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# R. B. PITT, Esq., Acting Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survey; 

To
THM COLLECTOR of SHOLA'PUR
Deccan Survey Superintendent's Office,
Poona, 6th October 1891.

## Sir,

I have the honour to submit for the sanction of Government proposals for the revised survey settlement of three villages of the Bárs1 Táluka, in which the existing settlements were introduced in the year shown below.-

2. This report I should premise is merely supplementary to the *Revision Settlement Raport made in 1872 on the rest of the

- Sarvey Superintendent's Report No $\mathbf{A}-564$, dated 14th August 1872. villages of the Bársi Táluka,-the three villages referred to not being ripe for revision at the time; and, as all the questions connected with the revision settlemeni were then fully disoussed and disposed of, it will not be necessary now to do more than give the usual information as affecting these three villages only as concisely as possible.

3. As will be seen from the accompanying map, two of the villages are

Position and phyacal features. contrguous to each other and lie on the Bhogavati river in the South of the Taluka, and North and South adjoin the large Bazár towns of Pángaon and Wyrag, Whoh are on the high road from Sholépur to Bársi. The remaining village "Gulpoh" is stuated on the extreme South-Western boundary of the Táluka, some nine miles due South of Barsi, and about the same distance from the railway station of Madha. In climate and physical features these villages are in no way peculiar, but resemble the villages adjoining them, and which have already been brought under revision settlement.
4. The revision measurement and reclassification of the three villages

Revisuan mearrurament and classifiontron. under report was conducted on the partial system, fully described 13 previous reports, with the following results -475 old survey numbers have become 645 new survey numbers and pot numbers. The difference in area in individual numbers exceeded 5 per cent. in 157 per cent. of the numbers measured; out of ten cases in which the difference exceeded 15 per cent. four were due to alluvion and diluvion, three to alterations in roads and the remaining three others to emall differences in the boundaries of fields. 262 numbers aggregating 2,187 acres were actually reclassed, whle in 383 numbers containugg 6,974 acres the old classification was confirmed or adjusted to thetgresent standard.
5. The followng statement shows the area of the three villages as ascertained by the revision survey in oontrast with the onginal reoord under all a 956-1
heads -

|  | Description. |  | Ongumal Survey | Revision Survey | Differance. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  |  | 2 | ${ }^{3}$ | $4 *$ |
|  |  |  | Acres. | Acres | Acres |
| Dry-crop | - |  | 8,306 | 8,014 | - 292 |
| Garden |  |  | 174 | 481 | $+307$ |
| Unassessed |  |  | 844 | 851 | $+7$ |
| Total |  |  | 9,324 | 9,346 | + 22 |

There has been, it will be noted, a large transfer from the dry-crop area to the irrgated head, due no doubt to the 40 new wells which have been constructed during the lease.

6 The subjoined as a précis of the *appendices marginally noted, and shows the condition of the three villages under report * Statistics Appendices at the time of the former settlement in contrast with $B, D$, and $G$ their condition as now furnished by the Revenue Department -

| Description | Year of Settlement 185657 | 188990 | Increase | Decrasse | Por ceart. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | $\sigma$ | 6 |
| Population | 1,922 | 2,655 | 733 | $\because$ | 381 |
| TTled and flat-roofed | 226 | 390 | 164 |  | 726 |
| Houses $\{$ Thatched .. | 218 | 173 |  | 45 | -206 |
| (Total . . | 444 | 563 | 119 | . | 268 |
| Agricultural cattle | 823 | 936 | 113 |  | 137 |
| Cows, buffaloes and young | 719 | 1,352 | 633 |  | 880 |
| Sheep and goats .. | 650 | 271 |  | 379 | -583 |
| Carta. .. | 20 | 108 | 88 |  | 4400 |
| Horses and ponies .. | 20 | 37 | 17 |  | 850 |
| Wells and Budkas | 56 | 96 | 40 | $\cdots$ | 714 |

The present prosperous condition of these three villages is made very plan by the above figures. Population has increased by 381 per cent, and the better class of houses by 726 per cent Agricultural cattle now number 936, whach gives the ample proportion of one pair of oxen to 15 acres of cultivated land. Under the head of Caits there is a larger increase than has, I believe, seldom been noted for any other Táluka recently settled, and it is a very satisfactory proof of the immense development of trade and consequent benefit to the Rayats
7. Information in the usual form, giving details of all sales, leases and mortgages registered within the last five years, will be found in the appendices marginally noted. There is nothing in any of the statements that calls for special
Value of land-Appendices $H_{4} I$, and J. remark and the sales of land recor
instance been private transactions
8. Not to lengthen this supplementary report I will pass over without Appendices A, C, F, and F detalled comment the intermediate appendices, which give for these three villages the information usually furnished at Revision Settlement. The figures contained in the revenue history

Revenve History-Append10es K and $\mathrm{L}_{\text {。 }}$ appendices exbibit a very marked prosperity Remissions and outstandings may be said to be almost unknown, the only exceptions being two small sums of Rs. 3 and Rs 26 in the two years following the famine, and five other sums on account of land taken up and assigned for public pnrposes. There has not, moreover, been a single case of resort to distraint during the last five years in order to realize the Government revenue.

- 9. The prosperous state of these villages as disclosed by the information summarised above admits of no reason to question the advisability of now introducing those revised rates which have already been appled to the rest of the villages of the Táluka adjoning them. A referenoe to the map will show the rating in force, and the following statement exhibits the approximate result of ils apphcation to the fhree vullages in question:-

| Group. |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { nwilagee } \end{aligned}$ | By tobman Sbavit |  | Bx matimame Stryit, |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Percoenth } \\ \text { Agb. } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Goverament oenapiad Lupnd. |  | Government ocoupied Land |  | Government in ocoupled Land. |  | Total. |  |  |
|  |  |  | ${ }^{4}$ dorso | ${ }^{\text {A sseass }}$ | Acrea | Ansess- meant | Acres. |  | $\triangle$ Acres, |  |  |
|  | 1 | 8. | 4 | 6 | 0 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 13 |
|  | Rn $\quad \mathrm{p}$ |  |  | In |  | Rs |  | Rs |  | Re. |  |
| I | 140 | 3 | 8,103 | 3,863 | 8,115 | 4,875 | 66 | 12 | 8,181 | 4,887 | 265 |

10. The total estimated increase, it will be seen, amounts to Rs. 1,022, which is equivalent to $26^{\circ} 5$ per cent.
11. By the original survey record there were 174 acres of Government Garden lands Bágát land assessed at Rs. 1-15-10 per acre. By revision survey there are now 481 acres bearing an assessment of Rs. 568, or an average of Rs 1-2-11 per acre. This is divided into Motasthal and Patasthal as shown below -


The orders of Government have been duly followed in assessing well gardens, and no additional assessment has been placed on lands watered by wells constructed during the lease. The Patasthal alea is irrigated from three Kutcha Bandhúrás which has been lightly treated under a maximum rate of Rs. 8, which has been the usual maximum rate in most Deccan revisions.
12. The results of the original and revision surveys in the three villages

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under report are contrasted below under every

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|  | $\triangle$ Areme | Ameesmmant. | Acres. |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|  |  | Rs |  | Rs. | Ba. |
|  | 8,103 | 3,853 | 8,115 | 4,875 | - . |
| Government unoccupied land -. | 61 | 8 | 66 | 18 |  |
| Inam land ... - . | 316 | 205 | 814 | 286 | ${ }^{-15}$ |
| $\begin{array}{cccc}\text { Government unassessed anarable } \\ \text { land } & \text {... } & \end{array}$ | 844 |  | 851 |  |  |
| Total . | 9,324 | 4,066 | 9,346 | 5,173 | 55 |

13 The average assessment on Covernment occupied land was by original settlement Re $0-7-7$ per acre and by the proposed settlement it will be Re 0-9-7, an increase of Re. 0-2-0 only,

14 If the proposals now made meet with the approval of Government, I have the honour to recommend the revised rate shonld be guaranteed for these

* Lease expires 1901-02 three villages for a period to expire with the lease now a existing in the rest of the Taluka. 1 beg also to solicit orders as to whether the remissions sanctioned now in forco arc to be made applicable to these villages.

I have the honour to be,
Sir ,
Your most obedient Sorvant,
R. B PITT,

Acting Superintendent. Decriameranuué Nurve.

APPENDIX A
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## APPENDIX B.

Statistical Table No. IV.
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APPENDIX C.
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Occupation of the People

| Dratrict. | Surveyed Villages. | Oceupation. | Namber |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |  |
| Bára Táluka, Sholá par Collectorate. | $\begin{aligned} & 3 \text { Government vil- }\{ \\ & \text { lages. } \end{aligned}$ | Agricaltural $\quad$ \{ | No | Percentage |
|  |  |  | 1,088 313 | $\begin{aligned} & 566 \\ & 118 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | Partly Agricultural •\{ | 62 163 | $\begin{aligned} & 32 \\ & 61 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | Non-Agricultaral $-\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { l }\end{array}\right.$ | 772 2,179 | $\begin{aligned} & 402 \\ & 821 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | Total $\{$ | 1,922 2,655 | $\begin{aligned} & 1000 \\ & 1000 \end{aligned}$ |

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## APPENDIX $D$

Statistical Table No VI.
Return of Howses, Chavdrs, Wells, der, and of Inve and Dead Stock


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## APPENDIX F .

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|  |  | $a^{\text {avarnmment. }}$ | Inam | aoveramont. | Inam | Oevarnmont. | Inam. | Ooveramont | Indm. |  |  | Oavarnmont. | Indm, |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | - | B | 6 | 7 | 8 | $\theta$ | 10 | 11 | 19 | 18 | 16 |
| 8 | Barul Taluka, 8holapur Colleclorato. \{ | 884 698 | U 8 | $\begin{array}{r} 77 \\ 11 \cdot \theta \end{array}$ | 7 1.1 | 128 10.8 | 8 0.9 | $\begin{aligned} & 84 \\ & 68 \end{aligned}$ | .". | -88 | $0 \frac{1}{2}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 629 \\ & 976 \end{aligned}$ | 10 80 |

Statement of Wolls, Tanks and Budkis in villages of the Barsi Idluka of the Sholdpur Colleolorate in the year 1889-80.


## APPENDIX H

An Abstract Statement showing Sales in 3 villag's of the Bías Táluka of the Sholapur Collectorate

| T ${ }^{\text {Total }}$ yeres sold | Total gam for which bold. | Salorate per Acre | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ \text { Assessment } \end{gathered}$ | Average rate of Agessment per Acre per Acre | The average number of times the Survey Assessment is for which the land ls sold | Remarke |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | - 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 2,886 | Rs 37,537 | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { Rs } & \text { a } & \text { p } \\ 13 & 0 & 1\end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Kg} \\ & 2,064 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{rrrr}\text { Rs } & \text { as } \\ 0 & \mathbf{p} \\ 0 & 11 & 5\end{array}$ | 18 | The total number of crees is 106 |
| $1,256$ | $\operatorname{cases}_{\substack{\text { in which } \\ 5,668}}$ | $\text { the land } \begin{gathered} 4{ }_{2} \\ 4 \end{gathered}$ | sold for 8 gums 879 | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { from I to } 10 \\ 011 \end{array}$ | times the Surv | ey essessment. |
| $1,211^{47}$ | $\underset{\substack{\text { cases in which } \\ 15,089}}{ }$ | the land was | sold for qums | $\begin{gathered} \text { from } 11 \text { to } 25 \\ 0115 \end{gathered}$ | times the Surs | ey assessment |
| $306^{8}$ | $\boldsymbol{c}_{\substack{\text { cases in Which } \\ 7,505}}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { the land wes } \\ & 2485 \end{aligned}$ | sold for nums 228 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { from } 26 \text { to } 50 \\ & 01111 \end{aligned}$ | times the Surv 33 | ey aspessment |
| $78{ }^{3}$ | $\underset{\substack{\text { cases un } \\ 4,150}}{ }$ | the land was $\begin{array}{lll}53 & 3 & 3\end{array}$ | sold for sums | $\begin{array}{\|ccc} \hline \text { from } 51 \text { to } & 100 \\ 0111 & 1 \end{array}$ | tumes the Surv 77 | ey asseasment |
| $35{ }^{3}$ | $\operatorname{coses}^{\text {in which }} \begin{gathered} 5,125 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { the land was } \\ & 1467 \mathrm{o} \end{aligned}$ | sold for sums | $\begin{array}{cc} \text { from } & 101 \text { to } 200 \\ 1 & 1 \end{array}$ | times the Surv 135 | ey ensessment |

APPENDIX I
An Abstract Statempnt showng Sub-lettinq*:n 3 villnges of the Barsi Taluka of the Sholapur Collectorate

| Total Aeras sub let | Total gum for whigh sub-let | $\int_{\text {per } \Delta c r e}^{\text {Sub letting mate }}$ | Total Agsessment | Average rate of Assessment per Aore | The average number of times the Survey A hsesmment ls equal to the sun for whict the land is sub let | Bemarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 2,512 | Rs $\mathbf{5 , 3 3 0}$ | $\begin{array}{cccc}\text { Res } & \text { a } & p \\ 2 & 1 & 11\end{array}$ | Rs ${ }_{\text {1,749 }}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}\text { Rs } & \mathbf{a} & \mathbf{p} \\ 0 & 11 & 2\end{array}$ | 3 | The total number of cases is 100 |
| $\begin{array}{r} 87 \\ 2,359 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { cases in whych } \\ 4,537 \end{gathered}$ | the land <br>  <br> 1 <br> 14 | $\begin{gathered} \text { sub let for sums } \\ 1,647 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}\text { from } \\ 0 & \text { to } \\ 0\end{array}$ | times the Surv | ey assebsment |
| $131^{9}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { cases in which } \\ 598 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { the land was } \\ & 490 \end{aligned}$ | sub let for sums <br> 89 | $\begin{gathered} \text { from } 6 \text { to } 10 \\ 01010 \end{gathered}$ | tumes the Sury <br> 7 | ey asbessment. |
| $22^{4}$ | cases in which 195 | the land was 81310 | sub let for sums 13 | $\begin{gathered} \text { from } 11 \text { to } 25 \\ 095 \end{gathered}$ | times the Surv 15 | ey assessment |

APPENDIX J
*An Abstract Statenent shou ıng Mortgaqes un 3 ulluqes of the Bász Táluha of the Sholapui Collectorate

| Total Actes mortgaged | Total sum for which mortgaged | Mortgage Rate per acre | Total Assumanent | Averago Rate of assessment per acru | The average number of times the Survey $\Delta$ ssessiment is equal to the sum for which the land is mortikaged | Remarke |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 4253 | Rg 28,132 | $\begin{array}{rrrr}\text { Re } & \text { a } & \mathrm{P} \\ 6 & 8 & 10\end{array}$ | Rs ${ }_{\text {2,585 }}$ | $\begin{array}{rrrr}\text { Rs } & \text { a } & \mathrm{p} \\ 0 & 9 & 8\end{array}$ | 11 | The total namber of caset is 172 |
| $2, \stackrel{92}{6}^{2,}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { cases in which } \\ 9060 \end{gathered}$ | the land was $310 \quad 5$ | mortgaged for 1,785 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { sums froin } 1 \\ & 01010 \end{aligned}$ | to 10 times the | Survey ameessment |
| ${ }_{1,237}^{54}$ | cases in which 8,962 | the land was 7311 | mortgaged for 559 | $\begin{gathered} \text { aums from } 11 \\ 073 \end{gathered}$ | to 25 times the 16 | Survey assessment |
| ${ }_{346}^{22}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { cases in which } \\ 8,110 \end{gathered}$ | the land was 2370 | mortgaged for 221 | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { sums from } 26 \\ 0103 \end{gathered}\right.$ | to 50 tumes the 37 | Survey masesament |
| $23^{4}$ | cases in which 1,300 | the land was $\begin{array}{lll}66 & 8 & 4\end{array}$ | mortgaged for 19 | $\begin{gathered} \text { eums from } 51 \\ 013 \quad 3 \end{gathered}$ | to 100 times the 68 | Survey assessment, |
| $1^{1}$ | cases in which 100 | the land was $100 \quad 0 \quad 0$ | mortgaged for 1 | $\begin{array}{ccc} \hline \text { sums from } & 101 \\ 100 & 0 \end{array}$ | to 20 N times the 100 | Survey assesmment. |

Actıng Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survey

## APPENDIX K.

Rerenuo Statement far 3 Villages situated in the Bársi Talukie of the Sholdapur Collectorate, into which the Survey Settlement was introduced in 1856-57 The years above the black line ars those antecedent to the Survey Settlement $\cdot$

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  and Iram |  |  |  |  | $\cdots$ |
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| Years | $\frac{8}{5}$ $\frac{8}{8}$ $\frac{1}{2}$ 8 |  |  | - | $\int_{4}^{8}$ |  | 安 |  |  | - | 晨 |  |  |  |  |  |  | Rmanase |
| 1 | 9 | 3 | $\cdot$ | ${ }^{5}$ | $\bigcirc$ | 7 | 8 | $\bigcirc$ | 10 | 11 | 18 | 13 | 4 | 15 | ${ }^{16}$ | 17 | ${ }^{18}$ | 19 |
|  |  | ${ }^{\text {Ra }}$ | ${ }^{\mathrm{za}}$ | Ra | Ri | ${ }^{\text {Ra }}$ |  | Res | $\mathrm{Ra}^{\text {R }}$ |  | Rs | ${ }_{\text {B }}$ | Aoren | Re | $\mathrm{R}_{8}$ | Re. | Rs. |  |
| ${ }^{180} 404$ | 4,288 | 7,005 | 8,488 |  | 8468 | 3,687 | 708 | 1,147 |  | 2n, | 878 |  | ${ }_{5,850}$ | 8,501 | 8,687 | 288 |  |  |
| 187748 | 4,128 | 7,005 | 3,488 |  | 9,688 | 3,697 | 708 | 1,472 | 40 | 291 | 879 |  | 5,850 | 8691 | 3,987 | 287 |  |  |
| 18849 | 4,428 | 7,005 | 8,488 |  | 138 | 8,007 | 708 | 1,147 | 6 | 291 | ${ }^{879}$ |  | 5,350 | 8,501 | 8,001 | 882 |  |  |
| 1880.50 | 4,808 | 8,780 | B,2ss | 180 | 8,878 | 9,889 | 880 | 1,452 | , | 221 | ${ }^{378}$ |  | 8,880 | 8,591 | 8,408 | ${ }^{0}$ |  |  |
| ${ }_{180} 8181$ | 4,108 | 0,557 | 8,389 |  | 8,2z8 | 8,618 | ${ }^{888}$ | 1,456 | ${ }_{70}$ | 291 | 370 |  | 5,850 | 8,501 | 8,588 | 104 |  |  |
| 2881082 | 4,108 | 9,007 | 8,178 |  | 172 | 3,416 | 1,02s | 1,005 | ${ }_{87}$ | 921 | 370 |  | 5850 | 8,691 | 3,588 |  |  |  |
| 188888 | 4,887 | 8,788 | 8,288 |  | 8,288 | 8.890 | 898 | 1,480 | 88 | 221 | 879 |  | 5,860 | 8,601 | 3,581 |  |  |  |
| 188645 | 4,180 | 7.078 | 8,477 | 18 | ,440 | 8,832 | ${ }^{208}$ | 1,140 | ${ }^{85}$ | 22 | ${ }^{379}$ |  | 5,350 | 8,301 | 3,907 |  |  |  |
| 188455 | 4,41 | -,052 | 8,003 |  | 3,408 | 3,448 | 708 | 1,100 | 79 | 221 | 379 |  | 5,5s0 | 8,501 | 3,288 |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{1804-50}$ | 4,874 | 0,002 | 8,580 | - | 190 | 8,682 | 768 | 1,20 | - | 222 | 879 |  | 6,850 | 8,691 | 8,728 |  |  |  |
| 1880.67 | 7,788 | 3,990 |  | ${ }^{83}$ | 883 | 3007 | 688 | 297 |  |  | 208 |  | 8,980 | 4,415 | 8,161 |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{288788}$ | 7,788 | 3,078 |  |  |  | 8,079 | ${ }^{18} 8$ | 23.4 | 88 | 910 | 28 |  | 8,080 | 4,415 | 4,008 |  |  |  |
| 18888.80 | 8,28 | 4,184 |  |  |  | 8,104 | 188 | 48 |  | 319 | 208 |  | 8,980 | 1,416 | , 178 |  |  |  |
| 188506 | 8,454 | 4,178 |  |  |  | 4,178 | 157 | 81 | 11 | 310 | 208 |  | 8,980 | - $415^{\prime}$ | \% 181 |  |  |  |
| $1880-01$ | 8,476 | 4,188 |  |  |  | 4,188 | 148 | 25 |  | ${ }^{319}$ | 208 |  | 8030 | 4,415 | 4,100 |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{1801092}$ | 8,60 | 4,178 |  |  |  | 4,178 | 14 | 80 |  | 319 | 208 | - | 8,330 | 4,185 | 4,104 |  |  |  |
| 1888 as | 8,472 | 4,77 |  |  |  | 4,177 | 198 | so | - | 318 | 208 | $\bigcirc$ | 8,8s0 | 4,415 | 4,198 |  |  |  |
| 2888 as | 8, 10 | 4.102 |  |  |  | 4,102 | ${ }^{0}$ | 16 | - | 818 | 208 | ${ }^{18}$ | 8,980 | 4,415 | 4,200 |  |  |  |
| 1880005 | s,s10 | 4,198 |  |  |  | 4,20: | 0 | 15 | ${ }^{8}$ | 880 | 208 | ${ }^{50}$ | 8980 | 4,416 | 4,881 |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{188508}$ | 8,516 | 4,108 |  |  |  | 4,10: | as | 15 | ${ }^{\text {s }}$ | 310 | 208 | 58 | 8,390 | 4,415 | 4,361 |  |  |  |
| 1880808 | 8518 | 9,108 |  |  |  | 4,192 | 28 | 15 | 8 | 319 | 208 | ${ }_{50}$ | 8,050 | d 413 | d 261 |  |  |  |
| 188078 | 8.810 | 4,198 |  | " |  | 4.1128 | ${ }^{28}$ | 16 | 8 | 319 | ${ }^{208}$ | ${ }^{6}$ | 8,930 | 4,418 | 4,281 |  |  |  |
| $1880-08$ | Q, 616 | 4198 |  |  |  | 4,102 | ${ }^{96}$ | 15 | $s$ | 319 | ${ }_{208}$ | ${ }^{5}$ | 8,380 | 4,415 | 4,250 |  |  |  |
| 1888970 | 8.818 | $4_{1}^{198}$ |  |  |  | ${ }^{4} 108$ | 2 | 13 | $s$ | 319 | 208 | 66 | 8,950 | 4,116 | ( 360 | - |  |  |
| ${ }^{1876-717}$ | 8,310 | ${ }^{1} 192$ |  |  |  | 4,102 | ${ }^{08}$ | 15 | ${ }^{8}$ | 319 | 208 | ${ }^{5}$ | 8,230 | 418 | 4,850 | - |  |  |
| ${ }^{1881.78}$ | 2,518 | 8,198 |  |  |  | ${ }^{4} 1818$ |  | ${ }^{25}$ | - | 319 | 208 | ${ }^{5}$ | 8,280 | 4,118 | 4,880 |  |  |  |
| 1878.78 | 8,510 | 4,108 |  |  |  | 4,102 | ${ }^{08}$ | 15 |  | 310 | 208 | ${ }^{5}$ | 8,980 | 4,48 | 4,880 | $\cdots$ |  |  |
| 1887-76 | 8,516 | 4,198 |  |  |  | 4,108 | ${ }^{\circ}$ | $\stackrel{1}{ }$ |  | ${ }^{318}$ | -88 | ${ }^{5}$ | 8,994 | 4,411 | - 250 | - |  |  |
| 187676 | 8,510 | 4,193 |  |  |  | 4,199 | ${ }^{6}$ | 8 |  | ${ }^{312}$ | ${ }^{208}$ | 55 | 8,806 | 4,400 | 4 385 |  |  |  |
| 18770 | 8,310 | 4,198 |  |  |  | 4,148 | ${ }^{1}$ | * |  | 210 | nas |  | 8,996 | 4100 | 4,sso | - |  |  |
| 18 ment | s,616 | 4.108 |  |  |  | 4,100 | ${ }^{2}$ | $\bullet$ |  | sto | 208 | ${ }^{4}$ | 8588 | 4,400 | 4, 200 | I 818 |  |  |
| 19778 | 8,816 | 4,108 |  |  |  | 4,105 | ${ }^{6}$ | $\bigcirc$ |  | ${ }^{310}$ | ${ }^{\text {208 }}$ |  | 9,586 | 4,100 | 4850 | ${ }^{3}$ | ${ }^{3}$ |  |
| 1887-78 | 8,518 | +192 |  |  |  | 4,408 | ${ }_{4}^{4}$ | $\bullet$ |  | 318 318 | ${ }_{\text {mas }}^{\text {208 }}$ | ${ }_{50} 5$ | ${ }_{8}^{8889} 8$ | ${ }^{4} 4000$ | 4,880 | ${ }_{8}^{\infty}$ | * |  |
| 1830.as | Q, 117 | 4,164 |  |  |  | 4,104 | 161 | $\pi$ | ${ }_{8} 8$ | 310 | nos | ${ }_{5} 5$ | 8,8007 | 4.400 | 4, |  | ss |  |
| เช10 | 8,517 | 4,199 |  |  |  | 4,103 | ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | - |  | 310 | ${ }^{208}$ | $s$ | -800 | 4.009 | 4.20 | 38 | as |  |
| 1885 | 8,318 | 6,191 |  |  |  | 4,121 | ${ }^{6}$ | 8 |  | 310 | m | ${ }^{5}$ | 8887 | 4,007 | 4.488 | 38 | ${ }^{4}$ |  |
| 1858 | 8.615 | 4,192 | $\cdots$ |  |  | 4,102 | a | 8 |  | 315 | ${ }^{209}$ | 3 | 2.887 | c 40 | 4.98 | 3 | 34 |  |
| ${ }^{1884}$ | 8, 108 | 2.39 |  |  |  | 3,sss | ${ }^{1}$ | $\bullet$ |  |  | 208 |  | 2.848 | 4,000 | 2,010 | $\cdots$ |  |  |
| 18 cks | 8, 100 | 3,23s |  |  |  | 3ss | a | 8 |  | n0 | ${ }^{208}$ | ${ }^{5}$ | 2, 82 | 4,005 | 3.910 |  | - |  |
| 1888.57 | 8,10e | 3858 | - | $\cdots$ |  | 2,58s | $\cdots$ | 8 |  | 310 | 29 | ${ }^{3}$ | 2, 238 | 4,009 | $2 \cdot 10$ | - | - |  |
| 2005 | 8,108 | 2.58 |  |  |  | 2.585 | ${ }^{1}$ | s |  | sip | m |  |  | 100 | 2,020 | - | - |  |
| 1885 | c.108 | 3.85 |  |  | - | 3,sss | 0 | 8 |  | 316 | ${ }_{5} 8$ | * | 2400 | 4,008 | 2,010 | -- | - |  |
| 188000 | 8.108 | 138 | - |  | - | 2,ss3 | $a$ | 8 |  |  | 50 |  |  | 4,000 |  | $\cdots$ |  |  |

R B PITT,
Acting Superintendent, Decean Revenue Surrey.

## APPENDIX L.

Revenue Statement for 11 adjomıng Villages artuated in the Bársı Táluka of the Sholápur Oollectorate, anto whach the Survey Settlement was antroduced an 1871-7\%

R. B. PITT,

Acting Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survér|


Aeting Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survey.

Forwarded, with compliments, to the Survey and Settlement Commissioner
2 These papers embody proposals for the revision settlement of three villages of the Bársi Táluka, and are, as stated by the Superintendent, merely supplementary to the revision settlement report made in 1872 of the remaining villagest of the taluka The orignal settlement of the three villages appears

* to have been made in 1856-57, but the undersıgned has not yet succeeded in obtaning the record connected with that settlement, which is on the files of the Bijapur District, 'and was called for from the Collector of that district
immediately on recelpt of these papers The Collector states that a search is being made for the papers, but the undersigned does not consider it desirable to delay, any further the submssion of these papers.

3 The measuring and classing operations in respect of the 3 villages have been conducted on the same principle as has been adopted in recent revisions Out of 645 new Survey Nos., 262 Nos aggregating 2,177 acres have been reclasssfied, while in 383 Nos contaning 6,974 acres, the old classification has been adjered to The statistics furnished in paragraph 6 of Mr Pitt's report plainly show that the" villages have advanced in material prosperity during the course of the existing settlement. Except in two cases in the two years followang the famine in which it was found necessary to grant remissions to a small extent, the Gbvernment demands have ordnarily been realized with ease In view of these facts, the proposed average increase of two annas per acre in the assessment on Government occupied lands appears to be moderate and can farrly be clamed by Government

4 Under the carcumstances, the undersigned recommends the Superintendent's proposals for the approval and sanction of Governmentan' "A, "~"
5. A pettition from the officiating revenue patel of Ghanegaon against the proposed rates has just been recelved and is being referred to the Superintendent, Deccan Survey, for report. The petition is made by the patel on behali of the rayats of Ghanegaon, and the undersigned will report separately on it

# PC. H SNOW, 

* Collector.

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\text { No } 2067 \text { or } 1891
$$

Poona, 7th wioiember 189 1,
Forwarded to Government through the Commissioner; C. D
2 The Superintendent's report contans in the usual form, all infotmation which is called for at Revision Settlement and shows that the three villages in question are in a prosperous condition There is no reason therefore why they should not, now that their orgginal settlement has expred, be brought under the rates which Government sanctioned so long ago as 1872 for the rest of the Barsi Taluka, and the Collector concurring in this opimion recommends the , application to these villages of a maximum rate of Re. 1-4, as proposed , by the superintendent of Suavey.
3. The guarantee of these villages should expre with the rest of the talluka, and it 18 presumed that the temporary remissions now usual in the case of hold-
ings, of which the assessment has been increased
G R No 3541, dated ath May 1885, by the last sentence of the 'Superintendent's report.

No. $\frac{\mathrm{R}}{\mathrm{Ez2I}}$ or 1891.
Revenue Dgrarthent.
Sholäpur, $\frac{\text { ma }}{\text { ma }}$ December 1891.

Forwarded to Government The proposals of the Superintendent are acquiesced in by the Collector. * * ${ }^{*}{ }^{*}$
2. He supports the recommendation made in para 3 of the Survey Com* missioner's letter

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\begin{gathered}
\text { G. B. REID, } \\
\text { Acting Commissioner, C. D. }
\end{gathered}
$$

No 358 of 1892.
Camp Surat, 25th February
Memprandom.
The Acting Survey Commissioner has the honor to returni' the correspondence recelved with the Under Secretary's endorsement No, 1236 of February 18th last. ".
2. Ai map on which the maximum rates now in force have, been correctly

Government Resolution No. 3875 of 19 th " October 1875
Govotimentar raresolution
No 1031 of 21 at February 1873 tendent framed his proposals shown is now substituted for that which first accom panied this correspondence. These rates sanctioned by Government in 1875 are a modification of the first proposals which were approved two years previously, and appear to have been those on which the Superin-
3. From the rates shown to be in force in the surrounding villages, it is plain that the three villages now in question should come under the maximum rate of Re. 1-4 as proposed by the Superintendent in his report; and as the $\dagger$ Vo 6738 of 22 nd Novem-, ${ }^{3}$ Collector, Mr. Snow, as well as the $\ddagger$ Commissioner,
 1891. $\quad 3$

C D., have already given their opinion in favor of this rate, the papers are fifw returned durect for the disposal of Government.

- W. M. FLETCHER, Acting Suryey and Settlement Commissioner.
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Revenue Survey and Assessment : Revsion settlement of $\$$ villayes of tho Barsi
Taluka of the Sholdapur Distret. No. 1896.

## Refinge Dbpartybnt.

Bombay Castle, 18th March 1892.
Memorandum from the Commissioner, C D, Na R.-5251, dated 1st December 1891 Lertar frinin the Superintendent, Decoan Rovenue Sar . Submitang the papers notad un mey. No. 1350, dated 6th October 1891
Wanoreadues from the Oallector of Shalapar, No. 6006, dated 30th Ootobar 1891 . nomer, Na. 20 or, dated 7 th November 1891.
the margin, containing proposals for the rengion eattlement of three nillages of the Baran Taluka in the Sholipur thatrict, and makug temarks.

Memorandum from the Commissioner, C D, No R-5319, dated 7th December 1891Forwardng, in continuation of his memorandnm No $\mathrm{s}-5251$, dated 1st 1dem, one from the Survey and Settlement Commissioner, No 2251, dated 5th idem
Memorandum from the Survey and Settlement Commsssoner, No 358, dated 25th February 1892

Resolution - The proposals of the Superintendent are sanctioned except those for the village of Gulpoli, which falls naturally among the villages included in Group III at the revision survey of the rest of the taluka, and to which a maximum dry-crop rate of Rs. 1-2-0 should be applied
2. The revised rates should be guaranteed so as to expire at the same time as those in force in the rest of the taluka. The recommendation made by the Survey and Settlement Commissioner regarding the usual remissions in the case of individual holdings is sanctioned.
3. The petition submitted by the Pátil of Ghannegaon against the rates proposed contains no valid reasons for withholding sanction to them

## W. L HARVEY, Under Secretary to Government

To
The Commissioner, C. D (with the petition of objections),
The Collector of Sholápur,
The Survey and Settlement Commissioner,
The Drector of Land Records and Agriculture, papers an intimation that the papers are beng printed in the
form of a seloction from the Records of Gooverament, and
that when it is ready soppes of it $i t$ The Accountant General, The Public Works Department of the Secretariat. $\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { The Government of Indıa, } \\ \text { The Secretary of State for Indıa. }\end{array}\right\}$ By letter.

# SELECTIONS FROM THE RECORDS OF THE BOMBAY GOVERNMENT. 

## PAPERS

RELATING TO THE

REVISION SURVEY SETTLEMENT OF 16 VILLAGES

OF THE
KÁRMALA TÁLUKA

OF THE
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INDEX TO THE CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO THE REVISION SURVEY SETTLEMENT OF 16 GOVERNMENT VILLAGES OF THE KARMALA TÁLUKA OF THE SHOLÁPUR COLLECTO. RATE.



No. 1457 of 1891.

## From

B. B. PITT, Esc.,

Actıg Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survey,
THE COLLECTOR or SHOLÁPUR.

## Deccan Survey Superntendent's Ofice, Poona, 22nd October 1891.

Sir,
I bave the honor to submit for the consideration of Government proposal for the Revision Settlement of 16 villages of the Karmála Táluka in which the original settlements are still in force Particulars concerning the dates of former settlements and disposition are given below -

fold correspondence Appendix $\mathbf{Q}$

T Government Resolution No 3418, dated 27th September 1866

IT Government Resolution No 4173, dated 14th November 1862

The 15 villages of the Kortı Talukaf mentioned in the above statement were transforred to the Karmála Táluka in the year 1866-67, and the one other village from the Mádba Táluka in the year 1862-63, in accordance with the Government Resolutions marginally noted.
2. With the exception of one village, Bhálvani (formerly of Mádha), situated nearly in the centre of the Taluka, and midway between the railway statrons of "Kern" and "Jehur," the remanngg 15 villages form a compact group on the Western boundary of the Taluka, being separated from the Indápur Taluka by the river Bhima. These villages, it will be seen from the accompanying map, possess the advantage of easy access to the stations of "Pomalvidi," "Kátraj" and "Diksal" on the line of railway from Poona to Sholápur, which runs parallel with and to the North of the Bhima river through five of the Southernmost villages of the group.
3. There is nothing in the circumstances of these villages,-whether in physioal features, chmate or communcations, which distinguishes them in any important degree from the rest of the villages of the T'aluka adjoining them, whioh are already settled, or that calls for more than a short reference to the information given in the usual detailed form in the appendices attached to thrs report.

4 All the villages under report were subjected to the partial system of remeasurement and reolassitication, whioh has boen fully described in previous reports with the following results:-

| Old Numbere. | Old Aarem | Remeasured became Confirmed | $\begin{aligned} & \text {-电 } \\ & \text { - } \end{aligned}$ | Naw Nambern | Now Acram |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1,491 \\ & 8,465 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 33,189 \\ & 40,057 \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 1,758 $\mathbf{2 , 4 6 5}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 32,914 \\ & 40,057 \end{aligned}$ |
| 3,886 | 73,246 |  |  | 4,217 | 72,971 |

[^0]The difference in area found in individual numbers exceeded 5 per cent in 22.5 per cent of the numbers measured, out of 106 cases in whelr the difference exceeded 15 per cent., 80 were due to alluvion and diluvion, while in 26 the differences were due to alterations in roads or errors in the old measurements.
5. 1,804 numbers contanning 23,039 acres were actually reclassed, while in 2,413 numbers totalling 47,665 acres, the old classification was confirmed or adjusted to the present standard The percentage thus a eclassed amounts to 428 per cent of fields and 326 per cent of acres

6 The area of the 16 villages as ascertaned by the Revision Survey is contrasted below with the previous record under the different heads of cultivation - -


The two totals differ very slightly, but there has been a considerable trans Appendis $H$. fer from the dry-crop to the urigated head, due no doubt to the large number of new wells constructed dumng the lease; while at the same time there has been, it will be seen, the same absorption going on of unassessed, into assessed head, which together may be considered as very satisfactory features of revision surveys in geveral.
7. Appended to this report are the statements usually submitted with proposals of revised settlements The crrcumstances however of the villages adjoining these now under reference, as I have before stated, differ so slaghtly from those published in the Revision Settlement Report on the iest of the Táluka, that my remarks on them need only be very brief.

8 Appendix A gives the recorded rainfall for the past ten years
9. "Jıntı" and "Kortı" are the chnef Bazár towns withın the group of the 15 Western villages, but outside and within easy distance, the people alsa resort to the large market towns of Indápur, Karmála, Palasdev, Bágtán and Rásin and others of minor importance,
10. The usual information regarding the relative proportion of the crops regularly giown will be found in Appendix B, and it will be seen that the "Rabi" or late crop predomnates to a very large extent, and that "Jowárı," "Bájrı" and wheat cover 640 per cent of the as ea cultivated.

11 The statistics grven in the appendices marginally noted stow the

## Appendıces C, D, \& E

 great advance made in prosperity by these villages since the setclementPopulation has mereased by 13 per cent., houses by 790,710 of which benng of the better knad, agracultural cattle by 110 per cent, which gives to each pair of bullocks the farr pioportion of 18 acres of cultivated land. Carts have also increased by 75 per cent. and wells and Budhis by 112 per cent

12 Appendices $I$, $J$ and $K$, compiled from the information furnished by

Value of land-Appendices I, J and K the Registration Department, tend to show that the saleable value of Jand ranges up to 100 times the survey assessment; of leases up to 30 times, and in the case of mortgages up to 350 times the suryey assessment It would, I am of opimion, however, serve no useful purpose to attempt to deduce an average
of the value of land from these returns, but at may at least be said that the number of transactions registered show that possession of land is eagerly sought after.
13. The revenue history of the lease is shown in detail in the appendices

Revenue Hustory,
15 villages-Appendix L . 1 village--Appendıx $M$ noted in the margin, of which it will be sufficient to take that one only which embraces 15 of the 16 villages under report. It will be seen that under the old system up to 1851-52, remissions were given annually, averaging cluring the 10 years some Rs 9,358 , and that of the full standard assessment 61.5 per cent. only was collected The mmedrate result of the introduction of the existing settlement was a reduction in the collections of Rs. 4,612. The second and following year, however, show a gradual and steady rise, which contmued up to the last year of the second decade, when there was a fall owing to a remission of Rs. 1,359 . Dumng the first 7 jears of the third decade there was a rise in the collections until the famine year, when there was naturally a fall.

It will be observed, however, that during the last 8 years the collections have been steady, and contrasting the last with the first year of settlement there is an increase of revenue of Rs. 4,116, equivalent to 37 per cent., while there are now only 327 acres, and these of the very poorest land, remanning unoccupied, when this as taken with the fact that the revenue has been collected during the last three years without a single case of distrant having been resorted to, it will be admitted that the revenue bistory of these villages can only be regarded as satisfactory.
14. The information given above in this report will, it is believed, serve to show that there can be no objection now to apply to the 16 villages under report the same rates of assesswent which have been in force for 17 years in the


Appendix $P$. adjoinıng villages of the Karmála Táluka. A reference to the map will show what those rates are, and the following table gives the approximate result of the application of these rates in the villages coming under each maximum rate -

| Group | $\begin{gathered} \text { Marimum } \\ \text { Dry=orrop } \\ \text { rato. } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|c\|} \substack{\text { Num } \\ \text { Nor or } \\ \text { vilugheal }} \end{array}$ | Br Ponuzi sozvar <br> Govarnment oosupled <br> hand |  | bx Ravison Sonyby |  |  |  |  |  | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Government occupted |  | Government unocupled land |  | Total |  |  |
|  |  |  | Aarman | Acoosment | Acres | A cesementi. | Aerse | Aswcament | Aorres | Ascosment |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
|  | Rs, p |  |  | $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{g}}$ |  | Res |  | R ${ }_{\text {s }}$ |  | R*: |  |
| 1 | 180 | 6 | 12,506 | 4,408 | 18,273 | 7,803 | 555 | 198 | 13,828 | 7,996 | 770 |
| II | 100 | 10 | 38,048 | 11,461 | 40,643 | 19,140 | 839 | 157 | 41,475 | 19,297 | 67.0 |
|  | Total | 16 | 50,854 | 15,869 | 83,916 | 26,943 | 1,387 | 280 | 65,303 | 27,223 | 698 |

15. The total estimated merease ${ }_{1}$ including Rs 463 on account of water cess, amounts to Rs 11,074 or 698 per cent. It will be notioed that with the exception of 4 villages, Nos $6,8,15$ and 16, the 66 per cent. limit of increase is exceeded in the remaining villages. I'his is partly accounted for by an increase of 7 per cent. on the assessed area, but I should also state here that the morease over and above what is due to the rasing of the maximum rates ismauly the result of the general low pitch of the old classification, which has now been rectified, and cannot, I am respectfully of opinion, be considered a vahd reason for departing from the arrangements of rates already sanctioned and successfully levied in the surrounding villages of the Talukas A reference to Appendices $\mathbb{N}$ and $O$ will show that the rates here recommended have been in force for years in adjoining and sumular villages and have been collected without difficulty.
16. By the original survey record there are 520 acres of garden land in oll, of which the Government portion is 455 acres assessed at Rs. 805 , or Rs 1-12-4 per acre By Revision Survey there are 1,323 acres, of which 1,123 are Government land bearing an asscssment of Rs. 1,386, or an average of Rs. 1-3-9 per acre. This is divided into Motashal and Pátasthal as below -

17. In accordance with the orders of Government no additional assessment has been placed on land watered by wells sunk during the lease. The Pátasthal land has been rated on the Rs 8 maximum, which has been usual in similar Deccan Tálukas.

18 The results of the original and revision surveys in the 16 villages under report are contrasted below under every bead -

| Description | Oriainal murviz |  | Rrymion Surviy |  | Judı |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Acres | Asgesement | Acres. | Ansessment. |  |
| 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Government occupied land <br> Government unoccupied land <br> Inám land <br> Government unassessed, unarable land |  | Rs |  | Re | Rs. |
|  | 50,554 | 15,869 | 53,916 | 26,943 |  |
|  | 615 | 90 | 1,387 | 280 |  |
|  | 4,338 | 1,408 | 4,512 | 2,262 | 464 |
|  | 17,739 |  | 13,156 | ... |  |
| Total | 73,246 | 17,367 | 72,971 | 29,485 | 464 |

19. The average rate of assessment on Government occupied land was by the original seftlement Re $0-5-0$ per acre, by the proposed rates it will be Re. 0-8-0 per acre.
20. In conclusion, I have the honor to recommend that if the rates above - proposed meet with the approval of Goverpment, they may be guaranteed for a period to expire smoultaneously with the rest of the villages of the Táluka to Which these villages now belong

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
R. B. PITT,

Acting Supt., Deccan Revenue Survey,

APPENDIX A.
Statement of Rainfall for Karmala furreshed by the Director of Land Records and Agriculture.

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Acting Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survej.
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APPENDIX B.
Statiaticas Tabli No. III

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## APPENDIX 0 .

## Statietical Table No. IV

Detarl of Population


The upper line of figure is that of the previous Settlement
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Acting Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survey

## APPENDIX D.

Statistical Table No V.
Occupation of the People

| District | Surveyed Villages | - Occupainon |  | mber |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 |  | 4 |
| Karmála Táluka, Sholápur Collectorate | 16 Gavernment villages $\{$ | Agricultural $\{$ | No | Percentage |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{5 , 5 8 8}$ $\mathbf{5 , 4 4 3}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 560 \\ & 482 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | Partly agricultural $\{$ | 1,936 | 171 |
|  |  | Non-agricultural . \{ | $\begin{aligned} & 4,386 \\ & 3,924 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 440 \\ 347 \end{array}$ |
|  |  | Total $\{$ | 9,974 11,308 | $\begin{aligned} & 1000 \\ & 1000 \end{aligned}$ |

- The upper line of figaree is that of the previous Settlement

R B PITT,
Acting Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survey.

## APPENDIX E

Statisyical Table No. VI
Return of Houses, Cháuris, Wells, ge, and of Live and Dead Stock.


APPENDIX F.
Statement of Shops, Looms, Temples, \&c, and aperage Births, Deaths, Vaccination in 16 Villages of the Karmála Táluka, Sholápur Collectorate.


APPENDIX G.

| Kumber | Dutrict. | Total Namber oultivated by Occapante or Indmdirs. |  |  |  | Total Numbers cultnvated by Sub tenante on money rent. |  | Total Numbers caltivated by Subtenapts for produce of gram rent. |  | Warte Numbern | ParampokNumbers | Total Nambers. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Government | Inam. | Goverament. | Inam | Government. | Inam. | Goverrment. | Indm |  |  | Government | Inam. |
| 1 | 2 - | 8 | 4 | 6 | ${ }^{6}$ | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 16 |  | 2,801 | 191 | 204 | 13 | - 280 | 49 | 413 | 76 | 149 | 41 | 3,888 | 329 |
|  | llectorate | 664 | 45 | 48 | 03 | 67 | 12 | 98 | 18 | 35 | 10 | 922 | 78 |

APPENDIX H.
Statement of K'ells, Tanks and Budkis in villages of the Karmala Táluka of the Sholdpur Collectorate in the year 1859-90.

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { villagen } \end{aligned}$ | Dutrict. | Welle within V , llage atta. |  |  |  | Wells in Surveg Numberse |  |  |  | Total | Detarl of <br> Columna 3 to 10 . |  | Tanka |  |  |  | Total. | Budkus |  |  |  |
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|  |  | $\underset{\text { Urigation }}{\text { Used for }}$ |  | Deed for Drasking. |  | Uned for lerigation. |  | Used for Drinking. |  |  |  | WelledagdincelastBottementment | Accordung to oldmeamurgment |  | Acoording to nowmaesurgiment |  |  | Pakka. |  | Kaoba. |  |
|  |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { In good } \\ \text { ordor. } \end{array}\right\|$ | Out of repars | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \mathbf{I n g r a d}_{\text {order }}^{\text {ood }} \end{array}\right\|$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Out of } \\ & \text { roparr } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { In grod } \\ \text { ordor } \end{array}$ | Ont of repar | $\left.\begin{array}{\|c\|} \text { In good } \\ \text { ordeor } \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | Ont of repair |  |  |  | Used for ${ }^{\text {Irriga- }}$ toon | $\left\{\left.\begin{array}{c} \text { Used for } \\ \text { Druk } \\ \text { ing } \end{array} \right\rvert\,\right.$ ing | Used for crrige thon. | Used for <br> Druak nng |  | old. | Now | Old | New. |
| 1 | 21. | 3 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 7 | 8 | $\bigcirc$ | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 18 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 16 | Karmála Taluka, Shola pur Oollectorate. | 8 | ... | 41 | 2 | 161 | 92 | 6 | 4 | 309 | 153 | 156 | $\cdots$ | 1 | - |  | 1 | 13 | 15 | 6 | 21 |

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APPENDIX I
An Abstıact Statement showng Sales in 16 vollages of the Kan mala Täluka of the Sholapur Collectorate

| Total $\Delta$ ores sold | Total sum tor which sold | Sale rate per Acre | $\underset{\text { Asbessment }}{\text { Total }}$ | Average rate of Assersment per Acre | The average number of times the Surrey Assosament is equal to the sum Ior which the Ind is sold | Hemarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 2,831 | Rs 14,437 | $\begin{array}{rrrr}\text { Ris } & \text { a } & \mathbf{p} \\ 5 & 1 & 7\end{array}$ | R ${ }_{8}{ }_{1,160}$ | $\begin{array}{cccc}\text { R⿴囗 } & 4 & \mathrm{p} \\ 0 & 6 & 7\end{array}$ | 12 | The total number of cascs as 117 |
| $\begin{array}{r} 58 \\ 1,709 \end{array}$ | cases in which 3,897 | the land was | sold for sums | $\begin{gathered} \text { from } 1 \text { to } 10 \\ 0610 \end{gathered}$ | times the burv | ey assessment |
| $\begin{array}{r} 40 \\ 877 \end{array}$ | cases in which | the land was 6411 | sold for $\begin{gathered}329 \\ 329\end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { from } 11 \text { to } 25 \\ 060 \end{gathered}$ | times the surv 17 | ey aasessment |
| $147$ | cases in which 2,297 | the land was | sold for sums 63 | $\begin{gathered} \text { from } 26 \text { to } 50 \\ 0 \quad 61 \end{gathered}$ | tumes the surv | oy assespment |
| $98{ }^{7}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { cases in which } \\ 2,711 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { the land was } \\ & 27107 \end{aligned}$ | sold for sums 41 | $\begin{array}{cccc} \text { from } & 51 & \text { to } & 100 \\ 0 & 6 & 8 \end{array}$ | tumes the sury 66 | by assessment. |

APPENDIX J
An Abstract Statement showing Sub-lettings in 16 vollages of the Karmála Talukta of the Sholápur Collectorate

| Notal Acres sub let. | Total anm for which sub-let | Sub-letting rate per Aore | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ \text { Asgessment } \end{gathered}$ | Avengige rate of Asesment per Acre per Acre | The everage number of times the Survey Asseasment to thosim for which the land is sub let. | Remnrks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 2,556 | Rs $3,598$ | Rs a. $p$ <br> 1 6  <br> 1 6  | Rs ${ }_{\text {1,052 }}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}\text { Rs } & a & p \\ 0 & 6 & 7\end{array}$ | 3 | The total number of cases is 100 |
| $2,211^{78}$ | $\boldsymbol{u}_{\substack{\text { ases in } \\ 2,436 \\ \hline}}$ | the land was | $\begin{array}{r} \text { sub let for sums } \\ 936 \end{array}$ | $\operatorname{from}_{0} 1 \text { to } 5$ | times the surv | ey assessment |
| $250^{15}$ | $\underset{649}{\text { cases in }}$ | the land was | sub let for sums | $\begin{array}{rl} \text { from } & \text { to } \\ 0 & 10 \\ 0 \end{array}$ | tımes the surv | ey assessment |
| $72^{5}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { cases in which } \\ 363 \end{gathered}$ | the land was | $\begin{array}{r} \text { sub let for sums } \\ 27 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} \text { from } 11 \text { to } 25 \\ 060 \end{aligned}$ | times the surve 13 | ey assessment |
| 23. | cases in which | the land was | sub-let for sums | $\begin{gathered} \text { from } 26 \text { to } 30 \\ 066 \end{gathered}$ | tumes the surv, 30 | ey assebsment |

APPENDIX K
An Abstract Statement showing Mortgnges in 16 villaqes of the Karmala Táluka of the Sholápus Collecturate

| Total Aerem mortsaged | Total gum for Which mortgayed | $\underset{\substack{\text { Mortrues } \\ \text { por } \\ \text { rate }}}{ }$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total] } \\ \text { Assebsulent } \end{gathered}$ | Average rato of Asackesment per Acre per acte |  | Remurks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| - 4,860 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rs } \\ & 23,916 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}\text { Rs } & A & p \\ 4 & 14 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { Rs } & \text { a } & \mathrm{p} \\ 2360 & 8 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrrr}\text { H } & \text { A } & p \\ 0 & 7 & 9\end{array}$ | 10 | The total number of cases 18200 |
| $\begin{array}{r} 121 \\ 3369 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { cases in which } \\ 8924 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { the land was } \\ 210{ }_{5} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} \hline \text { mortgaged for } \\ 1,674 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { sums from } 11 \\ & 0711 \end{aligned}$ | $\text { to } 10 \text { times the }$ | gurvey assessmeut |
| $\begin{array}{r} 51 \\ 1,162 \end{array}$ | cases in which. | the land was | $\begin{aligned} & \text { mortgaged for } \\ & 5160_{0} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { sums from } 11 \\ 0 \end{array}$ | to 25 times the 15 | survey amsessment |
| $288$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { cases in Which } \\ 5,047 \end{gathered}$ | the land was 1785 | $\begin{gathered} \text { mortgraged for } \\ 142000 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { sums from } 26 \\ 0711 \end{gathered}$ | $\text { to } 50 \text { times the }$ | survey assesament |
| $40^{4}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { onses in which } \\ \mathbf{1}, 900 \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { the land ras } \\ & 4780 \end{aligned}$ | mortgaged for 0 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { sums from } 51 \\ & 01010 \end{aligned}$ | $\text { to } 100 \text { times the }$ | gurvey assensment |
| $\mathrm{I}^{1}$ | case in which $\underset{200}{\text { win }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { the hand was } \\ & 20000 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { morteraged for } \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ccc} \text { sums from } & 101 \\ & 18 & 8 \end{array}\right.$ | $\text { to } 150 \text { times the }$ | aurvey assesament |

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## APPENDIX L

Revenue Statnment fon 15 Villages，situated in the Karmala Taluka of the Sholápur Collectorate，anto whech the Survey Settlement was introduced in 1858－68 The years above the black line are those antecetent to the Survey Settlement

| Tonso |  |  |  |  |  |  | Unocoupird Aserssed arable Gofbinuent LAEI |  |  | Land the Rrvanul of Whtch is ablinated matirety of pabitalit （INAM） |  |  | Total eand Covipanmekt Occuried，Droceupied and Inam |  |  |  |  | 昆 |
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|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Remissiont during the } \\ & \text { year } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 易 畨 品 | $\frac{5}{5}$ | $$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | ${ }^{5}$ | 4 | 6 | － | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 19 | 14 | 18 | 18 | 17 | 18 |  |
|  |  |  | Ra． | Re． |  |  |  |  | Ref |  | Rs． | $\mathrm{Ha}_{3}$ | Acras | Ra． | A． | Ba | Rs |  |
| 1860－64 | 88，703 | 30，018 | 673 | 4，476 | $8,149$ | $24809$ | 11，162 | $0,54 \theta$ |  | 4，748 | 152 |  | 49681 | 38，749 | 24，889 | 2，461 |  |  |
| 1848－4 | 50，007 | 22，100 | 164 | 8，684 | 8，898 | 28，278 | 1d，00s | 10，881 |  | 4，748 | 101 |  | 49，688 | 32，888 | 18，278 | 1，184 |  |  |
| 1846 | 98， 688 | 24，699 | 402 | 10，467 | 16，849 | 7，780 | 11，389 | 8，108 |  | 4，726 | 101 | ＊ | 40，683 | 38，859 | 7,780 | 1，291 |  |  |
| 184848 | 85，208 | 20，048 | 883 | 20，012 | 20，895 | 6，653 | 0，078 | 6，704 | 203 | 4726 | 101 |  | 49，684 | 32，858 | 5，866 | 896 |  |  |
| 1848－4 | 85，765 | 89，288 | 884 | 8，008 | 7，207 | 18，001 | 0，18s | 0，405 | 290 | 4，786 | 2，050 |  | 49，884 | 38，400 | 10，900 | 2，858 | － |  |
| 2847048 | 3t，363 | 26，468 | 469 | 1，900 | 2，460 | 98，009 | 10，547 | 7，285 | 471 | 4，726 | 3，668 |  | 49 ced | 86，429 | 28，480 | 1，185 |  |  |
| 1048－49 | 32，081 | 28，706 | 92 | 14，328 | 14，410 | 0，287 | 12，769 | 8，862 | 629 | 4，814 | 8，727 |  | 40，684 | 80，395 | 9，813 | 48 |  |  |
| 18490 | 28， 078 | 21，496 | 88 | 7077 | 8，085 | 18，429 | 18，901 | 11，492 | 630 | 4，701 | 8，708 |  | 50，006 | 88，69． | 14，069 | 189 |  |  |
| 185051 | 97，481 | 80，438 | 08 | 2，878 | 2，874 | 17，485 | 18，047 | 12，709 | 678 | 4，880 | 8798 |  | 80，504 | 38，888 | 18，088 | 184 |  |  |
| 185168 | 80，886 | 22888 | 188 | 6，885 | 7，121 | 18，742 | 14，780 | 10858 | 607 | 4，886 | 8，788 |  | 60，408 | 88，963 | 18899 |  |  |  |
| 185858 | 88，618 | 12，478 | 11 | 1，381 | 1，344 | 11，180 | 12，869 | 8，751 | 629 | 4，716 | 1，498 | 8 | 67292 | 17，721 | 11，769 | 819 | 64 |  |
| $1858.54{ }^{\text {＊}}$ | 48，591 | 14，311 | 88 | 268 | 208 | 13，018 | 6，05\％ | 1，968 | 421 | 4715 | 1，489 | 8 | 57，202 | 17，803 | 14887 | 37 | 101 |  |
| 185685 | 48，886 | 14，840 | 32 |  | 92 | 14，817 | 4，102 | 1，825 | 298 | 4，716 | 1489 | 14 | 57，298 | 17，003 | 15，183 | 11 |  |  |
| 18566 | 50，161 | 15，987 | 82 |  | 32 | 18，305 | 2，486 | 777 | 179 | 4，715 | 1，480 | 14 | 57，292 | 17，668 | 16，658 | 26 |  |  |
| 1866 67 | 61，460 | 15，825 | 38 |  | 82 | 16，799 | 1，117 | 849 | 112 | 4，715 | 1，488 | 14 | B7，292 | 17，468 | 15，918 |  |  |  |
| 1857.68 | 51，950 | 15，989 | 32 | － | 82 | 15，957 | 811 | 149 | so | 4，656 | 1488 | 14 | 67，117 | 17，004 | 10，001 | 86 | 14 |  |
| 1898－59 | 62，118 | 10，04 | 32 |  | 38 | 10，012 | 348 | 84 | 56 | 4，856 | 1，406 | 14 | 87，117 | 17，604 | 16，082 |  |  |  |
| 1850 00 | 68，185 | 16，083 | 32 | － | 38 | 18，080 | 820 | 86 | 40 | 4，656 | 1，406 | 14 | 87，117 | 17，004 | 18074 | 10 |  |  |
| 1830－81 | 62，101 | 18，0＊5 | 32 |  | 32 | 10，017 | 888 | 88 | 61 | \＄，630 | 1，468 | 278 | 57，090 | 17，598 | 18，85．414 |  |  |  |
| 286168 | 68， 659 | 10180 | 87 |  | 37 | 10，109 | 284 | 78 | 66 | 4，850 | 1，980 | 40 | 57，086 | 17，588 | 16，898 |  |  |  |
| 1808－68 | 68，512 | 18，263 | 32 |  | 38 | 20，281 | 295 | 60 | 98 | 4，930 | 1，830 | 487 | 57，000 | 17，308 | 18，707 |  |  |  |
| 1865－64 | 3f，601 | 16，30s | 88 | － | 38 | 10180 | 255 | 4 | 88 | 4，350 | 1，888 | 40 | b7，006 | 17，598 | 14688 |  |  |  |
| 1884－65 | 52，501 | 16，168 | 32 |  | 32 | 18，180 | 156 | 4 | 68 | 4，851 | 1，886 | 188 | 67，006 | 17，698 | 18，881 |  |  |  |
| 1806－60 | 68，601 | 18，188 | 32 |  | 92 | 18，186 | 155 | 4 | 57 | 4，850 | 1398 | 472 | 57，008 | 17，888 | $1{ }^{19365}$ |  |  |  |
| 2860－67 | 62，518 | 10，146 | 32 |  | 38 | 18，114 | 158 | 4 | 86 | 4， 350 | 1，386 | 178 | 57018 | 17，676 | 崖 |  |  |  |
| 1887－68 | 69515 | 10，110 | 88 |  | 8 | 10，118 | 165 | 4 | 160 | 4， 350 | 1，285 | 47＊ | 67，018 | 17，575 | 16760 |  |  |  |
| 1880－6 | 58616 | 10，146 | 48 |  | 48 | 10，117 | 168 | 4 | 98 | 4，850 | 1386 | 479 | 57018 | 17，576 | 18881 |  |  |  |
| 1800.70 | 52，615 | 18，146 | 7 |  | 27 | 16，118 | 168 | 4 | 99 | 4，950 | 1，358 | 472 | 67，018 | 17，675 | 16889 |  |  |  |
| 2870．71 | 32，015 | 10，145 | 7 |  | 27 | 16，118 | 168 | 4 | 87 | 4，850 | 1，986 | 462 | 57018 | 17675 | 16，687 |  |  |  |
| 18715 | 89，815 | 10，165 | 9 | 1，382 | 2，359 | 14，780 | 150 | 4 | 65 | 4，850 | 1，586 | 168 | 57，018 | 17，576 | 15，813 |  |  |  |
| 1879．73 | 88，516 | 18，145 | \％ |  | 87 | 18，118 | 158 | 4 | © | 4960 | 1，386 | 169 | 57，018 | 17，578 | 18848 |  |  |  |
| 18 T 51 | 80，513 | 18，148 | 30 | － | 40 | 18，125 | 168 | 4 | 69 | － 950 | 1，388 | 402 | 57016 | 17，578 | 10，689 |  | 45 |  |
| 2854 30 | 82，457 | 10180 | 16 |  | 10 | 16，194 | 820 | 00 | 80 | 4，350 | 1，385 | ctes | 57，016 | 17，578 | 10，506 |  |  |  |
| 1878－76 | 82， 477 | 16，120 | 11 |  | 11 | 10，100 | 838 | 69 | 43 | 4，350 | 1，585 | 468 | 57，016 | 17，675 | 36，014 | 462 |  |  |
| 1874 7\％ | 58，478 | 16，234 | 4 |  | 1 | 16，180 | 100 | 65 |  | 4，360 | 1366 | 402 | 87，016 | 17，576 | 18， 508 | 2，398 | 6，887 |  |
| 187\％${ }^{\text {\％}}$ | 69371 | 10，100 | 4 |  | 1 | 16，108 | 5 | 80 | 4 | 4，850 | 1，888 | $4{ }^{2}$ | 57，016 | 17，676 | 1857 | 1，765 | 1，6\％8 |  |
| 1678．70 | 68，201 | 18，09 | 1 |  | 4 | 16，050 | 875 | 106 | 4 | 4，350 | 1，288 | 40 | 57020 | 17，575 | 18.848 | 6，450 | 6，497 |  |
| 1879－30 | 43， 388 | 13，680 |  | 1 |  | 13，850 | 8，254 | 2，809 | 13 | （ 850 | 1，386 | 402 | 87，01s | 17，5\％\％ | 14157 | 1，76 | 970 |  |
| 1880－31． | ${ }^{37} 865$ | 12，300 | － | － |  | 12，200 | 1s 017 | 3，085 | 143 | 4，270 | 1，300 | 458 | se，asa | 17，Bis | 12，75 | 13 | $\omega$ |  |
| 1881－3 | 41，750 | 13，325 |  |  |  | 28，3es | 20，848 | 2，004 | 108 | ＊S ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | 1，931 | 4 | 68，899 | 17，458 | 12，8031 | $\cdots$ |  |  |
| 188988 |  | 13，784 |  |  |  |  | 0，18t |  | 90 | 4，2me | 1，281 | 458 | 84，850 | 7hes | 14414 |  |  |  |
| 1593－4 | 48， 150 | 15，087 |  |  |  | 15 ort | 4，485 | 1，100 | 900 | 4，983 | 1，300 | 0 ter | 6，588 | 17，587 | 15，759 | $\cdots$ |  |  |
| 1030－88 | 43,48 | 18，085 |  |  |  | 15，04s | 4．301 | 2，121 | 184 | 4， | 1，300 | 45 | 51888 | 112， $4 \times 8$ | 15，07\％ | \％ |  |  |
| 15394 | 48，514 | 15，158 |  |  | ， | 18，139 | 4，000 | 1，004 | 58 | 4，583 | 1，300 | 45 | 55，685 | 17，403 | 15，800 | 3 |  |  |
| 18008 | ＊8，754 | 15816 |  |  |  | 26，316 | ＊ | 1et | 28 | 4，955 | 1500 | 4 | 2， 680 | 18，7¢0 | 15，857 |  |  |  |
| 1587－89 | 48，mat | 28，219 |  |  |  | 18，319 | 4 | \％ | 15 | 4，205 | 1，200 | 482 | 58，430 | 18.671 | 15，858 |  |  |  |
| 1080 | 4， 8 S\％ | 15，48 |  | ＊ |  | 15，820 | 3915 | 6 | ＊ | 6 ¢ns | 1，800 | 48 | Es，ce | 18， 080 | 15，705 | $\boldsymbol{T}$ | \＃ |  |
| 120060 | 边808 | 15，214 |  |  |  | 15，404 | 湻 | 0 | 156 | 4，305 | 1，301 | 65 | 38,400 | 18，600 | 15，854 |  |  |  |

APPENDIX M.
Revenus Siatement for 1 village, Bhalapnz, sztuated in the Kamníla Táluka of the Sholapur Collectorate, nuto which the Survey Setllement was introduced an 1868-6.4
The ysars above the black line are those antecedent to the Survey Settlement
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | UNOCCIFIED ABSEGSHD ARABLE Govbrnmbnt Laxd |  |  |  pakthehr (INAM) |  |  | Tomal land Govmanmeyt Occopied Unoccurird and Inam |  |  | Balanceoutstrandmy atclose ot | $\underset{\substack{\text { Fmally } \\ \text { remitted }}}{ }$ | Rbyange. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | ${ }_{\substack{\text { Ocoupled } \\ \text { Acrea }}}$ | $\underset{\substack{\text { Btandard } \\ \text { Ansers } \\ \text { mient. }}}{\text { Full }}$ | ${ }^{\text {licmiserons siven durng the }}$ |  |  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Balance } \\ \text { collection } \\ \text { for } \end{gathered}\right.$ | 4, | $\underset{\substack{\text { Aspess } \\ \text { ment }}}{\text { Run }}$ |  | Acres. | $\begin{array}{c\|c} \text { Fuli } \\ \text { Stantara } \\ \text { Apsegast } \end{array}$ment |  | Total ofColamns 2, 8 and 11 | Tull Agsegs of Columns <br> 8,9 and 14 | Colloetions Total ofColumps10 and 13 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Permar- } \\ \text { neint. } \end{gathered}$ | Casual | Tctal |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1 |  | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | - 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
|  |  |  | Acres | $\mathrm{R}_{8}$ | Rs. | Rs | Rs. | Rs |  | Ris | Ra |  | Rs | Rs | Acres ${ }^{-}$ | Re | Rs | Rs. | Rs ${ }^{\mathbf{7}}$ |  |
| 288595 |  |  | 831 | 826 | 377 |  | 377 | 449 | 75 | 80 |  |  | 22 |  | 928 | 928 |  |  |  |  |
| - 18545585 |  |  | ${ }_{856}^{831}$ | 826 | 374 |  | 374 | 432 | 75 | 80 | 6 | 22 | 22 |  | 928 | ${ }_{928}^{928}$ | 4458 | - |  |  |
| 186657 |  |  | 856 890 | 856 890 | 307 406 |  | 307 408 408 | 549 484 | 50 | 50 | 3 | 22 | 22 |  | 928 | 928 | 452 |  |  |  |
| 185758 |  |  | ${ }_{921}$ | ${ }_{920}$ | 416 | : | 408 316 | 484 <br> 604 | 32 1 | 31 1 1 | 2 | ${ }_{6}^{6}$ | 7 |  | 928 | 928 | 486 |  |  |  |
| 185859 185960 |  |  | 921 | 920 | 285 |  | 285 | 875 | 1 | 1 |  | 6 6 | 7 |  | ${ }_{928}^{928}$ | 928 | 804 |  |  |  |
| 185960 $1860-61$ | - |  | 921 | 920 | 280 |  | 280 | 640 | 1 | 1 |  | 6 | 7 |  | 928 | ${ }_{928}^{928}$ | 648 | 3 |  |  |
| 1861-62 |  |  | 899 899 | 870 870 | 189 189 |  | 189 | ${ }_{681}^{681}$ | 1 | 1 |  | ${ }_{6}^{6}$ | 7 |  | 906 | 878 | 681 | 3 |  |  |
| 1862 -63 |  |  | 899 | 870 | 189 |  | 189 |  | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 6 | 7 | 1 | 906 906 | 878 878 | 681 683 | - |  |  |
|  | - | $\begin{array}{r}* \\ \\ \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 1,646 | 662 |  |  |  | 662 | 529 | 50 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 2,175 | 712 |  |  |  | 712 |  |  |  | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2,181 | 715 | 663 713 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 2,175 | 712 |  |  |  | 712 |  |  |  | 6 | 3 | 1 | 2,181 | 715 | 713 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | -2,175 | 712 |  |  |  | 712 | $\because$ | - | - | ${ }_{8}^{6}$ | 3 3 3 | 1 | 2,181 | 715 | 719 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 2074 | 015 |  |  |  | 765 | * |  |  | ${ }^{6}$ | 3 50 | 15 | 2,181 | 715 | 713 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 2050 | 656 |  |  |  | 658 |  |  |  | 107 | 50 <br> 59 | ${ }_{15}^{15}$ | 2,181 2,181 | 715 | 680 | . |  |  |
|  |  |  | 2,051) | ${ }_{658}^{658}$ | - |  |  | 656 |  |  | - | 131 | 69 | 15 | ${ }_{2}^{2181}$ | 715 | 671 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 2,050 2,050 | ${ }_{658}^{658}$ |  |  | - | 658 656 | $\cdots$ |  |  | 191 131 | 69 59 | 15 | ${ }_{2}^{2,181}$ | 715 | 671 |  |  |  |
| 187374 | $\cdots$ | * |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 715 | 871 |  |  |  |
| 187475 |  |  | 2,050 | ${ }_{658}^{656}$ |  |  | - | ${ }_{656}^{656}$ |  |  |  | 131 | 59 | 15 | 2,181 | 715 | 671 |  |  |  |
| 187578 |  |  | 2050 | 656 |  | $\cdots$ |  | ${ }_{6}^{656}$ |  |  |  | 131 | 59 | 15 | 2,181 | 715 | 671 |  |  |  |
| 187677 |  |  | 8,050 | 6.56 |  | - |  | 656 |  |  |  | 131 | 59 <br> 59 <br> 9 | 15 | 2181 | 715 | 671 |  |  |  |
| 187778 <br> 1878 <br> 189 |  |  | 1,622 1,622 1,622 | ${ }_{616}^{616}$ | . |  | - | ${ }_{616}^{680}$ | 428 | 40 | 2 | 131 | 69 59 59 | 15 15 | 2,181 2,181 | 715 | 671 633 | ${ }_{633}^{671}$ | 49 |  |
| 187980 |  |  | 1,622 | 618 616 |  |  |  | 616 | 428 | 40 | 2 | 131 | 59 | 15 | 2,181 | 715 | 63s | 674 244 | 77 |  |
| ${ }_{1}^{1880} 1841-81$ |  |  | 1,526 | 695 | $\stackrel{.}{\square}$ |  |  | 616 595 | 428 572 | 40 73 | 2 8 8 | 131 | 59 | 15 | 2,181 | 715 | 633 | 145 | 12 |  |
| $1841-82$ 188288 |  |  | 1,544 1,544 | 602 |  |  | - | 602 | 564 | 73 67 | $\stackrel{3}{3}$ |  | 47 | 12 | 2,181 | 715 | 610 |  |  |  |
| 188283 |  | * | 1,544 | 601 |  |  |  | 601 | 534 | 67 | ${ }_{3}$ | 103 | 46 47 | 112 | 2,181 2,181 | 715 715 | 616 616 |  |  |  |
| $18 \mathrm{R9} 94$ |  |  | 1,623 | 014 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 188485 188586 |  |  | 1,623 | 614 |  | - |  | 814 | 454 | 54 | 8 | 106 | 47 47 | 12 | 2,184 | 715 | ${ }_{634}^{628}$ |  |  |  |
| 1846-87 |  |  | 1,623 | 614 614 |  |  |  | 614 | 454 | 54 | 9 | 106 | 47 | 12 | 2,183 | 715 | ${ }_{635}^{634}$ |  |  |  |
| $18 \mathrm{RH7} 78$ 1888.89 |  |  | 1,677 | 63 |  |  |  | 623 | -484 | ${ }_{29}^{54}$ | ${ }_{4}^{21}$ | 103 | 47 | 12 | 2,180 | 715 | 647 |  |  |  |
| 18888.89 188900 |  |  | 1,667 | 633 623 |  |  |  | 623 623 | 248 | 28 | 3 | 103 | 47 47 | 12 | 2 2 2 | 698 698 | ${ }_{638}^{639}$ |  |  |  |
| 1888 |  |  | 1,650 | 623 |  |  |  | 623 | 288 | 28 | 3 | 103 | 47 | 12 | 2,047 | 698 | 638 638 |  |  |  |

## Al PENDIX N



APPENDIX 0
Revenue Statement for 11 adjoinnng Government villages situated in the Karmaila Taluka of the Sholápur Collectorate, into which the Survey Settlement was introduced in 1872-73.


Acting Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survey.

APPENDIX P.
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General Statement referred to in pan agroph 14 of the Deccan Revenue Suripy situated in the Karmála T'aluka

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Supermitendent's Raport No 1467 of the 22nd Ootober 1891 far 16 Govermment Vallages of the Sholapur Collectorato


## APPENDIX $Q$.

## KORTI MELUKA.

1. Korth, Sheogaon, and Jamkhed were settled in 1852-53, and as the rates were Position and boundaries first introduced into Korti, I shall commence by giving description of that Taluka It 28 situated in the South of the collectorate, and is drained by the Bhima and its tributary the Sina Its general shape 38 that of a damond, though its outhnes are somewhat irregular. It is bounded on the NorthWest by Nagar and Kharda, on the South-West by the Bhımthadı and Indápur Tálukas of the Poona collectorate, the Bhima river being the dividing line, on the Sonth-East by the Karmála Táluka of the Sholápur collectorate, and on the North-East by the Nizám's terntories, from which it is separated by the Sina Of its ootlyng vilages one is situated withn the Kharda limits, nine are mixed up with the Karmála vullages, and two are far off in the Mogaldi country, in the direction of Sheogaon

## Estumated Area

2 Korti has a total estimated area of $0,15,116$ acres of which the sarveyed and compoted areas are shown in the snbjoined statement -

Nomber of Fillages with the surveyed and coatroted Areas

| Description |  | Surveyed |  | Compated. |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Villages | Acres | V ll lages | Acres | Villages. | Acrea |
| Government . . Partially Ahenated Wholly Alienated |  | 106 | 4,54,119 |  | - | 106 | 4,54,119 |
|  | - | 14 | 76,005 |  |  | 14 | 76,005 |
|  | ** | 3 | 11,369 | 14 | 73,623 | 17 | 84,992 |
|  | Total | 123 | 5,41,493 | 14 | 73,629 | 137 | 6,15,116 |

3 There are in the Taluka 106 Government, 14 partally ahenated, and 17 wholly Dastribution of Villages alienated villages, which are under the charge of a Mámlatdar stationed at Karjat, and of a Mahálkarn statroned at Kortn. The distribation of the villages is as follows -

4. In the present report detaled information relating to the $\mathbf{1 0 6}$ Government villagea Villagen reported on. moto which revised rates have been motroduced will be given. Rates have also been determined for 17 alienated villages, which have been, or will be settled by the Collector's departinent.
5. The graater portion of Korti, prior to coming into

A glance at the former history of | Z |
| :---: |
| Zortan | the possession of the British in 1821-22, was under the management of Ráo Rambha Nimbelkar the head of a powerfal branch of the Nimbalkar family settled under the protection of the Nizam's Government. A few villages, however, which are now ncluded in the Tallaka, formerly belonged to the Peshwa, and were obtanned by ns in 1818-19, Some of the villages of this distriot are said to have suffered severely from plundering parties of the Maratha Army aboat the time of the battle of Kharda in 1795 The depredations of Holkar and others also extended in this direction, and were carried on to snch an extent that the large towns only remanned unhabited.

6. From 1821-22 to 1837-38 of British rale, territorial changes to the exteat shown below occurred Sunce 1837-38 no changes have been made. Three alienated villages lapsed to Government prior to 1837-38, and one alıenated village has sınce lapsed The prıncipal Jáhágredárs are Sindıa, Bhonsle of Nagpur, and the Mahomedan descendants of Kan Jang -

| Detaila of villagot. |  | Nagar, | Hurdeh, | Karmala. | Jamkhod | $\underset{\text { Totar in }}{\text { Rotid }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number of Villages in 1821-22 Recenved from other Taluka |  | 7 | 8 | 22 | *23 | 98 60 |
|  | Total | 7 | 8 | 22 | 23 | 168 |
| Trunaforred to other Thaturs Re tranderred to other Talukan |  | 1 | 1 | 17 1 |  | 19 2 |
| Total Villagos ance 1837-38 |  |  |  | $\cdots$ | - | 137 |

7 In its aspect Korti is decidedly inferior to any district hitherto assessed There are few trees anywhere, in some parts none, and, owng to the large proportinn of rocky and unprofitable ground almost
country generally presents a most dismal appearance Topographioal fentureu and mol. destitute of vegetation, the country generally presents a most dismal appearance Here
and there, howerer, level tracts, some of them of considerable extent, of deep roch soil, free and there, howerer, level tracts, some of them of considerable extent, of deep rioh soil, free cultivated, and which, contrasted with the arid and atony wastes around, afford a pleasing relief to the eye The Taluka is naturally divided into two portions by the mage of hills, alluded to in my reports on Kharda and Nagar, as separating the valleys of the Bhama and Sina. The hills in Korti, however, are more brokon, and not so high, and there are many detaohed low hills and undulating tracts of stemle and rugged ground covered with boulders or large loose pieces of stone The dranage of the larger portion of the district in the South-West is towards the Bhime, and of the smaller portion on the North-East towards the Sina. The soil towards the bulls is generally of the poorest description. In the direction of the Bhims, although in some places tracts of undnlating "Mal" ground are to be met with, the soil is mostly a very deep stifi clayey moonjal, with an admixture of stones. In the valley of the Sins the sull does not materially difer in texture from that near the Bhime, though it is of a darker colonr, and is more free of stones Lighter soils of a better description prevall about Karjat, Koregaon, and other places, but, on the whole, the soil of the Taluka is infenor Some of the villages are not well supphed with drinking water, but most of the vilages have a sufficient supply. The wells near the Bhima are very deep. In other parts of the Táluka the depth at which water is found varies considerably, and in some favoured localities (Alsunda for instance) water is found very near the surface.

8 The olimate of Korti 18 decidedly inferior to that of any other distriot of the Clumate Ahmednagar Collectorate Towarde the Bhima the fall of rein is most uncertain, and the deep solls to be found in that direction also require more ran than the poor sols towards the North It is true that along the banks of the Bhime, in some parts, the rohness of the soul counterbalances the inferiority of the chmate, as the crops are so abundant after a good monsoon, that they ought to compensate for the bad crops of two or three preceding years, but the present impoverished and demoralised oondition of the caltivators renders it necessary that the actual ovil effects produced by the bad olimate, under existing ourcumstances, should be taken into oonsideration in assessing the distriot. The alimate towards the North, and in the valley of the Sua, is not quite 80 bad, bat still it is inferior, as compared with that of other Thlukas, and the whole of Korti may be consadered to suffer from a frequent deficiency of rean.
9. The caltivation is prinoupally rebl, but in few villages in the North, in the Eumbandry direction of Nagar and a part of Kharde, Kharif crops are grown. The primenal crope are jowin, Kardm, and Bajn.

Gram and wheat are also raised, but they do not appear to thrive well in this dastrict Beandes Kardan, two or three other oll plants, such as Káral, \&c, are rather extensively cultivated The poor solls near the hills are manured, but, generally, in the plan, manure is only applied to the garden lands Along the banks of the Bhima Dhéli lands are here and there to be met with, in which, besides the usual crops, vegetables, sce, are raised The garden cultivation is pmincipally confined to the production of inferior crops, such as wheat, gram, and chillies There are, however, a few "Panmald́s" or betel plantations in four or five of the villages, and a very hitle sugar cane 2 also grown
10. There are about 100 looms worked at Karjat, Korti, and other Government Mamufactarea. Villages, principally in the manufacture of a coarse cloth, which is exported to Nagar and other places This description of cloth, though coarse, is of a strong and good description, and might, with advantage, be brought more extensively moto use l'here are no other manufactures of importance
11. The exports from Korti are principally grains and vegetable oils, which are sent to Poona, or, in smaller quantities, to Nagar. A Trade good many sheep, and a few horses, are also reared in the district, and are sold for export to other places as opportunities may offer, beung principally got ind of to itinerant purchasers Some horses are, however, exported by the rayats themselves to Malegaon in the Nizam's country, or elsewhere The imports are principally necessames, such as wheat, gram, rice, Gal, salt, cloths, and petty Bazar supplies, but the general poverty of the inhabitants does not admit of a very brisis trade beng carried on even in such artioles
12. There is no made-road in the Taluka Several of the country tracks, however, ane Roada passable by carts, and, with a little smoothing and reparing, might he converted into good roads The cart traffic is considerable, and the roads are also frequented by Brinjarss There are three principal lines now made use of The first leads from East to West, through the centre of the Taluka, from Barsi and Karmála, by the Kortı towns of Alsanda and Pergann, towards Poona and Bombay. The second, also from East to West, leads from the Baleghát, and Kharda in Jamkhed, by the Korti towns of Nimburi and Chambhargonda, towards Poona The third road is that leading from North-West to South-East, from Nagar to Karmála and Sholápur, in a parallel direction to the river Sina

13 A statistical table of the popalation and agricultaral resources of all the Government Statistical information. villages is given below There are five Bazar or market towns, of which the most frequented is Chsmbhargonda or Shrigonda, which belongs to Sindia, and appears to be a large and wealthy place, but its lands not having been measared, and no census having been taken by the Surver Department, I am not able to judge of its comparative size, or of its trading or manufacturing mportance Karjat 18 the principal Bazar amongst the Government villages, and appears to be a tolerably thriving place, with a popalation of about 4,600 Mrajgaon and Rásin, both ahenated villages (the first held by a Bai of the Nimbalkar family, and the latter by the descendants of Kavi Jang, are also large Bazars, and Rásin, though much decuyed, has still a considerable population, and there are in it several well-built temples and houses. Pergaon on the Bhima was formerly a place of importance, being a chief military station of the Mogals and Marathás, but it is now much reduced, with a population of only 1,900

14. There appear to be few occupations unconnected with agriculture, A good many Macellaneous of the rayats, especially in bad years, leave the district and seel Miscellaneous temporary employment elsewhere They are generally poor, though in a few villages, some of the Pátels and influential ryots who keep sheep or cattle, are in good circumstancea. They are probably, in proportion to their means, equally involved in debt with the ryots of other districts, though ther more limited resources may prevent the money-lenders from being so liberal in their advances, as in the more rich parts of the collectorate. About 50 ryots in 9 of the villages on the frontier cultivate land in the Nizam's terntory

15 Of the 23,058 survey numbers into which the lands of the district have been divided, Muras holdanga. $\quad 7,854$ numbers belong to Mirasdárs. Of these 2,636 numbers \&\&ra of other numbers, 1,513 by Opris and 2,636 gumbers are waste.

16 There us a Government Maratha school' at Karjat attended by about 50 boys, and there may be six or seven pry* vate schools in other towns
17 It is not known how or by whom the Tankhas and Rukba of this Taluka were de-
Former Revenue management termuned, but the orignal arrangements regarding thema are attributed by the people of the dstrict to Maillk Ambar The Kamal assessment in most, if not in ail of the villages, exceeds the Tankha, and reliable information regarding the manner in which it was settled is also not procurable, though it is said that the nominal Kamál assossment of the villages that were recerved from the Peshwa, was firod in Naro Babajee's tume. Prior to the commencement of British rule, all the villages, whether under Numbálkar, Dowlat Ráo Sindıs, or the Peshwa Bajee Ráo, appear to have been farmed out in the usual manner, and the interior management of villages was consequently, much the same in Kartn as in other parts of the country

18 The Revenue management during the years of British rule also does not appear to Bovenue management under have differed in any material respect from that pursued in other Britsh rule districts The lands of the villages were measured about 1826-27 by Mr Pringle's estabhishment, and some of them were also classified, but no ulterior measures with regard to the settlement of the revenue were adopted The rates adopted shortly after we acquired possession of the country were 47 in number for dry-crop lands, varyng from 1-6-0 to 0-3-9 per Bigha, and 36 for garden lands, varying from 5-0-0 to $0-10-6$ per Bigha In 100 villages, although different rates prevailed in the several villages, there was only one dry-crop rate for the entre lands of each village, from which it may be inferred that the land measures of the 'Caluka were adapted to the ratos, and not the rates to the land measures, as the solls vary very much in quality In 49 villages also there was only one garden rate for each village, and in 41 villages there was no garden rate Mr Harrison reduced the dry-crop rates of about 88 villages on an average, so far as $I$ have been able to ascertan, of about 0-4-7 in the rupee, and he also reduced the garden rates of four villages on an average about of 0-4-2 in the rupee No other changes appear to be worthy of remark, as they are simular to those alluded to in the oases of the districts already reported on.
19. The appended figured statement marked (No 10 D ) shows the amount and source of the several stems of revenue hitherto demved from the 106 villages now reported on, in each year of Britash rule for which accounts have been procured The entries for the last ten
or simular items in the Taluka accounts In other years allow.

Appended figured Revenue Statement years correspond with those for sumularitems in the '「aluka accounts. In other years allowances must be made for the changes alluded to m my 6th paragraph Up to 183839 the accounts were kept in Ankusi Rupees, but, in preparing the revenue statements of this and other Talukas the necessary reduction has been made to equalize them with Government Rupees.

20 Dhagram No 4, and the explanatory figured statement relating to it given in the Dngram Appendix (No 11 D ', show the fluctuations in the past cultivaDragram tron, assessment, remisaions, and collections, of the Government arable lands, in the 106 villages The entries in the Diagiam fur 1852-53 are those of the first year of the new system

21 The fluctuations in the formes cultivation and revenue collections of Korts, as will be seen from an inspection of the Diagram, are of much

A reniow of the mfurmation
embodied an Dhagiam greater magnitude than m Newása, Kharda, or Nagar I hisisnot so much attributable to the former assessment being heavier in Korts, as to its very inferior climate, and also to its husbandry being inferior, and to its small extent of garden land. Some of the villages have hitherto been lightly assessed, although the rates in many of the villages were high There is a marked resemblance in the general tendency of the fluctuations of Kharda and Korti, but the ups and downs are greatest in the exhibited past history of Korts. For instance, there 18 a descent of 391 per cont in the cultivation of Kharda from 1821-22 to 1832-38, and of $72 \%$ per cent. in the collections whereas, the descent in Korth, during the amme period, is 51 per cent. in the cultivation, and 88 per cent in the collections Again, the descent in the revenue collections of Kharda from $1842-43$ to $1844-451866$ per cent., and in Korts 75 per cent., also from $18+7-48$ to the following pear, in Kharda 354 per cont, and in Korti 55 per cent. The averige annual remissions in Kharda are $\mathrm{Ks} 34,539$, or 22 per cont. of the revenue demands, and in Kurta Rs 81,562, or $31 \Varangle$ per cent. It 18 ovident, therefore, that a reduction of assessment is necessary, but even under the operation of low rates, I donbt whether the Tuluka, with such a precarious climate, and with its scanty capital, will speedily be restored to prosperity
29. The work of measurement in the Government villages of the Taluks was in progress from the month of November 1848 to the month of January 1859, a few detalls hanng subsequently been completed. The nork of classification, except a few details, was in progress from November 1849 to Juno 185: the orror in the measurement is 1 per cent, which is satisfactory, and the error in the classifiuation $2 s$ ouly $3 t$ pues per field, tham which a less degree of maccureoy could not be

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expected. The measuring and classing operations were primcipally carried on under the superintendence of Lieutenants Burgess and Scott

23. The entre lands of this Taluka were divided noto numbers according to the rules on Paragraph 17 Paragraph 17
Division of the lands anto the subject contamed in the Survey Jount Report All the numbers were also defined by boundary marks at the time of measurement, and this work was very satisfactorily carned out Many of the ridges are constructed partly of earth, and partly of the loose stones which are Field Boundary marks so nitmerous in Korts, and, unless wilfully destroyed, they Freld Boundary marks will last for many years without requring much repair
24 Korth, with reference to its dry-crop assessment, has been divided into three classes of villages, having maximum 1-0-0, 0-14-0, and 0-12-0 rates The positsons of the several groups of villages, the

Dry-crop rates of assessment adopted
classes in which they have been meluded, and the distingurshing characteristics of each group, laseses in whinch ine subjoved statement The boundaries of the
groups are also shown on the map, and a detaled list of the villages is given in the Appendix (No 12 D)

| Class | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Groups } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { Yillages } \end{aligned}$ | Number of Villages in each Group and Class | Distunguahung charactemstics of the Group | Maximum rate of Dry-crop Ascesament pur Acre |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 1 | 14 | These villages are situated in the valley of the Sins, adjoining the 1-2-0 villages of Naga: Their climate, though not good, is superior to that of the villages in the valley of the Bhima, and this groun is nearer the Nagar market than the other groups A good proportion of the cultivation is Kharif | $\begin{array}{rll} \text { Rs } & \mathbf{a} & \mathbf{p} \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ |
| 2 | 1 | 6 | The villages of this group are in the North-West, in the valley of the Bhima, and adjon the 1-0 0 villages of Kharda Their chmate is slightly superior to that of the villages further South, and they are somewhat better situated with reference to markets, being near to Chámbhárgonda, and also being better situated with reference to exterior markets | 0140 |
|  | 2 | 13 | These villages are in the valley of the Sina, adjoming the villages of the lst class They have a smilar climate, but, they are not quite so well situated with reference to exterior markets |  |
|  |  | 19. |  |  |
| 3 | 1 | 19 | These villages adjoin the villages of the $0-12-0 \quad 2 \mathrm{nd}$ group of the 2nd class, and their climate is probably similar, but they are not so near the Nagar market as the remaining villages of the valley of the Sina, and they are also further from the Poona market than the villages of the valley of the Bhima | 0120 |
|  | 2 | 54 73 | These villages are in the valley of the Bhima, Then chmate $1 s$ very inferior, and several of the vulages suffer from a want of water They are, however, tolerably well situated with respect to the Poona market |  |
| 3 | 5 | 106 | Of which the maximum dry-crop rates range from 1-0 0 to 0-12-0 |  |

25 It will be seen from the information embodied in the above statement that lower Dry erop rates of Korth com- dry-crop rates huve been determined for Korth than for Dry erop rated of whith thoee of other Talukas Kharda or Nagar This is necessary for several reasons Ita climate is worse Its situation with respect to markets is also worse, and 1ts husbandry 18, in some respects, inferior, the uncertan chmate not being
favourable for the extensive cultivation of Kharif ciops, and,
in bad seasons, when the Rabi crops fail, the ryots have not very much irngated land to fall back upon, and find at difficult
to live. Moreover, in a good senson, the gram prices generally fall-so that, indebted as the ryots are to the Marvadis they cannot sufficiently recover from the losses of preceding years, and many of them, it is feared, are in a miserable state of poverty In fact Korti is one of the worst districte in the Deccan, and cannot bear a heary assessment Even with low rates, although it will much mprove, it can never be expected to be so prosperons as some parts of Nagar and Kharda.
26. During the settlement four villages, which it had been at first proposed to mnclade

Altarationn made m the maximum rates of villagea in the 3rd class, were transferred to the 2nd class With this exception no alterations were made in the rates as originally proposed
27 The adoption of lower garden rates of assessment for Kortn was also found necessary The garden cultivation is almost entrrely Motasthal Garden rates of assessment necessary The garden cultivation 18 almost entirely Motasthal
or weepted, are generally of an inferior desconption and the maximum Motasthal rates of excepted, are generally of an inferior description ${ }^{\text {The maximum Motasthal rates of }}$ Kharda are Rs. 4 or Rs 3 per acre, accordang to the situation of the villages wath reference to markets or modes of husbandry The 1ates of Nagar vary from Rs. 6 for the lands close to the large markets of Nagar, to 3 for the villages that are not favourably situated In the case of Korts a maxumum rate of Rs 3 an acre has been umposed on several of the villages which have the advantage of being in the vicinty of markets where the ryots derive an extra profit from the ready sale of vegetables and other garden produce, and for the remaning villages a maximum rate of Rs $2-8-0$ per acre has been adopted These rates are the highest that can' with safety be umposed, when the general aridity of the district, and the want of capital amongst the cultivators, are taken anto consideration For lauds arrigated from Randhárás, a maximum Rs. 5 rate has been mmposed The enture extent of garden land is 2,870 acres, of which the total assessment is Rs. 5,313, or Rs. 1-13-7 an acre The old Kamal garden assessment is Rs 8,299, which, apphed to the survey acres, gives Rs. 2-14-3 an acre, but there are many inequalities in the old garden rates
28. It was originally proposed to assess the Dhel lands on the banks of the Bhima at a maximum rate of Rs 2 an acre, which is that imposed on similar lands in the Kharda Talnke, bat owing to the greater destance from large markets of most of the Korti villages, and the consequent lower profits derived from the sale of the different crops rased in the dhel lands, this rate was found to be too high, and a maximum 1-8-0 rate has been adopted. There are 446 acres of dheli land in this Táluka and the total assessment is Rs 485, or an average assessment of Rs 1-1-5 an aore.

Now, compared with old, assess-
ment

29 The general results of the rates, as regards the three classes of vallages, are shown in the subjoined statement, the onltivated aores entered in it being those of the year of settlement.

| Class. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $\underset{\substack{\text { Ansoment } \\ \text { nuout }}}{ }$ | Rate per Acre. | Lamal in Cullivation. |  |  | Westa. |  |  | Total. |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Acres. | Aseses masnt. | Rato per Acrat | Acrea. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { Amentic } \\ \text { man } \end{array}\right.$ | Rate per Aore | Aarve. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { A seann } \\ & \text { maont. } \end{aligned}\right.$ | $\overline{p r o t e p e r}$ |
| . 1 | 2 | 1 | 4 | E | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 20 | 11 | 12 | 18 | 14 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { yat } \\ & \text { ynd } \\ & \text { ynd } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 14 \\ & 10 \\ & 18 \end{aligned}$ |  | Rn. <br> 2,464 90,104 70,109 | $\left\|\begin{array}{rrr} R e & A & p \\ 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & 10888 \\ & 418806 \\ & 140,879 \end{aligned}\right.$ |  |  <br> $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 5 & 10 \\ 0 & 5 & 0\end{array}$ <br> 0 - 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3 | 106 | 2,03,500 | 100,887 | 088 | 2,00,580 | 00,008 | \& 11 | 1,38,788 | 23,000 | - 810 | 2,41,108 | 26,008 | $0 \cdot 0$ |

Haks.
So The maximum value (much exaggerated) of abolrshed Hake, as entered in the accounts for 1850-51, 18-


The estimated value of the Haks is not entered in the accounts of 1851-52, the year preceding the settlement.

Jude Lande,
31. The amount of excess of "Judi" ovar "survey" assessment, that has been remitted in the casee of the Hadola landes, ss about Res. 10.
32. The unarable lands of Korti, like those of other Tulukas, have not been assessed, and no revenue has hutherto beon derived from them.


1 The average for past years is for the 31 years of British rule precedung the introduction of the new rates, a proportionate merease having been made for each vilage, in the cases of the years for which accounts for all the villages are not procurable (Vide appended Statement No 10 D)

2 The acres of the years of the former system have been estimated for cultivated lands in the manner explaned in paragraph 37 of the Newasa Report The acres of waste and alienated lands under the former system cannot be correctly estumated, and are therefore omitted

3 The acres of the Survey Kamal, m column 2, are the enture Government arable Iands, and the rupees in column 3 the entire assessment on these lands

4 The amount hereafter leviable from melon beds and other petty items of revenue cannot be correctly estmated, and are, therefore, not taken anto conaideration, though former collections are included in the statement

34 In the year of settlement remissions on account of fallure of crops were not given The remissions shown to have been given were principally on

Remiseions given in year of settlement account of interior waste portions of land, the cultivation of entire fields not having been previously enforced Had the rates been earhes in operation, no remissions would have been allowed, and the ryots were given most fully to understand that no remissions for interior uncultivated portions of land would be given in future years No fair inference can therefore be drawn, relative to the future revenue prospects of the Taluka, from the collections, under the revised rates, of the year of settlement, but I consider it expedient to subjoin the
Table of Percentages usual table of percentages, leaving it for those to whom this report is submitted, to make any necessary allowances as regards first year of the new aystem. The Kamál assessment of course admats of a more accurate judgment beng formed of the ultimate financial results -

| Survey Settlement | For what lands | Percentages by which the survey settlement falls short of or exceeds the Net Revenne of the nodermentioned periuds previous to Survey |  |
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|  |  | Eatimated average of preceding 31 years. | Year imme duately preceding year of Settlement |
| The Net Revenue of 1852-53, being theyear in which the revised rates were introduced into the Taluka, is less per cent than that of | Government Lands | 141 | 27 |
|  | Government and Alienated lands together | 14 | 263 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { The Survey Kamal or Gross Rental } 18 \text { more }\{ \\ & \text { per cent., than the Net Revenue of } \end{aligned}$ | Government Lands | 34 | 14 |
|  | Government and Alienated lands together | 34 | 144 |

35 I consider the financial results of the settlement to be satisfactory It will be
Financial Resulte continued. observed that the excess of revenue realizable, provided all the arable lands are brought under cultwation, is about Rs. 24,000, or 34 per cent on the average collectuons of former years Owng to the bad clumate of Korti, and the poor soils that prevail in parts, it 18 probable that a considerable proportion of the land will remann waste, and in years of general falure of raun it may also at first be found necessary to give remissions in this Thaluka But I am of opmion that a larger average revenue will be derived under the revised rates than that collected under the old system.

36 The average rate of assessment hitherto shown to have been pand by the cultavated
Relief to Cultivatory lands is $0-6.0$ per eore, and the survey rate on all the arable lands is 0.4-6, and on the lands cultavated in the year of settlement 0-4-11 per acre, or a dearease of 0-1-1 on the past payments per acre, or about 18 per cent

37 The subjouned statement ahows the area of the 106 Government villages that have been settled, and the assessment moposed on the several descriptions of land -

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| Descrption of land | Dry-crop |  | Garden, |  | Barren. |  | Total |  | Deduct portion of <br> Assessment Alienatred Rupess |  |
|  | Aares. | Rupesa | Acrea | Bupess | Acres | Rupees, | Acres. | Rupees |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| , |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Government | 3,38,293 | 89,755 | 2,870 | 5,313 | 88,296 |  | 4,29,459 | 95,068 |  | 95,068 |
| Incma | 18,095 | 4,967 | 159 | 294 | 8,120 |  | 21,374 | 5,251 | 6,251 |  |
| Judi Insm | 2,971 | ${ }^{2} 888$ | 3 | 4. | 312 |  | 8,286 | ${ }^{6} 208$ | 8,251 | $\ddot{531}$ |
| Grand Total of 106 Villigesa mettled un 185253 | 3,59,358 | 05,610 | 8,032 | 5,611 | 91,728 | - | 4,54,119 | 1,01,221 | 5,622 | 95,599 |

88 The settlement of thus Taluka was made during the months of February and March Sottlement when proceeded
1853 The lat Assistant Collector, Mr A Gray, was present
durng the greater portion of the time, and kindly gave his muth durng the greater portion of the thme, and kndly gave his
valuable and in furtheranoe of the worle

- 39 There were fewer complanta than I had anticipated, and the ryots were generally Soetlement how rocouved by much pleased whth the new rates Some of the villages were Ryotalement how rocaved by formerly aseessed at comparatively light rates, but the survey ratee, on the whole, effected a pretty equal reduction on the former assessment, and in no case was it found necessary to impose a higher assesemment on the entire lands af any village than that hitherto prevailing The rates of undividuat fields were, however, cocosionally raseed, and in a few cases the former light assesement did not admit of a large reductuon. I may instance the case of the village of Kuldharan. This village contann 11,798 acres, of which the Government arable fields contam 10,205 acres. The former Kamal aseessment was Rs 1,947, or an average assessanaent of Re. 0-3-1 per acre. The survey maxumum aseessment is $\mathrm{Rs} 1,478$, or an average assesement of Re $0-2-4$ per acre, which is extremely low. Nevartheless, in thas village, the rates of some of the fields were rased. In suoh villngee, where the solls ard generally very poor, the ryots would not beoome very prosperous, even were no mssessment at all to be mposed, and a 0-2-4 rate barely exceeds that whach would be leved as a granng tax from bettor descriptions of waste lands. In viliages so satuated wells should be sunk in the low grounde where mater is procurable and the land can be irrigated. At present there are about 30 welle in Kuldharan, but probably this number might with advantage be moreseed. The poor lands at a dstanoe from the village would, I think, be found more profitable as grasing grounds, than if brought under eulturation In many cases, 12 this Thaluka, the ryots petino assastance zo the construccion of wells, but, as I could do nothing for theme, I was obliged to refor them to the Collectof's department.
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40 So far as I could ascertan from mquiries made durng the settlement, the ryots of rates the surveyed districts on the other side of the Bhma have dappur derived manch bencfit from the revised assessment, and I am inclined to hope that the new rates will prove equally beneficial in Korts In Indápur espectally, the ryots, so far as I could learn, are thrinng and contented In Hingnı, one of the Kortı villages settled by me, a ryot of Indápur was found to be cultrvating 82 acres of land He told we that all the land in his own village haying been taken up for cultivation, he conld only, on becoming more prosperous, enlarge his farming operations by crossing the river and taking up land in Kortı He now travels on horseback from one village to the other, and I dare say considers hmself quite a gentleman farmer

41 Trees are much wanted in thas Táluka, and I did all I could durıng the settlement Trees to induce some of the wealthier ryots to commence planting, but I fear they will require much dunnong before takmg any active steps in the way of mprovement

No 12 D -(Paragraph 24)
List of the Government $V_{i}$ ilages of the Kortz Tailuka, referred to in the 24th paragraph of the Report




Detached or outlyng villages are included in the Groups whose Villages are sumilarly Lated.

## G S A ANDERSON,

Superintendent, Ahmednagar Revenue
Survey and Assessment

No. 1211.
To
The COLLECTOR of SHOLA'PUR.
Sie,
In reply to your memorandum No. 6183 of 24 th instant, I have the honour 1891 to report as follows.

2 In paragraph 3 of his letter No. 1457 of 22 nd October 1891, Mr. Pitt states that "there is nothing in the crrcumstances of these villages, whether"in" physical features, climate or communications, which distinguishes them in any important degree from the rest of the villages of the taduka adjoining them."

With this statement I must be allowed to differ, as I consider the Korti group of the Karmala villages to be inferior in every respect to the central and southern portions of the taluka The Korti villages are overgrown with cac. tus and the soil is undoubtedly inferior to that in the central and southern villages of the táluka. The communcations are certanly not as good, there being fewer made roads than in the centre and south of the taluka, and I believe the ramfall is not as good as in the central and southern villages, or rather as the soil is poorer in the northern group it requires a heavier fall to produce crops in the northern groups equivalent to those in the centre and south.
3. In this connection I would solicit reference to paras. 162 and 163 on pages 103 and 104,* of the Revenue Survey Selections, Series No. UXXIII, herewith returned. The romarks made therein fully bear out what I have

- $\cdot$ of parne 7 and 8 of Appendux $Q$ to $M r$, Pitt's report said about the inferionity of the Korti group of villages to those in the surrounding country. The soil is desoribed as the very poorest in the Deccan.

4. In para. 6 of the report Mr. Pitt alludes to the very satisffofory features of the Revision Survey as shown by the absorption of dry-crop landanto irrigated land, and of waste land into dry crop land, bub it seems to methat the more natural way to account for the former is to ascribe it to the extension of well building during the existience of a favourable lease and to attribute the gradual encroachment on waste lands to the alteration in the margin of cultivation consequent on the large increase in the agricultural population which has occurred during the last 40 years and especially in the last decade. How far this expansion of eullivation is due to increased prosperity it is dufficult to say, but it seems to me to be fallaoious to ground a proposal for largely enhancing the land revenue of an arid tract on such general and half explained data as these.

5 I beg leave again to differ from the laudatory tone of Mr Pitt's paras. 11 and 12, and I think the statistics rather prove that any large enhancement of the land revenue will be oppressive. I do not think the reference to population has any great foroe. The increase in cattle is very small and only what one would naturally look for in a district where oultivation has expanded owing to there being more mouths to feed. Taking the figures in Appendices I, J, ry, the great balance of the land was sold at sums varying from 1 to 25 woes the assessment, sublet at sums ranging from 1 to 5 times the assessment and mortgaged at sums from 1 to 10 tumes the assessment. These figures to my thoking advocate caution in any attempts at a violent increase of rates.
6. No reason has been assigned to the division of these Korti villages into two groups, and it is dufficult to see why one rate should not apply The old rate was 12 annas an acre, and thas was fixed after a very careful survey and full knowledge of the lessons of the past showing the fallacy of a high rate and constant remissions, and now it is proposed on very unsufficient facts, by which it is sought to prove mereased prosperity, to go back to the old rates. The nucrease in some of the villages is very violent, amounting to over 100 per cent. in tro cases. It cannot be demed that the figures given show that the existing rates are moderate and that a small enhancement might be borne. I would say that with the exception of the isolated village of Bhalvan, the proposals for

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which might stand, the remanning 15 villages might be grouped together and a maximum rate of 14 annas imposed. All the accompanments are herewith returned.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient Servant, W. DODERET, First Assistant Collector.

No. 6526.

## To

## The SCPERINTENDENT, Deccan Revenue Survey,

 Poona.Sir,
In reply to your letter No 1457 of 22nd October 1891, I have the honour to return the papers forwarded herewith and the remarks of Mr Doderet, 1st Assistant Collector, on the Rension Survey proposals for the said 16 villages
2. I agree in the main with the First Assistant Collector, that the revision rates are pitched too high, having regard to the arid nature of much of the country, the precarious tendency of the ranfall and the geneial absence of good communications as compared with other parts of the taluka.
3. I concur with the Survey Department in thinking that there should be two groups ${ }^{\text {f }}$ for these villages, as those in the direction of the Bhima are undoubtedly more favourably situated than the remainder. I would however reduce the maximum rates for the two groups respectively from Re. 1-2-0 to 1 and Re. 1 to 14 annas. The result of this would be-


This gives an increase of 50 per cent and an avenage rate per acre of 7 annas 6 pres.
4. It $1 s$ observed that in the revised survey there is an increase of cultivation of 3,362 acres. At an average rate of assessment per acre of 7 annas 6 pies this would amount to Rs 1,576 If this sum is deducted from Rs. 8,060, there $1 s$ a net merease of Rs, 6,484 or an equivalent of 40 per cent This appears to be a very substantial enhancement and quite as much as the nature of the country would warrant. I have the strongest objections to the proposed introduction of a permanent water cess in the Revision Survey, as I hold that it is quite inapplicable to this scorched and baked portion of the district. It seems to me that to justify such a cess water must be permanently and perendally available, while in the villages where it is proposed to be levied, it is a matter of common knowledge that such is not the case and that the supply only exiats in years of exceptionally favourable rainfall. I think that this cess ought not to be imposed permanently on any of these villages bat calculated from tune to time on the amount of water actually available 1 would especially draw attenthon to the concluding portion of paragraph 3 of Mr Doderet's letter which sbows that the previous view taken of the son in these parts does not concide with that now laid down, and at the same time I beg to remark that many of
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the theories advanced as showing a material inorease in the prosperity of these villages do not appear to rest on a thoroughly solid basis.

I have the honour to be,

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\text { Sir, } \\
\text { Your most obedient Servant, } \\
\text { P. SNOW, } \\
\text { Collector. }
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## Memorandom.

No 1704 of 1891.
Deccan Survey Superiniendent's Office,"
Khúrdesh Dıstricts, Camp Dhulıa, 28th November 1891.

As these papers have been returned to this office by the Collector, the undersigned avails himself of the opportunity to make a few remarks on the report, the rates proposed in which had his concurrence when acting as Survey Commissioner prenious to its submission.

2 The increase given by the proposed rates amounting to 69 per cent is no doubt the ground of the Collector's objections It an due, however, not to the proposed assessment being abnormally high, but to the old classification values having been abnormally low. The old classification was done about 1851, after the promulgation of the Joint Report but before its provisions had been everywhere brought into practice, and the scale of values used was materially lower than that therem land down. The classification, however, was found to be well and unformly done and beyond the application to it now of the Jount Report soale of values needed very little modufication to adapt it to the accepted standard, the allotment of kharab, which had been done on the old and extravagant scale, had also under standing orders to be corrected, and this too has had its effect in bringing about a larger increase than would otherwise have appeared.

3 In view of the heavy nncrease which the necessary corrections in the old work above noted have made unavoidable, the undersigned is not disposed to dissent very strongly from the inconsiderable alterations which the Collector recommends in the proposed maximum rates. He would, however, point out that the small tract now to be dealt with is not exceptional among its surroundings though these constitute admittedly the most arid part of the Deccan. It origually formed part of the old Korts Taluka, the man poition of which was revised last jear, and had Mr. Pitt made some reference in his report to that settlement (Government Selection CCXLVI) it would have made matters clearer, and his expressions regarding the condition of the traot would probably have been taken, not absolutely, but in the relative sense in which he meant them.
4. The poorness of the soll is of course provided for by the classfication, and the problem as to marimum rates is merely one of fixing on such as shali fit in best with those already accepted as suitahle in the villages which adjom on all sides. As the ralway is here the dominating factor, the rates and groupung proposed appear to the undersigned to present the natural solution of the problem. The first group lying along the railway will be admitted to be better situated than the Indipur villages across the river where the maxmum rate is Re. 1, and the second group has also in its easier access to the railway an advantage over the Karjat villages on the North, which were settled on a 14 -anna maximum last year. I'hese differences of advantage are not, however, very strongly marked, though quite sufficient to justify the grouping proposed by Mr. Pitt, unless Government should consuder that the high nerease cansed is a reasonpfor modification.
5. In the matter of Patasthal assessment, the undersigned thinks the Collector's proposal madmissible, as it would be a relapse from the principles of the Bombay revenue systen to one of yearly valuations and measuruments with
all therr attendant evils It appears from the original settlement report of Korti that the Patasthal lands were even then (1852) assessed at annual rates, whle the rates actually imposed, ranged up to Rs. 5 , and no reason exists why the small portion of that tract now in question should be made an exception to , what has long been the approved practice on all settlements. The ratiog has been done very. lemently in view of the precarious nature of the ranfali, and Rs 4-12-0, which is the highest rate actually mposed, has only been reached in stwo villages, and these only in fields where the soll is excellent and the water suffices for crops of garden wheat. If Government decide to adopt lower maxıminn soil rates for the groups as recommended by the Collector, it would be . opeń fo thém at the same time to adopt also the Pátasthal maximum rate, viz. Rs '6, which was sanctioned last year for the adjoming villages of Karjat Taluka This would give a somewhat smaller revenue than that which has been calculated in the report on the Rs 8 maximum, though as the rating was "rdone very' lemently, the reduction probably would not be so great as the dufference iv. maximum, rate would lead one to $n$ nfer The undersigned will not repeat here what has been explaned in full detall in a report lately
: submitted $\rho$ n the subject of Pátastbal assessment, but it may be observed that as tije pegulanty or urregularity of the water-supply is a principal pount for consideration 1 n assessing a Pat and the rate is based on the average supply of a series of years, the Collector's apprehensions would appear to be founded on a mistionception of the method of assessment.
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> No. 6867. The COMMISSIONER, C D., Poona.

W M FLETCHER,
Superinterdent, Deccan Revenue Survey, $\dddot{T o}$

2nd December 1891.

## Sir,

I have the honour to forward herewith a letter No. 1457 of the $22 n d$ October 1891, with its several accompaniments, from the Supernatendent, Deccan Revenue Survey, beng the revision settlement repoit of 16 Government villages of the Karmál Táluka, and to state that, not having any personal acquantance with the táluka, I referred the papers to the First Assistant Collector, Mr Doderet, who holds charge of the taluka, and subsequently made a short tour in the taluka I append Mr. Doderet's reply tngether with the correspond-

Collector's No 6526 of

- 13th November 1891

Memorandum No 170t of 28th November 1891 from the Superntendent, Revenue Earvey ? ence noted in the margn, and beg to observe that 1 still adhere to the views expressed by me in my letter No 6526 of the 13th ultmo, and subject to the remaiks theren made would recommend Mr. Pitt's proposals for the sanction of Government.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
P. SNOW, Collector.

Through the Survey and Settlement Commissioner

No. 2 or 1892. .
From

# E. C. OZANNE, Esquire, <br> Survey and Settlement Commissioner, 

To

## Ter CHIEF SEORETARY to GOVERNMENT, Revenue Department.

Poona, 2nd Januařy 1592

Sir,
I have the honour to submit proposals'for the revision settlement. of $10^{\circ} \mathrm{viln}$ lages now belongıng to the Karmála Taluka of Sholápur. The report was drawn* up by Mr Pitt while acting for Mr . Fletcher during the monsoort: , On being, submitted to the Collector the papers were returned with a report from Mr, Doderet, the Assistant Collector in charge, approved by the Collector. Mr.' Fletcher as Superintendent recorded his opmion on Mr. Snow's abjectians. This correspondence is included in the papers now submitted through the ${ }_{\text {a }}$ Commissioner to Government.
2. The Karmála Táluka is made up of 123 villages. Of these, 11 arê inám. Of the 11 inam villages 9 were surveyed between 1851-52 and 1875-76. Two are still unsurveyed Of the 112 Government vllages 93 were revised in 1873-74. and 2 settled for the first tıme (G R. No. 707 of February 7th, 1874 ). One village,, Tembhurni, lapsed to Government in 1879-80, but the settlement introduced in 1873-74 by the order of the Survey Commissioner, while it was still held as ind́m, is current. There remain the 16 Government villages which form the subject of the present report
3. Of these one, Bhalavani, transferred from Mádha in 1862-63, was settled in 1863-64 The period of guarantee ought to have been restricted to that already fiaed for the surrounding villages of Karmála, and Bhalavni should have been revised in 1873-74. It is not understood why this was not done I may at once dispose of this village by saying that no reasonable objection can be taken to the proposals made. It lies in the centre of a group of villages settled in 1873 at a maximum of Rs. 1-2-0, and the enhancement resulting from applying this rate is only 112 per cent.
4. The remanning villages were part of the old Kortı Taluka which was the chief contributor to the present Karjat Táluka of Ahmednagar. The Korts Taluka was settled in 1852-53, but the settlement report was not written till 1854. An extract appears as Appendix $Q$ to Mr Pitt's report. The lease for the 15 villuges transferred to Karmála had not expured when Karmála was resettled and incidentally they have shared with the Karjat Talluka the further extension, conceded in order to give time for recovery from the effects of the famine of 1876-77 as notuced in Government Resolution No. 3192, dated 8th May 1890, passed on the Karjat revision proposals.
5. Though the remeasurement and reolassification were only partial, it will be remarked (Mr. Pitt's 5th para.) that nearly half the survey numbers (= $\frac{1}{s}$ rd the area) were actually re-classed and the remainder adjusted to a large extent to bring the standard up to date. The old classification was good, but faulty as regards standard, that is (1) the difference between the poorer and better souls was not properly accentuated, and (2) the old deductions on account of supposed barrenness (pot kharab) were excessive. The pot kharab rules of 1883 do not apply, as the classification was carried out before 1854. To this reolassification is due the major part of the proposed enhancement.
6. Mr. Pitt proposes two groups rated at Rs, 1-2-0 and 1-0-0 respectively. In the old Korti settlement the 15 villages now in Karmála were rated at 12 annas In the Karjat revision Government ruled that the old grouping should not be disturbed. A revised maximum of annas 14 was sanctioned for all the villages of Karjat adjoinung the Kortı villages of Karmála instead of a thirteen-anna rate - 1009-9
for those in the Bhima valley and a fourteen-anna rate for the others, as proposed by Colonel Ward, who considered that clumate in the case of the Bhima valley villages was more important as a ruling factor in grouping than nearness to the ralway This contention was admitted by Government, though it was decided that it was not strong enough, to justify a louer rate than that proposed for viI* lages further from the ralway of the same old group
: $7 \mathrm{Mr}^{\prime}$ Pittiadduces un support of his proposals the revenue history of the - villages concerned and of villages of Indápur and Karmála adjoming, but he makes : no similar reference to the Korti group of Karjat This evidence sifted is aganst,

- rather than for, his argument. First, as to the 15 villages themselves, Appendix L
, shows a rapid increase of cultivated area and revenue checked only in 1871-72
${ }^{4}$ after the first settlement The history is favorable till 1875-76 From the
'famine year (1876-77) till 1879-80, the outstandungs were very large, the remissions very heavy, and in spite of low assessment the condition of the people deplorable In 1879-80 and the year followng the cultrvated area fell very greatly and the gross revenue even below the figure of the years immediately succeeding the introduction of the settlement. Since then there has been a gradual but good recovery owing to a succession of good years. The policy in this district during the famine was to give no remissions but at the same time to use no pressure to collect the revenue, leaving the question of final remissions , for careful consideration after the distress had passed. Now if the Appendices N , and 0 are sumilarly examined, a poorer history is evident. In the Ipdápur villages heavier outstandings date from 1871-72, and a much heavier and earlier fall in \& cultivation and revenue Lastly, the recovery has not been so good Appendix 0
- tells a precisely simular tale The right deduction seems therefore to be that the hearier assessment in the neighbourng villages caused a less satisfactory revenue history before and after the famine than in the villages still enjoying the moderate rates of the original settlement and that it will not be safe to advise Government to accord sanction to Mr Pitt's proposals
- 8 The opinions on record are somewhat diverse As to the proposed groupung it is questionable whether the special rate for nearness to railway is sound In * the old Karmála settlement this special rate was imposed on all villages within. . 4 mules of the rallway. I am not in favour of its application. No doubt in the case of the small group of villages now for settlement, Mr. Pitt sought to follow * the principles which guided the old Karmala settlement But in spite of intro-- ducupg a modification into a portion of a taluka which cannot now be made appli*cable throughout, I think that the second group should include all the I5 vilages The treatment of these villages should be guided by that dccorded to their old group fellows in Karjat There the extreme precariousness of the clımate was held sufficient to outweigh the advantage of raulway facilities The deep soll as was shoyn in paras 7, 8 and 24 of the Korti report (see Appendux Q) requires a heavy rannfall, while the ranfall enjoyed is of the most precarrous nature 'Thus while in classification the sol may bear a high valuation, the untrustworthiness of the rainfall and the consequent poor condition of the cultivators, $\therefore$ who do not farm on so large a scale as to be able to hoard the returns of a good season to supply the deficiencles of succeeding bad ones, nullify the full advantage -which might be ganed from the goodness of the land The revenue officers contend that the Bhima valley villages are in many ways inferior to their neighbours further east.

9. The Kortı-Karjat villages settled two years ago were rated at 14 annas The Karmála villages, exceptung those with the special ratirg for nearness to ralway, were rated at Re 1, wheh is the rate of the Indapur villages across the. - river. It seens to have escaped the notice of Mr Pitt when he compared the Indápur villages, that the Re. 1 rate there is somewhat deceptive A reference to the old history of the Indápur revision will show that in 1875 the attention of Government was directed to the large enhancement, not only in Indapur but in* other talukas re-settled about the same date The result was that the assessment in Pudápur was largely reduced, but the reduction was carried into effect by a , reduction in the classification, the maximum rate being kept unaltered This was done with the object of making more difference between poor and good lands, for the classification reductions dealt only with land classed below 11 annas It

follows that no comparison with the Indápur rates can be made without full consideration of the action taken in 1875 I advise then that the 15 Karmala villages should be rated at 14 annas as those left in Karjat were rated.
10. I do not see ground for exceeding the prescribed 66 per cent. lumit for the enhancement on revision The effect of applying a 14-anna - дpaximum is -Markod Appendir A. shown in detail in the appended table.* There will village, but the explanation only be an excess over the 66 per certit limat in one Land Revenue Code for patasthal is included, though in making the comparison between present and proposed assessment such water assessment need not be taken into account. The deduction of the water cess will alone bring Devigawham very nearly within the prescribed limit. Added to this, it will be noticed that in this village the proportion of land formerly erroneously classed as unculturable $\because$ is large. The assessment placed for the first time on such land cannot be taken into account. Thus Dengawhan does not show a proscribed enhancement.

The proposed enhancement for the whole group does exceed the limit of 33 per cent., but if the assessment on assessed pot kharáb and on pátasthal is excluded, the percentage will be reduced. There will be further reduction when the distance from village scale is apphed to each survey number. This reduction will be considerable, for some of the villages are very large in area. Under these circumstances the prescribed limit will not in reality be infringed.
11. The maximum rate which I propose of 14 annas fits in well with the same rate for the Kortı-Karjat group and the one rupee rate for the Karmála villages on the east The average rate will be 7 annas, as compared with 8 annas for the Karmala villages at 1 Re., and with 6 annas for the Karjat group rated at 14 annas Mr . Fletgher suggests that if Government so desire he will rate the pátasthal at a Rs. 6 maxımum. The pátasthal is very small in area, and on Mr. Fletcher's assurance that the difference will be, very little, I think no change need be made other than that which wall result from the reduced maximum. The report on pátasthal referred to by Mr. Fletcher is under consıderation. The subject is not important in Karıála.

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Your most obedient Servant,
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[^1] Survey and Settlement Commssioner.

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Revenue Department.<br>Sátára District, Camp Vaduj, 19th January 1892<br>291d

## Submitted to Government.

2 As regards the proposals for the revision of Bhalavni, a village transferred from the Mádha Táluka, there is no difference of opinon between the Land Revenue and Survey officers; and the Acting Commissioner, O. D, would at once recommend that the proposals made by Mr. Pitt in respect cf that village be adopted.
3. Opinion $1 s$ not, however, unanimous as regards the proposals for the remaning 15 villages constitutung the "Korts" group. Messrs. Pitt and Fletcher represent the Survey Department view; Messrs Doderet and Snow advocate moderation; while Mr. Ozanne appears to have taken a sober and dispassionate view of the whole case based on sound facts and principles.
4. Mr. Pitt proposes to divide these 15 villages into two groups, including 5 of them in group No. I with a maximum dry-crop rate of Re. 1-2, and the remaining 10 in group No II with a maximum dry-crop rate of Re 1 , the ground for the difference being apparently the proximity of the ralway in the case of the former. Mr Doderet questions the soundness of the conclusions drawn by Mr Pitt as to the material advancement of the tract in question and considers that one uniform rate should be applied to all the villages and that it should not be pitched higher than annas 14 Mr. Snow, on the other hand, while agreeing with Mr. Doderet in his estimate of the value of the alleged material improvement, holds with Mr Pitt that the villages along the rallway line should be treated differently from those situated further north and north-east. He would, therefore, mantann the two groups, but reduce the rates from Re 1-2 and 1 to Re 1 and annas 14 respectively

5 The Acting Commussioner, C. D, does not personally know the part of the country to which these proposals relate; but it is clear to him that the preponderance of opinion is in favour of a reduction of the rates proposed by Mr. Pitt, and that the only officer-Mr. Fletcher-who attempts to support Mr. Pitt's proposals is half inclined to accept Mr. Snow's recommendations. The only question, therefore, that requires to be considered and settled 15 , whether the 15 villages should all be thrown into one group or be divided into two different groups.
6. The chief ground for a division appears to be the proximity of the ralway in the case of a certain number of villages and the absence of that advantage in the case of the others The Acting Commissioner, C. D., observes that this point has already been discussed in connexion with the revision settlement proposals for the Bhusával Táluka, and the reasons which induced Government in that case to attach no weight to the proximity of ralway apply wath equal or perhaps greater force to the present case.
7. The whole correspondence has been carefully and dispassionately considered by Mr. Ozanne, and for the reasons stated in the foregoing paragraphs, the Acting Commissioner, C. D., agrees with him that the 15 villages of the "Korti" group should all be classed together and assessed at a maximum dry-crop rate of annas 14, and that no change need be made in regard to the pátasthal rate other than that which will result from the reduced maximum.

G B. REID,<br>Acting Commissioner, C. D

Revenue Survoy and Assessment - Revision settlement of the Rarmala Taluka of the Sholdipur District.

Revanua Derartmbent
No. 2037.
Bombay Castle, 24th March 1892.
Memorandum from the Commissioner, C. D, No. $\mathrm{n}-285$, dated 19th January 1892Submitting the papers noted in

Latter from the Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survey, No 1457, dated 22nd October 1891
Letter from the Colleotor of Sholspar, No 6867, dated 2nd
December 1891 the Survey and Settlement Commusioner, No 9, dated 2nd Jannary 1892
the margin, containing prom posals for the introduction of revision survey settlement into 16 Govervment villages of the Karmala Taluka of the Sholapur Collectorate

Memorandum from the Conamsioner, C D., No E - 557 , dated 4th February 1892Submitung one No. 217, dated 29th January 1892, from the Survey and Settlement Commissioner

Resolution.-These papers relate to the introduction of a revision survey settlement into 16 villages of the Karmála Taluka of Sholápur. Of these, 15 villages formerly belonged to the Kortı Táluka and 1 to the Mádha Táluka. The man portion of the Karmála Táluka was settled in 1873-74.
2. The village of Bhallarni falls naturally into the secoad of the groups formed in 1873-74, and as the proposals of the Superintendent with regard to it are concurred in by the officers through "whose hands the papers have passed, the application of the Rs 1-2-0 rate to it is sanctioned. About the remanning 15 villages situated in the west of the taluka there is a considerable divergence of opiuion Mr Pitt proposes to divide them into two groups with maximum rates of Rs $1-2-0$ and Re 1, respectively. The Collector, while retaining two groups, would lower the rates by 2 annas, and the Survey and Settlement Commissioner and the Cominissioner, C. D, are of opinion that there should be one group only with a maximum rate of 14 annas As regards'the grouping, Government have already ruled that an extra rate on account of proximuty to railway stations is inadmissible. Mr. Ozanne has dealt fully with the question of rates and has shown that a comparison with the neighbouring taluka of Indápur is musleading, and Government agree in his conclusions that the proper maximum rate to apply is that in force in the adjacent villages of the Karjat Táluka of Ahmednagar, viz., 14 annas.
3. The patasthal maximum rate should be fixed at Rs, 6.
4. The rates as now sanctioued should be guaranteed for a period to expire simultaneously with that for which the remander of the taluka was settled It semms that the new rates cannot be mtroduced noto Bhalavm untal 1893-94, but the Commissioner should report further on this point.
W. L. HARVEY, Under Secretary to Goverament.

To
The Commıssioner, C. D ,
The Collector of Sholápur (with the petitions of objections),
The Survey and Settlement Commissioner,
The Director of Land Reoords and Agrioulture,
The Accountant General,
The Public Works Department of the Secretariat.
$\left.\begin{array}{l}\text { The Government of Inda, } \\ \text { The Secretary of State for Indas, }\end{array}\right\}$ By letter.
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No. CCLXV.--New Suries

## PAPERS

RELATING TO THE

REVISION SURVEY SETTLEMENT

OF

ONE GOVERNMENT VILLAGE (ARDHNÁRI)

OF THE
Sholnfare
SHOLÁPUR COLLECTORATE.


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INDEX TO THE CORBESPONDENCE RELATING TO THE REVISION SURVEY SETTLEMENT OF THE VILLAGE OF ARDHNARI OF THE SHOLA'PUR TA'LUKA OF THE SHOLA'POR COLLECTORATE.


## From

## R. B. PITT, Esquire,

## Acting Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survey;

To
The COLLECTOR of SHOLÁPUR.

> Deccan Survey Superintendent's Ofice, Poona, 15th October 1892.

## Sir,

Adverting to the revision settlement report* No. 33, dated the 15th

- Government Selection No. OL, New Seriee, page 169 January 1872, I have the honour to submit for the consideration of Government a proposed revised rate for the village of Ardhnari at present meluded in the Sholápur Táluka of the Sholápur Collectorate.

2. At the revision settlement in 1872 this
+Government Reanlution No 6,643, dated the 10th December 1873 village belonged to the Pandharpur Taluka, but in 1874-75 wast transferred to the Sholapur Traluka, to which it now belongs.
3 As this report is merely supplementary to the report above quoted, and as all the questions connected with the revised settlement were therein discussed and disposed of, I will simply confine myself to describing the position of the village and comment upon the statistical information now furnished in the usual -form as briefly as possible.
3. The village of Ardhnári hes to the extreme West of the Táluka, a few miles Position to the South of the road from Sholápur to Pandharpur. The Bhima river bounds it on the South and West. On the North it is bounded by the vallage of Vaddegaon, and on the East by the villages of Ijgaon and Ghodeshwar, the latter being a market town of some mportance
4. The former measurements and classifications were confirmed, the only alteration made being that two or more forest numbers were clubbed together according to rule, and made in one survey number. By this arrangement the survey numbers have decreased from 95 to 64.
5. In the following statement the area by the former survey is contrasted with the revision under the heads of the different kinds of cultivation -

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|  | $1,364$ | 1,387 | 23 6 | $\cdots$ |
|  |  |  | 6 | 30 |
|  | 2,453 | 2,458 | 29 | 30 |

The difference of 1 aore less is owing to the "Dharsod " of the fractional part of an acre.
. $950-1$
7. Appended to this report are the statements usually submitted with settlement reports
8. The usual information regarding the relative proportion of the crops Urops -Appendix a regularly growu will be found in Appendix A. The late or Rabi crops, it will be seen, predomuate. Javárı is the staple, and covers an area of $77 \cdot 5$ per cent, while of the remanning crops, pulses take up 35 per cent, oll-seeds 63 , and miscellaneous 23 The land under grass or fallow is only 43 per cent
9. The subjoined statement is a précis of the appendices marginally noted, Statistios-Appendices B, and shows the condition of the village under repoit at $\mathrm{C}, \mathrm{D}$ and G . the time of the former settlement in contrast with its condition, as asceitained by the Revenue Department -

| Doscription |
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It will be seen from the above that, comparing the revision with the former survey figures, there is a large decrease both in population and houses. This is, however, accounted for by the famine of 1876 The village was depopulated in 1887-78, and it was not till the following year that it was re-inhabited Taking this fact irto consideration, the progress made during the past 13 years must be considered very satisfactory
10. Turning to the revenue history of this village we find that, during Revenue History-Appen- the 10 years prior to the introduction of revised rates dix H . of assessment in 1872-73, the average cultivation and collections were 1,668 acres and Rs 437, respectively In the year of settlement cultivation suddenly rose to 2,051 acres, and the assessment to Rs 1,185; setting aside, however, Rs 748, as the difference between the former and revision survey settlement, the amount actually collected was Rs 437. Cultivation and collections fluctuated considerably during the first decade, and in 1879-80 stood at their lowest, the immediate cause being the famine, which seems to have had a very paralysing effert, culminating in the desertion of the village by its inhabitants. In $1880-81$ a reaction took place, and since then cultivation has steadily risen until in 1890-91 it reached 1,275 acres. Remissions were made in 1874-75, 1876-77 and 1882-83; collections kept pace with the cultivation, steadily rising from Rs 363 in 1879-80 to Rs 545 in 1890-91. About 690 acres of the waste area was converted into forest and the remander was gradually taken up for cultivation, until it fell from 1,188 to 94 acres in 1890-91. Column 17 shows outstanding balances during six years, 1873-74 and 1876-87 to 1880-81. Of the sums thus shown, however, only Rs 240 in 1873-74 were finally remitted

11 From the facts above stated it will be obsorved that although the famine had a very crippling effect on Ardhnári, yet it was not long before the village was again inhabited, and since then its progress towards prosperity has been steady. Under these ciroumstances there can now be no objection to its present maximum rate being sdjusted to those of the villages surrounding it,
by which a maxımum dry-crop rate of Re. 1 will be substituted for the present rate of Re 0-15-0. The following table gives the approximate result of the rate proposed -

| Clasl. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Maximum } \\ & \text { dry-orop } \\ & \text { rate } \end{aligned}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { Villagen } \end{array}\right\|$ | By foryer <br> SURVBy, <br> Government <br> Ocoupied land. |  | By Refibion Surify. |  |  |  |  |  | Percentagemoreaseon Gor-ernmantOccupredLand. |
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| 1 | $\begin{array}{rll} R_{0} & a & p \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | 1 | 1,275 | $\mathrm{ns}_{\mathrm{s}}$ <br> 545 | 1,276 | Rus <br> 635 | 123 | Ra 31 | : 1,388 | R. $666$ | 185 |

12. The total increase on occupied land, it will be seen from the above statement, amounts to 90 , or 16.5 per cent. on the assessment hitherto levied.
13. There is no rice land. The only garden land in the village is Motasthal. By the existing settlement there are in all 5 acres all belonging to Government assessed at Rs, 3 , or Re. 0-9-7 per acre. By revision survey there are 11 acres (all Government), bearng an assessment of Rs. 10, or an average of Re. 0-14-7 per acre.

14 The results given by the original survey and by the proposed rate are contrasted below under all heads with the existing record -

| Description | By Formbr Surtay |  | bz Repieron Survix. |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Judi or } \\ \substack{\text { gutir } \\ \text { rentit. }} \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Arom | Ameasmeith | Area | Asenemment |  |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|  | Acres | Rs | Acres. | Rs. | Rs |
| Government occupied land .. | 1,275 | 545 | 1,275 | 685 | ... |
| Government unoccupied land | 94 | 35 | 123 | 31 | - |
| Inám | $\cdots$ | ** | - | - | ... |
| Gov ernment unassessed, unarable, \&tc | 1,084 | ... | 1,054 | ." | - |
| Total .. | 2,453 | 550 | 2,452 | 666 |  |

15 The average rate of assessment on Government occupied land was by the origmal survey Re. 0-6-10 per acre; by the proposed rate it will amount to Re. 0.8-0. The average increase per acre, therefore, amounts to Re. 0-1-2.

16 In conclusion I have the honour to recommend that the proposed rate, if approved of, may be guarantoed for a period to expire with the lease now current in the rest of the Taluka

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
R. B. PITT,

Actang Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survey.

APPENDIX A.
Statistical Table No III.
Detarls of Cultwation, average of five years from A D 1886-87 to 1890-91



The upper line of figures is that of the previous eettrement.
R. B. PITT,

Acting Saperıntendent, Deccan Revenue Survey

## APPENDIX D.



## APPENDIX E

Statement of Shops, Looms, 7 emples, \& $\mathbf{c}$, and ayea age Burths, Deaths, Vaccınation, in one Government Village of the Sholápur Táluka, Sholápur Collectorate.
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R B PITT,
Actiog Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survey.

## APPENDIX $\mathbf{F}$.

Slatemont showing the Proportion of Government Occupied and Indm Lands cultivated by Occupants and Sub-tenants, fo, in the Year 1891

| Number ofVillagent | Datrict. | Total Numberi cultivated by Occupante or Inamdáa. |  | Total Numbers cultivated by Occupante or Inamdare in partnership with others |  | Total Numbers cultivated <br> by Sub-tenanta on money-rent |  | Total Nambers cultivated by Sub-tenants for produce of grain rent. |  | WasteNumbera | ParampokNumbers | Total Number |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Covermment | Inam. | Goverament. | Inam. | Government | Inam | Goverament | Inam |  |  | Goverament | Inam. |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 1 Government village, Ardhnarı | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { SholapurTAluka, Sholala } \\ \text { pur Collectorate } \end{array}\{\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 24 \\ & 375 \end{aligned}$ | ** | $\begin{gathered} 7 \\ 108 \end{gathered}$ | - ... | $\begin{aligned} & 11 \\ & 172 \end{aligned}$ | . | 13 208 | .. | 3 47 | 6 94 | $\begin{gathered} 64 \\ 1000 \end{gathered}$ | . |

APPENDIX G.
Statement of Wells, Tanks, and Budke in one Government Village of the Sholapur Táluka of the Sholapur Collectorate in the Year 1891

| Wumber of Villagen. | Distrot, | Weile wryin Vmban Brra, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | tanxe. |  |  |  | Total | Budils, |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Used for Irrigation |  | Deed tar Drinkiog |  | Used for Irrigation. |  | Used for Drunging |  |  |  | WellsduginingliatSettensent | According to old Measurement |  | According to new Measurement |  |  | Pakkm. |  | Kachha. |  |
|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { In } \\ \text { good } \\ \text { gruld } \end{gathered}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Out } \\ \text { oupalr. } \end{array}\right\|$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { In } \\ \text { good } \\ \text { ordepr. } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { out } \\ \text { ropair } \end{gathered}$ | $\substack{\text { gond } \\ \text { goder }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Out } \\ \text { roppur } \\ \text { rop } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{In}_{\substack{\text { god } \\ \text { gorder }}}^{\text {ord }} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \begin{array}{c} \text { out } \\ \text { reppair } \end{array} \\ \hline \text { on } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \left.\begin{array}{c} \text { good } \\ \text { for } \\ \text { proke } \end{array} \right\rvert\, \\ \text { fing } \end{array}\right\|$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \substack{\text { Uoed } \\ \text { for } \\ \text { drink } \\ \text { ing }} \end{gathered}$ |  | Old | New | Old | New, |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | $\theta$ | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 18 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 1 Goveramout village, Ardinarl | Sholapur Taluke, Sholípur Colleoto rate. |  |  | - |  | 2 | 2 | -•• |  | 4 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

R. B PITT,

Acting Superintendent, Decean Revenue Survey.

## APPENDIX II

Retcnuc State,went for one Government Village, Ardhnan i, sıtuated un the Sholápur Tálulan of the Sholapur Collectorate, into which the Suivey Settlement was intioduced on 1S72-73
The jears above the black line are those antecedent to the Survey Settlement


APPENDIX $\mathrm{I}^{1}$.


APPENDIX $I^{(2)}$.
Revenue Statement for one adjoining Government Vallage, Nalı, situated in the Pandharpur Taluka of the Sholapur Collectorate, anto which the Survey Settlement was introduced in 1871-7\%.


Acting Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survey.

## APPENDIX J

General Statement referred to in paragraph 11 of the Deccan Revenue Survey Buperntendent's Report No. 1554 of the 15th October 1892 for one Government Village, Ardhndirl, stituated in the Sholdapur Teluka of the Sholapur Collectorate.


## Forwarded with compliments to the Survey and Settlement Commissioner.

2. The existing settlement in the Village of Ardhnárı which was sanctioned for 15 years by Government Resolution $\mathrm{NO}_{\mathrm{a}}$ 5133, dated 9th September 1875, has now expired. The village was at the time that settlement was made included in Pandharp̈̈r Táluka, but Government in paragraph 4 of the abovementoned Resolution directed that "as the net revision of the whole táluka as at present constituted will be made in 1884A, AD , this village will then come under the maximum rate then considered appropriate for the group to which it naturally belongs" the proposal of the Acting Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survey, to raise the maximin rate in this tillage from 15 annas per acre to one rupee, the rate fixed by Government Resolution is No. 5874 , dated 19th October 1875, for the group of villages un Sholápur Taluk to $\Psi$ hitch Ardhnárı now belongs, is, therefore, strictly in accordance with the order of Government The one rupee rate is the lowest in Shotappur Táluka

3 No firth me, Deposits appear necessary, "and the undersigned begs to recommend Mr. Pete's proposals fôr the sanction of Government.


Forwarded to Government with the recommendation that the Superintendint's proposals may $\mathfrak{b} \neq$ sanctioned at an early date. " $\bar{\prime}$

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Through theiconconistioner, C. D.


Revenue Department,
-Poona, 12th November 1892

Forwarded ;The undersigned concurs with the Survey and Settlement Commissioner.

G. B. REID,

Acting Commissioner, CD.


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OF THE<br>PANDHARPUR TÁLUKA 

INDEX TO THE CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO THE REVISION SURVEY SETTLEMENT OF 78 GOVFRNMENT VILLAGES OF THE PANDHARPUR TALUKA OF THE SHOLAPUR COLLECTORATE.


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and the following table is a summary of the difference found in individual numbers between the old and new measurements -

| $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of of } \\ \text { willagea } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ \text { Numbers } \\ \text { old } \end{gathered}$ | Nomabrs measurid in whiot diprrievici fas |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Nambere } \\ \text { mot re } \\ \text { measured } \end{gathered}\right.$ |
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|  |  | Withan 1 per cent | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & 2 \text { to } 5 \\ & \text { per cent } \end{aligned}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 6 \text { to } 10 \\ & \text { per cent } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 11 \text { to } 15 \\ & \text { per cent } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 16 \text { to } 20 \\ \text { per cent } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Over } 20 \\ \text { per cent } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
|  |  |  | Villa | ges unde | Survey S | ttlement |  |  |  |
| 46 | 8,101 | 1,033 | 881 |  |  |  | 54 | 81 | * 8,765 |
| 32 | 6,046 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 335 | * 5,711 |
| 78 | 14,147 | 1,033 | 881 | 208 | 53 | 26 | 54 | 416 | 11,476 |

while the annexed statement shows the causes to which the larger differences are'attributable -

| Total old Numbers in which difference exceeded 15 per cent |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Alluvion or diluvion | Alterations in roads | Mistakes in old work | Other reabons |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 80 | 46 villages <br> 49 <br> 32 vallages | under Survey S $9$ <br> under Reviszon | ement $16$ <br> lement | $6$ |

Theratcan be no doubt, therefore, that the character of the old work generally , was, on the whole, very satisfactory

- 4 In preparing the new classification record, the old classification was after careful consideration and examination accepted as it stood In the case of new numbers having been made. the old classification has been distributed over them, and areas brought under irrigation from streams during the currency of the lease, the lands have been reclassed for sorl Every one of the small Bandharas in the Táluka has been carefully inspected, and its capabilities duly recorded

5 The statement given below shows the soll reclassification work done in the whole of the villages under, report -


- 6. In the subjoined table the atros obtanned by revision survey under each


The total revised area is thus seen to exceed that of the original survey by 464 acres only, or 0.2 per cent., a difference which is hardly appreciable, though, as pointed out in preceding paragraphs, internal differences bave been found to be neither few or unimportant.
7. The irrigated area has largely increased during the lease, partly by streams (Pátasthal) and partly by wells and Budkıs (Motasthal). Many new wells have been sunk, and old ones repared, since the first settlement The are a under rice has mauch decreased, simply owing to the fact that the district is unsuitable for its cultivation, the ranfall being insufficient.*
8. The Pandharpur Táluka lees to the West of the Sholápur Taluka. It is

Position and phyacal fea tares. Cares. ${ }^{2}$. 4 , bounded on the North by the Mádha Táluka, on the South by the Sangola Táluka, and on the West by the Malsiras Taluka-allTalukas belonging to the Sholípur The district ander report may be described as an undulating plain unrelieved by any hills, aud but very sparsely wooded The country is draned by the river Bhima (a. tributary of the Krishna), which is a perennial stream flowing north-west to south-east throughout the district, and fed by another tributary, the Man, on the south, and numerous Nálás on either bank, with a dranage towards the centre from the North and South The best soll is a clayey
loàm of good depth and very fertile in seasons of good raupfall, but the prevailing $\because$ soll is of a reddish description, well adapted for the different crops grown.
*. . 9. It will be seen, from the 10 years' rainfall given in Appendix A, that

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*) Appondax A
Thê distuct under report has, therefore, an average all amply sufficient for all the usual dry crops; but the northern portion is most favoured, while towards -the South the fall, though sufficient, is less regular and seasonable
$\ldots$ 10. Regarding the different crops grown in the district and the propor-


## Crops <br> 

 tionate area covered by eaoh; the form used in the Agricultural Department is now substituted for the one usually submitted, and the figuires therem shown have been ohtaned from that Department. The sub- 4 jopaed ${ }^{5}$ Etatement is an abstract of the Appendix marginally quoted :-[^3]

The Rabı, or late crops, greatly predominate, and Jowárı and Bajrı together cover more than half the cultivated area, but small areas of the more valuable kinds of produce are not wantutg
11. The Taluka is well supplied with the means of communication, the

Commanications country being intersected with roads and branch roads places -Poona, Sítira radating from the townoran harpur to he following Road Station and Temburni. There is another road to the South-East of the Táluka from Mangalvedha to Sholípur, and with the exception of this road, which is simply a cleared track, all the others are murummed, without, however, bridges or drains. The nearest rallway, station on the Great Indian Peninsula line is Mohol, north-east, 22 miles distant from Pandharpur, with the large station of Bárss 30 miles due North.

12 The only markets within the limits of the Taluka are held weekly (on Tuesdays and Mondays) at the chief town Pandharpur Marketa. Expports and and at the village of Karkamb to the North The

1mports.
Appendx 0 and at the village of Karkamb to the North The average weekly sales at the former, meludng cattle, amount to Rs. 27,125 and at the latter some Rs. 5,310
Exports are few and not very valuable or important, consisting chiefly of surplus agricultuial produce, hides and horns, \&e, while, on the other hand, the umports consist of groceries, cocoanuts, Kerosine oul, hardware, salt and cloths of European manufacture.
13. The local industries consst of the expression of oll from Kardat (safflower), for which there are, in all, 133 mills of the ordinary rough construction in the district. Cotton and woollen fabrics are also manufactured to some extent; the total number, of looms for such purposes 18689 and 137, reapectively

14 The large and ancient town or city of Pandharpur situated on the river Bhima, a tributaiy to the Krishna, with its numerous fanes or temples $1 s$ so well known in history, and so fully described in the Bombay Gazetteer, that it would be superfluous perhaps in a report of this description to enter into much detanl concerning it , beyond alluding to the large " jatris", or gatherngss, held there annually The largest furs are held during the months of November, April and July, and are attended by many thousands of plgrums and devotees from all parts of the Presidency and even beyond 1 t . The following statement, prepared from anformation obtaned from the Mámlataár of the district, shows the number
of pilgrims attending the different gatherings for the last 10 years, the total amount of the fees collected from them by the Municpality, and also the number of sezzures and deaths from cholera. -

| Ters | Mumber of P1griuna attending the Faina during the monthe of |  |  |  | Fres collectod by Municipality at the rate of |  |  |  | Oholera |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | November | April. | Juls | Total | Novembar | April. | Joly. | Total | traiked | Deethe |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | $\theta$ | 10 | 11 |
|  |  |  |  |  | Re. 2 | Resa | Ra. a | Ra. $*$ |  |  |
|  | 61,018 | 7,668 | ${ }^{97,688}$ | 1,67117 | 15478 |  | 24,384 |  |  |  |
|  | ${ }_{80,085}$ | 80,998 | ${ }_{5} 8182$ | 7,76,288 | - ${ }^{280818}$ | ${ }_{3}^{4,740}$ | 29134 21395 | - 980 |  | ${ }_{8}^{18}$ |
|  | ${ }^{41,149}$ |  | ${ }_{88}^{88,284}$ | - | 10, 1874 |  | 20,82888 | ${ }^{91,110} 12$ | 628 | 481 |
|  | ${ }^{488800}$ | 18,708 | ${ }^{986,685}$ | 1,617999 | 12,900 0 |  | ${ }^{241} 188{ }^{188}$ | 40,483 |  |  |
|  | ${ }_{60,469}{ }^{40,504}$ |  |  | ${ }_{\text {l }}$ |  |  |  |  | 241 84 | 117 |
|  | - | 1817888 |  |  | [11,4512 | (\%630 |  |  | ${ }_{49} 9$ |  |
|  |  | \%2, 2104 | ¢8, 818 | ${ }^{\text {coser }}$ | citioni | 8,579 ${ }^{8}$ | \%17,160 19 | - 89,77512 | 19 | ${ }^{8}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 6,28,709 | 1,64,058 | 8,16,183 | 16,01,050 | 1,50,042 4 | 41,013 4 | 2,03,682 | 3,75,487 8 | 2,326 | 1,569 |

- Pandharpur at present contains a population of 20,077 as against 13,052 at the previous settlement; 2,466 houses, 1,055 shops, 10 Dharmshálás and 80 temples, the chief of which latter is dedicated to Vithoba, an incarnation of Vishnu, and as the temple most highly revered by Bríhmans, Maráthás and Hindus of all denominations.

15. The subjoined statement, which is an abstract of appendices $D^{(2)}, D^{(2)}$, $E^{(1)}, E^{(2)}, F^{(1)}, F^{(2)}$, and $J$, shows the combined figures of the first and revision settlements contrasted with the figures of the survey census, while those for 1890-91 have been furnushed by the Revenue Department:-
Appendicess $D^{(1)}, D^{(2)}, E(1)$,
$E(2), F^{(1)}, F^{(0)}$ and $J$.

| Desonption. |  |  |  | At former settlement | 1891. | Differance, | Perrentage. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  |  |  | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Population |  |  |  | 65,679 | 79,885 | 14,206 | +216 |
| Cattle .. $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { For agricultural purposes } \\ \text { For other purposes }\end{array}\right.$ |  |  |  | 16,158 | 16,584 | 426 | +26 |
|  |  |  |  | 1,154 | 1,491 | 337 | +292 |
| Cowis, buffaloes and young |  |  |  | 21,822 | 27,196 | 5,374 | +246 |
| Sheep and goats ... |  |  |  | 27,482 | 29,564, | 2,082 | $+7 \cdot 6$ |
| Carts ... ... |  |  |  | 452 | 1,371 | 919 | +2033 |
| Horsee and pomies... |  |  |  | 890 | 987 | 97 | $+109$ |
| Wells and Budkis... |  | ... | .. | 1,141 | 1,860 | 719 | +630 |

The comparison here afforded points to a gratifying increase in prosperity in all important particulars. The population has risen by 216 per cent,
4. $8,78,550$ cores $=495$ square mules.

Total popnlation 79,885, whoch gives 184 soula to the equare mile.
and shows a density of 184 to the square mile. Cattle for agricultural purposes are more numerous by 36 per cent., and now show a proportion of one Acrea.
Total occapied aorea moluding Inim ... 8,48,825 Deduct fallow 97 por cont pair to every 27 acres. Cattle for other purposes have risen by 292 per • cent. Milch cattle have increased by 246 per cent., sheep apd goats by 76 per cent., and horses and ponies by 10.9 per cent. In the valuable
 a 1185-8
increase, in the former no doubt owing to the improved and extended commumcations, and in the latter to the fact that under the hberal policy of Govern. ment all new wells are exempt from garden assessment.
16. In the statements now subjoned the same statistics are recompiled

Group I-Red. Gronp II.-Blue. is proposed, later on in this report, to divide the Taluka for assessment purposes. The two groups will easily be dustinguished by reference to the map -

17. These figures point to a farrly even distribution of that increase of wealth indicated by the general statement, and, in my opinion, go far towards justifying the moderate enhancement of assessment which I shall propose in subsequent paragraphs of this report.

18 It will be seen, from the figures given in the subjomed statement, that in this, as in other Deccan Talukas, the famine was more or less severely felt.-

| Dosoription. | At frat mettle ment | $\ln _{1875-78}$ | Difiorence | Percent age. | $1877-78$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Difference } \\ & \text { of columane } \\ & \text { B and } 6 \text {. } \end{aligned}$ | Percent uge. | $\begin{array}{r}178 \\ \\ \hline 891\end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Diflertince } \\ & \text { of colvmang } \\ & \text { o and } 8 . \end{aligned}$ | Percentage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| Population ... | 65,679 | 78,343 | 12,664 | $+193$ | 60,750 | 17,593 | -225 | 79,885 | 19,135 | +315 |
| Cattle for agrioultural and other purposes | 17,312 | 19,669 | 2,357 | +136 | 12913 | 6.750 | -34.3 | 18,075 | 5,162 | +400 |
| Milch attie .... | 21,822 | 14,694 | 7,128 | $-327$ | 6,144 | 8,650 | -58 2 | 27,196 | 21,052 | +3428 |

It will further be observed, from the entries in column 8 of the above statement, that the loss under all heads was heavy, while those of column 11
show the gratrfying recovery which has taken place with the continued recurrence of more favourable seasons.
19. The information regardng Government schools has, as usual, been

Schools
Appendix H furnished by the Educational Department, and is summarized in Appendix H. From this it appears that there are 21 boys' schools with an average attendance of 1,052 boys, and but 2 sehools atteaded by an average of 66 girls. The private schools entered in the return have been reported by the classing establishments of this Department, of these latter there are 19 schools attended by

Vide columns 10 to 13.
Appendices $D^{(1)}$ and $D^{(2)}$.
611 boys The proportion of the entire population able . to 6.4 per cent. The number of females who can read is at present 131 against 4 at the first survey settlement-a very marked increase in the Taluka under report.
20. Appendix I contains in the usual form the information recorded by

Sub-tentres.
Appendix I. theclassing establishment regardingsub-tenures From this statement it appears that 758 per cent of the total survey numbers are cultivated by the Khatedars, either by themselves or in partnership with others; 122 per cent. are sub-let for money sents, and 9.9 per cent. for a share of the produce 1 1'4 per cent. of the holdings is waste and 07 per cent. unfit for cultivation.
21. The information given in the marginally noted appendices regarding

## Value of land

Appendices $K^{(1)}, \mathbf{K}^{(0)}, \mathrm{L}$, M(2), and M $M^{(2)}$. the value of land has been obtained from the Inspector General of Registration, and the statements recerved from him have been summarized in this office in the form in which they are now submitted. Cases involving houses, or any property other than land, have been as far as possible excluded.
22. Appendix $K^{(1)}$ shows that land was sold for sums ranging from Rs 3-7-1 to Rs. 133-5-4 per acre. The average rate of sale deduced from one hundred cases taken haphazard was Rs. 9-3-9 per acre, or 18 times the survey asssess-
Appendices $K^{(1)}$ and $K^{(n)}$. ment. There were found only 4 cases of sales by order of a Court in the five years, and in these instances the sum realized amounted to 18 times the survey assessment, the average rate of assessment per acre being Re. 0-5-3, the same as obtained in ordinary sales.
23. The 100 cases of leases compiled embrace 2,432 acres, averaging Re. 0-8-8 per acre of assessment, and the rent obtained averaged Rs. 1-11-11 per acre, or 3 times the Government demand. The highest proportion met with was 17 times, and in some 86 out of the 100 cases the lowest rent the land was let for was 3 times the survey assessment.
24. The cases of mortgages are somewhat numerous, some 190 cases have been selected, and are shown in the appendices marginally noted As has often been pointed out in settle. ment reports, the recorded information regarding
Appendioes $M^{(1)}$ and M(1) mortgages cannot be accepted as a true criterion of the value of land The transactions are generally complicated by antecedent lendings and borrowings, of which we can gain no knowledge. The same remark often applies to sales; but these returns show, at all events, that land in the Taluka has a very real value, and there is some competition for its possession.
25. Details of the procipal kinds of produce grown in the Taluka for 10

Pricee of produce. Appendix $N$, jears before settlement, and for each year since, will be found in Appendix $N$, in which is also included smilar information for the adjoining Taluka of Sholápur These data have been furnished by the Mámlatdars of the respective districts. In the table here subjomed are shown the average prices of the two principal grams in the Pandharpur market durng the period of the lease, and for 10 years previous. Jowarn and Bajri are the staple food grains:-

| Description, |  |  | Skers prr rupar |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Jovan | B4jcr. |
| 1 |  |  | 2 | 8 |
| - |  |  |  |  |
| 10 years before settlement-1846-47 to 1855-56 <br> 1st decade of lease-1856 57 to 1865-66 |  |  | 57 | 514 |
|  |  |  | $31 \frac{1}{4}$ | $26 \frac{1}{4}$ |
| 2nd do. 1866-67 to 187)-76 |  | . | 29. | 24 |
| 3 rd do, 1876-77 to 1885-86 ... | $\because$ | - | 224 | 20 |
| 5 last years-1886-87 to 1890-91 ... | $\bullet$ | -.. | $27 \frac{3}{4}$ | 223 |

26. From the above it will be seen that there was a sudden rise in prices during the first decade, and that during the second and third the upward tendency was still maintained. During the last 5 years of the lease, however, there has been a slight fall, but, when the averages of these years are contrasted with the averages of the 10 years preceding the settlement, the rise will be found to be 1054 per cent in Jowarı and 1253 per cent in Báprı
27. The revenue history of the Taluka is given year by year in detall for the Taluka under report in the appendices marginally noted, of which it will probably be sufficient (as all present very similar results) to take for comment that one only which refers to the largest number of villages

## Reveque history,

Appendices $\mathrm{O}^{(1)}, \mathrm{O}^{(2)}, \mathrm{O}^{(3)}$, $O^{(4)}$ and $0^{(5)}$ under first settlement, namely, the 24 villages settled in the year 1857-58 1t
$A^{\text {Appendix }} \mathrm{O}^{(2)}$ will be seen, from columns 2 and 3 of the statement, that the waste land was taken up rapidly for cultivation during the first 10 years, and that during the last year of the second decade it fell to as low as 125 acres. The third decade shows a fise in the waste area, most probably owing to the recent famine. The last year of the lease, 1890-91, shows the $\begin{array}{r}\text { aste } \\ \text { area to be } 688 \text { acres against } 5,273 \text { acres in 1857-58 During the whole }\end{array}$ period of the expiring lease it is satisfactory to note that collections were very steady Turning our attention to remissions we may leave out of account the sum adjusted in the first year of settlement, which appears in the column for casual remissions, we find that in the year 1871-72 Rs 6,970 were remitted owing to a deficient apd untimely rainfall, and consequent fallure of crops. The amount of remissions given in the three following years is trifling The sums appearing as outstanding balances at the close of certajn years (column 17), though large during some years, were not by any means all, as will be seen from column 18, finally remitted The figures of the occupied and unoccupied columps for the first and last year of the lease are contrasted below, and it will be admitted that the revenue history revieved above can only be regarded with satisfaction.-

| Year |  | Occopled |  | Unoccepted |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Acrea | Asceasment. | Acres | Asgesement. |
| 1 |  | 4 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 1857-58 .. | $\because$ | 81,602 | 30,977 | 6,273 | 865 |
| 1890-91 | - | 87,410 | 32,145 | 688 | 131 |

28 The following return, which has been furnished by the Mámlatdár allustrates the ease with whicn the land revenue has been collected during the last three years:-

| Yoar, |  |  |  | Number of villegen. |  | Number of cases in wh.ch datram whas rearorted to |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  |  |  | 2 | 8 | 4 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1888-89 \\ & 1889-90 \\ & 1890-91 \end{aligned}$ | - | ..* | * | 41 | 122 |  |
|  |  | ... |  | 40 | 163 |  |
|  | ** | $\bullet$ |  | 85 | 112 | .....* |
|  |  | Total |  | 116 | 397 | - $\cdot \cdots$ |

29. The general conclusions to be drawn from an examination of the statistics presented with this report are briefly as follows -
(1) Internal communications have greatly improved since the introduction of the settlement. In fact, few Tálukas are so well intersected with good roads to facilitate the transport of traffic, with the advantage of the Great Indian Penınsula Rallway stations of Mohol 22 miles to the North-East, and Bársi 30 miles due North of Pandharpur.
(2) Prices of agricultural produce have steadily improved during the survey lease till they are now more than double to what they were 30 years ago.
(3) Population has increased, and concurrently with this increase there has been a marked growth of wealth, as shown by the figures regarding superior houses, carts, wells and cattle.
(4) Cultivation has spread steadily, and the land revenue, after making due allowance for the check imposed by the famine, has been collected with ease and regularity.
I shall now accordingly proceed to suggest that the lease to be renewed shall be at rates moderately exceeding those of the present settlement.
30. According to the existing settlements, intro-

Old maximnm ratea duced in different years (vide statement in paragraph 2), the 78 villages under report were divided into six separate groups. Their

| Group. | colour. | respective positions, differently coloured, will be seen |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Rod. | at a glance from the appended map. The maximum |
| 3 | Parple. | dry-crop rates of assessment applied to them are |
| ${ }_{6}$ | ${ }_{\text {Greon }}^{\text {Grown }}$ | Rs. 1-4-0, Rs 1-2-0, Re. 1-0-0, Re. 0-15-0, Re. 0-14-0 |
| 6 | Vermilon. | and Re. 0-12-0. |

31. As the river Bhima naturally divides the villages to be revised into two distinct divisions as regards chmate, rainfall, \&ce.,
Proposed grouping and I would beg to propose, that instead of air groups, as meximum ratos. at present, theie should be only two groups, as fol-lows:-
Group I.-Dry-crop maximum rate Rs. 1-4-0.
37 villages, 35 of which lie on the north of the river Bhma, and 2 villagesGopalpur and the large Taluka town of Pandharpur-to the south of it. This group, besides having a better chmate and ranfall than the southern villages, has the advantage of two railway stations of the Great Indian Peninsula line Mohol and Barsi within 22 and 30 miles respectively The present maximum rates are Rs. 1-4-0, Rs. 1-2-0, Re. 1-0-0 and Ro $0-15-0$, for 1, 6,28 and 8 villages respectively.

