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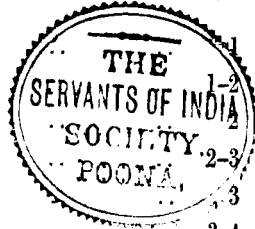
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(1) NUMBER OF ESTATES UNDER MANAGEMENT.

Northern Division.—At the beginning of the year under report, there were 21 estates (1 large and 20 small) under management. One new estate (large) in Broach was taken under management, while one small estate in the Kaira District was released from management. The year thus closed with 21 estates under management (2 large and 19 small).

Central Division.—At the beginning of the year, there were 10 small estates under management—3 in each of the districts of West Khandesh and Nasik and 2 in each of the districts of Ahmednagar and Sholapur. One large estate of the minor Bhaiyya of Sholapur and 6 small estates—1 in East Khandesh and 5 in Satara—were taken under management during the year. Thus there were 17 estates under management at the end of the year.

Southern Division.—At the beginning of the year there were 32 estates under management. Four new estates in Belgaum were taken over and six estates—four in Belgaum and two in Dharwar—were released. Thus the year closed with 30 estates.

(2) INCOME.

Northern Division.—The total gross income of the estates during the year amounted to Rs. 64,354 against Rs. 58,599 during the preceding year.

In Ahmedabad District the decrease of Rs. 7,508 was due to insufficient rainfall, while in Broach the increase of Rs. 24,981 was due mainly to the addition of the income of the Jhanore estate newly taken under management. The gross income of the estates in the Kaira District shows a decrease of Rs. 11,666 which is due mainly to the inclusion

in the last year's figures of receipts of a special item of Rs. 8,165 on account of the sale of some lands and a house of the Piplao estate. The decrease is also due to the withdrawal of one estate from management and to the grant of suspensions under section 84-A of the Land Revenue Code.

Central Division.—The gross income of the estates amounted to Rs. 3,78,102 against Rs. 8,729 in the preceding year. The increase is chiefly due to the addition of the income of the 7 new estates taken up during the year.

Southern Division.—The gross income amounted to Rs. 65,893 against Rs. 81,898 in the preceding year. There were decreases in Belgaum (3,484) and Dharwar (16,288) which were partly counterbalanced by an increase in Bijapur (3,462).

The decrease in Dharwar was due to relinquishment of estates and that in Belgaum partly to the same cause and partly to non-recovery of dues of new estates that came under management at the close of the year. The increase in Bijapur is due to the inclusion of last year's income of one of the estates in the current year's figures owing to its late assumption.

(3) EXPENDITURE.

Northern Division.—The total gross expenditure of the estates under management was Rs. 46,736 against Rs. 58,183 in the preceding year. The decrease is due mainly to the inclusion in the last year's accounts of the special item of Rs. 8,440 paid towards the liquidation of debt of an estate in the Kaira District, and to smaller expenditure of the estates in the Ahmedabad District.

Central Division.—The gross expenditure amounted to Rs. 70,397 against Rs. 7,488 in the previous year. The increase is due mainly to the addition of the 7 new estates.

Southern Division.—The gross expenditure amounted to Rs. 47,509 against Rs. 54,552 in the previous year. The decrease is due to the relinquishment of two big estates in Dharwar (Rs. 14,248) and is partly counterbalanced by increases mainly in Belgaum (Rs. 6,144) on account of marriage and religious expenses.

(4) COLLECTION OF ESTATE DUES.

Northern Division.—Out of the total demand of Rs. 71,206, Rs. 40,886 were collected and Rs. 1,999 were written off, leaving a balance of Rs. 28,321 (Rs. 7,936 out of current demand and Rs. 20,385 out of arrears of former years). Of these Rs. 13,049 represent authorized and Rs. 14,393 unauthorized arrears.

Central Division.—The total demand including arrears was Rs. 31,365 of which Rs. 19,029 were collected in the year of report and Rs. 692 were written off as irrecoverable, leaving a balance of Rs. 11,644. The outstandings are mainly in respect of the estates of minors Bhaiyya and Deshmukh of Sholapur and of that of minor Yadav of Satara. In Bhaiyya's estate the outstandings—4,246—are mainly for house rent which it

is reported will be recovered by the end of Diwali, *i.e.*, the end of October. In the other two estates, the outstandings represent rent suspended on account of scarcity.

