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in the Bombay Presidency

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REPORT ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF CIVIL JUSTICE IN THE PRESIDENCY OF BOMBAY DURING THE YEAR 1926

1. This report and the statements appended to it relate the Presidency proper and not to Sind.

2. *Judicial Staff*—(Statement No. 1).—The permanent Civil Judicial Staff employed in the Presidency on 31st December 1926 consisted of 10 High Court Judges (including two temporary Additional Judges); 17 District Judges; 2 Joint Judges; 7 Assistant Judges (including one under training); a Chief Judge and five Judges (including one Additional Judge) of the Presidency Small Cause Court; 2 Provincial Small Cause Court Judges; 22 First Class Subordinate Judges and 104 Second Class Subordinate Judges. In addition, the Registrars of the Small Cause Courts of Ahmedabad and Poona exercised the powers of a Small Cause Court Judge. There were also three Inamdars and Jagirdars exercising the powers of a Subordinate Judge under Regulation XIII of 1830.

THE CHIEF JUSTICE

The Honourable Sir Norman Cranstoun Macleod, Knight, presided over the High Court from 1st January to 6th June and retired from 7th June 1926.

The Honourable Sir Amberson Barrington Marten, Knight, was appointed Chief Justice in succession to the Honourable Sir Norman Macleod and presided over the High Court from 14th June to 31st December 1926. His Lordship was a Puisne Judge before he was made Chief Justice.

PUISNE JUDGES

The Honourable Sir Lallubhai Asharam Shah, Knight, from 1st January to 22nd February 1926, from 23rd March to 6th June and from 14th June to 15th November 1926. His Lordship was on leave from 23rd February to 22nd March 1926 and officiated as Chief Justice from 7th to 13th June 1926.

The Honourable Sir Amberson Barrington Marten, Knight, from 1st January to 5th April 1926, from 12th April to 6th June, and on 13th June. His Lordship was on leave from 6th to 11th April 1926 and on furlough from 7th to 12th June 1926. His Lordship took charge of the office of Chief Justice from 14th June 1926.

The Honourable Mr. Justice A. M. Kajiji from 1st January to 17th February 1926. His Lordship resigned from the 18th February 1926.

The Honourable Mr. Justice C. G. H. Fawcett from 1st January to 31st December 1926.

The Honourable Mr. Justice L. C. Crump from 1st January to 6th June and from 21st October to 31st December 1926. His Lordship was on leave from 7th June to 20th October 1926.

The Honourable Mr. Justice N. W. Kemp from 26th February to 31st December 1926. His Lordship was on leave from 1st January to 25th February 1926.

The Honourable Mr. Justice G. D. Madgavkar from 1st January to 31st December 1926.

The Honourable Mr. Justice Mirza A. A. Khan from 1st January to 31st December 1926. His Lordship acted as an Additional Judge of the High Court from 1st January to 8th June 1926, acted as a Puisne Judge from 9th June to 5th July 1926, and was appointed to be a Puisne Judge with effect from 6th July.

The Honourable Mr. Justice C. P. Blackwell from 5th November to 31st December 1926. His Lordship was appointed to be a Puisne Judge with effect from 5th November 1926.

The Honourable Mr. Justice H. C. Coyajee acted as a Judge of the High Court from 1st January to 25th February 1926.

The Honourable Mr. Justice P. E. Percival acted as a Judge of the High Court from 7th June to 15th October 1926.

The Honourable Mr. Justice S. S. Rangnekar acted as a Judge of the High Court from 2nd August to 20th October 1926.

The Honourable Mr. Justice V. F. Taraporewala acted as an Additional Judge of the High Court from 1st January to 6th June 1926 and resigned from 7th June 1926.

The Honourable Mr. Justice F. S. Talyarkhan acted as an Additional Judge of the High Court from 14th July to 31st December 1926.

The Honourable Mr. Justice S. S. Patkar acted as an Additional Judge of the High Court from 14th July to 31st December 1926.

The Honourable Mr. Justice W. T. W. Baker acted as an Additional Judge of the High Court from 8th November to 31st December 1926.

The year was marked by the sad death on 16th November 1926 of the Honourable Sir Lallubhai Asharam Shah, Knight, who had been a Puisne Judge of the High Court since 1st April 1913.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION, HIGH COURT[^]

3. *Original Suits Instituted*—(Statement No. 3).—The number of Civil Suits pending on the Original Side of the High Court at the end of the year 1925 was 3,032, including 48 suits received by transfer from the Bombay Court of Small Causes. The number instituted during the year 1926 was 3,063 including 22 suits received by transfer from the Bombay Court of Small Causes and 292 (including one suit received by transfer from the Bombay Court of Small Causes) restored during the year. The above totals 3,032, 3,063 and 292 make an aggregate of 6,387 suits for disposal in 1926, as against, 7,896, in 1925.

4. *Original Suits disposed of*—(Statement No. 5).—The number of suits decided was 3,621 including 26 suits received by transfer from the Bombay Court of Small Causes. The number left undisposed of at the end of the year was 2,766 including 45 suits received by transfer from the Bombay Court of Small Causes.

This number is 266 less than the corresponding number at the end of the previous year. There were 1,290 suits whose hearing had been pending for over one year. This is an increase of 16 suits on the figures of the previous year.

Of the suits decided :—

927 were dismissed for default or want of prosecution including nine Small Cause Court transferred suits,

2,174 were determined without contest including 13 Small Cause Court transferred suits,

426 were decreed after contest including one Small Cause Court transferred suit,

94 were dismissed after contest including three Small Cause transferred suits.

3,621

5. The number of 2,766 suits left undisposed of at the end of the year under report is made up of suits filed in the following years, viz.:—

5 suits of the year	1919.
12	1920.
33	1921.
44	1922.
238	1923.
337	1924.
621	1925.
1,476	1926.

2,766

6. *Suits Instituted and disposed of under the Testamentary and Intestate Jurisdiction*.—The number of suits pending at the end of the year 1925 was nine. The number instituted during the year 1926 was 17 and one was restored during the year. Thus the total for disposal in 1926 was 27. Of these 21 were decided and six remained pending at the close of the year.

Of the suits decided :—

2 were dismissed for default or want of prosecution,

5 were determined without contest,

14 were decreed for plaintiff after contest.

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There was no suit pending over one year at the close of the year.

7. *Suits Instituted and disposed of under the Admiralty and Vice-Admiralty Jurisdiction.*—No suit was pending at the end of the year 1925 and none was instituted and disposed of during the year 1926.

8. *Suits Instituted and disposed of under the Parsi Chief Matrimonial Jurisdiction.*—The number of suits pending at the end of the year 1925 was eight and the number instituted during 1926 was 10, making a total of 18 for disposal in 1926. Of these, eight were decided and 10 remained pending at the close of the year 1926. There were six suits pending over one year at the close of the year.

Of the suits decided—

- 3 were dismissed or withdrawn,
- 5 were decreed for plaintiff after contest.

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9. *Insolvency Petitions.*—The number of petitions at the end of the year 1925 was 3,684 and the number instituted during the year 1926 was 1,809, making a total of 5,493 for disposal in 1926. Of these 1,168 were decided and 4,325 remained pending at the close of the year 1926.

There were 2,560 petitions pending over one year at the close of the year 1926.

Of the cases decided—

- 1,137 were determined without contest,
- 12 were disposed of by suspending the discharge after contest,
- 19 were dismissed after contest.

1,168

10. *Appeals to the Privy Council.*—Eight appeals were pending from the previous year and seven were admitted during the year, making a total of 15 for disposal in the year 1926.

Of these—

- 3 were dismissed for non-prosecution by the Privy Council,
- 2 were decided by the Privy Council who confirmed the Decrees of the Appeal Court,
- 1 was decided by the Privy Council who reversed the Decree of the Appeal Court and restored that of the Lower Court,
- 6 were pending before the Privy Council in England all despatched during the year,
- 3 were pending in the Bombay High Court.

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11. *References to take accounts, etc.*—The number of references to take accounts, to make inquiries as to estates to be administered or partitioned, as to debts and incumbrances, as to allowances to be made for maintenance, on questions of title, on questions affecting minors in proposed terms of settlement, to settle conveyances, and in like matters, pending at the commencement of the year 1926 was 338. 246 references were

filed in 1926 in the office of the Commissioner for taking accounts and 258 references were disposed of by him during the year 1926.

12. *Petitions for Probate and Letters of Administration, etc.*—During the year 646 Petitions for Probate and Letters of Administration, 19 Pauper Petitions for leave to sue or defend *in Forma Pauperis*, 56 Petitions under the Indian Companies Act, 62 Petitions under the Indian Trust Act, 11 References under the Land Acquisition Act, and 475 Petitions under the Guardian and Wards, Lunacy and Arbitration Acts, etc., making in all 1,269, were filed for disposal.

13. *Applications for execution of Decrees, etc.*—(Statement No. 13).—The number of applications pending at the commencement of the year was 1,034 and the number of applications filed during the year was 2,404, making a total of 3,438 for disposal. Of these 408 were disposed of by transfer to other Courts, in 148 satisfaction was obtained in full, in 78 satisfaction was obtained in part, and 1,975 were wholly infructuous, making a total of 2,609 and 829 remained for disposal at the close of the year 1926.

The number of Darkhasts (Decrees or Orders) disposed of during the year by sale of immoveable property was 44. The number of Decrees received from other Courts for execution during the year was 143.

14. *Receipts and Expenditure.*—The following statement shows the receipts and expenditure of the High Court on the Original Side during the year 1926 :—

<i>Receipts</i>		Rs.	a.	p.
Fees realised by means of stamps .. .. .	..	9,98,990	8	1
Probate and Administration duty .. .. .	..	10,87,212	15	0
Admission fees for Advocates and Attorneys ..	..	17,750	0	0
Total		21,03,953	7	1

<i>Expenditure</i>		Rs.	a.	p.
1/5 salary of the Honourable the Chief Justice and salaries of 6 Puisne Judges (including 2 additional Judges) sitting on the Original Side.	.. .. .	2,64,725	5	0
Salaries of Gazetted Officers .. .. .	.. .. .	1,38,324	5	0
Salaries of the Establishment on the Original Side .. .. .	.. .. .	2,54,067	11	0
Contingencies* .. .. .	.. .. .	45,227	11	8
Total		7,02,345	0	8

* These contingent charges for the offices of the Prothonotary and Registrar, Original Jurisdiction, Taxing Master, Clerk of the Crown (in part) and Chief Clerk, Insolvent Debtors' Court, amounting to Rs. 33,398-6-8 were paid out of the Suitors Investment Fund Interest Account pursuant to the Order of the Honourable the Chief Justice, dated the 9th April 1923, and the rest amounting to Rs. 11,829-5-0 were paid by Government.

15. *Taxing Office.*—The number of bills taxed during the year was as follows :—

	Rs.
Between party and party	1,921
Between Attorney and Client	553

The Court fees for taxation during the year amounted to Rs. 1,15,321-11-0. This sum is included in the item "fees realised by means of stamps."

16. *Financial Results.*—The following figures exhibit the financial results for the last three years, including under the head of expenditure the salaries of the Judges :—

Year	Probate and Administration duty		Other receipts		Expenditure	
	Rs.	a. p.	Rs.	a. p.	Rs.	a. p.
1924	10,02,846	3 0	12,70,147	11 9	6,90,025	9 6
1925	7,98,023	10 0	11,39,811	2 1	7,29,445	4 3
1926	10,87,212	15 0	10,16,740	8 1	7,02,345	0 8

HIGH COURT

APPELLATE JURISDICTION

I.—Appeals under section 15 of the Letters Patent

17. (*Statement No. 7.*)—Fifty-four appeals from decrees on the Original Side were filed during the year and 17 were pending at the beginning of the year. Of the total 71, 44 were decided and 27 remained pending at the close of the year. The number of appeals disposed of was less by 61 than in 1925. These 44 appeals were decided as under :—

- 6 Dismissed for default or not prosecuted ;
- 21 Decrees of the Courts of first instance confirmed ;
- 4 Decrees of the Courts of first instance modified ;
- 13 Decrees of the Courts of first instance reversed.

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18. (*Statement No. 8.*)—Fifty-two appeals from Orders on the Original Side were filed during the year and 19 were pending at the beginning of the year. Of the total 71, 43 were decided and 28 (including one over a year old) remained pending at the close of the year. The number of appeals disposed of was more by 6 than in 1925. The disposals of the appeals were as follows :—

- 9 Dismissed or not prosecuted ;
- 15 Orders of the Courts of first instance confirmed ;
- 6 Orders of the Courts of first instance modified ;
- 13 Orders of the Courts of first instance reversed.

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19. (*Statement No. 7*).—On the Appellate Side, 82 appeals from decrees were filed during the year and 17 were pending at the beginning of the year. Of the total 99, 51 were decided and 48 remained pending at the close of the year. The number of appeals disposed of was less by 9 than in 1925. The disposals of the appeals were as follows:—

- 37 Dismissed or not prosecuted;
- 10 Decrees appealed against confirmed;
- 1 Decree appealed against modified;
- 3 Decrees appealed against reversed.

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II.—*Appeals from the Subordinate Civil Courts*

20. *Appeals to the High Court from the Subordinate Courts—(Statements Nos. 7 and 8).*—

	Pending at the end of 1925	Pre-ferred	Decid- ed	Pending at the end of 1926
Appeals from Original Decrees ..	660	451	374	737
Appeal from Appellate Decrees.	547	945	698	794
Appeals from Orders ..	44	86	68	62
Total ..	1,251	1,482	1,140	1,593

The statement in the margin shows the numbers of first and second appeals from decrees and appeals from orders of the Provincial Courts of Original and Appellate Jurisdiction, which came before the High Court and were decided during the year. The institutions of first appeals and second

appeals were less by 31 and 27 respectively than in 1925 and the institution of appeals from orders was more by 7 than in that year.

21. *Appeals decided—(Statements Nos. 7 and 8).*—The disposals of first and second appeals and of appeals from orders show a decrease of 188, 556 and 38 respectively, on the figures of the previous year.

22. *Appeals pending—(Statements Nos. 7 and 8).*—At the close of the year 737 first appeals, 794 second appeals, and 62 appeals from orders were pending. The aggregate total of the pending appeals is more by 342 than in 1925.

23. *Comparative statement of Civil work of the High Court during the past four years—(Statements Nos. 7 and 8).*—The following statement shows in detail the civil business which has come before, and disposed of by the High Court in its Appellate Jurisdiction during each of the past four years.

	Instituted				Disposed of			
	1923	1924	1925	1926	1923	1924	1925	1926
Appeals from Original Decrees ..	351	427	482	451	265	358	562	374
Appeals from Appellate Decrees ..	827	900	972	945	671	751	1,254	698
Appeals under the Letters Patent ..	51	48	59	82	44	48	60	51
Appeals from Orders. Civil Revision Applications ..	72	79	79	86	60	80	106	68
Civil References ..	386	372	354	415	344	374	438	336
Applications for Review ..	22	23	11	31	24	28	17	17
Miscellaneous Applications ..	27	32	33	51	21	36	33	56
	787	974	1,048	1,033	739	924	915	952

24. *Results of appeals (Statement No. 7).*—Of the 374 appeals from Original Decrees decided, 41 were dismissed or not prosecuted. Of the remaining 333, the decrees of the lower Courts were confirmed in 202, reversed in 94, and modified in 36; and one case was remanded.

Of the 698 appeals from Appellate Decrees decided, 406 were dismissed or not prosecuted. Of the remaining 292 the decrees of the lower Courts were affirmed in 204, reversed in 65, and modified in 19; and 4 were remanded.

(*Statement No. 8.*)—Of the 68 appeals from Orders decided, 25 were dismissed or not prosecuted. Of the remaining 43 the orders of the lower Courts were affirmed in 28 and reversed in 15.

During the year 3 appeals under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923, were filed, of which 1 was summarily dismissed and the order of the lower Court was confirmed in 1. One appeal remained pending at the close of the year.

No references under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923, were filed during the year.

25. *Appeals to the Privy Council.*—At the opening of the year, 6 appeals were under preparation for despatch to England and 8 applications for leave to appeal were pending orders. Twenty-five new applications were filed during the year. Of the total number of applications for leave to appeal, 2 were withdrawn, 6 were rejected, in 5 the Rule was discharged, and in 15 the Rule was made absolute. Five applications for leave remained pending at the close of the year. During the year 7 appeals were despatched to England and 14 appeals were under preparation.

26. *Results of Appeals to the Privy Council.*—During the year no appeal from this High Court was decided by the Privy Council and 14 appeals were pending before the Privy Council at the end of the year.