## Goup II -Dry-erop maximum rate Rs. 1-8-0.

41 villages, all lying to the South of the river Bhima, having an inferior alimate and rainfall, besides being further from the railway:-The present maximum rates are Re. 1-0-0, Re. 0-15-0, Re. 0-140 and Re. 0-12-0, for 8, 18, 11 and 4 villages respectively.

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32 As previously stated in paragraph 7, the cultivation of rice has been much reduced owing to the unsuitability of the district for its production. The total area under rice recorded by the original survey is 41 acres, of which 33 acres are Government land, and assessed at Rs. 40. The total area has now been reduced to 25 acres, all Government land, and will be assessed in the revision survey at Rs 48, or an average of Rs 1-14-9 per acre The rice land is, as may be inferred, of an inferior description, and a maximum rate of Rs 6, the same as was lately suggested for the adjoinng Taluka of Sángola, is now proposed to be applied to it.
33. By the former survey record there were altogether 5,398 acres of garden land, of which the area belonging to Government was 4,915 acres, assessed at Rs 7,356 , or an average
Assessment of garden land of Rs 1-7-11 per acre. This includes both lands irrgated from wells and from
channels By the revised survey the total gaiden area comes to 7,958 acres, of which 7,275 are Government, bearing an assessment of Rs 7,471 , which gives an average 1 ate of Rs 1-0-5 per acre The division of this land into Pátasthal and Mot wisthal is shown below -


The maximum rate of Rs 8 , which has been the usual one in all Deccan distucts for revision settlements, has been adopted in assessing Pátasthal lands Every urrigated number has been rated by myself on a consideration of its individual crrcumstances. As regards the assessment of Motasthal land, the orders of Government have been strictly adhered to, and no additional assessment has been placed on land irisgated from wells sunk within the period of the lease, while land wateied from old wells has been kept within the highest dry-crop rate
34. The estimated result of the new rates is shown for each village in Apendix $Q \quad$ Appendix $Q$, of which the following table is an abstract for each of the new groups $\cdot$ -


35 It thus appears that the estimated nucrease of revenue amounts to Rs 25,056 , or 259 per cent, including water cess, and 258 per cent excluding it, being well within the limit lind down by
Government in their Resolutions marginally noterl
36 Detals for every village under all heads will be found in Appends $Q$, a reference to which will show that in no case does the increase touch the limit of 66 per cent

37 The results of two surveys are contrasted below under every head -

| Deseription, | By Former Sumysy |  | By Reyision Survis |  | Juda orquit-rent. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Area. | Assessment | Area. | Assessment. |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Government ocoupied land } \\ & \text { Government unoccupied land } \\ & \text { Inám } \\ & \text { Govel nment anassessed unarable, } \end{aligned}$ | Acres | Rs | Acres. | Rs | Rs |
|  | 228,312 | 1,08,187 | 228,077 | 1,36,243 | $\cdots$ |
|  | 1,413 | 526 | 1,477 | 730 |  |
|  | 20,946 | 9,832 | 20,748 | 11,927 | 2,649 |
|  | 27,415 | - | 28,248 |  | . |
| Total .. | 278,086 | 1,18,545 | -2,78,550 | 1,48,900 | 2,649 |

38. The average rate of assessment on Government occupied land of all descriptions was by the original survey Re. 0-7-7, by the proposed rates it will amount to Re. 0-9-7. The average increase per acre therefore amounts to Re 020 .
39. In conclusion, I would beg to recommend, that, if the proposed rates

Government Resolution No 3541 of 4th May 1885 Government Resolution No 2981 of 20th April 1880 should meet with the approval of Government, they may beguaranteed for the usual period of 30 years, and that all cases of individual increase over 25 per cent be gradually dealt with, in the way which has been usually authorized by the Governmeut Resolutions noted in
the margin
I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedzent Servant,
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APPENDIX A.

A statement of Rannfall from 1881 to 1890, for the Pandharpur Tailuka of the Sholápur Collectorate, furnished by the Agricultural Department.


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## APPENDIX B.

utement showing the Cultuvated and Uncultuvated A raa, as also the Detanls of Orops, for five years, in the 78 Government villages of the Pandharpu Táluka of the Sholápur Collectorate.



APPENDIX C.
Statement showing the Villages in whach the prinoupal Weekly Bazárs are held in the Pandharpur Táluka of the Sholápur Collectorate.


APPENDIX $\mathrm{D}^{(1)}$.
Statistical Table No. IV.
Detall of Population.

| Thiuka | Coute | Manes, |  | Total Males, | Fremaids |  | Total Females | Total of Columns 5 and 8 | Can read or arb leabnino to do so. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Under } 15 \\ & \text { years of age. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Above } 15 \\ \text { years of age } \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { Under } 12 \\ \text { years of age } \end{array}$ | Above 12 years of age. |  |  | Ma |  |  | alea |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Namber | Per cont | Number | Per cent. |
| 1 - | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | . 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 44 Government villages of the Pandharpur TaInka, Bholapur Collectorate | $\left.\begin{array}{lll}\text { Christians } & . . . & \ldots \\ \text { Jows . } & & \\ & & \ldots\end{array}\right\}$ | '. | ** | $\cdots$ | $\stackrel{\square}{ }$ | - | $\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{*}$ | * | . | $\cdots$ | - | *- |
|  |  |  |  |  | * 65 | - 195 | 260 | ** 498 | 49 | 206 |  |  |
|  |  | 78 248 | 160 | 634 | 201 | 410 | 611 | 1,245 | 216 | 341 | 4 | 07 |
|  | Jenns $\quad .\{$ | 587 | 910 | 1,497 | 369 | 1,075 | 1,444 | 2,941 | 85 | 57 | 4 | 03 |
|  | Langayats | 561 | 867 | 1,428 | 468 | -927 | 1,395 | 2,823 | 386 | 270 | 8 | 06 |
|  | Musblmanz . ... $\{$ | 382 | 519 | 901 | 266 | 588 | 854 | 1,755 | 11 | 12 | "• | 01 |
|  |  | 539 | 732 | 1,271 | 444 | 805 | 1,249 | 2,520 | 81. | 64 | 1 | 01 |
|  |  | 986 | 2,052 | 3,038 | 571 | 2,360 | 2,931 | 5,969 | 1,347 | 444 |  |  |
|  |  | 1,116 | 1,805 | 2,921 | 794 | 2,043 | 2,837 | 5,758 | 2,500 | 856 | 69 | 24 |
|  |  | 7,016 | 9,209 | 16,225 | 4,770 | 10,930 | 15,700 | 31,925 | -237 | 15 -57 | 48 | 02 |
|  |  | 9,812 | 13,701 | 23,513 | 7,861 | 15,340 | 23,201 | 46,714 | 1,329 | -57 | 48 | 02 |
|  | Total | 9,049 | 12,850 | 21,899 | 6,041 | 15,148 | 21,189 | 43,088 | 1,729 | 79 | 43 | 02 |
|  |  | 12,276 | 17,491 | 29,767 | 9,768 | 19,525 | 29,298 | 59,060 | 4,512 | 152 | 130 | 04 |

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## APPENDIX $\mathbf{D}^{(2)}$

Statistical Table No. IV


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APPENDIX $\mathrm{E}^{(1)}$.
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Occupation of the People.


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APPENDIX E ${ }^{(2)}$.
Statistical Table No. V.
Occupation of the People.

| Dutrict. | Surveyed Villages, | Ocoupation. | Number |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Pandharpur Taluka, Sholapur Collectorate | 34 Government villages. | Agncultural <br> Partly agricultural <br> Non-agrioultital |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{array}{l\|l} 12,318 & 592 \end{array}$ |
|  |  |  | No record <br> 3,458 166 |
|  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r\|r} \text { No } & \text { record } \\ 5,049 & 242 \end{array}$ |
|  |  | Total . $\{$ | 22,591 1000 |
|  |  | T | 20,825 100.0 |

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## APPENDIX $\mathrm{F}^{(1)}$.

Statement showing the Agrucultural Btock of the 44 Government villages in the Pandharpur Taluka of the Sholapur Collectorateddurung the year 1891-92


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APPENDIX $F^{(2)}$.
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Statement showng the Agricultural Slock of the 34 Government villages in the Pandharpur Taluka of the Sholdapur Collectorate durng the year 1891-99

| $\begin{gathered} \text { umber } \\ \text { nilingever } \end{gathered}$ | Taluka | OMmT |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Sleep. | Goute | Plogekn |  | cabtr. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | For Plough |  | For Breeding |  | For other purposes. |  | Milch Cattle |  | Young Atock |  | Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 0xon |  | Bulls | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Bult- } \\ \text { buffaloen } \end{array}$ | Oxen |  | Cowns. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sho } \\ \text { buffaloes } \end{gathered}$ | Calves | Buffalo Calvor. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Gooda |  |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
|  | Pandharpar Taluka of the Shola pur Colleotorate | 6,3,34 |  | 163 |  |  | 3,323 |  | 1,214 | 2,740 | 1,000 | 14,774 | 278 | 10360 |  | 576 |  | 28.5 |  | 28 |
|  |  | 6,354 | 288 | 7 | 18 | 100 | 71 | 3,845 | 1,257 | 3,153 | 869 | 15,956 | 255 | 6,307 | 3,175 | 432 | 600 | 40 | 356 | 27 |

## APPENDIX G

Statement of Shops, Looms, Temples, de., and average Burthe, Denths, Vaccrnatron in 78 Government villages of the Pandharpur Taluka, Sholápur Collectorate


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Statement of Schools, together worth thenr average Attendance, in the year 1890-91

| $\substack{\text { Number } \\ \text { oflages } \\ 78}$ |
| :---: |

Statement showing the Proportion of Government occupied and Inám lands cultivated by occupants and sub-tenants, fc, in the year 1891

| Number of Vallages | Dutrict. | Total Numbers cultivatedby oceunants or Inamdást |  | Total Numberr cultivated by occupanta or Inamdarra m partnership with others |  | Total Numbers cultavated by sub tenanta on money rent |  | Total Numbers oul tivated by sub-tenante for produce of grain rent. |  | WasteNumbers | ParampokNumbers. | Total Number |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Goverament | ${ }^{\text {Inam }}$ | Goverament | Inam. | Goverament, | ${ }_{\text {Inama }}$ | Goverument | Inam |  |  | Government | $\underline{\mathrm{mam}}$ |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| $78 \underset{\text { villages }}{\text { Government }}$ | Pandharpur Taluka, Sholapur Col- <br> Sholapur lectorate Col- | 8,841 576 | 185 12 | 2,450 159 | 164 11 | 1,350 88 | 519 34 | 1,342 87 | 184 12 | 20814 | 114 07 | 14,305 931 | 1,052 69 |

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APPENDIX J.


## APPENDIX K ${ }^{(1)}$

An Abstiact Statement showing ordinary Sales in the villages of the Pandharpur Taluka of the
Sholapur Collectorate

| Total Acres eold | Total sum for which gold | Sale Rate per Acre | Total Assessment | $\Delta$ verage Rate of Assessment per Acre | The average number of times the survey asmesanvent is equal to the sam for which the land is bold | Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 2,022 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Bg } \\ 18,677 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{rcc}\text { Ro } & a & p \\ 9 & 3 & 9\end{array}$ | Rs 1,040 | $\begin{array}{rcc}\text { Ra } & \text { a. } & \mathbf{p} \\ 0 & 8 & 3\end{array}$ | 18 | The total number of cases is |
| $\begin{gathered} 30 \\ 700 \end{gathered}$ | cases in which $2,410$ | $\text { the lend was } \begin{array}{cc} 3 & 7 \\ & 1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { sold for sums } \\ \mathbf{3 5 9} \end{gathered}$ | $\text { from } \begin{array}{lll} 1 & \text { to } & 10 \\ 0 & 8 & 2 \end{array}$ | thmes the surv | ey assesement |
| $1,009$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { cases in which } \\ 8,442 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{cccc} \text { the } & \text { land was } \\ & 8 & 5 & 10 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { sold for sums } \\ 501 \end{gathered}$ | $\text { from } \begin{gathered} 11 \text { to } 25 \\ 0711 \end{gathered}$ | times the sury 17 | ey assessment |
| $225$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { cases in which } \\ 4,725 \end{gathered}$ | the land was 2100 | sold for sums 136 | $\begin{array}{ccc} \text { from } 26 & \text { to } & 50 \\ 0 & 9 & 8 \end{array}$ | times the surv 34 | ey assessment |
| $85^{7}$ | cases in which 2,700 | $\begin{array}{\|ccc} \text { the land was } \\ 3112 & 3 \end{array}$ | sold for sums | $\text { from } \begin{array}{ccc} 61 & \text { to } & 75 \\ 0 & 7 & 9 \end{array}$ | tames the surv 66 | ey assessment |
| $3^{1}$ | case 10 which 400 | the land was $13354$ | sold for a sum | $\begin{gathered} \text { wheh is equiva } \\ 1000 \end{gathered}$ | lent to 133 time 133 | s the survey assessment |

APPENDIX K ${ }^{(2)}$
An Alstiact Statement showing Sales by Court in the villages of the Pandharpur Taluha of the Sholapur Collecturate

| Total Acres sold | $\underset{\substack{\text { Totnn } \\ \text { which mold }}}{ }$ | Sale Rate per Acre | Total Asmessment | Average Rate of Assessment per Acre |  | Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| - 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | ${ }^{6}$ | 7 |
| * 167 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rs } \\ & 1,009 \end{aligned}$ | Reg a $p$ <br> 6 0 8 | Es ${ }^{55}$ | $\begin{array}{rlll}\text { Re } & \mathrm{a} & \mathrm{p} \\ 0 & 5 & 3\end{array}$ | 18 | The total number of cases is t |
| $148^{3}$ | $\left.\right\|_{\text {cases m which }} ^{804}$ | the land was | sold for $\begin{gathered}\text { gums } \\ 53\end{gathered}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{ccc} \text { from } & 12 & \text { to } \\ & 20 & 5 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { times the surv } \\ 15 \end{array}$ | ey arsessment |
| $19^{1}$ | $\text { case in }{ }_{205}^{4 \text { hach }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { the land was } \\ 101288 \end{gathered}$ | sold for a sum 2 | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { which is equiva } \\ 0 & 1 & 8\end{array}$ | $\frac{102}{102} \text { tim }$ | es the survey assessment |

APPENDIX L
An Abstract Statement shouring Sub-lettinge in the villages of the Pandha, pur Taluha of the Sholapu, Collectorate

| Total Acres sub-let | Total sum for which sulmet. | Subolitting Rate per Acre. | Total Assersment | Averafe Rate on Assewsment per Acre | The average number of time the anrvey ansessment is equal to the a 1 m for which the land is subolet. | Bemarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 8 | 8 | 4 | 5 | ${ }^{6}$ | 7 |
|  | Rs | Re a |  | Bs a $p$ |  |  |
| 2,432 | 4240 | 11111 | 1319 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 8 & 8\end{array}$ | 3 | Tbe total number of cases 18 |
| $\begin{array}{r} 86 \\ 2,232 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { cases in which } \\ & \mathbf{3 2 3 9} \end{aligned}$ | the land was au 173 | b let for sums 1,196 | $\text { from } 1 \text { to } \begin{array}{rr} 5 & \text { th } \\ 0 & 8 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | mes the murvey | asses. mint |
| $172^{11}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { cases in whech } \\ 814 \end{gathered}$ | the land was su 4118 | b let for sums 112 | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{rl} \text { from } 6 & \text { to } 10 \\ 0 & 10 \end{array}\right.$ | mea the sarvey | assers, * |
| $28^{3}$ | cases in which $187$ | the land was su 6 1010 | b let for sums 11 | $\left\{\begin{array}{cccc} \text { frote } & 11 & t o & 17 \\ 0 & 6 & 3 \end{array}\right.$ | $\text { mes the survey } 17$ | ssessment |

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An Abstract Slatement ahoming sinple Mortgages in the millages of the Pandharper Tilabe of the Sholdiper Calloctorate.

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | S | 4 | 5 | - | \% |
| 4\% | E. <br> 12.2月1 | $\begin{array}{lll} \mathrm{Ra}_{\mathrm{A}} & 2 & 1 \\ \mathrm{~T} & 5 & 6 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { an } \\ & \hline \\ & -8 \end{aligned}$ | 14 | The tratel amber of ames in |
| 1,454 |  | $3 \text { is } 1$ | $\operatorname{con}_{5 / 3}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { fincta } \\ 8 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | mo nemates she | rwey $\quad$ memenest. |
| $+13^{34}$ | emement | $\begin{array}{lll} \frac{\mathrm{h}}{\mathrm{x}} \mathrm{l} & 3 & \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |  | to 53 thaye the | wey mement |
| $14^{8}$ | Entash |  | mugreod | $=\tan 36$ | to | Rey |
| $15^{1}$ | $=\text { mbact }$ | fed |  | $0 \quad 7$ | quabettos |  |
| $13^{1}$ |  | $\text { ise tive } 11$ |  | $\bar{z}$ | $4$ |  |

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## APPENDIX N.

Statement shoving the proces prevalent in the Pandharpur and Sholápur Tuluhns of the Sholápur Collectorate from 1846-47 to 1890-91 fiom information furnshed by the Mamlatars


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Revenue Statement for 20 Government villages，situnted in the Pandharpur Tiluka of the Sholapur Collectorate， vito which the Survey Settlement was untroduced in $18565 \%$

The yeare above the bleok line are those antecedent to the Surves Sottlament

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|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 弟 } \\ & \text { 总 } \\ & \text { 最 } \\ & \end{aligned}$ |  | Rournsone during the year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | 薯 需 | 豆 | $\begin{aligned} & \overrightarrow{\mathrm{E}} \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{6} \end{aligned}$ |  | 霞 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 9 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 18 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
|  |  | R | Ra． | Rs | H． | R． |  | Re | Ras． |  | Rs | H8， | Aeres | Rs． | Es | Ra | Ra |  |
| 1840－47 | 38，187 | 40，474 | 20，882 | 1，835 | 22， 817 | 27，157 | 419 | 482 | 660 | 8，075 | 8，440 | 89 | 41，051 | 53，986 | 27，790 | 258 | ＊ |  |
| 1847－48 | 88，186 | 48，497 | 20，848 | 1，647 | 22，898 | 20，127 | 420 | 421 | 495 | 8，075 | 8，400 | 82 | 41，651 | 68，283 | 28，704 | 8，802 |  |  |
| 1848－49 | 38，075 | 48，948 | 20，811 | 6，812 | 27，188 | 21，285 | 501 | 495 | 04 | 8，075 | 8，440 | 88 | 41，051 | 58，283 | 81，401 | 8，763 |  |  |
| 1840－50 | 88，170 | 48，400 | 20，445 | 7，712 | 98，157 | 20，268 | 608 | 441 | 80 | 8，075 | 8，440 | 8 | 41，054 | 62，200 | 20，414 | 8，028 |  |  |
| 1850．81 | 88，038 | 48，809 | 20，998 | 1，687 | 21，893 | 88，470 | 548 | 551 | 04 | 3075 | 8，430 | 89 | 41，864 | 58，293 | 26，647 | 2，578 |  |  |
| 188189 | 87，775 | 48805 | 10，260 | 8，781 | 25，087 | 21，888 | 398 | 350 | 88 | （8，500 | 3，858 | 80 | 41，667 | 50，680 | 81，606 | 81 | ＊ |  |
| 1858－68 | 88，034 | 48，76\％ | 19，870 | 6，448 | 24，716 | 22，048 | 484 | 391 | 日6 | 8，149 | 3，694 | 80 | 41，687 | 50，082 | 22，207 | 78 | $\cdots$ |  |
| 1858－64 | 87，694 | 40308 | 18，898 | B，789 | 24，085 | 21，970 | 824 | 848 | 167 | 8，149 | 8，634 | 80 | 41，607 | 00，088 | 21，007 | 48 |  |  |
| 1854－65 | 87，795 | 40，400 | 10，014 | 8，544 | 93，568 | 25，848 | 011 | 691 | 149 | 8144 | 9，683 | 80 | 41，400 | 00，670 | 26，076 |  |  |  |
| 185500 | 88，090 | 48，985 | 13，059 | 4，600 | 89，850 | 28，403 | 650 | 567 | 118 | 2，841 | 8，048 | 80 | 41，490 | 80，670 | 28，004 | 302 | $\cdots$ |  |
| 1856－87 | 82，485 | 25，078 |  | 4，611 | 4，611 | 20，687 | J，569 | 487 | H0 | 8,768 | 1，628 | 80 | 57，816 | 27，143 | 30，787 | 0 | 10 |  |
| 186788 | 47，818 | 98，145 |  |  |  | 28，146 | 6，441 | 2，970 | 488 | ${ }^{87,89}$ | 1，628 | 80 | 57，816 | 27， 148 | 29，088 |  |  |  |
| 1888969 | 6，017 | 48，348 |  |  |  | 29，348 | 8，110 | 2，197 | 827 | 3，859 | 1，698 | 80 | 57，810 | 87，143 | 24，085 | ＊ |  |  |
| 1880－60 | 40，48 | 28，889 |  |  |  | 29，889 | 4，065 | 1，709 | 514 | 8，639 | 1，598 | 80 | 67，789 | 27，140 | 24，497 |  |  |  |
| 1880 61 | 82，019 | 24，813 |  | － | ＊ | \％，815 | 2，178 | 898 | 898 | 8，700 | 1，605 | 128 | 57，897 | 27244 | 25392 |  |  |  |
| 18016 | 62，438 | 21，888 |  |  |  | 94，859 | 1，112 | 896 | 260 | 4，869 | 2，019 | 240 | 57，897 | 97，249 | 26，328 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |  |
| 1808．69 | 68，785 | 23，048 | $\cdots$ | ＊ |  | 23，048 | 689 | 200 | 180 | － 520 | 2，000 | 1，090 | 57，307 | 87，348 | 26，813 |  | 者 |  |
| 180884 | 88，051 | 80，124 |  |  |  | 25，184 | 805 | 111 | 161 | 4，64I | 8，008 | 049 | 57，807 | 87，848 | 20，984 |  |  |  |
| 1004 OS | 88，087 | 85，042 | － |  |  | 25，048 | 44 | 80 | 156 | 4，886 | 8，171 | 809 | 87，897 | － 7 24s | 20，001 |  | $\cdots$ |  |
| 2505－68 | B8，564 | 25，309 |  |  |  | 25，509 | 4 | 80 | 181 | 4，280 | 1，905 | 68 | 67，897 | 27，946 | 26，072 |  |  |  |
| $1800-67$ | 88，006 | 25，808 |  | － |  | 26，908 | 46 | 80 | 808 | 4，940 | 1，805 | 60 | 57，807 | 97，249 | 38，274 |  |  |  |
| 1867－60 | 65，005 | 28，808 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 85，308 | 4 | so | 304 | 1，2018 | 1，095 | 680 | 67，807 | 97，263 | 20，208 |  |  |  |
| 1803 ต0 | 68，005 | 85，408 | $\checkmark$ |  |  | 25，308 | 44 | 30 | 989 | 4，248 | 1，905 | 684 | 67，897 | 87，243 | 96，914 | 401 | － |  |
| 150970 | 65，005 | 26， 808 | ＊ |  |  | 26，308 | 4 | 50 | 287 | 4，248 | 1005 | 009 | 67，897 | 97，243 | 28，167 | $\cdots$ | ＊ | $\bullet$ |
| 1870－7 | 88，808 | 25，311 |  |  |  | \＄，311 | 4 | so | 908 | 4，205 | 1802 | 888 | 5r，807 | 97，243 | 20，095 | － | － |  |
| 187178 | 83，008 | 26，311 | － | 6，708 | 0，708 | 10，408 | 4 | 30 | 167 | 4，946 | 1，800 | 579 | 5\％ 807 | 17，244 | 20，889 | 5，200 | 8 |  |
| 187273 | 6， 0000 | 93，311 | $\cdots$ |  | － | 15，311 | 44 | 50 | 2 | 4，246 | 1，000 | 879 | 67，807 | 27，248 | 3885 |  |  |  |
| 1875－74 | 6，4009 | 25311 |  | 4 | 40 | 3，285 | 18 | 5 | ＊ | 4386 | 1，00\％ | 8\％ | 57，800 | 27，218 | 84，846 |  |  |  |
| 1874.78 | Es，001 | 35309 |  | 845 | 845 | 34，068 | 18 | 5 | 2 | 4，246 | 2，808 | เre | 67，848 | 87，210 | 85，559 | 60 | 60 |  |
| 1878．70 | 68，0st | 26， 800 |  |  | $\cdots$ | 25，300 | 12 | 5 | $\pm$ | 4，205 | 1，902 | 67 | 65，841 | 17，907 | 20，881 | 5 | 4 |  |
| 1876－77 | 80，641 | 25，${ }^{\text {c／4 }}$ | $\cdots$ | ＊＊ |  | 85，904 | 18 | 6 | ＂ | 4，245 | 1508 | 575 | 57，706 | 17，201 | 25，872 | 20 683 | 08870 |  |
| 1877 78 ．．． | S3， 1 S2 | ＊5，874 | $\cdots$ |  |  | 968 | 71 | 58 | $\pm$ | 4，245 | 1，002 | 670 | 5170 | 87，201 | 25，852 | 6，067 | 1，180 |  |
| 1878 T0 ．．． | B8，468 | 30，20］ | ＊ |  |  | 85，964 | 100 | 5 | ＊ | 4，945 | 1，800 | 16 | 6．789 | 27，201 | ［m，304 | 10，118 | $6^{815}$ |  |
| 189780 ．m | 81，0\％ | 31，400 | ＊＊ | $\cdots$ |  | 34，000 | 2，475 | 08 | 24 | 4.945 | 1，102 | 19 | 61．rse | 77，901 | \％，800 | 2，787 | 2，100 |  |
| 1880－32 | 40，5T0 | 23， 45 |  |  |  | 23，454 | 4，585 | 1，763 | 8 | 494 | 1，808 | 40 | 57，004 | 27，150 | 24，147 | 105 | 4 |  |
| 1calsa | 4，165 | 20，734 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | ＊ | 58，731 | 4，912 | 1，300 | 219 | 4178 | 1，67 | $\pm$ | 67，855 | 81，106 | 24，424 | 10 | 10 |  |
| 180303s | 40，403 | 4，80 | ＊ | $\cdots$ |  | \＄3，870 | 2，072 | 1，468 | 10t | 4175 | 1，900 | $\pm$ | 68，740 | 战，188 | 20，453 | 4 | 10 |  |
| 1ssusa | 40，987 | 9 040 |  | ＊ |  | 34，04s | 3，672 | 1850 | 2s\％ | 4.808 | 1，900 | 88 | 57， 580 | 27，184 | 24．808 | －－ | － |  |
| 18945 | 50，201 | 9180 |  | ＊ | － | 34，150 | 3，500 | 1185 | $3 \%$ | 4，908 | 1，8¢ | 4 | 6F，804 | $95_{5} 18$ | 8，008 | － | $\cdots$ |  |
| 1885－98 | 80，4＊8 |  |  | － | ＊ | 4．481 | 3，034 | 1081 | \％ | 489 | 1，500 | 0 | 67，000 | \％ $\mathrm{H}_{1} 181$ | 28，172 | $\cdots$ |  |  |
| 1SESt | 30，715 | 3，3＊ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | － | 94．335 | 2，848 | 00 | 280 | 4．174 | 180 | E | 57，739 | 81，180 | 3，134 | － | － | $*$ |
| 1SNT． 8 | 81，100 | 34， $\mathbf{4} 5_{5}$ | － |  | － | $44_{3}$ ， 61 | asy | \％ | 183 | 4178 | 1，800 | $0 \cdot 8$ | 4，935 | 3，48 | 25，1404 | － | $\cdots$ |  |
| 1585 | 81，307 | 3485 | ＊ | $\cdots$ | ＊ | 9， $\mathrm{BrO}_{6}$ | 595 | 175 | $\pm 0$ | 4，178 | 1，950 | 678 |  |  | \％，180 | － | － |  |
| 18000 | 51，488 | 20，026 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 24，616 | 000 | 150 | 15 | 4.178 | 1，550 | 4 | ［5056 | 23，010 | 53，300 | － | － |  |
| 16001 | 51， 628 | 34，086 | $\cdots$ | － | $\cdots$ | 9， 683 | 181 | 2t | ＊ | 4，174 | 1，900 | cos | 85.4 | 33014 |  |  | $\cdots$ |  |

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Revenue Statement for 24 Government uzllages，sztuated in the Pandhaipur Táluka of tho Sholapur Collectonate， into which the Survey Seitlement was introduced in 1857－58
The years above the black lme are those anteced Int to the Survey bettlement

| Years， | Dccuptid Lakd paytime Abebganemtry ro Gofpringat |  |  |  |  |  | URTOCCDPIED AESEASRD Abable Gotbhingif Lañ |  |  | Lavd the Revines of which th hilentat bemitely of pabithaticy （IкגM） |  |  | Total Lavd，Govresmett occupied，ovoccufici axd Ind |  |  |  |  | Hemark |
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|  | 8 | 它 |  | musgion |  | 芌 |  |  | $\left.\right\|_{0} ^{6}$ |  | 宫 | 育 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 喜 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 总 } \\ & \text { 最 } \\ & \text { 易 } \end{aligned}$ | $\stackrel{\text { ém }}{8}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 8 \\ & \hline 4 \\ & 4 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | $\theta$ | 10 | 11 | 12 | 18 | 14 | 15 | 10 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
|  |  | Res | Rs | Rs | $\mathbf{8}$ | His |  | $\mathrm{R}_{6}$ | Re |  | tha． | Res | $\triangle$ cres． | Hes | $\mathrm{ras}_{8}$ | Rs | R ${ }^{\text {s }}$ |  |
| 1847 －48 | 58，788 | 62108 | 81，986 | 681 | 31，017 | 30，191 | 8，112 | 4，120 | 287 | 10，729 | 11，659 | 127 | 72，629 | 77，887 | 30.605 | 322 |  |  |
| 184849 | 50，263 | 62，554 | 31，463 | 3，051 | 34，500 | 28，045 | 2，705 | 3，809 | 282 | 10，729 | 11，658 | 17 | 72687 | 78，016 | 29464 | 2，743 |  |  |
| 184950 | 60，54］ | 63，181 | 32001 | 8，639 | 40，640 | 22，401 | 2，003 | 8，303 | 414 | 10，680 | 11，659 | 127 | 72781 | 78088 | 28，082 | 8，193 |  |  |
| 185051 | 50，580 | 63219 | 32，386 | 2，455 | 34，781 | 28，429 | 2，607 | 3，540 | 674 | 10 638 | 11，561 | 127 | 72，823 | 75，310 | 29029 | 1，313 |  |  |
| 185152 | 58，629 | 60，887 | 81，460 | 7，889 | 88，305 | 22，083 | 2，668 | 8，269 | 887 | 10838 | 11，1 1 | 130 | 72，923 | 75203 | 22，500 | 901 | $\cdots$ |  |
| 186258 | 69，915 | 61，228 | 81，693 | 1，946 | 3s，638 | 27，584 | 2，408 | 2，845 | 562 | 10，800 | 11，099 | 180 | 72，923 | 75，${ }^{766}$ | 28，276 | 7 |  |  |
| 185354 | 58，268 | 80，675 | 30，667 | 4，476 | 35，148 | 25，432 | 4，065 | 3，691 | 785 | 10，600 | 11029 | 130 | 72，928 | 75285 | 28357 |  |  |  |
| 185465 | 67， 733 | 50，876 | 29，980 | 879 | 30，309 | 29086 | 4，009 | 4，805 | 1，396 | 10，681 | 11，080 | 230 | 72，923 | 35，265 | 30592 | － | $\cdots$ |  |
| 185556 | 58，684 | 69，677 | 30，181 | 2，786 | 32，917 | 28，780 | 8，758 | 4，493 | 078 | 10，581 | 11，085 | 130 | 72，92s | 75，255 | 27，868 | $\cdots$ | $\stackrel{ }{ }$ |  |
| 185067 | 58，287 | 60，528 | 30，511 | 494 | 31，005 | 29，18 | 3，056 | 3，647 | 872 | 10，581 | 11，085 | 130 | 72，929 | 75255 | 30，520 |  |  |  |
| 186768 | 81，803 | 80，977 | － | 5，204 | 8，204 | 25，778 | 5，873 | 865 | 409 | 13，848 | 5580 | 130 | 1，00，8＇s | 87，422 | 26312 |  |  |  |
| 185850 | 80，598 | \＄0，486 |  |  |  | 80，486 | 7，108 | 1，561 | 505 | 13，117 | 5385 | 130 | 1，00，823 | 97，422 | 91，181 |  | ＊ |  |
| 185060 | 88，244 | 81144 | $\cdots$ |  |  | 81，144 | 4，417 | 902 | 382 | 13，181 | 6878 | 130 | 1，00702 | 87，419 | 31，608 | $\cdots$ |  |  |
| 1860－61 | 85，408 | 31，76S | 5 | － | 5 | 31，789 | 2，257 | 859 | 188 | 18，182 | 5，373 | 480 | 100,887 | 87，600 | 52，420 |  |  |  |
| 186162 | 86346 | 52，136 | 5 |  | B | 32，191 | 1，767 | 219 | 145 | 12，774 | 5，145 | 1，890 | 100687 | 87500 | 38，868 |  |  |  |
| 1862－68 | 88，676 | 38，176 | 5 |  | 5 | 82，170 | 1，436 | 180 | 197 | 18776 | 5145 | 1385 | 1，00，897 | 87，500 | 33，682 | － |  |  |
| $150964{ }^{*}$ | 86443 | 92，155 | 5 |  | 5 | 32，150 | 1，407 | 167 | 137 | 18，087 | 5．178 | 1，479 | 1，00，887 | 37，500 | 33，786 | 28 |  |  |
| 188465 | 80，976 | 32，210 | 5 |  | 5 | 32，205 | 874 | 112 | 106 | 13087 | 6，178 | 1，407 | 1，00，887 | 87，500 | 33808 |  |  |  |
| 188568 | 87，801 | 32，454 | － |  | 6 | 92，40 | 887 | 125 | 102 | 12，109 | 4，921 | 2，508 | 1，00，887 | 87，500 | 34，149 |  |  |  |
| 18864 | 88，457 | 92500 | 5 |  | $\checkmark$ | 32，405 | 231 | 78 | 21.2 | 12，190 | 4921 | 1，782 | 1，00，867 | 87，500 | 84，489 |  | $\cdots$ |  |
| 1567－63 | 89532 | 32，605 | ${ }^{6}$ |  | 5 | 32，500 | 156 | 74 | 185 | 12，100 | 4921 | 1，860 | 100887 | 87500 | 84，55s | $\cdots$ | ＊ |  |
| 1868－69 | 88589 | 32，505 | 5 |  | 5 | 82，500 | 156 | 75 | 130 | 12190 | 4920 | 1，870 | 1，00887 | 37，500 | 34，500 |  | $\cdots$ |  |
| 1569－70 | 88，682 | 82，505 | 5 |  | 6 | 32，500 | 158 | 75 | 17\％ | 12，100 | 4，820 | 1，589 | 1，00 887 | 87，500 | 84207 |  | $\cdots$ |  |
| 1870－71 | 88，644 | 32582 |  |  |  | 32，593 | 156 | 75 | 172 | 12，087 | 4，898 | 1，604 | 1，00，987 | 37，500 | 84，208 |  |  |  |
| 1871－78 | 88，623 | 32，527 |  | 6，970 | 6，970 | 25，557 | 156 | 75 | 181 | 12，081 | 4，891 | 1，604 | 1，00，830 | 87，403 | 27，182 | 6，125 | C02 |  |
| 1872－78 | 88，821 | 82，525 |  | 126 | 126 | 82，300 | 158 | 77 | 85 | 12081 | 4891 | 1，503 | 1，00 860 | 37，403 | 89，047 |  |  |  |
| 1873－74 | 88638 | 32，528 |  | 129 | 120 | 32，402 | 05 | 67 | 32 | 12081 | 4，891 | 1，803 | 1，00，816 | 87，476 | 33057 |  |  |  |
| 1874－76 | 88，087 | 32527 |  | 126 | 126 | 32，401 | 95 | 57 | 40 | 12，081 | 4，881 | 1，503 | 1，00，818 | 37，475 | 83，944 | 6 | 0 |  |
| 2876－76 | 88476 | 32，461 |  |  |  | 82，461 | 125 | 83 | 41 | 12，001 | 4，778 | 1，448 | 100602 | 37802 | 83，930 |  |  |  |
| 1876－77 | 88，476 | 82，481 |  |  |  | 88，401 | 125 | 63 | 28 | 18001 | 4，778 | 1，448 | 1，00，602 | 87，302 | 33，937 | 2，060 | 2，900 |  |
| 1877－78 | 88，400 | 82456 |  |  |  | 32，456 | 201 | 68 | 20 | 18，001 | 4，788 | 1，448 | 1，00，602 | 87，803 | 36，924 | B，088 | 818 |  |
| 1872－79 | 88389 | 32455 |  | $\cdots$ |  | 38，455 | 154 | 54 | 4 | 12001 | 4778 | 1448 | 100，65t | 87，267 | 83，907 | 3，78s | 3，878 |  |
| 1870－30 | 87200 | 82188 |  |  | ＊ | 88，188 | 1，225 | 288 | 19 | 11890 | 4776 | 1，448 | 100518 | 87，252 | 33，055 | 1，178 | 772 |  |
| 1880－31 | 84，287 | 81429 |  |  |  | 31，428 | 4，100 | 1，004 | 161 | 11003 | 4，779 | 1，460 | 1，00，382 | 87.218 | 38039 | 100 |  |  |
| 1881－82 | 85024 | 81023 |  | － |  | 31，623 | 4，889 | 1，118 | 114 | 11075 | 4477 | 1，876 | 1，00，383 | 87，213 | 35，118 |  |  |  |
| 188293 | 85818 | 81 821 | － | － |  | 31，881 | 8，459 | 960 | 97 | 11，075 | 1，474 | 1，871 | 1，00 532 | 87，255 | 85，280 |  |  |  |
| 1883－41 | 87，111 | 82205 |  |  |  | 32，805 | 1412 | 208 | 48 | 1244 | 4，779 | 1，447 | 100，807 | 87，259 | 53688 | － |  |  |
| 1884－56 | 87，111 | 32，205 |  |  |  | 32205 | 1，412 | 268 | 58 | 12，444 | 1779 | 1，447 | 1，00，967 | 87，253 | 88，710 |  | $\cdots$ |  |
| 1886－96 | 67 271 | 82230 | 134 |  | 184 | 32082 | 1254 | 227 | 68 | 12，442 | 4，778 | 1，447 | 1，00967 | 87，249 | 38577 | － | － |  |
| 1986－87 | 87，271 | 82847 | 184 |  | 184 | 32，068 | 1251 | 227 | 72 | 11，095 | 4778 | 1，448 | 1，00 517 | 37，810 | 33，593 | 2 | 2 |  |
| 1887－98 | 87383 | 8） 277 | 184 | $\cdots$ | 184 | 32093 | 018 | 180 | 56 | 11，995 | 4776 | 1，448 | 1，00 291 | 87238 | 38，607 | 9 | 2 |  |
| 1888－39 | 87498 | 32900 | 184 |  | 184 | 32，10E | 856 | 170 | 48 | 11，006 | 4，771 | 1497 | 1，00 285 | 87，287 | 39，895 |  | $\cdots$ |  |
| 1880－90 | 87，483 | \＄2，200 | 184 |  | 184 | 32，106 | 856 | 167 | 60 | 11，008 | 4771 | 1，467 | 1，00 885 | 37228 | 83，618 | － |  |  |
| 1800－91 | 87，410 | 39，140 | － | 2 | 2 | 82，148 | 689 | 181 | 48 | 11，094 | 4，778 | 1，447 | 1，00092 | 87，049 | 83838 | － | － |  |

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## APPENDIX $0^{(3)}$.

Revenue Statement for 1 Government village, Nándora, situated an the Pandharpur Táluka of the Sholapur Collectorate, into which thi Survey Settlement was introduced in 1865-66.

The yeary ebove the black line are those antecedent to the Survey Settlement.


## APPENDIX $0^{(4)}$

Revenue Statement for 32 Government villages，situated on the Pandharpur Táluka of the Sholapur Collectorate， into which the Survey Scttlemient uas introduced in 1872－73

The years above the black line are those antecedent to the Survey Settlement

| Years |  |  |  |  |  |  | Unocctpimp Asgrsaid Agably Goverzabat ［CAMD |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Remerks |
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|  | $1$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { 量 } \\ & \text { 要 } \end{aligned}\right.$ | Remi | $\begin{aligned} & \text { saions du } \\ & \text { year } \end{aligned}$ | ing tha |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 으́ } \\ & \text { 틀 } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 曹 } \\ & \text { 莫 } \end{aligned}$ | $\left(\begin{array}{l} \text { 荡 } \\ \frac{3}{3} \end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & \infty \\ & \infty \\ & { }_{g} \\ & \end{aligned}$ |  | 安白 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 亗 } \\ & \text { 唇 } \\ & \text { E } \end{aligned}$ | 灵 |  |  | 苞 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 曾 } \\ & \text { 曷 } \\ & \text { 豆 } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{H}_{3}^{3} \\ & \text { 4 } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | ＊ | 6 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 18 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
|  |  | Rs． | Ra | Re | Rs． | Rg |  | Rs | Rs |  | Rs | Ra | Acres | Rs | Rs | Re | Rs， |  |
| 186263 | 82，567 | 35，019 |  |  |  | 35819 | 354 | 218 | 687 | 4462 | 2，083 | 698 | 87，382 | 37，885 | 88894 |  |  |  |
| 18ab－a | 82，667 | 35，610 |  |  |  | 86，019 | 849 | 21.1 | 785 | 4460 | 2，035 | 698 | 87，382 | 97，883 | 87007 |  |  |  |
| 1864－95 | 82，580 | 85689 |  |  |  | 85，628 | 327 | 201 | 902 | 4，46B | 2，035 | 736 | 87，882 | 37865 | 57857 |  |  |  |
| 1865－66 | 82，589 | 35，688 |  |  |  | 35628 | 327 | 201 | 916 | \＄，488 | 2036 | 659 | 87，882 | 87865 | 87802 |  |  |  |
| 18688 | 82 589 | 85628 |  |  |  | 35828 | 827 | 201 | 2，556 | 4，466 | 2038 | 724 | 87382 | 87，805 | 87，008 |  |  |  |
| 1867 ．68 | 89，589． | 45828 |  |  |  | 35628 | 327 | 201 | 1，427 | 4，406 | 2，036 | 718 | 87，382 | 87，885 | 87，771 |  |  |  |
| 1888 | 82，889 | 85628 |  |  |  | 35，628 | 827 | 201 | 1142 | 4，468 | 2036 | 726 | 87，882 | 87865 | 37，486 |  |  |  |
| 186970 | 82，682 | 35，612 |  |  |  | 35612 | 327 | 201 | 1324 | 4，46B | 2，096 | 580 | 87，365 | 87849 | 97528． |  |  |  |
| 1870－71 | 88，662 | 35，019 |  |  |  | 35，018 | 827 | 201 | 1181 | 4，466 | 2085 | 587 | 87，355 | 87849 | 37，891 |  |  |  |
| 187178 | 82，663 | 95，818 |  | 7，955 | 7，055 | 27，658 | 327 | 201 | 816 | 4488 | 2085 | 686 | 87，355 | 87849 | 29058 | 6975 |  |  |
| 18 Fra．73 | 88，120 | 02，262 |  | 25，065 | 25，006 | 37，197 | 812 | 697 | 21 | 4718 | 9778 | 684 | 88457 | 66，562 | 37802 | 1680 | 1080 |  |
| 187874 | 88，260 | 82，401 |  | 185 | 185 | 62 216 | 472 | 880 | 21 | 4，718 | 8，773 | 684 | 98，457 | 66，560 | 62，821 | 170 | 170 |  |
| 187676 | 87，004 | 82，142 |  | 7，259 | 7，259 | 54，883 | r89 | 608 | 06 | 4709 | 8，766 | 584 | 93，402 | B6，514 | 65589 | 1，469 | 1，469 |  |
| 1875.76 | 87，670 | 51，143 |  | 334 | 884 | 50，409 | 1，028 | 602 | 48 | 4709 | 8，188 | 584 | 98，407 | 54，928 | 51438 |  |  |  |
| 1876.77 | 87，05s | 51，278 |  | 374 | 974 | 50，004 | 740 | 468 | 8 | 4708 | 3183 | 584 | 08，402 | 54，824 | 51，491 | 32422 | 8088 |  |
| 187778 | 87，900 | 51，100 | 185 | 5 | 180 | 60，919 | 733 | 628 | 19 | 4708 | 8180 | 584 | 93401 | 54912 | \＄1，52s | 7，898 | 2752 |  |
| 1878－78 | 87，060 | 50，865 |  |  |  | 60，865 | 733 | 494 | 16 | 4708 | 8180 | 584 | 99401 | 64 538 | 51485 | 18658 | 0，618 |  |
| 1879－80 | 81， 139 | 48，903 |  |  |  | 48，803 | 4，512 | 2，961 | 65 | 4708 | 3，180 | 584 | 93359 | b4 504 | 49612 | 6150 | 3，280 |  |
| 1880－81 | 77，045 | 45，907 |  |  |  | 45907 | 10704 | 5414 | 643 | 4708 | 3188 | 684 | 93，958 | 54504 | 47，134 | \＄35 | 40 |  |
| 188138 | 80098 | 46584 |  |  |  | 46584 | 8589 | 4730 | 375 | 4，890 | 3178 | 584 | 98，833 | 54487 | 47548 | 27 |  |  |
| 1892083 | 80807 | 47286 |  | 20，408 | 20468 | 26818 | 7，957 | 8077 | 569 | 4，701 | 8175 | 635 | 98285 | 64488 | 28015 |  |  |  |
| 3885－84 | 81850 | 47，800 |  |  |  | 47，809 | 6600 | 8，329 | 564 | 4782 | 8175 | 695 | 98288 | 04408 | 40，007 |  |  |  |
| 188485 | 62387 | 48，136 |  |  |  | 45188 | 6120 | 8091 | $6{ }^{6} 4$ | 4，781 | 3，175 | 634 | 93，380 | 54402 | 48404 |  |  |  |
| 1885－80 | 83，322 | 48589 |  |  |  | 48589 | 6188 | 2，038 | 688 | 4，773 | 8168 | 632 | 93297 | 54389 | 48900 |  |  |  |
| 188687 | 63，549 | 48，732 |  |  |  | 48732 | 4，888 | 2491 | 387 | 4001 | 8，109 | 634 | 93227 | 54，389 | 49768 |  |  |  |
| 1887 －88 | 84，530 | 48，087 |  |  |  | 49，087 | 1，147 | 697 | 159 | 4680 | 3109 | 635 | 90876 | 52，888 | 49881 |  |  |  |
| 1888－89 | 84，668 | 49 123 |  |  |  | 49129 | 808 | 485 | 97 | 4681 | 3100 | 634 | 90 162 | 52754 | 40854 |  |  |  |
| 188890 | 84，765 | 48，184 |  |  |  | 49，184 | 708 | 998 | 112 | 4600 | 3166 | 634 | 90101 | 52353 | 49950 |  |  |  |
| 1880.91 | 84，012 | 48272 |  |  |  | 49872 | 538 | 301 | 120 | 4885 | 8，167 | 634 | 00147 | 52740 | 50026 |  |  |  |

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## APPENDIX $0^{(5)}$.



APPENDIX ${ }_{=1}^{(1)}$
Revenue Statement for adjoining 8 Government villages, situated in the MGdha Taluka of the Sholdipur Wollectorate, mento which the
Survey Settlement was introduced in 1869-70


APPENDIX $\mathrm{P}^{(5)}$
Revenue Statement for adjowing 7 Government villages, situcated in the Sholdpur Taluka of the Sholapur Collectorate, wnto which the Survey Settlement was introduced in 1870-71.

| Tess, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  ( $\left.1 \times A^{\prime}{ }^{\prime \prime}\right)$ |  |  |  |  |  |  | Hemarka |
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| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
|  | - | Br. | Re. | Br. | Rs, | $\mathrm{Br}_{6}$ |  | Ma. | E. |  | R. | Rs. | Acres. | Re. | Re. | Rs |  |
| 1871-72 | 14,806 | 0,611 | -* | 5,436 | 5,486 | 4,175 | 128 | 122 | 2 | 1,724 | 1,380 | 224 | 16,656 | 11,113 11,113 | 4,401 | 64 697 |  |
|  | 14808 14.740 | 9,611 | ... | -.. |  | 9,611 9,563 | 158 | 122 |  | 1,724 | 1,380 | ${ }_{224}^{224}$ | 16,656 16,622 | 11,094 | 9,784 | 1,018 |  |
| 187476 | 14,480 | 9,960 | : | 1,580 | 1,580 | 88.070 | 468 | 364 | 17 | 1,724 | 1,380 | 224 | 18,622 | 11,094 | 8,311 | 1,211 |  |
| 187576 . | 14,864 | 7,529 | -0 | 12 | 12 | 7,527 | 634 | 323 | 28 | 1,724 | 1,155 | 224 | 16,622 | 9,017 | 7,774 |  |  |
| ${ }^{18776.77}$... | 14,638 | 8.185 | . | 118 | 118 | 8,037 7.519 | ${ }_{860}^{860}$ | ${ }_{228}^{230}$ | 28 | 1,724 | 1,155 1,155 | ${ }_{224}^{24}$ | 16,622 16,622 | 8,540 | 8,289 7,743 | 8,403 |  |
| 187778 187879. | 15,538 <br> 14.637 <br> 1 | 7,519 7,019 | ...' | ... |  | 7,519 7,519 | ${ }_{841}^{860}$ | 2206 | $\cdots$ | 1,724 | 1,165 1,155 | 224 | 16,602 16,602 | 8,880 | 7,743 | 6,285 |  |
| 187980 | 9,008 | 4,011 | ..." | . | .." | 4,911 | 6,780 | 2,810 | -. | 1,724 | 1,155 | 294 | 16,600 | 8,876 | 6,135 | 764 |  |
| 188081. | 10,895 | 6,573 | -0 | ... | ... | 5,573 | 4,481 | 2,146 | 14 | 1,723 | 1,157 | 221 | 16,599 | 8,876 | 5,808 | . 804 |  |
| 188183. | 10,869 | b,822 |  |  |  | 5,822 | 4,024 | 1,910 | 21 | 1,705 | 1,146 | 221 | 16,598 | 8,878 | 0,064 |  |  |
| 2882-83 . | 11,008 | 6,207 | - | 840 | 840 | ${ }_{6}^{6,367}$ | 3,088 <br> 3,088 | 1,526 | 37 | 1,705 | $\frac{1}{1} 1144$ | 221 | 18,699 | 88,877 | 5,618 6,690 | $\cdots$ |  |
| ${ }^{18884-858} \times$ | 11,006 11,808 | 6,207 8,207 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | ".", | 6,207 6,207 | ${ }_{8}^{3,088}$ | 1,526 1,526 | 72 | 1,7881 | 1,144 | ${ }_{458}^{456}$ | 16,675 | 8,877 | 8,735 |  |  |
| 188586 | 12,512 | B,511 | ... | \%." | $\because$ | 8,611 | 2,381 | 1,222 | 45 | 1,781 | 1,144 | 456 | 16,675 | 8,877 | 7,012 |  |  |
| 188887 | 12,613 | 8,511 | , | , | ... | 6,511 | 169 | 79 | 8 | 1,705 | 1,144 | 456 | 14,387 | 7,784 | 8,975 |  |  |
| [1817888 | 12,618 | 8 8,511 | $\cdots$ |  |  | 6,511 | 107 | ${ }_{65}^{65}$ | $\frac{4}{2}$ | 1,705 | 2,144 | 456 458 | 14,325 14.325 | 7,720 7,720 | 6,971 6,969 | $\because$ |  |
| 288900 ...' | 12,618 12,521 | ${ }_{8,520}^{8,51}$ |  | ... | $\cdots$ | 6,520 | 99 | ${ }^{-65}$ | 8 | 1,705 | 1,144 | 458 458 | 14,325 | 7,720 | 6,984 | - |  |
| 189091 | 12,521 | 6,520 |  | ... | ... | 6,520 | 89 | 56 | 16 | 1,705 | 1,144 | 456 | 14,325 | 7,720 | 6,992 |  |  |

General Statement referred to un para 34 of the Deccan Revenue Survoy Supermntendent's Report No 1760

of the 28 th November 1892 for 78 Government Vallagea oituated in the Pandharpur Táluka of the Sholapur Collectorate


## APPENDIX R.

No 20 of 1857

From
aptain W C ANDERSON,
Superntendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment, Southern Marátha Country , T J N ROSE, Esquirr, Collector of Sátára

Super mitendent's Offee, Camp Sutára 17th January 1857.

## Sir,

The survey operations in the Pandharpur Taluka of the Sátá-a Collectorate are advanced sufficiently to admit of the introduction of the revised assessment in 71 villages comprising the south and south-eastern part of that taluka

2nd The climate of this part of the Pandharpur Táluka 18 not on the average favourable to agriculture, the fall of rain is both scanty and uncertain As regards fall of rain and general circumstances, the south of Pandharpur is very sumilar to the north of the Bijápur and Athmi Tálukas, from villages of both of which tálukas it is separated by an interval of about 4 mules of Jagir territory

3rd The people of the district state that there $1 s$ no very material difference in the fall of rain over the 71 villages under report, from the appearance of the country $I$ should be inclined to think that the southern villages are, as regards moisture, 10 a slight degree worse off than those to the northward and north-eastward, for the reason that in the southern villages rocky and shallow sonle prevail, from which the ran runs off instead of being absorbed and agan given out to the atmosphere

4th There are soveral small bazars in the vicinity of the southerm villages-Nagaj and Jat just outside the district, Sangola and Nazre within its limits, the markets at these places are though of very triffing importance, the bazars at Pandharpur and Sholapur, especually the latter place, are the only great marts in the neighbourhood, and in vicmity to these; the north-western villages have a decided advantage ovel those farther to the south.

5th Dumng our tenure of the distelet the revenue management has been very much the same as that prevaling under the kajas The rates of assessment now obtaning are those which have existed from ancient times In consequence of the high standard, at which this old assessment was pitched, very considerable perimanent reductsons have been always necessary to induce cultivators to retann their old lands, or to take up new, ostensibly these reductions were made with the view of equalizing assessment, but being made on no systematic plan, for which, indeed, no data existed, and rather with an eye to the influence or means of the cultivator than to the capabalities of the land, the pressure of the permanent assesement has been thus rendered more unequal than ever 'l'he influential watandars and rayate secured for themselves large reductions, when in juatice none were called for, while the poorer rayats were tempted by mere nommal iates to retain lands which they had not sufficient stock to cultivate propeily, trusting to obtann a remission of even the little revenue they engaged to pay in the case of faluie of crops By this means the Government Treasury did not obtain ite dues, s large part of the agncultural population were kept in an impoverished condition and the productave powers of the district were mapaired by the lossof the labour of the large class of pauper cultivators, who tempted by land on nominal rates derived a bare oubsistence by cultivating on their own account in the place of lowing on the wages of labour Notwithotanding the large permanent reduction of assessment it is not wonderful that large remissions on account of faulure of crops were required every year, the fallure being in pait doubtless due to deficiency of ram, but even to a greater extent to mperfect cultivation

6th Since the rains I have had an oppartunty of travellwg through the Buapur Taluka, und seeing the result of the assessment there introduced last year The system of assessment in that táluka, previous to the intioduction of the surver, was similar to that described in paragraph 5 as now existing in Pandharpur, on the whole taluka the new rates of assessment were estimated to merease the revenue realizable on the cultuvation in 1855-56 from Rs 56,247 to Rs 59,878 When I was at Bljápur last month the acoounts for the current year were not quite made up, it was, however, certain that under the new and increased asNessment the greatest satistaction prevalled, and the revenue on Government cultivated land in the current year would amount to very nearly Rs 70,000 , the uncrease being effected by extension of cultivation There is at the present time absolutely no good land unoerapied in that taluka In the villages to the north of Bijápur itself, which approach very nearly in character to the south-eastern vallages of Pandharpur, the revised assesement caused an
increase much above the average on the whole taluka; the fairness of the increase and the butisfaction of the people under the new assessment was, however, admitted here as elsewhere,
$7 t h$ It may be well to note the rates of assessment introduced in districts in the vicinity

8th In the main body of the taluka of Athm, maximum rates of 12 annas, or 14 annas were adopted, according to proximity to markets and slight variation of climate

9 th In the northern village of Bijapur a maximum rate of 8 annas was adopted The Madha 'raluke of Sholapur is separated from the Pandharpur Taluka by the river Bhima As the method of classing and rating pursued at the time of the survey of that taluka was a little dufferent to that pursued in the Southern Maratha Country survey, I had a fow numbers classed, and the classification compared with the rate of assessment, and find that the rates prevailing there answer to those derived from a maximum rate of 15 annas according to our scale

10th After a concideration of the rates prevaling in the surrounding settled districts, and the general circumstances of the people and coantry, the following rates of assessment appear to me surtable to the 71 villages under report.-

| Olasa. | No of Villagen. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Maximum } \\ \text { rate. } \end{gathered}$ | Distinguahing ohmmateriatio. ot the groupa |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Ra a p. |  |
| 1 | 6 | 0150 | Villagea natuater on the Bhums in greattest proximity to the great marlsets of |
| 2 | 8 | 0140 | Villages ad jacent to the above, but mome what leas favourably attuated as regarde |
| 3 | 26 | 0120 | Still less advantageoualy aituated than the class above. |
| 4 | 98 | 0106 | The southern part of the taluka leas favoarably situated as regards markets, and chmate somewhat less moist. |
| 5 | 8 | 090 | The sonth eastern pillages of the taluka in all respecta the wornt atuated of the whole |

11th It 18, further, to be remarked that the ralroad betwsen Poona and Sholapur will pass within a few mules to the north of the Pandharpur Taluka, the great expenditure in its construction cannot fall to create a great demand for labour, and put a good deal of money into the district, and when completed, the increased facilities afforded thereby to the exportation of produce must most advantageously affect all the villages under consideration, each clase of which is nearer to the lme of ral than that below it in the table of ratee at paragraph 10.

12th Water is everywhere at no great distance from the surface Bagat or garden cultivation from wells $2 s$ found to a considerable extent in many of the villages. The average revised rate I estimate at Rs. 1-12-0 per acre, this is a low rata, but expedient in order to encourage that species of cultivation so necessary in and districts, and also necessary in consideration of the ease with which water $1 s$ procuied to prevent old bagait being abandoned for new made ofter the introduction of the revised rates, and on which none but dry land rates could be levied.

13th. The following table shows the area under cultivation and realization of each year since our acquisition of the district. The remisaions on account of failure of crops are distingushed from the Lavni '!ota, or permanent reductions, which without any great modifications have been in force from the time of the Rajas The area under cultivanon is derived from a conversion of the bighas of the old survey into acres I do not place much relance on the entries under this head, as no permanent boundary-marks were put up under the former survey made by Captain Adams about 30 years ago, and consequently identification of the himits of fields from the old survey alone sa hardly possible,


14th. The estamated effect of the now proposed rates on the realizable revenue of the coltivation, according to the returns of $1855-56$, is shown in the following table :-

| Clabe | No of | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Maxymum } \\ & \text { dry crop } \\ & \text { rate } \end{aligned}$ | Ox land ith otetrivation in |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Faste in } \\ 1856 \\ \text { Aesesene } \end{gathered}$ | Total Survey Kumal or total asseabment of Goveroment land, cultivated and waste. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Old ancers- <br> ment, dedueting <br> " Lavni Tota. | assergmost at proposed rgtes |  |  |
| 4 |  | Rs. a $\boldsymbol{p}$ | Es. | Re | R. | Ref |
| 1 | 6 | 0150 | 9,732 | 8,266 | 74 | 8,340 |
| 2 | 8 | 0140 | 6,504 | 8,472 | 227 | 8,609 |
| 3 | 26 | 0120 | 23,386 | 29,718 | 990 | 30,708 |
| 4 | 23 | 0106 | 18,120 | 25,967 | 1,456 | 27,423. |
| 5 | 8 | 090 | 3,339 | 6,394 | 491 | 6,885 |
|  |  | ** | 61,061 | 78,817 | 3,238 | 82,055 |

15th The great merease of assessment falls on the 3rd, 4th and 5th classes Notwithstanding the very low rates adopted in these classes there is a great proportion of very inferior soll, bearing under the old assessment only a few pies per acre, which under our assessment would bear from 1 to 3 annas per acre. On superior soll even in these classes the new rates will generally effect a decrease of assessment

16th. Under the operation of the revised rates I doubt not the area under cultavation wrll at first be somerhat reduced Pauper cultivators, no longer able to hold land on nominal rates, will take to labour as a means of subsistence,--a change most advantageons both to themselves and to the community The assessment on superjor land will, however, be nearly everywhere reduced, and of this description some now waste on account of excessive assessment will be taken up

17th Great facilties exist for the extension of irrigation on the Pandharpur Taluka, as water 18 everywhere near the surface, and doubtless new wells will be sunk in all directions The Mán River, a tributary of the Bhima, flows through the district under report Dams across this at intervals might be formed at no great expense and a sufficent head of water obtained to irrigate a large quantity of land, and thereby secure the people, in a great measure, from the disastrous effects of this deficiency of seasonable ram and droughts, which at no very distant intervals occur.

18th. This river flows through a very level country, with superior soll, for some distance on each hank, and in a bed not much depressed below the general surface, a rocky foundation would also in most places be found at no great distance down,-all conditions most favourable to the construction of irrigation works at a moderate expense

19 th It would, however, be necessary to provide for the realization of some return by Government In case any works of arrigation should be eventually decided on, a modification of the ordmary unconditional guarantee of the survey assessment for 30 ytars would be required.

20th I would propose that a condition, sumilar to that imposed by Government letter No 199 of 21st January 185f, with reference to lands affected liy proposed mprovements in the Mamdapur Tank of the Bijapur Taluka, namely that the assessment now fixed on any londs affeeted by works of irrigation, which may be constructed on the Man or its tributarnes, 18 only parmanent for 3 years, when the assessment will be agan considered with reference to any supply of water which may be afforded

21st There will, doubtless, be considerable remiseions on account of fallure of crops called for in the present year, since no reduction of realizable assessment is on the whole afforded by the survey, and the Iate monsoon 18 considered to have been deficient I would propose, however, that the giving of remissions in the case of rayats destitute of means of properly cultivating therr land be made conditional on the resignation of as much of therr holding as they may be unable to do justice to

22 nd After the revised assessmeut has been in operation for a season, I will forward the uaval detailed report for the final sanction of Government.

23 re I shall be obliged by your forwaidng this letter, wth as Inttle delay as possible, to the Revenue Commissioner I have not been able to send in this letter before, the classification bengg only just completed, haying been delayed through the removal of Lieutenant Laughton, one of the two officers in charge of that branch of the survey I am anxious to commence the settlement at as early a date as possible, having settlements to mtroduce elsewhere afterwards

I have the honour, \&e,
W C. ANDERSON,
Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment, Southern Marátha Country.

No 72 or 1857

## Memorandjm.

In forwarding the accompanying onginal letter from Captan Anderson, Superintendent, Revenue Survey, relative to the mitroduction of the revised assessment in seventy-one villages of the Pandherpur Talnka, the Collector of Sattara has the honour of stating that he concurs in the veews and opmions expressed by Captan Anderson

2 The Collector also recommends the adoption of the suggestions made in the 20th and 21st paragraphs of Captain Anderson's letter

## J N ROSE,

Collector.
Sátára Collector's Office, Camp at Karád, 19th January 1857

No 229 ов 1857.

## Tixrmitorial Department (Revinoe).

Poona District, Camp Lont, 26In January 1857
Forwarded to Government for sanction. The dry-crop rates proposed by Captan Anderson for the 71 villages of Pandharpur are shown at paragraph 10 of the accompanying report, and have receaved the approval of the Collector, Mr Rose The Revenue Commisanoner has compared them with the rates of the neighbouring districts, other curcumstances set forth in paragraphs 2 to 5 also have had his notice, and he thinks Government may eafely sanction the unmediate introduction of the proposed rates

The bagait rate, which Captan Anderson recommends, is Rs 1-12-0 per acre, but thes 28 not the maximum, it is the average only, as the Revenue Commissioner has ascertaned from Captan Anderson humself It appears low perhaps, but considenation must be had to the arndity of the Pandharpur Táluka The villages are poor, the produce rased is generally anferior, the country is treeless and distant from large markets Captan Anderson says water is easily procurable by dagging a hittle below the aurface, and that if the rate be not pitched rather low, old bagait will be deserted for new after mitroduction of the revised dry-orop rates.
Government Resolution No 580s
3 The bagat rate for Bijápur sanctioned by Government of 17 th December 1855 was Rs 2-0-0
4 Whth regard to the suggestions made in the 20th and 21st paragraphs of Captan Anderson's letter, and concurred in by the Collector, the Revenue Commisanoner ventures to recommend that the orders of Government should be couched in these terms -
"The assessement now fixed on any lands whoh may be affected by works of arriga-
twon commenced or constructed by Government on the Man River or its tributaries, during the next 3 years, shall be considered permanent only untul these works may be completed, when it will be again considered, with a new to permanent settlement to the end of the 30 years' lease, and with reference to the supply of water, wheh may be afforded by the new works"
"But in case of lands for whoh the means of arrigation may be furnished at the expense of the oultuvators, no interference whatever with the rates, as fixed for 30 years, ${ }^{18}$ intended or will be permitted. "
5 The Revenue Commissaner concurs in the proposition made by Captan Anderson in the 21st paragraph of his letter
6. An early sanotion to the proposed rates ia reepectfully requested

## H W REEVES,

Revenue Commisanoner, Southern Dipision.

# The REVENUE COMMISSIONER, Southern Division, <br> THE REVENUE COMMISSIONER, Northern Division, 

The SUPERINTENDENT, REVENUE SURVEY and ASSESSMENT, Southern Maratha Country

Copy of the Resolution passed by Government on a memorandum from the Revenue Commassioner, Southern Division, No 229, dated the 26 th January 1857, submitting a memoraudum frow the Collector of Sátára, and its accompanying report by the Superiutendent, Revenue Sarvey and Assessment, Southern Maiatha Country, relative to the introduction of the revised rates of assessment into 71 villages of the Pandharpar Taluka.
Government approve and sanction the revised assessment proposed by the Superintendent of Survey for introduction into 71 villages of the Pandharpur Taluka of the Satara Collectorate

2 Government, howeven, reserve to inemselves the power of amposing a shool rate, not exceeding half an anna in the rupee of the Government assessment, should they hereafter resolve on establishing a school in a vallage or circle of villages. This provision should be made in all cases where the survey assessment is mtroduced

3 His Lordship in Councll also approves of the conditions affecting lands which may benefit by works of urrgation constructed at the cost of Government, and of the terms in which these conditions are to be expressed as suggested by the Revenue Commssioner

4 Government further consider that the proposal to make the grant of remisbion conditional on the occupante resigning so muoh of theur holdings as they may be unable to cultivate is judicious, and authorize ats adoption

H YOUNG,
Offictating Chef Secretary to Government.
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No 422 of 1857
From
Captain w c anderson,
Superıntendent, Revenue Survey, Southern Marátha Country,
To
J N ROSE, Escoire,
Collector of Sátaia
Superintendent's Office, Camp Mhusuraid,
Sataia District, 19th December 1857
SIR,
The survey operations are sufficiently advanced to admit of the introduction of the revised rates of assessment at the settlement for the current year, 1857-58, into 69 villages of the Pandharpur Taluka, constituting somewhat more than half that taluka, the remainder having been settled last yeas, and * * * * * * * * * * *

2 The part of Pandharpur settled last year comprised all the villages south of the Mán River, and the villages situated immediately on the northern margin of that stream The part remaining to be settled includes all the remaining villages up to the river Bhamathe northern and northeeastern boundary of the Pandharpur Taluka
3. In chmate the part of Pandharpur under report does not much duffer from that part settled last year In the whole taluka the fall of rain is on the average somewbat deficient,
the extreme northern part may probably have some slight advantage over the central part of the district
$4 \checkmark$ In several villages are a few weavers, the coarse cloth they manufacture entirely enters into internal consumption There are numerous "Dhangars," or shepherds, in the north of the taluka, with large flocks of sheep, the wool of which is made into kamols, some quantities of which are exported to the Konkan.

5 The people in the north of the taluka appear to be generally in better crreumstances than in the south, the greater advantages enjoyed in vinuity to large markets has doubtlees much to do with this The agriculture 18 in general very slovenly, the exceedingly low rates which have prevailed have tempted many to hold more land than they had stook to properly cultuvate
6. The whole of the district is well off as regards viomity to markets, special adväntages in this respect are enjoyed by the villages in the vicinty of the large town of Pandharpur, where the most trifling artucles of produce are readily saleable, besides several second class markets within and near the edge of the district-Bhalvanx, Ankluy, Velápur, Mhaswad, Natepute, \&c. The large markets at Indápur and Phaltan are not many mules distant
7. The railroad now under construction between Poona and Sholápur passes within some 20 miles of the northern boundary of Pandharpur, when completed this cannot fail to materially affeot all markets in ats vicinity

8 The made road from Pandharpur to Sátara passes through the centre of the part of the taluka under report, to the north of this a cart track, much used, from Pandharpur to Poona, this line has, I belove, been surveyed with the view of constructung a made road

9 The north of the taluka for settiement this year has thus on the whole a decided advantage over the south settled last year Some small superiority in alumate, a marked advantage in proximity to greatmarkets, and means of communication with them, with farther advantages in prospect at no distant day, on the opening of the railroad

10 The acoount given at paragraph 5 of my letter, proposing rates for the south of No 20 of 1857, dated 17 th the taluka, of the past revenue management of that of part January of the distriot, equally apphes to that part now under report -
"Paragraph 5 Dumng our tenure of the districk the revenue management has been very much the same as that prevaling under the Rajas The rates of assessment now obtaining are those which have existed from ancient tumes. In oonsequence of the high standard, at which this old assessment was pitched, very considerable pormanent reductions have been always necessary to induce cultivatoss to retan their old lands or to take up new, ostensibly these reductions were made with the view of equalizing nssessment, but being made on no systematic plan, for which, indeed, no data existed, and rather with an eye to the influence or means of the cultivntor than to the capabilities of the land, the pressare of the permanent assessment has been thas rendered more unequal than ever The infinential watandars und rayats secured for themselves large reductions, when in jastice none were called for, whle the ponren rayats were tempted by mere nominal rates to retain lands which they had not sufficient stock to cultivate properly, trosting to obtain i remission of even the littio revenue they engaged to pay in the cese of falure of crops By this means the Government Treasury did not obtain its dues, a large part of the agricultaral population were kept in an amporerished condition, and the pioductive powers of the district were impared by the loss of the laboar of the large class of panper caltavators, who, tempted by land on nominal rates, derived a bare sutaistence by oultivating on their own account, in the place of living on the wager of labour Notwithstendiug the large permanent reduction of assessment it is not wonderfal that large remissions on account of fallure of crops were requred every year, the faulure bemg in part doubtless due to deficiency of rain, but even to a larger extent to mperfect oultivation"

11 The rates of assessment afterwands sanctioned for the south of the taluka, together with ther effect, will be found explaned at paragraphs 10 and 14 of the letter referred to in the preceding paragraph A maximum rate of 14 annas for the mann part of the most northern of those vallages, but a maximum rate of 15 annas for those about the junction of the Man and Bhima, which are more favourably situated than the rest with reference to the great markets at Pandharpur and Sholápur

12 The operation of those rates has been, as far as can be yet seen, most satisfactory, the accounts showing the state of occupation and waste for the present year have not been oompleted yet, but instead of a decrease of occupied area, as was anticipated in paragraph 16 of the report on the part settled last year, a slight decrease in the small aree of unoccupped waste has occurred The farness of the new rates does not appear to be impeached, and the Government revenue through their operation has increased from Rs. 61,081 of 1855-56 to upwards of Rs, 78,000 roalizable in 1857-58.

13 The followngg statement shows, sunce our acqusition of the district, the area under orcupation, the realizations, the remissions on account of falure of crops, and the yearly "Lavm Tota," or permanent reduction from the full, ald or "Kamal " assessment. The area
ander cultivation as derived from a conversion of the bughás of the former survey into acres -


14 The following are the rates proposed for the part of the district to be settled this year -

| Class | No of villager | $\underset{\substack{\text { dxu } \\ \text { Fate crop }}}{\text { Maximum }}$ | Distinguthing characteristios |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | $\begin{array}{rll} \text { Ro. ar } & \mathbf{p} \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{array}$ | The town of Pandharpur and another vilage immediately contiguous. |
| 2 | ${ }^{\prime} 29$ | 100 | The northern villages of the taluka having s alight advantage as regards climate, well situated as regards markets, with the greatest prospective advantage derivable from the railraod and 6 villages in the vicinity of Pandharpur atself |
| 3 | 21 | 0150 | To the southward of the preceding class and less favourably gituated |
| 4 | 17 | 0140 | To the southward of the preceding class, immed. ately to the north of the villagea agsessed at a maximuin rete of 12 annas last year, similarly aitusted with those assessed at 14 annas last year |

15 In the villages under report there are upwards of 5,000 acres of Government bagatt or garden land There appears to be hittle of the superior bagait crops, sugarcane, \&c, grown Wheat and vegetables are the principal crops I estimate that the average rate of the bágát will be about $\mathrm{Rs}_{\mathrm{s}}$ 1-14-0 The highest rate in any case will not exeeed, ae far as I can at present judge, Rs 3-8-0 The remarks at paragraph 12 of the report on the revision of assessment of the south of the taluka apply equally to the north.
"This is a low rate, but expeduent in order to enconrage that species of cultivation so necessary in arid districts and also necessary in consideration of the ease with which nater 18 procmred to prevent old bagait being abandoned for new made after the introduction of the revised rates, and on which none but diy land rates could be lesied"

16 The following statement shows the estimated effect of the proposed rates of assessment -

| Clasa | $\underset{\text { vo of }}{\text { villagen }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Dry-erop } \\ \text { moxinutut } \\ \text { matus } \end{gathered}$ | Land am cultivation is 2ytion 67 |  | Waste in $1850-57$ | Tokal survey Kamal or assesament of Goterio ment Land |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Old assergon ntent deducting Lotan | Assessment at proposed mites. |  |  |
|  |  | Rs a $p$ | Acres | Rs | Re | Rs, |
| 1 | 2 | 120 | 2,589 | 1,978 | 50 1.479 | $\begin{array}{r} 2,028 \\ 49,488 \end{array}$ |
| 2 | 29 | 100 | 87,225 | 48,009 | 1,479 | $49,488$ |
| 3 | 21 | 0150 | 21,335 | 25,907 | 844 1,350 | 26,751 18,054 |
| 4 | 17 | 0140 | 10,776 | 16,684 | 1,350 | 18,054 |
|  | 69 | , | 71,925 | 92,578 | 3,722 | 98,900 |

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17. Had several fields classed in villages of the Sholapur Collectorate only separated by the Bhima from a village in class 2 in the extreme north-eastern point of the Pandharpar Taluka, and found that there the maximum rate answered to one of Ref 0-15-6 on our, classification scale This maximum rate was there imposed some 15 years ago, when the traffic and means of communcation in that part of the country were very inferior to what they are now. I think, therefore, in taking onerupee for the maxumupfon the opposite aide of the river, exoepting in the special case of the two villages in Class $I_{2}$ no rigk of over-assessment will be incurred, while the return from the successful working of the rafes now proposed will be abundantly remunerative to the treasury

18 Some amall duminution in the occupied area may, perhaps, take place under the new rates, such a result is highly desirable, so as to bring the rayats' holdings better within their powers of cultivation, the land resigned will certanily consist of the poorest and least. productive, on which the new rates of one and two annas an acre wall appear whigh on comparison with the nominal rates hitherto prevailug on these lands'; on the auperior solla, the new rates will in general effect of reduction of assessment.


27 I would also propose that the introduction of the revised assessmentin the districts under report be accompaned with a condition regarding works of urrigation constructed by Government, anmular to that sanctoned for the south of Pandharpur, by paragraph 3 of Government Resolution No 869, dated 21st February 1857

28 I should be obliged by your forwarding this letter for sanction without delay I am auxious to commence the settlement of the districts referred to with thẹ least possible delay.

I have the honour, \&e ,
W. C ANDERSON,

Superintendent, Revenue Survey,
Southern Maratha Country.

## No. 1325 of 1857 .

## Memorandum

In forwarding to the Revenue Commisenoner, S D, the accompanying original letter from Captan Anderson, Superintendent, Revenue Survey, relative to the motroduction of the revised assessment in sixty-mue villages of the Pandharpur and * * * the First Assastant Collector in charge has the honour of stating that the ciroumstances, on a consideration of which the new rates are proposed, are very sumilar to those which Captan Anderson detailed last year, when recommending nearly sumilar rates in other 71 villages of the Pandharpar Taluka
2. As Mr Rose then stated that be concurred in the news and opinions expressed by Captain Anderson and recommended the sdoption of a similar suggestion to the one in paragraph 27 of the present letter, and as Captan Anderson has requested that thas letter be forwarded as soon as possible, the First Assastant Collector 10 charge has not, therefore, detanned it until Mr Rose's return.
W. B SANDFORD, Leutenant,

First Assistant Collector in charge.
Sátdira Collector's Ofice, \$Srd December 1857.

No 3669 or 1857
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## J. D. INVERARITY, Esquirs,

Revenue Commassioner, S D ;
To
H. YOUNG, Espoire,

Chief Searetary to Goverament.
Revenue Commissooner's Camp,
Ahmednagar, 88th December 1857

## Sir,

In thear Resolntion No. 869, dated 21st Febraary 1857, Government sanctioned the revised assessmont proposed for introduction into 71 nillages of the Pandharpur Taluka of the Satara Collectorate, and I have now the honour to submit, with a memorandum from the First Assistant Collector un charge, Captann Anderson's pro-

Lettar Na, 199 dowed 19th Decomber 1S57. posala for the antroduction, duting the carrent yeer, of asumiar .assessment into the remaming 69 villages of the same tuluke.

2 Thesa स゙llages, gituated in the" "morthern "partion of the talluika, are desoribed as
 having advantages over those previously settled, in the matter of chmate and sa their proximity to great markets and means of communícating with them. The maximum dry-crop rates of the southern villages of the táluka already settled are given in the margin, the average garden rate being Re 1-12-0 The operation of these rates 13 stated to heve been hitherto most satisfactory, the Government revenue having increased from Rs $61,081 \mathrm{in} 1855-56$ to upwards of Rs 78,000 , the farness of the rates under which this increase has been obtanned not appearing to be impeached

- 3 For the 69 villages, the assessment of which 18 now proposed, Captain Andersom gives the four maximum dry-crop rates noted in the margin, and good and sufficient reasons for therr adoption, with an "everage bágait rate of about Rs 1-14-0

4 The effect of thase proposed rates is shown in Captain Anderson's 16th paragraph to be an increase of the present realizable revenue from Rs. 71,925 to Rs 92,578 , with a small margin of waste, the total survey assessment of Government land being Rs 96,300 .

7. I respectfully beg to recommend Captan Anderson's proposals for the approval and sanction of Government, the power of imposing the nsual school rate not exceeding half an anna in the rupee of assessment being reserved, and the conditions applicable to lands which mas hereafter benefit by works of irrigation and to the grant of remissions, as approved in the 3 rd and 4th paragraphs of the Government Resolation No 869 of 1857, already quote§ berng extended to the villages of the Pandharpar and * * * Talukas, to which Captam Anderson's present proposals refer

I have the honour, \&e,
J. D INVERARITY,

Revenue Commissioner, S. D

## No 265 or 1858.

## Dated Bombay Castle, 21st January 1858.

## Territorial, Department Revenoe

 To ${ }^{\text { }}$The REVENUE COMMISSIONER, SOUTHERN DIVISION,
Tem SUPERINTENDENT, REVENUE SURVEY and ASSESSMENT,*
Southern Marátha Country.
Copy of the Resolation passed by Government on a letter from the Revenue Commissioner,
$\cdots$ Southern Division, No 3669, dated 28th December 1857, with enclosures
His Lordship in Council approves and sanctions the settlement proposed by Captan Anderson of the pand assessment in 69 villages of the Pandharpor Taluka, and *
2. The revised assessment should include conditions regarding works of irrigation, as suggested by Captain Anderson in the 27 th paragraph of his report, and provision should be made for the imposition, if requied, of a school rate not exceeding half an anna in the rupe
H. YOUNG,

Chief Secretary to Government.

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I have the honour in forwarding a better with accompaniments from Leeutenant-Colonot Waddıggton, Supermatendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment, Poona and Nash, to state that I have no remarks to make, except to suggest the expediency
 at the same time when the southern portion of the triluka will be liable to have new rates fixed for $\mathrm{tt}, 7$,
2ndly -That en exchange should be sought with the Patwardhan tor the it villages of Munghe, Ibrampur, Hudulg1, and Sulgar for some of the Patyrardhan, villages situated in the Pandharpar and Ma da Talukas
These 4 villages are outlying villages belonging to the Sholapur Talaka, many mites away from the chief boundary The 3 villages of Munghe, Ibrampar, and Hudulgi adjoin the Patwardhton villages of Mandurga, Dudhnı, Kudhewarit, and Hullali Between Mandurgı and Sulgar is one village belonging to His Highness the Mitzurn.
2. The advantage of such an exchange is too obvious to need explanation.
3. The transfers of villages proposed in the Ilth paragraph of Colonel Waddington's letter appear to be ${ }^{2}$ xpadient.


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Lirgtenant-Conoma W. WADDINGTON,
Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment,
To

## TeE COLLECTOR or SHOLA'PUR.

## Sis,

I have the honour to forward you a statement showing the effect of the revised rates which I propose to introduce into 33 villages of the Pandharpar Táluka, and a few explanatory remarks thereon.
2. These villages formerly belonged to the Mohol and Mádhe Talukas, with the exoption of 3, which belonged to Sholapur, and were transferred to Pandparpar in 1866. The term of their leases expired at the same time as that of Mádha, and Ipurpose introduceing the new rates during the present year

3 As the Mádha Taluka, of whit, as above mentioned, these villages were formerly a portion, was very fully reported on last year, there is no occasion for me to go over the same ground again, I will only premise that these villages he to the south of the Marka Táluka, and between it and the Sins River, which was formerly the boundary between Mohol and Mádha and the Pandharpur Táluka
4. You will see from the accompanying diagram that from the year $\mathbf{i 8 4 7 - 4 8} \mathrm{ap}$ to 1870.71 (with the single exception of one year, $1853-54$, when Rs 852 were remitted), there were no remissions In 1871-72 the remissions amounted to Rs 8,422, or one-fourth of the total land revenue, notwithstanding, however, this large deficit the average collections of the last 10 years was a little in excess of those for the preceding 10 years, and, throwing out the year 1s70-71, the collections for the last 41 years have been steady at from Rs. 34,000 to Rs 36,000 . The waste land during the first is years of the sethoment averaged $\theta 4$ per cent., during the next ten years $\$ 6_{z}$ and during the last 10 is inappreciable.

5 The question of fitting rates may be said to have been already settled, naamnch as the adjoining villages on the north had noe rates introduced only last year, whist those on the south were settled un 1852-6S by the Dhárwar Survey Department. In the former case


Rs. 1-2-0 (only in Pandharpar and Gopalpur) to Re 0-14-0. Conmdering then the rise in prices since these last villages were settled, I think that the maximum of Re 1-2-0, which was imposed last year in the adjoming villages of Madha, is a fit rate for those under report, nor do I see any reasons for modifying it, but would propose to apply it generally

6 The effect, as shown below, would be to rasse the assessment on occapied land from Rs : 36,048 to $\mathrm{Rs} 62,712$, or 74 per cent. of the assessment of last year You will see, however, that there was a remission, last season, of $\mathrm{Rs} 8,422$, or 25 per cent. of the revenue from dry-crop land, so that the increase of assessment by the proposed rates will be Rs 35,086 , or 123 per cent above the collections When we consider, bowever, that there have been actally no remissions for the seventeen preceding yearis, we may conclude that, ever granting remission to have been desirable in this instance, the last season was of $s$, exceptronal a character that there is no occasion to attach too much ampertance to its occurrence, or to fear that the rates I propose will be too high

- Statement showng the effect of the proposed rates contrasted with the
assesment for last year

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|  | Acres. | Ansesament. | Acres. | Asmecamont. | Aerts. | Antasament. |
| Assessment according to present matepAssesment according to proposed rates |  | $\mathbf{R s}$ |  | $\mathrm{R}_{\text {f. }}$. |  | Rs |
|  | 84,233 | 36,048 | 40 | 14 | 84,273 | 36,062 |
|  | 90,222 | 62,712 | 57 | 28 | 90,279 | 62,740 |
| Increase | 5,989 | 26,664 | 17 | 14 | 6,006 | 26,678 |

7 The total increase on the assessment, then, will be Rs 26,678, nelusive of that on waste lands, or about 74 per cent, though there are individual villages which are raised above 100 per cent, and one over 150 per cent This occurs in the village of Ardnari, which borders the Sholapur Táluka, and being on the far side of the Sina would be more convemently mcluded in that talluka The increase in this mstance is 173 per cent, but as the average rate is only Re 0-9-4 per acre, and the adjoining village of Sholapur, with the same maximum and an average rate of 10 annas, $2 s$ only raised 78 per cent, I do not think there is any occasion to modify the assessment The average merease on the rest of the Madha Thluka was 77 per cent, and the average rate Re. 0-9-4.

In the villages under report the averege rate is Re 0-11-1, but the increase is, as above stated, only 74 per cent, so that there is no reason to fear the result

8 Lands urrigated from wells will be treated in the same manner as those of the Madhá Taluka The present Virhunda, or assessuent on well water, amounts to Rs. 1,419, which will be foregone, besides that imposable on account of new wells, of which there are 1,923 acres, the probable assessment on which would not have been less than Rs 3,846wn account of the well water Pathasthal land is only found in 4 villages, and the quantity us very insuguificant. I have placed a maximam rate of Rs ?, descending to Re $0-80$ for water derived from paths Of "Gaddı" or "Rice" land, there are only 4 acres, for which I have taken a maximum at the same rate as in Sholápur, viz, Rs, 3.

9 There are kuran lands in 3 villages only, viz , Gursála, Babulkowteh, and Kánhápurn, the grass of which was sold last year for Rs 812 These lands average Rs 251 doring the first 13 years of the lease, Rs 420 during the next 10 years, and Rs 1,067 during the last 10 years The survey rates are not applied to them, and they will be annually put up to auction as usual
$\therefore$ 10. I have appended the usual forms and a map of the district showing the villages unfler settlement
11. In conclusion, I would suggest that the village of Ardnarr, as mentioned above, should be" Etansferred to Sholapur, and that of Umbargaon, at present belonging to the Sáñgola Táluḱa, should be taken into Pandharpur.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servent,
W WADDINGTON, Lient-Colonel,
Poona, 12th Septembar 1878
Superintendent, Revenue Survey
Pona, 18th Setubr 1818


The following comparative statement exhibits the results of the new and former survey of 33 villages of the Pandharpur Taluka, shown in detal under the same head.-

W. WADDINGTON, $L_{\text {leat.-Codonel, }}$

Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment,
Poone and Násik.

Remarks by the Survey and Sollloment Commastoner upon the Rates pruposed for parf of the Pandharpur Taluka

No. 1504 or 1872

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The accompanying papers relate to the revision settlement proposed fon 33 , villages. which formerly belonged to the Mohol and Mádha T'alukas but are now ancluded utider: Pandharpur
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2 They comprise a narrow strip of country skurting the banks of the Bhima Riven of about 40 miles in Jength, the town of Pandharpur, which, however, is satuated on the opposite side of the river, being in the centre of the group.
3. The Superintendent proposes to assess them all at a maximum rate of Rs. $1-200$ an
applied to the Madha Taluka, settled in $1870-71$. This rate is, in my opmon, generally suitable, but I thint the villages adjouning Pandherpur may, in consideration of proximity to that lerge and pepulow town, very mail hove a somewhat higher rate than the rest
4. The Superintendeht pontions (paragraph 5) that for the Pandharpor Talnker" wheh was settled by the Dherrwí Sugyey Department under Colonel Anderson in 1857-58,

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the maxumum rates ranged from Rs $1-20$ to Ks 1-4-0, Pandharpur and Gopalpul adjoining the former being, however, the only villages brought under his highest maximum The villages of the group now to be settled are, however, under a disadiantage as compared with those to which Colonel Anderson applied his Ks 1-2-0 rate, as they have the river ranning between them and the town of Pandharpur, and owing to its not being fordable, are subject to terry chaiges upon all produce taken to that market But taking this into

> No 1 Adhry " 9 Chncholı " 11 Degaon ", 14 Gursala. consideration, I am nevertheless of opimion that an additional consideration, 1 am nevertheless of opinion that an additional
2 annas may be added to the Superintendent's rate for the 4 villages* marginally noted, which are situated in a semicircle of about 4 miles from Pandharpur
5 This proposal will effect the following changes in the estimated assessment of these vullages -


The above increase will not affect the genaral result of the settlement to any appreciable extent, as it only adds about 2 per cent to the average percentage rate, which will be 76 in place of 74 per cent, as given in paragraph 7

6 I have consulted the Superintendent about this modification of his proposals, and he informs me that he contemplated at one time making some increase to the villages bordering on Pandharpur, but refranned from doing so because of the large increase effected by the ordinary rates of the district I attach considerable importance to considerations of this kind when the question affects a general increase to the assessment of an entire dis-trict-as expediency should, I think, have great weight in such cases in fixing the general limat of ancrease to be mposed But at would not be right to apply this principle to indlvidual villages for the purpose of excepting them from the applacation of the rate which their position indicates to be appropriate in order to place them upon a rateable equality with the rest of the district, as with the villages concerned

7 With this exception I consider the Superintendent's rates to be appropriate, and recommend their being eanctioned

8 The Collector has suggested that the lease should be granted for the period when the lease of the other villages of the district will terminate, and I beg to record my support of this proposal, which is in accord with the rule obtaining in such cases

9 The other matter of effecting an exchange of villages with the Patwardhan, suggested by the Collector, is a desirable arrangement, though, I fear, there is little chance of its being carried through It has nothing, however, to do with the present settlement, and should, I would suggest, be discussed in a separate report, if Government wish the proposal to be entertaned Theie can be no doubt of the expediency of carrying out the transfer of villages suggested in the Superintendent's conclading paragraph and approved of by the Collector

J FRANCIS, Colonel,
Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D
To :
The Revenue Commissioner, S D

No 5281 of 1872
Retenue Depahtment
Poona, 21xt October 187\%

## -MEMORANDUM

:
The Revenue Commissioner, S D, has the honour to submit, for the consideration of Government, memorandam No 1504, dated 16th instant, from the survey and Settlement Commissiouer, N D , together with reports from the Collector of Sholápur and the-Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment; relative to the revision of
assessment in 33 villages of the Pandharpur Taluka, of which 30 bolonged to Mohol and Mádha Talukas, and 3 to that of Sholapur, previaus to their transfer to Pandhazpur

2 The Revenue Commissioner begs to express his concurrence in the opinion of the Collector, and the Survey and Settlement Commissioner, that the new settlement chould terminate with that of the remainder of the Pandharpur District, stated to have been effected by the Dhárwar Survey Department under Colonel Anderson in 18j7-58 With regurd to the precise termination of the period of settlement, the undersigned begs to movite attention to the correspondence submitted with his memorandum No 5035, dated 9th instant It may be well to ascertan in what precise year the lease for the remainder of the Pandharpur Taluka will expise under the orders which Government may be pleased to pass on the above-mentioned correspondence, so that the notification to be sssued may be accurately drawn up

3 The Revenue Commissioner regrets that he is unable to go entirely with the Survey and bettlement Commissioner and the other officers, whose reports are land before Government, in the advisability of enhancing the assessment at a varying rate in the different inlages, the result of whoh is to give an aggregate of ancreuse amounting to 74 per cent on the existing rates, or, if the further increase in 4 villages advocated in the $\overline{5}$ th paragraph of Colonel Francis' memorandum be sanctioned, 76 per cent, which, with the proportionate addition for Local Fund Cess, will amount to more than 80 per cent
\$ The Revenue Commissioner has more than once, though unwilling to throw, without the most urgen't cause, doubts on the conclusions drawn by that able and experienced officer, whose special duty is to make a proper adjustment of the land tax in the Deccan, secommended caution in imposing a general scale ot enhancement He would invite attention to the remarks in lus report No 1441, dated 13th A pril 1871 , on the levision of settlement in 77 villages of the Mádha Táluka

5 The very serious drought and falluse of crops in parts of Amednagar, Sholapur and Sítára, and in a less degree in Ǩalágg and Poona last year, show that the timaly collection, in full, of even the old assessment in a really bad year is not practicable, and it requires no axgument to establish how much more difficult the collection in airears will become when swelled by such an enhanced demand as that now proposed

6 The Superintendent of Sun vey, Lieut -Colonel Waddington, has drawn attention to the almost entare absence of remissions in the villages under report since 1847-48, and the fact, while fully establishung the extreme hightness of the assessment, affords indisputable ground for the argument formerease of assessment bosed on the acknowledged rise in prices

7 The lange of prices which mught be accepted for prevous periods of the 30 years' lease and the extent to which they might be expected to be mantaned in future jears, were, the Revenue Commissioner thinks, very fanly discussed in paras 31 and 32 of Colonel Francis' report on the settlement of the Madha Taluka, No 250, dated 14th March 1871, and about 70 per cent was the increase on the former assessment which it was considered, undet the circumstances then stated, " may now be amposed"

8 This enhancement was apparently intended to represent the average of different villoges over a district It obtanned 77 pei cent in the actual proposals for Madha without Local Fund Cess, which received the sauction of Government lt represented an average assessment pel acre, for the whole 77 vallages ussessed, of 9 annas and 4 ples

9 The average eubancement now proposed is 7476 per cent, according to whether the Survey Commissioner's proposals for 4 billages are appioved or not, and the tgures represent an avelage rate per acre of 11 annas and 1 pie, or a rate nearly 20 pei cent in excess of that sanctioned to the 77 villages of Máuha, but slightly luner than the average ot 11 annas 4 pies lately sanctioned for the Sholápur P'aluka.

10 Taking the rates actually fixed by the Superintendent of Survey and Settlement as the result of an elaborate classitacation based on a maximum rate adopted for each area, the Kevenue Commissioner does not find grounds for criticisms of the rates or the average they represent, but it does strike him that it $2 s$ a violent mode of adjustment of the clams of Ciovernment, to impose on many of the villuges an assessment more than double that which had been ascur tuned at the previous settlement, as suitable by a process exactly sumitar to that tollowed at present, though not so caretully supervised, and therefore, appartintly, not so uccurute.

11 If the vullage of Arduari, No 4 in the list, be considered, it will be found that the total mssessment has been rassed, meluding Local Eund Cess, by more than 183 per cent $1, e$, it has been very nearly trebled
12. The pillage Ardnari is an extreme case, because, according to present infotiation, the former rates wust have been inordinately low But in Eshwar Watar, No 13 of the, statenent, the assessment has been raised, without counting Local Fund Cess, 111 per ernt. and the avernge rate per acre is the hughest in the list, or 15 annas and 4 pies. The apeo under culturation in Arduari has increased by 389 acres, of whah, probabiy, a great portion Was of the nature of concealed cultication, noticed in paragraph 34 of Colonel Francis' Repart on Madha, Na 950 , dated 14th Murch 1871 , but im Gishwar Fiatar the increase as only 47 acres,- very small amount, considering the saze of the viliage.

13 Now, laying aside the capabilities of the soll of Eshwar Watar, regarding which the Settlement Officers of 1839-40 and 1870-71 ought to be the best judges, the Revenue Commissioner cannot help regarding the new assessment in this and other of the villages as mujudiciously enhanced Admittung the exigencies of the State to be pressing, and the prosperity of the village due to the previous hight taxation, to be capable, under farrly favourable crrcumstances, of meeting the new demand, does it not appear a terribly crushing weight on the cultivators to find the terms of the settlement given them in 1839-40 mereased as follows -

Percentage.
Local Fund on original assessment
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Revised Assesament
Local Fund on above
or, taking the figures roughly, what sort of a prospect must it be to an occupant of Government land in Eshwar Watar to find that he has to pay about hs 2-4-0 for every rupee of assessment he paid only a few years ago, when prices were most favourable This state of things, from the cultivator's point of view particularly, if associated with the serious fanlure in the locality last year, and the future possibility, nay probability, of a worse market for produce in consequence of falling prices, is certanly most discouraging, and on the other side, the most that can be said is that circumstances appear to admit of a considerable increase of the Government demand, though the measure of that increase is based on theoretical grounds alone.

14 The Revenue Commissioner, like the officers of the Survey Department, considers it essential for the success of revenue settlements, that remissions should be granted only under circumstances of the'most pressing necessity, and, in order to secure this object, there must be a large margin of profit to the cultivator in favourable years to make up for the difficulties of his position in years of even partial fallure, and should any marked fall in the price of staple produce, or in the wages of labour, or the carrier profits which the cultivators now get from their tarts and bullocks, occur, there is considerable risk that the rates now introduced will not be entirely leviable, and that the cultivators will seek forsome abate ment of the pressure If this should be effected by a reduction of the area under occupancy and a better cultivation of the remander, the evil would be, in a measure, working its own care, for it is certain the land now under occupancy in the Deccan cannot be properly cultivated But popular tendencies on a large scale seldom proceed in a beneficial direction, and the most probable process will be, the cultivators allowing themselves to be distraned for the worst lands in their occupancy, whoch will go for small sums to others, unthl, if the pressure increases, they fall in time out of cultivation under a repetition of the same process when no purchaser can be found

15 Holding this view of the case, the Revenue Commissioner would, with deference, suggest that either a general reduction of the proposed assessment should be effected, which would bring the enhancement as low as about 59 per cent, or that, allowing whatever rates may be fixed in excess tor the new cultivation, represented by the difference between columns 3 and 9 of Colonel Waddington's statement, the enhancement, rrespective of the above rates tor new cultivation, be in no village allowed to exceed 70 per cent These remarks apply to the first assessment, and the Revenue Commissioner has no desire to interfere with those rates proposed for garden or rice cultivation The suggestions are not supposed to provide for entire revision, but to indicate generally the direction in which deduction might practically be made

16 Apart from the above general considerations, the Revenue Commissioner has no objection per ar to the special enhancement proposerl by Colonel Frnncis for the 4 vilages near Pandlıarpur, in paragraphs 4 and 6 of his meniorandum.

17 The undersigned entirely agrees with the opinion stated by Colonel Francis in paragraph 9 regarding exchange of villages with the Putwardhan Chiefs

18 In panagraph 18 of his report, the District Superintendent alludes to water assessment foregone on 1,923 acres of land irrigated from new wells, which is in accordance with the instructions of Government in Resolution No 4050, dated 22nd August 1871, Revenue Department, but it does not appear clear why, if the other water rates, aggregating is 1,419 , have been paid on old wells since the time of the former assessment, they should now be remitted There may be sufficient reasons, but they ought to have been assignedini
$10^{*}$. These reports do not contain the usual statistics regarding population, cattie, carts, ploughs, \&c, all of which would have been of interest in calculating the meidence of the revised rates on each of the 33 villages under report

- 20 All the authorities concur in supporting the recommendation in paragraph 11 of Colonel Waddington's report relatıve to the transfer of villages, and it appears very desurable.

Revenue Comnussioner, S D.

Revanor Diplaticent.<br>Bombay Castle, 11th February 1879

Risorvison -The Government is quite alve to the necessity for adherng to the princuple which has been adopted for the assessment of the land revenue of this Presrdency, viz, that the assessment to be demanded shall in all cases be in proportion to the capabilities of the land in the occupation of each tenant, and observes that the adoption of the fixed scales proposed by the Revenue Commissioner would be altogether at variance with that principle But the Government would impress upon the officers employed in the assessment its desire that the rents should in all cases be fixed at a very moderate and reasonable rate, and that the occupiers of the land should reap their full share of the mereased value of the agricultural produce of the country. The papers in this case may be returned to the Survey and Settlement Commssioner, N D, for reconsideration, wath reference to this Resolution

E W RAVENSCROFT,
Acting Chief Secretary to Government

No. 290 or 1878.
Rivende Depabta ent
Poona Dhatruts,

- Camp Supa, 18th February 187s


## MEMORANDUM.

In forwarding, at his request, the accompanying memorandum left by the Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D, the undersigned will venture to express his conviction that the rates proposed for the 33 Pandharpur villages are very moderate, and may be safely 1 mposed
2. The matructions of Government are requested as to the term for which the ratea, if approved of, are to be guaranteed A decision also regarding the transfer and exchange of villages is solucited.

W. WADDINGTON, Lieut -Colonel, In charge, Office of the Survey and<br>Settlement Commassioner, N, D.

## Memorandum upon the question retesed by Mr Havelock as to the expedsency of modifying the rates of sndividual villages in oases where the nerease is unusually large

Colonel Anderson informs me that at the recent discussion of this question it was -decided not to adopt Mr Havelock's suggestion, but to impose whatever merease might result from the application of the revised rates according to the new classification of the village lands. And that it was further resolved that the report on the Pandharpur villages should be returned to me for report as to whether I considered the rates to be moderate in the sense in which Government wishes the revision settlements to be carried out

Supposing the above to be the purport of the order in the case, I would unhesitatingly state that I conader the rates to be moderate. I do so because they are 28 par cent lower than the rates imposed by Colonel Anderson in the adjoining villages belonging to the Mirajkar Jaghir in 1866-67 I was fully aware of his rates beng so much higher than thase adopted generally for the Mádha Taluka (to which the Pandharpur ones have been assumilated), but considered it wos advisable to fix a more moderate demand It must also be borne in mind that these Pandharpur villages have a great advantage over most of the Madhe ones, in being near the town of Pandharpur, where fodder is always very dear in consequence of the great demand for it for the pilgrims cattle As a rule, the kurbeh or jowann straw, which is the chnef article of fodder, more than pays the runt; and I think an assessment may be certaunly said to be very moderate when it leaves all the grain produce to the cultivator

For the above rensons I consider that no modufication is called for in the rates sabimitted for the villages reforred to

I have written this to be used by Colonel Waddungton in answerng the reference dipring my absence, should the purport of it be what I have herenn supposed it to be, according to the information given me by Colonal Anderson.
$\pm$ FRANCIS, Colonel,
Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D.
Pooma, 1SH Debrmary 1875.
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No. 1355.

## Reyenof Defartaent

Bombay Castle, 8th March 1879
Resonutron-As Colonel Francis on reconsideration considers the general pitch of assessment appropriate, and adduces, in support of his proposals, the remarkable fact that, as \& general rule, the rent will be pand out of the straw alone, leaving the whole of the gram produced to the cultivator, His Excellency in Councll can have no hesitation in aanctioning the proposed revised rates and guaranteemg them for the usual period of 30 years A draft notrication to this effect should be submitted for publication in the Goisrnment Gazetto:

2 The proposed exchange of villages should form the subject of ar separate detailed report.

E W RAVENSCROFT,
Acting Chief Secretary to Government

No. 1820 or 1873.
Revenue Department
Pooma, 26th September 1879.

## MEMORANDUM

The accompanying letter* from the Supernntendent of the Poona and Nasik Survey ${ }^{4} \mathrm{No}$ of, dated 1041 1873 + Not pranted. 33 villages of the late Madhe Taluka, but now belonging to 33 villages of the late Madha Taluka, but now belongng to
Pandharpur, under the senction given in Government Resoluthon No 1855, dated the 8th March last.

2 The draft nothfication regarding the sattlement prepared by the Superintendent, provides for a 30 years' lease to these villages in accordance with the orders contamed in the sanctioning Resolution quoted above; but as they belong to a district (Pandharpurr) which was settled in 1857-58, it is advisable that the lease should be hmited to the unexpired portion of the guarantee given in that case, in accordance with standing orders The draft has, therefore, been amended accordingly.

3 Referring to the Superintendent's 6th paragraph, the Survey and Settlement
Arđ̉nár, Dmbergaon. Commassioner begs to solicit sanction to the transfer of the 2 villages, margually noted, to Sholapur and Pandharpur, respectuvely, as suggested by that officer The map accompanying the ongunal settlement feport shows the position of these vallages, and a glance at it will show the dessrability of the suggented transfers,

J FRANCIS, Colonel,
Survey and Settlement Commiseroner, N D

No. 878 or 1873

## Fhom

Lieutexant-Colonel W WADDINGTON, Supermintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment,
To
Colonbl J FRancis,
Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D
Poona, 19th September 1878
Sir,
I have the honour to submit a final report on the rates lately sanetioned for and introdnced into 33 villages of the Pandharpar 1'aluka and which formerly belonged to Madher
2. In accordance with your recommendation, the maximum rate of 4 villages was rased from Rs 1-2-0 to Rs. 1-4-0, that of theother 20 villages Adhys, Chincholi, Deguon, resed remaining at Rs 1-2-0 The assessment thus modified and corrected amounts to Rs 63,441, in place of Rs. 62,712 as orignally fixed. Thas gives an average uncrease of 76 per cent. on last year's paymente
3. The number of khatas amounts to 2,166 , and the average area per khata is 41 acres 25 gunthids, assessed at Rs, 29-4-8. The total number of mhabitants is 19,767 , so that there are 4 aoras 22 gunthas per head of the population, and the meidence of the assessment 18 Rs 3-3-4
4. The rates were explenned by iny Assistant Settlement Officer, Mr. H M Grant, Who mformed the that nio conplenits were made at the time of settlement, excepting regarding the Local Fund Cess. All increase on past 'payments were' rematted, and where past payments were lowered, the new tates adone were collected,
5. There is nothing particular to report in connection with this settlement. The rates were sanctioned by Govarnment in their Resolution No 1355 of 8th Maroh 1873, for 30 years, and a hat of the villages 18 appended for publication an the Government Gazette
6. As no orders were issued regardng my proposal to transfer the village of Ardnárn to Sholapur, and annex that of Umbargaon to Pandharpur, I have the honour to request sestructions on these points.

I have, \&c.,<br>W. WADDINGTON, Leat .Colonel, Supernntendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment, Poona and Nâalk Survey.

## Nol 4029 or 1873.

# Revente Departhentr Poona, 6th October 187s. 

Sabmitted to Goveriment for orders, in oontinuation of the correspondence terminating with Government Resolution No. 1855, dated 8th March 1873.
2. The Revenue Commissioner regrets that; for the reasons aiseligurd we length in his Report No. 6281, dated 2lst Cotober 1872, he is unable to express fall concurrence is the rates which represent an enhadiement on the entres area of 77 per centi, urtespective of Lqead Find Ceasr

3 In the hope that the evident reduction of dematad our certain nillages, and, as as natural sequence, on' separated holdings in certand villages, effected by the recormmendations of the survey officers in the lately revised talukst of Haveli and Pabal, would secure, to a cortain extent, recoghition of the object the Revenue Commissioner has much at heart, viz., obviatug exeessive aingtrentation, without special reasons, on separated holdungs on ocomsion of revision of a former Government settlement, $\rightarrow$ memorandum in support of the same mevrs had been drwwn up on these papers. The object has been intensified by the apprehension, lentr, in some cases, the higher classification of particular fields under the revision way be due to gradual improvement of the land by labour and oapital not at onge reoogniseble, though fally entitled by law to exemption, but prenous to despatch the Gorernment Resolution Na 5485, dated 3rd instant, had been yeceived, and the Revenue Commissioner conceives it better to suppress that memorandum, and to confine hrs remarka to those points to which, he anderstands, it is desired that the discussion should be limited.
4. Leaving aside, then, the conesderation of details, the Revenue Commissioner sees reason to apprehend that the proposed rates will press heavily, because the price of jowari as falling in the Sholaput District, and has fur some thme been as low as 27 and 28 Gorormment seers the rupee, and though there will, of course, be fluctuahons, the tendency of the market appeara to be to range below the average of those years which Colonel Waddington and Colonel Framois have, with good judgment, as the Revenue Commusioner thinke, adopted as the test.

5 Briefly, the Revenue Commissioner believes that a general entancement of 70 per cent is the greatest hamit to which the nise m prices warrants augmentation of demand; that the reoent turn of the market suggests a probabihty that the limis shoudd be fired at a lower, rather than a higher rate, say about 50 per cent, urrespeotave of Local Fands, aud that it would be well for the classification to be reduced through the mammum, or in such manner as the survey officers may reeommend to meot these featires in the cass

6 The Rerenue Commissioner begs again to suppart the recommendation of the Superntendent, the Collector of Sholapor, and the Commissiozer of Sarvey, that the village of Ardnairn should be transferred to the Sholápur Tallaka, and that of Umbargeon, at present in the Singola Taluka, zhoold be transferred to Pandharpar
W. H. HAVELOCK,

Rovena Cormandoser, S D

No. 5717 or 1873.
Retenol Department.
Bombay Oastle, 16th October $187 s$.
Returned to the Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D, for reconsideration with reference to Mr . Havelock's remarks and the views of Government as contaned in Govern ment Resolution No, 5495 of the 5th mastant

Colonel Francis' further remarks should, it is requested, be submitted through Colonel Anderson, who settled the adjacent district.
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E. JAMES,
Acting Under Secretary to
Gpvernment.

Govornment Memorandum No 5717, dated 16th October 1873
No. 2154 op 1873.

## Revinui Depaetment.

Poona, 17th November 1873
In accordance with the foregoing instructions I beg to report that, after careful consideration of Mr Havelock's remarks and of the question generally of the large nerease of assessment effected by the revised rates imposed on these 33 villages, I can see no grounds, for the reasons given below, for making any modifications of the settlement as already introduced

2 The best possible evidence that the rates are by no means high, is afforded by comparison with those now 1 n force in adjacent distmets settled by the Survey Department I will frst take the case of the town of Pandharpar, which was settled by the Survey Commissioner, S D, Colonel Anderson, in 1857-58, at a maximam rate, Rs. 1-2-0, for juráyet, which is the samg as has been adopted in this case, wath the exception of 4 villagen immedastely opposite the former town, for which the rate was rased to Rs $1-4-0$ at my suggestion Now we find by comparison not only that our maximum in this case agrees with Colonel Anderson's, but that the average rate agrees also as closely as can be, his for Pandharpur being Re $0-10-11$, whilst that for the whole 33 villages is Re, $0-11-3$.

3 This shows conclusively, in my opimon, supposing the soils to be generally similar, which 18 the case, that we are now assessing these villages at only a fractional increase on what would have been imposed upon them in 1857-58, had they been settled at that time accordng to the rates fixed by Colonel Anderson for Pandharpur. It follows, consequently, that if any reduction were now made in therr rates, we should actually be amposing less than the settlement carmed out in 1858* when the staple product, jowár, was above 30 per cent. lower than it $\mathbf{x f}$ now, taking the present rate to be 27 to 28 seers per rupee as given by Mr Havalock.

4 But besides Pandharpur we have another oase for comparison in the rates of the villages of the Mor Limba Jaghir adjoming the 33 villages which were also settled by Colonel Anderson 5 or 6 yeara ago, at a maximum of Rs $1-8-0$ in some casse. On inquiry I find that the total assessment imposed on these villages amounts to above Rs 38,000 , the whole of which is being now pard, with the exception of Rs 63 , falling to waste lands The Kárbharı informed me, however, that owing to the season of 1871-72 being nofavourable, a balance of from 15 to 20 thousand was left over for future collection, but that it had all been realsed duryng the past season in addition to the proper revenae of the year, with the exception of a small outstanding balance of between Rs 2 and 300 We have proof, therefore, of rates considerably higher than those for the villages in question being found to work wall in an adjoining tract of country, in which, though jaghir, the settlepent is administered generally according to the plan in force in our districts

5 A small part of the increase caused by the new rates falls upon the Mala lands on the banks of the Bhima, which are annually flooded by the flushes of the river in the monsoon season. Cultivation is most certann where this flooding occurs, and the crop far heavier than in ordinary jiráyet lands. Under our present classification we impose an estra rate, varying from 2 to 4 annas per rupee, on these semin-irrigated lands. But under the former system not only was no extra rate amposed on them, but a low valuation of them adopted, according to the ordinary jurayet scale These Malai lands are considered to be very valuable, as a rule, and I find them to be so in this case, as the jamábandı papers show that an ares of $127 \dagger$ acres, the occupancy nght to which was disposed of at tume of settlement, fetched Rs 1,4j3, which is a little over 11 years' parchase of the assessinent

6 The area of this particular land 18 small certanaly, but by far the grester part of the villages contaups some small portion of $1 t$, for, as will be seen from the map, they all he

[^5]in a narrow belt along the border of the river They also contann a much smaller proportion of poor soil than is ordnarily the case in this part of the Deccan, owing to ther comprising the bed of the valley bordering on the river The classification rate is on this acconnt higher than the general average of the district, but as the increase falls on good soils, as a rule, there is no fear of the rate being found to be high

7 The Revenue Commassioner saggests that the classification should be reduced, the maximum being retained, but when we find, as has been explained in the first part of this report, that the average rate shows the classtication to have been done on the same standard as was adopted in an adjoining district, where the settlement has been successfully workng for a oonsiderable period, we cannot very well make a reduction in the manner suggested without also carrying it out in respect to the district settled in 1857-58 as well as to the preseat case, and this would lead to no end of complioations, for where is the line to be drawn win other words, which of our settled districts are we to except from the operation of the special reduction alluded to ?

8 The increasc effected by the now rate is large, I admit, but I see no way of remedying this withoutan entire departure from our long-estabhished system of olassification and amsessment, which, as explained above, wonld involve considerable comphcations, and, moreoper, for the reasons herenn stated, I cannot see that any modification of the rate is necessary.

J. FRANCIS, Colonel,<br>Survey and Settilement Commissioner

(Through the Survey and Settlement Commissioner, 8 D )

## Remarks regarding the mitroduction of the 9 ates into 83 villages of the Pandharpur Táluka formerly belongıng to Mádha.

No. 1912 or 1873
Survey Oom missanorer's Office,
Poona, 19th Novenber 1878.

## MEMORANDUM.

* The following were the maximum rates of assessment imposed in various settlements made by the Southern Marátha Country Survey, at different times, in districts in the vicinty of that under discussion.

2 In 1857-58 the old Pandharpur Táluka was settled, Rs 1-2-0 was taken as the Maximum for Pandharpur itself and an adjacent village, Re ifor the villages in the vicmity to that place and bordering on the river, and Re 0-15-0 for those at a greater distance anland.
3. In 1867 the settlement of the Modhmb Taluka of the Muraj Jaghur was made, the maximum rate was made at Rs. 1-8-0.

4 In 1869 the settlement of the Mangalvera Taluka of Sangh was made. This taluka is contiguous to the south-eastern corner of the villages now under discussion. Major Prescott was then acting for me, he adopted a maximum rate of Rs $1-10-0$ for the best aituated villages, and Rs, 1-14-0 for the market town of Mangalvera atself.
5. It may be sald that Modlimb and Mangalvera are jaghirs, and assessments there may justly range hagher than in British territory But if maxima of Rs. 1-8-0 and Rs. 1-10-0 and Rs, 1-14-0 could be safely and successfully taken un jághirs, a maxımum of Rs, 1-2-0 in adjacent British territory cannot be called anything but most moderate
6. The Pandharpur rates imposed in 1857-58 afford an indubitable criterion on which to judge of the applicability of the rates now proposed. In 1858 the ralway was not open, and prices were generally much lower than at the present time Any extre quantity of produce thrown into the market from increased or improved cultivation, or a special good season, would, for want of ready means of transport, have produced a local glut and corresponding heavy fall of price, from thus there is absolute security now
7. Had these villages been assessed in 1858, they certainly would have been assessed at similar rates to the adjacent part of Pandharpur; that is, at maximum rates varying from Rs. 1-2-0 to Re 0-15-0, which, for the time, was a considerably higher rate of assessment than Rs 1-2-0 is at present. The settlement of Pandharpur was a complete success ; cultivation and revenne largely increased, and from the year of settlement, 1857-58, ap to 1870-71, the last year for which I have complete returns, the total remissions on a gross revenue of Rs $1,24,000$ amount to Rs 39 , and that occurred m one year, 1870-71.

8 I have, therefore, no heatation in giving my opinion as to the marimum rates adopted being fair and moderate rates. These villiges are situated in a tract which has especially benefited by the ralway, and there larger necreeses of revenue are just than can be looked for in remoter districts.
W. C. ANDERSON,

Survey and Settlement Commissioner, S. D.
. 1135-14

Resolution -Government are satisfied that the rates already sanctioned may safely be continued

2 The draft notafication as to be published in the Governmont Gazette
. The transfer of the village of Ardnarı to the Sholapur, and of Umbargaon to the Pandharpar Tálukas, is sanctioned

F S CHAPMAN, Chief Secretary to Govermment

No. 1258 or 1875

## Revente Department

From

## Colonel J. FRANCIS,

Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D ,
' T Q

## W. G PEDDER, Esq,

Acting Secretary to Government
Poona, 21st August 1875.

## Sir,

In continuation of my letter of the 18th instant, No 1237, I have now the honour to forward the accompanying statement, showing the reduction which it is proposed to apply to the revision settlement introduced in 33 villages forming part of the Pandharpur Táluka of the Sholápur Collectorate

2 The villages were divided into 2 groups, and assessed at maximum rates of Rs 1-4 and Rs 1-2 at the revision settlement Carrying out the plan adpoted in other districts, I have made a reduction of 2 annas per class in these rates, accompanied with the reduction in classification valuation from 10 annss downwards as applied in other cases
3. It will be seen from the statement that by these measures the revised assessment will now be in the proportion of an merease on the first settlement of 54 in place of 85 per cent for the villages of the first group, and of 47 in place of 75 for those of the secondthe general average increase being 48 in place of 76

4 There is one village, Ardnári, in which the increase is above the prescribed limit (75) for individual villages, being 79 per cent But as I have already made a general reduction of class throughout in the classification valuation of this village in the manner indicated in para 3 of my letter No 1257 of to-day's date, I cannot recommend any further reduction being made in this case, and the fact of the average rate being only annas 6 pies 2 per acre, is good enidence of the assessment as now fixed being exceedingly moderate

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
$J$ FRANCLS, Colonel,
Survey and Settlement Commissoner, ND.

No 5133.
Refenue Department
Bombay Castle, 9th September 1876
Resolution -II is not necessary to discuss, at any great length, the proposals now submitted by the Survey Commissioner, N D, as the villages of which they treat originally belonged to the Mádha Táluka, their revenue history is the same as that of that táluka, their circumstances in almost all respects are the same, and it is proposed to deal with the correction of their revised settlement, finally sanctioned after long and careful consideration by Government Resolution No 6643, dated 10th December 1873, in the same manner as has been decided upon forl|Mádba by Government Resolution No 4515, dated 11th August 1875

2 By the revised settlement introduced in 1872, maximum dry-crop rates of assessment of Rs 1-4-0 per acere for 4 villages close to the large market of Pandharpur, and of Rs 1-2-0 for the rest of the 33 villages comprised in the group under consideration, were ımposed These rates raised the total assessment from Rs 36,048 to Rs 63,44 k; or 76 per cent., and the average rate per acre from annas 6 pies 4 to annas 11 pies 3

S In sanctioning these rates Government were guided, ay well by thevconsiderations fully stated in the Resalution on the correction of the Madha rates, viz, the extension of cultivation, the mese of prices, the improvement,in commanications, and the inorease in the value of land which had taken place during the currency of the origual settlement, as by a comparison of the rates in foroe in adjoining and sumalar tracts of country The rates introduced in 1857-58, or before the great rise in prices set in, by the Survey Commissioner, S. D, in the Pandharpur villages on the other side of the Bhima, which have worked well and have never been complained of, average annas 10 pies 11 per acre, or only 4 pies lower than the rate sanctioned for the villages under consideration, while the survey rates introduced at the desure of Chiefs in the nerghbouriug jeghirs of Miraj, Modimb, and Meagalvera between 1866 and 1869 average from 28 per cent. to about 50 per osat. hugher than that rate, and appean to be realized by the Jaghurdars without difficulty

4 Gevernment are not, then, of opinion that the rovised rates introduced in 1872 wore at that tume excessive It is because it appears probable that prices will, during the currency of the revised settlement, range lower than was antioupated when it wes sanctioned, that Government consider it desirable to reduce the rates.

5 The Survey Commassioner proposes to effect this reduction in the same manner as has been approved for Madha, that 1s, (1) by lowering the maximuma rates 2 annas all round ${ }_{2}$ (2) by reducing the valuation of the poorer solls

6 The effect of these changes will be to reduce the total assessment from Rs 63,441 to Rs 53,171, and the avorage rate from annas 11 pies 3 per acre to annas 9 pies 5 The total mociease upon the original settlement will be lowered from 76 per cent. to 48 per cent, and of the difference 10 per cent will be a general reduction effected by the lowering of the imaximum rates, and 18 per cent will be a special reduction for the poorer soils, which, there

- is rome reason to believe, were valued too highly nin comparison with the better sonls

7 These proposals are approved, and it remans only to consider the case of one village, Ardnari (Ny 5 in the hist) This village was originally inoreased 172 per cent., its average rate by the original settlement having been the absurdly inadequate one of annas 3 pies 4 per acre. As the reduction oaused by the measures to be generally adopted for the tract under consideration would still leave the increase of assessment of the village consider*. ably in exoess of 75 per cent, Colonel Francis proposes to lower ats valuation one class all * round. This, however, in the opinion of Government, as inexpedient, as no reason has been shown for valung the better soils of this village on a standard lower than that adopted for * the rest of the tract to which it belongs. This villuge is in the extreme south-east of the group under consideration, and is furthest distant from the mart of Pandharpur For this reasou, its classification being treated in the same manner as that of the other viluges, a special maximum rete of 15 annas, the same as that adopted by Colonel Anderson for the puthyng villages of Pandharpur in its neighbourhood settled by him in 1857, may be upphed The reduction thus effected will be quite sufficient, and as the nest revision of the whole taluka as at present constituted will be made in A.D 1888, thiq village will then come under the manimum rate then considered eppropriate for the group to which it naturally belonge.

## W G. PEDDER,

Acting Secretary to Government.

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Liem-Conovis E L. TAVERNER,

- Acting Superintendent, Poona and Násik Survey,

To
Cozontr J FRANCIS,
Survey and Settlement Commissoner, N D
Oamp Prmpalwandi, 25th November 1575.
Sir $_{2}$
I have the honour herewith to forward a statement showng the result of the altaration mado under Government Resolution No. 5133, dated 9th September 1875, in the revision settlement rules of 33 villages of the Pandharpur Taluka of the Sholapur Collectorate.

2 The estimate entered in para 6 of the Resolution is that the assessment would be reduced from Rs. 63,441 to Rs. 58,171 , or from an orignal merease of 76 to one of 48 per cont. The actual result, it will be seen, is Rs. 52,636, or 46 per cent., that is, a 2 per cent. difference only on the estumate
8. A return of fields, of which the revised assessment still exceeds that of the first settlement by 100 per cent, is being prepared by the Mámlatdar, and will, be submitted when receuved There will probably, however, be very few cases of this description.

I have the honour to be, tee, E. IL TAVERNER, Leat-Colonel, Acting Supermintendent, Revenue Survey, Poona and Nasit

Statoment showing tho ultimata result of the Survey Reviston Setilement for'the undermentionted villages of Taluka Pa dharpur, Sholäpur Collectorate, as finally adjusted under Government Resolution No 5138, dated 9th September 1876


E L. TAVERNER, Cclonel,
Camp Prmpalwands, 25th November 1575
Actıng Superintendent, Poona and Násık Survey,

No. 761 or 1876

## Revenue Department

Camp Mahábaleshvar, 19th May 1876,
Forwarded for the information of Government with reference to Resolution No 5133, dated 9th September 1875

2 It will be seen by the report that the revised assessment as now fixed, represents an increase of 46 per cent on the former scale of payments

3 The return alluded to in the Superintendent's last paragraph has been submitted, and was disposed of by the orders passed under Government Resolution No 2773, dated the 8th instant.
J. FRANCIS, Colonel,

Survey and Settlement Commssioner, N D

No. 329.
From

# J. FAIRLIE MUIR, Esquirs, Collector, Sholapur District; 

To
Thr SURVEY and SETTLEMENT COMmisSioner.
Sholapur, 27th January 1893.

## Sir,

I beg to forward herewith the proposals of Mr. Pitt, Superintendent, Deccan
-Government Resolutions (Revenus) of 1884, No 1065 , dated 4th February, and No 2619; dated 26th March.
2. The papers, that I forward, show to what extent it has been found necessary to alter the origunal survey record of measurement and classification
The record has now been made sufficiently accurate for all practical purposes necessary to alter the origunal survey record of measurement and classification
The record has now been made sufficiently accurate for all practical purposes Materials, taken from at, are available to make an assessment; that will, in all future operations, be treated as the " initial assessment." 3. The original settlement was fair. Experience has proved it to be so. This is shown by the revenue history of the taluka and the account of the pro-
gress and present condition of the people-more especially of the agricultural This is shown by the revenue history of the taluka and the account of the pro-classes-that are here given in detail. To Mr. Pitt's clear and interesting remarks on this head I have hittle to add.

Superintendent's letter, Section 2.
> tNow group II.
> $\ddagger$ Now group I

Revenue Survey, for the *revision of the land-revenue settiement of the Pandharpur Táluka of this district. I fully concur in these proposals.
4. The villages in question divide themselves into two classes, those $\dagger$ to the south-west of the river Bhima and those to its north-east. The former were originally settled in 1856-57 and 1857-58; the latter in 1872-73. It is of importance to remember this. The settlement in the case of the former has now, excluding the current year, been in force 36 and 35 years, but, in the case of the latter, only 20 years There are, thus, practically two distinct setclements, now to be revised.
5. The area of the urrigated land has increased

Superintendent's Sections 6 and 7.
§Group II. by 2,544 acres or $46 \cdot 77$ por cent. This is highly satisfactory; especially, as there is every prospect of much additional dry-crop land $\S$, under command of the Mhassvad Tank, being shortly now rrngated.

Of group II, Captain Anderson writes If that, here, "great faclities exist for TAppendxx R-letter, No. the extension of urrgation, as water is everywhere 20 of 1857, Soction 17
IID During the term of eettlemeat
${ }^{*}$ Constructed by Government during the pernod of cettlement.
t+See map, page 27 of the Statistical Atles.
$\pm \pm$ Darng the torm of settlement.
§§See map, page 27 of the Statistical Atlas
If Oonstructed by Government during the perrod of settlement near the surface; and, doubtless, new wells will be sunk in all directions; $;$ he further points out the capabilities of the river Mán for irrigation. In Group II, 370 wella: and budkis have now been constructed \|; a percentage uncrease of 68.9. The Mhásvad Canal* commands the great bulk $\dagger \dagger$ of the land of the villages in this group.

So, too, with Group I. 301 new wells and budkis, a percentage increase of 498 , have been constructed. $\ddagger \ddagger$ Further, of the land in the villages in this group, per. haps, one-fifth $\$ \$$ part is under command of the Ashti Tank. TT
6. The average rainfall for the last ten years is $2773\|\|$ inches For the Supermitendent's Section 9 Il||Appendux 4

* "equmettrar, page 6.
- 1135-15 previousten years itis $2 i-8$ *** This is, Mr. Pitt writes, " an average fall, amply sufficient for all the usual dry-crops" No doubt jout that this is so. The all mportant qustions, however, are;-lis this average
farrly distributed over a long course of years ${ }^{2}$ and is the fall, as a rule, seasonable? No. There are material differences between the rainfall of different years; and the fall is often lamentably unseasonable

Take, for instance," the year 1874 with its fall of 44 inches, to be' followed, -Gazetteer, page 6 two years thereafter, by a fall of only 8 inches. And +Statistical Atlas, page, is more startling, even, than this. The deficient rannfall
$\ddagger 1655$ per cent of the land 28 under the early crops, and 8345 underdhe late crops

See Appendux B. part the late or rabi crops, that as a rule are not sown till September For it but little rain remained, it will be seen. These are exceptional years, no doubt The Statistical Atlas, however, rightly styles the rainfall "scant and very uncertain"; it is often unseasonable as well.

This is, no doubt, the great reason why, at the original settlement, the rates of assessment were pitched so low. And, in this all mportant matter, Group I villages are certannly better off than the villages of the other group.
7. It may be noted that the means of commumcation by road are above the average The soll is hard for the most part and readuly traversed by carts, even soon after rain. Again the requirements of the great pigrim-traffic to and from the noted shrine of Vithoba Pandharinath have
Superntendent's Section 11. §Where the shrine is situated. more starthng, even, than this. The deficient rainfalt Out of the 8 inches, not less than 45 fell $\dagger$ in June; at a time, when it could not better the great bulk of the
crops 1 This is so, as the cropst, here, are for the most here specially well cared for. Pandharpur§ is, it will be led to thıs matter beang here specially well cared for. Pandaipal market
8. There has not, so far as I can learn on enquiry, been much change Appendex $E$. during the term of settlement in the matter of the occupation of the people The altered percentages are, doubtless, due to an alteration in the definition of "agricultural" It is mamly due to the requirements of the Pandharpur pilgrim-traffic, that the percentage of "non-agriculturists" is so high. It may range from 55 to 60 .
9. I have little to add to Mr. Pitt's remarks. He, however, I notice, comSuperintendent's Sections ments on the detalls of increase and decrease, given for 15,16 and 17.

- ${ }^{2}$ See abate, Section 4 the details, given separately for each of the groups. The satisfactory improvement, noticed by him, is in each instance the more pronounced in the case of Group II This is only to be looked for, it has had $\mathcal{T}$ so much longer time for improvement than Group I.

10. Mr Pitt does not remark on one matter of the greatest importancei.e., the sufficiency or otherwase of plough-cattle The soll of the tract in question is, almost wholly, a light, dry-crop soll. There as a very general con-
\|Not allowing for fallowe.
**See, too, Section 15, page 6 of the Survey and Settlement Manual sensus of opinion among those, interested in agriculture, that here a farr average area, cultivable\| with a pair of oxen, is $20^{* *}$ acres. The area might be increased considerably for the generally highter solls of Group II
In Group I there appears to be a farly sufficient stock of oxen. 229 acres fall to each par. But not so in Group II. Here the average area rises to 284. This is a matter of mportance, and, granting the figures to be correct, one, deserving of serious consideration in fixing the rates, now to be introduced :-

|  | Group. |  |  | Pairs of Oxen. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| I.. | ... | 110,306 | 10,700 | 4,334 |
| II... |  | 138,519 | 13,436 | 4,403 |

- It will be instructive to compare these groups, touching this matier, with the rest of the district See the information, given below, extracted from my jamábandi returns of 1891-92. The figures, given under "occupred area" are more reliable than those under "cultivated area;" seeng that the latter are based on the village-officers' returns, that, in the matter of fallows, are more than usually irreliable -

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Serfal } \\ & \text { No. } \end{aligned}$ | Name of Talaka, |  |  |  | Averame Aras rbr yomb OY OXEN. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Cultivated Acres* | Occupied 4 cres. |
| 1 | Bársı .. ... |  | ... | ... | 149 | 173 |
| 2 | Karmála .. | ** | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 176 | 1.96 |
| 3 | Mádha ** | "* | $\cdots$ | - $\cdot$ | 209 | 238 |
| 4 | Sholápur | $\cdots$ | - | " | 220 | 2375 |
| 6 | Group I (Pandharpur) | ** | ** | - | 24.3 | 255 |
| 6 | Málsiras ..., | *' | $\cdots$ | . | 2518 | 2818 |
| 7 | Sángola | $\cdots$ | . | - | 272 | 332 |
| 8 | Group II (Pandharpar) | $\cdots{ }^{\prime \prime}$ | ... | " | 301 | 335 | * Excluding inám villages, but moluding inám lande in kholea villages

As we go north-west across the district, from the Aund and Jath States to the Nizain's territory, the ranfall grows heavier and more seasonable and the soil deeper and better; and, too,-roughly spéaking-the average area, ploughed by a yoke of oxen, becomes smaller.
(1) Barsi to the extreme north-west is the most favored talluka in these respects. Then, to the south-east thereof, stretches a belt of country, composed of the tálukas of (2) Karmála, (3) Madhe and (4) Sholapur. Then follows (5) Group I, with a considerable increase in the average area per plough

All the above he to the north-west of the river Bhima. To its south-east the average area materially increases, In (7) Síngola and (8) Group II it is to all intents one and the same.

The shallower and poorer soils are the man reason, why the average area per plough keeps on thus increasing. A par of bullocks can well plough, southeast of the Bhma, an area, larger perhaps by one-fourth than in the country to the north-west of the river. Aggin, in the poorer country (south-east), the losses of oxen, occasioned by the great famme, were the greater, and these have not, even yet, been made good to the same extent, as is the case in the tract on the other side of the river. But the recovery, even here, has been satisfactory, and, in a few years now, we may confidently look to the oxen, in the Sángola Taluka and Group II, arriving at their proper and normal numbers. The deficiency, in - short, of plough-eattle in Group II is not by any means so great, as to interfere with efficient agriculture; nor any suffioent reason for not incrensing the dand revenue demand by one-fifth, as here proposed.
11. 'Section 18 of the Superintendent's report is mteresting and instructiveNo doubt but that, were at not for the famine of 1876-77, the progress, shown in Section 16, would be much more pronounced. To losses in the famine is due the partial deficiency of oxen at the present time. This explains why, in Group I, agricultural catile have in the 20 years actually decreased by 06 per cent. ; and, in Group II, increased in the 351 years by only 25 per cent. The recovery cannot, however, be looked on as otherwise than satisfactory and quick; and now, if we are blessed with a few more good years, the oxen wll assuredly rapidly rise in numbers.

The figures show-in both groups-s comparatively wonderful recovery under the head of nos-ngricultural cattle. Why the rate of recovery is so much greater in their case than in the case of oxen, I know not.
12. Captan Anderson, at the origunal settlement, wrote as follows about

- Apendix R, letterNo. 20 of 1857 , Sections 5 and 16 . Group II:-"The poorer rayats were tempted by mere nominal rates to retan lands, which they had not sufficient stock to cultivate properly." * "A large part of the agricultural population was kept in an improvident condition and the productive
powers of the district were impaired by the loss of the labour of the large class of pauper-cultivators, who, tempted by land on nominal rates, derived a bare subsist. ence by cultivating on their own account, in the place of living on the wages of labour." * " "Large remissions were required every year; the falure, being in part due to deficiency of rain, but, even to a greater extent, to mperfect cultivation." He beheved that, " under the operation of the revised rates," " * "pauper-cultvators, no longer able to hold land on nominal rates, will take to labour, as a means of subsistence-a change most advantageous to themselves and to the community."

The result has fully realised his expectations. What proportion of the actual cultivators were, at the tume of the original settlement, peasant-proprietors

## *Appendix $I_{\text {. }}$

area no less than *2258
+Gazetteer, pages 214 to 218
$\ddagger$ Page 27. does not appear. But the proportion has now, unquestionably, fallen considerably. Of the cultivated per cent. $1 s$ now cultivated by tenants-at-will, and $77 \cdot 42$ by the peasant-proprietors themselves. The class $\dagger$ of pauper-proprietors is fast dasappearing. What is written in the Statistical Atlas $\ddagger$ of the district, as a whole, is specially true of Pandharpur-" the commonest fault is the universal desire to cultivate as large an area as possible, rather than a moderate area within the cultivator's means thoroughly Much pains were taken after the great famine to check this disastrous tendency. Returning emigrants were dealt with, with the utmost consideration; but that only as much of therr forferted land, as they could prove their power to till, was given back to them." This policy has, under the orders of Government, been "steadily maintaned and practised," whenever land has been thrown out of cultivation. To it and to the oidinary working of the equitable revenue system-and to a lesser degree, too, to the action of the Agriculturists' Relief Act-is due the
§Gazetteer, page 218. fact that the pauper-proprietor is now the exception. In 1882-83§" the total number of boldıngs was 49,656 ; with an average area of about 48 acres." Only 6,107 of these holdings were very small, i.e. of 10 acres and under.

Owing to the above changes it is that the " imperfect cultivation," written of above by Captain Anderson, bas given place to fanly careful husbandry. It is admitted on all sides that the standard and methods of culture have greatly improved within the last ten or fifteen years. This improvement is also due to the moderate and equitable werdence of the assessment, the incentive of higher prices and the ease, with which raw produce can now be carried to good markets .
13. The prices of the staple-crops may well be sald to have doubled since the decade, ending 1855-56, But the Superintendent omits to point out that thes rise has reference only to Group II, which was settled in 1856-57 and 1857-58.

Superintendent's Sectrons 25 and 26 Group No. I was settled in 1872-73, and its prices have little, if at all, risen since then. I give below a table, showing the great fluctuations, that have taken place in prices during the last 44 years -

| Number | Pemods of five years, |  |  |  | $\underset{\substack{\text { AVEragi Price in } \\ \text { Ripes }}}{\text { Sbhs pir }}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Jowarn | BdJrt |
| 1 | 1847-48-1851-52 |  |  | - | 686 | 625 |
| 2 | 1852-53-1856-57 |  | . | .. | 425 | 38.3 |
| 3 | 1857-58-1861-62 | - | -•* | - | 403 | 34.2 |
| 4 | 1862-63-1866-67 | . | - | - | 167 | 141 |
| 5 | 1867-68-1871-72 |  | $\ldots$ | - | 258 | 221 |
| 6 | *1872-73-1875-76 |  | .. | . | 3637 | 31.0 |
| 7 | 1876-77-1880-81 |  |  | -. | 134 | 139 |
| 8 | 1881-82-1885-86 | .. |  |  | 319 | 2605 |
| 9 | 1886-87-1890.91 |  | ... | - | 27075 | 22075 |

* A pernod of ouly 4 yeara

The rises of prices in the fourth and seventh of these periods are exceptional. The American war led to the high prices in the former period; and the great famine of late years to the rise in the latter period. But, exceptional causes apart, prices of raw produce have greatly risen, all through this term of years. There seems every likelhood-with the falling value of silver, profitable markets becoming more and more accessible and the growth of manufacturing industries-that they will continue to rise.

Superintendent's Sectron 27 and Appeadix Q.
14. Cultivation has largely extended during the period of settlement. Indeed, at the present tume, only 1,477 acres or 65 per cent. of the total cultivable area* reman unoccupied. I have recently completed the annual jamabands of the taluka. I learnt, then, of each unoccupied number

* Unalinated; ; e exoluding inams. by enquiry of the officers of each village. I learnt that, putting aside a few exceptional cases, the whole of this unoccupied land is of the poorest. 'So poor that, though the Government assessment thereon is little more than nominal, the land could not, it was held, pay any true rent. The Mámlatdár, who knows the taluka well, bears out the village officers in this. In future, then, we must here look to higher cultivation for larger returns,-to the extension of irrigation, increased use of manure and improved methods of cultivation.

15. I give below a table, showing the extent to which processes for the compulsory recovery of the land revenue have been resorted to during the past ten years.-

|  | Year |  |  | Written notices of demand served, | Number of oases in whuch property attached. | Further setion taken thereon, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1882-83 |  | . ${ }^{\circ}$ | -* | 201 | 1 | Land forfeited |
| 1883-84 | .-. | \% | $\cdots$ | 216 | 1 | Do |
| 1884-85 | $\cdots$ | ** | ... | 338 | 1 | No further action. |
| 1885-86 | . | . | $\cdots$ | 243 | 0 | . . |
| 1886-87 | ... |  | - | 257 | 0 | *...n |
| 1887-88 | $\cdots$ |  |  | 122 | 0 | . |
| 1888-89 | . | . | ** | 123 | 0 | \% $\cdot \square$ |
| 1889-90 | $\cdots$ | . | $\cdot \square$ | 131 | 1 | No further action, |
| $1890-91$ | $\cdots$ | -' | . | 144 | 1 | Do |
| 1891-92 | $\ldots$ | ... | . | 137 | 1 | Do. |

Thus, in the ten years, property was attached only in 6 cases; in only two + And Local Funds of which was the land forfeited or other further action
$\ddagger$ Incladıng inámdárs, taken. While the land revenuet (Rs $1,29,124$ ) was in 1891-92 paid, darectly to Government, by no less than 6,141 peasant-proprietors $\ddagger$
This in itself 18 surely evidenoe enough that the system is admirably suited to the wants and requirements of the people, especially so, when it is remembered that the famine of $1876-77$ preceded this decade only by sir years No doubt it is the money-lender, who, in a considerable percentage of cases, still continues to pay down, up to date, the cash for the cultivator. But, even so, this is a wonderful change for the better, from the state of matters, at the beginnugg of the oentury, under the Peshws's rule. At that time the cultavator was far more undebted than he is now; the rents were unequal and, as a rule, excessive; and a violous system of remissions obtained. The revenue-survey system and other causes§ at work have now made $\delta$ Ganottener, pagee 314 to the cultuvator more thrifty and thoughtful of the future. He certannly borrows less and is less in deht than formerly. And, when he does borrow, he now resorts more to the nonprofessonal money-lender, who treats him better than the grasping Guzar and Múrvádı

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The peasant-proprietor, demoralized by the insecurity of life and property-
*Witness the walled vil lages throughout the taluka. the aatural outcome of centuries of anarchy and misrule, of rapine and embittered wariare and of an miquitous land-tax system-cannot be expected, wholly, to recover himself in a generation or two. But the tide has turned; a steady improvement, in the matter of thrift and forethought, has taken place; and a more marked advance may confidently be looked for in the inmedrate future. Of this improvement the moderate and fairly distributed land-revenue and its manner of realization are, m my opinion, the chief causes.
16. Remissions are few; except those, called for by the fallure of the crops in the famine of 1876-77. And, here, it may not be out of place to note that the assessment, now to be revised, takes full account of bad seasons as well as of qood ones It attempts to strike a farly low average in the interests, more especially of the peasant-proprietor. It has lately been proposed $\dagger$ by the Agriculturists' Relief Act Commission to introduce a self-acting system
tSo I learn from the danly newspapers of remissions. Such a aystem would be attended by obvious advantages;-seeing that it is to the crop of the current year that the cultivator must look to furnish the bulk of the rent, payable to the State by him. But many of the grievous abuses of the former system would seem, at the same time, to be inseparable from the proposed measure. It must, also, cut both ways The cultivator will not surely be allowed to play, as it were, at the game "Heads I win, tails you lose!" The assessment will have, either, to be matenally rased in ordmary gears, or else, with the remissions in scarcity-years, the self-acting system must arrange for additional rent, when there are bumper harvests

One chief object in the land-revenue system, perfected by the genius of Sur George Wingate, is to encourage thrift and forethought in the peasant-proprietor If a readily and safely workable system of remissions as above could be devised, and one, that would not interfere with this object, then, in bad years, it could not but prove a great relief to the peasant-proprietor as to Government.

Saperintendent's Section 29
17. I make the following remarks with reference to Mr. Pitt's "summary "-
(2) (thereof.) This rise (of the prices of agricultaral produce) does not affect Group I, as I have shown above.
(3) No; there has been no growth of wealth in agricultural cattle The number of oxen is sufficient, perhaps, in Group I: but somewhat deficlent in Group II
18. Here there is what strikes me as a material omission in the Superintendent's report He ignores the question of whether the costs of cultivation have encroached on the former true rent. Nor am I in a position to oupply the omission. I bave done what lay in my power to glean information on the point. But I am at a disadvantage $I$ have now been little more than a month in the district. I can lay my hands on no satisfactory and sufficient data to enable me to deal with the question.

But wages $\ddagger$ have risen , they have, ronghly speaking, doubled withon the last $\ddagger G_{\text {azetteer, page }} 250 \quad 30$ years. The cost, too, of manure and fuel has risen, prices of oxen are higher. And so with other matters

I addressed§ myself to this difficult question in March 1886 in my report on the revised settlement of the Chikodi Taluka of the §Government Selection, Belgaum District. I arrived at no satusfactory conNo CLXXXVIII page 100, $\begin{gathered}\text { Belugion. I hazarded a conjecture, however, that the } \\ \text { Seatione } 22 \text { to } 26\end{gathered}$ cost had encroached, perhaps, 5 to 10 per cent. on the profits of cultivation. And I would do the same now. Full allowance must here be made for this encroachment

19 There 1s, I think, another omission in the Superintendent's report. The State landlord has invested large sums in insuring this tract in efficiently
protecting it against ordinary scarcity and the more serious effects of famine**

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 He has constructed ralways in the neighbourhood and made roads He has" provided means of irtigation for the direct benefit of the greater part of the tract; a referencet to page 27 of the Statistical Atlas will show the great extent of the land commanded and so protected by the MhisvadtSee the parts colored green in the map there given. revision of the land revenue settlement, of an increased general demand on the insurance payment. The matter, at all events, must not be oyerlooked ir judging of the farness of the revised rates.
20. Again, the position of the peasant-proprietor has been improved, in so far as he has now begun to take advantage-as yet comparatively small advant-age-of the liberal tagas offers of Government It is to the great credit of the
$\ddagger$ A fow years before the date of the advences, shown below
§ In the nerghbnuring Athin and Gokak tálukas of the Belgeam Digtrict.
late Ráo Bahádur Gurshidapa V. Gilgunchi that he was the first $\ddagger$ to make the cultivator§ understand aright the great gain, that would accrue to him, of availing himself of these offers Once the cultivator understands the matter properly, there is no shadow of a doubt, but that he will greedily apply for these advances. Here (in Pandharpur) the table, given below, shows that he as now baginning to understand the matter -


The system, if farrly introduced, cannot fuil-here of all places-to prove a Godsend to the peasant-proprietor and materially rawse his status
21. There seems to be no question, as to the proper grouping, see Section - Superintendent's Sections 4 above Of the two settlements, now to be revised, $\overline{31}$ to 36 we may take first that of the earlier settled Group II. Here, the proposed rise (195 per cent) cannot be looked\| on as other than low. It is directly in the interest of the peasant-proprietor that this should be so. But, at the same trme, it cannot, looking at the interests of Government, bee said
|| Seang that prioes have doubled. not, looking at the interests of Government, be
to be unfairly low The tract is emphatically a poor land-dry and thirsty.
The other settlement (Group I) is a matter of greater difficulty. Here, the bulk of the 37 villages, composing the group, were settled only 20 years ago. In this group, however, are Pandharpur and three other villages, settled 351 years ago. The above remarks about Group II apply equally to them. While, with reference to the remaining villaces, it must be remembered that, though the present prices of raw produce have not increased oh the prices, obtaining when these villages were settled, yet they have modoubtedly and matersally sncreased on the anticipated prices, on a conssderation

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- The sonsan wha good here pificer-not to a bede seeson, but partly to the more widely spread of obtaning those adranoes, introduced by Goverament in thas year
of whech thes revised settlement in $1872-73$ was made. By it four of the best situated villages were, in the first place, assess-
- See above Section 13, the low prices of the fonr years ending 1875-76

4 Page 293, Government Selection No. CL ed at a maximum rate of Re 1-4-0 and the remainder at one of $\operatorname{Re}$ 1-2-0. But in 1\% 75 these* rates were reducedt, because it appeared probable that praces would during the currency of the settlement range lower, than had been "anticipated" in 1872-73. The rates were accordingly reduced "(1) by lowering the maximum rates 2 anhas all round, and (2) by reducing the valuation of the poorer $\ddagger$ Government Selectimn soils." Government $\ddagger$ considered that, even "assumNo CL, page 143, Sections 8 ing that the average price for the future will be as to 12 hight one." There can further be no doubt, but that the prices, obtaining at the present time and hikely to obtan in the near future, are materially in excess of the prices, thus "anticipated" at the time of settlement Instead of the two §rates, fixed in the first place in 1872-73, one unform rate (Re. 1-4-0) is now proposed. This, surely, is not
§Re 1-4-0 and Re 1-2 0 otherwise than fair. Especially so, when the proposed Re 1-2-0 rate of Group II is taken into consideration Group I has decided advantages, it hes nearer the ralway and on the rallway side of the Bhima, it has the better climate. Agan, these rates appear to be equitable, on a comparison with those of the Government tálukas, lately settled, and strıkıngly low, when oompared with those IT obtaining in neighbouring native territory.
22. The assessment, increased to the extent now proposed, will still be fair. It will leave an ample margin to provide for the rise in the standard of comfort, that has undoubtedly taken place, and the further rise in the immediate future, that may confidently be looked for A margin, too, will remain to meet a possible fall in the future in the net profits of agriculture.
23. Before my arrivalin the district, my predecessor sent the Superintendent's report to Ráo Bahadur B. R. Heblikar and asked him to record his opinion of it This gentleman has, as Deputy Collector, been in revenue and magısterial charge of the táluka for the last four years Knowing it well, his
||Letter No 2, dated 5th mst opinion in the matter carries weight I enclose his $\|$ comments, and make a few remarks thereon.
24. He names, from Appendix B, the principal kinds of raw produce, and

Deputy Collector's letter, Section 5
** Underlined by me. gives the relativer proportion, in which each crop is grown He then writes. "Garden crops form a very small portion of the agricultural produce, and the profit, derived from husbandry, does not thus** seem appreciably to exceed the cost of cultivation and the bare manntenance of the cultivators" I am in doubt as to whether 1 understand this aright. As I read it, it means that (1) the lands in question yield "appreciably" no true rent and (2) he infers this to be the case, because conparatively little, beyond the ordinary dry-crop cereals, is grown. In other words, ordinary dry-crop cultivation heie is unremunerative. Comments by me are hardly called for.
"Though there has been," he continues, "some increase in the number of wells and budkis, it has not been commensurate with that in the outturn of valuable produce" I do not see the point of this, and would merely ask you to refer to my Section 4 above, that summarises the statistics, connected with irrigation Nor do I follow him in what he goes on to state But, even granted that the man use, to which wells are put to here, and the chief source of profit, looked for here from theirconstruction, are $\dagger+$ to save the dry-crops in years of scanty raiufall and consequent high prices, suroly, even then, they must add enormously to the pro-
security-nay prosperity-of the peasant-proprietor.
$\dagger \dagger$ Which is certanaly not the case
fits of cultivation and the security-nay prosperity-of the peasant-prepare

[^6]95. Here commente are made on the statsatics (from a material point of Saporntendent/s Sections 7 view), of the progress, and present condition, of the to. 10 táluka, given in Seation 15 of Mr. Pitt's report." These statistics do not, it is urged, bear out Mv. Pitt's conclusion that they "point to a gratifying increase in prosperity, in all important particulars." With reference to this I need, perhaps, only say that the statistics, given in Saction 15 of Mn. Pitt's report, are misleading to some extent. But much of what the Deputy Col, lecton says is obviously mapplicable to the statistics, given in Section 16 ; where the two gyoups of villages, settled at different dates, are separately dealt with.

26 The increase in the cost of cultivation is commented on. "It would 13. Saperntendent's Section appear," it is sand," "that the loss is hardly compensated for by the gan "- $e$, the rise in prices This surely cannot be held to be apphcable to Group II; where prices have doubled and, from a consideration of the net profits, of cultivation in which, safe conclusions, as to how both groups should now be dealt with, may be drawn.
27. The Deputy Collector considers the proposed rates to be "somewhat high." He admits apparently that the original rates Deputy's Section 15. have been farr for the term of settlement. About thisor, at all events, with reference to the question, as to whether they do not fall far short of the theoretical and *customary demands under the Peshwa's rule-there can be no doubt. What proportion of the true rent the original rates purport to represent, or do represent, there seems to be no means of discovering, Under native rule an assessment, equal to two-thirds of the true rent, was lookedt on as fair. While the Board of Drectors laid down $\ddagger$ that it was just to limit the demand to from 50 to 80 per oent. of the true rent. The assessments, now to be revised, must-even when introduced-have fallen far short of these estumates And now, when revised and enhanced, they will absorb even a smaller proportion of the

- Even after fall allowance is made for the former system of remisaions.
+ See Goverament Soleotion No CXVIII, page 65, Section 16. I cannot at this moment cite other authorities
$\ddagger$ Survey and Settlement Manunl, 1882 Section 17, page vi of the Appendux given at page 124. when introjuced. So they cannot, I submit, be looked true runt, than they did, when introiuced. So they cannot, I submit, be looked
on, in justice, as "somewhat high" The proposed settlement is more advantageous to the peasant-proprietor than the one, now in force. This is so, seeing that it is not proposed that Government should by any means exact to the full the present money-equivalent of the portion of the net raw produce, set apart, when the settlement now in force was made, as the State landlord's share of the true rent.

28. The Deputy Collector draws a comparisan between the proposed rates and those in force in the Sholápur and Hungund
Deputy's Sections 15 to 17. and those in force in the Sholapur and Hungund
these latten, however, it must be rememberf
d. were introduced some ten years ago, and, were the tálukas to be resettiled ed. Fere introduced some ten years ago, and, were the talukas to be resettled now, there is no doubt but that they (the rates) would be largely increased, Many curcumstances-especially when the interval of ten years is taken into con-sideration-render the comparison of little or no practical use. It is dufferent in the case of the neighbouring talukas, settled withn the last few years, A comparison of the revised rates, introduced into these talukas, and those, now proposed, goes far to prove the fairness of the latter.
29. The Deputy Collector writes of "s the scarcity of the last year and the
Depaty's Section $17 \quad$ partial failure of efops of the ourrent year." Were
this so, it would show that the present is hardly as fit year, in which to make an enhanced demand in the matter of the land-revenue But it, certainly, ss not so. I have lataly spent three weeks in the taluka; and made ample enquiries on the point. I find, thereon, that the orop here, last year, was a fair average crop ; the money-value of which was, of course, en, hanced by the scaroity in the neighbouring country to the south. The Mámlatdar is my ohief authonty for this. At the lato annual jamábandi, too, I enquired about this of the Patel and Kulkarni of each village; theur stataments were to the same effect. Indeed, I was assured by the officers of some eught villages that their orops had been 16 annas in the rupee' This means a full bumper crop. Such an admussion-damagng in their eyes, and foalshly simple-
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made officially in open Darbár, is unheard of, in the event of its relating to the current year. But, even with reference to the past years, it is everywhere looked on as an admission, directly opposed to the interests of the cultivator in his dealngs with Government; and, so, likely to be true. The crops of the present year have, on the 'other hand, pretty generally, been damaged by excessive rain. The crop is below the average; but the words "partial fallure" are not appls" cable to it
30. The Deputy Collector sums up by "recommending that the proposed rates may be somewhat reduced, so as to be proportion-
Depaty's Section 18 rates may be somewhat reduced, so as to be proportionrecommendation; and "leaves it" to "me "to determme what the rates and
system of grouping should finally be. "His recommendation, then, is of no practical use. With much of what the Deputy Collector writes, I altogether disagree I, however, see no sufficient reason for commenting further on his report

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\begin{aligned}
& \text { I have the honor to be, } \\
& \text { Sir, } \\
& \text { Your obedient Servant, } \\
& \text { J. FAIRLIE MUIR, } \\
& \text { Collector }
\end{aligned}
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No. 2

## From

To

> B. R. HEBLIKAR, EsquIre, District Deputy Collector, Sholápur ;
J. FAIRLIE MUIR, Esquirb, I. C. S, Collector of Sholápur.

Camp Pandharpur, 5th Januay y 1893.

## Sir,

With reference to your office No. 6048, dated the 4th ultimo, asking me to express my opimion on the revision proposals of the Pandharpur Taluka, I have the honor respectfully to submit as follows.

I have carefully gone through the proposals made by the Survey Department, and have made inquiries durng my tour in some parts of the taluka after the receipt of the report. The crrcumstances set forth in the report have been scrutinized with reference to the actual condition of the people and of the lands held by them. There can be no doubt about the correctness of the figures supplied by the Survey Department, but the question is whether they nevitably warrant the same conclusions as have been drawn by the Acting Superintendent of Revenue Survey. It would seem that it is quite possible that there may be a difference of opimon, and I beheve I would be doing my duty to anticipate all possible objections to enhancement of assessment and to submit them for such consideration of Government as they would seem to deserve. The two sides of the question will be thus before Government, and may be judged by the merits they severally possess.

Looking to the previous correspondence on the subject of the old assessment, the taluka of Pandharpur would appear to have been described as below in paragraph 2 of the report No. 229, dated 27th January 1857, submitted to Government by the Revenue Commissioner, Southern Division -
"Consideration mast be had to the aridty of the Pandharpur Taluka. The villages are poor, the produce rased 18 generally mferior, and the country 18 treeless and distant from large mariceta."

The description of the taluka, to be met with in the report dated 17th January 1867, from the then Superintendent of Revenue Survey to the Collector of Satarra, contamed in Appendix R, runs as follows --
"The clumate of this part of the Pandharpur Taluka is not, on the average, favourable to agriculture The fall of rann is both scanty and uncertann."

A comparison of the above with the description of the position and physical. features of the taluka, contanned in paragraph 8 of the report under consxderation, presents rather a striking and unaccountable contrast. The district in general is remarkable for its scanty and unseasonable rainfall, and the scartity to which it is frequently liable does not seem to support the view taken of the taluka by the Acting Superıntendent of Revenue Survey in paragraphs 8 and 9 . The average rainfall may probably be sufficient, but experience shows that it often proves ineffectual in consequence of unseasonable showers.

As regards crops grown in the tíluka, it will be seen from Appendix B that 592 per cent. of them consiste of jowarı and 88 of bajrı. Kardi 1896 and gram 42. Grass and fallow amount to 97 , and the rest is made up of mascellaneous kind of inferior grain. Cotton is only 09 and sugarcane 02 . Garden crops form a very small portion of the agricultural produce, and the profit derived from hushandry does not thus seem appreciably to exceed the cost of cultivation and the bare mantenance of the cultivators. Though there has been some increase in the number of wells and budkis, it has not been commensurate with that in the outturn of valuable produce. In fact, these waterworks seem to serve to save dry crops in years of scanty ranfall and to help to secure a little greater yield m ordıary years.

Appendx $C$ shows the activity of trade in the tract under consideration. There are, in all, only two market centres, the one is Pandharpur and the other Karkamb, in the north-west corner of the táluka. At Pandharpur, which is a place of great pilgrimage, the largest sale is that of groceries. These mostly consist of imports from other parts of the Presidency or the district, as also cloth and clothes The cultivating class is very little profited by these sales. It is only the dealings in grann with which the husbandmen of the táluka are in some way or other concerned. Even out of these rice has a greater sale than most of the other kinds of gram, and as this is very scantuly grown in the táluka (vide paragraph 32 and Appendix B) the cultivators of the tolluka can claim but little share of the profit. 'The same remarks apply to Kárkamb with greater or less force. The articles imported into the town are liable to octrol duty levied by the local Mumiripality, and are consumed almost entirely by the large number of pilgrims who flock to the town several times each year. Exports from the táluka are very few, and though the sales at Pandharpur appear, at first sight, to be enormous, they do not, in fact, represent the real activity of trade or the advance of prosperity. However, the principal grounds upon which the enhancement of assesspment is based are contaned in paragraph 15 of the report. The figures are intended to show steady increase in agricultural wealth during the time of the expired lease The population is shown to have moreased by 216 per cent. sunce the date of the last settlement, and houses by 145 'lhe only other remarkable figures of increase are those which represent agricultural cattle by 0.9 per cent. and wells and budkis by $53 \cdot 8$. The merease in carts by 766, or by 1695 per cent, is indeed abnormal.

