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LIST OF ERRATA.

- Para. 3, page 2, line 14—*for* "statistics" *read* "statistics."
Para. 6, line 3—*for* "consisted" *read* "consists."
Para. 7, 4th tract, line 2—*for* "26 per cent. are" *read* "26 per cent. of the land was."
Para. 10, line 2—*omit* the word "omit."
Para. 11, line 14—*for* "into" *read* "to."
Para. 14, line 6—*for* "tha" *read* "this."
Para. 15, line 2—*for* "few" *read* "fewer."
Para. 15, last clause, line 5—*for* "in" *read* "on."
Para. 30, second clause—*omit* the brackets.
Para. 31, line 10—*for* "as a" *read* "or."
Para. 33, line 2—*for* "inferior" *read* "superior."
Para. 34, sub-heading of column 7—*insert* "Rs."
Para. 36, second clause—*for* "fourteen" *read* "forty-two."
Para. 59, line 4—*after* "artificial irrigation" *add* "kept up by private enterprise."
Para. 59, bottom of page 18—*for* "294" *read* "161·7."
Para. 59, bottom of page 18—*for* "800·8" *read* "762·1."
Para. 59, bottom of page 18—*for* "77·3" *read* "88·8."
Para. 59, bottom of page 18—*for* "380·3" *read* "402·3."
Para. 60, line 5—*for* "bhaoli" *read* "bhadoi."
Para. 60, page 20, line 6—*for* "1615·5" *read* "15·5," *inserting* "16" *in* line above.
Para. 61, second clause, *Bhadoi*—*for* "2·0" *read* "2·8."
Para. 62—*beneath* "total rent" *strike out* "bhaoli."
Para. 73, statement sub-heading, column 18—*strike out* "Rs."
Para. 74, line 10—*for* "Cansi Baida" *read* "Chausi Baida."
Para. 75, line 2—*for* "in the face" *read* "on the face."
Para. 77, line 3—*for* "method" *read* "methods."
Para. 78, line 2—*for* "Kuhar" *read* "Kahar."
Para. 84, lines 10 and 11—*bracket* "16·41 per cent.....landless."

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(2) (B) Statement of earnings of cultivating labourers.

Total number of household of cultivating labourers.	TOTAL NUMBER IN FAMILIES.				Total area.	AREA UNDER—						COST OF CULTIVATION.						
	Adult.		Children under 15.	Total.		Bhadol.	Aghani.	Babi.	Poppy.	Sugarcane.	Groves.	Bhadol.	Aghani.	Babi.	Poppy.	Sugarcane.	Groves.	Total.
	Male.	Female.																
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
					R. K. P.													

TOTAL VALUE OF OUTPUT.							Rent.	VALUE OF PERSONAL LABOUR.		Value of straw sold.	Total income from land, deduct columns 21 and 20 from 22.	Total income from labour.	Other sources.	Grand total.	Total cost of living.	Average number of brass utensils.	Average extent of indebtedness.	Average amount spent on ceremonies.	REMARKS.
Bhadol.	Aghani.	Babi.	Poppy.	Sugarcane.	Groves.	Total.		Male adults.	Female adults and children.										
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39

(3) Census of Landless labourers.

Serial number.	Name.	NUMBER IN FAMILY.				LABOUR.				OTHER KIND.		Amount of brass utensils.	Extent of indebtedness.	AMOUNT DURING LAST 5 YEARS SPENT ON—		REMARKS.
		Adult.		Children under 15.	Total.	Wages in kind, including food earned by—		Children.	Total.	Nature.	Amount.			Marriage.	Other ceremonies.	
		Male.	Female.			Male adult.	Female adult.									
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17

(4) Census of other kinds.

Serial number.	Name.	NUMBER IN FAMILY.				Nature of occupation.	Note material condition and means of livelihood.	REMARKS.
		Adult.		Children under 15.	Total.			
		Male.	Female.					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	