Southern Division.—Out of the total rental demand of Rs. 57,059, Rs. 47,607 or 83·43 per cent. were collected against 76·14 per cent. in the previous year and Rs. 1,533 were written off, leaving a balance of Rs. 7,919. The balance is due to suspensions in Belgaum and Dharwar. In Kanara a balance of Rs. 960 is due as per Civil Court decrees and their execution is in progress. Steps for recovery of arrears in other districts are being taken. The collection work shows improvement in spite of unfavourable season.

(5) GOVERNMENT REVENUE, CESSES AND RENTS.

Northern Division.—All Government dues ordered to be paid were paid in full during the year under report.

Central Division.—The amounts due to Government were paid by all the estates.

Southern Division.—All Government dues were paid.

(6) COST OF MANAGEMENT.

Northern Division.—The total cost of management amounted to Rs. 4,512, or 7·0 per cent. of the total gross income, against Rs. 4,176 or 7·1 per cent. in the previous year.

Central Division.—Out of the 17 estates 12 were managed departmentally through the Mamlatdars of the respective talukas and therefore there was practically no cost of management on the revenues of the estates. The total cost incurred on the management of the remaining 5 estates* amounted to Rs. 11,076 or 2·9 per cent. of their income. Out of Rs. 11,076 the large estate of the minor Bhaiyya was alone responsible for Rs. 10,579. This estate had been at first under the management of the District Judge who by his order dated 23rd July 1923 appointed the Collector as guardian and the latter took it up on 26th July 1923. The estate has very extensive money dealings and branch shops in various districts, *e.g.*, Bijapur, Dharwar, Sholapur, and Guntur districts and in H.H. the Nizam's territory. In view of the large interests involved Mr. B. V. Deshpande, a retired Mamlatdar, who had acted as Deputy Collector for some years, was appointed by the Collector as Manager of the estate on Rs. 500 per mensem and he was given sufficient establishment to cope with the work involved in the management.

Southern Division.—The total cost of management amounted to Rs. 5,293, or 8·03 per cent. of the total gross income against 7,478 or 9·1 per cent. in the previous year. The incidence of cost was a little higher than the prescribed limit of 10 per cent. in two estates—one in Belgaum and the other in Dharwar.

* 1 Bhaiyya of Sholapur.

4 Small estates one in each of the districts of East Khandesh, Satara, Nasik and Sholapur.

In Belgaum the cost of management was recovered at an all round rate of 10 per cent. on the budgeted gross income instead of on the actual gross collections. The practice is irregular inasmuch as the arrears will again be subjected to the percentage deduction next year. The Collector has therefore been asked to charge the percentage on the actual collections.

(7) ADVANCES TO CULTIVATORS.

Northern Division.—Rupees 503 were advanced to tenants by the Jhanore estate out of which Rs. 394 were recovered during the year.

Central and Southern Divisions.—No advances were granted to cultivators during the year.

(8) SPECIAL SCHEMES FOR MANAGEMENT.

Northern Division.—All the estates except the two in the Ahmedabad District which were leased as mentioned in the last year's report were managed departmentally.

Central and Southern Divisions.—No special scheme was framed or undertaken.

(9) MAINTENANCE AND EDUCATION OF MINORS.

Northern Division.—The total gross expenditure under this head amounted to Rs. 10,291 against Rs. 8,740 in the preceding year. The increase is due chiefly to the Jhanore estate in Broach being taken up under management during the current year.

There were 21 male (2 in Ahmedabad, 4 in Kaira and 15 in Broach) and 2 female minors (1 in Kaira and 1 in Broach).

Out of the 21 males—

- (1) 2 are below school-going age.
- (2) 3 are studying in vernacular schools.
- (3) 6 are studying in English schools.
- (4) 6 are learning agricultural work.
- (5) 1 is attending the Arts College in Baroda.
- (6) 1 has joined service.
- (7) 2 have recently left off school.

Of the two female wards, the Broach ward is receiving vernacular education at home and a female teacher is employed for the purpose.

Central Division.—Out of the 17 minors 7 are under the care of their near relations and no expenditure is incurred from the estates on their account. All reasonable demands for the maintenance and up-bringing of the remaining minors continued to be satisfied.