27. *Income and Expenditure.*—The following statement shows the receipts and expenditure of the High Court on the Appellate Side during the year 1926 :—

<i>Receipts</i>		Rs.	a.	p.
Fees realized by means of Stamps in the Registrar's Office .. .. .	.. .. .	1,63,370	0	0
Other miscellaneous receipts in cash .. .. .	.. .. .	16,383	12	10
Fees realized by means of Stamps in the Translators' Department .. .. .	.. .. .	4,234	0	0
Total		1,83,987	12	10

<i>Expenditure</i>		Rs.	a.	p.
4/5th salary of the Honourable the Chief Justice and the salaries of the 3 Puisne Judges (including acting allowances) .. .. .	.. .. .	2,04,148	11	0
Travelling allowance to the Honourable Judges.. .. .	.. .. .	681	10	0
Salaries of Gazetted Officers .. .. .	.. .. .	41,661	6	0
Travelling allowance to Gazetted Officers .. .. .	.. .. .	139	0	0
Salaries of Registrar's Establishment .. .. .	.. .. .	1,07,520	8	0
Salaries of the Translators' Department, Appellate Side .. .. .	.. .. .	26,220	15	0
Pleaders' Fees in Murder Cases .. .. .	.. .. .	1,890	0	0
*Contingencies .. .. .	.. .. .	8,631	3	11
Charges of the Establishment of the Inspecting High Court Judge .. .. .	.. .. .	1,477	10	0
Total		3,92,370	15	11

Expenditure of the High Court Press

		Rs.	a.	p.
Salaries of the Establishment .. .. .	.. .. .	9,484	10	0
*Contingencies .. .. .	.. .. .	162	5	9
Total		9,646	15	9

28. *Appellate Courts subordinate to the High Court—Appeals instituted—*(Statement No. 7).—4,947 appeals were instituted in 1926, showing an increase of 315 as compared with the previous year.

The number of appeals instituted was larger in 6 and smaller in 11 districts.

*These contingent charges for the office of the Registrar, Appellate Side, were paid out of the Suitors' Fee Fund Investment Interest Account, pursuant to the order of the Honourable the Chief Justice dated 9th April 1923,

There were noticeable increases in Sholapur (133), Satara (90), Kanara (75) and Ahmednagar (68) and noticeable decreases in Nasik (76), Broach and Panch Mahals (59), Thana (47), Belgaum (42), and West Khandesh (35). In the remaining districts the variations were less than 30.

29. *Appeals disposed of*—(Statements Nos. 7 and 14).—4,604 appeals were disposed of during the year including 362 by First Class Subordinate Judges exercising appellate powers. These two figures are more by 10 and less by 217 respectively than the corresponding figures of the previous year.

There was an increase in the disposals in 7 districts, the greatest increase being in East Khandesh (378), followed by Sholapur (220), Ratnagiri (120), Broach and Panch Mahals (72), Kolaba (50) and Ahmednagar (40). On the other hand there was a noticeable decrease in the disposals in West Khandesh (629), Nasik (127), Poona (95), Surat (61), Ahmedabad (52) and Belgaum (46).

30. *Appeals pending*—(Statement No. 7).—There were 4,791 appeals pending at the close of the year, the number being more by 343 than at the end of 1925.

(Statement No. 14).—The number of appeals pending for more than a year rose from 1,025 to 1,114.

31. *Results of Appeals*—(Statement No. 7).—The results of the decision of the appeals in the lower Courts during the year were as follows :—

In 2,554 cases, or 55·5 cent. of the whole, the judgment of the lower Court, was affirmed; in 516 cases or 11·2 per cent. it was modified; and in 694 cases or 15 per cent. it was reversed. 249 or 5·4 per cent. appeals were remanded and 591 or 12·9 per cent. were either summarily dismissed or not prosecuted.

32. *Miscellaneous Appeals*—(Statement No. 8).—387 miscellaneous appeals were instituted during the year and 132 were pending at the beginning of the year. Of the total 519, 346 were disposed of during the year and 173 remained pending at the close of the year. The number pending was more by 41 than in the previous year.

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

L—Civil Courts in the Mofussil subordinate to the High Court

33. *Changes in Jurisdiction*.—During the year under report, changes were effected in the jurisdiction of some of the Civil Courts in the Presidency as under :—

(1) With effect from 1st January 1926, the Revenue District of Kaira was excluded from the Judicial District of Ahmedabad and created a new District to be called the Kaira Judicial District having Nadiad for its Sadar Station,

(2) With effect from 6th January 1926, the Court of the Second Class Subordinate Judge, Bassein, was abolished and (i) a new Court established at Andheri so as to include within the local limits of its ordinary jurisdiction 58 villages in the North and South Salsette Talukas hitherto included within the local limits of the ordinary jurisdiction of the Court of the First Class Subordinate Judge of Thana and all the villages in the Bassein Taluka of the Thana District hitherto included within the local limits of the ordinary jurisdiction of the Court at Bassein and (ii) 26 villages in the Mahim Taluka of the Thana District hitherto included within the local limits of the Court at Bassein were included in the local limits of the ordinary jurisdiction of the Court of the Second Class Subordinate Judge, Dahanu.

(3) With effect from 15th July 1926 the Talukas of Chalisgaon and Pachora with the Peta of Bhadgaon of the Revenue District of East Khandesh were transferred from the Judicial District of West Khandesh to the Judicial District of East Khandesh.

34. *Original Suits instituted*—(Statement No. 3).—The number of suits instituted in 1926 was 127,939, an increase of 3,769 on the figures of the previous year.

The increase occurred in money and title suits to the extent of 3·8 and ·2 per cent. respectively, the number of money suits instituted being 1,02,347 as against 98,626 in 1925 and that of title suits being 25,592 as against 25,544 in 1925.

(Statement No. 4).—The total value of suits instituted in 1926 amounted to Rs. 4,92,42,986, an increase of Rs. 66,82,229 on the total for 1925.

35. *Local Distribution*—(Statement No. 3).—The number of suits instituted in 1926 was larger than in the previous year in 12 and smaller in 5 districts.

The increase was most marked in the districts of East Khandesh (1,702), Nasik (1,329), Surat (712) and Sholapur (518), and occurred chiefly in money suits. There was a marked decrease in the districts of Ahmedabad (8,583) owing to the separation of the Kaira District and West Khandesh (1,613) owing to the transfer of Chalisgaon Taluka to the East Khandesh District.

(Statement No. 3).—The largest number of suits was instituted in East Khandesh (13,998) where the number of money suits (12,030) was the heaviest in the Presidency. In no other district except Poona and Nasik did institutions exceed 10,000. Institutions were between 9,000 and 10,000 in the District of Ahmedabad; between 8,000 and 9,000 in the District of Kaira; between 7,000 and 8,000 in the District of Ahmednagar; between 6,000 and 7,000 in the Districts of Satara, Sholapur, Dharwar, Thana and Surat; between 5,000 and 6,000 in the Districts of West Khandesh and Broach and Panch Mahals; between 4,000 and 5,000 in Ratnagiri, Belgaum and Bijapur; between 3,000 and 4,000 in Kanara and 2,896 in Kolaba which is the lowest figure of institutions.

36. *Number of Suits disposed of*—(Statement No. 5).—In addition to the 127,939 suits instituted during the year and 58,980 suits pending

trial from the previous year, 1,712 suits were revived or received on remand or review, making a total of 188,631, for disposal.

The number of suits disposed of was 128,515, an increase of 8,486 on the figure of 1925.

Of the total number of disposals, 116,693 were disposed of by paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals (that is Courts of Subordinate Judges), 10,831 by Small Cause Courts, 951 by District Courts, and 40 by unpaid Tribunals (that is, Inamdars and Jagirdars).

37. *Results of Suits decided*—(Statement No. 5).—Out of the suits disposed of during the year, 14,346 or 11·2 per cent. were disposed of without trial; 49,540 or 38·6 per cent. without contest; 64,060 or 49·8 per cent. with contest; and 569 or ·4 per cent. by compromise.

Of the 64,060 suits decided on contest, 56,819 or 88·7 per cent. resulted in favour of the plaintiffs and 7,241 or 11·3 per cent. in favour of the defendants.

38. *Suits disposed of by Inamdars and Jagirdars*—(Statement No. 5).—The unpaid Tribunals disposed of 40 original suits of which 13 were contested. In 1925 the figures were 57 and 10 respectively.

39. *Suits disposed of by Subordinate Judges*—(Statement No. 5).—The number of original suits disposed of by Subordinate Judges was 116,693, an increase of 8,208 on the figures of the previous year. The increase is chiefly in the number of cases decided under the ordinary procedure and appears in both contested and uncontested suits. The figures of suits decided under the Small Cause Court procedure show a net increase of 790, there being a decrease (495) in uncontested suits, but an increase (1,285) in contested suits. The number of suits decided under the ordinary procedure was 68,067 and under the Small Cause procedure 48,626. Of these 55 per cent. and 45·2 per cent. respectively were contested. The percentage of suits decided after contest both under the ordinary and under the Small Cause Court procedure shows an increase as compared with the previous year.

40. *Suits disposed of by Small Cause Court Judges*—(Statement No. 5).—The Provincial Small Cause Courts disposed of 10,831 original suits of which 4,468 (173 less than last year) were contested.

41. *Suits disposed of by District and Assistant Judges*—(Statement No. 5).—The District Courts disposed of 951 original suits of which 675 (124 more than last year) were contested.

42. *Pending Suits*—(Statement No. 5).—The number of suits pending at the close of the year was 60,116 as against 58,980 in the previous year.

(Statement No. 14).—Of the pending cases, 6,923 had been pending for more than a year; this is an increase of 519 on the figures of the previous year. Of the suits pending for over a year, 202 were in the Courts of the District Judges, 6,677 in the Courts of Subordinate Judges, 35 in the Small Cause Courts and 9 in the Courts of Inamdars and Jagirdars, the figures showing as compared with last year a decrease of 190 in the Courts of the District Judges and an increase of 679, 23 and 7 respectively in the other Courts.

The number of suits pending over a year was the largest in Nasik (784), followed by East Khandesh (782), Ahmedabad (638) and Belgaum (607). As compared with the figures of the previous year, the number of year old suits shows a marked increase from 250 to 782 in East Khandesh, from 262 to 462 in West Khandesh, from 338 to 501 in Ahmednagar, from 78 to 174 in Broach and Panch Mahals and from 255 to 329 in Kanara. On the other hand there was a noticeable decrease from 491 to 261 in Sholapur, from 632 to 459 in Dharwar, from 315 to 157 in Thana, and from 738 to 638 in Ahmedabad. In other districts the variations were less than 50.

43. *Execution proceedings*—(Statement No. 13).—There were 54,218 applications for execution of decrees pending from the previous year and 121,546 were made during the year. Realization was complete in 26,961 cases and partial in 34,849. In 57,242 cases proceedings were returned as infructuous, 56,601 remained pending at the close of the year, and 111 were disposed of by transfer. The total amount realized in Courts other than Small Cause Courts was Rs. 74,48,424-14-8.

Debtors were imprisoned in 333 cases and moveable property sold in 807 and immoveable property in 2,945.

44. *Miscellaneous Cases*—(Statement No. 6).—The number of miscellaneous institutions rose from 10,996 to 12,036. That of miscellaneous disposals rose from 10,778 to 11,498 and that of pending cases from 4,221 to 4,759. Of the cases disposed of 1,525 were disposed of without trial, 3,403 without contest, 1 on reference to Arbitration, and 6,569 after contest. Of these 6,569 contested cases, 4,246 or 64·6 per cent. were decided in favour of the plaintiffs.

II. *Bombay Small Cause Court*

45. (Statements Nos. 3 and 5).—The number of suits instituted, decided and pending at close of the year in the Presidency Court of Small Causes were 35,274, 35,137 and 5,791 respectively. The institutions and the disposals show an increase of 551 and 612 respectively. The number of suits pending at the end of the year was more by 137 than in 1925.

(Statement No. 4).—There was an increase in the institution of suits not exceeding Rs. 500 in value but a decrease in all the rest.

The total value of the litigation was Rs. 86,34,540 as against 93,33,998 in the preceding year.

46. *Mode of disposal*—(Statement No. 5).—Of the 35,137 suits disposed of 679 were disposed of without trial, 30,383 without contest, 4,003 after contest, and 72 upon reference to arbitration.

47. *Execution of decrees*—(Statement No. 13).—Of the 19,757 applications for the execution of decrees (including 1,973 pending from the previous year) that were before the Courts during the year, 17,886 were disposed of and 1,871 remained pending at the close of the year. Of the latter 473 were more than three months old. Of the applications disposed of 6,372 resulted in whole or partial satisfaction of the decrees granted

10,512 were returned as wholly infructuous, and 1,002, were transferred to other Courts.

The total amount realized was Rs. 8,91,396 as compared with 16,58,682 in the previous year.

48. *Coercive Processes—(Statement No. 13).*—In order to enforce the execution of decrees, imprisonment was ordered in 243 cases and sale of moveables in 930. These figures are more by 15 and 444 respectively than those of 1925.

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49. As compared with the figures of 1925, the number of suits instituted and disposed of in Subordinate Judges Courts in 1926 increased by 4,168 and 8,208 respectively, the number of regular suits disposed of being more by 7,418 and those under Small Cause Court Jurisdiction being more by 790. With the number of revived suits and those pending at the end of the last year the total number of suits pending and the number of suits pending over a year show an increase from 53,916 to 55,118 and 5,998 to 6,677 respectively.

The number of appeals disposed of by the District Courts increased by 10. The First Class Subordinate Judges exercising appellate powers disposed of 362 appeals as against 579 in 1925. The total number of appeals pending in the District Courts increased from 4,448 to 4,791.

The number of suits instituted and disposed of on the Original Side of the High Court in 1926 was less by 729 and 1,317 respectively. The number of pending suits increased from 6,733 to 7,107.

On the Appellate Side of the High Court the total number of institutions and disposals of appeals decreased from 1,592 to 1,567 and 1,982 to 1,193 respectively. The total arrears of appeals on the Appellate Side increased from 1,268 to 1,642.

50. *Inspection.*—After an interval of nearly two years, a tour of Inspection of the District and Subordinate Courts in the Presidency was undertaken by the Administrative High Court Judge, the Honourable Mr. Justice Madgavkar. His Lordship's tour began on 8th November 1926 and ended on 17th March 1927. By the end of the year under report his Lordship had inspected the District Courts, the First Class Subordinate Courts and the Magisterial Courts at the Sadar stations in the Districts of Thana, East Khandesh, West Khandesh, Surat, Broach, Kaira and Ahmedabad.

The Honourable the Chief Justice Sir Norman Macleod visited the Courts at Surat during the early part of the year 1926.

During the year under report the District and Assistant Judges inspected the following Courts of Subordinate Judges :—

Dholka and Dhandhuka in the Ahmedabad District ; Kopargaon, Rahuri, Karjat and Jamkhed in the Ahmednagar District ; Athani, Chikcdi, Hukeri and Gokak in the Belgaum District ; Muddebihal and the First Class Subordinate Court in the Bijapur District ; all the Subordinate Courts in the Districts of Broach and Panch Mahals,

Dharwar and Kaira ; Kumta, Honavar and Sirsi in the Kanara District ; Amalner, Yawal and Erandol in the East Khandesh District ; Nandurbar in the West Khandesh District ; Malegaon and Sinnar in the Nasik District ; Baramati, Vadgaon, and Talegaon in the Poona District ; Karad and Islampur in the Satara District ; Madha and Malsiras (Akluj) in the Sholapur District ; Olpad in the Surat District ; and Kalyan, Murbad, Andheri, Mahad, Roha, Alibag, Dahanu, Panvel, and the First Class Subordinate Court in the Thana District.

51. *Receipts and charges of the Civil and Criminal Courts.*—The total receipts of all the Courts (Civil and Criminal) have risen from Rs. 85,30,958 to 86,29,433 and the total charges from Rs. 51,72,773 to 55,71,859. These figures have been supplied by the Accountant General, Bombay, in accordance with Government Resolution, Judicial Department, No. 5042 dated 11th August 1893.

52. The District Judges of Broach and Panch Mahals, East Khandesh and Surat assembled Judicial Conferences of the Judges subordinate to them, and points touching on the practice and procedure of Civil Courts were discussed.

His Majesty's High Court of Judicature,
Appellate Side,
Bombay, 20th September 1927.

A. S. R. MACKLIN,
Registrar.

**REPORT ON THE ADMINISTRATION OF CRIMINAL
JUSTICE IN THE PRESIDENCY OF BOMBAY
DURING THE YEAR 1926**

1. *Judicial Staff*—(*Statement No. I*).—The Criminal Judicial Staff employed in the Presidency on 31st December 1926 consisted of 10 High Court Judges ; 17 Sessions Judges ; 6 Additional Sessions Judges ; 2 Assistant Sessions Judges ; 356 First Class Magistrates ; 368 Second Class Magistrates ; 250 Third Class Magistrates ; 138 Sanitary Committees and Sanitary Boards under Bombay Act I of 1889 ; and 284 Village Panchayats under Bombay Act IX of 1920.