A glance at the figures suppled for Sangola will show that the increase in population there has been 569 . The increase, therefore, in Pandharpur by 223 per cent. has been very slow, or even exceedingly below the normal, if it be correct. The houses have not increased in proportion to the population, nor the agricultural cattle. The increases in cows, buffaloes, \&c., and sheep are also evidently below the average. The wells and budkis have been and will be on the increase for evident reasons. The frequent fallures of rain have unavoidably driven the cultivators to supply the want of nature by artificial means, and the assistance graciously granted by Government, in the shape of tagai loans, have stimulated and faolitated the progress of these irrigational works. That they have been resorted to more as a means to save the crops from the danger of recurring droughts than as a source of profit, has already been explained. It thus becomes doubtful whether the morease should be readily accepted as an indica twon of the advance of prosperity. The increase in carts is evidently due partly to increased facilities of communcation and the construction of the Great Indian Peninsula and Southern Marátha Ralways at some distance from the borders of the taluka It would seem, from paragraph 37, that the area under cultuvation
has not increased in proportion to the increase in population, and the agriculturists, who were thus thrown out of employ, were necessarily constraned to have recourse to an equaplly unskilful means of subsistence, $i$ e. cart-driving. Looking to the total nerease in the number of carts, in the facilities of communication, and the vicinty ${ }^{\text {o }}$ of the two railway lines, it would appear that the increase is hardly beyonll what these circumstances would necessitate so as to give exclusive and distinct inducation of prosperity. Increase in irrigational works must have a beneficial influence upon the fortunes of agriculturists, but the progress is a good deal retarded by want of sufficient manure, which is essentially necessary to secure the utilization of water to the fullest extent. This want is alleged to be due to the exclusion of sheep and goats from forests, their number not having thereby mereased in proportion to the spread of irrigation.

As regards paragraph 15, it may be alleged that a pair of bullocks is not sufficient for the proper tillage of 26 acres, as has been stated in the report. This I can assert also from personal experience. The poorer the aonl, the greater is the labour required for fertilizing it. Two bullocks for 26 acres will be sufficient only where the sorl is black, wich and deep, and iree from weed. The soil of this táluka is hardly anywhere of this description, and so the conclusion 18 mevitable that there are not sufficient means at the disposal of the rayats to keep therr land in a proper state of cultivation so as to secure a profitable yield.

As regards grouping of villages mentioned in paragraph 16 of the report, it would seem no sufficient reasuns are given for reducing the number of groups. It may perhaps be for the sake of convemence, but it is evident that it is a distinct departure from the principle of the old classification made under the supervision of an officer of the Honourable Colonel Anderson's ability and experience. The present will be too much for the group of the last class under the old system of grouping. If the present grouping bas been done at least partly on the basis of the results, as shown by the figures in the two statements representing the prosperity of the inhabitants severally, it may be said that the statements in the several particulars are not free from inconsistencies or discrepancies. If the old grouping is not to be adhered to, it seems to be reasonable to reduce the present maximum so as to suit all cases.

The extent to which land is valued in this taluka can be ascertaned by a reference to Appendix $K^{1}$ and $K^{2}$ From this it appears that the lands in this táluka are not more valuable than they are in Sángola Excluding some extreme solitary cases, it would seem that the highest average sale rate is 66 times, and the same for which a land' is sublet is 7 times the assessment on such land In Sángola it is 64 and 8 times respectively. In other words, it would be to say that the land which is sold for Rs. 66 can be sublet for Rs. 7 , and the interest thus derived on the capital will be Rs. 10.6 per ceat, which is much below the rate of interest prevailing among cultivating classes, or even among persons of ordinary credit. In the cases cited, the assessment is 7 annas and 9 pies If this will be raised to Ro. 1-4, which is the maximum proposed, it will be nearly tripled, and the rate of interest will then be even less than 4 per cent, which will hardly be attractive to any man possessing superfluous money.

If the increase in prices is, as it surely is, any reason for enhancement of assessment, the fact that it has had the effect of sumultaneously enhancing the cost of hving may not be excluded from consideration. The absolute closure of forests against sheep and goats and the partial exclusion from them of other cattle haver by preventing their gradual incrense, dıminshed the quantity of manure, and thereby the productive power of the soll Add to this the more frequent fanlure of rann, and it would appear that the loss is hardly compensated by the gain It must, however, be admitted that the result would have been quite otherwise had the counteracting influences been not at work The problem is a difficult one, and seems to require a careful solution.

As regards the revenue history of the táluka, I do not thınk that it differs un any way from that of Sángola I beg, therefore, to quote the remarks made by me on the revision proposals of that táluka:-"The revenue history of the villages in the taluka evidently prove that there has hardly been any difficulty experienced in the collection of revenue during the last thurty years. The causes of this may be said to be more than one. They may to a certain extent be due
to the efficiency of the establishment entertained for the purpose of collecting revenue, and the conviction that the land, the only source of their mantenance, is not likely to return to their hands after it has once left them The increase in population has not been accompanied with a proportionate fiporease is the area under cultivation. The demand for land is thus greater, buid the profit is still the same, and distributed amongst a larger number. There wave of late undoubtedly cropped up some very favourable curcumstances, but the counteracting influences are not less or less strong."

Under the crrcumstances stated above, the rates proposed to be introduced in Pandharpur Táluka are, in my humble opinion, somewhat high, especially under the changed system of grouping, and I humbly think that this opinion may probably appear to be correct on a comparison with the settlement of some other neighbourıng tálukas These tálukas were, indeed, settled some tıme ago, but there has hardly cropped up any circumstances during the last ten years which would vituate any such comparison

The land of the neighbouring taluka of Sholdpur is much superior to that of Pandharpur, and the rainfall more seasonable and copious. It has also greater advantages of rallway communication, and possesses greater trade centres, mith a flourishing mill located in the very heart of it Besides other advantages creating a far greater activity in trade, it is endowed with the blessings of a large irrigational tank situated at a convement distance from all parts of the táluka The maxımum rate fixed for this táluka is Rs. 1-4-0, which is equal to that now proposed for the tract lying to the north of Pandharpur. It is in vain to expect that Pandharpur will ever be placed in such favourable circumstances, so it would seem that it is justily entitled to some difference, at least in rates.

The same opinion would seem to hold good even on a comparison of the circumstances of this taluka with those of Hungund in the neighbouring Bijápur District The description of that taluka given in paragraphs 8 to 13 of the report on the revision proposals of that táluka made in 1884 will show how superior is the land, how favourable are the seasons and the locations of the markets there. The maximum rate fixed for that táluka is also Rs 1-4-0. As regards the collection of revenue also, Pandharpur would seem to be entitled to a greater lenency after the scarcity of the last year and the partial failure of crops of the current year than Hungund was in 1884 Vide paragraph 4 of the Despatch from the Secretary of State No. 9, dated 28th February 1884, embodied in Government Resolution No 2726, dated 31st March 1884, contaned in the selection

In conclusion, I beg humbly to state that I may not, however, be understood to mean that there is any absolute objection to enhancement. It must be admitted that the nation must have prospered under the benign rule of a constitutional Government during a long tume of contmued peace and progress of knowledge. The whole drift of my report is only to place before Government the circumstances whioh the rayats would claim in their favour, and my personal experience of the táluka leads me to recommend that the proposed rates may be somewhat reduced so as to be proportionately unform everywhere, Under the circumstances which I have taken liberty to explan so far as my humble abinties could permit, I beg to leave it to you to determme what the rates and system of grouping should finally be fixed upon.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
B. R. HEBLIKAR,

District Deputy Collector.

From
E. C. OZANNE, Esquire, I C S , M R A C.,
Survey and Settlement Commissioner ;

To
The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT,
Revenue Department.
Kaira Distrects,
Camp Alindra, 2nd February 1893.

## Sir,

I have the honor to forward, through the Commissioner, C. D, the Revision Survey report of the Pandharpur Táluka, which is the last táluka of the Sholípur Collectorate to be dealt with by the Survey Department.
2. Mr. Muir, the Collector, has so exhaustively dealt with each point for decision that my remarks will be confined principally to the correction of some inaccuracies in the Superintendent's report and to the remarks made by the District Deputy Collector. Mr. Heblikar's report is submitted with the other papers.
3. In my remarks on Sángola, I showed the character and extent of the reclassification more fully than the Superintendent did. The remarks apply to the Pandharpur villages, and the effect is shown by the result of the revision in 2 villages, Nandora and Behálı (Nos 1 and 45 in Appendix Q) Nandora without any modification of maximum rate is lowered 3 per cent, and Beháli with an increased maximum of 2 annas is decreased 9 per cent Two causes combine-first the calculation of the give and take against better solls and for poorer solls, and secondly the reduction of garden assessments on old wells to a figure within the maximum dry-crop rate, with a view to relieve enterprise of a harmful check. The latter action explans the larger decrease in Beháli. These two examples serve to show the general effect throughout the villages for resettlement.
4. I agree with almost everything which has been said by $\mathbf{M r}$ Muir It is most satisfactory to have proof that the revision principles and action of the Survey Department can bear such keen, intelligent, and unbiassed criticism. Mr. Muir has pointed out that the present settlement is practically two-fold. As regards the villages Nos. 4 to 35 noclusive, in Mr Pitt's Appendix $Q$, the proposals amount to a second revision of the revision settlement introduced in 1872-73 and modified in 1875-76. As regards the other vallages, the proposals are for the revision of villages-settled by the Survey Department for the frst time at various periods. I support generally the grouping and the maximum rates proposed. They fit in with the rates already sanctioned for the surrounding talukas To the south, Sángola has been (subject to the sanction of Government) settled at a maximum of Re. 1-2-0 To the west, Málsiras was in 1890.91 settled at a maximum of Re. 1-4-0, to the north, Mádhe was rated in 1871-72 at Re 1-2-0 The recent action of the Survey Department would, therefore, call for the rates proposed by Mr. Pitt of only the dates of the above settlements are considered, but $I$ think that even more consideration than that adjudged necessary by Mr. Mur is due to the old Mádha villages (Appendıx Q, Nos. 4-35). To this point I will refer presently.
5. The statistacs, which will be presented to Government in print, are slightly different from those which were submitted for the consideration of the Collector, because Mr. Pitt has substituted a more correct Appendix (Appendix B) to show the statistics of cultivation. Appendices $F$ and $J$ have also been improved, and in future I trust that the statistical information shown in settlement reports will be brought up to the standard made possible by Symonds' revised Manual and the statistical record kept in the Agncultural Department. Mr. Heblikar was misled by the incompleteness of the crop statistics, as the Collector, Mr. Morsson, was misled when he passed on the Sángola report.

Mr Pitt shows the garden area at nearly 8,000 acres, but in his list of crops the area, under irrigation appeared so low that the District Deputy made the pre* sumption that the large increase in the number of wells was due, not to immediate desire to nncrease garden-crops, but to provide means for protection aganst
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Chillies ... figures; but the marginally noted figures are adequate to prove that the new wells have been made for immediate use. If these figures had been before Mr. Heblkar, he could not have made the remarks quoted by Mr Muir in his paragraph 24, nor would Mr. Muir have given weight to the supposition that wells are constructed chiefly to save the dry crops in years of scanty rainfall
6. Mr. Pitt, in his paragraph 7 has somewhat carelessly said that the area under rice has much decreased, because the district is unsuitable for its cultivation. It is true that only 25 acres (paragraph 6) have been classed as rice land and this led Mr. Heblikar to question Mr. Pitt's statement (Appendix C) that race is an rmportant article of trade in this taluka. The fact is that rice land is that which th utilizable for the growth of a rain crop of rice, and for such cultivation the rainfall is unsuitable but nearly 1,200 acres of rice irrigated from wells or canals are proved by Appendix $B$ to be grown.
7. Mr. Heblikar takes exception to the concluding remarks of Mr. Pıtt's 9th. paragraph as regards the climate and rainfall of Pandharpur, and quotes in support the remarks made by the late General (then Captain) Anderson (see page 34, Appendix $R$, paragxaph 2) Mr. Pitt's description is not as full as it ought to be, and he has been corrected by the Collector; for undoubtedly the rainfall, though on the average sufficient, is most precarious and uncertain (Mr. Mur's paragraph 6). However, Mr Heblikar's quotation is not justified, for Captain Anderson's remark quoted refers to what is now the Sángola Taluka, and in his report on the villages which still belong to Pandharpur, (Appendix K, pages 38, 39), he shows that the ranfall of Pandharpur is slightly better than that of what is now Sángola.
8. Mr. Heblikar thinks that the statistics prove that plough cattle are insufficient. He does not believe that one pair can cultivate 26 acres. The broad explanation is that given by the Collector quoted from my remarks in the Statistical Atlas that the great fault of the rayats of Pandharpur and of Sholapur generally is the disastrous tendency of keeping more land than they can cultivate thoroughly. They do this, because in years of favourable rainfall a large outturn is secured with very little labour, and in bad years they hope for remission. I beheve, then, that it is true that the people cannot cultivate properly the land they hold, not only because they keep too few cattle, but because the average area is often beyond their means of proper tillage. The remedy is not altogether an increased number of cattle, but rather a decreased 'area of occupation with the same cattle. On this subject the Collector has made a close study. There is a great deal of trath in his conclusions. I may add with advantage some important comparisons, which go far to explain the apparent and perhaps to some extent real deficiency of plough cattle Whule there are only 9 head of plough cattle per 100 acres of cropped land in the Sholapur District as compared with the average of 11 for the whole Deccan, the proportion of plough cattle in Sholapur per 100 head of agricultural population is no less than 45 , or 6 above the Deccan average. In other words, while the Sholápuf rayats own more plough anmals than those of other districts of the Deccan in proportion to the number of rayats, yet owing in places to the lightness of their land which is seldom ploughed, but sown after a quick harrowng, and all over the district as theur custom of tilling or pretending to till, however badly, as large an area as they can get hold of, they can manage with fower cattle than other Deccanis.

[^7]9. Mr Heblikar thinks that the assessments proposed might be lowered, because they are excessive when compared with the maximum rates of the Sholápur Taluka and the Hungund Taluka of Bijápur. The comparison with Hungund is quite beside the question, for Hungund has a rewarkably good rainfall compared with other tallukas of Bijápur, and with Pandharpur Agann, the masımum rate of SLolápur was fixed as far back as 1872.

10 I now revert to the general proposals made by Mr. Pitt I agree with the Collector that Mr Pitt's remark (paragraph 29, clause 2) that the prices of agricultural produce have doubled, only refers to the villages settled in 1856-57, and that Mr Pitt ought most certamly to have shown that his remark does not apply to the old Mádha villages revised in 1872-73
11. It is with regard to these villages only that I have any doubt as far as the justification of the proposed settlement is concerned. Then history is given on pages $43-57$ of Appendix R. They formerly belonged to the Mohol and Mádha tálukas, and were transferred to Pandharpur Táluka in 1866. The term for which the original rates were guaranteed expired at the same time as that of the villages of the Mádha Táluka, and accordingly revised rates were introduced into them in 1872-73. The result was an increase of 76 per cent in the revenue demand, but on reconsideration the demand was lowered in 1875-76, reducing the increase to 46 per cent Of this increase 8 per cent was due to increased occupation. In the year after the first revision, 140 acres of waste were occupied, but in 1874-75, 365 acres were forferted for arrears of revenue Then came the fumine Nominally the occupied area remained unaltered, but many occupants had died or migrated After the tamine came the rat plague in 1879-80 It was not till 1880-81 that detaled enquiry into arrears was completed These enquiries led to the nominal forferture of considerable areas abandoned by the holders, and to the resignation of much land by impoverished occupants on the condition of their receiving remission of the outstandings still recorded against them Besides this under the orders of Government Resolution No 5353 of 16 th September 1876 the modified assessment of 1875-76 was further modified by reduction in all cases of excess of 125 per cent

The net result of lowering of rates and decreased occupation was a decrease in the standard assessment from Rs 62,142 in 1874-75 to Rs. 45,907 in 1880-81 (see Appendix $\mathrm{O}^{4}$ )

The remissions of 1872-73 were on account of the difference between the old and revised assessments remitted as the standing rule on the matter required, Those of 1874-75 were authorized by Government Resolution No. 652, dated 2nd February 1875. Those of the next following years were due to the famine and the rat plague chiefly. Mr Pitt does not explain the large remission of 1882-83. It was granted under the orders of Goverament Resolution No. 2468, dated 3rd May 1881, "strictly as an occasional gift to the rayats and not in any way as a reconsideration or reduction of the revised assessments." Though the remission was made in 1882-83, it was calculated on the two previous years also under the conditions of the gift which was made" with regard to the after effects of the famine and the then low range of prices of agricultural produce, to give the agriculturists some temporary relief from the enhancements of the land revenue on revision." This gift was not confined to the villages uvder consideration, but
was extended to all tracts anto which a revision survey settlement had been introduced

This is the history of the vallages for which I clam special treatment Even after the reductions in 1875-76 the enhancements were very considerable It is only 20 years since these enhancements were introduced, and I do not think it right to recommend a rating now at Re 1-4-0 without some reservation The enhancements now proposed for these villages amount, on the average, to 33 per cent. and in some of the villages to 40 per cent. In many cases the two enhancements together would reach 100 per cent. I cannot assert that all that Mr Mur and Mr Pitt urge do not justify their beng rated at Re 1-4, but because they have enjoyed the comparatively low assessment of the first revision for only 18 years, and because therr revenue history is not good, and because prices have not increased since they were settled, they must, I think, be exceptionally dealt with.
12. I venture to propose that these villages be kept in the group where now placed, but that the maximum rate be fixed for the first 15 years of the lease at Re. 1-2, to be then raised on a special report from the Collector to Re. 1-4 if the course of prices and the revenue history of the villages justrify such action. $\mathrm{O}^{4}$, which in paragraph 27, should, I think, have made special comment on Appendix $0^{4}$, which gives the revenue history of these villages The outstanding balances shown in column 17 and the remissions shown in column 18 disclose a revenue history not favourable as compared with that of the other groups of villages.
13. With this reservation I pass on the papers without further comment, except that I do not think that villages Nos 36 and 37 of Appendux Q. need any special treatment beyond the usual concession granted in all revisions to individual occupants the assessment on whose occupancies is enhanced above 25 per cent. These two villages have long enjoyed a very low assessment. One is a market town, and the other adjoins the large market of Pandharpur

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient Servant, E $\dot{\text { C }}$ OZANNE, Survey and Settlement Commissioner.

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Submutted to Government.
2. These papers deal with the proposals for the revision settlement of the 78 villages that constitute the Pundharpur Taluka; 24 of them were settled for the first tume in 1857-58, 20 in 1856-57, 1 in 1865-66, 1 in 1879-80, and the remaining 32 were settled a second tıme in 1872-73; and the present proposals, therefore, involve a second settlement in the case of 46, and a third settlement in the case of 32 villages.
3. Regular remeasurement has been made in the case of those villages only that were to be settled a second time. The figures embodied in paragraph 3 of the Superintendent's report show that the difference in the old and the new measurements exceeds 15 per cent. in the case of only 80 out of a total of 8,101 old numbers; and that in only 16 out of the 80 cases was the difference due to mistakes in old work, -a result which cannot but be regarded as very satisfactory.
4. The old classification has in no case been interfered with, except where the oharaoter of the soll has presumably altered owing to the utilization of water obtaned from streans during the currency of the settlement. The proportion of area reclassed in this manner, to the total area, is as 0.5 to 100 acres.
5. The Statistical Atlas of the Bombay Presidency shows that the Pandharpur Táluka hes within the area defined as "very liable to famine." The average raufall is, indeed, 2773 inches; but it is uncertain and ill distributed. Aganst this natural disadvantage, however, must be set off the facilitues for well-irngation whoh exist in consequence of the water-leval being not very low.
6. The soll is generally rather poor, and capable of producing mostly only jowár, bajjri and kardal; wheat and cotton are grown to a very inappreciable extent.
7. In the matter of communications, the taluka, and more especially that portion of it which hes to the north of the niver Bhime, fares much better than
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an average eastern taluka in the Central Division ; the railway to the north, running east and west, is easily accessible at Bársi Road and Mohol; and both these places communicate by muramed roads with the town of Pandharpur, to which simlar roads from almost all directions converge,-evidently owing to its position as an important trade and pilgrim centre.
8. The statistics furnished by the Superintendent of Survey regarding population, houses, agricultural cattle, carts and wells, if taken for the entre táluka, indicate a far advance in material prosperity. But when taken for each of the two groups into which the táluka is proposed to be divided, they show that the first group has not only farled to advance perceptibly, but has apparently receded in several respects. And the effect of this unfavourable deduction is heightened, when it is considered that the figures of population under the first group, which show an apparent increase of 184 per cent. (paragraph 16 of Mr Pitt's report), include the large population of the town of Pandharpur itself and the village of Gopalpur, which, as they were not, Like other villages in the first group, resettled in 1872-73, should be excluded for the sake of comparison. If these two villages are excluded, the result indicates a decrease, in place of an increase (see totals of column 9, Appendix $D^{2}$ ). On the other hand it should be remembered that the circumstances in the case of the first group embrace a period of only 20 years, whle in the case of the second group they cover a period of no less than 35 years.
9. The figures supplied in Appendix $N$ show that the prices of jowárı and bajri in 1856-57 were respectively 46 and 39 seers per rupee; that in 1872-73 they were respectively 33 seers and 28 seers per rupee; and that at present they are respectively 32 seers and 20 seers per rupee. So, the rise, as far as the first group goes, appears to be almost nal in the case of jowarr, and to amount to 28 per cent. in the case of bajri, while as regards the second group, the rise in the price of jowárı appears to be 30 per cent, and that in the price of bájri nearly 100 per cent.
10. The revenue history of the táluka shows that cultivation has steadily advanced during the currency of the existing settlement, that remissions and outstanding balances have, except during the famine period commencing in 1876, been rather the exception than the rule; and that the recovery of the assessment has been effected without resort to any real pressure. Comparing the revenue lustory of group No I with that of group No II,-the former deduced from Appendix $\mathrm{O}^{4}$ and the latter from Appendices $\mathrm{O}^{1}, \mathrm{O}^{2}, \mathrm{O}^{3}$,-there does not seem to be much striking difference, if the decade commencing with the year 1872-73 and ending with the year 1881-82 is left out of consideration It is during this period that the revised rates were introduced in the case of the first group; and they were subsequently lowered in consequence of pressing too hard on the rayats; also, large remissions were granted, under Government Resolution No. 2468 dated 3rd May 1881, as a corrective against the after effects of the famine. These causes, which tend to show the revenue history of group No. I in an unfavorable light, have been absent in the case of group No. II, which, therefore, presents more encouraging figures for the period from 1872-73 to 1881-82
11. In paragraph 18 of his report Mr. Pitt has subjoined a statement to show the decimating influence of the famine on population and live stock, and the extent to which the lost ground has been recovered during the subsequent years; but it is a pity that he has not supplied separate figures for each of the two groups, which practically constitute distinct territorial units for purposes of comparison.

12 The general conclusions to be drawn from the statistics taken as a whole are, that improvement has no doubt taken place in the condition of the agricultural population of the tract under consideration, but that the visible signs from which such improvement can be demonstrated are not so clearly marked in the case of group No. I as in the case of the other group; that no really substantial increase in the existing assessments would be justified in the case of either group; and that special caution is necessary in dealing with group No. I, which has already had the experience of being subjected to rates which it was afterwards found necessary to reduce to a considerable extent.
23. The present and the proposed rates are as shown in the subjoined table -

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| I | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 4 & 0\end{array}$ | 1 | I | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 4 & 0\end{array}$ | 37 |
| II | 1200 | 6 | II | 120 | 41 |
| III | 100 | 36 |  |  |  |
| IV | 0150 | 20 |  |  | 78 |
| V | 0140 | 11 |  |  |  |
| VI | 0120 | 4 |  |  |  |
|  |  | 78 |  |  |  |

14. As regards the proposed group No. II, there is no difference of opinion that the rate proposed is suitable. The objections taken by the District Deputy Collector are more or less vague, and have been sufficiently answered by the Collector and the Survey and Settlement Commissioner. And the Acting Commissioner, C D., fails to see much, if anything, in them, that could not be equally urged against the revision settlement proposals for any other táluka for which rates have already been approved and sanctioned by Government.
15. The case of group No. I, however, appears to be somewhat differentThe existing rates in this group were introduced 20 years ago; and passing through the test of famme and temporary reductions, they took nearly ten years to settle down. The material improvement is not very marked. And, to adopt Mr. Pitt's proposals for this group, would be to increase the existing rate by 2 annas in 6 villages and by 5 annas in 2 villages. An ipcrease such as this seems scarcely warranted by the circumstances of the case. And the Acting Commissioner, CD., is inclined to agree with Mr. Ozanne that the whole táluka should be treated as one group with a maximum rate of Re, 1-2-0. This would still give an increase in the case of 30 villages, and it seems high enough for all practical purposes. If the loss of revenue arising from the adoption of this proposal be not considered too serious, the undersigned would not even propose, as Mr Ozanne does, that the rates should be reconsidered with a view to enhancement after a period of fifteen years; for, too frequent revisions are only calculated to unsettle the minds of the rayats
16. With these remarks, the Acting Commissioner, C. D, submits Mr. Pitt's proposals, with the modnfications suggested by Mr. Ozanne and by himself, for the approval and sanction of Governuent.
J. F. FLEET, Actıng Commissioner, C. D.

No 2577 of 1893.
Revenue Department.
Bombay Castlo, 12th April 1895.

## Memorandom.

The undersigned presents compluments to the Survey Commissioner and Director of Land Reoords and Agriculture, and with reference to that officer's letter No. 335, dated 2nd February 1893, submitting proposals for the revision settlement of the Pandharpur Taluka of the Sholśpur Collectorate, is durected to observe that in the 32 villages of the poposed group I, which were resettled
in 1872-73, two changes were made by the orders passed in Government Resolution No. 5133, dated 9th September 1875, viz.:-
(1) The maximum rates were reduced by two annas for each group; and

The following is the scale alluded to Classufication scale annas

(2) The anna classification value of inferior soils was reduced according to the scale adopted in the case of the Mádha Táluka.

It is stated in paragraph 4 of Mr. Pitt's report No. 1760, dated 28th November 1892, that the old classification has been accepted as it stood, for the purposes of the present settlement. It is not, however, clear from this statement whether in the case of the villages above referred to, the classification reduced in accordance with the orders quoted above is meant, or the field classification of 1872-73, and whether the comparative figures of the present and proposod assessments, given in paragraph 34 of the report and in Appendix Q thereto, are worked out on the basis of the reduced classefication Mr. Ozanne is, therefore, requested to be so good as to furnish Government with information on these points.
2. Mr. Ozanne is also requested to state how the village of Nandora comes to have a maximum rate of Re. 1-4-0 all to itself. It 18 apparently the village referred to in paragraph 2 of the report as having been settled in 1865-66, no data beng forthcoming as to the authority for its settlement. It is not understood how, in the absence of information as to the settlement, it is known whether the guarantee has expired.

3 It is observed that the villages of the Málsiras Táluka, which adjoin the Pandharpur Taluka, are noted on the map appended to the present report as subject to a maximum rate of Re. 1-4-0. Mr. Ozanne is requested to state, for the information of Government, whether there is anything in the curcumstances of these villages which rendered them capable of bearng a higher rate than would be suitable for the Mádha villages included in the present Pandharpur Táluka.

W. L. HARVEY, Under Secretary to Government.

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## From

> THE SURVEY COMMISSIONER AND DIRECTOR, LAND
> RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE;

## To

> THB CHIEF SECRETARY To GOVERNMENT,

# Revenue Department. 

Poona, 17 th April 1893.

## Sir,

In reply to the Under Secretary's memorandum No. 2577, dated the 12th instant, on reference to the Superntendent, I have satasfied myself that the "old classification" referred to by Mr. Pitt is the classification reduced by the orders of 1875.
2. Nándora was inám. It lapsed in 1863-64 and was settled in 1865-66. Arrangements had been made before the death of the Inámdár to introduce a settlement, and according to the usual custom, if the village had remained inam, it would have been rated slightly above surrounding khalsa villages. It seems to have been rated on these considerations, though when settled it had actually become khalsa. No guarantee was given, and the lease is, in accordance with the principle ladd down in Rule 89, clause 2 of the Land Revenue Code, to be considered to determine with that of the other villages of the taluka.
3. As regards the point raised in the 3rd paragraph of the memorandum, I have expressed my opinion that the same maximum rate as that applied to the Málsiras villages should be appled to the old Mádha villages of Pandharpur, advocating relaxation in the case of the old Madha villages for special reasons. These old Mádha villages were in 1872 (see Pandharpur revision compilation, Appendux R, pages 43 to 56) proposed for revision, though at the tume they belonged to Pandharpur. This was unusual. The usual course would have been to leave theur revision to be effected with the remainder of the Pandharpur villages. These facts taken as supplementary to the facts recorded in my remarks on the proposed Pandharpur revision, seem to afford a strong justafication for the special treatment which I have advocated. The sumplest manner of carrying out what I have suggested will be, I think, to rate the villages at Re $1-4-0$, but to allow a remussion of the difference between the assessment based on that maximum and that based on a maximum of Re. 1-2-0, the remission to cease on special report of the Collector as already suggested. As I have already said, I do not see any reason to recommend special treatment for villages Nos. 1 to 3 and 36 and 37 in Mr. Pitt's Appendix Q.

> I have the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
> E. C. OZANNE, Survey Commissioner and Director, Land Records and Agriculture.

No. 3208 or 1893.

Revenue Department.<br>Bombay Castle, Srd May 1898.

Returned to the Survey Commissioner and Director of Land Records and Agriculture.
2. The main question for decision in these papers is the treatment of Group I. The Collector commences his report by expressing his full concurrence in the proposals of the Acting Superintendent, Mr. Pıtt, which, so far as Group I is concerned, involve 'the immediate and permanent apphcation of a maximum rate of Re, 1-4-0 to the whole group, and he goes on to state and confute the apparent objecions to that course.

The Surrey Commissioner and the Commissioner, C. D., however, express doubts as to the propriety of applying so high a rate, at any rate at first, to this group, mainly on the grounds-
(1) that the old Madha villages, of which it is almost entirely composed, had enjoyed the comparatively low assessment of the first revision for only 18 years;
(2) that their revenue history is not good ; and
(3) that prices have not incressed since they were settled.
3. As regards (1), His Excellency the Governor in Conncil, as at present advised, considers that the villages which have had the benefit of 18 years of a comparatavely low rension assassment, in addition to a full term of 30 years ${ }^{2}$

[^8]enjoyment of still lower original rates, are at an advantage rather than otherwise as compared with the villages which ate now being revised for the first time after enjoyment of low rates for 35 years only

The former were in 1875-76 in the same position as the latter are in now, and it does not appear that the fact that the original rates were enhanced to a moderate extent 18 years ago, is of itself a reason for applying to them now any lower rates than would have been appropriate of the revision had been deferred till the rest of the taluka fell in for resettlement The effect of the arrangement has been practically to give them the benefit of a gradual, instead of a sudden, merease.
4. As regards the question of revenue hustory, the Commissioner, C D., Mr Fleet, points out in paragraph 10 of his memorandum No $\frac{\mathrm{R}}{\mathrm{y} 2 \mathrm{~g}}$, dated 8th March 1893, that apart from the decade 1872-73 to 1881-82, which inctudes the famine and the period during which Group I was subject to rates which were afterwards found to be too high and were reduced, the revenue history of the two groups is almost equally favourable Any remissions and outstandings directly resulting from-
(1) the introduction of revised rates in 1872-73, and
(2) the reduction of those rates in 1875-76,
should apparently be left out of account in comparing the two groups
But as regards the remissions connected with the famme and sulusequent rat and other plagues, unless as a matter of fact the villages of Group I were more severely afected by these masfortunes than those in Group II, there should apparently have been no greater need for remissions or suspensions, apart from the comparative incidence of the assessment, in one case than in the other
5. In this connection Government desure to know whether in the comparative statistics for the two groups given at paragraph 16 of Mr Pitt's settlement report, the figures in column 2, headed "at first settlement," relate, in the case of Group I, to the year of the revision settlement 1872-73 or to the date of the original settlement, $\imath e$ presumably 1842-43 or thereabouts-that is, whether columns 4 and 5 represent the progress of the group during a period of 20 years or of 50 It is also not understood how the statement in paragraph 11 of Mr Mur's remarks, that in Group I, agricultural cattle have in 20 years actually decreased by 06 per cent, and in Group II mereased in $35 \frac{1}{2}$ years by only $2 \tilde{5}$ per cent, is to be reconciled with the figures in Mr Pitt's statements above referred to, which show an merease of 3 per cent in Group I and 18 per cent. in Group II
6. With regard to the question of prices, the remanks made in paragraph 21 of Mr Mur's memorandum No. 329, dated 27th January 1893, seem to be very much to the point From the statement given at page 20 of Government Selection No. CL, New Series, relating to the revision of the rates in the old Mádha and several other tálukas in the Sholápur District, it appears that between $1863-64$ and $1868-69$ prices had fallen from 16 to 26 sers tor jowár and from 14 to 23 for bajri, and it was apparently assumed that the bottom had been touched when the revision proposals were made But prices continued to fall till 1875-76, and it was consequently found necessary to reduce the rates. But they have now risen again to very much the level at which they stood in 1868-69, and so far as it is possible to foresee, they are not likely to fall again, so that, so far as the argument founded on prices goes, there is no reason why the rates should not be at least restored to the level of the settlement of 1872-73 The effect of the reductions was to lower the assessment then fixed by about 30 per cent., and the eftect of applying Mr Pitt's rate of Re. 1-4-0 all round would apparently be to rase the total assessment in about the same proportion

7 On consideration of these crrcumstances it appears to His Excellency the Governor in Councl that the reasons for treating Group I specially are not conclusive, and $H_{1 s}$ Excellency is not aware of any particular reason why, if the rates of Re. 1-4-0 and Re 1-3-0 sanctioned so recently as in 1891.92 for the
vullages of the Málsiras Táluka, which adjoin Groups I and II are suitable there, a lower rate should be necessary in Group I of Pandharpur.

8 The undersigned is durected to request that Mr Ozanne will be good enough to, report further through the Commissioner, C. D., on the points raised above

> W $=W_{z}$ HARVEY, Under Secretary to Government. No. $\frac{8}{1287}$ of 1893.

Mahábaleshvar, $\frac{18}{20}$ th May 1898.
The Survey Commissioner, in reporting as directed in memorandum No 3208, dated the 3rd instant, from Government, has the honour to reply to the questions asked in paragraph 5 as follows -

The statements in Mr. Pitt's paragraph 16 are summaries of the Appendices noted in the margin of his 15th paragraph, a reference to which shows that the progress is reviewed, in the case of the old Madha villages, for only 20 years.

The figures of Mr Mur's 11th paragraph are based on the statistics submutted by the Superintendent, but these were afterwads amended. Thas was explained in paragraph 5 of the undersigned's remarks reviewing the report. The stock figures are not accurate, though the old figures of 1856 are more inaccurate than those of recent years. The present statistical forms endeavour to collect information under more careful sub-divisions, dustingushing between full grown and young anımals, for instance; therefore a close comparison cannot be made. Thus is unsatisfactory, but noavoidable.

2 The undersigned seems to be called on to comment on the other paragraphs of the Government memorandum.

In paragraph 3 it is stated that the old Mádhs villages have, as compared with the other villages of Pandharpur, rather benefited than otherwise by the revision of 1872-73, followed by the re-revision now; in that they will be revised in two instalments, and will be saved from one sudden enhancement. But it should be noticed that between the 30 years of very low rates and the 18 years of rather higher, but still moderate rates, two years of excessively high rates intervened Though in comparison with the other Pandharpur villages, they have had an advantage, a comparison should also be made with the rest of the old Mádha villages, with which they were originally settled, and which are still to enjoy for 10 years the rates then fixed But for the accident of a territorial change they would still have the claim to the contnnuance for a considerable period of those rates, and it is on this with other grounds that special consideration was claumed for them.

3 In paragraph 4, Government appears to admit that the course proposed by the undersigned with respect to the old Mádha villages would be justhfied if it could be shown that they were more severely affected by the famme and rat plague than the other villages of the talluka. It cannot be said, on the information at hand, that the famine was unusually severe in them. It may or may not have been so ; but in that they were paying heavier taxation, they were at a disudvantage which is proved by the larger outstandings, and the larger remussions necessitated; and also by the larger falling off in the standard assessment, and concurrent increase in unoccupied waste, i $e$ land thrown out of cultivation by poverty, one of the elements of which, though a small one, was the comparatively heaver assessment. The comparative figures are as follows :-

In the old Madha villages in the years 1876-77 to 1881-82, the outstandings were $22 \cdot 2$, and the remussions 8 per cent. on the standard assessment, while in the other villages of the tsiluka, the figures were respectively 158 and 64 per cent. The standard assessment fell 92 per cent, as against a fall of only 43 per cent.,
while the land thrown up amounted to 12 per cent, in the Mádha villages, but only to 63 per cent. in the rest. The remissions and outstandings considered in this comparison exclude those which are specified in paragraph 4 of the Government memorandum. It was on the consideration of these and other features exhibited by the revenue history that the undersigned came to the conclusion that the hastory of the old Madha villages was unfavourable, and called for special treatment at this re-reyision.

4 In paragraph 6 the question of prices is considered. The undersigned does not think that it can be held that prices will not fall. The detailed figures of Appendix $N$ show the prices of the years just before 1872-73 comparatively higher than those of the last.three or four years, especially in the Sholspur market, and higher or as high', as in the last year (1890-91). The contention of the undersigned is that there has not been a rise to justify the proposals mode by the Superntendent. The Government memorandum sums up thus on the question of prices.-"So 'far as the agreement on prices goes, there is no reason why the rates should not, be at least restored to the level of the settlement of 1872-73." In that year the rate fixed was Re 1-2-0, and that is the rate advocated for 15 years of the new lease. Even with that rate there would be a faur enhancement due to the imposition of the position class.

5 The undersigned did not submit the proposals for Málsiras, but he does not think that because those rates were sanctioned, it follows that the same rates should necessarily be applied to Pandharpur. Nevertheless for other reasons the undersigned does think that Re 1-4-0 is the right maximum for the old Mádha villages All that he proposes is that for special reasons the imposition of that maximum should be deferred for some years. It seems necessary agan to urge that this concession is only asked for the 32 old Mádha villages.
6. The Survey Commissioner trusts that he has not commented on the opinions contained in the Government memorandum with too great freedom. He has read his orders as orders to scrutinize the opinions provisionally expressed freely, so that Government may arrive at a just decision.

## E. C. OZANNE,

Survey Commissıoner and Director, - Land Records and Agnculture.

Through the Commissioner, C.D.

No. $\frac{\mathrm{R}}{2283}$ of 1893.
Revenue Department.
Poona, Srd June 1893.
Forwarded The Commissioner in charge C. D. is still disposed to consider that group No. I requires special treatment and sees no reason to withdraw the recommendation he has made in paragraph 15 of his previous forwardng memorandum.

J. F. FLEET,<br>Commissioner in charge C. D-

# Revenue Survcy and Assesgment : Revison survey settlement of the P'ondharpur Tilluka of the Sholápur Destrict 



Memorandum from the Commissioner, C D, No. R.-1271, dated 28rd March 1893-Submitting, in continuation of the"above, one No. 724, dated 18th adem, from the Survey and Settlement Commissioner, togetheawith a letter No 520, dated 11 th February 1893, from the Collector of Sholdpur, wha forwards petitions of objections to the proposed revised rates.

Letter from the Survey Commissioner and Director of Land Records and Agriculture, No. S.-989, dated 17th April 1898-Furnishing the information called for in Government memorandum No 2577, dated 12th idem
Memorandum from the Commssioner, C. D, No m.-2282, dated 3rd June 1893-Submitting, with reference to Government memorandum No. 3208, dated 3rd May 1893, one from the Sarvey Commissioner and Director of Land Records and Agricultare, No s 1237, dated 18th Idem

Resolution.-These papers contain proposals for the revision settlement of the 78 Government villages of the Pandharpur Taluka of Sholapur. Of these 44 were settled between 1856 and 1858, 32 in 1872-73, 1 in 1865-66 and 1 in 1879-80. Revision measurement operations were carried out in 46 villages: the measurement of the remanning 32 had already been. revised in 1872-73 The classification was done on the partial system usually adopted in Deccan sottlements.
2. The history of the talluka during the current settlements has been very satisfactory. The number of mulch cattle, of carts, and of wells and budkis has increased very largely; that of agricultural cattle has only slightly increased, but Mr Muyr has shown that there are enough, though the tendoncy of the Deccan rayat to cultivate as much land as possible makes the proportion of acres of occupied land to bullocks seem somewhat large. The taluka is very well off in the matter of communications, and the large market of Pandharpur, situated in its centre, offers great facilities for the disposal of surplus produce After the famine years large remissuons were in some cases necessary, but the revenue hustory has been on the whole very satisfactory; the revenue has been collected without apprecablel pressure, and"there can be no doubt that the existing assessments are very light In viow of the above curcumstances, and of the general rise in prices, His Exöellency in Council is of opinon that a moderate increase is fully justified
3. Under the existing \$ettlement there were six groups. The relative situations and advantages of the different villages do not, however, require such variations to be perpetuated The taluka is naturally divided by the river Bhima into two groups, and the Superintendent proposes to adopt the river as the boundary, with the addition of the market town and the adjacent village of Gopalpur to the fint group. Hes proposals in this raspect are approved.
4. The rates proposed wre for the first group a dry-crop maxamum of Re. 1-4-0 and for the second one of Re. 1-8-0, the villages lying north of the Bhuma beung better off in the matter of olimate and ramfall, and being nearer the railway than those on the south side. The Collector, who has carefully analysed the Superintendent's proposals, supports them in detall. The Survey Commissionar and Diructor of Land Records and Agriculture, however, rocommends

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that the old Mádha vullages, which were settled in 1872-73 and have therofore enjoyed the low revision settlement for a shorter pernod than the other villages, should be specially treated, and thatowhale they should be kept in the first group, a maxumum dry-crop rate of Re. 1-2-0 only should be applied for the first 15 years of the lease, and that the remission should, then cease on a special report from the Colleetor, if the course of prices and the revenue history of the villages justrfy such action. The Compussioner, C. D, is of opinion that the whole táluka should be treated as one group, but Mr, Ozanne's proposals appear to meet the case fully and should be carried out."

5. The area of land classed as under rice is very small, and a maximum fate of Rs, 6 is proposed. Motasthal has been treated in the usual way, and patasthal, the area of which is limited, has been put under the ordmary maxin mum of Rs. 8
6. The rates as proposed by the Supermtendent, with the modufications recommended by the Survey Commissioner and Director of Land Records and Agriculture, should be introduced during the current year and guaranteed for 30 years. The petitions which have been received do not disclose any reasons for further altering the rates.


To
The Commissioner, C. D.,
The Collector of Sholspur (with the petitions of objections),
The Survey Commissioner and Director of Land Records and Agriculture,
The Accountant General,
The Public Works Department of the Secretariat $]$

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From

H. L PAINTER, Esquire, I. O. S.,<br>Assistant Collector, Sholápur;

To
THE COLLECTOR OF SHOLAPUR
Sholápur, $29 t h$ July, 1903.

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\mathrm{Sir}_{\text {, }}
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Introduction.-I have the honour to submit, for the consideration of Government, proposals for the second revision settlement of the Barsi Taluka, consisting of 118 Government and 5 inam villages, the guarantee of which expired on 81st July, 1902. Government in thear Resolution No. 2235, dated 31st December, 1900, directed that settlement reports should, owing to the recent succession of bad years, not be submitted to them until 1904.
2. The taluka having, naturally, many broad features in common with Sholapur, on which I have reported at length, I propose to avoid recapitulation, and shall, génerally speaking, confine my remarks to matters which are peculiar to Bársi.
3. Authorities for current settlement.-The authorities for the current settlements are Government Resolutions No. 1013, dated 28th February 1873, and 5875, dated 19th October 1875, in the case of 111 villages (one of which, Tandulvadi Gorn, has since been transferred under Government Resolution No. 3171, dated 23rd June 1874, to the Mádha Táluka), and the marginally noted orders in the case of the remainder, (1) dealing with 8 inám villages (Sávargaon, Kalambvádı and
(1) Government Gasette of

1874, Part I, page 530
(2) Government Rosolution No. 3171, dated 23rd June 1874.
(3) Government Resolutrion No. 1896, dated 18th Maroh 1892. Umbarge) subsequently lapsed to Government, (2) with Tadval pragase Dhoki and $\nabla$ ághol, and (3) with Ghanegaon, Kálegaon and Gulpoln,
4. Description of Táluka.-The Bársi Táluka is detached from the rest of the Sholapur District, though only a few miles distant from the north of the Sholápur and the east of the Mádha Tálukas, by Hyderabad territory, which surrounds it save where it is conterminous with one Sholapur village, itself 150lated from the táluka to which it belongs. The táluka 1s, generally speakıng, compact, but there is a separate group of three Bársi villages lying in Nizám's territory some miles to the east and one village similarly situated to the northwest of the mann body. The taluka 13 traversed by several streams, which mostly dry up in the hot weather, and has no rivers properly so called. The banks of some of the streams in the south-east corner of the taluka are thickly covered with date-palms in the same way as in the east of Sholapur. The triluka consists of a rather uneven plain, except along the north-east boundary which is followed by a chain of low hills, part of the range extending from Naldurg past Tuljapar and Dharashiv (now called Osmanabad) in a northwesterly direction towards Jámkhed in Ahmednagar. The word ghát or step is quite the appropriate name for these hils, as they do not stand above the plains on the other side, but are merely steps leading to a plateau, the declinty on the eastern side being almost imperceptible. The country presents much the same features as Sholapur, except that there is less barren land and more trees, and poor soll is comparatively rare. The climate is on the whole more favourable than that of the latter taluka: that is to say, the monsoon is generally more marked, which fact is believed to be in a measure due to the influence of the range of hills noticed above. Temperature in the two tálukas vanies hittle if at all, except in the portion of Barsi above the ghats, where it is, at any rate in the cold weather, distinctly cooler, though the altitude above the man body of the taluka is only about 400 feet. Thas difference of climate above the ghats

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has some effect on cultivation, more wheat and lmseed and less juvári being grown there.
5. Language and Castes.-The language of the táluka is Maráthi and the great bulk of the cultivators are Marathas. Bársı town contans a large number of foregn traders, and most of the larger villages have Lingayat Váni, Márvádı or Gujar money-lenders and shop-keepers

6 Towns.-There are two towns and important trade centres, viz., Bírss and Varrág. The former, besides having a considerable trade of all sorts, does a large business in raw cotton from the Nizan's dominions and possesses one cotton ginning factory and five cotton-presses. It is the present terminus of the Bársı Light Railway, connecting with the main line of Great Indıan Peninsula Ralway at "Bársı Road" (Kurduvádı) 21 mules dıstant in the Mádha Táluka. Vairág is essentially a grain and grocery market.
7. Bairst Town.-The industrial future of Bársı town is somewhnt ancertann, as the effect of the contemplated extension of the ralway to Tadval, 27 miles away at the extreme north-east of the taluka, the earthwork of which is already completed, is likely to be to deprive it of all its raw cotton trade, which indeed has already begun to feel injurious effects from the diversion of produce by recently opened lines in the Nizám's territory. On the other hand, if a town water-supply be, as is proposed, established from the Páthri Tank, which is almost completed, it is not improbable that cotton mills may be set up at Barsi, which would more than compensate for the loss of the cotton handlung and pressing industries. In any case it seems sure to be always a town of considerable importance.
8. Irrigation Tanks.-At Koregaon, in the north of the táluka, there is an irrigation tank of ancient construction, the embankment of which was breached at the time of the revision survey but is now in good repair. The site is, for a district possessing few natural charms, a singularly picturesque one. Irrigation from this tank is not on a large scale and is confined to the villages of Koregaon and Khadkunı, but it may soon be extended to Chumb on the other side. The canal runs along the edge of the hills, the slope of which forms one bank while the other is artificial. Most of the irrigation is, however, not from the canal but from a natural water-course into which the tank water is allowed to run: the cultivators buld dharans (bandharas) across this stream and irrigate by pats The tank is m charge of the Public Works Department, who charge crop rates Páthrı Tank, already alluded to, is not quite complete it has been constructed mostly by famine labour and will be a most important addition to the resources of the táluka.
9. The tank at Kaudgaon, alluded to by Colonel Waddington in his report, is in much the same condition now as it was in 1872 . its thorough repair would probably furnish a useful relief work in famine times, and a considerable area would be irrigable by it if put in order. At present the tank is quite dry and useless
10. A small tank at Bhatambre is sometimes used to urrigate a couple of survey numbers adjoining it, and this urrigation is charged for by means of pátasthal water-rates, as the tank vests in Government but is not of sufficient mportance to be mdnaged by the Public Works Department.
11. Roads.-The roads serving the táluka are as under:-
(1) Bársı-Kurduvádı Road, on one sıde of which the Bársi Light Raılway runs. It is kept up by the Bársi Light Ravlway Company since the railway was established in 1897, and is little used now as goods go by the railway. Metalled throughout, condition farr.
(2) Bársı-Tadval Road, Provincial, kept up by the Publec Works Department, is the most important road in the táluka, takıng a very heavy traffic in carts laden with cotton, linseed, \&c., from the Nizam's dominions for export from Barsi. It is also the direct road for the military station of Mominabad. Metalled throughout; condition excellent. This road was little better than a track until the famine of 1876-77, when it was improved. It was not metalled and bridged tull 1881, and then only as far as Yedsh, but it is now metalled right up to the frontier near Dhoki.
(3) Bársi-Yermala Road; branching off from the former at Kuslumb, sis miles from Bársi, maintained by the same agency, is hardly less important. It leads to Darur and taps a different part of the cotton districts. Metalled throughout, condition excellent. Also an addition since the first revision settlement.
(4) Barsı-Sholápur Road, kept up by the Publıc Works Department at the expense of the District Local Board, is important, though less so than it was before the opening of the Bársı Light Raulway, as being the durect route to Sholapur and passing by the large market town of Varrag. A good deal of cotton passes over this ros.d, but only a very small fraction of what comes into Barsi over the two roads last mentioned, the bulk of which goes thence to Bombay by ral. Metalled throughout, condition fair to good except where it traverses Hyderabad territory, where it is bad. Thirty years ago it was unmetalled and unbridged and "in many places scarcely even a clear track,"
(5) Bársı-Paranda Road, a District Local Board road maintaned by the Pubhe Works Department. Connects Bársi with the head-quarters of the Paranda Taluka in Hyderabad territory and through it with Karmála. The road, of which only four miles lee in the Bársi Táluka, is little used and carries no traffic of importance. Murammed only; condition farr. It as being 1 mproved by the Public Works Department.
(6) A branch road, maintained by the Public Works Department, leads from near Yedshs towards Osmanabad. Murammed only.
The Vaurág-Tuljápur and Vaırág-Mádha Roads, maintanned by the Táluka Local Board, are a little but not much better than tracks.
12. Several murammed roads start from Bársi in dufferent directions and are kept in good order by the Municipality as far as the municipal limits, one or two miles from the town; after that they degenerate into tracks. Still, as many tracks necessarily converge as they approach Bársı, these roads are not without their uses.
13. Tolle.-The only road tolls taken in the taluka (except on othe BarsiKurduvads Road, the collection of which is farmed out by the Barsi Light Railway) are on the Bársi-Tadval and Bársi-Yermála Roads, the chief toll station being at Kuslumb, where the two join. The amounts realized were Rs 12,546 in 1898-99, Rs. 10, 266 in 1899-1900 and Rs. 10,517 in 1900-1901; 2 annas being the toll for a laden and 1 anna for an empty cart. Figures for later years are not evailable, as the tolls of these and other roads in the district were farmed out in a lump.
14. Exports by Rail-The exports of cotton, food-grain and oll-seeds from Bársi Town station (the only other station in the taluka, called "Uplat," at Khandvi, does no goods traffic) since the opening of the Bársi Light Railway in 1897 are given in the accompanying statement, kindly furmshed by the Agent. All the cotton and the greater part of the oil-seeds (linseed being the chief) come from the Nizam's territory, while the food-gran except wheat 18 probably nearly all local. Inasmuch, however, as most of the grain exported from the Vairág market, which deals with nearly half the táluka, goes to Mádha station and does not travel by the Bársi Light Railway at all, these figures do not throw much light on local production:-

| Half-yeor ending | Cotton, | Food-grunas (inoluding pulmen) | Oll reoda |
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| 4 moonths endung 80th June | Mds. | Mds, | Mde. |
| 1897 | 118,312 | 151,271 | 31,100 |
| 31st December 1897 | 71,154 | 32,577 | 58,412 |
| S0th June 1898 | 274,127 | 34,361 | 191,235 |
| 81st December | 61,468 | 22,433 | 180,483 |
| S0th June 1899 | 355,859 | 184,179 | 171,905 |
| Slst December ${ }^{3}$ | 78,695 | 819,264 | 48,880 |
| S0th June 1900 | 118,821 | 5,278 | 6,849 |
| 31st December ${ }^{3}$ | 67,088 | 12,753 ${ }^{\circ}$ | 16,088 |
| 30th June 1901 | 480,385 | 18,184 | 78,515 |
| 31st December | 801,874 | 28,658 | 51,623 |
| S0th June 1908 | 435,374 | 1:8,696 | 159,508 |
| 31 at Deoember | 94,728 | 39,005 | 28,481 |

15. Bazars.-Weekly bazars are held at Bársi, Varrág, and less important centres, particulars concerning which will be found in Appendix C. For wholesale disposal of theur produce cultivators resort to Bársi or Varrág almost indifferently. the prices obtained at Vairag are generally sligbtly lower than at Barsi, but expenses, such as octron duty and dasture to the village servants who mind the carts, being rather heavier at Bárs1 (there is no Muncipality at Varrág), matters are farrly equalized. Other bazars are resorted to merely for the purchase of salt, vegetables and other petty necessaries by retail disposal of small quantities of grain or garden produce in much the same manner as I have described in my report on the Sholápur Táluka.
16. Cotton Industry, etc.-Some 500 to 1,000 persons, according to the business being done, are employed in and about the presses at Bársi in the cotton season, and a large number more earn their livelihood as hamals in the town.
17. Weaving, etc.-Weaving is not carried on to anything like the extent that it is in the Sholápur Taluka, and weavers number only 1,500. There is no other industry of any importance, but some blacksmaths and carpenters do a good trade in repairing carts at Bársi.
18. Variations in Populatrons.-Out of a total population of 139,435 , nearly 66 per cent. are dependent on agriculture. In 1872 the population was given by Colonel Waddington at 100,566, but the Imperial Census figure of 130,853 is doubtless more correct. The Imperaal Censuses taken in 1881 and 1891 showed a population of 110,046 and 140,322 respectively. At the time of the introduction of the original settlement (1840), Lieutenant (atterwards Sir George) Wingate gave the population of the táluka as 66,245 , butit appears likely that it was rather underestimated.
19. Bársı Town numbers 24,242 as against 18,560 in 1872 (both Imperıal Census figures) and 9,732 in 1840 (settlement report), whule Varrág shows 5,163 as aganst 7,282 and 6,831 respectively. It is thus clear that not more than about half of the increase of 9,000 in the population of the taluka during the 30 years' lease now expiring can be attributed to an expansion of industrial as opposed to agricultural residents.
20. Agricultural Stock.-Appendix F shows the agricultural stock of the táluka in 1891-92, 1901-02, and in June 1903, when a special census was taken for the purpose of this report. The two famines experienced between the first two years for which figures are given are sufficient explanation of the fact that plough-bullorks were reduced in the interval by nearly $\frac{2}{7}$ ths and milch cattle by about $\frac{1}{3}$ rd of theur number, while young stock was in defect to much the same extent. A distinct improvement has, however, manifested itself during the past year, as is visible from the third line of figures. In 1871-72 the total number of bullocks in the taluka, according to Colonel Waddington, the writer of the first revision report, was 31,469 , or about 4,500 in excess of the number at present (in the case of 111 villages then as aganst 118 now), and in 1840 they were practically equal to the present number. The figures of milch cattle at the time of the previous settlement are not ascertainable, being mixed up with horses, sheep, and the like, and young stock were not shown separately. Ploughs are almost exactly the same in number as in 1872, and carts show a rise from 1,794 to 3,589 durng the 30 years.
21. These figures, though not all that could be wished, are very much better than might have been looked for, considering that there have been three famines during the current lease and that two of them occurred within the last 7 years, and the proportion of losses of cattle between 1891 and the present year 1s, it should be noticed, slightly less than in Sholápur.
22. Crops.-The crops in Barsi are practically the same as in Sholápur, so I need not minutely describe them or say more than that juvari is the great staple. Details will be found in Appendix B. The turmeric cultivation about Pangri, noticed both in the original and revision reports, continues, Bársi is a great market for this article, and í have known it to be brought there for sale by cultıvators of Sholápur villages in preference to taking it to Sholápur. In the above-ghát villages wheat cultivation to some extent displaces juvan, and linseed is more generally grown, but it is not until the Hyderabad villages still further East are reached that juvari cultivation disappears

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23. A comparison between the figures given in Appendix B of the famine year 1899-1900 for the two tálukas of Bärsi and Sholápur is interesting ' $1 t$ shows that over one-half of the juvari sown in Bársı came to maturity, whule in Sholápur the proportion was not much over one-sixth, and this in spite of the fact that the recorded ranfall at Bársi from 15th August onwaurds was less than that at Sholápur. This gqes far to strengthen the general belief in the superiorlty of the Bársi clmate over Sholapur it appears, moreover, that Bársi suffered less than any other taluka of the district in the 1896.97 famıne, and I find from accounts of the famine of 1876-77 that, together with the Málsiras Taluka, it enjoyed a similar distinction then also
24. Forests.-Forest land in the Bárs Taluka is practically confined to the hulls, and the question of disforestment is not of any great importance.
25. Revenue History (Appendices $O, O^{1}, O^{3}, O^{8}$ ).-The unoccupied area of arable assessed land is quite mnsignificant, amounting to only 270 acres. The steady decrease in unoccupied land since $1880-81$, when the recent famine had left over seven and a half thousand acres abandoned, and the fact that no land has been thrown up as a consequence of the famines of 1896-97 and 1900-01, are eminently satisfactory features, while the general absence of remissions, the amallness of outstanding balances of land revenue (except of course in famine times), and the paucity of cases of distrant (there being only seren instances, for a total outstanding of Rs. 155, in the last five yeais), are adititional evidence of the comfortable circumstances of this taluka, which, apart from all statistics, cannot but impress themselves, on any one who has to travel in it in a normal year.
26. Rainfall.-Frgures of rainfall for the past 11 years are given in detail in Appendıs A, the rain-gauge quoted being that under the Mámlatdár's control at Bärs Town. The average fall over the period 1828.01 mehes (as against 25.62 for the last 9 years of the original lease) exceeding that of Sholapur by $2 \cdot 01$ inches. I give below a summary of the yearly falls at Bársi Town and at Koregaon and Pathrı in the talluka, where gauges are kept by the Public Works Department, and at Sholápur, Mádka and Karmála :-

27. It must be admitted that the figures for Koregaon and Páthri, both of which are close to the hills, do not appear to bear out the accepted idea that the raun there is heavier than further away from the gháts, and it is to be regretted that there is no rano-gauge in the neighbourhood of Yedshi, Kári or Ambejavalge. The superiority of olimate near the gháts is, however, freely admitted by the cultivators of that part of the taluka, and it may be that the falls are more even and seasouable rather than heavier.
28. Prices -I now turn to a consideration of prices. From the figures given by Colonel Waddıngton, I Gind that the average prices of juvarí for the three quanquennal perioda precedng the first revision settlement were respeouvely -

From 1856-57 to 1860-61 Re. 0-11-2; from 1861-62 to 1865-66
Re. 1-13-2; from 1866-67 to 1871-72 Rs. 2-0-8 (no record for 1868-69).
29. After this came a great fall in prices, the result of which was the reduction in the rates and in the classification annas of the poorer solls effected by Goverument iu 1875 ; this was promptly followed by the inflated prioss consequerat on the famine of 1876-77, which reached a clumax in 1878-79. Prices then iell agan and from the following year untul 1892-93 remained, with one exceptuon, below Rs. 2. Putting aside the exceptional prices of 1897 and 1900, also due to famines, the average from 1893-94 till 1902 inclusive is Re 2-1-7,
or almost the same as in the quinquennial period preceding the first revision settlement, in much the same manuer as has been shown to be the case in the Sholápur Táluka.

30 Value of Land.-Colonel Waddıngton's examples of sales and mortgages, though too few to render any deduction absolutely rehable, give an average of 28 times the then assessment as the price of land. My owin statistics, which give a larger number of cases ( 100 of each kmd of document), are probably not mathematically correct exther, but must be farrly true guides. Only sales by Civil Courts' decree show actual figures. The following are the broad results in terms of the assessment -

| Five yeare endung |  | Ordinary malen | Sales by Courts' decrees | Letting valua. | Simple mortgages | Possemsory mortgages. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1895-96 |  | 244 | 388 (20 cases) | 4 | 20.8 | 181 |
| 1900-01 | ... | 316 | 338 (18 cases) | 44 | 15.5 | $22 \cdot 7$ |

31. The inference is that land has not decreased in value with the increase of the assessment on the original settlement, but has nocreased with it. The letting value (of the two periods taken together) of 42 times the assessment is a slightly higher proportion than that in Sholapur, where it is 39 , and the other figures also average higher in the case of Barsi
32. No Government waste has been sold by auction during the last seven years.
33. Concluszons and proposed rates -The general conclusion, then, from the foregoing facts and figures, $1 s$ that Bársi has had much the same history during the last 30 years as Sholápur as regards prices and value of land, although the latter ranges shghtly higher ; that its commumications have been largely, while those of Sholápur have been only slightly, amproved; and that such deterioration in its general agricultural prosperity as has, by reason of famine, occurred, is considerably less than might have been expected. Hitherto Barsi has been assessed at the same rates as Sholápur, with the same number of groups (4), and these rates were originally fixed in 1873 at Re. 1-8-0 descending 2 annas for each of the 2 nd and: 3 rd groups and 4 annas for the 4 th, but the first three were reduced 2 annas all round in 1875 owing to the sudden fall in prices, which, as the sequel has shown, was only temporary and exceptional. All circumstances considered, and bearing in mind ats superiority of climate, which has always been admitted, and of which I have given conspicuous instances, I think the average Bársi village can and ought now to bear a slightly higher rate than the average Sholápur one, if not a slightly higher assessment than was originally sanctroned for the period just expired.
34. I therefore propose a maxımum rate of Re. 1-9-0 for Batri (the same as suggested for the three villages immediately adjoming Sholapur), and of Re. 1-7-0 for Varrag (the importance of which as a grain market was either less or was not duly taken account of at the time of the first revision proposals) The rest of the táluka I would dxvide into two groups, the lower comprising the villages iormerly belonging to the 4th group and the isolated villages of Uple, Vagholi and Kajle, and the higher the remaining villages I would have the maximum rates of the 3rd and 4th groups Re. 1-5-0 and Re. 1-3-0 The new third group will consist of villages having easy access to the Barsi or Vairág market or to both, and of villages further removed enjoying the indubitable superiority of clımate afforded by proximity to the gháts. If there were free trade with the Tuljápur market, only a few miles from the south-east corner of the táluka, the villages there could have gone into the 3rd group as it 18, they gain little except, perhaps, religious merit from their propinquity to that holy place.
35. A reference to the map of the existing groupings will show that Tadval, Vághoh, Kalambvádı, Uınbarge and Sávargaon are rated, the first, third and fourth at the rate of Re 1-6-0 (equal to Barsi) and the second and last ut Re 1-4-0, while the rates in the neighbouring villages are Re, 14-0 and

Re, 1-2-0, respectively. The reason for this incongruity is simply that, apparently through oversight, the rates in these villages were not given the benefit of the reduction of 2 annas effected in 1875 for the 110 other villages of the taluka. These latter bad been settled together, whereas the five villages in question were separately settled afterwards, and it is no doukt due to this fact that the necessity of making the reduction apphicable to the later settled villages also escaped attention. These five villages will henceforward be grouped similarly to their neighbours, as it was clearly the intention of Colonels Waddington and Francis that they should have been before (orde section 31 of the former's report and section 19 of the latter's review).
36. The rates for the proposed 2nd, 3rd and 4th groups are only 1 anna higher than the rates proposed for the corresponding 3rd, 4th and 5 th groups in the Sholápur Taluka, and the bulk of the Bársi villages berng proposed to be assessed at a maximum rate of Re. 1.5-0 this will give the "average" Barsi village a rate of 1 anna more than the "average" Sholápur village (the mean of the Sholapur 3rd group at Re, 1-6-0 and the 5th at Re, 1-2-0 connoidng roughly with the 4 th group at $\mathrm{Re}, 1-4-0$ ).
37. The two appeaded maps show the present and proposed groupings, and the latter may be summarized os under -

38. Inám villagee.-As regards inám villages, Uple, Javale, Yauli and Dhámangaon all naturally fall into the 3 rd ( $\mathrm{Re}, \mathrm{1-5}-\mathrm{O}$ ) group, while Bhalgaon might with equal propriety be included in this group or in the 4th.
39. Rice rates - No rice rates appear to have been discussed in the first revision report, but the present maxımum rate for rice land (which is rare) is Res. 2-8-0 per acre, urrespective of the position of the village. This rate I propose to raise to Rs. 3 ; not that rice cultivation is much more remunerative than it was 30 years ago, but amply in order to preserve the proportion to the general increase in the dry-crop rate. Rs. 3 is the maximum which I have proposed for rioe in Sholápur also.
40. Baddyat lands.-" Bágáyat" land is confined to land classified as such nt the first revision suriey . its difference in assessment from dry-crop arises merely from enhanced classification annas and not from uny speçal maximum sate, the dry-crop rate being apphed.
41. Patasthal lands.-As in the Sholápur Táluka, pátasthal irrigation is very rare : such as does exist is practically confined to villages near the gháts, where there are a few streams which, under favourable circumstances, continue runnung well into the bot season. The pátasthal inspections were made by af general duty Circle Inspector, the Mámlatdar of the talluka, and myself, and the result is that permanent pátasthal water-rates, now in force 1061 villages, have been found entirely unsuitable in all of these except 12, whule no fresh paitasthal in other villages has come to light The patasthal maxımum rate adopted at the revision survey of the bulk of the taluka appears to have been Rs. $4-8-0$, but thas can hardly be considered the maximuan in the sense in which we now employ the word, because it was the highest rate actually iuposed, not the maximum which might, but need not necessarily, be reached. A true marinum of Rs. 8 was adopted for the villages of Kálegaon, Ghánegaon and Gulpol at their resettlement in 1891, and this, beng the one generally in use in this part of the country, I now propose for the taluka as a whole; but, in rating each patasthal number separately, I have in no case exceeded an actual
rate of Rs. 4, and the effect of the revision will be not only to reduce the area of land on which water-rates are charged, but also to lower the existing rates on almost all such as remann classed as pátastial.
42. Water-rates other than pátasthal.—There ss only one instance of a rate charged for water other than patasthal, the source in this case being a Government well (vide foot-note relating to the village of Rátanjan in Appendix Q).
43. Effects of proposals.-The effects of the application of the proposed rates are exhibited in Appendix $Q$, which affords a comparison, worked out by rule of three, between the assessment under the various heads on Government land occupied this year and the assessment which would be leviable were the proposed rates in force. Fractions of a rupee and of an aore being omitted, the vertical and horizontal columns do not always total exactly equally, but the difference is trifing.
44. As is seen from Appendix $Q$, the total sol assessment of the Government occupied land in the taluka will be rased from Rs. 1,89,968 to Rs. 2,05,508, involving an increase of 818 per cent. This percentage would have been greater had not the assessment of some villages, the present rates in which are higher than they were intended to be (vide paragraph 35 above), been actually reduced, and the total percentage increase is less than that resulting from the revisional proposals for Sholápur partly owing to the above cause and partly beoapse there 1s, in Bársı, no case analogous to that of Sholapur City, the assessment of the lands of which has been raised by 27.21 per cent., while the hughest percentage increase in Bársi Taluka is 18:75.
45. The average soll assessment per acre on Government occupied land will be raised from 10 annas to 10 annas 10 pies, exceeding by 4 pies the average assessment which will result in Sholápur from the revisional proposals made for that táluka.
46. Pátasthal acres will be reduced to one-sixth of their present number, and the new water assessment thereon will amount to the insignificant sum of one hundred and seventy ropees,

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
H. L. PAINTER,

Assistant Collector.

APPENDIX 4.


APPENDIX A-continued


Detaile of Culteration and Crops in the Govermment vullages of the Bársi Ta'luka of the Sholdpur Collectorate.


AFPENDIX C.
Statement showong the villages on whoch the principal Weekly Bazans are held in the Barsı Taluka of the Sholápur Collectorate.


APPENDIX C-continued.


APPENDIX C-concluded.


APPENDIX D.
Detanl of Populatzon according to occupation by percentages of the Barsi Táluka.

| agriotlideli Pordiatioy. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | non-agrigulubal Popolation |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Earing interestion land. |  |  |  |  | Labonvers, |  |  | Total agrieultural population. | Crafts | Unskilled labour | Others | Total nonagncultural population. |
| Lend ocevpenta not coltiveting | Land occupante onltiveting. | Tensnts and abserere cultavating | Others. | Totas. | $\underset{\text { mervantg, }}{\text { Parm }}$ | Field labourers and cropatchers. | Total |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | J8 |
| 80 0.06 | 88,922 2791 | 15,355 1101 | 1,313 094 | 55,670 3992 | 710 051 | 35,082 2516 | 35,792 $25 \cdot 67$ | 91,462 6559 | 24,335 1750 | 4,867 348 | 18,711 1342 | $\begin{array}{r} 47,973 \\ 3441 \end{array}$ | APPENDIX E.

Detaile of Population accordung to relogion and education in the Bársı Taluka of the Sholápur Collectorate.

| Talake. |  | Bex. |  | Peroentage on total population able to read or learning. | Rbularoy. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Hmin Castes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Mahomedans. | Cbris tiana. | Párais, | Others. |
|  |  |  |  |  | Brahming. | Marthhas, | Lingayata | Eálae and Koahtis. | W6́nis. | Málus | Low castes such as Mabars. | Others. |  |  |  |  |
| Bára | $\cdots\{$ | Male <br> Female <br> Total | $\begin{aligned} & 69,758 \\ & 69,677 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 9.68 \\ & 002 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2,998 \\ & \mathbf{2 , 8 3 7} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 27,952 \\ & \mathbf{2 7 , 9 6 2} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4,578 \\ & 4,537 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 810 \\ & 753 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 517 \\ & 457 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1,477 \\ & 1,560 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8,717 \\ & 9,501 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 17,155 \\ & 16,763 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4,808 \\ & 4,710 \end{aligned}$ | 38 24 | 12 | $\begin{aligned} & 698 \\ & 576 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  |  | 139,435 | 4.97 | 5,833 | 55,914 | 9,115 | 1,563 | 974 | 3,027 | 18,218 | 33,918 | 9,518 | 62 | 19 | 1,274 |

APPENDIX F.
Statement showing the Agracultural Stock of the 118 Government villages an the Bársi Talula of the Sholdpur Collectorate during the gears 1831-92 and 1901-1902, and according to a spectal census talem un June 1903

|  | Tánks, |  |  | Cattib. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Horses } \\ \text { and } \\ \text { pounee } \end{gathered}$ | Sheep. | Goats | Proders. |  | Cartb, |  | Ciopped land per parr of plough cattle |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | For plough, |  | For breeding |  | For other purposes |  | Milch eattie |  | Toung atock |  | Total. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Oxen | $\underset{\text { buffaloes }}{\mathrm{He}}$ | Bulls | Kallbuffalces | Oxen | $\underset{\text { buflaloes }}{\mathrm{He}}$ | Cows | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Sbe } \\ \text { bufficioes } \end{array}\right\|$ | Calvos | Buffalo calves |  |  |  |  | Sinall | $\begin{gathered} \text { Large } \\ \left(\begin{array}{c} \text { Large of } \\ \text { over } 22 \\ \text { cattle }) \end{array}\right. \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { For } \\ \text { paseas- } \\ \text { gers } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| 1 |  | 2 |  | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | $\theta$ | 10 | 11 | 32 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
|  |  | 189192 | ** |  | 1,499 | 199 | 43 | -3,059 | 1,044 | 21,7c3 | 7,855 |  | 5,243 |  |  |  |  | 201 | 2162 | 211 | 3,236 |  |
| 118 |  | [1901-03 |  | 25,865 | $4{ }_{42}$ | 96 | 69 | 963 | 197 | 13,791 | 4.4285 | 18,249 | 3,466 | 62,094 | 1,310 | 36,824, | 30,656 | 621 | 1,704 | 82 | 3397 | 1950 |
| 118 |  | 1903 |  | 26,120 | 571 | 102 | 19 | ${ }^{10}$ | 166 | 14,119 | 4,402 | 14,009 | 3,141 | 63,469 | 1,249 | 16,427 | 32,517 | 812 | 1,677 | 169 | 3,420 |  |

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Slatement showing the number of Shops, Looms, Teinples, \&c, and average Birtls and Deaths and Vaccination, Taluka Bárst.

| Num ber of Vil Lagea | Shopa. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Onl } \\ \text { preesuas } \end{gathered}$ | Loous. |  | Cotton Saw Gins |  | Buthe |  | Deaths |  | Vaccination |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Lsquor } \\ & \text { shopgo } \end{aligned}$ | Thimm | Dharmsshalas | Tbuplibs |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Cotton | Troollen | Hand | Stoam ging |  |  | Hundu. | $\underset{\text { madans- }}{\text { medans }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 8 |  |  |  | 9 |  | 10 |  | 11 | J2 | 13 | 34 | 14 |
| 128 | 732 | 156 | 189 | 72 | 79 | 3 |  | 8,975 <br> 4,475 <br> 6,182 <br> 2,397 <br> 4,078 | 189798 <br> 149899 <br> $1890190 n$ <br> 19001601 <br> 18011902 <br> Total <br> Average | 7083 <br> 2093 <br> 2,961 <br> 4,261 <br> 7,986 <br> 8,074 |  |  | 5 | 24 | 76 | 518 | 59 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total | 20,102 |  | 25402 | Total | 25,098 |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Avorage | 4,020 |  | 6,090 | Avorage | 6,020 |  |  |  |  |  |

APPENDIX H.


APPENDIX L.

APPENDIX J .
Statement showng Wells, Budkes, Tank and other rouroes of Water-supply in a ${ }^{\text {rl }}$ the villages of the Baiton Tailuka of the Sholapur Colleotorate

|  | Tlaka |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | turis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Otima novacza |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | For Mrigation |  |  |  |  |  | In alame |  | For Imijatiod. |  |  |  |  |  | In diance. |  | For irrigation |  |  |  |  |  | In disusa. |  |  |
|  |  | P. 1 kth, | Kewhas, | Pakkı | Yeche | Pakta | Keohe | Fallen in or in alirerair | $\begin{array}{\|c\|c\|} \hline \text { Other } \\ \text { Chusea } \end{array}$ | Pakko. | Kacha, | Pakka | Kacha | Pakka. | Hacha | Fallem in or fan dis repa | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Other } \\ & \text { osubsea } \end{aligned}$ | Pakka | Kahas | Pakka | Eacha | Pakta | Kaoha. | Fallen in or in dis repo | Otber cansea |  |
| 1 | 1 | $\square$ | 4 | $\stackrel{1}{ }$ | 6 | \% | 8 | $\bigcirc$ | 10 | 11 | 12 | 18 | 14 | ${ }^{15}$ | ${ }^{16}$ | ${ }^{17}$ | 18 | 19 | ${ }^{20}$ | ${ }^{2}$ | 23 | 23 | 24 | ${ }^{25}$ | ${ }^{28}$ | 27 |
| 128 | (1800-97 | 1,405 | 2,464 | 790 | 95 | 69 | 185 | 499 | 18 | 1 |  | 1 |  | 4 | 25 | 1 | 4 |  | 47 |  | 5 |  | 22 |  | 1 |  |
| 198 | 180118 | 1,768 | 2,622 | 858 | 4 | 12 | 81 | 608 | 88 | 1 |  | 2 | - | 4 | 29 | - | 1 | - |  |  | 8 |  | 19 |  |  |  |

## APPENDIX K

An abstiact statement shownng Ordinary Sales in the villages of the Bárss Taluka of the Sholápur Collectorate for the quıuquennal period end nng 1835-96.

| Clast of cases according to the number of tumes tho purvey sasessement for which land 48 sold. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { cases。 } \end{gathered}\right.$ | Total acres ald. | Total assessment. | A verage rate of a par acre. | Total mam for which gold. | Average rate per Bhre for Which pold | Average number of times the survey aseess ment for whoh land 10 sold | Remark! |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
|  |  | A g | B4 a. $p$ | Rs a P | Rs a. p | Rest p |  |  |
| Class I- 1 to 10 times | 14. | 34022 | 2990 | 0141 | 2,110 00 | $\begin{array}{llll}6 & 8 & 2\end{array}$ | 7 |  |
| Class II- 11 to 20 tumes | 48 | 1,243 7 | 89930 | 0117 | 15,512 0 | 12 7 8 <br> 2 1  | 172 |  |
| Class ILI- 26 to 50 times | 25 | 53816 | 32740 | $0{ }^{0} 98$ | 11,905 00 | 22.19 | 363 |  |
| Clase IV- 51 to 10u times | 10 | $16^{4}$ | 13580 | 01211 | 845000 | 50 | 623 |  |
| Chase V-101 to 250 tumes | 3 | 2611 | 2700 | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 5\end{array}$ | 3,300 00 | 1259 | 1228 |  |
| Total | 100 | 2,316 20 | 1,887 150 | 0118 | 41,277 00 | 17181 | 244 |  |

## APPENDIX K ${ }^{(1)}$.

An abstract atatement showong Sales by decrees of Courts in the vellages of the Bárse Táluka of the Sholdpur Collectorate for the quinquennsal period ending 1895-96.

| Class of cares accordung to the namber of times the survey assessment for which lend sasold. | Number of cıseg* | Total acres nold | Total egsegsment | Average rate of assessment per acre | Total anm for which sold | $\Delta$ verage rate per acre for which suld. | Average number of times the survey asmeasment for whech land 18 sold. | Remarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 3 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
|  |  | A. E | Br 2. $\mathbf{P}$ | Rs. a pr | Rs, as po | Ra. a P. |  |  |
| Class I- 1 to 10 times | 2 | 3587 | $400^{10} 0$ | 1110 | 81800 | 22124 | 204 |  |
| Class II- 11 to 85 tumes | 4 | 736 | 6228 | 0137 | 1.03240 | 14.15 | 166 |  |
| Class III- 28 to 50 tmmes | 8 | 11826 | 77.0 | 0150 | 3,024 00 | $\begin{array}{llll}25 & 7 & 9\end{array}$ | 892 |  |
| Class IV- 51 to 100 times | 8 | 5723 | 34120 | 098 | 2,486 00 | 438210 | 715 |  |
| Class V-101 to 250 tsmes | 3 | 1514 | 980 | 0911 | 1,817 00 | 85129 | 1886 |  |
| Total | 20 | 80020 | 22387 | 01111 | $8,677 \times 0$ | 28189 | 888 |  |

APPENDIX L.
An abstract statement showong Smple Mortgages on the vellages of the Bárss Taluka of the sholúpur Collectorate for the quinquennal period ending 1895-96.

| Class of cases according to the namber of times the survey aspessment for which land is mortgaged. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Namber } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { casen } \end{gathered}\right.$ | Total acres mortgaged. | Total assesament. | Average rate of assessment per acre | Total sum for which mortgaged | Average rate per acre for which mortgaged | 3 verage namber of times the survey essemb ment is equal to the sum for wheh land is mortgaged. | Bemayk. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
|  |  | A. g | Ron an p. | Ris. sp | E\% at p | Rg. A. P |  |  |
| Class 1- 1 to 10 times | 29 | 79088 | $692 \times 0$ | 0140 | 5,007 80 | 666 | 78 |  |
| Olass II- 11 to 25 times | 32 | 94432 | 63370 | 0108 | 10,642 00 | 11.85 | 168 |  |
| Cleas IIl- 26 to 50 times | 19 | 23486 | 21080 | 0144 | 7,258 00 | 30148 | 344 |  |
| Ciass IV- 51 to 100 times | 4 | 5389 | 39184 | c 1110 | 2,461 80 | 45094 | 817 |  |
| Clase V-101 to 250 times | 4 | 11282 | 4700 | 068 | 8,350 0 | 7400 | 1776 |  |
| Total | 88 | 21417 | 1,622 14 | 0122 | 38,777 0 | 16185 | 208 |  |

## APPENDIX L ${ }^{\text {(11) }}$.

An abstract statement showng Morlgages woth possession in the vullages of the Bárse Talulca of the Sholaipur Collectorate for the quenquenvial pervad ending 1895-96

| Class of cases scoording to the number of times the survey asseament for which land in mortgaged. | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Nambsr } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { casee. } \end{array}\right\|$ | Total acrea mortgaged | Tatal asroasment | Average rate of seres smont per acre | Total sum for which mortgaged. | Average rate per acre for which mortgaged | Average number qf tumes the survey assessmatit as equal to the sum for whioh land is mortgaged. | Bomarkg |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
|  |  | A g. |  | Rs. A. $\boldsymbol{p}$ | Rio, \% p | R.f. a p. |  |  |
| Class I- 1 to 10 times u. | 19 | 88128 | 43680 | ${ }_{0}^{0} 18.2$ | 2730000 | $5{ }^{5} 22$ | 62 |  |
| Clase II- 11 to 25 timen | 57 | 1,510 36 | 1,110 208 | 01110 | 17,595 0 0 | 11104 | 158 | ; |
| Class III- 26 to 50 times | 15 | 2696 | 28840 | 0142 | 8,40500 | $\begin{array}{llll}81 & 3 & 8\end{array}$ | 858 |  |
| Class IV- 51 to 100 times | 8 | 8585 | 6510 | $012{ }^{0}$ | 4,405 00 | 51 4 9 | 675 |  |
| Claes F-L.01 to 250 tamea | 2 | 46 | 060 | $\underline{4}$ | 00000 | 1夈年 98 | 12148 |  |
| Total | 100 | 2,401 26 | 1,855 88 | 0124 | 33,735 00 | 1409 | 18*1 |  |

APPENDIX MC.
An abstraet statement showing Subbettings on the villagee of the Barss Taluka of the Sholdipur Callectorate for the qusnquennal period ending 1895-96.


## APPENDIX E.

An abstract atatemant showng Ordsnary Sales sn the enllages of ite Barsi Ta7uka of the Sholdipur Collectorate for the $q$ winquannual persod onding 1900-1901.

| Claw of asses socording to the number of times the surver asmestument for which land is muld. | Number of onsers | Total nores nold. | Total satrammer | Averaga rate of maneastrent: per mares | Tosel sum for which sold. | Average reta par meve for which cold. | Average number of tizese the survey anemp zoent for which hand $4 s$ sold. | Bemarke |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | $\$$ | $\leqslant$ | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| Clans 1- 1 to 10 thmes Clasa II- 11 to 85 tume Clase III- 96 to 60 thmes Otes IV-61 to 100 tamee Clase V-101 to 250 tumen | 119699164 | A. 8 - | Ra, a pr | Rats. Pt | 28 a P | $\mathrm{Rr} \boldsymbol{6}$ \% | $\begin{array}{r} 68 \\ 184 \\ 874 \\ 846 \\ 2456 \end{array}$ | - |
|  |  | 266 | 959150 | 0157 | 1,780 00 | 6110 |  |  |
|  |  | 751 | 6910 | 0 19 ${ }^{0} 18$ | 10,930 00 | 14.810 |  |  |
|  |  | 58888 | $44^{4} 80$ | 0397 | 35,854 00 | 89611 |  |  |
|  |  | 88128 | 140 | 08.11 | 12,ul 190 | 58107 |  |  |
|  |  | 3890 | 1880 | 081 | 47900 | 12488 |  |  |
| Total | 100 | 1,880 6 | 1,437 * 0 | 0197 | 45,555 is 0 | 2153 | 31.6 | - |

## APPENDIX K ${ }^{a}$.

An abstract stntement shoming Sales by decrees of Courts in the villaqes of the Báres Táluka of the Sholapur Collectorate for the quanquennial period ending 1900-1301

| Class of cases sccording to the number of times the vurvey asaessment for whinch land is sold | Number of cases. | Total acrea sold | Total sssessment | Average rate of asses inent per acre. | Total gum for which told | Av'rage rate per acef for which sold. | Avernga number of tumes the aur vey byst 8 ment for which land us sold. | Remark: |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | .8 | 9 |
|  |  | $\Delta \mathrm{g}$ | Re, am | Reser ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Rs ase $p$ | Ra all $\mathrm{pa}^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |
| Class I- 1 to 10 times | 2 | 2512 | 14710 | 092 | 9600 | 3129 | 66 |  |
| Class II- 11 to 25 times | 3 | 487 | 5300 | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 1 & 7\end{array}$ | 1,201 00 | 243411 | $22 \cdot 6$ |  |
| Class III- 26 to 50 times | 6 | 6219 | 3787 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 9 & 7\end{array}$ | 3,50000 | 20 0-10 | 383 |  |
| Class IV- 51 to 100 tires | 6 | 48.2 | 2988 | 0910 | 1,982 8 0 | 41 ¢ 2 | 672 |  |
| Class V-101 to 250 times | 1 | 012 | 066 | 168 | 5100 | 170 | 1255 |  |
| Total | 18 | 18412 | 131142 | 0119 | 4,580 88 | 2. 138 | 839 |  |

APPENDIX 1.
An abstract statement showing Sample Morlages in the vallages of the Bárst Táluka of the Sholápur Collectorate for the quinquennzal perzod endeng 19001301

| 1 <br> Class of cases according to the namber of timen the survey assesement for which land is moitgaged. | Number of савев | Tithlacrea mortgaged | Total assessment. | Aversge rato of assessment per acre | Total anm for which morigaged. | Average rate tier acre fo: which mortgeged | Average number of times the survey assessment is equal to the suin for which land is mortgaged | Remaris. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
|  |  | A. g | Res an P | Rs a. $p$ | Ra at p | Ris a $p$ |  |  |
| Class 1- 1 to ${ }^{7} 0$ times | 36 | 86931 | 836150 | 015.5 | 6, 58000 | 6140 | 71 |  |
| Clare II- 11 to 25 times | 40 | 83534 | 673150 | 01211 | 10926115 | $\begin{array}{llll}13 & 1 & 2\end{array}$ | 162 |  |
| Class III- 26 to 50 times | 16 | 2013 | 1756 | 01811 | 6,245 20 | 3110 | 356 |  |
| Class IV- 51 to 100 times | 7 | 1284 | 12770 | 0 3: 1] | 44340 | $\begin{array}{lll}34 & 8 & 7\end{array}$ | 817 |  |
| Cless V-101 to 250 times | 1 | 514 | 700 | $1 \begin{array}{llll}1 & 4 & 11\end{array}$ | 70500 | 131125 | 100\%7 |  |
| Total | 100 | 2,040 6 | 1,820 110 | 0148 | $2828013 \quad 6$ | 13139 | 155 |  |

APPENDIX L ${ }^{(1)}$
An abstract statcment showong Morlgafes wath Poseexsion in the vallages of the Birsi Táluka of the Sholápur Collectorate for the quinquennal period ending 1300-1301.

| Clafs of cases according to the number of tumes the gurvey assessment for which lavd 13 mortgaged. | Number of casea | Totsl acres mortgaged. | Total saseas menent. | $\left.\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Averige } \\ \text { rate of } \\ \text { sua ssment } \\ \text { per acre } \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | Total anm for which mortgaged. | A verage rate per acrefor which mortgaged | Average number of tumen the anrvey sesessment is equal to the sun for which land to inortgaged | Remarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 0 |
|  |  | A g | Rs. 8. po | Fa a, p | Rs a pr | Renep |  |  |
| Class I- 1 to 10 times | 17 | 49225 | $\begin{array}{llll}474 & 4 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 5 & 5 \\ 0 & 10 & 5\end{array}$ | 3535 0 | $7{ }^{7} 310$ | 74 |  |
| Class II- 11 to 25 2intimes | 60 | 1,051 10 |  | 01210 | 1432900 | 13100 | 17 |  |
| Clase IV- 51 to 100 times | 126 | 139 293 | $\begin{array}{r}250 \\ 140 \\ \hline 10\end{array}$ | 0 0 1 80 | 8.246 10615 | $\begin{array}{llll}28 & 3 & 4 \\ 79 & 7 & 9\end{array}$ | 329 754 |  |
| Clasa V-101 to 250 tumea | , | 5112 | 1768 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 5 & 5\end{array}$ | 2,513 00 | 48150 | 1442 |  |
| Total | 100 | 2,0212 | 1,785 24 | 0188 | 89,232 00 | 1967 | 227 |  |

An abalract statement bhowon'g Sublettings in the villages of the Bársi Taluka of lhe Sholápur Collectorate for the quinquennzal perrod endeng 1900-1901.

| Clase of cases according to the curvey number of times the asessament for which land is cold. | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Namber } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { cabem } \end{array}\right\|$ | Total acres sublets | Total asseass ment. | Average rate of assessment per scre. | Total sum for which sablet. | Average rate per more for which sublet | Average number of tumes the abryey asseasment for which sublet. | Remarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | - 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| Chase I-1 to 5 times Class II-6 to 10 times . Class III-11 to 25 timea Class IV-28 to 50 mmes. Clasts $\overline{\mathrm{V}}$-above 50 tumes. <br> Total |  | A g. | Rs a. $\mathbf{P}$ | Re, ${ }^{\text {a }}$ p | Rs as $p$ | Res an p |  |  |
|  | 71 | 2,050 86 | 1,654 40 | 01211 | $5,811{ }^{7} 70$ | 2184 | 85 |  |
|  | ${ }^{24}$ | 44819 | 85188 | ${ }^{0} 128$ | 2,610 880 | ${ }_{5}^{5} 1448$ | 7.4 |  |
|  | ${ }^{5}$ | 11819 | 700 | 095 | 84200 | 718 |  |  |
|  | Nith | $\because$ | * |  | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |  |  |
|  | 100 | 2,611 84 | 2,075 68 | 0129 | 9,268 150 | 389 | 44 |  |

APPENDIX N.
Statement showirg the Prece prevalent in the Barte Taluka from 1871-79 to 1902.

| Yeart |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Juvár. | Bäju. | Wheat, | Tur. | Grams | Linseed. | Safflower. | Ground-nut-16ed | Juvari kadbr |
| 1 | 8 | 8 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
|  | Ra. a. | Rs. $n \mathrm{p}{ }^{+}$ | Ron an pr | Brasa p | Rese ${ }^{\text {P }}$ | Ra. at pr | Res, at p | Re an P | Res. an $p$ |
|  | $\begin{array}{lll}8 & 6 & 0 \\ 1 & 8 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 7 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 4\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}8 & 8 & 9 \\ 8 & 5 & 9 \\ 8 & 5 & 2\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}2 & 16 & 6 \\ 1 & 14 & 6\end{array}$ | $2{ }_{2} 146$ | 2 7 5 <br> 2 7 9 |  | $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 14 & 0 \\ 2 & 4 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 5 & 7 \\ 0 & 8 & 7\end{array}$ |
|  | 108 | 148 | 11510 | 1 1 | $\begin{array}{ll}2 & 15 \\ 1 & 15\end{array}$ | 2 8 <br> 2 8 | .. | 1184 | 0 0 884 |
|  | 0148 | 114 | 1150 | 112 | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 8 & 8 \\ 1 & 8 & \end{array}$ | $2{ }_{2} 182$ |  | 1108 | 0811 |
|  | 1810 | 188 | 240 | 108 | 168 | 311 |  | 280 | 0810 |
|  | ${ }^{2} 1411$ | 2125 | 3 2 8 | 288 | 2132 | 390 | . | 4180 | 044 |
|  | $4{ }^{5} 8$ | 4510 | 688 | 895 | 4138 | 424 | . | 5136 | 0410 |
|  | $4{ }^{512}$ | 862 | 698 | 5111 | 5611 | 8138 | - | 566 | 038 |
|  | 3119 | ${ }^{2} 1128$ | 5110 | 842 | 3111 | 4410 | $\cdots$ | 4340 | 083 |
|  | 158 | 1102 | 2118 | 166 | 1711 |  | * ** |  |  |
|  | 1148 | 1 5 8 <br> 1   | 989 | 1118 | 160 | 859 | . | 267 | 035 |
|  | 126 | 186 | 916 | 113 | 1128 | 311 |  | 8120 | 0 ¢ 410 |
| Total | 26141 | 2680 | 4088 | 25611 | 3111 | 392 |  | 3880 | 214 |
| $\Delta$ varage | 2810 | 2211 | 357 | 2110 | 29 | 343 | $\cdots$ | 34 | 0810 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 188984 \\ & 1884-86 \\ & 188-86 \\ & 1886-87 \\ & 1867-88 \\ & 1858-89 \\ & 186-90 \\ & 1890-90 \\ & 180-90 \\ & 1898-98 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}110 & 8 \\ 2 & 1 & 0\end{array}$ | 19 12118 | $\begin{array}{lll}8 & 0 & 6 \\ 1 & 14 & 4\end{array}$ | ${ }_{1}^{1} 101811$ | 1115 | 3010 | $\cdots$ | 898 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 6 & 11 \\ 0 & 5 & 4\end{array}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  | 1109 | $8{ }^{8} 89$ |  | $\begin{array}{lll}8 & 1 & 8 \\ 2 & 14 & 9\end{array}$ |  |
|  | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 8 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 & 6\end{array}$ | 132101119 | 2118 | 812 | 203 | 3102 |  |  | 040 |
|  |  |  | 2188 | 187 | 1136 | 866 | . |    <br> 8 1 8 <br> 8 8  <br> 8 14 8 | $0{ }^{3} 4$ |
|  | 1110 | $\frac{1}{2} 1110$ | 2144 |  |  |  | - |  | 0 O |
|  | 11511 | 268 | 8132 | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 4 & 8 \\ 2 & 7 & 9\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 18 & 7 \\ 8 & 0 & 11\end{array}$ | 81110 | 9 5 <br> 8 7 | 214 | $\begin{array}{ll}0 & 5 \\ 0 & 5\end{array}$ |
|  | 1146 | 251 |  | $2{ }_{2}^{210} 811$ | 251 | 4 <br> 4 <br> 3 <br> 15 |  |  |  |
|  | 1118 | 1148 |  |  | 1148 |  | 2 5 5 <br> 2 8  <br> 4 9  | -.. | 051 |
|  | $\begin{array}{lll} 188 \\ 11610 \end{array}$ | 1 6  <br>  2  <br>  2 3 | $\begin{array}{lll} 9 & 8 \\ 8 & 3 & 1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}1 & 13 & 6 \\ 88 & 5 & 5\end{array}$ |  | $\begin{array}{rrrr}813 & 7 \\ 4 & 6 & 2\end{array}$ | 11122110 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 17110 | 1908 | 8710 | 20. 810 | 19131 | 36157 | 1175 | 1410 | 2610 |
| Averuge | 1118 | 1148 | 2114 | 2011 | 1159 | 3112 | 248 | 21411 | 0.10 |
| 189394. |  | $\begin{array}{llll}2 & 1 & 10 \\ 3 & 1 & 8 \\ 1 & 10 & 8 \\ 9 & 8 & 10 \\ 8 & 16 & 8 \\ 8 & 8 & 8 \\ 8 & 10 & 1 \\ 8 & 6 & 7 \\ 8 & 18 & 1 \\ 2 & 5 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} 8 & 18 & 8 \\ 8 & 9 & 8 \\ 9 & 4 & 1 \\ 2 & 4 & 9 \\ 5 & 7 & 9 \\ 5 & 70 & 10 \\ 8 & 10 & 10 \\ 5 & 4 & 8 \\ 4 & 0 & 8 \\ 4 & 2 & 41 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} 8 & 10 & 30 \\ 8 & 1 & 6 \\ 8 & 3 & 9 \\ 3 & 0 & 2 \\ 5 & 1 & 4 \\ 3 & 7 & 8 \\ 8 & 8 & 8 \\ 5 & 8 & 3 \\ 1 & 18 & 7 \\ 8 & 6 & 1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 15 & 0 \\ 1 & 15 & 0 \\ 2 & 6 & 8 \\ 2 & 8 & 8 \\ 1 & 9 & 0 \\ 9 & 11 & 5 \\ 2 & 11 & 7 \\ 4 & 4 & 8 \\ 3 & 3 & 9 \\ 3 & 1 & 9 \\ 2 & 14 & 6\end{array}$ |  |  | $\ldots$ |  |
| 1894-95 .-. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | - |  |
| 1896 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | - |  |
| 1896 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ** |  |
| 1897 ... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $1{ }^{1} 88$ |
| 1298 ... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 055 |
| 1899 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1900 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{lll}7 & 0 \\ 5 & 18\end{array}$ | 0158 |
| 1001 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5181 | 0101 |
| 1908 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 2517 | 2891 | 3706 | 3731 | 9911 | 4881 | 8880 | 18510 | 5 5 |
| $\triangle$ varage | . 88 | 910 \% | 3118 | 3118 | 1148 | 4138 | 8105 | 6111 | 01010 |

Revenue Stalement for 110 Government Villages satuated in the Bársı Táaluka of the Sholapur Collectorate ento whith the overnment Villages sttuated ъn the Barsi Taluka of lhe Shol
Revision Survey Settlement was introduced tn 1872-1873.
[The years above the black lme are those aotecedent to the Revision Survey Settlement.]

| Yearl | Ocoupibd hand payina absebbment to Goyrhnumet |  |  |  |  |  | Unoccupizd assresed ababiz Government Land. |  |  | Land ter Ravanus of whion is alibnated bntirbie or pabtiajet (inam) |  |  | Total Land-Gofernherst, OCODPISD, Un OOOUPIED $\triangle \mathrm{ND}$ In CK . |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Balance } \\ \text { outstand } \\ \text { ontond } \\ \text { oloenot } \\ \text { yearr. } \end{gathered}$ |  | Remark |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underset{\substack{\text { occupied }}}{\text { acreat }}$ | Foll standardactecenment | Remisalons during the year |  |  | Balanee for collection. * | Acres | $\begin{gathered} \text { Poll } \\ \text { nescusanent } \end{gathered}$ | RealizationTrom auction$\substack{\text { sale of of } \\ \text { grasing }}$ | $\Delta \mathrm{Acras}$. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Trult } \\ \text { susadard } \\ \text { ascesment } \end{gathered}$ | Collecknong quit-rent. $c$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total of } \\ \text { columos } \\ \mathbf{3 , 8} \text { and ind } \end{gathered}$ |  | Grand Total tions-Tota of colamns710 mnd 13 |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | ${ }_{\text {Por }}$ | Casaal | Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 8 | 8 | 4 | $s$ | 6 | 7 | 8 | $\bigcirc$ | 10 | 11 | 12 | 18 | 14 | 18 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 18 |
|  |  | ${ }^{1} 8$. | Rs. | Rs | Rs | Ra |  | Rr | Rg |  | Ra. | Re |  | Re. | Re | R8, | R. |  |
| 186970 $1870-71$ | - 2454,798 | $1,22,788$ $1,22,788$ | * |  |  | $1,2,783$ $1,22,783$ | 903 903 | 394 894 | 4,291 | 16,436 16,486 | 8,662 8.562 | 4,215 | 268,138 2689 | $1,31,740$ 1,31790 1,97740 | 1,28290 $1,31,737$ 1,3107 | 5 | * |  |
| 1871-72 ${ }^{\text {c/ }}$ | 245,788 | 1,24,801 |  |  |  | ${ }_{1}^{1,22,802}$ | ${ }_{903}$ | 394 | 4,068 | 16,436 | 8,543 | 4,196 | 263,139, | 1,31,740 | 1,31,067 | 208 |  |  |
| 1872-78 | 275,009 | 1,99,479 | 77,231 |  | 77,281 | 1,22,248 | 422 | 147 | 3,469 | : 17,908 | 14,172 | 4,196 | 293,334 | 213,798 | 1,29 913 |  | - |  |
| 187874 | 274,638 | 1,99,271 |  | $\cdots$ |  | 1,99,271 | 741 | 296 | 2072 | 17,860 | 14,155 | 4,193 |  | 2,13,722 <br> $\mathbf{2 , 1 8 , 7 1 7}$ | 1206,596 $1,93,751$ | ${ }_{36}^{60}$ | 38 |  |
| $1874{ }^{56}$ | 274,269 | 1,99,078 | 31,583 |  | 11,533 | 1,87,548 | 1,071 | 483 | 2,014 | 17,861 | 14,158 | 4,194 4,194 | 293,201 | 2,187,030 1, | 1,80,587 | 13 | 3 |  |
| 187576 | 274,221 | 1,74,014 |  |  |  | 1,74,014 | 1,290 | 458 480 480 | 2,329 <br> 2940 <br> 290 | 17,879 17,879 | 12,563 <br> 12,564 | 4,194 4,194 | 299,390 298,389 | 1,87,027 | 1,79,949 | 90,692 | 2,804 |  |
| 1876-77 ${ }_{\text {1877-78 }}$ | 274,304 274,308 | $1,74,033$ $1,72,799$ | 1,218 | . | 1,218 | 1,72815 $1,72,799$ | 1,206 1,202 | 430 428 | 2,176 | 17,879 17879 | 12,664 <br> 12,688 | ${ }_{4}^{4,194}$ | 293,389 | 1,86,760 | 1,79169 | 12569 | 1,898 | Remirsions on scconnt al |
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| 187980 | 871,867 | 1,71,426 |  |  |  | 1,71,426 | 4,116 | 1,854 | 332 | 17,828 | 12,482 | 4,172 | 293,293 | 1,86,722 | 1,76,930 | $\begin{array}{r}4,713 \\ 1574 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | ${ }^{979} 4$ |  |
| 188081 | 267,833 | 1,69,926 | 24,088* | $\cdots$ | 24,082 | 1,45,944 | 7,668 | 8,929 | 574 | 17,801 | 12458 | 4,156 | -293,292 | 1,85,698 | 1 , 51,845 | 4,536, | 427 |  |
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Revenue Statement for three Government Villages* situated sn the Bársi Táluka of the Sholápur Collectorate into wohtch the Revisuon Swrvey Settlement zoas entroduced in 18992-93.
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## APPENDIX $P$

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## APPENDIX R.

No. 2392 or 1872.

# The SURVEY and SETTLEMENT COMMISSIONER, 

Northern Division.
Sholapur, 30th October 1872.
Sir,
I have the honour to forward a letter from Lieuteuspt-Colonel Waddington, Supernntendent, Revenue Survey, Poona and Nasik, No 564-s, of the 14th August 1872, wrth accompanments, contanung proposals for revised rates for the táluka of Barsi in thıs Collectorate

2 The maximum rate of Rs $1-80$ proposed for the taluka 18 the same which was sanotioned for the Sholapur Táluka, Colonel Waddington considerng that the advantage in point of clumate enjoyed by the Báres Táluka is, in the case of Sholapur, counterbalanced by the favourable position of the latter taluka in regard to the rallway lune.
3. In regard to Colonel Waddngton's 39th paragraph on the subject of outlying villages, I have respectfully to state my opimion, that the meonvenuence of the possession of these villages is such that it would repay Government to incur some considerable outlay in order to effect an exchange. It 18 probable that His Highness the Nivam would be glad to recelve them in exchange for some of $\mathrm{H}_{18}$ Highness's villages similarly situated in regard to British territory In carrying out an exchange, however, some outlay might, however, be required on account of compensation to the cultivators of British villages to be transferred I would enggest, howêver, that if the inhabitants of $\mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{g}}$ ghnesse's villages would prefer being placed under British rule, part of any sums of money pand as compensation to the mababitants of the British villages to be traneferred, might be recovered year by jear from those of His Highness's villages which would be recerved in exchange.
4. I trust that Government will deem the subject to be suffieiently deserving of consideration to ask for the submission of the list of villages proposed by Colonel Waddungton to be made.

5 Four of the outlying villaqes of the Sholapar Talluka were the subject of a letter addressed by me to you, No 2226 of the 12th October 1872.

## I have the honour to be, <br> Sir,

Year most obedient Servant, T. BOSANQUET, Actiog Collector.

## No. 564-A of 1872

To
TaE COLLECTOR or SHOLAPUR.
SIR,
In proposing new rates for the Bársı Táluka of the Sholápur Collectorate, I will, in the first place, briefly notice the report forwarded by Captain Wingate when submitting his news on the present settlement of the district, and copy of which is annexed.
2. Captain Wingate commences with a general description of the featurea of the country, Captann Wngate"s Report which he describes as "being situated to the north of Sholípur, from which it is separated by a narrow belt of country belonging to $\mathrm{H}_{1 s}$ Highness the Nizám. It occupies a portion of a level tract, ancluded between the Bhalla Ghát range of hills on the castward and the niver Sina to the westward. This tract is of no great width, and has a gentle slope from the hulls to the river, generally in a eouth-westerly direction, as indycated by the courses of the streams traversing it, none of which are of any great size The Bhagwati, which has a course of 40 miles from its souroe in the Bhalla Ghat to its confluence with the Sina River at the village of Narkheir, is the most considerable, but there are also a fow other streams which in favourable seasons possess rauning water during great part of the season, which is used at some vilages for the purposes of irrigation." Captain Wingate considered that it is impossible that any very considerable quantity of land can aver be brought under irrigation by damming up any of the streams, but that, on the whole, this district is better supplied with running water than any other in the collectorate north of the Bhima
8. With regard to chmate, Captan Wingate writes that Baral 18 appposed to possess a superior climate, which he attributes, to some extent, to the proximity of the Bhalla Hille He also unfurs, from the fact that the land of this district bad paid a higher rate of assessment than that of any other pait of the collectorate, that the rainfall during the monsoon, on the whole, really $2 s$ greater, and this view 18 corroborated by the return of rainfall, from whioh you will see thal the average fall in Bársi during the last 9 years has been 2562 nnches, whilst in Sholápur it was 23 49, in Mádha 20 47, and in Pandharpur 17.86,

4 With respect to markets, Barsi was more favourably situated than either Mohol or Madba, but less ao than Sholápur. Varrag is described as a town with 1,662 houses and 6,831 inhabitants, with a considerable trade in groceries, chiefly supari and pepper, imported from Haribar, Hublı, \&o, and re-exported to the Nizám's and our own territories. The town of Bársi contained 1,787 houses and 9,732 mhabitants, and us described as having carned on a large trade in gran and other articles of raw produce up to the accession of the British power, from which time it rapidly declined, and would have become mangnificant had not the tide of the cotton traffic, which formerly flowed to the Bay of Bengal, been diverted to Bombay, and Bársi, which lay on the direct route, become the great depôt for the trade Captan Wingate estimates the value of the cotton passing through Barsi at Rs. 1,25,500 annually But besides cotton, "Hallad" or "turmemc" grown chiefly in the gardens of the Pangri Pargana, formed an important article of trade, and was valued at Rs. 20,000 per annum. There was also a considerable traffic in oll, ghee, gur, \&ce, the produce chiefly of the $\mathrm{N}_{1}$ zam's districts

5 Prices of agrioultural produce, especially fodder, in consequence of the large influx of tiading stiangers, and the passage of numerous dioves of paik bullocks, averaged higher than in the neighbouring dastricts of Mohol and Madha, though not so high as in Sholapur by from 12 to 15 per cent.
6. Judging by prices alone Captain Wingate considered that Barsi should be assessed lower than Mohol, or uearly the same as Mandrup. Taking the advantages of climate, however, into consideration, he expressed his opinion that Bársi could bear an assessment at least as high as that fixed for Sholápur
7. Captan Wingate next reviews the fluctuations in cultivation and revenue during the 22 years succeeding the introduction of Brinsh rule. It appears that at that period the district was in a very flourishing condition, nearly the whole of the land being under cultivation, but that, owing to the Fall in prices, the revenue and cultivation in 1835-36 was little more than one-half what it had been nine years previously, also that when the district came into British possession, and prices were high, the cultivator pard a lower rate per aore than he dud at the time of the present settlement when the value of agrieultural produce had greatly fallen. He argued that the new assessment should be not only lower than that fixed by Mr. Pringle, viz, Re 1 per acre, but even less than that obtaining when the district came into our hands, viz, $18 \frac{1}{2}$ annas, and considers that an avelage rate, higher than one-half of this rate, or $7 \frac{1}{2}$ annas per aore, may be safely mposed. The new rental, he says, would be Rs. 5,000 less than the average collections of the precedng 22 years, Rs 5,000 more than those of the last 18 , and Rs. 15,000 more than those of the last 12 years. The mmedrate effect would, he calculated, be a decrease of Rs. 22,000 on the previous year's collections ButI find from the Collector's Jamabandı Repoit for 1840-41, that the deficit was only $\mathrm{l}_{\mathrm{s}} 14,908$ Captain Wingate concludes by recommending that every encouragement should be offered to the extension of well cultivation, to which, in his opinion, it was impossible to attach too much importance-

8 The antroduction of the new rates sppears to have been attended by the happiest resulte. Benefiosil effecte of rettlement. Mr E M. Sewart, the Second Assistant Collector, in his Settlethe exertions of theryots by the re action of the rates is everywhere apparent, and is most satis* factory, showing itself not only in the quantity of new land taken np, but also in the ease with whon new and old is prepared Harriala giass, which for yeurs had monopolzzed portions of every field, being carefully eradicated, nullas which had run not turned into thear natural beds, bunds made to prevent the soil beng washed away by heavy rain, new wells sunk-in fact, i perfect contrast to their former apathy:"
9. Again, in his report for 1841-42, the same gentleman states the increase on cultivation over the preceding year to be 24,255 sores, He shows that the average collections for the two years puoceeding the settlement were Rs. 7,248 greater than the average payments for the mine years preceding that poriod, and than those of the three preceding years by Rs, 2,469 He also notices the "evidently improving condition of the ryots, shown by large stooks of grain, karbl, \&ce., \&o." In this year several new chauis were bailt, 90 carts of the new model distributed, and agreements for 123 more entered unto. In this year also Rs. 48,000 of outstanding balances were written off as urreboverable.
10. The taluka of Barss, with the exception of some outlyng villages on the north-east border, is tolerably regular in shape, and is surrounded entively
General desarriptaon by the territories of His Highness the Nizam. The Bhalla Ghár Hulls may be more properly despribed as beng on its north, from which it ertends southwards from 25 to 28 miles, whilst from east to west it is about 28 As described by Captana Wangate, there is a gradual slope in a south-westerly dureotion, but, as a rule, there 15 a succession of dips and rises from east to west between each of the streams which intersect the district, the ascending and desvending slopes becoming mors and more gentle as they approach the eastern border The nchest land, as usual, is found towards the bottom of the slopes, which commonly become almost level along the banks of the streams, and are generally dotted with clumps of magnificent mango trees Such poor solla ss are described in Mradha, as producing nothing but "yollowp stunted spear grass," are searcely to be found, there being, eveu on the barrenest parts, a sufficient depith of earth to produce good grass duning the monsoon Indeed, on the whole, it is artanly the best dustrat of the sholapur Collectorate wath which I sm acquanted.
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11 Theie are no large nivers in Barsi, the principal one being the Bhagwati, which, after traversing the distriet, falls into the Sina The minor streams are the Sina, Chandnı, Nagjhuri, Bedki, Zaina and Ram. Most of these streams bad pools of water in them at the end of A pril last, when I had an opportunity of inspecting them, so that after an average fall of ram there is probably water in them all the year round.
12. The proncipal road in the district is that from the town of Barsi to the Barsin Road

Rogds Station of the G. I. P Ranlway, o distance of 22 mles. Thes road 18 bridged and metalled throughout, and 18 one of the best constructed high roads I bave seen, having been, I beheve, onginally intended for a tramway. It has been lately extended beyond Barsi to Yedsi above the Bhalla Ghat, but this portion is not metalled, thougi the strings of carts (chrefly laden with eotion) which pass along it give evidence of the necessity of this improvement There is also a road fiom Barsi vad Varag to Sholapur, but this also is unbridged and unmetalled, and in many parts is scarcely even a cleared track. I have been unable to obtain any return of the exports of the dustrict ; but the following statement, kindly furnished by the Anditor of the G.I.P Ralway, shows the quantity of cotton, grain, \&c, conveyed from the Bársi Road Station dumng the last five years. Lattle, if any, of the cotton is the produce of the district, as it chiefly comes from the Nizam's terntory; but it is probable that a considerable proportion of the seeds, grain, and other artucles have been suppled by the country under report.

Statement showong Cotton, Gram, \&ec., conveyed from Bársi Road Station during the last five years

13. Irrigation (except from wells) is very lumited, and there are no large works at all. Tanks and Bhandaras The dam of the old Karkera Tank, situated in the village of Koregan, in the extreme north-west of the datanct, was reparred by Government about fourteen years ago, but was carried away the year before last The site appears a most favourable one, and the dam might, I beheve, be repared at a very small cost. There is another tank at Káudgaon in the east of the district, the embankment of which also was carred away two yeais ago, and as there as a large accumulation of sult, it is doubtful whether it would repay the cost of repair.
14. As mentioned in a former paragraph, the fall of ram in this district, as will be seen Rainfall. from the return given below, is greater than in any other taluk of the colleetorate It must be also remembered that the town of Bársı, at which the raıfall was registered, is many miles distant from the Gháts, to the proxumity of which the more abundant fall may be attnbuted, and it $1 s$ probable that it increases the nearer you approach this range. I myself, from the general appearance of the dustrict, even during thas year of scant rain-the green grass and aplendid trees along the edge of the nullahs, the almost invarable presence of water $m$ the beds of the nivers, the number of wells at work, and the small depth at which water is found-cannot but come to the conclusion that this district is favoured with a superior chmate to any other part of the collectorate north of the Bhima.

Return of Rainfall from 1863 to 1871, inclubt e.

| Year. |  |  | Barsi | Sholapur. | Karmájan | Mádha. | Pandharpur |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1863 ... | ** | .* | 2420 | 2128 | 1259 | 1972 | 1898 |
| 1804 ... | $\cdots$ | ** | 2256 | $2 v^{7} 77$ | 2079 | 2460 | 18.59 |
| 1865 .. | ... | . | 1905 | 13-72 | 1300 | 826 | 1805 |
| 1866 |  | -• | 2245 | 2002 | 1136 | 1574 | 650 |
| 1807 |  | . | 2576 | 2587 | 1223 | 2972 | 2583 |
| 1863 . . | ** | -* | 1862 | 2592 | 11.71 | 1464 | 1655 |
| 1869 |  | . | 3812 | 3578 | 3749 | 2104 | 2890 |
| 1870 |  | * | 4319 | 3503 | 8170 | 3575 | 2637 |
| 1871 |  | . | 16.07 | 1309 | 1020 | 1481 | 1100 |
| Average of mine years |  |  | 2562 | 2349 | 1856 | 2047 | 1786 |

15 There are one or two towne and several large villages in the district, the former being Towne, mariketa, \&o. Bársi and Varrag, and the latter comprising Pangri, Pángáon, tended the classification, writes thus -"The town of Barsi is, next to Sholapur, the largest in the allah It has a population of 15,759 , whth a total number of houses of 4,314. A comparison of these figures with those shown in Lieutenand Wingate's report, shows an increase in inhabitants of 6,027 or 62 per cent, whilst the number of houses has increased by 2,527 or $141 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. The town is well built, the streets beang broad and well kept" Mr Francis puts down the number of carts passing through the town daily at 250 , and $I$ ama nuchned to think that he has not over-estimated them. Ihe primmpal market towns are Barsi, Vairag and Pangri, and the chief articles exposed for sale, besides live stock and grawn, are turmeric, sugar, ghee, cotton, metals, onl, wood, cotton and woollen twists, cloth, dyes, tobacco, leather, bangles, \&e, \&c. In Bárai goods amounting to a lakh of rupees are estımated to change hands weekly, and in Varag about Rs. 14,000 worth.
16. These are confined to the weaving of coarse cotton and woollen cloths, and this trade Manufncturea. is carried on chiefly in Bársi, Taxiwal, Vairág and Pángri. 117 in which woollen cloths, are menufactured.
17. Thurty jears ago there was only one Government school in the district, there are now Education. 19, whech are 'attended by 776 boys and 36 girls. Enghsh is puple number 33 boys.
18. The total population at the time of the intioduction of he present settlement was 66,245 , Population. of which 34,953 were males and 31,292 females. Of the males
23,202 were above and 11,751 below 15 years of age, and of the of which 34,953 were males and 31,292 females. Of the males females, 24,235 were above and 7,057 below that age. At the present tume the population amounts to 100,566 , or an morease of a little more than 51 per cent The number of males is 52,139 , or an merease of 49 per cent., and that of the females 48,427 , or an marease of 54 per cent. The number of non-adult males is 19,237 and of femalea 13,994, showng and morease $m$ the former of about 64 and $m$ the latter of 98 per cent. Of the whole population, 4,563 males or 9 per cent. can read and write, of the feamles only 43.
19. The number of houses has nncreased from 13,836 to 18,495 Of carts there are now Horsen, chaums, \&o,

1,794 against 705, and of ploughs 2,476 against 1,543 , whilst the cattle, maluding horses, draught oxen, she-buffaloes and cows have risen from 58,366 to 73,183 , sheep have remaned nearly satationaly and amount to 23,201 .

The following statement gives the numerical and precentage merease -

| Deseriptron. |  |  | According to Census in |  | Increase in favour of 187172 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 384041 | 1871.72. | Numarioal, | Par cent |
| Inhabitants .. | - 0 | - | 66,245 | 1,00,566 | 34,321 | 51 |
| Houses | - | . | 18,788 | 18,495 | 4,707 | 34 |
| Chauris | -* | . | 48 | 126 | 78 | 162 |
| Carts . ... | - | - | 705 | 1,794 | 1,089 | 154 |
| Ploughs ... | $\cdots$ | -. | 1,543 | 2,476 | 983 | 60 |
| Bullooks $\quad$... | -." | $\bullet$ | 26,466 | 31,469 | 5,003 | 18 |
| Cattie, Sheep and Horses | $\cdots$ | ... | 58,831 | 64,905 | 6,074 | 10 |

20. Of welle, there are in all 8,947 , of which 136 are used for drinking only, 967 are out Wolla of repar, and 2,844 are available for rugation. Of these, 110 were constructed dunng the first twelve years of the settlement, 299 during the next ten, and 987 durng the last decade I At the time of settlement there were only 1,776 wells in workng order, the marease, therefore, in wells in good repair is 60 per cent. The large number of new wells constructed withan the last ten years 18 a striking proof of the prosperity of the distinct and the energy which has been evoked by that prosperity.

> 21. The saleable and mortgageable value of land 18 shown in the subjoned list, from which
> Price of land.
> you will see that it varnes from five to seventy tumes the assessment (vide Nos, 1, 8, 20, \&c) Taking a mean of only thity times the assessments, the value calculated socordingly to the rates proposed by me would represent about eighty-four lakhs of rapees.

Extiact from Reaister of Sales and Mortgages of Land in the Barss Taiuka


2L. I'he district is, on the whole, the best of the Sholapur Collectorate with which I am Husbandry and crops, acquanted, bat there are few villages of which the soils are almost in the Mandrup Division of the Sholápur Táluka, but, on the other hand, as above mentroned, there as little or none of the very poorest goll The agricultural implements in use are the same as in other parts of the Deccan, but the heavier dry-crop solls are not ploughed more than once in four or five years, the surface in the intermedate years being merely ferratched over with a harrow, which, however, eeems to be all that is required. The garden lands are very carefully ploughed and harrowed every year and heavily manured. Manure, too, is occasionally used in the drycrop solls The chief Kharif (early) crops are bajri, túr, cotton, mung, ambadı and til, the late, or 1abi, are jowarr ( 62 per cent.), wheat, gram, linseed, and kardan the garden products are tuimeric, earth-nuts, barley, nce, wheat, onions, sweet potatoes, yams, chilhes and vegetables, also jowár and maize for fodder Sugar and plantanns are occasionally grown, and in a few viliages the pan or betel vine is cultivated, but the staple garden crops are turmenc and ear th-nuts
23. From the preceding paras it will be evident that the people are in a thrinng state,

Condition of the people which was further evidenced by the numerous stocks of
"Karba" and stores of grann which, in spite of the preceding unfavourable season, I saw in every vullage daring my tour Indeed, I was struck with the flourishing appearance of the district, the men were well clothed, and many of the women wore "Sáris" of bright colours, the patt-rn of wheh I have not seen in any other district There has not teen a case of land being sold to meet arrears of rent during the last five years nor have there been any remissions.
24. The old elassification approximates much more nearly to the standard now mantanned pld and new clasaifcation. than that of Sholépur. This is owing probably to Sir George Wingate having personally supenntended the operation, the result
being that the average classitioation duffers only by 11 pies. But although the average is satisfactory, our classification of poor solls is somewhat lower, and
 that of good solls hugher than the former standard, so that to preserve umformity it was desirable to have a fresh classification, and, indeed, it would, many case, have been necessary, owng to the breakng up of numbers, and the difference between former and present measured area This operation was carrned out under the superintendence of Messrs, A Cumming and E. A. Francis, and after a careful scrutiny I have every reason to be well satisfied with the work of both these gentlemen. The classification in both cases agreed with my own erithun 6 pres. From the test return you will see that out of 1,179 fields tested, 1,017 are within one anna and only 22 exceed two annas.

## 25. I annex a statement showng the average prives of grann in the town of Báran from <br> \section*{Proe of gram.} <br> the year 1856-57, there being no information obtaunable prior to

 wán and bfiri fro 1866-67 that date. You will see, however, that the average prices of from 1856-57 to 1860-61; whilst that of wheat 18 even still higher. I have no data for comparing the prices for the pernods selected by me as a standard in the ease of Bhimthari, viz, thoee for the first fifteen years of the settlement, and those for the ten years compnsed in the second halves of the last two decades. There can be, however, no doubt that the price of agricultural produce has risen quite as much in this ss in the neighbourng districte, and that it is not too much to take that rise as beang from 60 to 70 per cent.TABLE shounng the Pricos of Jowarn, Bagri and Wheat in the
Town of Barsi ance 1856-57.

26. Captain Wingate estumated that in the first year of the sottlement the assessment ous
1at Period, is yourth culturated had would amount Rs. 84,000 . But on examining the duagram, it appears that the assesment wis min roalty
Rs. $1,06,884$; the morease being doubtlese owing to 25,000 asres of waste harng been tuken up. Stull, bowever, 60,000 sares, or a hittle more than ith of the total culturnble erem, was weste in -719-10
this year, and remissions to the extent of Rs 8,925 were allowed. In the next year 7,000 acres of the waste were taken up, and the remissions were only Rs 175 , but in 1842.43 the waste agan rose to 46986 acres, and in the following year to 55,246 . In 1844-45 the waste was slightly less, and in 1845-46 over 11,000 acres were taken up, but the remissions amounted to the large sum of Rs 40,872 In the next year over 18,000 more acies were taken up, theie being only 24,254 acres of waste, and the remissions were nominal, viz, Rs 322. From this date cultivation gradually decreased untrl 1851-52, the 12th year of the settlement, when the waste land amounted to 35,490 acres, or about $\frac{1}{7}$ th of the total area The average collections for the first twelve years were Rs 1,03,736, the average wasty 40,803 acres, and remassions Rs. 4,417.
27. The year 1852-53 showed the waste land to have risen to 41,167 acres, but the remss-

## 2nd Penod, 10 years.

sions were only Rs 81. From this epoch the waste decreased by rapid strides, whilst the collections rose and remissions dwindled, until in 1861-62, the 22nd year of the settlement, there were only 2,633 acres of waste land, the collections were ks $1,23,477$, and the remissions mil The average waste was 15,164 acres, collections Rs. 1,18,245 and remissions $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{g}} 190$

28 During the last ten years the waste land may be said to have been all taken up, the sud Penod, 10 years collections have averaged Rs, $1,24,588$, and there have been no remissions
29. As shown in a preceding pare graph, Captain Wingate was of opinion that the Barsi Propased rates. Taluka can well bear rates of assessment equal to those of Sholapur, and the present maximum rate throughout is the same as that of Sholapor was, viz, Re 1 Conceding, as I most readly do, that at the time of the settlement the status of the two districts was so similar as to justify his deduction, it is stall very evident to nue that that condition no longer exists. The construction of the Great Indian Peninsula Railway has conferred such an advantage on Sholapur, that the former parallel no longer holds good, and on the ground of the advantages thas enjoyed, Sholapur should, doabtless, be assessed at a higher rate than Barsi, and as my maximum rate for Sholapur was Rs. 1-8 0, that for Bársi ought apparently to be somewhat less. But, as was explaned in my report on the settlement of the Sholápur Taluka, paragraph 38, my maxımum rate which $I$ considered was pioperly applicable in that district was $\mathrm{R}_{8} 1-12-0$, and it was only owng to the very great rise which (owing to the extreme faultiness of the old classification) the appheation of that rate would have caused, that, in deference to the opimion of the Survey Commissioner, N D I reduced the maximum to $\mathrm{Rs}_{\mathrm{s}}$ 1-8-0 In the case of Barsi tre scale of classification, as mentroned in a former paragraph, approximates so closely to the standard now in force in this department (there being only an average dufference of 11 pies), that the imposition of the same rate as in Sholápur will not cause nearly so large an increase in the assessment as was the case in that district I, theiefore, propose to take he 1-8-0 as my maximum rate, and to have in all four classes of villages coming under the respective rates of Rs. 1-8-0, Rs 1-6-0, Rs. 1-4-0, and Rs 1-2-0.
30. As in the case of Sholapur, I will limit the maximum 1 ate of Rs 1-8.0 to the princi-

> Grouping of villages.
pal town of Báres atself; but, in consideration of the greater rans-
fall near the hills, I propose to extend the second class to all viliages between Barsi and the Ghats. The third class will embrace all villages further removed from the hills and Bársi and a few rough villages in the north-east cosnar, and the fourth class is confine it a few villages which are further removed from any malket or road in the south-east of the district.

31 The total number of villages in the táluka is 124, comprising an area of 603 square mules, of which 116 are Government and 8 Dumala Of these, $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Number of vilages } & \text { miles, of which } 116 \text {, are Government and } 8 \text { Dumala Of these, } \\ \text { however, only } 111 \text { Government and } 4 \text { Dumala come under imme- }\end{array}$ drate settlement, the remainng 5 Government villages having lapsed, three in 1848 and two in
1854 , and been brought under settlement in 1856 and 1858 , respectively, by the Dhárwar Survey Department The annexed map shows the grouping of the villages and the different rates, and number of villages coming under each class is as follows -

Statement showing the number of Vallages coming under each rate

|  |  | No of Villagea | $\begin{gathered} \text { Maximum } \\ \text { Rate } \end{gathered}$ | Remarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Class I | - | 1 | 18 | The town of Bars |
| Class II | . | 58 | 16 | Villages withan 5 or $B$ milea of Bársi or adjoung the hille, or on road to Varag or Bérsi Road Station |
| Class III | ** | 47 | 14 | Villages farther from Baral and the bilis to the south of road from Bursi to Varrag, and some villages in north east corner |
| Class IV | - | 5 | 12 | A group of villages in south east corner. |
| Class II | - | 111 |  | Two Dumala villages and two Government, of which lesse bas not expired |
| Class III |  | 5 | 14 | Two Dumala and three Government of whach leave has notexpured. |
|  |  | 120 |  |  |

32. You will see th $t$ of the 111 vilages there is only one in the lst elass, the assessEffect of rate: ment on which is rased 80 per cent, by the new rates. The 2nd claes embraces 58 villages, the average increase on which is 66 per cent, and the 3td class 47 , which are raised 62 per cent The 4th class includes only 5 villages, the merement on which, however, is gieater than in any of the other olasses, being 95 per cent., though the average rate is less, being only 9 annas 1 pie acre, whilst those of the other three classes are, respectively, 12 annas 1 pie, 12 annas 4 pres, and 11 annas 3 pres. The average anorease on the 111 Government nillages mcladed an the dagram 1866 per cent., and the average rate per aere on dry-crip land is 11 amas 9 pres-ma Sholapur it was 11 anmas and 4 pies
33. To compare the proposed assessment with the figures given in Captam Wingate's return (which related to 112 villages), it wull be necessery to Comparson with former pay deduct the revenue of one village, Dárphal, which was transferred menta to ${ }^{\circ}$ Sholápur subsequent to the settlement. The assessment on thie village ${ }_{18}$ Rs 1,660. The largest colleations from 1818-19 to 1839-40, exelusive of Sayer, were in 1826-27, in which year they amounted to Rs 1,89,302 The assessmeat I propose then, 18 Rs. 17,944 more for 111 villages than the hughest revenue realized during the last fifty-three years As compraied with the collections during the course of the present settlement, it is R. $1,03,510$, or 100 per cent. more than the average annual revenue during the first 12 years, Rs. 89,001 or 75 per cent more than that for the next 10 years, and Rs 82,658 or 66 per cent more than that of the last 10 year 3 .
34. Cases of a very great ancrease in individual villages are much less common than in Inatances of large increase the Sholapur Taluka, theie being only 11 instances in which the morease exceeds 100 per cent. The greatest rise is in the village of Gormala, No 19, wheh is raised 150 per cent, and the least in Pimpalwandi, No. 45, and Turk Pimpri, No, 103, which are inereased only 13 per cent.
35. The quantity of and actually under cultivation in exoess of the recorded area is Land held in excent, 30,454 or 12 per cent of the total cultivation. Of waste assessed land there are only 83 acres. The following statement exbubite the results in the case of the 111 villages uncluded in the diagram. The effeot

* Not printed. in the case of each village is shown in the figured statement** annexed to the report -
Statement ahowong the effect of the Proposed Rates contrasted woth last Year's Payments in 111 Fillages.

| Assessment according to present rates Assessment acoording to proposed rates .. ... | Ocoupled |  | Waste. |  | Total. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Acrea | Asmeasment | Acrea | Assnosment | Aeres. | Assosament, |
|  | 248,465 | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{Rs} . \\ 1,24,658 \end{gathered}$ | 59 | Rs, | 248,525 | $\begin{gathered} \mathbf{R s} . \\ \mathbf{1 , 2 4 , 6 6 7} \end{gathered}$ |
|  | 278,509 | 2,07,174 | 83 | 72 | 278,592 | 2,07,246 |
|  | 30,044 | 82,516 | 24 | 63 | 30,068 | 82,579 |

36. You will thus see that the nnorease of assessment on the cultarable lands of these 111 Inorease of revenue. villages is Rs. 82,579, of which only Rs. 63 are on acoount of unoccuped lands.
37. The assessment according to the prosent settlement on land urngated by wells and

Land under wella and pathas paths is Rs 8,308 , but it was imposed in $\&$ lump, there being no detal of what proportion was on account of the well, and what on account of the path. The ares under wella, scoording to the new survey, 1814,133 sares, 50 that by the absandonment of the cess on wells at least Rs. 28,000 will be foregone. The area irrigated by paths 181,058 acrea, the highest rate mposed by me on socount of water is Rs 4-8. 0 , deoressing to 8 anuas according to ourcumstances The total masessment on this acoulnt in the 111 villages is Rs. 1,918 or an average of ks. 1-13-0 per acre bendes the dryerop rate.

3S. The measurement of the distnct was carried out under the superntendence of Messrs. settled most of the cases of disputed boundary between the Bntish Government and that of His Highness the Nuza in in communication with Syad $\Delta$ minodin, the Mansabdar deputed by His Hughness. There are a few cases in which the arbitratons conld not come to an agreement, and regruing further proceedings in which reference has been made to Government, so there wo provision in the Act for casee of thus natora.
39. Whist on thus subject I would bring to the notice of Government the desirability, if Outlying villages possble, of effecting an interchange, with His Highness the other talukas of the Sholapur Collectorate for others which are samilarly 1 solated from His Highness' dominions Should this be deemed piacticable, I would have a list of villages prepared, with the necessary unformation reyardug the relative value of the different villages concerned.
40. In conolusion, I must explain that, in order to save time, I have prepared my report Conolusion. Without waiting for the examination of the classification returne, returns now submitted and the fin consequently some variation must be expected between the general lesulta in any very apprectable degree, probably not more than 3 or 4 per cent

I bave the honour to be, Sir,
Your most obeduent servant,
W. WADDINGTON, Lieut -Colonel,

Poona, 14th August 1872.
Superintendent, Revenue Survey.
Statzetical Table No. III.-Detavld of Cultwation.

| District. | Sarrejod rillagat | Crops | Percentage of Total Cultivation of Government and Ingm jands |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Total. | Kharit, | вяы |
| 1 | 8 | 8 | 4 | ${ }^{5}$ | 6 |
| Bars | 111 Khalsat .. |  | 622 51 20 45 1.7 25 46 05 44 14 23 05 05 05 39 89 |  |  |
|  |  | Total .. | $100 \cdot 0$ | 233 | 787 |

Classafication Test Statement.


Measurement Test SLatement.

| Names of Amenistanity | ${ }_{\text {Nielde }}^{\text {Number of }}$ | Fralia in whloh the percentage error was within |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1 | 8 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | - | 10 | Above 10 per 0 ont |
| Mr. W. G Harrison. Mr H. K. Demey | \} 1,133 | 917 | 128 | 36 | 25 | 14 | 5 | 2 | - |  | 6 | $\cdots$ |
| $1$ |  | W. WADDINGTON, Leut-Colonel, Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Aasessment, Poona and Násice |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Contrasted Statement of the Number of Houses, Inhabutants, Wells, Cattle, ete, in the Bárst Tailuka of the - Sholápur Oollectorate, according to Oensus taken, respectively, m1839-40 and 1870-71.




The following Comparative Statement exhibits the results of the new and former Survey, of 111 Villages of the Barar Táluka shown in detan under the same head -


No 122 or 1840.
To
E MONTGOMERIE, Esq.,
Collector, Sholápur.
Sir,
The advanced state of the survey operations in Bársi Taluka of your collectorate, giving me reason to hope that its settilement may be completed in time for introduction at ensumg jamáband, I have the honour to submit, for consideration and approval, proposals for new rates of assessment for thus district, which you will oblige me extremely by laying before the Revenue Commissioner at an early opportunity, as a speedy adoption of them, or some others, is necessary to secure the introduction of the new settlement in the present season, and prevent the cultivators being disappounted by the benefits which the measure may be expected to confer being withheld from them for another year.
2. The táluka of Barsi 18 situated to the north of that of Sholapur, from which it is separated by a narrow belt of country belonging to His Hıghness the Nizám. It occupies a portion of a level tract, meluded between the Bhalla Ghat range of hills to the eastward, and the Sina River to the westward. This tract 18 of no great width, and has a gentle slope from the hills to the river, generally in a south-westerly direction, as indreated by the courses of the streams traversing it, which are none of any considerable size The Bhagwati, which has a course of 40 miles from 1ts source in the Bhalla Ghat to ite confluenoe with the Sina River at tne village of Narkherr, is the most considerable, but there are also of few other streams which in favourable seasons possess running water durng great part of the season, which is used at some villages for the purposes of irrigation. The supply of water from such sources 18, however, trifling, although it might probably be better hasbanded than at present, in particular localities, by damming up the streams, for which, as I bave been assured by the late Mámiatdar, there are some very favourable positions These I have not had an opportunity of personally examinng, but from the limited supply of water in the streams themselves, it is umposssble that any very considerable quantity of land conld ever be brought under urngation by such means. Upon the whole, however, this district is better supphed with running streams tham any other in the collectorate north of the Bhima.

3 It is also beleved to possess a superior climate, and this crrcumstance, so far as founded on fact, must be owing to the proximity of the Bhalla Ghat range, which forms the eastern boundary of this detrict throughout ats whole extent. This range is of moderate height, not rising more than from three to five hundred feet above the plains of Barsi, and cannot, therefore, without difficulty be supposed to occasion any very remarkable diversity of clumate between these last and other parts of the collectorate That there is some difference, however, appears certann, and as the clmate of the Nuzam's dustrets above the Bhalla Ghát is much colder than that of the plauns below, so mach so as to require a distinct course of cultivation, wheat in the former generally taking the place of jowari nn the latter, I see no reason to doubt of this exerting a sensible effect on the elimate of Barss, by occasioning a greater fall of ran there in the monsoon months than mother and more open parts of the collectorate. The same may likewnse be inferied from the fact of the land of this distmet having throughout our administration paid a higher rate of assessment than that of any other in the collectorate not possessing superior advantages in respect of markets My own opimion is, that, in point of climate, Barsi 18 more favoured than any other district of Sholapur, but that thas advantage 28 not considerable, and that it would be desirable, in considering the question of assessment, not to lay much stress upon a point which is necessanily one of conjecture and not admittung of any conclusive proof.

4 In respect of markets for the dssposal of agricultural produce, Bársi is more favourably gituated than either Mohol or Mádha, but less so than Sholápur. Almost the whole of ita
surplus produce is disposed of, in the first instance, at its own internsl marts of Barsi and Vairag, which are of sufficient importance to merit some dictinct notice. Both may be oonsudered prosperous towns for the Deecan, slthough echpsed of late years by the flourishing mart of Sholépur.
5. Varag is situated about 28 miles to the north of Sholápur, and, according to a census made a few months back by this department, contains 1,663 houses and 6,831 inhabitants. Its trade is considered to have fallen off under our rule, but it is still very constderable, and is chnefly in the hands of Lingayet Wanis, several of whom are reputed to possess great wealth. The staple of the trade is groceries, chiefly suparn and pepper, of which some thousand ballookloads are annually mported from Hubli, Hanhar, and other marts to the southward. These are again exported to the large pethas of Huminabad, Waswant, Nandier, ete., in the Nuxam's, and also forwarded to many markets in our own territones. Many of the shops and houses of Vairag are sabstantially bult of brick and mortar, which render it auperior in outward appearance to the generality of Deccan towns.
6. Barsi, situated north of Vaurag 12 miles, is the station of the Mámlatdar, and contans according to the recent census 1,787 houses and 9,732 inhabitants. Up to the accession of the British, this town carried on a large trade in grain and other articles of raw produce, but the demand for these ceased, in a great measure, with the overthrow of the Peshwa and the consequent dispersion of hordes of idle Mahratta retainers On thus account the trade of Bérsa - rapidly deolined under our rule, and would ere this have become insignificant, but for the cunous change in the ohannels of the cotton trade that occurred some years back. The cotton, whoh had prevously been alwaye forwarded for shipment to the ports in the Bay of Bengal, could, it was discovered, be more advantageously dusposed of on the other aide of the peninsula at Bombay, and an immediate change in the ohannels of the trade was the consequence. Barss lying in the direct route from some of the ootton districts, and situated just within our territories, but on the verge of those of the Nazam, was found a convenient place of meeting for the tradera of the countries, and became almost immediately constituted a depot for the trade. In the first instance, almost the whole of the cotton brought to Barsi was purohased after its arival there for the Bombay market. Of late years, however, some Bombsy houses have despatched agents to the cotton-growing districts for the purpose of making their purohases on the spot. Most houses engaged in this trade have also agents stationed at Barsi, to purchase up the cotton as it arrives; but the article ss one of very general speculation with all classes of trades, and it 18 no nnoommon thing for it to be brought in quantaties so small as single or a very few bullook loads, for transmisaion to Bombay. Every petty trader, indeed, who oan command a few rupess seems anxious to make a venture in ootton The wery large profits obtained in the early years of this trade gave rise to this spirit of speculation; but some severe reversea have been sustaned in the last few years, and occasioned the ruin of some of the smaller specalators. The cotton brought down to Barss is estimated at 5,000 bullock-loads per annum, which, at Rs. 25 each, gives Rs, $1,25,000$ for the value of the trade. This cotton is generally of very inferior quality, and none of it is produced in the Barsa Distriot, the small quantity grown there hardly auffiang for domestio consumption
7. Another amportant article of the trade of Barar is "hallad " or turmenc, which is the produce of the district itself, being raised chiefly un the Bagayet villages of the Pangri Pargana although to a less extent throughout the reat of the district. It is singular enough that the oulture and manufacture of thas article, which requre no partionlar degree of care or skull, should be confined almost exclussvely to the taluka of Bársi. The quantity of hallad disposed of annually at Barsi may be 2,000 bullock-loads, of the value of Rs . 20,000 , which is thenoe exported to Poons, Rajápar Bander, Junnar, Ahmednagar, eto., in addition to the above, there 18 also a considerable trade in oul, ghee, gur, etc, transacter at Barsm. But the greater pormon of these artiolea are the produce of the Nizam's dastncts Symptoms of revival in the graun trade are also observable since the abolition of the transit duties, and considerable exports of grann, wheat, pulse, or the more valuable grains, bave, in the last two jears, been made to Poons and the other district markets.
8. The conaiderable trade of Bársi and Vairdg although in a great measure one of transit, occasione a large influx of strangers into the distriot and the employment of numeraus droves of pack bullooks, circumatances whioh tend to keep up the price of agnoultural produce, and especally, of fodder, which trom its bulk cannot be transported to any distant market. These advantages oanse the prices of agrioultural produce to average highar here than m the neughbouning distriots of Mohol and Madha, althongh not so high as in Shalípur, the diftiaranoo in favour of the latter dustrict being as much as 18 or 15 per cent.
9. Judging, then, by prioes alone, Barsi should be assessed lower than Sholapar, but higher than Mohol, or nearly the same as the pargana of Mandrup. There is another element, however, that of olimate, requining attention in this district; and though it may be difficult to aseugn its true value, yet there is endence enough to show that the distumction here contended for is founded on faot, and has enabled this distriot hitherto to pay a relatively higher assessment than others in its neighbourhood. Without attemptang to define with ernctness what amount of assessment this euperionty of olumate may be equivalent to, I shall content myself with stating my own opanion, that it will enable Bárs to bear a rate of assessment at least as high as that fixed for Sholá par, or 33 par cent. above Indápur, the dustrict first settled. There are, however, several consuderations, independent of what has been already etated, tending to

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show the farrness and liberality of the rates of assessment here proposed, and authorizing us to unfer that they will ensure the prospenty of the distrint without trenching annecessarly upor the resources of Government These I shall now endeavour to explan.

10 The Bársi Taluka when at came into our hands was in a more flourishing condition than any other district of the Sholapur Collectorate Unfortunatelv, however, this satisfactory state of things was not destaned to be of long continuance; and, with whatever reluctance, it must be admitted that the district has become semouely detenorated under our management The cause of this is apparent enough, and one I have often had occasion to adduce in repoiting upon other parts of the country -beng the attempt to realize under altered curcumstances when all kinds of agricultural produce had become greatly depieciated in value, the anme amount of assessment as had been paid in times when money was plentiful and prices were high
11. Mr Davidson's duagrams are admuably calculated for the illustration of questions of this kind, and wis the following' page will be found one constructed for the Báres Taluka, which exhibits, almost at a glance, the whole effects of our land-revenue management of the district from the date of ats acquisition up to the present tame, or for a period of 22 years. The dagram will be fully comprehended from the explanations noted at the foot, but it may be useful to notice here that the dotted line denotes the limit of cultivation and arable waste in each year, the space included between this line and the base of the dragram being the cultivated, and that above the line being the waste, estimated in acres by the scale on the sides of the dagram In like mannei, the shaded portion of the diagiam represents the assessment on the Jand in cultivation, the amount of this actually realized up to the present time, the former being shown by the space moluded between the opper agzag line and the base, and the latter by that between the lower zogag line and the base
12. On referring to these diagrams it will be seen that the taluka of Barsi came into our possession in a very flourishing condition-nearly the whole arable land was under cultivation, and for the first two years we were enabled to collect every rupee of the assessment. This extent of exaction proved, however, excessive, and was followed in the third year of our management by a marked dımıuution of the cultivation, but prices hating continued good until 1821-22, the collections were made with punctuality about this penod prices began to fall iapidly, but for several years afterwards the remussions granted were liberal, and cultivation continued to ncrease, until it reached its greatest height in 1826-27, when the collections also rose to an unprecedented height, and were quite enormons, whether compared with those of preceding or following years. Ihis apparently flounshing state of things was, however, deceptive and disastrous in its consequences, for the taluka has not to this day, perhaps, recovered from the effects of this one year's excessive exaction. A considerable decrease of cultivation and revenue immediately took place, and these, with few and inconsiderable exceptions, continued to decline untal 1835-36, when they were lattle more than one-half of their amount nine years before

13 During the continuance of Mr. Pringle's settlement, or for the last ten years ancluded in the diagram, the fluctuations of cultivation and revenue* are comparatively small, but then average amount 18 lower than that of the preceding years of our management. From this we may infer that Mr. Pringle's system was superior to that which it supplanted, but was too burdensome to admit of the district making any advance under its operation. From the duagram it appears that under Mr Pringle's settlement, the dotted line representing the cultrvation generally falls within the shaded portion marking the assessment, in other words, that in this period the rates of assessment on the land in cultivation averaged more than one rupee per acre, while in the preceding years the dotted line is, almost without exception, above the shaded portion of the diagram, showing that the average rate of assessment was then less than one rupee per acre, and this as more especially remarkable in the first two years entered in the statement, when the assessment was actually lower, with reference to the quantity of land in cultivation, than thas ever been since In other words, when the district came into our possession, and prices of agricultaral produce were high, the cultivators pand a lower rate per acre than now when the value of pioduce has greatly fallen. But a mere comparison of the difference of assessment in money does not enable us to form any just conception of the actual werght of the land tax at the two dufferent periods Under Mr Pringle's settlement, the assessment on cultivated land, estimated in produce-which is the only correct way of domg so-has been at least double what it was when we aequired possession of the district, and more need not be sard to account for the district at one period having been flourishing, with nearly the whole arable land under cultivation, and at the other in a depressed, stationary condition, with one-half of the culturable lands lying waste and unproductive. The merease of cultivation observable in the last year entered in the diagram, is owing to extensive grants of waste land at Ukth rates, which is, of course, equvalent to reduction of assessment, and does not moaladate any of the preoeding remarks.

14 The picture of our past revenue management afforded by this duagram offers some important facts for our gurance in determining the new rates of assessments. Twenty-two years ago, when the pnces of produce were about double what they are at present, we find the taluka to have been flourishing, with the cultivated land assessed at an average rate of thirteen and-a-half annas per acre, under Mr. Pringle's settlement we find its condition much deteriorated with the cultivated land assessed upwards of a rupee per acre, notwithstanding a great fall in the prices of produce. The direct conclusion from this 18 , that to ensure the rertoration of the district to ite former prosperous condition, we ought to fix the assessment not only lower than

[^9]Mr. Pringle's, but also much lower than that exsiting at the time of the aoquistrion of the talaka, un order to compensate for the great depreciation in the value of the prodace that has since talion place. This depreciation 18 probsbly, not less than 50 per cent; but the cultivator was in former times subjected to the payment of several mdirect imposts, independent of the regular assessment, from which he is now relieved, whle the securnty of his tenure 18 also enhanced by the improvements which have been effected in our revenue admanistration. On these acoounts, an average rate of assessment hugher than one-half of that obtainugg when we first acquured the taluka, might, I thunk, be amposed with safety ander present cureumstances.
15. Upon distanct considerations, and with reference to the rates established in the districts already settiled, I have atated my opmon in a precedrag paragraph, that the Barss Taluka can well bear rates of assessment equal to those of Sholapur The effect to be antrompated on the revenue by the adoption of these rates $I$ shall now proceed to show.
16. From an average of results, obtained from the calculation of the assessment of several fillages at these rates, I estumate that the rate per aore would be $7 \frac{1}{2}$ annas on the whole arable land, 245,000 acres gining a manmum Jerayet assessment of Rs $1,15,000$. When to thus is added a sum of Rs 5,000 for the extra tax on urigated land, and other items of land revenue not moluded in the above, we have a maximum land rental of Ra 1,20,000 under the proposed settlement. The average annual oollections from all sources, on account of land revenue, amount to Rs. $1,25,000$ for the last twenty-two years, as nearly as I can estumate, to Ris. $1,15,000$ for the last elghteen years, and to Rs. $1,04,000$ for the last twelve years The new rental would therefore, be Re 6,000 less than the average collections of the last twentytwo years, Rs. 5,000 more than those of the lant eighteen; and Rss, 15,000 more than of the last twelve years. The two last oolumns of the dagram also show the results of the new rates, the last exlubiting the maximum rental, on the supposition of the whole arable land beang under cultuvation, and the second last the assessment on the present oultivation and the immednate saerifioe of revenue entailed by the settlement. This latter point, however, is hardly entitled to consideration, is some sacrifice of revenue is unavoidable in every goneral reduction of assessment, the advantages of whioh, in a financial point of new, must be prospective, not immediate, whle our experienoe of the effects of the new settlements in other districts authorizes us to look for the whole arable area nearly being brought into cultivation withm so short a period as four or five years.
17. In the first year of the new settlement, should these rates be adopted, the assessment on the oultuvated land wall be about Rs. 84,000 , or Rs. 22,000 less than the collections of last year, up to the end of April. Thas does not appear an excessive reduction, whule the rental may in a few years be expected to reach Re. $1,15,000$, about which point it will probably reman during the continuance of the lease.
18. The result here detalled, la, $\mathbf{I}$ think, satisfactory, considenng the present crrcumstanoes of thas dustriot, which are not, as far as my own observation goes, better than those of the diatriets elready settled. The same slovenly tullage, indicative of a want of means and motive for exertion in the cultuvators, is observable here as well as there, and the ryots of thas dustrrect, perhapa, feel therr present state more keenly from the vivi resollection many of them xetan of former and better times. The proposed settlement requires hittle momedaste sacrfice of revenue, and holds out a promise of merease at no distant period; while under its operation we may uadoubtedly look for the speedy restoration of the taluka to its former flourishing condition But the precedug details refer to the land revenue alone, while it cannot be doubted that population and capital will become greatly augmented under the new settlement, as well also the imdrect contributions of the distiret to the revenue by its enhanced consumption of salt and other taxed commodities, to which sources of revenue, rather than the land, do I look for the greatost ultumate improvement in Indian finances.
19. The extra cess to be umposed on the urngated lands of thas taluka, I propose to fix as bas been done in the case of the other districts of thus collectorate already settiled, the enistung Bagayet settlement being a temporary arrangement simular to that already deacribed in my report on Sholapur. In conaderng my proposels for the lattor district, Government observes that this particolar mettlement was adopted in Indapur, under an intumation that the extent of Bagayet land in that taluka was but trifling, and at was, therefore, of bat hittle umportance what rite of asseesment wes fised, provided at was low The survey officers should, therefore, be carreful in recommendung the asame system in talukas differently astuasted, and possessing greater facultiee for imgation.
80. I have been oareful to keep these points an mind whan consudering the Bagayet settlemeats ; but 2 a no taluke of the Sholápur Colleotorate is the quantity of arngated land at all considerable, or one-fourth what $1 t$ might easily be made; and it, therefore, zs of the atmost importance to fix a rate of assessment no moderate as to offer every encouragement to the extension of this descoription of oultivation. The extra rate is, therefore, designedly $a l o w$ one, but un the district already settiod has, upon the whole, mcreased rather than dumunshed the revenue prevously obtanued from that source, in consequance of every garden being now brought ander assessement, while before many had been exempted.
21. The urngated land of Bara, as of the rest of the collecturate, is almost wholly mothasthal, the pathasthal berng quite moomsiderable in quantity, and still more so so value, because dependent upon streams in which the supply of witer is sufficent for irrgation or not acoordrag
to the abundance or scarcity of the monsoon. In some seasons two Bagayet crops are obtained; in others, only one; and occasionally the scarcity of water is such as not to admit of the land berng urrgated at all. In such circumstances no systematic Bagayet husbandry oan be followed, and the consequence is that the enhanced value of such lands, ansing from possessing these faciltiee for urrgation, 18 small I have hitherto placed a small extra assessment upon land so situated, with reference to the particular advantages of each field, and I propose following a like course in the case of this district, though it is in reality of no importance what plan ${ }^{18}$ followed, as the qnantity of pathasthal land 28 quite mconsiderable, and there exzste no probabulty of ite ever beng materially ncreased.

22 Very different, however, is the case of the mothasthal Bagayet, to the extension of which it is mpossible to attach too muich importance ; so great, undeed, are the facilities throughout the Sholápur Collectorate of extending Bagayet cultivation by anking wells, that I am fully persuaded quadruple the present agricultural population might, by this means, be supported in ease and plenty, and the country rendered, in a great degree, mdependent of the annnal rams, which are here more scanty and uncertann, and expose the cultivation to gieater vicissitudes of condition than 10 any other portion of thes presideney with which $I$ am at all acquanted. Having now completed the statement of my opmions regardung the settlement of this district, I shall here merely recapitulate my proposals to fix the Jerayet rates at 33 per cent. above those of Indápur, as has been done in the case of the Sholápur Thaluka, and to impose an extra tax upon irrigated land on the plan followed in the districts already settled.
23. The thirty-years' settlement, granted in the case of the latter, will, of course, be extended to this district, and before concluding, I have only once more to repest my request, that you will do me the favour of submitting this report through the usual channal at your earliest convenienee, to admit of the canction of Government being received in time to secare the important object of motroducing the new settiement at the ensuung jamáband.

I have, ete,
(Signed) GEORGE WINGATE,
Superintendent of Revenue Survey.
Camp at Poona, 16ch September 1840

Statement shovong the amount of Land and Sayor Revenue Collections, etc, of the Bärs Tâluka, Zilla Sholápur, for the last $2 \mathbb{L}$ years.

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|  |  |  |  | Rs | Rs | Rs | Rs |  |
| 1 | 1818-19 | ... |  | 1,87,741 | 9,482 | 1,97,233 | 1,97,233 | 100 |
| 2 | 1819-20 | ... |  | 1,87,461 | 9,354 | 1,96,815 | 1,96,815 | 100 |
| 3 | 1820-21 |  |  | 1,72,188 | 8,765 | 1,80,962 | 1,84,349 | 90 |
| 4 | 182122 | " |  | 1,73,516 | 10,450 | 1,83,966 | 1,83,916 | 100 |
| 5 | 182233 | .. |  | 1,65,670 | 11,012 | 1,76,789 | 1,42,123 | 80 |
| 6 | 1829-24 |  | - | 3,58,799 | 10,038 | 1,68,837 | 1,17,188 | 69 |
| 7 | 1824-85 | - |  | 1,65,632 | 10,459 | 1,76,091 | 1,34,658 | 76 |
| 8 | 1825-36 |  | * | 1,85,103 | 10,950 | 1,96,053 | 1,71,415 | 87 |
| 9 | 1826-27 | -. |  | 2,03,666 | 11,066 | 2,14,732 | 2,00,368 | 93 |
| 10 | 1827-28 |  | * | 1,96,645 | 10,228 | 2,06,873 | 1,64,612 | 79 |
| 11 | 1828-29 | *** |  | 1,61,846 | 9,490 | 1,71,336 | 1,09,676 | 64 |
| 12 | 1829-30 |  |  | 1,60,724 | 8,779 | 1,69,503 | 85,016 | 50 |
| 13 | 183031 |  |  | 1,43,705 | 9,348 | 1,53,053 | 1,32,521 | 86 |
| 14 | 1831-32 | * |  | 1,14,699 | 8,502 | 1,23,201 | 1,18,177 | 91 |
| 15 | 1822-33 | * |  | 1,13,945 | 7,993 | 1,21,038 | 39,876 | 32 |
| 16 | 1838-84 | . |  | 1,28,760 | 9,204 | 1,37,954 | 1,33,985 | 97 |
| 17 | 1834-35 |  |  | 1,28,183 | 10,014 | 1,38,197 | 1,34,949 | 97 |
| 18 | 1835-36 | - |  | 1,16,927 | 8,714 | 1,26,641 | 1,17,959 | 93 |
| 19 | 1836-37 |  |  | 1,27,583 | 9,607 | 1,37,190 | 1,32 257 | 96 |
| 20 | 1837-38 | - |  | 1,22,357 | 8,578 | 1,30,935 | 1,22,266 | 93 |
| 21 | 1838-89 | - | - | 1,22,782 | 7,989 | 1,30,771 | 1,14,292 | 87 |
| 22 | 1839-40 |  |  | 1,37,611 | 8,767 | 1,46,378 | 1,13,269 | 77 |
| Avarage of the last 22 yeari |  |  | -•• | 1,53,438 | 0,536 | 1,62,974 | 1,37,362 | 84 |
| Average of the last 18 years |  |  |  | 1,47,485 | 9,541 | 1,57,026 | 1,26,645 | 81 |
| Average of the last 12 years |  |  | , | 1,31,593 | 8,989 | 1,40,592 | 1,12,437 | 80 |

If $B$-In comparing thin wtatement oith the precedtuy dagram, which does not inelade the sajer Jama, edodnotion on the latter acoornt must be mide from the amount of collection here ahown
(Signed) GEORGE WINGATE,
Superntendent, Revenue Survey.

> L. R. REID, Esq.,
> Chef Secretary, Bombay.

## Sir,

I have the honour to forward an origunal letter from the Collector of Sholépur, submitting an orginal report from Leentenant Wingate on the Bárss Taluka, solicitung the sanotion of Goveinment to the new rates whoh he proposes to antroduce there.

2 In paragraphs 2 and 15, Lneutenant Wingate enters into varnous detalds respecting the situation, soil, climate, markets, past hastory, and atatistics of the district, partly whth a view of showng that it has hitherto been excessively over-assessed, and partly to justify the conclusion at which he arnves, that the circumstances of the taluka require that the rates of assessment should be fired at about the same standard as those in the Sholapur Taluka, or about $\$ 3$ per cent in advance of Indípur. It is not neoessary that I should follow him particularly through his various arguments in proof of the first pornt, further than to state may opinion that he very clearly proves his position, and with regard to his proposal for the new rates, I may observe that, though the average of prioes would hardly justify so high an assessment, Lueutenant Wingate shows, I think, aatisfactorny that there are other circumstanees in favour of Barsi which wrill enable it to pay without dufficulty rates of assessment equal to those sanctioned for the Sholapur Talaka, and to thar antroduction I would, accordingly, heg the amnetion of Government.
3. Paragraphs 16 and 17 show the probable financial result in the event of Government concurring in their recommendation, vis, a maximum rental of $\mathrm{Rs} 1,20,000$, being Rs. 5,000 less than the average colleotions of the last 22 years, but $\mathrm{Rs} 5,000$ and $\mathrm{Rs}, 15,000$ more than the average of the last 18 and 12 years, respectively The ammedate sacrifice the first yoar would be $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{i}} 22,000$ with a reasonable prospeot, judgung from what has taken place in other talukas, of a considerable and immediate increase.
4. Paragraphs 19 and 20 are on the subject of the extra assessment on the urrigated land, which Lieutenant Wingate recommends should be settied on the same principles as have been followed in the districts where the re-assessments have been completed, and in this recommendation, for the reabons given by him, I beg to conour, and also (paragraph 21st) that each of the few casee of pathasthal rriggation should be dealt with separately, mstead of any uniform plan bengg followed-the great vanety of curcumstances by whoh the value of suoh land is deseribed as being affected in the district in the question, rendering the latter plan impracticable.
5. I would beg, for the reasons given in the first and last paragraphs, that I may be favoured, at as early a period as posable, with the instructions of Government reapecting these propositions.
6. In conclusion, I would remaris that, notwithstanding the short time which has elapsed eanoe be joined bus station, the Collector should, I think, have stated his opinion on some of the proposed measures, nstead of handung on the report without comment on the ground of his not "being sufficiently acquainted with the taluka in question."

> I have, eto,
> (Signed) J VIBART,

- Poona Collectorate, 6th October 1840

Revanue Commisaloner.

No. 3427 of 1840.
Terbitoriai Dapartuent, Revenob.
To
J. VIBART, Esq,

Revenue Commisaioner.
$\mathrm{Sr}_{\mathrm{s}}$,
I am dureoted to acknowledge the recenpt of your lettar No. 1301, dated the 6th ultumo, submutting one from the Collootor of Sholapur, with an orignal report from the Supenntendent of the Revenue Survey and Assessment on the Baral Taluka ; and to acquant you that the Honourable the Goveruor in Councll quite conoars in the news you hare expressed in respect to the rates of both Jerayet and Bagayet, the introduotion of which into that taluka, as proposed by Lueatenant Wingate and recommanded by yourself, as acoardungly sanothoned.
2. Lhentenant Wingate's report clearly shows the necessaty of a reduction of the existing assessment, and holds out a fur expectation, under the rates which he has proposed, that culuivation will soon nie to its maximum.

