, the former is situated in Shukarwar Peth and the latter are situated in Vetal, Shukarwar, Kasba, Ganesh, Bhawani and Nana. Vegetable market is known as the Reay Market. It is for the sale of vegetables and fruits only. It is very largely patronized by the Poona public. A special sanitary staff looks to its cleanliness.

The meat markets, situated in several peths, are of primitive design. They are situated amidst thickly populated areas and are a menace to public health. They should be removed outside inhabited areas and converted into one central place for the sale of mutton and beef.

Slaughter-houses or kamillas, attached to the six meat markets, need no comment. I have already referred to their insanitary condition, vide last year's report.

KAGDIPURA & KONDWA SLAUGHTER-HOUSE.

Kagdipura:— A great advance in sanitation could be said to have been made during the year with regard to slaughtering large animals such as bullocks, buffaloes, cows etc., which was carried on at Kagdipura and which is now transferred to Kondwa where city Municipality has built a slaughter-house of its own. But the same cannot be said to be complete unless a beef market is constructed and removed from the inhabited area.

At my suggestion a sub-committee is appointed by the General Body to select a site for a beef market and it is hoped that this crying nuisance will now be removed.

MILK-SUPPLY.

Milk-supply in the city remains status quo. A committee to inquire into and suggest improvements, meets from time to time, but it has not arrived at any definite solution. Unless the licensing of milk-supply in the city is carried out, nothing can be done in the direction of improving its supply. I had set the ball rolling some two years ago with a view to improve the supply of milk specially, to the poorer classes, but financial difficulties are a great obstacle to its future furtherance.

CITY WATER-SUPPLY.

The same remarks apply as stated in my last year's report.

NEEDS OF THE CITY.

I have in my last three reports enumerated several urgent needs for consideration of the municipality. And my repeated appeals, I am pleased to say, have found favour with the authorities, for within last few months there has been a decided increase in the number of public sanitary conveniences and my suggestion to have lock and key arrangement with regard to lids to gully traps have proved fruitful. I may, therefore, be permitted to repeat the same in this report also.

1. Permanent stoppage of letting off sewage into the Nagazari from the pumping station.
2. Immediate construction of gravitation sewerage for taking maila to Hadapsar.
- N. B. :—It is true that new drainage lines are now progressing and new connections are given, but unless the gravitation sewerage is simultaneously constructed no improvements from a sanitary point of view could be expected.
3. Conversion of the lids of old gully traps similar to those given for the new ones with lock and key.
4. More public urinals and public latrines of flushing type and conversion of bucket system public latrines into flushing pattern.
5. Pucca gol gutters for storm water and abolition of katchha gutters, which form local cesspools during monsoon.
6. Improvement of milk-supply.
7. Need for a malaria brigade.
8. Permanent gang for rat-destruction.

9. Paving of narrow lanes and bols.
10. Chawls for bhangis.
11. Construction of meat and beef-markets and removal of slaughter-houses outside inhabited areas.
12. Correction of levels in the old drain line.
13. Doing away with all cesspools.
14. Bathing places on the banks of Nagazari.
15. Compulsory water-flushed latrines in private houses.
16. Tuberculosis dispensary.

REMARKS.

There is not much to record about our achievements during the year under review. Details of work done will be found in the body of the report. One more dispensary was started as also the first exhibition of its kind was held with regard to Child Welfare Scheme. At present there is only one principle Child Welfare Centre, nursed and maintained by the Seva Sadan. It serves mostly the needs of the middle and lower middle classes. The poor either go to the hospitals or are dependent on the ignorant Dais. The rich ofcourse look after themselves. It seems to me that it will be a great boon to the poor if the Child Welfare Centres are expanded into small maternity homes, especially close to slums like Bhokarwadi, Chambhar Ali and such quarters, where poverty and ignorance reign supreme. And these should be aided by municipality. The measure likely to reduce infant mortality must be the clearing of slums from within city limits, provision of open spaces, better housing, effective drainage shortly, the provision of a well ordered and efficient maternity sevice amidst sanitary environments. Infant mortality cannot be separated from general sanitary conditions and it is wrong to think that it pivots on poverty alone. Public health education is one of the most effective ways of bringing home to the citizens the importance of living amidst healthy environments. Sanitary conscience of the public requires to be continually tapped, the awakening it leads to must be deliberate and not spasmodic in its effect. Perhaps better results could be expected if the educated classes lend a helping hand. Some such effort is made by the Arogya Mandal of our city, but its efforts are not far-reaching. It needs a healthy support unbiassed by selfish motives or individual gains. The Health Officer gave a public lecture on 'Health' during the inauguration of Baby Week. The lecture was appreciated by those present at a meeting held in celebration of the Baby Week at Bhokarwadi. Except for a few cases of plague which was rapidly stamped out by the activities of the Health Department, the city was practically free from epidemic diseases. Cholera was mostly imported from Alandi. Small-pox raged during the latter part of the year. It is of no use the exertion of the Health Department to combat an epidemic or stop contageous disease, unless the people co-operate

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One must get co-operation of the people by persuasion and which can be further helped by educating the masses in the most elementary rudiments of sanitation.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion I beg to thank the authorities concerned for giving useful aid when needed. My assistant Messrs Godbole and Nikam rendered useful assistance. The Arogya Mandal under their able Secretary Mr. Bhat, as usual gave me valuable hints and to them I am also thankful.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

KERSHAW D. KHAMBATTA,

Health Officer,
Poona City Municipality.

No. of 1924.
HEALTH DEPARTMENT, P. C. M.

January 1924.

From,
**THE HEALTH OFFICER,
Poona City Municipality.**

To,
**THE PRESIDENT,
Poona City Municipality.**

Sir,

I have the honour to submit my report on the recent epidemic of plague in the city and the measures adopted by my department towards its prevention.

The last case of plague of the last epidemic occurred on 11-5-23 and though no case occurred for the next three months I was anticipating a severe outbreak this year as the city was surrounded by villages which were nearly all infected.

The first case of plague this year occurred on 2-8-23 at 143 Raviwar and was imported from Satara. The second case occurred on 12-8-23 at Somwar 68 and was imported from Poud. The third case occurred on 16-8-23 at Budhwar 316 and was also imported from Poud. Six more imported cases occurred in various parts of the city and spread the infection all over. The first indigenous case occurred at house no. 860 Shukarwar on 22nd September 1923 and was succeeded by several other indigenous cases.

When the disease threatened to assume an epidemic form a meeting of the Medical Relief Committee was called consisting of Drs. Naidu and Phatak and with their help and in consultation with them I conducted the preventive measures. Six meetings of the Committee were held and their resolutions were promptly given effect to.

The following is a short history of preventive measures adopted :—

(1) *Inoculation*:—The total number of doses of anti-plague vaccine supplied to the city medical practitioners is 5970, out of which 360 doses were received back. The total number of persons inoculated is 3618. Dr. S. A. Aphale was appointed as Municipal Inoculator from 2-10-23. He inoculated 1689 persons upto the end of December 1923 and used 1656 doses when his services were dispensed with. The Medical Officers, Municipal dispensaries, were also sent occasionally to private houses for inoculation

whenever a demand for them was received. They have inoculated 200 persons and they used 234 doses. There are 4656 doses and six incomplete inoculation outfits remaining in stock.

(2) *Medical Relief*:—No special arrangements were made for giving free medical relief as there was no demand for it. Not a single plague case went for treatment at the municipal dispensaries.

(3) *Rat-campaign*:—Two mukadams and 15 coolies were engaged for rat-trapping. Nearly 1250 traps were daily set in the infected localities. The total number of rats caught and destroyed is 8221. 94 dead rats were brought in for examination, out of which six were found plague infected. Houses where plague infected rats were found were promptly disinfected and the same were white-washed by the house-owners on the instruction of the Health Department. The expenditure on the head amounts to Rs. 1191 which means 7 rats on an average are caught for a rupee.

(4) *Disinfection and White-washing*:—102 plague-infected houses were disinfected. 11 houses were departmentally white-washed as an experimental measure. Two mukadams and 4 coolies were engaged for this work. But the work was stopped as the experiment proved too costly and as there appeared to be very little chance of the cost of white-washing to be recovered from the house-owners. The measure was however to be found effective as the infected houses had no more attacks after they were white-washed. The owners of infected houses were however asked by notices to get their houses white-washed and thus in the end the object was gained.

(5) *Evacuation*.—85 families were given free accommodation in the Bhamburda Health Camp. These families were mostly from the Bhamburda village.

(6) *Advice and Instructions*:—Wall posters, describing the measures adopted by the Municipality and the precautions to be taken by the public, were posted all over the city and chiefly in and around the infected parts. A large number of these is still in stock. Advertisements describing the above were also inserted in the local news-papers from time to time.

(7) *Expenditure*:—The following expenditure was incurred on different heads adopted by the Health Department.