In addition to the above, there were 19,741 Police Patils in the Presidency exercising powers under Section 14 of the Village Police Act, VIII of 1867, of whom 551 were invested with powers under Section 15 of that Act.

There were also 51 Benches of Magistrates, inclusive of those in the City of Bombay, constituted from 467 Honorary Magistrates.

2. *Offences reported*—(*Statement No. II*).—There were 2,12,444 Criminal offences reported during the year, a decrease of 759 on the figures of 1925. In the Districts of Sholapur, Nasik, Surat, Thana and Kaira, there was a noticeable increase in the number of offences reported during the year, but a noticeable decrease in the districts of Satara and Kolaba and in the City of Bombay. Of the total number of offences reported 48,818 were under the Indian Penal Code and 1,63,626 under Special and Local Laws.

3. *Complaints dismissed* (Section 203, Criminal Procedure Code) and *Complainants fined* (Section 250, Criminal Procedure Code)—(*Statement No. II*).—The number of complaints dismissed under Section 203 was 3,682 and the number of complainants fined under Section 250 was 316.

4. *Cases found to be true*.—Of the total number of cases under inquiry, 2,05,258 were found to be true. The number of cases brought to trial excluding those withdrawn and including those pending from the previous year was 2,01,464. The number of cases found to be true and the number of cases brought to trial show a decrease of 378 and 8,008 respectively on the figures of 1925.

5. *Murders reported as true*.—Out of 697 cases affecting human life brought to trial during the year 221 were murders, of which 150 ended in conviction. The numbers corresponding to the first two figures for 1925 were 627 and 214.

The 221 murders may be classified as under :—

Murders from motives connected with women	61
Murders of children for the sake of their ornaments	6
Other murders for the sake of gain	26
Murders arising out of other causes	128
	221

ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

I.—PRESIDENCY MAGISTRATES' COURTS

6. *Cases in the Presidency Magistrates' Courts—(Statement No. 11).*—The total number of cases brought to trial during the year in the Courts of the Presidency Magistrates, Benches of Honorary Presidency Magistrates, and Honorary Presidency Magistrates sitting singly was 1,12,483. This number is less by 12,109 than that of 1925. The number of cases under Special and Local Laws was 1,02,572 or 11,462 less than in 1925 and the cases under the Penal Code also fell from 10,558 to 9,911. The decrease under the former head was most marked in offences under the City of Bombay Police Act, which fell from 65,456 to 52,839, and under the City of Bombay Municipal Act, which fell from 20,517 to 12,320. The number of offences under the Abkari Act fell from 624 to 365; under the Bombay Rent Act from 394 to 160; under the Indian Railways Act from 1,273 to 1,055; and under the Prevention of Gambling Act from 874 to 735. There was a noticeable increase in offences under the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act which rose from 15,071 to 21,777; under the Public Conveyances Act from 7,996 to 10,574; under the Motor Vehicles Act from 1,296 to 2,075; under the Opium Act from 85 to 166; under the Merchants Shipping Act from 1 to 29; and under the Bombay Prostitution Act from 54 to 69. As regards offences under the Penal Code, there was an increase in the offences of Criminal Force and assault from 969 to 1,213; of hurt from 1,289 to 1,501; of defamation from 90 to 121; affecting life from 89 to 111; of kidnapping from 44 to 60; and of contempts of the lawful authority of public servants from 5 to 17. On the other hand there was a noticeable decrease in offences of theft from 2,851 to 2,383; of criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance from 2,219 to 1,951; of criminal trespass from 513 to 390; affecting public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals from 286 to 207; of receiving stolen property from 230 to 179; relating to documents and to trade or property marks from 59 to 25; and of marriage from 114 to 81.

(*Statements Nos. 2 and 9.*)—During the year, 1,11,699 regular and 1,016 miscellaneous cases were disposed of and only 784 regular cases were pending at the close of the year.

7. *Results of trials—(Statement No. 9).*—The aggregate number of persons under trial before the Magistrates was 1,20,708. Of the persons tried, 13,944 were acquitted or discharged; 1,05,533 were convicted; 18 were transferred to other Provinces; 135 were committed to the High Court; 10 were sent to the Military Authorities; 9 died during their trials; and 1,059 remained under trial at the close of the year. Of the persons tried for offences under the Penal Code, 4,375 were convicted and 10,253 were acquitted. The results of the trials before each of the three classes of Magistrates during the year are shown below:—

	Acquitted or discharged	Convicted	Percentage of convictions
Stipendiary Magistrates	12,037	19,301	61·6
Benches of Honorary Magistrates	1,564	65,302	97·7
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	343	20,840	98·4

8. *Punishments*—(Statement No. 12).—Of the persons convicted, 9,943 were punished with imprisonment, 88,169 with fine, and 215 with whipping. 5,380 convicted persons were warned and discharged, 29 persons were sent to the Leper Asylum at Maturga, and 1,069 were released on probation of good conduct under Section 562, Criminal Procedure Code.

The sentences of imprisonment passed were for the following terms :—

Not exceeding	{	15 days	4,139
		6 months	4,547
		2 years	1,257

The fines imposed aggregated to Rs. 4,66,745. The total amount realized was Rs. 3,85,846 of which Rs. 23,088 was paid as compensation to complainants.

In addition to these sentences one complainant was ordered to pay compensation to accused person under Section 250 of the Criminal Procedure Code.

II.—MAGISTRATES INCLUDING VILLAGE OFFICERS AND SANITARY COMMITTEES AND SANITARY BOARDS

9. *Results of trials*—(Statement No. 9).—The aggregate number of persons under trial before these Tribunals was 1,30,758. Of these, the cases of 1,025 persons were committed or referred to the Sessions and the cases of the remaining 1,29,733 persons were finally disposed of by the various Tribunals. Out of the total 1,29,733, 64,374 or 49·6 per cent. were convicted and 64,860 or 50 per cent. were acquitted or discharged. 222 persons died and 276 escaped during their trials, and 1 was transferred.

The total number of persons awaiting trial before Magistrates and Village Officers at the close of the year was 9,771 as compared with 9,065 in 1925.

The general results of trials before Magistrates of each class are as follows :—

Class of Magistrates	Number of persons		Percentage of convictions
	Acquitted or discharged	Convicted	
Chief Magistrates of Districts	2	58	96·7
District and Divisional Magistrates	12	72	85·7
Honorary Magistrates	4,041	4,573	53·1
Special Magistrates	1,054	1,143	52
Benches of Magistrates	6,423	11,680	64·5
Subordinate Stipendiary Magistrates	51,464	45,927	47·2
Village Officers	1,863	886	32·2
Sanitary Boards and Sanitary Committees	1	35	97·2

10. *Punishments (Statement No. 12).*—The sentences passed on persons convicted were as follows :—

Imprisonment	8,568
Fine .. .	52,841
Whipping .. .	195
Ordered to give security .. .	3,796

Of the sentences of imprisonment imposed, 1,759 were for terms not exceeding 15 days; 5,614 for terms not exceeding 6 months and 1,195 for terms not exceeding 2 years.

Sentences of whipping were passed on only 195 persons; in 1925 too, the figure was as low as 196.

The amounts of fines imposed and realized during the year were 7,51,846 and 6,23,405 respectively. A total sum of Rs. 63,393 was paid as compensation to complainants.

In addition to the above, 315 complainants were ordered to pay compensation to accused persons under Section 250 of the Criminal Procedure Code, as against 258 last year.

III.—COURTS OF SESSION

11. *Results of trials (Statement No. 9).*—There were 1,809 persons, or 80 more than in 1925, under trial. The cases of 1,637 persons were decided, while those of 172 remained under trial at the close of the year. Of the 1,637 persons tried 968 or 59·1 per cent. were convicted and 640 or 39·1 per cent. were acquitted or discharged, and the cases of 27 persons were referred to the High Court under Sections 307 and 374 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, while 2 persons died during trial.

12. *Punishments—(Statement No. 12).*—The following sentences were passed by the Courts of Session :—

Death	26
Transportation or Penal servitude .. .	149
Imprisonment .. .	775
Fine .. .	179
Whipping .. .	9
Ordered to give security .. .	7

Sentences of imprisonment were passed for the following terms :—

Not exceeding	{	15 days .. .	12
		6 months .. .	142
		2 years .. .	223
Exceeding 2 years .. .		398	

Fines to the amount of Rs. 53,814 were imposed by Courts of Session as compared with Rs. 42,131 in the preceding year. The total realization amounted to Rs. 21,512 as compared with 21,097 in 1925, and the total amount of fines paid as compensation was Rs. 3,236 as compared with 3,300 in 1925.

APPELLATE JURISDICTION

APPELLATE COURTS SUBORDINATE TO THE HIGH COURT

I.—*Appeals*

13. (*Statement No. 2*).—The number of appeals decided during the year was 2,938 as against 2,448 in the preceding year.

14. *Magistrates' Courts (Statement No. 10)*.—The number of persons whose appeals were decided by Courts of Magistrates was 2,153. Of these the appeals of 250 were summarily dismissed, and sentences on 1,002 were confirmed after admission, making a total of 1,252 wholly unsuccessful appellants or 58·2 per cent. Of the remainder, 263 appellants or 12·2 per cent. obtained a modification of the sentences passed on them, and 571 or 26·5 per cent. an annulment. The cases of 67 appellants were otherwise disposed of. As compared with 1925, the results were more favourable to the appellants.

15. *Sessions Courts (Statement No. 10)*.—During the year, the number of persons whose appeals were decided by Courts of Sessions was 2,533. The appeals of 853 persons (or 33·7 per cent.) were summarily dismissed; 719 appellants whose appeals were admitted were altogether unsuccessful; 296 obtained an alteration of sentence; 599 were acquitted; the cases of 61 appellants were otherwise disposed of; 3 were transferred; and 2 appellants died during trial.

The proportions of persons whose appeals were wholly unsuccessful, successful in obtaining a modification of the original orders, and completely successful were 62·1, 11·7, and 23·6 per cent. respectively. Of those concerned in admitted appeals only, the proportions were 42·8, 17·6 and 35·7 per cent. If admitted appeals only are considered these results were on the whole less favourable to appellants than in the previous year, the percentage of successful appellants in 1926 being 53·3 against 55·5 in 1925.

II.—*Superintendence, Reference and Revision*

16. *Magistrates' Courts (Statement No. 10)*.—The cases of 237 accused persons who applied for revision, or against whom applications were made by complainants, came before the District Magistrates for revision. The number was more by 7 than in 1925. Of the total applications those of 168 persons were rejected and those of 69 were otherwise disposed of.

17. *Sessions Courts (Statement No. 10)*.—Including the cases of accused persons who themselves applied for revision of the orders passed on them in the Courts of Magistrates, and of those against whom such applications were made by complainants the cases of 915 persons were decided on revision by Courts of Session during the year. The number was more by 113 than in 1925. Applications of 716 persons were rejected and those of 198 were otherwise disposed of. In the case of 1 person the proceedings abated owing to the death of the accused.

HIGH COURT

I.—ORIGINAL JURISDICTION

18. *Commitments to the High Court (Statement No. 9).*—No case was pending at the beginning of the year and 106 cases were brought to trial during the year. Of these, 105 were decided and 1 remained pending at the end of the year.

Altogether 138 persons were tried, of whom 115 were convicted and 23 acquitted.

19. *Punishments (Statement No. 12).*—The following sentences were passed :—

Death	..	..	..	..	2
Transportation or Penal servitude			..	..	6
Imprisonment	..	..	..	..	107
Fine	..	..	..	..	2

Sentences of imprisonment were passed for the following terms :—

Not exceeding	15 days	..	..	..	1
„	6 months	..	..	..	4
„	2 years	..	..	..	18
Exceeding	2 years	..	..	..	84

The fines imposed amounted to Rs. 150 and were fully realized during the year.

II.—APPELLATE JURISDICTION

20. (*Statement No. 10.*)—At the opening of the year, 61 appeals were pending before the High Court from sentences or orders of Criminal Courts. During the year, 660 appeals were preferred and 642 decided, leaving 79 pending at its close. The numbers preferred and decided and the number pending were more by 118, 101 and 18 respectively than in the preceding year.

Of the appeals preferred against sentences 507 were from Courts of Session and 130 from Courts of Presidency Magistrates, while 23 were preferred by the Local Government against orders of acquittal.

21. *Results of appeals.*—491 appeals against sentences passed by Courts of Session were decided. The sentences were upheld in 443 cases, reversed in 24, and modified in 14. Two appeals against the sentences of Assistant Sessions Judges were returned for presentation to the Sessions Courts, 7 related to questions of sanction, and 1 related to a question of property.

134 appeals against sentences by Presidency Magistrates were decided. The sentences were upheld in 128 cases, reversed in 2 and modified in 4.

The results of appeals as affecting individual appellants were as follows :—

The appeals of 506 persons were summarily dismissed under Section 421 of the Code of Criminal Procedure. In admitted appeals, the sentences of 124 appellants were confirmed, those of 21 altered, and those of 41 reversed.

In appeals against acquittal orders sentences were passed by the High Court on 12 persons, while in the case of 11 persons the orders of acquittal were confirmed, and in the case of 4 persons the proceedings were dropped.

Seventeen appeals by the Local Government against acquittal orders involving 27 accused persons were disposed of by the High Court during the year. In 10 cases involving 11 persons the High Court allowed the appeals, set aside the orders of acquittal in respect of all the accused, and convicted them. In 5 cases involving 8 persons the High Court upheld the order of acquittal and dismissed the appeals. In 1 case involving 4 persons the High Court upheld the order of acquittal in respect of 3 accused, but set aside the order of acquittal and passed an order of conviction in respect of 1 accused. In the remaining case involving 4 persons the proceedings were dropped.

III.—SUPERINTENDENCE, REFERENCE AND REVISION

22. *References under Section 307, Code of Criminal Procedure.*—Two references were pending in the High Court at the beginning of the year and 5 were submitted to it during the year. Of these 5 were decided during the year. The result of the 5 cases disposed of was that the verdict of the Jury was accepted in 1 case and the accused were convicted, in 3 cases the verdict of the Jury was set aside and the accused convicted, and in the remaining case the High Court set aside the verdict of the Jury and acquitted the accused.

23. *References under Section 374, Code of Criminal Procedure.*—Twenty-six references under this Section were submitted to the High Court during the year for confirmation of death sentences and 4 were pending at the opening. Twenty-four references involving 25 persons were decided during the year and 6 remained pending. The sentence of death was confirmed in the case of 19 persons and commuted to that of transportation for life in the case of 4. The remaining 2 persons were acquitted.

During the year under report, 19 persons were executed in the Presidency.

24. *Revision.*—During the year 107 cases were reported for the orders of the High Court by Sessions Judges and District Magistrates under Section 438 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, and 19 were pending at the opening of the year. Of these, 100 were decided during the year and 26 remained pending. The number reported was more by 21 than in 1925. In 20 cases the orders sent up for revision were reversed, and in 15 the proceedings were quashed and new trials were ordered. Sentences were reduced or altered in 16 and enhanced in 17 cases; in 23 cases the High Court declined to interfere and 9 cases were otherwise disposed of.

Orders were passed under Section 435 of the Code of Criminal Procedure in 261 cases, a decrease of 18 on the figures of the previous year. Of these, 241 came before the High Court on application and 20 were taken up by the High Court on review of Criminal Returns or otherwise of its own motion,

Of the 241 applications for the issue of rule, 159 were rejected. Of the 82 rules issued 35 were finally discharged, 37 were made absolute in their entirety, in 9 the orders complained of were modified, and one was withdrawn.

In 14 out of the 20 cases taken up by the High Court *suo motu* the orders passed by the lower Courts were not disturbed, in 4 the sentences were enhanced, and in 2 they were reduced.

25. *Applications for transfer.*—Sixty-eight applications under Section 526 of the Code of Criminal Procedure for transfer of cases (36 original and 32 appeals) from one Court or District to another were received during the year and 11 were pending at the beginning of the year. Of these 68 were decided during the year and 11 remained pending. Thirty-nine were summarily rejected and in 5 transfers were granted without the issue of a rule. In the 24 applications in which rules were issued transfers were granted in 8 and refused in 13, while 3 applications were withdrawn.

26. *Miscellaneous applications.*—Ten applications for bail, 7 for stay of proceedings, 8 for disposal of property, 17 for sanction, 5 for compensation, 9 for maintenance, 2 for security, 4 under Habeas Corpus, and 31 for miscellaneous purposes were disposed of by the High Court during the year.