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3. The term of settlement, thurty years, will, of course, extend to Barss Taluka, as to the others which have been surveyed.

4 The Governor in Council requests that you will particularly direct the attention of the revenue authorities throughout the collectorate to the extension of means of arrigation in the zillah In paragraph 2, Lueutenant Wingate alludes to the practicabilty of damming up some of the streams which run through the Barsi Taluka in favourable positions. Thas should be inspected, and, of the plan is likely to be attended with success, a report should be made on the subject
5. The lowness of the extra assessment on the Mothasthal lands, and the enjoyment by the ryot of all the benefits of improvements durng his lease, will, the Governor in Council antiempates, prove saffioient to secure the keeping in repair old, and the construction of new, wells

# I have, \&oc., <br> (Signed) L. R REID, 

Bombay Castle, 7th November 1840
Chief Secretary

## No 1816 or 1872.

Poona, 11ik December 1872

## Memorandja.

The accompanying report relates to the revision of the settlement of 111 villages belonging to the Bárss Táluka of the Sholápur Collectorate There are altogether 124 villages in the district, 116 being Government and 8 alienated holdngs Five of the former are, however, excepted from present proposals, because of therr lease not having yet expired, owing to thenr haning been settiled subsequently to the date of the general settlement of the taluka

2 The Superintendent has also fixed rates for four of the Damala villages, but the proposals which I am about to disenss refer to 111 Government villages only, of which the lease has expired The following statement gives the area of these villages as brought to account in the recent survey papers, compared with the record of their area under the former survey -

| Village | Caltarable Lands, |  |  |  | Addancultar-able lands | Village Siter, Roads, Bivers, \&c | InGm Land, culturable and an caltur able | Grand Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Ares under |  |  | Total. |  |  |  |  |
|  | Dryecrop cultiva tron. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Well } \\ \text { Lands. } \end{gathered}$ | Pathasthato |  |  |  |  |  |
| New Survey Former Survey | $\begin{array}{r} 283,401 \\ 248,524 \end{array}$ | 14,133 | 1,058 | $\begin{aligned} & 278,592 \\ & 248,524 \end{aligned}$ | 9,571 $\mathbf{2 9 , 8 3 0}$ | 24,860 2,074 | $\begin{aligned} & 17,672 \\ & 18,2356 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 330,595 \\ & 298,763 \end{aligned}$ |
| Increase <br> Decrease | 14,877 | 14,138 | 1,058 | 30,068 | 20,359 | 22,786 | 663 | 31,832 $\cdots$ |

3 It appears from this statement that there is an merease of a little under 11 per cent. on the total area, and of about 12 per cent on the culturable assessed land area in favour of the survey recently made. The difference under the latter head is of some importance, as it shows that the cultuvators of the distnct have enjoyed this extent of land in excess of what they were charged for under the first settlement.

4 The statistical and other general information embodied in the report shows a marked improvement in the general resources of the district, as the result of the thirty years' lease Referning to the statement given in paragraph 19, we find that the increase in popalation is about 50 per cent., in carts above 150, and an cattle of all kinds from 10 to 13 per cent. The outlay of capital on wells is also considerable, being represented by an increase of 60 per cent on the number ased for urrigation.
5. I am rather surprised, however, to observe that the large number of 967 wells 18 shown to be out of reparr and not serviceable for urrigation. No reason for thas has been assigned. It would be interesting to know whether they have been abandoned to avord the payment of the present well assessment, or whether their abandonment is due to a fall in the spring levels of the general water-supply, or to other natural canses. For it 18 certanuly rather an extraordnary cercumstance that so many wells should have gone out of use, whilst, at the same tume, there has been a stexdy and mereasing expenditure in the construction of new ones But there is, unfortunately, upthing on record to guide as in coming to a decision as to the causes to which this anomalous state of things is ascribable.

6 In the first and present report also, Barsi is described to be saperior to any other district of the Sholípur Collectorate in point of climate Proxmity to the Bhalla Ghat range
of hulls, by which it is bounded on the east, would appear to be the natural cause to which its increased rannfall may be ascribed. I observe, however, that Captan Wingatè was of opiuion that this range, which he desoribes to be not more than 4 or 500 feet above the plams of Barss, could not well be supposed to occasion any remarkable duversity of clumate between it and the other parts of the collectorate, nevertheless, he admits the superiority of clumate, stating, however, that it was matter of conjecture and not admutting of any conclusive proof
7. This pount affecting the comparative ranfall of the several districts, which, though matter of conjeeture in the days when Captan Wingate's remarks were written, 18 now susceptible of proof owing to the establishment of ram gauges. Avaling himself of the information supphed by this means, the Superintendent has prepared a statement showng the annual ramfall in all the distriots of the collectorate dunng the last nine years The returns in question show the average fall of Barra to be $25 \cdot 62$ inches. It 15 a hittle more than 2 mehes un excess of the Sholapur fall ( 23 49), and above 5 more than that of the adjouning taluka of Mádha (2047) and oonsiderably more than in Karmála and Pandharpur The fact, therefore, of the Barsi raunfall being greater than in other districts, as has all along been supposed to be the case, is fully established by the data given above.
8. We should naturally expect that this superiorty over the rest of the districts generally

See statement at page 20 of report. in point of clmate would have resulted of the cultivation of a oomparatively larger area with kharif or monsoon crops, but the returns appended ahow that this is not the case, the proportion of kharif and rabl crops being 23 and 77 per cent, respectively, in Bársi, which is pretty much the same as an the other settled districts.* Jowari is the groat ataple product, 62 per cent. of the cultivated ares being under that crop. Bajnn, which, however, is a khanf crop, shows nest in numerical order, but its cultivation covers only 5 per cent. The area under cotton ( 2 per cent) is amaller than I bad expected to find it, but from anquiry into the matter it appears that the cultavators conelder that the soil and clumate combined are not surted to its growth, and the returns certannly afford convining evidence of ite not being a popular orop in the present day, nor was it so euther at the period of the first settlement, the quantity grown then being reppesented to be hardly sufficient for domestio consumption.
9. But though it is not a cotton-producing distriot, the trade of the town of Barss is manly dependent upon that article. Captain Wingate's report upon the first settlement contams an interesting account of the cotton trade, which I shall here reproduce as showngg the state of it at that peniod. Writing upon the trade of Barn, generally, he observes as follows -
"The trade of Baran rapidly dechned under our rale, and would ere this have become meignuficant but for the cumous change in the channels of the ootton trade that ocoured some years back. The cotton which had previously been always forwarted for shipment to the ports in the Bay of Bengal, could, it was discovered, be more advantageously disposed of on the other side of the peninsula, at Bombay, and an ummediate change in the channels of the trade was the coneequence, Bérsi lyug zo the durect route from some of the cotton districte, and situated just within our terntones, but on the verge of chose of the Nuzam, was found a convenient place of meeting for the traders of the countries, and became almost immedrately constatuted a depot for the trade In the first instance, almost the whole of the ootton brought to Baras was purchased after its arrival there for the Bombay market
Of late years, however, Bome Bombay houses have despatched agents to the cotton-growng districts for the purpose of makng their parchases on the spot. Most houses engaged in this trade have also agents stationed at Barse to purchase up the cotion as it arrives, but
the artucle sis one of very general speculation with all classes of traders, and it is no un-
common thing for it to be brought in quantities so small as angle or a very few bullock loads for transmission to Bombay. Every petty trader, adeed, who can command a few rupees, seems anxious to make a venture in cotton The very large profits obtanned in the earily years of thas trade gave rise to this spirit of speculation but some severe reverses
have been sustanned in the last few years, and occasioned the runn of some of the smailar spoculators. The cotton brought down to Barsi 18 estimated at 5,000 bullook loeds per annum, which, at 25 rupees eanh, grves Rs. 1,25,000 for the value of the trade This cotton is generally of very mferior quality, and none of it is produced in the Barsi Distnct, the emall quantity grown there hardly suffieing for domestic consumption."
10. The Barria eotton trade, which may be said to have been in its infancy at the period referred to above, has moneased enormously of late years. It will be observed from the information regarding its present state given 10 paragraph 12, that, acoordung to the traffic returns of the Great Indian Penunsula Raulway, about three to three

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 and-a-half lakhs of maunds have been annually deepatched to Bombay from the Bárs Road Statuon dunng the last five years, the value of whoh, at the present rate of $20 *$ rupees per maund, may be estimated to be from 60 to 70 lakhs of rupees. Captan Wingate puts down the value of the trade at about a lakh and quarter of rapees. A comparnson, consequently, of the two sets of netarns shows au unorease at the present day of more than fifty-fold upon the quantity exported from the distnct thirty years asace. The traide, it is true, was only un its infancy at the hatter period as before[^10] ebout $67 \pm$ hathe
mentroned, but such a marvellous increase serves to show what a mine of wealth remaned undeveloped in the land until roads and the railway furnished an economical means of transport for thas valuable product to the Bombay market.
11. The Bársa Taluka, as before mentioned, grows barely enough cotton for its home consumption, the whole of this large export cop being brought from the distriets of the Nizam's teiritory, lying to the north and east of the Bhalia Ghat Hulls, referred to in a preceding paragraph Chief part of it is brought by the new line of road extending from the northern boundary of the distnct to Barsn, whence the traffic passes on to the rallway by the fine metalled road leading from that town to the Bársi Road Station A not inconsiderable part of the tiaffic used formerly to pass on to Bombay by way of Vanag, but since the opening of the rallway and of the branch roads referred to above, that line of route has been almost entuelv abandoned This diversion of the cotton trafic has semonsly affected the trade of the town of Varrág, whist Bársi has nsen greatly in importance from its being centred in that town. A cotton-pressing factory has been established there, and whist I was in the district, the Assistant Collector, Mr Kevser, was busily engaged in making arrangements for the establishment of a regular cotton mast, whohris greatly needed for the development of the trade to outside bayers.
12. But, besides being a large cotton mart, Barsi as also the great grain depôt of the district, for, with the exception of the small quantity sold for home consumption in the local bazaars of Vairag and Pangri, the great bulik of the disposable produce is brought to that market for sale Prices of grain range geneially from a seer to two seors lower than in Sholapur , but the diference us not sufficient, as a rule, to unduce the Bársi cultivator to forsake his own great local market where his produce always meets with a ready sale.

13 The statement (paragraph 25) regarding the price of grain is not so fall as is desirable, as the information ranges only from 1856-57 down to the present time, and it is not complete either for every year of that period It is much to be regretted that our taluka kutcherry records are so wanting in relhable information upon this important subject The price list of all the chief products of each district, as now published fortnightly in the Government Gazette, will hereafter be most valuable, but at present we are frequently at fault for want of proper data, as in the present case There is no doubt of the fact of agricultuial produce having risen quite as much in Barsi as in the nexghbounng districts, as mentioned by Lieutenant-Colonel Waddington, and the rise $1 s$ certainly not overstated by him in being put down at from 60 to 70 per cent. But it would have been more satisfactory to have had actual results as the basis of the foregoing estmate.
14. I have recently made a short trip through part of the district, and from my own observations I can fully endorse the Superintendent's account of the saperionty of Bársi over the other districts of the collectorate in point of fertihty and natural resources This saperionity is, no doubt, due in a great measure to the mereased and more certain ranfall which it enjoys The fine mango trees and the rich garden cultivation bear evidence to this fact. But the soil is also grood, and the valleye are extensive, contaming far more level ground than is ordmarily met with in the undulating plains of the Deccan.
15. The Superintendent appears, in my opinion, to have farrly apprecisted the great natural advantages which Bárss possesses in comparison with other settled distncts, in making his maximum rate equivalent to that imposed in the Sholapur Taluka last year There is, as

* Paragraph 28 he has explamed,* some considerable difference between the
districts in respect to communcations, but I cannot agree with hum that the railway has given Sholápur such marked advantage over Bársi as he woald ascribe to it To bear out his reasoming, Barst ought to be entirely cut off from railway commanication, whereas, as has been explained, it is but 20 mules from a large station with which it is connected by a magnificent road constructed upon a tramway level. The cart carrage over this distance of 20 miles represents the dafference between the two stanions in respect to this matter, and this difference, in my opimon, is merged in the superionty Barsi admittedly possesses in point of climate and fertility.

16 The Superintendent mentions, I observe, that Rs 1-12-0 is the maximum rate that he considers should have been imposed in Sholapur, explaning that, in consideration of the great merease on the former assessment that ite imposition would have occasioned, he reduced it to Rs 1-8-0 in deference to my opinion. It was not, however, merely because of this increase, which, as I was aware, is due to the former classification being very incorrect, but for other reasons, which need not be here mentioned, that I recommended Ra 1-8-0 to be the maximum rate for that distret But putting this aside, and speaking from my own personal knowledge of the two districts, I have no hesitation in stating that Barss, by reason of ats superior natural advantagea, can bear the same rate as Sholápur. The two districts were assessed on the aame scale by Captan Wingate, and though the changes which have occurred in the interval may have bsen somewhat more favourable for Sholinpar, they are not so marked, in my opinion, as to requue a departure from the rating adopted by that officer.

17 The maximum rate of Rs. 1-8-0 1s, however, to be applied only to Barsi, the remaning part of the district being apportioned into 3 other classes with rates of Rs. 1-6-0, Rs. 1-4-0, and Rs. 1-2-0, respectively,
there beang 4 classes mall. The second group should, I thank, be extended a hittie, so as to molude the four villages margually noted, and brng down ats boundary to the Bhagwati River on the south, and it should also melude the three villagea of Yedsh, Dudgaon and Tadwal, eituated above the Bhalle Ghat. The latter are out of the regular carcle to whreh the group would ordmanily be confined, but they are described to be very fine villages, enjoying a bettor climate than the rest, which we may consider to be established by the fact of wheat beng rather extensively grown there, whereas it is scarcely cultivated at all in any of the other villages of the district. The circum stance, too, of their being directly on the new hne of road which passes through the district to Bursin, is a fuyther reason in favour of then beang moved into the higher class of Res 1-6-0.
 maximum.
19. I have consulted the Supernntendent about these shght ohsnges of his groupng under class 2, and he agrees in the propriety of their being carmed out With these exceptrons I consider his groups to be judsconosly arranged, and the rate for each to be approprnate.
20. Well lands, accordng to the rule adopted under our revision settlements, will be exempted from any special extra rate, and charged only whth the full Jerayet rate of the class to which the village belongs. This will be felt to be a great boon in many villages, especially ma those of the Pangri Máhal, where the garden cultivation is extensive.
21. The Supenntendent estimates Rs. 28,000 to be the amount of revenue foregone by Peragraph 37. abandonng the Virhonda cess $H_{1 s}$ calculation 18 based upon the former low extra rate of only 2 rupees per aore, which 18 mach less than would now be imposed were the revision to be extended to well-lands according to the former plan of assessment. The soundness, however, of the policy of exempting wellirngation from any apecal taxation has been fully admutted, and I need notp enlarge apon the subjeot here, but wall merely recommend that this district should be treated in the same lileral spint in the matter as others already re-assessed.
22. There is a amall extent of Páthasthal urrigation to which the Supemntendent proposes to apply a water-rate, varying from a manmum of $\mathrm{Rs} 4-8-0$ to 8 aunas per acre, the rate being apportioned aecording to the nature of the supply. I consader these proposals to be appropraste to the paricular kind of irrigation, and recommend their adoption.
23. The new rates, as shown in paragraph 35, whll rase the revenue demand from Rs. $1,24,658$ to Re, $2,07,174$, the diffurence of lis. 82,516 being equivalent to an nocrease of 66 par cent.
24. The past hustory and general aoeonat of the state of the district, which is eontamed in this correapondence, furnishes satisfactory evidence, in my opinion, of ats boung well able to bear the proposed uncrease to its assessment. Captain Wingate represents Bársi to hava been

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ing with the diagram, which ehows manll rempanion darag the meeond year. in a very flounshing condition when it came into our possession, nearly the whole of the arable land beng under cultuvation and every rupee of assessment* realized during the first two jears of our adminstration. In the first of these years, the revenue amounted to nearly Rs $1,88,000$, being only aboat 10 or 12 par cent. less than the Superintendent'u new Jama.

25. It in noticeable, however from Captan Wingate's remarks that the state of prosperity in which Baren was handed over to us was but ternporary, as it moon declined onder the fall of pnces which sot in shortly after. But I thunk it is clear that it never was in the same mpoverished state under our early rule as many of the other Deccan dustricts. There 18 no mention in his report of the inroed of predatory troops, and of the dire calamities of famine by which the resources of Bhimthan and Indápur were greatly mpared, but it did not essape the dreadful famine of 1832-3s. It may be inferred, however, from the general tenor of hus remarks, that, though overaseessed at the tume hrs settlement was untroduoed, it was, nevertheless, in a bettar state than the other dastrncts to which has operations had then been extended
26. From heoutenant-Colonel Waddington's review of the thurty years's gettlement it appeara that cultuvation $2 n c r e a s e d$ rapidy at first, but mot with a temporary oheck in 1845-40 trom the effects of a bad beason. The revenue fluctuated for a year or two after thes, but then took a steady turn upwards, and about $1800-01$ had reachod within an masignuficant sum to the tull revenue demand imposed by the settlement, and for the last ton yeare the realzastions have lept steadily at about Ris $1,24,500$ without a aingle remission beng made
27. After passing through this epoch, Barrii is described (paragraph 23) to be in 3 flourushung condition. The prople are represented to have stores of grain and staoks of karbe notwithstanding ite bengg an anfavourable semson min mich Lueatenast-Colonel Waidington unsprected the distroct, and he sums up his acoount of them with the vary satisfactory statement, that "there has not been a case of land sold to meet arreurs of rent during the last five years" My own obsorvations and mquines enable me to canfirm, geneeraly, this account of the present entate of che distrot and condrion of the people.
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28 The price of gran 18, however, the chief thing affecting the mandence of the revised assessment. I have mentioned in a former paragraph that the latter is only 10 or 12 per cent in excess of the revenue realized from the district in the first years of its being ander our rule There 18 also, I find, a very close agreement betwcen the prices of that penod and of the present day. The information on this head given in the Indápur report shows jowari to have been selling in 1818-19 and 1819-20, zespectively, at 17 and 19 seers the rupee, whereas, according to the present repoit, 196 seers per rupee is the average price of the past five years Agan in 1839-40, when the settlement was untioduced, 44 seers was the rulug bazaar price. No unformation about prices for the early periods, referred to above, 18 given in the report, but an there was but littile difference, I believe, at the time in question between the prices of Barsi and Indápur, the data obtanable for the latter dastrict may be assumed to be sufficently accurate for the purpose of comparison in the manner in which they have been used.
29. It will thus be seen, from what has been explaned above, that we are now assessing Barsi at a sum but little in excess of what it was paying in 1818-19, when also the price of grann was pretty much the same as it now is It wull be seen, too, that prices now, are considerably more than 100 per cent. an excess of what they were when Captan Wingate's settlement was introduced, 44 seers being then about the ruhng rate for jowari. It ${ }^{\text {2s }}$ difficult to say what they will be in future, but the rates fixed will, I am satistied, bear a fall to 30 seers the rupee without being felt to be heary, and considering the increasing trade of the country, and the yearly mereasing demand for this staple food product, I see no lukeluhood of jowam fallng so low as this in the Bárss market

30 The general increase of assessment is much more nearly proportionate to the necrease in the maximum rate than in other recently settled districts. In Sholapur, for mastance, the maximum was increased, as in Bársi, from Re. 1 to Rs 1-8-0, being 50 per cent., but the resulting assessment was above 80 per cent in excess of the former demand, whereas it is but 66 per cent in this case This closer agreement is owning entirely to

For the Government villeges ex clusive of thcse recerved from $\mathrm{H}_{19}$ Highneas the Nazam in exchange the more careful and accurate mpnner in which the first Barss setilement was carried out. It was done under Captain Wingate's personal supervision, and the Saperintendent mentions, as a proof of the general accuracy of the work, that there 15 a difference of only 11 pies between the average of the two olassufications In Sholáyur, on the other hand, the discrepancies between the two valuations, as mentioned in the report, were so marked as to lead us to suspect the onginal woik to have been dishonestly done.
81. But, although there is this general agreement in the classhication of the two periods, there are, nevertheless, some few cases in which the merease by present rates is proportionately
*No. 19 of statement. much more than it ought to be In the village of Gormala,* for instanee, the uncrease amounts to 150 per cent The Superntendent informs me that he has personally tested the classification of this nllage, and is fully assured of the accuracy of his work, the mecrease beng, in his opinion, clearly ascribable to under-valuation in the orggmal classification I, had also peisonal experience, dunng my

## + No 29 of statement.

 trip through the district, of the meiease in the village of Korphal, $\dagger$ which amounts to 121 per cent, being due to the same cause, for the ryots of the adjounng village of Khandvi $\ddagger$ drew my attention particularly to $\ddagger$ No 27 of atatement. the fact of the lands of theur vilage adjounng those of Korphal the latter, of ammlar quality, were assessed at only 7 and 8 annas. Our piesent classification fully bears out the correctness of this opinion, foi Khandm is necreased only 47 per cent, whule in Korphal the increase amounts to 121 per cent. Thas 13 a very satisfactory solution of the discrepancy in the new assessment of two adjoming villages, and I have no doubt the popular opmion will confirm the correetness of our present valuation an all other casce. It wall be well in future to have the old assessment ( $i e$., that in force prior to first settlement) ehown in cases in which unduly large increases occur, and I shall direct the Superintendent to give such information in future32 The report is badly arranged, the statement contrasting present and proposed assessment being put an the early part of the report, where it zB not referred to at all; and the Measurement and Classfication Test Statements are likewise out of place where they are inserted Leeutenant-Colonel Waddungton brought this, I believe, to the notice of the Superintendent of the Central Printing Press when the proof sheets of the report were exammed, but the latter dechned to make the suggested alterations 1 eonsider this to be a mustake on hus part, for when the printing of a report is being done for any partioular officer, I certandy think the arrangement of the matter should, as a general rule, be left entirely to hum. A reprint will be necessury before it can be brought out as a selection, and this might, probably, have been avoided had Leeutenant-Colonel Waddıngton's drections been attended to.

33 In paragraph 89 the Supernatendent has brought forward the question of our effectang a terntorial exchange with the Nizam's Government by making

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letter letter over to it some of our outlyng vilages interspersed amongst his, and receivng some of his intermised with ours in heu thereof. The subject has been before discussed, and the proposal negatived on the ground, I beleve that it would not be farr to the people of our villages to transfer thern
to another Government. This objection has, I think, bat little force in the case, for our outlyng villages, cut off by a dstance of 10 or 12 miles from our own territories and surrounded entirely by Nizam's villages, can know or experience but little of the effects of our adminstration. The associations and business connections of the mhabitants must naturally be with the people amongst whom they are hnng. Our police arrangements are greatly unterrupted by the intervention of these small strips of forergn territory, and I have no doubt the Nzzam's Government find the oarrying out of their measures umpeded in the same way by the intervention of our outlyng vullages. If Government will entertann the proposal, a detailed report apon the subject can be submitted The success with which an exchange of territory was effeeted with the Nizam, when the land required for the Ekruk tank was resumed by our Government, leads me to press the consideration of a measure in the enforcement of which the interesta of both Governmente, in my opimon, are equally concerned.
34. In conolusion, I would observe that, after giving purch careful consideration to the question of the rates proposed for this distrutt, I feel every confidence in recommending them for the approvel of Government Considered with regard to the general princuples on which our survey settlements are based, they are, perhaps, somewhat high as compared whth the Sholípur rates, but the superiority of climate which Bárel enjoys more than compensates, in my opimon, for ats not being so favourably corcoumstanced an regard to raulway and market as Sholapur.
J. T. FRANCIS, Colonel,
Survey and Settlement Commussioner, N. D.

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\text { No: } 102 \text { of } 1873 .
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To*
Tar REVENUE COMMISSIONER, S. D.
Tánna, 17 th January 1873.
Sir,
Adverting to my letter of the 18th ultumo, No 1846, I have the honour to forward the annered extract of letters recenved from the Cotton Commissioner, covering a return of the cotton exportod from the Barsi raulway station, according to the information obtained by his department.
2. It is satisfactory to find that the return bears out the correctness of the information on this subject given in Lientenant-Colonel Waddington's report The Cotton Commissioner is, however, of opinion that 20 rupees per maund, being the rate at which I have estimated the value of the trade, 18 somewhat too high, and that 17 rupees would be a faurer rate to take for the calcalation. The difference is not very considerable in a rough estimate such as mine 18 , and, as I am not prepared to admat altogether that mine is too high, I think it is not necessary to make any alteration in the report, I will, however, add a footnote, explaning that the Cotton Commissioner considers 17 rupees to be a faur rate, and showing the total value of the trade calculated at that rate

3 I take this opportunity of forwarding thisee printed copies of my report just recerved from the Central Press Reference has been made to Colonel Waddington for the information applied for in your letter of the 4th instant, No 20, and I hope to have his reply in the course of a day or two.

I have, sec.,
J. T. FRANCIS, Colonel,

Survey and Settlement Commismoner, N. D.

Camp Bulhara, Jammary 14th.

## My deaz Francis,

Herewith a grod letter from Mr Wilanson, now Distriot Inspector in Khándeah, and a return. I thought I had forwarded you a reply ere this, and I have to apologise for delay hope it has not moonvenuenced you.

Waddington seams near the mark both as regards export and value. Mr. Wilknenon, however, puts the everage value at Rs. 17, and I thank you may acoept his opinion in thas matter.

Yours ancarely,
(Sgned) A. G. M. MOORE.

## My dear Major Moore,

Your letter of 7th reached me yesterday. I have written for returns of cotton export for previous years, which I am not possessed of, but, in the meantime, I quote the amount for 1871 as extracted from the ralway retarns received in your office. This as 329,932 maunds, Whether this, or the amount given by your correspondent, 18 correct, I cannot aay, any way the discrepancy is a very trifling one. Beyond thus, by calculating the weight of the full-pressed bales and dooras exported (as shown in the accompanying statement), the general accuracy of Majar Weddungton's statement appears to be borne out This amount, 334,080 maunds, agrees very nearly with that given, vz $, 333,674$ maunds. The tare, z.e., baggng, iron hoops, \&ce, would be about 18,210 mannds, leaving 315,870 maunds net cotton. I should, therefore, unbentatingly accept the railway return as correct.

Durng the first four months of 1872 the export was 3,754 full-pressed bales, 1,711 halfpressed bales and 66,037 docras, the total weight of which $1 s$ given at 132,430 manuds (the 80 lbs . maund). Thas as a large amount, but at represents probably two-thurds of the crops, accounted for by the unfavourable nature of the last reason. There will be a falling off in the current year's export, but, I thunk, solely on thas account.

With regard to the valuation of a maund of Barsi cotton, I am melned to thnik that Rs 20 was the maximum price. The price per candy in Bombay varred in 1871 between Rs. 150 and Rs. 250 According to this, I think Re. 17 would more correctly represent the average value of a maund on the spot.

The cotton exported from Berrsi 28, as stated, almost entirely produced in the Nizam's terntory, about Latur, Páthn, Nanduar, Hingol, \&c. The rest from the same district goes up to the Berar markets, Kamgaum, \&e

Bárei being the largest cotton-exporting station in the Deccan and one of the man outlets for the Nizam's cotton, the gieat increase in the trade, as compared with what existed thirty years ago, will appear less surprising when it is remembered that, at that time, cotton was very little grown, and that what was grown was mostly locally consumed.

Towards this large export in 1871 the local distriets contributed little enough The cotton ares in the Barai and Madha tallukas an 1870 amounted to only 20,837 aores, which yielded,


Yours anncerely,
(Signed) C. WILKINSON. (True Copies)
J. T FRANCIS, Colonel,

Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N. D
-I eonsider this to be too hygh an eatimate of the produce of cotton an the Sholípur Distracto
(Signed) J, T FRANCIS.

STATEMENT of Cotton exported from Bárse Statıon dursong the Year 1871.

| Descriptan of Bales | Number of Bales. | Total Weight in maunds | Less Tare. | Net Werght of Cotton. | Remarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Full preased bales... | 9,514 | 46,143 | 2,854 | 43,289 | Full-pressed bales $=84$ Cwt. $\times 24$ |
| Docras | 158,567 | 287,987 | 15,356 | 272,581 | Docras- $142 \mathrm{lbc} \times 8 \mathrm{lds}$ tare $=$ 150 lbs. |
| Total | - ${ }^{\text {cee }}$ | 384,080 | 18,210 | 815,870 |  |

Jalgaon, 12th December 1872
(Signed) C. WILKINSON
(True Copy)
J T. FRANCIS, Colonel,
Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D.

# Sátära Drstrect, Camp $V_{\imath t a}$, 4th January 1873. 

Sir,
I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of correspondence with your communications as per margin and take the opportumity afforded by the delay No 3816, dated 11th December 1872, the reference you propose to make regardung the cotton snd aocompanimente.
No 1828, dated 18th December 1874.
No. 1846, dsteod 18th December 1872 trade will cause, to ask for some further nnformation wbich may, I think, be useful in laying the subject before Gorernment.
2. Adverting to certain exceptrons to the general correspondence between the olassification under Captan (now Sir George) Wingate, at the time of the former assessment, mention is made in paragraph 31 of your memorandum of the deficient assessment of cerian lands in Korphal, No. 29 of Colonel Waddington's hst, compaied whth the asse日sment of sumular lands in Khándva, No. 27 of the list.
8. I fully agree with you that reasons of this kind will explain exceptional variations in the rates, but I note that the enhancement of assessment exceeds 100 per cent, in 13 of the 111 villages dascussed, and that there 28 an excess of the general average enhancement of 60 per cent in 54 of the villages.

4 I take it as a matter of course that if the assessment had not been found excessive in the preceding period of thirty years, the assessment would be inoreased for the additional cultrvation brought to account, the percentage under column 18 of Colonel Waddngton's statement might, therefore, be deducted ; but as it 2 ancluded in the average enhancement, there will be no cause for misunderstandung if the whole of the figures be treated on the same prnciple
5. It will be, no doubt, fully recogmized that the latter classification is the coriect one, and that when the former classification is dufferent, it is incorrect or, judging by fuller experienoe, less surtable.
6. But Colonel Waddungton mentions the general correspondenoe of the average of former and present classifications and spenfies the dafference at only 11 pies Will $1 t$, then, be practicable to illustrate somewhat more in detal how the resalts appear to ${ }^{\circ}$ differ so much more wrdely than the average classification, and the dufferent maxima quoted would lead one to expest ?
7. I gather from paragraph 13 of your memorandum, that you consider about from 60 to 70 per cent.as the sise in the price of agricultural prodace in the Barsa Táluka, and the general enbancement harmonizes with that vew

8 I have ealected for your consideration the following ten villages, eeght of whech show great onhancement, one moderate enhancement, and one very much the reverse.-

| No in the luat | Namea, |  | Former Jirayet Rate | Proposed Rete. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Ris, a. $\mathbf{p}$ | Rs. ${ }^{\text {co }}$. |
| 9 | Belgeon -** | ** | 070 | 0140 |
| 19 | Gormals |  | 056 | 0180 |
| 97 | Khandvi ...* | ** | 01010 | 0189 |
| 88 | Khadkalgeon. |  | 0510 | 018 |
| 99 | Korphal | ** | 085 | 107 |
| 81 | Tandulwsan Gors | . | 0111 | 181 |
| 59 | Ukadgran *** |  | 078 | 078 |
| 61 | Bhandgaon ... | ** | 081 | 0186 |
| 107 | Aljápar | - | 068 | 100 |
| 111 | Saugamnar |  | 0.1 | 086 |

9. The average of the proposed asesesment does not quite eractly compare with the former average, because the last mentioned relates to the Jerayet only, but the figures show that the difference is shight, and if thought desirable, for the sake of more minute accuracy, a correction mught be made.
10. By referenoe to Colonel Waddıngton's statement you whll see that the highest ${ }_{18}$ Gormala, No. 19 of the hist, noticed in paragraph 31 of your memorandum, with an enbancement of 150 per oent. and an inorease of acreage of only 8 per cent, due to the caltaration brought to account, and that the lowest is Ukaigana, No. 59 of the list, with an enbancement of only 21 per cosith, though the increase of acreage, due to caltivation, brought to account is as high as 39 per oent.
a 719-15
11. Colonel Waddngton has personally exammed the classification of Gormala, and, as he and yourself are satisfied of 16 correctness, thas leads to a manufest conclusion of the sernous ancorrectness or unsuitable lowness ot the former assessment, because after deducting for mereased cultivation, the rates are enhanced to an extent quite double that whuch in a general way the rise of prices would suggest.
12. If you refer to Ukadgaon, you will see that the actual new assessment, after allowing for the increase of acreage, gives precisely the same average rate per acre as that of the pievous assessment If, indeed, the Mothasthal assessment were deducted from both sides of the acconnt, the previous one would be the higher, but it is most probable the new cultivation is of an inferior class, which would modify the figuies by lowering the later average.
13. If, however, the present prices wailant the general enhancement which you propose, and which $I$ do not (after reading your opinon and that of Colonel Waddington in the case of the Bási Táluka) doubt, the manifest conclusion is, that Captan Wingate's settlement must in the case of Ukadgaon have been senously nneorrect and unsuitably high Under the former settlement, 2,513 acres of cultivation were assessed, mcluding Mothasthal and Páthasthal, at Rs 1,469 , or an average of 9 annas and 4 pies per acre, and in the new assessment, 3,505 acres of cultrvation, ancluding Mothasthal and Páthasthal, are assessed at Rs 1,784 , or an average of 7 annas and 8 pres per acre, or an average diminution per acre of 16 per cent

14 Nether Gormala nor Ukadgaon has, xt appears, received remissons, or suffered from dustrant for land revenue during the last twenty years of the gaarantee and whereas the nse in prices would warrant an enhancement of 60 or 70 per cent, Gormala, which as to be raised 150 pei cent, has been paying, at the very lowest computation, 60 or 70 per cent less than it ought to have been paying, and Ukadgaon, at the very lowest computation, 60 or 70 per cent. more than it ought to have been paying, relatively in each case, to the recent and correct classffication

15 Sumilar discrepancies may be found, though in a less degree, in all the former assessments when judged by the standards now appled above, and Iam desirous, if you see no objection, to apply another test to the former assessmente, which Colonel Waddington considers to have been carefully supervised by Captan Wingate himself, and to be more reliable than others, especially some of those in the Sholapur Talyka, which bave been pronounced to be suspicous. It appears probable that Captan Wingate may have been guded in the assessment he recommended to Government by many crrcumstances separated from the result of elassification of the sorl only, and that among these, judging from the language of hus report, the effects of the previous revenue system may have been not without influence.

16 I, therefore, beg the favour of your obtaimug, for the sake of comparison, the following information for each of the ten villages mentioned 3 n paragraph 8 of this letter The Jerayet and water-rates will probably not be separate, but the figures will, Ithink, be sufficiently accurate to furmish the illustration desired -

| INo. of List | Names |  | Ain Jama or Land Asseasment for two years. |  | Average Cultrvation in acres, Remissions, and Actial Collections of Land Revenue for the nine jears 183132 to 1839-4). |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 1818-19 | 1819-20 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | R. | Rs. | Acres | 4 Asseasmenta | Remissions. | Collectuons |
| 9 19 | Belgaom | $\cdots$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 27 | Ehandvi |  |  |  |  |  | , |  |
| 28 | Kbadkalgaon |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 29 | Karphal ${ }_{\text {Tandulwarı }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 59 | Ukadgaon |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 61 | Bhándgıou |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 107 | Aljápur |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 111 | Sangamner |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

17 Adserting to paragraph 37 of Colonel Waddengton's report, I trust I am correct in supposing that none of the former Virhunda, or well ascessment of the old system, has been foregone, asd that the 14,133 acres now stated to be the area under welle, nelade the old acreage onder wells, the rate on which 18 represented by the Rs 8,508 , less Rs 1,913 for 1,058 acres of Pathasthal at Rs 1-13-0 per acie If it be so, there will be a dedaction of Rs 6,395 from the sum of Rs 28,000 assumed by Colonel Waddngton as foregone at $\mathrm{Rs}, 2$ per acre on the cultivation pinder wells constructed from private capital, darning the period of the guarantee, and, therefore, esempt from extra assessment on that account.
18. "I beg to be noformed whether " the full Jerayet rate of the class to which the village, belongs," mentioned in the 20th paragraph of your memorandum, means the "maximum" rates of the village fixed, because of the specual water-bearing quality only of the sol, or the rate ascertaned by the present ordinary system of clasulfication of sonl?

19 Will you have the goodness to state the present capacity of the seer quoted in review of prices by Colonel Waddneton? The seer of the Sholípur and Bársi bazaars us much larger than the Poona seer, and though, for comparison of Bársa prices in different years, the questoon
might not be very material, an adjustment of relative capacity, which I conclude has been made by Colonel Waddington, would be necessary for comparison wrth prices in the Indapur Taluka.

I have, \&cc.,<br>(Signed) W. H. HAVELOCK, Revenue Commissioner, S. D.

No. 148 or 1878
To

## Tha REVENUE COMMISSIONER, S. D.

Thána, 28 rd Jannary 1873.
Sis,
I have the honour to submit the accompanying * memorandum from the Superintendent of - No. 75, dated 22nd January the Poone and Nasilz Survey, which will be found to contain the 1878. information called for in your letter of the 4th instant, No. 20, relative to the proposals submitted fos the revision of the settio-
ment of the Barss Táluks.
2. I gather from the general purport of your remarks, that your inquures have been made with the new of seeng whether it is not practieable to make some adjustment of the old classification, by which it could be made the basis of the new assessment, and the large norease in individual villages, beyond what is due to the mposition of a higher maximum rate, be thus avorded, or coneiderably reduced in amount. The information given by Colonel Waddington, especisily in regard to the village of Ukadgann, shows concluavely, I think, that it would be unsafe, and most unfarr in individual cases, to attempt to carry out a revision upon the basis of the former classlifieation.
3. It should be borne in mind that the operations of the survey at the tume Barsil was first eettled, were in theur infancy, and that no systematic plan of clasenication had at that time been antroduced, the operation being carned out in the roughest manner. It is not surprising, therefore, to meet with cases of obvious error in the former valuation, the correction of which, though productive of large differences of results in individual vilages, as respects the mecrease by the new rates, is most essential for the fixing of an equitable assessment These differences will disappear as we get into districts settled after an organized system of oper ations had been adopted
4. I have already forwarded the explanation I had to submit regardıng the Cotton Trade No. 102, dated the 17th instant. Return, the accuracy of which I was inclined to question, but without reason, as has been shown therenn.
5. May I now beg that the report wrll have your earlest consideration, as the season 18 already somewhat advanced, and not a magle settlement report of the year as yet disposed of.

I have, \&ce,
J. T. FRANCIS, Colonel,

Survey and Settlement Comamssioner, N. D.

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\text { No. } 75 \text { or } 1878 .
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Poona, 22nd January 1873.
The Supernntendent, Poons and Nasik Survey, in reply to the Survey Commissioner's memorandum No. 43 of the 8 th ourrent, has the honour to submit the followng explanation.
2. Before pmoeeding further, the Superintendent would point out that, in order to exhibit correctly the difference between the former and present classaication of the ten villages selocted by the Revenue Commissioner, S D, it is necessary to reduce the proposed rates, as shown by the Revenue Commissioner, and which have been caloulated on the proposed masimwn rateen, to the olmssification acale of ons rupee. The followng exhibits the result -

| No. | Named of Villages. | Former Clansufcetron | Present Clasmication. | Manmom Rates | Proposed Average Rate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 4 p | $4 . p$ | 4 pa | Res $\mathbf{P}$ |
| 9 | Belgmom | 70 | 10 | 16 | 0140 |
| 19 | Gormale | 54 | 711 | *** | 01010 |
| 97 | Rhendvi | 1010 | 115 | -*.00* | 0159 |
| 28 | Khadtralgsom | 610 | 90 | - | 018 ㄴ |
| 93 | Korphal | 85 | 118 | - | 10 |
| 51 | Txndulwart Gort | 111 | 140 | - | 131 |
| 59 | Utadyran | 78 | 57 | 1 | 078 |
| 61 | Bhinitgaon - | 81 | 1810 | 14 | 100 |
| 107 | Aljupar | - 68 | 111 | 12 | 0186 |
| 111 | Saluammep - | 41 | 75 | $\cdots$ | 084 |

8. With regard to the vullages of Korphal and Khándvi, the' Superintendent finds in Mr Cumming's notes (by whom the class1ication was carried out) that the soll $n \mathrm{n}$ both vallages 18 principally black and dark brown, the proportion of poorer soils being nearly equal It follows, then, that the average rate of each village with the same maximum should be nearly sumilar, and we accordngly find it to be in Korphal Rs. 1-0-7 and in Khandvi Rs 0-15-9. The old average rate in Khándvı (assaming Korplial to have been correct) should, therefore, have been about Re $0-8-0 \mathrm{in}$ place of Re $0-10-10$, and the aseesment would then have been only Rs 2,777 nostead of Rs. 3,762 , in which case the merease by the proposed rates (allowing in each village for increase in land brought under assessment) would have been 102 per cent aganst 103 per cent in Korpbal It may be added that the average collections in these two villages, durngr the five years precediug the present settlement, were nearly the same, being Rs. 3,730 in Khándvi, and Rs 3,745 in Korphal
9. In the case of Gormala, the Superintendent was on the point of reporting that, on examnation of the rough calculation, an error had been discovered loy which the proposed assessment is reduced from Rs 3,161 to Rs 2,610, and the average rate per ane fiom Re 0.12-9 to Re 0 10-10 (not 12 as, as shown in the Revenue Commissioner's letter), the inciease on last year's payments being 111 per cent

5 In Bhandgaon and Aljapur the Revenue Commissioner reems to have nuverted the rates masmuch as he shows Re. 0-12-6 as the proposed rate of the former village, and Re 1-0-0 as that of the latter, whereas the reverse is the case

6 In Tándulwarl Gori, although the increase is only 49 per cent, still an average rate of Re 1-3-1 with a maximum of Rs 1-6-0 shows that the classification standard has been kept up It may, therefore, be assumed that the old classification was somewhat higher than the average, as was also the case in Kándalgaon (No. 23), the former Jerayet rate on which is Re 0-13-4, the proposed rate being Rs. 1-3-3

7 Ukadgaon is a village among the hills, with the lands of which the Supernitendent is well acquanted They are very rough, stony, and intersected by large ravines. At the former settlement all the uncultivated parts of fields seem to have been deducted as "Kharab," the cultivated portion (which was naturally the best) beng, assessed with reference to its value. According to the revision survey, most of this "Khaiab" land is cultivated and assessed, but as it is generally of a very unferior quality, the average classuication (and with it the assessment per acre) 18 frequently much lowered, as will be seen from the followng example The old Pıatbandı ( No 37) was shown to contan 96 acres 14 gunthas, of this 34 acres 35 gunthas was deducted as "Kharab," and the iemaining 61 acres 19 gunthas were classed at Re $0-86$, which made the total former assessment Rs $32-10-0$, the same field was broken up at the Revision Survey into thee numbers, the total area of which was 100 acres 12 gunthas, of this 9 acres 9 gunthas were deducted as "Kharab," and the remainng yl acres 3 gunthas classed at an average of Re $0-4-4$, which (with a maximam of Rs 1-6-0) represents an assessment of Rs $53-12-0$ In this case there 15 an merease in the area brought under assessment of nearly 50 per cent, but the nerease in the assessment is only 3 per cent., and the proposed average rate per acre ouly Re $0-6-1$. It will be seen from the above, and might be proved by many examples, that an nocrease in the assessed area does not necossarily amply an increase in the average rate, or even in the assessment

8 As pointed out in the Supenntendent's report (paragraph 24) the classtication of poor sols as lower than the former standard, which circumstance will turther explann the assimulation of old and new rates in this and sımular villages For instance, Chumb (No 67), in which the increase of area is 32 per cent, has an average classification of Re $0-5 \cdot C$, the former average being Re $0-5-8$ In Koregaon (No 83), the increase of alea 1844 per cent, and an average clagsification of Re $0-5-10$, the old average being Re $0-6-3$, and in Dhamangaon (No. 68) the average classfication 18 Re. 0-6-0, the nerease an acres 23 per cent, and the former classification Re. $0-6-8$
9. With reference to the Revenue Commissioner's 6th paragraph, regaring the general correspondence of the a verage of former and present classufication, the Supernntendent begs to annex an example to show how closely the average of the present and former clasestication may agree, and yet how different may be the result of the application of new rates :-

| Survey Numbers | Area. | Eharab | Balance | Rate | $\begin{gathered} \text { Assess- } \\ \text { ment at } \\ \text { Rs. } 160 \end{gathered}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Prat } \\ \text { bsnd } \\ \text { No. } \end{array}\right\|$ | Area. | Kharab. | Balance. | Rate |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | A 8 | A g | $\Delta \mathrm{g}$ | As. p | R3 ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  | A g | A. g | A. g | As. $P$ | Rs, \% |
| $\begin{array}{ll}146 \\ 147 & \end{array}$ | 10012 | 2. 9 | 913 | 44 | 3312 | 37 | 9614 | 3435 | 6119 | 86 | 4414 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 122 \\ & 129 \end{aligned}$ | 8639 | 033 | 866 | 126 | 9211 | 103 | 8824 | 239 | 8525 | 94 | 6812 |
|  | 18711 | 102 | 1779 | 84 | 1267 | $\cdots$ | 18438 | 37 34 | 1474 | 90 | 11310 |

10. It will be seen that the average classification of the two numbers nearly corresponds, peing 8 alnas and 4 pres accordiag to the Revision Survey, and 9 annas according to the old
classification; but the result of applyıng the new rates would be that the assessment of the poorer field, according to the new elassification, would be Rs. 33-12-0, whilst aceording to the old olasafication it would be Rs 44-14-0 (or 61-19 only), again in the better field, the assessment, accordng to the new classification, would be lis $92-11-0$, whereas, according to the old classification, it would be only Rs. 68-12-0. Thue, the assessment on the poorer field would, according to the old clasefication, be raised, and that of the good field (whioh has been proportionally too low) bo loweered, and an error would be perpetrated, whuch, with a high maximum rate, would be fatal to the success of a settlement
11. The following statement gyves the information called for by the Revenue Commissioner in his 16th paragraph, with the exception of the acres, to obtain which would ental great delay an submittung thus explanation - -

12. In addition to the statement called for by the Reveaue Commissioner, the Superintendent has compiled the followng table, showing the waste, remasions and collections for the year 1889-40 and the excess or deficit of the collections of 1871-72 with regard to them -

|  | Nomeat. | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { Ain } \\ \mathrm{Jaman}_{\text {ama }} \\ 1816 \text { 10. } \end{array}\right.$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Ain } \\ \text { Jama } \\ 181920 \end{array}\right\|$ | Kamal | 188940 |  |  |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{c}\text { Cohlec- } \\ \text { tono in } \\ 1871 \\ \text { in ercess } \\ \text { of } \\ 183940\end{array}\right\|$ | Collec thens in 187178 leas than 183840 | Proposed Assessmento - |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Wasto. | Remurs- enons | Collecthons. |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Re. | Rs. | Re. | 5 | Rı | Ris. | Bq | B4. | $\mathrm{HR}_{8}$ | R ${ }_{\text {man }}$ |
| 8 | Belganas | 898 | 187 | 869 | 883 | 964 | 272 | 586 | 818 |  | 1,188 |
| 18 | Gormala | 1,299 | 3,483 | 2074 | 584 | 115 | 1,375 | 2,268 |  | 118 | 2,610 |
| 27 | Khandvi *m | 4,050 | 4.784 | 6,035 | 1,795 | 1,149 | 3,008 | 3,882 | 784 |  | 5,730 |
| 98 | Khadkalgaon, | 843 | 885 | 1,257 | 482 | 1,140 410 | 865 | 499 | 134 |  | 1,090 |
| 89 | Korphal * | 2,778 | 8,270 | 4,886 | 647 | 234 | 3,955 | 1,469 |  | 1,486 | 5,444 |
| 51 | TMadulwari Gosi | 3,487 | 1,468 | 2,080 | 286 | 235 | 1,649 | 1,871 | 828 | ** | 2,791 |
| 69 | Ukadgaon | 2,307 | 2,468 | 1,967 | 494 | 174 | 1,299 | 1,469 | 170 | *** | 1,784 |
| 61 | Bhándgaon | 617 | 678 | 656 | 486 | 88 | 137 | 889 | 168 | * | 748 |
| 107 | Aljeput ... | 654 | 667 | 887 | 598 | 88 | 281 | 465 | 184 |  | 1,116 |
| 111 | Sangamiar ** | 698 | 711 | 993 | 885 | 64 | 84 | 416 | 882 | * | 884 |

From this it appears that whule Khándvi paid Rs 784 more, Korphal paid, Rs 2,486 less un 1839-40 than in 1871-72. It will be also observed that the proposed assessment approximates pretty olosely to the old kamal an most metances, and that the average payment for $1815-19$ and 1819-20 of all the abcive villages was more or less ratsed by Mr. Pringle's kamal, with the single exoeption of Ukadgeon, whoh was reduced some Rs. 500 , thus showng that the old payment was considered too high. Belgaom, on the other hand, had its average payments for 1818-19 and 1819-20 unareased fourfold, whalst thase of Khadkalgson were mare than trebled by Mr. Pringle's rates.
13. With regard to the Revenue Comminsmoner/s 17th paragraph, the Superntendent has the honour to explaun that, in accordanoe with the course sanctioned by Government in all the Decoan Districts that have come under revision, the Virhuuda has been remetted on all wells whether old or new, the only difference between the treatment of lands, under old and new wells, being that the former have been olassed at the full Jerayet olassification, whilst the latter have boen olaseed as ardinary Jorayet land.
14. In preparing the statement of prices, the seer of two pounds has been made use of as asual, the relative capacity of the Barral and Poona seers haning been adjusted.
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No. 429 or 1873.

# Revenue Department. 

Ratnágere Districts, Camp Kharıpátan, 7th February 1873.

## Memorandim.

The Revenue Commisioner, S D. Jhas the honour to submit coriespondence, as per margm, relative to revision of Re-
1 Memorandum from the Sugrey and Settlement Commissioner, N D., No, 1816, venue Survey and Settledated 11th December 1872, and accompanments
2. Letter from do do No 102, dated 17 th Jabtary 1873, and accompaniment
4. Do. from do. do. No. 148, dated 23rd January 1873, and accompaniment ment of 111 Government villages of the Bársi Taluka on the Sholapur Collectorate
2. From a perusal of the reports of the Commissoner of Survey, Colonel Francis, and of the Supernitendent, Colonel Waddungton, and the report of 1840 from Captain Wingate, it is apparent that the Barsi District has enjoyed an extraordinary prosperity during the period of survey gaarantee Partly from advantages of soll and clımate, and partly from the development of a new route for cotton traffic, accompanying the relief afforded by the light assessment introduced in 1840-41, no district of the Deecan entered so rapidly, as that of Barsi into the happy combination of circumstanoes attending more or less, the old Revenue Surver assessment wherever intioduced. The forms in which those circumstances are most easily recognizable by the officers of Government are extension of cultivation, with capability on the part of the ryota of paying the Government demand in full, and they became eariter and more steadily establushed in Barsi than in any other district, as the detals furmshed by Colonel Waddngton show

8 Freedom from fallure of monsoon rann is one of the advantages enjoyed by the area under review, the statement accompanying paragiaph 14 of Colonel Waddington's report, shows that the average of ranfall for mine years is higher than that of four other of the talukas of the Sbolapur Collectorate, the suxth, Sangola, having a stall more precatious fall In the last year, 1871-72, extensive fallure of crops occurred in all the other tálukas, but the ranfall of Bárss, though much below the average, and only $3 \frac{1}{2}$ mnches in excess of that in the Sholápur Taluka, fell so suitably for the requirements of agriculture, that there was a faur harrest, and no remissions whatever were fcund necessary

4 Other indications of the advance of prosperity of the Bársa District whll be found mi the statistics accompanying the Supernitendent's report -
I. Population has mereased by 51 per cent
II. There are 126 chaurre against 48 in 1840-41.

- III. The number of carts previously recorded as 784, whech was for that period a largenumber, and at has reached the number of 1,794 , or an nucrease of 154 per cent.
IV The number of ploughs has nereased from 1,543 to 2,476 , or about 60 per cent, which agrees rather closely with the increase in area of cultuvation between, 1840-41 and 1871-72
V. The morease in agneultural stock, on the other hand, 36 an very inferior prepertion, bullocks showing an merease of 18 per cent only, while the heading for cattle and sheep, and horses contams an merease of only 10 per cent it is presumable that restuction of the grazing area by conversion into arable has had the effect of preventing an merease of lagricaltural stock in proportion to the population and cultivated area, and $1 t \mathrm{is}$ boped both that the new system is permanently suted to the district, and that the quaity of the present race of animals 181 mproved , so as to compensate for deficiency in one of the ordnary essentials of agncuitural prosperity Certannly, from those parts of the táluka aetually seen by the Revenue Commissioner, he found no reason to differ from the views expressed by Colonel Francis and Colonel Waddington of the cpresent exuberance of agncultural wealth compared with other Deccan Districts, and even those more immediately adjacent.
VI. Another evidence of the prosperous position of agriculture is to be found in the instances of sale and mortgages furnished in the statement at paragraph 21 of Colonel Waddington's report At the same time a few mstances thus extracted though they speak so far for thamselves, must not be held to represent the ordnary state of the land tenure, but only certan favourable conditions on which probably the outlay of capital has had some unfluence, that 18 io say, the Revenue Commissioner wishes to guard agaunst any inference being drawn that land in the Barsi Taluka is generally disposable by sale or mortgage, at any of the rales which may be found in exceptionally farourable instances.
a A very striknog feature in the agncultaral economy of the dustret is the increase m. the number of wells. Omitting the 136 wells used solely for dinking purposes, there were 2,844 wells m woiking order for arrigation in 1871-72 agamst $1,778 \mathrm{in} 1840-41$, and 967 out of reparr, aganst 639 out of repair in the earlher year It is probable that as the Mothasthal (or well-irngated) area has largely increased durng the period of guarantee, it has been found better coonomy to throw up many of the old wells and coucentrate the cattle power on the new
and mproved works. A new well will often dran much of the water from an old one in its nennity, the question, however, raiced in paragraph 5 of Colonel Francis' momorandum 18 one of muok interest and importance, and the Revenue Commissioner will endeavour to obtana information which will throw hight on the subject.

6 Before entering upon a review of that part of the reports of Colonel Franeis and Colonel Waddungton which relates to the revised assessment, the Revenue Commissioner begs to append a comparative atatement of Jerayet maxumum, and the average rate por acre zn each of the tallukas of whech the assessment has undergone revision, Barsi being the sixth The statement is in the tabulai foim adopted by the Acting Revenue Commissioner, Mr Oliphant, in his report on the revision of the Sholapur Táluka in April 1872 -

| Maximum Jerayet rates m classes | ** | Indapur | Madha, | Bhambluam | Shompur | Pandharpur, 33 villages | $\left\{{ }^{\text {Bárslr }}\right.$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Re A, P | Rs at $\mathbf{p}$ | Rersat ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Re, 8, $p$ | Rs $\quad 9 \quad \mathrm{P}$ | Rs a p* |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{ccc}1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 14 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 2 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} 1 & 12 & 0 \\ 1 & 8 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} 1 & 8 & 0 \\ 1 & 6 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 8 & 0 \end{array}$ | 180 | $\begin{array}{lll} 1 & 8 & 0 \\ 1 & 6 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \end{array}$ |
| Avarage rato por are =0 | - | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 7 & 6\end{array}$ | $0 \cdot 9.4$ | 0110 | 0114 | 0111 | 0119 |
| Percentage mercase | * | 67 | 77 | 73 | 77 | 74 | 66 |

7. The great development of traffic belonging to, or passing through, the Barrs Taluka, assinted by the railway and that extraordmarily good feeder to the railway, the road fiom Barss to Kuiduwari or Bársi Road Station, 18 illustrated in the statement in paragraph 12 of Colonel Waddungtou's report, which has received full confimation by the reference subsequently made by Colonel Francis This element of profitable activity is augmented by the steady demand for grain at the outy and cantonments of Sholapur, and by the further facility for trade with the Nizam's dastrots on the north, afforded by the road lately under construction and improvement over the Xedsı Ghát. There inus appears every reasonable prospect of prices of jowarí remanning sufforently high to manntan the standard assumed by the Commissioner of Survey and Superintendent, of from 60 to 70 per cent. above those on which it 18 presumed the former assessment was based. Colonel Waddington has pointed out in his 25 th paragraph, that the average prices of jowarn and bzjri from 1866-67 to I871-72 are about three times as high as those for the five years from 1856-57 to $1860-61$, but he gives the pryces of only four years of the first perrod of sux years!

8 Jowiri is taken as the staple grann for the test of prices, because no other gran comes even near jowári in respeat to brsadth of oultuva jon (see statement at the end of Colonel Waddington's report). It is to be regretted that auch meagre details only of prices can be furmahed, because it is almost impossible to calenlate fiom the figures in the statement what the precise averay e for the later period was Colonel Wadjungton, in his 25th paragraph, refers to the mode of calculation he advocated for Bhumthars (paragraph 28 of the Superintendent's report on Bhimthar1 villages), namely, the averages of the last five years of the two decades from 1801-52 to 1860-61 and from 1861-62 to 1870-71.

9 The statement in Colonel Waddngton's 25th paragraph does not contann figures for 1867-68 and 1868-69, but the authorities will not be much. misled, in the absence of more specific auformation, in taking the prioes for Sholápur, whoh were shown in the Sholapur report as. follows.-

|  |  | Scerg, Jowari. |  | Seers. BHjm |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Seers. } \\ & \text { Wheat, } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1867-68 ... | ... | 20 | 5 | 15 | 75 | 11 |
| İ68-69 ... | ... | 25 | 5. | 27 | 9 | 12 |

The average of the first of these series of five years for jowarí is $57-4$ seers; while the average of the second series is $21-8$ seera. The averages of bajrin during the same senes of years are, reepeotively, 47 seers and $20-6$ seers. But it is beyond all doubt that the effect of improved communioation, and especally of the rail, has been to prevent glut of gram at parthoular periods of the year wh ob formerly prevanied, and to assimilate prices to 9 great extent m different parts of the country This assimulation acts on both ends of the balance; and while, oertauly, the very low rates of the very earier average will not reour in fature averages there is every probability of the latter high average not berng maintaned.
10. The Commissioner of Survey and Settlement's paragraph 29 assumes the price of jowarn at the tune of Captan Wingate's settlement to have been about 44 seers the rapee, and he ss satusfied that the rates now proposed will bear a fall to $\mathbf{3 0}$ seore the rupee. The Revenue Comimissioner demurs to this opinion if Colonel Francis meens an average rate of 30 seers, though not so if that represents a minmum price, and of the arerage not lower than that mentioned in Govarnment Resolution No. 5918, dated 30th November 187z, if 25 seers of jowár be, as appears probable, generally mantanned. The price of jowén at Sholapur on dlst December 1872 is reported in the Gaseitte at $22-8$ seers per rupee, and if the pryes at Bársi be, as slated in paragraph 12 of Colonel Fanaos memorandum, a beer or tro lower, it is evident
that they are now near the assumed average of 25 seers, with a very good rabi crop ready for harvest, which may send prices lower In treating of sears, the Revenue Commissioner intends those of Act XXXI of 1871 , representing each tolas 85 and 73 , or, roaghly, tolas $85 \frac{q}{3}$
11. In expressing concurrence in an enhancement of assessment of 60 or 70 per cent on account of rise of prices, the Revenue Commissioner considers that he has gone as fas as a due regard to the interests of the ryots and to the advantage to Government of enduring regulanty of collection will permit, even in a taluka relatively so secure fiom a falure of harvest as Bársı 1s acknowledged to be.
12. The 'Revenue Commissioner now begs to submit a few remarks on the subjeot of his letter No. 20, dated 4th ultimo, to the address of the Commıssioner of Survey and Settlement, and to that officer's reply.
13. In the first place, the ondersugned wishes to explan that the remarks in hus 17th paragraph were induced by imperfect information as to the expressed news of Government regarding the remission of Virhunda on the old wells in existence prior to the guarantee given at the settlement of $1840-41$, and in the belief that exemption was lumited to weils constructed
Para. 177 of Colonel Francis dunng the currency of the guarantee The undersıgned has,
report No, 147, dsted 12th Fobruary 1867; on Indapur

Paras 22 to 24 of Mr Hadow's tranamittang letter No. 2026, dated 22nd May 1867

Para 10 of Government Resoltr tion No 1211, dated 27th March 3868, revising the same. sunce receipt of reply from Colonel Francis, referred to the opinions recorded as per margna, and though he might, of the question were stall an open one, be disposed to donbt the advisability of remitting a tax which had been hitherto paid, he begs unreservedly to withdraw any advocacy of re-mpposition of the tax, and to express his cordal concurrenoe in the course explanned in paragraph 13 of Colonel Waddungton's letter No 75, dated 22nd January 1873 The amount of Virhunda fore yone us amply compensated by the total increase of assessment derivable from the genpral revison, and too mach encouragement can hardly be given by Government to any mode of application of the capital which wull tend to pronde food for the people and therr cattle in years of drought. The undersigued also agrees to the proposals for assessing the cultivation from water courses, called Páthasthal, proposed by Colonel Waddington and approved by Colonel Francis

14 There were two errors in the Revenue Commissioner's figures, pointed out in paragraphs 4 and 5 of Colonel Waddıngton's reply. They did not form the bassis of any immediate issue, but in copying the papers the corrected figores are ontered supra in red ink.

15 Colonel Waddington has made a sumila error of nadvertence in the figures for Korphal in the statement in his 12th paragraph, and a similar correotion 18 made. It is just possible that Colonel Waddugton pntended 2,469 undercollections for 1871-72 for Korphal, but the difference between those figures and $2,455 \mathrm{~ns}$ very small, and no change of figures being mentioned, it is thought best to take those of his former printed statement

16 It is necessary to pount out, in the first place, that the later correspondence arose out of the extieme diversity in the percentage of enhancement in different villages, so that the total wheh represents 66 per cent ranged from 21 in Ukadgaon, No 59 of the hist, to 150 m Gormala, No 19 of the list. It now appears from paragraph 4 of Colonel Waddngton's letter No. 75, dated 22nd ultumo, notwithstandıng the remarks in paragraph 31 of Colonel Franeis' memorandum No. 1867, dated 11th December 1872, regarding Gormala, that " on examination of the iough calculation, an erros had been discovered by which the proposed assessment is reduced from $\mathrm{Rs} 3,161$ to Rs. 2,610 and the average rate per acre from 12 annas 9 pies to 10 annas 10 pies (not 12 annas as shown in the Revenue Commiseloner's letter), the increase on last year's payment being 111 per cent."
17. This reduction in the classification has so much reduced the difference between Goimala and Ukadgaon, that the percentage figures in paragraph 14 of the Revenue Commissioner's letter No. 20, dated 4th ultimo, should be reduced as regards Gormala proportionally, but the enhancement in the case of Gormala still remanns so great, and the omiselon of enhancement in the case of Utadgaon so marked, that the Revenue Commissioner still thoms that, if Ukadgaon cannot be raised, Gormala should still be lowered to about the dufference which would be warranted by the rise in prices, and the amount farly due to the new cultivation bronght to account.
18. It was the exroneous ncrease in Gormala from Re 1,263 to Re. 3,161 or 150 per cent., with only increase of 8 per cent. in acreage, that first induced comparison between that village and Ukadgaon, but, even with the reduction mentioned above, the Revenue Commissioncr thinks that a careful comparison of the rather ample details of past assessment and collections of the two villages furmished in the statement appended to this roport, render it extremely improbable that the arreumstances of the villages warrant such a violent mode of adjustment as that proposed as the result of the theoretical classification alone.

19 The area for the two years 1818-19 and 1819-20 cannot be furmshed, but the Ann Jama of those two years for Goimala and Ukadgaon shows the latter very mach in excess. $A_{B}$ Gormala exhibits a greatly mereased assessment, though still below Ukadgan, danng the next penod of years, it is probable that the marked deficiency in the previous two years was owing to exceptional causen.

20 The next period avalable for compaison is nine years of Mr Pringle's aettlement of which Captain Wingate wrote in terms of respect, the cause of falure being that prices had
fallen so low ance the accession of our Government that Mr. Pringle's assessment was too high to be collected at that period. During the nine years of thus settlement, the area again cannot be furnished, but the average assessment of Gormala, being somewhat in excess of Ukadgaon, the average of the waste and of the remissions in the former are so much in excess, that the average artual collections of Ukadgaon are found to be very considerably in excess of Gormala, but this state of thinge was slightly modified in 1839-40, the last of the nine years, particulans of which have been furnished by Colonel Waddungton, when the collections of Ukadgaon were slightly lower than those of Gormala.

21 So much for the relative state of the collection during the earlier periods. It appears probable that Captann Wingate's survey found something in the previous necessity for large remisions in Gormala to induce a very light assessment, for at the close of the period of the thuty years' guarantee, durng the last twenty years of which it 18 known that nether village required remissions, Gormala is found in $1871-72$ with a recorded area of $3,53 \mathrm{~h}$ acres and an assessment of Rs 1,263, which represents only about 5 annas and 8 pres per acre, but is atull about 30 per cent in excess of the sverage colliections of the mine years of Mir Pingle's survey. In the case of Ukadgaon, we find in the same year, 1871-72 an area of 2,513 acres and an assessment of Ris 1,469 , which represents about 9 annas and 4 pies per acie
22. When the villages come to be measured up at revision we find that Gormala has 64 more acres to bring to account, or aboat 2 per cent unerease of area, and that Ukadgaon bas 818 more acres to bring to socount, or 39 per cent increase of area This area, it should be borne in mund, was deducted at the former survey as unarable, and, though it is now cultivated and therofore brought to account, is, of course, inferior land, unless it has been made good by expenditure of oapital, which is in theory exempted from those grounds for enhancement admutted to consideration in a revised assessment. It is presumed that the survey officers are thus treating land only which was brought under oultivation prior to notification of the revised survey rules, under Section 23 of Act I of 1865, otherwise extra assessment would not be leviable.

23 In paragraphs 19 and 20 it has been shown that Ukadgaon had been from the first period of our management the much more flourzshing village of the two, and in the paragraph immedrately preceding at has been shown that Gormala being the more lightly assessed at the survey in 1840-41, both villages had prospered, that they had required for twenty years no remissiona, and that Ukadgaon had been able to bring a large area of noferior land under cultivation. All the circumstances would have appeared to warrant the villages being charged a farr rent for the additional land, and suoh an enhancement as a general rise of prices would permit

24 What, however, ze now found to be the result of the recent classification? The one village Ukadgaon was raused from Rs 1,469 to Rs 1,784,-a difference of. Rs. 815 ; and Gormala from Rs. 1,268 to Rs. 3,161 ,-a difference of $\mathrm{Rs}_{\mathrm{s}} 1,898$ These last figures have now been reduced, by correction of an error, to Rs 2,610 , but they stall are more than double the pievious assessment. The sole explanation given is, that this is the result of a new and improved classification.
25. The Revenue Commissioner diselaums sny wish to criticise the method of elassification which, it may fanly be presumed, is the best that the experienced offieers engaged in the duty can apply ; but he thinks it unadvisable that a theoretical classsication should be permatted entirely to regulate a revision of assessment, when, as in the prosent case, it is found not to harmomze with the ample evidence of the assessments over a long series of years of three different systems. This olassification, if accêpted, utterly vitiates Captain Wingate's classification, whah has been otherwise regarded favourably in these reports, and yet that classification agrees generally with the previous state of the two villages, and has had the greatest success in its practical application
26. But, though averse from entering upon the diseussion of the method of classafication now followed, the Revenue Commissoner has considerable doubts whether the practical result in the sustance adduoed br Lieutenant-Colonal Waddington, in defence of the relative assessment of Ukadgaon, in paragraph 7 of his letter No. 75, dated 24nd ultimo, is satisfactory.

27 If 81 acrea 19 gunthas of old number 37 mm Ukadgaon had been cheerfully paying for thurty years, without remissions, Rs. $32-10-0$ per annum, or 8 annas 6 ples par acre, it may farly be unferred that, under a revision, the keynote of which 18 that nse of prices will warrant an enhancement of 60 or 70 per cent, the same ecreage could, at least, continue to pay the same, if not something more. Wherass it 28 elear that by the method in which the old good land is put into classification with the new inferior land, an average is obtanned ginng a dumumshed average assessment on the good land. Of course, if the Revenne Survey Officer found, on mature consideration, that the good land had been paying a great deal too much per acre under the former sarvey, he was competent so to olassify as to reduce the assessment per acre unsteed of raseng it on the theory of nse in prioes, but if, on the other hand, as appears probable, the reduction was deliberately made on such grounds, but in consequence of the old good land beang put unto olassification with the new bead land, then the arraugement, thongh it may account for the very low rate of assessment now fixed for Ukadgaon, does not appear satisfactory, and may, the Revenue Commissioner suggeats, be rensed with advantage.
28. Advertang to Khandri, Na 27 of the hist, and Korphal, No. 29, mentioned m paragraph 31 af Colonel Franois's memorandum No. 1816, dated 11th December 1872, the Revenue

Commassoner makes no doubt that some adjustment of the assessment was required, bat hes has carefully followed the returns of the two vallages, and, looking at the average of collections over the different series of years, thinks that the revision assessment of Rorphal is relatively too bigh Captain Wingate's classification average per acre was for Khándvi 10 annas and 10 pres, Korphal 8 annas and 5 pies. Colonel Waddugton and Colonel Francis have found that, as pointed out by the cultivators, some of the lands in Korphal were assessed at a lower rate than lands of a similar quality in Khandan, and Colonel Waddington, in paragraph 3 of biomore recent letter, gives reason why the average of each village should with the same maximum be nearly similai The average of Khandnis 15 annas and 9 pres, but that of Korphal 1 rupee and 7 pies this is a disadvantage to the latter village, which has not been explaned. The much larger area of admittedly bad land brought under cultivation by Korphal-that 1s, 588 acres as aganst 133 m Khandri-would, as in the case of Ukadgaon and Gormala, tend to give the foimer the lower general average, and the Revenue Commssioner thinks that a classification which would reduce Korphal to about Rs 4,400, would be much more in harmony with the old assessment, would be a less violent re-adjustment of Captain Wingate's assessment, and would be farrer to all those who have not only been cultivators, but, it is piesumed, mortgagug and buyng and selling the holdings for the last thirty years, than the assessment proposed Thas amount would give an enhancement in Korphal, including the new land. of about 80 per cent

29 The relative assessment of two villages, Khándvi and Korphal, has been thus discussed, not because they make an instance of striking companson, but because they were selected by the Survey authorities as an instance of the necessity of re-adjustment That necessity is admitted, but it is believed that the enhancement of Korphal has been carmed too far.

30 In respect of all the mine villages extracted from the Revenue Commssioner's statement, except Khándv, Tandulwarn, Gori, and Ukadgaon, the enhancement 18, in the opinion of the Revenue Commssioner, somewhat too great, the two first mentioned appear to have been judiciously treated, for there has been higher classufication, and the enhancement in nether case exceeds 50 per cent, inclusive of the new cultivation In the case of Ukadgaon, the Revenue Commissioner has given reasons why he thinks the classification has been mismanaged and should be rensed In all the other six villages, except Aljapur, the Revenue Commissioner is not in a position to duspute the classification, but the past revenue history of those villages gives no valid ground for an enhancement so much exceeding the average clarmed for the district, and it is recommended that the enhancement in these villages, and throughout the talaka, be reduced, so as not to exceed the general one clamed for higher praces, in addition to the value of new land brought to account. It may, no doubt, be urged that Government are entitled to the enhancement due to new classafication illustrated for one rupee in paiagraph 2 of Colonel Waddugton's letter No 75, in addition to enhancement due to prices, but to thas the Revenue Commissioner would reply that, if Captain Wingate's elassification requires correction, and even if the cultivators got rather the best of the baigan under the thirty-years* settlement, yet that an enhancement of from 60 to 70 per cent. plus the additional amount for new land is quite an ample correction, if due regard be given to the social effects of such a measure on landed property and on the future prospects of the districts. The percentage of increase in area ranges fiom 2 to 57 per cent, and may be estimated to represent about $\frac{1}{8}$ rd that amount in percentage of assessment, so that thes would give from 3 rds to 19 per cent in addition, or an outside enhancement, from all causes, of from 76 to 89 per cent If, as, for reasons above mentioned, is recommended in the case of Ukadgraon, the present classification figures could be revised in certain cases, there would probably be some set-off to the reduction, which the above proposal would, no doubt, necessitate.

31 Aljápur, No 107 in the List, has been specially excepted as regards classification in the preceding paragraph, the percentage ancrease of area is 218 acres, or 23 per cent, and the enhancement of assessment 140 per cent The assessment of this village was in 1818-19 Rs. 654, 1819-20, Rs 667 The average assessment for the nine years of Mr Pingle's Survey, 1830-31 to 1839-40, was Rs, 868-

| Waste | . | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | Rs | 551 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: |
| Remiseions | $\ldots$ |  |  | $\ldots$ | ". | 38 |
| Collections | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | . | ". | 279 |

The falling off in cultivation and revenne was, no doubt, due to the high asscesment. Captain Wingate fixed a classificstion of 6 annas and 8 pies, and the assessment (acreage shown above) stood in 1871-72 at Rs 465, considerably less than the high assessments of 1818-19 and 181920, and considerably more (from extended cultavation) than during the nune years of Mr. Prngle's high assessment These figures undicated high prosperity and undoubted capacity to pay more with the good prices of late years obtainable for agncultural produce But the classifying officer of the Revenue Survey has raised the rupee classification from 6 annas and 8 ples to 11 anuas and 1 pie, and with an adjustment for maximum of Re 1-2-0, the reault is an average late of 12 annas and 6 pies per acre, and an mordinate total enhancement of 140 per cent, the sum being Rs. 1,116, or nearly double the high assess-

See para. 28 of Colonal Francis': memorandum of llth December
are now, or are hikely to be on an average, in future years.
In submatting these suggestions, the Revenue Commissioner 18 chrefly gruded by the desire of averting, for what may be regarded social, as aeparated from strictly economical, reasons, though the latter have not been disregarded, any great individual enhancement which
may not be indispensably necessary ; and, in reviewing the papers, he thinks that a modrication of the results of the theoretical classification by a comparison wnth the previous elassification and with the actual resalts of three defferent systems of collections, may be shown to be praoticable and beneficial.
33. It is probable that, if these suggestions be approved, some dumination of the total uncrease of Rs. 82,516 , shown in paragraph. 23 of Colonel Francis's memorandum and in paragraph 35 of Colonel Waddington's report, may be luable to some reduction, bat, on the other hand, the Revenue Commissioner thunks it quite probable, as stated in paragraph 30, that some cases simular to that noticed of Ukadgaon, though not so extreme, may be found which are suscepthble of an assessment somewhat in excess of that proposed.

34 The Revenue Commisanoner begs respeotfully to express his concurrence in the recommendatione of the Survey Commesioner, the Superintendent, and the Collector of Sholipur, relative to the advantage which would ascrue in many ways from an exchange of territory with His Highness the Nzzam, 80 as to remove the embarrassment of there being detached vullagen and groups of villages with admimastrations soparated from the consoldated territory to which they belong. The inconvemance exsats in a atill more embarrassing degree in the Ahmednagar Collectorate, and eapecially in the Jamkherr Taluka, and if the general question could be talken up cordually on both sides, many of the difficulties might be removed by matual concessons and the interchange of guarantees. The principal difficulty, no doubt, is that of the unwillingness of British subjects to be transferred, and the undersigned is not suie whether, as anticppated by Colonel Francis, the benefits of Britush rule would be considered as neutralized by their villages beng situated a distance of 10 or 12 miles from our frontier
W. H. HAVELOCK,

Revenue Commissioner, S. D.
Statement to accompany the Revenue Commiasioner, S. D's Memorandum to Govermment, No 429, dated 7th February 1873.

W. H. HAVELOCK,

Rerende Commiseroner, S. D.

No 1031.

## Retevoe Department.

Bombay Castle, 31st February 1873
Resoldtion - Before proceeding to decide generally on the question of the pitch of assessment to be adopted for the whole tract of country under revision, it will be better to dispose of the Revenue Commissioner's objections on account of the larger proportionate increase in the assessment in some than in other villages.
2. Mr "Havelock, in the 17th paragraph of his forwardng memorandum, after noting the dufference in the cases of the villages of Gormala and Ukadgaon, proceeds to say he thunks that if the latter cannot be rased, the former should be lowered to about the difference which would be warranted by the rise in prices, and the amount fanly due to the new cultivation brought to account. After going into further detals of past and proposed assessments of the two villages, he gives it as his opinion that it would be unadvisable that a theoretrical classification of solls (waich, being the best the experienced officers in the duty can apply, he does not wish to criticise) should be permitted entirely to regulate a revision of assessment when it is found not to harmonize with the ample evidence of the assessments over a long series of years of three dufferent systems. In paragraph 27 he also says that if the Revenue Survey Officer found, on mature consideration, that good land had been paying a great deal too much per acre under the former survey, he was competent so to classify as to reduce the assessment per acre unstead of raising it on the theory of nise in prices In the 32nd paragraph of his report also he states his opinon, that a modification of the results of the theoretical clasenication by a comparison with the previous classification and with the actual results of three dfferent systems of collection, may be shown to be practicable and beneficial
3. $M_{1}$ Havelock does not attempt to point out the means by which this could be accomplshed, and if he had studied the description of the system of classification of soils and assessment land down in the Jount Report, wnth which every Revenue Officer in this Presidency 18 presumed to be well aquanted, His Excellency in Councl fauls to understand how he could have concelved that such an adjustment as he proposes could be practicable. He seems not to have taken into consideration the fact that the classification of soils is carried out by an entirely dufferent agency to that employed for calculating the assessment, that the former has to do with the relative value of solls towards each other, and knows nothing whatever of the assessment, the positive value, that is to be put upon them, and that, therefore, it could not have been competent to the Survey Officer-that is to say, the Officer superintending the process of olassification-so to classify as to reduce the assessment per acre whthout falsifyng the object of all classification, $n z$, the preservation of the relative value of land according to their natural degiees of fertility, A modification of the results of the theoretical olassification by the comparison proposed by the Revenue Commissoner would, in short, be mpracticable without violation of the fundamental prinerple of the Bombay Revenue Survey, that the assessment, which is a tax upon the real rent, shall be regulated by the relative values of lands according to their natural fertulity, therr position with regard to markets, and other considerations that affect the pitch of rent generally.
4. The experience acquured by workng ont in practice for over thirty years the theoretical system of classification of soils land down in the Joint Report has led to the conclusion tuat it was faulty in too closely assimulating the productive qualities of the best and the worst landa and this has now been remedred by raising the elassification of the former and lowerng that of the latter. For mstance, a field formerly classed at 14 annas has probably been raised to 16 , and one classed at 4 has been lowered to 2 . the relative values of 2 to 7 has thus been changed to 1 to 8. According to the Revenue Commissioner's news, as expressed in other letters although not distinctly in the present case, no increase beyond 50 per cent. should be made on revision of assessment, and it is presumed he would have no re-classification Taking the examples given above as occuirng in a village of which the maximum rate was 12 annas and is now rased to 1 ıupee, the bad field payng formerly 3 annas per acre would be raised to 4 annas 6 pies, whereas by the ordinary process it would now pay 2 annas, and the good field
$\boldsymbol{v} \boldsymbol{B}_{\boldsymbol{*}}-5$ annas 3 prea by aurvey practice becomes 5 annas formerly paying 5 annas would be ncreased to 7 annas 6 pies, whereas by the new classification at would pay a rupes The Revenue Commissioner can now judge for himself of the equity of the proceedung he advocates, for $1 t$ as presumed he would not go so far as to propose that the assessment of the bad field should be lowered to 2 annas, and that of the good one rassed to 7 annas 6 pres, as to do so would only merease the total assessment by 2 annas, which would not equal 50 per cent. on the old totad of 8 annas.
5. As land down, therefore, in Government Resolution No. 798 of the 11th mastant, on the revision of assesement in Pandharpur, Government cannot consent to abandon the princuple of assessung aocordng to the relative values of land as now acertained, bat will content themselves with suah moderate general merease as may be found sutable under the crrcamstances of each táluka as it falls in for revision.

6 The general effect of the revision now proposed at the maximum rates recommended by the Superintendent, and concurred in by the Survey Commissioner, is to raise the assessment on the whole taluka by 66 per cent In the late revisions only the táluka of Indapur has been mereased to a less extent, ie, 57 per cent, whereas in Mádha, Bhimthan Sholapur, and Pandharpur, the uncreases bave been eeverally 77, 73, 77, and 74 per cent. Considerng the enormous and rapid development of the trade of Barsa and the condition of agricultural prospenty proved by the statistics given in the Superntendent's report, together with the fact of the
very great rise in the value of agricultural prodnce common to all the talukas mentioned, His Excellency in Councal does not in any way fear that the enhanced assessment will bear hardly upon the people, especailly when there is taken into aceount the fact of all the waste land now having been brought under the plough, - - point of which in its bearing on the letting value of land generally naither the Survey Offioers nor the Revenue Commissioner have taken any notnce.
7. Government concur in the proposal of Colonel Francis acceded to by the Supermtendent, Paragrapha 17 and 18 for a slight alteration th the grouping of villages for maximum rates of assessment, which may accordingly be adopted.
8. They are satisfied with the reasons adduced for placing the maximum rate for this taluka at the rame level as that sanetioned for Sholápal The circumstance of the distance of the 4th group of villages in the south-east corner of the taluka from roads and mankers does not, however, appear to have been sulticiently taken into consideration in fixing ats maximum rate. This may accordingly be lowered to Re $\lambda$ msteud of being fixed at Rs 1-2 0 . This will bring the general increase in the gioup probably down from 45 per cent. to about 88 , and silghtly lower the per oentage increase on the whole taluka.
9. The princuple of abolishing the Virhunda or well cess on lands under wells and assesssed as Bagayet (garden) onder the former settlement by an inorease in the classfication of the land up to the haghest dry-crop claseafication, may be carried into effeot in the táluka under report. It will tend to equ lize the burden of assessment on old and new garden lands, and encourage the application of capital to the improvement of the land. It is not stated whether the sum of Rs 28,000 , to the surrender of which it 18 said the grant of this boon will be equivalent, is that on the old garden lands alone or on the old and new together. In future reports this should be olearly ahown.

10 The maximum rate of Re, 4-8-0 proposed for Pátasthal lands has been passed over by the Superintendent in the 37th paragraph of bis report, and by Colonel Francis in the 22nd paragraph of his forwardung memorandum No. 1816 of the 11th December last, in the most cursory manner ' Government cannot allow pioposals to guarantee for thirty years to be sent up without the fullest explanation, and the rates on this desoription of land are accordangly sanctioned only for the current year pending detaled report.
11. For the dry-crop rates for a period of thirty years asanction is now accorded. Considering that, according to the average prices of the last ten years, they amount, when expressed in grain rents, in the most hughly assessed village, Kari, to $26 \cdot 17$ seers, 2182 seers, and 1474 seers per acre on jowarr, bajri, and wheat respectively, exclusive of the value of atraw, there need be no apprehension that except an famine yeara, when it is not posable to collect the land revenue at all, they will not be paid wath ease, and leave a large surplus in the hands of the cultivators.
12. Government must express their great dissatisfaction that a report dated the 14th Auguat last should only have reached them in the beginning of February.

E W. RAVENSCROFT, Actıng Chief Secretary to Government.

## Contunuation of Prooesdings for the Reduction of the Revised Settlements of the Poona and Sholupur Collectorates.

No. 1416 of 1875.
Revenot Dipparturnt.
Poona, 16th September 1875.
The acoompanying statement*ehowa the reduction which it is proposed should be made in the revised assassment of the Baras 'Ialuka under the provisione of the Resolntion of October last.
2. As compared with the other districts of the Sholfpur Colleotorate, the circumstances of thas táluka, as affectung rates of assessment, may be said to be exceptional. It hes a docided advantage in point of clumate, the annual raintall as registered at Bara being about 25 mohes against from 18 to 28 in the other talukas. The soil 18 generally better, there being a comparatively sraall extent of the poor barad which is met with so extenaively elsewhere in the colleatorate; whilst the poorest solis are desoribed by Colonel Waddington to have "a sufficient depth of earth to produce good grass during the monsoon." And if we add to this the fact of the water-level being very favourable for welliurrigation which covers a large proportion of the aree for a Deocan Distriot, we have, on the whole, a combination of natural advantages not met whth eloewhere in the Sholapar Distriot.
3. These carcurastances, it will be observed, ware duly considered in fixmg the rates of the district, but my objeot in now bringing them forward is to show that, whth such an exoeptional atate of things provaining, it is advisable to make one reducticn of assessment in the case on a somewhat different plan to that adopted for the district alreedy reported on.
4. I would also notice, as having an important beaning on this point, that there is a defferenoe, as wull be parcuived from the correspondenoe on this mettiement, of only 11 pies in general average rate between the revised and former olassification of the dustrict, which mind-

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cates rather a close aqreement between the two standards of valuation. There are, however, some few ollages, to be noticed in the sequarl, in which the percentage nerease on the former assessment is considerably in excess of the preserbed hmit for monivadual villages, owngg to differences in the two standaids of classhifation But, considering the agreement generally between the respective valuations of the soil, I am of opinion that it is not advisable in this case to make the reduction in class fication values fiom 10 andas downwards as carrzed out in other districts, and I would accordingly recommend that the elass, ficatinn should be allowed to stand as $1 t \mathrm{is}$, and our abatement of assessment be made by a reduction of maximum rates.
5. The settlement report shows the villages to have been durded into groups and assessed at maximum rates as under, viz -

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| Ist group-1 village |  |  |  | wich | Irimum | 1 | 8 | 0 |
| 2nd | - | 65 | 1llages | ditto | ditto | 1 | 6 | 0 |
| 3 rd | " | 40 | " | ditto | ditto |  | 4 | 0 |
| 4th* | " | 5 | , | ditto | ditto | 1 |  | 0 |

I recommend a reduction of 2 annas per group in the rates of the firet three groups. Those of the fourth have aiready been reduced in this proportion, as shown in the margnal note, and beng now under a rupee maximum, nothing further is requred in theur case For, as therr average rate is only 7 annas 11 pres, I think they may be sad to be favourably treated as they now stand.
6. The subjomed statement exhbbits the reduction of assessmeut eaused by the foregoing modification of rules -

| Group. |  | Revision Settlemant |  | Proposed lieduction by lowering of Mariwnem Rate. | Remarming Esbessment, being Differenre of columns 2 and 4 | Percentage <br> Latrease on Migiual Assessment. |
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|  |  | Amount | Percentage Iucrease. |  |  |  |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|  |  | Re. | Ra | Ra | Rgn | Rs, |
| 1 st | * | 11,0\%4 | 71 | 918 | 10,116 | 57 |
| 2nd |  | 1,27,013 | 63 | 11,426 | 1,15,587 | 48 |
| 3 rd |  | 5944 | 59 | 5,910 | 5s,49 | 43 |
| 4th |  | 5,001 | 63 |  | 6,001 | 63 |
|  | Total | 202,452 | 62 | 18,254 | 1,8i, 198 | 48 |

It will thus be seen that the new kamal for the 111 villsges will now be reduced to Rs. $1,84,198$ and the morease on former assessment from 52 to 48 per cent By reference to the figured statement showing the land and sayer revenue collections appended to Captann Wingate's report on the first settlement, it will be olserved that the collection (exclusive of sayer revenue) for the first year that the district came into our possession amounted to Rs 1,57,741, but this meludes the revenues of 112 villages, one of which (Daiphal) has been sunce transferred to

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" $\frac{9492}{1,87,741}$ dugton on account of thas village, we have a total of Rs $1,86,081$ as the land revenue at that period of the 111 villages now under the d striet. It follows consequently that our new revenue demand is about Re 2,000 less than was realuzed from the district more than half a century ago.

7. There are 11 villages in all, the assessment of which, as now reduced, is in excess of the prescribed limit of increase for individual villages I tind trom some correspondence regard-, ung the settlement that the Superintendent, Colonel Waddungton, made special anqumes as to the cause of ancrease in some of these villages, and prepared a statement, contrasting their assessment according to his revision rates with Mr Pringle's assessment and with that fixed subsequently at the first settlement The following information is taken from the statement referred to -

| Villages. | Asscssment according to |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Mr Pringle's } \\ \text { Ratcleas } \end{gathered}\right.$ | First SurPey Rates | Eatimate now made |
|  | Rs | Rg | Rs |
| Belgaom | 869 | 585 | 1,056 |
| Gormalla | 2,074 | 1,268 | 2,378 |
| K badkalgaon | 1,257 | 419 | 958 |
| Korphal | 4,8,36 | 2,4,5 | \$,597 |
| Aljapar | 8.17 | 485 | 832 |
| Sangamner | 998 | 416 | 760 |

[^11]On examining this it will be percenved that a very large refuction, amounting to 100 per vent. in some znetances, was madi in the assessment of the villages at the first settlement, and that the reduced assessement now fixed will make therr payment in future about equal to what they were under Mr Pringlo's rates The Superintendent having fully satisfiid himself of the correctness of his celassfication, there can, in my oi inion, be no doubt that the exoess over the preseribed limat of merease as due to the erromeously low standard of classifiontion adopted at the first settlement. I would accordingly recommend that the reduced assessment now submitted should be confirmed, and nothing further be done in such cases.

> J. FRANCIS, Colonel,
> Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N. D.

No. 5875.

## Reventer Department.

## Bombay Castle, 19 th October 1875.

Rasoldtiont-The leading faets of the revenue hatory of this talukw are as follow - -
2. At the introduction of Brilish rule in 1818, 221,000 acres were under 'coltuvation, the average rate of aseessment was Rea. 0-13-6 per acre, and the whole assessment was realized. At this time prices were high-that of the staple gramn, jowar, being 27 seers the rupee The old Mabratta rates remained in force tull 1831, but prices fell very greatly, and an consequence cultivation dımanshed, and large remmesions were necessury. Daring the thurteen years, 18181881, cultivation averaged 183,000 acres, the average rate of assessment was Re 0-15-6 per cultwated acre, and of realizations Re. $0-12-3$. In 1831 Mr Prigle's rettlement was antroduced, but entinely broke down. During the nine gears it remained in force the average eultivation fell to 123,000 acres, the assesement rate was Re, 1-0-8, and the rate of realizations Re. 0-13-9. In 1841 the survey settlement was introduced by Captann Wingate, who fixed a maximum dy-crop rate of Re. 1 per acre throughout the taluka, giving an average rate of 8 annas.
3. Thus eettlement has had the happrest effeots. Cultivation has increased during the tume from 123,000 to 278,000 acres, and a very emall fraction only of arable land reraane waste. Laxd aoquired a high saleable value, averagng in the last years of the settlement about thirty times the assessment. There increased-

| Population |  | $\stackrel{-}{*}$ | . |  | 51 | cen |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Agricult | cattle |  | -.* | . |  | " |
| Carts | ... | ... | -." | ". | 154 |  |
| Plough | ... | ... | ... | - | 60 |  |
| Wells | ... | ... |  | ... | 60 |  |

It 18 to be remarked that, if these returas are correot, agricoiltural cattle have ipcreased in a much smaller ratio than either cultivation or population, and that the number of p'oughs 28 still very rmall, averaging less than I to 2 holdungs The disproportwnately small inciease of plough catile may in a great measure be attributed to the smill area hft of late years for grazing.

During the time of the gettlement the ralway and numerous grod roads have been conatructen. Prices also rpse immenselv, and averaged at Bürsi 191 seers of jowán the rupee for the last three y ears of the settlement term.

4 On these conesderations, when the settlement was revised in 7972 the old maximom rate of Re. 1 per acre was replaced by rates of Re. 1-8-0 (for the town of Barirel only), Re. I-6-0, Re. 1-4-0, and Re. I, acoording to the situation of the different vill, ges These rates rased the assessment from Rs. $1,24,6,8$ to Rs $2,02,472$, or 62 per cent, and the average rate from Re. 0.7-3 per aore (inclusive of encroachments on unassessed waste, which amannted to 30,000 acres) to Re 0-11-4. The maximum rate on the lowest group of 5 villages, it will be observed, remained unchanged, but owing to the very faulty arigunal cinscitication of this group, and to the assersment of encroschments, the percenlage increase in this group amounted to 63 .
5. It is unnecessary to repeat here the considerations which have determined Government to reduce the assessments amposed in 1878, as they have been fully d scussed in Government Resolution No. 5733 of $99 t \mathrm{th}$ Dctoler lats, and the reepnt enarse of prices has beea considered m paras. 10 to 13 of Government Resolution No 6874, dated 19th instant, on the assessiment of the Sholápar "aluka
6. In submitting his proposals, the Survey and Setilement Commiseioner, N. D, stroagIf urges the propnety of not alterng the valuatu in scale for Barsi in the manner which has been adopted fir other talukas, the assessments of which have been recently d spresed of Hus reasons are, briefly, that, although the onimalel elassification of Barsal was very incorne ly dane the original and revised standards of valuation differ hittle (about 6 per cent), thant, owing to the superiority in soil and chmate gencrally of Barsa, its medam and poorer soils do not require
the reduction in valuation whioh has been found to be desirable in other talukas, the rates of which have been lowered; and that he is satisfied of the accuracy of the present classification. For these reasons he recommends that the present classification shall stand, but that the maximum rates of the three first groups of villages shall be reduced 2 annas. This will lower the percentage of merease on the original assessments from 62 to 48.

7 On the other hand, however, His Excellency an Councl would desire to give due consideration to the fact that a large proportion of the inferior lands of the taluka, which were classed as unarable at the tume of the old survey, have now been brought under assessment, and that a proportionately heavier burden has been suddenly laid upon those holdmg such lands. Circumstances beyond the control of the cultivatons-such as the nise of prices owing to the opening up of commumeations-have rendered that a valuable property which the circumstances of thirty years ago hardly rendered it worth the while of the people to bring under the plough. It was, of course, right that the State should reap some advantage from thas change of errcumstances, but the fact of the suddon merease of barden on those holding such lands must also, on equitable grounds, have due weight given to it . The Survey Commissioner has accordingly drawn out a statement showing the reduction in assessment that would result from putting a lower classification on the poorest classes of soils, ranging from a valuation of 6 annas downwards, which lowers the percentage increase on the whole taluka from 62 to 56 per cent. This reduction in favour of the inferior classes of solls, Government are pleased to sanction, in addition to that which will be brought about by the reduction of the maxmum rates of the first three groups of villages, ze, from Re. 18-0 to Re l-6 0 (for the town of Barara alone) from Re 1-6-0 to Re. 1-4-0, and from Re. 1-4-0 to Re. 1-2-0, learmg the lowest group at 1 rupee, as already sanctioned.
8. The effect of this double reduction will be to bring down the percentage morease on the whole taluka from 62 to 42 per cent, and the average rate per acre from annas 11 ples 4 to annas 10 pies 3 The total assessment of the taluka will now be about Re 9,000 less than in the last year of Maratha rule, although 57,000 acres more are in cultivation than at that time.
9. There will now be only 9 vilages out of 111 in which the merease will exceed $\mathbf{7 5}$ per cent over the old assessmente, and in these Government consider it unnecessary to order a still further reduction. Increases on undividual holdings beyond the presoribed lumt of 100 per cent. should be speorally reported for orders.
W. G. PEDDER, Acting Secietary to Government.

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\text { No. } 216 \text { of } 1876 .
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From
Leut.-Colonel E. L TAVERNER,
Acting Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Asessment,
To
Colonel J. FRANCIS,
Survey and Settlement Commassioner, N. 1).
Camp Násık, 22nd March 1876
Sir,
With reference to youl letter No. 444, dated 20th mstant, I have the honour herewnth to forward a statement showing the resalt of the alteration made ander Government Resolution No 5875 , dated 19th October 1875, in the revsion settiement rates of 111 villages of the Barral Taluka of the Sholapur Colleotorate.
2. The estamate entered in paragraph 8 of tie Government Resolution is that the assessment would be reduced from an inorease of 62 per cent. to one of 42 per cent. The actual result is an assessment of $R_{s} 1,77,135$ agannst the onginal assessment of Rs. $1,24,658$, or an morease of Rs. 52,477 or 421 per cent.

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(Signed) E. L. TAVERNER, Leent-Colonel, Acting Superintendent, Poona and Nask Survey.

## APPENDIX.

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Statement showing the ultimate result of the Survey Revesion Settlement for finally adjusted under Government Resolution

| No | Name of Village | As pere Cobtivation BETUERS TOR 187172. |  | Abriar biviaioit |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  | Acres |  |  |  |  | Aspars |  |
|  |  | Aorem | Assonsment | Jeras at | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mocthass } \\ \text { thagal } \\ \text { Bagatet } \end{gathered}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Ptithas } \\ \text { thal } \\ \text { Baga } \\ \text { jet } \end{gathered}\right.$ | Rice | Total | Jerayen | $\begin{gathered} \text { Hothat- } \\ \text { Bubal } \\ \text { Bubyet } \end{gathered}$ |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| 1 |  | 13,428 | Rs. <br> 6,436 | Acres, 14,655 | Acres <br> 441 | Acres 12 | Acres | Acres $15,108$ | R8 0,168 | R4 <br> 157 <br> 8 |
| 2 | Agalgaon | 4,065 | 1,831 | 4,147 | 339 | 32 |  | 4,518 | 2,248 | 320 |
| 3 4 | Alipur | 883 $\mathbf{8 , 1 6 2}$ | 500 1,856 | 860 $\mathbf{8 , 3 1 0}$ | 23 255 | - 40 |  | 3,605 $\mathbf{8 7 3}$ | 747 $\mathbf{2 , 2 8 2}$ | 279 |
| 6 | Arangaon | 1,382 | 621 | 1,337 | 58 | 18 |  | 1,413 | 564 | 40 |
| 6 | Babhulgaon | 2,683 | 1,280 | 2,608 | 262 | 15 |  | 2,885 | 1,396 | 232 |
| 7 | Bslewari | 1,184 | 517 | 1,370 | 32 |  |  | 1,402 | 738 | 28 |
| 8 | Bavr 100 | 8,252 | 1,778 | 3,452 | 248 |  |  | 3,700 | 2,359 | 318 |
| 9 | Bhaira | 1,361 | 526 | 1,406 | 40 |  |  | 1,446 | 570 | 30 |
| 10 | Chara - | 2,172 | ${ }^{936}$ | 2,338 | 136 | 61 |  | 2,535 | 1,013 | 119 |
| 11 | Chikharda | 4,672 | 2,307 | 4,489 | 382 | 5 |  | 4,876 | 2,590 | 301 |
| 12 | Deogson | 2,469 | 1,905 | 2,414 | 98 | 50 |  | 2,562 | 2,482 | 117 |
| 13 | Dbanora | 944 | 386 990 | 2,947 | 47 141 |  |  | 1,008 2392 | 1,124 | 46 98 |
| 15 | Dhotra | 2,202 <br> 1,174 | 716 | 1,138 | 81 | * |  | 1,219 | ${ }^{1} 895$ | 99 |
| 16 | Gsdegaon | 1,263 | 805 | 1,328 | 25 |  |  | 1,853 | 942 | 20 |
| 17 | Ghan | ],648 | 897 | 1,583 | 242 | 6 |  | 1,831 | 871 | 222 |
| 18 | Gormala | 3536 | 1,263 | 3,517 | 167 | 65 |  | 8,749 | 2,003 | 141 |
| 19 | Indápur. | 786 | 435 | ${ }^{883}$ | 18 |  |  | 1,901 | 5978 | 16 86 |
| 20 | Jahanpur (Taraf Agal | 1,277 | 563 | 1,185 | 100 | 29 |  | 1,314 | 568 | 86 |
| 21 |  | 2,762 | 1,039 | 2,929 | 58 | 42 |  | 3,029 | 1,244 | 67 |
| 22 | Kandalgaon | 1,178 | 976 | 1,194 | 18 |  |  | 1,212 | 1,286 | 20 |
| 23 | Kategaon | 1,858 | 797 | 1,968 | 113 | 28 | - | 2,109 | 999 | 102 |
| 24 | Karl | 8,050 | 3,734 | 8,162 | 512 | 7 |  | 8,871 | 4,478 | 560 |
| 25 | Khamgaon | 2,443 | 1,281 | 2,414 | 151 | 10 |  | $\begin{array}{r}2,575 \\ 5947 \\ \hline 1\end{array}$ | 1,634 | 366 135 |
| 26 27 | Khandvı | 5,654 1,326 | 3,882 499 | 5824 1,869 | 123 25 |  |  | 5947 $\mathbf{1 , 3 9 4}$ | 5,070 892 | $\begin{array}{r}135 \\ 28 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| 28 | Korphal | 4,452 | 2,455 | 4,999 | 207 | 2 |  | 5208 | 4,264 | 242 |
| 28 | Kaslamb | 1,198 | 593 | 1,235 | 117 |  |  | 1,352 | 634 | 98 |
| 30 | Kaudgaon | 2,434 | 1,379 | 2,757 | 226 | 83 |  | 3,016 | 1,549 | 231 |
| 31 | Kavha $^{\text {a }}$ | 2,456 | 1,262 | 2,653 | 72 38 |  |  | 2,625 | 2,009 | 81 |
| 32 | Mahagaon | 1,103 1,448 | 1,692 | 1,146 1,449 | $\begin{array}{r}38 \\ 148 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  | $\cdots$ | 1,597 | 1,4841 | 382 |
| 34 | Manegoon | 2,699 | 1,480 | 2,650 | 131 |  |  | 2,781 | 1,823 | 128 |
| 35 | Mamdapar | 1,519 | 804 | 1,553 | 58 | - |  | 1,611 | 879 | $\begin{array}{r}46 \\ 884 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| 36 37 | ${ }^{\text {Nart }}$ Uked ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 4,041 | 2,145 | ${ }_{3,856}$ | 878 814 |  |  | 4,234 3,859 | 2,399 $\mathbf{1 , 1 0 1}$ | 884 287 |
| 38 | Uxadgaon | 2,513 684 | 1,469 335 | 3,485 810 | 818 158 | 60 15 |  | $\begin{array}{r}\text { 3,859 } \\ \hline 883\end{array}$ | 1,310 | 128 |
| 39 | Pangaon | 8,201 | 8,767 | 9,050 | 817 | 22 |  | 9,389 | 5,124 | 841 |
| 40 | Pangr | 5,504 | 3,045 | 5,587 | 535 | 31 |  | 6.153 | 2,616 | ${ }_{108}^{521}$ |
| 41 | Pathri | 1,717 | 639 | 1,927 | 135 | 7 |  | 2,069 | 859 | 106 |
| 42 | Prmpalgaon (Tanai Pan gann) | 1,296 | 763 | 1,424 | 63 | 8 | - | 1,480 | 1,186 | 65 |
| 43 | Pimpalgaon (Taraf Pan | 993 | 573 | 1,071 | 34 |  |  | 1,105 | 826 | 31 |
| 44 |  | 2,830 | 3,873 | 2,841 | 167 |  |  | 8,003 | 2,577 | 192 |
| 45 | Pımpalwandı | 612 | 886 | 675 | 146 | 24 |  | 745 | 842 | $\begin{array}{r}98 \\ 148 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
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| 52 | Tandulwara Sher Kham | 2,063 | 952 | 2.332 | 40 |  |  | 2,372 | 1,369 | $\begin{array}{r}18 \\ 123 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
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| 56 | Wanewan | -838 | 251 | 900 | 62 |  |  | -982 | -392 | 18! |
| 57 | Vyarag | 3,270 | 1,102 | 3,325 | 214 | - |  | 3,5\%9 | 1,776 | 181 |
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| 61 | Dudhgaon | 898 | 508 | ${ }^{283}$ | 29 |  |  | 912 | 753 | 24 |
| 62 | Jamgaon (Taraf Pangra) | 2,729 | 1,140 | 2,662 | 197 | 3 | 11 | 2,873 | 1,605 | ${ }_{3}^{202}$ |
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(Signed) E. L. TAVERNER, Leat.-Colonel,
Actang Supenntandent, Revenue Survey, Poona and Násik.

No. 1406 or 1876

Forwarded for the information of Government.
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Puona, 9th Septemiber 1876.
2 It will be seen froin the figures given by tha Superintendent that the estimated and actual result of the reluetion for this district agiees as closely as could be expected.

3 The report has been dit tamed awaiting the lesult of ordeis in the ca.es of above 100 per cent of increase in individual fiteds, but as the reduction has to be shown in the reprint of the reports on the Deccan herision Settlements now in progress, the repurt is submitted for fiual information of the result.

J FRANCIS, Colonel,
Survey and Settlement Commassioner, N. D.

No. 5516.

## Bombay Castle, 27th September 1576.

Revenor Department.
Resolution.-These reports give the final results of the reductions effected in thrse four talukas in conformity wath the principles land down in Guvernment Resolution No. 5739, dated 2yth October 1874.
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3. His Exoellency the Governor in Councl is pleased to espress his approval of the manner in which Colonel Taverner has carried out the mastructions of Government

> F. S. CHAPMAN,

Chief Secretary to Government.

# No. 5425 of 1903. <br> From <br> A. F. MACONOCHIE, EsquIre, I.C.S., <br> Collector of Sholápur ; 

To

The Honourable Mr. A. D. YOUNGHUSBAND, I. C.S., Commissioner of the Central Division.

Sholápur, 23 ra October 1903.

## Sir,

I have the honour to submit for the orders of Government proposals for the Second Revision Séttlement of the Sholápur, Bársi, Karmála, and Mádha Talukas of this Distrot. The reports for the first three talukas were written between January and Aagust of this year by my late Assistant, Mr. Painter : that for the fourth taluka was written in 1900 by Mr F. B. Young, then Superintendent of Land Records and Agriculture, Central Division. All four reports would in the usual course of things have been submitted at earher dates, for the last settlement expired in Mádha at the end of 1899-1900, in Sholápur at the end of 1900-01, in Barsi at the end of 1901-02, and in Karmála at the end of 1902-03. But in view of the recent succession of bad years, Government were plessed to drrect in their Resolution No. 8325 of 31st December 1900, that proposals for revision of settlements should not be laid before them till 1904. Thas judicious order has not only conferred a boon on the cultivators, but also rendered it possuble to re-settle nearly two-thurds of the district at one time and on one consistent scheme.
2. In these circumstances I beg to embody my remarks on all four reports in one letter. They will not be many. Mr Painter's description of the existing condition of things is so accurate and so full that it leaves me little to add. And as we on several occasions discussed the whole subject personally, his proposals for the future substantially represent my own news. It is only in a very ferr cases that I shall suggest some slight modification.
3. Before treating of each táluka in turn, I must observe that there is one main factor in the problem, oommon to all an greater or less degree, of whoh we must never lose sight, and that 18 the long succession of disastrous years through which the district has recently passed Shortiy after the existing rates were introduced came the great famune of 1876-77. Twenty jears afterwards, when the distriot had recovered from this blow, it was again attacked by the hardly less severe famine of 1896-97. Two seasons of scantiness followed, and then came the famine of 1899-1900, the worst of the century, followed in its turn, without a moment's respite, by that of 1900-01, to be again succeeded by another unfarourable year. The good year 1902-03 just past was the first of its kınd for seven years. The current year seems likely to be as good or even better, and it may be hoped that a period of prosperity has now begun. But it has only just begun, and we must not allow thas gleam of present well-beingit may be but transient-to efface from our minds the memory of the termble loss and sufferng of the immediate past. A population so afflicted must be treated with the utmost teaderness, and a lenienoy must be shown by the state in its demand, for which after an epoch of prosperity, there would be no need and no justification. Of the four tálukas now in question, Karmála suffered most, Mádha less, Sholápur pul Bársi least, but all suffered severely, and our revised rates must refleot that fapt both generally and comparatively.
4. I now proceed to revew Mr. Painter's proposals for the Sholápur tailuka. The leading facts to be borne in mind are that the rates orignally fixed at the beginning of the existing settlement in 1872 were considerably reduced in 1875 on acoount of an extraoniaary fall in prioes, that since then

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prices have risen again to much theur former level, that land has maintained its purchasing power under an increased assessment and has therefore risen in value, that there has been a remarkable development of the central market town of Sholápur, but that on account of the repeated famines increase in general agricultural prosperity has been arrested during the cuxrency of the present settlement, and the rayat is in much the same state as in 1872. Mr. Panter, therefore, recommends that the rates ongmally fixed in 1872 may, with a few local augmentations, be re-1mposed now for the term of the next settlement. I think that the figures and arguments that he adduces prove his conclusions to be sound, and I support them. The only change I propose is that the three villages mentioned in his paragraph 67, should be put into the First Group along whth Sholápur, which they adjoin, as their land is equally valuable. This is an enhancement of 40 per cent., but in the peculiar circumstances set forth by Mr Painter it is perfectly just and proper. In point of fact Sholápur and these villages could well bear a rate of Rs. 2-0-0 unstead of Mr. Yainter's proposed rate of Rs. 1-12-0, and that I do not propose the former is due merely to my sense of the advisability of lenient treatment after the famines. The other modufications proposed in Mr. Painter's 68th paragraph have my entire approval. As regards paragraph 76, it will be seen hereafter that Mr. Painter and I both propose a reduction by two annas of Mr. Young's proposed rates, and if this is done, the new rates for Mádha and Sholápur will be harmomous. As for the higher rates in the adjacent Native State of Akalkot, that tract has always been assessed higher than Sholápur, and the curcumstances are not identical

As remarked in paragraph 80 , the tripartite classsfication of land is now obsolete and might well be abolished

The Pathastal rates proposed are surtable. There is very little of this form of cultivation.

One other point demands notice-the isolated villages of the taluka surrounded by the Nizam's territory They are fertile, but inaccessible and difficult to administer, and are consequently full of dacoits, who annoy the officials and people of both jurisdıctions alike. It is a very great pity that they cannot be exchanged for Hyderabad villages insude the district.
5. I now turn to Bárss. This is undoubtedly the best táluka in the district. It has a flourishing commercial town in its centre, it has a better olimate than Sholápur, its communications have been very much improved durıng the current settlement by the construction of the Bársi Light Raulway and several excellent long roads, land is more valuable than in Sholápur, and it has suffered less from famine. As in Sholápur the rates originally fixed at the beginning of the cur-

- rent settlement were reduced in 1875 on account of the fall in prices, but since then prices have recovered their former level. In these circumstances Mr. Painter justly considers that the taluka can bear rates slightly higher than those proposed for the greater part of Sholapur. I agree with him, and recommend that his proposals be adopted.

6. As regards Mádha Mr. Painter and I recorded independently two reviews of Mr. Young's proposals, he this year, and I last year. We both arrived at the same conclusion, that his proposed groups should be accepted, but that his proposed increase in the rates should be reduced by one-half. Mr. Young drew up these proposals in 1900, and therefore could not take full account of the famine. If Mr. Painter's and my opinion be adopted the rates for Mádha will be in harmony with those we propose for Sholápur on one side and Karmála on the other. It is worse off than the former, but better off than the latter. Prices have recovered themselves, and commumications both by rail and road have been much improved during the current settlement, so that a slight merease in the rates seems justifiable.
7. Karmála is a very poor and backward táluka, that has suffered most severely by the famine, as Mr Painter's figures show. We cannot recommend any enhancement of the present rates, save in the solitary instance of the headquarter town, the rate of which we propose to rase by two annas. I heartily support the proposal to do away with Pathasthal rates here altogether. They are an absurdity in Karmala Mr. Snow strongly objected to them in 1891, so that the proposal is not a new one

The idea of making a separate mahál of Tembhurni and the adjoining vile lages is excellent. At present the taluka is unmanageable, and administration suffers in consequence.
8. I trust these proposals will commend themselves to Government. Mr Painter and I have both been a long time in the district, and may claim that we know it well. I think that on examination our scheme will be found adequate to the situation. At any rate we have tried our best to combine a just view of the rights of Government with an equitable consideration of the claim of the people to indulgent treatment after so many calamities.
9. It is my pleasing duty in conclusion to bring to the special notice of Government the admirable manner in which Mr. Painter has performed the special duty of preparing these settlement reports. He took it up in January and finsbed it by the end of July, being relieved only of his magistenal work in the meantime, and performing the whole of his revenue work during that period as usual. I trust that Government will agree that the production within six months of three such reports as these, so thorough, so accurate, so interesting, is a most excellent piece of work for which Mr. Painter deserves the highest credit.

> I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient servant,
> A. F. MACONOCHIE, Collector.

Throjgh the Director of Land Records and Agriculiture.

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\text { No. } \frac{\Delta}{258} \text { of } 1904
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From
H. S. LaWRENOE, Esquire, I. C. S., Direotors, Land Reoords and Agriculture, Bombay,
To
The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, Revenue Department, Bombay.

Poona, 19th January 1904.

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I have the honour to forward the proposals for the Revision Settlement of the tálukas of Sholápur, Bársi, Karmála and Mádha with the Review thereon by the Collector.
"2. The proposals have been prepared by offloers with an intimate knowledge of the district, Mr. Painter having served there for $2 \frac{1}{2}$ years and Mr. Maconochie for 41 years, and the reports reflect their anxiety that the district should receive indulgent treatment in consideration of the recent and prolonged period of distress.
3. It is a matter of great difficulty to assess equitably the weight that this period of abnormal distress should have on the settlement of the Government demand for the next 30 years.

The existung assessment of the district has already taken full account of the exceedingly precarious chataotar of the rainfall and cultivation, for though the sorl is generally of a good quality, the average assessment is lower than in any other district, boing 8 annas and 2 pies against 8 annas and 11 pies in Bijapur, 9 annas and 7 pies in Nagar, and 10 annas and 6 pies in Poona

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4. Messrs Painter and Young have made a careful and full examination of the economic history of the four tálukas Mr. Painter's conclusion in regard to the Sholápur taluka may perhaps be adopted for the whole tract that "the rayat is on the whole about as well off as he was in 1872, or at any rate nerther much better nor much worse."
5. On the one hand the calamities of the successive famines are represented in the absolute reduction or the cessation of increase in population, on the other hand, there are the remarkable facts that even during the prevalence of famine land continued to sub-let for sums equal to at least 3 times the survey assessment, and that the recent famines did not, like the famine of 1876-77, result in the abandonment of any holdings and finally the fact-of special importance on the future ability of the rayat to pay his assessmenb-of a great rise in prices
6. This latter point requires some further emphasis, and I refer to it separately in the case of each táluka

Sholápur.-The rates that were imposed in 1872 were reduced in 1875 in consideration of the fall of prices that had occurred in the interval. The rates imposed in 1875 were sanctioned on the basis of an average price of jowari in the four years 1872-75 of Rs. 1-6-10 per maund. If we exclude the years of abnormal prices (1897-1900-1901) we find the average price of the last decade was Rs 1-15-9 per maund, an increase of 40 per cent.

- Bársı.-Similarly the rates in Bársı were sanctioned on an average price of jowárı of Rs. 1-2-10 which has now risen to Rs. 1-15-11, an merease of 69 per cent

Mádha.-The case of Mádha is similar, but the record of prices for 1874-75 being missing the exact percentage of rise cannot be calculated, if however we assume the price of that year to be the average of adjacent talukas, $\tau e$, Rs. 1-0-3, we find the rise to be from Rs. 1-3-10 to Rs. 1-13-5, or 49 per cent.

Karmála.-In Karmála alone was no reduction made in consequence of the fall of prices, and the exusting rates are therefore based on the average of the decade from 1863-64 to 1872-73 of Rs 1-14-6 which has risen in the last decade by only $5 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. to Rs 2-0-2.
7. The increases of assessment in the proposals under consideration are shown below .-

| Taluka | Present assessment | Proposed assessment | Increase, | $\begin{gathered} \text { Present average } \\ \text { rate. } \end{gathered}$ | Proposed average rate | Remarks, |
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|  | Rs. | Rs |  | A. p | A. $p$ |  |
| Sholápur | 2,31,245 | 2,62,384 | 135 | 9 3 | 106 | Mr Panter's proposals. |
| Bársı | 1,89,968 | 2,05,508 | 82 | 10 | 1010 | Do. do. |
| Karmála .. | 1,54,274 | 1,54,259 | Nul | 79 | 79 | Do. do. |
| Madha | 1,42,177 | 1,62,372 | 142 | 76 | 87 | Mr. Maconochue's pro posals |

The proposals are marked by extreme moderation, but in the present curcumstances of the district I am not prepared to advocate a further enhancement.
8. I now come to some minor points in the several reports.-

Sholapur.-If the three villages of Mr. Painter's second group were placed with Sholdpur in the first group, the percentage enhancement would be $33 \cdot 8$ per oent., and would exceed the prescribed limit. I would suggest that Mr. Maconochie's view should be in part met by mposing a dry-crop maximum on these three villages of Rs 1-10-0 in place of Rs, 1-9-0, thus raising their enhancement from 25 per cent. to 30 per cent.

I do not think there is sufficient reason for the adoption of the proposal in paragraph 80 of Mr. Panter's report : the matter indeed has little concern with the settlement report.
9. Mr. Painter's proposals in regard to pátasthal rates are not quite clear. Apparently he would raise the maximum from IRs. 6 to Rs. 8 and impose a
permanent rate of Rs. 832 on 348 acres in 8 villages ; the remaning area now assessed of 485 acres in 24 villages he would leave to be assessed at an occasional rate by the Collector.

The rates in Appendix $Q$ however do not agree with his statement that Re. I per acre will in most cases be all that can equitably be imposed It appears to have been assumed that patasthal irrigation has been permanently destroyed by the recent drought, but I doubt whether thls assumption is well founded. If years of favourable rain recur the channels will flow agan, and I am inclined to think that a permanent reduction should only be made in the oase of pats which are shown to have run'dry for several years before the drought. For this purpose the reoords of oultivation on these pats for ten years previous to 1895 should be examined. Where an average rate can be umposed it is preferable to occasional assessments by the Collector. This view which has been frequently and vigorously discussed was taken by Government un the case of Karmála (vide paragraph 3 of Government Resolution No. 2037 of 24th March 1892 and underlying correspondence) and has recently received the approval of the Irrigation Commission.

I would suggest therefore that a re-examnation of the pats be directed with a view to the imposition of an average rate wherever this is possible.
10. Bársı.-Mr. Painter here reduces the pátasthal assessment from Rs. 1,837 on 1,015 acres in 61 villages to Rs. 335 on 169 acres in 12 villages (the figure 170 in paragraph 46 of his report appears to be an error). The remarks I have made above on Sholápur apply equally to Bársı.
11. Karmila -Mr. Painter would abolish the pátasthal rates, but suggests as an alternatrve that "a chad should be put on land so satuated as to be irrgable by pat", this latter alternatuve is practically what the patasthal assessment is matended to be, and the right course would be, if the Survey Department were as alleged "overhberal in ther classification of land as patasthal," to reduce that classification.
12. On all other points relatıng to the settlement of these tálukas $I$ have the honour to support Mr. Painter's proposals.
13. Mádha.-A revised Appendix Q showing the result of Mr. Maconoche's rates is appended.

In regard to the patasthal of this táluka Mr. Young places a permanent rate on 15 acres, and leaves 41 acres to be occasionally assessed. The area is so small that the proposal may perhaps be accepted. I agree in the recommendation to reduce Mr. Young's rates and in other respects have the honour to support his proposals.

I have the honour to be,

- Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,
(Signed) H. S. LAWRENCE,
Director, Land Records and Agriculture.
Through the Commissioner, C. D.

No. $\frac{T \mathrm{R}}{188}$ of 1904.

Revende Department. Camp Málsuras, 22nd March 1904.

Forwarded, with an expression of general concurrence in the Direotor's criticisms.

2 It is undoubtedly, as Mr. Lawrence observes, a matter of great difficulty to assess equitably the weight which the recent prolonged period of abnormal distress should be given in the settlement of the Government demand for the next thirty years. To the solution of this difficult question it is evident that Messrs. Maconochre and Painter have devoted much thoughtful and sensible consideration ; and the Commissioner is of opinion that ther proposals, which are based on considerable local knowledge and experience, may be accepted.
3. The Director's proposal to raise the maximum dry-crop rate in the three villages constituting Mr. Painter's second group for the Sholapur Taluka from Rs. 1-9-0 to Rs, 1-10.0 seems a judicious compromise between Mr. Painter's and Mr Maconoche's proposals It will have the effect, which is desired by all, of a slight additional enhancement in the assessment of these three villages, while at the same time keeping within prescribed limits
4. On the question of pátasthal rates, the Commissioner supports Mr. Lawrence's proposal that further detanled report should be awaited. It is understood to be Mr Painter's view that, in those villages in which he has recommended the abandonment of pátasthal assessment, there is a permanent absence of irrigation facilities, and not merely a temporary absence, resulting from recent gears of abnormal drought. But it is as well that this should be placed beyond possibility of question, by means of as complete statistics of cultivation as can be procured for the years preceding 1895.
5. The proposal to reduce by one-half, the enhancements orignally proposed by Mr Young for the Mádha T'aluka is based on sound reasoning, and the Commissioner concurs with all the officers through whose hands the papers have passed in supporting it.
6. The Commissioner has pleasure in associating himself in the expresslons of commendation contaned in the Collector's 9th paragraph of the industry and abillty displayed by Mr. Painter in thē preparation of three of these four reports. He is confident that this officer's good work wall meet with the approbation of Gqvernment Mr. Young has prepared an exceedingly careful and interesting report on the settlement of Madha, and it in no way detracts from the credit due to him that subsequent events have suggested some modificatron of his proposals.

A. D. YOUNGHUSBAND,<br>Commissioner, C. D.

## Rovente Swrvey and deserbment.

Sholapur.
Revision SettJement of the Sholapur, Barsi Karnaila and Madha Talukas.

No. 5050.

## Revenue Department.

Bombay Castle, 2nd July 1904.,
Memorandum from the Commssioner, C. D., No. IX - 138 , dated 22nd March 1904-Submitting, with his remarks, a letter No 4.-258, dated 19th January 1904, from the Drector of Land Records and Agriculture, who forwards, with has remarks, the papers noted an the margin contaning proposals for the second revision settlement of the Sholapur, Barsi, Karmata and Mádha Talukas of the Sholapur District.
Memorandum form the Commissioner, C D, No. R.-1718, dated 18th June 1904-Forwardung one No A.-3227, dated 9th idem, from the Director of Land Records and Agriculture together with letters Nos 1354, dated 8th April 1904, 1539, dated 23rd April 1904, and 1884, dated 14th May 1904, from the Collector of Sholapur, who submits certain petitions of objections made by village communities to the proposed grouping and maximum rates at the second revision setulement of the Shold pur, Barsi, Mádha and Karmále TGalures,
Resolution.-These papers relate to the second revision settlement of the four tálukas of Sholápur, Bársı, Mádha and Karmála, on which the Governor in Councl deems it expedient to pass one general order. The tract with which they deal 18 one of the most arid in the Presidency, and the harvest is 80 precarious that it is not easy to devise a system of settlement whioh would be suitable in all respects. Mr. Panter points out that in the Sholápur Táluka it sometimes occurs that one-half of a village gets sufficient rain and the other half little or none, and indeed that there has been alleged to be a similar variation within individusl felds. Yet that táluka is mors favourably situated in thas respect than Mádba and Karmala, the last being the worst, while in Barsi the rainfall is somewhat less uncertan. The very fact that there are so many and so wide variations in the same season, however, indicates the diffioulty, amounting to virtual impracticability, of adapting the demand to the year's outturn, and the feports on the original settlements show to what serious evils a system of annual remissions almost inevitably leads, Even in such a táluka as Karmala the only system which is consistent with a general safeguarding of the interests of the oultivators 18 to impose un assessment which can be paid without difficulty in an average of far jears, and to allow remissions only for exceptional loss. A comparison of the old reports with those now under consideration shows that on the whole this system has worked well. The cultavators are not indeed in affluent circumstances, and after such calamities as they have passed through during the period of the last settlement they would not have been even if they had been hable to no assessment at all. But they are much better off than they were before the original settlement was introduced. The facts that land has attained a very high value, that real coercive processes have been altogether unnecessary except in the Karmala Taluka, while even there they are almost neghgible, and that after an unprecedented series of calamitous years no land has been relinquished, afford convinoing endence of the moderation of the assessment. There need be no hesitation therefore in continuing to apply the same principles.
2. As regards revision of the grouping and rates the proposals of $\mathrm{Mr}_{\text {r }}$ Painter, meluding those regarding reduction of the enhancement suggested by Mr. Young for the Mádha Táluka, are generally justified by the reasons assigned by him and are, subject to very slight modifications, approved by the Collector, the Director of Land Records and Agriculture and the Commissioner.

- The question of prices, on which any change must mainly depend, has been carefully considered, and there can be no doubt that the dechine, which was the ground for a reduction of the rates first sanctioned in connection with the first revision settlement of the Sholápur, Bársi and Mádha Tálukas, was only temporary, and that the standard $1 s$ now as high as that on which those rates were based. A reversion in these talukas to the rates approved in 1871, 1872 and 1873 is therefore reasonable and suitable. The first revision settlement of the Karmála Táluka was made after the decline of prices had begun, and the enhancement was moderate. The pitch of the rates was about the same as that of the rates as modified in 1875 tor the Mádha Taluka The latter was at the tıme considered somewhat less favourably situated, but the experience of the last 30 years has modifieḑ that conclusion. Karmála has sudered most in the years of famine and scarcity. The value of land in this táluka is materially lower than in the other talukas, and in a few cases some pressure has been needed to recover Government dues. More leniency is therefore required there than in the other talukas, and the continuation of the existing rates for another period of 30 years, notwithstanding the rise in the standard of prices, is a judicious course. There seems no reason to doubt that the gradation of rates 18 , both within the tract and with reference to the assessment of adjoining areas, roughly according to the degrees of security of crops dependent on rainfall and of other natural advantages. The proposed grouping and rates are accordingly sanctioned subject to the modifications mentioned below.

3. The maximum dry-crop rates proposed by Mr. Painter for the village of Sholapur and the three adjoining villages of Shelgi, Bále and Degaon in the Sholápur Táluka, as well as for the villages of Bársi and Varrág in the Bársi Táluka, seem to be unduly low as compared with those recommended for other villages under less favourable orcumstances in point of material prosperity or of the advantages of proximity to a market or railway station. In Government Resolution No. 2712, dated 27 th March 1896, it has been ruled that " mmediate proximity to a large and important market or ralisay station shall be deemed an adequate cause for a moderate special increase of assessment". The value of the exceptional advantages of lands adjoining a large market-such as disposal of every part of the produce at the prices prevalent in such a market, with hittle or no cost of carriage, high price of fodder, cheap manure- is not indicated by the difference between the rates proposed for such ${ }^{-}$lands and those for lands at some distance from markets ihere has been a tendencs to differentiate insufficiently between localities which have advanced in prosperity owing to such advantages as are above indicated and those which are stationary and backward. The late famines cannot farrly be deemed to be a sufficient reason for foregoing for the next 30 years a full merease in such a singularly advanced area as the village of Sholapur, which on its merits could well bear a rate of at least Rs. 2. The rate of Rs. 1-12-0 proposed by Mr. Painter rases the assessments in this village by 27.21 per cent., while a rate of Rs. 2 would raise them by about 45 per cent., which would still be well within the 66 per cent. Which has been fixed as the limit of enhancement for a village. But as Sholapur village is classed by itself as a separate group, the standing orders hunit the enhancement to 33 per cent. In the circumstances the highest possible rate that can be applied to the village without exceeding this himit will, it is presumed, be about Rs, 1-13-0, and this rate is sanctioned. For the same reason the rate for the three adjoinngg villages of Shelgi, Bale and Degaon, whoh have not hike Sholápur the advantage of quite close proximity to market and cannot be grouped with this village as suggested by the Oollector, should, as recommended by Mr, Lawrence, be Rs. 1-10-0, which will give an increase of about 30 per cent. As Bársi is an important town and likely to improve, Government see no reason why the rate for lands in it should be under Rs. 1-12-0, which will not cause an excessive increase. The rate for Varrag, where there is a grain and grocery market, should be Rs. 1-8-0.
4. The unform rate of Rus 3 proposed by Mr. Painter for all rice lands in the three talukas of Sholápur, Bársi and Karmála seems to be appropriate and is approved. No rice rate is proposed for the Mádha Táluka for the reason stated in paragraph 32 of Mr. Young's report on that táluka.
5. The proposed treatment of "bagafyat" or "garden" lands in the several tálukas is also accepted.
6. As regards patasthal lands, it has recently been directed* that in new

- Government Resolatior No. 2986, dated 20th April 1904.

Government Resolution No. 3969, dated 25th May 1904 under section 53 of the Bombsy Land Revenue Code within the limits of the maximum water-rates specially prescribed by Government for each taluka, In the case of the Karmála Táluka Mr. Painter proposes to do away wholly with permanent pátasthal rates, and shows good reasons, which apply equally to the other three tálukas of Sholápur, Bársi and Mádha, in which pátasthal irrigation is reported to be very rare and fitful. In the circumstances the orders above referred to should be followed in the case of all these four talukas.
7. On the question of the assessment of lands under the Ekrukh canals or affected by them, the remarks made by Mr. Painter in paragraphs 84 and 85 of his report on the Sbolápur Taluka seem to be correct, and the course adopted by him in regard to these lands and by Mr. Young in the case of the area under the A'shtis tank in the Mádha Táluka is approved.
8. Mr. Painter's remarks on inám villages in the several talukas should be noted for future gudance.
9. The new settlements as now sanctioned should be introduced in all the four talukas after the lst August 1904 and guaranteed for 30 jears from the revenue jear 1905-06. The revised assessments should be announced and levied in accordance with standing orders. The statements forming Appendix $Q$ to the several reports should be revised in the light of the orders contained in the foregoing paragraphs before pubhoation of the reports in the form of Seleotions.
10. The petitions of objections do not contain any facts or arguments which have not been fully considered, and for which ample allowance has not been made, in the proposals whioh are now approved.
11. Some incidental points not directly connected with survey settlement, which are raised in these reports, are notioed below:-
(a) As regards the villages of the Sholépur and other tálukas isolated in the midst of the territory of Hıs Highness the Nizam, the Collector should be requested to submit a separate report, giving reference to previous proposals, if any, stanng in detail the grounds for the proposed exchange, and indicating generally the hnes on which the exchanges should be made. A copy of the jonnt report on the Jamkhed project should at the same time be supphed to the Collector, and his attention should be specially invited to the fact that the three detached villages of Karmala Taluka have already been inoluded in that project.
(b) On the subject of Mr . Painter's recommendations for the disforestment of large areas whioh, although included in forest, are in his opinion better suited for purposes of cultivation than of forest conservancy, any rersonable proposhls whioh may be submitted to Government will receive oareful consideration. But in making proposals for any extensive disforestments, officers should not lose sight of the facts that forests classed as "pasture" are in charge of the Revenue Department, not of the Forest Departinent, and that in the intereats of the agricultural economy of the country it is expedient to retann a sufficient area of common pasture and not to reduce it below a limit bearing a reasonable proportion to the culti-
vable area and to the number of cattle requred for working that 'area and for the domestic uses of the people. If, however, such land is really suitable for cultivation, it will yield more fodder when under the plongh than when uncultivated, and probably the grass, when it is left fallow, will be improved There should therefore be no hesitation in disforesting good soil unless it is only in small patches within proper forest, but on the other band the cultivation of shallow sonls on the slopes of hills or rising grounds only leads to further deterioration through loose soils being washed away.
(c) The recommendation regarding the omission of certain particulars from Village Form No. 1, as well as the proposal for the formation of a separate mahal of the Karmála Taluka with Tembhurnı as the head-quarter of the mahal, should be reported separately for the orders of Government.
12. Government cordially concur in the commendation bestowed by the Collector and the Commissioner on Mr. Painter for his industry and ability in the prompt preparation of his three lucid and sensible reports, and on Mr. Young for his careful report on Mádha Táluka.

## G. F. KEATINGE, <br> Under Secretary to Government.

To
The Commissioner, C D.,
The Collector of Sholápur (with a copy of the joint report on the Jamkhed project),
The Director of Land Records and Agricultare,
The Conservator of Forests, C. C.,
The Accountant General,
The Public Works Department of the Secretariat.

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APPENDIX Q.
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## SELECTIONS FROM THE RECORDS OF THE BOMBAY GOVERNMENT.

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## PAPERS

RELATING TO THE

# SECONDD REV̇ISION SURVEY SETTLEMENT OF THE 

- Karmala taluka

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## SHOLAPUR COLLECTORATE.



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INDEX TO THE CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO THE SECOND REVISION SETTLEMENT OF 112 GOVERNMEN'T AND 11 INA'M VILLAGES OF THE KARMA'LA TA'LUKA OF THE SHOLA'PUR COLLECTORATE.



No. 917 of 1903.
Sholápur, 30th July, 1003.
From
H. L. PAINTER, Esquirm, I. G. S,
Assistant Collector, Sholápur ;

THE COLLECTOR OF SHOLA'PUR.
$\mathrm{SIR}_{3}$
Introductzon - I have the honour to submit proposals for the 2nd revision settlement of the Karmála Táluka, comprising 112 Government and 11 Inám villages, the guarantee of which expires on 31st July, 1903. The submission of these proposals has been deferred in accordance with Government Resolution No. 8235, dated 31st December, 1900.
2. This report may be considered as supplementary to the revision reports on the Sholápur and Barsi Tálukas, whoch have just been sent in by me.
3. Authorities for current rates.-The guthorities for the current settlement are given in the margin ; the rates setthed for 96 villages under the first quoted were confirmed by the second Government Resolution instead of being reduced as in Sholapur and Barsi. The third Government . Resolution quoted dealt with fifteen villages
ortı Táluka and transferred to Karmála in 1866-

Government Repolution No. 707, dated 7th February, 1874.
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Goverament Resolution No 2037, Goverament Reesolntion formerly belonging to the old Kortı Táluka and transferred to Karmála in 1866
67 , which were settled at a different time from the 96 villages abovementioned
4. Description of Tálutca -The Karmála Táluka measures about 40 miles from north to south and the same-distance from east to west, and is bounded on the north by the Karjat Tuluka of the Ahmednagar District, on the east by Sina River, seperating it from His Highness the Nizam's territory, on the south by the Mádha Taluka and the Bhima River, and on the west by the Bhıma River, which separates it from the Indápur Táluka of the Poona District. There are three villages detaohed from the man body, which are surrounded by Hyderabad territory; otherwise the taluka is compact. The country is rough and uneven, interseoted by many water-courses and, except in some of the valleys, covered with loose stones. There are no hulls of any size, but bare rocky uplands broken up by ravines are common, especially in the north-west. The G. I. P Railway runs through the centre of the taluka, in which there are five stations • Katraz, Pomalvád, Váshmbe, Jeur and Kem, Kem and Jeur being the most important The busy station of Bársi Road is only just outside the tảluka limits on the east, and Diksal Station is close to the western boundary across the Bhima. An urrigation tank has quite recently been completed at Vadshivne, near Kem, by famine labour, but the canal has not yet been made. Another urngation tank at Mángı, near Karmala, is half finushed and may be completed in future famines,
5. Roads.-The roads serving the táluka are as under :-

> I.-Provinclal Road.
(1) The Poona-Sholápur Road, a few miles of which run through the extreme south of the taluka past Tembhurni. It is kept in very good order by the Puble Works Department and is metalled throughout and partly bridged. The paved crossing at the Bhima has, however, fallen into oomplete disreparr, as has also a large bridge over a níla near the pume place. A ferry boat is kept for crossing the river when it is in flood: at other tumes carts struggle over somehow. Through traffic is very slight now, having been diverted to the railway.

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## II.-Local Fund Roads.

## (a) Maintained by Publec Works Department.

(1) Jeur-Karmála Road, connecting the head-quarter station with the railway. The road is 11 miles long. Metalled and bridged throughout, and is kept in excellent condition. It carries a considerable traffic of goods and passengers.
(2) Tembhurni-Kurduvadi Road, connectıng the former bazár village with the ralway at Báres Road Station, 15 miles away. It is metalled and kept in very fair condition.
(3) Tembhurni-Aklúj Road, of which 5 males lie in the táluka. It is a continuation of the road mentioned above. The Bhima s crossed by ferry in the monsoon. Condition fair.

## (b) Mavntained by Local Board Agency.

(4). The Jeur-Tembhurn Road is a murammed unbridged road, which is in fair condition except in the rains.
(5). The Kem-Tembhurni Road is little better than a track.
(6) \& (7) Two metalled unbridged roads branching off from the Jeur-Karmála Road at Karmála, one leading to Ahmednagar and the other to Jámkhed, are in very fair condition as far as the taluka boundary, 8 miles distant in each case.
(8). Another metalled road leads from Karmála to the Sina near Nilay, 4 miles distant. Condition poor.

A road leading from near Tembhurni to Pandharpur was formerly kept up, but for many years it has been entrrely neglected and is now hopelessly out of repar.

There are cleared tracks leadıng from Pande, 3 miles from Karmála, with which it is connected by a Local Board murammed road in farr condıtion, to Ropla and towards Bársı (vid Paranda) respectıvely, and there are a few minor vulage tracks on which the Táluka Local Board spends small amounts from time to time.
6. Tolls.-The only toll-bars in the táluka are on the Jeur-Karmála Road, the takings at which for the year 1901-1902 amounted to Rs. 3,097, the rate being 2 annas per loaded cart. Figures for other recent periods cannot be given, as since several years all the Local Fund Tolls in the district have, except in the year quoted, been farmed out in a lump.
7. Absence of roads in north-west of téluka. -The north-western portion of the táluka is particularly badly served in the matter of communicaticn, there not being a single road over the whole of this very rough country, comprising one-third of the táluka. There were, apparently, at one time roads or tracks leadıng from Pomalvádı Statıon to Kortı and Jıntı, and from Kortı to Karmála, but they are now obliterated, the last two miles of the way from Korti to Karmála, however, has recently been embanked and murammed as a small relef work.
8. Ferries.-A large ferry boat ples across the Bhima at Ranjui (PoonaSholápur Road) and there are a flyıng bridge and a emall boat at Pomalvadi, both ferries being managed from the other side, vsz, at Hingangaon and Chándgaon, in Indapur, respectıvely. The traffic as very alıght, the Chándgaon ferry being chiefly used by passengers from Indápur to Pomalvádı Station, the river being deep at this point the ferry phes all the year round : at Ránjni it is necessary only when the nver is in flood The average yearly takings are about Rs. 350 in the case of the former and Rs. 500 in the case of the latter ferry.
9. Bazárs.-The chief bazárs of the táluka are at Karmála, Kem and Tembhurni, each of uhich is resorted to for wholesale disposal of produce by the cultivators in its vicinity. Karmála, a municipal town, with a population of

7,300 , is the largest of the three, and besides local business does a considerable trade with villages in the Karjat Táluka and in the Nizám's territory adjoinıng The market at Kurduvádi ("Bársı Road" Railway Station), just outside the taluka in Madha, is also largely avaled of by the villages in the south-east of the táluka. Appendix $\mathbf{C}$ gives details concerning these (except Kurduradi) and the smaller bazárs also.
10. Language and castes -The language of the taluka is Maráthi, and the Maráthás ( and Marátha-Kunbis) form the bulk of the agricultural community, which makes up nearly 60 per cent of the total population. The villagers are rather rougher in appearance and manners than in the other tálukas of the sub-division, probably as the result of living harder lives. otherwise they do not differ materially from the description given in the Sholápur Report The taluka is a great settling place for forergn money-lenders and traders, and soarcely a village is to be found without a Márvádı or "Gujar" Sárkár. In Karmála atself the better class population is almost entirely composed of Márvádis and Nagars from Gujarat. According to the 1901 Census, there are more Márvadu-speaking residents in the Karmála Táluka than in any other of the district, includıng the Sholápur Táluka with the city, and the Gujarati-speaking population of Karmála is exceeded in the Sholápur Taluka only These aliens have come to stay, and many of the present generation were born in the taluka and have never seen their native land. Their prasperity is in marked contrast to the condition of the indıgenous agriculturists the Márvadi may eat sugar and ghee (tup-sákhar), but the cultivator must be content with bread and beans (bhnjs-bhákar).
11. Indutries.-There are no industries of importance in the taluka coarse cotton weaving is done to a small extent, chiefly at Karmála, where there are also some Sutdirs who make excellent carts. Rough blankets are woven by Dhangars, and tanning and learher working is carried on by Dhors and Chámbharrs in most villages where these castes are to be found. The extraction of saltpetre fiom the soll, which was remarked on at length in the tirst Revision Survey Report, is an andustry which has long sinee ceased to be practised.
12. Crops.-Cultivation is carried on in the same way as in the Sholápur and Barsi Talukas, and the staple produce is juvari, sown as a late crop and covering nearly $65 \%$ of the cultivated area. Detalls of cultivation are given in Appendix B, and it is interesting to note from the same that in 1899 less than one thirty-fifth of the juvari sown came to maturity: in Sholápur, the proportion was about one-sixth and in Bársi over cne-balf
13. Ravl-borne exports.-A list of exports from the three railway stations in the taluka, where goods are booked, kundly furnished by the G. I. P. Railway Authorities, is herewith appended. It is impossibie to say how much of these exports are from the táluka itself añ how much from Málsiras or the Nizám's territory, but no doubt most of it represents loosl production, and the greater part of the goods boaked at Jeur, which does by far the largest trafic, comes from Earmala Town.

| mom | Pomalvadi. |  |  | Juva |  |  | Emi |  |  |
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|  |  | Mdo 2,516 | Mde. | Md | Md 6.814 | Mds. 908 | Man. <br> 18 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Mde. } \\ \hline \mathbf{8 5 8} \end{array}$ | Md. |
|  | - | 1,564 | $\because$ | $\begin{aligned} & 16 \\ & 38 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 7,684 \\ \mathrm{x}, 844 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1894 \\ & 2.604 \end{aligned}$ | 10 | $\begin{array}{r} 263 \\ 1,538 \end{array}$ | 60 |
|  | $\cdots$ | 1,564 | * | 49 | 22,458 | 4,538 | 10 | 1,599 | 50 |
|  | $\mathrm{ES}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1,881 \\ & 3, \geqslant 07 \end{aligned}$ | - | 140 | $\begin{array}{r} 8995 \\ 21,238 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1355 \\ & 1, i 66 \end{aligned}$ | - | $\frac{2017}{8304}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 399 \\ & 3 u \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | 6,088 | * | 1w | 30,333 | 3,181 | - | 4,3으 | 708 |




14 Ramfall.-The rainfall is prearious in the extreme, and unfortunate though Sholapur and Barsi may be in this renpect, Karmala is far more so. When, however, it does prove propitious excellent crops are obtained, as was the case this year. The average fall at the head-quartor station of Karmala for the last 11 gears is 23.84 inchees, as against 26 inohes at, Sholupur and 2801 at Rársi for the same period, and as aganst 1856 for the nine years preceding the introduction of the first revision settlement. The detals are set forth in Appendur A, and below I give a summary of the Ealls at Karmala, Karjat Indapur, Mádla and three rallway stations in the taluka where rain-gauges are kept by the Ralway Authonties, who have kindly furnished mo with the figures:-

|  | 18 Pa 2 | 2888. | 1894 | 1895 | 1896 | 1897 | 1898. | 1890 | 1800 | 190. | 190\% |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Inches | Inches | Inches | Inchees | Inches | Taches | Inches | Inches | Inches | Inches | Inches |
| Karjat | 2862 | 2129 | 2265 | 31’41 | 1723 | 20.61 | 1849 | 1289 | 1839 | 1642 | 1282 |
| Indépar | 2418 | 2555 | 1829 | 3034 | 1466 | 1825 | 2398 | 1902 | 1119 | 1801 | 2879 |
| Mádha . .* | 51.60 | 31-06 | 2427 | 80.99 | 1196 | 3928 | 2393 | 14.50 | 1769 | 1874 | 24498 |
| Karmats | 3164 | 3235 | 3169 | 3829 | 1492 | 2067 | 2299 | $16 \% 5$ | 14*45 | 18.03 | 25-41 |
| Poomalvaditaluka Karmala | 3196 | 2031 | 2219 | 2430 | 1168 | 1895 | 1598 | 1282 | 1258 | 14182 | 2214 |
| Jeur do | 3301 | 27475 | 28.89 | 2477 | 949 | 25*30 | 24\%94 | ]598 | 1718 | 18*27 | 2630 |
| Kem do. | 4396 | 2981 | 20.03 | 2899 | 801 | 2283 | 18.05 | 1180 | 1509 | 1992 | 2577 |

15. As an instance of the extreme variability and local character of the rainfall, I may mention that in the year pust expiring, while the bulk of the táluka had good rain and excellent crops, the villages lying at the extreme west point of the taluka had practically no rabi rains at all and were almost, and in one case (Katraz) completely, cropless.
16. Varrations in Population.-The population of the taluka according to the Imperial Census of 1901 was 67,558 ; in 1891 it was 93,353 , in 1881, 61,548 and in $1872,105,291$. Details before this, even according to old settlement reports, cannot be given, as the táluka was not constituted as it is now.

17 Agracultural Stock.-A reference to Appendix F will show a termble depletion in agricultural live stock during the ten years between 1892 and 1902. The latest returns, however, compuled by a special census taken in June, 1903, show some improvement, though even so the number of plough bullocks is barely 50 per cent. of what it was eleven years ago, while milch cattle are considerably less than half their number in 1891-92. Statistics of young stock are slightly better, but even here the falling-off is about 47 per cent. Ploughs also show a great decrease, but carts are considerably more numerous, indicating, I fear, that the rayat has had to turn carrier to eke out subsistence. Goats are the only animals which show a steady increase in number and appear to be quate impervious to the effects of famine, unfortunately their importance is not proportionate to their number
18. Famines and Emigration.-The decrease in population and hre stock during the last decade is, of course, primarily due to the disastrous seasons of 1896-97 and 1899-1900 and the succession of bad years which followed the latter until twelve months ago, the period has well merited the appellation of "six year famine" which is some times applied to it. At the time of the last Imperial Census thousands of cultivators had migrated to the Berárs (the great haven of refuge for thas táluka) or elsewhere, some taking their cattle with them, and many have never returned Emigration, indeed, takes place almost every year to a greater or less extent, and I imagne it to be a sign of the precarious position of cultivators in this taluka that in an ordınary village it is almost always possible to find Maráthas who have been or still periodically go to Bombay to work as coohes. The recent famine affected Karmála far more severely than any of the four tálukas of the Assistant Collector's sub-division (the others being Mádha, Sholápur and Bárss), both because the failure of the crops was more utter and on account of the cultivators being impoverished to a greater degree and less able to resist fallure than the more happily orrcumstanced villagers of the neighbouring talukas.
19. Schools.-The very figures of school attendance given in Appendix H are corroborative evidence of the unfortunate state of thus táluka, where the number of school-going children is hardly equal that of 25 years ago, while it has increased by over 350 per cent. in Sholapur and has risen to over $2 \frac{1}{2}$ times what it was in Bársı
20. Revenue History.-Further light is thrown on the condition of the táluka by a consıderation of its Revenue History as set forth in Appendıces 0 , $\mathrm{O}^{1}$ and $\mathrm{O}^{\circ}$. Although the rates are throughout lower by two annas than those of Sholápur and Bárss, the outstandıngs of the revenue demand, which were insig-
nificant in the two latter talukas, have, during the first and third decades of the lease, been extraordinarily heavy, and a very large proportion of these outstandings has eventually had to be remitted. (Most of the remissions made before the close of the year in which the sums were due, shown in columns 4,5 and 6, were automatic on account of inorements in assessment under the new settlement.)
21. The following table gives particulars of coercive measures (other than notices) for the recovery of land revenue resorted to during the last five years.

| Year |  | No, of cases of attechment of moveable property, | Amoant for which attoched. | No, of catee of attachment and nale of land | Amount for which attached. | Other processe日. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Rs. |  | Rs. |  |
| 1897-98 |  | $N \cdot 1$ | * | Nil. | - •••* | Nat. |
| 1898-99 ... | - | 50 | 1,024 | Nel |  | Nrl. |
| 1899-1900. | . | 64 | 1,572 | 1 | 51 | Nal |
| 1900-01 ... | -. | 12 | 421 | Nil. | - . | $\mathrm{N}_{2} \mathrm{C}$. |
| 1901.02 . |  | Nıl | .. ... | Nel. | ...... | Nil. |

Though instances of distraint are not very numerous, still the difference between this táluka and Sholapur, where no such measures took plase at all, and Bársi, where there were only seven cases, during the same period, is very marked.
22. Although there has been some rehabilitation since the passing away of the effects of the 1876-77 famine, on account of which over 135,000 acres, or not far short of half the taluka, were thrown up or deserted, still, with a large proportion of this unclaimed land taken into "Forest," there are, at the present day, 6,500 arable acres lying untilled and ownerless,
23. Forests.-The forest question here is not as acute as in Sholdpur, for the reason that though the cultivators would like the land for cultivation they, as a rule, say they are unable to afford it. Still all except low-lying forest lands being innocent of trees, proposals have recently been sent in by me for the disforestment of 29,833 out of 51,013 arres, of which such as is not taken up for or fit for cultivation will be sold or let out for grazing, free from interference by the not over-popular Forest Department. There as a large area under forest on the banks of the Bhima and Sina, and these lands, being flooded every year, produce a good growth of Bábhuls. An intelligent cultivator in one of these villages told me that if all these forest lands were gaven to the agriculturists of the villages in which they are situsted for oultivation they would be secure from famine, and I beheve there is much force in what he said. The forests in question are not, however, among those which have been recommended for relinquishment, because they constitute almost the only successes that the Forest Department have to show after 20 years' management Still, as the practical insurance against famine of a dozen villages is more important than the retention of a few strips of land as forest, the subject is worth consideration.
24. Prices.-I now pass on to prices, whioh have naturally much the same hastory as in Barsi and Sholápur. Appendux $N$ gives full particulars regarding them for the current lease; in view of the final proposals I am about to make I do not propose to discuss the matter at length, and it will besufficient to note that the price of jowari, which fell at the time of introducing the settlement, was (leaving exceptional famine prices of 1876-77, 1878-73, 1879-80, 1897 and 1900 out of consideration) low in the first decade (average Re. 1-9-9), rose in the second (average Re. 1-10-8), and in the third reached an average of Fis $2-2-2$, or rather higher than the average of the ton years preceding the first revision settlement, which was Re . 1-14-6.
25. Value of land.-As regards the value of land, Appendices $K, K_{1}, \mathbf{I}_{4}$ $L^{2}$, and $M$, compled as explained in the Sholápur Report, give the followng average values in terms of the assessment:-


26 These figures are generally very considerably lower than those given in the Sholápur and Bársi Reports, and it is especially noticeable that the letting value of land ys barely over three times the assessment in this taluka as compared to nearly 4 in Sholápur and over 4 in Barsi.
27. Partıculars of Government waste land sold by auction since 1897, which have been obtaned by me, show that 10 survey numbers, the total assessment on which was Rs 93-8-0, fetohed an aggregate of Rs 757-8-0 as occupancy price, or a little over 8 times the assessment. In Sholápur land similarly sold fetched an average of 10 times the assessment.
28. Résume and proposals.-To sum up, the materal condition of the táluka $1 s_{2}$ owing primarly to the uncertain and scanty rainfall and consequent, recurrince of lean years even when there is not actual famine, distinctly poor far poorer than Barsi or Sholápur, the population has decreased to an almost alarming extent and agncultural stock likewise; the cultsvator is more in the hands of the Márvádi here than elsewhere in the sub-division; the land revenue, though lighter, has fallen far more in arrears than in Sholápur or Bársi, and the value of land is distinctly lower. Prices have not materially differed from the other two talukas to be re-settled, but this is the only common feature of the three. In the case of the relatively prosperous tálukas of Sholapur and Bársı slightly enhanced assessments have been proposed, for sorely stncken Karmala the tenderest treatment is necessary, and I do not think any increase in the rates is justifiable. -I therefore propose that the present rates be contmued with one single exception on the side of exhancement, vis., the village of Karmala, the position of whoh as the head-quarters and chief market of the taluka neutralizes the advantage enjoyed over it, on account of proxımity to the rallway, by the smaller bazár village of Kem. Indeed, it would be an anomaly to have Jeur, which derives such small importance as it can boast almost enturely from its position with regard to Karmala, in a higher group than Karmála itself. I would, therefore, rase Karmála from the second group, with a maximum rate of Re. 1-2-0, to the first group, with a maximum rate of Re. 1-4-0. The other villuges should, I think, remain as they are, both as regards groups and rating, exoepting only the villages of Váshambe and Goygaon, which are at present in the second (Re. 1-2-0) group, though they adjom villages in the fourth ( 14 anna ) group. The difference is no doubt due to the setting of the former and latter at different times and perhaps on slightly varying prinoiples - certainly there are no natural or peculiar features in the case of the two villages which justufy hagher rating The lowering of these villages to the third (Re. 1) group will produce the necessary gradation, and this change I therefore propose to make. The ralway stations at Kátraz, Pomalvádı and Sogaon ("Váshımbe"), of which the first and thurd are only passenger stations, while goods are booked only in very small quantities at Pomalvádi, are not ımportant enough to justify the raising of the rates of these or neighbouring villages above the bulk of those among which they are situate.
29. Fifteen villages in the extreme west of the taluka, re-settled in 1892, have a maximum rate of annas 14 only, and under my proposals will retan this rate, notwithstanding the fact that Indápur villages from which they are separated by the Bhima and which they generally resemble bear, since the and revision settlement, effected in 1899, rates of Ro. 1-4-0; on the other hand, villages in the Karjat Taluka adjonning this group on the other side were resetiled in 1890 with a maximum rate of 14 s annas. The tract in question is, as has been noted, very rough and badly served in the matter of road communica-
tions, and has been, if anything, more unfortunate than the remainder of the talukg. It contains the villages which had practically no crops this year (vide paragraph 15 above), and to raise the rates here while those of the remaining villages are left alone would, though possably theoretically justifiable, be bad policy, and would certanly be considered unfair by the cultivators.

30 On the Mdidha side, Karmála villages under a proposed maximum rate of Re 1-0-0 border on villages for which Mr. Young, in his second revision report, has proposed rates of Re. 1-4-0; so that if Mr Young's and my own' proposals be both accepted the line of demaroation will be unduly sharp. A dufferende of 2 annas, instead of 4, would not, however, be too great, as Madha, generally speaking, is undoubtedly better off than Karmála, though not so prosperous as Sholápur or Bársí.
31. Inam Villages.-The two acoompanying maps show the present and proposed dry-crop groupings in distinctive colours. As regards Inaim villages, which, not belonging to any particular group, have been left uncoloured, it may be as well to remark that their natural position, in the event of any of them lapsing to Government during the approaching lease, would be in group II for Kumbhej, group III for Bitargaon, Mangı, Sarpadoho, Chikalthan, Dahigaon and Kandar, and group IV for Kondar-Chincholı.
82. The proposed grouping of the Khallsa villages may be summarized as under:-

33. Bägáyat lands.-LLands recorded as garden require no special renarks, their classification bhag annas having been settled once for all at the first Revi-sson-Survey and the calculation of the assessment thereon, when it is altered by the mposition of new rates, being purely mechanical as in the case of dryorop.
34. Rice lands.-A maximum rate of Rs. 3 per acro for the few lands classified as rice is applied all over the táluka, irrespective of the situation of villages concerned. This rate, whioh is the one I have advocated for Sholapur and Bársi, I propose to retan.
35. Pitasthal.-As regards pistasthal, the taluka being traversed by many water-courses, there is plenty of scope for urrigation by throwing earthen or stone dams across them at suitable points, provided one condition is fulfilled, namely, that the water-courses should contain water. As a matter of fact, this essential is nearly always absent, and has been so continuously and universally for the past five or anx years of drought, Before that pátasthal urrigation was practised to some extent, but even then by no means everywhere where water was charged for. The village with the largest amount of patasthal (on paper) is Divegavhan, where there are 52 acres assessed at ha. 115. In De cember last there was not a drop of water in the nala, in spite of an abundant monsoon, and it was olear that urngation had been obsolete for years. This oase is fairly typical of the whole taluka, and it is not only since the famine of 1897 that patasthal has failed: it was evidently always precarious in the extreme. In reviewing the Revision Settlement proposals of 16 villages of the táluka in 1891, Mr. P. C. H. Snow, the then Collector of Sholapur, wrote, "I have the strongest objections to the proposed introduction of a permanent water coss in the Revision Survey, as I hold that it is quite inappheable to this scorched and baked portion of the district...... In the villages where it is proposed to be levied it is a matter of common knowledge that the supply only exists in years of exceptionally favourable rainfall. I think that this cess ought not to be imposed permanently on any of these villages, but calculated from time to
time on the amount of water actually avalable'" Mr. Snow was overruled and the proposals of the Survey Officers received sanction, but the result has been that the rayat owning such land has had to pay for years a water-tax generally considerably greater than the assessment of the soll itself and has got absolutely nothing in return; no remussions were as a rule applied for owing to ignorance and to respect for an assessment which "is written". When water has been obtained by pat, the supply has hardly ever been sufficient to do more than give one or two waterings to juvarr, or at the most to rasse a crop of groundnut. The bandháras are mere banks of mud or stones, a couple of feet high, renewed after each monsoon, and such a thing as a pakka bandhúra does not exist If to abandon the permanent cess and tax water only whenused would be to "relapse from the principles of the Bombay Revenue System to one of yearly valuations and measurements with all their attendant evils"*, and the checking of the use of water in the few cases where it is likely to be made cannot be done as a part of the ordinary crop inspections and the assessment fixed at the time of jamábande by the simplest of rules, then I would suggest erther that a "chad" be put on land so situated as to be imgable by pát, or else that the tax, which only aggragates Rs 1,183 for the táluka, be foregone altogether.

36 I propose for these reasons to do away altogether with permanent patasthal rates in the Karmála Táluka, as being entirely unsurtable. This is atter all, nothing more than the reaching of the vanishing point in this, the most arıd táluka, of the lines which, both in Mr. Young's Report on Mádha and my own on Sholápur and Bárss, have trended away from the apparently overliberal classification of land as patasthal by the Revision Surveys towards a strict application of the cess only to land in which urigation is the rule and not the - exception.

37 Effects of proposals -The results of my proposals are exbibited in Appendix Q. It should be explained that in the few cases where the rates have been changed the totals of the new assessments are only approximate, though they are sure to be very close to the exact figures, which will be worked out on each survey number separately when the rates have been formally sanctioned. The application of the dhar sod (elimination of fractions) and of the distance scale tables to each survey number are the sources of such slight difference as will arise between the estimate, calculated by rule of three, and the actual assessments which will be applied.
38. The effects of the revision will, as Appendix $Q$ shows, be to raise the total soll assessment in the village of Karmála by Rs 283 and to lower that of Váshimbe and Govegaon by Rs. 224 and Rs 74 respectively, all the other villages remaining the same as at present. Thus the total soil assessment of the Government land in the taluka will be decreased by Rs. 15 only from Rs. $1,54,274$ to Rs $1,54,259$, corresponding to a reduction of rather less than - 001 per cent, and, the difference being negligeable, the average meidence of the assessment per acre remans unchanged at 7 annas 9 pies. There is a further reduction of Rs 1,183 due to the proposed abolition of permanent pátasthal water-cess, but if either of the methods suggested in paragraph 35 above be resorted to some of this, at any rate, will be a decrease on paper only.
39. In concluding, I have a subject to mention, the importance of which to the administration of the táluka appears to me to justrify its inclusion in thas report I refer to the distance and difficulties in com-
"Tembhurnu Mahal" report I refer mication between the head-quarter town and the south-west portion of the táluka about 'lembhurnı The latter village itself is some thurty miles from Karmála by road, and to the west of it are several villages which can hardly be reached, owing to the rough ground which has to be covered, except by a ten mile journey from Tembhurn, and which are so small and devoid of conveniences that to make Tembhurn the nucleus from which to visit them is almost inevitable That is to say, these villages are a forty mole journey by road from the head-quarters of the táluka, and it is, therefore, easnly understood that they are left a great doal to themselves and that this state of things calls for a remedy Further, Tembhurni, a large bazár village numbering 2,516 inliabitants, at the junction of three main lines of road, with an old fort which compares favourably with that at Karmála, is in itself of sufficient

[^12]importance to render more surveillance than it can get now highly desirable. These difficulties are by no means new, and a solution was once attempted by a proposal to remove the head-quarters of the taluka to a more central satuation at Jeur ; but although the kacheri was actually built at the latter place it was never, and apparently never will be, occupied. The establishment at Tembhurni of a Mahalkari's Kacheri, and the inclusion in the "Tembhurni Mahal" of the Karmála villages to the south of Vángi and Kem, or perhaps of these two villages also, with the raulway as nearly as possible the dividing line, would, I think, to large extent bring about both the objects desired.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
H. L. PAINTER,

Assistant Collector.