APPENDIX

(1) STATISTICS OF THE INCOME OF

Holdings of 1

Name of village.	Total number of families of pure cultivators.	NUMBER OF FAMILIES OF COLUMN 2.				TOTAL AREA HELD BY CULTIVATORS IN			AREA UNDER—						COST OF			
		Adults.		Children under 15.	Total.	Bighas.	Cottahs.	Dhurs.	Bhadal.	Aghani.	Rabi.	Poppy.	Sugarcane.	Groves.	Bhadal.	Aghani.	Rabi.	
		Male.	Female.															
<i>First tract.</i>																		
Daudpur, Bistaul ...	14	17	19	13	49	43	...	...	5 0	32 0	18 0	5 10	...	...	25	112	99 0
Makhdampur ...	10	18	17	16	61	31	...	...	4 0	14 0	19 0	9 10	...	...	30	40	66 0
Total ...	24	35	36	29	100	74	...	...	9 0	46 0	37 0	14 10	...	...	55	152	165 0
<i>Second tract.</i>																		
Bhori, Keora ...	17	25	32	42	99	45	...	...	1 0	13 0	30 0	0 5	0 4	...	5	22	150 0
Utrend and Pali ...	28	45	61	41	147	58	...	...	2 0	25 0	28 0	0 15	3 0	...	10	100	130 0
Total ...	45	70	93	83	246	103	...	...	3 0	38 0	58 0	0 15	3 4	...	15	122	280 0
<i>Third tract.</i>																		
Khakra ...	2	18	13	17	46	9	...	...	2 0	2 0	7 0	0 5	...	...	10	8	35 0
Pogar, Karjara ...	35	64	76	73	213	60	...	...	10 0	21 0	23 0	3 0	...	...	60	64	140 0
Total ...	43	82	89	90	259	69	...	...	12 0	23 0	30 0	3 5	...	...	70	72	175 0
<i>Fourth tract.</i>																		
Chansi, Baida ...	4	5	5	5	16	3	...	...	1 10	4 0	1 0	...	0 5	...	7	16	4 8
GRAND TOTAL ...	116	190	224	207	621	244	...	...	35 10	111 0	123 0	13 5	3 9	...	127	431	634 8

Holdings of 10

Name of village.	Total number of families of pure cultivators.	NUMBER OF FAMILIES OF COLUMN 2.				TOTAL AREA HELD BY CULTIVATORS IN			AREA UNDER—						COST OF			
		Male.	Female.	Children under 15.	Total.	Bighas.	Cottahs.	Dhurs.	Bhadal.	Aghani.	Rabi.	Poppy.	Sugarcane.	Groves.	Bhadal.	Aghani.	Rabi.	
<i>First tract.</i>																		
Daudpur, Bistaul ...	14	26	31	24	91	104	...	...	5 0	61 0	30 0	6 5	1 5	...	25	229	275 0
Makhdampur ...	1	4	2	3	9	9	...	...	1 0	3 0	5 0	0 15	...	...	5	29	27 0
Total ...	15	30	33	27	100	113	...	...	6 0	64 0	35 0	6 6	1 5	...	30	258	302 0
<i>Second tract.</i>																		
Bhori, Keora ...	23	54	59	40	133	260	...	...	7 5	75 0	175 0	1 5	1 0	...	35	300	375 0
Utrend, Pali ...	25	38	46	44	128	190	...	...	8 0	81 0	86 0	2 0	11 0	1 10	40	324	430 0
Total ...	48	92	105	84	261	450	...	...	15 5	156 0	261 0	3 5	12 0	...	75	624	1,305 0
<i>Third tract.</i>																		
Khakra ...	2	4	3	0	13	16	...	...	4 0	6 0	9 0	2 0	...	...	20	24	45 0
Pogar, Karjara ...	15	24	29	28	91	99	...	...	17 0	34 0	48 0	...	...	...	85	138	230 0
Total ...	17	28	32	28	104	115	...	...	21 0	40 0	57 0	2 0	...	...	105	162	275 0
<i>Fourth tract.</i>																		
Chansi, Baida ...	9	11	11	15	37	33	...	...	5 0	34 0	45 0	...	3 0	...	22	156	207 0
GRAND TOTAL ...	99	161	181	180	572	761	...	...	47 0	319 0	417 0	13 5	16 5	...	232	1,231	2,089 0