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27. The following table shows the number of original and appellate criminal cases disposed of during the year as compared with those of the last year :—

Year				Total number of cases decided			
				Original		Appellate	
				Regular	Miscellaneous	Regular	Miscellaneous
1925	..	..	..	2,04,401	1,344	2,989	904
1926	..	..	..	1,95,996	1,715	3,580	951

28. During the year under report, one person was put on trial for an offence against the State and the case was transferred to another Province.

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Appellate Side,
Bombay, 20th September 1927.

A. S. R. MACKLIN,
Registrar.

STATEMENTS APPENDED TO THE REPORTS

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the number of Judicial Divisions and the
in the Presidency of Bombay on

Name of Province 1	Number of Divisions for Courts under Chief Courts but superior to Chief & Courts of Dis- tricts 2	Number of Districts 3	Number of Sub-Districts 4	Number 5
				Judges of Chief Court of Province
Territory subject to the High Court of Bombay.	Civil	17	103	10 (c)
	Criminal	21	190	10 (a)

Statement showing the number of Judicial Officers exercising
in the Presi

Civil			
Designation	Europeans	Indians	Remarks
Chief Justice and High Court Judges ...	6	4	* Besides these, there were 2 Indian Regis- trars exercising civil powers.
District Judges	11	6	
Joint Judges ... ..	.....	2
Assistant Judges ... ..	.....	7
Small Cause Court Judges ... ..	.....	8*
Subordinate Judges, First Class	23	
Subordinate Judges, Second Class	104	

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No. 1 (CIVIL AND CRIMINAL)

number of Officers exercising Appellate or Original Jurisdiction
the 31st day of December 1926

of Officers exercising Original or Appellate Jurisdiction				Remarks
Judges of other Courts superior to Chief District Courts	Judges of Chief Courts of Districts	Judges of District Courts other than Chief Courts	Judges of other Subordinate Courts	
6	7	8	9	10
.....	19 (b)	89 (c)	104 (d)	(a) Includes the Chief Justice. (b) Includes two Joint Judges.
.....	49 (e)	62 (f)	395 (g)	(c) Includes 7 Assistant Judges, 8 Small Cause Court Judges, 22 First Class Subordinate Judges and 2 Registrars. (d) Besides these there were 8 Inamdars and Jagirdars exercising civil powers. (e) These are District Magistrates, Presidency Magistrates, Sessions Judges and Additional Sessions Judges. (f) These are Sub-Divisional Magistrates and Assistant Sessions Judges. (g) These are all stipendiary 1st, 2nd and 3rd Class Magistrates, other than those shown in columns 7 and 8. Besides these, there were 25 Special Magistrates, 467 Honorary Magistrates, 19,741 Police Patils, 138 Sanitary Committees and Sanitary Boards and 284 Village Panchayats.

Original and Appellate Jurisdiction, both Europeans and Indians,
Agency of Bombay

Designation	Criminal		Remarks
	Europeans	Indians	
Chief Justice and High Court Judges...	6	4	† These include 20 District Magistrates, 6 Presidency Magistrates, 60 Sub-Divisional Magistrates, 26 Special Magistrates, and 467 Honorary Magistrates.
Sessions Judges ...	11	6	
Additional Sessions Judges ...	.....	6
Assistant Sessions Judges ...	.....	2
Magistrates, First Class ...	62	804	
" Second Class ...	3	865	
" Third Class ...	.....	250
Police Patils	19,741	

S. S. TALMAKI,
Assistant Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

*Statement showing the number of cases decided in, and
of Bombay in*

Name of Province 1	Number of			
	Civil			
	Original		Appellate	
	Regular 2	Miscella- neous 3	Regular 4	Miscella- neous 5
Territory subject to the High Court of Bombay.	1,68,470	1,65,447 *	5,771	459

Note.—Columns 10 and 11.—The Judicial Receipts and Charges should
care being taken that the Charges on account

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No. 2 (CIVIL AND CRIMINAL)

*Receipts and Charges of, the Courts in the Presidency
the year 1926*

cases decided				Total Re- ceipts of the Courts	Total Charges of the Courts	Remarks
Criminal						
Original		Appellate				
Regular	Miscella- neous	Regular	Miscella- neous	10	11	12
6	7	8	9			
1,95,996	1,715	3,560	951†	Rs. 88,90,433	Rs. 55,71,859	* Includes all applications for execution of decrees. Insolvency applications and other miscellaneous cases. † These are all cases of Revision under the Code of Criminal Procedure.

be shown as a whole, just as they appear in the Treasury accounts, of Buildings are included in Column 11.

S. S. TALMAKI,
Assistant Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the Number and Description of Civil Suits institu

Class of Tribunals 1	Suits for money or movable property 2	Suits under the Rent Law					Total 7
		Arrears of rent with or without ejectment 3	Enhancement or abatement of rent 4	For ejectment or recovery of possession alone 5	All other suits under the Rent Law 6		
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR							
<i>Civil Courts</i>							
Unpaid Tribunals	84	...	...	...	...	...
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals	91,166	...	...	...	...	...
Small Cause Courts	10,972	...	...	...	...	...
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts.	176	...	...	...	...	...
Chief Courts of Districts ... ..		...	...	...	...	...
Total	1,02,347	...	...	...	...	...
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT							
Presidency Small Cause Courts	85,274	...	...	...	...	...
Superior Courts	(a)	...	...	...	...	...
Total	85,274	

(a) Statistics in these columns have not been shown as per order of the

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No. 3 (CIVIL)

ted in the Civil Courts in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1926

Title and other Suits					Grand Total	Remarks
Suits for immovable pro- perty	Suits for specific relief	Mortgage suits	Other suits not falling under any of the Pre- ceding heads	Total		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
...	...	2	1	3	37	
11,314	2,093	6,789	4,963	25,179	1,16,345	
...	...	...	83	83	11,055	
15	20	1	291	527	602	
11,329	2,113	6,793	5,358	25,599	1,27,939	
...	...	...	...	...	35,274	
(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	4,899	
...	...	...	...	...	40,173	

Hon'ble the Chief Justice, dated 27th February 1929.

S. S. TALMAKI,
Assistant Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing Number and Value of Civil Suits instituted

Class of Tribunals	Number of			
	Value not exceeding Rs. 10	Value Rs. 10 to Rs. 50	Value Rs. 50 to Rs. 100	Value Rs. 100 to Rs. 500
1	2	3	4	5
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR				
<i>Civil Courts</i>				
Unpaid Tribunals	2	12	6	9
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals	4,965	29,624	23,691	41,207
Small Cause Courts	457	5,241	2,292	4,250
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts	12	27	27	163
Chief Courts of Districts				
Total ...	5,417	32,904	26,916	45,629
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT				
Presidency Small Cause Courts	178	6,429	8,352	15,696
Superior Courts* ... ..	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total ...	178	6,429	8,352	15,696

* Statistics against the Sub-head "Superior Courts" have not been shown

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No. 4 (CIVIL)

in the Civil Courts in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1926

suits instituted					Total value of suits
Value Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000	Value Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 5,000	Value above Rs. 5,000	Number of suits the value of which cannot be estimated in money	Total number of suits instituted	
6	7	8	9	10	11
					Rs. a. p.
4	3	1	.....	97	21,725 15 11
7,031	5,557	856	3,213	1,16,345	4,64,63,947 0 ½
835	.....	.....	.....	11,055	17,75,152 11 10
53	65	58	98	502	9,92,260 10 8
7,919	5,845	910	3,306	1,27,939	4,99,42,066 6 ½
2,654	1,570	.....	.....	35,274	86,34,540 11 0
.....
2,654	1,570	.....	.....	35,274	86,34,540 11 0

as per order of the Hon'ble the Chief Justice, dated 27th February 1928.

S. S. TALMAKI,
Assistant Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 5 (CIVIL)

Statement showing the General Results of Trial of Civil Cases in
Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Presidency of
Bombay in the year 1926

CIVIL SUITS

1 Class of Courts	Number of suits disposed of (excluding Transfers)							8 Pending at the close of the year	9 Remarks
	2 Number of suits before the Courts	3 Without trial	4 Without contest	5 With contest		7 On reference to arbitration			
				6 Judgment for Plaintiff	6 Judgment for Defendant				
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR									
<i>Civil Courts</i>									
Unpaid Tribunals ...	69	18	9	19	1	...	29		
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals ...	171,811	12,573	44,647	52,356	6,555	562	55,118		
Small Cause Courts ...	15,326	1,604	4,759	4,172	290	6	4,495		
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts	1,425	151	125	279	395	1	474		
Chief Courts of Districts ...									
Total ...	189,631	14,346	49,540	56,819	7,941	569	60,116		
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT									
Presidency Small Cause Courts.	40,928	679	30,383	3,250	753	72	5,791		
Superior Courts ...	*11,925	932	3,316	467	113	...	7,107		
Total ...	52,853	1,611	33,699	3,707	866	72	12,898		
Grand Total ...	(a) 241,484	15,957	83,239	60,526	8,107	641	73,014		

* Also 546 applications for Probate and Letters of Administration were filed for disposal.

(a) The number of cases pending at the close of the last year was 71,367. If this be deducted from the total in column 2, the balance is 170,117 instead of 168,119. This is due to there being 2,005 revived suits.

Notes.—Column 2.—Total of the entries in columns 3 to 8. Cases transferred from one Court to another in the same Province will appear only against the Court by which decided, or in which pending at the close of the year, if not decided. The number of cases pending from the preceding year should be noted in the column of remarks and when deducted from the total of column 2 should leave a balance corresponding with the total of column 13 of statement No. 3. If, after deducting the arrears shown at the end of the previous year, the balance does not agree with the figures in column 13 of statement No. 3, the difference should be explained.

Column 4.—When under Order IX, rule 8, Civil Procedure Code, a decree is wholly or partially made in favour of an absent plaintiff on the admission of the defendant or when in a case defendant appears but a plaintiff does not and defendant does not confess judgment and the case is thereupon dismissed, the case should be entered in this column.

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S. S. TALMAKI,
Assistant Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 6 (CIVIL)

Statement showing the General Results of Trial of Civil Cases
in Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Presidency
of Bombay in the year 1926

MISCELLANEOUS CASES

Class of Courts	Number of cases before the Courts	Number of suits disposed of (excluding Transfers)					Pending at the close of the year	Remarks
		Without trial	Without contest	With contest		On reference to arbitration		
				Judgment for Plaintiff	Judgment for Defendant			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR								
<i>Civil Courts</i>								
Unpaid Tribunals	6	1	...	2	2	...	1	
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals ...	13,413	1,375	2,806	3,623	1,757	1	4,038	
Small Cause Courts	867	135	117	242	233	...	140	
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts.)	1,971	113	478	479	321	...	580	
Chief Courts of Districts								
Total	16,257	1,525	3,403	4,246	2,323	1	4,750	
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT								
Presidency Small Cause Courts...	14,727	8,486	3,910	1,111	784	...	436	
Superior Courts* ... ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	14,727	8,486	3,910	1,111	784	...	436	

* Statistics against the sub-head "Superior Courts" have not been shown as per order of the Honourable the Chief Justice, dated 27th February 1922.

Note.—Column 2.—Total of the entries in columns 3 to 8. Cases transferred from one Court to another in the same Province will appear only against the Court by which decided, or in which pending at the close of the year, if not decided.

General (1)—Cases under Order XXI, rule 68, Civil Procedure Code, should be treated as Miscellaneous Judicial Cases.

(2)—The classes of applications dealt with by Appellate Courts only and specified in the note to Judicial Statement No. 8, should not be shown in this statement

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S. S. TALMAKI,
Assistant Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 7 (CIVIL)

Statement showing the business of the Civil Appellate Courts
of the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1926

APPEALS FROM DECREES

Class of Courts	Number of Appeals before the Courts	Appeals disposed of (excluding Transfers)					Pending at the close of the year	Remarks	
		Dismissed or not prosecuted	Confirmed	Modified*	Reversed	Remanded			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR									
APPEALS FROM ORIGINAL DECREES									
<i>Civil Courts</i>									
District Appellate Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts.	(a) 9,395	591	2,554	516	694	249	4,791		
Chief Appellate Courts of Districts.									
Total ...	9,395	591	2,554	516	694	249	4,791		
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT									
Chief Court of Province.	Appeals from Original Decrees.	1,361	84	233	41	110	1	812	
	Appeals from Appellate Decrees.	1,492	406	204	19	65	4	794	
Total ...	2,773	490	437	60	175	5	1,606		
Grand Total ...	*12,168	1,081	2,991	576	869	254	6,397		

(a) These include 362 appeals disposed of by First Class Subordinate Judges invested with Appellate powers.

* This includes 5,639 appeals pending at the close of the preceding year.

Notes.—Column 2.—Total of the entries in columns 3 to 8. Appeals transferred from one Court to another in the same Province will appear only against the Court by which decided, or in which pending at the close of the year, if not decided. This column should also include appeals pending from the preceding year, the number of such being noted in the column of remarks.

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 8 (CIVIL)

Statement showing the business of the Civil Appellate Courts of
the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1926

MISCELLANEOUS APPEALS

Class of Courts	Number of Appeals before the Courts	Appeals disposed of (excluding Transfers)					Pending at the close of the year	Remarks
		Dismissed or not prosecuted	Confirmed	Modified	Reversed	Remanded		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR								
<i>Civil Courts</i>								
District Appellate Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts.	519	114	154	9	62	7	173	
Chief Appellate Courts of Districts ...								
Total ...	519	114	154	9	62	7	173	
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT								
Chief Court of Province—								
Appeals from Original Orders ...	71	9	15	6	13	...	28	
Appeals from Appellate Orders ...	130	25	28	...	15	...	68	
Appeals under the Workmen's Compensation Act *	3	1	1	...	...	...	1	
Total ...	204†	35	44	6	28	...	91	
Grand Total ...	723‡	149	198	15	90	7	264	

* No references under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923, were filed during the year. † In addition to these the following miscellaneous work was disposed of by the High Court, Appellate Side;—

8 Applications to withdraw or transfer Suits and Appeals, section 24, Civil Procedure Code
6 Applications for leave to Appeal as a pauper, Order XLIV, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.
56 Applications for Review of Judgment, section 114, and Order XLVII, rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.

23 Applications for leave to Appeal to His Majesty's Privy Council, Order XLV, rule 7, Civil Procedure Code.

195 Applications for stay of execution, Order XLI, rule 5, Civil Procedure Code.

336 Civil Revision Applications.

17 Civil References; of these—

- 6 were under the Aden Act (Bombay Act II of 1864);
- 2 " " the Indian Divorce Act (IV of 1869);
- 2 " " the Indian Income Tax Act (XI of 1922);
- 2 " " the Guardians and Wards Act (VIII of 1890);
- 2 " " the Stamp Act (II of 1899);
- 3 " " the Code of Civil Procedure (Act V of 1908).

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715 All other applications under the Civil Procedure Code not especially mentioned above, including 459 disposed of by the Registrar; and

2,838 Applications were disposed of out of Court by the Registrar and his Deputy.

† This includes 195 appeals pending at the close of the preceding year.

Notes.—Column 2.—Total of the entries in columns 3 to 8. Miscellaneous cases before Appellate Courts transferred from one Court to another in the same Province will appear on y against the Court by which decided, or in which pending at the close of the year, if not decided.

General.—This statement should include not only Appeals from Orders under section 104 of the Code of Civil Procedure, but also Appeals in Miscellaneous and Judicial Cases, i.e., the cases entered in Judicial Statement No. 6.

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S. S. TALMAKI,
Assistant Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing the General Results of Trials
Presidency of Bombay

Class of Courts	Number of offences reported	Number of persons under trial	Persons
			Discharged or acquitted
1	2	3	4
Village Officers	1,683	2,816	1,663
Subordinate Magistrates—			
Special Magistrates under section 14	1,879	2,257	1,064
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	26,438	30,297	4,384
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	1,00,200	*1,39,476	63,501
Benches of Magistrates	81,454	86,211	7,967
Sanitary Committees and Sanitary Boards	23	36	1
District and Divisional Magistrates—			
Cases referred under sections 347, 349, Criminal Procedure Code.	56	84	12
Chief Magistrates of Districts	49	60	2
Courts of Session	662	1,509	640
Superior Courts ... ..	.....	180	28
Total	2,12,444	*2,63,226	79,472

* Includes 10 sent to
Notes.—Column 1.—Sub-head "Courts of Session" includes cases decided by Sessions Judges
 Column 1.—Sub-head "Superior Courts" includes cases decided by the High Court
 Column 3.—That is the total of the entries in Columns 4 to 8. The cases of persons which decided or in which pending at the end of the year, if not decided.
 Column 5.—Persons, whose cases were referred to a Superior Court for higher sentence, will be entered in column 6, and not in column 5 against the Court or acquitted according to the orders passed by it or as pending if orders have Column 5.—These cases will be shown against the Courts who made the Column 7.—A note against the figure for each Court should be made in the column other Provinces.
 Column 8.—An insane accused, who has been sent to a Mental Hospital, should be or acquitted.
 General.—The figures in this Statement should agree with those in Statement No.