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APPENDIX A.
Statement showng Rainfall recorded at Karmala, district Sholdpur, for the years 1892 to 1902

|  | Year | $\begin{gathered} \text { Karly Rain } \\ \text { (1ht Jannary to } \\ \text { 10th p prili) } \end{gathered}$ |  | Ante Monsoan (1)4th aprit th June) |  | Monmon Kharf (5tb Jone to 14th Anguth). |  | Monsoon Rabi (15th Augast to 31st October) |  | Late Ralns (22nd October to 81st December: |  | Total |  | Remazit |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Full. | $\underset{\substack{\text { Rainy } \\ \text { daygat }}}{ }$ | Yall | $\begin{gathered} \text { Rolny } \\ \text { dava } \end{gathered}$ | Fall. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ranny } \\ & \text { day. } \end{aligned}$ | Fall | $\begin{gathered} \text { Rainy } \\ \text { days } \end{gathered}$ | Fall. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Ralny } \\ \text { dayid } \end{gathered}$ | Fall | ${ }_{\text {Ralay }}^{\text {Ray }}$ dis |  |
|  |  | Inches | No. | Inches | No. | Inches | No | Inches | No | Inches, | No | Inches | No |  |
| 1898 | ** |  |  | 8.09 | 6 | 1034 | 20 | 1185 | 19 | 656 | 10 | 8164 | 65 | Sowng rein sufficient Kharf sowings done in time, Ran at and of July and in firat week of August deficient and young crops began to wither Magha Rain in Augast improved these crops Rabi crops sown in time, but Swatir Ram at end of October, being hesvy, injored mpening thant crops and rabi seedluggs Rabi crops throve well under good break in November and December. Eeason farr on the whole |
| 1893 | - | 219 | 8 | 803 | 10 | 887 | 18 | 1319 | 21 | 024 | 1 | 3235 | 63 | Raufall urregular More than enough fell before the usaal monsoon rame Early monsoon raina also heary Kharff crops put in under farourable carcumatances and d.d not suffer so much from the long break in July aa in other distriets of the Decean. The lhanf harvests would have been good but for the injurious fall of October (Chitra) Rebi rane good, but late crops anfered from |
| 1894 | - | 5008 | $\theta$ | 040 | 1 | 879 | 21 | 1707 | 25 | 029 | 2 | 3169 | 55 | June rain very urregalar or late, so kharf sowings made hittle progress July rain very hght, It curtailed the kharf area Ran excellent at end of August. It removed all anxiety beptem ber rain favourable October raun heavy, mjurious to khanf ready for cutting, but uneful for rabi nowing Rabi seedlugg zuffered from want of sufficient rain in November Rabs crops blighted in parts Season not favourable on the whole. |
| 1896 |  | 0.18 | 1 | 082 | 2 | 699 | 15 | 8383 | 19 | 147 | 3 | 3329 | 40 | June ram ccant for sowng. July rain, however, made up the deflorency and sowngs completed Young crops suffered owng to deficient rain in Auguit September ran ample and reasonable It improved standing kharfi and helped rabi aowiug. bubsequent rawn favourable Khasif crops poor whle rabi yielded moderately |
| 1898 | " | 058 | 8 | 100 | $5{ }^{\circ}$ | 844 | 19 | 218 | 8 | 277 | 2 | 1492 | 32 | Sowing rain late and deficient. Sowinge made no progrese till the end of June Parbal sowing, however, completed in July Sown crops began to wither by the break of August The crops completely withered in September and October for want of rain Hibi aree almost left unsown. Some rain fell in November, giving some relief to surrounding crops but no rain afterwarde. Scarcity of fodder and water fell Season very bad throughout. |
| 1897 | *- | 0.05 |  | 048 | 2 | 381 | 9 | 1634 | 83 | 004 |  | 2067 | 34 | Sowng rain neather suficient ner well distributed Khanf crop sown late in July Auguat ram also msafficient and crops suffered. Purva and Uttara Rasin in September gufficient and ugefol Late sown crops prospered and rabi cropa sown to the full extent Rabl crops suffered from early censation of rain and excersive cold later on season poor in many parta, |
| 1898 | - | 013 | $\cdots$ | 150 | 3 | 826 | 12 | 1272 | 15 | 038 | 2 | 2299 | 32 | Sowing rann not eufficient till the middle of July, so khanf somings done in parts Young arops withered in Augant for want of rain. September rain relieved the crops and enabled rabi cropa to be cown to a large extent. Long breaks in October and light ahowert in November, however, proved harmful to rabs crops. Season poor for khanf, for rabi faus. |


It curtailed the khary area Ram excellent at end of Augunt. It removed all anziety Dery beptem:


June rain scant for sowng. July rain, however, made up the defiesency and sownigs completed.
Young orops suffered owng to defioient rain in August September ranu ample and seasonable
It amproved standing khanf and helped rabl nowug, bubsequent ran favourable
poor whle rabi yrielded moderately
Sowng rain late and deficient. Sowinge made no progress till the end of June Parhal sowng.
however, completed in July Sown crops began to wither by the break of August The orops
completely witherged in Soptember and October for want of rain Rabi aree almoat left unsown.

Scarcity of fodder and wator foll Season very bad throughout.
Sowng ran neither sufficiont ner well distributed Khanf crop sown late in July Auguat rain
also mand

censation of rain and excersive cold later on season poor in many parta,
wing rain not sufficient till the muddle of July, so khanf sownge done in parts young arops
with Anguat for want of rain. September rain relheved the crops and enabled rabi cropa
themn to a lorge extent. Long breates in October and light ahowern in November, however



APPENDIX $\mathbf{B}$
Detavls of Culitiadion and Crops on the Government Vallages of the Karmála Táluhia of the Sholápur Collectorate.


APPENDIX C.
Statement showing the Villages in which the principal woekly Bazärs are held in the Karmala Taluka of the Sholápur Colleetorato

| No. | Vullage. | Days on whrch Baxar ia hald. | Weritir mamse, |  | Chasf arrailes traded in. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Artalea | Amount. |  |
| 1 | 2 | s | 4 | 6 | 6 |
| 1 | KarmálaSonára | Friday ... | Cattle, grain, groceries, oloth, clothes, metals | Rs.$8,000$ | Jowări, băjr1, wheat, gram, oll and onlseeds. Salt, challhes, \&c. Copper and brass pota, saris and dhotars, blankets, bullooks. Jowárl, wheat, gram, \&c. |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2 |  | Do. ... | Grain, grocernes, cloth, | 300 |  |
| 3 | Ropala ... | Tuesday ... | Grann, cloth, groceries, | 200 | Do. |
| 4 | Kondhoj | Sunday | Gram, groceries, cloth, | 200 | Do. |
| $b$ | Jınts | Weduesday | Gran, groceries and | 200 | Do. |
| 6 | Tembhurni .. | Friday .. | Grain, graceries, cloth and cattle | 1,400 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Do. } \begin{array}{l} \text { Whto } \\ \text { cloth } \\ \text { locks. } \\ \text { (khádu); } \end{array} \text { bul. } \end{aligned}$ |
| 7 | Kem | Sunday ... | Gram, kunku, cloth .. | 1,200 | Jowár, wheat, gram, red turmenc powder (kunku), blankets. |
| 8 |  | Thursday ... | Gram, groceries and | 200 | Jowarn, wheat and gram. |
| 9 | Wang1 | Tuesday | Do. | 900 | Jowari, wheat, gram, \&o. |

APPENDIX D．
Detauls of Population according to occupation by peroentages of the Karmála Taluka

| Agrtotimural foptlation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Moz－abiotiftbal porulamion． |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Haning interestion land． |  |  |  |  | Labbourera |  |  | Total agricultural population． |  |  |  |  |
| Land occupants not cults－ vating | Land occupants cultavatiug． | $\begin{gathered} \text { Tensants } \\ \text { zand } \\ \text { exhrers } \\ \text { cultivatiag } \end{gathered}$ | Others | Total | $\underset{\text { servanto }}{\text { Farm }}$ | Field <br> labourera and crop watchers， | Total． |  | Cratts， | $\mathrm{Un}-$ skilled laboar． | Others | nonegrs <br> popale＊ <br> tion |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 18 |
| 109 | 16，372 | 10，411 | 728 | 27，620 | 922 | 10，851 | 11，773 | 39，393 | 12，506 | 1，301 | 14，358 | 28，165 |
| 016 | 2423 | 15.41 | 108 | $40 \cdot 88$ | 137 | 16.06 | 1748 | 58.31 | 1851 | 193 | 21．25 | 4169 |

APPENDIX E．
Detarls of Population accordzng to Relıgıon and Education in the Karmalla Táluka of the Sholapur Collectorate．

| Taluka | Sex． | As perImparas Cengus， 1901 | Percent－age ontotalpopalafinaable torcad orlearmag． | Religione |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Hirdu dastess |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\left.\begin{gathered} \text { Mahoo } \\ \text { mat } \\ \text { mant } \end{gathered} \right\rvert\,$ | Chris－ thana | Pár | Othens， |
|  |  |  |  | Brah minis | Mará thas． | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Ling6 } \\ \text { yath. } \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sális } \\ \text { and } \\ \text { Koshtus } \end{gathered}$ | Wans | MShis． | Low castes， such as Mah́áris \＆ | Others |  |  |  |  |
| Karmals $\cdot\{$ | Male | 33，811 | 841 | 1，477 | 12，244 | 575 | 654 | 275 | 1，912 | 5，060 | 8，022 | 1，708 | 6 | 2 | 877 |
|  | Female | 33，747 | 014 | 1，256 | 12，758 | 545 | 575 | 291 | 2，121 | 4，994 | 8，844 | 1，646 | 1 | 2 | 714 |
|  | Total | 67，558 | 428 | 2，733 | 25，002 | 1，120 | 1，229 | 566 | 4，033 | 10，054 | 17，868 | 3，854 | 6 | 4 | 1，591 |

## APPENDIX F．

Statement showing the Agrienltural Stock of the 113 Government Villages in the Karmala Taluta of the Sholapur Oollectorate during the years $18.31-39$ and $1301-02$ and according to a specsal Census made m June 1903.

|  | Txakn | Catris |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 吕 } \\ & \text { 皿 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \frac{3}{3} \\ & \text { gig } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Plover． |  | Crars． |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Por } \\ & \text { plough. } \end{aligned}$ |  | Proedling |  | Por other purpoaes． |  | Miloheatilo. |  | Ymung <br> atock |  | $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{Z} \\ & \hline \mathbf{H} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 葿 | $\begin{array}{r} \frac{8}{2} \\ \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{8} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 吉 |  | 稁 |  | $\stackrel{\circ}{\circ}$ | 容 品 号 品 | $\begin{aligned} & \frac{8}{6} \\ & \frac{8}{8} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 总 } \\ & \frac{8}{8} \\ & \frac{3}{3} \\ & \stackrel{y}{4} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  | 首 |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | ＋ | 5 | ${ }^{1}$ | 7 | 8 | － | 10 | 11 | 12 | 19 | 16 | 15 | 18 | 17 | 18 | 18 | 20 | $\stackrel{1}{ }$ |
| $\left.\begin{array}{l} 112 \\ 119 \\ 119 \end{array}\right\}$ | Karmils $\left\{\begin{array}{l}18911098 \\ \text { 1001－08 } \\ 1008\end{array}\right.$ | 88600 18885 1684 | 889 189 180 | 71 38 38 | 87 16 84 | 208 288 418 | 288 65 69 | 39381 8630 0830 | 4，148 1,628 1,901 | 18,815 7887 8858 | 2,380 007 1090 | 70，048 24， 57 38，005 | 1988 | $\mathbf{3 4 , 0 0 5}$ 2485 20，867 | 18056 84,629 30874 | 207 | 2035 1,386 1，087 | 64 104 14 | 1811 1020 2,073 | 1764 $35 \cdot 4$ |

## APPENDIX $G$.

Slatement of Bhops, Laoms, Temples, \&ec, and avefago Berthr, Deathe and Vacomatron, tâluka Karmála.


APPENDIX H
Statement of Schools together woth thenr Average Attendance en the years 1878-79 and 1901-09

|  |  | TaIuk. | Year | Covernment Soboora, |  |  |  | Muntitpai Sohoois |  |  |  | Privati Schools. |  | Remieg. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Boys. |  | Gris |  | Boya |  | Gırls |  | Boys. |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Number of Schools. | Aversge' Attendance | Number of | Average Attendance. | Namber of Sohools | Average Attendance. | Number of Schoolso | Average Attendance. | Number of behools | Average <br> Attendance |  |
| 1 | 8 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 128 | 18 | Karmála | 1878-79 | 13 | 3131 | 1 | 211 | $\cdots$ | ** |  |  | -• |  | Information before 1878 is not arailable In 187879 there were nelther arded private schools, nor muncipal sehools Prior to |
| 193 | 18 | Do | 1801-02 | 18 | 657 | - |  | 2 | 108 | 1 | 39 | 1 | 28 | 1884-85 the schools wrthar munceppal lumits were managed by the Educational Department |

APPENDIX 1.
The Record of Rights not baving been compiled in Karmala Táluka, reliable information is not available The Appendix is therefore omitted.

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\text { APPENDIX } \mathbf{J}
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Statement shoroing Wells, Budkes, Tanks and other sources of water-supply sn all the Villaqes of the Karmála Tảluka of the Sholapur Collectorate

|  | TAukan. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Tames. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Othar movrors. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\underset{\text { Irrigation }}{\text { For }}$ |  | Fordrinking supply of buman beinge, but not for irrigation. |  | For cattle and Waoking and other parposes, bat not for irrygation or drinking sapply of humas bengs |  | In dusues |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { For } \\ \text { Irrigation } \end{gathered}$ |  | For drnikingsupply ofhaman beingsolely. |  | For cattle and washing and other parposes, but not for irfigation of drniking supply of human bernge |  | In dısuse |  | $\underset{\text { Irrigation. }}{\text { For }}$ |  | Far drunking supply of haman beinge solely. |  | For cattle and <br> wasumg and <br> otherparposes, <br> but not for <br> wrigation or <br> drinking <br> dupply of <br> muman beings |  | In dssube. |  | 碳 |
|  |  | Pakla | Kachs | Palkam | Kaoha | Pakka, | Kacha. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Fallon } \\ & \text { in or } \\ & \text { in diso } \\ & \text { repari } \end{aligned}$ | Other canges | Pakka | Kaohs | Pakka | Kacha | Pakka. | Kachs | Fallen in or in de repar | Other cances | Pakka | Kscha | Pakle | Kacha | Pakke. | Kacha. | Fallen in or in dis repar | Other casases |  |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | E | 6 | 7 | 8 | 0 | 10 | 11 | 18 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 129 | $\underset{189697}{\text { Karmsla }}$ | 1,290 | 1,292 | 409 | 122 | 19 | 10 | 855 | 50 | - | * | $\cdots$ | - | 5 | 71 | 8 | 5 |  | - | - | - | - | - |  | - |  |
| 183 | 2901-1808 | 1,488 | 1,204 | 592 | 93 | 16 | 10 | 636 | 28 | 1 | - | $\cdots$ | 1 | 10 | 53 | 9 | 8 | 9 | 35 | 18 | 8 | 81 | 8 | 9 | 3 |  |

APPENDIX K.
An Abstract Statement showsng ordrnary Sales in the Tillages of the Karmata Taluka of the Sholdapur Collectorate, for the quanquennaal pertod ending 18.j5-36

| Class of cases according to the Number of times the Survey Absensment for which land in sold. | Number of canes. | $\underset{\text { Total Acres }}{\text { sold }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ \text { Asseasment. } \end{gathered}$ | Average rate of Assebsment per Acre | Total sum for which sold. | Average rate per anre for whoh nold. | Average Number of tumes the burvey Assessment for which sold. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | T | 8 |
|  |  | A. g. | Rs a. p | Rs a. p |  | Rs. a $p$ |  |
| Class I- 1 to 11 tumes | 29 | 98911 | 62200 | 0101 | 4,587 8 8 0 | 4102 | 73 |
| " II- 11 to 25 , | 42 | 2,114 38 | 1,213 40 | 093 | 14,210 880 | 6116 | 116 |
| , III- 26 to 50 , | 22 | 58239 | 243 4 0 | 068 | 8,599 000 | 14120 | 353 |
| "IV-- 51 to 100 " | 5 | 6614 | 44.20 | 0102 | 1,850 000 | 27141 | 439 |
| " V-101 to 250 ", :" | 2 | 733 | 850 | 110 | 1,000 00 | $12712 \quad 9$ | 1203 |
| Total | 100 | 3,761 18 | 2,136 150 | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 9 & 2\end{array}$ | 30,24700 | $8 \quad 0 \quad 8$ | 141 |

APPENDIX K ${ }^{(1)}$.
An Abstract Statement shounn Sales by decres of Courts to the Fallages of the Karmála Taluka of the Sholapur Oollectorate, for the qusnquennal period endong 1835-96

| Class of casea avoerning to the Number of timen the Survey Aceasment for which land in told | Number of oasas. | Total Acres | Total Assessment | Average rate of Asecsement por Acre. | Total sum for whioh sold. | Average rate per Acre for whach sold. | Average <br> Number o times the burvey Assessment for which sold. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 8 \\ 2 \\ 1 \\ N_{1} l \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { Rs } & \text { a.r } & p \\ & \\ 60 & 0 & 0 \\ 52 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 & 0 & 0 \\ \cdots \cdots & \\ 2 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \text { Rs. } & \text { a. } & \mathbf{p} \\ 0 & 9 & 9 \\ 0 & 10 & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & \cdots & 2 \\ 1 & 0 & 2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} \mathrm{Rs} & \mathrm{p} & \mathrm{p} \\ \mathbf{8 0 6} & 0 & 0 \\ 1,081 & 0 & 0 \\ 276 & 0 & 0 \\ 7 \boldsymbol{7 5 1} & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \text { Rs } & \text { a. } & p \\ 3 & 2 & 0 \\ 18 & 3 & 7 \\ 39 & 6 & 10 \\ 380 & 4 & 1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 51 \\ 207 \\ 394 \\ 8755 \end{array}$ |
| Total | 7 | 18828 | 12100 | 0103 | 2,414 00 | 12128 | 199 |

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APPENDIX $\mathrm{I}_{\text {. }}$
A* Abstract Statement showang anmplo Mortgages in the Fillages of the Karmálas Táluka of the Sholdpur Colleciorate, for the gqenquenntal period ending 1895-\$6.

| Class of casor acoording to the Number of umes tho Survey Amesement for which inad il mortgaged. | Number | Total Aores mortgeged | Total Anseament. | A verage rate of Assensmant par Aara. | Total suma for which mortigaged. | Average rate pey Aare for which mortgeged. | The everage Number of tameen the burrey Ansebsment Is equal to the num for wheh the land $u$ mortgaged. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|  |  | A. g | Rs. 2. p | Rs. a p. | Rs, an $p$ | 8. 0.1 |  |
|  | 87 | 185429 | $\begin{array}{llll}723 & 8 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 9 & 3\end{array}$ | 5,015 00 | 81511 | 6.8 |
|  | 45 | 1,46S 10 | 771100 | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 8 & 5\end{array}$ | 12,714 00 | 8107 | 164 |
|  | 15 | 50434 | 27980 | 0 | 8,595 0 0 | $17 \quad 0 \quad 5$ | 30.7 |
|  | 3 | 298 | 23120 | 0130 | 1,500 00 | $\begin{array}{llll}51 & 5 & 3\end{array}$ | 631 |
|  | Nıl | ** | ** |  | . .... | ... | $\cdots$ |
| Total | 100 | 3,257 2 | 1,797 70 | 0810 | 27,82400 | 888 | 15-4 |

APPENDIX $L^{(1)}$
An Abstract Statement showong Mortgages unth Possesseon in the Fillaqes of the Karmála Táluht of the Sholapur District, for the quinquennial period ending 18j5-96


An Abstract Statement showzng sub-lettongs sn the Villages of the Rarmála Taluka of the Sholápur Collectorate, for the quinquennial period ending 1835-96


## APPENDIX K.

An Abstract Statement showong ordinary Sales in the Tillages of the Karmala Taluka of the Sholapur Collectorate, for quinquennual period ending 1J00-1,01.

| Class of casea according to the Number of tumes the -arvey Absesument for whech land is sold. | Number of cases | Total Acres sold | Total Asbessment | Average rate of Asseament per Acre | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total sum } \\ \text { for } \\ \text { whech sold } \end{gathered}$ | Average rate per Acre for whuch sold. | Average <br> Number of <br> tumes the Sarvey Assessment for which sold, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|  |  | A. g. | Rs a. p. | Rs. a. p | Rs, a | Rs a p |  |
| Class I- 1 to 10 tumes | 21 | 58518 | 375 | $010 \quad 3$ | 26750 | $4{ }^{4} 961$ | 71 |
| \% II- 11 to 25 | 55 | 1,363 18 | 75280 | 0810 | 11,970 14 | 8126 | 159 |
| ", III- 26 to 50 " .. | 18 | 32729 | 200181 | 099 | 6,925 0 | 2121 | $84 \cdot 6$ |
| , IV- 51 to 100 " | 4 | 3821 | 3220 | 0134 | 2,100 0 | $\begin{array}{llll}54 & 8 & 1\end{array}$ | 653 |
| " V--101 to 250 " | 2 | 118 | 780 | 0109 | 1,000 0 | $89 \quad 4 \quad 7$ | 1333 |
| Total .. | 100 | 2,326 4 | 1,367 7 4 | 095 | 24,670 14 | $\begin{array}{lll}10 & 9 & 8\end{array}$ | 18 |

APPENDIX K ${ }^{(1)}$.
4th Abstract Statement showong Sales by decrees of Courts th the Villages of the Karmala Taluka of the Collectorate of Sholapur, for the qusinquenisal period ending 1300-1901.

| Class of caser according to the Number of times the turvey aseensment for whitoh land us mold. | Number of casen | Total <br> Aares sold. | Total Assenament | Average rate of Assessment per Acre | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total sam } \\ \text { for } \\ \text { whech aold. } \end{gathered}$ | Average rate per Acre for Which sold. | Average Number of tineer the Survey Assensment for which sold |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| - |  | A .g | Rs, a. p. | Rs, a p | Rs. ${ }_{\text {a }}$ | Re a $p$. |  |
| Class I- 1 to 10 times .. | 4 | 10025 | 7100 | 0113 | 2890 | 21311 | $4 \cdot$ |
| \% II- 11 to 25 , .. | 7 | 1551 | 87100 | $0{ }_{0} 981$ | 1,475 0 | 9.88 | 168 |
| $n$ III- 26 to 50 \% .. | 4 | 764 | 61120 | 0130 | 2,047 14 | 2', 147 | 331 |
| " IV- 51 to 100 \% .. | 5 | 12929 | 6140 | 077 | 4,762 0 | 36114 | 777 |
| " V-101 to 250 " . | $N \mathrm{~N}$ | -• | ...... | .. |  | ... |  |
| Total ** | 18 | 46119 | 251100 |  | 8,573 14 | $\begin{array}{lll}18 & 9 & 3\end{array}$ | 804 |

APPENDIX L.
An Abstraot Statement showsng stmple Mortgages tn the Villnges of the Karmólata Taluka of the
Sholapur Collectorate, for the qu*quenntal period ending $1100-1101$

| Clese of casen according to the Nomber of hunes the Saryey $A$ semesment for which laud to mortgaged. | Number of cases | Total Acrea mortgaged. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ \text { Aasemanent } \end{gathered}$ | A verage rate of Absosement per dere. | Total aum for which martyaged. | Average rate per Acte for which mortgaged | The aserage Number of turies the Survey A ceessinent in equal to the sum for which the land as mortgeged |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|  |  |  | Rs, a. p. | Rs. a p. | Rs. a. | Rs. a $\mathbf{p}$ |  |
| Class I- 1 to 10 tumes | 36 | 1,808 23 | 80068 | 08910 | 5,797 0 | 4782 | $7 \cdot 2$ |
| 4 II- 11 to 25 n.. | 48 | 1,119 17 | 694100 | $0 \cdot 911$ | 11,160 0 | 9156 | 16. |
| , III- 26 to 50 \% .. | 18 | 39116 | 209120 | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 8 & 7\end{array}$ | 8,025 0 | 20881 | 382 |
| 2 IV- 51 to 100 \% | 2 | 1720 | 7136 | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 7 & 2\end{array}$ | 450 | 25115 | $57 \cdot 3$ |
| \% V-101 to 250 * ${ }^{2}$ * | 8 | 317 | 390 | 108 | 6000 | $175 \quad 211$ | 1684 |
| Total .. | 100 | 2,884 13 | 1,716 38 | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 9 & 8\end{array}$ | 26,032 0 | 9211 | 151 |

## APPENDIX L(1),

An Abstraet Statement showing Mortgages wuth Possesston in the Villages of the Karmala Táluka of the Sholapur Collectorate, for the quinquennial period ending 1900-1001.

| Clasa of cases according to the Namber of tumes the Survey Assebsmont for which lend is mortgaged. | Nuraber of cases | Total Acres mortgaged | Total Aspessment. | Average rate of Asseastrent per Acre* | Total sum for which mortgaged. | Average rate per Acre for which mortgaged | The average Namber of times the Survey Aspessment 18 equal to the stum for which the land 18 morigaged |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Class I- 1 to 10 times ... | 40 | $\begin{array}{rc} \text { A. } & \text { g } \\ 1,3 I 1 & 13 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \text { Rs } & \text { a. } & p \\ 854 & 12 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{cc} \text { Rs. a. p. } \\ 010 & 5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rr} \text { Rs. } & 2 . \\ 6,415 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rs. a. } p \\ & 4148 \end{aligned}$ | 75 |
| , II- 11 to 25 , .* | 41 | 1,246 39 | $660 \quad 78$ | 0886 | 10,097 4 | 8817 | 152 |
| , III- 26 to 50 , . | 11 | 119 | 74.00 | 0911 | 2,723 0 | 221310 | 367 |
| , IV- 51 to 100 , .. | 5 | 14113 | $2815 \quad 4$ | 038 | 1,780 0 | 1296 | 61•4 |
| \% V-101 to 250 , | 3 | 512 | 522 | 0156 | 6000 | $113 \quad 3 \quad 3$ | 1168 |
| Total .* | 100 | 2,824 1 | 1,623 5 |  | 21,615 4 | $710 \quad 6$ | $13 \cdot 3$ |

An Abstract Statement showong sub-lettings in the Tillages of the Karmála Taluka of the Sholapur Collectorate, for the quinquennzal persod ending 1300-1.301


## APPENDIX N

Statement showing the Proces prevalent in the Karmála Taluka from 1871-78 to 1302.


- APPENDIX 0

Revenue Statement for 95 Government Villages situaled on the Kamúla Táluka of the Sholapur Collectorate into whech the Survey Setllement uas introduced an 1873 -74.
[The years above the black hine are those antecedent to the Revinion Survey Settilement.]


Rcvonus Statement for 16 Gubornment Villagos *silwatod in the Karmala Talwka of the Sholópur Colleosorate into which the Revrsom Surcey Settlement was introdiced in 1892-93.
[The geara above the black line are those antecedent to the Rerison Survey Settlement.]


APPENDIX $0^{(2)}$.
Revenue Statement for the Prllage of Tembhurna* sttuated in the Kaımála Tátuka of the Sholípur Collectorate.

| Yesri. | Occupird Lamd pating Aberbsabit to Govbrnament. |  |  |  |  |  | Unodoupird Assbssid Arsble Govelnmbnt Land |  |  | Land, the Revenue of which is amienated hatirely ob Partially (InAm) |  |  | Total Land, Govrrnment Occupied and Unoccupied AND Indm |  |  |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Amonnt } \\ \text { fninl } \\ \text { remit- } \\ \text { tod } \end{array}\right\|$ | Remarts |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | OccupiedAreal | Full 8 tandmedAssessment. | Remusions during the yoar |  |  | Balnnce for Collection | Acres | $\begin{gathered} \text { Fall } \\ \text { Assessment } \end{gathered}$ | Realization from $A$ notjon Eale ofGrazing razing | Acres. |  | CollectionsQnit-rent Quit-ren | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total of } \\ & \text { Columns } \\ & 28 \text { and } 11 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\xrightarrow{\text { Per- }}$ | Casaal | Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | s | 4 | $\checkmark$ | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | ${ }^{16}$ | ${ }^{17}$ | 18 | 10 |
|  |  | Rg | $\square_{4 .}$ | Re | Rs | Re |  | Rs | Rs |  | Rs | $\mathrm{Ra}_{8}$ |  | Re | Re , | Rs | Ra |  |
| ${ }^{1879} 80$ | 10,871 | 4,599 |  |  |  | 4,539 | 1,014 | 3894 | 15 | 2,175 | 954 | 226 | 18,460 | ${ }_{5}^{6,887}$ | 4,780 | 1,668 | 1,473 10 |  |
| ${ }_{1881-83}^{188081}$. | 6,441 6,436 | $\mathbf{2 , 8 6 4}$ 2,867 | 261 | $\cdots$ | ${ }_{261}^{261}$ | 2,603 2,606 | 4,899 440,05 | 2,097 2,694 | 24 45 | 2,119 | ${ }_{925}^{925}$ | 229 <br> 225 | 13,459 | 5,886 5,886 | 2,846 2,876 |  | $\stackrel{10}{21}$ |  |
| 188283 . | 7,164 | 3177 | 262 | . | 262 | 2,915 | 4,143 | 1,771 | 81 | 2,109 | 921 | 225 | 13,421 | 5,869 | 3,171 |  | , | dated 9 rd May 1881. |
| 188984 | 9,360 | 4,145 | - |  | $\cdots$ | 4,145 | 1,951 | 803 | 65 | 2,165 | 921 | 225 | 13,476 | 5869 | 44.5 |  |  |  |
| 1884-85. | 10,486 | 4,591 |  | - | $\cdots$ | 4,591 | ${ }_{8} 826$ | 357 | 10 | 2,165 | 921 | 225 | 13,477 | 5,869 | 4,826 | 8 |  |  |
| 188586 | 10,672 | 4,654 | $\cdots$ |  |  | 4,654 | 639 | 294 | ${ }^{3}$ | 2,165 | 921 | 225 | 13,476 | 5,869 | 4882 |  |  |  |
| 1888887 | 10,672 | 4,654 | $\cdots$ |  |  | 4,654 | 226 | 91 | 9 | $\stackrel{2,109}{ }$ | 921 | 225 | 18,207 | 5,666 | 4,888 |  |  | , |
| 188788 <br> 188888 <br> 1898 | 10,872 10764 | ${ }_{4}^{4} 4654$ | - |  | - | 4,654 | 114 | 39 | 4 | 2,109 | 921 | 225 | 12,895 | 5614 | 4,883 <br> 4.913 <br> 188 |  |  |  |
| 188990 | 10,764 | 4,688 |  |  | - | 4,688 | 82 | 5 |  | 2,109 | 921 | 225 | 12,895 | b,614 | 4,918 |  |  |  |
| 189091 | 10,764 | 4,688 |  |  |  | 4,688 | 22 | 5 | 1 | 2,169 | 921 | 225 | 12,895 | 5614 | 4,914 |  |  |  |
| 189192 | 10,764 | 4,688 | . |  | * | 4,688 | 22 |  | 1 | 2,109 | 921 | 225 | 12895 | 5,614 | 4,914 |  |  |  |
| 1892-99 ${ }_{1898}$ | 10,764 | 4,688 <br> 4,688 |  |  |  | 4,688 | 22 | 5 | 1 | 2,109 2109 | 931 | ${ }^{225}$ | 12,895 | 5,614 | 4,914 |  |  |  |
| 189894 | 10,764 <br> 10 <br> 104 | 4,688 |  |  | . | 4,688 | 22 | 5 | ${ }^{3}$ | 2,109 2,109 | 921 | 225 | 12,895 | 5,614 | 4,416 4,923 |  |  |  |
| 189599 | 10,764 | 4,688 | $\because$ | * |  | 4,688 | ${ }_{22}$ | - ${ }_{5}^{5}$ | 1 | 2,109 | 9.1 | 225 | 12,895 | ${ }_{5}{ }^{6} 614$ | 4914 |  |  |  |
| 189697 | 10,764 | 4,689 |  |  |  | 4,688 | 22 | 5 |  | 2109 | 921 | 225 | 12,895 | 5,614 | 4,913 | 713 | - |  |
| 189798 $1898-99$ | $\xrightarrow{10,764} 1$ | 4,688 |  |  |  | 4,688 <br> 4.688 | $\begin{array}{r}22 \\ 22 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 5 | 1 | 2,109 $\mathbf{2 , 1 0 9}$ | 921 921 | 225 225 | 12,595 | 5,614 5614 | 4,918 4.914 | 344 90 |  |  |
| 18981900 | 10,764 | 4,688 |  |  |  | 4,688 | 22 | 5 |  | 2,109 | 921 | 225 | 12895 | 5,614 | 4,913 | 960 | $5{ }^{-6} 9$ |  |
| 10001901 | 10,64 | 4,688 |  | ** |  | 4.688 | 22 | 5 |  | 2,109 | 921 | 225 | 12,895 | 5614 | 4,913 | 2,239 | 1,285 |  |
| 19011908 | 10,764 | $4{ }^{6 \times 8}$ |  | . | - | 4,688 | 22 | 5 | . $\cdot$ | 2,109 | 921 | 225 | 12,895 | 5,614 | 4,913 | 342 | 203 |  |

## APPENDIX P.

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Effect of Rcviszon Selllement proposals
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# THE SURVEY AND SETTLEMENT COMMISSIONER, N. D. 

Sholápur Collector's Office,

Camp Sangola, 25th November 1873.
Sir,
I have the honour to aunex a letter, with accompaniments, No. 921, dated 3rd ultumo, from Lieutenant-Colonel Waddmgton, Superntendent, Revenue Survey, Poona and Náaik, containug proposals for revised rates of assessment in 93 villages of the Karmala Taluaza of this Collectorate.
2. Of these 93 villages, it appears that 18 , belongng to the old Madba Taluka, were settled in 1839-40 by Sur George Wingate, 27, belonging to the old Ropla Petha, in 1842-43 by Mr Price, and 48, which formed a portion of the old Subha or Chief Division of the Karmala Táluka, in 1843-44 by Mr. Priee

3 Of the remaining 30 villages, 25 formerly belonged to the Nagar Collectorate, and were transferred to this Collectorate in 1859-60 and 1866-67 Of these 25, 15 are Government and 10 ahenated villages The remaining 5 were formerly alrenated villages Three of these have lapsed I annex a statement of the names of these 30 villages, showing when the survey was introduced into them.

4 The closing sentence of paragraph 4 of Colonel Waddungton's letter does not appear to be quite correctly worded

5 It is proposed that the maximum rate of assessment be fixed at Rs 1-4-0 in the two villages of Kem and Jeur, where there are railway stations, Rs $1-2-0 \mathrm{in} 21$ villages (those within 4 miles of 1 ailway stations and on the lune, and the village of Ropla), and $\operatorname{Re} 1$ in the remander

6 The result of the proposed rates will be to rase the average rate from 6 annas 3 pies to 8 annas, and the whole assessment Rs $38-8.0$ per cent

7 Thus seems a very reasonable enhancement, coneidering how the value of money has decrea sed ance 1842-43.
8. I would observe, howeven, that there are two points which have not been noticed as, I thank, they should have been When two years ago I recesved Mr Grant's letter regarding the new rates proposed for Mádha, I observed that the total enhancement was Rs 75 per cent, and, therefore, atated that I considered it to be reasonable It is only lately that I have become aware, 1 st, that, while the rates on the good soils were left very nearly as they were before, the rates on the very inferior soils were much enhanced, and, 2ndly, that, whereas before a cortaun portion of stony land in different holdings nsed to be deducted as "pot kharab" and thrown in for nothing, under the new rates no such allowance has been made

9 In Madha the maxumum rate of assessment was rased from 13 annas $2 \frac{1}{2}$ pies to Rs. 1-4-0. In Karmála, with the exception of the two villages above-named, it is proposed to ralse it from 13 annas $2 \frac{1}{2}$ ples to Rs. 1-2-0 Yet, while the total increase of the enhancement in Mádhs was 75 per cent, that proposed for Kaımála 18 Rs $38-8-0$ per cent only.
10. The explanation of this I presume to be that while in Mádha the "pot kharab" was brought in and assessed, it has been left out in Karmala and allowed to remain unassessed.

11 In the reports on the settlement of 1842-43 and 1843-44, no less than 9 dufferent rates are shown, vvz, three for each of the different kunds of black, red, and "barad" land. Colonel Waddington has satisfied himself with stating the maxumum rates, and left us in the dark in regaid to the detauls Persons who have spoken to me regardung the new rates in other talukas, have said that no discontent would have ansen had the rates been raised proportionately all round, unstead of having been left nearly the same on superior land and rased so heavily on inferror land I think that Colonel Waddungton mught with advantage have explamed whether, in fixing the new rates, he has as a general rule, approved of the proportionate values for each class of land as anvolved in the rates advocated by Mr. Price, and, if not, what vanations he has considered it expedient to make in Mr. Price's method of classification

> I have the honour to be,
> Sir,
> Your most obedient Servant,
T. BOSANQUET, Collector

Statement about the 30 villages other than the 93 vsllages of Talula Karmála proposed to bs brought wnder the revised rates un Colonel Waddzugton's letter No 921, dated 3rd October 1873, prepared from a report from the Mámlatdár, dated the 23rd November 187 3, No. 99.


Sholapur Collector's Office, Camp Sangola, 25th November 1873.
T. BOSANQUET,

Collectar.

No. 921 or 1873
To
T. BOSANQUENT, Esquira,

Collector of Sholapur

Poona, 3rd October 1875.
Sir,
I have the honour to forwand my report on the revised rates which I propose for 93 villages of the Karmśla Táluka.
2. Thas district forms the extreme western portion of the Sholapar Zullah, and is divided Gearal doscruption from the Indápur Tálaka of the Poona Collectorate by the
Bhuma Rivar, which forms its sontla-western boundary, on the Bhima River, whioh forms its sooth-western bonndary, on the east the Sina River separates it from the territories of His Highness the Nizam, and on the south it is bounded by the Mádha Táluke, the north-west boundary is formed by the Karjat Taluka of the Ahmednagar Collectorate. The greatest length of the distruct from north to south 1835 miles, and its breadth from east to west 38 milee.
3. As will be seen froun thy above description, this tract of conntry lies between the Bhuma

Doccription couturued and Sina nvers, the watershod dividng the distnct mito two parts, Dest of the town of Karmala. and rannang in an north-westerly durection from Kem to a hittle with a good deal of hughlying tableland, which in some places is covered with loose stones and occasionslly boulders, but generally us level aud compssed of soul of good quanty, though some-

- 790-10
what ahort of depth. With the exception of two small hills near Kem, and the dividing ridge above-mentioned, the district may be sald to be flat, though towards the north and north-west it is rough and broken, and intersected by many large nalas. Trees, except in the valleys and near villages, are rare, nor do they attain the same size as they do in the more favoured olimate of Bárs.

4 At the time of the last settlement the Karmála Taluka consisted of two revenne dur-
 of the talaka Government and 1 alrenated villages, was settled in 1842-43, whilst the Subha, or prancipal division, consisting of 48 Government and 1 alienated villages, had the rates introduced in the following year Owing to territonal changes made in 1859-60, 1862-63, and 1866 67, and the addation of 3 vollages whoch lapsed to Government an 1869-70 on the death of the life grantee, Bhagwantrac Govind Pingle, the taluka now contans 111 Government and 12 alhenated villages, the whole under ithe charge of a Mámlatdar stationed at Karmála, whose kacheri is held in the fort which adjoins the town This fort $1 s$ sad to have been constructed by the founder of the Nimbalkar Famly, and, though small, is well built and in good preservation.

Of the 12 alhenated villages, 11 are to be continued in perpetuity, and I (Temburni) durngg the hfe of the present holder, Krishnabar, wudow of Laxumon Rao Sadasew, Mankeshwar. The followng statement gives detalls of the changes which have been made up to the present date -



The whole of the 123 villages now forming the taluka have at difforent times been brought under survey operations. The present proposals, however, will apply only to the 93 villageswhich, as shown above, were settled in 1842-43 and 1843-44-and 3 alienated and 2 lapsed pillages.
5. The total area of the Karmála Táluka, as now constituted, is 772 square moles, or Population, te 494,003 zeres The 93 Government villages, which pree ently come under revision, contann an area of $34 \beta, 603$ seres, with a population of 68,971 souls, or 125 to the square mile. The sabjoned statement shows the present atatistical condition of theve villages as compared with that in 1842-43. The increase in the population during the intervening period bas been about 24 per cent, that in carts 184, in plongha 37, and in bollocks aboat 6 per cent :-

| Omomal year | Hovar: |  |  |  |  | Malem | Females | Totak. | Carth | Plougha | Bribuck: Bnd Male Britiones | Sheep andGouta |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Chanthe } \\ \text { rompluten } \\ \text { to. } \end{gathered}\right.$ | Thed | $\underset{\substack{\text { Hat- } \\ \text { CoDlod }}}{ }$ toolod | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Thatoh } \\ \text { ed } \end{gathered}\right.$ | Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | $\theta$ | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1848-43 . \\ & 1878-73 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 97 \\ 462 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 31 \\ & 38 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4,087 \\ & 6,869 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 6,737 \\ & 4,210 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 10,972 \\ 9,574 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 29,666 \\ & 35915 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{8 6 , 0 6 7} \\ & \mathbf{4 , 0 5 6} \end{aligned}$ | 55788 68,971 | $\begin{array}{r} 449 \\ 1,3 ; 6 \end{array}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & 1,762 \\ & 2,421 \end{aligned}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 26907 \\ & 97,413 \end{aligned}$ | $32567$ $34780$ |
| Inarese | 365 | 2 | 1,183 | $\cdots$ |  | 6,249 | 6,989 | 13,2 38 | 827 | 659 | 1,526 | 2,213 |
| Deorease | , | $\cdots$ | ..* | 2,527 | 078 | $\cdots$ | ** | * |  |  | $\pm$ | $\cdots$ |

6. Karmala 18 traversed from west to east by the G. I. P. Rallway, which, after following Rall wasu and Roade. the oourse of the Bhima for about half way through the dintrict, outs acrocs the watershed near the Kem Station, and thence follows the valley of the Sina, until it crosses that river near Mohol. There are three ralway stations within the hmits of the toluike, voz, Pomalwart, Jeur and Kem, and two, Diksil and Bársi Road, oloee to ite frontier. W2tt respeet to roads, it is bat indiffereatly provided, the only maile roade being from the bown of Karmala to the ralway station at Jeur, a destance of 10 miles, and a short piece of the Poone and Shilapur road, whech passes through the southern portion of the taluka. Of faur weather roeds the principal one na that from $\Delta$ hinednaciar to Karmala, and thenoe to Sholapur, Pandharpur and Baral. A good deal of troffic ased formerly to pass to and fro by this route; but the raulway has now almost monopolized the carrage, although many thousands of plgrims manually travel through the district on theur way to Pandharpar.
7. With regard to markets, Karmale ss well provided; for, besides the pmncipal haxir

Markele town of Karmale itself, weekly markets ane held withun the diso trict at Tembarn, Kem, Kang1, Koodej, Korth, a-d Sonár, and those of Indapur, Kuandus Nanangpar, Alluj and Paranda mee easkly mecossible. Euplay
however, whec formenly used to be a large market, no longer boasts of a bazir In addinon to ite local maikets the district enjoys the advantage of the ralway, which offers every facility for the transport of surplus produce to Poona, Bombay, Sholápur, \&e.

8 The subjoned statement shows the number of sehools in the district, from whoh it Schools appeara that there are 17 for boys, attended by 697 pupils, and would thus appear that about 1 per cent of the population are being brought under the influence of education -

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \multirow{3}{*}{Eetablished dunng the} \& \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{} \& \multicolumn{4}{|l|}{Paid froy mas looal Fuyd} \& \multicolumn{4}{|c|}{Torale} \\
\hline \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{For Boys} \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{For Girls,} \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{Por Bays} \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{For Gras.} \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{For Bos:} \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{For Girls} \\
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\text { Schools }
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143 \\
65 \\
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\end{array}
\] \& 1 \& 35 \& 1
9 \& 3

204 \& \& - \& 1
2
14 \& 143
95
459 \& 1 \& 35 <br>
\hline Total \& 7 \& 413 \& 1 \& 35 \& 10 \& 284 \& - \& \& 17 \& 697 \& 1 \& 35 <br>
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\end{tabular}

9 The manufactures of the distict are confined to the making of a few coarse cotton and Mannfactares.
woollen fabrics, such as lugdis, turbans, khadis and kamblis, the number of looms for cotton goods beng 229 and for woollen 96 The preparation of saltpetre is also carried on to a considerable extent, but in the most rude and primitive manner, the manufacture 18 conducted only by the lowest castes of the community, the Mangs and Mahars The process consists in amply mixing the soil with water in shallow pans buult of stone and mortar, allowng evaporation to take place in the same manner as an the salt pans of the Konkan, no artificial heat being employed. This is a sumple and mexpensive process, but, doubtless, by more elaborate means a very large quantity might be obtaned. The annual yreld of a pan, as estimated by Mr Whitcombe, averages from 4 to $5,000 \mathrm{lbs}$, and it is sold to dealers at the rate of lo lbs per rupee, who retall it at 10 or 12 lbs ; and when refined by bolung at 6 or 7 lbs The manufacture is carried on, of course, in the fars season, and the outturn last year 15 estimated at $250,000 \mathrm{lbs}$., the license fees for the pirviege of manufacturng it amoruting to Rs 805 The subject may probably be worth the attention of Government in connection with the new powder works at Kirkee. As the manafacture not being confined to this distmet alone, but carrzed on in many of the adjacent talukas, it is to be presumed that almost any quantity of saltpetre maght be obtanned The following statement shows the amount estimated to have been collected on account of fees $2 n$ this district during the last 10 years -

| Ofticis Year | Number of villakes in which saltherre was manufactured | Revenue derlved by Gor ermaneat |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Re |
| 186263 | 39 | $\because 67$ |
| 186364 | 34 | 312 |
| 180465 | 61 | 608 |
| 186\% 66 | 52 | 623 |
| 186667 | 30 | $3 \% 5$ |
| 1867-68 | 8 | 140 |
| 1868 -9 | 14 | 121 |
| 186970 | 23 | 477 |
| 1870-71 | 24 | 498 |
| 1871-12 | 31 | 553 |
| Avelage | 31 | 296 |

10. The proportion of the different solls is estumated by Mr. Wbitcombe to be 50 per
cent. of black and 25 per cent each of the red and barad soils

## Nature of proportion of various

 souls. the banks of the nalas and in the valley of the Sina River, it is anty somewhat stuff and clayey in its nature, and requinng a copious rainfall to eusure a full crop which, however, in a favourable season as equal or even saperior to the best black soils, but in ordmary years y yelds but an indifferent crop, and in very unfavourable seasons scarcely pays for the seed. Much care has been bestowed on the classification of this description of solls. Thete is also a small quantity of alluvial land which is ch efly found along the banks of the Bhima Rivef11. Mr. Whitcombe contrasts the mode of husbandry prevalent in this district chfavourHusbandry ably with that in vogue in the Pábal Taluka. This want of care is probably to be attributed to the large amount of land avalable as compared with the population, and perhaps also to the less certam ranfall which the people of this district experienced. Mr Whitcombe, however, excepts the village of Jategron, in whioh he describea the ryots to be industrious and panstaking, and as ploughing their lande annually, the usual practice being to perfurm that operation only once in three, four or even five years, the harrow alone being employed in the intermediste jears. More labour is naturally bestowed on the garden lands, which are treated in much the same manner as in other districts. The use of manure is confined almost entrrely to these lands, except in the momediate vicmity of the town of Karmála, where from the denser population more manure 18 avalable
12. The usual crops grown are jowari, bajuri, Lardaie, a small quantity of wheat, cotton, Cropagrown and therr rotation and gram (chiefly in garden lands), and math, tur, khorasni, hemp, nice, chllhes, earthnuts, linseed, castor-onl, tobacco, \&c, in minute proportions. The occupied waste land, however, is less in comparison to the cultivated than in most of the lately settled districts. The rotation of crops is usually as follows -

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- Ist year.-Bájri intermuxed with túr, hemp, khurasni, \&c.

2nd year;-A late crop.
3rd year-Same as first year.
Rabw
1st year - Bajur
2nd year.-Jowarl, with every fifth furrow of kardane, and two or three furrows of haseed.
Srd year -The same.

## Garden Lands.

1st year-Bajn, whth a mecond crop of wheat, gram, or vegetables.
2nd year -Induancorn, nce, urnd, or múg
3rd year -Same as first year, and sometimes sugar, of which, however, very little is grown
The following statement shows the proportions in whech different orops were grown last eoason, from which it will be seen that 575 per cenl. was jowári, snd $15 \cdot 4$ bajn, leanng only 27 per cent for other crops -

| No, | Orop. |  |  |  |  | Percontage. | No. | Crop |  |  |  | Percentage |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Jowár | - | * | " |  | 575 | 15 | Bhuımag | - | * |  | 3 |
| 8 | Bajur |  | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ |  | 154 | 16 | Indian-corn |  |  |  | 3 |
| 3 | Kardase | ** | - |  |  | 49 | 17 | Linseed |  |  | - | 3 |
| 4 | Cotton |  |  | ** |  | 31 | 18 | Castor-oll | * |  |  | 3 |
| 5 | Wheat | ... | $\cdots$ |  |  | 84 | 18 | Tobacoo |  | .- | - | 2 |
| 8 | Gram | * | ** | " |  | 23 | 20 | T 1 | -* | ** | *- | 2 |
| 7 | Math | , |  | $\cdots$ | .. | 18 | 21 | Miscollaneous |  |  |  | $\underline{2}$ |
| 8 | Tür | $\cdots$ | -* |  |  | $1{ }^{4}$ | 28 | Sugar | $\because$ |  | $\cdots$ | 1 |
| 9 | Hulga | - | - | $\cdots$ | - | 16 | 23 | Rattalı |  |  | - | 1 |
| 10 | Kharasm |  | ... | -.. |  | 9 | 24 | Sathu | " |  | - | , |
| 11 | Ambara | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |  |  | 7 | 25 | Oocupred waste | - |  | ** | 46 |
| 12 | Múg | $\cdots$ |  | $\cdots$ |  | 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | Rlice Chulhes | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |  | ${ }_{3}$ |  |  |  |  | Total | 100 |

18. Irrigainon as chiefly confined to wells, of which there are now $1,730 \mathrm{in}$ working order Irngatioa. agamst 1,090 at time of former settlement. The present well ascessmont ranges from 4 aunas to R.s. 27 per well, according to capabulty, the total well assessment being Rs. 4,564.

The subjonned statement gives detalls regarding the number of wells as computed at tume of former settlement and ascertaned by the recent survey -


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14. The patasthal lands are all urrigated from temporary dams whech have chiefly been Patasthal ırrigation constructed of late years With few exceptions the water-supply but there are few villages in which it suffices for the growth of wheat, onnons, $\&_{0}$, and is avalable until the middle or end of February.

15 It is a frequent practice in this district, in common with others, for occupants to subSub letting of lards, let their lands This is usually done for grann payments, the dry-crop lands being generally leased at on the "Panchadev"" system, under which the oceupant meets the Government assessment (and supphes two-fifths of the seed-grann in the case of wheat and gram) and receives two-fifths of the produce In garden lands the nsage is for the occupant to pay the Government demand and one-thred of the expenses of moth, ropes, manure, and weeding (and in the case of wheat, gram and sugar find one-third of the seed) and exact one-thurd of the produce Io the event of lands being sub-let for grazing, the rayments are in cash, and the recelpte are generally considerably more than the Government rental

16 The occupancy right of land, as might be expected from the sparse population and pancity of larger villages, sells for considerably less than in many other districts Dry-erop lands, Mr Whiteombe caleulates, fetch from Re 1 to Rs 10 per acre, and garden from $\mathrm{Rs}_{\mathrm{s}} 15$ to Rs 46 , the higher rate, however, beng rare.
17. The climate of Karmalla 16 somewhat sumilar to, though less favourable than, that of Clumate Madha, the average fall of rann registered at Karmála itself durung 9 years beng 1856 mches agaanst 2048 at Mádha The north-eastern portion of the district may, perhaps, have a slight advantage with respect to rann over the southenn portion about Temburn, but the seasons are most uncertan, a really good one not ocournng, as a rule, oftener than once in three or four years When, indeed, it does occur, the harvest is so abundant that, would the people but be more provident, it would enable them to thde over the antervening years of indifferent crops, and meet the Government demands with the greatest ease It 1s, however, to be feared that, as matters stand, the sowcars are the principal, if not only, gauners by a prosperous harvest The following statement shows the raınfall in Karmála, Mádha, Karjat, and Indápur sınce 1868 -

| Year |  | Karmala |  | Mdida |  | Indapar |  | Karjat |  | Bemarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Inches | Cents | Inehes | Cents | Inohes | Cents | Inches | Cents |  |
| 1863 | .. | 12 | 59 | 19 | 72 | 3 | 01 | 10 | 76 | Up to 30th September |
| 1864 |  | 20 | 79 | 24 | 60 | 9 | 78 | 14 | 37 |  |
| 1865 |  | 18 |  | 8 | 26 | 6 | 95 | 12 | 23 | Do |
| 1866 | $\cdots$ | 11 | 36 | 15 | 74 | 4 | 06 | 9 | 58 | Do 4th Nov. |
| 1867 |  | 18 | 23 | 29 | 72 | 10 | 74 | 26 | 56 | Do do |
| 1868 |  | 11 | 71 | 14 | 64 | 8 | 42 | 17 | 60 | Do 30th Nov |
| 1869 |  | 37 | 49 | 21 | 04 | 24 | 47 | 35 | 23 | Do. do |
| 1870 |  | 31 | 70 | 35 | 75 | 25 | 77 | $\stackrel{32}{31}$ | 38 | Do do |
| 1871 |  | 10 | 20 | 14 | 81 | 14 | 60 | 21 | 30 | Do do |
| Average of 9 years |  | 18 | 56 | 20 | 48 | 11 | 98 | 19 | 98 |  |

18 The condition of the people, from the inquiries I have made, does not show that Condition of the people improvement which might have been faurly expected from the influence of the low rates of assessment and secunty of hife and property which the district has enjoyed during the last 30 years, to say nothing of the advantages derived from the construction of the rallway, and the increased price of agricultural produce. Mr Whitcombe attributes thas state of things to the uncertainty of the rainfall, which renders the people careless in the preparation of then lands, and content to trast to the vicissitudes of the seasons, and also to the fact that many of the ryots hold more land than their means can enable them to cultivate properiy. I am inchned to beleve that this is the case and that, whatever the cause may be, the people of this district are not generally quite so well off as those of other districts lately settled, bat I have no reason to suppose that their comparative want of progress is in any way due to over-assessment, anasmuch as the average rate per acre has been only 6 pres per acre higher than in the nerghbourng taluka of Indapur, the condition of which was so gieatly ameliorated by the introduction of the surver

19 The prices at Karmála of the chief celeals-jowán and bajri-for the 10 years from 1832 to 1841, as given by Mr Price, averaged 43 and 32 seers, respectively. For the 10 years from 1843 to 1852 the average, as shown in the subjomed statement, was 64 and 50 seors, or a decrease in price of about 50 and 56 per cent During the next 10 years the average price rose to nearly the amme as that of the first deconmal period above-mentioned, beng 40 seers of jowári to 43 and 33 seers of bájri to 32. Durng the decade ending in 1872-73 the average price has been 21 and 17 seers, or an uncrease of 90 and 94 per cent over that of the preceding decennial period, and of 205 and 194 over that between 1843 and 1852 The average of the first 15 years from 1843 to 1857 was 56 and 45 seers, respectively, and that for the 10 years compnsed between 1858 and 1862 and 1868 to 1872 was 31 and 25 , or a percentage increase
in price of 80 per cent．in both grams This dufference is somewhat more than appeared to be the case in Bhimthad，in which the increase for nearly coiresponding periods was 68 and 72 per cent，but there is no reason to doubt that the rise in price in this district has kept pace with that in other parts of the country ${ }^{*}$－
Statement exhibit2ng the dverage Prece of Grain，dce．，precanling durrng the past tharty years，from 1843－44 to 1872－78，in the Karmála Taluka，as furnsshed by the Mámlatdúr，data for which have been taken from the Government＂Nirak Patraks＂for twenty－8ix years，and for four years，viz．，1848－49， 1851－52，1854－65 and 1866－67，from the books of Wanzs and Traders，owong to the Government ＂Neraks Patraks＂not betng traceable

| Ofidul Masm． | Prise per Rupee during the 1nt Decade－meare of 80 tolas |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Offales |  | Price per Rupee during the 2nd Decade－ Heers of 80 tolan |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Offaelal } \\ & \hline \text { Yearal } \end{aligned}$ | Price per Aupse daring the Srd Deande－seors of 80 tolat． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 5 \\ & 5 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \dot{\mathbf{u}} \\ & \dot{\omega} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 蔳 | $\begin{array}{\|l\|l} \hline \text { 昆 } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\frac{8}{4}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 曷 } \\ & \text { 品 } \end{aligned}$ | E | 항 |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 5 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 唼 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 䁖 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $8$ | 总 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 罗 } \\ & \text { 畕 } \end{aligned}$ | － | \％ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { 品 } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 采 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 营 } \\ & \text { 首 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c} \text { 囟 } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $8$ |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | \％ | 4 | b | 8 | 7 | 8 | － | 10 |  | 11 | 18 | 13 | 14 | ${ }^{15}$ | 18 | 17 | 18 | 19 | $\stackrel{10}{2}$ | 21 | 82 | ${ }^{33}$ | 24 | 25 | 28 | ${ }^{27}$ |
| 1843－46 | 100 | 00 | 0 | 48 | 13 | 85 | 12 | 10 | 1853 |  | 40 | 3s | so | 27 | 13 | b8 | 10 | $\theta$ | 18896 | 18 | 14 | 13 | 19 | 9 | 25 | $\theta$ | 4 |
| 1844－15 | 4 | 39 | 20 | 34 | 14 | 70 | 10 | 8 | 185 | － | 34 | ${ }^{8}$ | 97 | 26 | 14 | 51 | 9 | 7 | 1881.65 | 18 | 14 | 18. | 12 | 7 | 22 | B | － |
| 184518 | ${ }^{3}$ | 27 | 24 | 18 | 18 | $4{ }^{4}$ | 7 | B | 1855 |  | 27 | 26 | 83 | 27 | 13 | 45 | 18 | － | 1865－88 | 9 | 21 | 10 | 12 | 6 | 18 | 8 | 8 |
| 2840－47 | 98 | 85 | 20 | 21 | 18 | 48 | 7 | 8 | 1856－ |  | 4 | s | 28 | 85 | 14 | 29 | 10 | － | 188987 | 20 | 17 | 30 | 22 | 6 | 17 | 3 | 3 |
| 1847 18 | 76 | 85 | 26 | 9 | 15 | es | ＊ | 7 | ${ }_{1885}$ |  | 42 |  | so | 28 | 14 | 28 | B | 8 | 1867－88 | 28 | 12 | 15 | 14 | 8 | 18 | ， | 1 |
| 184818 | ${ }^{88}$ | 77 | 4 | 55 | 14 | 92 | $\theta$ | 10 | 1888－6 |  | 4 |  | 35 | 39 | 13 | 88 | 8 | 8 | 186969 ． |  | 29 | 28 | 18 | 8 | 28 | 5 | 4 |
| 1M950－${ }^{\text {a }}$ | en | 79 | 4 | 8s | 17 | 8 | 14 | 11 | 1850－ |  | ${ }^{69}$ | 41 | 38 | 3 | 9 | 73 | 8 | － | 188970 ．．． |  | 17 | － | 10 | 7 | 29 | 5 | 3 |
| 1850－81 | 45 | 8 | 96 | 80 | 14 | ${ }^{4}$ | 14 | 8 | 1880－0 |  | 47 | 38 | 28 | $21$ | 18 | 41 | － | 6 | 1890.71 | 90 | 18 | 10 | $1 s$ | 7 | ${ }^{26}$ | 5 | 9 |
| 1851－59 | 68 | 48 | 88 | 38 | 10 | al | 15 | 10 | 1861－4 |  | 38 | 28 | $\text { \| } 20$ | 19 | $12$ | 97 | － | 4 | 187172 | 15 | 11 | I8 | $11$ | 8 | 22 | － | 4 |
| 1889－58 | 68 | b | ＊ | 28 | 19 | es | － | 10 | 1880－0 | $\cdots$ | 18 | 1 B | 15 | 18 | E | 28 | 4 |  | 1872－78 | 20 | 18 | 18 | 15 | ， | 22 | 8 | 4 |
| Avoruge | 64 | 60 | 35 | 38 | 15 | 68 | 10 | 7 | A vera |  | 45 | ${ }^{8}$ | 28 | 97 | 18 | 4 | 8 | 7 | Averago | 21 | 17 | 13 | 13 | 7 | 32 | 5 | 4 |
| Avernge of the firat 25 yoars frox 184 AL $1857-8 \mathrm{~B}$ | 6 | 4 | 89 | 35 | 14 | 87 | 10 | 8 | ． |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\Delta$ verage of 10 years trom 1858－59 to $8884-69$ and 1868 ． | 31 | 25 | 19 | 30 | 9 | so | － | 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

20．Karmala appears to have been the first of the Deccan districts in which the fields

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 were plotted to scale and an attempt made to combine them into village maps．They were，however，so roughly pintted that the fields measured last＂seldom joned on properly to those which were measured trest．＂No syatem of base or the hnes appears to have been followed，and although an attempt was made by Mr Price to improve his maps by divining each village into reotangular seetions，and laying oft the fields on them，they are at the best but indufferent He also submitied with his report a map of the taluka on a seale of a mile to an nach，and based on points land down by the Tryonometrical Survey，but even this must have been unly an appioximation to actually correct protraction，and I have，therefore，not thought it necessary to insert a copy of it in this report21．Mr．Price reported separately on the Ropla and Subha divisions，the former of wheh

Mr．Price＇s deecription of con－ dition of dustrict． was settled in 1842－43 and the latter an 18 13－14．In his report on Repla he de－eribes the state of the dastrict before its transfer to the Britush Government in 1821，as beung looked back apon by the people with a feeling of terror They depinted it as a period of intecurity and oppression， a great portion of the vilage lands lying waste，and those under cultivation constantly passing from one hand to another．Even after ats transfer the umprovement in the condution of the people and morease of cultivation seems to have been but slow This Mr Price attributes to the waut of confidence in the new Gevernment and heavy assessment，bat probably it was more due to paucity of population and want of bullocks He，however，compares their condition farourably with that of the ryots of the Nizim＇s villagee，which are deseribed as mostiy desert－ ed and their lands overgrown wath brushwood，still（owing to over－assessment）the people are represented as beng entirely in the hands of the $W$ anns．As long，however，as they continued steadfast to one Wán，they could obtaun a moderate supply of all their wants，but a breach of fauth preseged the downfall of the moonsiderate cultivator who was goalty of it．Mr Pree＇s socconit of the coudition of the people of the Subha Division，as might be expected，does not differ much from that of the poople of the Ropla Division．

22 Mr ．Price nest proceeds to compare the productive capabilties of Ropla wnth those of Indípur，and states that the krids of produce，qualities of soil，
Comparsoon between ropla and Indapur and modes of cultivation are precisely the same．In chmate he felt confident thant，from its prozmity to the hilly country to the east，the latter fall of ram is more certain and generally greater than im Indapur．With regard to mariats he considered the two districts as on an equality，but in consideration of the greater
rainfall recommended an increase of 5 per cent on the Indápur mavmum rate He accordingly calculated the assessment at a maximum of 315 ress $=12$ anuas $7 \frac{1}{8}$ pres, which gave a Jerayet assessment of Rs 37,335 , and an average rate per acre of 5 annas 8 pies This rate was 2 annas 3 pies less than the average iate per acre of payments tor the preceding nineteen years For the Subha Division, with the exception of a few villages, Mr Price, after remarking that the mode of husbandry, crops grown, \&c, were the same as those of Indapur and the chmate supenor, in consideration of the supenority in point of maikets, proposed a further nerease of 5 per cent, which was equivalent to a masimum rate of 330 reas, or 18 annas $2 \frac{2}{\delta}$ pues, and the resulting assessment amounted to Rs. 60,753 , or Rs $3,474 \mathrm{in}$ cxcess of the payments of the preceding year Thas was equivalent to an average rate of 6 annas 9 pies per acre. The total Jerayet assessment of the taluka was Rs 98,088 , to which there has to be added Rs 2,658 on account of Bagayet in the Subha Division, and probably half as much more on account of that of Ropla This would give a total assessment on cultivated land of Rs 1,02,075, but I find that in the first year of the settlement it was only Rs 81,184, of which Rs 2,049 were remitted and only Rs 79,135 collected

25 On examining the dagiam it will be seen that at the time of settlement there were Anslyms of caltivation, collec tions, ©c. no less than 72,800 acies, or 37 per cent, of waste land, assessed at Rs. 25,433 During the next four years half the waste was taken up, although in the year $1845 \div 16$ (in which over Rs 50,000 were remitted in Indapui) the iemmssions amounted to the large sum of Rs 44,793 or mone than balf the assessment. From 1847 to $18 \% 0$ the cultivation and collections stcadily decreased (although the remissions were trifimg), until in the latter year the waste land was no less than 79,919 acres, and the collections only Rs. 74,782. The two following years saw the waste reduced to 61,000 acres, and the collections ncreased to Rs 83,351 The average cultivation during the first ten years was 211,116 acres, remuss1ons Rs. 5,457 , and collections Rs 78,488.
24. During the second decennual period the waste lands were steadly absorbed, and the Second decennal period collections simultaneously rose, until in 1862 there were only 758 acres of unoccupred assessed land, aud the revenue collected was Rs $1,06,788$ The average remissions durng this period were only Rs 66 , the occuped area bemg 250,105 acres, and the collections Rs 97,194, or 26 per cent higher than during the preceding ten years

25 In the last ten years there has been ouly one year in whuch remussions were granted, Thud decennur period $\quad u z, 1871-72$, when the sum of $\mathrm{Rs}_{\mathrm{s}} 4,369$ was abandoned. The Rs $1,00,524$, the waste land beng only 464 acres.
26. It will thus be seen that, with the single exception of 1871-72, the district (although General remarks even yet scarcely as well of as neughbounnod districta), as far as can be judged from the steady macrease in cultivation and revenue, has been progressing in prosperity durng the last twenty years, even the bad season of 1871-72, which necessitated the remission of Rs 4,369, being followed by the relinquishment of only 257 acres. The following statement shows succinctly the increase in revenue in each succeeding period dunng the last thirty-five years -

| Period |  | Aserage Annual Collectio:e | Increase over preceding pernod | Increase over five years preceding the settlement | Percentage increase |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | On preceding period. |  |  | On five yeare preceding the Settlement. |
|  |  |  | Rs. | Re. | Re |  |  |
| Five years from 183839 to 184243 | - | 81,983 | - | - |  | - |
| Teu years from 184344 to 1852-53 |  | 78,4~8 |  |  |  | - |
| Ten years from 1853 64 to 1862-63 |  | 99,194 | 20,706 | 17,211 | - 260 | 210 |
| Tcn years from 186364 to 187273 |  | 1,06,524 | 7,330 | 24,541 | 70 | 30.0 |

27 The solution of the question of fitting rates for this taluka is greatly facilitated by Now rates
the fact that revised rates have been untroduced with the approval of Government into two districts immediately adjoining Karmála on the east and south, viz, Mádha aad Indápur, and the Koitı Táluka on its west was settled in 1852-53. The plumate of the Karmala Taluka 18 , as mentioned above, somewhat inferior to that of Mádha, and more particularly in the southern portion, which, however, has the advantage in pount of proxmity to the ralway There is no doubt that Karmála, or, at least, tbat part of it through which the rallway runs, benefits more from the construction of that hne than Indapur, and, so far as the villages so benefited are concerned, they should have a somewhat higher max.mum than that district, whinch also on account of its better rainfall should apply to Karmala atself and a few of the villages between it and the Jeur Station The villages on the north-east, although they may, perhaps, enjoy a better ranfall, are still veiy distant from the ralway, and have not the advantage of any road But, whilst $I$ am of opmon that the rates in some parte of Karmála ehould be higher than thrse of Indapur, I do not consider that they should be quute as bugh as the lughest rates of Mádha (except as regards the two villages of Kem and Jeur, at
each of which is a railway station) which, whilst equally favoured as far as rallway commanication is conceined, is somewhat more so in point of climate The bighest class of villages in Mádha had a maximum of Rs. 1-4-0, whilat in Indápur, exclidıng the town of Indápur itself, the maximum rate was Re 1 In the adjoming villages of Korth it was only 12 annas. After mature confideration it appears to me that a maximum rate intermediate between that of Mádba and that of Indápur will be fitting for thus district, and I would, therefore, propose Rs, 1-2-0 as that maximum, putting Jeur and Kem noder a special rate of Ra. 1-4-0
28. You will see from the accompanying map the manner in which I purpose to modify Groupnig of Fillagea. my maximum rate as regards villages which have been described by me above as less advantageously prrcumstanced, whether un point of climate or prosimity to rallway stations You will observe that I have placed all the villages in the south-east corner, which ave both distant from the railway and have a clumate resembling that of Indápur, in my lowest class-Re 1 , as also those along the north-west border, which are nearly under smilar conditions My next elass, with a maximum of Rs 1-2-0, will be composed of villages lying along the railway, and within four miles of a railway station and on the road from Karmála to Jeur. I have also uncluded Ropla in this olass as being a flourishing and populous village, although not within the distance above presoribed of a railway station The following statement shows the number of villages whioh will come ander each class -

29. The elsoification of soils in this táluka was, as a rule, mach more carefully and corold clossifioation. rectly conducted than in the earher settled distrets, hence, although the better solls have been kept at a somewhat higher standard at the revision settlement than was formerly the case, and the poorer solls have been proportionately lowered, the average classification of each village generally agrtes very vearly with the old standard, as may be seen by a reference to the stetement. Tha old average rate, with a maximum of 13 annas $2 \frac{9}{8}$ ples, was 6 annas 8 pies, the mean rate, according to the assessment proposed by me, is 8 annas. Ihe average revised rate in Indapur was 7 annas 6 ples
30. There is one village, Singewári, No 80, in which the merease by the new ascessment exceeds 70 per cent. This is an arceedingly good village, and Mr Whiteombe assurea me that he has no doubt that the old classification was much too low, especislly that of alluvial soil, of which there are nearly 200 acres $m$ this village, of very fine

Numbhore, 70 per cant, $\mathrm{No}, 12$ Jakle, No. 47
Hewre, $\mathbf{N o} 0.45,68$ per cent. quality There are three othey vilages the assessment on which has been rased between 60 and 70 per cent. : but you will observe that the average rate per acre in none of them exceeds 8 annas 7 pies, whilgt in Numbhora, which in most rased, it is only 5 annas 9 pies, and in this village the merease in cultivated arem ss 81 per cent.
31. The ocoupied area, acoording to the last year's acoount, was 271,194 acres, and the collections amounted to Ras. 1,06,897. By the revised survey the occupped areas 28298,487 acres, and the proposed asesesment thereon is Rs. $1,47,757$, which is Rs. 40, yo 0 , or 38 per cent hagher than last year's paymente. Besides this there is a small quantity of ancocupied land which has been assessed at Ris. b39, making a total sum of Ks. 1,48,396. The highest rate on Pathasthal lands as $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{s}}$, 3-12-0, aud I have personally fixed the assessment on each reparate field according to the rules in force in my department. The total assesement on this kind of land is Re 981, and the average rate por aore 1-9.0 Of the nee land there are only 34 scres, on which a maxumum rate of Re. 3 has been imposed.
38. The measurement n as supernntended by Mesprs. Scott and Black, and the olassafication by Mesars Franos and Whricomb3. The asoompanying map has been compiled from traversed maps of indindual nillages, which have been checked by mann circuit traverses, and these agann have been further verified by being elosed on tringulated pounts, the correctness of which has been tested by referrence to the slations fixed by the Great Trusanametncal Survay.

I have the honour to be,<br>$\mathrm{Sir}_{3}$<br>Your most obedient Servant,<br>W. WADDINGTON, Leat-Calonel,<br>Saperntendent, Revenue Surrey and Assessment,<br>Poona and Násit.

Collector of Sholapur.

## Sir,

I have the honour to forward a report from my Assistant, Mr Price, proposing rates of assessment for the Ropla Peta of the Karmala District, and requesting that an early sanctron may be given to them, so as to admit of the new assessment bengg calculated in time to be untroduced at the ensung Jamíband
2. In Mr. Price's 5th paragraph a description is given of the condition of the district while formung a part of the Nizam's country. The people are deseribed as feelng terror even at the remembrance of the treatment they then met with, and the revenue system of those days is represented as one of liberal promises, made whth the same ease with which they were to be broken. From knowing what the state at present of the Moglai Districts adjoning to our own, I feel no doubt with respect to the accuracy of the description

3 In his 6th paragraph Mr Price speaks more favourably of the management of the taluka since it became a Brisish possession In companson with the neighbourng Moglan villages, the country presents a favourable appearance The people feel secure in the little property they have, the villages are better filled with mhabitants, and the cultivators know that if any alteration in the annual settlement is made, it will be one in their favour, and not to their mjury. Thus far all $2 s$ to the credit of our Goverament, bat, at the same tume, the district has not been exempt from the prevailing error in our administration-over-assessment In all probablity, the country was made over to us with a nommal rent-roll much greater than had ever been realized, and our demands regulated by the fictitious statements at all events, such has been the extent of over-assessment in the Karmála District under our rule, that in the last twenty years, out of an aggregate nominal assessment of 29 lakbs of rupees, 13 lakbss of rupees have been remitted In the last year, for which I bave recerved returns, Rs 91,605 were remitted out of $\mathrm{Rs} 1,79,000$,-that is to say, considerably moie than one-half the assessment

4 To all aoquamted' with native habits and character, these facts will, of themselves, suggest a highly-coloured picture of antrigue and corruption. Mr. Price has, in his 8th, 9th, and 10th paragraphs, described other 1 illeffects of a lugh nominal rent roll and yearly remassions, but he has not noticed ate immoial effect ander the prosent system. It may be farly asserted that the whole district is re-assessed each year by a number of under-paid Brahmins, many recelving not more than 10 or 15 rapees a month, without Enropean check and without any princuple of relggons education or public opinion to restran thenr enil dispositions Detection by the officer making the annual settlement as all they have to fear, and the interests of all parties, kárkuns and cultivators, being one and the same, the chance of exposure is very small. Beyond what may be told hum, the setthing officer has no means of detecting frauds, unless his mnumerable occupations may admit of bis personally meppecting the crops while still on the ground, nor unless he possess such a practical acquantance with agriculture as to be able to estumate the extent and value of a crop when he soes it. Such leisure and such knowledge are rare, and I believe I shall not be contradicted in asserting that a practical check by the officer in pereon on the valuation of crops 18, if not ampossible, at any rate so rare as not to deserve consideration in a view of the merits of the system The begging, praying, decaiving, and takang, connected with the obtaining Rs 91,605 in remiseions out of Rs $1,74,000$, can but bo magined by reflecting on the evile conaected with a general election in England. It is to be hoped that the descriptaons that sometimes reach us of an election scene at home are exaggerated and overdrawn but if they are sufficently true to amuse by their likeness, no surpnise should be felt at hearing of the general corruption that exists here
5. To remove such temptations to fraud and deciet, and cut off some of the occasions for the growth of corruption, is one of the objects of the new assessment, at the same time also a fixed assessment, that does not requre the and of remissions to correct it, has the effect of securing Government agaunst loss, and the ryot against oppression. As long as the district is kept in prosperity only by the yearly grant of enormous remissions, Government must be the loser $n \mathbf{n}$ all cases where bribes are successfally given to obatin large remissions that are requred, and, on the other hand, the ryots who do not bribe will have their fields rated, in all probability, more highly than circumstances warrant, in order that the gross amount of remessions may not be so much mocreased as to attract notice, by the favour shown to those who purchase them

6 The preeeding paragraphs relate to the pargana generally I shall now proceed to speak, particularly, of that division of the pargana for which a nerw assessment is proposed in Mr Priee's report. In Fash 1250 the extent of land under the 'Thána at Ropla was 125,031 acres, of this 8,446 acres were held free, leanng 116,581 acres subject to land-tax, of these 116,584 acres, 11,686 are not cultivable, leaning 104,917 acres of arable land. It is to this
extent of land that all Mr. Price's calculations and arguments refer. Of this at present 74,000 acres are cultivated, and 30,000 acres are waste

7 Mr Price's first step is to ascertain what is the average aum per acve that has been pard under the bead of land-tax and gagn during the past nineteen years. The calculation of this is shown at length in Appendix A to his report, and at appears to be 7 annas 11 pres, or nearly half a rupee per acre, and Mr Price argues, from the state of the district, the dependence of the ryots on the money-lenders, and therr general poverty, that the new assessment should be somewhat lighter than this. I am not quite disposed to agree with him on this point. There as a very great difference between having a fixed and certain assessment to pay of 8 annas per aore, and having escaped paying more by the grant of remissions. I have little doubt that much more has been paid in obtaining the remissions, which has never reached the Government Treasury; and besides this, whenever remissions are given, it is the andustrious who are most highly assessed, the idle who escape with paying least, so that, without regarding any anm that may have been paid in bribes, it is very possible that a fixed average assessment of 8 annas may be all the relief that is required to the andistrious and diligent, and that to reduce the assessment much lower would be to make a needlass abatement in the Government demand for the benefit of the adle and improvident. I need not, however, enlarge on my reasons for thinking such a reduction is not required, because I think that, in reality, even Mr. Price's proposed assessment, when newed only with relation to the land now an cultivation, very nearly comeides with the average of past collections.
8. Mr. Proe's 13th and, 14th paragraphs, and Appendices B and C, are occupied in approximating, fiom the average rate for the district, as calculated from the Thána accounts, to the average rate pard under "Sustr" leases only This is done from calculations in ought vallages, seleated for their variety in soll, of the payments on lands that have bsen held on sustn leases, and comparing the average payments so found for the sustir lands in the eight villages with the average payment under all leases generally. It appears to have boen his impression that some oljection might be made to the average taken from the general accounts, because they melude payments on lands let out on "Ukti" and "Ksuli" leases. As such leases, however, are never granted, except when land cannot be let in any other way, I shall not go through the details of the corroborative proof of the approximate accuracy of the general
rate. Kauli and Ukti leases are only another form of remissions Mr Price's calculations,

Paragraph 16.
however, are highly satisfactory, and display very considgrable ungenulty his deduction is that $8 \frac{1}{2}$ annas may be safely taken as the limit of annuad average payment per acre under susti leases. It is safest in general, though not in this case, from the smallness of the difference essential, to be guded by the average rate of payment under all varieties of leases combined, sunce in so many cases ail wall be found in operation in the same holding
9. Mr Price having fired this linut, or graatest average annual payment per acre for the $V$ ude paragraph 17 last nineteen years, and haning previously expressed his opinion that the new assessment ahould be lighter than this, proceeds to consider what the new assessment shall aotually be
10. The new assessment of Indépar having been usually taken as a atandard from whach, Paragraph 18. With dueallowances for difference of chmate, soil, \&e, an approzimation is to be made to the far assessment of other districts. Mr Prioe follows the same course In his 18th paragraph be atates that the productions of the two districts are the same, the sonls the same in deseription, the system of agnculture in them the same, but that in the "Rabi," or latter sowng season, there is generally a more certain and pleatiful supply of sain in the Ropla Petha than in Indapur. In all these observations my inquiries corroborate the statements of Mr Priee.
11. Mr. Price next proceeds to inquire, in his 20th end 21st paragraphs, into the relative prices of gran at Ropla and Indapur. In his 20th paragrayh he gives it as his opimon that, from certain corcumstances, be thinks no conclusion can be drawn from past pricesin the town of Ropls as to what the priee of gran will be there in future years after the cultrvators have freed themselves from the shackles of the money-lenders; this is correct if the price at whoh grain is bought from the ryots is alone referred to, but a mistake if the price at which the gran-merchants sell it for conveyance to Poona or elsewhere is reganded, for the selling-pnice cannot be anfluenced by causes of the nature desenbed, and depends onturely on the prices in other markets. Havng rejected the prices of the Ropla market, Mr. Price takes the overage of the prices in the four contignons markets of Karmála, Barsi, Mádhs, and Indépur, and companes this with the price at Indépur.
12. The table of prices given by Mr Price extends over fwenty years; and Mr Pnoe comes to the conolusion, with reference to the whole of these years, that Ropla has no advantage in price over Indépur, and in his 82ind paragraph he proposes that, in consideration of the better seasons enjoyed in Ropla, an marsase of 5 per cant shall be made on the Indápur rates, giving atotal assessmant for Ropla of Rs, 37,000, and an average rate per scre for the whole distriot of 5 annas and 8 pies, or for the land in cultivation (allowng the 8,000 waste acrea to be of infenor quality) of 7 anuas. Thus rate is slightly hugher than thant for the last three years (duning which there has been a great extension of cultivation under the remission system), and an anna less than the average of the past nineteen years, during the greater part of which the best lauds elono were cultivated.

13 On receiving Mr. Price's report I mmediately turned to see what the difference in the price of grain at Indapor and Karmála hod been since the abolition of the transit duties The abolition of the transit duties, I $k$ low, had caused an entire change in the relative prices of grain thioughout the country, and from the returns in my possession it was evident that the exportation of grain from Ropla must be in the durection of Karmála. I found this difference to be 25 per cent according to Mr Price's table, and from riturns that had been furmished to me by the Mamlatdars I found it to be the same I was very much astonished at this, being mpreased, from the position of Kaimala with the idea that prices at that place and Indapur should not greatly differ On communicating with Mr Price, I found him of the same opinion, and it struck me that it was possible that in the returns that had been sent to us there might have been some confusion between the buying and selling prices. I, therefor, referred agan to the Mámlatdars, and I found that this had actually been the case. The amended returns show the following rate for Karmala and Indápur .-

Lbs sold for one Rupee
Indápur
Karmada.
162
14 The advantage, then, in price that Karmala bas over Indapor may be eatimated at 5 per cent, and Ropla itself (which is 12 miles from Karmála) may be considered to possess an mferinr market to Indápur I am, therefore, able to arrive at very much the same conclusion as Mr Price respecting the assessment as deduced from this line of argument, although on different data

15 I shall now proceed to examine in detanl what the Government have been recelving fiom the district since it came into their possession, and to endeavour to show from this also what assessment should be umposed This is the line of argument generally followed in the revision of assessment in the North-West Provinces, and it seems to me a very safe one for preserving Government from loss, and the ryot from orpression.

16 From a table attached to this report (which differs from Mr Price's table in includung the Sáyer Jama and Bá, $\mathrm{ths}_{\mathrm{s}}$ ) it will be seen that the annual sum collected in the district on account of Goverment, and village, and district officers has been Rs 28,960 on the avelage of the last mineteen years, Rs 31,000 on the average of the last three years, and that the sum collected last yeal was Rs 34,000 Taking into consideration the artifictal system on which the pargana is now managed, and the gieat loss sustanned in its working, both by Government and the ryots, I am inclined to take the last sum of Rs $34,000 \mathrm{as}$ a better test of what Government may expect than the average of the last three or nineteen years This Rs 34,000 , however, includis a sum of Rs 1,738 for Bagayet cultivation, and 1,400 for Sáyer and Báptis, which will be realized independently of the assessment depending on the rates now proposed, delucting these sums, we have, therefore, a sum of Rs 31,000 to be plonided for by the new assessment In addition to this sum, Government $1 s$ farrly entitled to look fol some 1 eturn from the 30,000 acres of waste now in the district. This warte land is undoubtedly of the worst kind, and I should not feel inolined to value it at more than $2 \frac{1}{2}$ annas an acre This valuation would give about Rs 5,000 , which, added to the sum that Government may be looked upon as receivng already, makes a total of Rs. 36,000, which agiees quite nearly edough with the assessment calculated by a comparison with Indipur to justity its adoption I have, therefore, no hesitation in recommending the rates proposed in M1 Price's letter for the sanction of Government They are as follows -

| 18t.-Black | ... 815 | 1st -Red | ... 210 | 1st -_Barad | 105 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2nd- | ... 252 | 2nd.- ${ }^{\text {\% }}$ | .. 137 | 2nd - , | ... 63 |
| 3rd- " | ... 180 | $3 \mathrm{rd} \cdot \rightarrow$, | 80 | 3rd.- | ... 37 |

and they are calculated to produce an assessment of Rs 37,385.
17. The Bagayet assessment of the district may, I think, with great safety, be made on exactly the same principles as that of Indápur The difference of clamate gives no advantage to Bagayet cultivators, and in other respects they are in both districts very much on an equality. I, therefore, propose that two rupees an acre should be the highest rate of extra assessment on account of Bagayet cultapation, the details of the assessment being fixed as they were in Indápur.

18 The assessment now proposed is calculated to cover the payments at present made in lind by the ryots to the dustrict and village officeis.

I have, \&ce,
(Signed) A. NASH, Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assemsment in the Deccan.

Puona, 19 th Saptember 1842

## Limutgnant A. NASH,

Superintendent of Revenue Survey in the Deocan.
Sis,
As the measurement and classification of the lands of the Ropla Division of the Karmála Talaka, preparatory to the introduction of the new assessment, are drawn to a close, I beg leave to addreas yon on the subject of the rates I would propose, with the hope that an early sanction for them teing obtained, they may form the basus of the ensung Jamáband.
2. As a reason for wishing to propose rates for the Ropla Division before the sarvey of the whole taluka as completed, I may mention that, however good the season may be, the present heavy asseasment renderng it invariably necessary for nearly all the oultivators to petnthon for remseron, the consequent labour of exrveyng their field is so great, and withal so unsatisfactory, both to the ryots and settling officer-the latter having to trust in a great measure to the native establishment-that nothing, in my opinion, is so desurable as the early introduction of an assessment, which will do away whth a mode of settlement fraught with labour, irregularity, and disgust.

3 It is true that the completion of the whole talaka will take only another season; but then when, in addition to what I have said above, it is considered that even in that short thme a low assessment will have the effect of somewhat meliorating the conditions of the cultivators, and adding to the revenue by an increaae of cultivation, and also that, besides there beng no valid reason why the new rates should not be introduced next season, the cultivators have for the last year been expecting them, I hope my proposal, ao far from seeming premature, will meet with your cordral support
4. Before entering upon those pomts, the consideration of which wall tend to show what rates it will be most advisable to fix, I beg to speak of the manner in which the work has been conducted:-
let-As regards the Measurements.-As the existing arrangement of the fields appears in a majonty of oases to be at variance with that laid down by Mr Pringle in his reconds duing his survey, it was deemed neeessary to re-measure the whole of the lands in each village, and in doung this, the expedient of havng the fields laid off in the measurers: books from properly divided scales was adopted. The fields thus land of were compled as the measurements proceeded on separate sheets, so as ultumately to form regular plans of the lands of each village. It was, however, found that by reason of the rough matenals by which these plans were constructed, that the fields measured last seldom joined on properly to those which were measured first, and that it was, therefore, neoessary, by way of remedying this and testing the measurements, to have the lands of each village divided into rectangular sections, protracted in such manner as to show at what places the boundaries of the fields orossed the hnes whoh comprnsed these sections. The fields were then land off from the measurers' field books on these section sheets, and I can say with confidence that the measurements and the plans thus construated from them are as correct as from the abilities of the mdinduals employed can reasonably be expeoted.
2nd.-As segarde the Classyisation of the Soil.-Of this branoh of the work little need be said. The asual method of daviding the coll mato nine olasses of different produotive qualities was adopted, and the Tarams employed in classufymg it were so mostructed as to secure uniform standand in their work. Thour classification was ultumatoly tested by myself and either confirmed or done over agapn, as curoumstanoes required.
5. In ontering apos the consideration of those points which constitute the sureat data at hand from which to draw a correot conclusion reganding the rates whioh it is most dearable to fix, I wull first apeak of the past and present condition of the people. The villages of the petha in question reverted to our Government from His Highness the Nizam in 1821, at which time the condition of the people wassuch that the elder cultivators look beck to it with a feelmg of terror. They describe it as a period of insecunty and oppression, wnthout regard to the estabhished asseasment therr fields wore almqst mvarnably given to them at low rates, bris nim oese of a tolemably good crop, double ar treble the amount was demanded, and when theee erorbitant and unjust demands were not comphed with, confisaation of produce and property, and mot anfrequently detention and pumushment of percon, were the cossequences; the natural result was that most of the oultuvators were in a state of misery. A great portion of the village lands ware lyng waste, and thoee under cultavimon were constantly passing from oue hand to another.
6. It might from this be concluded that when the petha reverted to our Government, both an marese of cultavation and a gradad improvement in the oondition of the coltavitors began to develope themselves. As regards the former, I have not, from the locse manner in which the village scoounts were then kept, been able to arnve at a eare covelumon; but my opinion us that a srant of confidence in their new rulers, together with a heevj aseessment, must at the tame have formed a sanous obstacie to the cultavetors taking op fresh land; and an regards
their gradual improvement, I would observe that if a conclusion may be drawn from their present condition, as compared with that of the ryots in the netghbourng villages, which still belong to $H_{1 s}$ Hughness the Nizam, I may speak more favourably The villages alladed to are mostly deserted, therr lands are grown over with brush-wood, and with few exceptions those of the remaining inhabitants display poverty and wretchedness in the extreme, whereas those of Ropla are comparatively well nubabited, and that by persons who had deserted them doring the time of the Nazam, therr lands have latterly in a great measure been brought under cultivation, and if the people do not possess much property, yet they feel themselves, and what little they have, to be secure under British authorty, and bless the day they were placed under it.
7. In fact, the only obstacle to the prospenty of the cultivators of Ropla has been the heary assessment which has hitherto regulated the yearly payments, but, as a further instance, and one duly appreciated by the cultivators, of the benefit they have derived by falling into the hands of our Government, I may add that even the natural evils arising from it have by the remissions granted yearly been in a great measure obviated, and the comparative comfort of the cultivators secured
8. It must not, however, for a moment be magned that the present assessment, even attended with its concomitant mode of granting remissions, will, becange it has somewhat melorated the condition of the cultivators, eventually ranse them to a degree of prospenty The lateness of the yearly surveys causing a great waste of gran, the fear of being suspected of having acted partially, inducing the Karkuns to over-estimate the value of the fields, and the suspicoon of the settling officer that the Karkuns bave really acted unfarrly to Government, causing him occasionally to increase their estimates, are parts of the system by which the cultrvator suffers, and therefore, af he prospers under it, it is not in consequence of the aystem but an spite of it.
9. It 18 my opinion that the cultivators of Ropla are in as favourable a condition just now as it is possible they ever can be under the present assessment, and its concomitant aystem of granting remissons, and what that condition is, I wll in a few words describe. They live upon grain, \&e, borrowed from tume to time from the village Wams to whom, with few exceptions, they are much in debt, they pay their revenue with money borrowed at immense interest from these Wanis, and in return give them all the pioduce of ther fields They are, in fact, so entirely in the hands of these people, that without it is done clandestinely they cannot dispose of the produce of therr fields to that advantage which otherwise they very frequently could, nor are they able, by reason of the combination which exists among the Wanis, to make them give anything like the price for their grain which could be had for it at bazaars where free competition exusts.
10. I may here observe that the evils of this umproverished condition are not so severely felt by the cultivators as would be 1magned, and that because of the facility wuth which they are able, so long as they oontinue steadfast to any one of these Wanis, to obtann a moderate supply of all their wants from them, and while it is just to say that, so long as they do so they seldom feel much want, it is also just to add that a breach of farth with any one of them may be dated as the downfall of the inconsiderate cultivator who may allow humself to be gailty of 1 t.
11. Having thus described the past and present conditions of the cultivators of Ropla and I trust satisfactorly shown that consequent to falling into our hands the heary assessment has been the only obstade to their emerging from a state of poverty, I beg, before proceeding to the consideration of other points, to draw your attention to the inference I would draw from these premses. I would from them infer that the average rate of the new assessment must not only be much lower than that of the present one, but lower also than the average rate of payment, after deducting remis6ions, which the cultivators have made daring past years
12. To ascertain what this average rate per acre on Jarayet land is, I have drawn out the accompanyng Appendix, marked A, from which, by companng the quantity of land nader cultivation durng each year for the last mineteen years with the payments, as revenue and Gugri, which the cultivators have made during those yeare, it would appear that 11 annas 7 pies has been the highest, and 3 annas 1 pie the lowest rates per acre pand during the period aliuded to, and that the average rate is 7 annas 11 pies per acre. In the Appendix in question, masmuch as remiseons have been granted indiscriminately, without any regard to the tenures on which the fields have been held, I have been obllged to melude the whole cultivation, comprising ukti, kauli, and susta tenures, and it may, therefore, be objected that, by moluding the fields on uktı and kauli tenures, I have shown a considerably less rate per acre than would actually have been realized had the fields in question been given to the ryota on the muath or a seessed rates.
13. To this objection $I$ might in my tarn objeot that, had it been possible to bring the fields under cultivation on any other tenure, the enticing kauls and akts tenures would not have been resorted to, but, further than this, I am prepared to show that the yearly rates per acre shown in Appendix A are not far from the true ones. Without at all thinking that what I was about would in the end be made sabservient to substantiate this point, I commenced in the early part of the season getting statements made, showing what had bean paid yearly for as many Jarayet fields in each village as had contunued under cultuvation for ten suocesance years, choosing such fields as had been held by the susta tenure.
14. Eight of these statements I forward, marked Appendux B, and beg to refer you to Appendux C, in which I have compared the yearly rates per acre, which these statements sbow, with the yearly rates per acre shown in Appendis $A$, of the whole petha, and in observing how. closely they agree, I would add that I am sorry I was not able, from the urregularity in the village accounts, to ascertain the payments made by the cultivators for these fields for previousi jearb, inasmuch as I feel cartain that they would agree just as closely as those I have procured do.
15. Perhaps it may be necessary to remark that to compare the average rateg per year Which any one of these village statements shows, with the rates of the corresponding year as shown in Appendix A, would not be a fair method of testing the modes I have adopted of ascertainung what the rate of payment per acre has been, and that because Appendux A meludes all the villages in the petha in which a varnety of soil is found, whereas any one of the village statements merely shows the rate of payment which has been mado for ats own soll, and it is for thas reason that, in making the eight statements in question, it was necessary for me to select villages which, taken as a whole, presented every variety of sol.
16. All that jnst now appears neceseary to be sand relative to Appendix A, is that masmuch as the years meluded in it are neither a conseoutive series of good nor bad ones, it is, I thunk, fair to infer that it represents favourable sample of the kind of seasons we may, hereafter expeot, and if this be allowed, and the means I have adopted of ascertaming what the average rate of past payments per aore is, be a correct one, we may, I thank, from the unference drawn in paragraph 12, conolude that the new assessment should be regulated by a graduated scale of rates, which, when applied to the whole patha, will not admit of the average aste par acre for Jarayet land being as high as 8 annas and 6 piesa
17. I shall now proceed to the consideration of what the average rate per acre of the new assessment should actually be, and, truly, were it not for the opportunity we have of comparing the produchive capabilitias of the petha in question with those of the already assessed Indapur pargana, and thus drawng analogical unference, this pount would have to be established from data of such $x$ speculative nature as to preclude the possibility of arnving' at any degree of certainty regarding at. I shall, therefore, not attempt entering on the calculation of the values of the different degrees of labour necessary to insure a good orop from the varions qualities of sol, nor upon estimating the quantuties of produce likely to be realized in retuin from a gaven portion of each of them, and thus forming a monolusion as to what Government mught reasonably demand from the cultivator, but commence at once upon a com. parison between Indapur and Ropla, and this I am the more encouraged to do from the personal experience, extending to a period of five years, which I have had of the merite of the Indepur asseasment. I can coofidently say of at that in no one instance in whoh sufficient labour had been ontered upon, did the land produce less than enough to enable the oultivator to pay the assessment, and support himself comfortably afterwards, and I could point out many instances of laborious cultuvators having moreased in prosperity since the new assessment was fixed at Indápur.
18. In proceeding, then, to compare Indépur with Ropla, I beg first to premise that, after a most minute inquury, I find that the kinds of produce, qualities of sol, and methode of culturations are preossely the same in both. Bajirı and Jowári are the two prouerpal grams; they are oultivated at about the proportion of one to four, respectively, and to such an extent that the lands left for the minor grames seldom produce anything beyond the quantity requisite for home consumption. The soils in both are blaok and heary along the rivers whoh enclose them, and brown and lighter near the ridgy parts which, as it were, duvide each into two equall parts. The heavy plough requiring ten bullocks is common to both, and the pernods of sowngs and reaping are preosely the same. These resemblances may appear strikng, but their stiangeness will disappear when it 18 conssdered that Ropla is situated at quly 20 miles to the eastward of Ind\{́par, and has some of ite villages whthin 10 miles of 1 t.
19. Having premised this, I will now enter upon the comparison of the climate and local advantages as regards the disposal of thear produce, of Indápur and Ropla, theee bering, I apprehend, the prancupal points which affect the abilty of a district to pay its revenue. As regards the clumate, I may confidently say that, from its proximity to the hilly country eastward, the fall of rain which takes place during the rabi crop in the months of September and October, is mare oertain and generally groster in Ropla than in Indapur; the consequence is, that the rabl crope are invanably better in the former place.
20. In reference to the comparative local advantages they possess for the disposal of their grean, I muat siy that it $3 s$ duffioult to determine to which to give the preference. In the Ropls Petha there is no market of any note, and if there were, the poverty of the oultivators, as alluded to un paragraph 9 , would have prealuded the possibility of theur takng that advantage of it which they otherwise could To prove this I have prepared the Appendix D, in which the proes at which gram has been ould at Karmala market are contrasted with the prices at what it has, I may say, hitherto been taten from the oulurators of Ropla. In drawing your attention to this appendux, I would observe that the difference in the prices 1580 maoh in favour of Karmala, that, considerang the contiguity of the places and the freeness of the competrion , Whach esusts among the Wunis of the Karmala market, it would be ndiculons to umagine that
anything like farr dealing had exnsted at Ropla, or that a just conclusion can be drawn, from the priees at which grain has hitherto been sold there, as to what it may sell for hereafter. Notwitbstanding this, I am not without hope of being able to contrast Ropla and Indapur, and that most satisfactorly, on this pont Ropla has, as I have just mentioned, the Karmélas market about 12 miles to the north, it has also the splendid Barsi market about 20 miles to the east, and to the south it has the recond-rate market of Mádha, while to the west it has the market of Indápur itself. Now, it is my opinion that, as soon as the new assessment is introduced, and the ryots begin to throw off the thraldom which they now suffer from the Wanis, they will resort to each of these markets just according to the contigurty to, or remoteness from, them of therr respective villages I imagne, then, it is farr to conclude that by contrasting the average prices at which gran has hitherto been sold in these markets with the prioes at which it has been sold at Indépur, we will be able to form a tolerably correct conclusion as to whether Ropla or Indápur would, if thunge had been as they ought, have had the advantage in tumes past.
21. In Appendix E I have made the contrast alluded to, and find that it shows a trifing result in favour of the average prices of the markets, which according to the above supposition, may be considered as the prices of Ropla. It mast, however, be eonsidered that the transmittal of granu from Ropla to these markets will be attended with inconvenienee and expenses, which wnll be equally, if not more than, sufficient to contract this advantage in favour of Ropla, and I, therefore, would recommend that no preference be attached either to Ropla or Indapur in regard to the faclities they possess for the disposal of thas produce. Before I dismiss this pait of my subject it is necessary to mention that there are the Temburn, Kurdu, and Pannda markets situated yatermediately between those already noted, to which the caltivators of Ropla might carry their gran Of these, the Parnda and Kurdu markets are too small to admit of the ready dseposal of grain at them, and although the Temburnis a larger, yet it 18 rather a cloth market, and, at best, will not bring a higher price for grain than the average price of Indápur and Mádha, between which it is struated.
22. The only advantage, then, that Ropla appears to have over Indápur, is in the more certann and generally greater quantity of rain by which it is veited dunng the rabi crop in the months of October and November, and I would, therefore, recommend that the rates per acre for the several solls which form the basis of the Indápur assessment be each raseed 5 per cent. and apphed to Ropla.
23. If this proposal is acceded to, the rates of assessment for the Jarayet land of Ropla will be as follows -

| Souls, |  | Rate per acre | Sorle. |  | Rate per acre. | Soils. |  | Bate per acre. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1st.-Black | $\cdots$ | 315 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1st -Red } \\ & \text { 2nd — } \\ & 3 \mathrm{rd} \text { - " } \end{aligned}$ |  | 210 | Ist.-Brown | -* | 105 |
| 2nd - ${ }^{3}$ |  | 252 |  | $\cdots$ | 137 | 2nd - $\quad$, | $\cdots$ | 63 |
| 3rd.- |  | 180 |  | .. | 80 | 3rd - 2 |  | 37 |

These rates are precisely the same as those of the Madha Taluka, to which Ropla ummediately joins on to the north, and will, by applying them to its classfication, fix the assessment of Ropla at Rs 37,385-5-10, which, divided among the extent of arable land an the whole petha, gives the following average rate per acre --

| Acrea of Arable Land an the Pargana | Asbessment as mentioned above, | Average rate pers acre, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{array}{cc} \text { Acres. } & \text { gts. } \\ 104,917 & 33 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \text { Rs, } & \text { m. } & \text { p. } \\ \mathbf{8 7 , 3 3 5} & 5 & 10 \end{array}$ | A. p. <br> 58 |

This rate 182 annas 3 pies less than the average rate per acre of payments for past years, and 3 pres less than the average rate of the Indipur assebsment. This last 18 accounted for, however, by the fact that the quantity of superior soils is much greater in Indapur than in Ropla.

24 To show that by adopting the assessment now proposed, Government will not have to make an unnecessary sacrfice of revenue, I beg to say that it exceeds the average amount of recoupts for Jarayet land for the last nneneteen years by $\mathrm{R}_{8} 11,280-6-7$, and has been exceeded in the year 1236 only It had been better, however, for the anterest of Government had less revenue been collected m 1236, for the immediately subsequent decrease of 18,379 acres of cultivation, and the further decrease of 8,013 acres after the intervention of a year, sufficiently show what a paralyzing effect the heavy tazation made in 1236 had upon the energyes of the oultivatore.
25. Neither (I am of opinion) will Government, even should no immediate increase of cultuation take place, be called apon to make a present sacrifice of revenue. The sum oolleated
for Jarayet land in 1250 amounts ta Rs 30,735-10-9, which sum, it is true, exceeds the amount denvable by the average new rate for the same extent of cultivation by Rs. 4,210-2-9, but the fact must not be lost sight of that the land now under cultivation comprises the best in the petha, and that the assessment of it, when calculated fiom the above scale, will be cons anderably greater than that which the average rate of good and bad soll taken together, and calculated as above, will produce.
26. All that now appears necessary to be said relative to the above scale of rates 18 , that it has been fromed under the consideration that it is hereafter the intention of Government to compute the value of the gugri due to the Patels and Kulkarms, and give the amount to them from the treasury in the same way as their other balss are paid, instead of allowing them to go and take it in kind, as is the case at present, from the cultivators' fields. Should I, however, have fallen into a mistake on this point, all that will be necessary 18 to reduce the scale of rates, so as to cause a reduction of about Rs 2,599 (the average value of the gugin for the last ten years) in the assessment of the whole petha.
27. The extra tax on account of Bagayet or garden cultuvation is all that now appears to call for consuderation. In regard to it I would observe that the gardens have all been examined as to the depth and usual quantity of water in these wells- thenr extent, the qualaty of their soils, and their fachities in points of locality as regards manure I would, therefore, recommend that they be divided into three separate classes, each garden taking its place according to the degree in whichit possesses the qualy ${ }^{\text {Peations just enumerated, and that these classes }}$ be assessed at 2 rupees, 1 rupee 8 annas, and 1 rupee, respectively. It may be objected that 2 rupees per acre is too low a rate of assessment for first-rate garden land, and $I$, therefore, feel called upon to add that, from the expenence I have had m collecting revenue, I really do not think 80. The kinds of gaiden produce rased in Ropla are never of such a nature as to bring a high return; and although or higher rate might be levied, yet if it did not have the effect of causing the cultivators to reduce the oontingent expenses connected with garden oultivation, and so endanger the safety of his mell and goodnoss of his orop, it would certanaly cramp his abilities to enter upon the additional expenses of rasing such valuable produce as would in the end not only ensure his own prosperity, bat the interest of Government Since this is the case, it need hardly be sald that gardens of an mferion class should not be assessed at so high a rate as Ra, 2 per acie, and there are certainly others which, from tbe want of suffiesent water in therr wells, and being comprised of inferior soil, cannot at most be assessed higher than 1 rapee per acre.
28. Before I conclude this report there are two points to whoh I respectfully beg to draw your attention, as conneated so closely with the interest of the new assessment (as being the means of ameliorating the condition of the cultivators), that on its introduction they should, in my opinion, be most strictly attended to. I have observed, dunng the last two seasons, that the revenue for the rabi crop in particular has been demanded of the cultryatorg in Ropla before the grain was prepared for the market. It is dufficult to asy how much the condition of the cultivators, in so far as the security of the Government revenue is onncerned, has called for the adoption of this measure, but that it must not a little have contributed by forcong the cultivatois into the hands of the Wanue to impaverish them, as a fact which no one wall doubt. I am, indeed, so deeply imprassed with the runous effects of the too early collection of revenue that I hope to be encused for relating the followng curcumstances as showing the amount of good to be derived by the ryots in the abolition of it. Before I was apponted to the situation of Mámlatdar of Indapur, the practice I desire to see prevented prevaled there in common with other districts, but observing the ruinous effect it had on the cultivators, and finding that the penods laid down for collecting the revenue were earher than was consistent with the time requisite for preparing the corn for the market, I proposed, when it became due, that a respite of one month should be given for the collection of the first rabi unstalment My proposal was acceded to, and when it is considered that the instalment in question amounted to Ris 20,000 , and that in consideration of advaneing the revenue, and beng paid When the grain should be ready, the Whans were demanding it of the cultivators at 16 seers per ropee aheaper than what it is sold for at the expuration of the respite granted, some idea may be formed as to the amount of good the caltivators derved at the two. In fact, I am certan that nothing secared my popularity with the cultivators eo much as did the yearly observance of this measure, while, on the other hand, the short-aighted Wans looked opon me as the runer of their interests.
29. The other point to which I heg to draw your attention is the restriction necessary to be plaoed upon the cultavators in regand to theur takigg ap more fresh land than they are able to cultivate im a proper manner. Thus they will be very apt to do as soon as the new assessment is introduced, but if allowed, the consequence will be that, where the implements cf hasbandry are deficent, both the land they retain and that newly taken up wall be so badly cultivated, that eather remsesons must be granted for both, or the cuiturators will sunk mato a lower state of poverty than that in which they now are. It is my opinion that it is impossable, with the number of druaght cattle the enltivators of Ropla have at present, for them to take up mone land whth any idea of cultivating it properly. The extent of land now in cultivation smounts to 74,896 acres and it is a geverally reoeived opimion that every 60 acres of land nequires 10 bullocks. The number of bullocks requisite, then, for the cultivation of the lised now under the plough is $18,48 \geq$. I find, however, from neturas prepared daning the progress of the work, that there are ondy 10,118 dranght cattle in the pethas, from which if we deduct 400 , the least number requaite for

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the extia labour of garden cultivation，we have 9,718 left－a number quite insufficient for labouring in the Jarayet fields I would，therefore，recommend that，for the present，the ryots of Ropla itself be prevented fiom taking up any more land，and that the privilege of doing so be for a time left open to those only who may come from the neighbouring vallages of His High－ ness the Nuzam，where，I need hardly say，therr treatment is such as fully convinces me that they are only waiting the reduction of assesement in Ropla to throug to it

I have，\＆c，
（Signed）W．S PRICE，
Assistant Supernntendent，Revenue Survey in the Deccan．
Camp Poona，25th July 1842.

## APPENDIX A

Statement showsng the yearly Extent of Cultzvation，Remzssions，Collections，and Average Rate per Acre of Payments on Jarayet Land，for the last 19 years．


APPENDIX D
Statement contrasting the Pruces at which Grain has been sold per rupee at the undermentioned places for the last twenty years．

| No of years | $\underset{\text { years }}{\text { Fasin }}$ | Karmala， |  | Bopla． |  | Ropla－more |  | Ropla－less． |  | Remarks． |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Bajur | Jowarı | Bajus | Jowarı | Biju | Jowart | Bujur | Jowart． |  |
| 1 | 1231 | 39 | 48 |  | 64 |  | 16 |  |  | 䟱 |
| 2 | 1232 | 46 | 54 |  | 128 | ．．． | 74 |  | － | － |
| 8 | 1233 | 21 | 32 | －•• | 44 | － | 12 | － | ．．． | 吕 |
| 4 | 1234 | 12 | 15 | 32 | 20 | 20 | 5 | － | ． | $\stackrel{8}{ \pm}$ |
| 5 | 1285 | 26 | 32 | 24 | 42 | － | 10 | 2 |  | 真 |
| 6 | 1236 | 33 | 48 | ．．＂ | 56 | ． | 8 |  | $\cdots$ | 5 |
| 7 | 1237 | 24 | 33 | － | 58 | $\cdots$ | 25 | － | ＊＊ | 8 |
| 8 | 1238 | 48 | 51 | 88 | 80 | 48 | 29 |  | ．．． | ${ }_{\text {\％}}$ |
| 9 | 1239 | 17 | 32 |  | 48 | ．．． | 16 | － |  | 曹 |
| 10 | 1240 | 35 | 50 | －• | 80 | ．．． | 30 | ． | ＊ | 最 |
| 11 | 1241 | 83 | 40 | ＊＊ | 64 | ． | 24 |  |  | \％ |
| 12 | 1242 | 13 | 19 | ．．． | 20 | $\cdots$ | 1 | ＊＊ |  | \％ |
| 13 | 1243 | \＆6 | 24 | － | 48 | ．．． | 24 |  | $\cdots$ | $\stackrel{\square}{3}$ |
| 14 | 1244 | 32 | 39 | ＊．． | 80 | ．． | 41 | $\cdots$ | ．．． | \％ |
| 15 | 1245 | 23 | 28 | ．．． | 57 | ．．． | 29 | ．．． | ．． | \＄ |
| 16 | 1246 | 26 | 44 | $\cdots$ | 68 | ．．． | 24 | ．．． | ．．． | ¢ |
| 17 | 1247 | 23 | 48 | ．．． | 80 | ． | 32 | ．．． | ．．． | 8 |
| 18 | 1248 | 24 | 42 | ．． | 67 | ． | 25 | ． | ．．． | ${ }^{ \pm}$ |
| 19 | 1249 | 34 | 45 | － | 52 | ． | 7 | ＊＊ | $\cdots$ | 发安 |
| 20 | 1250 | 37 | 52 | $\cdots$ | 57 | $\cdots$ | 5 | ＊．． |  | ${ }^{\text {¢ }}$ |

APPENDIX E．
Statement contrasteng the Avorags Price per rupee of Jowdri at the under－ mentioned markets，for the last twenty years，woth the prices at which at has been sold at Indúpur during the same pervod

| Fasli vears． | Pricel at which it has been sold ats |  |  |  | Total． | AveragePrices of the fonr Markets． | Indspur |  | Remarks， |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Karmala． | Bars | Madhan | Indapur． |  |  | Less | More |  |
| 1231 | 48 | ， | 52 | 32 | 132 | 44 | － |  | 㫛品 |
| 1232 | 54 | 48 | 80 | 32 | 186 | 46 | ． | 14 | 宫号 |
| 1235 | 32 | 44 | 40 | 37 | 153 | 38 | ．．． | 1 | 品䂙 |
| 1284 | 15 | 15 | $16 \frac{1}{2}$ | 13 | 60 | 15 | ．．． | 2 | ¢ ${ }^{\text {\％}}$ |
| 1235 | 32 | 32 | 37 | 44 | 145 | 86 | 8 |  | 虽畐 |
| 1236 | 48 | 56 | 64 | 64 | 232 | 58 | 6 |  | 형 |
| 1237 | 33 | 49 | 48 | 32 | 162 | 41 |  | 9 | 感 |
| 1238 | 51 | 56 | 68 | 80 | 255 | 64 | 16 |  | 昆呂 |
| 1239 | 32 | 44 | 44 | 46 | 166 | 42 | 4 |  | 云寅 |
| 1240 | 50 | 42 | 48 | 40 | 180 | 45 |  | 5 | 雨 |
| 1241 | 40 | 32 | 44 | 60 | 176 | 44. | 16 | － | \％${ }^{\text {\％}}$ |
| 1242 | 19 | 17 | 18 | 23 | 77 | 19 | 4 |  | 明最 |
| 1243 | \＆ 4 | 40 | 42 | 46 | 152 | 28 | 8 |  | 年号 |
| 1244 | 39 | 44 | 56 | 48 | 187 | 47 | 1 | ．．． | 吕臨 |
| 1245 | 38 | 28 | 40 | 38 | 134 | 34 | 4 | ．．． | 衡 |
| 1246 | 44 | 30 | 56 | 66 | 198 | － 49 | 17 | ．．． | 碇等 |
| 1247 | 48 | 57 | 60 | 72 | 237 | 59 | 13 | － |  |
| 124.8 | 42 | 41 | 46 | 68 | 197 | 49 | 19 |  | \％ |
| 1249 | 45 | 44 | 48 | 68 | 205 | 51 | 17 | － |  |
| 1250 | 52 | 52 | 52 | 68 | 224 | ${ }^{56}$ | 12 |  | \％\％ |

Nots－It was not possible to ascertain the prices for whioh bijri was sold，during the whole of the ebove perrod，at the places mentroned，and it has，therefore，been left out
（True ooples）
G M．SUART，
Acting Colleotqr．

No． 367 of 1842．
To
W．SIMSON，Esq．，
Revenue Commissıonar．
Sir，
I have the honour to forward oorrespondence from Lieatenant Nash，proposing new rates of assessment for the Mahalkar Division of the Karmala Taluka Mr．Price＇s reason in the second paragraph appears conclusive for theur being introduced at once，and has made me carefully avoud any lengthy discussion on the measures proposed which would only be creating unnecescary and injudicious delay，as with one exception，I fully concur in them

2．In paragraphs 3 and 4 the measures adopted in the survey and olassification are noticed and from paragraphs 5 to 11 the present and former state of this part of the country，neither of which point＇s require being noticed．

5．Paragraphs 6 to 9 of Taeutenant Nash＇s letter are occupied in balancing the pras and cons of Mr．Price＇s reasoning from paragraphs 12 to 16 as to the proportion the new rates should bear to the average yearly sum formerly pard per acre and the price of gram，in follow－ ung up which it appeari no advantage 18 to be ganed，as Mr．Price un his 17th paragraph truly remarks that，if it was not for hoving the Indápur survey as a besis，it would all be of a too speculatave nature to be depended on．

4．In the 14 paragraph he states that，Karmál has an advantage over Indépor in the price of gran by 5 per cent，which，however，is lost to Ropla from its benge 12 miles off，this is not conclusive，it not beang more than the greaser portion of the Indapur villages are distant from Indapur itself；besides the fact is lost sight of that Bfirs，Shalapur，and Purandiar are the great markets and though the two first are distant，yet the excess in price realized will make up for excess of expense in carriage．
5. Taking this into consideration and the other advantagee, set forth in the 19th and 22nd paiagraphs of Mr Price's letter, which from some years' acquaintance with the taluka I know to be the case, it appears to me Ropla can well bear an assessment of 5 per cent. for both Jarayet and Bagayet in excess of that of Indapur, and which, in whatever way the conclusion is arrived at, is, as far as relates to Jarayet, that proposed by both Messrs. Nash and Price As to the Bagayet, I cannot perceive why any distinction ahould be drawn, its produce being equally affected by the enhanced price
6. I, therefore, respectfully beg to suggeat the sanction of Government be obtained for new rates to be fixed in the Mahálkari's Division of the Karmála Taluka of the same amonnt as those of Madha, viz., 5 per cent. above those of Indápur

7 The pounts noticed in Mr Price's 28th and 29th paragraphs had already come to notice, revenue instalments have all been delayed, the first of the kharif crop till lat January, of the rabı till 1st March, and all power of grantıng waste land has been taken from the Mámlatdár and his establishment, and vested in the Assistant Collector in charge, who should be specially mstrueted to exercise a strict supervision as to the cultivating means of applicants, takngg 60 acies as the maximum that 8 bullocks can plough

8 No mention is made of the percentage to be pard to village officers in heu of theur gugn or extra collections in grain from the cultivators Lieutenant Nash whll be requested to supply the omission, and a suggestion be made to him that the ready-money amount they now recelve be noluded in t .
9. I have been thus brref in my notice of the subject under reply, as Mr. Price's reason for the rates may be considered as also mine In the frequent conversations we have held on the subject it was fully determined that, in consideration of an equality of markets, clmate, \&e, those of Mádha were such as would for the country and Government be advisable to introduce in Ropla

10 Mr Price, in addition to the survey, has concluded a work which he bas been too modest to notice, vzz, the settlement of the mnumerable boundary dispates which existed, for which he deserves great credit, as at will put a stop to the quarrele before constantily oocuring and often ending in bloodshed,

I have, \&ce.
G. M. SUART, Assstant Collector,
Sholapur, Collector's Ofice, 28th September 1842

No. 1505 of $1842^{\text {² }}$
Treritorial Deparfment, Revenue,
To
E. MONTGOMERIE, Esq, Collector, Sholápux
Sir,
With reference to Mr Suart's letter of the 28th September last, No 367, respecting the survey and assessment of the Mahálkari's Dirision of the Karmala Talnka, I have the honour to sabjoin, for your information and gurdance, copies of my communication to Government on the subject, and of Mr Chief Secretary Rexd's reply, transcripts of which you will be pleased to furnish to the Supeinntendent of the Deccan Survey

2 The new rates should be introduced at the approaching Jamáband, and you will be pleased to drrect the attention of Lueutenant Nash to the anstractions conveyed in the 6th $\mathrm{f}^{\text {aragraph of }} \mathrm{Mr}$ Rend's letter, respecting the gugri of the village officers

3 You will also be pleased to expedite the transmission of your reply to my reference of the 12th ultimo, No 1462, respecting Mr. Pince's settlement of boundary disputes.

I have, \&c.,
W SIMSON,
Revenue Commasaoner,
Poona, Revenue Commrsasoner's Office, 8th November 1842

## L. R. REID, ESQ , Chief Seoretary, Bombay.

Sir,
I have the honour to forward a correspondence between the Collector of Sholapur, the Supermtendent of Revenue Survey, and hus Assistant, Mr. Price, respecting the new assessment to be umposed in the Mahalkari's Division of the Karmala Taluka.

2 It appears from Mr Priee's 4th paragraph that the whole of the lands have been remeasured, and that mape claming considerable accuracy [though not such as could be joined together to form a map of districts] have been constructed of every village.
8. In Mr Price's 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, and 10th paragraphs, and in the Superintendent's 2nd, 3rd, and 4th paragraphs, the past and present atate of the district as described and contrasted, and Government will be gratified to learn that the condrion of the country and the oircumstances of the people have been much improved since they came into our hands.
4. It will be observed, however, that this comparative prosperity has been effected under a most artificisl system, and that, duning the last twenty years, remissions to the enormous amonnt of 13 lakhs of rupees have been found necessary out of an aggregate nominal assessment of 29 lakhs, and that during the last season, for which returns have been furnushed to $L_{4}$ eutenant Nash, Rs. 91,000 were remitted out of an assersment of Rs. $1,79,000$-more than a half 1
5. The evils of such a system are described both by Mr. Price and Lieutenant Nash; and the latter observes that, "to all acquainted with Native habits and character, these facts will, of themselves, suggest a highly-coloured picture of intrigueand corruption." There can be no doubt that, in the distribution of such enormone remissions, all the worst propensities, both of the ryots and of our Nataves officers, must find ample exercise, and the system tends to keep the cultivators in a state of continual bondage to the rapacions money-lenders with whom therr vilages abound, While the State suffers generally from the impossibility of accumulated oapital being employed on the land, and by that absence of demand for manufactares and taxed commodities which always attends apon poverty and helplessness among the farming classes and landed proprietore.
6. Ineed not follow Mr. Price and Lieutenant Nash through their examination of the past fiscal history of the pargana, and the steps by which their deductions as to the proper assessment now to be imposed are brought out. I may remark, however, that the line of reasonung adopted by Lieutenant Nash, paragraph 16, is altogether distinct from that previously followed by Mr. Priee, whulst the concluenons arnved at appear to be nearly the same, so that we have a double ground for confidence in the consenting result of the several processes employed.
7. Some error in the pnces of gran given by Mr. Price 18 rectified by Luentenant Nash, and there 18 a difference of opimon between the latter and Mr. Suart as to the effect on the Ropla market of the distancs between that town and Karmada. The durection taken by traffic frum Ropla is aliso canvassed; but as the parties are agreed on the material question to be decided, namely, the rates of Jarayet assessment to be fixed in the Ropla Petha, I think it would be superfioous to go over the disoussion partncularly It may be stated, however, that grain is frequently exported from Bárni to Poona, whence it may be inferred that Karmala, which lies between these two placee, must have an advantage in price over Beran.
8. Messrs. Suart, Nash, and Price all agree in recommending the application of the Indapur rates, raised 5 par cent, to the Ropla Petha for its Jarayet assessment, which at theee rates will amount to Res 37,000. Lreutenant Nash and Mr. Pnce recommend this marease solely on account of dimate Mr. Suart, under the mpression that Ropla has a better market, also reconamends an nocreace of 5 per cent. on the Bagayet rates of Indapur for the wet lands of Ropla while Lieutenant Nash wishes the rates to be precisely the asme, atating that anpenonty of chmate is no advantage to Bagayet cultivators I beheve Lieutenant Nash mesns by "euperior chmata" a fuller supply of water, and the Bagayet assemsment being in the nature of a well tax, the more abundant the water, the greater the guantity of land that will be assepsed under it at Hagayet rates. The princuple adopted in assessing such "Mothasthal Bagayet" is oxplauned in paragraphs 16, 38 and 19 of Lueutenant Wingate's letter to the Collector of Poona, dated 27th August 1841, on the re-assessment of the Havels Pargana; and as in this, the highest assessed of all the Poona parganks, the Bagayet rates recommended by Lreutenant Wingate, and sanotioned by Government, do not erceed those fixed for Indspur, 1 aee no sufficsent reason for allowing them when apphed to Rople. An morease of 5 per cont. on the Indapur Bagéyet rates would give only Rs, 2-1-8 per acre mstead of Rs, 8, which would monant to but a amall sum on the Bagrayat revenue of the whole division 1 beg therefore, to recommand that the Bagayet rales be the same as those of Indapur, and the Jarayet rates increased by 5 per cent.
9. In Mr. Suart's 8th paragraph he remarks that no mentaon is made of the percentage to be pad to village officers in heu of thear "gugri" or oxtra callectans in gram from the oultvators. I apprehend that it will be mpossable to fir the rate per cent. before the Govarnment sanction is eccorded to the rates now proposed, and the assessment of each village defintely fixed.

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10 Mr . Suart, in his 10th paragraph, notices that Mr. Price has concluded the settlement of the boundary disputes which before existed in the district. This must have proved a very tronblesome work, and must have required great skill to accomplash it, and I have requested the Collector of Sholapur to furnsh some account of the number of disputes settled, and the princuple of the arrangements by which Mr. Price has succeeded so well
11. Mr Suart appears very ansious that the sanction of Government should be accorded to the rates in time to admit of the new assessment being introduced this year, and it is certauly desirable that the new rate should be declared as soon as possible.

I have, \&c.,
(Signed) W. SIMSON,
Revenue Commussioner.
Poona, Revenue Commmasioner's Office,
October 111h, 1842.

No. 3134 of 1842.

To
W. STMSUN, Esq,

Revenue Commissioner
Srr,
I am directed to acknowledge the receept of your letter No. 1457, dated the 11th mastant, handıng up a correspondence between the Collector of Sholapur, the Supenintendent of Revenue Survey, and his Assistant, Mr Price, reepectang the rate of assessment an the Mahalkari's Division of the Karmála Taluka
2. In reply, I am directed to acquaint you that the reasons which are assigned for fixing the Jelayet rates of the Ropla Mahal of the Karmála Taluka at 5 per cent above those of Indápur, appesr to the Honourable the Governor in Council to be sufficient, and the proposed rate should, therefore, be adopted.

3 His Honour in Council is also pleaged to sanction the rate for Bagayet being fixed at Rs 2 per acere as in Indápur.
4. These rates should be introduced at the approachung Jamáband.
5. Mr. Price's report on this supvey, I am instructed to observe, does him much oredit. But at would have been more complete had it contamed the result (in statements annexed to it) of the measurements and clasgification, and if it had been accompanied by a sketch map, such as that which accompanied 'Captain Bellasis' report on the suivey of the Sholapur 'Ialuka. Such maps should form zu accompanıment to every report sent up to Government on the completion of a mahál or tafluka.
6. The allowances whech the ryots have to pay to the village officers as "gagn "-nn fact everythung which falls on theur land-should form a part of the assesement, so that nothing extra may be demanded from them. Now that the proposed rates of assessment are approved of, the settlement of the gugri should be made and the result reported, at the same time the zesult of the adoption of the new rates of assessment to the whole land as well as to that in actual cultivation should be fully detaled The period of the duration of the settlement (as far gy the rates are concerned) should then be determined.

7 The success which seems to have attended Mr Price's endeavours towards the settloment of boundary disputes is very satisfactory The more detaled acoount of this proceeding, alluded to in your 10th paragraph, should, when recevved, be forwarded to Government.

I have, \&ce.,
(Signed) L. R REID, Chef Secretary.
Bombay Castle, 31 st October 1842.

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\text { No. } 166 \text { of } 1843 .
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To
G. M. SUART, Esq.,

First Aesistant in charge Sholapur Collectorate.
Sur,
I have the honour to forward proposale drawn up by my Asastant, Mr. Price, for reassessing the Subba Division of the Karmála Táluka, and aleo a map of the Karmála Pargana elowing the boundanes of all the villages
2. Mr Price was for some years in the Topographical Survey of the Deccan, and acquired there the knowledge and expertness that has enabled hum to prepare this map, without neglect-
vog has other duties. It shows with acouracy the extent and position of each millage, and it is, in fact, exactly the kind of plan Government have so often expressed a desire to have.
3. In Mr. Price's 4th paragraph at will be seen that the result of the survey has been to show that thus district contans 196,204 acree, of which 9,680 are held in unam, and 31,854 more are not culturable, leaving 154,670 acres for assessment.

4 In $\mathrm{Mr}^{\text {Price's 5th and 6th paragraphs whll be found a brief hustory of the district. }}$ In his 7th paragiaph a comararison will be found between the condition of the country before and after the commencement of our rule. Mr. Price appears to think that the inoreased cultivation has rendered grain cheap and plentiful, and rendered it a matter of difficulty with the farmers to dispose of 2 t . It would, however, be a great mistake to suppose that the cheapness of grain has been principally caused by the extension of oultivation On consulting the early reporte of the Commissioner in the Deccan, it will be found that, during the first two or three years after the commencement of our rule, cultivation extended to a very great extent, and that from that period until lately cultivation has gradually contracted, prices falling also. It may farrly be concluded that cultivation contracted because prices fell. And we find ample reason for the falling off of prices in the extanctoon of the Mahratta predatory system, which used to send forth thousands of the villagers to ravage India, and bring back its valuable plunder, thereby rendering the precious metale cheap Our more equitable zule must have tended to equalize the value of the preeous metals through the country, and to assimulate prioes, reducang them wheie high and rasing them where low,-at any rate, to suffer only that mequality to exist which is the natural result of the distribution of population and commerce.

5 It was fitting to accommodate assessment to the change in prices, and to allow prices so to alter as to allow the gram reaching an extensive market. This has now been obtanned, and grain 28 now exported from the Deccan to Bombay, the place which henceforth from 2ts mize and riches must naturally regulate prices.
6. I do not quite agree with Mr Price in thinking that the fact of grann being stored up in the country secures it against the desolating effects of a year of falure $\mathrm{It}_{\mathrm{t}}$ is known that during the last famine in the North-Western Provinces (when half a million of people are sard to have penshed), theie was an ample supply of grain in the country. The great canse of distress was the stoppage of occupation All agriculturists were thiown out of employ, and, havng no means of obtainung money, they had no means of purchasing what was, perhaps, rotting in the granaries, still, however, though the essistence of grain in a country may not altogether save ns from the dre effects of a season of failure, it, at all events, matigates them and provides a refuge for those who have been prudent enough to consider the future
7. The observations in Mr. Price's 9th paragraph are to be understood restrictedly. They are not meant to apply in therr full force to any but the district under consideration It will be seen from his table, Appendix A, that in twenty years the actual payments of the people have amounted to Rs $8,23,109$, and that if durng the whole of that time they had been assessed, as we now propose to assess them, they would not have pand less than Rs. 8,15,512 It may, therefore, be fairly concluded that in this partheular district Goverament has not demanded in the grose more than the prople should have farly paid. Indeed, considering the former high prices, I may safoly say that Government has not obtanned a due revenue from the district. The real evils in the district are these, that there 13 a high nomanal assessment which has required in twenty years 8 lakhs of remissions, and that the distribution of these remissions has been in the hands of ull-paid rapacious kárkuns I perfectly agree with Mr Proe in considering that a largo proportion of the remissions has never reached the ryots, or, which is the same thing, that they have been obliged to pay heavily for them. And you hare now in ydur possession suffic ent evidence to prove the exictence of an extended system of extortion conneated with the grant of remissions. It xa my belief that extortion accompanios rermission with as much determination as a soldiar does his banner. In twenty years 8 laths of rupees have been remitted out of 16. The booty of tho district kirikums must have been ammense I
8. I quite agree wnth Mr. Price in thunking that it is useleas to argue from past receupte under the above arranmetanoes, It becomes necessary, therefore, to be guided rather by the position and local carcumstanoes of the dustrict.

In Mr. Proos's and my own report, last season, regarding the Ropla Division of the Karmála Taluka, much will be found applicable to the Subhs Division. Its adrantages over Indapur as ragards rain are the seme, and generally the only dufference between Ropla and Karmalis is that of prioes. It is shown in my report, alove alluded to, that Rople hes no advantage in prices over Indippur, whereas Karrále has one of 5 per cent. It was, however, proposed and sanctioneal that, on wocount of advantage of climate, the Ropla rates should be 5 per cont higher than those of Indépur Mr Price, therefore, proposes that the 5 per cent. on acoount of adrantayes of proes should be added on the 5 per centi. on account of adrantage of olimate, and thint the Karmáia rates should be 10 por contw higher than those of Indápur; and in this recommandation I quite agree with him The rates so raseed are to be found in hus 15th paragraph.
9. Mr. Proe recommends also that on acoount of the position of eight nullages, meationed in hur i5th paragraph, they should be assessed at the Ropla 10steed of the Karmala rates. In thas opinion I also ooncur, and a reference to the map will show the grounds for the mensure. I also agree with Mr. Priee in thankiag that the assessment of the two viluges in the Ropla Petha, which might hare been farly assessed at the Karmala rates, be left undusturbed.
10. In Mr Price's 16th and 17th paragraphs, and from the Appendıx B to his report, it will be seen that the effect on the rates now proposed will be to assees the whole district at Rs. 68,844 on account of Jerayet, of whoh Rs 3,531 represents the value of the Inf́m lands, leaving Re 65,313 payable to the State. Thes latter sum $1 s$ upwards of Rs $24,000 \mathrm{kn}$ excess of the average recerpts from the same source for the last twenty years, upwards of Rs. 2,200 in excess of the average recepts of the last five years, and upwards of Re $11,000 \mathrm{~m}$ excess of the collections of the last year, for which we have returns. The rates now proposed appled to the land in cultivation in the last year, for which we have returns, give a Jama of Rs 60,753-a sum greater by Rs. 3,474 than the actual payments in that year

11 In has last paragraph Mr. Price recommends that the rate of Bagáyet assessment should be the same as in lndapur, Ropla, and, in faot, all the assessed distrects ; and in this I concur for the reasons contaned in my letter on Ropla rates, No 226 of 1842 The greater part of Bagayet productions is consumed on the spot, and prices are not regulated, theretore, in the same way as those of grain in general.

12 The proposed assessment includes the compensation to be granted in heu of haks recelved now in kind Their estimated value for past years is included in Mr. Price's Appendis A, and in the comparison with past collections this has been allowed for. The details regarding the compensation cannot be proposed till the rates are sanctioned and the assessment on each separate feld calculated. The value of the Inám 18 one of the points to be considered.
13. For the parpose of giving more full information regarding the resources of the Subha Division of Karmala, I subjoin a statement in detall of the jamás, remissions, collections, \&c, for mineteen years ending Fash 1250. The aeres in Mr. Price's Statement A, column 3, are approximated fiom the difference between columns 14 and 26 nn my statement. The rapees in Mr Price's column 4 will be found by deducting those in column 27 from those in column is 10 my statement. The amount of Nakdı Babs un Mr Price's colnmn 5 zs that part of my column 30, which may be coneidered as coming under the head of land assessment. These bábs, however, have been abolished some years since The rupees in Mr. Price's column 8 will be found in my column 18, those in Mr. Price's column 9 will be found by adding together my columns 34 and 39 Mr Price's column 11 will be found by deducting the rupees in his 10 th column from those in column 7 It wall be observed that the remassions in Mr Price's 9th column mclude all remiserions granted under the head of Bagayet bábs and sáyer, whreh would not have been the case had it been possible to obtann a statement of them separately it will also be observed that in Mr. Price's statement no allowance is made for the outstanding balances, amounting in nuneteen years to Rs $3,426-14-0$ From what I saw while making the Jamáband settlement thus year, I am able, however, confidently to affirm that, even had we all the detalls to enable us to make allowances on these accounts, the grand total in Mr Price's 11th column of Rs $8,23,109$ would not be altered beyond Rs 5,000 or 6,000 . The amount given in his column is quite accurate enough for all practical purposes

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(Sigued) A NASH,
Superintendent, Revenue Suryey and Assessment, Deccan,
Superintendent, Revenue Survey Office, Poona, 24th July 1843.

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No 117 of 1843.
To

## Ligutenamt A. NASH,

Supermintendent of Revenue Surves in the Deccan.

## Sir,

Haning completed the measurement and classfication of the lands of the Mamlatdar's division of the Karmála Taluka, I have the honour, an complance with your letter No. 102, dated 24th April 1843, to submita report on the subject of the rates which I would propose should form the basis of the new assessment about to be introduced meto that division

2 In doing so, as it is usual on such occasions to state the manner in which the work has been carred on and completed, I beg in the present instance to refer you to my report No. 3 of 1842, dated 20th September, on the Mahalkari's dinsion of this taluka, precisely the same system having been followed in this, and, I presume, with equally as much correctness. The measurements and classification were each tested to the extent of 10 per cent of the area of each village, and the result showed that ont of 48 villages it was requisite to have the lands of only 2 re-classified and of 2 re-measured-the former from the Tarams having adopted an in correct standard of classification, and the latter from the measurers hanng neglected to put down such marks as are necessary to prevent confusion taking place hereafter in the boundaries of the fields
3. The only addation in the work, as compared with the completion of the Mahalkan's division, is the accompanying map on one mule to an inch of the whole táluka. Thus, so far as fixing the villages and their boundaries is concerned, has been constructed on scientific princples, the trigonometrical points having been furnished me by Leeutenant Jacob, of the Trigonometrical Survey, and the detall has been filled in by a comparison of my sketches with the village plans, the latter of which for such parposes being, I presume, as good a source as coald be resorted to. Besides the boundaries of each village, the boundary disputes are shown, and as the Ropla Division is meluded, I trust the present will fully make up for the sketch map which was required with my report on that division, and be allowed to form a substritute for that required with this.

4 The division on which I now report is bounded on the east by the Sina River, which, with few exceptions, divides it from the territones of Hus Highness the Nizam, on the southwest the Bhima separates it from the pargana of Indápur, in the collectorate of Poons, and to the south and north-west, respectively, there are the petha of Ropla forming a part of the taluka itself and the táluka of Karjat in the collectorate of Nagar It comprises an extent of 196,204 acres, 9,680 of which are held free and 31,854 more are unculturable, leaving 154,670 agres open to assessment. The highway by which the traffic between Poons and the Balla ghát is conveyed, passes thiough it, as also do the highways from Nagar to Sholápur and Pandharpar. There are no hulls of any height in it, but its surface is not by any means so regular as to admit of wheeled conveyances passing through it in every durection, and hence the proportionally large quantaty of unculturable land in a táluka comparatively flat
5. The part in question comprises the whole of the Wang and portions of the Shrigonda and Kodovalat parganas-divisions connected with the orignal management of the conntry; and of these, untal the close of 1818, when the Peshwa's terntory became a part of the British possessions, the villages of Wangı had for suxteen years been held by Sadaseo Pant Mankeshwar Those of the other two parganas did not revert to our Government till 1\&21, and if we except an interval of one year, during which they had lapsed to His Highness the Nizam, had been held for upwarde of 120 years as jaghurs by the family of the Nimbalkars,
6. Considerable difference appears to have existed in the modes of management adopted by Mankeshwar and Numbalkar ma theur respective vilages: that of the former beng marked by a moderation in reference to the collection of the revenue which the yearly state of the crops would seem to call for, whereas the expenses of supporting a large train of military followers rendered it necessary for the Nimbélkars to be constantly pressing their ryots beyond the powers of payment. Little difference, however, appeare to have exzeted in the condition of the ryots of each party when they foll into our hands The grasping propensity of the last Numbalkar, even aifter an interval of twelve years, prevented his ryots from gainng much ground upon the condition they were reduced to by the famune of 1805 , and what improvement the management of Mánkeshwar was likely to effect in his villages, was rendered abortive by the Pindaris, to whose ravages their unprotected state constantly exposed them The commencement of our rule, when these evils ceased, must then, so far as they are concorned, have been extremely propitions to the ryots, and I have no doubt in saying that, whatever have been the faulings of our own management since, their present condition is a somewhat improved one
7. The prinorpal features of the two periods appear to be briefly these - During the time of the Native governments the limited cultavation, compared with the number of consumers, made gran scaice, and hence dear and easy of disposal. At present the mereased cultivation has made it plentuful, reduced its price, and rendered a profitable dasposal of it a matter of dufficulty. It is, indeed, a faot admitted by all, that at present there is sufficient grain in this part of the country to meet the exigencies of, at least, one year's total fallure, whereas durng the Native governments such an event mvarably had the effect of almost desolating it. Witness the famines of 1793 and 1805.
8. This 18 undoubtedly a source of gratification How much more so would it be were I able to say that most of the gran thus laid up, is in the hands of the ryots This, however, is not the case. With a few exceptions, it is in the hands of the Banians, while our ryots live by a ruinous aystem of borrowing.
9. With regard to thio-the condition of our ryots-I would remark that, although it is usual to trace the cause of therr poverty to the exnsting heavy assessment, and that this in one respect is admiselble, masmuch as it nevessitates Government to adopt a mode of settlement whioh' opens a wide field for the grossest corruption umagunable, yet to lay the charge exclusvely to the heary assessment 18, I think, more than a strict inquiry into the matter wull admit. The assessment in question has not, ance the taluka fell into our hands, formed the basis of a sangle jamábandı. We commenced by resortung to the kowli tenures, and subsequently allowed a tahakub in some villages, and what with these-the ukti tenures-and the remissons, I find at an average that during the last twenty years very nearly one-half of this high, but merely nominal, assessment has been remitted. Thas, by applying the Ropla rates to the classaication now completed, and makngg a proportional deduction on account of waste land, I find to be about the sum which would have been allowed had the proposed assessment been in force during that perrod, and may we not, therefore, conclude, and that justly, that the ryots have not had the full benefit of the remassions hitherto granted, for otherwise as at possible they could be so poor as we now find them
10. In offering an opmion on the subject, I know it is necessary to take into consideration the loss which the ryots have been annually exposed to by havng to keep their "crops standing an unreasonable period, so ss to admut of therr being surveyed, but the most liberal allowance is not by any means sufficient to clear the surveying karkuns and village officers from the suspioion of most gross corraption in this respect. In faot, when it is oonsidered that, even at this comparatively honest period, the ryots, durng the year just passed by, pald largely to have an under-estimate made of ther crops, what must have been the state of matters some years ago when it was not ocasidered necessary even to consult them on the matter, bat merely to give them as much of the remissions as could not be screwed out of them.
11. It $2 s$ very evident, then, that, keeping in view what has been hitherto credited to Government in the name of the ryots, and judgurg from it and their present condrtion what may with safety be collected from them hereafter, considerable care must be observed, for othem wise the errors of making the proposed rates too low, and thereby subjeeting Government to an unnecessary loss, will undoubtedly be the consequence. It is well, however, an the present case, that we have the pargana of Indápur in the mamedsate neighbourhood, masmuch as, by a comparison of the two, we can arnve at a tolerably correct conclusion as to what rates we should adopt for Karmála.
18. Before, however, I make the comparison, I beg to allade to a few facts, the result of late inquury, whioh tend to strengthen the opinion already formed, that the assersinent of Indapur 18 sufficuently equitable to admust of anference being drawn from it as to what the parganas in the neughbourhood ought to pay when their respective capabilties are taken unto oonsideention. The present nucreased population and umproved state of the market of Indápur immedintely intrude themselves upon the notioe of an observer who has any idea of the state 1 n which these were a few years ago, and in common with Indapur the population of ite villages, both as regards theur number and apparent comfort, is most strikng The mhabited state of two villages, formerly quite deserted, which I had an opportunity of seenng, speaks volumes in thas respeot, and, so far as I could ascertann, these gratufying ohanges, even by the most prejudiced of the people-the Brahmins-are consedered as effects of the survey.
13. The opinoo of the people in regard to the assessment itself is, that it is nether fitted for the mdolent, nar those who wish to hive upon the fruts of the labours of others; wherees
those who, with a competent supply of the mplements of husbandry, have the heart to work hard, without fanl, become coltivators of substance under at. This opinon-the result of five years' experience-argues that the assessment as calculated, in the absence of ill-timed remissions, to cure the cultivators of the baneful mertiness for which the generality of them are noted and from the examples which have been brought to my notice of industrious ryota, who on the introduction of the sarvey commenced with small begiunings, havng greatly improved since, I feel no doubt, on the other hand, that the assessment is not by any means too heary.
14. In proceedng to compare Karmala with Indápur, I find that the soils, 1 mplements of hnsbandry, modes of cultivation, periods of sowng and reaping, and the kinds of produce, are preeisely the same in both The only ponts in which they duffer are that the fall of rain dunng the rabi cióp is more plentiful in Karmála than in Indápur, and that its market is a better one This greater fall of rain is common to Ropla, and for $1 t$ Government allowed that the rates of Indapur should be mereased at 5 per cent and apphed to that division. I therefore proposs that a similar measure be adopted for Karmála, and that, besides this, an additional increase of ${ }^{5}$ per cent. be made on account of the market, that beng the advantage it has over the Indapur one as estimated in your report on Ropla

15 Should this meet with your approval, and the sanction of Government, the rates per acre for each kind of soll will be as follows -

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1st Black | - | 330 | 1st Red | - | 220 | 1st Brown |  | 110 |
| 2nd " | ... | $26 ;$ | 2nd 3 | , | 145 | 2nd $\quad$, | - | 65 |
| 3rd | - | 190 | 3rd | . | 85 | 3rd | . | 40 |

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1 Margawan. Mmmend that these rates be appled to all the vilages subject to
Karmala itself. Nos 1,2 , and 3 of the vilages named in the margnn, as will be seen by the map, are so much nearer Ropla that ' 'propose they and Nos. 4, $5,6,7$, and 8 which, from their comparative locality as regard the markets, appear rather to class with it than Karmala, be assessed accordıng to the rates fixed for that division. On the other hand, there are two* villages attached to Ropla which ought certannly, from their contigurty to Karmala, to be assessed accordng to the rates which may be fixed for $1 t$, but as the Ropla assessment has been read off to the people, it would likely give them a bad opinion of our adherence to settlements once made by us to reverse it in these villages -an error above all things to be avoided among characters so suspicious as the Kunbis
16. To show what the assessment will be according to the rates proposed in the last paragraph, I have drawn out the Appendix B, by which it will be seen that jerayet assessment of the whole divison will amount to Rs. 68,844 , and that of the náms to Rs 3,531 , leaving Rs 65,313 , the sum derivable from the Government lands This sum is about Rs 10,000 in excess of half the present assessment, Rss. 24, 158 in excess of the average collection for the last twenty years, and Rs $22,454 \mathrm{in}$ excess of that for the last five. The two last show that when the whole of the lands come under cultivation, Government will derve much more from this portion of the district than $1 t$ hitherto has-a very pleanng circumstance, when it is conserdered that in the talukas already assessed $1 t$ has been a pount to adjuast the rates so as not to allow the assessment on the whole land to fall short of the average amounf of past collections made on the culturated part only.

17 The average rate of the assessment I propose will be 6 annas and 9 pies per acre This apphed to the extent of land in cultivation in 1251 Fash will amount to Re 80,753, a sum-Re $3,474-\mathrm{n}$ excess of the jerayet collections, meluding gugn, for that year. It is, therefore, evident that without allowing any nerease for the corcumetance of the best kind of land bemg now in cultivation, or for what addutional land it is very probable will be taken up immediately, Govenament will, on the miroduction of this assesament, derive an merease of revenue equal, at least, to Re. 3,474
18. In speaking of the bagayet cultivation, I beg to remark that Rs. $210-0$ an acre is about the rate hitherto coilected in the táluka. This, I presume, from the number of neglected wells, which in my opinion could be turned to good account, 18 too high, and I would therefore, and from the fact that there is not the slightest reason for makng a dufference, recommend that Ris 2 per acre-the Indápur and Ropla rato-be adopted for Karmala also Thus will make the assessment on bagayet equal to Rs. 2,658 , which, added to the jerayet assessment, as exhibited in Appendys B, makes the total assessment of the divaion Rs. 67,971,

## I have, \&e,

(Sygned) W S. PRICE,
Assastant Supernitendent, Revenue Survey.
Assistant Superintendent, Revenue Survey Office,
Camp Poona, 18th July 1843.

APPENDIX A．
Statoment of the Cultivation，Assessment，and Collectsons in the Mámlatddr＇s Divuson of the Karmala Taluka for the last $\mathbb{O} 0$ yeari，showng also the amount whren mught have been collected for the same estent of Cultuvation had the Rates of Ropla been in force．

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APPENDIX B．
Statement of the Jerayet and Bagayet Assessment of the Mámlatdír＇s Duvzoon of the Karmála
TAluka，according to the Rates proposed sn the accompanying Report，

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|  |  | 11.09 | 2， 818 | 8，948 | \％，8is | 197 |  | ${ }^{311}$ | ${ }^{89}$ |  | ${ }^{99}$ | 9，067 | 8，8980 | ${ }^{137}$ | ${ }^{\text {4，085 }}$ |
|  |  | ${ }^{1} 1027$ | ${ }^{188}$ | 1，789 | 7898 |  | ${ }^{736}$ |  | ${ }^{69}$ |  | ${ }^{68}$ | 1，678 | ${ }^{609}$ | 6 | － 818 |
|  | $\because{ }^{*}{ }^{\text {R }}$ | 1，8186 | ${ }^{238}$ | 1，690 | ${ }^{88}$ | ${ }_{8}$ | \％ | \％ | 91 | $\cdots$ | 91 | 1，396 | 846 885 | 8 | － 808 |
|  | $\because$ K．Kamona | 2，58i | 912 | 1，938 | ${ }_{810}^{72}$ | ＊＇ | ${ }_{818}^{878}$ | ＊ | 8 | ．．． | 27 | 1，009 | ${ }^{200}$ | 8 | ${ }^{789}$ |
|  | $\cdots$ | 3809 8860 880 | $4{ }^{405}$ | 8 | 1，1097 | 40 | 1，789 | 4 |  | $\stackrel{ }{ }$ | 88 | ${ }_{6,891}^{2189}$ | ${ }^{1,200}$ |  | 168 |
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|  | ：．Jntehima | \％ | ${ }_{600}$ | ${ }_{3}{ }^{\text {sin }}$ | 1， 120 | 1 |  | ${ }^{3}$ | d | $\cdots$ | 1 | 8796 | 1752 |  | 1750 |
|  | －Warkitan | 8 BL | 30 | 3.400 | 1，381 | ${ }^{68}$ | 13 | 1 | ${ }_{8}$ | $\cdots$ | 3 | \％ | 1，289 | ${ }_{5}^{6}$ | 1，198 |
|  | Murwad | 191 | 1，358 | ${ }^{208}$ | ${ }^{1,150}$ |  | 1，312 |  | 18 |  | 15 |  | 205 | 9 | ＋${ }^{\text {\％}}$ |
|  |  | \％in | \％1 | ${ }_{4} 1818$ | 2，316 | ${ }_{1}$ | ${ }^{2,1}$ | \％ | 10 |  | 10 | ${ }_{8}^{8.54}$ | ${ }^{1.006}$ | 11 | 1， 1.807 |
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|  | ＊ | 13 | 2 | 3，48 | 1，${ }^{(176}$ | ${ }^{3}$ | ， | 1 | 10 |  | 113 | \％，991 | 1，${ }^{0} 0$ | 45 | 1，540 |
|  | ${ }^{-}$Druail | 0，900 | Pent | ${ }_{4} \times 8$ | 159 | 300 | 178 | ${ }^{115}$ | 0 | d | 101 | 6，074 | ${ }_{3}^{1483}$ | 18. | 167 |
|  |  | 10，298 | ${ }^{108}$ | 8， | 3，7ea | 238 | ${ }_{1}^{4} 1838$ | 208 | 0 | 14 | ${ }^{\circ}$ | ${ }_{4}^{2} 144$ | 1，708 |  | ${ }_{1}{ }^{2} 171$ |
|  | －Pimpalima | 2.587 | ${ }^{3}$ | 1 Tss |  | \％ | $\infty$ | 4 | 13 | － | 13 | ${ }_{\substack{1,144 \\ 8,154}}$ | ${ }_{1}{ }^{18}$ | 8 | 108 |
|  | $\because$ Statimon | 1，000 | \％ |  | $\text { 1, } \frac{18}{\mathrm{~B}}$ | $18{ }^{8}$ |  | 180 | a | 15 |  | 1，34 | 20 | 116 | 800 |
|  | Total | 2000，504 | 33，000 | 1，40，594 | 4， 81 | 2，700 | 7，60 | 2．603 | 3，501 | 18 | 2.0 | 1，suck | 4．219 | 20 | \％，071 |

（Signed）W．S．PRICE，
Asssstant Superintendent，Revesue Survey

From
E M SUART, Esq,
First Assistant in charge SS ;
To
D BLANE, Esq,
Revenue Commissioner, S D

## Sir,

1 have the hnoour to forward orginal letter from the Superintendent of the Revenue Survey, with one from his Ascistant, Mr Price, on the subject of rates to be fixed in the Subha Division of the Kaımála Táluka

2 Mr Price in his 14th paragraph recommends the rates should be 5 per cent above those of the Petha Division, on the grounds of a better market, but it appears altogether to have escaped notice that this is oaused by a scanty supply, that it is only beneficial to a few villages, and 28 most likely of a temporary nature

3 The first arises from only a few allages to the north bringing their gran to Karmala for sale, all to the south selling it to travelling merchants, who cart it themselves direct to Poona and Bombay, and of this fact $\mathrm{I}_{\text {am }}$ aware from personal observation The second is a sequence of the first, the ryots profering to sell at a loss at their own doors to seeking a higher remuveration at a more distant maket, and to which of all weie to resort, prices would at once be reduced.

4 The third will arise the moment the contemplated maca-damized road 18 made from Poona to Sholápur, as it will divert the immense traffic from Barsı, which now passes through Karmála, to the coast, and being the last large town for forty miles, all the oart and bullockmen purchase there therr four days' supply of grann, \&c, but the quantity blought to the market being from the first cause not equal to so large a demand, prices are locally enhanced The dives sion of the traffic may not even be dependent on the new road, causes are working which may at once ranse Barsi as an emporium for the produce of the Nizam's dominons, and to which it does not appear easy to apply any remedy
5. The tiaders are chiefly of the Lingáyet caste, and have been in the habit yearly of making amiong themselves a large contribution for their guan or spiritual teacher, this person has lately been vely extortionate in his demands, givng great dissatisfaction, and obligng many to resort with their merchandise to the Sholapur market in order to avoid him. I have myself fancied there was a diminution of the trade of Bársl, and there certannly bas been a great merease in that of the former, for which it would otherwise be difficult to account, the latter being much the nearest route to the coast from the larger portion of the Nizam's dominons.

6 For the above reasons I am averse to fixing a higher rate than that of Ropla, whech is the same as Madha, or 5 per cent above that of Indrpur, and that my deductions are not unnatural or far wrong may be concluded from this consideration how comes it that in Karmála, in which town duties were abolished because its trade did not yield Rs 1,000 of revenue, which $1 s 90$ mules from Poona and 70 from Sholapur, prices should be higher than in Mádha, only 30 miles from Sholapur?

7 With reference to paragraphs 9 and 15 of Leutenant Nash's and Mr Price's respective letters, it appears to me the course therenn proposed is mexpedient, as it will be certann to cause discontent in the other vilages of the Subha Division paying a higher rate, it has never been adopted in othei talukas, where, as must natuially be the case, some villages are at a greater distance than otbers, very likely resorting to an inferior market to the one on whose prioes all the calculations wete based, and is destructuve of that uniformity which it is advisable should not be departed from, except on most urgent grounds. If, however, my reasons agaunst an mereased as eessment are considered valid, and those of the Ropla Division are fixed on, this point will cease to be one for discussion

8 The subject of Leatenant Nash's 7th paragraph is now under inquiry, and will be brought to notice in a separate communication I had, in a letter of yesterday's date, the honour of informing you that the Mámlatdár and his whole establishment had been quspended

0 Though I agree with Lieutenant Nash that the bagáyet rate of assessment should be the same as that of indupur, it is on the grounds that well cultivation requires fosterng, not that the produce is of necessity consumed on the spot, when the supply is in excess of the demand the balance must be exported, which will also be the case with the more valuable products

10 It does not appear there are any other points requiring specially to be noticed. The theory 1 n paragraph 4 et infra, I may not perhaps connede in , but the general queation of rates is not affected by it
11. The compensation to be granted in hea of hâks cannot be determıned on tall the rates are set tled, but it should be of such an amount as will, 2 a coujunotion with the value of the inám land, give remuneration at not less than the soale approved of in Government letter to
the Revenue Commissioner, No. 481 of 1839, dated 9th Febraary. I may here remark that compensation for hàks to the Ropla village and district officers has not yet been determined on, the consequence was that last year they were collected in addation to the full amount of the new assessment, the new bágayet rate also was not introduced.
12. The map which accompanied Lieutenant Nash's letter will be forwarded by banghy, and though it is not my province to pass comment on Mr. Price, I cannot help remarking that it, as well as his report, reflecta great credit on that gentloman.

Sholápur Collectorate, Camp at Indt,
I have, \&c.,
E. M. SUART,

First Assistant Collector. 5th August 1843

## Extract paragraphs 4, 5, 6 and 8 of a letter from the Revenue Commissioner, Southern Drvesion, to Mr'Chief Secrelary Reed, dated 30th August, No. 926 of 1843,

Para $4-\mathrm{Mr}$. Suart, it will be observed, objeats to the proposed increase, considening that the difference of price "is caused by a scanty supply," that it is only beneficial to a few villages, and is most likely of a temporary nature, which he explans more at length in paragraphs 3 and 7.
5. The existence of an advantage in this respect would seem, from paragraphs 13 and 14 of Lieutenant Nash's report No. 226 of 17 th Septamber 1842 on the assessment of the Mahalkan's division, to have been ascertaned by a careful inquiry. It is attributed by Mr Suart, paragraph 4, to Karmála being the last large town for 40 mules on the route by which the traffic from Barsi passes to the sea-coast, where, in consequence, all the cart and ballook-men purohase thesur four days' supply of grain, and the fact is dufficult to explain, except on the supposition of some local aotivity in the retal sulo. If arising from this cause, the benefits are chiefly perhaps reaped by the Wáns, or retall dealers, but they may by that means be enabled to afford a somewhat higher price to the producer in their neighbourhood from whom they are in the habit of obtaning their supply, and such, from the inquiries above noticed, would appear to be the case. Crrcumstances might deprive them of thes local adrantage, though probably not within the period of the leases now about to be granted, and I see, therefore, no great objection to the small enhancement of the rates recommended by the Survey Department on the grounds of the actual state of the markets, as a re-adjustment can be made on the renewal of the leases should the advantages in the price of gram have then disappesred.
6. From the enhancement in question eight villages are proposed to be "excluded in conseguence of their being situated at a distance from Karmala, which is also objected to by Mr Suart in paragraph 7. As I thimk the increased rate should only be imposed where the Survey Department are quite satisfied that some commensarate advantage does exsist, I conour in the proposed exclusion, and am likewise of Lieutenant Nash's opinion, paragraph 9 , respeoting the two villages in the Ropla Petha, in which the rates have already been declared under the sanction of Srd December 1841.
8. For the land actually under cultivation, the new jerayet assessment gives an amount of Rs. 60,753

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\begin{array}{lllrrr} 
& & & \text { Rs. } & \text { a. } & \text { p. } \\
\text { Collection for 1841-42 .... } & \ldots & \ldots & 67,279 & 0 & 0 \\
\text { Excess in favour of new assessment } & \ldots & \ldots & 3,474 & 0 & 0
\end{array}
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The above figures molude in both instances the "gugri" bâk, for which compensation is to be given, and the new rate is stated to average, on the whole, 6 annas and 9 ples per agre.

(True Extract)<br>D. BLANE,<br>Revenue Commissioner, S. D.