Inoculation :—		Rs. 2284-11-1
(a) Pay	Rs. 357-4-1	
(b) Doses	Rs. 1564-0-0	
(c) Instruments	Rs. 255-4-0	
(d) Other sundry articles (Iodine spirit &c.)	Rs. 108-3-0	
Medical Relief		Rs. Nil.
Rat-campaign		Rs. 1191- 4-0
Disinfection and white-washing		Rs. 514- 4-4
Evacuation		Rs. 105-13-5
Instructions by handbills and advertisements and cost of posters		Rs. 184-12-0

Total Rs. 4280-12-10

(3)

(8) *Mortality* :—Statement No. 1 will show the total number of attacks and deaths by peths from 2-8-23 to the end of December 1923. Statement No. 2 will show the number of plague attacks and deaths by weeks.

(9) *Remarks* :—The Health Officer thanks the Medical Relief Committee for their prompt and valuable suggestions and their sympathy in all matters relating to plague preventive measures adopted by the Health Department.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant.

KERSHAW D. KHAMBATTA,

Health Officer,

Poona City Municipality.

No.	Peths.	Plague.		Last year.		Remarks.
		Attacks.	Deaths.	Attac k .	Deaths.	
1	Shukrawar ...	39	30	150	109	
2	Vetal ...	1	1	56	48	
3	Ganj, Ghorpade ...	1	1	113	104	
4	Raviwar ...	6	6	112	89	
5	Ganesh ...	1	1	17	11	
6	Budhwar ...	2	2	64	44	
7	Sadashiv ...	2	2	80	55	
8	Narayan ...	...	...	88	27	
9	Shanwar ...	4	4	50	38	
10	Bhawani ...	12	12	70	63	
11	Nana ...	5	3	184	117	
12	Raste, Nyhal ...	3	3	29	28	
13	Kasba ...	10	5	251	119	
14	Somwar ...	4	3	46	34	
15	Mangalwar ...	...	...	51	43	
16	Bhamburda ...	6	4	61	49	
17	Pulachiwadi ...					
	Total ...	96	77	1817	1055	

For the week ending.	Plague.		Total mortality.			Remarks.
	Attacks.	Deaths.	Male.	Female.	Total.	
4-8-23	1	...	45	47	92	
11-8-23	...	1	55	52	107	
18-8-23	2	2	48	60	108	
25-8-23	...	...	51	51	102	
1-9-23	1	...	39	51	90	
8-9-23	3	2	40	45	85	
15-9-23	1	1	47	57	104	
22-9-23	2	2	53	52	105	
29-9-23	4	2	53	47	100	
6-10-23	8	5	39	43	82	
13-10-23	15	12	54	52	106	
20-10-23	13	12	53	48	101	
27-10-23	5	5	42	43	85	
3-11-23	7	4	40	43	83	
10-11-23	7	7	54	43	97	
17-11-23	8	7	45	52	97	
24-11-23	8	4	49	43	92	
1-12-23	6	3	37	45	82	
8-12-23	3	2	50	36	86	
15-12-23	1	...	55	34	89	
22-12-23	2	2	57	49	106	
29-12-23	3	3	46	49	95	
30-12-23	1	1	7	10	17	
31-12-23	...	...	6	9	15	
Total	96	77	1085	1061	2126	

POONA CITY MUNICIPALITY.

THE ADMINISTRATION REPORT. OF THE SCHOOL BOARD.

FOR THE YEAR

1923--24.

From,

THE CHAIRMAN,
SCHOOL BOARD,
POONA CITY MUNICIPALITY.

To,

THE PRESIDENT,
POONA CITY MUNICIPALITY.

Sir,

I have the honour to submit the following report on the Administration of the School Board for the year 1923-24.

. 2. *Constitution of the School Board:*—The personnel of the Board changed on 1st April 1923, after the expiry of one year's period, for which the previous Board was constituted in March 1922 by the General Committee. The new School Board was constituted for one year ending 31st March 1924 as follows:—

Chairman.

1. L. B. Bhopatkar Esqr. M. A. L L. B. M. L. C.

Members.

2. N. R. Gunjal Esqr. M. L. C.
3. D. V. Gokhale Esqr. B. A. L L. B.
4. Dr. R. K. Naidu, L. M. & S.
5. Shet Tikamdas Vishnudas.
6. Shet Damodardas Bhukandas.
7. Ahmedbhai Tamboli Esqr.

During the period of leave of Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar, Dr. R. K. Naidu worked as the Chairman of the School Board, from the 15th Feb. 1924 to 20th March 1924.

3. *Meetings of the School Board*:—During the year under review the School Board held 22 meetings as against 29 of the last year; 32 meetings were convened in all, as against 36 of the previous year. 516 items of business were disposed of at the time of the meetings of the year under review as against 345 of the last year, while 59 items were disposed of by circular resolutions, as against 9 of the previous year.

The following table shows the attendance of the members of the School Board at its meetings in the year under review:—

1	Mr. L. B. Bhopatkar, (chairman )	...	...	20
2	„ N. R. Gunjal	...	...	14
3	„ D. V. Gokhale	...	...	22
4	Dr. R. K. Naidu	...	...	26
5	Shet Tikamdas Vishnudas	...	...	25
6	„ Damodardas Bhukandas	...	...	23
7	Mr. Ahmedbhai Tamboli	...	...	15

4. Members of the School Board carried out the work of inspection of the Municipal Schools assigned to them, some members visiting other schools also. These inspections are of the nature of surprise visits and have been found in various ways to have a satisfactory effect.

5. Management of the School Board Office and the schools under the control of the Municipality:—

The School Board Office and the Municipal Schools continued as before throughout the year to be under the direct control of the Superintendent of the School Board, which post has been held for the last five years by Mr. V. L. Gatne B. A., who has to work as directed by the Chairman of the School Board and by the Chief Officer, who is to act as the Secretary of the School Board.

The post of the Assistant Superintendent for schools was created two years ago in order to make sufficient arrangements for the supervision of the Marathi and Urdu schools especially, and give assistance to the Superintendent to cope with the work of the School Board Office, which has been increasing annually owing to the increase of children and new classes in the Municipal schools and several other reasons. Mr. V. R. Gaikawai was appointed there on 9-2-22 and being confirmed in that post in August 1922, held it throughout the year under review.

6. *The Schools*:—There were 33 primary schools, one Training School for primary school teachers, one Technical Institute, and one weaving Class under the management of the School Board.

As stated in the last year's Report one Night School was opened in Mangalwar Peth as an experiment specially for the benefit of people of the Depressed Classes residing in that locality, but as the attendance of students was too low for more than six months and though the Head Master of the School for the children of the Depressed Classes in the same locality tried his utmost to increase the attendance, people did not take advantage of it

and the Night School was to be closed on that account. It was again inquired as to what other locality would be more suitable for opening a Night School that would command good attendance, and the School Board settled to start one in Ganesh Peth from the next June in the building of the Boy's Day-School (No. 21), entrusting the work of conducting it to the Head Master of that School, who expects to have good attendance of children of the Depressed Classes there.

The Boy's School at Bhokarwadi for low cast children, which was transferred to the Depressed Classes Mission Society for management in August 1918, was given according to the settled conditions a grant of Rs. 250 this year also by the Municipality. The demand for a new primary school in Mangalwar Peth near Gadital was satisfied on account of the opening of one Primary School there conducted by some people of the Depressed Classes residing in that locality. The Municipality has made special provision of Rs. 6000 in the next year's Budget in order to open new primary schools in such localities of the city as are mostly inhabited by the poor and backward classes, and efforts will be made in this direction during the course of next year.

The primary schools are classified as under :—

Kind of Schools.	Boys' Schools.			Girls' Schools.		Low caste Schools.
	Marathi	Urdu	Gujarathi	Marathi	Urdu	
Day Schools ...	15	5	1	8	4	2

N. B. An English Class is specially attached to the Urdu Boys' Full Primary School (No. 10) with a view to increase the strength and attendance Muslim boys in higher standards and thereby to facilitate the spread of education in the Mohamedan Community (vide Remarks about the class in a note about the progress of Mohamedan Education Appendix VI).

There are 21 Boys' Day Schools, out of which 11 are entirely free. During the year under review, one more Urdu Boys' School in Ganesh Peth was made free. These schools are made up as follows :—

(1) Eight Marathi Boys' Schools including two mixed schools for boys and girls of the Depressed Classes.

(2) Three Urdu Schools for Mohamedan boys.

All the Girls' Schools are entirely free.

7. *The number of students in Primary Schools* :—The total number of students increased from 4556 to 5158 during the year under review. The work of a few schools in Shukrawar and Raste Peths of the City was disturbed a little in the months from October to December owing to the occu-

rance of Plague cases in the vicinity of these schools occasionally; however, the work of almost all schools was going on smoothly throughout the year, though several parts of the city were considerably affected by the epidemic of Small-pox during the latter half of the year. The general attendance of children in the schools was satisfactory, the increase of average daily attendance being from 2290.1 to 2477.8 in the case of boy's schools, and from, 1085.2 to 1311.1 in the case of Girls' Schools out of the average number on rolls of 3276.8 and 3328.6 in Boys' Schools and 1794.1 and 1849.2 in Girls' Schools in the year 1922-23 and 1923-24 respectively.