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 Bombay, 20th September 1927.

No. 9 (CRIMINAL)

*of Criminal Cases in the Tribunals of various classes in the
in the year 1926*

whose cases were disposed of			Persons remaining under trial at the end of the year	Remarks		
Convicted	Committed or referred	Died, escaped or transferred to another province		Particulars of column 7		
				Died	Escaped	Trans- ferred
5	6	7	8	9		
866	.....	.....	67	.....	.....	.....
1,143	.....	1	59	1	.....	.....
25,413	39	6	455	.....	6	.....
65,228	1,116	505	9,116	224	262	19
77,072	5	14	1,133	6	8	.....
35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
72	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
58	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
968	27	2	172	2	.....	.....
148	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....
1,71,018	1,167	528	11,011	233	276	19

Military Authorities.

on reference under sections 31, 34 and 123, Criminal Procedure Code.

on reference under sections 307 and 374, Criminal Procedure Code.

transferred from one Court to another in the same province will appear only against the Court by

punishment for orders under section 562, Criminal Procedure Code, or for confirmation of making the reference. Against the Court receiving the reference they will be shown as convicted not been passed.

reference, entry being made as directed above.

of remarks, showing separately how many accused persons died, escaped or were transferred to

kept on the file and entered in this column until he has been tried and either convicted

11, and should include nothing else.

S. S. TALMAKI,
Assistant Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement showing General Results of Appeals and Revisions in

Tribunals	Number of			
	Number of Appellants and Applicants for revision before the Courts	Appeals or Applications rejected	Sentences or orders confirmed	Sentences altered
1	2	3	4	5
<i>Appeals</i>				
To Chief Magistrates of Districts	2,990	250	1,002	263
.. Courts of Session	2,766	853	710	396
Superior Courts—				
By persons convicted	765	506	124	21
By Government from judgment of acquittal	64	.....	11	.....
Total	5,875	1,609	1,866	580
<i>Revisions</i>				
By Chief Magistrates of Districts	158	168	.....	.....
.. Courts of Session	764	716	.....	.....
.. Superior Courts	681	363	82	104
Total	1,588	1,247	82	104
Grand Total	7,463	2,856	1,938	684

Notes.—Column 1.—Sub-head "To Chief Magistrates of Districts" includes other Magistrates
 Column 2.—Total of columns 3 to 9. Cases transferred from one Court to another in the end of the year, if not decided. The words "Applicants for Revision" in the application for revision is made, or in whose interest the Magistrate or Judge may be taken on behalf of a complainant, the fact should be noted with the number of case the accused persons against whom the application is made, though not appear of such application. This note is held to apply also to cases dealt with by the High Court.
 Column 4.—Appeals dismissed under section 423, Criminal Procedure Code, should be Column 7.—In this column should be entered (1) orders for discharge set aside by and new trials or further inquiries ordered, (3) cases referred to the High Court.
 Column 8.—A note against the figure for each Court should be made in the column to another Province.

General.—Persons whose appeals were rejected under section 421, Criminal Procedure whose cases the Courts have refused to submit to the High Court.
 In columns 4 to 6 should be shown opposite the sub-heads for "Magistrates of without reference to the High Court."

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Bombay, 20th September 1927.

No. 10 (CRIMINAL)

Criminal Cases in the Presidency of Bombay in the year 1926

Persons				Remarks
Sentence had	Otherwise disposed of	Died, escaped, or transferred to another pro- vince	Pending trial	
6	7	8	9	10
571	67	137	*2 died. 3 transferred.
599	61	* 5	233	
41	.....	.....	73
13	4	.....	37
1,223	182	5	470	
.....	69	†Died.
.....	196	+ 1	43	
78	41	.....	112
78	308	1	155	‡In the applications for revision made on behalf of complainants there were 387 accused persons involved and these must be added to the grand total of column 3 to make it equal to the total of columns 3 to 9.
1,301	440	6	625	

authorized to hear appeals under section 407, Criminal Procedure Code. the same province will appear only against the Court by which decided, or in which pending at heading of this column should be held to include only accused persons on whose behalf an take steps to obtain revision on his own motion. Where such application is made or such stops complainants and the number of accused concerned, in the column of remarks. In the latter ing in this column, will fall into their proper places in columns 3 to 9 according to the result Court on review of returns.

entered in this column.
Superior Courts under section 436, Criminal Procedure Code, (2) proceedings quashed in appeal and (4) all other cases which do not fall under columns 4, 5 and 6.

of remarks showing separately how many accused persons died, escaped or were transferred Code, should be entered in Column 3, in which should also be included applicants for revision Districts" and "Courts of Session" persons whose cases were disposed of by those Courts

S. S. TALMAKI,
Assistant Registrar.

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Statement of nature of offences reported and number of persons
Presidency of Bombay,

Description of Offence	NUMBER OF CASES		
	Offences reported	Returned as true	Brought to trial
	1	2	3
Offences against the State—Chapter VI of the Indian Penal Code.	1	1	1
Offences relating to the Army and Navy—Chapter VII of the Indian Penal Code.	10	9	9
Offences against the Public Tranquillity—Chapter VIII of the Indian Penal Code.	911	928	929
Attempts at do. ...	10	8	8
Offences by or relating to Public Servants—Chapter IX of the Indian Penal Code.	69	68	80
Attempts at do. ...	.....	.....	.....
Contempts of the lawful authority of public Servants—Chapter X of the Indian Penal Code.	456	448	469
Attempts at do. ...	.....	.....	.....
False evidence and offences against public justice—Chapter XI of the Indian Penal Code.	479	445	501
Attempts at do. ...	.....	.....	.....
Offences relating to coins—Chapter XII of the Indian Penal Code.	1	1	1
Attempts at do. ...	33	33	36
Offences relating to Government Stamps—Chapter XII of the Indian Penal Code.	13	13	13
Attempts at do. ...	.....	.....	.....
Offences relating to weights and measures—Chapter XIII of the Indian Penal Code.	34	34	43
Attempts at do. ...	.....	.....	.....
Offences affecting the public health, safety, convenience, decency and morals—Chapter XIV of the Indian Penal Code.	637	624	651
Attempts at do. ...	.....	.....	.....
Offences relating to religion—Chapter XV of the Indian Penal Code.	59	49	58
Attempts at do. ...	.....	.....	.....
Offences affecting the human body, Chapter XVI—			
Offences affecting life ...	578	556	697
Attempts at do. ...	17	16	31
Causing of miscarriage, injuries to unborn children, exposure of infants and the concealment of births.	56	55	60
Attempts at do. ...	.....	.....	.....
Hurt ...	13,814	11,907	12,692
Attempts at do. ...	8	8	8
Wrongful restraint and wrongful confinement	826	681	741
Attempts at do. ...	2	2	2
Criminal force and assault ...	2,940	2,569	2,669
Attempts at do. ...	15	14	14
Kidnapping, forcible abduction, slavery and forced labour.	316	287	306
Attempts at do. ...	1	1	1
Rape ...	61	58	82
Attempts at do. ...	2	2	4
Unnatural offence ...	27	26	26
Attempts at do. ...	2	2	2
Offences against property, Chapter XVII—			
Theft ...	7,308	7,508	7,887
Attempts at do. ...	60	60	61
Extortion ...	79	56	64

No. 11 (CRIMINAL)

tried, convicted and acquitted of each class of offence in the in the year 1926

NUMBER OF PERSONS					REMARKS				
Under trial including pending from previous year	Acquitted or discharged	Convicted.	Died, escaped, or transferred to another Province	Remain- ing under trial.	Com- plaints dis- missed under section 203, Criminal Procedure Code	Com- plainants fined under section 250, Criminal Procedure Code	Died	Escap- ed	Trans- ferred
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1	.....	...	1	...	.....	.....	...	...	1
37	10	13	...	8	1	.....	...	...	...
5,037	2,217	2,075	3	742	69	9	3	...	...
25	9	17	...	...	2	.....	...	...	...
144	29	102	1	12	1	.....	...	1	...
...	645	234	330	5	76	8	.....	1	3
.....	618	198	308	1	111	29	.....	1	1
1	.....	15	33	...	3	.....	...	...	...
51	4	11	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
15	11	34	...	4	.....	.....	...	...	...
49	178	578	...	18	13	.....	...	...	...
774	47	40	...	21	10	.....	...	...	...
108	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...	...	...
1,101	371	569	6	155	9	1	6	...	...
38	6	32	...	6	1	.....	6	...	...
81	34	42	...	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
30,525	25,001	3,248	8	2,269	1,785	127	5	3	...
17	17	.....	.....	268	134	7	.....	.....	.....
1,750	1,253	2:9	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
2	1	707	...	862	352	14	.....	.....	.....
5,257	4,128	1	...	131	49	4	1	1	6
24	23	161	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
681	381	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
1	.....	43	...	7	3	.....	.....	.....	.....
111	61	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
4	1	90	...	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....
32	12	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
11,266	2,689	7,842	10	725	250	33	6	3	1
63	11	52	...	31	22	.....	.....	.....	1
150	96	20	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

JUDICIAL STATEMENT

Description of Offence	NUMBER OF CASES		
	Offences reported	Returned as true	Brought to trial
1	2	3	4
Offences against property, Chapter XVII—			
Attempts at do.	446	393	441
Robbery and dacoity	419	311	329
Attempts at do.	1	1	1
Criminal misappropriation of property	1,620	1,372	1,377
Attempts at do.	7	7	7
Criminal breach of trust	936	917	970
Attempts at do.	1	1	1
Cheating	1,620	1,343	1,333
Attempts at do.	39	39	39
Fraudulent deeds and disposition of property.	27	20	26
Attempts at do.	2,668	2,416	2,579
Mischief	15	15	15
Attempts at do.	3,161	2,623	2,577
Criminal trespass	21	18	21
Attempts at do.	107	92	112
Offences relating to documents and to trade or property marks—Chapter XVIII of the Indian Penal Code.			
Attempts at do.	3	3	3
Criminal breach of contracts of service—Chapter XIX of the Indian Penal Code	9	4	6
Offences relating to marriage—Chapter XX of the Indian Penal Code.	1,362	1,019	1,147
Attempts at do.	499	404	430
Defamation—Chapter XXI of the Indian Penal Code.			
Attempts at do.	6,514	5,396	6,625
Criminal intimidation, insult and annoyance—Chapter XXII of the Indian Penal Code.	15	8	8
Attempts at do.			
Offences under Special and Local Laws—			
Arms Act XI of 1878 ... ..(India)	182	181	187
Breach of Contract Act XIII of 1859.	129	118	134
Customs Act II of 1924	1,632	1,032	1,043
Cattle Trespass Act I of 1871	1,358	1,215	1,260
Civil Procedure Code Act V of 1908	2	2	2
Coasting Vessels (Bombay) Act XIX of 1838.	16	16	16
Cinematograph Act II of 1916	2	2	2
Cotton Transport Act III of 1923	1	1	1
Criminal Procedure Code Act V of 1908	616	598	661
Criminal Tribes Act VI of 1924	1,551	1,550	1,563
Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act XVII of 1879.	12	11	11
European Vagrancy Act IX of 1874	52	52	52
Factories Act XII of 1911	247	247	253
Forest Act VII of 1878	931	912	930
Indian Bidders Act V of 1923	2	2	2
Indian Companies Act VII of 1913	4	4	4
Indian Electricity Act IX of 1910	3	3	3
Indian Explosives Act IV of 1884	21	21	22
Indian Opium Act III of 1905	29	29	29
Merchants Shipping Act XXI of 1923	32	32	32
Motor Vehicles Act VIII of 1914	5,145	5,136	5,258
Opium Act I of 1878	367	366	376
Petroleum Act VIII of 1890	10	10	11
Poisons Act I of 1904	1	1	1

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Description of Offence	NUMBER OF CASES		
	Offences reported	Returned as true	Brought to trial
1	2	3	4
Police Act V of 1861 ... ..(India).	1	1	1
Ports Act XV of 1908 "	6	5	6
Post Office Act VI of 1898 "	9	9	10
Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act XI of 1890 ..	23,138	23,138	23,158
Printing Presses and Books Act XXV of 1867 as amended by Act X of 1890. ..	6	6	6
Prisons Act IX of 1894 "	9	9	10
Presidency Towns Insolvency Act III of 1908. ..	27	27	29
Railways Act IX of 1890 "	2,575	2,574	2,021
Registration Act XVI of 1908 "	4	4	4
Registration of Ships Act X of 1841 "	1	1	1
Salt Act XII of 1882 "	10	10	12
Stage Carriages Act XVI of 1861 "	53	53	54
Stamp Act II of 1899 "	5	5	5
Treasure Trove Act VI of 1878 "	3	3	3
Wild Birds and Animals Protection Act VIII of 1912. ..	1	1	1
Abkari Act V of 1878 ... ..(Bombay).	5,274	5,270	5,217
Bombay City Municipalities Act XVIII of 1925. ..	2,496	2,496	2,496
City of Bombay Police Act IV of 1902 "	53,813	52,984	52,539
District Police Acts VII of 1867 and IV of 1890. ..	14,413	14,390	14,719
Entertainment Duty Act I of 1923 "	6	6	6
Gambling Act IV of 1867 as amended by Act I of 1890. ..	894	891	908
Irrigation Act VII of 1879 "	6	6	7
Land Revenue Code Act V of 1879 "	214	214	214
Local Boards Act VI of 1923 "	1	1	1
Medical Act VI of 1912 "	1	1	1
Municipal (District) Act III of 1901 "	11,464	11,473	12,253
Municipal (Bombay) Act III of 1888 "	20,523	20,516	12,520
Police Regulation XII of 1897 "	2	2	2
Prostitution Act XI of 1923 "	77	77	79
Public Conveyances Act VII of 1920 "	14,044	14,941	15,023
Public Ferries Act II of 1868 as amended by Act II of 1878 ..	6	6	6
Salt Act II of 1890 "	70	70	73

No. 11 (CRIMINAL)—contd.

NUMBER OF PERSONS					REMARKS				
Under trial including pending from previous year	Acquitted or discharged	Convicted	Died, escaped or transferred to another Province	Remain- ing under trial	Com- plaints dismissed under sec- tion 203, Criminal Procedure Code	Com- plainants fined under section 250, Criminal Procedure Code	Died	Escap- ed	Trans- ferred
5.	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14.
1	.....	1	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
18	1	17	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
11	9	6	...	8	.....	.....	...	...	...
23,190	299	22,854	2	35	.....	.....	...	2	...
6	.....	6	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
11	1	10	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
30	25	2	...	3	.....	.....	...	...	...
3,042	355	2,683	...	154	.....	.....	...	...	...
6	1	5	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
1	.....	1	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
13	2	11	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
54	2	52	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
5	.....	4	...	1	.....	.....	...	...	...
11	1	9	...	1	.....	.....	...	...	...
5	.....	5	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
5,778	361	5,326	4	85	1	.....	3	1	...
2,498	198	1,546	65	689	.....	.....	18	52	...
54,375	1,496	52,871	...	8	829	.....	...	...	...
18,217	1,139	14,445	93	540	6	1	48	45	...
6	.....	5	...	1	.....	.....	...	...	...
2,278	161	2,093	...	24	.....	.....	...	...	...
8	4	4	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
234	29	203	...	2	.....	.....	...	...	...
21	21	...	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
1	.....	1	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
12,576	2,682	9,215	268	411	21	190	148	...
12,320	1,001	10,983	...	386	7
2	2
21	7	24
15,080	503	14,523	...	54	3
13	8	5
78	3	75

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Description of Offence	NUMBER OF CASES		
	Offences reported	Returned as true	Brought to trial
1	2	3	4
Smoke-Nuisances Act VII of 1919 ... (Bombay)	8	8	8
Tolls on Roads and Bridges Act III of 1875 ..	1	1	4
Tramways Act I of 1874	8	8	0
Attempts at do. ... ..	.....	.....	.....
Vaccination (District) Act I of 1892	2	2	4
Village Police Act VIII of 1867	1,612	1,599	1,630
Village Sanitation Act I of 1889	23	23	38
44 and 45 Vic. Chap. 68 Statute	10	10	10
Bombay Rent Act II of 1916	136	136	163
Total ...	2,12,444	2,05,253	2,01,464

Notes.—Column 1.—(1) "Attempts" should be entered immediately after the offences to
 (2) "Abetments" should be included with the substantive offences
 (3) When giving the list of Special and Local Laws against which offences as its number and year. An Act of a local legislature should be

Column 2.—All offences (cases) of which information was given, complaint made, or to be shown, although some of the charges may not have been prosecuted, or

Column 3.—This column should be the total of column 2 less the number of cases the charge was false, and that the offence never occurred, or which were dismissed

Column 5.—This column should be the total of columns 2 to 4.