2. Out of the 17 minors, 14 are males and 3 are females. The person of none of the minors is under superintendence. The three female minors do not go to school. Out of the 14 males—

1 is learning commercial business,

7 are receiving education as under :—

2 in anglo-vernacular schools,

5 in vernacular schools,

1 tends the sheep and goats of his grandfather who maintains him,

5 are doing nothing.

Southern Division.—All reasonable demands for the maintenance of the minors and their relatives dependent on them continued to be satisfied.

Of the 37 minors, 33 are males and 4 females. Of the 33 males :—

Five are above school-going age ;

Thirteen are attending english schools ;

Fourteen are attending primary schools ;

One is studying at College.

(10) REPAYMENT OF DEBTS AND EXISTING LIABILITIES.

Northern Division.—The debts due by the estates on the assumption of management were Rs. 1,29,777 which were reduced to Rs. 64,776 at the beginning of the year. Additional debts to the extent of Rs. 8,238 were incurred during the year. The total liabilities thus rose to Rs. 73,014 against Rs. 57,981 in the previous year. The increase is due mainly to the assumption of the superintendence of the Jhanore estate (Broach District) which has a total debt of Rs. 28,672.

Claims amounting to Rs. 3,470 were remitted by creditors, while those for Rs. 142 were rejected by Managers or Civil Court. Rs. 12,533 were paid towards repayment of debts from current income. The total liabilities stood at Rs. 56,869 at the end of the year.

Central Division.—Out of the 17 estates, 12 are free from debt. The total balance of debt at the beginning of the year due by the remaining 5 estates—2 in each of the districts of Nasik and Satara and one large estate of the minor Bhaiyya of Sholapur—was Rs. 42,069. Out of the fresh debts amounting to Rs. 52,600, Rs. 52,000 are on account of a new claim filed in the Court against the estate of Bhaiyya of Sholapur. Claims amounting to Rs. 26,819 were cleared off leaving a balance of Rs. 67,850 out of which Rs. 64,450 pertain to the Bhaiyya's estate which it will be seen from the details given below, will probably be wiped off during the year 1924-25.

Rs.

46,000—The fresh claim of Rs. 52,000 was amicably settled at Rs. 46,000 but the man has not yet turned up to receive the amount which is kept ready for him.

Rs.

18,450—These are not debts incurred but are deposits of others. Rs. 7,385 have since been repaid and the real sum still payable is Rs. 11,065 only.

Southern Division.—The total settlement of old debts amounted to Rs. 4,875 against Rs. 1,800 in the previous year.

Six estates in Belgaum are in debt and the annual instalments were regularly paid.

The Shirkod estate in Dharwar, which is in debt, could not repay the debt as the guardian of the deceased creditor's heir did not furnish the necessary certificate of guardianship.

The estates in the other districts are free from debt.

(11) LITIGATION.

Northern Division.—There were 3 suits pending in the Ahmedabad District. Out of these 1 was compromised, one was decided against the estate and the third was pending at the close of the year.

Central Division.—Out of the 4 suits filed by the estate of Bhaiyya of Sholapur 2 were decided in favour of the minor while two are pending. Out of the latter two one is being compromised. Two Darkhasts filed by the estate for the recovery of Rs. 70,000 are also pending.

Southern Division.—The Collector of Belgaum was concerned as plaintiff or defendant in 9 suits, of which 6 were decided in favour of the wards, leaving 3 pending at the close of the year.

(12) GENERAL REMARKS.

Northern Division.—The administration by Government agency of the minors' estates continued to be satisfactory and beneficial to the minors concerned.

Central Division.—The administration of the estates through local officers has been satisfactory.

2. An appeal is pending in the High Court in connection with the estate of the minor Deshmukh, Akluj.

Southern Division.—The management of estates by the Collectors has been satisfactory and continues to be popular. The tendency to secure management with the object of using Government agency for collection of dues and settlement of disputes is becoming too general and requires gentle repression.

STATEMENT I.

Statement showing the general position of Minors' Estates under management in the Northern, Central and Southern Divisions during the year 1923-24.

Details are given only for estates with a gross revenue of Rs. 10,000 or over. Figures for other estates are lumped together.