Na. 3302 on 1843.
Teraitoriar Depagtiment, Rivinum.
D BLANE, Esg.,
Rovenue Commissioner, Southern Division.
Sir,
I am directed by the Honourable the Governor in Conucil to acknowledge the recenpt of your letter No. $9 \geq 6$, dated the 30th Angust last, with its enclosures, being a letfer from the Acting Colleetor of Sholápur submitting reports by the Superintendent of the Deccan Revenue Survey, and his Assistant, Mr. Price, on the new rates of assessment proposed to be mincoduoed into the Subha Division of the Karmala Taluka.
2. His Hononr in Councul desires me to observe that the map accompanying your letfer, which has been prepared by Mr. Pace, does him mach credit. It is precisely of the kind by
which the Government has long desired that each survey report should be accompanied ; and copies of it will be sent, as soon as they can be prepared by the Chief Engineer, to the Superintendente of the Nasik and Southern Maratha Country Surveys, as showing the description of map which should, if possible, be submitted with the survey report of each dastrict.
3. On the question of the rates of assessment, whether they should be fixed at the scale adopted for the Ropla Division of this táluka and for the táluka Mádha, \& e., 5 per cent above those of Indápur, or at that adopted in Mohol, 乞 e, 10 per cent. above those of Indapur, His Honour in Councl is rather dusposed to side with Mr. Suart, who advocates the lower scale. The higher rates are supported by Mr. Price and Luentenant Nash, and objected to by Mr. Suart on the grounds that the dufference of the price of grain in the Subha Division is not general, and is hikely to be temporary. You have given, the Governor in Counell observes, but a cold support to the higher rates, to which you state in paragraph 5 that you see no great objectron
4. Mr. Suart's arguments seem founded on reasonable grounds, and as the Indápur Táluka is enturely bounded on the east and north-east by Karmála and Mádha, His Honour in Council considers at expedient that, unless there are very urgent reasons for a contrary measure, the rates along thas lune of boundary should be unform, ander this vew the rates fixed for the Ropla Division should be extended to the whole táluka of Karmala

5 Deducting 5 per cent from the estumate made of the rental of the cultivated jerayet by Mr. Price, Rs 60,753, the amount will stand at Rs. 57,716 This, I am desired to notice, affords a slight merease of Rs 437 above the collections for the year 1841-42, instead of Rs, 3,474 as calculated by you in the 8th paragraph of your letter under reply
6. This decision will render unnecessary the consideration of the question treated in your 6th paragraph: but with reference to the local position of the villages of the Subha Division, which Mr Price and Leutenant Nash have recommended to be admitted to the lower 1ates of the Ropla Mabal, you are requested to ascertaun whether a more convenient distribution of the vilageq between the two divisions might not be made according to the map it would appear that Kem and Malowri, and probably also Numbore, Wangi, Dokri, Bittargaon and Surl, could be best managed from Ropla, while Mirgaon and Hewra are nearer to Karmála.
7. His Honour in Council approves of the bágayet rate of Res. 2 per acre.
8. The settlement of the hâks and perquistes of the district and village officers should, I am instructed to state, bo made at the time of fixing the pamábandı according (to new rates, and you are requested to call upon the officer in charge of the collectorate to explain why this process has not been carried on in the Ropla Division, and why also the bagayet rates sanctioned have not been montroduced there. The Governor in Council trusts that during the piesent jamábandı settlement the introduction of the new system will be rendered complete in both the Subha and Mahál dvvesons.
9. I am on this occasion nnstructed to point out to you that Mr. Price's report is unaccompanied by any statistical tables of nseful information relative to the population, the numbers of cattle, ploughs, \&cce, \&c., and, on this point, to refer you to the correspondence which took place on the subject on the occasion of your handing up, with your letter of the 31st January last, No. 84, the survey progress report of Lieutenant Davidson for 1841-42.

I have, \&cc.,

Bombay Castle, 12th October 1843.
L. R. REID,

Nástı Distructa, Camp Yeola, 13th December 1873

The papers herewth forwarded contain proposals by the Superintendent of the Poona and Nasis Survey for a revision of the assessment of 93 villages belongng to the Karmala Taluka of the Sholípur Collectorate.
2. As shown by the statement in paragraph 4, there are altogether 123 villages in the district as now constituted, which are accounted for as follows -

Government villages for settlement as per report
Do. being former alhenations which lapsed in 1869-70. $0^{\circ}$
Do. transferred from the Ahmednagar Collectorate in
1862-63, present lease of which has not yet expred ..


[^14]3. The subjomed atatement shows the area of the 93 villages to be settled according to the recent and former survey -

| Heads of comparinor. | Govsbinmat Land |  |  |  |  | atiemated Lasd. |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Grand } \\ & \text { Total. } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Culturable | Uncal turable. | Kuran, | Ga ran, Roads, \& | Total | Cultarw sble. | Unenltarable | Total |  |
| Present Eupray Former Sarvey | 2,96,862 $2,71,892$ | $\begin{aligned} & 21,632 \\ & 89,678 \end{aligned}$ | $237$ | $\underset{17,888}{11,289}$ | $3,28,820$ $3,29,265$ | $16,815$ <br> 15,767 | $\begin{array}{r} 968 \\ \mathbf{~}, 497 \end{array}$ | 17,788 <br> 17,264 | $8,46,608$ $\mathbf{3 4 6 , 5 1 9}$ |
| Inerease | 23,770 |  |  |  |  | 1,048 |  | 519 | 84 |
| Doarrese -- |  | 38,044 | 67 | 6,094 | 435 | - | 529 |  |  |


#### Abstract

On examining this return* it will be observed that there is a difference of only 84 acres In the total area of the villages concerned as found by the two surveys It will be noticed from the report that the former survey of this district was done in a more complete manner than had heretofore been adopted in the case of the earleer settled districts. This will, of course, have had some effect in bringing about the close agreement noticed above, but the work cannot be creduted with the accaracy which the resalt of the companson of the two surveys eshibits; for on examining the statement it will be seen that there are considerable differences of area onder some heads, though the total of the whole combined agrees so closely. It would have been more satisfactory had the Superintendent reviewed the resalts of this comparative ares statement, and explaned the causes of the merease and decrease which at shows under partucular heade.


4 In paragraph 9 the Superntendent gives an account of the manufacture of aaltpetre, which is carried on in a rude and primitive manner to a limited extent in thas district He seems, however, to thank that it might be considerably moreased and turned to a profitable account in supplying the Powder Works at Kirkee with the saltpetre they require. I should apprehend, however, from the inquuries 1 have made in the matter, that the works cannot be relied upon as a regular source of supply for the Powder Works. The officer in eharge of the latter might, however, be referred to for an estimate of the quantity annually required by him, and furushed with a sample of the dufferent kunds manufactured in this district, and we should then be able to judge whether auything can be advantageously done by way of earryng out the Superintendent'a auggestion in the matter.
5. It may, I think, be sald thast the district has been somewhat neglected during the lease in regard to trafio requirements, for until the construction of the railway, which passee nearly through the centre of it, not a single rupee had been epent in opening oot commumaations for the export of produce; and now at the present day it has only one made road of about ten miles in length connecting the town of Karmala with the ralway at the Jeur Station. Karmála has always been rather an important place of trade, and, as it is situated in the direet hue of route from Sholapur to Ahmodnagar, it seems to me to be a matter of some surprise that no attempt was made to connect these two stations by a made road during the early period of the lease when Sholapur and Nagar were important mulitary stations
6. The ralway no doubt now carress most of the produce to Poons and Bombay which used formarly to be exported from Karmila to Barrsa, Sholípar, and Nagar according to the range of prices at the respective markets But there is still at times a not inconsiderable cart traffio passing through Karmála from Sholápur and Bársi to Nagar, and I think the local funds might be advantageously expended in the construction of a road from Karmala to Barsa, Whenve there is already a made rosd to Sholapur.

7 The proposed road would pass by Ropla, and might thence be takes across to the present hne of vad from the town of Berses to the railway, and couneoted with it at a point near the Sina Brodge in order to take advantage of that bridge for the nver croasing. I - commend the project to the distriot authonties as a desirable measure for opening out the traffic of this distriot and giving it easy accees to the important markets of Baren and Sholapor. The extension of the roed from Karmála to Nagar might be left for future consideration.
8. In summing ap the results of the statistical returns and of his information generally regardug the oondition of thas district, the Supernntendent has oome to the conclusion that it has not improved so much as might have been expected after thirty years of a light assessment, and my own unquires and observations lead me to think he is correct in the view he takes of the casse. It cartaunly shows somewhat unfavourably as compared with the present state of the adjouning districts of the collectorate of whoh the settlement has been reeently revied, but otull if we examme the returns we find endent segns of improvement sance the first settlement was introduced.

[^15]9 An increase of 24 per cent. In population, for instance, is not considerable, though

## Para. 5

 somewhat less than might be looked for, as 1 per cent per by famine or affum is the ordinary rate of inciease in districts not affleted ars infaences as has been the case with this 184 par cent in carts 18 also a fair show of increase, but it 18 in agicultural stock that the proportionate increase is less than was to be expected, being bat 6 per cent, which is not at all commensurate with the extension of cultivation that has taken place during the lease10 The Superintendent iefers particulaily to the deficient number of working cattle as one of the causes of the slovenly cultivation noticeable generally in the dustrict, and there is no doubt the present stock of cattie $1 s$ insufficient for the proper tillage of the land. Therease, I am informed, mauy cases of cultivators holding 50 and 60 acres of land without a single working bullock in their possession, the land cannot, of course, be properly worked in cases like this, where a man has to trust to the chance of getting the use of bullocks in the sownus season The uncertain and scanty rainfall, as mentioned by the Superintendent, is another canse of the bad system of tillage obtaining, but this as not pecuhar to Karmala, but affects almost all the distincts of Sholapur, as I bave before bad occasion to notice.

11 One of the chief points showing the accumulation of capital to have been less thar in other recently settled districts, is to be found in the comparatively small value attaching to the occupaney right of land According to the information on this head given in paragraph 16, Rs. 10 per acre for dry-crop and Rs 46 per acre for garden land are the highest rates obtaining, whereas in Indápur Taluka the value taken from deeds of sale is shown to be on the average about 17 years' purchase of the assessment, and in Mádha it was as high as Rs 20 for jerayet and Rs 80 for garden land, according to information taken fiom the same source

12 It wall be observed from his remarks in paiagraph 18, the Superintendent attributes the circumstance of improvement not being so manked here as in adjoinng distincts "to the uncertanty of the ranfall," which he says ienders the people "careless in the preparation of ther land and content to trust to the viossitudes of the season, and also to the fact that many of the ryots hold more land than therr means can enable them to cultrate" He adds, however, that, " whatever the cause may be, he has no reason to suppose that the comparative want of progress 18 in any way due to over-assessment, masmuch as the average rate per acre has been only 6 p es higher than in the neighbouning taluka of Indápur, the cundition of which was so greatly improved by the introduction of the survey" My own inquiries on thas subjeat lead me to think that dealings with the sowkar, who seems to have retaned more hold on the cultivators than in other districts, has been the retarding influence at work in this case

13 But, notwithstanding the demands of the sowkar, the analysis of cultivation and see paragraphs 23,24 and $25 \quad$ collections during the lease given by the superntendent shows a steady and progiessive increase of revenue from the introduction of the settlement, if we except a slight downward tendenoy from 1847 to 1850 From that time, however, cultivation rapidly increased, and at the close of the second decennal period there were only 758 acres of unoccupied waste It is satisfactory also to find that the bad season of 1871-72, notwithstanding the small remissions given, amounting to Rs 4,309, was followed by the relnoquishment of only 237 acres of land

14 The summary of collections during the thrty-years' lease which is to be found in Five yoars' average 81983 paragraph 26 shows that in the finst decade they fell short of A verage of 1st decade $\quad 78,483$ the average annual payments of the tive years preceding the first settlement by about Rs 3,495 , but that in the next two decades they were 17,211 and 24,541 , respectrvely, in excess of the revenue of that period In a financial point of view, therefore, the old settlement has been quite as successful as it has been shown to be in any of the re-settled districts

15 With regard to the proposed rates, the Superntendent explanos* that as Karmala * Paragraph 27. hes between the Indápur and Mádha Tálukás, of which the aettlement has been revised, it has, theiefore, bjen merely a question with hun as to whether the rates of the former or laiter distict shoald be applied to it In discussing this point he shows that Karmála has advantages over Indápur, both in regaid to ranfall and communications, but that it is inferinr in both respects to Madha, that it occup es, 10 fact, an intermediate place between the two, and after a full consideration of all the circumstances of the case he bas come to the conclusion that Karmála should have a " maximum rate intermediate between that of Mádha and that of Indípur," and be, therefore, proposes to have a maximum of Re 1-2-0, puting Jehur and Kem, which are rallway station villages, under Re 1-4-0

16 I agree with the Supeintendent that, for the reasons stated by him, the maximum rate for Karmala should be somewhat lower than that fixed for Mádha, and am of opinion that his proposals are appropirate. I think, however, the case 18 not guite correctly stated in showng the Kaımála and Madhe maximums to be Re 1-2-0 and Re 1-4-0, respectively, for these are both special rates applied to a few villages on account of proxmaty to railway The compaison should have been made npon the general rates of the two districts, which are Re 1-2-0 for Madha and Re 1 for Karmala. Instead, therefore, of the maxımum for the latter district being an intermediate one between that of Mádha and Indápur, as represented in the report, it 18 , in fact, the same as was imposed on the latter diatnct But, taking the case as here stated, I would not advocate any change in the pioposals, as I think it is advisable
to give a favouring turn in the scale of rates when we are re-serthng a district in which we find the mprovement to be less than was to be expected under its former light assensment.

17 The only change that I would propose in the Superintendent's grouping is to add

- No 88 of statementm
+ Bhose, No. 34 of statement, and Pimpalwad. No 67 of statement the village of Deolall,* situated half way between Karmala and Jelur and upon the road to the latter station, to Class II, and to melude also the twot small villages lyng round the town of Kaimala, and being hamlets of the latter, under the same class. The Superintendent approves of these modifications of his proposals. He informs me, moreover, that it was hus intention at first to put the villages concerned under the class to which it as proposed they should now be added.

18 It is questionable perhaps whetber Ropla, which is beyond the limit of distance fixed for Class II, slrould have been brought under the elass, as it has become a place of no importance annee the reduction of the Máhal Katehern which was formerly stationed there, but as I find the rate fixed for at gives only a very moderate merease on former payments, I thurk it may be loft as arrangel by the Superintendent I am alro of opinion that Kem and Jehur would have been more appropriately ranged under the Re. 1-2-0 rate with the other villages put under that class, on account of proxmity to railway. But as the morease in thenr case under the Re 1-4-0 rate 18 also moderate, there is no occasion to interfere whth the arrangement affecting them.

19 For the pathasthal lands, which are of vary limited extent, the statement showing a return of only 62 s acres under this head, the Superintendent proposes to have a marimum water-rate of Ka. 3-12-0 per scie. This, however, can have been apphed only in a few exceptronal cases, as the whole assessment gives an average of but Re 1-9-9 per acre. I recommend the adoption of the Supenintendent's proposals for this kind of urngation, which is confined to cold-weather crops.

20 I consider the rate of Rs 3 per acre which the Superrntendent proposes for nce land to be appropriate The cultivation is poor and insigmficant in extent, compnsing only 34 acres
21. The usual plau of imposing only the maximum jarayet rate on lands urigated by welle will be adopted in this distriot.
22. The as-essment by proposed rates will amount to $\mathrm{Rs}_{2} 1,47,757$ upons the area under cultivation, which, as shown below, is an mnerease of Rs. 40,860 on the present demand -

| Head of Comparinon | suesament. |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | On oultivation of 2878-78 | On Wasta. |  |  |
| Proposed settlement | 1,47,757 | 699 | 1,48,396 |  |
| Present do. | 1,06,897 | 239 | 1,07,146 |  |
| Inorasase, *** | 40,860 | 400 | 41,260 | Beng about 98 per cent. |

The increase, it will be observed, is considerably less than has resulted from the settlement of the adjoinug district of Mudbe. This 18 owng almost entirely to the adoption of a higher standard of classification at the first settlement than was carried out in the former district The Superntendent notices particularly in paragraph 29 the careful manner in which the Karmála classification was done, and its olose agreement with our present scale of valuation The contrasted statement also furnishos evidence on this pount, for it will be seen, on examining the percontage nucrases shown under column 19, that there are several cases in whioh the revised settlement is under 20, and a few 10 which it is under 10 per cent. in excess of the present assessment. The difference between the former and present maxumam rates is 21 per Ount in villages where the l-rupee rate 18 now fixed, and 36 where the $\mathrm{He} 1-2$ is to be appled. The present and former classification may, therefore, be sand to agree in all osses where the increase is not in excess of the percentage difference between the maxumum rates adopted at the respeotive settlements
23. It will be seen from the Collector's remarks* in reviewing the proposala, that he

- Paragraph 8. supposes the matter of the percestage morease hang consuderably less in Karmála than in Madha to be attributable to deductrons for pot kharab having been made in Karmála and not made in Mádha. As a proof, however, that ho is entirely wrong in supposing that there was any difference in the practice followed in the classification of the two districts in reapect to kharab deductions, I would call attention to the following statement, showng the aree deducted as unoultarable in the two dustricts, which is as follows -

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Matha |  | 239,967 | 29.565 | 369519 | 64 |
| Karmibe | ** | 935,008 | 21,639 | 817594 | 64 |

24. The elose agreement of within one-half per cent. in the proportion of area deducted as unculturable in the respective distmets which this statement exhibits, affords conclusive evidence of the Collector being in error in supposing the comparatively smaller rate of increase in Karmala to be due to the cause indicated by him But as it might perhaps be asserted that the agreement affords no proof of the work being correctly done $n$ either case, $I$ would mention that $I$ am informed by the Superintendent that the Classing Assastant was parthcularly enjouned to be most careful in his kharab deductions in Karmáa, and that he has gatisfied himself by personal examination of the correctness of this part of the work But as the question raised by the Collector does not affect the Karmála settlement, I need not go further into it in this place, nor need I notice the remarks in which he represents the rates on the poor soils of Madha to have been leff very neaily as they were before, whilat the 1 ates on the anfernor solls were much enhanced, except to mention that
 the statement is at variance with the facts of the case, which I shall be able to show in the report about to be submitted regarding certan matters affecting the Madha settlement referred to in the Resolution marginally given.
25. Reverting to the consuderation of the pioposed settlement, it is questionable, perhaps, whether a somewhat higher rate of increase ought not to be adopted, especially when we look to the rise in prices, which has been quite as great here as in the other districts already settled For, according to the information on the subject given in paragraph 19, the aveiage price of jowarm and bajm for the first 15 years of the settlement, from 1843 to 1857 nclusive, "was 56 and 45 seers respectively, whilst that for the 10 years comprised between 1858 and 1862 and 1868 to 1872 was 31 and 25, being a percentage merease on price of 80 per cent on both grains"
26. But as Karmála, as has been before mentioned, has not improved to the extent expected after the enjoyment of hight rates for thurty years, I think it will be admitted that it is not expedient to impose a higher scale of rates than it should bear, according to the general standard adopted to the revision of adjoming districts for the purpose of bringing up the percentage merease to the same rate as has been imposed in those cases We have evidence, morcover, that it is not being assessed relatively lower than other re-settled districts under the proposed settlement, its average rate beng 8 annas, whereas the Indápur average is but 7 annas 6 pies

J FRANCIS, Colonel,
Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D.

No. 149 or 1874.
Kaládg: Dıstrvet,
Camp Hungwnd, 14 th January 1874

## Memorandum.

The Revenue Commassioner, $S \mathrm{D}$, has the honour to submit correspondepee as per 1 From the Super ntendent, Revenue Survey, No 921, dated 3rd margin, containing proposals for October 1873, and accompanaments. 2 From the Collector of Sholípar, No 2695, dated 25 Nh Novem- the revised assessment of 93 villages ber 1873, and accompannmenta. Settlement Commasioner, N. D., in the Karmala Taluka of the SholaNo, 2297, dated 13th December 1873

2 The report of the Superintendent, Colonel Waddington, and its accompaniment, supply a valuable analyes of the cultrvation and collections for some years previous to the iutroduction of the Survey Settlement in 1842-43 and 1843-44, and dunng the progress of the thirty-years' lease An account of the clamate and ramfall is also furnished, agreeng, in general features, with the observations recorded by the earlier pioneers of the revenue survey system The return of the ramfall for mine years in Colonel Waddington's 17th paragraph shows an avenage for Karmála very much in excess of Indápur, and very little less than the average ranfall for those years of Mádha Táluka in Sholápur, and Karjat in Ahmednagar, the former lying to the south, and the latter to the north, of Karmala
3. The valuable statistical table showing the comparative numbers of the population, houses, wells, cattle, ete, in the Karmala Taluka in 1842-43 and 1872-73, is properly regarded as not inducating so large an increase in general prospenty as has been observed in other of the revised dustricts.

4 These points have been revewed by the Commissioner of Survey and Settlement in his pasagraphs 9 @ 14, and, in expressing general concurrence in Colonel Francis' remarks, the Revenue Commissioner does not deem it desrable to make further repetition of details One of the worst features of the present agncultural position of the distict is that specially noticed in Colonel Francis' 10 th paragraph, the amall increase of 6 der cent in the stock of agricultural cattle The Revenue Commissioner beleves that the paucity of the population, 125 to the
square mule, and the other feature of land being held in excess of the means of the caltivators, will be found to tally more nearly with the Nagar Distncts since the early survey settlements and the Indapur Taluka in Poona than wath the more southern talukas of Sholapur, wheh approach the Carnatro, and the more densely-populated talukás of the Satara Collectorate. The conditions point to a necessity for caution in rasing the assessment, and the Revenue Commissioner beleves that this has been duly observed in the proposals now submitted.
5. In paragraph 3 of the Survey and Settlement Commissioner's Memorandum there is an abstract of the area under different heads of the whole area of the 98 villages accordng to the present and former surveys. Notwithstandang the apparent omission on the part of the Superintendent, as noticed by the Survey and Settlement' Commissioner, to review the results of the comparative area statement, and the canses of increase and decrease under different heads, the main facts are simple enough. In an area of nearly 350,000 acres the new measurements give an werease of 84 acres, and there are 519 more acres at present shown as Inám or ahenated than at the tome of the previous survey. Without explanation, it is not practicable to state from what causes this increase of alrenation bas arsen But the principa! feature is the increase of culturable area of 23,770 acres of Government land due enturely to land formerly deducted as "lcharab" or unculturable berng now brought under assessment, these gross figares beng again momewhat reduced by the mereased area thrown into kuans, gairan or village grazing ground, roads, ete, onder the operations of the recent survey.

6 In paragraph 22 of the memorandum of the Commissioner of Survey and Settlement will be found the comparative total assessment of the 93 villages under the former survey and that which 18 now submitted for the sanction of Government. The former total, naclusive of a trifing area of waste, assessed at Ra. 239, is Re. 1,07,138, and the new total, molusive of Rg. 639, the nem assessment of the waste is Rg. $1,48,396$, representing an enhancement of Rs. 41,260 , or about 38 per cent.
7. In his 25 th and 26th paragraphe, Colonel Francis revews the question of formar and present prioes, of which very useful details are furnished by the Supernntendent; and while apparently leaning to a doubt, from the companson of prices, whether a somewhat higher rate of merease ought not to be adopted, the Commissioner finally recommends for sanction the more moderate rates, which the total above mentioned represents. In thas recommendstion, melusive of the alght modihoation in Colosel Francis' 17th paragraph, the Revenue Commasioner entirely conours, and observes that the Colleotor in bis 7th paragraph regards the enhancement as very reasonable, "consudering how the value of money bas deereased since 1842-43"
8. The Collector appears to have fallen into an error in his 8th and 10th paragraphs regarding a large portion of the former "kharab" or unculturable area having been brought to mecount in Madha, and not in Karméla, and attributing to this oause the difference of the total enhanoement, 75 per cent for Mádha and 38 per cent for Karmála. This error has been corrected in Colonel Francis' 23 rd paragraph. It is probable that whereas in both Madha and Karmála formely deducted land has been brought under assessment as follows -

and there is still an area deducted as unculturable in proportion to the new assessed area as shown un Colonel Francib' 23rd paragraph, Mr. Bosanquet may have been quite na error as to the precise modve operamds described by him, and yet not been very wide of the mark as to the fact of the proportion of former " kharab;" or anculturable, now brought under assessment, and to the mode of assessment of the same being potential elements in the relative proportion of uncrease in the assessments of the two tálulía, Mádha and Karmála.
9. But while recognizing this error, and the correction, the Revenue Commussionar is compelled to call attention to the fact in muob the same manner as the Collector, that when in paragraph 9 of his report No. 1441, dated 13th April 1871, the Revenue Commiseloner gabmitted a qualitied assent to the revsed assessment then proposed for the Msidha Taluka, though fully aware of the large ares of land previously held free being then brought under assessment, ho was enturely uninformed regardıng the disproportionate and extraordinary additions which the revised assessment would impose on separate villages, and the etill more extraordmary and, as regards the peneral rate of enhancement, more disproportionate addtions which the revieed asessement would umpose on undividnal fielda It was not until the revised assessment for 63 villages in Bhimthari in the Poona Collectorate were submitted for the sanction of Government that the degree of variatiou of incudenoe, even on separate villages, became apparent, an explanation was afforded in paragraphs $25 @ 28$ of the report of Colonel Nrances' No. 1636, dated 28th November 1871, which traced the cause to the faulty olessafication of the previous survey.
10. It was not even then known to what an extent the former assessment on mdindual survey fields had been multuphed by the rerised assessmanta. It ma thus feature in the revienon, which though sneceptable of the explanation furnished by the Survey Department, has cansed wide-spread dismay among ryots of all classes, from the morchant who has invested in land us a good speoulation and permanently eafe security for money, to the poorest culturator who, with one pair of bullocks, or perhops not even that amount of agricultaral stock, has ander the former inght assessment boen holding an ostent of land, the proper culturation of which is quate beyond

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his means. Doubtless also it is the same explanation which has induced Government to overrule the objections from time to time raised by the Revenue Commiseiouer to this prominent feature in the revision assessments
11. In convection with this subject, the undersigned begs to invite attention to the following extracts * from palagraphs 8 and 11

* Para. 8.-" It in only lately tlast I have become aware that, whale the rates on the good solle were left very nearly as they were before, the ratea on the very inferior solla were much enhanced"
Para 11.-"Persons who have apoken, to me regarding the new rates in other iclukses have said that no djecoutent would have ansen had the rates been raised proporinonately all round, matrad of hasing been left nearly the same on supemor land, and rassed so hebvily on mferior land " of Mr. Bosanquet's accompanying report.

12. The Revenue Commissioner is aware that the theory of the Survey Department is the vely reverse of the mbove, and the Revenue Commissioner has prominently recognized (paragraph 4 of memorandum 9, dated 3rd January 1872, transmitting the revision report of 53 villages in Bhimthad) with concurrence the desirableness at revision of rasing the assessment of the best class land in a hugher propotion than that of the lower classes, which has been the expressed object of the Survey Officers But it is difficult to avoid some degree of credence to the general opinion of practical cultuvators oppcsed to that of the offical theory, which now finds expression in the opinion of the Collector of Sholapur
13. It is quite comprehensible that, owing to eirors in the previnus classification of the tálukas of Mádha, Sholépur, Pandhaı pur, and Barsi in Sholapur, and of Bhımthadı in Poona, which did not exist in Karmála, the proportions of enhancement, which would arrive by the merease of maximum, are more nalely excecded in Karmala than in the other distructs mentioned, but the Revenue Commissioner beheves, from recent personal mspection, that there have been a great many cases of over-assessment in fields in the Bársi Táluka, and from general information that there are many simular netances in the other talukas abovenamed It should, however, be clearly understood that the enhancements in the cases referred to, as having been necessary in Sholapur and certan adjoming villages, in paragraph 19 of Colonel Franois' report No. 436, dattd 30th March 1872, are recognneed as quite exceptional, and not lable to the general criticism_now submitted for consideration of higher authority.

14 As respects Karmála, the Revenue Commassioner has great pleasure in pointing out that the statement contrasting present and proposed assessment for the different villages of Karmala, shows few cases of enhancement very much an excess of the general rate of the taluka, and that in certann exceptional cases a astisfactory explanation is furnushed in Colonel Waddıngton's 3Oth paragraph. Jakla should apparently be substituted for "Nimbore" at the end of paragraph 30.
15. The Revenue Commissioner sees reason to believe, from the remarlis in Colonel Waddungton's 29th paragraph and in Colonel Francis' 19th and 24th paragraphs, and the genenal moderate merease of the rate per acre in minividual villages, that when due allowance ${ }^{18}$ made for the merease of maximum and the bringug to account the "kharab,' formerly deducted as unculturable, the settlement, now submitted for approval, will be found to contan few, if any, of the starthag enhancements of assessment on mferior soils, which have, it is understood, principally tended to render the other settlements genersily unpopular Aksuredly, the general rate of enhancement is the most moderate yet recommended for the Sholapur District The experience of two years can afford no sure onterion for assessment, but jowars has remaned since last year lower than the rate of 26 seers per rupee, and that gran 18 now cheaper in Sholapur than it has been since 1861-62, the year in which the price of cotiton during the American War began to tell upon the relative vulue of money and agricaltural produce and labour to the extraoidnary extent illustrated in the comparison of averages of the second and thurd decades of Colonel Waddington's statement of the prices of grain.

16 The following is a comparative statement for the different tálukas of Sholapor which have undergone revision of the Jerayet maxima, the average rate per acre, and the merease per cent of total assessment, also the maximum and the average rate per acre as closely as they can be ascertaned ander the former survey -

|  | Maidhs, | Sholapur | Pandharpur, | Batrs. | Kırmala |
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| Maximum Jerayat rates in classes -ue |  | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { Rs, } & 2 & p \\ +1 & 8 & 0 \\ 1 & 6 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}\text { Ra. } & \text { ar } & p \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ & . & \\ \cdots & & \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrrr}\text { Ra, } & A_{6} & p \\ \ddagger 1 & 8 & 0 \\ 1 & 6 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0\end{array}$ | Re $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { a } & p \\ \$ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ |
| Average rate per acre ...4 -0, | 094 | 0114 | 0111 | 0118 | 080 |
| Percentage increase -*. .. | 77 | 77 | 74 | 68 | 88 |
| Maximum Jerayot rate of former murvey | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 18 & 2 \\ 0 & 12 & 74\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lrr}1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 14 & 0\end{array}$ | *. | 100 | $\begin{array}{lll} 0 & 12 & 71 \\ 0 & 18 & 28 \end{array}$ |
| Average rate per acre of formir auryey | 061 | 070 | 066 | 076 | 060 |

17. Now, if these figures are correct, or approxumately correct, they show not only that the enhancement for the whole taluka in each case, except Karmala, is much greater than the percentage merease of the maximum and somewhat greater than the percentage enhancement per acre, which is capable of ample explanation by the uncrease of the number of acres due to the land newly brought under assessment, but they prove also that the new average classfication is higher than the old $m$ all except Karmála, and that this result is not due to former very low classifications, which have a sungular uniformity of system, but to new bugh olassifications in all oxcept Karmala,

I. Karmála.-The former maximum is taken from the reports at an average of 18 annas, which, at an average assessment per acre of 6 annas, gives an average classification of 7 annas and 6 pres

The present maxımum, leaving out 2 villages of Kem and Jeur, is taken at a medıum rate of 1 rupee and 1 anna, which, with an average rate per acre of 8 annas, gives an average elassification of 7 annas and $6 \frac{1}{\text { p }}$ ples, or much the same as the former averuge classification
II. Mádhu, -The former maximum is talen from the reports at an average of 13 annas, which, at an average assessment por acre of 6 annas and 1 pie, gives an average clasesfication of 7 annas and 6 pres.

The present maximum, leaving out 15 special villages, is 1 rupee and 2 annas, whech, with an average assessment per acre of 9 annas and 4 pies, gives an average classification of 8 annas and 4 pres, or somewhat in exoess of the old classification.
III.-Sholapur.-The former maxumum is taken from the reports at an average of 15 annas, which, at an average assessment per acre of, 7 annas, gives an average classification of 7 annas and 6 piea. The present maxumum, leaning out Sholípur (which has a special rate), is taken at the medium of 1 rupee 4 annas, which, with an average assessment pel acre of 11 annas and 4 pres, gaves an average classification of 9 annas.
IV.-Pandharpur. - The former maxmum is taken from the records at an average of 13 annas, which, at an average rate per acre of 6 annas and 6 pies, gives an average classification of 7 annas and 10 ples.

The present maximum for Pandharpur is Rs 1-2-0, which, with an average assessment per acre of 11 annas 1 pre, gives an average classification of 9 annas and 10 pies.
V.-Bársi-The foimer mazumurn was 1 rupee, which, at an average absebsment per acre of 7 bunas and 6 pres, gives an average classification of 7 annas and 6 pres.

The prosent manmum of Barsi, leaving out the town of Bársi atself, may be taken at the medium rate of 1 rupes 4 annas, which, at an average assessment per acre of 11 annas and 9 pies, gives an average classafication of 9 annas and 5 prea.

The argument, which as a logreal sequence presents itself from these figures, 18 that the average clasanication has been uncreased in each case, except Karmála. But the total quotient of the new operation ought, from the fact of there being untroduced the new element of many thousand acres of the worst sols, formerly deducted as unculturable, to contain a large number of classifications of a very low callibe, and if un the face of this indisputable fact the average classification exhbits an morease, one or other of the following conclusions is nuentable, either the nevily-assessed land has not boen put into a sufficiently low olass, such as from its nature was amperatively demanded, or the rest of the land has been olassified so highly that it would, but for the modifyng element of the newly-aseessed land, hold even a hugher olassification than that which has been shown upon the general average to be in excess of the former general clasafication. There is a qualifying element in the marimum Jerayet rate applied to land formerly assessed for Vurhunda on mocount of wells, but such land is generally of a high class, and the number of aores would not very mater ally affeot the above deduction.
18. Having expressed humself favourably of the proposals for Karmála, the Revenue Commissionar trusts he will Dot require any escuse for reverting to his mistrust of some features in the other settlements in connection with the comparisen above presented, and his belief that

[^16]If Government are once convinced that there have been careless assessments in some cases, or misapplication of the system of classification, some method of rectification will still be allowed. The question can only be solved by ertiasm of the detalls of the classification, which, through its graduated action on the maximum, establishes the rates of assessment Mr Bosanquet has in his 9 th paragraph invited atitention to the fact that Mr Pr'ce in 1842-43 reported his rates of assessment on nine different classes of lend, whereas the papers now submitted for revision settlements show only the maximum

19 The scale of classification of the old Nasik Survey is published in Government Selection No. CXXX, supphed to all Government offices, the scale of classification of the joint report is published in the volume of "Official correspondence reiative to the system of revenue survey and assessment," but the preose scale of classification adopted in the recent revisions ie not pablished, though frequent allusion to its supenority is found in the correspondence
20. Is paragraphs 15 and 16 of memorandum No. 311 of 1872 from the Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D, pages 62 and 63 of Selection No CXXX, it is explained that. owing to a change in the classification, the much lower maximum for Chandor and Niphad tálukas in Násik gave a higher average result than the lower maximum for Chálisgaon m $\begin{array}{ccccccc}\text { Khándesh The maximum for the lst class of the former was } & \ldots & R_{s} & 2 & 4 & 0\end{array}$ for Chalisgaon
yet the average of the 1st class of the forner was $\begin{array}{lllll}. & \# & 2 & 8 & 0 \\ \ldots & & 1 & 11 & 8\end{array}$ and for Chálisgan . ... $\quad . . \quad$ " $\quad 1 \quad 0 \quad 3$ or in the inverse direction of the maximum, but much ma excess even of the "mverse ratio." See also comparison of Chálisgaon and Niphád rates at page 76 of Selection CXXX.

This at least proved that the land in the very highest class did not receave that highr assessment in Chándor and Niphad that it did in Chalisgaon, and that the higher average was obtained by rasing other classee than the highest class of land, though it may not have been the loweat class which was thus rased The facts mentioned in Mr. Bosanquet's present 9th paragraph regardung relative maximum conjoned with other incidental matters which have come under observation, and with the very general opinin of the cultivators, lead to an impression that the object of the Survey Oficers, recognized in theory, and authoritatively approved in paragraph 4 of Government Resolution Ne 1031, dated 2lst February 1873, may possibly have been missed in practice It may be that much of the best land has been assessed at the lughest rate, and yet that much which is of a midding quality and dependent on an abundant rainfall, rarely obtained, for its productiveness has, by the revision of classification on the newlyassessed land, whereas it was before left rent-fiee as unculturable, or by the joint operation of these causes, been made lable to assessment more than double that of the previous survey, and which in fact on an average of seasons at cannot well pay It 18 to land not of the highest class to which the Revenue Commissioner believes much of the land formerly deducted as "kharab," and now assessed, would, from the nature of the case, be found to be attached.
21. Adverting to the remaiks regarding unculturable area of the old survey brought to account at the revision in paragraph 8, it is worthy of note that Mr. Grant, Acting Superntendent of Survey, in paragraph 36 of his report on the Mádbs revision, No 40, dated 12 th January 1871, estimated the assessment on the 35,600 acres of former "krharab," or unculturable, of 9 annas 4 pies per acre on the average assessment per acre of the whole táluka It is not intended to be deduced from the above that thus new cultivation was, on an average, assessed at the rate mentioned, or anything very near it, but the inadvertent remark of tha Acting Supermendent shows the bias of his mind which is further illastrated by the followng quotation from page 13 of Selection CXXX .-
"Mr Grant (under whose superintendence the revision operations were effected) writes thus on the subject " of the old classification as compared with the revised valuation" "Sols from the 3rd class downwards were entered fully two classes too low in the former valuation, and the 8th and 9uh orders of soll were very commonly entered as kharab."

Add the following quotation from Colonel Francis at page 67 of the amme complation - -
"But as we know from experience that the Khándesh standard is from 2 or 3 annas lower in the rupee or datum scale than that now in use and accoiding to which our revision settlements are being fixed, we should be unduly mereasng the assessment of Chandor and Niphád, were we to calculate it upon the Chaluggan maximum rate"
22. Now what is this revised scale which, though mereasing the rate on the higher eonls, eachews a maximum which was apphed to Cháliggaon, and which, though perhapa having one class lower than the 2 annas class of the joint report scale, finds "souls from the 3rd class downwards" of the Nasik soale (3rd class 101 annas) "fully two classes too low" and "that the Khandesh standard is from 2 or 3 annas lower in the rapee or datum acale than that now in use? "

23 The question to be solved 1 s , apparently, this - Why, when the survey deagned to increase the rate on superior solls and lower it on the lowest, the Collector, his Assistants, and the ryots of Sholapur say that the rates have been left nearly the same on superior land, and largely raised on inferior lauds ${ }^{2}$ 'I he question is certainly not soluble without a careful examination of the new system of classification, and its practucal application to a number of fields compared with the old elassafication, which has been superseded, and its appheation to the same fields The solution which is suggested in the absence of a single opportumity as yet obtaned for the
comparison, is that there has been an nncrease in the highest class, and that there may have been, though this is very protlematical, a decrease in the lowest, which corresponds with the theory, and that the application of the revised ciassification at too high a rate on the former unculturable, and, on the lands geneially lower than the highest to which the former unculturable 28 often attached, has unduly rassed the medum and lower lands, and brought about the sbnormal state of thmgs, which in the opinion of the Revenue Commissioner demands further anquiry.
24. Onaccount, then, of misgivings regarding the revised assessment in other talukas, which has been panfully brought to the Revenue Commissioner's personal notice, and not on account of the assessment of Karmala now submitted to Government with very cordial concurrence, the Kevenue Commissioner respectfully solicits permission that he be allowed to put himself in communication with the Sarvey and Settlement Commissioner, Northern Division, on the points at 15sue, and that the head of the Survey Department be requested to place at hus disposal for examunation any of the details of the system of classicication in force which he may apply for.
25. It may be that by this means the Revenue Commissioner may be placed in a position to be not only convinced himself but to convince others, and especially the Collector and Assistant Collectors, who are daily in communication with the cultivators, that the impression atated in the extract contanned in paragraph 11 of thus memoiandum is a mastaken one, or, he may, if there be truth in the impression, be able on the other hand to oonvince the Head of the Survey Department that there is a real grievance to be remedied.

26 The Revenue Commssioner begs leave to endeavour to remove an impression which he fears from Government Resolution No 1031, dated 21st February 1873, his remarks generally advocating moderation and a limit of enhancement have oansed.
27. It had been always the desire of the Revenue Commissioner, though he had been early trazned to the stady of the joint report and the system of classification of soils and assessment land down theron, whatever opimons he conght hold on the precisely best method of classification, to limit his observations, as far as poseible, to the general mendence of the assessment with reference to prices, markets, climate, \&c., leaving the details of classifioation on the stated maximum for the different classes of jerayet land entirely to the survey officers. The reasons for over-stepping the bounds of etiquette by which the undersigned is usually gaided in survey questions, are the great discontent caused by the revised assessment in many villages, and the behef that in eome mstances there are just grounds for dissatisfaction and complannt.
28. The Revenue Commissioner beheves that his views were very much in subordinate correspondence with those expressed by Government in the earlier part of paragraph 4 of Government Resolution No 5495, dated 3rd October 1873, and he readaly admate that this advocacy of a oheok on the discretion of the survey officers, pointed out in the latter part of paragraph 4, can only be supported after readmg that reconded opmion of Government upon the assumption that the sarvey settlements have, in some cases, falled to introduce the system of elassification and asseasment based on that olasslication, which as known to be generally approved by Government, and is speorioally ladd down in paragraph 4 of Government Resolution No. 1031, dated 2lat February 1878.
29. It is represented that in many unstances the old defect of the survey setulements has not been remedied by lowering the olassincation of the worst sorls, though the classification of the nuperior soils has been raised, and that, in faot, the aseesement of the land formerly classed as "kharab" or unoulturable, added to the enhancement of the rates on soils not of the loweet, but also not of the highest, and whach may be conveniently called the middung class, has had the effeot of rasing the rates of the middung and bad solls in a greater proportion than the best soils, and that the assessment is, un many cases, oppressive and such as cannot be pard on the average of good and bad years without undue pressare.
30. Complants of this land have been, for some thme, pressed on the notice of the Bevenue Commissioner, and he has lately, in a tour through the revised district of Bársi, come upon several instanocs of assessment which appear to support the complaints. The Revenue Commasioner is aware how diffioult it is to test complants of this kind, and he would not venture to give them his official support in a representition to Government without first conferring with the Commssioner of Survey and Settlement, were at not that in order to do this effiootively the fullest technioal mformation needs to be held avalable; the Revenue Commisstoner tharafore bega that the question may as yet be regarded as under consideration, and solceits attention to the applostion in his 24th paragraph regaiding details of assessement includeng classfication.
31. The Revenue Comm ssioner begs, with much deference, to point out that he thunks there must have been eome error in pnnting, or omission in the figures at the latter part of paragraph 4 of Government Resolution No. 10s1, dated 2lst February 1873 The gocd field classel under the old aystem at lid anass on a marimum of 12 annas would have an assessment of 10 annas 6 pies, and tho bad field classed at 4 annas on the same manimum would have an assessmont of 3 annes. Aceording to the new system therenn mentioned, the classafication on a macimum rased to 1 rupee would give, for the good land at a elassification of 16 annms, a rate if 1 rapee, and for the bad hand, at a ciassfication of $\mathcal{Z}$ annas, a rate of 2 annas. The relative asisessments would thus be-

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and the increase would be 4 annas 6 pies, or about 33 instead of 50 per cent, and would, in the opinion of the Revenue Commissioner, be equitable and o.herwise unexceptionable. If it should so happen that a piece of good land is found which, under the old classification, ought to have been assessed at 10 annas 6 ples, but through fraud or error was assessed at 5 annas only, the Revenue Commissioner would see no objection on this account to 1 ts being raised by the new classification to one rupee or more than 200 per cent uncrease in that case. This is not the knd of enhancement which the Revenue Cnmmissiover deprecates, but the more general one, which it is believed to be due to careless or ill-adapted classification of midding and bad solls
32. But the Revenue Commissioner does not desire, and never did desire, absolutely to limit the increase to 50 per cent, but only to make this a guiding rule, requing good and sufficient reason to be assigned for exceptional cases of which, no doubt, many can be found.
33. The Revenue Commistoner trusts that these recommendations are in accordance with the principle laid down in the early part of paragraph 4 of Government Resolution No. 5495, dated 3rd October 1873 It must be admitted that, of discretion were altogether refused to the survey officers, there would arnse danger of the indispatably proper conditions layd down in the latter part of paragraph 4 of the Government Resolution not beng fully attaned, but, on the other hand, Colonel Francis has, in paragraphs 24 and 28 of his report No 1636, dated 28th November 1871, on the Bhimthadi villages, shown how this discretion can be regulated in theory, and in his recent pioposals for certain villages of Bhimthadi and Purandhar, on which Government Resolution No 6377, dated 22nd November 1873, was passod, and those now submitted for Karmala, shown how that discretion can be regulated in practice It is thas believed that, with the exercise of more moderation as regards the lands newly brought to assessment, which is essentially a judicious applices ion of the prineiple regarding superior and inferior lands laid down in paragraph 4 of Government Resolution No 1031, dated 2lat February 1873, the entre objects prescribed by Government might be secured, and much of the suffering and discontent with which the district officers actually in contact with the caltivators in the revised districts of Sholápur, Mádha, and Barsi are becoming dauly more panfully acquainted, might be removed
34. It is presumed that the maximum jerayet rate on land irrgated from wells, mentioned in paragraph 22 of Colonel $\mathbf{I}$ rancis' memorandum, refers only to wells constructed before the commencement of the late tharty years' lease.
35. The Revenue Commissioner respectfully states his concurrence in the recommendation in Colonel Francis' 15th paragraph regarding the Patasthal rates, and in his 16th paragragh regarding the rate of Rs 3 per acre for the very small area of nce land Adverting to paragraph 81 of Colonel Waddington's letter, the Revenue Commissioner has no doubt that the rates personally fixed by the Supenntendent on each separate field will be suitable rates, but he would suggest that the rules of the department referred to should be made pabhe, so that revenue officers should have an opportunity of following the proceedings of the experts of the Survey Department.

36 There are some detalls in Colonel Waddington's paragraphs 15 and 16 relative to the method of sub-letting land for cultivation and the prices for which in Karmala the occupancy of dry-crop and garden lands is sold There appears to have been less of the investment in land at high prices, of which conspicuous instances have been adduced in several previous revision reports The Revenue Commissioner beleves that a wider extension of simular statistics in the other talukas of Sholápur and Poona, unless in the immediate vicinity of the large towns, would collect a much more moderate estimate of the purchase value of land than would be denved from the small range for calculating average previously furmshed.
37. It is suggested that the statistics of the saltpetre manufacture in Karmala, farnushed in Colonel Waddington's report, be referred to the Superntendent of the Government Powder Works, as recommended in Colonel Francis' 4th paragraph.

38 It is feared that there is ground for the complant in Colonel Francis' 5th paragraph relative to the want of commamcations for carrying the Karmala sarplus produce previous to the construction of the railway But there was an earher times great difficulty in obtaining funds for cross roads The Local Fund road from Karmala to the station of Jeur on the G I P. Ralway us now the real ontlet for the taluka Paragraph 6 of Colonel Francis' memorandum will be forwarded to the Collector and President, Sholapur Local Funds Committee, for consideration of the recommendations therem contained and the same shall have the attention of the undersigned but Karmala has its own separate line of trade with one part of the Nizam's territory, for another part of which Barsi is the emporium, and seeks for outlet rather by the railway or the roads through Nagar and Poona to the west than back upon Barsi and Sholapur At present the Karmala Taluka Local Funds can find very full employment on the section between Karmála and the ralway at Jeur, which requires expensive improvements to make it fit for cart traffic in the monsoon, without which it cannot be classed as a satisfactory rallway feeder.

39 It is respectfully suggested that if the proposed rates are approved by Government, the Survey and Settlement Commissioner be requested to prepare a notitication, as ordered in Government Resolution No. 4884, dated 22nd September 1871, for publication in the Government Gazette

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No. 707.

## Reverue Dipartyrat.

## Bombay Castle, 7in February 1874.

Resolotion.-These papers refer to proposals for the revision of the assessment un the 98 Government viliages comprised un the Karméla Taiuka.
2. Judging from the statistics relating to agricultural stock and to the selling price of occupancies, this taluka has not made, during the period of the past settlement, the progress in the durection of materal prosperity that might have been expected, and is represented to have taken place in the adjoinng tálukas The nncrease in the number of stock is shown to be only 6 per cent., dry-crop land 18 saleable at from 1 to 10 rupees, garden at from Rs. 15 to Rs 46 per acre, and the cultivators are represented to be heavily in debt and callous and moduferent as to the results of therr labours, feelng assured that a good harvest will only benefit therr creditors and not themselves.
3. There 1s, however, another side to the preture, which is to be found in the steady and progressive increase in the cultivation, and in the amount of revenue realized during the period of the settlement, and in the value of produce. The nacrease, in the revenue in each decade during the last 30 years is thus shown -

| Ten years from | 184844 to 185253 | - | * |  | Rs | 78,488 |
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|  | 185954 to 186863 | ... | - | * |  | 99,194 |
| Do | 1863 84 to 187278 | . | $\cdots$ | ... | \% | 1,06,624 |

During these three decades the prices of the two pronapat staples, jowari and bajri, were respectively (1) 64 and 50 , (2) 40 and 33 , and (3) 21 and 17 seers.

4 Considening the condition of the taluka, it is satisfactory to find that the proposals now submitted will result in a comparatively moderate nerease Under the former assessment, a maximum of 315 reas, or $\operatorname{Re} 0-12-7 \frac{1}{6}$, was adopted in the case of certain villages, and of 330 reas, or $\mathrm{Re} 0-13-2 \frac{2}{5}$, in the others it is now proposed to group two vallages, exceptionally favouably situated, under a maximum of Rs $1-4-0 ; 21$ under Rs 1-2-0, and the remaining 70 vullages under a maxumum rate of $R e .1$
5. The occupred area, accordng to last year's accounts, was 271,194 acres, and the collections amounted to Rs $1,06,897$ By the revised survey, the occupred area $1 s 293,487$ acres, and the proposed assessment thereon $1 s$ 1, 47,757 There 1s, besides, a small quantity of unoccupied land whoh has been assessed at Rs 639 , making the total asseesment amount to Rs $1,48,396$. The result is a percentage ancrease on the entire assessment of Rs. 38, and an average assessment per acre of 8 annas, that under the former assessment being 6 annas and 1 ple.
6. The proposed rate of Rss 3 per acre on the small area of noe land is approved, as is also that on Pathasthal land, the highest rate for which has been fixed at Rs. 3-12-0 Government presume that the maximum jerayet rates on lands urrgated from wellis have only been imposed in casen where the wella were in existence anterior to the period of guarantee
7. These proposals have the approval of the Collector and Revenue Commissioner, and cannot be considered otherwise than very moderate. His Excellency the Governor in Councl is accordngly pleased to sanction the rates for the usual period, with the slight modufications proposed by the Survey Commassioner, in respect to the grouping of Deolail and the inamlets adjounug Karmálan

8 It is to be notuced that there is an increase in the assessable area of 23,770 acres; and that, consequently, a good deal of the enhancement of the revenue is due to this cause. At the time of the onginal survey it was not only the prachice to make a liberal allowance on account of what was then considered to be the "kharab" or unculturable portions zncluded nn each separate number, but also to leave unmeasured and unassessed large areas of hight poor solls on the alopes of hille and elcewhere. It would have been well had the report apeafied how muoh of the former and how much of the latter description of land had been included an these 23,770 acres. For the future, this information ahould be distinctly given. His Fixeellency in Oouncil cannot doubt that care has been taken to exolude from assessment all land incladed in numbers at the former survey as unarable, but whioh has ances then been reclamed and brought ander the plough at the expense of the ryots
9. Mr Havelock has, in reviewng the proposals in respect to Karmála, taken tha opportunity of atating at great length and with much moderation and care, the grave doubts he entertauns regarding the suitability of the rates, especially on the poor solls, which have been imposed un the other talukas of the Sholapur and Poona Collectorates lately brought onder revision. He states his partiopation in the general belief that whereas the valuation on the better soils has been left very much as it was, that on the poorar has been unduly and disproportionately enhanced.
10. His Excellency the Governor in Council bas not failed to be mach struck with the marked drferance between the results of the last revision proposala and those that were first sent in. The Karmála and Supe revised assessment gave an average nocrease of 38 and 42 per cent. respectively, while the pror ones of Madha and Sholapur resulted in an merrease of 77 per cent. The Commissioner of Survey, Colonel Franus, attribates the comparatively small amount of norease observable in the proporals now submitted to the fict of a higher and more corroot gystem of classification hanigg been adopted at the first metclement of the Supa and Karmśle villages than was observed when the survey operations were first commenced. If thas
is the correct explanation, it is somewhat remarkable that so sudden and marked an improvement should have charasterized the woik of the early survey offcers within a period of two years from the commencement of the operations.
11. If, on the other hand, the true explanation is, as Mr. Havelock imples, to be found in the valuation scale having been lowered, in order to comply with the policy of moderation recently inculcated by Government, then at becomes a serious question how the rates in the other and early revised talukas can best be assimilated and equalized That this is the case is clearly contradicted by Colonel Francis in the 24th paragraph of his forwarding memoranduna, in which also he promises to prove his assertion in a report about to be submitted with regard to the Mádha settlement, but as an officer occupyng the responsible position of a Revenue Commassioner is fully entitled to have his apprehensions in a matter of such importance set at rest, Mr. Havelock is at lhberty to call for such information and to take suoh steps as he may deem necessary to obtain the particulars referred to in paragraph 24 of his report It will probably be the best and most convenient plan if he can arrange to meet the Survey Commesioner and pensonally satisfy humself as to the principles on which the classification has been arnved at A copy of the Revenue Commissioner's report should in the meanwhle be forwarded to Colonel Francis for any remarks he may have to make on this particular point.
Superntendent of Survey, 8rd October 1873. 12 Government have again to notice with dissatisCollector of Sholépur, 25th November 1873. Survey Commassioner, 13th December 1873. Revenne Commasioner, 14th Jenubry 1874, faction the delay in the submission of this report, the dates of forwardung which by the several officers are noted in the margin.

## F. S. CHAPMAN,

Chief Secretary to Government.
No. 792 or 1874.

## Reventer Daphetwent Poona, 21st May 1874.

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* Not pranted.

Fide Government Resolution No 707, dated 7th February 1874

The Survey and Settlement Commussioner presents compliments, and begs to forward for publication in the Government Gazette draft,* notaication of the guarantee given to the revised settlements mitroduced minto 96 villages of the Karmála Táluka.
(Signed) J. FRANCIS, Colonel,
Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D

No. 2781 or 1874.
Revenue Department
Bombay Castle, 3rd Juns 1874
In Government Resolution No. 707, dated 7th February last, revised rates of assessment were sanchoned for 93 villages of the Karmala Taluka, while in the enclosed draft notification 96 villages are shown as those in which the revised rates were introduced. The three additional villages are, it is presumed, those which were stated to have recently lapsed to Government in paragraph I of Colonel Francis' Report No 2297, dated 13th December last, but no distinct proposals were made for these villages, nor were there any orders given regarding them, and it is not understood why they have been included in thus draft notufication The nodersigned is, therefore, directed to request the Survey Commissioner will favour Government with explanation on this point
(Signed) J. MONTEITH,
For Chief Secretary to Government
No 965 or 1874
Revenue Departuent -
Poona, June 19th, 1874
In submitting the accompanying explanation by the Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment, Poona and Násik, called for 1 nc Mr Under-Secietary Monterth's memorandam No 2781 of the 3rd carrent, the undersigned has the honour of reporting that the villages of Nımbgaon and Sang wı, Táluka Karmála, were formerly held as personal Inam by Bhagwantrao Govind Pingle, and on lis death lapsed to Government an 4 D 1859-70
2. Numbgaon comes into the 2nd class group of the Karmála villages, the maximum dry-crop rate of which 18 RB 1-2-0 (vide paragraph 28 of Superntendent's Report No 921 of the 3rd of October last), and Sangwi comes under the 3rd class, the maximum jerayet rate of which is 1 rupee.
3. The highest maximum rmposed on pátasthal land in this táluka is Rs 3-12-0, which, as exphuned in paragraph 31 of Colonel Waddangton's report, has rarely been reached ia any fields, the average for the whole taluka being Rs. 1-9-0 per acre
4. In Nimbgaon, one of the villages under report, the average pastasthal rate on the 19 acres of thus kund of cultivation is 7 annas and 7 pies only aganst a jerayet average of 5 annas 9 pies

5 The result of the survey settlement in these two villoges is as follows :-

| Namen of Villagen | Acres. | Total Assessment. |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mean } A \text { vorage } \\ & \text { Hate } \end{aligned}$ |  | Ansegsinezt of Waste Land |  |  | Surrey Kamal. |  |  |
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|  |  | Acoord ung to the Old System, | Accord2ng to Sarvey | Percent age decrease by the survey | $\underset{\text { Svstem }}{\text { Old }}$ | Sarvey Sygtern. | Acres | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{\|l\|l} \begin{array}{\|c} \text { seness } \\ \text { ment. } \end{array} \end{array}\right.$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Average } \\ \text { rate. } \end{array}\right\|$ | A0ree | Assessment. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Average } \\ \text { rate } \end{gathered}$ |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | - 11 | 12 | 13 |
| Nimbagion Sangwi | $\begin{array}{r} 4,519 \\ 2,508 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rs } \\ & \mathbf{2 , 4 8 8} \\ & 1,495 \end{aligned}$ | R.t. $\mathbf{1 , 6 4 0}$ $\mathbf{1 , 1 7 2}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { Rs. } & \text { a, } \\ 67 \\ 78 & 8 \\ 78 & 4 \end{array}$ | Res a 0 0 0 0 | $\left.\begin{array}{ccc} \text { Rs, an } & \text { p. } \\ 0 & 5 & 9 \\ 0 & 8 & 1 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | ${ }^{604}$ | 80 | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ccc}\text { Rs } & \text { ar } & p \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ & \text {-1 } & 1\end{array}\right.$ | 5,128 2,308 | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{Ris}_{1} \\ 1,720 \\ 1,172 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \text { Rs. } & 1 & p \\ 0 & 5 & 4 \\ 0 & 8 & 1 \end{array}$ |

All the detanls of the assessment of these two villages will be found in the cemparative state-- Not printed. ment * attached to the Superintendent's report.
(Signed) C J. PRESCOTT,

Acting Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D

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\text { No. } 478 \text { or } 1871 .
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Poona, 11th Juне 1874
With reference to No 2781, dated 3rd June 1874, Revenue Department, from the Chief Secvetary to Government (memorandum and accompaniments herewith returned), forwarded for report quder Survey Commiseioner's memorandum ;No. 872, dated 5th matant, the Acting Supernntendent, Poona and Nasik Survey, has the honour to state that the three additional nillagen entered in the notufication are those of Nımbgaon and Sangwi (Government), and Temburm (Inam).
2. The Inam village has now been struck out of the notifioation, as it nometriass happens that a modification of the settlement is subsequently rendered necessary in Inam pillages, it seems therefore advisable that it should not be shackled by a Government guarantee.

3 The two Government villages were omitted by mistake in the origunal report. They had been formerly Indm ; when it was found they had lapsed to Government, Colonel Waddungton applied to Colonel Franois, who authonzed the introduction of the settlement probably under Section XXV of the Surrey Act, intending, no doubt, to mention them in the final report.

4 The usual contrasted atatement * of aras and revenue together wath the census retarn * Not printed availabla (that of 1856) and the " result of clasaification test * Not printed taken (of the measurement none was takea) hive now been compuled to meet the requisition of the compilation ordered in paragraph 9 of Government Resolution No. 2446, dated 15th May 1874, and it is hoped that Goverament will now accord ita sanotion to the settlement of these two villages and permit thar names to remain 18 the notafication under referencs.
(Slgaed) E L. TAVERNER, Leat.-Colonel, Actang Superintendent, Poona and Násk Survey

Statoment of the Nwmber of Houses, Inhabutants, Welle, Cattle, ge, of the villages of Nimbgaon and Sangwh, of the Karmala Taluka of the Sholupur Colleclorate, accordsng to Cenous taken an 1856 .

(Sygued) E. Le TAFERNER,
Acting Super nterdent, Revenue Survey and Assessment.

# Revgnue Departuent. 

Bombay Castle, 8th July 1874
Resolfion,-The proposed settlement of these two villages is sanctioned
2. The notification may now be published.

F. S CHAPMAN,<br>Chief Secretary to Government.

## No 629 or 1874

From

> THE ACTING SUPERINTENDENT, REVENUE
> SURVEY AND ASSESSMENT,

To
THE ACTING SURYEY AND SETTLEMENT COMMISSIONER, N D.
Poona, Brd August 1874.
Sir,
I have the honour to forward the final report of the introduction of the revised settlement into 95 Government villages of the Karmala Táluka of the Sholapar Collectorate

2 The revised settlement report for 93 of these villages was sent in to Government in Colonel Wadduggton's No 921 of 3rd October 1873, and sanetion to the settlement for a period of 30 years was given in Government Resolution No 707 of 7th February 1874. For the remaingg two villages of Nimbgaon and Sángw sanction was given by Government Resolution No 8494 of 8 th July 1874, and notification of the pernod of the gaarantee for the 95 Government villages was published in the Government Gazette at page 575, dateil 8th July 1874 The revised rates were introduced by Colonel Waddington in March 1874.
3. As directed in paragraph 7 of Government Resolution No. 707 of 7th February 1874, the villages of Deolali, Bhosa, and Pimpalwady have been transferred to the 2nd clasa.
4.The actual result of the revised settement of 93 Government pillages (those contaned in Colonel Waddington's orıginal report and exclusive of the villages of Nimbgaon and Sangwi subsequently eanctioned) 13, as under, showing a decrease difference of 3 per cent, on the former estimate.

5. There still remain 15 Government villages that were transferred from the Karjat Táluka to be revised, after which the usual statistical tahle for the enture taluka will be prepared.
6. A statement stowng the final results of the revision for 95 Government villages is appended, as as also a separate one for the Dumala village of Temburn.

I have \&é.,
(Signed) E L TAVERNER, Iaeut,-Colonel, Acting Supenntendent, Revenue Sarvey and Assessment, Poons and Nák.

Statement showing the Result of the revsed Survey Assessment for 95 Government villages of the Karmála Taluka of the Sholdipur Collectorate, revreed under the Supersntendent's Reports No. 921 of Sod October 1873 and No. 478 of 11th Jwne 1874.


(Signed) E. L TAVERNER, Lieut.-Colonel,
Acting Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assersment, Poons and Násik,
Poona, 3rd August 1874.

Statement showing the Survey Assessment for the undermentioned Dumala Village of the Karmála Taluka of the Sholápur Collectorate.

(Signed) E. L. TAVERNER, Lseut.-Colonel,
Poona, 3rd August 1874. Actıng Supernintendent, Revenue Surveg, Poona and Násk

No. 1260 of 1874.

## Revente Defartabet.

Poonc, August 7th, 1874
The Acting Survey and Settlement Commsanoner, N D, has the honour of submitting No 707, 7th Febraary $1874 \quad$ the foregoing report and figured statement showngg the effeet of noted for the revised assessment of 95 Governnent villages of the Karmála Tailuka of the Sholápur Collectorate The proposals for these rates were submitted to Government with Colonel Francis' memorandum No 149 of the 14th January last, on Colonel Waddngton's report No 921, dated 3rd October 1874.

2 The following statement shows comparatively the old and new assessment .-

3. Taking the new aores and the old assessment of these 93 villages, the mean average rate was really 5 annas 10 pres per occupred acre. But taking the old acres and the old assessment, the apparent mean average rate was 6 annas 4 pies per acre.

By the new acres and revised asessement the mean average rate is 7 annas 10 pies per scre.
4. As 15 villages lately transferred to this talluka from Karjat remain to be remsed, the statistical tables for the complete taluka cannot be prepared, and are delayed pending the completion of thus revision, bat the following short statement a appended to show comparatively the pressure of the old and new assessment -

| Number of Villages, | Old Absegsment on oultivation | New $\boldsymbol{A}_{\text {suenen }}$ meat on cultivation. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Old } \\ & \text { srerage } \\ & \text { Riste. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { New } \\ \text { sverage } \\ \text { Rate. } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Population } \\ \text { at old } \\ \text { sarvejt } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Population } \\ \text { sti revised } \\ \text { curvey } \end{gathered}$ | Preasure per head of total population. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Former | Present. |
| 0 ** | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rs, } \\ & 1,10,824 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{Rs} \\ 1,46,590 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{rll} \text { Ra } & \text { an } & \mathrm{ph} \\ 0 & 6 & \mathbf{1} \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rl} \text { Re } & -1 \\ 0 & 710 \end{array}$ | 56,808 | 70,678 | $\begin{array}{r} \mathrm{Re} \\ 116 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \text { He. } & 8 & p \\ 2 & 1 & 8 \end{array}$ |

5. By this it will be seen that the population has moreased duning the currency of the old lease, 24 per centn, that the average rate has apparently been rassed 1 anna and 6 pues an anre surreptritiously, the real average rise appears to be, as shown in paragraph 3, from 5 annas 10 pies to 7 annas 10 pies per sare, but as a considerable ares was held, the pressure of the assessment on each head of the total population has been raised from Rs, 1-15-3 to Rs, 2-1-3, or exactly 8 annas per head.
(Sugned) C. J. PRESCOTT,
Acting Survey and Settlement Commsenoner, N. D.

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\text { No. } 6480 \text {. }
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Reyenue Defpaticint.
Bombay Castle, 134 October 1874.
RisoLution - The total results of this revianon are, in respect to moderation, satisfactory.
2. The question of the presumed disproportionate enhancement of the lower and medium sools, consequent on the system of classficioalion that has been adopted, is now under the consideration of Gorarnment.

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3. Whatever orders may be passed on the representations made by the Revenue Commissioner in his report No 1466, dated the 20th April, and the disoussions that have ensued thereon, will be made applicable to Karmála

4 The Survey Commissioner should be requested to forward a statement showng the numbers, area, and assessment of land relnquished at the settlement on the revised rates bengg given out, and to supply smimar information in all ouses of introduction of rates

F S CHAPMAN,
Chief Secretary to Government

No. 1843 or 1875.
To
THe ACTING SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT.

## Revenur Department

Poona, 27 th November 1875.
Sir,
I have the honour to submit the following proposals for applying the orders of the Resolution of October 1874 to the Karmala Táluka of the Sholapur Collectorate
2. The rates fixed for this district were Rs $1-4-0$ for two villages baving railway stations,

1st class, 2 villages
2nd class, 24 villages
3rd class, 67 villages. Rs. 1-2-0 for the villages adjoming the ralway line, the head-
lets being also included in this group, and Re 1 for the great
3. The assessment calculated at these rates, amounted to Rs $1,44,116$ aganst the former settlement of Rs. 1,06,897, the difference of Rs. 37,219 being equivalent to an increase of 35 per cent.

4 This percentage increase being very moderate, and less even than that resulting from the reduction already made in adjoming districts of the Collectorate, I propose, therefore, to make no modafication of maximum rates, yith the exception of bringing down the two villages under the Rs, 1-4-0 to the Re 1-2-0 rate, which will place them uron the same footing as the railway villages of the adjoming distriet of Madha, under the reductions recently sanctioned. I would, however, recummend a reduction in classification scale values from 6 annas downwards as apphed in the Bara Taluka
5. After making these reductions, amounting to Rs 7,384 , the revised assessment, as shown in statement * accompanying, will amount to Rs. 1,35,732, and the macrease on the former assessment to $2 \delta$ per cent
6. There is one village (Singwa)* in which the increase 1874 , and oix in which it is

- No 38 of Statement. above 50 per cent, whilst, on the other band, there are three villages in which the revised assessment as now fixed will be less than the former settlement.

The reduced assessment gives an average rate of 7 annas 6 pies per acre for the disticet
8. The result of the redaction for two vallages* to which the revised assessment was apphed subsoquently to the general settlement of the district, is shown separately at foot of the statement.

I have, \&se,
(Sugned) J. FRANCIS, Colonel,
Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N. D.
No 6367.

## Revenve Departhent

Bombay Castle, 11th December 1875.
Risoldution -Government oonsider that no reduction or correction of the revised settlement rates of Karmala is required The increase on the old assessment finally manctioned, 85 per cent., is muoh lower than that contemplated as admissible in Government Resolution of October 1874, and owing to the ongmally faulty classification of the neighbouring táluka of Madba, is lower than the corrected inciease in that taluka, while the existing maximum and average rates of Karmala correspond closely with the corrected rates as lately aanctioned for Madha, and consudering the advantages which Karmála possesses over Mádha, are decidedly not higher proportionately than the Madha rates, And as regard the classification, Colonel Francis considers it to be good and accurate, and Mr Havelock expressed himself as perfectly satisfied with it. The revised assessment of Karmala was also accepted by the people without complaint.

## W. G. PEDDER,

Acting Chief Secretary to Governmentu

From
R. B PITT, Esq,

Acting Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survey;
Thm COLLEGTOR of ShoLapur.
Decenn Survey Superntendent's Office, Poonu, R2ind October 1891.
Sir,
I have the honour to submit for the consideration of Government proposals for the Revsion Settlement of 18 villages of the Karmála Táluka ua which the original settlements are strili un force, Partioulars concerning the dates of former settlements and disposithot are given below:-

¥Old correspondence. Ap pendix 0

II Government Remolution No. 8418, datex 27th saptember 1866 IT Government Reaolution No. 4178 , dated 14th November 1868.

The 15 villages of the Korts Talluka $\ddagger$ mentioned din the above statement were transferred to the Karmála Taluka an the year 1888-67, and the one other village from the Mádhe Taluka in the year 1862-53, in accordance with the Government Resolutions margnaally noted.
2. With the exception of one village, Blatlvan (formerly of Madha), situated nearly in centre of the taluka, and mudway between the rallway stations of "Kem" and "Jehur," the remaining 15 viliages form a compaot group on the western boundary of the taluka, benge separated from the Ind\&pur Taluika by the river Bhims These villages, it will be seen from the accompanyng map, possese the advantage of easy access to the stations of "Pomalvad," " "Kfitray" and "Dikeal " on the line of Railway from Roona to Sholapur, which rans parallel with and to the north of the Bhma river through five of the southernmost villages of the group.
3. There is nothing in the circumstances of these villages,-whether in physical features, clumate or communications, which distinguishes them in any important degree from the rest of the villages of the taluka adjoining them, which are already settled, or that calls for more than a short reference to the information given in the usual detailed form in the appendices sttached to this report.
4. All the villages under report were subjected to the partial aystem of remeasurement and reelassification, which has been fully desoribed in prenous reports with the following re-nults:-

| Old Numbers, | Old 4 arsen | Remessured became Confirmed | $\ddot{\because}$ | Now Nambera | New Acrea, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1421 | 33,189 |  |  | 1752 | 32,914 |
| 2465 | 40,057 |  |  | 2465 | 40,057 |
| 3886 | 78,246 |  |  | 4217 | 72,971 |

The difference in area found in individual numbers exceeded 5 per cent in 22.5 per cent. of the numbers measured, out of 106 casse in which the drference exceeded 15 per cent, 80 were due to allovion and diluvion, whule in 26 the differences were due to alterations in roeds or errors in the old messurements.
5. 1,804 numbers contaning 28,039 acres were actually reclassed, while in 2,418 numbers totalling 47,665 acres, the old clasalication was confirmed or adiusted to the present standard. Tho parcentage thus reclassed amounts to 428 per cent of fields and $82-6$ per cent. of mares.
6. The aree of the 16 nullages as ascertained by the Revision Survey is cantrasted below with the previous record under the different heads of cultivation:-

| Denoription. |  | Orginal Survay. | Revision Earvey. | Difierence. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  | 2 | 8 | 4 |
| Dry-crop .. Garden Unassessed |  | Acres. | Acres | Acres. |
|  | - | 54,987 | 38,592 | + 3,605 |
|  | ... | 520 | 1223 | +703 |
|  | ... | 17,789 | 13,156 | $-4,583$ |
|  |  | 73,246 | 72,971 | -275 |

The two totals differ very slightly, but there has been a oonsiderable transfer from the dryAppendix $\boldsymbol{H}$. coop to the nrigated head due no doubt to the large number of new wells constructed durnog the lease, while at the same time there has been, it will be seen, the same absorption going on of unassessed unto assessed head, which together may be considered as very satisflactory features of revision surveys in genersl.
7. Appended to this report are the statements usually euhmitted with proposals of revised settlements The crrcumstances, however, of the villages adjoinng these now under reference, as I have before stated, differ so slightly from those published in the Revision Settlement Report on the rest of the táluka, that my remarks on them need only be very bref.
8. Appendix A gives the recorded ramfall for the past ten years.
9. "Jintı" and "Kortı" are the chief bazár towns withn the group of the 15 western villages, but outside and within easy distance, the people also resort to the large market towns of Indápur, Karmála, Palasder, Bagtán and Rásn, and others of minor importance.

10 The usual information regarding the relative proportion of the erops regularly grown will be found in Appendıx B, and it will be seen that the "Rabı" or late crop predomanates to a very large extent, and that "Jowári," "Bajri" and "Wheat" eover 640 per cent. of the area culturated.

Appendıces $O, D$ and $\boldsymbol{F}_{0}$
11. The statistics given in the appendices marginally noted

Population has increased by 18 par cent, houses by 790,710 of which being of the bettier kind ; agricultural cattie by 110 pes cent, which gives to each parr of bullocks the farr proportion of 18 acres of coltuvated land. Carts have also increased by 75 per cent. and wells and Budkzs by 112 per cent
12. Appendıces $I, J$ and $K$, compled from the information furnished by the Registration

I, $\mathbf{J}$ andue K of land-Appendices Department, tend to show that the saleable value of land ranges up to 100 times the survey assessment, of leases up to 30 times, and in the case of mortegages up to 150 times the survey assessment. It would, I am of opinion, however, serve no useful purpose to attempt to deduce an average of the value of land from these returns but it may at least be said that the number of transactions registered show that possession of land is eagerly sought after.
13. The revenue hustory of the lease is shown in detail in the appendices noted in the margnn, of which it will be sufficient to take that one only wheh

Revenue History.
15 villages-Appendix L . 1 villago-Appendix $M$, embraces 15 of the 16 villages under report. It will be seen that under the old system up to 1851-52, remissions were given annually, averaging during the 10 years some Rs 9,358 , and that of the full standard assessment 615 per cent only was collected. The immedrate pesult of the introduction of the exusting settlement was a rednotion in the collections of Rs. 4,612 The second and followng year, however, show a gradual and steady nse, which contruned up to the last year of the second decade, when there was a fall owing to a remission of Re 1,359 . During the first seven years of the third deeade there was a nse in the collections until the famine year, when there was naturally a fall

It will be observed, however, that daring the last 8 years the collections have been steady, and contrasting the last with the first year of settlement there 18 an uncrease of revenue of Rs $4,11 \%$, equivalent to 37 per cent, whule there are now only 327 acres, and these of the very poorest land, remanning unoccupied, when this is taken with the fact that the revenue has been collected during the last tbree years whthout a single case of destrant having been resorted to, it will be admitted that the revenue history of these villages can only be regarded as satisfactory.

14 The information given above in this report will, it is believed, serve to show that there can be no objection now to apply to the 16 villages under report the same rates of asesssment

Appendus $P$. which have been in force for 17 years in the adjoining villages of the Karmála Táluka A reference to the map * will show what those rates are, and the following table gives the approxnmate result of the application of these rates in the villages coming under each maximum rate.-

| Group | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Neximum } \\ & \text { Dry-arop } \\ & \text { rite. } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Namber } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { vilageen } \end{aligned}$ | Br Pom | WR Sumy | By Emphior Strisit. |  |  |  |  |  | Parmen: |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Govermment occupied land |  | Gorernment acerpied land. |  | Goremment moocupied land |  | Tomal |  |  |
|  |  |  | Acram, | Aeresament* | Actes | Atmesmment | Acres. | Amgenament | Acres, | Assessment. |  |
| 1 | 3 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| $\begin{array}{ll} \text { II } & \cdots \\ \text { II } & \ldots \end{array}$ | Bs. 2 p |  |  | $\mathrm{Ba}_{4}$ |  | Be. |  | Ra |  | Re. |  |
|  | 180 | 6 | 12,606 | 4,408 | 19,273 | 7,803 | 555 | 128 | 18,888 | 7,956 | 770 |
|  | 100 | 10 | 38,048 | 11,461 | 40,643 | 19,140 | 839 | 157 | 41,475 | 19,297 | 670 |
|  | Total | 10 | 60,554 | 16,869 | 68,916 | 26,943 | 1,387 | 880 | 55,308 | 27,228 | 698 |

15 The total estimated merease, meluding Rs. 463 on acoount of water cess, amounts to Rs. 11,074 or 698 per cent. It will bs noticed that with the exception of 4 villages, Nos. $6_{\text {a }}$ 8 , 15 and 16 , the 66 par cent. hmit of nacrease is exceeded in the remaining villazes. This is partly acconnted for by an merease of 7 per cent on the assessel area, bati I should also state here that the increase over and above what is due to the rasnog of the maximum rates is maning the reault of the general low pitch of the old classification which has now been rectified, and cannot, I am respectfully of opinion, be considered a vald reason for departing from the arranger ments of rates already sanctioned and successfully levied in the surrounding villages of the talukas. A reference to Appendices N and O will show that the rates here recommended have been in force for years in adjoining and almular villages and hava been collected without diffieulty.
16. By the ongnual survey record there are 520 acres of garden land mall, of which the Government portion 18455 acres assessed at his 805, or Ris 1-12-4 per scre. By Revision Survey there are 1,223 acres, of which 1,123 are Government land bearing an assessment of Rs. 1,386, or an average of Rs, 1-3-9 per acre. This is divided mito Motasthal and Pátasthal as below.-

| Desonption, |  |  |  |  | Acreas. | Bupeen | Average per Acre |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  |  |  |  | 2 | 8 | 4 |
| Motasthal Pátasthal |  |  |  |  |  |  | Rs. ${ }^{\text {a, p. }}$ |
|  | *** | ** | $\cdots$ | .. | 930 | 785 | 0186 |
|  | $\cdots$ | ** | ** | $\cdots$ | 193 | 601 | 8110 |

17. In aecordance wath the orders of Government no additronal assessment has been placed on land watered by wells sunk during the lease The Pátasthal land has been rated on the Ks, 8 maximum, whoh has been usual in sumular Decean talukas.

18 The results of the ornginal and revision surveys in the 16 villages ander report are contrasted below under every head -

| De8cripkona | Omiantal Sunter. |  | Baybion Suever |  | Jud. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Acrem | Anemsments | Acrea | Ansosament |  |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Government occupred land Government unoceupred land Inám land Government unassessed, unarable land.... |  | Rs. |  | Rs. | Rs. |
|  | 50,554 | 15,869 | 53,916 | 26,943 | $\cdots$ |
|  | 615 |  | 1,387 | 280 |  |
|  | 4,588 | 1,408 | 1,518 4.515 | 2,262 | 464 |
|  | 17,739 |  | 18,156 | $\cdots$ | ... |
| Total | 73,246 | 17,367 | 72,971 | 29,485 | 464 |

19. The average rate of assessment on Government oooupied lend was by the origroal settlement Re. 0-j-0 per nore; by the proposed rates it will be Re. 0-8-0 per sore.
20. In conalusion, I have the honour to recommend that if the raten above proposed meet with the approval of Government, they may be guaranteed for a period to expre simultaneously with tha rest of the villages of the taluka to whah these villeges now belong.

> I have the honour to be,
> Sur,
> Your most obedkent servant,
> R. B. PITT,

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APPENDIX B.
Statistidal Table No. III,
Detatle of Cultuation, average of five years from A.D. 1885-85 to 1889-90.

| Distret. | Surveyed Villages, | Grops, | Percentage of total cultavation of Government and Imim Lands |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Total. | Kharit. | Rabi |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|  | 16 Government pillagea |  | Percentage | Acres | Acres, |
|  |  |  | 4.2 18 | 2,926 | - |
|  |  |  | 1.1 | 638 | -.' |
|  |  |  | 08 05 | 435 |  |
|  |  |  | 05 | 314 295 |  |
|  |  |  | $0 \cdot 3$ | 205 | ... |
|  |  |  | 02 | 96 | - |
|  |  |  | 02 |  |  |
|  |  |  | 02 | 88 | -* |
|  |  |  | 01 | 28 |  |
|  |  |  | 584 |  |  |
| $t$ |  |  | 88 | - | 4,563 |
|  |  |  | 29 |  | 1,593 |
|  |  |  | 14 | ... | 754 |
| , |  |  | 01 | . | ${ }_{63}^{264}$ |
| - - |  |  | $0 \cdot 1$ |  | 46 |
|  |  |  | 01 | $\because$ | 45 |
|  |  |  | 01 | . | 31 |
|  |  |  | 181 |  | 8,972 |
|  |  |  | 1050 | 8,568 | 49,428 |

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APPENDIX C.
Statistical Table No. IV.
Detall of Population.

| TKilakn | Casta | Malem |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Trotal } \\ & \text { Malasa } \end{aligned}$ | Femalem |  | Fromalos. | Total of oolama 8 and 8 | Can resd or ary learningto do so |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Undiar 15 yes데 of age | Above 15 yeara of age |  | Tinder <br> 12 yeart of aman | Above 18 yeara OF ago |  |  | Malom, |  | Temales |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  | Fomsies |  | No | Percant | No. | Percent |
| 1 | 2 | $s$ | 4 | 6 | ${ }^{\circ}$ | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 18 | 13 |
| 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ' | 1 |  |  |  |
|  | Christiaum ** | - | $\bullet$ | * | - | -* | $v$ | ! |  | - |  |  |
|  | Jewt * a $\quad$ - $\{$ | - | $\cdots$ |  | $\stackrel{10}{*}$ | - | , | , | * | * | * |  |
|  | Jalns ** - f |  | $\because$ |  | $\cdots$ |  | - |  |  | $\because$ |  |  |
| 10 Gopernment rlilages of the Karmaile Taluka of the Sholkpur Colleoterate | İingayata . $\quad$, | $\frac{21}{20}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{6 4} \\ & 94 \end{aligned}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll} 1 & 76 \\ + & 88 \end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10 \\ & 10 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 82 \\ & 99 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 68 \\ & 61 \\ & 6 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 168 \\ & 197 \end{aligned}$ | ${ }_{18}^{18}$ | 940 |  | $\cdots$ |
|  | Munalmás - .- $\{$ | ${ }_{78}^{88}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 185 \\ & 105 \end{aligned}$ | $\|$2il <br> 178 <br>  <br> 1 | $\left.\begin{array}{r} 65 \\ \\ \hline 6 S \end{array}\right]$ | $\begin{gathered} 191 \\ 08 \end{gathered}$ | 168 | \$87 | 8 | 16 6 |  | - |
|  | A Prithming $\{$ | 88 | $\begin{gathered} 184 \\ 186 \end{gathered}$ | !941 <br> 8481 <br> 8 | $\begin{array}{r} 78 \\ 184 \end{array}$ | , ${ }^{1489}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 218 \\ & 218 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{\|} 457 \\ \hline 69 \end{array}$ | - $\begin{array}{r}\text { 379 } \\ .189 \\ \hline 89\end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 789 \\ & 784 \end{aligned}$ | ${ }^{*} 1$ | 05 |
|  | 畀 (Othera - $-\{ \}$ | 1,901 | $\begin{aligned} & 8,750 \\ & 3,150 \end{aligned}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ll} 4 \\ i, 651 \\ i, 304 \end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1,295 \\ & 1,760 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 90091 \\ & 8,5 \& 8 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 5819 \\ & 6,149 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 8977 \\ 10,48 \end{array}$ | ${ }_{190}^{194}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathbf{Y}_{6}^{2} 6 \\ 946 \end{gathered}$ | 1 | $0{ }_{20}^{015}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total . \{ | 2,097 | \$,081 | $\begin{aligned} & 8178 \\ & 8,784 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1440 \\ & 4,807 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8,947 \\ & 8,628 \end{aligned}$ | 4,788 | $\begin{aligned} & 9093 \\ & 3,503 \end{aligned}$ | 3298 | 89 689 | 10 | 009 |

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Statistioal Tabit No. V.
Occupation of the People,

| Dutitich | Surveyed Villages, | Ocoupatran. | Number. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Karmááa Taluka, Sholépur Colleotorata. | 16 Government villages. $\{$ |  | No. Percentage |
|  |  | Agricultural $\quad \cdots\}$ | 5,588 560 <br> 5,443 48.2 |
|  |  | Partily agricultural... $\{$ | 1,986 |
|  |  | Non-agrioultural $\quad . .\{\{$ | 4,586 440 <br> 3,924 347 |
|  |  | Total $\ldots\}$ | 9,974  <br> 11,303 1000 <br> 1000  |

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## APPENDIX E

Statistical Table No. VI
Retuin of Houses, Cháurrs, Wells, \&c , and of Lnve and Dead Stock


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## APPENDIX F.



APPENDIX G.
Staterrent shov.ng the moportion of Government occupted and Inam lands oultivated by Ocoupants and Sub-tenants, ge., in the year 1889.90.

| $\begin{gathered} \text { Nomber } \\ \text { V Jofleger } \end{gathered}$ | Dutrict. |  | Total Numberscalitivated by Occupantz or Inamdára. |  | Totnl Nomberscultwated by Ocapants or Iusundiars in partnersh with others |  | Total Numbers cultivatel by Sub tenanta on money rent |  | Total Numbers cultivated by bubtenante for produce ofgram rent grain rento |  | Wattenumbers | ParampokAumberk | Total Numberr. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Goverrment. | Inam. | Governmunt. | Inam. | Government. | Inam. | Governmmant | Inam. |  |  | Governmert. | Inam. |
| 1 | 2 |  | 8 | 4 | 5 | c | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 18 | 13 | 14 |
| 16 | Karmála Taluka, Collectorate. | $\text { Sholápur }\{$ | 2,801 | 191 | 204 | 18 | 280 | 49 | 418 | 76 | 149 | 41 | 3,588 | 329 |
|  |  |  | 664 | 45 | 48 | 03 | 67 | 12 | 98 | 18 | 35 | 10 | 922 | 78 |

APPENDIX H.
$\varnothing$
Statememt of Wells, Tanks and Budkes in villages of the Rarmála Táluka of the Sholápur Collectorate in the gear 1889-90.

| $\begin{gathered} \text { Nomber } \\ \text { villagee } \end{gathered}$ | Dutrinet | Wellu mithin Village ate |  |  |  | - Wells in Surves Numbert |  |  |  | Total | Detall of <br> Columns 5 to 10 |  | Tanks |  |  |  | Total | Budkı |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Used for Irngation |  | Used for Drimking |  | Used for Itrigation. |  | Deed for Dinkung. |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Wellis } \\ \text { divg } \\ \text { before } \\ \text { flate } \\ \text { Setite } \\ \text { ment } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Welle } \\ \text { dug } \\ \text { since } \\ \text { last } \\ \text { tettle } \\ \text { ment. } \end{gathered}$ | Accordng to old |  | According to new menararetcent |  |  | Pakka. |  | Kacha |  |
|  |  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { In good } \\ \text { order } \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Out of } \\ & \text { Repaur } \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{\substack{\text { In good } \\ \text { order }}}{ }$ | Ont of repar | $\begin{gathered} \text { Yn pood } \\ \text { order } \end{gathered}$ | Out of repair | $\underset{\substack{\text { In good } \\ \text { order }}}{ }$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Ont of } \\ \text { repar } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Used for } \\ & \text { Irr gas- } \end{aligned}$ tion | $\begin{gathered} \text { Oed for } \\ \text { Dringe } \\ \text { ng } \end{gathered}$ | Osed for Irrigatron | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Used for } \\ \text { Dink } \\ \text { ling } \end{gathered}\right.$ |  | Old | New | Old. | New. |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 18 | Karmala Taluka, Sholapur Collectorate. | 3 |  | 41 | 2 | 181 | 92 | 6 | 4 | 309 | 153 | 156 | .. | 1 | ... | $\cdots$ | 1 | 13 | 15 | 6 | 21 |

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APPENDIX I .
An Abstract Statement showng sales 16 villages of the Karmaila Talukn of the Sholápnr Collectorate.

| Toman mares mold, | Total Inm for | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bale nate } \\ & \text { par Acre. } \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{\text { Assectument. }}{\text { Total }}$ | Average rate of of Amessuren |  | Hemarich |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 2,881 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rs } \\ & 14487 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{cccc}\text { R } & & p \\ 5 & p \\ 5 & 1 & 7\end{array}$ | R. $1,160$ | $\begin{array}{cccc}\mathrm{Re}_{\mathrm{p}} & 2 & \mathrm{p} \\ 0 & 6 & 7\end{array}$ | 12 | The total number of casan 18117. |
| $\begin{array}{r} 88 \\ 1,709 \end{array}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { cases in whines } \\ 8,8 \div 7 \end{gathered}\right.$ | theo land was | $\text { s ld for } \operatorname{snmms}_{727}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { from } 1 \text { to } 10 \\ 010 \end{gathered}$ | tiues the surv | ey assessment |
| $877$ | Laves 11 whicn | $\begin{aligned} & \text { the land whs } \\ & 6411 \end{aligned}$ | sold for sump | $\begin{gathered} \text { from Il to } 25 \\ 0 \quad 6 \quad 0 \end{gathered}$ | tumes the aurv 17 | ey amuenament. |
| $147$ | Saseos in which | $\begin{aligned} & \text { the land was } \\ & 15100 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { irom } 26 \text { to } 5 v \\ 0610 \end{gathered}$ | times the surn | oy assesamant. |
| $98{ }^{7}$ | chaces in which 2,711 | the laud was $2710 \quad 7$ | sold for summs | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ccc} \text { Prom } 51 & \text { to } & 10 \\ 0 & 6 & 8 \end{array}\right.$ | tarcers the sarv 66 | ey asseasment |

APPENDIX J.
An Abstract Statement showong Sub-bettings in 16 villages of the Karmala Táluka of the Sholápur Collectorate.

| Total Aores | Total num for whioh anb lata. | $\underset{\substack{\text { Ser } \\ \text { Sub leting }}}{ }$ | $\underset{\text { Ansoasmont. }}{\text { Total }}$ | Average rate <br> of Agaerament per 40re. |  | Homarkh |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 2,556 | R. 2,538 | $\begin{array}{cccc}\text { Rn } & \text { ar p. } \\ 1 & 6 & 6\end{array}$ | R. 1,052 | $\begin{array}{ccc} \mathrm{R}_{18} & \mathrm{p} \\ 0 & \mathrm{p} & 7 \end{array}$ | 3 | The total number of casoen 18100. |
| $281^{78}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { cases in wh ch } \\ 2,436 \end{gathered}$ | the land was |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { from } 1 \text { to } 5 \\ 08 \end{array}$ | trues the ${ }^{3} \mathbf{3}$ | ey aseensment; |
| $250^{16}$ | saxes in wholh 649 | the land was | sub let for sums <br> 84 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { from } 6 \text { to } 10 \\ 0 \\ 5 \end{array}$ | $\text { Luis the } \underset{8}{8}$ | ey asse8sment |
| $79^{\circ}$ | asaeg iu which 863 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { the land wae } \\ & { }_{5} \quad 0 \quad 8 \end{aligned}$ | sub lat for sumbs <br> 87 | $f_{0} \text { from }_{11} \text { to }$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { thmee the surver } \\ 18 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | oy asbagement. |
| $29^{2}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { cuselat in mhion } \\ 150 \end{array}$ | the land was | wab-hit for sums | $\begin{gathered} \text { from } 26 \text { to } 30 \\ 08 \end{gathered}$ | tumes the surver | ey asmenament |

APPENDIX K.
An Abstract Statement showong Mortgages in 16 villages of the Karmala Taluke of the Shobupwr Collectorate.

| Total Aerem mortegavin | Total mom for | Mortrage rate por $\Delta c r e, ~$ | Ameament. |  |  | Rennesk |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 8 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 4860 | Re. 29,016 | $\begin{array}{rl} \text { Rs, an } & \text { p } \\ 1 & 14 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \mathrm{Ra} & \text { \& } \\ 2,360 & \mathrm{p} \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rl} R_{2} & 2 \\ 0 & p \\ 0 \end{array}$ | 10 | The total nomber of ancos in 200. |
| $\begin{array}{r} 141 \\ 8,369 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { cases in which } \\ -, 984 \end{gathered}$ | the land wat | mar geged for 167400 | $\text { soma from } 1$ | $\text { to } 10 \text { tinee the }$ | sarrey moemments |
| $\begin{array}{r} 61 \\ 1,162 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | onses in wh ah <br> 7.845 | $\begin{gathered} \text { tho land was } \\ 612 \text { o } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { martfuged fot } \\ 61600 \end{gathered}$ | $\operatorname{sume}_{0} 11$ | $\begin{array}{r} 20-5 \text { tumes the } \\ 15 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | sarruy memament. |
| $\begin{gathered} 89 \\ 288 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { onve in whed } \\ & 8,047 \end{aligned}$ | the hand was | mortgaged for <br> 1400 | $\underset{0}{ }$ | to 50 timee tne 86 | marvey memeament |
| $40^{4}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { the land was } \\ & 4880 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { mortgaged for } \\ 27 \\ \hline 0 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { samis from } 61 \\ 01010 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | to 100 timen the 71 | marvey ameament |
| $1^{1}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { cese in which } \\ 800 \end{gathered}$ | $\operatorname{the}_{200} \operatorname{lng}_{0}$ | $\begin{array}{\|lll\|} \hline \text { mortuged fur } \\ & 1 & 8 \end{array} 0$ | $\begin{array}{lll} \text { manas fram } & 101 \\ & 18 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline 5015 v \text { tumes the } \\ 138 \end{array}$ | turrey meenment. |

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APPENDIX L
Revenue Statement for 15 Fillages, sutuated vn the Karmála Taluka of the Sholápur Collectorate, into which the Survey Stttlement was intioduced in 1852-53 The years above the black lune are thnce antecedent to the Burvey Settlement


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APPENDIX M.

|  | Year |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total LASD Govekigity Ocoutind jhoccerind amd Ikay |  |  |  | $\underset{\substack{\text { Finally } \\ \text { remited. }}}{ }$ | Rmanas. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | OcoupledAcres. |  | Hembaiome given daring the <br> year |  |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Balerice } \\ \text { colleation } \end{array}\right\|$ | Atrea | $\underset{\substack{\text { Ausil } \\ \text { mentit }}}{\text { meen }}$ | Remisamuctlon: greding | Acres. |  |  | Total otCotunnas8 and 11 |  | Corlectiong Colamins 7.10 and 18.$\qquad$ |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Permas } \\ & \text { nerut } \end{aligned}$ |  | Cmaral | Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1 |  |  | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 |
|  |  |  | Acres. | E. | R8 | $\mathrm{R}_{6}$ | Rs | Re. |  | Rı | Ri. |  | Rs | Re. | Acres | Re. | Rs | B. | Re |  |
| 145854 3F54. 65 |  | $\cdots$ | 8881 | 888 <br> $\mathbf{8 2 8}$ <br> 88 | 887\% | - | 877 874 88 | 4498 | 75 75 75 | 80 80 80 | * 6 | 22 22 22 | 22 22 2 |  | 928 928 928 | 928 928 988 | 449 458 558 | $\because$ | $\because$ | - |
| 3F"4-65 1ATHES |  |  | ${ }_{856}^{831}$ | -856 | 884 <br> 807 <br> 80 |  | ${ }_{807}$ | 549 | 50 | 50 | 8 | 22 | 28 |  | 928 | 923 |  | $\because$ |  |  |
| insero |  |  | 800 | 890 | 406 | , | 406 | 484 | 82 | 81 | 2 | ${ }^{6}$ | 7 |  | 928 | 928 | 486 | - |  |  |
| 185758 |  | . | 921 | 920 | ${ }^{316}$ | . | 816 | ${ }_{685}^{604}$ | 1 | 1 |  | ${ }_{6}^{6}$ | 7 |  | ${ }_{988}^{988}$ | ${ }_{928}^{228}$ | 604 | $\cdots$ |  |  |
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| 18590 2860 |  | $\cdots$ | ${ }_{809} 88$ | 8870 | 189 | $\cdots$ | 189 | 681 | 1 | 1 |  | 6 | 7 |  | 906 | 878 | 681 | $\cdots$ | * |  |
| ${ }_{180162}$ |  | "•' | 898 | 870 | 189 | $\ldots$ | 189 | 681 | 1 | 1 |  | 8 | 7 |  | 906 | 878 | 681 | $\cdots$ |  |  |
| 2889-68 | , | - | 889 | 870 | 189 | . | 189 | 681 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 908 | 878 | 683 |  | - |  |
| 288864 | - | - | 1,648 | 682 |  | $\cdots$ |  | 862 | 529 | 50 | - | ${ }^{6}$ | 8 |  | 2,181 | 715 | 663 | - |  |  |
| 298645 | " | ..' | 2,175 | 712 |  |  | - | 712 |  |  |  | ${ }_{8}^{6}$ | ${ }_{8}^{8}$ | 1 | 2,181 | 715 | 713 | $\cdots$ |  |  |
| 1866 ¢6 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 2,175 | 712 | - |  |  | 712 |  |  |  | ${ }_{6}^{6}$ | ${ }_{8}^{8}$ | 1 | $\mathbf{2 , 1 8 1}$ $\mathbf{2 , 1 8 1}$ | 715 | 713 713 |  | - |  |
|  | ."' |  | 2,176 $\mathbf{2 , 1 7 6}$ | 712 | $\cdots$ | - | - | 712 | - |  |  | 6 | ${ }_{8}^{8}$ | 1 | 2,181 | 75 | 713 | , |  |  |
| (1888-69 |  | : | 2,074 | 885 | : | - |  | 685 | ... | - |  | 107 | 50 | 15 | 2,181 | 715 | 680 | $\cdots$ | - |  |
| 185970 |  |  | 2,050 | ${ }^{656}$ |  |  |  | 656 |  | - | - | 191 | 59 | 15 | 2,181 | - 715 | 671 |  |  |  |
| $1870-71$ | - | . | 2,050 | ${ }_{6} 858$ |  | " | $\cdots$ | ${ }^{658} 8$ | $\cdots$ | - |  | ${ }_{181}^{181}$ | 59 | 15 | 2,181 2,181 | 715 | 671 | - |  |  |
| 187172 |  | , | 2,050 $\mathbf{2 , 0 5 0}$ | ${ }_{656}^{656}$ | . |  |  | ${ }_{668}^{656}$ | * |  |  | 181 | ${ }_{59} 59$ | 15 | 2,181 | 715 | 671 |  |  |  |
| 187278 | - | *" |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 187874 |  |  | 2050 | ${ }^{656}$ |  |  |  | 656 |  | - |  | 131 | 59 | 15 | 2,181 . | 715 | 671 |  | - |  |
| 1874.75 | $\cdots$ | ... | 2,050 | ${ }^{656}$ | $\cdots$ | - | - | ${ }_{6}^{656}$ |  |  |  | ${ }_{181}^{131}$ | 59 59 | 15 | ${ }_{2,181}^{2,181}$ | 715 | 671 671 |  |  |  |
| 187578 |  | - | ${ }_{2}^{2,060}$ | ${ }_{656}^{656}$ |  | . |  | ${ }_{656}^{656}$ |  |  | , | ${ }_{131}^{181}$ | 59 | 15 15 | $\stackrel{2,181}{2,181}$ | 715 | 671 | 671 | 49 |  |
| 187778 | $\cdots$ | $\because$ | ${ }_{1622}^{2010}$ | ${ }_{616} 68$ |  |  |  | ${ }_{816}$ | 488 | 40 | 2 | 131 | 59 | 15 | 2,181 | 715 | 633 | 633 |  |  |
| 1878-79 | $\cdots$ | $\because$ | 1,622 | ${ }_{616} 16$ | - |  | * | 618 | 428 | 40 | 2 | 131 | 59 | 15 | 2,181 | 715 | 683 | 244 | 77 |  |
| 3879-80 | $\cdots$ | -. | 1,622 | ${ }_{695}^{618}$ |  |  | $\cdots$ | 616 595 | 489 552 | 78 | ${ }_{8}^{8}$ | 1818 | 59 47 | 15 | 2,181 | 715 | 633 610 | 145 | 12 |  |
| $1880-81$ 188182 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 1,528 1,544 | 609 | $\cdots$ |  | $\cdots$ | ${ }_{602}^{595}$ | 562 <br> 584 | 78 67 | 8 8 | ${ }_{103}^{108}$ | 4 | 11 | 2,181 | 715 | 616 | $\cdots$ | - |  |
| 1882.88 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 1,644 | 601 | - |  | - | 601 | 584 | 67 | 8 | 103 | 47 | 12 | 2,181, | 715 | 616 |  |  |  |
| 188888 |  | ... | 1,623 | 614 |  |  |  | 814 | 455 | 54 | 2 | 106 | 47 | 12 | 2,184 | 715 | 628 |  |  |  |
| 188485 | .. | .... | 1,628 | 814 |  |  |  | 614 | 454 | 64 | 8 | 108 | 47 | 12 | 2,183 | 715 | ${ }_{635}^{634}$ |  |  |  |
| $1885-86$ 18868 |  | ...' | 1,023 1,028 | ${ }_{814}^{814}$ |  |  |  | 614 614 | 454 454 | 54 | 9 29 | 108 103 | 47 47 | ${ }_{12}^{12}$ | 2,183 $\mathbf{2 , 1 8 0}$ | 715 715 | 635 647 |  |  |  |
| 188788 |  | ...' | 1,887 | 618 |  |  |  | 623 | 288 | 28 | 4 | 108 | 47 | 12 | 2,049 | 698 | 639 | - |  |  |
| 1888.89 |  | $\cdots$ | 1,657 | 628 |  | - |  | ${ }^{623}$ | 288 | 23 | 8 8 | ${ }_{103}^{108}$ | 47 | 12 | 2,048 | 698 698 | 638 638 | - |  |  |
| 188990 | * | ... | 1,056 | 828 |  |  |  | 623 | 288 | 23 | 8 | 103 | 47 | 12 | 2,047 | 698 |  |  |  |  |

APPENDIX N,
Revenké Statement for four Government vellages stuated in the Indápur Táluka of the Poona Collectorate, which adjoun the Karmála Talulta, into which the Survey Settlement was introduccd in 1866-67.


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Revenue Statement for 11 adjounntg Government Fillages sitwated in the Karmála Táluka of ihe Sholápur Collectorate, into whech the Survey Seltlement was sntroduced un 1872-73

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|  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ocevpied } \\ & \text { Acreat } \end{aligned}$ | Foll standard Aswewment. | Remistions during the year. |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Belange } \\ & \text { collection } \end{aligned}$ | Abreas | Asmeanment | Eealimation from suction grale ofgrang$\qquad$ | Acres. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Prill } \\ \text { Atandard } \\ \text { Ameamament } \end{gathered}$ | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { Collections } \\ \text { quit-rent } \\ \text { Ee } \end{array}\right.$ | Total ofOolnomB, and in |  | Collections,Total of Total of 10, and 13 . |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Permanemt. | Cunal | Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1 |  | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
|  |  |  | Agrea. | Rg . | Re | $\mathrm{R}_{6}$ | Rs | $\mathrm{R}_{8}$. |  | Ra. | $\mathbf{H}_{\text {s }}$ |  | Rs | Rs | A0res | Rs | $\mathrm{Ra}_{8}$ | Re |  |
| 187874 | $\cdots$ |  | 38,490 | 19,101 |  | 6,085 | 5,085 | 14,016 |  | 87 | 11 | 1,365 | 696 | 191 | 40,037 | 19,884 | 14,158 | 112 |  |
| $1874-76$ $1875-76$ | $\cdots$ | - | 88,617 88,487 | 19,112 | $\cdots$ | 261 | 161 | 18,951 | 135 230 | 76 121 | 12 | 1,385 1,365 | 696 696 | 131 | 40,037 40,032 | 19,884 19880 | 19,094 19212 | 21 |  |
| $1875-76$ $1878-77$ | $\ldots$ | $\ddot{\square}$ | 88,487 88,229 | 10,063 | ... | 43 | 43 | 18,063 18,920 | ${ }_{436}^{230}$ | 121 220 | 18 | 1,365 1,365 | 696 696 | 131 | 40,032 40,030 | 19,880 19,879 | 19.212 19,051 | 17\%952 |  |
| 1877-78 | ... | . | 36,105 | 17,932 | .. | ... | - | 17,932 | 2,560 | 1,207 | 78 | 1,365 | 696 | 131 | 40,030 | 19,835 | 18,141 | 8,692 |  |
| 187879 | .. | ..- | 96,624 | 18,150 | . | .. | - | 18,150 | 2,041 | 989 | 25 | 1,365 | 696 | 191 | 40,030 | 19,835 | 18,308 | 9,073 |  |
| 1879-80 | ... | - | 28,735 | 14,556 | - | " | * | 14,556 | 8930 | 4,583 | 35 | 1,365 | 696 | 131 | 4),030 | 10,83\% | 14,722 | 2,535 |  |
| 1880-31 | .'. | ... | 24,379 | 12,696 |  |  |  | 12,696 | 18,211 | 5,864 | 118 | 1,358 | 690 | 130 | 38,948 | 10,260 | 12,944 | 103 |  |
| 1881-82 | $\cdots$ | $\cdot$ | 26,504 | 13,896 |  | . |  | 13,896 | 10,097 | 4,867 | 139 | 1,368 | 692 | 130 | 88,949 | 18,255 | 14,165 | 18 |  |
| 1882-88 | ... | - | 27,684 | 14,416 | 3,821 | -. | 3,321 | 11,095 | 9,867 | 4,133 | 289 | 1,354 | 680 | 137 | 38,915 | 19,238 | 11,521 |  |  |
| 1883-84 | ... | - | 88,544 | 16,526 | $\cdots$ |  | $\cdots$ | 16,626 | 5,018 | 2,022 | 199 | 1,483 | 688 | 137 | 30,045 | 19,236 | 16,862 |  |  |
| 188485 | ** | $\cdots$ | 33,419 | 18,896 | - | $\because$ | * | 16,896 | 4.142 | 1,661 | 158 | 1,483 | ${ }_{698}^{688}$ | 137 | 39,044 | 19,235 | 17,191 | 9 |  |
| 188886 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 33,848 83,948 | 17,079 17099 | $\because$ | $\cdots$ |  | 17,079 | 3,714 | 1,469 | 114 | 1,489 | 696 696 | 146 | 39,051 | 19,244 | 17,339 | 16 |  |
| 1888-87 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 83,948 83,973 | 17,099 <br> 17,104 |  | $\cdots$ |  | 17,099 17,104 | 1,449 | 677 418 | 209 | 1,358 1,358 | 698 696 | 146 146 | 36,755 $\mathbf{3 6 , 1 3 6}$ | 18,472 18,218 | 17,454 17,995 | . |  |
| ${ }^{1888}-89$ |  | $\cdots$ | 84,148 | 17,205 |  | ... | $\cdots$ | 17,205 | 579 | 288 | 83 | 1,368 | 696 | 146 | 36,080 | 18,184 | 17,434 |  |  |
| 188900 | ... | - | 84,180 | 17,229 | $\cdots$ | - | - | 17,229 | 533 | 259 | 79 | 1,358 | 699 | 146 | 98,081 | 18,184 | 17,554 |  |  |

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General Statement reforred to in paragraph 14 of the Deccan Revenue Survey situated in the Karmala Táluka

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|  |  | ${ }^{6}$ |  |  | 18708 | 3，790 | 12，367 | 4，774 | 49 | 234 |  |  | 12，506 | 4，08 |  | 4，408 |
| Korti |  | 7 <br> $\frac{7}{8}$ <br> 10 <br> 10 <br> 12 <br> 12 <br> 14 <br> 15 <br> 16 <br> 16 <br> 10 <br> 10 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | ． | $\Xi$ |  | （ 6 cis | $\because$ $\because$ $\cdots$ $\cdots$ $\cdots$ |  |
|  |  |  | Total ot tho gnd Group |  | 41，989 | 18，40 | 87，72 | 10880 | ${ }^{306}$ | 57 |  | － | 880 | 124 |  | 11，4 |
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| ＊ | 4，000 | 10，888 | 30，47 | 17，288 | $\infty$ | ${ }^{11}$ |  | $\cdots$ | 40，043 | 18，74 | ${ }^{298}$ | 10，100 | 882 | 157 | 078 | ${ }^{870}$ |  |
|  | 60，916 | 180 | a， 2 2e | 2，667 | 2，188 | 98 | － |  | 6， 2118 | 20，480 | 4 | 20，268 | 1，88\％ | 280 | 0 711 | ${ }^{80}$ |  |
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## APPENDIX 0.

## KORTI TA'LUKA.

1. Korth, Sheogaon and Jamkhed were settled un 1852 53, and as the rates were first

Position and boundanes introduced into Korti, I shall commence by giving a description of that Taluka It is situated in the South of the collectorate, and is drained by the Bhima and its tributary the Sina. Its general shape 18 that of a diamond, though its outlines ale somewhat irregalar It is bounded on the North-West by Nagar and Kharda, on the South-West by the Bhimthadı and Indápor Tálukas of the Poona collectorate, the Bhima river being the dividing line, on the South-East by the Karmala Taluka of the Sholápur collectorate, and on the North-East by the Nuzam's territories, from which it is separated by the Sina. Of its outlying villages one is situated within the Khaida limits, nine are mixed up with the Karmala villages, and two are far off in the Moglan conntry, in the dueotion of Sheogran

Estimated Area
2. Korti has a total estimated area of 615,116 acres, of which the surveyed and compated areas are shown in the subjoined statement "-

Number of Vminges winif the adryeybd and computad areas

| Description |  |  | Survejed. |  | Compated |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Villages. | Acrea | Vilages | Acres | Vilages, | Acres. |
| Government ... <br> Partially ahenated <br> Wholly ahenated | . | . | 106 | 454,119 |  |  | 106 | 454,119 |
|  |  |  | 14 | 76,005 |  |  | 14 | 76,005 |
|  | - |  | 3 | 11,369 | 14 | 73,6-3 | 17 | 84,992 |
|  | Total |  | 123 | 541,493 | 14 | 73,623 | 137 | 615,116 |

3. There are in the talluka 106 Government, 14 partially alienated, and 17 wholly Drstribution of villages. alienated villages, which are under the charge of a Mimlatdar stationed at Karjat, and of a Mahalkan stationed at Kortı The distribution of the villages is as follows -

4. In the present report detailed information relating to the $\mathbf{1 0 6}$ Government villages villages reported on into which revised ratas have been introduced will be given Rates have also been determined for 17 alenated villages, which have been or wall be settled by the Collector's department.
5. The greater portion of Kortr, prior to coming into the possession of the British in 1821 22, was under the management of Ká Rambha Nimbalkar, the head of a powerful braneh of the Nimbalkar family settled under the protection of the Nizam's Government a few villages, A glance at the former hastory of however, which are now included in the Taluka, formerly belonged to the Peshwa, and ware obtained by us in 1818-19 Some of the villages of this district are said to have auffered severely from plundering parties of the Maratha Army sbout the time of the battle of Kharda in 1795 The depredations of Holkar and others also extended in this direction, and were carried on to such an extent that the large towns only remained inhabited
6. From 1821-22 to 1837-38 of Bratash rule, territorial changes to the extent shown Territoral cbangen below occurred Since 1837-38 no changes have been made. Three alienated villages lapsed to Government prior to 1837-38, and one ahenated village has sinca lapsed. The principal Jáhagordáre are Sunda, Bhonsla of Nágpur, and the Mahomedan descendants of Kavi Jang .-

7. In ats aspect Korts is decidedly inferior to any district hitherto assessed There are Topographreal farturea and soll. fow trees anywhere, in some parte none, and, owing to the large proportion of rocky and unprofitable ground almost destitute to vegetation, the country generally presents a most dismal appearance Here and there, however level tracts, some of them of considerable extent, of deep rich sol, free of stones, are to be met with, and there are also a few patches of garden land which are well oultivated, snd which, contrasted with the arid and stony wastes around, afford a pleasing ielief to the eje. The Taluka za naturally divided anto two portions by the midge of hills, alladed to in my reports on Kharda and Nagar, as separating the valleys of the Bhima, and Sina. The hills in Korti, however, are more broken, and not so high, and there are many detached low hills and undulating tract of sterle and rugged ground eovered with boulders or large locse pieces of stone The drainage of the larger portion of the dustrict in the South-West is towards the Bhima, and of the amaller portion on the North-East towards the Sina The soll towards the hills 18 generally of the poorest description In the direction of the Bhims, although in some places tracts of undulating "Mal" ground are to be met with, the soll is mostly a very deep stiff olayey moonjal, whth an admaxture of stones. In the zalley of the Suns the soul does not materally differ in texture from that near the Bhima, though it is of a darker colour, and is more free of stones. Lughter soils of a better desoription preval about Karjat, Koregaon and other places, bat, on the whole, the soll of the 'Icluka is inferior. Some of the villages are not well supplied with drinkng water, but most of the villages have a sufficient supply. The welle near the Bhims are very deep. In other parta of the Tafluka the depth at which water is found variee considerably, and in some favoured locshtines (Alsunda for mstance) water 18 fonid very near the surface.
8. The clumate of Korti is deondedly inferior to that of any other district of the AhmedCumate nagar collectorate Towards the Bhima the fall of rain is most uncertann, and the deep souls to be found in that direction also require more rain than the poor solls to wards the North. It is true that along the banks of the Bhima, in some parts, the richness of the sol counterbalances the inferionty of the chmate, as the cropsare so abundant after a good monsoon that they ought to compensate for the bad crops of two or three preceding years, but the present impovernshed and demoralized condition of the culturators renders it necessary that the actual evil effects produced by the bad climate, under eristing circumstances, should be taken into consuderation in assessing the district. The chmate towards the North, and in the valley of the Sina, is not quite so bad, but stull it is inforior, as compared with that of other Talukas, and the whole of Korts may be conadered to suffer from a frequent deficiency of ram.

9 The cultivation is principally rabi, but in a few villages in the North, in the direction Hubbandry. of Nagar and a part of kharda, kbarif crops are giown The prineral crops ate jowari, kardar and bajri. Gram and wheat are also raised, but they do not appear to thrive well in this distract Besides kardan, two or three other oul plants, such as Káralı, \&xe, are rather extensively cultivated The pror soils near the hills are manured, but, generally, in the plain, manure is only applied to the gaiden lands Along the banks of the Bhima Dhéh lands are here and there to be met wath, in wheh, besides the usual crops, vegetables, \&c, are raised The garden caltivation 18 principally confined to the production of inferior crops, such as wheat, gram and chilhes 'I here are, however, a few "Pánmalás" or betel plantations in four or five of the vilages, and a very little sugarcane as also grown.

10 There are about 100 looms worked at Karjat, K01tı and other Government vallages, Manufactares. prineipal'y in the mauufacture of a coarse cloth, which is exported to Nagar and other places This description of cloth though coarse, 18 of a strong and good description, and might, with advantage, we brought more extenavely into use There are no other manafactures of importance.
11. The exports from Kortı are principally grains and vegetable olls, which are sent to

Trade. Poona, or, in smaller quantities, to Nagar. A good manv sheep, and a few hors-s, are also reared in the district, and are sold for export to other places as opportunities may offer, being principally get rid of to itmerant purchasers Some horses are, however, exported by the rayate themselves to Malegaon in the Nizam's countiy or elsewhore The imports are principally necessarias, such as wheat, gram, nee, gul, salt, cloths, and petty bazár supplies, but the geveral poverty of the inhabitants does not admit of a very brisk trade being carried on even in such articles.

12 There is no made-road in the Taluka Several of the country tracks, however, are
Roads, pas-able by carts, and, with a little smoothing and repainng, might be conveited into good roads The cait traffic 28 considerable, and the roads are also frequented by Brinjaris Theie are three prinempal hines now made use of The first leads from East to West, throngh the centre of the J'aluka, from Barsa and Karmala, by the Korti towns of Alsunda and Pergaon, towards Poons and Bombay. The second, also from East to West, leads from the Baleghát and Khaida in Jamkhed, by the Korti towns of Nimbur and Chambhargonda, towalds Poona Tue third road is that lealing from North-West to South-East, from Nagar to Karmala and Sholápur, in a parallel direction to the river Sina.
13. A statistical table of the population and agncultural resources of all the Government

Statisincal information. villages $1 s$ given below. There are five Bazar or market towns, of which the most frequented is Chambhárgonda, or Shrigonda, which belongs to Sindia, and appears to be a large and wealthy plase, but its lands not having been measured, and no census having been taken by the Survey Department, I am not able to judge of its comparative size, or of its trading or macufactunng importance Karjat is the pmncipal Bazar amongst the Government villages, and appears to be a tolerably thriving place, with a population of about 4,600. Mrajgaon and Rasin, both alienated nillages (the first held by a Bár of the Nimbálkar family, and the latter by the descendants of Kav Jang, are also large Bazars, and Rásin, though much decayed, has still a considerable population, and there are in it several well-bualt temples and housea Pergaon on the Bhima was formerly a place of moportance, being a chef military station of the Mogals and Marathas, but it 28 now mach reduced, with a population of only 1,900:-

| Tocal Population | 50,388 | Live Stock <br> Implements | $\begin{aligned} &\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Horned Cattle } \\ \text { Hoises and Pones } \\ \text { Sheep and Goats } \end{array}\right. \\ & \cdots\left\{\begin{array}{l} \text { Ploughs } \\ \text { Carts } \end{array}\right. \end{aligned}$ | - | $\begin{array}{r} 52,083 \\ 2,646 \\ 52,244 \\ 2,305 \\ 546 \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

14. There appear to be few occupations unconnected wlth agricalture A good many' of Miscellaneons the rayats, especially in bad years, leave the district and seek temporary employment elsewhere. They are generally poor, though in a few villages some of the Patels and influential ryots who keep sheep or cattle are un good carcumstances They are probably, in proportion to their means, equally involved in debt with the ryots of other districts, though their more limited resourees may prevent the money-lenders from being so hberal in their advances as in the moxe nch parts of the collectorate. About 50 ryots in 9 of the villages on the frontier oultivate land in the Nizam's terntory.

## 15. Of the 23,058 survey numbers into which the lands of the district have been divided, Murás holdingı <br> 7,854 numbers belong to Mirasdars, Of these 2,636 nambers are cultivated by the Mirasdárs themselvee, 1,069 by the Murao-

 dirs of other numbers, 1,518 by Upris, and 2,636 numbers are waste.Educational Eatablishments
17. It is not known how or by whom the Tankhas and Rukbe of this Taluka were

Former Revenne management. determined, but the onginal arrangements regarding them are attributed by the people of the district to Mallik Ambar The Kamal assersment in most, if not in all, of the villages exceeds the Tankha, and reliable information regarding the manner in which it was settled is also not procurable, though it is said that the nominal Kamal assessment of the villages that were received from the Peshwa was fixed in Naro Babajee's time Prior to the commencement of British rule, all the vilages, whether under Nımbalkar, Dowlat Ráo Sındıa, or the Peshwa Bajee Rá, appear to have been farmed out in the usual manner, and the interior management of villages was, consequently, much the same in Korti as in other parts of the conntry.

18 The Revenue management during the years of British rule also does not appear to have differed in any material respect from that pursued in other distrets. The lands of the villages were measured about 1826-27 by Mr. Pringle's establıshment, and some of them were also Rrevenue management under classfied, but no ulterior measures with regard to the settlement of the revenue were adopted. The rates adopted shortly after we acquired possession of the country weie 47 in number for dry-crop lands, varying from 1-6-0 to 0-3-9 per Bigha, and 36 for garden lands, varying from 5-0-0 to 0-10.6 per Bigha In 100 villages, although different rates prevauled in the several villages, there was only one dry-crop rate for the entire lands of each village, from which it may be inferred that the land measures of the Taluka were adapted to the rates, and not the rates to the land measures, as the sonls vary very much in quality In 49 villages also there was only one garden rate for each village, and in 41 villages there was no gaiden rate. Mr Harrison reduced the dry-orop rates of about 88 villages on an average, so far as I bave been able to ascertain, of about $0-4-7 \mathrm{in}$ the rupee, and he also reduced the garden rates of four villages on an average about of 0-4-2 in the rupee No other changes appear to be worthy of remark, as they are similar to those alluded to in the cases of the districte already reported on.
19. The appended figured statement marked (No. 10 D ) shows the amount and source of Appended figured Revence the several items of revenue hutherto derived from the 106 villages
now repoited on, in each year of British rale for whioh accounts now repoited on, in each year of British rule for whioh accounts
have been procured. The entries for the last ten years corre apond with those for samular items in the Taluka accounts. In other years allowances must be made for the changes alluded to in my 6th paragraph Up to 1838-39 the accounts were kept in Ankusi rupees, but, in preparing the revenue statements of thas and other Talukas the necessary reduotion has been made to equalize them with Government rupees.
20. Diagram No. 4, and the explanatory figured statement relating to it given in the Diagram. Appendux (No ll D), show the flactuations in the past cultivation, assessment, remissions and collections of the Government arable lands in the 106 villages The entries in the Diagram for 1852-53 are those of the first year of the new system.
21. The fluctuations in the former cultivation and revenue collections of Korti, as will be seen from an inspeotion of the Diagram, are of much greater magoutude than in Newása, Kharda, or Nagar. This 18 not 80 much attribatable to the former assessment being
A roview of the information embodied in Diagram. heavier in Korti, as to its very ufferior climate, and also to ate husbandry being mferior, and to ats small extent of garden land. Some of the villages have hatherto been lightly assessed, although the rates in many of the villages were high. There is a marked resemblance in the general tendency of the fluctuations of Kharda and Korti, but the ups and downs are greatest in the exhibited past history of Korti. For instance, there is a descent of $39 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. in the oultavation of Kharda from 1821-2 24 to 1832-33, and of $72 \frac{3}{7}$ per cent. in the colleotions; whereas, the descent an Kotri, duning the same penod, is 51 per cent. in the oultwation, and 88 par cent in the collections Again, the descent in the revenue collections of Kharda from 1842-43 to 1844-45 is 66 per cent and in Korti 75 per cent, also from 1847-48 to the following year, 10 Kharda 354 per cent. and in Korti 55 per cent The average annual remissions in Khands are Rs. 34,539 , or 22 per cent of the revenue demands, and in Korti Rs. 81,562 , or 31 per cent. It is evident, therefore, that a reduction of assessment is necessary, but even under the operation of low rates, I doubt whether the Taluha, with such a precarious climate, and with its acanty capital, will speedily be restored to prosperity.
28. The work of measurement in the Government villages of the Taluke was in progress from the month of November 1848 to the month of January 1852, a few details having sabsequently been completed The work of claseancation, except a few details, was in progreas from November 18*9 to June 1852. The orror in the measurement is 1 per centr, which is satisfactory, and the error in the classitication is only 84 pies per field, than which a less degree of inaccuracy could not be expeoted The measuring and classing operations were principally carned on uuder the superintendence of Lieutenants Burgess and Scott.

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23. The entrive lands of thas Taluka were divided into numbers according to the rules on Paragraph 17 the subject contaned in the Survey Joint Report All the Dinsion of the lands into Survey numbers were also defined by boundary maiks at the time of number. measurement, and this woik was very satisfactorily carried out Many of the ridges are constracted partly of earth, and partly of the loose stones which are Field Boundary marks so numerous in Koiti, and, unless wilfully destroyed, they will last for many years without requiring much repair.
24 Korti, with reference to its dry-crop assessment, has been dinded into three classes of Dry crop rates of assessment villages, having maximum $1-0-0,0-140$, and $0-12-0$ rates The
positions of the several groups of villages, the classes in which adopted. they have been included, and the distinguishing characteristics of each group, are shown in the subjoined statement The boundaries of the groups are also shown on the map, and a detaled hist of the villages is given in the Appendix (No. 12 D).

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline CJase. \& $$
\left.\begin{gathered}
\text { Groups } \\
\text { of } \\
\mathbf{o}_{1} \text { lages }
\end{gathered} \right\rvert\,
$$ \& Number of Villages In each Group aud Class. \& Distingushang characteristics of the Group. \& Maximum rate of Dry erop Asbessment per Aare. <br>
\hline 4 \& 1 \& 14 \& These villages are situated in the valley of the Sina, adjoining the 1-2.0 villages of Nagar. Their climate, though not good, is superior to that of the villages in the valley of the Bhwa, and tbis group is nearer the Nagar market than the other groups A. good proportion of the cultivation is Kharíf. \& $$
\begin{array}{rlr}
\text { Rs } & \text { a } & \text { p. } \\
1 & 0 & 0
\end{array}
$$ <br>
\hline 2 \& 1 \& 6 \& The villages of this group are in the North-West, in the valley of the Bhima, and adjom the 1-0-0 villages of Kharda. Their climate is slightly superior to that of the villages further South, and they are somewhat better situated with reference to mankets, being near to Chámbhárgonda, and also being better situated with reference to exterior markets. \& 0140 <br>
\hline \& 2 \& 13 \& These nllages are in the valley of the Sina, adjoinng the villages of the lat class They have a smilar chmate, bat they are not quite so well artuated with reference to exterior markets \& <br>
\hline 3 \& 1 \& 19 \& These villages adjoin the villages of the 0-12-0 2 nd group of the 2nd class, and ther climate 18 probably similar, but they are not so near the Nagar market as the remanning villages of the valley of the Suns, and they are also further from the Poona market than the villages of the valley of the Bhima. \& \multirow[t]{2}{*}{0120} <br>
\hline \& 2 \& 54

73 \& These villages are in the valley of the Bhima. Ther chmate is very nifenor, and several of the villages suffer from a wait of water. They are, however, tolerably well situated with respect to the Poons market. \& <br>
\hline 3 \& 5 \& 106 \& \multicolumn{2}{|l|}{Of which the marimum dry-crop rates range from 1-0-0 to 0-12-0.} <br>
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\end{tabular}

25. It will be seen from the information embodied in the above statement that lower Dry-orop ratea of Kortı som- dry-orop rates have been determıned for Kortı than for Kharda Dry-orop ratee of Korth oomror Nagar. This 18 necessary for several reasons. Its clumate is worse Its situation with respect to markets 18 also worse, and its husbandry is, in some respecta, inferior; the uncertain climate not being favourable for the extenive cultrvation of Kharíf crops, and, in bad seasons, when
Tide my remarks in proponing rates, No. il of 18th January 1658. the Rabi crops faul, the ryots have not very mach urmgated land good season the gran prices gepexally fall-so thast, udebted as the ryote are to the Marvadis,
they cannot sufficently recover from the losses of precedng years, and many of them, it is feared, are in 2 miserable atate of poverty. In fact Korti is one of the worst districts in the Deccan, and cannot bear a heary assessment Evien with low rates, although it will mach improve, it can never be expeeted to be so prosperous as some parts of Nagar and Kharda.
26. Dunng the gettlement four villages, which it had been at first proposed to melude Alterations made in the mas. in the 3rd clase, were transferred to the 2nd class With thas mum rates of villages. exception no alterations were made in the rates as orignansily proposed
27 The adoption of lower garden rates of assessment for Korti was also found Gurden rates of assossment. necessary The garden cultivation as almost entirely Motasthal excepted, are generally of an wellirrigated, and ine orops, those of a very few vilages Kharda are Rs. 4 or Rs. 3 per acre, according to the situation of the villages with reference to markets or modes of husbandry. The rates of Nagar vary from Rs. 6 for the lands close to the large markets of Nagar to 3 for the villages that are not favourably situated. In the case of Korti a maximum rate of Rs. 3 an acre has been umposed on several of the villages which have the advantage of'being in the viounty of markets where the ryots derive an extra profit from the xeady sale of vegetables and other garden produce, and for the remaunng villages a maximum rate of Rs $2-8-0$ per acre has been adopted These rates are the highest that can with asfety be imposed, when the general ar.dity of the district, and the want of capital amongst the cultivators, are taken into conaderation. For lands irrigated from Bandheriés, a maxumum Rs. 5 rate has been imposed The entire extent of garden land 18 , 2,870 acres, of whoch the total assessment is Rs. 5,313 , or Rs 1-18-7 an aore. The old Kamall garden assessment is Rs. 8,299, whrok, applied to the survey acres, gives hs $2-14-3$ an acre, but there are many inequalities in the old garden rates.
27. It was onginally proposed to assess the Dheli lands on the banks of the Bhima at a maximum rate of Rs. 2 an acre, whrch is that pmposed on smmilar Dhels rates of amosamento lands in the Kharda Taluka, but ownog to the greater distance from large markets of most of the Kort villages, and the consequent lower profite derived from the sale of the different orope rased in the dheli lands, this rate was found to be too high, and a maximum 1-8-0 rate has been adopted. There are 446 acres of dhelh land an this Táluka and the total assessment is Rs. 485, or an average assessment of Rs. 1-1-5 an acre.
28. The general results of the rates, as regards the three Now, compared whth old, assoan classes of vilages, are shown in the subjomed statement, the cultivated acres entered in it being those of the year of settlement.

| Olum. | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \mathrm{Noa} \\ \text { of } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { lagas } \end{array}\right\|$ | Acoondima mo Ond Sthent |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | Onitivaterd AcreaTear of Bettloment man | $\underset{\text { mant }}{\text { Ansers }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Rato por } \\ \text { acro } \end{gathered}$ | Land in Oulibivation |  |  | Wate |  |  | Total |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Acren. | Assensmont | $\underset{\text { Anco per }}{\substack{\text { Acreot }}}$ | A0res. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \Delta_{\operatorname{sensens}}^{\operatorname{mont}} \mid \end{aligned}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rato par } \\ & \text { Aorot } \end{aligned}$ | Aores, |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 8 | 0 | 7 | 8 | $\bigcirc$ | 10 | 11 | 18 | 13 | 14 |
| cint | \% 18 |  | In. <br> 8404 <br> 20, 100 | $\left.\begin{array}{ccc} \mathrm{Br} & \operatorname{ar} & \mathrm{p} \\ 0 & 7 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ |  |  | $\begin{array}{ccc} \mathrm{Bn}, \mathrm{a} & \mathrm{p} \\ 0 & 8 & 0 \\ 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 18917 \\ & 29188 \\ & 98980 \\ & 9890 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{array}{ccc} \text { Ba } & \text { m } \\ 0 & \text { p } & 10 \\ 0 & 10 \\ 0 & 3 & 0 \end{array}$ |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 100 | 200,380 | 1,00,687 | 088 | 302,380 | 62,048 | 0 - 11 | 338,783 | 39020 | 810 | 341,1es | 05,008 | 0.6 |

Hake
50 The maximum value (much exaggerated) of abohahed Haks, as entered in the accounts for 1850-51, is-


The estrmated value of the Haks is not entered in the mecoants of 1851-52, the year precedung the settlement.
31. The amount of excess of "Judn" over "gurvey" sesessment, that has been remitted in the cases of the Hadole lands, 18 about Rs. 10.

Dnarable Ianda
38. The onarable lands of Kort, like those of other Talukas have not been assessed, and no revenue has hitherto been derived from them.

| Financial reanlts | 33 The general results of the settlement, as regards all descriptions of tenures, are shown in the following statement |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Years, | Cultivated lands |  |  |  | Waste and other Lands. <br> Collec trons. | Alienated Lands. <br> Colleo tions. | Total <br> Lands. <br> Collections, |
|  | Acres, | Assessment | RemisBLons | Collections. |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|  |  | Rs. | Rs. | He, | Rs | Rs, | Rs, |
| system | 185,361 | 1,00,819 | 31,562 | 69,257 | 1,709 | 368 | 71,329 |
| Last year of former system 1851-52 | 178,455 | 96,117 | 17,718 | 78,399 | 4,885 | 429 | 83,713 |
| Furst year of new system 1852-53 | 202,380 | 62,048 | 6,887 | 55,161 | 5,725 | 393 | 61,279 |
| Survey Kamál | 341,163 | 95,068 | - | - | ** | 531 | 95,599 |

1 The average for past ycarg is for the 31 years of British rale preceding the introduction of the new rates, a proportionate increase having been made for each village, in the cases of the yesrs for which acconits for all the yallages are not procurable ( $V$ rde appended ittatement No, 14D)

2 The acren of the years of the former system have been eatimated for cultivated lands iu the manner explaned in paragraph 87 of the Newasa Reports The meres of waste and alienated lands uader the former aystem cannot be correctly estimated, and are therefore omitted.
3. The acres of the Sarvey Kamal, in column 2, are the entire Government arable lands, and the rupees in column 3 the enture assessment on these lands
4. The amount hereafter leviable from melon beds and other petty items of revenue cannos be correctly estimated, and are, therefore, not takem into consideration, though former collections are meluded in the statement

34 In the year of eattlement remissions on account of fanlure of crops were not given. Remissions given in year of The remissions shown to bave been given were principally of settoment given in year of account of interior waste portions of land, the cultivation on enture fields not having been previously enforced Had the rates been earlier in operation, no remissions would have been allowed, and the ryots were given most fully to understand that no remissions for interior uncaltivated portions of land would be given in future years No far inference can therefore be drawn, relative to the future revenue propects of the Táluka, from the collections, under the revised rates, of the year of settlement, but

Table of Parcantages.
I consider it expedient to subjoin the usual table of percentages,
leaning it for those to whom this report is submitted, to make any necessary allowanoes as regards first year of the new system. The Kamal assessment of oourse admits of a more accurate judgment being formed of the ultimate financial results -

| Survey Settlement | For what lands | Percentages by which the Survey Settlement falls short of or exceeds the Net Reventue of the undermentioned periods provious to Survey |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Estimsted sverage of preceding 31 years. | Year immedistely preceding year of Settlement |
| The Net Revenue of 1852-53, being the year in which the revised rates were introduced into the Táluka, is less per cent $\{$ than that of | Government Lands . | 144 | 27 |
|  | Goverament and Ahenated lands together | 14 | 26爯 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { The Survey Kamal or Gross Rental is more } \\ & \text { per cent than the Net Revenue of } \end{aligned}$ | Government Lands .. | 34 | 14 |
|  | Government and Ahenated lands together | 34 | $14 \frac{1}{4}$ |

35. I consider the financial results of the settlement to be satisfactory It will be observed that the excess of revenue realizable, provided all the arable lands Finadial Revalts contanad that the excons under cultivation, is about $R_{k} 24,000$, or 34 per cent on the sverage collections of former years Owing to the bad climate of Kort, and the poor soils that prevail in parts, it 18 probable that a considerable proportion of tie land will remain waste, and in jears of general fanlure of rain it may also at first be found neceesary to give remissions in this Taluka But I am of opinion that a larger average revenue will be derived under the revised rates than that collected under the old sytem
36. The average rate of assessment hitherto shown to have been paid by the cultivated Reliof to Coltivatorn lands $180-6-0$ per acre, and the survey rate on all the arable lands is $0-4-6$, and on the lande cultrvated in the year of settlement 0-4-11 per acre, or a decrease of 0-1-1 on the past payments per acre, or about 18 per cent
37. The subjomed statement shows the area of the 106 Government villages that have Ares and Assemment. been settled, and the assessment umposed on the several descriptrons of land -

38. The eetilement of this táluka was made during the months of Febraary and March 1853. The lst Anssistant Collector, Mr A. Gray, was present with. durng the greater portion of the time, and kindly gave hus valuable ald in furtheranoe of the work.
39. There were fewer complaints than I had anticupated, and the ryots were generally much pleased with the new rates. Some of the villages were Sottlemment how reneived by formerly aseessed at comparatively light rates, but the survey
syou rates, on the whole, effected a pretty equal reduction on the tormer assessment, and in no case was it found necessary to impose a higher assessment on the entire lands of any village than that hitherto prevalug. The rates of individual fields were, however, occasionally rased, and un a few cases the former light assesement did not admit of a large reduotion. I may instance the case of the village of Kuldharan. This village contanns 11,798 acres, of which the Government arable fields contain 10,205 acres. The former Kamál essessment was Rs. 1,947, or an average assessment of Re 0-8-1 per more. The survey maximum assessment is Ra. 1,478 , or an average assessment of Re $0-2-4$ per acre, whuch is extremely low Nevertheless, in this village, the rates of some of the fields were rased. In such villages, where the couls are generally very poor, the ryots would not become very prosperous, even were no assessment at all wo be imposed, and a 0-2-4 rate barely exceeds that wheh would be lovied as a graning tax from better doscriptions of waste lands. In villages so situated wells should be sunte an the low grounds where water 28 procurable and the land can be urrigatod. At present there are about 30 wells 2 n Kuldharan, but probably this number might with advantage be mareased. The poor lands at a distance from the vilage would, I thunk, be found more profitable as grazng grounds, than of brought under cultivation. In many cases, in this tuluka, the ryota petitioned to me for assastance in the construction of wells, boti, as I could do nothung for them, I was obliged to refer them to the Collector's department.
40. So far as $I$ could ascortann from unquines made doring the settlement, the ryots of the surveyed dustricts on the other sude of the Bhima have Rateo of Bimthudi and Indipus derived much benefit from the revised assessment, and I am molened to hope that the new rates will prove equally beneficaal in Korts. In Indápur especially, the ryots, so far as I could learn, are thriving and contented. In Hzagni, one of the Korta vilagges mettied by me, a ryot of Indapar was found to be oultivating 88 acres of land. He told me that all the land in his own village having been talken up for oultivation, he could only, on beooming more prosperous, enlarge his farmung operations by orossing the niver and takng up hand in Korts He now travels on horseback from one village to the ofter, and 1 dare say Donsuders himself quite a gentleman farmer.
41. Trees are mach wanted in this tsluka, and I did all I could during the settlement to unduce some of the wealthier ryots to commentoe planting, but I fear they will requure much danmng before tationg suy ective stepa in the wny of improvement.

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No． 12 D－（Paragraph 24）．
Lrst of the Government Frllages of the Korl Taluka，referred to in the
24th paragraph of the Report．

| Class． | Groups of Villages | Number． | Namea． |  |  | Number in Thluks Map． |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \\ 9 \\ 10 \\ 11 \\ 12 \\ 13 \\ 14 \end{array}$ |  |  | $\stackrel{.}{\text { ．}}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 95 \\ 96 \\ 97 \\ 98 \\ 99 \\ 100 \\ 101 \\ 104 \\ 105 \\ 106 \\ 107 \\ 108 \\ 109 \\ 110 \end{array}$ |
| 葶 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \\ & 4 \\ & 5 \\ & 6 \end{aligned}$ | Wangdurn ．．． <br> Baburdı .. <br> Ghugul Wudgaon <br> Adulgan ．．． <br> Bhawudı ．．． <br> Bhose ．．． |  | . <br> .. <br> .. <br> .. | $\begin{aligned} & 60 \\ & 61 \\ & 64 \\ & 66 \\ & 75 \\ & 76 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \\ 10 \\ 11 . \\ 12 \\ 13 \\ 14 \\ 15 \\ 16 \\ 17 \\ 18 \\ 19 \end{array}$ | Karjat <br> Rehekarı <br> Walwud <br> Chánde Khard <br> Koundáné <br> Kokungaon $\qquad$ <br> Belgaon <br> Rawulgan $\qquad$ <br> Gurow Pumpri <br> Gondurdr <br> Diksul <br> Supe <br> Chincholı Káldáth |  | $\cdot$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ 90 \\ 91 \\ 92 \\ 94 \\ 111 \\ 112 \\ 115 \\ 116 \\ 117 \\ 118 \\ 119 \\ 120 \end{array}$ |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \\ 7 \\ 7 \\ 8 \\ 9 \\ 10 \\ 11 \\ 12 \\ 13 \\ 14 \\ 15 \\ 16 \\ 17 \\ 18 \\ 19 \end{array}$ | Koregraon <br> Khátgaon Wágba <br> Ambi－julgaon <br> Nimbe <br> Alsunda <br> Kumbhe－phal <br> Babhulgaon ．．． <br> Rathunjun ．．． <br> Nágulwádı ．．． <br> Máha <br> Jalgaon <br> Numbodr <br> Turudgann <br> Multhun <br> Panch Pimple <br> Dighs <br> Chapadgron ．．． <br> Loni Musudpur <br> Pátewad ．．． |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 2 \\ 3 \\ 4 \\ 5 \\ 6 \\ 86 \\ 123 \\ 124 \\ 125 \\ 126 \\ 127 \\ 129 \\ 130 \\ 131 \\ 133 \\ 134 \\ 135 \\ 136 \\ 137 \end{array}$ |



Detached or outlying vilages are meluded in the groaps whose vilages are sumularly rated.
G. S. A. ANDERSON,

Supernntendent, Ahmednagar Revenue Survey and Assessment.

## Sir,

In reply to your memorandum No. 6183 of 24th instant, I have the honour to report as follows.
2. In paragraph 3 of has letter No 1457 of 22nd Nctober $1891, \mathrm{Mr}$ Pitt states that "there is nothing in the circumatances of these villages, whether in physical features, chmate or communications, which distinguishes them in any important degree from the rest of the villages of the taluka adjouning them "

With this statement I must be allowed to duffer, as I consider the Korti group of the Karmals vil'ages to be inferior in evey respect to the central and southern portoons of the táluka The Korti villages are overgrown with cactus and the sonl is undoubtedly inferior to that in the central and southern villages of the táluka. The communcations are certanly not as good, there being fewer made roads than in the centre and south of the taluka, and I believe the rannfall us not as good as in the central and southern villages, or rather as the soll as poover in the northern group it requires a heavier fall to produce crops in the northern groups equivalent to those in the centre and south.
3. In this connection I would soluct reference to paras. 162 and 163 on pages 103 and 104* of the Revenue Survey Selections, Series No CXXIII, * ne paras 7 and 8 of Appen. helowith returned The remarke made therem fully bear out what I have aald about the inferiority of the Korti group of dis Q to Mr Pitt's report rrounding country. The noil is described as the very pooiest in the villages
4. In para. 6 of the report Mr Pitt alludes to the very satnsfactory features of the Revision Suivey as shown by the absorption of dry-crop land into imgated land, and of waste land into dry-crop land, but it seems to me that the more natural way to account for the former is to ascribe it to the extension of well building during the existence of a favourable lease and to attribute the gradual encroachment on waste lands to the alteration in the margin of cultivation consequent on the large increase in the agricultural population which has oceurred during the last 40 years and especally in the last decade. How far this expansion of cultivation is due to increased prosperity it is difficult to say, but it seems to me to be fallacious to ground a proposal for largely enhanoing the land revenue of an arid tract on such general and balf explaned data as these
5. I beg leave agan to differ from the landatory tone of Mr. Patt's paras 11 and 12, and I thinls the statistics rather prove that any large enhancement of the land revenue will be oppressive. I do not think the reference to population has any great force. The nereare in cattle 18 very smali and only what one would naturally look for in a district, where cultivation has expanded owing to there being more mouths to feed Taking the figures in Appendices I, $\mathcal{F}, \mathrm{K}$, the great balance of the land wae sold at sums varying from 1 to 25 times the assessen ment, sublet at sums ranging from 1 to 5 tumes the assessment and mortgaged at sums from 1 to 10 trmes the assessment These figures to my thinking advocate caution in any attempta at a volent merease of rates.

6 No reason has beene assigned to the division of these Korti villages into two groups, and it is diffieult to see why one rate should not apply. The old rate was 12 annas an acre, and this was fixed after a very careful sarvey and full knowledge of the lessons of the past showng the fallacy of a high iate and constant remissions, and now it is proposed on very insufficient facts, by which it is sought to prove mereased prospenty, to go back to the old rales. The inciease in some of the villages is very violent, amounting to over 100 per cent. in two cases. It cannot be denied that the figures given show that the existing rates are moderate and that a small enhancement might be borne. I would say that, with the exception of the isolated village of Bhalvani, the proposals for which might stand, the remaining 15 villages mught be grouped together and maximum rate of 14 annas imposed. All the accompaniments are herewith returned

I have the honour to be,

No. 6526.

Deccan Revenue Survey,
Poonan
13th November 1891.

## Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 1457 of 23 nd October 1891, I have the honour to raturn the papers forwarded herewith and the remarks of Mr. Doderet, 1 1st Assistant Collector, on the Revision Survey proposals for the sadd 18 villages.
2. I agree in the man with the First Assistant Collector, that the revision rates are pitched too high, having regard to the and nature of much of the country, the precanous tendeney of the rannfall and the general absence of good commumeations as compared with other parts of the taluka
3. I concur with the Survey Department an thinking that there should be two groups for these villages, as those in the durection of the Bhma are undoubtedly more favourably satuated than the remander. I would however reduce the maximum rates for the two groups respectively from $\mathrm{Re}, \mathbf{1 - 2 - 0}$ to $\mathbf{l}$ and Be .1 to 14 annas The result of thus would be-


Thus gives an increase of 50 per cent, and an average rate per aote of 7 annas 6 ples
4. It is observed that in the revised uarvey there is an merease of cultivation of 3,362 aeres At an average rate of assessment per acre of 7 annas 6 ples this would amount to $R_{s} 1,576$ If this sum 28 deducted from Rs. 8,060, there is a net merease of Rs. 6,484 or an equivalent of 40 per cent This appears to be a very substantial enhancement and quite as much as the nature of the country would warrant. I have the strongest objeotions to the proposed introduction of a permanent water-cess in the Revision Survey, as I hold that it is quite inapplicable to this soorched and baked portion of the district. It reems to me that to justify such a cess water must be permanently and perannailly avalable, whule in the villages where at is proposed to be levied it is a matter of common knowledge that such 18 not the case and that the supply only exnsts in years of exceptionally favoarable ramfall. I thank that this coss ought not to be imposed permanently on any of these villages but calculated from tume to tume on the amount of water actually avalable. I would especially draw attention to the concluding portion of paragraph 3 of Mr. Doderet's letter which shows that the previous view taken of the soil in these parts does not coincide with that now lad dowe, and at the same time I beg to remarix that many of the theories advanced as showing a material increase in the prosperity of these villages do not appear to rest on a thoroughly sold basis.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedent Servant,

## P. SNOW,

Colleotor.

## Memorandou

No. 1704 or 1891.

> - Decean Survey 8upernutendent's Office, Kkámdesk Lustricte, Canp Dhuha, 88*h Nopomber 1891 .

As these papera have been returned to thus office by the Collector, the undermgned avale himself of the opportunity to make a ferr remarky on the report, the rates proposed in whuch had his concurrences when acting as Survey Commissioner previons to its sabmiesion.
2. The increase given by the proposed rates amountang to 69 per cent. is, no doubt, the ground of the Collootor's objections. It is due, however, not to the proposed esssssment being abnormally high, but to the old classafioation values having beem abnormally low The old classafication was done abont 1851, after the promulgation of the Jount Report but before its provisions had been everywhere brought anto practice, and the acale of values wsed was maternally lower than that thereun lend down. The classaication, however, was found to bo well and uniformly done and beyond the application to at now of the Jount Report scalo of values needed very little modification to adapt it to the accepted standand; the allotment of Lbarib, which had been done on the old and extravagant geale, had also under standing orders
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to be corrected, and this too has had its effeot in bringing about a larger increase than would otherwise have appeared.

3 In viet of the heavy nocreare which the necesmary corrections in the old work above noted have made unavozdable, the undersigned is not disposed to dissent very strongly from the nnconsiderable alterations which the Collector recommends in the proposed maximum rates. He would, however, point out that the small tract now to be dealt with is not exceptional among ats aurroundinge though these constitute admattedly the most and pait of the Deccan. It originally formed part of the old Korti Taluka, the main portion of which was revised last year, and had Mr, Pitt made some reference in his report to that settlement (Government Selection CCXLVI) it would have made matters clearer, and his expressions regarding the condition of the tract would probably have been taken, not absolutely, but in the relative sense in which he meant them.
4. The poorness of the soll 18 of course provided for by the classification, and the problem as to maxnmum rates is merely one of fixing on such as shall fit in best with those already accepted as suatable in the villages which adjoin on all sides As the railway is heie the dominating factor, the rates and grouping proposed appear to the undersigned to present the natural solution of the problem. The first group lying along the railway will be admitted to be better situated than the Indapar villages across the river where the miximum rate is Re. 1 , and the second group has also in its easies access to the rallway an advantage over the Karjat villages on the north, which were settled on a 14 -anaa maximum last year These differences of advantage are not, however, very strongly marked, though quite sufficient to justify the grouping proposed by Mr Pitt, unless Government should consider that the hign increase caused is a reason for modufication.

5 In the matter of Pátasthal assessment, the undersigued thinks the Collector's proposal madmissible, as it would be a relapse from the principles of the Bomlay revenue system to one of yearly valuations and measurements with all ther attendant evils It appears from the orginal settlement report of Kortı that the Patasthal lands were even then (1852) assessed at annual rates, while the rates actually imposed ranged up to $\mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{g}} 5$, and no reason exists why the small portion of that tract now in question shoald be made an exception to what has long been the approved practice in all settlements. The rating has been done very lentently in view of the precarious nature of the ramfall, and Rs 4-12-0, which is the higeet rate actually imposed, has only been reached in two villages, and these oaly in fields where the sonl is excellent and the water suffices for crops of garden wheat. If Government decide to adopt lower maximum sol rates for the groups as recommended by the Collector, it would be open to them at the same time to adopt also the Pátacthal maximum rate, viz., hs 6 , which was eanctioned last year for the adjoinng villages of Karjat Tálukan This would give a somewhat smaller revenue than that which has been ealculated in the report on the ha 8 maximum, though as the ratung was done very lemently, the reduction probably woold not be go great as the dafference in maxnmum rate would lead one to infer. The undersigned will not repeat here what has been explaned in full detail in a report lately submitted on the subje of of Patasthal assessment, but it may be observed that as the regularity and irregularity of the water-supply is a principal point for consideration in assessing a Pat and the rate is based on the average supply of a series of years, the Collector's apprehensions would appear to be founded on a miseonception of the method of assessment

W M. FLETCHER,<br>Supermtendent, Deccan Revenue Survey.

No. 6867
To
The COMMISSIONER, C D.
Poona.

2nd December 1891.

## Str,

I bave the honour to forward herewith a letter No 1457 of the 22nd October 1891, with 1 ts several acoompamments, from the Superntendent, Decesn Revenue Survey, beng the revision settlement report of 16 Government villages of the Kaımála Taluka, and to state that, not having any personal acquaintance with the taluka, I referred the papers to the First Assistant Collector, Mr. Doderet, who holds charge of the táluka, and subsequently made a Collector's No, 6526 of 18th short tour in the táluka. I append Mr. Doderet's reply together
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Aovember 1891 from the Superin-
tendent, Reveuue Surrej. with the correspondence noted in the margin, and beg to observe that I still adhere to the nowe expressed by moin my letter No. 6586 of the 13th altimo, and subject to the remarks therein made would recommend Mr. Prtt's proposals for the sanction of Government.

## I have the honour to be,

Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

> P. SNOW.

Cullector,
Through the Survey and St ttlement Commissioner

No. 2 of 1892.
From

E. C. OZANNE, Esquiry,<br>Survey and Settlement Commissioner ;

To
Thi CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT,
Revenue Department.
Poona, 2nd January 1892.

## Scr,

I have the honour to submat proposals for the revision settlement of 16 villages now belonging to the Karmála T'aluka of Sholápar The report was drawn up by Mr Pitt while acting for Mr Fletcher durng the monsnon. On being submitted to the Colleotor the paperts were returned with a report from Mr. Doderet, the Assistant Collector in charge, approved by the Collector Mr. Fletcher as Superintendent recorded his opinion on Mr. Snow's objections This correspondence ss zneluded in the papers now submatted through the Commissioner to Government.
2. The Karmála Taluka 18 made up of 123 villages, Of these, 11 are inam. Of the 11 ınám villages 9 were surveyed between 1851-52 and 1875-76. Two are strll unsarveyed. Of the 112 Goverament viliages 93 were revised in 1873-74 and two settled for the first tume ( $G$ R No. 707 of February 7th, 1874). One village, Tembharni, lapsed to Government in 1879-80 but the settlement antroduced in 1873-74 by the order of the Survey Commasaoner, while it was still held as anam, is current. There remann the 16 Government villages which form the subject of the present report.
3. Of these one, Bhalamu, transferred from Mádha in 1862-63, was settled in 1863-64. The period of guarantee ought to have been reatricted to that already fixed for the- surrounding villsges of Karmala, and Bhalavan should have been revieed in 1878-74. It 18 not understood why thus was not done I may at once daspose of thas village by saying that no reasonable. objection can be taken to proposala made. It lies in the eentre of a group of villages settled in 1873 at a maximum of $\mathrm{Ra}_{1}$ 1-2-0, and the enhancement resultung from applying this rate us only 112 per cent.
4. The remaming villages were part of the old Korts Tsluka which was the ehief contributor to the present Karjat Taluka of Ahmednagar The Kert Taluka was settled in 1852-53, but the settiement report was not written till 1854. An extract appears as Appendux Q to Mr. Pitt's report. The lease for the 15 villages transferred to Karmála had not expired when Karmála was resettled and meidentally they have shared with the Karjat Taluka the further extension, conveded in order to give time for recovery from the effects of the famine of 1876-77 as noticed in Government Resolution No. 3192, dated 8th May 1890, passed on the Karjat revision proposale.
5. Though the remeasurement and reclassufication were only partial, it will be remarked (Mr. Pitt's 5 th para ) that nearly half the survey numbers ( $=\frac{1}{3}$ rd the area) were actually reclassed and the remander adjusted to a large extent to bring the standard op to date The old cla-saifialion was good, but faulty as regarde standard, that is (1) the dafference between the poorer and better soils was not properly acoentuated, and (2) the old deductions on account of supposed barrenness (pot kharáb) were excessive. The pot knaráb rules of 1883 do not apply, as the clasesfication was oarried out before 1854. To this reclassafication is due the major part of the proposed enhanoement.
6. Mr Pitt proposes two groups rated at Rs, 1-2-0 and 1-0-0 respectively. In the old Korta settlement the 15 villages now in Karmala were rated at 12 annas. In the Karjat revison Government ruled that the old grouping should not be disturbed. A revised maximum of apnas 14 was sanctioned for all the nillages of Karjat adjoming the Korth villages of Karmala mstend of a 13 -anne rate for those in the Bhima valley and a 14-anna rate for the others, as proposed by Colonel Wand, who considered that climata in the case of the Bhinsa Falley villages was more important as a ruling factor un grouping than nearness to the railway I'his conteution was admitted by Government, though it was deerded that it was not strong enough to juatufy a lower rate than tast proposed for villages further from the ralway of the same old group.

7 Mr. Pitt adduces in support of his proposals the revenue hustory of the villages concerned and of nulagee of Indápur and Karmaía adjoining, bat he makes no samular refi rence to the Korta group of Karjat. This evidence sifted as aganst, rather than for, his argument. First, as to the 15 villages themselvee, Appendix $I$ show a rapid merease of cultivated area and revenue checked only in $1871-72$ after the first eettlement. The history is fivourable tall 1875-76. From the famine year (1876-77) till 18.9-80, the outstandings were very large, the remusions very heavy, and in spite of low assessment the condition of the people deplerable. In 1s79-80 and the year followng the coltavated area fell very greatly and the gross revenue even below the figere of the years ummediately succeeding the untroduction of the settlement. Since then there has been a gradual but grod recovery owng to a succession of good years. I he pohey in this district during the famine was to give no remassong, but the the eame tume
to use no pressure to collect the revenue, leaving the question of final 1 emisenons for careful consideration after the distress had passed Now if the Appendices $N$ and $O$ are similarly examined, a poorer history is ovident In the Indapur villages heavier outstandings date from 1871-72 and a much heavier and earher fall in cultivation and revenue Lastly, the recovery has not been so good Appendix $O$ tells a precisely simular tale. The right deduction seems therefore to be that the heavier assessment in the neighbounng villages caused a less satisfactory revenue history before and atter the famine than in the villages still enjoying the moderate rates of the original settlement and that it will not be safe to advise Government to accord sanction to Mr. Pitt's proposals

8 The opinions on record are $\boldsymbol{a}^{n}$ mewhat diverse As to the proposed grouping it is questionable whether the special rate for nearness to ralway is sound In the old Karmala settlement this special rate was imposed on all villages within 4 miles of the railway $I$ am not in favour of its application No doubt in the case of the small group of villages now for settiement Mr. Pitt sought to follow the principles which guided the old Karmála settlement But in spite of introducing a modification into a portion of a táluka which cannot now be made ap, licable throughout, I think that the second group should include all the 15 villages. The treatment of these villages should be guided by that accorded to their old group fellows in Karjat There the extreme precariousness of the climate was held sufficient to outweigh the advantage of ralway faclities The deep sonl, as was shown in paras. 7, 8 and 24 of the Koiti report (seo Appendix Q), requires a heavy rainfall, while the rainfall enjoyed is of the most precarious nature Thus while in classification the soll may bear a high valuation the untrustworthiness of the rainfall and the consequent poor condition of the cultivators who do not farm on so large a, soale as to be able to hoard the returns of a good season to sapply the deficiencies of succeeding bad ones uallify the full advantage which might be ganed from the goodness of the land The revenue officers contend that the Bhuma valley vallages are in many ways inferior to their neighbours further east

9 The Korti-Karjat villages settled two years ago were rated at 14 annas. The Karmala villages, excepting those with the special rating for nearness to rallway, were rated at Re. 1, which is the rate of the Indípur vilages across the river It seems to have escaped the notice of Mr Pitt when he compared the Indappur vallagee that the Re 1 rate there is somewhat deceptive A reference to the old history of the Indápur revision will show that in 1875 the attention of Government was directed to the large enhancement, not only in Indapur but in other tálukas re settled about the same date The result was that the assessment in Indápur was largely reduced, but the reduction was carried into effect by a reduction in the classification, the maximum rate being kept unaltered This was done with the object of making more difference between poor and good lands, for the classification reductions dealt only with land classed below 11 annas It follows that no comparison with the Indapur rates can be made without full consideration of the action taken in 1875. I advise then that the 15 Karmala villages should be rated at 14 annas as those left in Karjat were rated
10. I do not see ground for exceeding the prescribed 66 per cent. lumit for the enbancement on revision. The effect of applying a 14 -anna maximum is shown in detall in the appended table * There will only be an

- Marked Appendir a hmit in one village, but the explanation is simple. The assessment excess over the 66 per eent hmit in one village, but the oxplanation 18 simple. Ihe assessment
under Section 101 of the Land Revenue Code for patasthal is included, though in making the comparison between the present and proposed assessment such water assessment need not be taken into account. 'I he deduotion of the water cess will alone bring Devigawhan very pearly within the preseribed limit. Added to this, it will be noticed that in this village the proportion of land formerly erroneously classed as unculturable is large The asseasment placed for the first time on such land cannot be taken into account. Thas Dengawhan does not show a proscribed enhancement

The proposed enhancement for the whole group does exceed the limit of 33 per cent., but if the assessment on assessed pot kharáb and on pátasthal 18 excluded, the percentage will be reduced There will be further reduction when the distance from nullage scale is apphed to each survey number This reduction will be considerable, for some of the villages are very large in area. Under these curcumstances the prescribed lumit will not in reality be infringed.
11. The maximum rate which I propose of 14 annas fits in well with the same rate for the Kortr-Karjat group and the one rupee rate for the Karmála villages on the east. The average rate will be 7 annas, as compared whth 8 annas for the Karmála villages at 1 Re, and with 6 annas for the Karjat group rated at 14 annas $\mathrm{Mr}_{5}$ Fleteher suggests that if Government so desire he will rate the pátasthal at a $R_{s} 6$ maxımum The pátasthal is very small in area, and on Mr Fletcher's assorance that the difference will be very hittle, I think no change need be made other than thet whioh will result from the reduced maxmum. The report on patasthal referred to by Mr. Fletcher is under consideration. The subject is not umportant in Karmala.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your moat olvedent servant,

> E. C. OZANNE,

Survey and Settlement Commseloner.
Through the Commissioner, C. D.

Statement referred to in paragraph 10 of the Survey and Settlement Commzssioner's Report No 2, dated 2nd Januăry 1892

E. C OZANNE,

Survey and Settlement Commissioner.

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> Revenoe Department.
> Sátára District, Camp Vadúj, $\frac{19 t h}{\$ 3 r d}$ January 1892.

## Submitted to Government.

2 As regards the proposals for the revision of Bhalavn, a village transferred from the Madha Taluka, there is no difference of opinion between the Land Revenue and Survey officers, and the Aeting Commissioner, C D, would at once recommend that the proposals made by Mr. Pitt in respect of that village be adopted.
3. Opmion is not, however, unammous as regards the proposals for the remanning 15 villages constituting the "Korti" group Messrs. Pit and Fletcher represent the Surve日 Department vew, Messrs Doderet and Snow advocate moderation, while Mr. Ozanne appears to have taken a sober and dispassionate view of the whole case based on mound facts and princuples
4. Mr Pitt proposes to divide these 15 villages into two groups, meluding 5 of them in group No. I whth a maximam dry-crop rate of Re $1-2-0$, and the remaining 10 ma group No. II with a maximum dry-crop rate of Re. 1, the ground for the difference being apparently the proximity of the rallway in the case of the former Mr . Doderet questions the soundness of the conclusions diawn by Mr. Pitt as to the material advancement of the tract in question and considers that one uniform rate should be apphed to all the villages and that it should not be pitched hagher than annas 14. Mr. Snow, on the other hand, while agreemg with Mr.aDoderet in his estumate of the value of the alleged material improvement, holds with Mr. Pitt that the villages along the ralway hne should be treated diffirently from those situated further north and northeast He would, therefore, manntain the two groups, bat reduce the rates from Re $1-2-0$ and 1 to Re 1 and annas 14 respectively.
5. The Acting Commissioner, C D, does not personally know the part of the country to which these proposals relate, but it is clear to him that the preponderance of opinion is in favour of a reduction of the rates proposed by Mr Pitt, and that the only officer, Mr Fletcher, who attempts to support Mr Pitt's proposals is half inclined to accept Mr. Snow's recommendations. The only question, therefore, that requires to be considered and settled is, whether the 15 villages should all be thrown mnto one group or be divided into two different groups.
6. The chief ground for a diveron appears to be the proximity of the rallway in the case of a certain number of villages and the absence of that advantage in the case of the others. The Acting Commissioner, C.D, observes that this point has already been discussed in connexion with the revision settlement proposals for the Bhusával Taliaka, and the reasons which induced Government in that case to attach no weight to the proximity of railway apply with equal or perbaps greater force to the present case
7. The whole correspondence has been carefully and dispassionately considered by Mr. Ozanne, and for the reasons stated on the foregoing paragraphs, the Acting Commissioner, C D., agrees whth him that the 15 villages of the "Korti" group should all be classed together and assessed at a marimum dry-crop rate of annas 14, and that no change need be made in regard to the patasthal rate other than that wheh will result from the reduced maximam.