Of the total number of 5158 on the rolls on 31st March 1924, there were 3109 boys and 173 girls in Boys' Schools and 1876 girls in Girls' Schools as against 2593 boys and 201 girls in Boys' Schools and 1762 girls in Girls' Schools on 31st March 1923.

Information regarding the ages, social conditions, professions of guardians, the number of married and unmarried students in the primary schools is fully given in Appendices (A, B, & C).

The comparative attendance of children in the schools during the years 1923-24 and 1922-23 will be found in Appendices I (D).

8. *Teachers in the Primary Schools* :—There were in the year under review 236 teachers serving the primary schools managed by the Poona City Municipality as against 224 in the last year, showing an increase of 12 teachers on the staff. Information as to this distribution in schools is given in Appendices II (A. & B.). On the teachers' staff there were 23 Head Masters and 10 Head Mistresses; out of these 30 were trained and three untrained. The number of Urdu trained teachers was proportionate to that of the Marathi teachers. This year also the Deputy Educational Inspector of Poona District was requested to provide some Trained Mistresses for the Municipal Urdu Girls' Schools and trained masters for Boys' Schools specially maintained for the children of the Depressed Classes, but only two qualified men were available and appointed to work as Assistant Masters in the two schools for the children of the Depressed Classes. Every attempt is being made by the school Board to enhance the efficiency of the teaching staff by increasing the number of trained teachers gradually. With the view to make every member of the staff trained in course of time, a scheme for starting a Municipal Training School for primary masters was formulated three years ago, and as stated in the Reports of the previous years, the Municipality after receiving the necessary sanction of the Government Educational Department in this matter, started the Classes for the First Year's Training Certificate Examination for Marathi primary School masters in December 1920 and for Urdu School Masters in December 1922.

The number of trained Primary teachers in the service of the Municipality during the year under review increased from 119 to 126, while the number of untrained teachers was 110 as against 105 of the previous year. The staff of trained teachers was distributed amongst several schools on the principle of giving to each school a certain minimum number of trained

teachers, taking into consideration their needs and the locality in which they are situated; schools attended mainly by children of backward classes in different parts of the City are being provided with more trained hands, as the municipal Training School gives every year an additional number of First Year Trained Masters.

9. Municipal Training and Continuation Classes for primary teachers:-

The Training Class for Marathi primary School Masters was attended for the full year of the Training College course from December 1922 to October 1923 by 25 new primary masters and 5 masters who failed last year. 16 candidates were sent up from this Class for the Final Examination of the First Years Certificate of the Government Training College for Men, Poona and 10 of them came out successful. The percentage of successful students from this class was comparatively satisfactory, indicating the fact that the teachers of the class worked sincerely and efficiently as before under the guidance of the Superintendent. This Training Class Scheme has made provision both for the theoretical and practical work of the pupil-teachers admitted in the Class.

A separate class for giving training to the Urdu Vernacular Final masters was started in Municipal Training School, in the interest of the Urdu Schools for Mohamedan children last year in December 1922 and four masters were admitted to this class to undergo the necessary course of training for the First Years's Certificate Examination. Arrangements for this Urdu Class were made as adequately as those for the Marathi Training Class. Three masters from this class appeared in October 1923, for the Final Training Certificate Examination of the Government Training College for Men, at Poona and two of them passed.

These Training Classes have been temporarily closed in the middle of December 1923 as the School Board desires to make certain improvements in the present scheme of this Training School and a revised scheme has been under their consideration at present.

As stated in the last year's Report, the Urdu Continuation Class was closed, as it was found that it was no longer necessary, most of the unpassed Mohamedan Masters in the Municipal Urdu Schools having got themselves qualified by passing the Urdu Vernacular Final Examination. Standard VI of the Continuation Class for Mistresses was continued till June 1923, when the whole annual work of this class was completed duly and the annual examination of it was held for which 12 Mistresses appeared and 8 passed in the end. This Continuation Class started two year's ago for unqualified and unpassed Mistresses in the Municipal Schools was also closed in the middle for this year, almost all such unpassed Mistresses having got qualified by passing the Sixth Standard Examination.

These Continuation Classes for unqualified Masters and Mistresses have eliminated every year the unqualified element of teachers in the Municipal Urdu Boy's Schools and Marathi Girl's Schools, and from the several steps taken in the interest of the Mohamedan teachers and Mistresses in Girl's

Schools as mentioned above, it may be seen that the School Board is trying its utmost to improve the quality of teachers employed in the several schools of this Municipality which is bound to stimulate their work further.

10. *Examinations of Primary Schools* :—As stated in the last year's Report the Annual Examinations of all the Municipal Schools were held on account of plange for the year 1922-23 in the month of April 1923 instead of in the month of February 1923 as usual by the Superintendent with the help of the Assistant Superintendent and some senior Head Masters and Head Mistresses selected by him. Detailed information regarding the percentage of passing etc. at the annual examination of the several standards of every school seperately will be found in Appendix II C.

Annual examinations of all Municipal Schools for the year 1923-24 were held in the months of February and March 1924 by the Deputy Educational Inspector of the Poona District and his Assistants, the Urdu Boys' Schools being examined by the Deputy Educational Inspector for Urdu Schools, C. D. and Urdu Girls' Schools by the Inspectress of Urdu Girls' Schools, C. D.

(a) *Inspection of Municipal Primary Schools by Government Inspecting Officers* :—

As mentioned above the Municipal Schools were examined throughly by the Government Inspecting Officers at the end of the year and so no special inspection was held by them in the middle of the year as usual.

The General Report about the working of the Municipal Schools for the year under review as also those of the last two years' Government Inspections have not been still received by the Municipality from the Educational Inspector, C. D.

(b) *Scholarships* :—This year one boy from Marathi Boys' School No. 5 and the other from Marathi Boys' School No. 19 obtained Government Middle School Scholarships, standing at the top of the successful candidates that appeared for this Examination from the Poona District.

(c) *Three full Primary Schools are maintained by the Municipality, viz.—*

- 1 for Marathi speaking boys,
- 1 for Marathi speaking girls,
- 1 for Mohamedan boys.

In last April, 25 candidates from the Marathi Full Primary Boys' School (No. 8) and 2 candidates from Urdu Full Primary School for boys (No. 10) were sent up for the Vernacular Final Examination held at the Poona Centre; out of them 17 and 2 came out successful from each school respectively.

II. (a) *Technical School* :—In the Victoria Jubilee Municipal Technical School, the number of students on the roll increased from 50 in March 1923 to 81 at the end of the year under review. The average attendance of

students per month was 44.97. The number of students that learned Drawing Courses, Carpentry, Signboard painting and smithy was 81; out of these, 72 were Brahmins, 8 Marathas and one of the other caste.

There is in the Technical School a special Class for Drawing for the benefit of such local students as cannot afford to become regular students of any other school. A fee of annis four is charged per head, but teachers and students from Municipal Schools, local Aided schools and Training Colleges attending the Class are exempted from paying fees. This Class was attended by 18 students in the year under report.

The School sends up candidates for Elementary and Intermediate Drawing Examinations of the School of Art, Bombay. This year 26 candidates were sent up for the Elementary examination and 11 for the Intermediate examination; and of these 13 and 5 passed respectively.

The Annual examination of the school was conducted according to the rules in force at present in the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute of Bombay, and arrangements were made to hold it under the direct supervision of the examiners deputed by the Committee of Direction for Technical Education in this Presidency. The following table shows the results of the examination of several classes:—

Class.	1922-23.		1923-24.		
	No. of candidates.	No. of passed.	No. of candidates.	No. of passed.	
1st year ...	13	13	26		Results will be declared in June by the Committee of Direction as usual.
2nd year ...	4	3	10		
3rd year ...	3	2	4		
4th year ... (Maistry Class)	4	4	3		

Annual grant of Rs. 924 was received for this Technical school from Government this year according to the recommendation of the Committee of Direction for the Technical Education in this Presidency. It was not as usual equal to half of the expenditure incurred by the Municipality for the payment of the Teaching Staff of Technical School as per Grant-in-aid Code rules for Technical Schools. Inquiries are made regarding this curtailment of Government grant for this year, and the correspondence in this respect is still going on.

This School was visited often by Dr. R. K. Naidu, L.M.&S. a member of the School Board, who took keen interest in its work throughout the year and made several suggestions for its improvement. Other members of the School Board and Municipal Councillors paid surprise visits to this School from time to time during the year under review.

Government Inspecting Officers for Technical Education inspected this School in the months of May 1923 and February 1924 and conducted the

annual examination of this School in the second week of April 1924. All of them expressed satisfaction about the work of this School in general.