Serial No.	Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Total area of Estate.	Cultivated area.	Uncultivated area.	Total assessment.	Total Land Revenue demand including cesses.	Total gross income recovered.	Total gross expenditure.	Balance		Total Liabilities.	Cost of management.	Percentage of cost of gross income.
										Invested.	Uninvested.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
			Acres	Acres	Acres	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
1	Ahmedabad.	Sher Juma Khanji Mohamed Khanji (Dholka).	5,526	5,921	605	10,515	9,926	12,427	12,338	..	3,005	7,431	880	7.8
2	Broach ..	Thakor singhji (Jhanore).	3,433	2,507	926	8,610	20,049	27,655	11,460	23,000	16,195	25,331	986	8.5
3	Surat ..	} Total for small estates.	5,471	4,422	1,049	8,440	22,360	24,272	22,898	28,328	16,837	24,107	2,640	10.9
4-9	Kaira ..													
9-11	Ahmedabad.													
12-21	Broach ..													
		Total, Northern Division. ..	15,430	12,850	2,580	27,571	58,335	64,354	46,786	51,328	36,037	56,879	4,512	7.0

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STATEMENT I-- continued.

Serial No.	Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Total area of Estate.	Cultivated area.	Uncultivated area.	Total assessment.	Total Land Revenue demand including cesses.	Total gross income recovered.	Total gross expenditure.	Balance.		Total Liabilities.	Cost of management.	Percentage of cost on gross income.
										Invested.	Uninvested.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
			Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
						<i>Central Division.</i>								
1	Sholapur ..	Bhatyya of Sholapur.	176	175	1	100	4,754	3,53,570	58,210	4,03,331	1,07,587	64,450	10,579	2.0
2 and 3	Sholapur ..	} Total for small estates.	6,940	6,632	317	2,026	13,219	24,532	12,187	34,312	22,529	3,400	497	2
4 to 6	West Khandesh.													
7	East Khandesh.													
8 and 9	Ahmednagar.													
10 to 14	Satara ..													
15 to 17	Nasik ..													
Total, Central Division			7,125	6,807	318	3,035	17,973	3,78,102	70,397	4,37,543	1,30,116	67,850	11,076	2.9

STATEMENT I—concluded.

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Serial No.	Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Total area of Estate.	Cultivated area.	Uncultivated area.	Total assessment.	Total Land Revenue demand including cesses.	Total gross income recovered.	Total gross expenditure.	Balance		Total liabilities.	Cost of management.	Percentage of cost on gross income.
										Invested.	Uninvested.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
			Acres.	Acres.	Acres.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
1	Belgaum ..	Sankeshwar math.	7,004	6,304	640	11,444	12,316	16,807	5,923	92,800	4,802	..	1,020	11.4
2 to 18	Belgaum ..	} Total for small estates.	6,127	4,727	1,400	7,813	32,643	49,086	41,586	1,23,176	42,492	23,960	3,373	8.8
19 and 20	Bijapur ..													
21 to 26	Dharwar ..													
27	Kanara ..													
28 and 29	Kolaba ..													
30	Ratnagiri ..													
		Total, Southern Division.	13,131	11,091	2,040	19,257	44,959	65,893	47,500	2,15,976	47,294	23,960	5,293	8.03
		Grand Total ..	35,686	30,748	4,938	49,863	1,21,267	5,08,349	1,64,642	7,04,947	2,13,447	1,48,079	20,881	4.1

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STATEMENT II.

Statement showing the efficiency of rent collections in Minors' Estates under Government management in the Northern, Central and Southern Divisions during the year 1923-24.

Serial No.	Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Demand.			Collections.			Amount written off.	Balance.			Details of Balance.	
			Current.	Arrears.	Total.	On account of current year.	On account of arrears.	Total.		Others.	Total.	Current year.	Previous year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	Ahmedabad.	Sher Juma Khanji Mohamed Khanji (Dhotka).	9,926	8,120	18,046	6,721	2,302	9,023	1,275	....	7,688	7,688	3,205	4,483
2	Broach ..	Thakor Jaswatsingji Jitsingji (Jhanore).	12,637	13,412	26,049	10,959	1,875	12,834	....	....	13,215	13,215	1,678	11,537
3	Surat ..	Total for small estates.	22,082	6,029	27,111	18,847	122	18,969	724	879	6,539	7,418	3,053	4,365
4-8	Kaira ..													
9-11	Ahmedabad.													
12-21	Broach ..													
		Total Northern Division ..	44,645	26,561	71,206	36,527	4,359	40,886	1,999	879	27,442	28,521	7,936	20,375

STATEMENT II—*continued*.