Column 8.—Persons transferred from one court to another in the same province showing respectively the number of persons who died, escaped or were transferred.

General.—Cases committed or referred should not be included in this statement by shown by the Courts to which the cases are committed or referred. If the total difference should correspond with the total of column 5 of this statement.

His Majesty's High Court of Judicature,
Appellate Side,
Bombay, 20th September 1927.

No. 11 (CRIMINAL)—concl'd.

NUMBER OF PERSONS					REMARKS				
Under trial including pending from previous year	Acquitted or discharged	Convicted	Died, escaped, or transferred to another Province	Remaining under trial	Complaints dismissed under section 203, Criminal Procedure Code	Complainants fined under section 250, Criminal Procedure Code	Died	Escaped	Transferred
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
8	.....	4	...	4	.....	.....	...	...	...
4	.....	4	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
9	6	3	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
.....
6	3	2	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
2,775	1,544	858	...	78	7	.....	...	...	...
36	1	35	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
* 11	.....	1	...	...	.....	.....	...	...	...
393	224	160	9	...	.....	.....	9	...	...
* 2,62,039	79,472	1,71,018	528	11,011	6,682	316	233	276	19

* 10 sent to Military Authorities.

which they relate.

affected.

have been committed, care should be taken to specify the title of each Act quoted, as well distinguished by initial letters placed after the number of the Act.

cognizance taken under Chapters IV, V, XIV, XVI, Cr. P. C., for the first time during the year are may have turned out to be false.

dismissed under section 203, Cr. P. C., and less all other cases in which a Magistrate declared that as frivolous and vexatious and in which the complainant was fined under section 250, Cr. P. C.

are not to be entered in this column. A note should be added in the column of remarks,

the committing or referring Magistrates. The results of the trials in these cases should be of column 6 of Statement No. 9 be deducted from the total of column 3 of that statement, the

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Statement showing the punishments inflicted in Criminal
of Bombay

Class of Tribunal 1	Number of persons executed 2	Number of persons						
		Death 3	Transportation or Penal servitude 4	Imprisonment 5	Fine or forfeiture 6	Whipping 7	Give security 8	
Village Courts	194	734	...	...
Subordinate Magistrates—								
Special Magistrates under Sec. 14	38	1,112	...	...
Honorary Magistrates sitting singly	567	23,535	14	251	
Stipendiary Magistrates sitting singly	15,234	45,550	840	4,438	
Benches of Magistrates	2,434	69,767	52	160	
Sanitary Boards and Sanitary Committees.	35	...	...
District and Divisional Magistrates—								
Cases referred under Secs. 317, 319, Criminal Procedure Code.	60	19	4	11	
Chief Magistrates of Districts	23	208	...	14	
Courts of Session	149	775	179	9	
Superior Courts	...	19	21	12	110	2	...	
Total	...	19	21	161	19,395	1,41,191	419	4,681

Notes.—Column 1.—Sub-head "Courts of Session"—Includes cases decided by Sessions

Column 1.—Sub-head "Superior Courts"—Includes cases decided by the High

Column 12.—Includes fines realized during the year though imposed in previous exercise of Original Jurisdiction only.

Column 13.—Represents compensation awarded to complainants under section 545, "realized" in columns 11 and 12 for they form part of such fines.

General (1).—The total of column 5 should correspond with the total of columns 14 should be shown in the remarks column, the total of the remainder

(2).—This statement is meant to exhibit every sentence passed, and where number of persons entered in this statement as punished with the which fulfilment of contract is ordered under Act XIII of 1893 in a under section 562, Code of Criminal Procedure, or for confirmation such higher Court, and not against the Court making the reference.

His Majesty's High Court of Judicature,
Appellate Side, Bombay, 20th September 1927. }

No. 12 (CRIMINAL)

Cases by the various Criminal Tribunals in the Presidency
in the year 1926

sentenced to		Total amount of fines			Number of persons sentenced to imprisonment of				Remarks
Fine of		Imposed	Realized	Paid as compensation	15 days and under	Above 15 days to 6 months	Above 6 months to 2 years	Above 2 years	
Rs. 10 and under	Over Rs. 10								
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.	Rs. a. p.					
784	...	756 8 0	779 4 0	.....	124	...	...	...
1,085	27	3,745 11 0	3,734 9 0	10 0 0	4	23	6	...	
22,542	803	95,460 1 0	86,428 10 3	3,653 2 0	168	317	72	...	
30,043	15,507	8,93,949 7 3	7,12,409 13 8	50,688 4 11	3,615	9,147	2,322	...	
67,835	1,882	2,17,944 13 0	2,03,335 13 9	1,515 13 9	1,779	636	19	...	
35	...	34 12 0	34 12 0	.....	...	...	...	...
...	19	1,125 0 0	210 0 0	50 0 0	...	28	22	...	
179	29	5,645 8 0	2,229 4 0	535 0 0	6	10	11	...	
3	176	53,814 1 0	21,519 6 9	3,236 12 0	12	142	223	398	
...	2	150 0 0	150 0 0	.....	1	5	18	66	
1,22,656	18,535	12,72,555 13 3	10,30,914 9 5	89,719 0 8	5,911	10,308	2,693	464	

Judges on reference under section 123, Criminal Procedure Code.

Court on reference under sections 307 and 374, Criminal Procedure Code.

years. This column is intended to show the realized portion of fines imposed by Officers in the

Act V of 1898. These awards should also be shown under the head fines "imposed" and

to 17 (both inclusive), and deducting the number of persons sentenced to forfeiture, which in column 6 should correspond with the total of columns 9 and 10.

two penalties are inflicted on the same offender to exhibit them both. Further to reconcile the number entered as convicted in Statement No. 9, it is necessary to note cases such as those in foot-note. As regards persons whose cases were referred for higher punishment or for orders of sentence, the punishment, if any, sanctioned by the higher Court should be entered against

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Statement showing the result of Proceedings on applications
Presidency of Bombay

Class of Courts	Total number of applications for the execution of decrees before the Courts	APPLICATIONS DISPOSED OF				Pending at the end of the year	Number of applications pending more than three months at the close of the year	Amount realised
		By transfer	Satisfaction obtained in full	Satisfaction obtained in part	Wholly infructuous			
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR								
								Rs. a. p.
<i>Civil Courts</i>								
Unpaid Tribunals ...	49	...	16	6	13	14	14	2,564 2 0
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals.	1,54,779	60	25,448	39,821	52,531	53,916	29,675	73,80,655 15 1
Small Cause Courts ...	10,415	1	1,345	1,987	4,514	2,468	965	2,35,793 1 5
District Courts other than Chief Courts of Districts ...	521	50	162	32	84	203	150	65,204 13 7
Total ...	1,75,764	111	26,961	34,849	57,349	56,601	30,804	75,84,218 0 1
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT								
Presidency Small Cause Courts.	19,757	1,002	2,354	4,018	10,513	1,871	473	8,91,896 13 5
Superior Courts ...	3,438	408	145	78	1,975	622	(a)	(a)
Total ...	23,195	1,410	2,502	4,096	12,487	2,700	473	8,91,596 13 5

Note.—Column 2—Total of the
(a) Statistics in these columns have not been shown as per order

Statement showing the number and duration of Darkhasts disposed of
Collectors or the Civil Courts in the Presidency of Bombay

By whom immoveable property was sold	Total number of Darkhasts in which immoveable property was sold	Number of Darkhasts in		
		Less than a year	Over 1 year	Over 2 years
1	2	3	4	5
By the Civil Courts ...	1,396	443	602	196
By the Collectors ...	1,649	167	746	494

His Majesty's High Court of Judicature, Appellate Side,
Bombay, 20th September 1927.

No. 13 (CIVIL)

for the Execution of the Decrees of the Civil Courts in the
in the year 1926

NUMBER OF APPLICATIONS													
10	On which the judgment-debtor was imprisoned		On which moveable property		On which immoveable property		On which possession was given		18	19	20	21	22
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18					
	On which he was arrested but released without imprisonment	Was sold	Was attached, but subsequently released	Was sold	Was dealt with under r. 83, O. XXI, section 2 of schedule III or section 72 of Act V of 1908	Was attached, but subsequently released under r. 83, O. XXI	Of moveables	Of immoveables	On which specific performance was enforced	On which partition was effected	On which execution was effected otherwise than the preceding columns	Remarks	
...	1	2	...	2	...	1	...	1	...	...	28	
185	752	691	671	2,941	110	2,747	55	2,765	105	360	56,163		
147	194	113	75	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1	...	1	1	2	...	...	...	1	...	1	152	
333	977	807	747	2,945	110	2,748	55	2,767	105	361	56,343		
943	2,233	920	682	...	...	...	...	1,038	...	...	2,000	
(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)	(a)		
243	2,233	930	682	...	...	...	...	1,038	...	...	2,009	

entries in columns 3 to 7.
of the Hon'ble the Chief Justice, dated 27th February 1922.

during the year 1926 in which immoveable property was sold by the
(vide Government letter No. 875, dated 16th February 1904.

Column 2 which were pending

Over 3 years	Over 4 years	Over 5 years	Over 6 years	Over 7 years	Over 8 years	Over 9 years	Over 10 years
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
45	8	3
175	48	20	12	6	1

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JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 14

Statement showing the amount of work disposed

Names of Courts 1	Criminal Work		Civil			
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court 2	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court 3	Original			
			Total number of suits before the Court 4	Disposed of 5	Pending at the end of the year under report 6	Pending at the end of the preceding year 7
<i>Ahmedabad</i>						
District and Sessions Judge ...	26	168	166	43	45	127
Joint Judge and Additional Sessions Judge ...	98	40	...	7	...	...
Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge ...	16	53	...	27	...	...
Extra Assistant Judge and Assistant Sessions Judge ...	2	...	...	64	...	...
First Class Subordinate Judge, Regular	3,021	79	1,303	1,436
First Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes	317	2	85	86
Additional First Class Subordinate Judge, Regular	139	...	...
Additional First Class Subordinate Judge Small Causes	37	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Regular	509	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes	79	...	...
Second Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Regular	334	...	...
Second Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes	58	...	...
Third Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Regular	493	...	...
Third Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes	56	...	...
Fourth Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Regular	165	...	...
Fourth Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes
Subordinate Judge, Viramgam, Regular	729	391	338	246
Subordinate Judge, Viramgam, Small Causes	1,149	808	281	241
Subordinate Judge, Dholka, Regular	649	381	268	207
Subordinate Judge, Dholka, Small Causes	506	388	118	43
Subordinate Judge, Dhandhuka and Gogo, Regular	894	545	349	401
Subordinate Judge, Dhandhuka and Gogo, Small Causes	4	4	...	4
Judge, Small Cause Court, Ahmedabad	6,993	4,484	2,029	1,600
Registrar, Small Cause Court, Ahmedabad	480
Total ...	72	231	14,448	9,639	4,815	4,631

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of by the various Courts in each District in the Presidency Proper

Work

8	Appellate			12	13	14	15	16
	9	10	11					
Total number of Appeals before the Court	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year	Execution proceedings disposed of	Orders made after investigation of the Court and 19 of the Monthly Civil Returns	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Remarks
*624	*117	*337	*539	78	141	...	54	* Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in Statement No. 8. One hundred and forty-six suits under Special Jurisdiction were filed, 174 disposed of and 192 were pending at the close of the year.
...	*103	...	...	6	73	7	...
...	*132	...	...	3	73	20	...
...	13	...	...	...
...	162	270	63	...	
...	22	...	...	...
...	15	66	...	
...	
...	1,064	337	74	...	
...	148	...	...	...
...	35	117	...	
...	
...	17	49	...	
...	6	64	...	
...	
...	285	56	29	...	
...	352	...	1	...	
...	554	51	51	...	
...	287	
...	257	23	91	...	
...	
...	2,304	428	27	...	
...	142	15	
691	857	837	539	5,609	1,604	638	54	

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Names of Courts 1	Criminal Work		Civil			
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court 2	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court 3	Original			
			Total number of suits before the Court 4	Disposed of 5	Pending at the end of the year under report 6	Pending at the end of the preceding year 7
<i>Ahmednagar</i>						
District and Sessions Judge ...	33	78	12	4	8	12
First Class Subordinate Judge	2,544	1,053	860	702
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge	631	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Sangamner	2,603	1,456	703	408
Joint Second Class subordinate Judge, Sangamner	320	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Shevgaon	1,237	737	550	616
Do. Nowasa	530	248	304	242
Do. Rahuri	1,071	623	449	475
Do. Kopargaon	1,619	735	733	609
Do. Karjat	326	251	72	130
Do. Jankhed	377	237	170	175
Do. Patner	932	793	186	423
Total ...	23	73	11,215	7,131	4,084	3,847
<i>Belgaum</i>						
District and Sessions Judge ...	96	82	96	12	14	12
Assistant Judge and Assistant Sessions Judge ...	33	...	...	*30	...	...
First Class Subordinate Judge, Regular	1,216	62	673	731
First Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes	1,165	303	300	356
Joint First Class Subordinate Judge, Regular	55	...	...
Joint First Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes	106	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, regular	397	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes	451	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Ball-Hongal, Regular	1,007	618	339	415
Subordinate Judge, Ball-Hongal, Small Causes	244	177	67	85

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Work								Remarks	
Appellate									
Total number of Appeals before the Court	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year.	Execution proceedings disposed of	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the Monthly Civil Returns	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report		
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
494	244	250	199	1,501	51 123	70	11	Twenty-nine suits under special Jurisdiction were filed, 25 disposed of and 23 were pending at the close of the year.	
...	2,088	76	7	...		
...	705	34	79	...		
...	403	9	48	...		
...	866	18	50	...		
...	1,050	27	183	...		
...	239	4	9	...		
...	249	3	44	...		
...	767	31	31	...		
494	244	250	199	7,858	376	501	11		
994	117	577	650	6	51	5	572		* Suits under special Jurisdiction disposed of out of the First Class Court File. One hundred and six suits under special Jurisdiction were filed, 147 disposed of and 241 were pending at the close of the year.
...	598	168	306	...		
...	451	...	4	...		
...		
...		
...		
...		
...	457	78	18	...		
...	53	...	...	...
...		