The School was under the direct supervision of Mr. R. T. Sathe throughout the year under review. He is a Mechanical and Electric Engineer and has undergone special training in the Normal class of the Engineering College at Poona; he is qualified as a Technical School teacher and possesses experience of practical work. The Technical school is improving now and showing better results owing to the efforts of the Superintendent. Besides the Superintendent, the Technical School Staff consists of a carpentary teacher, a Drawing master, a painting master, a teacher of smithy, a special teacher to teach technical Arithmetic and English, and Mistry Class Instructor. Arrangements are being made to appoint special hands to teach turning, molding and fitting in this school. As mentioned in the last year's Report, the revised courses of instruction for this Technical school were followed during the year under review, the Municipality having approved of the same and sanctioned the necessary amount of additional expenditure on that account as an experimental measure for the year. The new Mistry Class started last year was continued and the new courses laid down in the revised scheme were undertaken. At present the following subjects are being taught in this Institution :—

Carpentary, casting in various forms, wood and metal turning, polishing wood-work and signboardpainting, carpentary drawing, machine drawing, Art drawing, smithy, Press-work (composing, printing and book-binding) and English. No fees are charged for the instruction given in this school except for drawing as mentioned above.

Scholarships :—Two scholarships for each of the second, third and fourth year classes, each of Rs. 2, 3 and 4 per month respectively are given by the Municipality on the results of periodical school examinations by open competition in order to encourage students to take up courses of technical education. There is also one more scholarship called Divan Bahadur K. R. Godbole Scholarship of Rs. 5 p. m. for a student who stands highest in the annual examination of the courses of this school.

The School is attached to the Workshop of this Municipality for practical and experimental purposes. Repairing and other work is carried out with the aid of machinery of modern patterns. The materials such as wood, metal etc. used by the students of manual training and the tools used by them are supplied free of charge by this school. The students have to deposit a sum of Rs 5 as security for the tools given in their charge. This amount is returned to them when they complete one year's full course. It is a great advantage to the students of this school that they can actually see how the municipal workmen work with the aid of the machinery of the workshop, and how to carry on actual work on the steam and oil engines. Attempts are being made to start a new class in this school for Third Class Mechanical Engineer's Course. The School Board is at present contemplating to give effect to the several suggestions made by Dr. R. K. Naidu L. M. & S., School Board Member, regarding the present revised courses that are followed here when the number of scholarships will be still increased and further arrange-

ments of additional and more qualified staff will be made; it is hoped to attract a still larger number of students for technical education in this school. It will be seen from this that several measures such as revision of new courses and starting new useful classes adopted by the Municipality, have improved the condition of this school during the last two years and if its progress continues as at present, this school will make satisfactory provision for technical education in the City of Poona.

13. *Income*:—Appendix III gives information, regarding the funds at the disposal of the School Board during the year under review. On the whole there is a decrease of Rs. 17,797 over that of the last year, the causes of increases and decreases under several heads being given in short below:—

I. *Fees in Primary Schools*:—Though the Municipality has not yet undertaken to make primary education entirely free, the School Board made one more Urdu School in Ganesh Path quite free in the year under review and it is seen that all sorts of facilities are being given to the poor and deserving students by granting free studentships in those Boys' Schools, which are not still free. This item shows an increase of Rs. 267-5-6, which is due to the increased number of paying students throughout the year in the several Municipal Boy's Schools.

II. *Government Grant-in-aid for Primary Education*:—There is an increase of Rs. 15,325. This year Government paid a grant equal to half of the anticipated expenditure that may be incurred by the Municipality on primary education according to their Budget Estimates for the year 1923-24 subject to readjustment after the accounts of the expenditure incurred by the Municipality in the same year 1923-24 are examined at the end of the year. It will be seen from this that the former principle on which Government sanctioned grants to the Municipalities so long viz. giving half of the actual admissible expenditure incurred by a Municipal Body in the previous year on primary education, is now changed and the Budget Estimates of expenditure on primary education for the current year are taken as basis for assessing the annual grants by the Government subject to readjustment next year after the accounts of the actual expenditure incurred by the Body during the same year are scrutinized by the Government Educational Department. The teachers in the primary schools were required to be paid from 1-3-23 according to the revised scale of salaries laid down by Government in their Order No. 560 of 3-12-1923, and this Municipality received an amount of Rs. 5,547 as Advanced special grant to cover up this extra expenditure during the year under review, which is included in the above mentioned increase of Rs. 15,948.

III. *Grant-in-aid for the purchase of sites for new School Building*:—No Government grants were received in the year under Report for the purchase of any such site. A reference is made to the Educational Department to sanction grants for the purchase of a site for a school building in Raviwar Peth near Durjansing's Paga and it is expected that the Municipality will be paid next year the Government share for acquiring that site, for which the Municipality paid a sum of Rs. 24,080 last year.

IV. *Grant-in-aid for Victoria Jubilee Municipal Technical School, Poona*:—This item shows an increase of Rs. 270, as the Committee of Direction for Technical Education in this Presidency sanctioned grants for this year more than that for the last year; however, the Municipality did not receive as before for this Technical School Government Grant equal to half of the total expenditure actually incurred for the payment of the staff of teachers employed in the Technical School, for which a reference is made to the said Committee of Direction for Technical Education with a request to inform the Municipality the reasons for reducing the usual amount of grant as explained above and correspondence in this regard is still going on.

V. *Drawing Grants*:—There is a decrease of Rs. 92 under this head. This year 'Special grant' towards the cost of maintaining a Drawing teacher and equipment according to Grant-in-aid code schedule I, section 1, Rule 5 was not received from Government for the Drawing Class mentioned by the Municipality in their Technical School, and inquiries are being made of the Inspector of Drawing, Bombay Presidency as to why these Drawing Grants were curtailed.

VI. *Local Fund Cess on the lands within the Municipal limits*:—This item shows only an increase of Rs. 14-14-3, which requires no explanation.

VII. *Technical School Fees*:—This item shows a decrease of Rs. 12-8-0 only in the year under report.

VIII. *Donations*:—The funds placed by certain gentlemen as donations at the disposal of the Municipality brought in Rs. 207-8-0 as interest during the year under report. This item shows an increase of Rs. 120 as the interest on the Improvement Trust Debentures for Rs. 1,500 was fully received in this year under review.

The funds placed at the disposal of the School Board were made up as follows:—

(1) Sanctioned Budget for the year 1923-24	Rs. 3,40,818
(2) Revised Budget for the year 1923-24	Rs. 1,51,438
(3) Actual Expenditure for the year 1923-24	Rs. 1,48,339
(4) Income of the School Board, besides Municipal Funds for 1923-24	Rs. 79,110
(5) Municipal Funds for the School Board for the year 1923-24	Rs. 69,229

N. B. :—Sanctioned Budget for the year 1923-24 (Rs. 3,40,818) included an amount of Rs. 1,84,000 for acquisition of School Building Sites, and provision for constructing new buildings over them.

13. *Expenditure*:—Details regarding the expenditure on primary schools, the Technical School, School Board Office Establishment and Grant-in-aid to other local Institutions are given in Appendix IV. The total expenditure on education amounted to Rs. 14,83,339 in the year under review, as against Rs. 1,66,023 in the previous year, showing a decrease of Rs. 17,684 which is explained in short under each sub-head below:—

(1). *School Board Establishment*:—This item shows an increase of Rs. 535-1-1 which is due to the creation of one new post of an additional clerk on Rs. 25 p. m. in the School Board Office and to the usual annual promotion due to the staff of the Office Establishment.

(2). *Office Contingency*:—There is an increase of Rs. 615-15-8, which is due to the printing of several forms and purchase of new registers and stationery for the office during the year.

(3). *Salaries of masters, mistresses and peons with pension fund*:—This item shows an increase of Rs. 3,754-14-10, which is mainly due to following facts:—

I. Annual promotion due to the primary teachers.

II. Payment of the additional salaries with retrospective effect from 1st April 1922, according to the Government Resolution, E. D. No. 1672 of 13-10-1922 to the primary school teachers after counting of their services under a lower certificate subsequently obtained.

III. The number of temporary teachers being increased in the course of the year owing to the increased number of students in several schools.

IV. More pension contribution being paid into the Government treasury according to revised rates sanctioned lately by the Government for payment of pension contribution on behalf of the primary trained and untrained teachers.

(4) *Rent of School Buildings*:—There is an increase of Rs. 258-6-0 under this head, as the rents of some school-houses were increased after taking additional rooms there to accommodate more classes owing to the increased number of children in these schools as stated in the last two year's Reports; one more new school house in the Rasta's Peth for the Municipal Girls' School No. 3. was also taken on lease for seven years.

(5) *Water Tax*:—There is a decrease of Rs. 71-7-9 only in this item requiring no explanation.

(6) *New Furniture*:—This item shows an increase of Rs. 1130/- as more new wooden furniture such as benches, chairs, black boards, etc. for schools was purchased this year and some of the bills of the same articles purchased last year that were not received before the end of the last official year, were also paid during the year under review.

(7) *Contingency for schools including sewing materials etc*:—There is a decrease of Rs. 206-8-10 under this head as no sewing material was required to be provided to the Girls' Schools this year, which possessed sufficient sewing material from what was provided in the previous year and remained unused in schools owing to plague last year.

(8) *New books and maps*:—There is an increase of Rs. 1-15-8, only under this head.