Holdings of 5

Name of village.	Total number of families of pure cultivators.	NUMBER OF FAMILIES OF COLUMN 2.				TOTAL AREA HELD BY CULTIVATORS IN			AREA UNDER—						COST OF			
		Male.	Female.	Children under 15.	Total.	Bighas.	Cottahs.	Dhurs.	Bhadal.	Aghani.	Rabi.	Poppy.	Sugarcane.	Groves.	Bhadal.	Aghani.	Rabi.	
<i>First tract.</i>																		
Daudpur, Bistaul ...	43	124	131	147	403	1,329	...	...	52 0	911 0	794 0	62 0	3 10	0 10	300	2,168	4,812 0
Makhdampur ...	11	81	35	35	99	216	...	...	13 0	172 0	123 0	14 0	2 0	...	65	606	671 1
Total ...	54	185	166	182	502	1,545	...	...	65 0	1,083 0	917 0	76 0	5 10	0 10	365	2,774	5,483 0
<i>Second tract.</i>																		
Bhori, Keora ...	117	314	375	368	1,085	3,177	...	...	92 0	917 0	2,139 0	16 0	12 0	2 0	440	3,666	10,625 0
Utrend, Pali ...	50	145	179	180	495	1,334	...	...	55 0	571 0	610 0	19 0	7 0	2 0	300	2,284	5,950 0
Total ...	167	459	554	548	1,580	4,511	...	...	147 0	1,488 0	2,749 0	35 0	19 0	4 0	740	5,950	16,575 0
<i>Third tract.</i>																		
Khakra ...	41	87	95	108	289	1,395	...	...	93 0	545 0	607 0	10 0	1 0	...	465	2,140	3,025 0
Pogar, Karjara ...	35	73	95	98	261	1,008	...	...	171 0	451 0	467 0	7 0	...	...	305	1,904	2,325 0
Total ...	76	160	190	199	550	2,403	...	...	264 0	996 0	1,074 0	17 0	1 0	...	770	4,044	5,350 0
<i>Fourth tract.</i>																		
Chansi, Baida ...	13	31	28	44	103	308	...	...	24 0	139 0	154 0	...	5 0	...	106	546	683 0
GRAND TOTAL ...	310	805	927	1,001	2,753	8,802	...	...	309 0	3,707 0	4,883 0	118 0	28 0	4 10	2,608	14,236	34,791 0

III.

THE SELECTED AGRICULTURISTS.

bighas and under.

CULTIVATION.				TOTAL VALUE OF COTTURE OBTAINED BY TURNING INTO CASH THE AVERAGE COTTURE AS OBTAINED LOCALLY.												VALUE OF UNHIREN LABOUR.		Value of straw sold.	Income from supplementary sources.	P. Profit.—Adding columns 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24, deducting column 20 and 20.	Cost of living.	Balance.	Amount of indebtedness.	Average amount of indebtedness per holding.
Poppy.	Sugarcane.	Groves.	Total.	Blindal.	Aghani.	Bahl.	Poppy.	Sugarcane.	Groves.	Total.	Male adults.	Female adults and children.												
reference to the chief staple crops.				25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40					
19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39				
Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.				
55 0 0	...	...	291	75	524	235	247	...	...	1,072	332	140	90	...	752	1,430	735	695	100	71
35 6 0	...	...	176	80	296	151	157	...	...	605	187	100	80	...	694	1,102	765	337	87	57
20 0 0	...	...	461	135	750	388	404	...	...	1,077	520	240	160	...	1,446	2,522	1,500	1,032	157	...
2 8 0	4 0 0	...	213	13	193	354	9	12	...	585	218	490	...	...	2,135	1,710	1,455	225	...	...		
12 0 0	00 0 0	...	318	27	375	312	26	180	...	920	163	160	...	...	1,733	2,377	2,205	172	206	73		
14 8 0	76 0 0	...	531	40	573	666	35	102	...	1,506	386	580	...	...	2,932	4,097	3,600	397	262	...		
2 8 0	...	...	55	24	36	80	9	...	...	143	62	80	45	...	692	543	690	153	30	36
30 0 0	...	...	304	120	286	230	105	...	...	811	286	540	45	...	3,151	3,957	3,125	762	75	21
32 8 0	...	...	359	144	256	410	114	...	...	954	342	320	90	...	3,843	4,300	3,625	915	105	...
...	5 0 0	...	32	14	48	8	...	11	...	78	28	60	10	...	247	335	240	95	55	12-7				
137 0 0	76 0 0	...	1,363	338	1,634	1,473	553	202	...	4,215	1,222	1,452	250	...	8,474	11,754	9,315	2,439	525	...				

bighas and under.

Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
68 0 0	27 0 0	...	673	75	1,294	622	261	100	...	2,378	856	320	135	...	570	1,875	1,365	510	100	...
7 8 0	...	...	87	18	124	68	34	...	...	235	87	40	15	...	91	227	135	92	...	71
68 8 0	27 0 0	...	739	90	1,412	690	315	100	...	2,613	943	360	150	...	651	2,102	1,500	602	100	...
12 0 0	23 0 0	...	1,244	94	1,732	2,102	44	80	...	3,459	1,174	900	...	95	711	2,747	2,295	452	452	137
30 0 0	242 0 0	...	1,083	102	1,215	1,032	108	660	...	3,126	614	180	...	130	1,163	2,919	1,920	999	807	22 2
48 0 0	204 0 0	...	2,312	202	2,362	2,140	149	720	...	3,627	1,782	1,080	...	226	1,674	5,668	4,215	1,451	1,200	...
20 0 0	...	...	109	45	76	121	70	...	...	315	60	40	15	...	171	372	195	177	...	...
...	...	...	451	204	408	524	...	...	...	1,122	500	200	15	...	2,047	3,522	1,825	2,174	...	...
20 0 0	...	...	500	252	475	645	70	...	...	1,442	500	240	20	...	3,212	3,211	1,560	2,361	...	...
...	60 0 0	...	425	45	327	326	...	125	...	643	231	200	105	...	117	500	255	54	...	...
131 8 0	351 0 0	...	4,036	589	4,589	4,811	524	955	...	11,456	1,822	1,920	225	...	5,070	12,222	7,520	4,452	1,200	...

over 10 bighas.

Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
590 0 0	77 0 0	...	8,359	780	14,391	9,822	2,340	260	10	27,663	10,353	720	200	1,320	20,291	31,531	6,080	25,501	155	3 5
140 0 0	44 0 0	...	1,525	195	2,312	1,604	630	160	...	5,401	1,725	240	250	163	2,122	4,953	1,425	3,428	50	4 5
600 0 0	121 0 0	...	2,884	975	17,203	11,466	2,970	440	10	33,024	12,078	980	450	1,522	22,420	34,454	7,515	22,939	200	...
100 0 0	204 0 0	...	15,245	1,242	13,465	27,322	500	720	10	42,340	10,915	2,000	500	1,622	4,722	26,950	16,275	10,675	2,155	18 4
190 0 0	1,622 0 0	...	7,445	783	5,545	7,220	665	4,440	11	21,784	4,722	890	310	1,622	3,501	15,912	7,425	8,487	1,411	26 1
350 0 0	1,822 0 0	...	22,024	2,025	22,030	34,072	1,225	5,160	21	65,182	15,711	2,420	1,110	2,256	8,227	42,871	22,700	19,171	3,667	...
100 0 0	22 0 0	...	5,802	744	6,901	7,212	350	80	...	15,272	5,202	500	400	500	2,122	5,822	4,220	4,342	411	10
70 0 0	...	...	5,004	2,002	5,491	6,222	245	...	...	13,022	5,371	450	190	400	2,244	5,905	3,915	1,990	249	7 1
170 0 0	22 0 0	...	10,802	2,722	12,222	12,555	522	60	...	22,222	10,722	920	500	900	5,427	14,567	8,225	6,322	652	...
...	100 0 0	...	1,457	216	1,222	1,040	...	225	...	2,214	922	200	150	141	705	1,642	1,545	151	185	15
1,180 0 0	2,122 0 0	...	44,201	6,012	52,222	59,724	4,720	5,222	31	1,22,210	29,520	5,620	2,200	5,240	35,240	95,222	40,222	54,272	4,621	...

APPENDIX IV.

Wages of Labourers.

		Days.	
Jeth	...	15	<p>Agricultural labourers, if fully employed, work nine months in the year, as noted on the margin. The males get 4 seers (<i>kaohcha</i>) and a female or a child over 12 years gets 3 seers (<i>kaohcha</i>) of cheap grain.</p> <p>The income of one male on account of wages during the year = $\frac{40 \times 30 \times 9 \times 48}{80 \times 40}$ or 16½ maund (pucka).</p> <p>Add on account of pilfering and picking up 1½</p> <hr/> <p>18 maunds equal to Rs. 20</p> <p>The income of a female or a child over 12 years per annum = $\frac{3 \times 30 \times 9 \times 48}{80 \times 40} = 12\frac{3}{8}$ pucks.</p> <p>Add on account of picking up and pilfering = 1½</p> <hr/> <p>14 maunds equal to Rs. 20.</p>
Asar	...	30	
Sawan	...	15	
Bhado	...	30	
Asin	...	30	
Kartik	...	30	
Aghan	...	30	
Pous	...	30	
Magh	...	30	
Phagun	...	30	
Chait	...	21	
Baisak	...	15	
		10 months 6 days.	
Deduct one day in a week on the average for rest		... 18.	
Net working days		9 months.	

Dr. Grierson takes the value of a cultivator's own labour at Rs. 25 per annum; but these rates for labourers agree with his, and are, I think, fair.