STATEMENT No. 14

Names of Courts 1	Criminal Work		Civil			
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court 2	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court 3	Original			
			Total number of suits before the Court 4	Disposed of 5	Pending at the end of the year under report 6	Pending at the end of the preceding year 7
<i>Belgaum—contd.</i>						
Subordinate Judge, Gokak, Regular	724	461	263	189
Subordinate Judge, Gokak, Small Causes	93	90	3	61
Subordinate Judge, Chikodi, Regular	1,092	811	446	478
Subordinate Judge, Chikodi, Small Causes	610	411	105	144
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Chikodi, Regular	333	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Chikodi, Small Causes	94	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Athani, Regular	719	395	324	287
Subordinate Judge, Athani, Small Causes	443	351	92	73
Subordinate Judge, Hukeri, Regular	50	276	224	234
Subordinate Judge, Hukeri, Small Causes	308	258	50	61
Desai of Vantnuri	29	31	8	12
Total ...	58	82	8,176	5,217	2,959	3,138
<i>Bijapur</i>						
District and Sessions Judge	40	88	15	11*	4	11
First Class Subordinate Judge, Appellate Powers, Regular	843	71	314	346
First Class Subordinate Judge, Appellate Powers, Small Causes	1,247	385	285	248
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Regular	432	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes	627	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Muddebihal, on deputation to Bijapur, Regular	25	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Bagalkot, Regular	1,205	432	339	343
Subordinate Judge, Bagalkot, Small Causes	1,003	664	163	124
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Bagalkot, Regular	425	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Bagalkot, Small Causes	186	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Muddebihal, Regular	770	432	338	345
Subordinate Judge, Muddebihal, Small Causes	784	600	184	135
Total ...	40	88	5,866	4,300	1,666	1,454

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Work								Remarks
8	Appellate			12	13	14	15	
	9	10	11					
Total number of Appeals before the Court	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year	Execution proceedings disposed of	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the Monthly Civil Returns.	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	16
...	181	57	38	...	
...	59	...	1	...	
...	568	115	68	...	
...	214	...	3	...	
...	
...	448	68	77	...	
...	168	...	...	...
...	330	55	89	...	
...	68	...	...	...
...	14	4	3	...	
994	117	877	660	3,510	596	607	572	
251	121	127	118	8	89	9	23	*Out of 11 suits 3 suits were disposed of by the First Class Subordinate Judge.
...	3	...	...	90	36	34	...	Sixty suits under Special Jurisdiction were filed, 60 disposed of and 47 were pending at the close of the year.
...	984	...	1	...	
...	492	68	
...	486	
...	
...	410	71	7	...	
...	324	
...	413	55	
...	199	
...	546	74	37	...	
...	363	
251	184	127	118	3,464	367	81	23	

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Names of Courts	Criminal Work			Civil		
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court.	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court	Total number of suits before the Court	Original		
				Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year
2	3	4	5	6	7	
<i>Broach and Panch Mahals</i>						
District and Sessions Judge ...	48	102	117	100	17	79
First Class Subordinate Judge, Broach, Regular	606	207	261	275
First Class Subordinate Judge, Broach, Small Causes	1,037	584	179	122
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Broach, Regular	138	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Broach, Small Causes	274	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Ankleshwar, Regular	505	320	185	125
Subordinate Judge, Ankleshwar, Small Causes	202	174	28	61
Subordinate Judge, Jambusar, Regular	563	332	231	267
Subordinate Judge, Jambusar, Small Causes	406	345	61	99
Additional First Class Subordinate Judge, Broach and Panch Mahals at Nadiad, Regular	20	2	18	3
Additional First Class Subordinate Judge, Broach and Panch Mahals at Nadiad, Small Causes
Subordinate Judge, Godhra, Regular	746	376	570	286
Subordinate Judge, Godhra, Small Causes	1,369	1,114	255	207
Subordinate Judge, Dohad, Regular	1,592	1,134	458	258
Subordinate Judge, Dohad, Small Causes	30	30	...	28
Total ...	48	102	7,193	5,130	2,063	1,820
<i>Dharwar</i>						
District and Sessions Judge ...	27	83	40	23	4	20
Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge ...	19	4	...	8	...	...
First Class Subordinate Judge, Regular	1,658	62	204	658
First Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes	1,143	264	236	250
Joint First Class Subordinate Judge, Regular	69	...	...
Joint First Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes	19	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Regular	567
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes	617

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Work								Remarks
Appellate				Execution proceedings disposed of	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the Monthly Civil Returns	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	
Total number of Appeals before the Court	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year					12	13	14	15
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
342	172	170	191	3	88	1	59	* Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in statement No. 8. Thirty-four suits under Special Jurisdiction were filed, 24 disposed of and 31 were pending at the close of the year. Eight suits under Special Jurisdiction were filed, 3 disposed of and 9 were pending at the close of the year.
...	316	80	41	...	
...	679	...	...	...
...	
...	238	29	23	...	
...	209	...	...	...
...	189	41	25	...	
...	205	...	...	...
...	11	...	2	...	
...	388	49	72	...	
...	1,215	...	3	...	
...	1,535	69	8	...	
...	2	...	...	...
342	172	170	191	4,961	306	174	59	
1589	1201	1300	1236	3	75	1	49	† Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in Statement No. 8. One hundred and forty suits under Special Jurisdiction were filed, 119 disposed of and 234 were pending at the close of the year.
...	151	41	
...	133	136	306	...	
...	106	...	4	...	
...	
...	802	362	
...	224	

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Names of Courts	Criminal Work		Civil			
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court	Apprents disposed of by the Sessions Court	Original			
			Total number of suits before the Court	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<i>Dharwar—contd.</i>						
Additional Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Regular	56	...	...
Additional Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes	10	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Hubli, Regular...	1,615	501	692	567
Subordinate Judge, Hubli, Small Causes	1,188	420	166	171
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Hubli, Regular	492	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Hubli, Small Causes	612	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Gadag, Regular	1,633	976	601	729
Subordinate Judge, Gadag, Small Causes	863	731	192	224
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Gadag, Regular	156	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Gadag, Small Causes
Subordinate Judge, Haveri, Regular	1,638	507	481	695
Subordinate Judge, Haveri, Small Causes	847	717	119	213
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Haveri, Regular	550	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Haveri, Small Causes	11	...	...
Total	46	87	10,525	7,370	3,165	3,731
<i>Kaira</i>						
District and Sessions Judge	64	120	44	29	10	...
Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge	2	13	...	5	...	...
First Class Subordinate Judge, Nadiad, Regular	770	165	324	327
First Class Subordinate Judge, Nadiad, Small Causes	2,117	1,111	359	376
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Nadiad, Regular	281	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Nadiad, Small Causes	647	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Umrath, Regular	725	404	321	366
Subordinate Judge, Umrath, Small Causes	1,851	1,547	334	187
Subordinate Judge, Borsad, Regular	1,511	677	334	430
Subordinate Judge, Borsad, Small Causes	2,496	2,192	304	377
Subordinate Judge, Kaira, Regular	372	238	134	144
Subordinate Judge, Kaira, Small Causes	1,232	940	292	292
Subordinate Judge, Kapadwanj, Regular	252	136	116	105
Subordinate Judge, Kapadwanj, Small Causes	346	221	125	41
Total	66	133	11,246	8,593	2,659	2,534

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Work								Remarks
Appellate								
Total number of Appeals before the Court	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year	Execution proceedings disposed of	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the Monthly Civil Returns	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
...	
...	946	199	73	...	
...	589	...	...	...
...	44	27	...	...
...	89	...	...	...
...	593	940	92	...	
...	352	...	...	...
...	
...	792	224	51	...	
...	119	...	2	...	
...	10	...	...	...
...	
592	282	300	236	5,122	1,195	459	49	
359*	105*	204*	...	9	57	...	...	* Columns 8 to 10 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in statement No. 8. Twenty-four suits under special Jurisdiction were filed, 40 disposed of and 29 were pending at the close of the year.
...	50*	...	...	...	...	...	...
...	28	98	13	...	
...	1,188	...	1	...	
...	926	59	34	...	
...	366	87	79	...	
...	1,367	
...	567	116	36	...	
...	1,578	
...	393	47	22	...	
...	759	
...	109	27	28	...	
...	253	
369	165	204	...	6,920	493	218	...	

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Names of Courts 1	Criminal Work		Civil			
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court 2	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court 3	Original			
			Total number of suits before the Court 4	Disposed of 5	Pending at the end of the year under report 6	Pending at the end of the preceding year 7
<i>Kanara</i>						
District and Sessions Judge ...	18	37	12	8	4	15
First Class Subordinate Judge, Karwar, Regular	524	293	231	217
First Class Subordinate Judge, Karwar, Small Causes	789	616	173	129
Subordinate Judge, Kumta, Regular	894	620	220	440
Subordinate Judge, Kumta, Small Causes	919	149	70	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Kumta, Regular	54	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Kumta, Small Causes
Subordinate Judge, Honawar, Regular	972	526	446	540
Subordinate Judge, Honawar, Small Causes	501	337	164	13
Subordinate Judge, Sirsi, Regular	694	436	258	168
Subordinate Judge, Sirsi, Small Causes	105	104	1	64
Total ...	18	37	4,710	3,143	1,667	1,686
<i>Khandesh East</i>						
District and Sessions Judge ...	23	106	19	18	1	20
First Class Subordinate Judge, Jalgaon, Regular	1,291	90	653	529
First Class Subordinate Judge, Jalgaon, Small Causes	3,644	253	767	894
Joint First Class Subordinate Judge, Jalgaon, Regular	77	...	...
Joint First Class Subordinate Judge, Jalgaon, Small Causes	481	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Jalgaon, Regular	471	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Jalgaon, Small Causes	2,143	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Bhusawal, Regular	1,911	660	673	867
Subordinate Judge, Bhusawal, Small Causes	2,740	1,653	513	801
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Bhusawal, Regular	588	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Bhusawal, Small Causes	574	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Yawal, Regular	1,997	992	1,005	1,031
Subordinate Judge, Yawal, Small Causes	1,095	668	427	278
Subordinate Judge, Chalisgaon, Regular	1,767	1,093	564	611
Subordinate Judge, Chalisgaon, Small Causes	1,892	1,361	531	371

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Work								Remarks
Appellate				Execution proceedings disposed of	Order made after investigation contains 17 and 18 of the monthly Civil Returns	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	
Total number of Appeals before the Court	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year					
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
273	92	181	82	23	19	..	16	Nine suits under Special Jurisdiction were filed, 8 disposed of and 9 were pending at the close of the year.
..	288	78	25	..	
..	436	..	1	..	
..	687	35	49	..	
..	17	..	..	..
..	
..	
..	708	71	200	..	
..	160	..	1	..	
..	438	61	53	..	
..	77	
273	92	181	82	2,774	252	329	16	
588	464	124	260	13	98	1	..	One hundred and twenty-three suits under Special Jurisdiction were filed, 118 disposed of and 169 were pending at the close of the year.
..	1,173	224	117	..	
..	2,378	..	8	..	
..	
..	
..	
..	
..	1,790	169	135	..	
..	2,024	..	2	..	
..	
..	2,443	77	294	..	
..	600	..	8	..	
..	1,525	95	63	..	
..	1,654	

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Names of Courts	Criminal Work		Civil			
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court	Original			
			Total number of suits before the Court	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year
	2	3	4	5	6	7
<i>Khandesh East—contd.</i>						
Subordinate Judge, Amalner Regular	1,069	607	462	493
Subordinate Judge, Amalner, Small Causes	1,495	1,120	375	396
Subordinate Judge, Erandol, Regular	2,370	1,515	655	840
Subordinate Judge, Erandol, Small Causes	1	1	...	1
Total	22	106	21,271	14,345	6,926	7,191
<i>Khandesh West</i>						
District and Sessions Judge	46	67	12	12	...	58
First Class Subordinate Judge, Appellate Powers, Dhulia, Regular.	1,841	99	780	595
First Class Subordinate Judge, Appellate Powers, Dhulia, Small Causes	3,718	2,029	1,063	848
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Dhulia, Regular	368	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Dhulia, Small Causes	606	...	...
Additional Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Dhulia, Regular	94	...	...
Additional Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Dhulia, Small Causes
Subordinate Judge, Shirdpur, Regular	893	501	392	299
Subordinate Judge, Shirdpur, Small Causes	40	36	4	40
Subordinate Judge, Nandurbar, Regular	2,298	1,740	1,158	694
Subordinate Judge, Nandurbar, Small Causes	380	307	23	316
Total	46	67	8,633	5,193	3,440	2,740
<i>Kolaba</i>						
District and Sessions Judge	...	17	106	2	81	90
Joint Judge and Additional Sessions Judge	8	11	...	21	...	...
Assistant Judge and Assistant Sessions Judge	2	...	...	2	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Alibag, Regular	497	345	162	131
Subordinate Judge, Alibag, Small Causes	531	500	31	99
Subordinate Judge, Pen, Regular	682	600	252	386
Subordinate Judge, Pen, Small Causes
Subordinate Judge, Roha, Regular	514	263	261	187
Subordinate Judge, Roha, Small Causes	305	242	63	39

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Work																
Appellate															Remarks	
Total number of Appeals before the Court	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year	Execution proceedings disposed of	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the Monthly Civil Returns	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	8	9	10	11	12	13	14		15
...	...	...	...	1,368	66	89	...									
...	...	...	...	978	...	4	...									
...	...	...	...	2,095	110	71	...									
...									
688	464	194	950	18,410	769	782	...									
*323	*145	*170	199	4	51	...	74									
...	*8	...	...	1,232	192	237	...									
...	...	...	...	3,001	...	29	...									
...									
...									
...	...	...	...	1,051	38	41	...									
...	...	...	...	25	...	4	...									
...	...	...	...	1,945	49	140	...									
...	...	...	...	54	...	21	...									
323	153	170	199	7,312	325	462	74									
*300	*72	*166	*156	...	17	77	29									
...	*35	...	...	1	6	...	...							
...	*27	...	...	...	...	...	...			
...	...	...	...	433	50	6	...									
...	...	...	...	877	...	...	...						
...	...	...	...	815	25	23	...									
...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...						
...	...	...	...	391	25	31	...									
...	...	...	...	122	...	...	...						

* Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in statement No. 8.

Sixty suits under Special Jurisdiction were filed, 46 disposed of (6 transferred to East Khandesh District) and 89 were pending at the close of the year.

* Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in Statement No. 8.

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Names of Courts 1	Criminal Work		Civil			
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court 2	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court 3	Original			
			Total number of suits before the Court 4	Disposed of 5	Pending at the end of the year under report 6	Pending at the end of the preceding year 7
Kolaba—contd.						
Subordinate Judge, Mahad, Regular	528	208	233	221
Subordinate Judge, Mahad, Small Causes	695	370	101	112
Subordinate Judge, Roha on Deputation to Mahad Regular	41	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Roha on Deputation to Mahad, Small Causes	133	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Bhiwandi on Deputation to Mahad, Regular	56	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Bhiwandi on Deputation to Mahad, Small Causes	91	...	...
Total	10	28	4,053	2,664	1,194	1,125
Nasik						
District and Sessions Judge	24	141	20	19	1	11
First Class Subordinate Judge, Appellate Powers, Regular	1,201	71	636	548
First Class Subordinate Judge, Appellate Powers, Small Causes	2,609	830	574	710
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Regular	482	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes	1,206	...	...
Additional Second Class Subordinate Judge, Regular	112	...	...
Additional Second Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes
Subordinate Judge, Satana, Regular	1,849	696	453	408
Subordinate Judge, Satana, Small Causes
Subordinate Judge, Pimpalgaon, Regular	1,260	510	679	418
Subordinate Judge, Pimpalgaon, Small Causes	2,341	1,604	610	424
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Pimpalgaon Regular	171	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Pimpalgaon, Small Causes	27	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Malegaon, Regular	1,023	427	356	370
Subordinate Judge, Malegaon, Small Causes	1,734	1,186	292	254
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Malegaon, Regular	229	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Malegaon, Small Causes	255	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Yeola, Regular	1,430	1,063	367	670
Subordinate Judge, Yeola, Small Causes	444	197	247	3
Subordinate Judge, Sinnar, Regular	960	512	448	412
Subordinate Judge, Sinnar, Small Causes	1,090	740	350	176
Total	24	141	15,360	10,547	4,913	4,399

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Work								Remarks
Appellate				Execution proceedings disposed of	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the Monthly Civil Returns	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	
Total number of Appeals before the Court	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year					
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
...	376	52	96	...	
...	568	
...	13	1	
...	37	
...	48	6	
...	36	
300	184	166	166	3,252	189	178	99	
547	161	261	281	5	67	1	40	} Forty-one suits under Special Jurisdiction were filed, 39 disposed of and 63 were pending at the close of the year.
...	185	...	...	194	113	83	...
...	857	...	4	...	
...	398	124	...	...
...	1,294	...	...	...
...	280	17	...	...
...	1,300	42	13	...	
...	
...	764	98	94	...	
...	1,306	...	5	...	
...	
...	563	80	8	...	
...	826	...	2	...	
...	71	
...	125	
...	1,124	98	36	...	
...	318	
...	900	55	72	...	
...	457	...	2	...	
547	286	261	281	10,489	696	310	40	

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Names of Courts 1	Criminal Work		Civil			
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court 2	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court 3	Original			
			Total number of suits before the Court 4	Disposed of 5	Pending at the end of the year under report 6	Pending at the end of the preceding year 7
<i>Poona</i>						
District and Sessions Judge ...	28	107	920	704	111	87
Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge.	21	10	...	5	...	...
First Class Subordinate Judge	3,983	107	1,438	1,530
Additional First Class Subordinate Judge.	45	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge.	418	...	...
Extra Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge.	473	...	...
Additional Second Class Subordinate Judge.	763	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Vadgaon	1,247	903	344	419
Do. Talegaon	1,227	819	468	579
Do. Sasvad	886	606	280	342
Do. Baramati	1,733	629	862	648
Do. Junnar, on deputation to Baramati.	232	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Khed	1,753	1,111	642	549
Do. Junnar	1,127	695	432	416
Jagirdar of Malegaon	40	19	21	20
Agent for Sardars in the Deccan	1	1	...	1
Judge, Small Cause Court, Poona	8,333	5,260	2,466	2,133
Registrar, Small Cause Court, Poona.	607
Total ...	49	117	19,900	12,791	7,109	6,714

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Work								Remarks
Total number of Appeals before the Court	Appellate			Execution proceedings disposed of	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the Monthly Civil Returns	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	
	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year					
597	116	262	215	61	188	23	22	* Includes applications under the Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act.
...	199	...	...	9	6	...	...
...	2,012	336	405	...	166 suits under Special Jurisdiction were filed, 111 disposed of and 173 were pending at the close of the year.
...	
...
...
...
...	809	64	36	...	...
...	986	34	81	...	...
...	548	38	24	...	...
...	1,034	62	145	...	...
...
...	1,184	61	81	...	...
...	724	57	26	...	...
...	21	1	6	...	One suit under Special Jurisdiction was filed and was pending at the close of the year.
...	1	
...	5,117	262	8
...	294
597	316	282	215	12,796	1,095	784	23	