(9) *New School Buildings*:—This item shows an increase of Rs. 907-4-0 as some expenditure was to be incurred for the advertisements for inviting public loans etc. for New School Building purposes.

(10) *Purchase of sites for New School Buildings*:—A sum of Rs. 8100-15-2 only was paid during this year for acquisition of some more land for a school Building site in Raviwar Peth near Durjansing Paga.

(11) *Repairs to School Buildings*:—There is an increase of Rs. 362-1-3 under this head which is due to the fact that school houses, which the Municipality has taken on long lease, were to be repaired completely by the Municipality as per conditions of their leases. As usual, annual repairs of all school houses were carried out in the month of February and March of the year under report.

(12) *Prizes paid from the interest accruing from the Donation Funds placed at the disposal of this Municipality by several gentlemen of the City*:—This item shows an increase of Rs. 220-8-0, as the whole amount of interest that was realised but remained unpaid owing to the difficulty of plague at the end of the last year, was expended in giving away several prizes according to the conditions laid down at the time of accepting these donations. No arrears of interest was left to be paid at the end of this year under review.

(13) *Scientific Apparatus*:—The decrease of Rs. 167-12-8 in this respect is due to the fact that no more scientific apparatus could be purchased during this year excepting that costing Rs. 21 only.

(14) *Gymnasium*:—This item shows a decrease of Rs. 247-6-6, because this year there was no special repair for any school play-ground as last year and also no more articles of gymnasium were provided to the schools.

(15) *School Libraries*:—As new books were purchased costing Rs. 140-6-5 only and some more new books that were ordered were not received till the end of the year, there is a decrease of Rs. 141-1-1 on this account.

(16) *Experiment of a new curriculum for Girls Schools*:—There is a decrease of Rs. 98 under this head as the Girls' Schools did not require any more special materials this year.

(17) *Childrens Libraries in Schools*:—As the books ordered for these libraries were not available till the end of this year under review, this item shows a decrease of Rs. 203-14-6.

(18) *Teachers' Training School*:—As a new Class for training Urdu School Masters for the First Year's Certificate Examination was started, the increase of Rs. 331 in this item is due to the additional expenditure for it.

(19) *Continuation Classes for primary School Teachers*:—The decrease of Rs. 278-7-8 under this head is due to the closure of these classes, as they were no longer required. (Vide information about this under para 9 above).

(20) *Temporary and Provisional allowance to primary school teachers:*—This item shows an increase of Rs. 2077-8-4, as additional allowances were required to be paid to the primary teachers for which they were entitled according to the Government rules on account of the increase of their salaries as stated in (3) above under the head of salaries of Masters, Mfstresses, etc.

(21) *Handicraft and Clay-Modelling:*—No expenditure was required for this item excepting Rs. 3-2-0 during this year.

(22) *Spinning Wheels:*—The decrease of Rs. 1306-4-4 is due to the fact that no cotten was purchased during the year and only Rs. 187-4-8 were required for repairing the spinning wheels etc., that were made last year for the Municipal Schools.

(23) *Technical School Establishment:*—There is an increase of Rs. 760-8-4, as some more hands were appointed on the staff of the Technical School to teach additional subjects according to the revised curriculum for that school.

(24) *Technical School Contingency:*—This item shows an increase of Rs. 917-1-9, as more scholarships were given to the students of the Technical School, and printing of the necessary forms, and stationery for the school necessitated more expenditure during the year under report.

(25) *Machinery and oil engines:*—The increase of Rs. 346-1-9 is due to the purchase of some new machines for this school this year.

(26) *Repairs to the Technical School:*—As no repairs were necessary in the school building this year, there is a decrease of Rs. 56-13-9 under this head.

(27) *Weaving Class:*—This item shows a decrease of Rs. 772-9-7 as this class was closed since the middle of the year under review for want of suitable rooms for carrying on its work and owing to certain other difficulties concerning that class.

(28) *War-allowance to the Technical School Staff:*—There is a decrease of Rs. 106, as war-allowance to Municipal servants was discontinued their schedules of pay being lately revised.

(29) *Gratuity:*—No gratuity was paid during the year under review.

(30) *Municipal Grant-in-aid to local non Municipal primary schools and other Institutions.*—

(a) The School Board could not pay grants to the local special Institutions up to the end of the year under review as usual for want of General Committee's sanction to undertake this expenditure, as the matter was under their consideration from point of retrenchment in the current expenditure of the Municipality.

(b) No grants could be paid for the same reasons as stated above in (a) either to the local Registered private primary schools

or to the Libraries in Poona City conducted under the auspices of the Maharashtra Mofat Vachanalay Sangh of Poona, excepting the grants of Rs. 2400 and 250 paid to the Depressed Class children Schools conducted by Mr. S. M. Mate, M. A. and Bhokarwadi primary school of the Depressed Class Mission respectively in the year under review.

GENERAL REMARKS.

Free and Compulsory Elementary Education in the Poona City Municipal District:—Information about this question is being given in this report every year, noting down the important events and facts that occurred regarding the matter during the year under review, and accordingly as stated in the last year's Report, when a Sub-Committee of the President and nine Councillors from amongst the Members of the General Board was appointed by the General Committee to reconsider this question, its work of drafting a definite scheme for it was required to be postponed for want of new rules and regulations that were being framed by Government in connection with the Elementary Compulsory Education Act of 1923, passed a year ago by the Bombay Legislative Council and accepted by Government for being given effect to as early as possible. Another scheme for introducing Compulsory Primary Education in the whole City gradually in five years by application of the Compulsory Education Act in a few Peths every year was placed before the School Board during this year, but no decision could be arrived at for want of the same rules and regulations alluded to above. Government published the draft of rules and regulations on the Bombay Primary Education Act of 1923, in their notification, Educational Department on third December 1923, inviting objections and suggestions with respect to the draft from the public, and held conferences of the representatives of the Local Bodies to discuss these rules and regulations with a view to decide as to how far they can be usefully brought into effect and bring about contemplated changes in the actual administration of the Local Bodies when the control of primary education is transferred to them. At the request of the Director of Public Instruction, the School Board had deputed two of their members Mr. D. V. Gokhale, and Dr. R. K. Naidu, to take part in this conference held in February 1924 at Poona. Government have not sanctioned those rules finally still and as soon as it is done, a definite progressive scheme for making elementary education compulsory will be placed before the Municipality for consideration.

•2. *School-houses:*—(a) As will be found in the previous Reports, nearly 30 School-houses have been already occupied by the Municipality for its Primary schools, taking them on lease for long periods from 5 to 7 years and having got such alterations and additions done there as were quite essential to render them suitable for use as School buildings. Similar arrangement was made in the case of one Girls' School in Rasta Peth, which is now shifted from the close vicinity of the Practising School attached to the Government Female Training College to a distant convenient place in the same Rasta Peth, where the School is likely to be attended by a larger number of girls residing in that locality, that had no Girls'

School so long. Some more rooms were taken in Girls' School No. 2 Shukarwar Peth to accommodate additional classes there. Attempts were made to secure more rooms for Boys' School No. 15 in Managlwar Peth owing to the increased number of children and classes there, and negotiations with the house-owners have been going on still. The present building for a school of Depressed classes, children in Mangalwar Peth (Boys' school No. 12) is most insanitary and inconvenient and as no rented house for it was made available in that locality in spite of so many efforts, the School Board has been now selecting a site to be acquired for erecting a new School building for that School. The School Board experiences great difficulty in making additional housing accommodation for new classes in schools of several peths owing to want of suitable houses and to the high rent demanded by the house-owners.

(b) *New School Buildings for Primary Schools*—Two sites in Sadashiv Peth for Marathi Schools and one in Rawiwar Peth for an Urdu School are acquired and have been now in possession of the Municipality. The work of acquiring the fourth site in Kasba Peth, Tambat Ali, as settled before, is still going on and it is expected that it will be given possession by Government to the Municipality after its acquisition early. The acquired site in Raviwar Peth near Durjansingh's Paga where a new building for an Urdu primary school was to be erected was being taken for a public fish-market at the request of Mohamedan Councillors by the General Committee, and another new site in the same locality for a school building was proposed for acquisition, which is under consideration of the Municipality. With the consent of the Government the Municipality raised a loan of Rs. 52000 from the public during the year under review, and now together with the promised amount of Rs. 52000 as building grant from Government, the Municipality will commence the work of school buildings, as proposed before, on the acquired sites, and the preliminary necessary arrangements for it are being made. The plans and estimates for a new school building are prepared and soon after they are sanctioned, the work of actual construction will be undertaken. From this it may be seen that this serious problem for housing Municipal School properly and adequately is being gradually solved in this way by the Municipality, and it is expected that four new school buildings will be constructed next year in different quarters of the City.

3. *Children's and teachers' Libraries in Schools*:—This year also some useful books were added to the central school libraries for children and to that of teachers. If the teachers and children in all schools were to make use of these books often throughout the year by having them for reading from those libraries and reading rooms specially started for their own interest, they would derive much more benefit on this account; but experience in this respect for the last two years evinced the fact that the heads of primary schools and their Assistant Masters take a little interest in such additional work and it is an impediment in the way of rapid progress in the education of young generation; however, it is hoped that constant efforts in this direction will gradually bring about an improvement in the tone and efficiency of the schools.