G B REID,
Acting Commissoner, C. D.

Revenuo Survey and Assessment - Revreron Settloment of the Karmala Taluka of the Sholápur Dustrset.

No. 2037.

## Revenur Departhent.

Bombay Castle, 24th March 1892.

[^17]Memorandum from the Commissioner, C D, No r-557, dated 4th February 1892Sabmittug one No. 217, dated 29th January 1892, from the Survey and Settlement Commissoner.

Rasocution -These papers relate to the introduction of a revision survey settlement into 16 villages of the Karmála Taluka of Sholapur. Of these, 15 vilages formerly belonged to the Kort Táluka and 1 to the Madha Táluka. The mann portion of the Karméla Taluka was settled in 1873-74.
2. The village of Bhálavni falls naturally moto the second of the groups formed in 1873-74, and as the proposals of the Superntendent with regard to it are concurred in by the officers through whose hands the papers have passed, the application of the Re $1-2-0$ rate to it 18 eanetioned. About the remainng 15 villages situated in the west of the taluka there is a sonsiderable divergence of opinion. Mr. Pitt proposes to divide them into two groups with manmum rates of $\operatorname{Re} 1-2-0$ and $\operatorname{Re} 1$, respectively. The Collector, whule retauning two groups, would lower the rates by 2 annas, and the Survey Settiement Commissioner and the Commissioner, C D , are of opinion that there should be one group only whth a maximum rate of 14 annas. As regards the grouping, Government have already ruled that an extra rate on account of proximity to ralway seations is madmseible. Mr. Ozanne has dealt fully with the question of rates and has shown that a comparison with the neighbouning taluka of Indépur 18 mesleadmg, and Government agree un hus conclusions that the proper masimum rate to apply is that in force in the adjaoent villages of the Karjat Táluka of Ahmednagar, viz, 14 annas.
3. The patasthal maxumum rate should be fixed at Rs. 6.
4. The rates as now sanctroned should be gaaranteed for a period to expire sumultaneously with that for which the remaunder of the taluka was settled. It seems that the new rates cannot be introduced nato Bhálavni until 1893-94, but the Commissioner should report further on this point.

## W. L. HARVEY,

Under Secretary to Government.
To
The Commissioner, C. D.,
The Collector of Sholapar (math the petitions of objeations),
The Survey and Sattlement Commissioner,
The Drector of Land Records and Agriculture,
The Accountant General,
The Publo Works Department of the Secretariat.
The Governmeat of India,
With an jatumation that the papers are benng pruted in the Form of a Selection from tha Records of Goverament, and that
 be formarded to them.

From

A F. MACONOCHIE, Esquire, I. C. S.,<br>Collector of Sholápur,

To

The Honourable Mr. A. D. YoUnghUsBand, I. C. S , Commissioner of the Central Division.

Sholápur, 23rd October 1903.


#### Abstract

Sir, I have the honour to submit for the orders of Government proposals for the Second Revision Settlement of the Sholápur, Bársi, Karmála, and Mádha Talukas of this District. The reports for the Grst three talukas were written between January and August of this year by my late Assistant, Mr. Painter , that for the fourth taluka was written in 1900 by Mr F. B Young, then Superntendent of Land Records and Agriculture, Central Division. All four reports would in the usual course of things have been submitted at earlier dates, for the last settlement expired in Mádha at the end of 1899-1900, in Shold́pur at the end of 1900-01, in Bárs1 at the end of 1901-02, and in Karmála at the end of 1902-03 But in view of the recent succession of bad years, Government were pleased to durect in their Resolution No. 8325 of 31 st December 1900, that proposals for revision of settlements should not be laid before them till 1904 This judicious order has not only conferred a boon on the cultivators, but also rendered it possible to re-settle nearly two-thirds of the district at one time and on one consistent scheme. 2. In these circumstances I beg to embody my remarks on all four reports in one letter. They will not be many. Mr Painter's descnption of the existing condition of things is so accurate and so full that it leaves me little to add and as we on several occasions discussed the whole subject personally, his proposals for the future substantially represent my own views. It is only in a very few cases that I shall suggest some slight modification. 3. Before treating of each táluka in turn, I must observe that there is one man factor in the problem, common to all in greater or less degree, of which we must never lose sight, and that is the long succession of disastrous years through which the dustrict has recently passed Shortiy after the existing rates were introduced came the great famine of 1876-77. Twenty years afterwards, when the district had recovered from this blow, it was again attacked by the hardly less severe famine of 1896-97. Two seasons of scantiness followed, and then came the famine of 1899-1900, the worst of the century, followed in its turn, without a moment's respite, by that of $1800-01$, to be again succeeded by another uniavourable year. The good year 1902-03 just past was the first of its kind for seven years The current year seems likely to be as good or even better, and it may be hoped that a period of prosperity has now begun But it has only just begun, and we must not allow this gleam of present well-bengit may be but transient-to efface from our minds the memory of the terrible loss and suffering of the immedıate past. A population so afficted must be treated with the utmost tenderness, and a leniency must be shown by the state in its demand, for which after an epoch of prosperity, there would be no need and no n stıfication Of the four tálukas now in question, Karmála suffered most, Madha less, Sholapur and Bársi least, but all suffered severely, and our revised rates_must reflect that fact both generally and comparatively.


4. I now proceed to review Mr. Painter's proposals for the Sholápur táluka. The leading facts to be borne in mind are that the rates orignally fixed at the beginning of the existing settlement in 1872 were considerably reduced in 1875 on account of an extraordinary fall in prices, that since then
prices have risen again to muoh their former level, that land has mantained its purchasing power under an mereased assessment and has therefore risen in value, that there has been a remarkable development of the central market town of Sholápur, but that on account of the repeated famines increase in general agrioultural prosperity has been arrested during the currency of the present settlement, and the rayat is in much the same state as in 1872. Mr. Painter, therefore, recommends that the rates orgynally fixed in 1872 may, with a few local augmentations, be re-imposed now for the term of the next settlement I thunk that the figures and arguments that he adduces prove his conclusions to be sound, and I support them. The only change I propose is that the three villages mentroned in his paragraph 67, should be put into the First Group along with Sholapur, which they adjoin, as their land is equally valuable. This is an enhancement of 40 per cent., but in the pecular ourcumstances set forth by Mr Pannter it is perfectly just and proper. In point of fact Sholapur and these villages could well bear a rate of Rs. $2-0-0 \mathrm{mstead}$ of Mr. Yainter's proposed rate of Rs. 1-12-0, and that I do not propose the former is due merely to my sense of the advisability of lenient treatment after the famines. The other modufioations proposed in Mr. Painter's 68th paragraph have my entire approval. As regards paragraph 76, it wll be seen hereafter that Mr. Panter and I both propose a reduction by two annas of Mr. Young's proposed rates, and af this 18 done, the new rates for Mádha and Sholápur will be harmonious. As for the higher rates in the adjacent Native State of Akalkot, that tract has always been assessed hugher than Sholapur, and the circumstances are not identical

As remarked in paragraph 80, the tripartite classification of land is now obsolete and might well be abolished

The Pathastal rates proposed are suitable. There is very little of this form of cultivation.

One other point demands notice-the isolated villages of the taluks surrounded by the Nizam's territory They are fertile, but inaccessible and difficult to administer, and are consequently full of dacoits, who annoy the officials and people of both jurisdictions alike. It is a very great pity that they cannot be exchanged for Hyderabad villages inside the district.
5. I now turn to Bárs. This is undoubtedly the best táluka in the district. It bas a flournshing commercial town in its centre, it has a better olumate than Sholápur, its communications have been very much improved during the current settlement by the oonstruction of the Barss Light Raulway and several excellent long roads, land is more valuable than in Sholipur, and it has suffered less from famine. As in Sholapur the rates orignally fixed at the beginning of the ourrent settlement were reduced in 1875 on account of the fall in prices, but since then priçes have recovered their former level. In these ciroumstances Mr. Painter justly considers that the táluka oan bear ratas slgghtly higher than those proposed for the greater part of Sholf́pur. I agree with him, and recommend that his proposals be adopted.
6. As regards Mádha Mr. Painter and I recorded independently two reniews of Mr. Young's proposals, he this year, and I last year. We both arrived at the same oonclusion, that his proposed groups should be aocepted, but that his proposed inorease in the rates should be reduced by one-half Mr. Young drew up these proposals in 1900, and therefore could not take full account of the famine. If Mr. Paunter's and my opinion be adopted the rates for Mádha will be in harmony with those we propose for Sholápur on one side and Karmala on the other It is worse off than the former, but better off than the latter. Prices have reoovered themselves, and commumcations both by ral and road have been nuoh improved durng the current settlement, so that a slight inorease in the rates seems justrifiable.
7. Karmida is a very poor and backward taluka, that has suffered most severely by the famine, as Mr. Paunter's figures show. We cannot recommend any onhancement of the present rates save in the solitary instance of the headquarter town, the rate of which we propose to raise by two annas I heartuly support the proposal to do away with Pathasthal rates here altogether. They are an absurdity in Karmíla. Mr. Snow strongly objected to them in 1891, so that the proposal is not a new one.

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The idea of making a separate mabál of Tembhurni and the adjoining villages is excellent. At present the taluka is unmanageable, and adminıstration suffers in consequence.
8. I trust these proposals will commend themselves to Government. Mr Painter and I have both been a long time in the district, and may claim that we know it well. I think that on examination our scheme will be found adequate to the situation. At any rate we have tried our best to combine a just view of the rights of Government with an equitable consideration of the claim of the people to indulgent treatment after so many calamities.
9. It is my pleasing duty in conclusion to bring to the special notice of Government the admirable manner' in which Mr. Painter has performed the special duty of preparing these settlement reports. He took it up in January and finushed it by the end of July, beugg releved only of his magisterial work in the meantime, and performing the whole of his revenue work during that period as usual. I trust that Government will agree that the production within six months of three such reports as these, so thorough, so accurate, so interesting, is a most excellent piece of work for which Mr. Painter deserves the highest credit.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
A. F MACONOCHIE, Collector.

## Throdgr the Director of Land Records and Agricultcre.

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\text { No } \frac{A}{258} \text { of } 1904
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From

## To

> H. S. LAWRENCE, Esquire, I. C. S., Director, Land Records and Agnculture, Bombay ;

The CHIEF SEGRETARY to GOVERNMENT, Revenue Department, Bombay.

Poona, 19th Jamuary 1904.


#### Abstract

Sir, I have the honour to forward the proposals for the Revision Settlement of the tálukas of Sholápur, Bársi, Karmála and Madha with the Review thereon by the Collector. 2. The proposals have been prepared by officers with an intimate knowledge of the district, Mr. Painter having served there for $2 \frac{1}{8}^{\text {² }}$ years and Mr. Maconochie for 4t years, and the reports reflect therr anxiety that the district should recerve indulgent treatment in consideration of the recent and prolonged period of distress. 3. It is a matter of great difficulty to assess equitably the weight that this period of abnormal distress should have on the settlement of the Government demand for the next 30 years.

The existing assessment of the district has already taken full aocount of the exceedingly precarious character of the rainfall and cultivation, for though the soll 18 generally of a good quality, the average assessment is lower than in any other district, being 8 annas and 2 pies against 8 annas and 11 pies in Bijapur, 9 annas and 7 pies in Nagar, and 10 annas and 6 pies in Poona.


4. Messrs, Painter and Young have made a careful and full examination of the economic history of the four tallukas. Mr. Painter's conclusion in regard to the Sholápur taluka may perhaps be adopted for the whole tract that "the rayat is on the whole about as well off as he was in 1872, or at any rate nerther much better nor much worse."
5. On the one hand the calamities of the successive famines are represented in the absolute reduction or the cessation of increase in population, on the other hand, there are the remarkable facts that even during the prevalence of famine land continued to sub-let for sums equal to at least 3 times the survey assessment, and that the recent famines did not, luke the famune of 1876-77, result in the abandonment of any holdings: and finally the faot-of special importance on the future ablity of the rayat to pay his assessmenl-of a great rise in prices.
6. This latter point requires some further emphass, and I refer to it separately in the case of each táluka.

Sholdipur.-The rates that were imposed in 1872 were reduced in 1875 in consideration of the fall of prices that had occurred in the interval. The rates imposed in 1875 were sanctioned on the basis of an average price of jowain in the four years 1872-75 of Rs. 1-6-10 per mawnd. If we exclude the years of abnormal prices (1897-1900-1901) we find the average price of the last decade was Rs. 1-15-9 per maund, an increase of 40 per cent.

Barsi.-Simularly the rates in Barsi were sanctioned on an average price of jowári of Rs. 1-2-10 which has now risen to Rs. 1-15-11, an increase of 69 per cent.

Mádha.-The case of Mádha is similar, but the record of prices for 1874-75 being missing the exact percentage of rise cannot be calculated; if however we assume the price of that year to be the average of adjacent tallukas, i.e., Rs. 1-0-3, We find the rise to be from Rs. 1-3-10 to Rs. 1-13-5, or 49 per cent.

Karmala.-In Karmála alone was no reduction made in consequence of the fall of prices, and the existing rates are therefore based on the average of the decade from 1863-64 to 1872-73 of Rs. 1-14-6 which has risen in the last decade by only $5 \frac{1}{2}$ per oent. to Rs 2-0-2.
7. The increases of assessment in the proposals under consideration are shown below -

| Talukn | Present assersment. | Proposed asconsment | Incressa, | Present avarage rate. | Proponed sverage rate. | Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Rs. | Rs. |  | A. $\mathbf{p}$ | A. p. |  |
| Sholápur .. | 2,31,245 | 2,62,384 | 135 | 93 | 106 | - Mr Painter'a proposala. |
| Bárar .- | 1,89,968 | 2,05,508 | 82 | 10 | 1010 | Dow do. |
| Karmála | 1,54,274 | 1,54,259 | $\cdots 2$. | 78 | 79 | Dos do. |
| Madha | 1,42,177 | 1,62,872 | 142 | 76 | 87 | Mr. Maconoche's propossls. |

The proposals are marked by extreme moderation, but in the present circumstances of the dastrict I am not prepared to advocate a further enhancement.
8. I now come to some minor points in the several reports:-

Sholipur.-If the three villages of Mr. Painter's second group were placed with Sholapur in the first group, the percentage enhancement would be 33.8 per cent., and would exceed the prescribed limit. I would suggest that - Mr. Maconochie's view should be in part met by imposing a dry-crop maximum on these three villages of Rs 1-10-0 in place of Rs, 1-9-0, thus raising their enhancement from 25 per cent. to 30 per oent.

I do not think there is sufficient reason for the adoption of the proposal in paragraph 80 of Mr. Painter's report : the matter indeed has little concern with the settlement report.
9. Mr. Painter's proposals in regard to paitasthal rates are not quite clear. Apparently he would raise the maximum from Rs, 6 to Rs, 8 and impose a
permanent rate of Rs. 832 on 348 aores in 8 villages ; the remamng area now assessed of 485 acres in 24 villages he would leave to be assessed at an occasional rate by the Collector.

The rates in Appendix $Q$ however do not agree with his statement that Re 1 per acre will in most cases be all that can equitably be imposed. It appears to have been assumed that pátasthal irrigation has been permanently destroyed by the recent drought, but I doubt whether this assumption is well founded. If years of favourable rain recur the channels will flow again, and I am inclined to think that a permanent reduction should only be made in the case of pats which are shown to have run dry for several years before the drought For this purpose the records of cultivation on these pats for ten years previous to 1895 should be examined. Where an average rate can be imposed it 18 preferable to occasional assessments by the Collector This view which has been frequently and vigorously discussed was taken by Government in the case of Karmála (vule paragraph 3 of Government Resolution No. 2037 of 24th March 1892 and underlying correspondence) and has recently received the approval of the Irrigation Commission.

I would suggest therefore that a re-examination of the pats be directed with a view to the imposition of an average rate wherever this is possible.
10. Bársi.-Mr. Panter here reduces the pátasthal assessment from Rs 1,837 on 1,015 acres in 61 villages to Rs 335 on 169 acres in 12 villages (the figure 170 in paragraph 46 of his report appears to be an error). The remarks I have made above on Sholápur apply equally to Bárss.
11. Karmála-Mr Painter would abolsh the pátasthal rates, but suggests as an alternative that "a chad should be put on land so situated as to be urrigable by pát", this latter alternative is practically what the patasthal assessment is intended to be, and the mght course would be, if the Survey Department were as alleged "overhberal in their classification of land as patasthal," to reduce that classification.

12 On all other points relating to the settlement of these talukas I have the honour to support Mr. Painter's proposals.

13 Mdidha.-A revised Appendix Q showng the result of Mr. Maconochie's rates is appended.

In regard to the pátasthal of this taluka Mr. Young places a permanent rate on 15 acres, and leaves 41 acres to be occasionally assessed. The area is so small that the proposal may perhaps be accepted. I agree in the recommendation to reduce Mr. Young's rates and in other respects have the honour to support his proposals

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedent Servant,
(Signed) H S. LAAWRENCE,
Director, Land Records and Agriculture.
Through the Commissioner, C. D.

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Revente Department.<br>Camp Málsiras, 22nd March 1904.

Forwarded, with an expression of general concurrence in the Director's criticisms.

2 It is undoubtedly, as Mr. Lawrence observes, a matter of great difficulty to assess equitably the weight which the recent prolonged period of abnormal distress should be given in the settlement of the Government demand for the next thirty years. To the solution of this difficult question it is evident that Messrs. Maconochie and Painter have devoted much thoughtful and sensible consideration; and the Commissioner is of opinion that their proposals, which are based on considerable local knowledge and experience, may be accepted.
3. The Director's proposal to raise the maximum dry-crop rate in the three villages constituting Mr. Painter's second group for the Sholapur Taluka from Rs. 1-9-0 to Rs. 1-10.0 seems a judicious compromise between Mr. Painter's and Mr. Maconoohie's proposals. It will have the effect, which is desired by all, of a slight additional enhancement in the assessment of these three villages, whule at the same time keeping within preserbed limits.
4. On the question of patasthal rates, the Commissioner supports Mr. Lawrence's proposal that further detanled report should be awaited. It is understood to be Mr. Painter's view that, in those villages in which he has recommended the abandonment. of pátasthal assessment, there is a permanent absence of irrigation faculities, and not merely a temporary absence, resulting from recent years of abnormal drought. But it is as well that this should be placed beyond possibility of question, by means of as complete statistics of oultivation as can be procured for the years preceding 1895.
5. The proposal to reduce by one-half the enhancements originally proposed by Mr Young for the Mádha Taluka is based on sound reasoning, and the Commissioner concurs with all the officers through whose hands the papers have passed in supporting it.
6. The Commissioner has pleasure in associating himself in the expressions of commendation contained in the Collector's 9th paragraph of the andustry and ability displayed by Mr. Painter in the preparation of three of these four reports, He is confident that this officer's good work will meet with the approbation of Government Mr. Young has prepared an exceedingly careful and interesting report on the settlement of Madha, and it in no way detracts from the credit due to him that subsequent events have suggested some modificsthon of his proposals.

A. D. YOUNGHUSBAND,

Commissioner, C. D.

## Revenue Survey and Aosessment. <br> Sholápur.

Revision Settlement of the Sholapur, Barsi,
Karmála and Mádha Tálukas.

No. 5050.

## Revenue Defartment.

Bombay Castle, 2nd July 1904.
Memorandum from the Commissioner, C. D , No. T R -138, dated 22nd March 1904—Submitting, wath his remarks, 2 letter No A - 258 , dated 19th January 1904, from the Director of Land Records and Agriculture, who forwards, with his remarks, the papers noted in the margin coutaning proposals tor the second revision settlement of the Sholapur, Bársı, Karmála and Mádha Talukas of the Sholapur District.
Memorandum form the Commissioner, C D, No R-1718, dated 1Sth June 1904-Forwarding one No A.-3227, dated 9th idem, from the Director of Land Records and Agriculture, together with letters Nos. 1354, dated 8th April 1904, 1539, dated 23rd April 1904, and 1884, dated 14th May 1904, from the Collector of Sholápur, who submits certain petitions of objections made by village communities to the proposed grouping and maximum rates at the second revision settlement of the Sholápur, Barsi, Mádhà and Karmála Tálukas.
Resolotion.-These papers relate to the second revision settlement of the four tálukas of Sholápur, Bársı, Mádha and Karmála, on which the Governor in Council deems it expedient to pass one general order. The tract with which they deal is one of the most arid in the Presidency, and the harvest is so precarious that it is not easy to devise a system of settlement which would be suitable in all respects. Mr. Panter points out that in the Sholapur Táluka it sometimes occurs that one-half of a village gets sufficient rann and the other half hittle or none, and indeed that there has been alleged to be a sumilar variation within individual fields. Yet that táluka is more favourably situated in this respect than Mádha and Karmála, the last being the 'worst, while in Barsi the rainfall is somewhat less uncertain. The very fact that there are so many and so wide variations in the same season, however, indicates the difficulty, amounting to virtual impracticability, of adapting the demand to the year's outturn, and the reports on the original settlements show to what serious evils a system of annual remissions almost inevitably leads. Even in such a táluka as Karmála the only system which is consistent with a general safeguarding of the interests of the cultivators is to impose an assessment which can be paid without difficulty in an average of farr years, and to allow remiseions only for exceptional loss. A comparison of the old reports with those now under consideration shows that on the whole this system has worked well. The cultivators are not indeed in affluent circumstances, and after such calamities as they have passed through during the period of the last settlement they would not have been even if they bad been liable to no assessment at all. But they are much better off than they were before the orignas settlement was introduced. The facts that land has attaned a very high value, that real coercive processes have been altogether unnecessary except in the Karmala Taluka, while even there they are almost negligible, and that after an unprecedented series of calamitous years no land bas been rehnquished, afford convincing evidence of the moderation of the assessment. There need be no hesitation therefore in continuing to apply the same principles.
2. As regards revision of the grouping and rates the proposals of Mr. Painter, including those regarding reduction of the enhancement suggested by $\mathrm{Mr}_{\text {. }}$ Young for the Mádha Taluka, are generally justified by the reasons aseigned by him and are, subject to very slight modifications, approved bp the Collector, the Director of Land Records and Agriculture and the Commissioner. The question of prices, on which any change must mannly depend, has been carefully considered, and there can be no doubt that the decline, which was the ground for a reduction of the rates first sanctioned in connection with the first revision settlement of the Sholápur, Barsi and Mádha Tálukas, was only temporary, and that the standard is now as high as that on which those rates were based. A reversion in these talukas to the rates approved in 1871, 1872 and 1873 is therefore reasonable and suitable. The first revision settlement of the Karmála Taluka was made after the decline of prices had begun, and the enhancement was moderate. The pitch of the rates was about the same as that of the rates as modıfied in 1875 for the Mádha Taluka. The latter was at the time considered somewhat less favourably situated, but the experience of the last 30 years has modified that conclusion, Karmála has suffered most in the years of famine and scaroty. The value of land in this táluka is maternally lower than in the otber talukas, and in a few cases some pressure has been needed to recover Government dues, More lemency is therefore required there than in the other talukas, and the continuation of the existing rates for another period of 30 years, notwithstanding the rise in the standard of prices, is a judicious course. There seems no reason to doubt that the gradation of rates is, both withu the tract and with reference to the assessment of adjoining areas, roughly according to the degrees of security of crops dependent on ranfall and of other natural advantages. The proposed grouping aud rates are accordingly sanctioned subject to the modifications mentioned below.
3. The maxımum dry-erop rates proposed by Mr. Panter for the village of Sholápur and the three adjoinıng villages of Shelgi, Bále and Degaon in the Sholápur Táluka, as well as for the villages of Bársi and Vaurág in the Bársi Taluka, seem to be unduly low as compared with those vecommended for other villages under less favourable orcumstances in point of material prosperity or of the advantages of proximity to a market or rallway station. In Government Resolution No. 2712, dated 27th March 1896, it has been ruled that "ımmediate proximity to a large and important market or railvay station shall be deemed an adequate cause for a moderate special increase of assessment". The value of the exceptional advantages of lands adjoining a large market-such as dinposal of every part of the produce at the prices prevalentin such a market with hittle or no cost of carriage, high price of fodder, cheap manure-is not indicated by the difference between the rates proposed for such lands and those for lands at some distance from markets. There has been a tendency to differentiate insufficiently between localities which have advanced in prosperity owing to suoh' advantages as are above indicated and those which are stationary and backward. The late famines cannot fairly be deemed to be a sufficient reason for foregoing for the next 30 years a full increase in such a singularly adranced area as the village of Sholapur, which on its merits could well bear a rate of at least Rs. 2. The rate of Rs. 1-12-0 proposed by Mr. Painter rases the assessments in this village by $27 \cdot 21$ per cent.s, whule a rate of Rs. 2 would raise them by about 45 per cent., which would still be well withn the 66 per cent. which has been fired as the limit of enhancement for a viliage. But as Sholápar village is olassed by ibself as a separate group, the standing orders hunt the enhancement to 83 per cent. In the crrcumstances the highest possible rate that can be apphed to the village without exceedirg this himit will, it is presumed, be about $\mathrm{Rs}_{\mathrm{a}}$ 1-13-0, and this rate is eanctioned. For the same reason the rate for the three adjomngg villages of Shelgn, Bäle and Degaon, whoh have not like Sholápur the advantage of quite close proximity to market and cannot be grouped with this village as suggested by the Colleotor, should, as reoommended by Mr. Lawrence, be Ks. 1-10-0, which will give an cucrease of about 30 per cent. As Bársi is an important town and likely to improve, Government see no reason why the rate for lands in it should be under Rs. 1-12-0, which will not cause an excessive increase. The rate for Vardg, where there is a grain and grocery market, should be Rs, 1-8-0.
4. The unform rate of Rs, 3 proposed by Mr. Painter for all mee lands in the three tálukas of Sholápur; Bársı and Karmála seems to be appropriate and is approved. No rice rate is proposed for the Mádha Táluka for the reason stated in paragraph 32 of Mr. Young's report on that táluka.
5. The proposed treatment of "bágáyat" or "garden" lands in the several talukas $1 s$ also accepted.

6 As regards patasthal lands, it has recently been directed* that in new settlements no permanent water-rate should be im-

- Government Resolation No. 2986, dated 20th Aprıl 1904.

Government Resolution No. \$969, dated 25th May 1904 posed on areas urrigable from temporary dams which give only a fitful flow, and that all such areas should, when actually urrigated from such dams, be assessed for the use of water by the Collector from time to time, under section 55 of the Bombay Land Revenue Code, within the limits of the maximum water-rates specially prescribed by Government for each táluka. In the case of the Karmála Táluka Mr Pannter proposes to do away wholly with permanent pátasthal rates, and shows good reasons, which apply equally to thé other three tálukas of Sholápur, Bársi and Mádha, in which pátasthal irrigation is reported to be very rare and fitful In the circumstances the orders above referred to should be followed in the case of all these four tálukas.
7. On the question of the assessment of lands under the Ekrukh canals or affected by them, the remarks made by Mr. Painter in paragraphs 84 and 85 of his report on the Sholápur Taluka seem to be correct, and the course adopted by him in regard to these lands and by Mr. Young in the case of the area under the A'shtı tank in the Mádha Táluka is approved.
8. Mr Painter's remarks on inám villages in the several tálukas should be noted for future gudance:
9. The new settlements as now sainctioned should be introduced in all the four tálukas after the 1st August 1904 and guaranteed for 30 years from the revenue year 1905-06. The revised assessments should be announced and levied in accordance with standing orders. The statements forming Appendix $Q$ to the several reports should be revised in the light of the orders contained in the foregoing paragraphs before publication of the reports 10 the form of Selections.
10. The petitions of objections do not contan any facts or arguments which have not been fully considered, and for which ample allowance has not been made, in the proposals which are now approved.
11. Some incidental points not directly connected with survey settlement, which are raised in these reports, are noticed below :-
(a) As regards the villages of the Sholápur and other tálukas isolated in the midst of the territory of His Highness the Nizam, the Collector should be requested to submit a separate report, giving reference to previous proposals, if any, stating in detall the grounds for the proposed exchange, and indicating generally the hines on which the exchanges should be made. A copy of the joint report on the Jamkhed project should at the same time be supplied to the Collector, and his attention should be specially invited to the fact that the three detached villages of Karmála Táluka have already been included in that project.
(b) On the subject of Mr. Painter's recommendations for the disforestment of large areas which, although included in forest, are in his opinion better suited for purposes of cultivation than of forest conservancy, any reasonable proposals which may be submitted to Government will receive careful consideration. But in making proposals for any extensive disforestments, officers should not lose sight of the facts that forests classed as "pasture" are in charge of the Revenue Department, not of the Forest Department, and that in the interests of the agricultural economy of the country it is expedient to retann a sufficient area of common pasture and not to reduce it below a limit bearing a reasonable proportion to the culti-

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vable ares and to the number of cattle required for working that area and for the domestic uses of the people, If, however, such land is really suitable for cultivation, it will gield more fodder when under the plough than when uncultivated, apd probably the grass, when it is left fallow, will be improved There should therefore be no hesitation in disforesting good soil unless at is only in small patches within proper forest, but on the other hand the cultivation of shallow souls on the slopes of hills or rising grounds only leads to further deterioration through loose soils being washed away.
(c) The recommendation regarding the omission of certann particulars from Village Form No. 1, as well as the proposal for the formation of at separate mahsl of the Karmála Táluka with Tọmbhurni as the head-quarter of the mahal, should be reported separately for the orders of Government.
12. Government cordially concur in the commendation bestowed by the Collector and the Commissioner on Mr. Painter for his industry and ability in the prompt preparation of his three lucid and sensible reports, and on Mr. Young for his careful report on Madha Táluka.
G. F KEATINGE,

Under Secretary to Government.

To
The Commissioner, C. D.,
The Collector of Sholápur (with a copy of the joint report on the Samkhed project),
The Director of Land Records and Agrioulture,
The Conservator of Forests, C. C.,
The Accountant General,
The Publio Works Department of the Secretariat
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From

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To
TEE COLLECTOR OF SHOLA'PUR.

> Camp Irdápur, Poona District, 11th December 1900.

SIr,
I have the honour to submit, for the consideration of Government, proposals

* Goterád $\left\{\begin{array}{l}\text { Vrde } \quad \text { Serral } \\ \text { numbers } \\ \text { and } \\ \text { and } \\ \text { Appendix } \\ \text { Q }\end{array}\right.$ for the second revision settlement of 83 villages and Bhámberzdu first revision settlement of 2 villages * of the Madha Táluka of the Sholápur Colleotorate.

2. The taluka as constituted at the time of its first revision settlement comprised 89 villages- 82 Government and 7 inám. Now it contains the same number of vallages; the Constitution of the taluka. Now it contans the same number of villages; the distribution, however, is different, being 85 Government villages and 4 inám,
The changes in the constitution of the taluka since its first revision settlement are exhibited below in a tabular form :-


The present report deals with 85 Government villages, of which 83 are ripe for second revision and 2 for first revision settlement. The last two villages were inám up to 1883 and oame under first survey settlement in 1870-71 when the bulk of the Government villages ware revised. Of the 4 inám villages, 3 are ripe for the first revision settlement as their guarantees expired in 1899-1900. . 721-1

It is not, however, understood whether the inámdárs are ready to have the revision survey rates applied to their villages. The fourth village has been lately surveyed roughly for the purpose of fixing judi in 1895 by the Agricultural Department.

3 The villages under report were revised at varying dates, which are shown in the following statement, together with the years in which their guarantees respectively terminate and the authonty for each settlement.-

4. The revision settlement correspondence will be found in Appendix $R$.
5. Like Indápur of the Poona Collectorate, this táluka was origınally measured by Mr. Pringle. For reasons detaled in paragraph 3 of the revision settlement report No. 40, dated 12th January 1871, the táluka was remeasured and reclassed at tume of revision settlement. The two Government villages, which are now coming under first revision settlement, were measured and classed with those now coming under second revision, and there seems no reason to doubt the accuracy of the work carried out in them. The oniginal operations have therefore been accepted as correct.

6 In accordance with the principles laid down in Government Resolution No. 2619, dated 26th March 1884, Revenue Department, the revision measurement and classification have been accepted as correct, and no fresh examination In the field has been undertaken for the purposes of the settlement now under consideration The work of carrying out from time to time changes in the map and corrections in the field registers, which prior to 1892 was undertaken by the Survey Department, has since that year been carried out by the Department of Land Records and Agriculture.
7. The present area of the vallages under report is as shown below:-

| Number of <br> Villages | Total cultarable <br> arear | Unassessed vilage <br> axte roads, \&o | Forast. | Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 85 | 319,796 | 30,237 | 31,707 | 381,740 |

8. Detals regarding the marginally noted will be found in the first
revision settlement report No. 40 of 1871 (paragraphs

Position, physical festures, soul, water. 5 and 6). The remarks regarding the general appearance of the táluka are, I consider, somewhat misleadıng and would give one the idea that the soll is for the most part barren. Such is by no means the case; though mal lands are extensive and trees not overabundant except round village sites and wells, the area of good black soll is large. A few of the streams are dammed, but bandharas are ever scarcer here than in Indápur.
9. At the time of the first revision settlement

Communncations.

- Bársa Rosd, Mádha; Mohol.
† Anghar. there were $3^{*}$ stations of the Great Indian Peninsula Rallway withn the limits of the taluka. ofne $\dagger$ has been added since. There is also one station (Mhaisgaon) of the Barsi Lught Raulway recently constructed situated within the táluka in the north-east. There were a good many made roads at the tume of the last settlement and several more have been constructed since, in fact, as will be seen from the accompanying map, there as a net work of roads all more or less in good order. I give below a statement 魶owing detauls of the existing made roads .-

| No | Name of road | Local Fand or Provineral. | Extent in mulee within the thluka | Metalled or murumed | Calverted briaged or partually so, | Year in which rosd was constracted. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Poona-Hyderabad Road, Section L. | Provincial | 86 | Murumed | Paxtaally bridged sud dramed | Unln ${ }^{\text {awn }}$ |
| 2 | Barsi Station-Pandharpur Road | Local Fund | 22 | Do. | Dow | 1871. |
| s | Baras Station Barsu Town Road | Profincial . | 8 | Metalled | Brdged and dramed throughout. | 186869 |
| 4 | Barso Station to Tembhorme | Local Fand . . | 181 | Morumed | Partially braged and drained, | Unlnown. |
| 5 | Mohol-Pandharpar Road . | Do | 121 | Do | Not bridged and draned. | Do |
| 6 | Sholépar-Pandharpur , , | Do. | 11\$ | Da | Do, * | Do |
| 7 | Madhs to Mddhe Station. .ar | Dor | 2 | Do. | Briged and dramed. | Do |
| 8 | Madha to Kardawads | Do. | 8 | Da. | Not bridged and dramed. | Do. |
| 9 | Karnala to Pandharpar | D 0 | 93 | Do | Not bridged and culverted. | Do. |
| 10 | Madh-Ehetphal Road | Do | * 11 | Cleared only | Not budged, culvertod or draned. | Do. |
| 11 | Mradha-Mbsiagaon Read | - Mo | 64 | Do | Dos | Do. |
| 12 | M6dha Mohol Road | Do. | 18 | Do | Do. $\quad$-* | Do |

Bársi Road, the junction of the Great Indian Penunsula Railway and Bársa Light Railway, is already a station of some considerable importance and when all the intended extensions of the Bársi Inght Railway have been completed, will be one of the most umportant and busy stations of the Great Induan Penunsula Railway.
10. From 1894-95 to 1897-98 the tolls in the Sholápur District were farmed in the lump, figures for these years therefore are not arailable. The realizations for the year 1898-99 are given below. The toll rate for a laden cart is two annas and that for an empty one, one anna :-


There are no ferries in the taluka.
11 The following statement furnished by the
Floods msmlatdar shows effects of floods during the ourrent lease:-

| Name of Village | Bhima, |  | SIFA. |  | Bhogamatio |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Gaxn | Loss. | Gan | Loss | Gain | Lass |
|  | Rs | Rs | Rs | Rs | Rs | Rs. |
| Bembla | -• | 200 | , | - |  |  |
| Malegaon |  | 100 | " | - | - | $\cdots$ |
| Lahu |  |  |  | 25 | *** | ... |
| Mhassgaon |  | " | 100 |  |  |  |
| Tandulwadı | - |  |  | 20 | ... | *. |
| Papnas |  |  | 75 |  | . |  |
| Wadsinga |  | , | 75 | 20 |  |  |
| Ningaon | , |  | 16 |  |  | - |
| Darphal | - |  | 45 | 20 |  | - |
| Undergaon | . |  | 50 | ... |  |  |
| Anghar |  |  | 35 |  |  | ** |
| Kumbhej | - |  | 170 |  |  |  |
| Narkhed | . | , | 185 | 35 |  | 35 |
| Kharkatna |  |  | 25 |  | ** | - |
|  |  | 300 | 776 | 120 |  | 35 |

There wore two floods on the Sina-one in 1873-74 and the other in 1895-96. The former caused damage to grann-pits in Darphal to the extent of Rs. 1,000, the latter affected the same village and also Undergaon, the loss occasioned being, respectively, Rs 1,500 and Rs. 1,000.

Farrs.
12. In the following statement details regardung fairs held in the táluka are shown -

| No | Name of Vallage. | Name of god or goddess | Date of commencement, | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No of } \\ & \text { days } \end{aligned}$ | Attend ance at the Fait | Busmess transact ed | Correspond ing date |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Madha | Bhowam | 15th of Ashwn | 1 | 3,200 | 125 | September |
| 2 | Mohol | Nagnath | 9id of Warshakh studl | 2 | 300 | 20 | April |
| 3 | Shetphal | Shidoba | 15th of Chartra | 5 | 700 | 140 | March |
| d | Wadwal | Nagmeth | 3rd and 7th of Chattra vadya | 2 | 500 | 25 | Do |
| 5 | Akolı | Bahurvath | 8th do. | 4 | 300 |  | Do |
| 6 | Málegaon | Rolkdr deva | 15th of Poush | 1 | 300 | 50 | Jamuary* |
|  | kumbhej | Vyanktesh | 30th of Poush |  | 500 | 100 | Do |
| 8 | Aujangaon | ${ }^{\text {Khandindoba }}$ | 15 th of Waskhakh | 4 | 500 | 125 | April |
| 9 | Bitle | Yaman | 8 8th of Chatra vadya | 1 | 600 | 50 | March |
| 10 | Patkol | Khandoba | 6ith of Margaslursh shudh | 1 |  |  | Novernber |
| 11 | Pokhrapur | Jagnilamba | 3 th of Ashwm shudh . | 1 | 150 |  | Scptember |
| 12 | Taul | Kurmdss | 15th of Asladh | 1 | 250 | 75 | June |

13. The exports are linseed, safflower-seed, groundnuts, wheat, gram, jowari and tur. The chef imports are salt, oocoanuts,
Exports and imports dry date, betel-nut, sugar, almonds, cardamom, gul (unrefined sugar), spices, ginger, cocoanut oll, kerosene oil, rasins, poppyseed, ron, ghee (clarified butter).
14. The only manufactures in the taluka are khad 1 s and coarse woollen blankets, sáris of an inferior description used by Kunbi women are also manufactured in a few villages and to a very limited extent dhotis and turbans. The manufacture of khádss Nádha ... .. 50 is more extonsive. The villages noted in the margin $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Anghar } & . . & 55 \\ \text { Nanlkh } & . . & 55 & \text { contain a considerable number of looms. Except }\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{lllll}\text { Lanul } & \cdots & . . & 45 \\ \text { Kurdu } & . . & \ldots & 30\end{array}$ those of Anghar which go as far as Wál, Sásvad. Kurdu ... ... 30 and Kalyán, the manufactures are consumed locally
15. The climato is dry and very hot especially during the months March Chmate to May, I have myselt known the tomperature in the early part of April to rise as high as $115^{\circ}$ in the shade close to Barss Road Station. The death-rate per cent. of the total recorded
population is 317 , which speaks well for the general health of the people. The birth-rate is 3.75 per cent. The figures of the subjomed statement relating to cholera and small-pox have been furnished by the Mámlatdar of Mádha -


1G. In paragraph 15 of his settlement report No. 40 of 1871, the Superintendent quotes a remark of Mr. Fletcher's who $\begin{array}{cc}\text { Cultivation and agrioul- } \\ \text { tural ampiements } & \begin{array}{c}\text { conducted the first revision classification of the } \\ \text { taluka, to the effeet that oultivation of dry-crop land }\end{array}\end{array}$ $\begin{array}{cc}\text { Cultivation and agrioul- } \\ \text { tural ampiements } & \begin{array}{c}\text { conducted the first revision classification of the } \\ \text { taluka, to the effeet that oultivation of dry-crop land }\end{array}\end{array}$ is very lax and careless, that the land is never ploughed more than once in 3 or 4 years, and that little or no attention is paid to any order of rotation in the raising of different orops. Such, however, is not the case now; during the months of February and March last I toured throughout the Mádha Táluka, and the result of my enquiries, suplemented by the notes kept by the Cirele Inspectors in accordance with Rule 4, Chapter I of the Circle Inspector's Rules, has led me to the conclusion that husbandry generally is no better and no worse in Mádha than in the other parts of the Deccan, and there is no doubt that in this respeot there has been a marked improvement throughout the Deccan during the last 20 years. The only agricultural implement not of local manufaoture to be met with in the taluka is the iron sugarcane pressing mill.
17. In Appendix $A$, figures of which have been furnished by the AgriculAppendıx A.-Raunfall. tural Department, will be found the rainfall for 11
Iears ending 1898 as registered at Mádha. The average Appendux A.-Raunfall. tural Department, will be found the rainfall for 11
Jears ending 1898 as registered at Mádhs. The average rainfall is $29 \cdot 37$ inohes, the heaviest fall being between August and October
(rabi rains). I give below averaces of rainfall figures registered at three railway stations furnished by the respeotive station masters and those for the village of Yeoti furnushed by the Executive Engineer, Sholípur, for 10 years ending 1898:-

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The average rainfall for 11 years endıng 1898 of the adjacent talukas is

| Name |  | Arerage ranfoll |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | In | cents. |
| Pandharpur | .- | 57 | 34 |
| Karmála | ... | 20 | 86 |
| Sholápue | .. | 28 | 18 | given in the margin. As in Indapur so in Mádha the general complaint regarding the rainfall is that it is unseasonable (Hangamshir nahi). As regards quantity the rainfall is sufficient for the crops generally raised. Rabı crops predominate and the rabi rans are the heaviest.

The outturn of crops, details of which are given in the remarks column of Appendix A, is summarized below -

| Year. | K harif | Rabi |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1888 | Poor | Far. |
| 1889 | Do | Do |
| 1890 | Do. | Excellent |
| 1891 | Do on the whole | Poor on the whole |
| 1892 | Fair do. | Fair do. |
| 1893 | Falr | Fair |
| 1894 | Not favourable on the whole | Not favourable on the whole. |
| 1895 | Poor | Moderate. |
| 1896 | Very bad throughout |  |
| 1897 1898 | Poor in many parts |  |
| 1598 | Poor .. | Farr |

18 The figures of the marginally noted appendix have been furnished by the Agricultural Department, they show the crops grown for 5 vears ending 1898-99. I give Appendux $\mathrm{B}-\mathrm{C}_{10 \mathrm{ops}}$ crops grown for 5 years ending
appendix in average of the 5 years


Late crops predominate, in fact they represent 588 per cent. of the gross area cropped. Of the total cultivated area, 46.4 per cent. is under jowari The area ( 27,571 acres) under ollseeds is considerable, safflower (18,551 aeres) being next to jowari, the most important crop grown in the táluka

It will be seen from Appendxx $\mathbf{B}$ that the area under "fallow" is rather large, amounting on an avarage to 92,438 acres or 29 per cent. of the oultivated area The percentage is somewhat swollen owng to the melusion of figures for 1896 in the five years' average.

The uncultivated area avalable for cultivation is 162 acres only, of which the average assessment per aore is Re. 0-5-2, indioating soll of the most inferior description.
19. Details regardmg markets held at 10 villages in the táluka will be found in Appendix C. The names of 5

Appendix C Markets.
$\begin{array}{llllr}\text { 1. Kurduwadi } & \text { (Barsi } & \text { Road } & \text { Rus, } \\ & \text { Station) } & & \ldots & 1,680 \\ 2 & \text { Mohol } & \ldots & \ldots & 1,150 \\ \text { 8 } & \text { Mádha } & \ldots & \cdots & 1,055 \\ \text { 4. } & \text { Anghar } & \ldots & \cdots & 770 \\ 5 & \text { Narkhed } & \ldots & & 415\end{array}$ markets in the order of their importance with the amount of business transacted at each are shown in the margin. The amount of business transacted at the remaining 5 show sums below Rs. 250. The market at Mohol, which at the time of the last settlement was the most important, now takes second place. Bársi Road Station market, which is mentioned in the last settlement report as a useful and promising one, is now the most largely attended and is hkely to rise to considerable importance. The markets outside the taluka and the villages which frequent them are given below:-

| Serial No. | Name of Market. | Finted by |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Patucardhan Jagher. |  |
|  | Punpalner . ... ... | Shedsung, Saptna, Pargana Tembhurn, Palwan, Bhuin, Akumbha, Ahirgaon. |
|  | Táluks Karmála. |  |
| 2 | Tembhurnı . . ... | Venegaon Tambra, Akola budrak, Malegaon, Bembla. |
|  | Taluka Pandharpur. |  |
| 3 | Kaikamb . ... .. | Ghoti, Parita, Tulsı, Bardi. |
| 4 | Pandharpar ... ... .. | Yeoti, Penar, Papri, Patkal. |
|  | Táluka Sholápur. |  |
| 5 | Begampur ... ... .. | Akoh, Karul. |

20. The following statement contrasts the condition of the villages under Appendioss F and J report as it was in 1871-72 and in subsequent years. It is to be regretted that my predecessor in 1898-99 did not think fit to make arrangements for the usual special census of population for the purposes of this report. A specal census was taken this year in the latter part of July. I find, however, on enquiry that it includes only those present at the time. As a very large number of the inhabitants were absent on relief works, the figures of population are useless for the purposes of this report. I have therefore been obliged to fall back on the figures of the Imperial census of 1891. The figures under other heads have been compiled in my office from the Taluka Returns of 1898-99. The figures for 1871-72 are taken from the village census papers of that year:-

8

| Description. | 187172. | 1898-99. | Dufferences | Increase per cent | Remarka. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Population ... | 86,955 32,407 | 89,013 | $+\quad 2,058$ $-9,088$ | $+\quad 24$ $-\quad 308$ | Figares in colamn 8 ara acrording to the Imporzal consus of 1891 |
| Agricultural cattle * ... | 32,407 | 22,421 | - 9,986 | - $\quad 38$ |  |
| Cows, buffaloes and young | 22,312 | 21,735 | - 577 | - 26 |  |
| Sheep and goats ... .. | 38,465 | 58,931 | $+20,466$ | + 532 |  |
| Carts -. | 1,398 | 1,845 | + 447 | + 320 |  |
| Horses and ponies ${ }^{\text {a }}$.. .. | 1,206 | 990 | - 216 | - 179 |  |
| Wells and budkıs ... .. | 2,330 | 3,311 | + 981 | + 4210 | Figures in column 2 ane for 82 Government villages, those 1 n column 8 are for 85 Government and 2nam vilages, |

21. The above figures are not altogether pleasant reading, but it must be remembered that between 1871-72 and 1898-99 the táluka has passed through the ordeal of two severe famines. The figures of the following statement are somewhat more comforting - -


Columns 7 and 8 show the check sustanned, while the figures in columns 10 and 11 denote the recovery made in the course of 13 years; the increases under the last two heads are rather startling, but I have no reason to doubt the accuracy of the figures, and it is very satisfactory to note that the increase of cattle whioh are the principal wealth of agriculturists has far exceeded that of population during this period, clearly indicating that no deterioration has taken place in the standard of living of the people. The mereases under the heads "sheep and goats," "carts" and "welle and budkis" are in spite of two famines faurly large and show that the taluka possesses considerable recuperative powers. Data for information usually shown in Appendices D and E for 1891-92 are not avalable, and no census having been taken in 1898-99, these appendices cannot be prepared for either year, obviously, however, a comparison of the figures of these statements of 1871-72 and 1899-1900 would be useless. The figures of the Imperial census to be taken in February next, of compared later on with those of 1871-72, would be interesting and instructive. As regards the figures of Appendix $F, I$ do not think that any remarks are required except that, judging from the marked increase that took place between 1877-75 and 1891-92 amongst cattle generally, we may confidently look forward to at least an equal increase. In view of the two famines which the taluka has gone through between 1871-72 and 1898-99, a large decrease in the cattle is only what must be expected, and it is distinctly pleasing and promising that the decrease is so small; the last and thurd famine withon the space of 30 years, which this unfortunate taluka has gone through, has atill more reduced the number of cattle As regards the effect of the 1899 famme on the population of the táluka, thanks to the provisions of the Famme Code, and judging from the condition of the people as they appeared to me dunng my tour throughout the taluka, I confidently anticipate that the forthcoming Imperial census figures will show at least a normal increase as compared with the thgures of the last Imperial census.
22. Figures of the former settlement are not available for comparison Appendices G, H I with those of the appendices noted in the margin. There are 24, Government schools for boys and one for girls, with average attendance of 1,316 and 29 , respectively. Sehools are not mentioned in the former report. The Educational Department has suppled the anformation under this head. From the figures of the Appendix I furnished by the Revenue Department, it would appear that 717 per cent of the numbers are cultivated by ocoupants alone or in partnership with others, $9 \cdot 5$ per cent. by sub-tenants on money rent, and $11^{4} 4$ per cent. for produce. of grain rent. There are only 0.9 per cent, waste numbers
23. Information supplied by the Registration Department regarding the value of land as shown by prices realized by sales, mortgages and leases will

Appondices $K, L, M$ be found in the appendices noted in the margin. While the average assessment per acre of land sold (ordinary sales, 100 cases) in 1898-99 was 8 annas, the average price realized was Rs. $10-0-7$ or 20 times the Government assessment compared with ( 84 cases) average assessment 6 annas and 7 pies, and average price realuzed Rs 3-10-0 or 9 times the Government assessment in 1869-70. There appear to have been only 3 sales by Civil Courts in 1898-99 as against 31 sales in 1869-70, the average price realized being in both years equal to 15 times the Government assesswent The average amount rassed for simple mortgages was in 1869-70 ( 54 cases) and 1898-99 ( 100 cases), 17 times and for mortgages with possession ( 100 cases in each year), respectively, 19 and 17 times the Government assessment, while the leasable value of an acre works out to in 1869-70 (34 cases), Re. 1-3-0 an aore or twice the Government assessment, and in 1898-99 (100 cases) to Rs. 2-7-4 an acre or 4 times the Government assessment. It will be noticed from Appendix K (ordmary sales) that though the area sold is in both years practically the same, the price realized in 1898-99 was nearly 3 times that in 1869-70. The average assessment per acre of the area sold being only 1 anna 5 pies less in the latter than in the former year. The average price of an acre of land may now be considered as equal to 20 tumes the Government assessment as aganst 9 times formerly.
24. As already stated, I travelled through the táluka under report in February and March last, specially for the purpose of making local enquiries in connection with its second revision settlement now under consideration. The result of my local enquiries as regards the mortgageable and saleable value of the land is given in the subjoined statements :-

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sorial } \\ & \text { No. } \end{aligned}$ | Name of Villuro. | Burvay Number | Aren | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Amecers } \\ & \text { mane } \end{aligned}$ | Sum for which gaged. s.ag | Rate of intereat. | Who pays the seswembent. | Who koeps the land in his posseation, | Terme of the mortgage dent in bridet. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 1 | 8 | 4 | 8 | 6 | 7 | 8 | - | 10 |
| $\lambda$ | Uplat budrot mo | 985 | 4.8 328 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Re, } 4 \\ 17 \% \end{gathered}$ | R8 |  | Yortgagor | Mortgagor | (Simple mortgnge.) The prinoipel with intereet to be returned in three jears in defandt the dues to be rocovered by alo under Coutt : |
|  | Do | + | 730 | $\begin{gathered} 70 \\ 1 \end{gathered}$ | 100 | $1 . d$ do. | Do. | Do | (simple mortgage) The principal witt Interest to be returned in five yeare in detenle the duas to be recovered by ale under Conrth |
|  | Don | 178 | * 1 | $110$ | 80 | 1. do | Do | no. | (Simple mortcage) The prinefpal with intereat to be returned in three years, in defath the duee to be recovored by male under Court : learea. |
| 2 | Suptas | $\underline{7}$ | 9417 | 110 | 100 | 20 do. | Do. | Do. . | (Sumple mortgage) The prinelpal with interest to to retarned in five years, in defindt the daes to be reoorered by wile undere Conti'a decree |
|  | Do. | 183 | * 7 | 17 0 | 100 | $\geqslant 0 \quad \text { do. }$ | Do | Da | (Simple mortonge.) The primeipal whth intareat to be retarned in fuur yeers, th daftalt the dies to be recovered by mio undir Coart: deereo. |
| 3 | Polthrapur | 111 | 8530 |  | $\infty$ | $=0 \quad \text { to }$ |  |  | (Sumple mortrates) The principal Fith interess to be roturned io two years, in defands interest wo be pand tull tbe prexcypal me repaid tiving Whech the does to bo recovered by cile of hand under Court s decres |
|  | Do. | 00 | *0 10 |  | $1000$ | - do. | Do. |  | (Bumple morteate) Tho priwapal Fith utertat to be returtied in five yens, in defarit the doms to by rosovitud by alo wider Civil Conrtia deenes |
|  | 1721-8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |




The following is a summary of the above two statements:-

| No of Cumet | Acren | Asoasmente | Araruge manemant per exte. | Amoritt for which sold ar martgaged. | Avenge amount par ners. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 6 | 6 | $y$ |
|  |  |  | Rs, a. p. Salee. | Rs. | Rs. ${ }^{\text {a }}$. |  |
| 10 | 618 | 236 | 61 | 4,131 | 61011 | 18 |
| 8 | 615 | 889 | 076 | 4,748 | 7116 | 17 |

25. The appendix noted in the margin shows the prices of various items of Appondux $N$. produce ruling at Mádha for 29 years of the current settlement and for 10 years of the preceding settlement. The figures excepting those of jowari and bajri for the latter period have been furmshed by the Revenue and Agricultural Departments, while those of the preceding settlement as regards jowari and bájri are taken from the Settlement Report For the purposes of this report it will be sufficient to deal with the prices of the staples-jowarn and bajri, During the period for which figures are given exceptional circumstances have led to considerable fluctuations in prices. In paragraph 30 of his report No. 250 of 1871, Colonel Franos referring to the last decennial series (1859-60 to 1868-69), draws attention to the "exceptronally high prices brought about by the American War," but expects that they will go down to what they were before the war. The first and third decades of the current settlement also melude exceptionally high prices due to famine. Looking at the prices of the second decade of the current settlement, however, during which period they were fairly steady, it will be seen that Colonel Francis' expectations were not realized, as during the greater portion of thas period (ending 1889-90) prices were actually higher than in the two exceptional years (1863-64 and 1864-65) referred to by him. The increase in the average prices of jowarn and bájri in the decade ending 1889-90 being, respectively, $31^{\circ} 7$ and 378 per cent compared with those of the decade ending 1869-70. Prices, it will be seen, were farly steady from 1880-81 to 1895-96, the average prices of the staples for this perrod being jowári, Re. 1-8-6, bájri, R.s. 1-13-6, so that bearing in mind that prices were, as remarked by Colonel Francis, exceptionally high durng part of the decennal series ending 1868-69, we may take it that the rise in prices has been, at least of the former 434 per cent and of the latter 487 per cent. since the introduction of the current settlement. I am also given to understand that there is considerable export of grain to Sholapur, so that the market at Mádha must be considered as subsidary to that of Sholspur, to which there is easy access both by road and fall. The following is a summary of the appendix relating to jowári and bajun

 endung 1895.99 are shown in the margin.
26. Figures of road-borne exports are not avalable, the following statement kindly furnshed by the General Traffic Manager, Great Indian Penunsula Ralway, shows the rall-borne exports of cotton and food-grains for 30 years ending 1899 from Bársi Road, Mádha, Mohol and Anghar stations,


The figures under Barsi Road represent, of course, exports from all the surrounding country inoluding the Nizam's dominions, and only a small portion can be oredited to Mddha; the figures under the other three stations probably represent exports from Mádha Táluka only.
27. The Revenue history of the current lease will be found in the appenAppendioes $O, O^{(1)}, O^{(8)}, O^{(3)}$ dices noted in the margin. It will be suffioient to take for comment Appendix $O$ which refers to the largest number ( 72 villages) settled in the year 1870-71. There is very little variation in the ocoupied acres and assessment from the year of introduction of the rates to 1874, in which year for ressons to be found in Government Resolution No. 5739, dated 29th Ootober 1874, instructions were issued for a reduction in the assessment ; this was effeeted by reducing the maximum rates Re. 1-4-0 and Be. 1-2-0, respectively, to Re. 1-2-0 and Re. 1, and by reducing the classification values as shown in the margin. In 1879-80 there was a considerable fall m the ocoupied acres and assessment,

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| 10 reduoed by | $\cdots 10$ |
| 8 do. | $\cdots 10$ |
| 6 do. | ... 10 |
| 4 do. | $\cdots 10$ |
| 8 do. | $\cdots 6$ |
| 1 do | ... 03 | due to the famme of 1876. In the following year a large area was inoluded in forest land, and from 1881 the occupied area inoreased steadily, tull now there are only 161 acres of unoccupied assessed arable land in these 72 villages. As regards casual remissions, those of 1870-71 are due to the introduction of revised rates, those of 1871-72 to reduction of assessment on wells sunk subsequently to the survey (Government Resolntion No 4050, dated 22nd August 2871), those of 1574-75 to remission of increase over 100 per oent. : 721-4

in individual holdings (Government Resolution No. 5739, dated 29th October 1874). The casual remissions for the year 1882-83 are heavy and are due to reduction of enhanced assessment to about 20 per cent. on groups of villages (Government Resolution No. 3499, dated 29th May 1882).

There ha"ve been no permanent remussions during the lease. Final remissions from the year 1876-77 to the year 1880-81 are due to the famine in the former year The heary outstanding balances also are due to famines. On the whole, I am of opinion that the Revenue history may be regarded with satisfaction. The Mámlatdár reports that there have been no relinquishments owing either to the famine of 1896 or to that of 1899. It will be noticed that the occupied acres are less now than they were at the time of the introduction of the current settlement This is due to a large portion of the area left unoocupied after the famine of 1876 having been included in forest area. I have no hesatation in saying that this area, or at all events a large portion of it, would be eagerly taken up if it were thrown back into cultivation at the rates to be proposed by me further on.
28. In the following statement furnished by the Mámlatdár of Mádha, it will be seen that though the amounts for which notices were issued are somewhat large, other co-ercive measures were never resorted to.

| Year | Detajes as to noticeg jebidi. |  |  | Cases in Which other co-erciva measures had to be resurted to |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Namber of Notices | Amount of land revenue for wheh notices were 2ssued |  |
| 1896-97 | 71 | 739 | 7,248 |  |
| 1897-98 | 82 | 2,952 | 48,335 |  |
| 1898-99 | 80 | 1,190 | 26,014 |  |

29. The foregoing facts and figures may conveniently be summarized here. As regards communications, two stations (Anghar, G. I. P. Railway, and Mahisgaon, Bársi Light Railway) and several made-roads have been added since the current rates were introduced. As regards clumate, that is rainfall, the whole táluka is on a faurly equal footıng. Jowári and bajn are the staples, of which jowari largely preponderates, the area under oulseeds, however, is considerable, that under safflower (largely exported) being the largest. Markets are numerous and easy of access both wathon and outside the taluka. The figures of the statement under paragraph 20, comparing the past and present condition of the táluka, do not at first sight appear satisfactory, when, however, it is remembered that the taluka has passed through the ordeal of two famines, and noting the increase that took place in population (108 per cent.) and especially in plough ( 66.1 per cent.), and mulch cattle ( 4123 per cent) during the 13 years ending 1891-92, and that in spite of two famines, there are substantial increases in sheep and goats ( 53.2 per cent.), carts ( 32 per cent.) and wells and budkis ( 4210 per cent), there is no doubt that the táluka possesses considerable recuperatıve powers. The prices of staple food-grains (jowár and bájrı) are respectively at least 43 and 48 per cent. higher now than they were when the present settlement was introduced. Except during times of famines, remissions have been insignficant, the revenue appears to have been collected without resorting to co-ercive measures other than notices. The right of occupancy on land is now worth 20 times compared with 9 times formerly, and last, and by no means least, there have been no relunquishments in the face of two severe ( 1896 and 1899) famines. The present occupred area, it is true, is less now than it was when the current rates were introduced, but this is easily accounted for by the fact that after the famine of 1876 owing to deaths and desertions a large area ( 31,623 acres) was included in forest land, and there is no doubt that a great portion of this area would now be eagerly taken up for cultivation, if offered to the ryots at the rates to be proposed. A distinctly clear indıcation of the prospenty of the taluka is to be found in the numerous tals or earthen embankments con-
structed all over the talluka for the purpose of reclaiming the soil that is washed from the high lands during the monsoon. Bearing in mind the foregoing, no objection, I think, can be taken to the moderate increase in the rates which I will now proceed to propose.
30. I retain the present number (2) of groups, but in conformity with the instructions contanned in Government Resolution No. 2712, dated 27th March 1896, I have transferred villages which have easy and close (within 5 mules) access to railway stations from the second to the first group, as follows :-

Group I.-Maximum dry-crop rate, Rs. 1-6-0-34 villages -Of which 15 are now in the first group with a maximum rate of lis. 1-2-0 and 16 in the second group, of which the maxumum rate is Re. I. Two villages * now Government, but which at the time of therr settlement being inam were rated at Rs 1-6.0 according to the approved polioy of the Survey Department, which has always been to offer inamdárs rates somewhat higher than those prevalent in adjacent Government villages in order to induce them to accept a survey settlement. The remaning village $\dagger$ has recently been transferred from the Bársı Táluka, with a maximum rate of Rs. 1-4-0.
Group II.-Maximum dry-orop rate, Rs. 1-4-0-51 villages.-All these villages belong to the present second group, of which the maximum rate is Re. 1. 31. Two maps $\ddagger$ marked $A$ and $B$ are appended showing respectively grouping in colours according to the proposed and current rates The figures on the margin of the former denote the rates in force in adjoining talukas, On
$\ddagger$ Sent separately by parcel post the north-east and east the boundary marches with that of the Nızam's territory, of which the rates are'not known; on the south-east is the Sholápur Táluka now almost ripe for second revision settlement, on the south-west and north-west are, respectively, the Pandharpur and Karmála tálukas of Sholápur, settled the former in 1893-94 and the chief portion of the latter in 1873-74.
32. From the last statement printed as an appendix to the current settlement report there would appear to be 3,541 acres of rice, no mentron, however, is made of nice nor any special rate proposed for such land in the settlement report, nor is it necessary to propose any such rate now as of the 3,613 acres of rice shown in the Táluka Forms Nos. 36 and 36-A of 1893-99. Forty-one acres are under the Ashti Canal, 634 acres under wells and the remaining area ( 2,938 acres) is sown in places where the water has collected under tals, where later on dry-crops will be raised.

33 The subjoined statement shows the former and presont irrigated areas -


The above shows a very satisfactory morease in the urrigated area especially under motasthal. The patasthal ares is under 8 bandharas in 5 villages, all of which I personally anspected last February and March when, of course, there was no water in any of the streams, but from careful personal enquuries I find that only 3 out of the 8 bandharas have a constant
§ Frde Government Re: solution No 6008, dated 14th Augast 1897, Rovenne Departments
supply throughout § some part of each year, the areas under these 3 bandharas have therefore been assessed at a consolidated maximum rate of Rs. 8. The areas under the other bandharas have been treated as dry-orop, but in arder to prevent delay in assessing the lands when stream
water is used, I have entered the appropriate rates to each number in the patasthal Takta. As regards the area under the Ashty Tank, the Executive Engineer informs me that water is to be given to these lands according to the supply available in the tank, 9 other villages not situated in this táluka being irrigated under the tank. Consolidated rates therefore are not suitable for this area. Well lands have been assessed accordang to orders of Government.

34 The estimated total result of the proposed rates is given below :-

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|  |  |  | Government occupred land |  |  |  | Government unoccupied land |  | Total, |  |  |
|  |  |  | Arean. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Assess } \\ & \text { ment } \end{aligned}$ | Areas | Assens ment. | Area | Assess mont | Area, | A seess. ment. |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
|  |  |  |  | Re |  | Ras. |  | Rs. |  | Re. |  |
| 1 | $1{ }_{1} 6$ | 34 | 128,091 | 72,746 69,431 | 128,091 | 92,695 | 83 129 | 33 28 | $\begin{aligned} & 128,124 \\ & 175001 \end{aligned}$ | 92,728 | $+27 \cdot 4$ |
|  |  | 85 | 302,963 | 1,42,177 | 302,963 | 1,79,473 | 162 | 61 | 803,125 | 1,79,634 | +26.2 |

The total increase including and excluding the water-cess amounts to 26.2 per cent. on the present revenue
35. None of the villages under report touches the limit of 66 per cent. merease in assessment. Detalls of every village under all heads will be found in Appendix Q.
36. Owing to no field operations having been carried out for the purpose of this report, the area confirmed at the last settlement remains the same, Appendix $Q^{(1)}$ therefore is not required.
37. The result of the first and proposed revision settlement are contrasted below under every head:-

| Description, | Formbr Subity |  | Retibion Stibyey. |  | Jud. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Acres | Asbessment. | Acres, | Assessment |  |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|  |  | Rs |  | Re, |  |
| Government occupied land Government unoecupied land Inám land Unarable, unassessed waste land | 302,963 | 1,42,177 | 302,963 | 1,79,473 |  |
|  | 162 |  | 162 | ,61 |  |
|  | 16,671 | 8,282 | 16,671 | 10,377 | 1,994 |
|  | 61,944 |  | 61,844 |  |  |
| Total .... | 381,740 | 1,50,511 | 381,740 | 1,89,911 | 1,994 |

38 The average assessment on Government occupied land of all descriptions was by the first revision settlement Re. 0-7-6 per acre, by the proposed settlement it will be Re. 0-9-6 including and excluding water-cess.
39. I would recommend that the proposed rates, if approved by Government, be guaranteed for 30 years and that all cases of individual increase over 25 per cent. be treated in accordance with orders in force.

> I have the honour to be, Sir,
> Your most obedient Servant,
> FRED. YOUNG,

Superintendent, Land Records and Agriculture, C. D.

APYENDIX A.


AEFENDIA A(
Statement showing Rannfall recorded at Pandharpun, District Sholápur, for the years 1888—98

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\hline 1888 \& - \& 127 \& 4 \& 382 \& 5 \& 621 \& 14. \& 1190 \& 17 \& 8.37 \& 9 \& 2657 \& 49 \& Monsoon commenced early in June but rain deficient for sowng July rann favonrable in the beginning, deficient later on No rain in Angast and crops began to wither September rain heavy enough for removiug anxiety in parta, but in msny parts kharif cropa had passed a stage beyond revival Rabl orops were, however, sown to the full exteut, Lete rams benefited rabl seedlunge, but farr for rabi <br>
\hline 1889 \& \& $0 \cdot 02$ \& $\cdots$ \& 149 \& 5 \& 965 \& 22 \& 1759 \& 20 \& ${ }^{\circ}$ \& $\cdots$ \& 28095 \& 47 \& Sowng ram deficient Full kharif area was nown under good July rann Young cropa began to wither in places owing to scant rain in Angust Eeptember ran abundant, improved withering crops and facihtated rabi sowing. Abnormal ramfall in Chitra (October) It injured ripening kharif and delayed rabs sowng The season for khanf poor owing to unscasonableness of the fall Rabr geavon farr <br>
\hline 1890 \& ..* \& - \& \& 099 \& 4 \& 681 \& 12 \& 1249 \& 18 \& 280 \& 6 \& 2809 \& 40 \& Sowing rain not quite safficient. July rain also deficient end sownge done in parts only Sown cropa benefited by the farr showern in August, September October rain throughout beasonable Late rams also very nseful. Kharif teason poor, but rabl throughout excellente <br>
\hline 1891 \& \& $2 \times 25$ \& 4 \& 124 \& 8 \& 413 \& 10 \& 1478 \& 21 \& 050 \& 1 \& 22'91 \& 39 \&  for want of ran till the end of August when good showers fell and withering crops amproved September went dry and crope suffered agan. Rabi crops sown under good Husta rann, but the sown crops suffered for want of subsequent ran Season both kharif and rabi poor on the whole. <br>
\hline 1898 \& ${ }^{\prime \prime}$ \& 011 \& 1 \& 8446 \& 8 \& 1159 \& $$
19
$$ \& 1474 \& 22 \& 9.35 \& 10 \& 3925 \& 60 \& Eowing ram sufficient. Kharif sowings done in time. Rain at end of July and in first week of August deficient and young crops began to wither Magha rain in August improved these orops Rabi crope sown in time but Svati rain at end of October, being heary, mjured mpening khanif crops and rabz seedlings Rabs crops throve well ander good break in November and December Searon farr on the whole. <br>
\hline 1893 \& $\cdots$ \& 189 \& 4 \& 488 \& 8 \& 832 \& 14 \& 1364 \& 23 \& 118 \& 2 \& 2979 \& 61 \& Ranfall urregular More than enough fell before the usaal monsoon raun Early monsoon rains also haary Kharif cropa put in under favourable curcumstances escaped the injury which they suffered in other dutricts of the Deccan The khanf harvest would have been good but for the mjurzous fall of October (Chitra) Rabi rains good but late crops auffered from an ungeasonable fall in February, Kharif and Raba measons far <br>
\hline 1894
1895 \& ${ }^{* *}$ \& $\cdots$ \& $\cdots$ \& 075
029 \& 8 \& 867
834 \& 17
18 \& 1673

235 \& 24 \& 0.58 \& 1 \& 2667 \& 45 \& June rain very rrregular or lack So khamf sowings made little progress Joly ram very lighto It curtailed the kbanf area, Ran excellent at end of August. It removed all auxiety September rain favourable. Uctober raun heavy, mjurious to khanf ready for cutting, bat useful for rabl sowng Rabiseedlings auftered from want of safficient rain in November Rabi crops blighted in Pandharpur. Season not farourable on the whole <br>
\hline 1895 \& - \& $\cdots$ \& $\cdots$ \& 029 \& 1 \& 634 \& 13 \& 2355 \& 24 \& 104 \& 8 \& 3122 \& 41 \& Juqe rasi scant for sowing July, however, made up the difficency and sowngs completed Young cropa suffered owing to deficient rama in Anqust. September rain ample and seasonable. it improved standugg lharif and helped rabi sowngs, subsequent ram favouralle Kharif crops poor, while rabi gielded moderatoly <br>
\hline 1896
1897 \& $\cdots$ \& 054
080 \& 1 \& 292 \& ${ }^{5}$ \& 797 \& 15 \& 837 \& 8 \& 061 \& 8 \& 15\%11 \& 32 \& sowing rain lack and deficient. Sowings made no progress till the end of Jine. Partal sowngs however completed in July Sown crops began to wither by the break of Anguat The crops completely withered in September and October for want of rain Rabi area almost left nneown * Eome ranfall in November givmg some releef to sarviving crops, bat mo rann afterwards. Ecarcity of fodder and water felth Season very bad thronghout <br>
\hline 1897 \& ** \& 030 \& 1 \& 0.88 \& 4 \& 880 \& 11 \& 2021 \& 22 \& 058 \& 4 \& 3080 \& 42 \& Sowng rasn neither sufficient nor well distributed. Kharif crops sown late in July. August rain also ansufficient and crops anffered- Purva and Uttara in September sufficient and ubefule Late sown crops orospered and rabl orops aown to the full extent Rabi crops anffered from <br>
\hline 1898 \& $\cdots$ \& 065 \& 2 \& 089 \& 5 \& 1113 \& 12 \& 1177 \& 18 \& 1.70 \& 3 \& 2604 \& 40 \& carly cessation of rain and excessive cold later on, beason poor in many parta. $\quad$ ( withered in August for want of rain September rain reheved the crops and enabled rabi crops to be sown to a large extent. Long breaks in October and hight showers in November however proved harmful to rabl crops Season poor for khanf, for rabi farr. <br>
\hline \& Average \& 063 \& \& 198 \& 5 \& 817 \& 14 \& 1401 \& 20 \& 197 \& 4 \& 2734 \& 44 \& <br>
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APPENJIX A (s)
Statement showing Ravfall vecorted al Sholainu, Dishrot Sholánur, fon the years 1SSS-98


APPENDIX B.


APPENDIX $C$.
Statement shownng the Fillages in whoch the principal weekly Bazairs are held in the Mádha T'aluka of the Shulapur Collectorate.


## APPENDIX C-rontd.

Statement shounng the Frllages sn whech the proncepal woekly Bazdrs are held in the Madha Táluika of the Sholápur Dollectorate-contd.


Superintendent, Land Records and Agricalture, C. D.

APPENDIX F .

- Statement shoovng the dorcultural stock of the 85 Government Fsillages an the Mádha Taluka of the Sholapur Collectorate durng the years 1871-72 and 1898-99


Note -The upper line of figures is that of the previons settlement.

APPENDIX G
Statement of Shops, Looms, Temples, \&c, and average Bırths, Deaths and Vaccination


APPENDIX E.


Statenent showeng the proportion of Government ocowpred and Indm lands cultwated by ocoupants and sub-tenants, \&e, zn the ybar 1899-1900.

| No, of Tillagea | Taluka and District, | Total numbers cultivated by occupanta or mámders |  | Total numbers onltivated by oceqpants or mamdars in partuershup with others. |  | Total numbers cultivated by sub-sensants on money rent. |  | Totai numbers cultivated by sub-tensents for produce of gram rent |  | Wastenumbers | Parampok numbers. | Total numbers |  |
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|  |  | Government | Inám. | Government | Inam. | Government. | Inam. | Government, | Inám. |  |  | Government | Inam, |
| 1. | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 85 | Madha of the Sholápur Collectorate | $\left\{\begin{array}{r} 8,479 \\ 534 \end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{array}{r} 201 \\ 13 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 2,621 \\ 165 \end{array}$ | 78 05 | 1,276 80 | 232 15 | $\begin{array}{r} 1,705 \\ 10 \cdot 7 \end{array}$ | 131 07 | 187 09 | 1,028 65 | 15,246 960 | 642 40 |

APPENDIX J
Statement showıng Wells, Budkıs, Tanh and other sources of soater-supply ın the 85 Government and 4 Inam villages of the Mádha Táluka of the Sholápur Collectorate for the year 1896-97

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|  |  | For Imigution. |  | For drinking gupply of bat not for irrigatione |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { For cattle and } \\ & \text { washing and } \\ & \text { other purpoees } \\ & \text { but not for } \\ & \text { irrigation or } \\ & \text { drinking fapply } \\ & \text { of human } \\ & \text { beings } \end{aligned}$ |  | In disuse |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | In diaune |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | In |  |  |
|  |  | Pakka | Kacha | Pakka | Eacha | Pakks | Kacha | Fallen in disrepair | Other cances. | Pakka | Kacha | Pablba | Eacha. | Pakka | Kacha | Fallen in disrepal dir | Olber cuugeg | Pakka | Kacha. | Paska | Kacha. | Pakka | Kacha | Fallen in dierepair |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | $s$ | 4 | 8 | 0 | 7 | 8 | $\bigcirc$ | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | ${ }^{15}$ | ${ }^{16}$ | ${ }^{37}$ | 18 | ${ }^{18}$ | ${ }^{20}$ | 21 | ${ }^{28}$ | 28 | 24 | 25 | 28 | $n$ |
| 89 | Madha | 1,476 | 1,835 | 485 | 23 | $7{ }^{+}$ | 9 | 312 | 6 | 1 | 1 | - |  | 2 | 18 |  | $\cdots$ |  |  |  | 1 |  | 38 | $\cdots$ |  |  |



APPENDIX K.
An abstract statement showong ordinary sales in 85 Vsllages of $^{\text {ofe }}$ Madha Táluka of the Sholapur Collectorate

| Clasy of asseb according times tho Survey Asses land 18 aol | the namber of nont for which | $\left.\begin{gathered} \text { Namber } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { oosee, } \end{gathered} \right\rvert\,$ | Total nores sold | Total <br> Assesament | Average rate of Assesament per acre. | Total sum for which sold. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { A verage } \\ \text { rate per } \\ \text { ecre for } \\ \text { whick eold } \end{gathered}\right.$ | Average namber of times the Furvey Assesament for which sold |
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| 1 |  | 2 | 8 | $1{ }^{1} 4$ | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Class I-1 to 10 tumes |  |  | A. | Hs, at 1 p. | Re, al $p$ | Ris an p. | Rs, at. p. |  |
|  | \{1869 70 | 29 | 1,119 95 | 457110 | 066 | 2,962 8 8 0 | 2104 | 6 |
|  | [189899 | 16 | 48812 | 2638.0 | 088 | 2,120 00 | 456 | 8 |
| Class II- 11 to 25 tmmen | $\{186970$ | 25 | 6804 | 242140 | 0 0 59 | 4,056 280 | 5155 | 17 |
|  | 1898-9 | 58 | 2.384 | 648120 | ${ }^{0} 7810$ | 10,632 0 | ${ }^{8}{ }^{8} 0^{0} 6$ | 86 |
| Olase III-28 to 50 tumes | - $\left\{\begin{array}{l}186970 \\ 189898\end{array}\right.$ | 21 19 | 4298 39898 | 19312 18814 18 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 7 & 8 \\ 0 & 7 & 7\end{array}$ | 6,764 6,990 | $\begin{array}{rrr}15 & 15 & 9 \\ 17 & 8 & 3\end{array}$ | $\mathbf{8 5}$ 87 |
| Ciess IV-51 to 100 times | .. $\{188970$ |  | 78 <br> 94 <br> 94 | 4840 | 0 0 8 | 3,800 00 | 4581 | 76 |
|  | 1898-99 | 7 |  | 4780 | 081 | 3,4100 0 | $\begin{array}{llll}36 & 2 & 1\end{array}$ | 72 |
| Class V-101 to 250 times | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}186970 \\ 1898-40\end{array}\right.$ | $\ldots{ }^{3}$ |  | 860 | 0 10, 7 | 1,291 00 | 9684 | 146 |
| Total | .. $\left\{\begin{array}{l}186970 \\ 1898\end{array}\right.$ | 84 100 | $\begin{aligned} & 2,308 \quad 38 \\ & 2,305 \\ & 14 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 94515 \\ 1,14810 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} \hline 0 & 6 \\ 0 & 8 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} 8,873 & 10 & 0 \\ 28,142 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rr} 810 & 0 \\ 10 & 0 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 9 \\ 20 \end{array}$ |

APPENDIX K. ${ }^{(1)}$
An abstract statement showing sales by Cuvi Courts in 85 Tullages of the Mádha Thluka of the Sholapur Collectorate.

| Clase of obses according tumen the Survey Aases land $1 s$ aold | o the number of ment for which | Number of cases | Total acres sold. | Total <br> Assersment. | Average rate of Absessment per acre. | Total sum for whoch sold. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Average } \\ \text { rate per } \\ \text { acre for } \\ \text { which sold } \end{gathered}\right.$ | Average number of tumes the Survey Assessment for which sold |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. |  | 9 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Class I-1 to 10 times; | $\cdots\left\{\begin{array}{l}186970 \\ 1898-89\end{array}\right.$ | 8 | A. g. | Rs. ${ }_{\text {a }}$ p | Rs, a po | Rı a $p$ | Rs. $\mathrm{s}_{1} \mathrm{p}_{0}$ |  |
|  |  |  | 55727 | 148140 | 067 | 74900 | 818 | 5 |
|  |  |  | 557 | 1800 | 0 085 | $75 \quad 00$ | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 6 & 9\end{array}$ | 6 |
| Olans II-11 to 25 timen | .. $\left\{\begin{array}{l}186989 \\ 1898\end{array}\right.$ | 1.3 | 8695 | 18090 | 0710 | 2,468 90 | 6110 | 14 |
|  |  | 1 | 2022 | 800 | 068 | 10500 | $\begin{array}{llll}5 & 1 & 9\end{array}$ | 13 |
| Clagil III-26 to 50 timels | ... $\left\{\begin{array}{l}186970 \\ 189899\end{array}\right.$ |  | 8712 | 4180 | 077 | 1,257 00 | 1465 | 30 |
|  |  | ${ }^{*} 2$ |  |  | 1180 |  | 18980 |  |
| Cleas IV-51 to 100 times | - $\left\{\begin{array}{l}186970 \\ 189899\end{array}\right.$ | 2 | 289 | 5.40 | 1180 | 41700 | 18980 | 79 |
| Clans $\mathrm{F}-101$ to 260 times | . $\left\{\begin{array}{l}186970 \\ 1808-99\end{array}\right.$ | 1 | 613 | 300 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 7 & 7\end{array}$ | 65500 | 108150 | 218 |
|  |  | 1 | 082 | 0180 | 0150 | 14500 | 18140 | 220 |
| Total | $\left\{\begin{array}{l}186970 \\ 1898.99\end{array}\right.$ | 31 3 | 82316 7621 | $\begin{array}{rrrr}879 & 8 & 0 \\ 21 & 12 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 7 & 4 \\ 0 & 4 & 7\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}6,548 & 9 & 0 \\ \mathbf{3 2 5} & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llr}6 & 11 \\ 4 & 18 & 11\end{array}$ | 35 15 |

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APPENDIX L.
An abstract statewent showing stmple mortgages in 85 Tillages of the Mddha Tábuka of the Sholápwr Collectorate.

| Chans of cases according tumea the Survey $A$ sbeas land in mortg | the number of eut for which ged. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { ossean } \end{gathered}\right.$ | Total acres mortgaged. | Total Aseessmentr | $\left.\begin{array}{\|c\|} \text { Average } \\ \text { rate of } \\ \text { ansegsment } \\ \text { per sacre, } \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | Total sum for which mortgaged | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Average } \\ \text { rate per } \\ \text { nore for } \\ \text { whinh } \\ \text { mortgaged. } \end{array}\right\|$ | Average number of tumes the bur vey Ansebsment for wheh mort gaged |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 |  | 8 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8. |
|  |  |  | A. 8 | Ra. an p. | Ras. an p. | Rso a $\mathrm{p}_{0}$ | Rs. 2.8 |  |
| Clasa 1 - 1 to 10 tumes | \{ 1869.70 | 19 | 44826 | 21600 | 078 | 1,838 00 | 2159 | 6 |
|  | \{1898-99 | 39 | 1,174 85 | 884180 | 0118 |  | $4{ }^{4} 148$ | 7 |
| Clase II-1I to 25 armee | .. $\left\{\begin{array}{l}1869-70 \\ 189899\end{array}\right.$ | 80 | ${ }_{987}^{915} 1$ | 4189 5818 8 | ${ }_{0}^{0} 78{ }^{7} 8$ | 7,229 8,345 80 | ${ }_{8}^{712} 4$ | 17 |
| Class III--28 to 60 tumee |  | 9 | 16624 | 97120 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 9 & 5 \\ 0 & 5\end{array}$ | 82250 | 1959 | 33 |
|  | *- 189899 | 10 | 15086 | 84100 | 080 | 8,7050 | 18.58 | 83 |
| Clasa IV-61 to 100 timen | ... $\{156970$ | 8 | 888 | 1916 | ${ }^{0} 610$ | 900 | 31148 | 74 |
|  | $\cdots\left\{\begin{array}{l}1882899\end{array}\right.$ | 6 | 10785 | 6960 | 089 | 8,700 0 | 84 9 | 62 |
| Clase V-101 to 150 trmes | - $\left\{\begin{array}{l}186970 \\ 189899\end{array}\right.$ | 5 | 78. | 4100 | 091 | 6,300 "0 0 | 851411 | $15 i$ |
| Total ... $\left\{\begin{array}{l}1869-70 \\ 1898-99\end{array}\right.$ |  | ${ }^{64} 6$ | 1,57819 <br> 2,438 <br> 87 | 744 1,631 | $\begin{array}{ll} 0 \\ 0 & 7 \\ 0 & 1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} 12,698 & 0 & 0 \\ 26,753 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{cccc} 8 & 1 & 1 \\ 10 & 15 & 11 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 17 \\ & 17 \end{aligned}$ |



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## APPENDIX L. ${ }^{(1)}$

An abstract statement showing mortgages woth possession an 85 Villages of the Mádha Taluka of the Sholápur Collectorate.


## APPENDIX M

An abstract statement showvng sublettings in 85 Villages of the Mádha Táluha of the Sholapur Collectorate.

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline Class of cases according tumes the Sarvey Asses land is sub \& to the number of mont for which t \& \[
\begin{aligned}
\& \text { Number } \\
\& \text { of cases }
\end{aligned}
\] \& Total acres sublet \& \[
\begin{gathered}
\text { Total } \\
\text { Assessment }
\end{gathered}
\] \& Average rate of Assessment per acre \& Total anm for which sablet \& Average rate per acre for which sublet \& Average number of times the Bur vey Assessmont for whach sublet. \\
\hline 1 \& \& 2 \& 3 \& 4 \& 5 \& 6 \& 7 \& 8 \\
\hline \& \& \& A. g \& Rs, a, p. \& Rs an P . \& B\% a. p \& Res, a. p. \& \\
\hline Clase I-I to 5 times \& \(\cdots\left\{\begin{array}{l}1889-70 \\ 189899\end{array}\right.\) \& \& \begin{tabular}{l}
1,030 \\
2,099 \\
2,09 \\
\hline 18
\end{tabular} \& \(\begin{array}{rrr}635 \& 3 \& 0 \\ 1,209 \& 1 \& 0\end{array}\) \& \(\begin{array}{llll}0 \& 8 \& 4 \\ 0 \& 9 \& 3\end{array}\) \& \begin{tabular}{lllr}
1,041 \& 8 \& 10 \\
8,679 \& 0 \\
\hline 10
\end{tabular} \&  \& 3 \\
\hline \multirow[b]{2}{*}{Class II-6 to 10 tmmes} \& 1186970 \& 74 \& \(\begin{array}{r}2,11618 \\ \hline 18\end{array}\) \& 1,374
3 \& \(\begin{array}{llll}0 \& 8 \& \\ 0 \& 5 \\ 0 \& 5 \& 1\end{array}\) \& 1,619
300
300 \& \(\begin{array}{lll}1 \& 12 \& \\ 2 \& 9 \& 8 \\ 1 \& 1 \& \end{array}\) \& 8 \\
\hline \& - 189899 \& 18 \& 31619 \& 206320 \& \(\begin{array}{llll}0 \& 10 \& 5 \\ 0\end{array}\) \& 1,557 120 \& \({ }_{4}^{4} 149\) \& 8 \\
\hline Class III-11 to 25 tumes \& \(\left\{\begin{array}{l}1869.70 \\ 1898\end{array}\right.\) \& \begin{tabular}{|c}
1 \\
7
\end{tabular} \& 1829
42 \& \(\begin{array}{llll}4 \& 0 \& 0 \\ 34 \& 4 \& 0\end{array}\) \& \[
\begin{array}{lll}
0 \& 3 \& 5 \\
0 \& 12 \& 10
\end{array}
\] \& 4400
690 \& \(\begin{array}{rrrr}2 \& 5 \& 7 \\ 13 \& 4 \& 7 \& 7\end{array}\) \& 11 \\
\hline \multirow[t]{2}{*}{Class IV-26 to 50 tumes} \& - 1869-70 \& \multirow[t]{3}{*}{\({ }^{\prime} 1\)} \& \& \& \& 600 \& \& \\
\hline \& \(\cdots\{189899\) \& \& 1137 \& 800 \& 0109 \& 25000 \& 20155 \& 81 \\
\hline Class V—above 50 trmes \& \{1898-99 \& \& ...0. \& \& \& ... \& \& \\
\hline Total \& \(\left\{\begin{array}{l}186970 \\ 189899\end{array}\right.\) \& 84
100 \& 1,166
2,470

20 \& $\begin{array}{rrr}576 & 7 & 0 \\ 1,458 & 1 & 0\end{array}$ \& $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 7 & 11 \\ 0 & 9 & 5\end{array}$ \& $$
\begin{array}{lll}
1,385 & 8 & 10 \\
6,076 & 12 & 0
\end{array}
$$ \& $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 8 & \\ 2 & 7 & 4\end{array}$ \& 8 <br>

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\end{tabular}

Note -The figures given are in averages of flve years ending 186970 and 189899 The upper line of figares refers to the previons settlement.

APPENDIX N.
Statement showong the priees prevalent in the Mádha Tailuka from 1860-61 to 1898-99.

| Years. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Jowart | Bajch | Wheat | Tur dal | Gram. | safflowor Seed | Jowan Karben | Cotion Seed. |
| 1 | 8 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| 1880-61 | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { Rs, a. p. } \\ 0 & 11 & 8\end{array}$ |  | Rs. a. p. 012 0 | $\begin{array}{cc}\text { Rs. a } & \text { p. } \\ 0 & 11\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{cc}\text { Rs. a. p. } \\ 013 & 0\end{array}$ | Rs. a. <br> 0 | Rs a. p. | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { Rs. a } & \text { p. } \\ 10 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ |
| 1881-62 | 013 6 | 01410 | 100 | 110 | 100 | 0140 | Do. | 1354 |
| 1862-63 | 0353 | 120 | 150 | 220 | 139 | 0158 | Do. | 3200 |
| 1863-64 | 1511 | 188 | 180 | 290 | 19 | 0153 | $\mathrm{D}_{0}$. | 3800 |
| 1864-65 | 125 | 154 | 1114 | 220 | 195 | No record. | Do. | 200 |
| 1865-66 | 0137 | 103 | 3157 | $\begin{array}{llll}3 & 6 & 3\end{array}$ | No record. | 120 | Do. | No record. |
| 1866-67 | 136 | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 0 & 3\end{array}$ | 446 | $\begin{array}{llll}3 & 15 & 5\end{array}$ |  | No recond. |  |  |
| 1867-58 | 186 | 103 | 375 | 4122 |  | Do. |  |  |
| 1868-69 | 0186 | 113 |  |  |  | Do. |  |  |
| 1889-70 | 185 | 287 | 426 | 8143 |  | Do. |  |  |
| Total | 1011 3 | $12 \quad 64$ | $22 \quad 27$ | 2494 | 687 | 476 | .. | 1135 |
| Average | 111 | 1310 | 275 | 2118 | 1311 | 0143 | ... | 22108 |
| 1870-71 | 250 | 2138 | 21511 | 4 |  | No | ord. |  |
| 1871-72 | 2009 | 21411 | 3181 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1872-73 | 1155 | 207 | $\begin{array}{llll}3 & 2 & 5\end{array}$ | 4110 |  |  |  |  |
| 1878-74 .. | 1110 | 187 | 205 | 34 | 274 |  |  |  |
| 1874-75 .. |  |  | No re |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1875-76 ${ }^{1876.77}$ |  |  |  |  |  | 104 |  | record. |
| 1876.77 $1877-78$ | $\begin{array}{rrrrr}3 & 15 & 2 \\ 3 & 8 & 11\end{array}$ | 3114 <br> 3 <br> 3 <br> 13 | 4 5 5 9 | $\begin{array}{rrrr}31317 \\ 4 & 10 & 2 \\ \end{array}$ |  |  | 050 | Do. |
| 1878-79 | 470 | 400 | $\begin{array}{lll}5 & 8 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}6 & 3 & 0\end{array}$ | Do. | 226 | 038 | Do. |
| 1879-80 | 200 | 2124 |  | $4-26$ |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 2241 | 23134 | 2614 | $\begin{array}{llll}36 & 7 & 8\end{array}$ | 274 | 8210 | 08 | ... |
| Average | 277 | 2158 | 3117 | 4811 | 274 | 19 | 04 | ... |
| 1880-81 .. | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 0 & 8 \\ 0 & 15 & 6\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 4 & 4 \\ 1 & 5 & 2\end{array}$ | 204 | 348 | 26 | No record. | 046 | No record. |
| 1882-83 | 1296 | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 5 & 2 \\ 1 & 7 & 2\end{array}$ |  | D |  |  |  |  |
| 1883.84 .. | 196 | 112 s |  | D |  |  |  |  |
| 1884-85 | 1111 | 11410 |  | D |  |  |  |  |
| 1885-86 .. | 178 | 1125 |  | D |  |  |  |  |
| 1886-87 | 188 | 1104 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1887-88 | 1411 | 1910 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1888.89 | 1147 | 236 | 293 | 28 | 21 | 113 |  |  |
| 1889-90 | 1180 | 216 | 2106 | 291 | 278 | 1110 | 05 | 415 |
| Total | 1408 | 17114 | 741 | 856 | 615 | 38 | 10 | 101 |
| Average | 166 | 1174 | 268 | 2126 | 25 | 112 | 05 | 50 |
| 1890-91 ... | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 9 & 8\end{array}$ | 1136 | 248 | 258 | 1150 | 1120 |  | 49 |
| 1591-92 .. | 111 b | 2118 | 345 | 320 | 2810 | 230 | 071 | 500 |
| 1898-93 ... | 135 | 248 | $\begin{array}{ll}313 & 1\end{array}$ | 410 | 2146 | 294 | 0711 | 580 |
| 1893-94. | 209 | 1152 | 3885 | 2152 | $2{ }^{2} 24$ | ${ }^{2} 1010$ | 072 | No reard. |
| 1894-95 .. | 1128 | 1155 | 2182 | 385 | 115 | $1 \begin{array}{llll}1 & 14 & 11 \\ 2\end{array}$ |  | Do. |
| 1995-96 .. | 154 | 1109 | 298 | 5134 | 2 8 8 | 210 8 | $0 \begin{array}{lll}5 & 8\end{array}$ | Do. |
| 1896-97 .- | $\begin{array}{llll}2 & 0 & 4\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}2 & 4 & 10 \\ 3 & 6\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}3 & 1 & 8 \\ 6 & 8 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}3 & 7 & 8 \\ 5 & 6 & 5\end{array}$ | 8 8 4 4 18 |  | 0 13 <br> 8 13 | Do. |
| 1897.98 | 415 | 360 | $\begin{array}{llll}6 & 6 & 8 \\ 3 & 6\end{array}$ | 5 6 5 <br> 8 9  | 4708 | 8 145 | $2 \begin{array}{llll}2 & 12 \\ 0 & 8\end{array}$ | Do. |
| 1898-09 | 24 | 2010 | 364 | 3910 | 2169 | 1140 | 0 S 10 | Do. |
| Total | 181810 | 8025 | 30122 | 3256 | 2470 | 21611 | 5156 | 1412 |
| Average .. | 215 | 2310 | 368 | 396 | 2115 | 261 | 01111 | 4148 |

APPENDIX 0.


| Peart |  |  |  |  |  |  | Unoocurind Asstagid Arable Govmamari Laxd $^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |  <br>  |  |  | Toral Lhand, Gophymyert, Goodpind <br>  |  |  | Balagneeoutatanding idologe ofole year | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Amont } \\ \text { Ampont } \\ \text { fomitiocel } \end{gathered}\right.$ | RMEMEI |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underset{\substack{\text { Oceupled } \\ \text { Acras }}}{\text { a }}$ | FthllstandardAsckument | Remimenions during the year |  |  | Bolance fornollection | A0res. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Fult } \\ \text { Asseagment } \end{gathered}$ |  | Actes | $\begin{gathered} \text { Full } \\ \text { strandard } \\ \text { Aremamiont } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Collections } \\ & \text { Quitrent, do } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | Grand total for collecof columus 7, 10 and 13. |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Permaneat | Crsual | Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 1 | s | 4 | 5 | ${ }^{6}$ | 7 | 8 | $\pm$ | 10 | 1 | 18 | 13 | 14 | 16 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 18 |
|  |  | Hr. |  | Rs |  | Re |  | Rs. | Re. |  | Re. | Rs. | Acres, | Hhs | Re, | R. | Re. |  |
| 186061 | 259,681 | 96,729 |  |  |  | 96,729 | 6804 | 1,964 | 849 | 12,424 | 4,588 | 816 | 277,909 | 1,03 279 | 97,894 |  |  |  |
| 186103 | 245,956 | 91,087 |  |  |  | 91,087 | 2,736 | 831 <br> 365 <br> 8 | -533 | 11,450 | 4,192 | 682 | 260,047 | 96,110 | 02,302 | - |  |  |
| 180263 | 244,688 | 90,458 | . |  |  | 90,456 80,595 | 1,299 | 365 <br> 281 <br> 8 | 290 120 | 11,397 | 4,274 4,162 | ${ }_{667}^{680}$ | 257,384 257917 |  | ${ }_{9}^{91,426}$ |  | 8 |  |
| 189364 | 245011 | "0, 0.585 |  | $\cdots$ |  | 90,595 89,169 | -828 | ${ }_{57} 201$ | 42 | 11,288 | 4,158 | 1,535 | 257,175 | 93,384 | 91,388 90,748 | . |  |  |
| 186465. | 245,304 | 89,169 00.689 |  | * |  | 89,169 80,689 | 159 | 41 | 144 | 10,683 | 3,964 | , ${ }_{4}$ | 257,044 | 94,604 | 91,794 |  |  |  |
|  | - ${ }_{-246,307}^{2+208}$ | 90,689 90,903 |  |  |  | 80,689 90,969 | 149 | 82 | 643 | 10,832 | 8,996 | 969 | 257,288 | 94,941 | 92,575 |  |  |  |
| 186768 | 246,303 | 9, ${ }^{\text {, }}$ (18 |  |  |  | 92,413 | 350 | 81 | 607 568 | 10,831 | 3965 | ${ }_{970}^{977}$ | - 957,284 | 96,409 | 93,997 | ** | -.. |  |
| 1368.69 ... | 246,879 | 90,984 90,952 | \% | $\cdots$ |  | 90,994 90,958 | $1 \begin{aligned} & 165 \\ & 170\end{aligned}$ | 39 48 | 668 63 | 10,8 10,828 | 8,874 8,974 | 970 977 | 257,366 257,320 | 94,947 94,969 | 92,472 91,902 | $\cdots$ |  |  |
| 386970 - | 246,922 | 90,962 |  |  | $\cdots$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 187071 | 278,858 | 1,69,664 |  | 69,125 |  | 99,421 | 497 | 241 | 497 | 11,944 | 7.680 | 976 | 291,291 | 1,67,585 | 94,894 |  |  |  |
| 187172 - | 279,054 | 1,68,649 | $\bullet$ | 28,544 | $\cdots$ | 1,39,948 | 297 570 | 148 189 | 373 59 | 11,840 | 7,684 7,629 | ${ }_{982}^{976}$ | 291,291 | 1,66,974 | 1,41,297 | $\bullet$ | 110 |  |
| 1872.79 ${ }^{\text {P }}$ | ${ }_{2}^{278,783}$ | 1,58,120 |  |  |  | 168,124 1,15755 | ${ }_{2}{ }^{574}$ | 189 | ${ }_{\text {SfO }}$ | 11,940 | 7,629 | ${ }_{982}^{982}$ | 291,298 291,340 | 1,65,943 | 1,49,185 | 10,075 | ${ }_{118}^{592}$ |  |
| $187374{ }^{187}$ : | $2: 6,848$ 872,161 | ${ }_{1}^{1,57,126}$ |  | 21,691 | $\cdots$ | 1,34,082 | 7,033 | 2551 | 660 | 11,939 | 7,648 | 982 | 291,123 | 1,65,912 | 1,35,724 | 210 | 191 |  |
| 187578 -\% | 270,096 | 122795 |  | ${ }^{21,613}$ | $\cdots$ | ,22,782 | 0.017 | 2,498 | ${ }_{52}$ | 11,939 | 6211 | 988 | 291,072 | 1,31,504 | 1,23,847 | 250 | 208 |  |
| 187677 | 272390 | ) 21,390 | ... | 1,812 | $\therefore$ | 1,22,078 | 6814 | 1,878 | 533 | 11,838 | , ,200 | 983 | 291,042 | 1,31,474 | 1,29,594 | ,12,618 | 40,724 |  |
| 187578 | 271,9-9 | 1,41,048 | . | 464 | . | 1,21,484 | 7,114 | 1,984 1,873 | 256 | 11,938 <br> 11988 <br> 18 | 6210 6,10 | 949 983 | 891,041 $\mathbf{2 9 0}, 010$ | ${ }_{\substack{1,30,142 \\ 1,30,46}}^{1,30}$ | $1,22,683$ $1,22,618$ | ${ }_{1,21,662}^{89,136}$ | 10,975 <br> 84,189 |  |
| 187879 187980. | 272,018 | 1,91,963 | * | 465 465 | $\cdots$ | 1,04,676 | 58,461 | 18687 | 291 | 11937 | 6,210 | 983 | 290,472 | 1,30 ${ }^{1,038}$ | 1,05,950 | 27,549 | 6,641 |  |
| 1 $\times 8080$ | ${ }_{2,2,295}^{2,5}$ | 196,610 | . | 489 |  | 96,121 | 60821 | 22,759 | 910 | 11,938 | 8,210 | 983 | 274,994 | 1,25,578 | 98,014 | 19,009 | 794 |  |
| 188188 | 213,69) | 1,01,150 |  | 492 |  | 1,00,664 | 65,865 | 23,684 | 1,294 | 11940 | ${ }^{6.09}$ | 984 | 290, 880 | 130,049 | 3,02,942 | 128 |  |  |
| 188883 | $2262 \times 9$ | 1,07,467 | - | 81,695 | . | 75,762 1,16,592 | 57268 16,109 | 19,812 5,588 | 1,662 | 12268 <br> 12,318 <br> 182 | 6,475 8.211 | 1,290 1,74 | 295,815 277882 | 1 33,744 | 78714 $1,18,559$ | 40 | "\% |  |
| 188384 | 260,416 204,770 | 1,16,522 |  | 14 | $\sim$ | 1,16,592 | 16,109 8,449 | 5,548 $\mathbf{8 , 1 9 9}$ | 763 484 | 3, ${ }^{12,310}$ | ${ }_{6,204}^{620}$ | li,74 | 277,802 276,029 | 1,27,695 | $1,18,559$ $1,20,96$ | 82 | $\because$ |  |
| $\underset{3885-86}{ }$ | ${ }_{268,461}^{204,770}$ | 1,18,362 <br> $1,18,780$ |  | 14 |  | 1,188,780 | 8,129 | 2,244 | 340 | 10,304 | 6,204 | 1,263 | 274, ${ }^{\wedge} 8$ | 1,27,208 | 1,20,368 |  |  |  |
| $188687 .$. | 259,726 | 1,18,865 | .. | 2 | $\therefore$ | 1,18, 1.68 | 1,964 | 1,988 | 470 | 12222 | 6,282 | 1,268 | 278,912 | 1,26,535 | ${ }^{1,20,601}$ |  |  |  |
| 188788. | 269.542 | ${ }^{1} 18,774$ | ** | 2 | . | $11 \times 8.728$ | 2419 | 778 |  | 12,222 12,222 | 6282 6,282 | 1,268 1,268 | 274184 272,484 | 125,774 | ${ }_{3}^{1,20,040}$ | 25 | - |  |
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| 1890.91. | $\underset{\substack{260,101}}{2601}$ | 1,9,0062 | $\cdots$ | $\stackrel{3}{3}$ | $\cdots$ | 1,20,054 | 101 | 51 | 303 | 12,222 | 8,232 | 1,268 | 272,484 | 3,26,335 | 1,21,480 | 18 |  |  |
| $1 \times 9198$ | 260,1u1 | 3,2u,062 |  | 8 |  | 1,20,059 | 181 | 51 | 115 | 12,232 | 8,282 | 1,268 | 272,484 | 1,26,995 | 1,21,443 | 2 | - |  |
| 189293 | 260,101 | 1,20,082 |  | 3 |  | 1,20,069 | 161 | $5]$ | 156 | 12,222 | ${ }_{8}^{8,2 \times 2}$ | 1,288 | 272,484 | 1,26 395 | 1,21,483 | $\stackrel{2}{2}$ |  |  |
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| 198268. |  | 25,696 | 11,434 |  | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 11,434 | 101 | 58 | ${ }_{38}^{11}$ | ${ }_{8 ; 221} 8,220$ | ${ }_{\text {1, }}^{1,317}$ | ${ }_{870}^{370}$ | ${ }_{29,021}^{29017}$ | 12,803 | ${ }_{11,836}^{11,815}$ | $\because$ | $\because$ |  |
| 1 16384. | $\cdots$ | 25,689 | 11,434 |  | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 11,434 11,472 | 701 28 | 14 | 32 | ${ }_{8}^{8,220}$ | 1,248 | ${ }_{8}^{880}$ | 28,281 | 12,808 | 11,902 | $\cdots$ | : |  |
| 188468. | - | 25,039 | 11,472 |  | $\cdots$ |  | 11,472 | 41 | ${ }_{22}^{14}$ | ${ }^{3} 8$ | 8,220 | 1,316 | 422 | 29,018 | 12,802 | 11,802 | $\because$ |  |  |
| 188668 | - | 255,758 | 11,464 |  | ** | $\cdots$ | 12,464 | 41 | 22 | 12 | 8.221 | 1,317 | 429 | 20,020 | 12,808 | 11,005 |  | $\cdots$ |  |
|  | $\cdots$ | 25759 | 11,465 |  | $\cdots$ | . | 11,465 | 41 | 22 | 7 | 8,222 | 1,317 | 424 | 29,023 | 12,804 | 11,896 | $\cdots$ | .." |  |
| 188869 | $\cdots$ | 23,769 | 11,471 | $\because$ | $\because$ | $\cdots$ | 11,471 | 41 | 22 | 11 | 8,208 8,208 | 1,800 | 421 | 29,008 28960 | 12,798 12775 | 11,886 |  | $\stackrel{\square}{*}$ |  |
| 788970. | - | 25,718 25.610 | 11,468 |  |  | $\cdots$ | (11,468 | \$48 | 80 | 47 | 8,208 | 1,310 | 428 | 28,961 | 12,784 | 11,889 |  | $\ldots$ |  |
| 1887278 |  | 28,610 $\mathbf{2 5 , 7 2 8}$ | 11, 11,087 | tob | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 11,087 | 28 | 14. | 5 | 8,208 | 1,250 | 421 | 28,980 | 12,351 | 11,513 |  | \% |  |
| 187273 |  | 27,011 | 18,298 |  | 7,862 |  | 11,436 | 85 | 101 | 18 | 8,340 | 2,065 | 416 | 81,098 | 22,464 | 11,870 |  | $\because$ |  |
| 187874. | - | 227,682 | 10,328 | ..0. | 1278 | $\cdots$ | 19,811 | 92 8 8 | 88 10 | 1 | - $8,8,840$ | 2,065 2,061 | ${ }_{418}^{416}$ | 81,069 | 21,478 | 18,729 <br> 17,530 | . |  |  |
| 3871-76 ${ }^{\text {\% }}$ | $\cdots$ | 27,671 | 18,889 |  | 2,276 | $\cdots$ | 17,113 | 8 | 10 |  | $\xrightarrow[8,340]{ }$ | 1,641 | 416 | 81,114 | 17,787 | 16,555 |  |  |  |
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| 187778 \% | $\cdots$ | - 27,668 | 16,029 | \%.0) | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | 18,029 | 7 | 7 | $\ldots$ | 8,338 | 1,686 | 456 | 88,011 | 37,672 | 16,485 | 14,875 | 1,941 |  |
| 1778790 | - | 27,866 | 16,029 | -* | $\cdots$ | $\because$ | 16029 |  |  | $\therefore 77$ | 8,338 <br> 8,338 <br> 8.388 | 1,838 | ${ }_{416} 16$ | ${ }_{8}^{81,011} 8$ | 17,672 17.670 | 16,445 | 16,588 $\mathbf{z}, 062$ | 5457 804 |  |
| 187980 . | - | 28,071 | 18,462 | - $\cdot$. |  | $\cdots$ | 18,492 <br> 12818 <br> 18 | 4,908 <br> 5,986 | 2,548 | -77 | 8,3988 | 1,636 | 416 | 81,008 $\mathbf{3 0 , 2 9 8}$ | 13,895 | 13,386 | ${ }^{2} 105$ | 1 |  |
|  | : | 20,720 28 | 12,618 |  |  | $\cdots$ | 18,620 | 4,914 | 2,386 | 152 | 8,398 | 1,636 | 416 | 30981 | 17,652 | 14,188 |  |  |  |
| 188288 . | , | 24,088 | 14,279 | ... | 4,888 |  | 9,896 | 3,562 | 1,748 | '180 | 8,388 | 1,636 | ${ }_{698}^{688}$ | ${ }^{80,083}$ | 17,658 | 10,214 | 68 | *** |  |
| 288884 |  | 25,805 | 14,959 | . |  | $\cdots$ | 14,959 | 888 | 418 | ${ }^{37}$ | 88,481 | 1,635 | 688 618 | 29,549 29566 | 17,012 | 15,634 | - | $\because$ |  |
| 1894885 | , | \$5,644 | 18,098 |  |  |  | 16,098 150099 | ${ }^{815}$ | ${ }_{80}^{804}$ | -15 | 8,487 8,415 | ${ }_{1,616}^{1,616}$ | 618 622 | 295688 2908 | 16,795 | 16,741 | $\cdots$ | $\because$ |  |
|  |  | 25,649 26860 |  | - | $\ldots$ | $\therefore$ | - 150,720 | 12 | 65 | 20 | 88,311 | 1,416 | 622 | 82,278 | 17,401 | 16,367 | -* |  |  |
| 1897-88 .. |  | 256,644 | 16,093 | $\cdots$ | . | . | 15,093 | 101 | 65 | 25 | 3,508 | 1616 | 618 | 28,908 | 16,774 | 15,736 |  | - |  |
| 188889 ..4 | .. | 26,682 | 15,182 | $\cdots$ | : |  | 15,162 | 1 | 1 |  | 8,811 | $\underset{1,616}{1,616}$ | 618 | 28,964 | 16,779 16779 | 15780 76,780 | $\because$ |  |  |
| 188990. | . | 25,662 | 15,182 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |  | 15,162 $\mathbf{1 5 , 1 8 1}$ | 1 1 | 1 | * | 8,311 8,811 | 1,616 | 618 | 28,064 | 16,778 | 15,779 |  | * |  |
| $189091 . .7$ <br> 1801 <br> 102 | . |  | $\underset{\text { 18, } 168}{ }$ | - | "** | $\ldots$ | - $\mathbf{3 5 , 1 5 8}$ | 1 | 1 | $\cdots$ | 8,809 | 1,616 | 618 | 28,965 | 16,775 | 15,776 | 1 |  |  |
| 1842-98.. |  | 226,004 | 15,188 | - | - | - | 15,186 | 1 | 1 | $\cdots$ | 8,311 | 1,616 | 618 | 28,916- | 16,753 | $\frac{15,754}{15,54}$ |  | $\cdots$ |  |
| 189304 |  | 20,003 | 15,186 |  | ** | $\ldots$ | 15,186 | 1 | 1 | - | 3,311 | ${ }_{1,616}^{1,616}$ | ${ }_{618}^{618}$ | 28,915 | 16,753 <br> 16,753 | 16,754 |  | ... |  |
| 188495 | , | 25,604 | 15,136 | - | - | $\cdots$ | 15,186 | 1 | 1 |  | 8,811 | 1,616 | ${ }_{618}^{618}$ | 28,916 | 16,753 16753 | - |  |  |  |
|  | - | $\mathbf{9 5 , 6 0 4}$ $\mathbf{2 5 , 6 0 4}$ | 16,186 | $\because$ | ..0 | $\cdots$ | 15,186 $\mathbf{1 5 , 1 8 8}$ | 1 | 1 | $\cdots$ | 8,312 | 1,616 | -. 618 | 28,917 | 16,753 | 15,754 | 10,375 | $\cdots$ |  |
| 189708. |  | 26,6u4 | 16,186 | . | . | $\ldots$ | 15,136 | 1 | 1 |  | 8,311 | 1,616 | 018 | 28,916 | 18,769 | 15,754 | 1,547 | , |  |
| 389890 vet | , | 26,604 | 15,180 | $\pm$ | B | - | 15,186 | 1 | 1 |  | 8,811 | 1,881 | 622 | 28,918 | 18,768 | 15,758 | . | $\cdots$ |  |



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PRED. YOUNG,
Supernatendent, Land Records and Agriculture, C. D

## MEMORANDUM ON LETTER NO. 1295 OF THE 11th DECEMBER 1900, FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT, LAAND RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE, C. D., CONTAINING PROPOSALS FOR THE SECOND REVISION SETTLEMENT OF THE MA'DHA TALUKA OF THE SHOLA'PUR DISTRICT.

The Mádha Táluka is by no means so poor and barren as has sometimes been made out. It appears to me a fair average sample of the Deccan country. Given a modicum of rain, the sol is capable of producing excellent crops; cultivation has much improved in quality during the last generation, communications are already very good, and will shortly be better still, if, as there seems reason to hope, we are now entering on a cycle of favourable seasons, there need be no anxiety about the fature of this tract.
2. But, in common with the rest of the district, Mádha has suffered so severely from famine durng the term of settlement which has just exprred, that it is necessary to advance with the utmost caution towards the exhancement of the present land revenue Shortly after the existing rates were introduced came the great famine of 1876-77 Twenty years after, when the táluka had recovered from this blow, it was again attacked by the hardly less severe famine of 1896-97 Two seasons of scantiness followed, and then came the famine of 1899-1900, the worst of the century, followed in its turn, without a moment's respite by that of 1900-01, to be again succeeded by the present unfavourable year, in which a long break during the middle of the rainy season, and the premature cessation of the rain towards its close have rumed both kharif and rabi crops, and destroyed prospects that once were of the brightest In these circumstances, any considerable increase in the rates is, in my opmon, out of the question A population so afflicted must be treated with the greatest tenderness, and a lenency must be shown by the State in its demand, for which, in happier circumstances, there would be no justification.

3 To give an idea of the extent to which the táluka has suffered during the last thirty years, I need only mention that the population, which in 1871-72 was 86,955 , is now only 82,528 (census of 1901), a decrease of 4,427 . Cattle, which in the former year numbered 54,719 , now only number 38,483 .
4. Wells and budkis have increased from 2,330 in 1871-72 to 4,958 at the present moment, but many of these are useless on account of the shrinkage of the subsoil water caused by successive years of short rannfall, and the best well is of no avall if there are no cattle to work it. Plough cattle are now only 17,477, as agamst $32,407 \mathrm{~mm} 1871-72$

5 In 1899-1900 it was estımated that 15,000 people were forced to resort to relief works, 2,300 were supported by village dole, and 19,584 were relheved from the Charitable Fund by gifts of clothes, cash, seed, and bullocks.

6 At the end of 1898-99, the arrears of land revenue were Rs 6,740 . The jamábandı demand for 1899-1900 was Rs. 1,49,696. During the year a sum of Rs. $1,06,984$ was recovered, arrears at the end of the year amounting to Rs. 49,4j3 The jamábandı for 1900-01 was Rs. 1,47,926 The amount recovered, nocluding arrears, came to Rs. $1,40,242$. By reason of the panic that set in on the announcement of the amendment of the Land Revenue Code the people made heroic attempts to pay up, in order to avold what they were falsely told was the confiscation of their land, and so many of them completely exhausted what scanty resources they stall possessed. The arrears at the end of 1900-01 amounted to Rs. 57,136.

7 The present season is better than the last, and in the adjacent tálukas of Sholápur and Bársi it is considerably better. There seems, therefore, ground to hope that a period of prosperity may now be setting in, after the long years of calamity through which the district has passed. But the figures given above indicate, to my mind, such a serious depletion of wealth, as to make it doubtful whether we are justified in increasing the rates at all, and certain that any increase determined must be exiremely moderate.
8. I agree in Mr Young's grouping, but, if the rates are to be raised (as it may be safe to do, should the three ensuung years give good harvests), I hope
the increase he proposes may be cut down by one-half, sud the rates fixed at Rs. 1-4-0 for group No. 1, and Rs, 1-2-0 for group No. 2 It seems to me that Mr. Young's view of the condition and prospects of the taluka are too cheerful. The prices of food-grains have risen, but what good is that to a ryot if he gets no crop at all, or only so much as will just feed him and his family and pay the assessment? The "tals" he has observed about the country are largely the result of lavish grants of tagai, which the people have become too poor to repay, and much of which must be remitted

## A. F. MACONOCHIE,

Sangola, 27 th January 1902.
Collector.

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\text { No. } 920 \text { of } 1903 .
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From
H. I. PAINTER, Esq., I. C. S., Assistant Collector, Sholápur ;
To

> A. F. MACONOCHIE, EsQ , I. C.S., Collector of Sholápur.

Sholápur, 81st July 1903.
SIR,
In returning herewith Mr. Young's second revision settlement repart for the Mádha Táluka, with accompaniments, I have the honour to observe as under.
2. The report was written in 1900 , and could not, therefore, take full account of the famine which had begun a year before and was even then contınuing. 'You have, however, in your review, taken full notice of this, and any remarks which I might add on the subject would be superfluous. Parenthetically I may observe that the census figure of the taluka for 1901, as I find it m the Census Report, is 82,984 , and not 82,528 as given by you. The dufference is slight, and in erther case Mr. Young's anticipation, expressed at the end of his 21st paragraph, has not been realized, the deorease in population since 1891 being nearly ten thousand.

- 3. The latest census of agricultural stock was taken in June 1902, and I give below a summary thereof for the 85 Government villages of the taluka, the figures of Mr Young's Appendux F for 1899 being placed above for the purpose of ready comparison.-

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|  | Oxemi | He-buffaloes. | Bulla, | Bull-buff: loean | Oxen. | He buffaloma. |
| 1899 | 22,174 | 247 | 58 | 11 | 569 | 154 |
| 1902 | 17,785 | 288 | 48 | 23 | 401 | 116 |
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|  | Cows. | She-breftlote |  | Calven. | ufflocal vee |  |
| 1899 | 8,447 | 8,280 |  | 7,678 | 2,380 | 44,948 |
| 1902 | 7,991 | 8,728 |  | 7,071 | 1,757 | 38,148 |


| Year. | Horses and Pomes | Sheep. | Goats, | Provghs |  | Carts mor |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Small. | Large | Rudng. | Goods |
| 1899 | 990 | 21,307 | 37,624 | 219 | 1,634 | 46 | 1,799 |
| 1902 | 581 | 25,131 | 29,951 | 197 | 1,394 | 217 | 1,907 |

4. It is plain from the above figures that the depletion in agncultural stock, which was marked enough at the time when the report was written, has been intenssied smee. On the other hand, some recovery has undoubtedly taken place dumng the past year, as in the case of Sholápur, Bársi and Karmála, where a special census taken in June last showed this to have been the case, though the recovery in question was far from putting matters on a par with what they were before the disastrous period which has just expired.
5. In considering prices, Mr Young does not appear to have rejected the inflated prices of famine years and taken averages over normal periods only. Had this been done the considerable rise in prices which he points out in paragraph 25 would have materially dwindled. In my reports on Sholápur, Bársı, and Karmála I have followed this system, and the result is that prices in each of those tálukas have been shown to have approximated in the last ten years (excluding 1897 and 1900) to the average of the last few years before the introduction of the first revision settlement The same must, allowing for slight local variations, have been the case in Mádha.

6 Mr . Young is mistaken in thnnking( vide paragraph 26) that the figures from Mohol, Angar, and Mádha stations represent rail-borne exports from the Mádha Taluka only all the grain exported from Vairag, which is the wholesale market for nearly half the Bársı Táluka, is booked from Mádha. The misapprehension is not, however, of great importance, as no definite deductions have followed from it
7. I quite agree with Mr. Young in his remarks, in paragraph 27, about the eagerness of the people to take up "forest" land for cultivation, and, as you are aware, I last year submitted proposals for the disforestment and putting up to auction of no less than 23,262 acres out of the 31,725 acres constituting forest in the Mádha Táluka.
8. I am confident that you will agree with me that the Mádha Táluka would properly be placed, as regards its general prosperity, below Sholapur and above Karmála I have just submitted the revision reports for both these talukas, and in those reports I have had occasion to comment on the unevenness which would be produced were the rates proposed by me for Sholápur and Karmála and those proposed by Mr Young for Mádha accepted (vide paragraph 76 of the Sholápur and paragraph 30 of the Karmála report). In both cases I have hinted at the desirability of a reduction of the proposed Mádha rates by two annas, which would bring about the necessary equality in assessment over the tract comprising the three talukas It is a striking and gratufyng conncidence that you should have, quite independently, proposed an identical reduction I feel sure that had Mr. Young's report been written this year instead of two years and a half ago, he would have suggested lower rates than he has done

9 The upshot of the whole matter 1s, therefore, that, like yourself, I would urge the retention of Mr. Young's proposed groups, but that the maximum dry-crop rates should be reduced to Rs. 1-4-0 for the first group and Rs. 1-2-0 for the second.
10. As regards patasthal, I have no modifications to propose, as Mr. Young has suggested permanent water rates in two villages only, and has assessed the water there, on the basis of a maximum rate of Rs. 8, at the comparatively low figures of Rs. 2-8-0 or less per acre I may, in this connexion, observe that a figure appears to have been inadvertently omitted between the words " and " and "excluding" in paragraph 38.

## I have the honour to be, Sir,

 Your most obedient Servant,H. L. PAINTER, Assistant Collector.

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## APPENDIX R.

No. 424 op 1871.
To
Tex SURVEY and SETTLEMENT COMMISSIONER.

> Sholápur Collector's Office,
> Camp Jehur, 13th February 1871.

Sir,
I have the honour to annex a letter from Mr. H. M Grant, Supernintendent of Survey, Poona and Nasik, No 40 of the 12th ultimo, with accompaniments.

2 The present proposals will, if carried out, have the effect of rassing the revenue assessment 75 per cent. This is a very large merease, and should have very caroful conasderation before it be finally adopted

3 You are aware that, by the Bombay Local Funds Act of 1869, every ryot is obliged to pay an addrtonal local cess of one anna for every rupee of revenue An increase of 75 per cent is therefore an merease of 75 rupees 75 annas per cent, or of Rs. 79-11
4. Another point deserves consmeration By the recent orders of the Government of Inda cultivators are not altogether exempted from Ineome Tax Persons whose total rental is equal to Rs 250, and whose nncome from all sources is equal to Rs 250 , are made hable to the Income Tax If the increasing of the revenue will have the effect of makng any person who was not before hable to pay the Income Tax to be now hable, this pount ought, I think, to be taken into consideration in determming the merease that is to be made.
5. Leutenant Wingate has, in his report made in 1839, well remarked upon the pecular position occupied by the State, as a landlord, and of the great care that should be taken that the pressare put apon tenants by the State should not be excessive.
6. If the State as landlord determine that a tenant can be justly deemed able to pay a certann proportion as rent, it is impolitio as well as unreasonable subsequently to place npon hm an additional burden under the name of Income Tax.
7. I am of opuion that the proper course for the State to adopt would be to allow a man holding a rental of Rs. 250 in land, and having an ancome from all sources equal to Rs 500 , to be taxed under the Income Tax Act for that income, but I thank that, by a special enactment, the portion of tax paid on acocunt of uncome derived from land on which rent has been pard by hm to Government, should be subsequently refunded to him.
8. If this be not done, the money so pard ought, at least as an act of simple justice, to be deducted from the land revenue to be realuzed from the same person in the following year
9. The State occupres two positions one as Government of the country, the other as landlord of the tenant. It is not right that while in both capacities it recerves the whole rent due from the land and the Income Tax due on the profit of the cuitivator, it should as landlord refuse in every instance to pay any portion of the Income Tax.

10 It has been remarked by Lientenant Wingate that in England, unless land be given on a very long lease, all the farm buildings and other permanent improvements are effected at the expense of the landlord Government escape all these expenses They ought, therefore, to take them into some consideration when determining the rent to be demanded.
11. On the other side, I must, however, draw attention to what has been sad in the 38th paragraph of Lieutenant Wingate's report in 1839. Lieutenant Wingate has remanked that the result of very high assessment will be to lower the price of grain, the reason being that the high assessment compels the ryots to sella large portion of therr gran at one tume, an order to pay their revenue. At the present time it is well known that in most parte of the Deccan the ryots store up their gram for long periods and can scarcely be anduced to sell it when a bad season comes. That the price of gram has increased, as it has done dunng the last few years all over the country, would seem to show how very low the assessment of the land revenue 18 in proportion to what it ought to be.
12. Mr Grant bas brought forward a very forable argument for an enbancement of the present aseessment in the fact of the greatly moreased facinties offered to the oultuvators by the Raulway for the transmission of their produce to distant markets

18 Considering the altered condition of the country since 1839, I thunk that a large enhancement of the assessment ehould be made, and that so large an increase as Res. 79-11 would be reasonable. I fear, however, that so large an ancrease so suddenly made might give
nise to some discontent The Sarvey Officers who, in their survey operations, have beea brought into constant communication with the cultivators, ought, however, to be the best judges of this

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T BOSANQUET,
Actng Collector.
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To
THE COLLECTOR OF SHOLAPOR
Camp Ohenchol, 12th January 1871.
SIr,
I have the honour to report the completion of the re-measurement and classification of the Madha Taluka, and to submit propasals for its re-assessment

2 This is the second district in which the original 30 years' survey lease has expired, and in this, as in the first district (Indspur), the settlement was made by Lieutenant (now Sir George) Wingate.
3. The measurement of this district was originally effected by Mr Pringle, and the work was not done over again, but only exammed and corrected by Leentenant Wingate's Reports Lieutenants Wingate and Davidson, and their measurements on the settlement of the Madha Talaka, paragraphan 14 and 15 only embraced the arable land, unarable waste being left unmeasured The boundary marks were not erected till some 8 or 10 years after the survey was made, end the village maps which were then constructed were merely rough kind of plans, showing the relative position of the vullage numbers to each other and nothing more, and are of no value in determining the actual position or boundaries of numbers as they were not drawn to scale It has consequently been found necessary to re-messure the whole district. Owing to the gieat difference in the areas of numbers caused by waste having been included, and to many changes in the old boundaries, the classification values also were found to be vitiated to such an extent as to render it more satisfactory and expeditious to re-elass the whole than to attempt to correct the original classification.

4 The Madha Taluka, as it now stands, does not nufortunately correspond witn the Madha Taluka of Lieutenant Wingate's time The present taluka

| $\begin{aligned} & -40 \text { Khalaa } \\ & 8 \text { Dumalla } \\ & +31 \text { Khaian. } \\ & 5 \text { Dumalla } \\ & 11 \text { Ehalea. } \\ & \hline 89 \end{aligned}$ | consusts of 42* villages of the old Madha Talu Mohol Táluka, and il villages of Karmála three tálukas being thas incladed un one, ren noconvenient to show any comparison between past state of the district The total area acce survey amounts to 390,322 acres, dustributed as |  |  |  |
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| Culturable | Uncaltarsble | Gurran. , | Inam | Total. |
| 830,947 | 22,565 | 11,350 | 16,480 | 890,389 |

b. The Madha Táluka is desonbed by Mr Fletcler as being of urregular shape, its greatest length, which as from north-east to south-west, measures about 40 mules, and in breadth it vaises from twenty-five to thirty miles in its northern portion to enghteen or twenty in the south. Its eastern boundary, roughly spenking, 18 formed by the niver Sima, though five villages on the east of this niver are included in the taluka The niver Bhima tonches the north-western corner of the district, and its western and southern sides adjoin the Pandbarpur and Sholespur Talukas.
6. The general appearance of the digtract is far from prepossessing, as it is merely a bare undulating plain, the tops of its undulations often covered with yellow stunted spear grass, the sure agn of a barren soll, and its monotony almost unreheved by trees. The water shed traverses the taluka in the direction of its greatest length, vis, from north-west to eouth-east, and its streams flow eastward unto the Sina, and south wand nuto the Bhima, which latter is at no point many mrles from the south western boundary ; none of these tributary mullas are of any suse or mportanse, owng to the low eleration at which they take therr rise and the short

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distance they bave to flow, and none of them, except the Bhend, which 18 the largest, manntain a running stream all through the year This nulla, which nises near Kem in the Karmála Taluks, empties itself into the Sina, little to the north of the village of Undargaon

7 That part of the valley of the Suna which lies in its eastern bank, and therefore is meluded in this talnka, is nowhere of any considerable breadth, while the district does not extend far enough towards the west, to molude any of the plann of the Bhima. It will be seen, therefore, that by far the larger portion of the district consists of comparatively high lying land, whose soll is gene ally shallow, though it vanes very much both in depth and quality, the villages along the bank of the Sina form the richest part of the district, and, as might be expected, are mostly of black soil of great depth and excellent quahty

8 The state of the district when the present settlement was introduced is forcibly described in Lieutenants Wingate and Davidson's reports, copies of which are annexed

9 When the present settlement was introduced, the distinct was supposed to be sufferng from the evils of ovel-assessment, and the present rates were fixed with a view to afford substantial reiref, the reduction in the revenue caused by them amounted to Rs 25,000

10 A lecent article in the Indzan Economist aitributes the terrible depression which malked the agriculture of the countiy-some 30 or 40 years back, not to over-assessment, to which the Revenue Officers of the day ascribed 1 t, but to the contraction of the currency of the country (under the exaction of forelgn rule) and the continuous fall in the price of produce that resulted from it

11 Whatever may have been the real cause of the depression which 18 admitted to have esisted then, the only remedy which lay in the hands of the Revenue Officers was to reduce the assessment, which, under the then existing crreumstances, was higher than the people could pay This was accordngly done, and the very low rates fixed bave continued in force till now But a few years after the introduction of these rates the real cause of depression, according to the I conomist, was removed by the influx of bulhon into the country, consequent on the discovery of the gold-fields of Calforma in 1847, followed almost ummedistely by those of Australa "The gold-fields," says the Economist, "set the mdustry of the world in motion It was discovered in the Crimean war that India could grow oul-seeds as" well as Russia, and the moment that a stream of sulver in payment of these new exports was drected upon the thirsty land, the ryot's emancrpation came. We heard no more complants of over-assessment or outstanding balances"

12 The correctness of this view is apparently borne out by the returns of cultivation and price of produce n this district for the last 30 years For the first 10 years after the introductron of the survey, the average assessment on waste land was Re 8,461 , and the total remissions were Rs 2,344 . During the second decennal period the amount of waste land remained the Eame, but the improved condition of the courtry is evidenced by the decrease in remissions, the avelage of which is only Rs 525 For the last 10 years the average amount of assessment on waste land was only Rs. 750, while the average remisions are ml.

13 It appears then that reduced rates of assessment have continued in force long after the cause which led to then introduction bas ceased to exist, and I cannot but think from my own observations of the state of agriculture in the district, that the lightness of the assessmenr, so far from being beneficul, has been a bar to improvement durng the last 8 or 10 years.
14. That an unduly low assessment is prejudicial to agncultural industry of a district is pioved by McCulloch, who thus writes on this subject. "It is difficult to say whether the over or under-renting of land be most mjurious. If a farm be too hugh-rented, that is, if no exertion of skall or reasonable outlay on the part of the tenant will enable him to pay his rent and obtain a fair return for his trouble, be gets dispirited. The farm is in consequence ill-managed, scourging crops are resorted to, and ultimately $1 t$ is thrown on the landlord's hands in an impoverished and deteriorated condition But the disavantages attending the under-renting of land are hardly less obvious To make farmers leave those routine practices to which they are very strongly attached and become really industrions and enterprising, they must not only have the power of rising fa the world, but their rent must be such as to impress them with a conviction that if they do not exert themselves their roun will assuredly follow Estates that are under-rented are, unformly almost, farmed in an inferior style compared with those that are let at their fair value, and the tenants are not generally in good circumstances."

15 On this subject Mr Fletcher, who conducted the classification of this district, and has had an oppnrtunty of seeng the state of every village, thus writes "The cultuwation of dry-crop land is very lax and careless, though not perhaps more so than is usual in this part of the Deccan The land as never ploughed more than once in 3 or 4 years, and little or no attention is paid to any order of rotation in the raising of different crops I beheve it would be a mistake to suppose that this slovenly agriculture is the resalt of the ryots holdng more land than they bave oxen and means to cultivate efficiently The proportion of land to cattle is about $11 \frac{1}{2}$ acres to every ox. In the Nariad Taluka of Gozerat, which may per haps be taken as the Indian ideal of a highly cultivated district, the
proportion is one ox to 9 acres of land But considering the rich deep soll, extensive urrigation, and expensive crops rased in the latter tálaks, there is' no doubt thąt a very much smaller proportion would suffice for the efficient cultivation of light soll and common crops such as prevaul in Mádha The slovenly system of agriculture now practised in the latter district cannot then be attributed to the poverty of the royts at the present tume, though it was probably induced by this cause. The present assessment, designedly a light one, when introduced some 30 years ago, has by the rise in prices since that time been practically reduced some 75 per cent. with regard to the proportion it then bore to the produce of the soll. The ryots on the introduction of the survey, encouraged by the favourable terms of the settlement offered them, took up far more land than they then had means to caltavate, and the slovenly agriculture, which naturally resulted, has long sarvived the poverty which was formerly its exense. When the demand for cotton doubled or trebled the value of his prodace, the ryot found that his fields almost untilled produced sufficient fur his wants, and has charactersisically rested content ever sunce. The considerable increase, which I presame the present revision will impose, may be expected therefore to give a beneficial impulse to agnicultare."
16. As an indication that an idependent and enterprisung spirit is not altogether wanting, however, Mr. Fletcher instances the case of the village of Kurul called "Malhacha," from its pre-eminence as a garden village in former days. Here nune new wells only have been added to the original tharty-nine, owing to the poorness of the soil, which would not repay any outlay of capital in well-sinking, bat failing this mode of employing ther capital, it is interesting to observe that the mhabitants have invested in carts and ply for hare between Sholapur and Sátara, the road between which places passes through their villago. There are nearly 80 carts belonging to this village, and no less than three workshops in the village itself for their manufacture and repars The villages on the Bársi road also have taken largely to the cairying trade, and indeed seem to depend on it for their living almost as rauch as on their land. In Mhasgaon on this road there are 94 carts The rates of hire from Barsi to the Barsi Road Station, a distance of about 21 miles, vary according to demand from Rs 1-4 to Rs. 3.
17. The statistical information collected durng the recent sarvey affords nnmistakeable testimony to the improvement in the state of the district According to a statement propared from the Mémlatdar's records, it appears that there were at the thme of settloment 1,282 wells, of whioh 190 were out of repare and useless, 98 of these have subsequently been reparred and pat in working order, and 861 new wells have been constracted. The following tabular statement shows these results more clearly -

| Total number of wells in, 1839-40 | Dednct wells ont of repar | Bemaining in working arder | Old wella <br> subsequently repared. | New wells subeequently constracted. | Total present number of wells in working order |
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| 1,292 | 190 | 1,092 | 98 | 861 | \| 2,051 |

As in Indapar, keeping pace with the growth of capital, these improvements have been gradually increasing during the first 10 years after the settlement, 57 new wells only were constructed, during the next 10 years 214, and in the last decennial period 590 Assuming, as has been done in the Indapur Report, that aach of these new wells represents an outlay of Rs 400 , and each old well repared a sum of Rss 150 to 175 , we find that capital amounting to more than three and a half lákhs of rupees has boen expended on wells alone

18 The cultivators of the district have also contributed over seven thousand rapees towards the construction of new chowris and dharamshalas, as shown in the following statement of buildinge of this description recently constructed -


19 The extent to which the floating capital of the distnct has been mereased dunng the past thirty years' lease may be learnt from a statement appended, which shows for each Fillage the result of two different census of inhabitants, cattle, agncultural implements, carts, Sa., taken in 1839-40 and 1868-69, respectivelg, and of which the following is an abstract - -

| Desernption. | Numerical Return acoonding to Census taken in |  | Increase in favour of 186869. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 188940. | 1868-69. | Namerical | Percentagar |
| , |  |  |  |  |
| Inhabitants . . . | 64,195 | 80,676 | 16,481 | 26 |
| Bullocks employed in farming | 24,793 | 28,490 | 3,697 | 15 |
| Cattle of other descriptions . | 66,345 | 59,193 | 7,152 | 11 decrease |
| Carts | 435 | 1,323 | 888 | 204 |
| Ploughs... . ... | 1,758 | 2,423 | 665 | 38 |

From the above it will be seen that the numerical difference in the population 18 16,481, which is equivalent to an merease of rather less than 26 per cent only. This is a very small merease, and is even less than in the adjoining dastrict of Indapur, where the population was found to have nereased 31 per cent The number of soals to the square mile, however, 18 greater than m Indápur, theie beng 146 souls to every equare mile of culturable ares in this district, against 118 in Indápur.
20. There is an addition of 15 per cent only to the number of cattle used for agricultural purposes, which, consider.ng the large expansion of cultivation which has taken place, is less than might have been expected, and this paucity of cattle is donbtless, in some measure, the reason of the slovenly and lax system of cultivation noticed in paragraph 12
21. Compared with the return of carts in 1839-40, our present return shows an increase of 888 carts, the total number now in the district being 1,523 .
22. The present condition of the cultivators of this district 18 happily a complete contrast to what it was when the present settlement was introduced, the whole district is in a state of prosperity, the waste land amounts to only $\frac{1}{50}$ of the whole culturable area and the cultivators are nearly all well off and independent, while for many years there has not been a angle rupee of outstanding revenue

23 With regard to the value of land 30 years ago, Lientenant Wingate states (para 24) " Were instances to be found of the better descriptions of Jirayet land bearing some value in the market, were they at all saleable or could loans of however trifling amount be rased apon thenr secunty, we should have, I apprehend, satisfactory proof of the assessment on such lands not being oppressive And, I think, we are entitled to expect some instances of the kund, as the practice of mortgaging land obtanns in many parts of India, and even here is very common in the cases of Bágayet and Inam lands, serveral nnstances of which, obtauned from original deeds, are given in my Appendix B After considerable inquiry, however, I have been unable to find a single recent case of a price being given for the privilege of occupying Government Jirayet land, the absence of such contracte among the cultivatore would seem to afford negative evidence of the oppressive nature of the present assessment, or at least of itt absorbing the whole natural rent of the land"
24. As a contrast to the above, I may mention the following cases which came under my notice while I was at Madha last season. In the village of Madha itself, 18 acres of land, assessed at Rs 18 and contanning two wells, one paka and one half-bult, sold last year for Rs 1,000 . Two Jurayet numbers contaiung 3 acres 21 guntas, assessed at Rs. 1-12, sold for Rs 30 in the same village. In the village of Derphal a number of 4 acres, assessed at Rs. 3, sold last year for $\operatorname{Rs} 30$. Mr Fletcher mentions a case where a number of 23 acres, assessed at Rs 10, in the village of Padsâl, was bought by the village Wám for Rs 350 and such a bargain was it considered, and so anxious were the villagers to get possession of the field, that some Kunbis clubbed together and offered hum Rs 2,000 tor the field which be refused to take, a well has been built in this number within the last 10 or 12 years The Wan let out this field for one year for Rs 125, he, the Wann, paying the assessment of Rs. 10 , and the cultivator bearing all expenses of cultivaton seed, \&e
25. Some unstances of money rased on the secunty of land are given in a statement appended. These facts speak for themselves, and need no comment from me To show the lightness of the present assessment, I may notice a case which I remarked when testing the village of Bhosra with Mr Fletcher. The owner of a number contanning 27 acres plarted with cotton, sold his crop to a sowkar in advance for Rs 100 The assessment on this number is R g 15, and the village Kulkarns intormed me that though the ciop of cotton was sold last year for Ris 100 in advance (on which the sowkar would be a considerable loser as the crop enturely fanled), sometımes the crop from the teld realized as much as Rs, 200.

26 Great changes have taken place in the fachities for internal commumication ance the last settlement The district has been opened up by the line of Rallway passing through and along ats northern border and has three stations witho its lumits, via, Mohol, Madha, and

Bársi Road, the Sholápur, Pandharpur, and Sátara road passes through the south of the dsstrict, and the old Sholapur and Poona road throngh ites centre In addition to these, there is a cross road from Barsi to the Bársi Road Station, which is contınued to Temburn. In fact, the district is so thoroughly accessible in every part, that, in point of communcation, nearly all the villages are equally favourably situated, except, perhaps, 4 or 5 in the extreme west of the Taluka wheh, though not far fiom the Poons and Sholapur road, are nevertheles somewhat inaccessible, owing to the rough and hilly nature of the country about there.

27 In respect of markets also, this distnct is particularly well suppled, with a few exceptions on the north-west corner, no village is more than 4 or 5 miles from one or other of them, they are, however, mostly small and unimportant This is to bo attributed to the vicinity of the several large markets of Sholápur, Bársi, Kurkumb, and 'Temburni, where better prices being generally obtainable, the principal part of the produce of the district finds it way There are markets in the villages noted in the margin, and the markets of Kurkumb and


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Mohol. 9 Patitral. that Madhar 18 said to have been the principal of these tull the establishment of a Muncipality there The tolls levied by that body have had the effect of reducing the market to a fourth of its original size and umportance, and according to the statements of the people themselves, the chuef purchasers there now on market days are unhabiants of the town atself. At present Mohol 18 the market most largely attended, but there 35 a most useful and promising market at the Barsi Road Station, which is yearly mocreasmg in size and amportance A small number of Wanis have established themselves here, attracted by the faoilhties afforded for the puichase of cotton, which arrives in large quantities from Barsi and the Nizam's Dominions These Wáns have built a large dharamsála for theur caste people, who come here for the purpose of trade, and goods brought here meet with a ready sale, though there as no partucular day of the week fixed as market day
28. The only manufacture of any umportance carred on in this Taluka is that of weaving. There are weavers in about 20 villages, the prnneıpal of which are Narkhed, Barlon, Pátigal and Bembleh Both cotton cloth and woollen blankets are made; but they are of inferior quality, and do not seem to be in more than local demand
29. The rates applied to this district by Leutenant, Wengate were for Mohol an advance of 10 per cent. on the Ind.apur rates, and for Mádba an advance of 5 per cent, these, taking the Indapur rates to have been 12 annas, give 13 annas $2 \geq$ pres about as the maximum rate for Luent Wingate's report, paras
26 and 27. Mohol, and 12 annas 73 ples the maximum rate for Madha.
Government letter No. 8779 of 30 The above rates were sanctioned by Government in
1838, to the Revenue Commas- the followng terms -
noner, para. 18
"The rates for Mohol are proposed at 10 per cent., and those for Madha at 5 per cent in advance of those of Indápur. These rates, as has already been intimated to you, are sanctioned, as all parties concur in recommending them, and the reasons upon which they are founded seem good and safficient The Governor in Council relies greatly in his decision on this point on the practised experience of the Survey Officers, and he trusts that these rates are sufficientily safe for the people and sufficiently low to bring them back, or perhaps more correctly to establush them in a state of fair promise of prosperity"
31 When the present rates were fixed, Mohol was assessed at 10 per cent. higher than Indápur, and Mádha at 5 per cent higher, the reasons for keeping the Mádha rates 5 por cent lower than Mohol are given in Leeutenant Wingate's 26th and 27th paragraphs, and one of the princupal ones appears to have been the difference in the price of grain in Mohol and Madha,fufference which, Lueuteanat Wungate in his 16th paragraph antioppates, the abolition of the transit rates, amprovements in the means of transport, and merease of enterprise among the people, would tend to remove Thas has actually taken place, there beang now no materal difference in prices at Mohol and Madha. From the appended statement of the price of grain for the last 30 years, it wall be seen that for the first ten years after the untroduction of the survey, the average price of Jowari is $3 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent lower in Madha than in Mohol, for the next ten years it is 6 per cent lower, but for the last tan years the average difference 18 little more than one-half per cent There has been even less difference in the price of Bajun, the comparative rates for this grain being as under : for the first ten years 2 per cent hugher at Mádha thaz in Mohol, for the sesond ten years 3 it per cent lower at Mádha, and for the last ten years $2 \ddagger$ lower at Mádhs than Mohol The district moreover has been so opened up by the Railway and by the vanous roads which traverse it in all dreections, that I do not consider that any apreciable dufference remains in the capabilities of the parts of the two disurcts of Mohol and Madha now under revision, and consequently I see no reason to keep up the diffirence in their respective rates.

32. I therefore propose a general rate of Rs 1-2 for the whole district, and a special rate of Rs, 1-4 for the 15 villages margmally noted, in consaderation of the adrantages resultung from therr situation with regard to the Raviway stations of Mokol, Madha and Barsa Road (Kurdu)

33 The effect of these rates will be seen from the accompanying contrasted statement, which shows the amount of past payments and new assessment according to proposed rates for 77 * - Seven of these do not fall in villages in which the settlement is now to be introduced There till 1871-72. are five villages settled in 1856-57 and 1857-58 regardang which there is some doubt whether their survey lease was guaranteed for 30 years, or expires with the rest of the taluka, unquiry is being made on this point, and these villages will be settled accordingly For the present I shall confine my remarks to the 77 villages of which the 30 years' lease has or will immediately expure.
34. The proposed rates show an increase of Rs 77,469 over last year's collections, according to the following abstract -

|  | Culcivated Land | Waste Land | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Asseasment according to proposed rates... | 1,77,933 | 115 | 1,78,048 |
| Do. do. present do. .. | 1,00,531 | 48 | 1,00,579 |
|  | 77,402 | 67 | 77,469 |

This is an merease of 77 per cent. on the present assessment With this large addition however the average rate per acre is only 9 annas 4 pies,
35. No extra assessment has been placed upon well garden lands, the maxmmum rate for which is the same as for first class dry-crop lands Great care has been taken in the classification to prevent the lower and least productive solls being too highly classed, and I feel confident that in spite of the large merease over present revenue, the proposed rates will be found generally suitable to the district

36 I may here remark that the necessity for re-measurement in early settled distrcits? where, as in the present case, the waste lands were not surveyed when the present rates were introduced, is proved by the result of re-measurement of this taluka. The ares of land actually under cultivation is now found to be 35,600 acres in excess of what has hitherto paid revenue, in other words, there has been so much concealed cultivation, the assessment on this land alone at the average rate for the whole taluka amounts to -

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35,600 \times 9-4=20,766
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37. I have the honour to request you to be good enough to forward this Report, together with any remarks you may wish to make, to the Sarvey and Settlement Commissioner, N. D

38 I should explain that this Report was prepared in November last, and a copy furnished to the Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D, but owing to some alterations in the Statistical Returns, and some slight modifications suggested by the Survey Commissioner in the original grouping of villages, I have re-cast the Report, and the ratea now proposed are those approved by the Survey Commussioner, N D

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and Assessment, Poons and Násk.

Statement guvng the Parkculars of several recent Sales and Martgages of Khalea Lamds in the Madha Talukd.

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| $\begin{array}{cc} \text { A. } & 8 . \\ 45 & 8 \end{array}$ | $\text { A. } 80$ | Ra. a. p <br> 1300 | The whole. | $\begin{array}{lll} \text { Re } & 1 & p \\ 200 & 0 & 0 \end{array}$ | Soxd. Two Gatrulh Numbers and a smath house in the village. There 1 a a well $x$ on one of the numbers. Date of doed $4 . \mathrm{D} .1869$ |
| 385 | 00 | 800 | Do. | 1500 | The lender is to hold this number for 5 yeara, the owner paying the assessment. In case of the lender having to pay the esspess ment for any year, he is to hold the land another year after theexpury of the original $5 \cdot$ yeere, for every year's saseasment pasd. The debt bears no interest. Date of Deed 4.D. 1868. |
| 3488 | 00 | 1700 | One-half. | 40000 | Solb, The right of ownership min half a Sarvey Number and half * well on which nce assesument has hitherto been levied. Date of Deed $4+D 1868$ |
| $15 \quad 27$ | 00 | 800 | Two thirde. | 2000 | Mobrgagad The lendar is to hold the land, paying the aesestment for 11 yeara, at the end of which time the debt is to be considered discharged. The debt bears no interest. There is s well (antaxed) in the number, of which the lender is to have the nese, and in case of has making reparis to the well or "Tal" the amount bo expended is to be repaid with intereat at tife rate of 2 per cent per annum. Date of Deed A.D. 1868. |
| 2388 | 00 | 1780 | The whole. | 1000 | Sowd. |
| 415 | 00 | 1300 | Do | $80 \quad 00$ | Sow ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |
| 8914 | 00 | 8130 | Do. | 2500 | Mormagan. The lender in to calturate the land and take a "batia " of if for first year and for for next two years, the ommer peymg the aseesament, st the expiration of three years, the debt to be pard off with mierest at i i per cent |
| 1838 | 00 | 700 | Da. | 5000 | Sold by order of Civil Court. Particulara not forthcomigg |
| 834 | 00 | 980 | Ono-halis, | 2750 | Do. do, |
| 2938 | 00 | 500 | The whole. | 7500 | Do. do. |
| 2121 | 030 | - 10 | Do. | 4000 | Morracagd Thé lander 2 a to hota the garden and have the uie of trees doo, for 5 yencs, when the debt is to be ropad with interest at 1 per cent. In the event of prnoupal and ruterast not being paid an 5 years, the londer is to contunue to hold the land tull pait. Govermment ansesmenent to be pand by lender and he ue to have nee of $t$ of the water of the well. Date of Deed A D, 1868. |
| 9 121 | 080 | \$ 10 | Do. | 1000 | Somp |
| 8980 | 30 | 3000 | Do. | 40000 | The lender is to recerve a " batii" of to of the whole produce, the owner, oultivating the land, payiug the Government asoosament, and keapung boundary marks in repar When the owner pavs the money he is to repay tit at the end of a year. Date of Deed A.D. 1868 . |
| * 14 | 210 | 3580 | Do. | 45000 | yrobroagrd. The lender is to hold the land and pay the menesoment untal ouch ture the original dobt shall be ropaid. The debt bears no interesth Date of Deed A.D. 1868 |
| 498 | 00 | 1200 | Da, | 1000 | Somb |
| 13 88 | 8 | $\begin{array}{ll} 4 & 0 \\ 9 & 12 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { One-sixth } \\ \mathrm{Da}_{0} \end{gathered}$ | $\} 35000$ | The lender is to pay the comomment on the 6ith ahare of 18 acros, bat the owner pays assesament for the it sharo of 2 acres 28 gts The lender to hold the land for 5 yearn, when the debt 18 vo bo repard ; if not then paid, compround untereat et rate of 3 puea per rupee por mensem to be charged. Whenover the monoy to paud oflit it in to be paid at the and of yeer. Date of Deed A.D. 1868. |

(Signed) H. M. GRANT,
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Statement showing the Average yearly price of qrarn at Mohol and Mádha for 30 years, in Seers.

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|  |  | Jowarn | Bajgh | Jowan | Bajur |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1839-40 \\ & 1840-41 \end{aligned}$ | .. | 7884 | 7278 | 9184 | 7083 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1841-42 | * | 10872 | 96 | 102 | 68 | Average 10 years' price of Jowart is $3 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. lower ${ }^{2 t}$ Mádha than Mohol Bajri 2 per cent. higher at Mádha than Mohol |
| 1842-43 | $\cdots$ |  | 60 | 70 | 6349 |  |
| 1843-44 | ... | 72 54 |  | 56 |  |  |
| 1844-45 | ... | 15 | 14 | 21 | 17 |  |
| 1845-46 | . | 47 | 36 | 49 | 35 26 |  |
| 1847-48 | ... | 30 | 30 | 31 | 28 |  |
| 1848-49 | ... | 47 | 36 | 49 | 35 |  |
|  | Average | 57 | 49 | 59 | 48 |  |
| 1849-50 | .. | 47 | 42 |  | 42 |  |
| 1850-51 | ... | 54 | 36 |  | 35 |  |
| 1851-52 | ... | 47 | 36 | 56 | 45 | Average 10 years' price of Jowári 6 per cent lower at Mádha than Mohol. Bájr1 2krd per cent lower at Mádha than Mohol. |
| 1852-53 | . |  |  | 42 |  |  |
| 1853-54 | ... | 36 | 24 | 35 | 26 |  |
| 1854-55 | $\cdots$ | 16 | 15 | 17 | 16 |  |
| 1856-57 | ... | 23 | 27 | 24 | 17 |  |
| 1857-58 | ... | 31 | ${ }_{24}^{17}$ | 35 | 23 |  |
| 1858-59 | $\ldots$ | $\begin{aligned} & 27 \\ & 17 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 26 \\ & 19 \end{aligned}$ | 19 |  |
| Avearge |  | 34 | 27 | 36 | 28 |  |
| $1859-60$ |  | 46 | 38 | $\begin{aligned} & 45 \\ & 30 \end{aligned}$ | $38$ | Average 10 years' price of Jowari 67 per cent. lower at Mádha than Mohol <br> Bajn 21 per cent lower at Madha than Mohol. |
| 1860-61 | ... | 30 | 3621 |  |  |  |
| 1861-62 | ... | 24 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 30 \\ & 26 \end{aligned}$ | 23 |  |
| 1862-63 | - | 22 | 18 | 23 | 19 |  |
| $1863-64$ $1864-65$ | $\cdot$ | 15 | 12 | 16 19 | 14 |  |
| 1865-66 | ... | 24 | 19 | 26 | 21 |  |
| 1866-67 |  | 23 | 19 | 24 | 21 |  |
|  |  | 24 | 21 | 24 | 21 |  |
|  | ... | 31 | 28 | 26 | 23 |  |
|  | Average | 257 | $21 \frac{1}{2}$ | 25.9 | 22 |  |

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| No. | Names of Villages, | Houses, | Inhabitatis |  |  |  |  |  |  | Cattle |  |  |  |  |  |  | Carts | Ploughs | Remarits |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Malet |  |  | Femalay |  |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Total } \\ \text { Columnt } \\ 6 \text { and } 9 . \end{array}\right\|$ | Bullocks and Male Buffaloes |  | Cows andCalven. | the Buf faloes and therr young ones |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sheep } \\ & \text { and } \\ & \text { Goats } \end{aligned}$ | Total |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Below } \\ 15 \text { yeara } \\ \text { veld } \end{gathered}$ | Above <br> 16 years old | Total | $\begin{gathered} \text { Below } \\ 15 \text { pears } \\ \text { old. } \end{gathered}$ | Married | Total. |  | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Kept for } \\ \text { agrical } \\ \text { taral } \\ \text { purposes } \end{array}\right\|$ | Kept for other purposes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 1 | Tadwal | 13 100 | 11 117 | 14 184 | 25 301 | $\begin{array}{r}4 \\ 45 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ | 17 180 | 21 225 | 46 526 | 32 277 | ${ }^{\prime} 8$ | 27 111 | 3 45 | 33 5 | 85 | 190 | 38 | 12 | The blaok figurea show the numbers according turns in insse-40 |
| 2 | Blogra . . ... $\{$ | 149 | 145 | 277 | 422 | 88 | 315 | 403 | 825 | 287 | - | 367 | 85 | 11 | 181 | 931 | 7 | 21 |  |
|  |  | 201 | 184 | 361 | 545 | 147 | 875 | 522 | 1,067 | 269 | 24 | 194 | 38 | 19 | 487 | 1,031 | 19 | 22 |  |
| 8 | Nımbgaon - . | 19 | 15 | 40 | 55 | 14 | 34 | 48 | 103 | 51 |  | 44 | 20 | 5 | 243 | 363 | 1 | 4 |  |
|  |  | 51 | 48 | 78 | 126 | 92 | 68 | 100 | 226 | 101 | 12 | 58 | 16 | 8 | 183 | 383 | 11 | 7 |  |
| 4 | Mahadpur | 75 | 81 | 142 | 223 | 55 | 136 | 191 | 414 | 164 |  | 148 | 33 | " | 14 | 359 | 5 | 12 |  |
|  |  | 128 | 186 | 192 | 328 | 103 | 204 | 307 | 685 | 251 | 8 | 194 | 41 | 10 | 93 | 597 | 10 | 6 |  |
| 5 | Darpal | 175 | 135 | 276 | 411 | 122 | 283 | 405 | 816 | 352 | - | 334 | 140 | 20 | 339 | 1,185 | 8 | 32 |  |
|  |  | 235 | 211 | 319 | 530 | 188 | 836 | 524 | 1,054 | 416 | 29 | 289 | 149 | 12 | 335 | 1,173 | 10 | 12 |  |
| 6 | Undırgion • $\boldsymbol{T}$ | 93 | 174 | 182 | 356 | 83 | 108 | 191 | 547 | 181 |  | 293 | 29 | 4 | 438 | 945 | 11 | 19 |  |
|  |  | 808 | 228 | 301 | 529 | 140 | 390 | 470 | 999 | 448 | 35 | 278 | 107 | 22 | 729 | 1,619 | 82 | 4 |  |
| 7 | Anjanguon | 243 | 245 | 431 | 676 | 150 | 458 | 608 | 1,284 | 437 |  | 397 | 173 | 21 | 1,203 | 2,231 | 3 | 48 |  |
|  |  | 280 | 230 | 489 | 719 | 194 | 503 | 697 | 1,416 | 490 | 25 | 289 | 77 | 21 | 1,363 | 2,265 | 28 | 32 |  |
| 8 | Uplat Khard . . | 185 | 205 | 360 | 565 | 150 | 371 | 521 | 1,086 | 374 | - | 504 | 128 | 19 | 541 | 1,566 | 10 | 30 |  |
|  |  | 488 | 339 | 674 | 1,018 | 280 | 692 | 972 | 1,985 | 698 | 87 | 850 | 125 | 27 | 1,516 | 2,778 | 42 | 50 |  |
| 9 | Mdilia | 879 | 800 | 1,655 | 2455 | 547 | 1.713 | 2.260 | 4,715 | 1,193 |  | 1,005 | 439 | 99 | 594 | 3,330 | 19 | 43 |  |
|  |  | 1,089 | 1,006 | 1,409 | 2,415 | 627 | 1,551 | 2,178 | 4,598 | 909 | 76 | 469 | 275 | 93 | 409 | 2,225 | 69 | 31 |  |
| 10 | Cbinchoh | 49 | 56 | 135 | 191 | 37 | 159 | 196 | 387 | 160 |  | 168 | 33 | 4 | 248 | 607 | 5 | 5 |  |
|  |  | 176 | 194 | 272 | 464 | 152 | 274 | ${ }_{428}{ }^{\circ}$ | 690 | 259 | 13 | 129 | 54 | -12 | 243 | 810 | 12 | 15 |  |
| 11 |  | 189 | 19 | 324 | 515 | 124 | 358 | 482 | 997 | -412 |  | 455 | 120 | 22 | 954 | 1,963 | 6 | 14 |  |
|  | Bawl * • | 288 | 220 | 424 | 662 | 221 | 105 | 626 | 1,288 |  | 21 | 265 | 84 | 23 | 505 | 1,341 | 20 | 26 |  |



Contrasted Statement of the Number of Houses, Inhabitants, Cattle, \&o., an Táluka Máadia of the Sholapur Collectorate, accordıng to two Census taken respectevely in 1839-40 and 1868-69-continued

| No | Namen of Villagea | Houses | Ingabitante |  |  |  |  |  |  | Catrier |  |  |  |  |  |  | Carts | Plougha | IRyariga |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Malest |  |  | Femalet. |  |  | Total of Oolumne 6 and 9 . | Ballocks and Mele Buffaloes. |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Cown } \\ \text { and } \\ \text { Calve } \end{gathered}$ | SheBuffaioes audthenryoungonet |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sheop } \\ & \text { and } \\ & \text { Goate } \end{aligned}$ | Total |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | $\|$Below <br> 15 <br> years <br> old. Above <br> Ab <br> y years <br> old  |  | Total. | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Below } \\ 15 \text { years } \\ \text { old } \end{array}\right\|$ | Marred | Total. |  | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Kept for } \\ \text { agrical } \\ \text { tural } \\ \text { pur } \\ \text { poues. } \end{array}$ | Kept for other pur poses |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 18 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 28 | Bhainj . - \% | 24 81 | 16 31 | 31 43 | 47 74 | 11 +29 | 29 45 | 40 74 | 87 148 | 50 71 | 8 | 67 83 | 7 17 | 7 | 169 219 | 300 357 |  | 5 8 | The black figures bhow tho nambers necording to to turns in in $130-40$ |
| 29 | Brtal ... .. -.. $\{$ | 135 | 113 | 234 | 3471 | 80 | 240 | 320 | 667 | 278 |  | 174 | 68 | 15 | 794 | 1,328 | 6 | 23 |  |
|  |  | 171 | 167 | 246 | 413 | 122 | 266 | 388 | 801 | 385 | 19 | 274 | 47 | 27 | 676 | 1,378 | 4 | 14 |  |
| 80 | Kharkatua -* $\quad$ - $\}$ | 9 | 13 | 9 | 22 | $\cdots$ | ${ }^{\text {• }} 3$ | 20 | 42 | 80 | - | 12 | 2 |  | " <br> 80 | 884 |  |  |  |
| 81 | Gbátna | 32 | 25 | 58 | 83 | 36 | 46 | 82 | 165 | 65 |  | 60 | 10 | 3 | 99 | 237 | $\cdots$ | 5 |  |
|  |  | 50 | 81 | 59 | 80 | 25 | 64 | 89 | 179 | 99 | 12 | 88 | 16 | 1 | 60 | 216 | 8 | 16 |  |
| 82 | Kolgron | 55 | 47 | 98 | 143 | 43 | 89 | 132 | 275 | 94 | -* | 375 | 36 | 61 | 503 | 1,069 |  | - 8 |  |
|  |  | 58 | 98 | 124 | 217 | 95 | 128 | 223 | 440 | 194 | 8 | 108 | 24. | 4 | 285 | 578 | 19 | 14 |  |
| 88 | Rámhlagni | 10 | 6 | 21 | 27 | 9 | 16 | 25 | 52 | 23 | - | 17 |  | 3 | 162 | 205 |  | ..' |  |
|  |  | 45. | 19 | 68 | 82 | 11 | 52 | 68 | 145 | 67 | 8 | 64 | 18 | 1 | 133 | 286 | B | 8 |  |
| 84 | Malurpet | 39 | 38 | 57 | 25 | 24 | 56 | 80 | 175 | 69 |  | 89 | 10 | 3 | 131 | 292 |  | 3 |  |
|  |  | 60 | 17 | 188 | 205 | 19 | 180 | 199 | 404 | 126 | 4 | 05 | 24 | 5 | 750 | 1,004 | 1 |  |  |
| 85 | Mundhewtn | 14 | 7 | 10 | 26 | 3 | 19 | 22 | 48 | 20 |  | 15 | 13 |  |  | 48 |  | 1 |  |
|  |  | 83 | 50 | 68 | 118 | 39 | 64 | 103 | 221 | 101 | 5 | 61. | 17 | 2 | 128 | 814 | 6 | 10 |  |
| 86 | $\begin{array}{ccc} \text { Nandgeon } & . . . & \\ & \end{array}$ | 51 | 37 | 76 | 113 | 28 | 80 | 108 | 281 | 82 |  | 83 | 41 | 3 | 75 | 284 | - | 9 |  |
|  |  | 55 | 55 | 92 | 147 | 45 | 80 | 125 | 278 | 110 | 8 | 69 | 17 | 6 | 189 | 889 | 3 | 9 |  |
| 87 |  | 69 | 49 | 109 | 158 | 64 | 115 | 169 | 327 | 124 | - | 171 | 28 | 9 | 40 | 372 | 1 | 8 | , |
|  |  | 88 | - 49 | 128 | 177 | 42 | 132 | 174 | 351 | 167 | 6 | 75 | 24 | 8 | 174 | 454 | 5 | 15 |  |
| 88 |  | 388 | 229 | 785 | 1,024 | 816 | 689 | , 905 | 1,929 | 675 |  | 766 | - 226 | 52 | 410 | 2,129 | 2 | 59 |  |
|  | Kural ... .-. | 550 | 641 | 834 | 1,975 | 371 | 828 | 1,194 |  |  |  |  |  | 55 | 473 | 2,264 | 79 | 100 |  |



Contrasted Statement of the Number of Houses, Inhabitants, Cattle, Ite, in Taluka Mádha of the Sholapu' Collectosate, accon ding to two Densus taken respectuvely in 1839-40 and 1868-69-comtinued.