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Names of Courts	Criminal Work		Civil			
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court	Original			
			Total number of suits before the Court	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
<i>Ratnagiri</i>						
District and Sessions Judge ...	21	21	4	4	...	7
First Class Subordinate Judge, Appellate Powers, Regular.	349	27	124	117
First Class Subordinate Judge, Appellate Powers, Small Causes.	509	166	62	63
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Regular.	198	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes.	281	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Dapoli, Regular	687	258	207	279
Subordinate Judge, Dapoli, Small Causes.	516	432	84	192
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Dapoli, Regular.	222	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes.
Subordinate Judge, Chiplun, Regular.	626	266	368	215
Subordinate Judge, Chiplun, Small Causes.	722	608	214	150
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Chiplun, Regular	2	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Chiplun, Small Causes.
Subordinate Judge, Devrukh, Regular.	418	239	179	149
Subordinate Judge, Devrukh, Small Causes.	569	373	196	145
Subordinate Judge, Rajapur, Regular.	428	341	187	189
Subordinate Judge, Rajapur, Small Causes.	269	161	88	73
Subordinate Judge, Devgad, Regular.	545	312	233	164
Subordinate Judge, Devgad, Small Causes.	199	135	4	117
Subordinate Judge, Malvan, Regular.	488	198	154	256
Subordinate Judge, Malvan, Small Causes.	461	391	54	79
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Malvan, Regular.	135	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Malvan, Small Causes.	16	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Vengurla, Regular.	423	256	167	142
Subordinate Judge, Vengurla, Small Causes.	141	136	5	37
Total ...	21	21	17,344	15,018	12,826	12,303

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Work								Remarks
Total number of Appeals before the Courts	Appellate			Execution proceedings disposed of	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the Monthly Civil Returns	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	
	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year					
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
*810	*236	*364	*443	4	37	...	69	* Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in Statement No. 8. † 11 suits under Special Jurisdiction were filed, 25 disposed of and 6 were pending at the close of the year.
...	*210	...	...	44	25	6	...
...	113	...	...	...
...	237	51	...	...
...	193	...	...	...
...	286	47	21	...	
...	274	...	...	...
...	89	7	...	...
...	
...	388	60	70	...	
...	340	...	3	...	
...	
...	404	19	34	...	
...	330	...	8	...	
...	274	26	29	...	
...	183	...	...	...
...	347	33	13	...	
...	61	...	...	...
...	345	68	25	...	
...	276	...	1	...	
...	73	15	...	...
...	
...	311	30	24	...	
...	68	...	...	...
810	446	364	443	4,539	418	233	69 †	Exclusive of the statistics of Village Munsiffs.

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Names of Courts	Criminal Work		Civil			
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court	Original			
			Total number of suits before the Court	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Satara						
District and Sessions Judge ...	34	136	13	8	1	8
Assistant Judge and Additional Sessions Judge.	31	4	...	4	...	...
First Class Subordinate Judge, Appellate Powers.	2,263	740	766	699
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge.	767	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Wai	1,760	954	796	494
Do. Karad	1,687	419	547	609
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Karad.	728	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Patan	732	418	314	305
Do. Koregaon	865	483	283	341
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Koregaon.	94	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Dahiwadi	673	373	295	268
Do. Tasgaon	1,063	637	446	419
Do. Viba	698	297	401	347
Do. Islampur	1,359	752	425	535
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Islampur.	182	...	...
Total ...	65	143	11,123	6,849	4,374	4,025
Sholapur						
District and Sessions Judge ...	34	94	16	13	8	10
Assistant Judge
First Class Subordinate Judge	4,006	961	961	1,249
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge.	932	...	...
Additional Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge.	1,152	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Barsi	1,770	1,178	375	556
Subordinate Judge, Karmala and Madha on deputation to Barsi.	88	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Sangola and Malsiras on deputation to Barsi.	73	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Pandharpur on deputation to Barsi.	56	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Pandharpur	2,049	895	596	630
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Pandharpur.	278	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Sholapur on deputation to Pandharpur.	280	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Karmala	684	507	177	256
Do. Madha	846	473	374	321
Do. Sangola	676	316	259	287
Do. Malsiras	651	499	152	242
Total ...	34	94	10,697	7,700	2,897	3,551

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Work								Remarks
Appellate								
Total number of Appeals before the Court	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year	Execution proceedings disposed of	Order made after investigation, including 17 and 18 of the Monthly Civil Returns	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
896	258	416	269	13	24	1	6	
...	206	...	...	...	55	...	...
...	16	...	...	1,181	119	86	...	Fifty-six suits under Special Jurisdiction were filed, 46 disposed of and 62 were pending at the close of the year.
...	
...	...	...	...	1,057	91	64	...	
...	...	...	...	868	110	59	...	
...	
...	...	...	...	819	39	38	...	
...	...	...	...	470	65	16	...	
...	
...	...	...	...	266	30	19	...	
...	...	...	...	571	63	99	...	
...	...	...	...	286	27	137	...	
...	...	...	...	1,077	78	19	...	
...	
896	480	416	269	6,177	679	537	6	
736	307	211	315	23	86	1	16	
...	218	...	...	...	35	...	...
...	...	...	...	961	88	64	...	Sixty-one suits under Special Jurisdiction were filed, 59 disposed of and 62 were pending at the close of the year.
...	...	...	...	1,106	68	...	...
...	...	...	...	...	56	...	...
...	...	...	...	1,034	66	36	...	
...	...	...	...	...	14	...	...
...	
...	...	...	...	1	4	...	...
...	834	112	62	...	
...	6	
...	153	9	
...	351	17	9	...	
...	523	37	30	...	
...	219	31	65	...	
...	335	34	6	...	
736	525	211	315	5,438	659	261	16	

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Names of Courts 1	Criminal Work		Civil			
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court 2	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court 3	Original			
			Total number of suits before the Court 4	Disposed of 5	Pending at the end of the year under report 6	Pending at the end of the preceding year 7
<i>Surat</i>						
District and Sessions Judge ...	21	64	133	91	42	57
First Class Subordinate Judge, Regular.	1,632	42	881	763
First Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes.	3,507	3,073	418	496
Joint First Class Subordinate Judge, Regular.	65	...	...
Joint First Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes.	16	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Regular.	421	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes.
Extra Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Regular.	403	...	...
Extra Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes.
Subordinate Judge, Bulsar, Regular.	968	581	327	226
Subordinate Judge, Bulsar, Small Causes.	971	803	168	138
Subordinate Judge, Olpad, Regular...	241	170	71	80
Subordinate Judge, Olpad, Small Causes.	217	164	63	16
Total ...	91	84	7,869	5,849	2,020	1,906

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Work		Appellate						Remarks
8	9	10	11	12	13	14		
Total number of Appeals before the Court	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year	Execution proceedings disposed of	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the Monthly Civil Returns	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	15
292	94	189	119	30	114	11	44	
..	64	393	181	..	
..	1,437	..	..	..
..	
..	
..	15	..	..	..
..	294	..	..	..
..	
..	298	..	..	..
..	
..	
..	764	117	4	..	
..	485	..	..	..
..	161	94	2	..	
..	115	..	..	..
293	94	189	119	8,594	648	308	44	

Eighty-two suits under Special Jurisdiction were filed, 86 disposed of and 11 were pending at the close of the year.

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Names of Courts 1	Criminal Work		Civil			
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court 2	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court 3	Original			
			Total number of suits before the Court 4	Disposed of 5	Pending at the end of the year under report 6	Pending at the end of the preceding year 7
<i>Thana</i>						
District and Sessions Judge ...	12	63	499	16	193	344
Joint Judge and Additional Sessions Judge.	91	16	...	116	...	...
Assistant Judge and Assistant Sessions Judge.	10	...	...	109	...	...
Extra Assistant Judge ...	2	...	...	...	...	...
First Class Subordinate Judge, Regular.	...	...	569	331	193	291
First Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes.	...	...	1,915	985	172	290
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Regular.	...	...	...	1	...	...
Joint Second Class Subordinate Judge, Small Causes.	...	...	...	1	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Bhiwandi and Murbad on deputation, Regular.	...	...	...	37	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Bhiwandi and Murbad on deputation, Small Causes.	...	...	...	57	...	...
Subordinate Judge, Kalyan, Regular.	...	...	1,460	1,051	409	282
Subordinate Judge, Kalyan, Small Causes.	...	...	88	85	1	86
Subordinate Judge, Bhiwandi, Regular.	...	...	280	173	107	93
Subordinate Judge, Bhiwandi, Small Causes.	...	...	285	198	87	62
Subordinate Judge, Murbad, Regular.	...	...	133	88	45	43
Subordinate Judge, Murbad, Small Causes.	...	...	140	109	31	35
Subordinate Judge, Andheri, Regular.	...	...	682	689	193	119
Subordinate Judge, Andheri, Small Causes.	...	...	888	776	110	18
Subordinate Judge, Dahanu, Regular.	...	...	764	485	279	164
Subordinate Judge, Dahanu, Small Causes.	...	...	363	331	32	81
Subordinate Judge, Panvel, Regular.	...	...	692	362	270	234
Subordinate Judge, Panvel, Small Causes.	970	761	198	245
Total ...	45	77	9,098	6,843	2,225	2,365

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Work								Remarks	
Total number of Appeals before the Court	Appellate			Execution proceedings disposed of	Order made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the Monthly Civil Returns	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report		
	8	9	10					11	12	13	14	15
*857	*70	*193	*179	1	36	51	30	*Columns 8 to 11 do not include miscellaneous appeals shown in Statement No. 8.	
...	*82	...	...	1	14	...	...
...	*42	...	...	5	10	...	...
...		
...	333	208	20	...		} 133 suits under Special Jurisdiction were filed. 146 disposed of and 76 were pending at the close of the year.
...	1,021	...	...	...
...		
...		
...		
...		
...		
...	995	60	20	...		
...	100	...	...	...
...	253	18	10	...		
...	167	...	2	...		
...	107	17	1	...		
...	100	...	1	...		
...	476	112	10	...		
...	445	...	...	...
...	533	64	3	...		
...	385	...	...	...
...	669	89	59	...		
...	954	...	...	...
367	164	193	179	6,615	618	157	30		

JUDICIAL STATEMENT No. 14

Names of Courts 1	Criminal Work			Civil			
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court 2	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court 3	Total number of suits before the Court 4	Original			
				Disposed of 5	Pending at the end of the year under report 6	Pending at the end of the preceding year 7	
<i>Consolidated Totals of Districts.</i>							
Ahmedabad	72	231	14,448	9,633	4,815	4,691	
Ahmednagar	23	73	11,215	7,131	4,084	3,847	
Belgaum	58	89	8,176	5,217	2,059	3,138	
Bijapur	40	88	5,866	4,300	1,566	1,454	
Broach and Panch Mahals	48	102	7,193	5,130	2,063	1,820	
Dharwar	46	87	10,525	7,370	3,155	3,731	
Kaira	66	133	11,246	6,593	2,653	2,534	
Kanara	13	37	4,710	3,143	1,567	1,586	
Khandesh East	23	106	21,271	14,345	6,925	7,131	
Khandesh West	46	67	8,632	5,192	3,440	2,740	
Kolaba	10	23	4,058	2,864	1,194	1,125	
Nasik	24	141	15,360	10,547	4,613	4,399	
Poona	49	117	19,900	12,791	7,109	6,714	
Ratnagiri	21	21	7,344	5,018	2,326	2,303	
Satara	65	142	11,123	6,849	4,274	4,025	
Sholapur	34	94	10,597	7,700	2,897	3,551	
Surat	21	84	7,889	5,849	2,020	1,806	
Thana	45	77	9,098	6,843	2,255	2,385	
Total	708	1,710	1,88,631	1,22,516	60,116	58,960	
<i>Bombay</i>							
Court of Small Causes, Bombay	40,928	35,187	5,791	5,654	
Total	40,928	35,187	5,791	5,654	

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Work									Remarks
Appellate				Execution proceedings disposed of	Orders made after investigation columns 17 and 18 of the Monthly Civil Returns	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report		
Total number of Appeals before the Court	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year						
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
694	357	337	539	5,800	1,604	638	54		
494	244	250	199	7,558	376	601	11		
994	117	877	660	3,510	596	607	572		
251	124	127	112	3,464	357	81	23		
342	172	170	121	4,991	305	174	59		
582	222	300	235	5,122	1,126	459	49		
359	155	204	...	5,920	493	213	...		
273	92	181	82	2,774	252	329	16		
588	464	124	250	18,410	769	752	...		
323	153	170	199	7,312	325	462	74		
300	134	166	166	3,252	182	178	29		
547	226	251	261	10,482	696	319	40		
597	315	222	215	12,798	1,093	784	22		
810	446	364	443	4,539	418	233	69		
896	420	416	269	6,177	679	537	6		
735	525	211	215	5,538	653	261	16		
252	94	168	112	3,594	593	208	44		
357	154	193	179	6,516	618	167	30		
9,395	4,604	4,791	4,448	1,19,163	11,204	6,923	1,114		
...	17,886	...	1,640	...		
...	17,886	...	1,640	...		

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Work		Appellate										Remarks
		8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		
		Total number of Appeals before the Court	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year	Execution proceedings disposed of	Order made after investigation, columns 17 and 18 of the Monthly Civil Returns	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report			
183	148	87	55	36	2,609	1,330	1					
..		
..		
..	..	..	..	..	..	2,850	6	..	..	..
..		
..		
148	148	87	55	36	2,609	3,886	1					
1,111	1,111	974	797	600	..	..	323			
1,489	1,489	698	794	547	..	..	290			
130	130	68	53	44	..	..	9			
2,733	2,733	1,140	1,898	1,921	..	..	562			

*In addition to this, 646 applications for Probate and Letters of Administration were filed for disposal.

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Names of Courts 1	Criminal Work		Civil			
	Cases disposed of by the Sessions Court 2	Appeals disposed of by the Sessions Court 3	Original			
			Total number of suits before the Court 4	Disposed of 5	Pending at the end of the year under report 6	Pending at the end of the preceding year 7
Brought forward ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
High Court—contd. Appellate Side—contd.						
Appeals under the Letters Patent ...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Appeals under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923.	...	...	...	...	...	...
Criminal Appeals by persons convicted.	...	625	...	...	...	...
Criminal Appeals by Government ...	...	17	...	...	...	...
Criminal References under section 438, Criminal Procedure Code.	100	...	...	...	...	...
Do. Cases called for on review of Criminal Returns.	(a) 20	...	...	...	...	...
Do. Applications for revision by accused persons and complainants.	241	...	...	...	...	...
Do. References under section 307, Criminal Procedure Code.	5	...	...	...	...	...
Do. Confirmation cases under section 374, Criminal Procedure Code.	24	...	...	...	...	...
Total	(b) 300	642	...	...	...	...

(a) Besides these R. and P. in 26 cases were called for but on perusal no action was taken.

(b) Besides these the following miscellaneous applications were disposed of:—

- 68 Applications for transfer.
- 10 Applications for bail.
- 8 Applications for disposal of property.
- 7 Applications for stay of execution.
- 17 Applications for sanction.
- 5 Applications for compensation.
- 9 Applications for maintenance.
- 3 Applications for security.
- 4 Applications under *habeas corpus*.
- 31 Applications of miscellaneous nature.

*His Majesty's High Court of Judicature,
Appellate Side, Bombay, 20th September 1927.*

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Work								Remarks
Total number of Appeals before the Court	Appellate			Execution proceedings disposed of	Orders made after investigation, columns 17 and 18 of the Monthly Civil Returns	Number of original suits pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	Number of appeals pending more than a year at the end of the year under report	
	Disposed of	Pending at the end of the year under report	Pending at the end of the preceding year					
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
2,753	1,140	1,593	1,251	...	...	...	552	
99	51	48	17	...	...	...	4	
9	2	1	...	...	...	...	...
...	
...	
...	
...	
...	
...	
...	
...	
2,835	(c) 1,193	1,642	1,268	...	...	...	556	

(c) Besides those the following miscellaneous matters were disposed of:—

17 Civil References.

336 Civil Revision Applications.

9 Applications to withdraw or transfer appeals, etc., under section 24, Civil Procedure Code.

6 Applications for leave to appeal as a pauper under Order XLIV, Rule 1, Civil Procedure Code.

56 Applications for review of judgments, under section 114, Civil Procedure Code.

23 Applications for leave to appeal to His Majesty's Privy Council, Order XLV, Rule 7, Civil Procedure Code.

195 Applications for stay of execution, Order XLI, Rule 5, Civil Procedure Code.

715 Other applications of miscellaneous nature.

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