4. *Municipal Training School and Continuation Classes for primary school teachers*:—As stated in the Previous Report, these classes were started

by the Municipality from 1st December 1920 with a view to eliminate gradually the element of untrained and unqualified teachers on the staff of the Municipal primary schools and thereby increasing their efficiency. A detailed account of these classes will be found above in para 9, from which it will be seen that the number of trained teachers is being increased, the untrained being trained, and the large number of unqualified male teachers in Urdu Boys' schools and Women-teachers in Marathi Schools being reduced every year, as they were obliged to appear for the necessary Government Annual Qualifying Certificate Examinations.

5. *Grant-in-aid to the registered non-municipal primary school in Poona City:*—Last year this Municipality gave consideration to the applications from Managers of some such schools for Municipal grants in addition to the Government grants they received annually, and for the allotment of these grants the Municipality laid down the principle that primary local schools as described above should be given Municipal grants as much as is necessary to enable the Managers to receive one-half of their admitted expenditure in total both from the Government and the Municipality with the proviso that in no case any particular school should be given more than one-sixth of its total admitted annual expenditure; that is, as the Government was in general giving grants equal to one-third of their admitted annual expenditure, the Municipality was prepared to supplement those grants by one-sixth of the expenditure so that the managers may receive a total grant equal to half of their admitted expenditure on primary education from both the sources. Accordingly proposals for giving grants for the year under review were submitted for sanction by the School Board to the General Committee, but as no final decision regarding this matter was available till the end of the year owing to the consideration of the question of the curtailment of the current Municipal expenditure as a whole before the Municipality, no grants could be given to these schools as well as other special Institutions excepting the schools for children of the Depressed Classes maintained by Mr. S. M. Mate M. A. and at Bhokarwadi by the Depressed Class Mission of Poona. (*vide* information about this in para 13 above).

6. *Physical exercise in school:*—As stated in the previous Reports, two Drill-masters were entrusted with the work of only eight Boys' Schools where they showed better progress and more improvements in this respect than before. In other schools, the trained teachers take up the work of drill, Gymnasium, etc. The School Board recommended the appointment of one additional Drill and Games Master, to which the Municipality and the Commissioner, C. D. accorded sanction recently and a new hand will be appointed next year, who will be entrusted with the work of Drill and Games in some of the remaining schools. The play-ground hired in Rasta Peth has been repaired and is now being used by the children of all Municipal Boys' Schools in its vicinity. Materials for games of school boys and girls were also provided in order to encourage physical instruction there. Efforts were made to hire open plots, to be used as play-grounds in different parts of the City, which measure would do much good to the young children of the schools, for whose all-sided development attempts are being made in various ways Boys from most of the Municipal Boys' schools took part and won prizes in the Competition of sports specially held for primary school

boys in November 1923 under the auspices of the Deccan Gymkhana of Poona to encourage the spirit of games in school boys.

7. *Inspection of school buildings from the sanitary point of view:*—As stated in the previous Reports, several suggestions regarding alterations and additions in school houses in order to make the present buildings more suitable and better lighted were attended to and works were carried out accordingly as far as possible either by the house-owners or by the Municipality as per conditions laid down in the leases of their school-houses.

8. *Scheme for Medical Inspection of School children in Municipal Schools:*—In continuation of the information regarding this given in last year's Report, it is to be stated that the Health Officer submitted one scheme for carrying on this work of Medical Inspection, which is under consideration of the Municipality. The School Board contemplates of beginning this work from next June with the help of some local doctors and physicians, who are voluntarily prepared to undertake this work freely in the interest of general health of the young generation.

9. *Grant-in-aid to special schools of Depressed Classes started by Mr. Mate in Poona:*—The Municipality sanctioned Rs. 200 p. m. as grants to these schools (14 in number at present) stated by Mr. S. M. Mate, M. A. for children of the Depressed Classes in different parts of the City.

10. *Prizes to school Children:*—This year the School Board sanctioned an amount of Rs. 500 for distributing prizes and rewards to the students of all Municipal primary and Technical Schools, and was going to celebrate a general prize distribution ceremony for all Municipal school children in the Bazaar-market under the Presidentship of N. C. Kelkar, Esqr, B.A., L.L.B., M. L. A. on the 6th April 1924.

During the year under review the two Middle school Government Scholarships for this District were won by two boys of the Municipal primary schools (Nos. 19 & 5), and the School Board also gave rewards to those boys for this and bonus to their Class Masters, who prepared them specially for these scholarships.

11. A separate note dealing with the progress of education of Mohamadan children attending Urdu Schools under the control of the Municipality is appended here to (vide Appendix V), and so no more remarks need be made specially here again.

I cannot conclude this Report without specially alluding to the valuable help given cordially by all of my colleagues on the School Board, and by all the Municipal Officers as well.

I have the honour to be

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

D. V. GOKHALE,

Chairman, School Board,
Poona City Municipality.

POONA CITY MUNICIPALITY
APPENDIX V
TO
The Administration Report
OF THE
SCHOOL-BOARD.
for the year 1923--24.

*(A note on the progress of Mohamedan Education in Urdu
Schools of this Municipality in the year 1923-24.)*

In the year under review there were 9 Urdu day schools for Mohamedan children; out of these five were for boys and four for girls.

Two Day Schools were entirely free so long and one more Urdu Boys' School No. 22 in Ganesh Peth is made free during the year under review. The rates of fees charged in Urdu schools are much lower than those charged in Marathi Schools.

All the Urdu Girls' Schools are free. There were 689 students on the rolls on 31st March 1924. The number of boys and girls was 486 and 203 respectively as against 388 and 195 of the last year.

The monthly average attendance was 403·7 and 184·9 in Urdu Boys' Schools and Girls' Schools respectively. The attendance was satisfactory in all schools during the year under review, there being no disturbance of work owing to prevalence of plague as last year. There were 32 teachers, out of whom 17 were trained. With the object of enhancing the efficiency of schools by employing still more trained teachers, the School Board requested the Government to provide with some more trained Urdu female teachers, but none was available during the year under review. The Board finds it difficult still to secure the services of even vernacular final passed men knowing Urdu and for these reasons unqualified teachers were to be appointed in some places formerly. To get over this difficulty, a Continuation Class for such Urdu teachers as did not pass Vernacular Final Examination was opened with the object that they may get qualified by attending the said class and passing the necessary qualifying examinations. This class was closed as most of the unqualified Urdu teachers got themselves qualified by passing the Urdu V. F. Examination, and Urdu Training Class was attached to the former Municipal Marathi Primary Teachers' Training School, and out of the four Mohamedan primary Masters that were admitted therein for undergoing practical and theoretical training necessary for the First Year's Certificate Examination of the Government Training College for Men, at Poona, three appeared for the final examination, and two of them passed. In this Urdu Training Class four other V. F. Mohamedan

masters were allowed to attend the lectures so that they may be well up in all the subjects after two years. In December 1923, this class was closed temporarily for effecting certain changes in the present arrangement of the class by way of improvement, and a new scheme for it is at present under the consideration of the School Board.

The annual examinations of the Urdu Schools for the year 1922-23 were held in the month of April 1923 owing to prevalence of plague in the City last year and for the year 1923-24 the annual examinations were held in the months of February and March 1924 as usual. The annual examinations of the Urdu Boys' Schools were held this year by the Deputy Educational Inspector, of Urdu Schools, C. D. and his Assistant, and of the Urdu Girls' Schools by the Inspectress of Urdu Girls' Schools, C. D. and no special annual inspection of these Urdu Schools was held by them in the middle of the year as usual. The number of students learning English in the full primary Urdu School No. 10 was 30. It is taught as additional subject in higher standards viz. fifth, sixth and seventh of the School. 19 of them appeared for the Annual Examination, out of whom 16 passed. The remarks by the Deputy Educational Inspector of Urdu Schools, C. D. about this English Class are most encouraging. The Municipality has made it a permanent fixture now after seeing more than five years that the class was very useful for increasing the number of students in the higher classes of the School and was much beneficial to the children of the Mohamedan Community specially.

EXPENDITURE.

The Municipality incurred an expenditure of Rs. 24,545 for the education of the children in Urdu Schools during the year under report as against Rs. 15,184 of the last year.

GENERAL REMARKS.

One of the three full primary schools maintained by the Municipality is specially reserved for Mohamedan children in the heart of the City and is placed under the management of the senior third year trained Head Master. This school sends candidates for the Urdu Vernacular Final Examination. Formerly the senior Head Master of the Urdu School No. 10 was entrusted with the work of visiting the Urdu Schools two hours daily and paying attention to the work of the teachers there under the direct supervision of the Superintendent; but the supervision work having been found inadequate, the Municipality created in the middle of the year 1921 a new post of an Assistant Superintendent of Urdu qualifications and filled it in February 1922 by appointing there a man who has passed Urdu examinations and has learnt up to the Matriculation Standard. Throughout the year, the supervision work was going on right lines in Urdu Schools where attendance of teachers and students is being much regulated on that account.