Serial No.	Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Demand.			Collections.			Amount written off.	Balance.			Details of Balance.		
			Current.	Arrears.	Total.	On account of current year.	On account of arrears.	Total.		Converted into bonds or decrees.	Others.	Total.	Current year.	Previous year.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
<i>Central Division.</i>															
1	Sholapur ..	Bhalva of Sholapur.	4,754	4,894	9,648	1,833	3,569	5,402	..	..	4,246	4,246	2,921	1,325
2-3	Sholapur ..	Total for small estates.													
4 to 6	West khandesh														
7	East Khandesh.														
8-9	A h m e d nagar.														
10 to 14	Satara. ..														
15 to 17	Nasik ..														
Total, Central Division.			17,978	18,392	31,365	11,430	7,599	19,029	692	329	11,315	11,644	6,543	5,101	

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STATEMENT II—concluded.

Serial No.	Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Demand.			Collections.			Amount written off.	Balance.			Details of Balance.		Remarks	
			Current.	Arrears.	Total.	On account of current year.	On account of arrears.	Total.		Converted into bonds or decrees.	Others.	Total.	Current year.	Previous year.		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
						<i>Southern Division</i>										
1	Belgaum ..	Sankeshwar matu ..	12,316	78	12,394	*11,673	..	*11,673	587	..	138	138	60	78	Rs. 4 over collection.	
2 to 18	Belgaum ..	} Total for such estates.														
19 and 20	Bijapur ..															
21 to 26	Dharwar ..															
27	Kanara ..			37,009	7,650	44,665	33,851	2,285	† 36,136	946	960	6,821	7,781	2,992	4,789	198
28 and 29	Kolara ..															
30	Ratnagiri ..															
		Total, Southern Division ..	49,325	7,734	57,059	45,524	2,285	‡ 47,809	1,533	960	6,959	7,919	3,052	4,867	202	
		Grand Total ..	1,11,943	47,687	1,59,630	93,481	14,243	1,07,724	4,224	2,168	45,716	47,884	17,531	31,353		

* Inclusive of Rs. 4 on account of over-collections
 † " of Rs. 198 " of " "
 ‡ " of Rs. 202 " of " " } (Vide column 16).

STATEMENT III.

Statement showing progress made in liquidation of debt in Minors' Estates in the Northern, Central and Southern Divisions during the year 1923-24.

Serial No.	Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Debts due on assumption of charge.	Balance of debt at the beginning of the year.	Additional debt incurred during the year.	Debts settled during the year					Balance.	Date by which it was expected on assumption of management that estate would be clear of debt.	Remarks.	
						By incurring fresh debts.	By sale of property.	Rejected by the Manager or Civil Court.	Remitted by the Creditors.	From current income.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	<i>Northern Division.</i>			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1	Ahmedabad ..	Sher Juma Khanji Mohamed Khanji (Dholka).	7,693	8,806	4,710	..	..	..	575	5,600	7,431	..	
2	Broach ..	Thakor Jaswatsingji Jitsingji (Jhanore).	28,672	28,672	..	..	..	..	..	3,341	25,331	..	
3	Surat ..	} Total for small estates ..	93,412	27,208	3,528	..	..	142	2,805	3,502	24,107	..	
4-8	Kaira ..													
9-11	Ahmedabad ..													
12-21	Broach ..													
		Total, Northern Division ..	1,29,777	64,776	8,239	142	3,470	12,552	58,869	..		

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STATEMENT III—continued.

Serial No.	Name of District.	Name of Estate.	Debts due on assumption of charge.	Balance of debt at the beginning of the year.	Additional debt incurred during the year.	DEBTS SETTLED DURING THE YEAR						Date by which it was expected on assumption of management that estate would be clear of debt.	Remarks.	
						By incurring fresh debts.	By sale of property.	Rejected by the Manager or Civil Court.	Remitted by the Creditors.	From current income.	Balance.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	<i>Central Division.</i>			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1	Sholapur	Bhaiyya of Sholapur	37,319	37,319	52,000	..	..	..	6,000	18,869	64,450	1924-25		
	Nasik	} Total for small estates	9,198	4,750	600	..	..	..	..	1,950	3,400	..		
	Satara													
		Total, Central Division	46,512	42,069	52,600	..	..	..	6,000	20,819	67,850	..		
							<i>Southern Division.</i>							
2 to 18	Belgaum	} Total for small estates	29,723	26,935	1,900	625	..	..	..	4,250	23,960	..		
10 and 20	Bijapur													
21 to 26	Dharwar													
27	Kanara													
28 and 30	Kolaba	} Total, Southern Division	29,723	26,935	1,900	625	4,250	23,960	..		
	Ratnagiri													

SIND.