The School Board is making provision for house accommodations for the Urdu Schools along with the Marathi Schools and one of the four

sites to be acquired for the new school buildings is specially reserved for one Urdu School and this site is expected to be in the possession of the Municipality at an early date.

It will be seen from this that the School Board is giving due attention to the education of the Mohamedan children in Urdu Schools. It is hoped that the steady improvement will be marked from year to year. The object of the Board is to see that all the classes get proper education and it is prepared even to spend proportionately larger sums on the education of the backward classes.

D. V. GOKHALE,
Chairman, School Board,
Poona City Municipality.

APPENDIX I
TO
THE ADMINISTRATION REPORT
OF
THE SCHOOL BOARD
FOR
1923-24.

Table of Castes.

Caste.	Boys' Schools.		Night Schools.		Girls' Schools.		Total.	
	31st March 1924.	31st March 1923.	31st March 1924.	31st March 1923.	31st March 1924.	31st March 1923.	31st March 1924.	31st March 1923.
Brahmins ...	700	627	...	...	1225	1095	1925	1722
Other Hindus ...	1773	1576	...	...	601	468	2374	2044
Mahars & Mangs	126	126	...	...	20	1	146	127
Aboriginies ...	13	14	...	...	...	...	13	14
Mohomedans ..	486	444	...	...	203	196	689	640
Jews	5	4	...	...	...	2	5	6
Parsis ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Christians ...	6	3	...	...	...	...	6	3
Total ...	3109	2794	...	...	*2049	1762	5158	4556

* N. B. 173 Girls out of 2049 are in Boys' Schools.

APPENDIX I (A & B).

Table of classification of pupils by age and social condition.

Schools.	5 to 8 years.		8 to 12 years.		12 to 15 years.		Above 15 years.		Total.		Married.		Un-married		Total.	
	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.	Boys.	Girls.
Boys' Schools.	962	62	1649	100	379	11	119	...	3109	173	36	3	3073	170	3109	173
Girls' Schools.	...	577	...	1083	...	206	...	10	...	1876	28	...	...	1848	...	1876
Total ...	962	639	1649	1183	379	217	119	10	3109	2049	64	3	3073	2018	3109	2049
Grand Total.	1601		2832		596		129		5158		67		5091		5158	

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30th July 1924.

S. B. TAMBOLKAR,
Ag. Secretary, School Board, P. O. M.

APPENDIX I (C).

TABLE OF OCCUPATION.

Occupation,	Boys' Schools.		Girls' Schools,		Night Schools.		Total.	
	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls
Inamdars	19	...	...	18	...	...	19	19
Government Servants	520	42	...	803	...	...	520	845
Private Servants ...	587	27	...	473	...	...	574	500
Merchants	516	45	...	203	...	...	516	248
Agriculturists ...	140	12	...	77	...	...	140	89
Labourers	603	15	...	99	...	...	603	114
People having other occupations ...	724	32	...	203	...	...	724	235
Total ...	3109	173	...	1876	...	...	3109	2049

APPENDIX I (D).

Table showing the average number and average daily attendance.

Schools.	Average number on rolls.				Average daily attendance.			
	1923-24	1922-23	Increase	Decrease	1923-24	1922-23	Increase	Decrease
Boys' Schools ...	3328.6	3276.7	52.0	...	2477.87	2290.1	187.86	...
Girls' Schools ...	1849.2	1794.1	55.1	...	1311.1	1085.2	226.8	...
Night Schools ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total...	5177.8	5070.8	107.1	...	4788.88	3375.3	413.94	...

APPENDIX II.

Table showing the distribution of teachers.

Schools.	Head Masters.		Head Mistresses.		Male Assistants.		Female Assistants.		Total.		Total number of the whole table.
	Trained.	Untrained.	Trained.	Untrained.	Trained.	Untrained.	Trained.	Untrained.	Trained.	Untrained.	
Boys' Schools ...	20	2	...	...	78	58	...	3	98	63	161
Girls' Schools ...	...	1	10	...	...	2	18	44	28	47	75
Total...	20	3	10	...	78	60	18	47	126	110	236
Total of trained and untrained...	23		10		133		65		236		

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S. B. TAMBOLKAR,
Ag. Secretary School Board, P. C. M.,

APPENDIX II (A).

TABLE showing the distribution of Schools in different Peths, the trained and untrained teachers in each school with students under them.

No.	Locality of	Schools.			Number of trained teachers in schools shown in columns 3 to 5	Number of untrained teachers in schools shown in columns 3 to 5	Number of students under trained teachers.		Number of students under untrained teachers.		Total number of boys and girls.			Remarks.
		Serial number of Boys' Schools	Serial number of Girls Schools.	Serial number of Night Schools.			Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Boys	Girls	Total	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
1	Sbnwar Peth ...	...	I, V	...	5, 3	4, 7	...	178	...	307	...	485	485	
2	Shokrawar ,, ...	I, II,	II	...	10, 6,	7, 4	300	61	178	177	478	241	719	
3	Kasba ,, ...	VIII, XIII	VI, VIII	...	13, 2, 5, 1	2, 2, 8, 1	335	108	60	285	404	393	797	
4	Sadashiv ,, ...	...	IV	...	9	4	...	200	...	109	...	309	309	
5	Raviwar ,, ...	III, VI, X, XI	IX, XII	...	6, 6, 6, 1, 3, 1	4, 5, 2, 4, 3,	302	93	284	165	586	258	844	
6	Somwar ,, ...	IV	...	...	8	4	134	...	67	...	201	...	201	
7	Mangalwar ,, ...	XII, XV	...	...	1, 5,	1, 4	141	...	110	...	251	...	251	
8	Nana ,, ...	...	...	...	0	0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
9	Ganj ,, ...	XVI	VII	...	2, 1	2, 1	46	18	46	35	92	53	145	
10	Ganesh ,, ...	XXI, XXII	...	...	2	4, 1	42	2	102	31	144	33	177	
11	Bhamburda ,, ...	XIV	...	...	2	3	29	...	67	...	96	...	96	
12	Narayan ,, ...	V, XVII	...	...	11, 4	3, 2	264	24	96	25	360	49	409	
13	Bhawani ,, ...	VII, XX	X	...	5, 2,	4, 4, 1	138	20	45	39	183	59	242	
14	Mominpura ,, ...	XVIII	XIII	...	1, 1	4, 1	19	28	81	23	100	51	151	
15	Raste ,, ...	XIX	III	...	6, 1	5, 3	99	8	115	110	214	128	332	
16	Budhwar ,,	
	Total ...	21	12	1849	743	1260	1306	3169	2049	5158	

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S. B. TAMBOLKRR,

Ag. Secretary, School Board, P. C. M.

APPENDIX II-(AA).

Table showing on 31st March 1924 the total number of trained teachers of each year of Training qualifications.

Qualifications.	Teachers.	
	Male.	Female.
Third year	12	12
Second year	19	2
First year	68	13
Total	99	27

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APPENDIX

STATEMENT showing the result of the Annual Examination of the Primary

School No.	Standard VII			Standard VI			Standard V			Standard IV			Standard III		
	No. on roll	Presented	Passed	No. on roll	Presented	Passed	No. on roll	Presented	Passed	No. on roll	Presented	Passed	No. on roll	Presented	Passed
Boys' School No. I...	16	16	8	71	69	48	90	88	71
" II...	14	14	5	24	21	13
" III...	24	22	11	29	26	8
" IV...	40	41	23	31	30	12
" V...	11	11	8	70	68	53	49	49	35
" VI...	46	45	28	34	31	13
" VII...	10	0	8	17	13	11
" VIII	50	45	28	48	48	13	31	31	20	59	49	35	37	37	18
" X...	3	3	2	9	8	3	18	14	10	18	14	4	17	16	12
" XI...	2	2	2	5	4	3
" XII...	5	5	4	2	2	2
" XIII.	4	4	2	8	7	5
" XIV.	8	8	7	8	8	3
" XV...	25	25	18	18	18	13
" XVI.	7	7	2
" XVII.	12	12	3	14	14	10
" XVIII	6	4	1	8	4	1
" XIX.	45	45	32	24	24	18
" XX...	6	4	2	2	2	...
" XXI.	4	4	4
" XXII.	2	2	...
Total ...	58	48	30	57	56	16	76	72	46	462	436	291	430	407	254
Girls' School No. I...	22	19	16	35	28	18
" II...	19	18	7	40	38	25
" III...	10	9	2
" IV...	36	33	20	36	28	22
" V...	27	23	21	28	24	14
" VI...	3	3	...	11	10	9	31	27	24	53	43	36
" VII...	1	1	1
" VIII.	1	1	1	1	1	1
" IX	6	6	3	16	14	10
" X
" XII...	2	2	2
" XIII.	2	1	1
Total	3	3	...	11	10	9	142	127	92	224	189	132
Night School
No XIV...
" XVIII
Total
Grand Total ...	58	48	30	60	59	16	87	82	55	604	563	383	654	506	386

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II (B).

Municipal Schools, Poona City, for the year 1923-24.

Standard II.			Standard I.			Infants.			Total.			Remarks.
No. on roll	Presented	Passed	No. on roll	Presented	Passed	No. on roll	Presented	Passed	No. on roll	Presented	Passed	
83	80	68	73	72	70	114	99	35	447	423	300	
20	19	8	17	15	13	44	24	...	119	93	39	
38	33	20	53	48	37	96	80	30	240	209	115	
47	41	28	26	23	20	78	41	19	228	176	102	
51	47	37	58	55	54	107	90	45	346	320	237	
44	42	38	42	38	30	74	38	20	240	194	129	
17	13	5	16	12	10	74	55	31	134	102	65	
41	39	19	38	38	31	73	43	36	368	330	200	
13	12	8	21	14	10	14	11	7	113	92	56	
11	0	3	6	6	6	19	13	9	43	34	23	
7	6	5	8	7	7	13	10	8	35	30	26	
7	6	2	11	7	5	35	18	...	65	42	14	
12	8	8	22	21	15	54	42	12	104	87	45	
24	24	15	37	34	28	100	92	32	204	193	106	
9	9	3	23	19	6	59	47	7	98	82	18	
20	18	10	18	15	12	20	18	11	84	77	46	
6	3	1	23	14	7	57	28	5	100	53	15	
40	38	26	48	45	37	93	84	43	250	232	156	
4	2	...	17	12	8	24	16	1	53	36	11	
11	10	6	15	11	11	95	71	27	125	96	48	
5	4	1	13	10	6	7	6	1	27	22	8	
510	463	311	585	516	423	1250	925	388	3423	2923	1759	
50	35	14	69	53	36	84	52	46	260	187	130	
46	41	28	40	37	33	82	45	42	227	179	135	
20	19	4	23	16	7	69	56	29	122	100	46	
74	61	47	65	69	53	111	75	41	322	256	183	
45	39	25	49	39	35	91	72	60	240	197	155	
53	46	44	63	54	53	143	58	58	357	241	224	
5	4	2	16	9	5	29	20	17	51	34	25	
1	1	1	5	4	3	7	4	4	15	11	10	
35	24	13	19	12	9	86	57	19	162	113	54	
...	...	...	6	2	2	40	17	10	46	19	12	
6	4	3	12	8	5	39	29	24	59	43	34	
6	4	2	6	4	3	37	25	12	51	34	18	
341	278	183	373	297	244	818	510	362	1912	1414	1002	
...	
...	
...	
851	741	404	1053	813	667	2068	1485	750	5335	4337	2761	

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APPENDIX III.

Table of receipts for 1923-24.

No.	Items	Actuals. for 1923-24			Actuals for 1922-23			Increase.			Decrease.			Remarks.
		Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	Rs.	a.	p.	
1	Primary School fees	3072	8	6	2805	3	...	267	5	6	...	...	...
2	Government Grant; in-aid for Primary Schools	75876	...	...	60551	...	...	15325	...	...	...	...	...
3	" " " for school sites ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
4	" " " for Technical School	924	...	...	694	...	...	270	...	...	...	...	...
5	Miscellaneous Grant on the results of Art Drawing Examinations.	60	...	...	152	1	...	...	...	...	92	1	...	
6	Local fund Cess on the Lands within Municipal limits	837	6	3	822	8	...	14	14	3	...	...	...
7	Technical School Fees	29	4	...	41	12	...	...	...	...	12	8	...	
8	Interest on Promissory Notes presented by (1) K. C. Dhole	10	8	...	10	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	" (2) Narayan Govind Apte Prize Fund	17	8	...	17	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	" (3) Bhima Aba Puranik Prize Fund	17	8	...	17	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	" (4) Duke of Albany Memorial Fund	24	8	...	24	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	" (5) Godbole Prize Fund	120	...	...	...	...	...	120	...	...	...	...	...
	" (6) Shet Suleman Ladha Prize Fund	17	8	...	17	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
9	Miscellaneous	401	...	...	408	10	4	...	...	...	7	10	4	
10	Municipal Fund	69229	...	10	102911	4	10	33682	...	4	...
	Total	150136	11	7	167938	15	2	15997	3	9	33794	...	7	4

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APPENDIX IV.

Table of Expenditure.

No.	Item.	Actuals in 1923-24.		Actuals in 1922-23.		Increase.		Decrease.	
		Rs.	a. p.	Rs.	a. p.	Rs.	a. p.	Rs.	a. p.
I (a) Establishment at the School Board									
	Office.	4397	2 10	3862	1 9	535	1 1	...	...
	(b) Contingency	1434	14 10	818	15 2	615	15 8	...	...
		5832	1 8	4681	...	1151	...	9	...
II Primary schools.									
1	Salaries of Masters, Mistresses, Peons, with Pension Fund,	93645	9 3	89890	10 5	3154	14 10	...	...
2	Rent of school buildings	12519	8	12261	2	258	6	...	...
3	Water tax	669	12 1	741	3 10	...	...	71	7 9
4	New Furniture	2082	15 3	952	14 4	1130	...	11	...
5	Contingencies including sewing materials and sweetmeats	2385	11 4	2592	4 2	...	...	206	8 10
6	New books and maps	407	14 5	405	14 9	1	15 8	...	...
7	School buildings	907	4	...	...	907	4	...	...
8	Purchase of sites for school buildings,	8100	15 2	24630	4	...	...	15979	4 10
9	Repairs to school buildings... ..	3157	1 5	2795	...	362	1 3	...	...
10	Prizes-paid from Interest on donation	329	8	109	...	220	8	...	...
	1 Dhole Prize Fund	21	...	...	...	21	...	...	...
	2 Bhima Aba Puranik Prize Fund.	35	...	...	...	35	...	...	...
	3 Godbole prize fund	60	...	60	...	...	...	...	...
	4 Narayan-Govind Apte	52	8	...	...	52	...	...	...
	5 Shet Suleman Luddha prize fund	70	...	...	...	70	...	...	...
	6 Duke of Albany Memorial P. F.	73	8	49	...	24	8	...	...
11	Scientific apparatus	21	...	188	12 8	...	...	167	12 8
12	Gymnasium	724	1 8	971	8 2	...	...	247	6 6
13	School Library	140	6 5	281	7 6	...	...	141	1 1
14	Experiment of New Curriculum	11	15 9	110	...	...	...	98	...
15	Children's Library ... ..	...	...	203	14 6	...	...	203	14 6
16	Training School	1635	8 11	1304	8 4	331	...	7	...
17	Continuation Class ... ..	...	...	278	7 8	...	...	278	7 8
18	Gratuity	67	12	201	9	...	...	133	13
19	War & Provisional & Temporary allowance to Teachers	5566	11 6	3489	3 2	2077	8 4	...	...
20	Handicraft and clay modeling	3	2	115	...	...	...	111	14
21	Charakas	187	4 8	1493	9	...	...	1306	4 4
		132564	1 10	142466	5 8	9043	11 7	18945	15 5
III Technical School.									
	Technical School Establishment	4497	14 5	3737	6 1	760	8 4	...	...
	Contingency	1817	2	900	...	917	1 9	...	...
	Repairs to Technical School ... ..	...	...	56	13 9	...	...	56	13 9
	Weaving class	557	2 11	1269	12 6	...	...	712	9 7
	War allowance ... ..	...	...	106	...	...	...	106	...
	Gratuity ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Oil Engine and machine repairs	366	1 9	20	...	346	1 9	...	...
		7238	5 1	6090	...	2023	11 10	875	7 4
IV. Grant-in-aid to primary schools and other institutions.									
1	Anjuman Islam School Nana, Peth ... ..	...	...	200	...	...	...	200	...
2	Faizal-Islam School ... ..	...	...	120	...	...	...	120	...
3	Mr. Mate's School for Depressed classes	2400	...	1300	...	1100	...	...	...
4	Bohari Badria School ... ..	...	...	200	...	...	...	200	...
5	Bhokarwadi School	250	...	250	...	...	...	...	...
6	Jain School in Vetal, Peth	25	...	250	...	...	...	225	...
7	Registered primary local schools	30	3	8667	...	...	...	8636	13
8	Gayan Samaj ... ..	...	...	200	...	...	...	200	...
9	Maharashtriya, mofat, Vachanalaya Sangh ... ..	...	...	1000	...	...	...	1000	...
10	Annasaheb Patwardhan Vaidyak Pathshala ... ..	...	...	200	...	...	...	200	...
11	Vedshastrotejak Sabha ... ..	...	...	200	...	...	...	200	...
12	Sanskrit Pathshala ... ..	...	...	100	...	...	...	100	...
13	Vedpathshala ... ..	...	...	100	...	...	...	100	...
		2705	3	12787	...	1100	...	11181	13
	Closing Balance	1797	...	1909	8	112	8
	Grand Total ...	150136	11 7	167933	15 2	12218	8 2	30015	11 9

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