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ASSUMPTION AND RELINQUISHMENT OF ESTATES.

The year opened with 14 estates under management, to which one in the Nawabshah District was added. As one estate in the Larkana District was discharged owing to the death of the minor, the number of estates under management at the close of the year was still 14.

In no case did the guardianship of the person of a minor vest in the Collector.

INCOME.

The total gross income of the estates was Rs. 7,087 against Rs. 5,723 in the previous year. The increase is chiefly due to an increase in the cultivated area.

EXPENDITURE.

The expenditure during the year amounted, as under, to Rs. 2,115 against Rs. 3,043 in the preceding year:—

	Rs.
Government assessment	345
Litigation expenses	349
Maintenance	266
Audit fees	50
Repairs to houses	1,000
Liquidation of debts	41
Miscellaneous	64
	2,115

MANAGEMENT OF IMMOVEABLE PROPERTY.

Of the 14 estates under management, nine were leased, one continued to be in charge of the minors' uncle, who pays the Government assessment and maintains the minors out of the income, and two consist of residential houses which have been leased on rent. As regards the remaining two, they could not be leased, as there was no proper arrangement for irrigating the land owing to its high level.

MANAGEMENT OF MOVEABLE PROPERTY.

The moveable property of all the wards, excepting one in the Thar Parkar District, continued in charge of their relatives. That of the ward in the Thar Parkar District was, as reported last year, in charge of the Sub-Divisional Officer.

LIABILITIES.

The liabilities of the estates under management at the beginning of the year amounted to Rs. 2,738, which are due on two estates in the Larkana District and one in the Sukkur District. Out of this amount a sum of Rs. 41 was paid during the year.

EDUCATION.

There were in all 19 wards, being 14 boys and 5 girls. Of the former, five are reported to be receiving education.

LITIGATION.

No new suit was filed during the year. The suit and the appeal referred to in the previous year's report are still pending.

STATEMENT I.

Statement showing the general position of estates under Government management in the Province of Sind during the year 1923-24.

Serial No.	Name of Division.	Name of estate.	Total area of estates.	Cultivated area.	Uncultivated area.	Total assessment.	Land Revenue demand including cesses.	Total gross income recovered.	Total expenditure.	Balance including last year's balance.		Total liabilities.	Cost of management.	Percentage of cost on gross income.	Remarks.
										Invested.	Uninvested.				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
			Acres	Acres	Acres	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1 to 14	Sind	Total of small estates.	2,844	1,128	1,516	6,351	11,200	7,087	2,115	2,617	10,580	2,897	..	..	..

STATEMENT II.

Statement showing the efficiency of rent collections in estates under Government management in the Province of Sind during the year 1923-24.

Serial No.	Name of Division.	Name of estate.	Demand.			Collections.			Amount Written off.	Balance.			Remarks.	
			Current.	Arrears.	Total.	On account of current year.	On account of arrears.	Total.		Converted into bonds or decrees.	Others.	Total.		Details of balance.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1 to 14	Sind	Total of small estates.	11,200	181	11,381	6,183	180	6,363	..	..	5,018	5,018	..	..

STATEMENT III.

Statement showing progress made in liquidation of debts in Estates under Government management in the Province of Sind during the year 1923-24.

Serial No.	Name of Division.	Name of Estate.	Debts due on assumption of charge.	Balance of debts at the beginning of the year.	Additional debts incurred during the year.	DEBTS PAID OFF DURING THE YEAR					Balance.	Date by which it was expected on assumption of management that the estate would be clear of debt.	Remarks.
						By incurring fresh debts.	By sale of property.	Rejected by the Manager or Civil Court.	Remitted by the Creditor.	From current income.			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		
1 to 14	Sind	Total of small estates.	8,200	2,738	..	..	..	..	..	41	2,097	..	..