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STATISTICAL.Table IV.-Details of Cultıation in AD 1863-70.

| - D.structo | Surveyed Villages. | Crops. |  | Percentages of Total Cultivanon |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 8 |  | 4 |
| Madha... | 88 | Kharef |  |  |
|  |  | Bájn - ... | ... | 188 |
|  |  | Rice | ... | $1 \cdot 1$ |
|  |  | Tobacco ... | .. | 5 |
|  |  | Sugarcane ... ... |  | -6 |
|  |  | Mutkı .. ... |  | 16 |
|  |  | Ealthi | ** | $\cdot 5$ |
|  |  |  |  | 231 |
|  |  | Rabr |  |  |
|  |  | Jowári .. | .. | 547 |
|  |  | Wheat ... ... | - | 1.1 |
|  |  | Gram ... | ... | 1.6 |
|  |  | Cotton ... ... | ... | 94 |
|  |  | Lunseed• | ... | -5 |
|  |  | Miscellaneous | ... | -8 |
|  |  | Culturable land left fallow | ... | 16 |
| - |  |  |  | 769 |
|  | U | Total .. |  | 100 |

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STATISTICAL Table V1.-Oectepations of the Populatoon.


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STATISTICAL Table TII－Retuin of Houses，Wells，de，and of Live and Dead Stock．

| Dlatrict | Buryeypd Fillages， | Houses | WaLza， |  |  |  | CARTG AKD <br> P\％ovars |  | Inyz Sxack |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | 登 |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { 惑 } \end{gathered}$ | 菖 |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 罟 } \end{aligned}$ | 或 总 豆 | 宮 | $\begin{gathered} \text { 溤 } \\ \text { 雷 } \end{gathered}$ | \％ \％ ¢ |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 10 | 21 | 12 | 18 | 14 | 15 |
| Madha | $\left\|\begin{array}{ccc} \text { Khalan } 82 & \cdots \\ \text { Inam } & 6 & \cdots \end{array}\right\|$ | 17,424 <br> 818 | $8350$ <br> 109 | 145 | 694 | 3189 | 1.848 | 2，634 | 5811 | 16432 | 80035 | 1717 | 36586 | 1638 |
|  |  |  |  | 8 | 88 | 160 | 27 | 135 | 383 | 1，060 | 1，762 | 100 | 2510 | 89 |
| Total | 88 | 18，243 | 2438 | 148 | 732 | 8，810 | 1875 | 2868 | 0，144 | 17402 | 31787 | 1826 | 39，116 | 1，727 |

STATISTICAL Table VIII－Detail of Ocoupancy．

| Dastricto | surveved villagers． |  |  | Average Number of Number of esech Khst | Average Acres of Cultivation to each head of wal Pupalation | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Average Acres } \\ \text { of Agricultural } \\ \text { Popunation } \\ \text { Only } \end{gathered}\right.$ | A vorage Acres zo one Plough |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | $\bigcirc$ |
| Madha | 88 | 7，625 | $46 \quad 030$ | 18 | 400 | 2506 | 133022 | $\begin{array}{ccc} \text { Rs } & : & p \\ 27 & 8 & 0 \end{array}$ |

STATISTICAL Table IX－Average of Population and Asseasment．

| Distriot | Number of Surveyed <br> －Vulnges． | Forviamion |  | Ryahisamia Amarsamary（vide Tmble III） |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Per Square Mile of Total Area | $\begin{gathered} \text { Per Square } \\ \text { MIle of } \\ \text { Cuiturable } \\ \text { Arrese } \end{gathered}$ | Roalleable in yoar of Setilement |  |  | Barvey Samal or Amsasment on Wasto and Cuitarable， deductling Falue of Alenstions． |  |
|  |  |  |  | Per head of Population | $\begin{gathered} \text { Per Square } \\ \text { Bylua of } \\ \text { Crifurable } \\ \text { Area } \end{gathered}$ | Per Sqnare vilio of Aree | Per Squage Mile of Culturab | Per Rquare Mile of Total Area Total Area |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | $\sigma$ | 7 | 8 | $\bigcirc$ |
| Madha ．$\{$ | Khalse 82 <br> Damala 6 | $\begin{aligned} & 145 \\ & 162 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 159 \\ & 164 \end{aligned}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{ccc} \text { Rs } & a & p \\ 2 & 8 & 4 \\ 2 & 6 & 7 \end{array}\right\|$ | $\begin{array}{lll} \operatorname{Re} & \text { a. } & p \\ 369 & 14 & 5 \\ 412 & \& & 8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} \mathrm{Re}_{0} & \text { a. } & \mathrm{p} \\ 231 & 0 & 9 \\ 888 & 7 & 8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll} \text { Re } & \text { an } \\ 370 & 0 & 9 \\ 412 & 4 & 8 \end{array}$ | Rs．a．$p$ <br> 321311 <br> 26878 |
|  |  | 148\％ | 161 | 2411 | 39118 | 343122 | 89128 | 948189 |

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STATEMENT showing the Relatue Qwantztres of different Crops in the Ma'ana Tdluka for the year 1869-70.

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No. 86 of 1839.
To

> J S LAW, Esquire,
> First Assstant Collector, in Charge,

Sholápur.
Sir,
The correction of the survey measurements, and a elassfication of the arable land of the MadHa Taluka, having boen completed, and these prelimmary operations being also far advanced in Mohol, I have now the honour to present you with proposals for the settlement of both dustrots, which you will oblige me by takng an early opportunity of submittng for the sanction of Government, to enable me to proceed, without loss of time, with the caloulations of the assessmont, in detanl, and the preparation of the various records required for the purpose of bringing the new settlement into practical operation In bringing forward these proposals, I am happy to have the assistanoe of Lieutenant Davidson, who has favoured me with a very clear and able report on the district of Mohol, copy of which wll be found annesed to the present communcation, and which I shall have frequent occasion to notice more particularly hereafter.

2 Before entering upon the mory immediate sabject of my report, I shall brefly refe to söme points noticed by Government in connection with the settlement of Indapar, and which appear to admat of being appropriately considered un this place, as the system and plan of operations adopted for the revision of assessment of that district have likewise been followed here. I shall also submit some general reflections on the land assossment applicable to most parts of the Decoan, in common with these districts, in the hope that they may serve to establish, on a firmer bassi than heretofore, the soundness of the prncuples on which the revision of assessment, now in progress, is being conducted. I trust, therefore, they will not be considered as qut of place.

3 Besides the sources of the immediate extension of cultivation in Indápor, consequent upon the revsion of its aseessment, which I have already had an opportunty of satifactorily explawngg, the obuef point notweed by Government, in remarking apon the seftloment of that distruct, and from a misapprehension of whah most of the other objections alleged appear to bave taken therr orgin, is the nature of the table of rates adopted for the several descriptions of soll used, in our aystem of classification. Government has recerved an impression, that this table exchibite the relative productive powers of the several solls, understandng by this expression the relative quantities of gross produce yelded by each, and has, therefore, had dufficulty in percerving the oonnection between the rate of assessment and the atassification.* The adopthon of this nevr of the subject I attribate to some obscurnty in Lieatenant Nash's or my report, whech I am happy to have now an opportunity of removing
4. In the Indápur reports the "table of rates" is desonbed as representing the relative values of the several descriptrons of soll used in the system of olmssfication. The meaning intended to be conveged by the phrase relative values was not the proportional quantities of .

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gross produce yielded by the several classes of soll, but their proportional capabilities of paying a rent. That is to say, if a rent or rate of assessment be adopted or assumed for any one clasi of soll, the rates of all the others should vary from it in the proportions ehown by the table. I trust I bave succeeded in clearing up this obscurity, and with it will probably disappear much of what would be deemed, under such impressions, vague and unsatisfactory in the definitions of the princuples of the settlement. Government will now perceive that the rates of assessment, instead of being the result of some subsequent obscuie and ill-explained operation, are dentical with the scale atself, in so far as therr relations among themselves are concerned, and the correctness of the positive amount of these rates, as shown in the general results of the settlement, was attempted to be established by argument and comparisons founded on the past and present state of the distuct, and by setting forth the causes of the various periods of prosperity and adversity which its history exhibits The only modifications to which these rates were subsequently subjected, was in the case of fields having some pecular disadvantager, such as being eituated at a great distance from the village or from water, \&e, in which cases a deduction was made from the rate found from the table, accordung to the judgment of the setthng officer, on a consideration of the partscular corcumstances in each instance. With the view, however, of preserving that smphicity in every department of our labours, which forms the best security agaunst maccuracy, fraud or collusion, such modrfications wore considered exceptions fiom the general rule, and in hy far the greater majouty of instances the rates adopted were those found from the Table.
5. I also gather from the genelal tenor of the remarks of Government on the Indápur Settlement that the methods of obtaining the rates are considered somewhat loose, and these last possibly too much dependent on the judgment of the indivduals framing them, but this objection, I respectfully submit, 18 owing to the necessities of the subject, and not to be got ind of by the adoption of any other system I think especially that the apparently more precise and trustworthy results obtained from calculations of produce and expenses are altogether illusory Because, however micely adjusted and well adapted to the ends in view may be the several steps of such calculations, they proceed, in the first instance, from uncertan data. Their various elements are unsvoidably pure assumptions, regarding every one of which it probably requires as great an exercise of penetration and judgment to arrve at an approximation to the truth, as 18 necessaly in the case of the rent itself For instance, few cultrvators cam give a commected or accurate account of the vanous expenses of cultivation, state the quantitues of produce yielded by dufferent varieties of soil, or even present us with clear descrptions of the methods of husbandry most generally followed by thear class All of these matters, mdeed, ale in ther nature inconstant, valying almost infintely with

- the seasons and the circumstances of the people, and I do not see how more than a general acquantance with them is to be obtaxned Yet unformation so very vague and unsatisfuctory as this 18 confidently assumed for the data of calculations which are to produce unerring results To attan these ends, by the use of such means, may not be altogether impossble, but the porceass may, I think, be aptly likened to the conduct of an apprazzer or auctioneel, who, nostead of making use of his own knowledge of the state of the market, should attempt to value a house with its furnture ${ }_{2}$ pictures and other appurtenances, by labomous and tedious calculations of the money pand awny to the various quarners, atonemasons, bincklayels, glaziers, and people of all descuptions who might have been employed on its construction.

6 The vanous and conflicting opinions entertained of most of the Revenue Settiements of this country appear to me to be, in a great degree, owing to a want of some generally recerved test by which therr respective merrts might be tried There has been no distrnct resognition, until lately, of the portion of the produce upon whreh taxation ought alone to fall. The framers of these settlements appear too frequently to have had therr attention directed to a consideration of what the cultivator can afford to pay to the State, rather than of what the State ought to exact from the cultuvator, and, however unintentionally the general tendency of our land revenue admumstration has been to render taxation on maximums, more distanct perceptions apon this subject have now, however, become eurrent, and it seems to be generally admitted that the clamm of Goveinment over the produce of the soll in this country are hmited to that portion of 1 t , which, in other states of society, would fall to the landlord.
7. The determination of this poition, then, which forms the natural rent of the land, becomes the object of our research, and to arrive at just conclusions upon a point so umportant, it appears undspensable to bear fuily in mind the nature of rent and the causes of the different appearances it exhibits at different stages of improvement in society, I hope, on this account, to be held excused in offerng the following brief observations upon this head

8 The existence of a portion of the produce of land in the form of rent is, I need hardly observe, to be ascribed to the comparaitive scarcity of fertile land and the consequent necessity, in order to obtain a sufficiency of food for the wants of the society, of resorting to the cultivation of poorer soils, which with equal expenditure of capital and labour yyeld very unferior returns, and as the rates of the cultuvator's profits to be an equal one, must be regulated by that obtained from the worst descrption of land in cultivation, the excess beyond this yielded by all the other kinds of soll an cultivation becomes therr rent Thas rent, however, is very different even in the same country at different stages of improvement, when population is limited, and the more fertale solls suffice to supply its wants, there is little rent, and consequently nearly the whole pioduce of the soil is divided between profits and wages. It is at
this period, if a spint of enterpnse is fully awakened, that the most rapid additions to the numbers and wealth of, the society are effeoted by the stamulus of high rates of profits and wages, and striking examples of this are now seen m North America and many of our Colonies. As population becomes abundant, however, and the difficulties of obtaining a sufficient supply of food from the necessity of resorting to less fertile solls for its production morease, so will the portion of the produce allotted to wages and profits bediminshed, and the amount abstracted go to the augmentation of reat. While the capabilities of the soll continue great, with reference to the demands of the population, there wall bees high rate of profits and a low rent, and with every succeeding dufficulty in the production of food, rent will rise and profils fall.

- 9s Lat me endeavour now to apply these incontrovertible trathe to the present state of the Deeccan We here find a scanty population and large tracts of fertule land still lyng waste and anappropriated The resources of the soll are boundless compared with the demands of the people Under such curcumstances, we should expect to tind the society, af imbued with a spirit of improvement, in a state of transition, making rapid and great additions to its numbers, wealth, and intelligence, or perbaps, if unactuated by the hope of bettering its coudition, aunk in a state of indolence and apathy, hanng its origin and continuance in the very abundance of, and fachity of obtaining, the means of subsistence. The' world presents numerous examples of both these conditions of society, modified, of course, by surrounding curcumstances, but the present state of the Deccan will, I think, be found to be essentially distinot from either. Notwithstanding its scanty population and abundance of unoccupred fertile land, we find that the means of subsistence sie obtanned, with difficulty, that the exertions of even the laborious and industrious cultivator do not always avail'm enabling him to preserve has position, and.rarely indeed to better it The pupulation, in fact, while surrounded by great and untouohed resources, yet presses hard upon the limats of subsistence, and ats numbers, if not diminshing, are at least stationary, while there is hitle inducement for the employment of capital, and no evidence of advancing prosperity Agricultural profits, and consequently those of most other employments, are at the lowest ebb, and the country, with abundant resources undeveloped, exhibits many of the features of the most advanced stages of mprovement, when the wants of an over-abundant population have tared the capablities of the soll to the utmost, and the difficulties of procuring food have so lowered the rate of profits as to leave little inducement for any further investment of capital in productive pursuits.

10 So striking in inversion of the nsasl course of society must have its origin in some cause of almost universal operation, and seems clearly to me to be the consequence of a continued exaction of an excessive rent-a rent that, but for the peculiar position of Government in this country, could not by possibility have been realized. And when it is recollected that every increase of rent mast be socompaned by a corresponding reduction in the rate of profits, which forms the sole indacement to apply capital an productive industry, it will appear abundantly evident that this is a cause capable of prematorely cheoking, nay, barring altogether, any further progress of society at even the earliest stages of amprovement Mr Malthus appears to have been fully persdaded of the existence of this eval in India, and I wilhngly avail myself of his authority in support of my opinons He says - "There is veason to believe that in parts of India and other Eastern countries, and probably even in China, the progress of taration on the land founded upon the sovereign right to the soll, together with other customary payments out of the raw produce, have forobly and prematurely lowered the profits of atock and the wages of labour on the land, and have thrown great obstacles in the way of progressive cultivation and population in latter times, while much good land remains waste. This will always be the case when, owing to an unnesessary monopoly, a greater portion of the sarplus produce is taken in the shape of rent or taxes, than would be separated by the natural fall of wages and profits." Every line of this passage I consider to be strictly applicable to the present condition of the Deccian.

11 The pecultar position oooupied by Government in this country, as proprietor of the son, has not yet, it appears to me, received the consideration its importance deserves. Goverament is thus constituted the possessor of a vast monopoly, thereby depriving this country of the salutary and anralasble checks upon over-easactions on the part of the landlord, afforded by the competition of interests existing in a sub-divided proprietorship which effectually prevent the rent of land being, for any considerable period, higher than would naturally result from the state of the society at the time. Here, howerer, Government as proprietor finds no such controlling influences operating upon its demands, or even any palpable evidence of their effects upon its own interests, or those of the society entrusted to its care, and thus it is that an assessment, however little in ercess of what the land will bear, goes on from year to jear slowly, but sarely, exhaushing the fountans of national weulth, without affording any marked indications of its baneful progress, and Government, with a hively solcotude for the welfare of the country, yet remains in ignorance of the deplorable state of the case, until it reachas a height of ruin that no longer admits of concealment

12 When it is consudered that every excoss of assessment beyond the natural rent of the land $1 s$ reduction of what would otherwise be the rates of profits and wages, and that these last constitute almost the sole funds from which any additions to the popalation and capital of this country are to be effected, some conception may be formed of the mighty
'power vested in the Government of India, in virtue of its claim of property an the soil and the heavy responsibility attending its exercise In every agricultural country, such as the Deccan, the general rate of profits on the usual reward of industry is regulated by that obtaned from the cultivitor of the soil, and to suppose that while this last is depressed, any considerable advances can be made by the soclety, would be to disregard the planest leesons of experience. These general observations will, I hope, have served, in some degree, to show the vital importance of the land assessment, and the fearful consequences of any error on the side of over-taxation No untiecessary reduction can injure the cauntry, and the Government revenue can only suffer from it to the extent of such reduction. An error upon one side mvolves the mevitable ruin of the country, an error upon the other sqme inconsiderable sacrifice of the finance of the State, and, with such unequal stakes depending, can we hesitate as to which should be given the preponderance? The line of true policy, under such circumstances, 18 not shown in an attempt to fix the assessment at what the land will exactly bear, but in fixing it as far within this limit as the exigencies of the State will permat.

13 I now revert to the more immediate consideration of the settlement of these districts The annexed report by Leeutenant Davidson contans a clear and convincing exposition of the effects of our revenue sdmumstration upon Mohol, wheh, as it comeides with my own views, and apples upth equal force to the Taluka of Máha, will enable me to be comparatively bref in my remarks upon thas head The excellent dagrams in particular, formmg Appendix C to his report, and described in his 19th to 25th paras, are quite as applicable to the Mohol and Mádha Districts taken together, as to the former supgly For, as you may be aware, the two distnets orignally formed but one, and their separation has been effected within the last three years, for which period only the accounts have been kept distinct. On this account Mr Davidson, in constructing his diagram, has been obliged to assume a proportion of the cultivation, assessment and oollections of the old Mohol Taluka (present Mohol and Mádha) for those of the new, for the years preceding ther separation. The only difference then that would be observable in the dragram, were it constructed for the two districts as a whole, would be a greater amount of cultivation, collections, \&c, whale ther various fluctuations would remann quite unsffected by the change

14 In the opening paragraphs of his report, Lieutenant Davidson gives an account of his proceedings in connection with the measurement and classification of the land, and I think

- the degree of accuracy attaned by his estabhishment, more particularly as affording proof of what our present system is capable, will give satisfaction to Government The measurements made by his Establishment vary from his own by an average of only 2 per cent, whle the average discrepancies of their classification do not exceed one anna per acre The measurement of the Mohol Táluka made at the last survey appears to have been executed with a very credtable degree of accuracy, and Mr Davidson states that out of 46 villages examined by him, in five only has the error in the measurement of cultivated land exceeded ten per cent, and that the average error of the remannug 41 is five per cent.

15 In the Táluka of Madha, where the revising operations have-been superintended by myself, with the assistance of Mr Bell, the former survey measurements of cultivated land have also been found tolerably correct, their average error, excludung villages entirely remeasured, being somewhat more than 6 per cent This district contains 72 villages, in all of which it has been found necessary to re-measure 11 In four of these, however, lately trangferred from the Karmála Taluka, the land is still estımated in bighas, and although measured by Mr Pringle, yet the existing arrangement of the field 1 s so much at varnance with that laid down in his records, that I found it more convenient and expeditions to remeasure them entirely, than to attempt the restoration of the previous measurement The divisions of waste land, from disappearance of boundary-marks, it was frequently found impossible to 1 dentify with those land down at the survey, and on this account I came to the determination of re-measuring the whole, which has accordungly been done Mr Davisson has followed the same plan in Mohol, so that the revision and correction of the measurements of these districts, as now complete, may be deemed but little, if at all, inferror to what would have resulted from therr remeasurement.

16 As in Indapur, no attempt bas been made towards the correction of the survey classification, but the whole arable land has been re-classfied upon the system followed in that distnct, in further proof of the capabilities of which I beg to drect your attention to the 5th and 6th paras of the accompanying report Mr Davidson therein states his convetion that "it represents the various solls as nearly as possible in the order and degree of therr several capabiltes, and that thex tabular arrangement concides with the scale of preference which exists within the mind of the cultivator"

17 Mr Davidson in his 10th and 11th paras describes in forcible language the present depressed condition of the Mohol. District, and his remarks, I have already sand, are equally applicable to that of Madha, which, from the two districta having been long under the same management and subject to the same intluences, is indeed to be expected He states "poverty in the midst of great natural resources to be the chief characterstic of the taluka," and in calhag, attention to the sad consequences of a heavy assessment observes "The great pody of the people have biought natue down to the lowest terms on whieh she can exist, and

When the exigencies of a famine or even a scarcity call for a retrenohment, every step of that retrenchment produces starration mstead of frugality, a reductien of life rather than an economy of living "

18 It requires perhaps a residence of some tume amongst the cultivators of the Deccan and habits of frequent and familiar commumication with them, to become fully aware of therr actual condition and the deplorable state of poverty in which they are plunged I have not been without fears, indeed, of the descruptions given of this appearing to Government somewhat overcharged, and this makes me maxious to prevent the possibility of masconception on a point so important. I slanll, therefore, at the risk of beng thought tedious, bing forward a few striking facts that can hardly fall, I think, of mducng conviction, and makıng at appear that any descuption yet given has fallen short of the true state of the case.

19 The preparation of Statistical Tables of the population, castes, occupations and resources of every village, has formed one object of our operations for the revision of assessment These returns, although infected by inaccuracies to which statistical inquiries are always hable, yet contann much valusble information and are far superior to anything of the kind yet collected Regarding some of the more obvious items of information, and in paticular as to the number of workng cattle possessed by each individual cultuvator,* they may be relied upon as substantanally correct The followng table, compiled from these returas, shows the number of workng cattle possessed by cultivators of the three principal agrecultural castes, vzz, Kunbis, Mallis, and Dhangars, in five villages of the Mohol and Madha Talukas. Its results may be considered to give a fair idea of the stock held by cultivators in general -

| Kanbi, Malli and Dhangar caetes | Namgs of Vfliagren |  |  |  |  | Total of five Villages |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Kasbs Madha. | Lowl | Jalols | Babulgaon | Tenka |  |
| Number of culthvators possessing 8 bullooke sid upwards .. | 19 | 24 | 8 | 5 | 1 | 57 |
| Number of oultivators possessing from 4 to 7 bullooks to | 58 | 41 | 7 | 14 | 6 | 126 |
| Number of oultivators possessing from 1 to 3 bullooks | 85 | 60 | 15 | 7 | , 83 | 190 |
| Total | 162 | 115 | 30 | 26 | 40 | 378 |

20 To feel the full force of the facts presented in this table, it is necessary to bear in mind, that the preparation of the land for the reception of the seed is effected in this, part of the Deccan by means of two implements, vis, the "nangur" or plough, and the "pall"" or "kalao," which is a cutting or selaping implement, and used for the same puiposes as the harrow, scarifier, \&c, at home The plough is usuatly drawn by 8 bullocks, but the heavy black solls requre 10. The upper hine of the table, therefore, shows the number of caltivators of the three principal agricultural castes, in each of the five villages, who can work the plough with therr' own cattle "The "palh" or "kulao," whioh outs to a depth of 4 nehes or so, requures occasionally from 6 to 8 bullocks in land recently ploughed up, but nsually 4, and the second hneoof the table shows the number of cultivatois who, although not possessed of cattle to yoke a plongh, have yet sufficient to work this vary usefal implement The third hue of the table gives us the number of cultivators who, without hurng extra cattle or mutually assisting one another, would be unable to prepare therr lands at all. The "kulao" may undeed be occasionally seen drawn by two bullocks only, bat in such cases it penetrates to a very slight depth, except in very friable soils, and is quite ineffective in ridding the land of grass and weeds, the process, in fact, is a soraping of the mere sarface, and quite onworthy the name of the husbandry.
21. We are, thus, from an neppection of the foregoing table, made acquanted with the starthng facts, that out of a total of 373 culivators there are 57 only, or considerably less than a exth of the whole, who are possessed of the number of cattle requared to work the plough; that of the remander, 126 have suffiouent cattle to work the "kulao," while no less than 190, or nearly a half of the whole body of cultivators, have actually not the means, writhout receiving assistance from others, of talling their lands at all The villages entered in the table have all some garden land, and may be oonsidered rather favourable examples of the general conditinn of these distncts, with the exoeption of the last, Teaki, whuch has been selected as one of those that suffered most severely by the last famine of Fasil 1949 It will be observed that in this village out of 40 eultivators there as only one possessed of cattle to work a plongb, while there are no less than 33 who have not even stock of therr own to work a "kulan." Comment apon such faots is needless, but $I$ apprehend that of themselves they convey to the mund a more

[^18]forcible ampression of the poverty, I had almost sald pauperism, characterizing the condition of the cultivating classes here, than could be done by any general descripticn.

22 Husbandiy, as might be antricipated fiom the general poverty just described, is in a very backward condition The general statistical resulte of the Mádha Taluka, forming my Appendix D, give 21,884 bullooks and male buffaloes for the whole distnct, thus making it appear, on a proper allowance being made for the number employed in garden cultivation and in carryng burdens, that there 18 only one bullock to every ten acres of Jerayet land now 10 cultivation.* From extended personal obselvation, embracing neaily every village in both d'stricts, I am convinced that this estumate forms a very close approsimation to the truth. Now the quantuty of Jerayet land capable of being prepared wath an stock of 8 bullocks, by the best modes of husbandry practised in these districts, does not exceed 50 acres, and therefore requares one bullock to every 6 acres instead of 10 , as 18 the case at present, thus showng that the poverty of the agricultural clases, in addition to other evils, is accompamed by, if not the chuef cause of, a slovenly and mefficient tullage.
23. In the metroductory paragiaphs of this report I have endeavoured to trace the invarrable consequence of over-assessment, and thunk that, from what has already been sand, it wrill be seen that the mpoverished condition of these districts is to be ascribed to thrs cause It may not be without use, however, to adduce a ferw additional facts bearng upon this important question, and which have not, as far as I am awane, been brought forward for the same purpose before I allude to some of the tenures by which the cultivators hold land of one another from. which, in my opinon, unexceptional and valuable evidence may be drawn, and I shall confine my remarks to these, although proofs upon the same point might be multiplied to almost any extent by examples taken from every class and condition of the people

24 Were instances to be found of the better descriptions of Jerayet land bearing some value in the manket, were they at all saleable, or could loans of however trffling amount be raised upon their security, we should hase, I apprehend, satisfactory proof of the assessment on such land not being oppressive And I think we are entitled to expect some nastances of the kind, as the practice of mortgagngg land obtains in many parts of India, and even here is veny common in the cases of Bagayet and Inam land, several unstances of which, obtaned from original deeds, are given in my Appendux B After considerable enqury, however, I have been unable to find asingle recent case of a price being given for the priviege of occapying Government Jerayet land. The absence of such contracts among the cultivators would seem to afford negative evidence of the oppressive nature of the present assessment, or at least of its absorbing the whole natural rent of the land, but positive and more unexceptional proofs upon the same point are to be found in the "Batan" tenures, which obtann in every village, and under every vanation are distingushed by the common featuie of the actual cultivator of the land assigning a portion of ats gross produce to the nomzal holder, upon condition of the latter payng the assessment The common practice $1 s$ for the cultivator to bear the whole expenses of seed and tillage, and to assign, after the customary payments form the crop have been made to the Ballotidars, fiom a half to a thurd of the produce to the nominal holder who is to pay the assessment I have met with no mstance of this tenure in which the portion of the crop assigned to the latter was less than a third, and even this almost invariably in newly ploughed land, which is prepaied of course at greatly more than the ordunary expense. Beanng in mind, then, the fact of these tenures being common in every village, even where waste land is abundant and evely effort made to effect its occupation, it will appeal a consideration of capital importance that, where they occur, the cultivator, rather than become responsible for the payment of the assessment, will assign to another a third, nay, in most cases, a half, of his gross produce The nominal holders of fields cultivated on the "Batá" tenures are generally Brahmans or poor Mrasdars, and they lay their account with obtaning some little profit in average and good seasons, and remissions in bad

25 These facts, m my apprehension, are mdisputable proofs of the grevous nature of the present assessment, and I am fully persuaded that in the existing circumstances of these distriets, marked by a deficeency of capital and population, and an abundance of unoceupied and badly tilled land, the rent of even the most fertule solle, but for the monopoly possessed by the State, would fall short of a fourth, much more a thard and a half of the gross produce. And it is to be recollected that were the present assessment nothing more than what the land could pay in an ordnary season, and when grain is seling at an average priee, it would, nevertheless, be an oppressive and rumous one. For to suppose it otherwise, we must beleve, with Colonel Munro, that "good and bad seasons being supposed to be equal in the long run, the loss is meerely temporary, and the making of it good, 18 only applying to the deficenoy of a year of scarcity the funds which have arisen from one of abundanre" $t$-a position which lequires that the price of grann should be invanable, or rise and fall in exact proportion to the crop of the season, and that the impoverished and ignorant cultuvators of India possess at once the capital and foresight to enable them to lay by carefully the whole surplas crop of an abundant season, to meet the exigencies of a deficient one, both of which suppositions will be admutted to be glanngly st vanance with all expenence. The price of grain in particalar districts being generally regulated by a foreign demand, will frequently be found to contanue falling, in spite of the certainty of a

[^19]deficient crop, and the great body of the cultivators, so far from having stores at hand to draw upon on occasson of need, are obliged to forestall the coming erop to obtain supphes for the subsistence of their familhes. They have consequently no fund whatever to meet the demand of the State beyond the ciop of the seasons, and any invarable money assessment, therefore, to have pretensions to stability, must he fired at what the cultivator can pay in rather unfavourable seasons and not in average ou abundant ones

26 The rates proposed by Mr Davidson for the Mohol Talula, in the propriety of which I acquesce, are 10 per cent higher than those of Indápui In his 22nd and 231d paragraphs he states the chref points of resemblance and disparity between the two dastricts The price of gran during the last 18 years has averaged 6 per cent. higher in Indápur than in Mohol, but thus difference he considers compensated by the more abundant supplies of water and grass and the greater extent of garden cultivation found in the latter cistrict, as well as by the larger proportion of its population employed in manufactures and other occupations unconnected with the cultivation of the soll. It is also worthy of mention, as may be seen in the table of pices forming my Appendix A, that the average priee of gran for the last 5 years 18 shghtly higher in Mohol than in Indapur In Mádha, however, prices have been considerably lower than in erther dietrict, the average of the last 19 years being 15 per cent, and of the last 5 years 13 per cent. lower than Indápur These prices however, owing to the operation of the tignait rates, are but little to be relied on as gundes for the future. The abolition of these mjurious imposts, every improvement effected in the means of transports, and increase of enterprise among the people, will tend to equalize prices, and I think we may safely speculate on the marked difference now observable, bexig in a few years giveatly dummished. The capabilities of Mohol and Madha for the production of sugar, ootton, silk and other exportable products, wrll if brought into action, render them in great measure independent of a foreign demand for the common grains, and these will probably rise in price as the number of the population mereases. The markets of Sholapur and Pandharpur, from their greater proximity, are perhaps more valuable to Mohol, and a few villages in Mádha, than that of Poona is to Indapur, and I am of opimon that the price of grain will hereafter average somewhat higher in the former than in the latter district In Madha prices may be expected to contmue lower than 10 Indápur, but, in consequence of bexng less dependent upou a foreign demand, they will not be exposed to the same fluctuatons, and this greater degree of steadiness will fully compensate any infenority in their amount. Madla shares mo the advantages noticed na Mr Davidson's 22nd paragraph as possessed by Mohol, and the climate of both districts is, perhaps, in some trifing degree supemor for agricultural parposes to that of Indapur. I have an mpression, at least, that the November showers, upon wnich the rabl crop is so dependent, are somewhat more certain in the former districts, but this conjecture would require to be verified by the caiefully reoorded observations of years, and I accordingly attach to it no weight
27. Upon a consideration of the several circumstances just enumerated, $I$ am of opinion that Mádha may be assessed a little higher than Indapur, but that it could not faurly boar the came assessment as Mohol I, therefore, propose that it be assessed at rates 5 per cent higher than those of Indápur, or at a meduum betweon them and those pioposed by Mr Dardson for Mohol To this arrangement I would except a few villages, situated at no great distance from the market of Pandharpur, and which on this account I think capable of paying the same rates as Mohol. This assessment, for reasons already given at some length in the preeedung paragraphs of this report, I consider heavy, and in excess of the natural rent the land would yield to the present cultivators were they in the position of proprietor, but I do not consider it so heary as to prevent, or even maternally retard, their advancement, and this main object secured, it has been my anxious endeavour to make no uncalled for sacrifice of the revenue of the State. Mr. Davison, in his 27 th paragraph, has clearly shown that the rates proposed for Mohol will, in the very first year of thens operation, yeld revenue considerably un excess of the average of that recerved in the fourteen years immedately preceding our occupation of the country, and eventually secure a constderable addition to the resources of the State, and I shall now state the effecte of the proposed settlements upon the revenne of both districte.
28. In Mohol and Madha there are altogether 381,000 acres of arable land belongung to Government, the assessment on which, at the rates proposed in the preceding paragraph, will, as nearly as I can estimate, amount to Rs. $1,37,000$ If we add to thas 8,000 rapees on sccount of Sayer revenue, and the same sum for the extra assessment on watered land, whinh will be very near the truth, we have Re, $1,53,000$ for the maximum rental of the two districte under the new settlements The average collections from all sources, including the full allowanoes of Hakdars, village expenses, outstanding bslances, \&c., from our obtaining possession of these districte up to the termination of the ofticial year 1838-39, orde Appendur C, amount in round numbers to Rs. $1,14,500$ per annum, or Rs 38,500 less than the maximam rental above noted. In Indápur, the effect of the revised settlement has already been to bring the whole arable land of the district under culturation wnth the exception of abont 1-12th, and I heve little doubt that in a few years more great part of even this smasll remainder will be brought under the plough. A deduction of 1 -20th or 5 per cent. from the whole rental on account of waste is, I conoenve, a liberal one, and although I should be sorry to see cultivation proceed at the same rapid rate as in Indapor, yet there cannot be a doubt of the annual rental of these districts eventually attauning to Rs. $1,45,000$ under the new settilements; and if from this sum we make the liberal deduction of 10 par cent. for bad crops and occesional seasons of dearth, there reman apwards of Rs. 1,30,000 for the average amount of annual collections, after the offects of the revsion shall have been faurly developed. This exceeds by Rs. 15,500 what
we have hitherto been able to realize; but if we exclude from our average collections the two last years, when the revenue bas been sustaned at an unnatural height, by a partial introduction of the revised settlements, under the name of Ukti rates, its amount will fall to Res. 1,10,500, or nearly Rs 20,000 less than will eventually, and at no dastant period, be the average collections under the new rates of assessment

29 Instead of this veiy favourable prospect, it might naturally have been anticepated that, in order to restone to a state of healthful prospenty a country wasted and impovensbed by a long course of over-exaction, it would be necessary for the State to submit to most serious and long contmued, if not permanent, sacrifices of its revenue, and it mast, at all events, be admitted that the amount of taxation now proposed is to the full as heavy as in the present circumstances of the districts could with safety be imposed. The immediate effect of the new settlement will be to reduce the rental to $\mathrm{Rs} 1,16,000$, which is Rs 5,000 more than the average collections previous to the introduchon of the Ukti rates, although Rs, 25,000 less than the collections of the past year This latter sum of Rs 25,000 , then, wll be the amount of immediate rehef afforded to the districts by the new rates, and although it may seem that a sum so limited when distributed among the whold eultivating classes, could be but little felt by each individual, I do not think that such will be the case The rehef will be found substantial, as has already been proved in the case of Indápui, and Mr Dandson bas well shown m the 20th paragraph of his report "that a distruct may be rumed without the assessment seeming exoibitant," and that such "ruin may be averted by a reduction, moderate in itself, but doubly moderate when contrasted with the misery it alleviates."

30 The only point remaining to be noticed in connection with the rates of assessment is the additional taxation to be imposed upon irngated land. From the circumstance of there being no perennial streams in these districts, the quantity of Pátasthal land is very limited. Upon this I propose to place a small extra assessment, to be regulated in amount by the paiticular circumstances of each case, but as the whole quantity of thas land as quite moonsiderable and does not exceed 50 acres, it will be unnecessary to enter into any details There 18 also a Inttle rice land, in particular villages, wheh has been obtaned by the construction of large and massive bunds, behind which the finer particles of soll and the water coming down fiom the higher lands are retained, and in these shallow reservoirs the rice is rased during the monsoon, and occasionally a second crop of gram or wheat during the cold weather These bunds have m many ustances been constructed at gieat expense, and the more valuable produce raised by their means being wholly due to the outlay made by the cultivator, and not to any natural advantages, it cannot, according to the instructions of the Honourable Court of Directors, be made the subject of any extra assessment, were it otherwise, the taxation of such improvements would be in the highest degiee impolitic, as they form one of the readiest means of increasing the fertinty and resources of these distructs The remaning inigated lands are the Motasthal Bagayet, which, from their greater extent and importance in every respect, will require more detalled mention

31 There are between five and sux thousand acres of land in the Mohol and Madha Tálukas now cultivated as Bagayet, and paying in addition to the Jerayet assessment an extra cess of about Rs 7,500. This tax, whuch is merely a modification of the Mámul Bagayet rates, falls very unequally upon the different gardens. It is not perhaps heavy as a whole, but is so upon particular villages and gardens, in consequence of its unequal distmbution. With the ample information in my possession regarding the condition of every well, ats depth and supply of water, the quantity and quality of the land capable of being irrigated by it, and its advantages or disadvantages of situation, it mall be a comparatively easy task to ascertain with sufficient exactaess the relative value of every garden, and thus to remedy the evil of anequal taxation above complained of Something more than this, however, would appear to be necessary, owing to the cricumstances of these gardens being to all intents and parposes private property and freely disposed of by sale, gift, or mortgage Under these circumstances it may be questioned whether it would be just to assess all accolding to one unbending scale, for the purchaser of a garden which has hitherto pard no extra assessment, or a merely nominal one, as doubtless paid for the exemption, and might think himself hardly treated, by being placed on exactly the same footug with a neighbour who had always previously paid a high assessment, and whose property was consequently just of so much less value. This objection indeed of disturbing the existing relations of property apphes with more or less force to every revision of taxation, but it is not of the less imporsance on that account, and ought strongly to inculcate the necessity of caution in introducing changes likely to interfere with the interests or prejudices of those affected by them It is of especial importance in the present case that the changes introduced should be acceptable to the people, for it is to the extension of Bagayet cultivation that we have to look for the most considerable additions to the resource and value of those districts, and as affording the best provision against the recurrence of those dearths and famines which have so frequently ravaged this part of the countiy The policy of imposing an extra tax at all, under such circumstances, may well be doubted, but as Government might have difficulty in finding a less objectionable substitute for the loss of revenue its remission would entall, I do not venture to recommend this step, but proceed to state my proposal for its revision.

32 The extreme poverty of many of the Bagayet culinators in villages where the present assessment is heavy 18 very observable, and it will be seen from my Appendix $B$, giving the sulstance of a number of deeds mortgaging garden land, that the value of this property now 19 almost nominal and far short of the sums that must bave been originally expended on it, or, at will events, that the exigencies of its owners have been so pressing as in compel them to part with

It at a môst madequate prices. In consequence of thus poverty, a great majority of the Bagayat cultivators are obliged to confine therr attention to rassing crops of wheat, gram, maize, vegetables, \&c., and are unable to command the outlay requred for sugar-cane, fruits, turmernc, and other remunarating garden products Under such crrcumstances, it may be difficult to prove what ought to be the paract amount of extra taxation upon irrigated land, but ${ }^{6}$ it as evident that it shoald be very low, and my own observation, asssisted by the opinions of those well qualified to judge upon this matter, has convinced me that 2 rupees per acre in excess of the $J_{n}$ ait rate, is the ntmost limit of taxation that can be mposed withoutendangering the contunued culturation of garden land, and diseouraging the cultivators from sunking new wells 1 have in several instances been obliged to reduce the assessment on gardens, rated at not more than 4 or 5 rupees per aore, from the impossibulty of thear cultivation being contmued on these terms, and as a reduction from these rates to 2 rupees per acre, will only amount to from 10 to 15 rurees upon a whole garden, this must be considered a emall matter when the capital and outlay requred for its cultivation are kept in recollection. I ana of opinion, indeed, that few cultivators of gardens now payug an extra assessment, and who are unable to raase the more valuable products, recerve any profit whatever upon the orignal eapital expended in dagging the well and preparing the garden, and this view of the subject is, I think, fully horne out by the information contanned in my Appondix B.
33. The plan I propose for the eetilement of this tax $1 s$ as follows. That to each well be assigued the number of acres xt is estumated to be capable of irngating one year with another, which number should under no curcumstances be necreased, and to have for these three rates of assessment, of 2 rupees, $1 \frac{1}{1}$, and 1 rupee per acie, respectively, in addition to the Juriat taxation The object of hanng so many rates is to admint of a proper allowance being made for disparities in the quality of the soll, the varying depth of the water in the well, and the situation of the garden with reference to faculities for obtainng manure, \&c., and also of a discretionary reduction being made in the cases of gardens wheh have hitherto pand no extra assessment, or a very light one, and when the umposition of the full rate would obviously be unpopular and give reasonable ground of complamnt. The assessment thus found will be entirely dustinct from the Jurait and levied only when the garden 18 urrigated. In event of a portion only of the garden being urrigated, it is intended that the culturator should be permitted to make a pelition to that effect in the same way as he now does upon a fallure of crop, and that the watered portion should then be measured by a Government karkin, and the assessment leved upon that only, in event of its differng by more than one scre, from the whole number of acres his well 18 rated at, which restriction would be necessary to prevent a needless multiplication of petitions. By the plan just sketched out, the present mequailty of Bagayat taxation would be got md of without any eacrice, on the contrary I estmate a slight increase and yet a degree of respect accoided to prejudice and former usage, which in combination with the general reduction effected in the Jurait asseesement, would effectually prevent the change boung onpopular

34 In reporting upon Indapur, I recommended that the 10 years' lease origunally sanctioned for that district should be extended to one of 30 years, or the settlement at once declared permannent. Government, however, upon consideration decluned to accede to etther of these proposals, influenced, as it appears to me by doubts of the solidity of the principles of the settlements, and the permanency of ats benefical resalts, rather than by any drsbelef of the real superiority of long leases and permanent seetllements over those of very lumited duration, I am on thas account induced to bring the subject again under consideration, and in the hope that the additional information now before Government, regarding the real sources of the present prosperity of Indápur, and the further explanation which has been given of the principles of ats settlement, will have served to estabhsh the latter on a firmer basis than before, and to dispel many previously entertinned doubts of their ultimate tendencies. While, to afford full scope for the development of these tendenaes, and even to allow the present settlements farr play, it appears iudsspensable, in my humble opimon, to protect them by a lease of sufficient duration, to give perfect securrty to the operation of the coltivator, and to hold out to hum powerful 'undace- $^{2}$ ments for the uxdertaling of permanent improvements. For the attainment of these objects, a ten years' lease appears altogether madequate, and it may be doubted whether it would have a beneficial effect at all, some years will probably elapse after the antroduction of the new settlements before capital will have sufficently accumulated to admont of amprovements being exteusively undertaken, hat by that tume, a ten years' lease would be rapidly approachung its termination, and the doubt and uncertanaty created by this prospect would sadly interfere with expensive sperculations, suoh as the digging of wells, which require many years of exemption from assessment to repay therr origmal outlay. And as these districts have great capabilities for the extension of gaiden oulturation, the question of a long lease becomes in their case of vastly greater importance than in that of Indspur, where the field for improvement is comparatively lumited.

35 But andependent of these considerations, there are others conneoted with the peeachar position of Government as proprietor of the soll, notuced un my 11 th and 12th paras, which appear to render the grant of a long lease to the oultivators of this country an act of bare justice, and hardly to be withheld, unless by some pressing necessaty. In the countries of Europe where the land is possessed by a body of propretors, it is found, I believe unvarinbly that where the tenant is not protected by a long lease, all permanent improvoments are effected by the landlord In Fngland, when farms ane let to tensattont-will, or on short leases, every outlay of capital of whish the return 18 not ummediate, is made by the owner of the estate. He ereets the farm bouldugg, makes all the permanent drams, fances, romes, plantations, and

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in most cases beare the cost of improving the quality of soil, by the appheation of hme and other permanent and expensive manures. All these and simular improvements, where long leases do not obtain, to be made at all, must be made by the landlord. Is the Government of this country then, which occupies the position of the landlord in Eunope, prepared to enter upon the extensive sphere his duties, and if willing is there the remotest possiblity of ats beng capable to execute them? It will be admitted that there is not, and at seems clear then that this impossibulity of Goveinment undertaking the duties of the landlord, makes it moumbent to provide for their execution by the tenant, which can only be effected by means ot a long lease, or by creating him a propreetor by a permanent settlement of the land tax.

36 Although connnced of the superionty, of a permavent over every other desoription of settlement for this ccuntry, yat as there ${ }^{16}$ great dufference of opmon on the subject, I do not press ats adoption in the case of these districts, but beg eannestly to recommend that the
 the whole of which time the cultivator should be allowed to reap undisturbed the full advantages of all improvements affected in his holding, and no reduction in the amount of the rates now fixed or interference with their unassisted operation, whether by means of Kowls or other expedients for forcing cultivation, shoald be permitted without the express sanction of Government The effect of the announcement of thus lease being granted would, I am persuaded, be quite electric, and at once impart that feeling of security in being permitted to reap the fiunts of mdustry, whech is essentral to the very existence of mindustry, and under the absence of which this country has long languished in poverty and mental degradation The length of lease recommended in the case of Indápur was 30 years, butI have hmited the present application to 21 years, or the shortest period I deem at all compatible with the attanment of the important objects an vew, and, under these curcumstances, 1 feel sanguine of Government accedmg to my request.

37 There are yet a few points in connection with the prospects of the present settlements which I am anxious to notice in thes place That the great increase of production, consequent upon the extension of cultivation effected by a reduction of assessinent, will cause ruinous depreciation in the price of grain, by bringing into the market a supply much beyond the demand, has been contemplated as a possible, if not a probable, result of the new settlements, and as suck a conseqnence would go far to neutralize all the benefits expected of them, I trust to be excused in offerng 2 few observations upon this head

38 The very low prices of gram in late years I attribute chnefly to two causes, vrz, the onerous nature of the land tax, and the manner in which it has been collected. That a heavy assessment which opposes a drect obstacle to production, should lower price may, at first sight, appear a paradox, but on closer enquiry it will be sien to be abundantly evident The only portion of his crop which the cultivator is under the necessity of disposing of at all hazard, is that which must be sold in order to obtan fonds for the payment of his assessment The heavier this assessment is, then the larger will be the portion of his crop requaring thus to be disposed of, and the greater the strants to which the cultuvator will be redaced in order to obtan the sum required and these dufficulties are greatly aggravated by the pecessty of raising much of this sum before the crop ${ }^{18}$ ready for market, owing to the date on which the first instalment of min revenue becomes due. The whole of the cultivators are, in eonsequence, driven to the village bankers 'and the sudden demand for money, thus occasioned, causes it mmedately to rnse in value, or in other words gran to fall below the usual market price of the season, which it whll do just in proportion to the weight of the assessment, and the consequent necessitues of the boirowers. This effect is also enhanced by the village bankers being obliged to keep large sums lying unproductive by them on order to meet these demands of their constutuents ; or, which is frequently the case, to borrow them at a high rate of interest from larger Savkars The consequence of all this, then, is not only to throw upon the market the quantity of gian that would exchange for a sum of money equal to the assessment, at the ordinary prices of the season, but the greatly enhanced quantity required to exchange for this sum at the temporary high prices caused by the weight of the assessment, and the mode of its collection, an oppressive assessment, also, by mpoverishing the cultivators, necesstates them to borrow gram very generally for the subsistence of therr familes and for seed, and these loans being always repand in kind with a high interest of 25 or 50 per cent, the whole of this interest goes of course to augment the supply of grann in the market Hence it is very apparent, that the drect texdency of a heary assessment is to render the consumption of the agricultural classes, which form the great bulk of the commanity, a manemum and the supply of gran thrown upon the market for consumption of the manufacturng and non-producing classes a maximum.

39 The reduction of assessment now proposed will in proporion to its extent mitigate these evils, but with the view of still further promoting this desirable object, I beg to recommend a slight alteration in the present mode of collecting the unstalments due on account of the Rabi crop, which is the only one of consequence in these districts. The assessment of this orop is now collected in two equal instalments, falling due upon 15th February and 15th March respectively. But when the former falle due, the crop 18 never ready for market, and its sale under these circumstances is always effected at a great disadvantage, whle the general effect of collecting in so short a period as a month or aix weeks the large sum of money requred for the payment of these two instalments, is to cause a sudden and most severe contraction of the currency throughout the ecuntry, and to interfere most injunionaly with the usual course of trade, by the
difficulties thrown in the way of negociating bills owing to the sudden ecaronty of money thas created.

40 I propose, therefore, that the revenue due on account of the Rabi crop be, in future, collected in three instaiments, instead of two as at present, $v i z$, one of 20 per cent. due on 15 th Febraary, another of 40 per cent due on 15th March, and the last also of 40 per cent. due on 15 th April The first mastalment due on 15 th February is purposely made lighter than the other, as the crop will not then be ready for market. The only objection which, I conceave, can be urged agamst this change is, that before the last unstalment becomes due the crop will be removed from the field, and Government deprived of its secunty for the realuzation of the revenue, but, however vald this objection might be under an oppressively heavy assessment, it is of no effect in the present case. Government possesses ample secunty for its revenue in the right of employing Mohasals, and distraining the property of the tenant, and I am quite certain that in the case of these districts, the revenue woold be realued with greater punctuality and ease and satusfaction to all partues, under the plan I have proposed, than can possibly be the case under the present, and this too without contracting the currency to 80 mjunous an extent. A necessity for attaching the crop at all speaks loudly of the weught of the assessment, or of the prevalence of the common practice of forcing cultavation, which throws land into the hands of paupers and other persons without either character or credts, who, of course, will not be made to pay without difficulty if once allowed to make awry with the produce.

41 With a moderate assessment collected as I have proposed, the cultuvator nastead of being obliged to part with his erop at a runous sacrifice, as is the case at present, would have ample time to prepare it for market before the heavy instalments of bis payments become due. He would not often have occasion, however, to take it to any dustant market, as the mere curcumstance of his being able to do so would induce the graun dealer of his own village to give hum a fayr price for it on the spot, and the effect would be to lessen most consaderably the quantity of gran now annually requining to be thrown apon the market in order to rase money for the payment of assessment. There would consequently remam a mach larger surplus than at presen; $m$ the bands of the cultivator, which, besides sufficing to support his famuly and dependants in comfort and plenty, would form a reserve fund for the supply of the market as occasion might requre, and thas tend to prevent any great fluctuation of pnce. But every portion of the sarplus produce thus brought moto market by the caltivator, would be given in exchange for other articles, and prove a direct addition to the demand for manufactured commodities, with every increase of which there would be a corresponding increase of demand for raw produce. The cultavator would soon be enabled to discontinue the ruinous practice of borrowing gran, to be repaid in komd with a high rate of interest, and perhaps to keep by hum a sufficient ature to pronde agannst a season of scarcity, and thus to avert in great measure a repetition of the dreadful scenes of misery and death by which these periods have hitherto been calamitously distanguished.
42. I am not withont hopes that the precedung observations will tend to remove any apprebension of a contunued fall in the price of grain being a probable effect of the revised assessment, as they will have placed it beyond dispute, that the measure will eventually add considerably'to the amonnt and still more to the stablity of the land revenue, but even this as a very insufficient enumeration of its ultumate effects on the general finances. These districts possess great natural capabilities of improvement, and poverty alone has hitherto prevented their being taken adrantage of. With every marease of wealth, population and the consumption of taxed commoditaes will also increase, and the mdirect revenues of the State be to a correspondmg extent augmented. The mhabitants of these dustricts, who number about 80,000 contribute even now a sum of not less than Rs 16,500 to the revenne by their consumption of salt * alone, and though their consamption of other tared artucles at present is not considerable, it may soon be expected to become so. I believe that without the intervention of some extraordinary calamities, the pupulation of these districts, on the expiration of the lease I have proposed, wall have been angmented a half, and its indirect contribations to the revenue have reacheda sum of at least 35,000 rupees per annum.
48. In these endes vours to trace out the probable results of the revised settlements, $I$ have considered sumply the effect of a removal of the pressure of a heavy assessment, which has bitherto weighed down and stifed every nascent effort at improvement on the part of the people. But the prospect thus held out to new, however fair and promising it may seem, is yet distant and barren compared with the proximity and nchness of that which will open out before us, by calling into action the mental energies of the people in and of their physical improvenient. The cultivator is ignorant, his wants and desires are alike oonfined, and there is groand for apprehending that, these once satusfied, the motive for

- ective and sustaiued exertion will oease. The people will attan a degree of prosperity with which they may rest coutented, but however adrantageously this may contrass with ther present condition, it is not, I apprehend, the goal to be held in view. In the present condition of these districts, there is more required than the mare nufettenigg of industry; she must be

[^20]roused and stimulated mato action, and guided in the paths that lead on to yet potrodden heights of mental and physical development It is in the power of Governmeut to do this, and to advance the country to an early maturity of prosperity which centuries of her own unaided efforts might fail in enabling her to acquire. For the attanment of these all-important objects the present opportunity is especially favourable, while the means are also at hand, and Mr Davidson, in the concluding paragraphs of his report, has pointed out how these may be rendered available, with a sagacity and judgment which, may humble opinion, do equal honour to his head and to his heart.

44 His views may be shortly stated thus He considers "that as Government is now relinquishing a portion of ats revenue for the purposes of improving the condition of the people, and through them its own resources, it is reasonable and just that this should be done in the manner best adapted to the end it has in view," and he therefore proposes, that instead of the whole reduction, three-fourths only should go direct to the cultirator by diminishing the rent of his field, and that the remaining fourth should reach him indirectly by being disposed of in the following manner -

1st.-The establishment in each of the larger villages of a school endowed to an amount not exceeding 10 or 12 rupees per mensem.

2nd -The entertanment of a body of instructed artificers for the purpose of making carts at a reduced price, and of juproving by their influence the mechanical resouices of the dustrict

3rd -The expenditure under these heads beng so regulated as to leave a small murplus, to be allowed to accumulate into a fund for the supply of oecasional rewards to the more enterprising husbandmen.

After stating these proposals, Mr Davidson shows most ably and connncingly how their execution would conduce to an early development of the physical resources of these districts and at the same time to forward the more important object, of the mental and moral enlightenment of their inhabitants.

45 The argument for the policy of adopting Mr. Davidson's suggestions as a means for developing the resources of these districts, evidently depende upon this that the retentron of a certain amount of taxation to be expended in the way he has proposed, will be of equal, if not greater, benefit to them, and admit of their accumulating wealth with the same or greater rapidaty than they could do were the taxation given up altogether Unlessit can be shown that the effect of this taxation is different from that of other taxation, the plan would anvolve a charge upon the finances of the State for the support of education. But, on the other hand, if it can be made to appear that the resources these districts will not lose, but gain, by its operation, it is equally clear that, instead of being a contribution from, it will be a contribution to, the revenues of the State, and another means of permanently adding to its resources

46 The Government revenue drawn from these districts 15 mostly spent at a distance, and the beneficial influence of that expenditure is here but little felt, while, on the other hand, the taxation proposed to be retained by Mr Davidson would be spent among the people, and be a mere transfer from one hand to another, without in any degree diminshing the general stock In this alone consists a marked difference between the two tasations, and sufficient almost of atself to establish the position contended for, but even this must be considered a mere title, and might well be left out of consideration altogether, when weighivg the accumulation of other benefits the measure would confer It must be admitted by every one, that education offers the fairest prospect of arousing the native mind to action, and overcoming that indisposition to leave the beaten track of the past, which has hitherto proved a stumbling block in the way of all our attempts to hasten the development of the resources of this country, and introduce the culture of valuable products, or improvments in the processes of husbandry And it will also be equally generally admitted, that the example of one intelligent instructed cultivator, pursuing boldly a conrse of successful innovation, woald do more towards effecting the objects we have so anxionsly in view, by breaking down the barriers thrown up by prejudice and custom within the sphere of his influence than is likely to be done by the most elaborate and expensive efforts on the part of Government But if such may be looked for from the example of an individual, what may not reasonably be anticipated from the establishment of a school in every considerable village, where the minds of a large portion of the rising generation will be trained into habits of reflection, and stored with bnowledge, fitting them to press on successfally in their several pathe of hife Among all these young villagers, conscious of the proud position they occupy in ther little circle, wall none be found to carry the spirit of emulation and ambition awakened at achool, into the occupations of manhood and will all descend without a struggle from the eminence thus early attained, and be content to tread again the narrow and beaten path in which prejudice and ingaorance had confined the steps of their fathers? The sapposition is too improbable to be entertaned for a moment, and we may safely rest assured that the mighty engine of education, if brought into operation in the manner proposed, will act most powerfully in furtherance of the objects of the revision of assessment, as it presents the readiest means of creating those wante and tastes at present unknown to the native mind, and that desire to consume, which are, at once, the occasion of an uncreasing demand for manufactured commodities, and for the capital which is to produce them.

47 Mr . Dandson's saggestions for improving the mechanical and agmenltaral resources of these districts, by the entertanment of mantructed arthicers and the distribution of rowards to successful husbandmen, are also calculated to be of great and mmedate benefit The workshops he proposes to establish mght be made avaulable for mastructing the sons of the carpenters and blacksmiths of the most considerable villages in therr respective handucrafts, and these would beglad to serve an apprenticeship there on recerving a small sum for maintenance, as a rupee per mensem, which might be paid from the Educational Fund, they would also be enabled to attend at the adjoming school, and thus, in a few years, might be trainod up a body of skulful and untelligent artifieers, the beneficial effeet of whose unfluence, mproving the implements of husbandry, and introducing widely the use of wheeled carriages of saperior construction, at may be difficult to over-estimate.
48. To provide for the accomphshment of the important objects here hastily sketched out, but of which a fuller and more able exposition is contaned in the accompanying report Mr. Davidson proposes, in general terme, that one-fourth of the reduction of assessment recommended by bum should be kept back from the ryot This object wrll be sufficiently attanned, and a sum adequate to the ends in view be realized, by the imposition of an increase of 5 per cent. on the Jerayet rates of assessment proposed for adoption in the present report This extra taxation, however, being umposed for the speenfic object of umproving the resources of these districts, it would be necessary to guard it strictly from beng trenched upon for other purposes It must not be considered, as it would not be, a portion of the Government revenue, and, therefore, no haks or other necumbrancess on, or alienations of the latter conld be charged upon it A simple, but effective, plan would be to deduct 5 per cent of the sum to be realzed on account of the Jerayet bssessment of each village, for the purpose of being credited to the Educational Fund, from ats total rental as ontered in the Jamábandı Chitta, in the same way as remissions are now managed The balance would then be the amount of the Government claims upon the village, on which the allowances of Hakdars, and other expenses, would be oharged as at present. The fund thas fendered avalable would amount to about 5,000 rapees in the first year of the settlement, and with the merease of cultivation might at length attain to nearly 7,000 rupees for both districts These sums will appear lamited when compared with the magnitude of the objects to be effected by therr mastrumentality, but they will, I thank, suffice, and are as considerable as can safely be rendered avalable in the present impoverished condition of the cultivators. These suggestons are offered in order to admit of Mr Daviden's scheme being acted upon at once, in event of ata principle being approved of, whule further detanls connected whth the most advantageous dispoeal of the funds can be prepared hereafter, and will more appropriately form the subject of a dıstinct communcation.
49. The plan whoh has been here brought under revow, to use the words of Lneutenant Davidson, "is the outline of a mughty engine whoh, if constructed wasely and impelled by the benergy of our enlightened Rulers, can scarcely fail to work out a mughty change in the moral and physical condition of these destricts " I aweat its reception by my superiors with feelings of deep annety, an opportunity like the present of keeping back a portion of the benefits of a reduction of aesesesment in order to confer others of still higher amportance, is never likely to recur, and Government, by taking advantage of this, will, whthout ahatracting one rupee from ats own coffers, secure the invaluable benefits of education to the population of these distrieta and lay in my humble estimation, the only sure foundation for their lasting prospenty

I have the honour, \&co.,
GEORGE WINGATE,
Superintondent of Revenue Survey.
Camp at Dehgaon, Mrohol Dustructa, 15th June 1839

APPENDIX A.
Average proces of Jowári durnng the last 19 years in Indápur, Madha, Mokol, and Sholápur.


## APPENDIX B.

Statement gving the partzcularg of several recent Mortgages of Government Garden and Indom Jvrayet Lands un the Mohol and Mádha Dstrects


## APPENDIX B-continued.


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Superatendent of Revenue Survey.

## APPENDIX C.

Statement of the Gross "Annual Jamábands of the Mohol and Madha Tábukas, and the Gross Amount of Revenue realesed from all sources, from the date of thesr passing into the possession of the Brutush Government up to the termmation of the past offical year, $A \mathcal{D}$. 1535-39

|  | Offical Years |  | Land Reyenue | Sayer Bevenue | Total of Grobs Jamábandi. | Total collections made up to end of last year on account of carrent Revemue and outatanding balances and incluarve of the full allowances of Hakdars, village expensea, de | Percentage of Total collections of Gross Jamâbanda. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | A.D |  | Rs | Rs | Rs | Rs. |  |
| 1821-22 |  |  | 1,68,395 | 9,481 | 1,77,876 | 1,16,574 | $65 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| 1822-23 |  | - | 1,85,500 | 12,077 | 1,97,577 | 1,56,327 | 79 |
| 1823-24 | ... |  | 1,72,595 | 9,606 | 1,82,201 | 1,17,894 | 64 |
| 1824-25 |  |  | 1,80,118 | 4,703 | 1,84,821 | 38,923 | 21 |
| 182\%-26 | ... | . | 1,S5,386 | 8,297 | 1,98,683 | 1,22,874 | $63 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| 1826-27 |  | - | 1,58,505 | 8,541 | 1,67,04 $\dot{6}$ | 1,32,343 | 79 |
| 1827-28 | *** | - | 1,50,676 | 8,199 | 1,58,875 | 86,495 | $54 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| 1828-29 | - |  | 1,60,644 | 8,311 | 1,68,955 | 1,08,640 | 64 |
| 1829-30 | . | * | 1,46,000 | 8,351 | 1,54,351 | 69,379 | 45 |
| 1830-31 | . | - | 1,63,175 | 8,558 | 1,71,733 | 84,031 | 49 |
| 1831-32 |  |  | 1,44,637 | 8,256 | 1,52,893 | 1,28,691 | 84 |
| 1832-33 | . |  | 1,26,870 | 6,563 | 1,39,433 | 30,479 | 23 |
| 1833-34 |  |  | 1,55,851 | 9,259 | 1,65,110 | 1,61,282 | $97 \frac{1}{2}$ |
| 1834-35 | ** | - | 1,49,996 | 9,342 | 1,59,338 | 1,42,704 | 891 |
| 1835-36 | . . |  | 1,51,338 | 8,682 | 1,60,020 | 1,16,749 | 73 |
| 1836-37 | , | - | 1,60,612 | 9,685 | 1,70,297 | 1,56,800 | 92 |
| 1837-38 | . | -• | 1,70,070 | 7,810 | 1,77,880 | 1,52,494 | 85 |
| 1838-39 | . $\cdot$ | - | 1,69,901 | 8,312 | 1,78,213 | 1,41,561 | 79 |
|  | Average |  | - 1,61,126 | 8,557 | 1,69,683 | 1,14,680 | 671 |

Nors -The results shomin in the last two columns of this Etatement are amowhat in excese of the trath, in consqucuce of the full charges of haldars, fill expenses, te., berg meloded in them, wherea thore are conedereble balances outstanding on acconat of these iteme in every village. Deducting the odd bundreds on this account, we have Rs $1,14,000$, for the groes average annuel colleetions upon all gecounts, made in both dustricts from the date of thenr comiag into our posaession up to the end of the pasto official year,

## G. WINGATE,

Superintendent of Revenue Surver


Superimtendent, Revenue Survey in the Deccan.
Iir,

- Mohols 20th May 1839.

Sir,

- I have the honour to acknowledge the recexpt of your letter No 60 of 1839 , calling on me for my sentıments with respect to the praposed assessment of Mohol Asesesmont - the Mohol Taduka and participating as I do in the anariety you express for the early introduction of the nev rates, I hasten to comply with your request

2. The survey and classsfication are safficiently advanced to enable me to form a faur estimate of the capabilities of the district, and the probable revenue it would yreld under an assessment based upon the Indapur settlement already sanctioned by Government

3 Before entering upon the consideration of this point, $I$ proceed to lay beftre you the ${ }^{-}$ result of my operations ${ }^{\circ}$ testing the sun vey measurements and forming a new classificgtion of the soll
4. As the measurements of my Karkuns "wore to form a standard for the trial of the re-

Method putraed in testing the former mesaurements. corded measurements of the former survey, I have endeavoured to ensure their accuracy by a strict and continued examination To do this with confidence, it jows necessary that the proof. measurements of their work, exeented by myself, should be as correct as possible I have, in consequence, made it my praotice to chain the entire boundary of each field, besides fixing the distantuponts with the theodolite, from two or more stations .

The average dufference, between my measurements and those of my establishment, from the commencement untll now, is 2 per cent

- In order to bring the sqrvey of the tafuka within the maxrmum of allowable error ( $\mathbf{1 0}$ per Resalt cent), I have found it necessaiy to re-measure the whole of the waste land I am niaw testing the measurement of the cultivated land, and find it much more correct Out of 46 vilages which $I$ have examined, un 5 only has the eirror esceeded 10 per cent., and the average error of the remanning 41 of "these villages is 5 per cent.

5. With the view of giving weight to my opimon, as to the degree of uniformity attained by my Establishment of Tarams in the elassifying of the soils, $I^{\prime}$

Methofi of ahecking the classifi cation. hase had my own work, in almost every instance, checked by an experienced classer, we made our separate valuations, and on comparing them with the recorded classification and with each other the resalt was as follows -


This difference is, perhaps, greater than it ought to he, and I hope greater than it will be on the whole taluka.

6 "Permit me to offer'a few remarks, on the tables showing the relative value of each clans and variety of sonl, framed for Indapar assessménat, and
Tablo of comparative valud of colls consudered. adopted for the survey in which I am engaged I have endeavoured to form an unbiased opinion of the ments of the table m"question from personal observation, and I belibpe it represents the various soils, as nearly as possible, in the onder and degree of their seveial capabilities It is difficult to trace the process . by which we arive at a conclusion on a point which admits of no certain demonstration. I can only say I have taken advantage of the frequent opportanities which my occupation afforls, for elhecting his real opunon, and have had every reason to beheve that the tabular arrangement of the sols chandes with the scale of preference which exists withus the mund of the cultivator. The classitcation is not hew to him. He is sccustomed to regard the solls as, - divided, with a few exceptions, moto three colours; and these he sub-divides by three degrees of " comparison, Best, Medrum and Worst-Awal, Madhiam, and Niras. An experienced Kanbı. would make an excellent classifier if his own interost were pot immediately concerned When a differeace of opinion has arisen betivist one of the Tarams and myself, I have not unfrequently asked a Kuabi to pronounce apon the point, and has judgment was genernlly received with deference I have found the diagrams givenan Appendix A usefui in elucidating the natute and arrangement of the table.
-7. Assuming this table of comparative values to be sufficiently correct, also that the postive quantity and arerage quality of each field has been , determined with a faur degree of accuracy, by means of revised
8 1290-80
measurements and a new classification, another and a very maternal point still remans to be adjusted, namely, the herght at, which the rates for the district should be pitched

8 I enter upon this part of my subject mpressed with a sense of its importance, and of my own ansufficiency to handle it It is a satisfaction to me to know that my remarks, being subject to your review, are not likely to muslead
9. I shall not attempt to give the history of Mohol, I understand it has Been the subject: of same eycellent reports, and if ahythang is wanting in the present unstance, I may rely on ats being suppleed by your abler pen, from your larger store of ninformation .

10 "Poverty wn the momst of great natural resources is the chief oharacteristat of the taluk, State of Mohol Taluken add among the causés of its reduced condition, a disproportioned Land Tax stands the most conspicuous. The escape prpe of a reservoir could not more effectually prevent the rise and accumulation of ats waters, that, the Kamál exaction of Aurangzebe did the rise and advancement of this"district. And I trust it - will be exempted from anothes mode of draynage, of more screntufic adjustment, but not less injurious in its tendency, I allude to that system, where the aperture js nost micely regulated, so that ats demand, when added to the other sources of exhanstion, exactly amounts to the supply
11. If there exists a doubt that the plan of a heavy assesment and annual remissions presents a direct premum upon poverty, a glance at the -
System of high asaessirent and district under review will effeetually remove it if is a take. all from hum who has to give, and a take-as-much-as-gou-can from him who has it not Under sush a system none are rich, because all find it their miterest to be poor, and what are the sad consequences 9 The great body of the people have brought Nature down to the lowest terms on which she can exist, and when the exigencjes of a famme or even of a scarcity call for a retrenchment, every step of that retrenchment produces staftration, instead of frugality, a reduction of hife, rather than economy of tiving We have visited Its mjumous sfect together somo of the vilages which suffered the greatest bloght of the famue in Fasli 1242 (1833), and it is not necessary I should rempd you of the feelings with which we loaked upon the masses of rooless walls, which, except that they wese not blackened, presented all the appearance of a recent conflagration The miserable uhbabitants of those villages deed, or fled, not becanse there was no Other causes. corn in the land, but because they were pool, and had not wherewnth to buy I am aware that in every country, there must be a portion of the people living from hand to mouth, who are rendered destitute whenever a season of ecarcity arives, but it is seldom they form, as. here, the larger body of the populace.

12 The poverty arising from a heavy taxatiom presents's barner to all mgricultural im-
Extengon of Bagayet cheeked $\dot{\text { p }}$ provements requirng the expenditure of capital. Throughout - the greater portion of this táluk, garden cultiyation maght bee readuly extended of the ryots bad the means of sinking wells for the purpose of urrgation, and this inerease of bagayet would be one of the best provasions against famine
13. The construction of bunds for retanng thë sonl that is washed from the high lands to afford an almost mextadstible field for the profitable employment of capital in works of this kind I bave been surpnsed at the rapid deposit of first rate soil buhind embankments that have only lately been raised. This naturally suggests the consideration of what the country must suffer annually from the mpoverished condition of the landholder. The heavy jain"of the monsoon which falls on the hilly land, in the centre of the taluk, rapidly finds its wayinto the niver that flows on elther side, bearing along with it some of the nchest portions of the soil; and leaving the district, each succeeding season, more bare and baftered than before.

14 In making these remarks, and charging a heavy land tax with so many evils, I have not lost sight of other causes, such as the sub-division of property and carly marrages, which combine with it in ploducing such unhappy results I hese, as Mr Mills justly observes in bus comments on the Indápur Settlement, can he touched only'with the hand of education .

15 There can be no doubt, and I believe nobody entertains any, that the present assess-

Propositoi" stated iment-ot the talnk is $\$ 00 \mathrm{high}$, the proposition to be folved 18

- Propositioñ stated rather, how far it may be lowered without unduly sacrificing the reources of the ostate.
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16 I trast it may be congigered an acknowiedged principle, that the interests of GovernA procople assumed ment are best secured by pursuing such measures as tend to at the comntry

18 As Tallode to Indap m the last paragraph, it may not be ont of place briefly to advert to the princmples on whuch the assessment of that talluka was fixed ihe officers to whom the important duty was entrusted do not appear to have anmed at ascertanng, by long and minute calculation of produce and expenditue, the exact productive power of each varrety of soll, but guxded by their own experience, and assisted by the judgment of such men as might be expected to afford an unbiased - opinion, they framed a settlement whuch has fairly stood the test of experquent They set out with the maxam, that a certain quantity and quality of land - would admit of a certain taxation, and whet the arins of this proportion were exterded, so as to embrace all the arakle land within the dustrict, it was found that, although the nominal revenue of Government wras reduced, at's actual collections were increased, and the prosperity of the taluk secured by the arrangement.
-19. In order to ascertam the extent of analogy between Mohol and Indapur, I have

Method adopted to "ascertain the analogy between Mahol and Indapur drawn out the diagram Appendix B, in which the cultivation and colleetions of the taluks for each year from Fash 1231 to 1248, are marked off proportionally and connected by coloured lnes, so as to admit of a ready "comparison, above are exhibitad, in the same manier, the prices at Indápur, Mohol, and Sholápar during thes same years
20. It will be seenffom the lines marking the cultivation and collections of Mohol and How affected by external unflpencesi Indápur, that they have fluctuated un the same manner, though not exactly in the same degiee, and we may conclude - they have been affected by the same external infuences The difference in degree of fluctuation is slightly in farour of Mohol.
21. With respect to markets there appears to be htitle dispanty. The average of the Comparison of Markets. Indápur market from Fasir 1231 to 1248186 per cent. higher than that of Mohol, while the prices at Sholspur, during the same jears, average 8 per cent hagher than those at Indápur It must be borne in mind that Sholapur in point of distance is a favoriable mart for the produce of Mohol, indeed, when taken in conjunction with Pandharpur, on the other side of the taldaka, it, perhaps $z_{2}$ counterbalancas bhe advantage possessed by Indápur in ats greater' ppoximity to Poona.
22. In some respeets nature has favoured Mohol more than Tridápur* In Mohol yater is Adtantages possessed by hobol. - more abundant, and gurden cultivation ${ }^{2}$ in consequence, more extended, grass is aliso moie plentiful, and the subsistence of cattle leas precarious. To these internal advantages may be attributed the encutmstance thatr theze are mare artizans and altogether more consumers of gran in Mohol than in Indápur. "The soul of Mohol has-scarcely greater capabilities than that of indápur, indeed, if the same rate of assessment were fixed for the revenue yelded by an equal quantity of land yn each would be both, in the proportion of 26 to 25 respectively.

- 23. The sum of these adrantages, however, is not great. "I am, therefore, of opmon

Elate of anseagment proposed
Socond nonroo of information oon andored. that an increase of 10 per cent on the rates of fidapur would , give the. proper assessment for Mohol.

24 Now putting Indápur out of place altogether, we may gather some important data from thes dustrict $2 t s e l f$. . given a series of diagrams which I trust will prove inteliggable They are intended to show the general condition of the vallages, and the conclation of the tálok, as a wholes, duning the last 17 years. In the diagram of the táluk the gradual deorease of the cultivation, from the tume we got the country until the partial introduction of the new ratee, in the form of Ukth, 28 exceed-
Duagrams showing thb gredual - deerasse of oultivation afd how the heavy exactan operated as a chreck to the advandement of the district. ingly striking. The came opn be traced in most of the 10 villages, in a greater or lesse degree.
 an ultumate beneni to seen from the discram for the tillut, that every year of rigorous collection is followed by a year of duminished cultivation Fiom this it is, reasonable to, conclude that the pultivator had to caonfioe part of his capital in order to pay his rent, and that finding. his resources encroached upon, helwas forced to contract the circle of his labours', 2nd, on the other hand ift is observable that every year of reduced levy is followed by a year of enlarged oultavation. In short, during the 14 yeurs which precede Fash IE46, the taluk, white falling, has ever laboured to nise, but earch suocessive effort has been checked by the apceasing drag of a heavy assessment.
26. On every scale of a land tax that runs so high as the eristing one of this taluk, there must be a point at wheb it. begius its encroachment on the substance of the landhoder and it is evident that, to fix the assessuent even the fraction of a degree abrive that running point, is to entaila aslow, but no less certain, imporerishment on thé andividualiwho pays it Again a little higher on the sanie scale there 18 another point, a point at whoh the demand begens to be more than the husbandman can pay, make what sacnice ho will, and it is also evident that the assessment may be raised immessurably beyond that point, without accelerating hus run in the least, for the water already $1 s$ above his head, and one fathom will drown him as effectually as twenty. It wquid appear then, that a distnct may be rained withont the assessment oeemug to
be vely exorbitant, apd that such run may be averted by a reduction, moderate in itself, but doubly moderate when contrasted with the misery it alleviates.
27. Upon rates 10 per cent higher than those of Indápur, I have ealculated the assess:

Ansessment calculated on rates 10 per cent above those of Indapur.

Mohol Táluk there are 143,000 rupees as the maximam levy on

Resilt. • ment of the abovementioned ten villages, which may be taken as a fair sample of the tifulk, and the result is an average rate of $\delta$ aninas per acre on the whole arable land Now, in the acres of alable land Thie, at 6 annas per acre, gives 53,000 the Jerayet land. At piesent there are about 90,000 acres under cultivation, but that portion, of course, includes nearly ${ }^{\text {. }}$ all the first rate land, and, in consequence, averades about 61
annas pei acie, and is assessed, say, "at $3,7,000$ rupees. Agan the average collection on the Jerayel Iand for the 14 years which precede 1246 , the date at which the new rates weie partally, introduced, amonnts to 33,000 iupees From thas we may expect that Government Deductron. what is highly improbable, that cultivation did not extend under the new assessment, the State might relinquish on account of bad seasons a tenth of its revenue and still derive as much from the district as it hitherto has done,
28. I trust I have proved in the last paragraph one of the terms of the problem, namely,

Intereste of Government not gacriticed, that the proposed rates will not, even under the most unfavourable circumstances, involve a sacıfice of the resources of the State

29 I shall now attempt to show that these rates will enable the ryot to advance in prosperity, and I trust I am night in assuming it as an axiom, that in thegiatio of his advancement, the Government revenue will improve

- 30. The steps of my argument are these -

1st -That the proposed assessment will leave some capital in the hands of the cultivator
2nd -That this district affords an extensive field for the judicious outlay of such capital, when acqurred
3rd-That the cultivator, having such capital, will expend it in that profitable field
1 st.-On refernng to the dagram for the táluk (n Appendix C), it is clear that the introduction of the new rates, in the form of Ukt, darng the last 3 years, has operated as a relief to the cultivator, and has, therefore, tended to improve his condition, by giving him for neauly the same money a laiger quantity of land, part of which he holds on the survey rates and part on the reduced rates It follows that the new rates have already, in some measure, increased the capital of the cultivator, for in the instannce before us, improved condition, and' increased capital, may be deemed ofte and the same thing But let us consider what the proposed rates will now.do The collections for the present year on the Jerayet land were 47,000 rupees, while the 1 evised assessment on the same land whll be about 37,000 rupees Fiom this it is evident that the difterence, nathely 10,000 rupees, will be left as capital in the hands of the cultivators of this taluk the first year the new rates aro fully established.

2nd - In my 12th and 13 th paras $I$ have noticed the natural resources of the district, and 2ud Argoment shall in this place be contented to repeat that, it affords an abundant field for the piofitable expenditare of capital, in the - construction of bunds, and in the extension of garden cultivation

3rd.-It can be proved only by inference that the Kunbl having capital placed at his disSrd Argumento posel, will expend it in the improvements alluded to Some Kunbus have capital and they lay it out almost entuely in that way The Kunbi 18 not dissipated and has a desire to rise in the world, in common with other men Any one living for some time in this district, and witnessing the efforts at mproyement, tao often maried from insufficiency of means (of which every village affords a few interesting examples., would at once acquit the Kunb of the charge of natural, and therefore unconquerable, apathy, which is so fiequently preferrcd aganst hm through an igmorance of humayity, the more culpable because it is refined

31 Should the proposed rates, oi any other low rates, receive the sanction of Government, it nill be necessary to guard as mụch as possible aganst any sudder nerease of cultivation It must always be most injurious to a Kunbi to hold more land than he can coltivate

Cultivation ohould extend gradualls 1F at all. to pay the full rent to the State, while he is unable to draw propenly, for he, in that case, has to pay the full rent to the State, while he is unable to if at upon the full resources of his field The capital
all, and so ought the sphere of its employment.

32 The happy results to be expected from the introduction of a light and equitable land Permanency requiate. tax will be sadly neutralized, unless at be made in some degree, If not a logether, permanent The grand object 18, to umpart to the cultivator a feeling of security aganst the inroads of an exaction which shall increase, as
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hutherto, in the measure of his mprovements The following remark which fell from a native to whom I was explaming the present prospects of the taluk, may show the Kunbis habit of thunking on the subject -"The Uktı rates," said he, "would make the ryot happy and prosperous, but how long will they last? In a few years another Sáheb will come, and after examinng the village, will propose a higher assessment."
33. I am not prepared to advance a decided opmon with respect to the Bagayet assessBagayet rates ment, and as the subject may be considered a general one, would rather leave it enturely with you to make proposals for the Bagayet rates of the Mohol Táluk. The proportion the Bagajet levy bears to that on the Jirayet is ven y small, being only 6 per cent 1 may remark that I have receaved an mpression, the source of which it might be dufficult to trace, that a rent not exceeding 2 rupees per acre in addition to the Jrrayet rates might be fixed for the Bagayet.
34. Aocordang to the proposed rates the State is required to relinquish a portion of its demand, onder the farr anticipation of an ultumate increase to ats revenue I shall conclude this report with a proposal baving reference to the manner in which, I think, this relinquishment should be made.

- 35 I take it for granted, that in relinquishing a right for the purpose of mproving the condition of the people, and through them ats own resources, it is reasonable and just that Government alould do so in the manner best adapted to bring about the end it has in view

36. Three ways suggest themselves in which such a sum may be distributed. It may be given unreservedly to the cultivator in the form of a reduction on the rent of his fields, to be applied as he thinks fit, it may be expended at the discretron of Government with a duect view to the advautage of the ryot, or ma its application both of these may be combined

The first aystem has been hitherto pursued, and if the mental and physical energies of the natives are fully aroused, and their efforts at their improvement ughtly directed, such a system were assuredly the best, as it is better than the second.

Because to carry the second into successful operation, it were necessary that the liberality of the State should reacl its object and effect its end, through a duligent and anquirmg agency, an agency that partook of the philanthropic spint of the Govennment of which it is the hand, and such is not always to be found.

In the present state of the district it is essential, whule we afford the means of improvement, thut we impart theremilh the spurit of mprovement I therefore recommend the adoptiou of the thard system, and that of the proposed reduction three-fourths go durect to the cultivator, by dimimabing the rent upon his fields, while the remaming poition reaches him indirectly, by being dieposed of in the following manner -

1st-The establishment in each of the larger villages of a school endowed to an amount not exceeding ten or twelve rupees per mensem.
$2 n d$. -The entertamment at the village of Mohol of a body of ustructed artificars, far the parpose of making caits at a reduced price, and of mproving, by thoir mfluence, the mechanical resources of the district.
Sod -The expendture under those heads being so regulated as to leave a emall surplus, I suggest that such surplus be allowed to accumulate into a fund, for the supply of occasional rewards to the more enterprising husbandmen.
97. I fhall offer a few observations on each of these proposals We may infer from the past exertuons of Government in the cause of education, that the relative merit of the oollege and village school systems has been the subject of debate I am agnorant of the conclucion airived at, but would give my humble voice in favour of the latter In a college we hare mastiuction condensed, if I may so speak, into a mass, and extending its mfluence in concentrio circles tillia process of time it reaches the onter verge of the community, whereas in the system of village schools, we have the dividmg of such a mass unto small but efficient partucles, and the spreadurg of the whole over the enture surface of the commumty. The latter seems a better mode of diffusing than the former. But there is something wanting in the items of a village school education. There ought to be a more direct aum at mportng adeas as well as a knowledge of the mere vebicle by which they are conveyed. To the ordnasary bracches might be added the antiatory procuples of mechanics, illustrated from the field of every day occarrence, and thus brought withun the grasp of the nost himited capacty For esample, the properties of the lever, of the pulley, and of the wedge, with a few maxims, such as a saving of ume attendant on increase of power in mechancal combinations, might be set forth and brought home to the mind of the young vilager without there being any necessity to expatiate beyond the hamuted circle to which his associations are confined. This point till of late years has been too much neglected in the seminanes $2 n$ which our working classes at home reoeved their education, and we may attribute to the influence of such elementary knowledge as is dissemmated by Echcols of arts and cheap publications, the enlarged spint of anvention which is the oharanterstic feature of the age. The wgredients have been thrown into many minds, and their combiostous have increased in number and ranety The survey of felds, as practased by our native mensuiers, might ie tuaght with griat fachity, and with practical adiantage. A. chann and

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cross-staff being deposited with each achool-master, he might occasionally be called on to measure a doubtful field, and in this way a number of measurers would be avalable with addtional expense being meurred.

38 The natives are very averse to making experments, and the advantage anising from a proposed innovation must be very evident before they will adopt it Much injury has been' done by attempts to introduce mplements which were not adapted to the countiy, and the fanlure of every such attempt has had the effect of arming the native mind aganat succeeding ones. The introduction into these districts of a very superior cart is a pleasing exception to the above I think the principal cause of its success is its great durability I should feel myself more at liberty to enlarge on the benefits conferred by the introduction of the cart in question, were I not addressing the very indavidual who, sparing neither trouble nor expense, has in this case so effectually combated native prejudice. You are sware that the possession of a cart has in several instances created a spirit of enterprise in carrying produce to distant markets, which is altogether new among the Kunbis In constructing these carts, the assistance of carpenters from surrounding villages xs occasionaily requred, and instruction in its most acceptable form is thus conveyed to a class of workmen whose mechanical acquirements have been for generations of the rudest kmd In short, it is one of those mprovements which ought not to be left dependent on the rise and fall of individual philanthropy, and the establishment I have proposed would secure for it a firmer basis
39. The judicious distribution of rewards would aid powerfully in the introduction of the richer products, and would tend to merease the number of enterprising cultavators The example of such men has a very beneficial effect I could mention instanoes in which the salutaly infiuence has extended from one or two men to a whole vallage, so that its supernor tillage has been strongly contrasted with the superficial culture of those in its vicinity.
40. The above is a mere outhne, and a very imperfect one, but I feel the conviction that it is the outhine of a powerful engine which, ff constructed wisely and impelled by the energy of our enlightened Rulers, can scarcely farl to work out a mughty change in the moral and physical condition of this distnct, and I press its consideration with the greater earnestness, because an opportunity so favourable as the present is not likely to recur A reduction as about to be made in the rental clamm upon the district, and it has been my object to show that the grand organ of education may be called into existence, and sustained in action, if the State will only lay its hand upon a part of that education, not in the spirit of appropriation, but with the niew, by its juducous expenditare, of establishing a system of intellectual tranng for the youthful portion of $2 t s$ subjects.
41. The amehoration of the district to which it is extended is expected to follow the renised survey and assessment, and the absence of such a result would be readily deduced as an evidence of its falure But while the removal of a heavy and unequal burden will do much, it will not do all. Under these circamstances, I have been induced to notice principles and systems which are insepanable from the subject of this report, since they must operate along with it in order to secure a successful termmation
42. In making the proposal which occupies my concluding paragraphs, I have struggled betwixt the feelings of anxiety and difidence, the one prompting me to say more and the other telling me I had already sand too much.
43. Should it appear that I have occasionally expressed myself with greater freedom than is consistent with my limited experience, I trust it will be remembered that the subject before me is one in which the heart, as well as the reason, must engage

> I haye the honour, \&c,
> D. DAVIDSON,
> Assistant Superintendent, Revenue Survey

Trrritorlal Depabtment-Revenub.
To
L. R. REID, Esquire,

Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Bombay.
Sin,
I do myself the honour to hand up an original letter from the Oollector of Sholapur, dated 2nd instant, No 377, with accompaniments, being reports from Lieutenants Wingate and Davidson on the survey and classification of the lands of the Mádha and Mohol Districts of the Sholapur Collectorate, and proposing \& new settlement of assessment for the aame.
2. Lueutenant Wingate, before proceedmg to the more ummedrate sabjeot of the report, enters anto an explanation of eertain points connected with the late settlement in the Indápur Taluka, which, he concaves, have not been raghtly understood by Government, owing to some obscurity in his and Lueutenant Nash's reports, which has led to the supposition that the table of rates adopted in Indápur exhubits the productive powers of the several solls, that is, the relative quantitres of gross produce yrelded by each, thas view led to the dufficulty in percerving the connection between the rate of assessment and the classification of the lands.
3. In paragraph 4 Lueutenant Wingate proceeds to clear up this dufficulty, and states that the classfication of the different solls has not been made from a caloulation of their gross produce, bat according to the capabilities of paying rent If I raderstand the meaning of this, it is that a rate has been assumed for a particular kind of soll, say for the woist, and then a proportional rise has taken place in the different grades of the superior solls. Thas certannly is a more ampple plan of proceeding than on calculations of the produce and expenses, but still I am of opmion that in this aystem even the data 18 far from theoretical accuracy, though perhaps as near to it as can be obtained in practice, all the subsequent calculations resting on the first assumed rate, which, as far as I can learn from the report before me, is nearly altogether dependent on the judgment of the Survey Officer. It consequently follows that the subsequent calculations must partake of any error that existed in the first assumption-an objection, however, that I agree with Lueatenant Wingate in thinkıng must attend in some measure any other system of assessment.
4. I do not deem it necessary to follow Leeutenant Wingate through his able disquastion on rent, and the extent to which he concerves Government have a right to carry their demands on the cultivators as landlords of the country I shall, therefore, pioceed at once to the subject treated of in Lieutenant Wingate's 17th, and Lieutenant Davison's 10th and 11th paiagraphs.
5. In regard to the mach depressed condition of the Madha and Mohol Districts, I would state that although I freely allow that a case has been made out by these officera, that a revision and reduction of assessment 18 urgently called for, yet I cannot go the length of argang wath them that the whole of the cultivating population has been brought to the verge of starvation, or allow that every step of retrenchment produces starvation instead of economy, a reduction of hife rather than an economy of living I wonld respectifully remark that in my opinion thas state of affarrs is rather assumed than proved, at least the facts produced by Lieutenant Wingate in support of this opmion do not carry conviction to my mund.
6. I allow in the statement exhubited in the 19th paragraph that in the five villages brought forward the number of agricultural oattle is deficient, ana shows lamentable want of capital in the great body of cultivators, bat at the same time it does not ameant to actual staivation, though I wull allow, fiom what I saw im my last visit to that part of the country, that the mhabitants are perhaps in a greater state of poverty than in any other part of the Pressdency 1 have visited.

7 It is with considerable diffidence I offer an observation in opposition to that expressed in Leutenant Wingate's 24th paragraph as I am sure what his personal experience is very considerable, but I cannot agree with him in thukky that the fact of no Government land beng mortgaged is satisfactory proof that the assessment is oppresavely burdensome on the land. This is a state of affars rather to be expected in villayes where the population is large and where lands fit for oultivation are scarce, or rather unequal to meet the demands of the cultivators. In such a case it might be expected that the right to oultupate lands would be worth purchasing, but when the case 18 the reverse, when the population is thin and the land extensive, there will be no inducement to purchase a right which can be aequired without any outlay. I am at 1 ssue also with regard to the inference that is to be drawn from the method adopted by the holders of lands under the Batai tenure It is stated that the nominal holders let their lands to cultavators who pay them from one-half to one-third of the net produoe, they, the nominal holders, paying the Government rent. Now I would respectfully state that such a system goes rather to prove that the assessment is rather hight than heavy on these lands. One-third of the produce in any province is not considered so tremendously heavy, but m these cases nothing like one-third can be the Government demand, unless we suppose that the nominal holders of these lands are content to hold them for the mere pleasure of being answerable for the Government dues, and that nothing whatever is left foz their own subsistence out of the one-thurd they refeeve from the cultivator That such can be the actual state of this class of persons 18 dufficult to understand, and it would have been satusfactory to have been anformed by what means they gran theur hvelhhood, if not from the produce of the lands they hold. I will not occupy Government tume by gring further unto this subject. A case of rension and reduction has, I am quite aware, been fully made out, and I would not have sand as mach as I have on the ponnt, had I not been appreheusive that to have passed by these remarks in silence, would have led to the supposition that I concurred in the opinion that the cultivators had been reduoed to actual starvation by the grinding demands of Government.
8. I shall now proeeed to the actual gist of these reports, the rates of the proposed new assessment. It will be perceeved that the base of these rates has been takan from Indapar, and that it is proposed to male the Mohol rates 10 per ceat. above the Indipur stadard The reasons given for this nacrease by Lientenant Davison, and coneurred in both by Leeatenant Wingate and the Collector of Sholapur, are, I think, conclusve, and I would thare-ore recommind
that they should be adopted. For the neighbourng pargana of Mádha, Lieutenant Wingate is of opmon that a medum rate of assessment should be assumed between that of Indapur and Mohol, that 1s, 5 per cent. above the Indapur rates and below those of Mohol, for the reasons urged in the 26 th paragraph, and trusting to his experience in this district $I$ would also recommend this rate being sanctioned.

9 The adoption of the new rates will reduce the rental to Rs. $1,16,000$, which is Rs. 5,000 more than the average collections of the last ten years previous to the introduction of the Ukti rates. This amount, however, compared with last year's revenue, shows a decrease of Rs 25,000 , which is the actual immedrate rehef proposed to be granted -a sum that must be considered tnilng, considering the benefits that are likely to accrue to these districts from ats temporary relinquishment.

10 The only other point comnected whth the revison of the assessment as the proposed modification of the rates on Bagayet lands, and I should state that I generally concur on the plans proposed by Lieutenant Wingate the rates appear to be rather unequal than oppressive, and require, the efore, equalization rather than abatement.

11 It is proposed to assign a certann number of acres to each well which it is considered can be, one year with another, properly rugated The rates are fived at Rs 2, 14, and 1, these being levied in addution to the Jerayet assessment So far I think the plan may be grood, but I do not ultogether approve of the system of yearly measurement, with all its attendant tran of evil, which must be introduced, on rather continued, if the proposed assessment is to be only levied on such part of the garden lands as are urngated. I think it would be- preferable to fix a rate on these lapds such' as can be easily paid in ordmary seasons and no deduction allowed either for want of urrigation or deficiency of crops, except in years of general falurecaie berg taken not to apportion more land to each well than can be easily watered.
12. Lieutenant Wingate argues at some length in favour of long leases, if not altogether permanent ones, and points out the advantages likely to accrue both to Government and the cultivators by their introduction in these districts, and as the reasoning 28 very conclusive on this ponnt, perhaps Government will, on a reconscderation of the subject, see fit to declare the rates slall be in force 20 years.

13 I approve of the 'proposition of Lieutenant Wangate for altering the pernods of the instalments for the payment of the revenue on the Rabs crops, as a measure likely to afford substantial relief to the cultuvator, by enabling him to bring his produce to mariet on mole favouable terms than he can now. I should anticipate but little risk to the revenue if the Kamarisdar is active and zealous in the discharge of his duty.

14 In paragraph 43 Lneutenant Wingate supports a proposition started by Leeutenant Davidson for introdueng a system of village education throughout these districts The advantages to be derived by the community by a difiusion of useful knowledge are too obvious and too well admatted to render it necessary for me to enter unto any arguments on the subject. Whether the plan submitted would be likely to succeed is another question The method of obtanngg the necessary funds for carrying out Leutenant Wingate's view is, I also submit, not altogether free from objection. Govennment have been called upon to revise ani reduce the assessment on the grounds of the uttenly destitute state of the cultuvators-a state declared to be, by both Lueutenants Wingate and Davidson, boiderng on actual starvation, for therr relef a reduction of Rs 25,000 is proposed to be made in the present demands-a small sum, it would appear, to adminster relief to the lange body of the cultivators, even if the whole were allowed to reach them durect By the proposed plan it is intended to divert one-fourth of this sum to another channel, leanng only about Rs 20,000 as the actual relief of taxation to a population piessed down, it is urged, to the lowest abyss of misery and want. That the comong generation would benefit by the measure proposed there can be but one opinion, but the question is whether the present cuitivators oould aftord to give up so lange an amount of ammediate rehef for the distant clance of benefit held out to themselves personally by the proposed measure
15. I would respectfully submit that the proposition now brought forward by Lneutenants Wingate and Davidson, praseworthy as it 18, goes far to bear me out in the opinion 1 have alieady expressed, that the state of the cultivating classes has been rather too highly coloured, as I cannot suppose, if misery and starisation as deseribed in their reports were actually piessing on the cultivators, that it would be proposed to withdraw from them so large a portion of the proposed relief If the true state of the district has been shown, it is ngcumbent on us in the furt instance to relieve personal suffenng, for which end even the philanthropic prcposition tor general education must give away. If it is contended that the 5,000 rupees, or possibly the 7,000 rupees, can be paid by the cuitivators withous difficulty, it becomes a mere question of finance whether Govermment can give up such a portion of its revenue, for I would respec fully sulmit, if the present plan 18 sanctioned, a hike boon must or ought th) be extended to the other disticts under this $\mathrm{P}_{\text {tesidency }}$.

I have the honour, $\mathbb{L}_{\mathrm{c}}$,
J VIBART,
Revenue Commissioner
Recenue Commass'aner's Of $e$,
Poona, 12th July 1839

# Terbitorial Defarthent-Revened. 

To
J VIBART, Esquire,
Revenue Commissioner.
Sir,
I am directed by the Honourable the Governor m Councll to acknowledge the recenpt of your letter No. 1301, dated the 12th July last, handang up reports by Lneutenants Wingate and Davidson on the survey classification and assessment of the lands in the Mohol and Mádha Tálukas.
2. In reply, I am durected to aoquaint you that the senmments and instructions of Government on these interesting documents will be hereafter commumcated to you. Meanwhile, as the season for settling the Jamábands settlements is approaching, I am desired to state that the Honourable the Governor in Counch, concurring in the opmions expressed by you in the 8th paragraph, authorizes the adoption during the ensuing season of the proposed rates of assessment on the lands in the $M$ adha and Mohol Talnkas, and to requeat that jou will immediately issue the requisite instructions to the proper officers.

I have the honour, \&ce., \&e.,
L. R. REID,

Actang Chief Secretary.
Bombay Castle, 21 st November 1839.

No 3779 or 1839.
Terbitorial Departicrint-Riguenor.
To
J, VIBART, Esquire,
Revenue Commissioner.
Sin,
Adverting to the 2nd paragraph of my letter, dated the 21st November last, I sm now durected to convey to you the sentuments and instructions of the Honourable the Governor in Councul upon Lieutenants Wugate and Dandson's Survey Reports on the Mohol and Mádha Parganas.

2 These reports are exceedingly valuable, and display in the strongest light the talent of these officers, their perfect acquantance with the subject which they are duscussing; and the onlarged and philanthropio sentiments by which they are guded.
3., There are, I am instructed to observe, some pounts of the reasoming contauned in these reports, and some deductions from facts, in which Government is onable fully to concur, yee these for the most part concern matters of mere theory; and as a more partucular reference to them might only lead to a volumunous and needless disoussion, the followng observations wall be confined to the practical questions on which the decision of Government is requared. These are as follows -

> 1st.-The rates of assessment to be adopted in Mohol and Madha for dry lands.
> 2md-The rates for Bagayat of irrigated lands.
> Srd.-The duration of the present settlement.
> 4th.-The alteration in the periods at which the revenue should be pand.
> $5 t h$.-The soheme of district education.

4 It us freely admatted by all who have written on the subject, that the burien of the asseesment (or perhaps the demands that have been made upon the ryots) has been too heavy and requires reduotion. That the existing rates are too high is conclusively shown from the fact of its haning rarely or never been practicable to realize them. It is needless, therefore, to enter upon may further disoussion of this pount, or to remark upon the tendency of the facts on which Lieutenant Wingate grounds his conclusions regarding it.

The Governor in Councul trusts, however, that you are correct (paragraph 5) in your impression, that the impoverished state of the popalation, so much dwelt upon by the Surver Oticars, 18 deppeted with too strong a shade of colounng. Benevolent and humane dispositions are apt to be led astray by appearanoes, especially in a country whare what constituter the comiort of the iababitanta is in its nature and extent so totally dutterent from what frould be required in theur own and in less temperate chmates.

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6 Weie the umpressions of these offieers substantially coriect, and the state of poverty so abject as they represent it, the ryots not only beling nable to pay the 1 evenue, but not having absolutely the means, nor even the physical power, to cultrvate the soll, being hinited to a bare subssetence, almost starved, and nearly roofless, it is dufficult to magine that sufficent relief could be afforded, and much less that capital for mprovement could be created by a reduction of assessment to the extent proposed. Notwithstanding the state of wretchedness in which the people are described as subsisting, cultivation does go on and revenue 25 still paid
7. It as unquestionable, however, that masery and poverty do exist, and that, as the Government assessment xs one, though it may be by no means the sole or principal, cause of these, there is an undoubted necessity for reduction It must not be forgotten that the Government assessment, including, of course, the just dues of Zemindars, \&c., has been hitherto by no means the criterion of the demands which the cultivator has had to satisfy from the produce of his fields If those demands were, in practice, limited to that assessment, moch of the misery so graphically described would disappear Investigations of late years, in various parts of the country, have proved the fact that the village officers exact from the ryots far more than the amount of settlement, and there are no grounds for beheving that a sumular system of extortion has not generally prevaled throughout our districts

8 Though the substatution of a smple and less complicated system will naturally tend to leave the ryots less at the mercy of those who have the power and opportunty of oppressing them, it will not wholly free them from them, and it most be boine in mand that all our attempts at improving the condution of the cultivators by reduction of assessment will be of 1tttle avall, unless we can efficiently supermtend those who are employed in the collection and management of the Government revenue
9. It us now proposed to adopt the rates antroduced into Indapur with this modification that they be incieased 5 per cent in March, and 10 per cent in Mohol The successful adaptation of the lndapur rates is shown in paragraph 28 of Leentenant Wingate's report, where he states that, enince their introduction, the whole of the arable of the district 18 under cultivation, with the exception of one-twelfth, and that even thus may be expected to be soon brought under the plough.

10 On the mode in which the Indapur rates were fixed, the sentiments of the Governor in Council were communicated to you in my letter No 4739 of the 31st December 1838, paragraphs 5 to 8 Lieutenant $\bar{W}$ ingate rephes to these remarks in paragraphs 2 to 5 The objection urged by Government agaunst the table of rates was that, though it represented the relative productive powers of each class of land, the connection of this with the positive preductuve power to pay a certain money assessment was not apparent Leeutenant Wungate explanns that the table showed the proportional capabulity of payng a rent possessed by each class. There is, in truth, but hittle gained by the distinction. The argument of Government was that a relative scale of rates $1 s$ useless, unless it can be made appicable to a positive standard So say that B is double the value of A, and C treble the value conveys no idea of the value of $B$ and $C$, unless that of $A$ is known
11. The conclusion at which Government arrived, however, duffers in no ress ect from that of Lieutedant Wingate, for he admits that the settlement of the rates has been left entirely to the judgment and discretion of those by whom they have been framed This was precisely what was asserted un the 9 th paragraph of my letter above referred to The framer of the rates might have proceeded on calculations of produce and expenses, or might have preferred some other process, but while it must be admitted that the former 15 vasue and unsatisfactory, it may be asserted that it would be difficult to show any other process which as not equally so Whether it is the net produce, or the rent, which is to be ascertaned, mueh must, in fact, depend upon mere assumptrons, and the elements of ocr calculations are necessarly of that nature, that the accuracy of conclusions drawn from them must be dependent almost wholly on the quallifications of those by whom a judgment is to be formed of their bearing upon the case. In the present instance, it can scarcely be doubted that the result of actual experment in Indápur will prove that such quallfications as can fully be depended on have been brought to the task.
12. The rates for Mohol are pioposed at 10 per cent., and those for Mídba at 5 per cent, in advance of those of Indápur These rates, as has already been intimated * to you, are sanctioned as all parties concus in recommending them, and the reasons upon which they are founded seem good and sufficient. The Governor in Counell rehes greatly, in his decision on this point, on the practical experience of the Survey Officers, and he trusts that these rates are sufficently safe for the people, and sufficiently low to bring them back to, or perhaps, more correctly, to establish them in a state of fair promise of prosperity.

13 The next question regards the rate to be fixed on the Bagayat. The conversion of dry nato irrigated land is an object which cannot be too highly supported Every means should be taken of evcouagng the employment of capital in this manner, so as to extend the cultivation of exportable produce, and to diaw the ryots from that of common grain, the redundant supply of which (the necessary consequence of a very low assessment) is certann, by reducting ite money salue to perpetuate an evnl under which the country has long laboured.

- Frede my letter No 3447, dsted 21at November 1839

14. It is the opinion' of Government, therefore, that on the Bagayat should be imposed the smallest increase on the dry land rate, consistent whth what is due to those who have already expended capital on such improvements, and whth the object of preventing the abandonment of old lands and the taking up of others at the new rates.

15 Increase of revenue is not, I am durected to observe, especially at the first, an object of much consideration It will be well, particularly in these districts where the Bagayat is of amall extent, if the general dry land assessment fixed upon the country 18 readuly collected The improvement of the revenue is to be looked for on any revision of the settlement after the stipulated term shall have expired

16 The Bágáyat is here divided into "Pátasthal" and "Motasthal"; and there appears to be somerice lands which could be meluded in this classufication.

17 Lieutenant Wingate proposes that these rice lands should be subject to no extra sssessment beyond that of the Jurayst The Governor $\mu \mathrm{I}$ Council doubts the expediency of adopting this proposition. These lands must be far more valuable than the mere Jurayat They produce two crops-whatever may be the case in Madha, such lands are formed in many places by large bunds or embankments, the builders of which are either lost in tradition, or supposed to be some former rulers of the country In such cases no reason can well be aseigned why these lands should not be assessed according to their productive powers Fields originally Jnáyat, but now producing rice in consequence of the outlay of the occupants, may farly, as Lientenant Wingate proposes, be left aubject to the Jirayat rate.
18. The "Patasthal Bagáyat," or that urrigated by acqueducts from rivers and petty streams, is said not to exceed 50 acrea Lientenant Wingate's proposition to fix an estra assessment according to the curcumstances of each case is approved.

19 The "Motasthal," or well cultivation, has in Indapur been assessed at one umform rate of two rupees per acre, (extra to the Jurayat assessment) calculated according to the quantity of land which, each well can irngate. In fact, a tax on each well has been imposed according to its power of irngating a certain portion of land.
20. For Mohol and Mádha, Lieutenant Wingate proposes an assessment on a similar princrple, but with three different rates per acre, ovz, rupees two, one and half, and one, instead of an unform rate of two rapees. This may not be very objectionable: bnt the Government considers that one uniform rate will be preferable, as the number of acres allotted to each well can be so calculated as to meet those differences which it is proposed to obvate by separate rates The differences arising from "diupsinties in the quality of the soll, mination with reference to facilities of obtanning manure, \&c " (para 33 of Lieutenant Wingate's report), shquald be arranged for in the settlement of the Ju'ayat rates The extra assessment in the Bagayat should depend on aroumstances connected with urrgation alone
21. But it is very justly remarked by you (para 11) that Lieutenant Wingate's scheme of annual measuremonts of irrigated lands is objectionable Such a measure would tend to destroy, or greatly to interfere with the feeling of permanent property which itt 18 so much an object to establish. It would be far bettar, in the opinion of the Hon'ble the Governor in Council, to fix the extrs rent so low that the holder could without difficulty pay suoh rent, even should he be disposed to discontinue his mrigation partislly, or for a season-general droughts, or total fallure of crops, of course, will always requure to be specially considered,

22 The Governor in Council observes that you have made no remark upon that part of Lieutenant Wingate's report ( 31 to 33 paras) an which he advocates the relinquishment of the extra rent in favour of the gardens "which have hitherto pard no assessment or a very light one." This is totally at vaisance with our principal of umposing not only a light, bat an equal assossment It $2 B$ true that property 12 buch gardens may have been transferred at a value commensurate with any preference which they may have enjoyed, but if that preference is found to be unauthorized, and based upon"no just and raasonable grounds, it should at once be discontinued I'o carry Lieutenant Wingate's principal to its full extent would be to declare that in no case should eny field be burdened with an assessment higher than that which it has hitherto paid.
28. The Governor in Counal has noticed Lenetenant Dandson's proposition to collect water from halls by means of bunds. This is a very umportant feature in arrigation, and does not appear to have been much attended to under this Presidency In the Deccan there are great facilities for the formation of such works, and every indacement should be held out to individunls, or to villages to undertake them. This might be done by essessug for a speoufio period lands brought ander cultivation by means of such worts, at the same rates that they would pay if dry land.
24. The duration of the settlement is next to be considered. Lentenant Wingate advocates, as he did in Indápar, permanency ; and Lientenant Davidson supports the same view, but ander the impression that the measare would not, for various reasons, be acceded to, they so far modify their opinion as to recommend that leases for 21 years at least be granted, and in this rocommendation you concur.

25 In my letter to your address of the 31st December last, No 4739, Government atated fully the grounds on which it declined to sanction for Indapur a permanent settlement, or one for a very long term of years Lueutenant Wingate justly ascribes the disinch nation of Government to accede to his proposition "to doubt of the solidity of the principles of the settlement, and the permanency of its beneficial results, rather than to any disbelief of the real superiority of long leases and permanent settlements over those of very limited duration" The Governor in Council is quite satisfied that long leases alone can induce general and great improvements, but it is obvious the longer the period of a lease, the more certan ought to be the data on which the terms of it are founded, and the more assured should the governing authority feel that those terms were fixed an sound principles, neither bearing too beavily on the agriculcurists, nor awarding to the State less than its just and reasonable demands
26. These considerations induced the Government to object to a longer period than ten years for Indápur, but this was attended by a declaration that, at the exprration of this period, the settlement should be continued during a further term, should the benefical effects expected from it be found to have resulted

27 Since then further experience of the working of the Indapar revision has been attained, and though it may still be argued that that experience is scarcely sufficiently long to warrant any positive conclusion as to tis ultimate success, yet we may so far rely upon it as safely to extend the term of settlement The shortness of the period as now fixed must, it may be observed, naturally fall to encourage important and permanent improvement, and, to some extent, consequently defeat the principal object which the revised system has in view

28 The good policy of long leases, or settlements, under a moderate assessment, 38 so obvious as scarcely to require remaik. It is vain to look for permanent mprovement, or judicious outlay of capital on the land, unless the agriculturist has before him a far prospect of enjoying the full return of his expenditire, and of his exertions to advance his candition, while, on the other hand, it is mexpedient to deprive the State of the power of remedying any evils, and of benefiting ultimately by the augmented resources of the country

29 These considerations, and an understanding that the Hon'ble the Court of Directors has authorized the introduction of leases for a smmilar period under the Bengal Presidency, have induced the Hon'ble the Governor in Conncil to fix the term of 30 years for the settlement of the Mohol and Mádha districts, and to extend the same measure to Indapur. For this purpose you will be pleased to issue the necessary instructions

30 The Governor in Councll is the more disposed to adopt this plan at the present time, because, it would be difficult to imagine a case where it could be acted upon with a better chance of success, than when Government has on the spot the services of intelligent and able officers to carry it into effect.

31 A system of leasing villages for the extended period now fixed, the Hon'ble the Governor in Council 18 disposed to look upon as highly calculated to lead to the permanent prosperity of the country There may, he is aware, be difticulty in tioding mdividuals of substance to undertake such leases, though he hopes that Patels may sometimes be found equal to the responsibulty It is of the first mportance to the relef of the people, that they should become emancipated from the thraldom of money-dealers whose usurious rates of interest on the advances made by them is one of the canses of poverty among the ryots. Nothing is better calculated to accomphsh this end than a system of leases, which will give them a permanent interest in their lands, and stmulate their amprovement, provided the assessment is in the first instance moderate
32. Where circumstances do not admit of such leases of villages, the rates of assessment will remann fixed, and subject to no increase for the stipulated term This, I am directed to observe, will in no way interfere with the leasing of villages in which such a settlement has been introduced to Patels, or to the village communty, at any futare period, should they desire to engage for the revenue at a fixed amount.
33. The proposed alteration in the period on which the revenue is to be considered as due, noticed in para 13 of your letter, is approved You are requested to state whether a similar change may not be made in all parts of the Deccan to which the reasonings contained in paras 39 to 41 of Lieatenant Wingates letter apply The loss of aecarity for the payment of its dues to which Government may be exposed by such an arrangement, 18 of trifing importance in comparson with the advantages which would accrue to the rayats by therr beng thus kept out of the hands of the money-lenders, and the power thus given to them to dispose of their produce at more favourable penods than at present, will teud to create a greater certainty of the full assessment of the year beng paid.

34 The next subject for consideration and that one of the highest umportance is the introduction of a system of District education This subject 18 clearly and ably brought forward by Leeutenant Davidson, who 18 entitled to the warmest commendations for submitting it to the notice of Government His news are well supported by Lieatenant Wingate, who justly observes that the means by which the object can be effected are explanned by that officer with "a eagacity and judgment which do equal honour to his head and to his heart."
35. The scheme is vurtually to impose a tax upon the land, independent of that carned to the credit of the State, and which is to be approprated to the establishment of village schools and a mechanical instriution, and in agricultural rewards Upon the general priaciples on which so benevolent a scheme has been recommended there can be not doubt, whatever there may be in respect to their immediate apphcation to the districts in question.

36 The objections which have been urged against the scheme may, the Governor in Counoll coneiders, be rather apparent than real, for Lieutenant Davidson contends, if he does not satisfactorily prove, that the increase of revenue to be reasonably expected from the revised settlements will amply provide for the necessary outlay; whilst the advantage and benefit to the communaty, and to the rising generation especially, are, it must be admitted by all who have the welfaie, happiness and prosperity of the people in view, great and manifold.
37. As, however, it may be premature to adopt and act on the scheme, however philanthropic and praseworthy in itself, without more experience of the new settlements, on the successful working of which it wonld, in a great measure, depend, the Governor in Council is not disposed, at present, to take it into consideration, but would rather that, should orcoumstances warrant the measure, it may be kept in vew for eventual adoption.

38 It may further be observed, in reference to this subject, that the fruits of education in any countis, and especially in a tract where it has hitherto scarcely existed, are but slowly matured, that in the districts now under review, if the accounts we recerve of their condition are to be ciedited, what is most wanted is immediate relief from taxation, and that it is very doubtful how far any part of such relief should be diverted to objects which the present generation, as far as we know them, can but hittle appreciate. When that rehef has been fully afforded and its immediate object attamed, 14 may then be considered whether the exigencies of the State wall admat of a further reduction in its demands to provide a fand for educational purposes

39 .The attention of the Governor in Councll has bean particularly attracted by the useful and ingenious diagrams by which Lieutenant Davidson's report is accompanied They convey at one glance a general view of the state of the districts and villagee m past years, and while they note the fluctuations in the revenue and cultuvation, they show how mutually dependent on each other are a moderate demand on the part of Government and the prosperous condition of the agriculture of the country

40 In conclusion, I am durected to request that yon will convey to Lneutenants Wingate and Davidson the expression of the approbation of Government for the able and zealous manner in which they have executed the work mith which they have heen entrusted.

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> L R. REID, Chuef Seeretary.

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The accompanying Report from the Acting Superintendent of the Poona and Nassk Survey relates to the important question of the re-assessment of the Madhe Taluka of the Sholapur Collectorats, being the nest district after Indapar to which the survey settlement was originally extended
2. The Acting Superintendent explanns (paragraph 4) that the Madha Taluka, as constituted under the recent re-distribution of districts, now comprises 89 vallages- 42 of which belonged to $1 t$, and 36 to the Mohol Taluka when the first settlement of these dustriots was mada. Eleven belongad to Karmala at that tıme, seven are Unmala holdings, 82 Paragraph 33. $\quad$ being the total number of Government villages in the talaka
The proposals refer to 77 -liquiry beng in progress as to whether the lense of the other (5) five settled in 1856-57 and 1857-58, is to be held to have expired with the rest of the taluka or to be continuable for 30 years from the date of the rates being introduced.
3. The breaking up of the old revenue divisions of the original settlement is to be regretted. For at would have been more cunvenient in many respecta to have bad the assessment of the same tract of country to rerise at the expiration of the 30 years' lease. The changes made are fortunstely not very great in this case, and for parposes of comparison the state of thungs desoribed in the reports may be taken to be generally apphcable to the tract of oountry now included under the district
4. Mr. Grant has not alluded to the state of the district when the first settlement was introduced, but refers to the reports of the former Survey Officers for information on this subject Mrore attentiou should, in my opimon, be given to thus subject in future revaion

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reports, and where, as in this case, the villages of the revision are not identical with those of the orginal settlement, fresh returns of the revenue realized for a series of years pior to the introdaction of the latter measure should be prepared complete for the identical vulages to which the revision settlement is to be extended But as this has not been done in this case, the only returns we have of the revenues of the period referred to, are those given in Lieutenants Wingate's and Davidson's reports, prepared for the distmcts as they then stood, as explained above

5 Lreutenants Wingate and Davidson both give a sad account of the distressed state of the people of the district at the time their operations were carried out The latter officer has recorded the following remarks on the subject -
"The great body of the people have brought nature down to the lowest terms on which
Paragraph 11. she can exist, and when the exigencies of a famine, or even of ment produces starvation instead of frugality"

And he observes again in another part of his report-
"I am aware that in every country there must be a portion of the people living from hand to mouth who are rendered destitute whenever a season of scarcity arrives, but it is seldom they farm, as here, the larger body of the populace"

6 This opinion is endorsed by Lieutenant Wingate, who considers the state of poverty and distress prevaling in Mohol, as reported by Leutenant Davidson to be equally applicable to the Madha District, which is represented to have been "long uader the same management and subject to the same influences" The distressed condition of the people Is attributed by these officers to the oppressive nature of the revenue rates of that period

7 The Revenue Commissioner of the day in submiting these reports to Government expressed his opinion that the Survey Officers had given an exaggerated account of the depressed condition of the people of the Madha and Mohol Districts "I freely allow," he observes, "that a case has been made out by these officers that a revision and reduction of assessment is urgently called for, yet I cannot go to the length of arguing with them that the whole of the cultivating population has been brought to the verge of starvation."

It is evident, however, that he considered the people to be in a very bad state, for, in referring to his last visit to that part of the country, he represents them to be "in a greater state of poverty than in any other part of the Presidency I have visited"

The rapid improvement in their condition which is shown to have taken place rmmeduately after the introduction of the settlement, seems to me to be conclusive that the Revenue Commissioner's was the more correct view of the real state of the case at the time.

8 It is of considerable importance, as affects our revision, to consider what the rates were and what the collections amounted to that were felt to be so oppressively heavy at the tume referred to

9 Information in regard to cultivation and collections is very complete for a series of 17 years in Lieutenant Lavidson's report. It is given in the form of a coloured diagram prepared generally in the manner in which diagrams are now prepared The credit of inventing this ingenious and complete way of exhibiting the fluctuations in the cultivation and revenue of a district for a series of years, is due to that officer, this being the first case, I beheve, in which a diagram appears in a Settlement Report,

10 Referring to this return, I find that in the first year in which the District (Mohol) came into our possession, the revenue amounted in round numbers to $\mathrm{Hs} 50,000$ on a Fash cultivated area of about 62,000 acres Cultivation progressed a hittle at first, having gone ap from 76 to 84,000 acres in 123435 * This, however, was one of the dreadful famine years of the Deccan of which the recollection is atill retaned, and its effect is most marked in the revenue accounts, the total realizations having amounted to only about Rs $8,5 \mathrm{CO}$ out of a demand of Rs, 63,000 according to the regular rates of assessment. A decline in cultivation set in steadily from this period to 1242 , when the area had gone down to 66,000 acres This was an equally bad year as 1234-35-cited above-and the revenue reached only about the same sum of between Rs 8 and 9,000 It fluctuated considerably during the next six years, and in 1247-48, which is the last of the seres, it had ran up to Rs 47,000 The average for the period of 17 years is about Rs 32,000 .

11 Taking the whole of thas period for which the cultivation and revenue returns are given, I find that the average annual extent of land under tillage amonnted roughly to 64,000 acres, and the assessment of full demand thereon to 53,560 - which gives a rate of $12 \frac{1}{2}$ annas per acre. But the average ralizations of the same period were but Rs 32,000 as hown above, being at the rate of $7 \frac{1}{2}$ annas per acre. These facts clearly indicate, not merely that $12 \frac{1}{2}$ annas per acre was an oppresively hoary rate, but that alter deluating remissions, the levy of the reduced rate of $7 \frac{1}{2}$ annas proved burdensome in the extreme, and brought down the district to the depressed condition in which it was described to be at the time the Survey Settlement was introduced.

12 The information and data given above have been taken entirely from the Mohol report Simlar, but not such complete rerenue returns are given for Madba in Lieutenant Wingate's Report. But as they exhibit the same result, the foregoing remarks as to the state of cultivation - large remissions, and general depressed state of the people $\rightarrow$ may be taken to the equally applicable of that dastriot, and to the particular tract of country also under revson, though, as explaned in a former place, the villages are not indentical with those of the first settlement
13. The rates untroduced by Lieutenant Wingate are descrabed to be 10 per cent, higher than those fixed for Indapur in the case of the Mobol, and 5 per cent of the Madha Taluka, that is to say, 12 annas beng the Indapur maximum- 13 annas $2 \frac{1}{2}$ pies and 12 annas $7 \frac{1}{2}$ pies Were the respective rates fixed for the above districts
14. The villages* to be brought under the rension settlement contain, according to the former survey, an ertent of 269,587 acres of culturable land, the total assessment leviable under the rates then rmposed being Rs $1,00,579$ In the first year of the introduction the cultiva-
tion is shown at 223,835 acres, and the realized revenue at Dhagram for the 30 years' settlement. Rs 81,886 . Dunng the first 3 or 4 years of the lease cultivation increased considerably accompanied with a corresponding increase of revenue A dechne then occurred, and in 1846-46 both cultivation and revenue had gone back almost exactly to the mark at which they stood in the first jear, reforred to above A reaction set in agan after this year, and cultivation soon went up to 250,000 aeres and it remaned about the same with slight Huctuations to $1858-59$, which was the 20th year of the lease. The area under cultivation in that year was 251,200 acres and the realued revenue Rs, 97,375 .

15 Deducting the retuns of the last-mentioned year fiom the total area and assessment, we find that at the close of the twentieth year of the lease, there was an area in round numbers of 18,000 acres bearing ascersment of Rs 5,800 still uncultivated In the next five years' tume this had been takon up and for the last five years the whole assessed area may be said to have been under tillage, the return showng only 170 acres assessed at Rs 48 to be the present waste.

16 The result of the settlement for the three decennal periods ancluded in the lease is shown below -


These figures show that the colleotion for the first decenmal period averaged Rs 90,647 , the remssions being about $2 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent During the next ten years the latter were somewhat less than $\frac{1}{2}$ per cent upon an average annasl revenue of Rs 93,528 , and they amounted only to 17 rupees per annum out of a yearly revenue of above a lakh durmg the last decennal perwd. These results prove that the settlement has been emmently successfulin a financial point of new, and we have now to see how far it has been operative in angmenting the resounces of the district and amelorating the condition of the people

17 With regard to the present state of the distriot, Mr Grant describes the cultivation to be slovenly owing to insufficient ploughing and want of due care in ordinary tillage operations He considers this to be the result of the present low rates of assessment, which, in his opinion, are prejudicial to agricultural industry, and he quotes remarks from McCulloch representing the disadvantages attending the under-renting of land (paragraph 14) as apphcable to thes case. I am, however, of opinion that the slovenly cultivation of this district is attrrbutable chiefly to natural causes, that as to say, to the uncertannty and insufficiency of the rainfall, for it is obvious that tullage oporations cannot be regularly carried on unless the soil 18 in a state of monsture to admit of its being onstantly worked The soll, however, 18 seldom in this state, it becomes hard and quite ampernious to the plough by the influnoe of the hot weather. This is eopecially the case with deep black soil, and the ranfall is frequently insufficient to admit of its being tulled till near the close of the season when the late rains set in The oultivator being naturally anxious to get his land sown as soon as possible after this, loosens the upper surface of the soil a little, and pats in his seed as quickly as possible.

18 Insufficient workng cattle 18 another cause to which I should aseribe the bad state of oultivation to be due in some measure. Many of the small holders of land-culupators paying less than 10 rupees-have not the requisite number of cattle for working therr land, and, as a rule, you wnll find the smaller holdıngs to be the worst cultivated. Another reason that leads me to think tae state of things alluded to $2 s$ not due to the cause mentuoned by Mr. Grant, is the very careful manner in which all the bagayet lands are cultivated, which is atrong proof
that a spirit of industiy is vot wanting amongst the people when the conditions, as in that case, admit of tullage operations being favourably carned on I agree with Mr Grant that the cultivation of dry crop soils is slovenly, though an improvement on what it was described to be yeais ago, but I differ as to the causes to which it is to be ascribed

19 "The present condition of the cultivators of this district," Mr Grant observes, "is happly a complete cotrast to what it was when the present settlement was introduced The whole district is in a state of prosperity $* \quad * \quad *$ and the cultivators are nearly all well off and independent" My own observations and inquanes dumng a recent tour through the dustrict, lead me to confirm the general correctness of this description of the oondition of the people of the distriots, except in regard to the smail holders of land-the class alluded to above-whose payments are below 10 rupees A considerable proportion of this class of cultivators is still $\mathbf{1 0}$ debt, and without the capital requisite for the proper tullage of their land, and when a bad season occure they are put our to find the neans for their support throughout the year In a country, however, where the Hindu Law of Inheritance obtains, and where the land is much sub-divided, there must always be a propoption of the cultivators whose holdings are insult. cient for ther support

20 The most striking clange perhaps which has taken place dumng the lease is in regard to the value of land We find in Lieutenant Wingate's Repert, as noticed by the Acting Superintendent in his 23rd pasagraph, that jurayet (dry-ciop) land had no saleable value whatever at that trme, nor could money be raised in moltage on its security He mentions cases of mortgages on bagayat and $\operatorname{In}{ }^{2} m$ lands, but adds "I have been nonble to find a single recent, case of a price being given for the privilege of occupying Government jurayet land"

21 In marked contrast to this state of things Mr Grant gives (paragaph 24 and statement appended) the particulars of several seles of land, in which the price fixed ranged in one case (padsali) as high as 85 years' purchase of the assessment, and adds that Rs 2,000 was offered to the Wand for this same land for which he had pand Rs 350 only It contaned a well of which the cost is not given, and this added, of course, materially to the value of the property This, however, may be regarded as an exceptionsl case, but from information gained on the subject during my recent tour through the district, I find that from 12 to 15 years' purchase is about the average sale price for jurayet land. We may safely assume, therefore, taking the assessment of the district at a lakh, that the property in land represants a capital of 15 lakhs which has accrued to the cultivators during the lease

22 It is satisfactory to note from the return given in paragraph 17, that there has been a large ncrease in the number of wells during the lesse, 861 have been newly built and 98 old ones repaired, there being now 2,051 in working order a small erpenditure of private capital on local works such as chauris and dharamshal $\ddagger \mathrm{s}$, 18 alsn bhown to have taken place.

23 Mr. Grant also gives a conbrasted statement showing the increase in the numbev at inhabitants and of agricultural stuck and mplements which has taken place during the 30 years In commenting on this he observes. "From the above it will be seen that the nomerical difference in the populatron is 16,481 , which 18 equivalent to an ancrease of rather less than 26 per cent only This is a very small increase, and is even less than in the adjoining district of ladapur, where the population was found to have increased 31 per cent The number of souls to the square mile, however, is greater than in Indapar, there benng 146 souls to every square mile of culturable in this distret aganst $11 \vartheta$ in Indápur "I agree also with $\overline{M r}$ Grant in the semarks in the following paragraph in which he states that the "addition of 15 per cent only to the number of cattle used for agricultural parposes which, considering the large expansion of cultivation which has taken place, is loss than might have been expected, and this pancity of cattle is doubtless in some mepsare the reason of the slovenly and lax system of cultivation noticed in paragraph $12^{\prime \prime}$
24. With regard to the Forks affecting commpnications carned out daring the lease, it is shown in the Report there was not a mule of made road in the distnct at the time the first settlement was introduced, whereas it bas now been opened out to traffic in every direction. The G I P Ralway Liue from Poona to Sholapur skirts the northern part of it The great trunk road running between the above stations passes through the centre, and the sputhern corner is crossed by a part of the road from Sholapur to Pandharpur In addition to these, there 18, as mentıoned by Mr Grant, "a cross road from Bársı to the Barsi Road Station (situated in the district), which is continued to Temburni In fact, the district is so thranghly accessible in every pait, that in point of communcation nearly all the villages are equally fuvourably situated"
20. This is a very satisfactory account of the present state of the means of communcation possessed by the district, and nothing more may be said to be needed The construction of one or two branch roads leading from the Sholapar and Poona road to the Railway stations, would be an improvement, and the Local Funds map be looked to for eventually supplying the means for carring out auch small works. The State has done all that is required of $1 t$, indeed, few districts have been so fortunate as this, which has had $\rho$ first class metalled road and a railway run through it darng the last twenty years.
26. The next point for consideration as affecting the question of what the new rates of assessment should be fixed at, is the price of gram The two chnef markets of the district when the first settlement was introduced were Mádha and Mohol. The latter has fallen a good deal in importance since it ceased to be a Kutcherry station, and opening of the road and railway has also tended to bring about its dechne, as a good deal of the grann of that part of the district is now sent to Sholépur. Madha, which is the head-quarter station of the taluk, has a pretty good market, but Mr Grant states that it has declined since a municipality was established there. The former reports contain a statement showing the price of grain in these markets for 19 years prior to the introduction of the settlement, and Mr Grant's report supphes sumilar information for the 30 years of the lease. Wre have consequently returns of the price of gram for 49 years.
27. The following statement taken from Lueutenant Wingate's Report exhibits, as abovementioned, the price of gram for the period prior to the first settlement commencing with the introduction of the British rule -


It will be observed that the price of jowari ranged, with the exception of the 15 years' average, from 5 to 10 per cent higher in Mohol than in Madha during the period referred to This was duly considered at the time by the Survey Officers who made the Madha five per cent leas than the Mohol rate But Mr Grant has explaned that this difference in the prioe of grain in the respective markets no longer exists, and he has consequently done away with the difference in the rates of the tivu districts adopted at the first settlement
28. The averages for the several' periods given in the statement exhibit but little flactuation in prices, which ranged from 60 to 70 seers per rupee. They were 70 and 62 for the five and ten years respectively preceding the settlement, and the depressed state of the district when that measure was introduced is a clear indication that celtivation was not remunerative under the rates then in force when jowarn was selling at these prices.
29. The returns in Mr. Grant's report give the following as the average price of grain dumng the several decennial periods :-

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The fluotuations were verv great during the first 10 years, jowari being as low as 102 seeis in 1841-42 in Mádha, and as high as 21 in 1S44-45.
 Mn Gruatis Report:

The average is 59 seers. For the first four years of the next decennal period prices were pretty steady, ranging from 42 to decennal period prices were pretty steady, ranging from
They were at 17 however in $1844-48$ and closed at 19 at the end of the period.
30. We must bear in mind that the last decennal series includes the exceptionally high prices brought about by the American war For two Years $1863-64$ and 1864 - 65 jowarn Was selling at 10 and 19 seers per rupee. It has sance fallen somewhat, 26 seers, being the market rate in 1868-69, and I think we may expeot to see it go down to what it was before mardimerioan war. It is not yet so low as it should be, considered with reference to the great fall whach has reoently taken place in the price of cotton, but as the price of gram has great fall whe jears been governed to a great extent, and will be so in future, by the price of cotton, we may safely reckion on a further decrease in the market value of the former. The everage for the whole of this period is 25 seers.

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31 It appears to me to be open to discussion as to what nerease of assessment should now be made with reference to the rise in the prices of gran which has taken place since the settlement was introduced If the difference between the prices of the first and last ten years of the lease be taken, the merease calculated on this data should be 130 per cent But in the first place there is no evidence to show that 59 seers was a paying price to the rayats, on the contrary we find it recorded in Mr (ireen's reviem of the state of thece districts ${ }^{-4}$ years after the first decennial written in 1852,* that the cultivators were much involved perrod at that time. Writing on this subject he observes as follows. "There is everywhere a lamentable amount of indebtedness and of a thraldom to money-lenders most depressing in its effects on the rajats' evergies But this again is entirely diminishing in the best districts and perhaps also very slowly in others "Major Wingate expresses his entire concurrence with Mr Green in his remarks upon this subject, and again it is obvious that it wauld be unfair to take the average of the last ten years including that exceptional prices of the American war, as the standard of comparison with the prices of the remote period referred to

32 If again we take the difference between the two last decenual periods the increase would be only 44 per cent, and this certannly does not represent the change in the value of produce which has taken place since the fist assessment was fixed We have good pioof that the people were generally well off at the end of the twentieth year of the lease, and we may safely take the average of prices fiom its commencement to the end of that pemod as sufficiently high to be profituble to the cultivators under the former settlement $47 \frac{1}{2}$ seers is the average for this period, and the difference between it and the average price of the last 10 years would represent fairly the increase to be now made were it not for the exceptional years of the American war. Deducting the two years in which jowarm was selling at 16 and 19 seers the rapee, and taking the remanning eight of the sernes, an average of 28 seers $1 s$ the result By this mode of estimating the increase due to rise in prices, we have $47 \frac{1}{2}$ seers of the former period aganst 28 of the latter, being a percentage merease of 70 per cent, and this appears to me to be a fair approximate estimate of the excess on the former assessment that may now be mposed

33 The Acting Superintendent, as explained in paragraph 32, proposes to have a general rate of Rs $\mathbf{1 - 2}$ for the district, but to make an increase of 2 annas to the rates of the villages, comprising 15 in number, aituated within a distance of 5 miles of the railway stations, Rs 1-4 being consequently the maximam in such cases The peneral rate of Ras. 1-2 is an increase of only 36 per cent on the former maximum of Re 0-13-2 $\frac{1}{2}$, and it $1512 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent on the rate recently introduced in Indápur The dufference in the former rates of the respective districts being 10 per cent, we may say that the same relative standard has been adopted at their respective revision settlement

34 But although the rates as mentioned above are but 36 per cent in excess of the former scale, the actual increase in assessment amounts to 77 per cent as shown below -


The average rate being 9 annas 4 pies per acre. Above twenty thongand of this ancrease represents the assessment on the excess in culturable area of the present over the former survey, and Mr Grant puts this down under the head of "concealed cultivation" It may literally be said to be so, but as it has been held for a lengthened period by the cultivators, it forms in reality part of the area on which the former assessment has been paid, and cannot consequently be considered to be extra or vew land now made over to them, which is what Mr Grant represents it to be, and no set-off from the new assessment can therefore be farly made on this account.
35. I am glad to find from the remarks in paragraph 35, that the Acting Supemntendent has not imposed any extra cess on well garden lands, but adopted the Indapur plan of assessing them only at the highest jurayet rate of the village I am aure it is a wise policy to forego the taxation of wells in a district snbject, as this is, to pernodical droughts. Every encouragement should be given to the construction of wells, and if the plan of granting loans for agricultaral improvements is ever brought out, I should like to eee the funds largely devoted to the above purpose. In his Famine Report Colonel Bard Smuth records it as his opinion, that at least one-third of the cultarable area of a district, should be supphed Whth the means of urigation to enable the people to withstand the effects of a ceason of dronght Now if we teke the case of this district, we find the rrigable land* which is - 10,968 acrean almost entirely under wells, bears the small proportion of $\mathbf{3} 22$ per cent to the total culturable area. I think so large a
proporinon as a third is notruecessary in this case, and that if we can bring about a tenth part of it under irmgation, provided it is pretty generally distributed over the district, we need fear no disastrous resulte from an occasional fallure of the ordnary dry crops, The encouragement given to the expenditure of capital on such worke by the remission of all special taxation will lead, I hope, to a considerable extension of the ariguble area in the course of a few years.

## 36. The importance of bagáyet cultivation to this district was fully recognized by Paragraph 31. Survey Officers at the first settlement Referring to the

 oject, Lieateaany Wingate observes "It $1 s$ to the extension and and value of these districts, and has affurding the best pronsion against the reourrence of those dearthe and famines which have so frequently ravaged this part of the country. The policy of imposing an extra tax at all under such circumstances may well be doubted, but as Government might have difficulty in finding a less objectionable substitute for the loss of revenue its remission would ental, I do not venture to recommend this step "This reason for the imposition of a special tax on well garden lands no longer exists, on the contrary, the increase of 77 per cent ensbles us easily to forego the revenue that would be realized by such a tar.37. Mádhe $1 s$ represented by the Survey Officers (Lieutenants Wingate and Davidson) to be superior to Indapur in point of climate, and this is borne

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| 1869 | - | . 22 | 1 | out by the raturns given in the margin, which show an average fall of 19 s mohes against an average of a little over 6 unches in Indápur The latter is somewhat less, I think, than the ordinary fall in the district, as it embraces a cycle of bad seasons The Madha average, on the other hand, includes two was more than ordinarily large The difference therefore is not so great, in my opinion, as it 18 represented to be by the comparative results of these returns. Great part of the Madha fall occurs in the latter part of the season, and we find accord-

Sae return of crops appended to $\mathrm{Mr}_{\mathrm{r}}$ Grantir Baport angly that Rabl crops, of which jawari is the chief, bear the proportion of 70 to 23 per cent of kharif crops
38. I agree with the Collector that 77 per cent is a large nncrease and "should have very careful consideration before it is finally adopted." But considenng the rise in the price of gram the increase in material wealth, the improvement in communications, and in the general See Collector's lettar appended paragraph 2 condition of the people of this district which has taken place sinoe the firat settlement was intion duced, I thunk there is no reason to apprehend our having exceeded the hme of morease fairly imposable under the present state of things
39. I would draw attention to the concluding remarks in Lieutenant Davidson's report proposing that ono-fourth of the reduction made by the survey settlement should be set apart as a fund to pronde for (a) the establishment of village schools, and ( $b$ ) the entertamment of a body of tramed artaficers for the purpose of making caita and umproving the meehameal resources of the district. These proposals were warmly supported by Lieutenant Wingate They were also approved of by the Revenue Commussioner of the day, but havng regard to the depressed condition of the district generally, he considered the plan of withholding from the cultivator a portion of the reduction was objectionable, and accordingly recommended that the proposal, though prasevorthy in every respect, should not be carried ont in the manner suggested; and Government, conourring with that officer, decloned to give their consent to it. The establishment of Local Funds has happily afforded the means of carrying out the intellectual improvement in the condition of the agrioultural classen foreshadowed in the measures suggested 30 years since by Lueutenants Wingate and Dandson.
40. Before concludng, I think it desirable that I should refer to an artiole upon the roassessment of the Indapur Taluka which appearg in the January number of the Indean Liconomust, as the statements therem made, If left uncontraducted, would seriously mislead Government and the pubhe generally as to the bearng of the new assessment upon the profits of oultavation. The Editor has assumed that the average produce of jowán for the whole culturable area of the distnot, given in round number at 300,000 acres, may be taken to be 350 lbs. per acre, und that this quality of produce converted into money at the rate of 36 lbs. or 18 seers per rupee, represents an annual return of Rs $29,20,000$, and he adds to this a further sum of Rs 12,00,000 as the value of the karbi or jowan straw making a total of Rs. 41,20,000 fortymone lakhs and twenty thousand, as the annual value of the harvest of the distnct for the last six years. These estumatee, he proceeds to observe, have been addaced "sumply to shov how past the acoumolations of the oultivators must have been dunng the last years of the old lease, and yet under the new terms, he is to pay no more than Rs. $1,20,000$ y year, lest we should impoverish him? But the assessment for the whole pernod of the lease will amount to zo mare than Re, $36,00,000-$

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Any one harveat therefore of the last ten years (for proes are now higher than ever) has sufficed to pay the entire levy of the State througout the whole currenoy of the new lease. In yiew of these considerations, we see surely how needless it was to assume at the basis of the new assessment, a return of the price of jowarı to former rates We are satisfied that Colonel Francis might have fixed the assessment at three trmes the old rates And 'the exrgencies of State' really requrred an assessment upon thrs scale. We are not at all sorry that Indípur has been so gently treated, but we must protest against a precedent being made of this drought stricken district, in renewing the leases of other táluks"

41 The sacrifice of revenue under the new settlement would be grcat indeed were the foregoing a correct estimate of the return from the land in the Indapur District We find, however, from the Editor's remarks, that this return of the produce is entirely an assumed estimate. "The settlement proceeduggs," he observes, "give us no statistics of the produce of the soul and we have assumed it to be 350 lbs per acre " It 18 true that no returus of produce have been given in the report, but difficulty of fixing the assessment on sach data is alluded to at considerable length in the early part of it, and the case of Mr. Pringle's fallure in fixing his assessment upon that plan is brought forwaid as a reason against
its adoption But although estimates of produce are not used by us in the manner contemplated by the Economist, we make careful mquary as to the productuveness of the soll and its general outturn, and these points are duly considered in fixing
See pagee 11 to 15 of Indípur Report. Selections from Government Records, No, CVII New Series
the standard of rates
42. The uncertainty of the seasons in Indápur, coupled with the great vanation in the quality and fertility of the soll, renders it almost mpossible, as pointed out in the parts of the report referred to above, to frame any reliable estimate of its average return of produce In good seasons the $b_{\epsilon} 8 t$ sot $d^{*}$ often produce from 5 to 600 lbs , of jowari per acre But the 300,000 acres on which the Economzel's estimate is framed, include a considerable extent of land $\dagger$ assessed at 2 or 3 annas per acre, the yield fiom which is about an eighth or a tenth of what the best soile ordinarily return Taking good, indifferent and poor solls together, I should estimate that with the ordinary run of seasons the average produce of the whole would not be above oue-half of what the Economest est,mates it to be.
*Those assessed at 1 rupee to 14 annes par acre.

+ Some part of at is assessed at oniy one anns per acre Thas 1 not cultivated but kept for grass

43 I have gone through the district after a bad season when, literally speaking, "scarce a blade of grass or an ear of corn" was to be seen except in the tracts urrigated from wells The year referred to is one of those included in the Eiconomast's statements given above, and instead of realizng their 29 lakbs from the sale of therr jowari, the cultivators had actually in many cases to import the supply of it required for their own consumption!
44. I must also take exception to the Economist's estrmate of the value of karbi or jowarn straw, which is given at Rs 12,00,000 per annum I Karbi 18 not grown in Indapur as a produce of marketable value, nor is there any sale for it, except perhaps in some of the villages on the Poona road, where carts ordmarnly halt for the nught It is required for the support of the cultivator's working cattle, and is valuable to him for that purpose. But its value can scarcely be reckoned, as the Economist has done, as part of the returns npon which the land rent should be assessed.
45. It will be observed from the foregong remarks that my estumate of the annaal value of the produce of this dustrict, which is based apon an intimate knowledge and long acquantance with its peculaanties, gives the outturn, excluding karbi altogether, at about half what the Ecoromast has assumed it to be It is important, too, to notice, as affecting the rates imposed, that his estmate of the value of the pioduce as based entrrely on the high prices of the American War period. But these prices, as pointed out in the Indapur Report, and concurred in by Sur George Wingate, were regarded as exceptional and excluded from the general estimate of the rice in the price of grain on which the rates were based With this information before him it is strange that the Economist should have taken such figures as the basis of an argament for showing the rates to have been fixed lower than they ought to be.

46 In the face of his estrmate of the ple of wealth said to have been showered upon the cultivators of Indápur for six years by the recant high prices, it will surpnse the Fditor to hear that the Collector, owng to the extensive fallure of crops in the first season in which the new 1 ates came into operation, deemed it expedient to remit the difference ( 50 per cent in round numbers) between the revised and the old assessment-to levy only the batter, in fact. It was a mistake, in my opinion, to have given this remission, and, if there was any difficulty in levyng the full assesement, part of it should have been left outstanding and cellected in the succeeding year I notsce the fact, however, not so much for the purpose of commenting on the Collector's proceedings, but because it directly negatives the Economist's assumption of the large profite left to the cultivators owng to the low assesement fixed, and because aloo it shows that the Revenue Officers by no means look upon the letter as a mere quit-rent. The settlement, in my opmion, is not too high, but may be considered to be "as haberal as the exigencres of the State will permit," and this, according to the Ecoxomist, is the golden rule by which we should be gauded.
47. I regret to notice that the statisical information in the Acting Superintendent's report is not so full or so complete as is desirable It will be seen by his remarks in his concluding paragraph, that in comphance with instructions certan amendments were made in the returng first submitted, but those subsequently rendered are somewhat imparfect $H_{i s}$ attention will be drawn to the subject and the defect remedred in future reports

48 It rerrauns for me to recommend that the rates which have been already introduced, should be sanctioned for 30 years.

J FRANCIS, Lieut.-Colonel, Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N. D.

No 1441 of 1871.

## Revenvi Defarthent.

Poona, 18th Aprll 1871.
Submitted for the orders of Government, with general concurrence in the terms of revised assessment recommended by the Survey and Settlement Commissioner for seventy-seven villages of the Mádha Táluka of the Sholápur Colleeforate.
2. The Revenne Commissioner will not follow in detall the review, furnished by Colonel Francis, of the report from Mr Grant, Acting Superintendent of the Survey, but begs to point out that the facts establish a considerable increase of prosperity in the district and capacity to bear, without undue pressure in ordunary seasons, the enhancement of assessment proposed.
3. Durng the progress of the period of thurty-years' guaranteed assessment, whuch Colonel Francis has, for the purpose of comparison, divided unto three decennal periods, the cultivation has incrensed from 223,835 acres in 1839-40 to about 269,000 acres in 1869-70, which was the whole culturable recorded area, with the exception of 170 acres assessed at Rs 48 The assessment had increased durng the same period from Rs. 81,386 to Rs $1,00,581$

4 It appears further, that during the period under review the population is estumated to have increased by about 26 per cent, and the number of plough cattie by about 15 per cent. The number of carts is now, however, shown at 1,323, against 435 in 1S89-40, or an merease of more than 200 per cent The number of ploughe has mereased 38 per cent, or more than double the merease in plough cattle. These figures require attention, as they undoubtedly illustrate a festure noted by Mr. Giant, namely, careless tillage, and which 16 concurred in by Colonel Franois, though the latter does not agree with the Supernntendent in attributing it to lowness of assessment The Revenue Commissioner has passed through the destricts and adjoinng ones durng the last year's tour, and confirms the impression derived by the Survey Officers as to great neglect of tullage, which is understood to have attended recent extension of cultivation in this and many other disuricts. At the same time the Revenue Comnussioner finde no more reason than Colonel Frapcis to attribute this state of thinge to lowness of assessment, except so far as that may have induced extension of cultuvation beyond the means of careful farming by the rayats, unless therr enhancement of assessment should lead to some resignations of holdungs or a aystem of fallow, the first of whoh has certannly not followed the revision in Indapur Jt is not anticipated that enhancement of the rates alone will have any marked benefieal effect on the system of cultivation The people will have so much less profit, but still in oddunary years a farr and sufficient profit
5. Another element of prospenty is the morease in the number of wells, which is not inconsuderable The Revenue Commissioner conours an the remarks made by Colonel Francis on the subject of garden cultivation under wells, and conaders the abstention from levying waterrate on the lands so brought under cultivation equitable and judicious. The rate umposed in such oases is the masimum dxy-crop rate

6 The recent operations in this district have shown that a great many acres have been added to the nominal culturable area which bad not been prevously brought to account It appears that this area represents about $\mathrm{Rs}_{\mathrm{s}} 20,000$ of the $\mathrm{Rs}_{\mathrm{s}} \mathbf{7 7 , 0 0 0}$ added to the assessment, which will make an enhancement of nearly 77 per cent on the highest assessment hitherto recorded.

7 The undersigned respectifully invites attention to the remarks in paragraphs 40 to 45 of the memorandum from the Surver and Settlement Commissioner, in which he refates a rather hastrly consulered argument by the able Editor of the Indian Economust relative to the capacily for production and payment of assessment of the district under renew The undersigced will go further than Colonel Francis, and assert that half the estumate of the produce taken by the Economist is stull a very high one Lookng also at the money value assumed, such calculations on paper must always be modified by a consuleration of thre money avaulable from bullion in crrculation. The Eiconomat's figures, as they stand apart from the amount of local ourrency, are useless for any safe calculation of assessment, and his off-hand manltuplicatior of the assessment threefold is not warranted by the reliable statistics obtamable through more patient inquiry.

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8. The Revenue Commissioner regrets to have to differ from the views expressed in paragraph 46 of Colonel Francis' memorandum The question of remission in Indapur was not in a principal degree based on the recent enhancement of assessment Theie was a very general fallure of crops, which was, after a most careful personal inqury by the Assisant Collector, found so seriously to errpple the resources and even the immediate means of subssistence of the cultivators, that remission of assessment was urgently required There have not been wanting instances of remission on a large scale when requred by extraordinary calamity under the moderate assessments now prevailing, and the Revenue Commissioner considers that it was far mreferable in such as serious and general instance of drought and failure to relieve the cultivators in the manner entirely approved by Government in their Resolution No 715, dated 19th February 1869, rather than leave the balance for future collection, which could not fail to tell heavily on the resources of the caltivators, unless the next season should have proved an extraordinarily good one, which in most respects it was not
9. Taking into consideration the very advantageons position of the Mádha district as respects the rallway and intercommunication by road, the Revenue Commissioner will not raise objection to the assessment recommended by the District Superintendent and approved by the Survey Commissioner, and he recommends its adoption by Government A general maximum dry-crop rate of Rs 1-2-0, raised for special reasons to Rs $1-4-0$ in 15 villages only, 18 certaunly not a high rate for good black soll, and is lower than the maximum in the Karnătak, where grann fotehes a lower price But the Revenue Commissioner thinks 77 per cent a hagh total enhancement for the Deccan, which is lable to excessive fluctuation of ranfall, and that if the rate is to be taken as a precedent for revision in other cases, it wonld be well to neulicate a caution, and to keep the scale nearer to 50 per cent, as in Indapur, which, over a large tract of country, will give a sensible mncrease of revenue, and will lessen the risk of over-assessment in any case where the recent general fall in the value of money may be oo checked as to render it difficult for the rayats to meet a hugh enhancement in bad years It was one of the cardinal virtues of the survey assessment hitherto that it left profits enough in good years to enable cultivators to meet the comparative losses of a year of drought or other falure

10 A reference will be made to the Collector of Sholapur relative to the asserted decadence of the trade in Mádha in consequence of muncerpal taxation in that town

W H HAVELOCK,
Revenue Commissioner, $S$ D..

No 2757.
Revente Departuent
Bombay Castle, 9th June 1871.
Rasolotion-Mr Grant's report is very meagre. The statistical information is inenmplete, especially as regards the revenue grelded by the several vallages before the original survey settlement in 1839-40

2 The statistics that have been compiled show that the táluka has made considerable progress in maternal prosperity durngg the last thrty years. There are now 2,051 wells om working order, agaunst 1,092 in 1839-40 The population has xncreased 26 per cent, the number of agncultural bullocks 15 per cent, the number of carts 204 per cent, and the number of ploughs 38 per cent But the most striking alteration has been in prices Jowarn is the staple grann of the country. During the first ten years of the settlement just expured the average price was 57 seers for the rupee, dunng the next ten years 34 , and durng the last, 257 The greatest fluctuations are exhibited between the two years 1841-42 and 1863-64, when the prices were, respectively, 108 seers and 15 seers per rupee

The followng table shows the average area cultivated, and the averge revenue realzed dunng each of these three decennial periods -

|  | $\cdots$ | Culticated Area | Asesmont. | Remigealon | Elevenue rualived. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Acres | Ra | Re. | Rs. |
| 1839-40 to 1848-49 |  | 239,618 | 92,991 | 2,344 | 90,647 |
| 184950 to 1858-59 | - | 242,548 | 94,053 | 525 | 93,528 |
| 185960 to 188869 | - | 266,932 | 1,01,107 | 17 | 1,10,180 |

3 Under the old assessment the maximam ratea for the two tallukas of Mohol and Málha the villages of which, together with eleven villages of the Karmále Taluka, now form the new Mádha '̛áluka, were 13 annas $2 \frac{1}{4}$ pies, and 12 annas $7 \downarrow$ pres It is proposed to haves macimum rate of Rs. 1-2-0 for the tálaks generally and a special maxumum rate of Rs. 1-4-0 for some fifteen villages in an exceptionally favourable position near the railway.

The average proposed rate throughout the taluka is 9 annas and 4 pies per acre. The result of the revison (exclusive of the five doubtiful villages) is to rasse the revenue from Rs $1,00,579$ to Rs $1,78,048$, and thereby to give an macrease of Rs 77,463 , equivalent to 77 per cent It 18 to be observed, however, that of this increase no less than Rs 20,766 is due to assessment on land for which butherto, owng to defective measurements, nothing whatever has been paid.

4 His Excellency in Councll is of opimon that the variations of prices of produce form the most important element in the determuation of the amount of the revised assessment. It is, therefore, of the utmost importance that the most trustworthy information on this point should be obtaned Contrasting year by year the lust prepared by Mr. Grant, and that submitted by Colonel Francis in his report on the Indápur Taluka, there is a considerable discrepancy between the prices which are said to have prevaled in particular years in market-towns so coses to each other as Madha and Iudápur. A comparison of the averages of a sertes of years shows, however, but hittle difference

5 There can be no doubt the extraordunary rise in prices which took place throughout the Prendency during the years from 1862.63 to $1866-67$ was owing to the American War and the consequent increase in the value of eotton. It is equally certann that a reaction has now set in, the importarion of bullion has for the present ceased, and prices have fallen considerably, and are likely to go still lower The average to be deduced from the prices of the five years from 1856-57 to $1860-61$ xs, perhaps, the farrest criterion that can be adopted for the determination of the average standard of prices which as lukely to be manntamed in future. This gives the proe of jowári at 31 seers per rupee The average price of seyenteen years, from 1889-40 to 1855-56, is 51 seers There is thus a duference of 64 , per centum in the prices between these two periods If a comparison be made with the average prices that obtauned durnng the first ten yeare of the settlement from 1839-40 to 1848-49, the difference will be foand to amount to 83 per cent
6. A perasal of the reports on the first settlement shows that, owng to the maserably umpoverished state the country was in, the rates then fixed were extremely low His Excellency in Council believes that the nereased rates now proposed ars not higher than may farly be mposed. They are acconlingly sanctioned for a period of thuty years

7 The primeple of placing no extra cess on lands urngated by wells has the enture approval of Government it 18 presumed that the highest Juriset rate has only been imposed on such lands as were formerly subjected to extra well-assessment, and not on lands urrigated from wells constructed during the period of the settlement jast expired It is of the utmost importance to give every pacouragement to the sinking of wells in a distriet where the rainfall is so hight and uncertann, and any apphcations that may be made for advances for this purpose wall meet wath favourable consideration. $\qquad$
8. This is the second revision report that has been received hy Government It is by no

## Government Resolution No Government Resolution Ratad 19th October 1870 .

 means so complete or exhaustive as the great importance of the subject demands The Surver Commissioners were desired, as far back as Uctober 1870, to submit to Government detaled proposals as to the form in which these revision reports should be submitted, and the statistics that ought to accompany them. Government desire that these proposals be submitted without fall durng the course of the approaching rany season The officers who made the first settlements obtaned and recorded a mass of caluable" information, simular information ought mevariably to be collected at the tume of revision, and the facts ascortamed at the two periods should be carefully examined aud collated before the work of revision is commenced.
## F. S CHAPMAN, <br> Chief Secretary to Government

No. 1101 of 1871.

## Revente Dbparthent.

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Libut.-Colonel J. Francis,
Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N, D ;
To
The CHIEf SEGRETARY-to GOVERNMENT.
Poona, $31_{s t}$ July 1871.
$\mathrm{Sin}_{\text {, }}$
In disoussung the question of assessung lands urrigited by wells in their Resolntion upon the rension of the settlement of the Madha Taluka, Government observe as follows :-
"It as presumed that the highest Jiráyet rate has only been umposed on such lands as were formerly subjeoted to extra well-assessment, and not on lands irrgated from wells constructed daring the period of the settlement just expired "
As howaver, assessment operations were not carned out in the manner uadicated above, I would beg to offer the following explanation on the pont.

2 As mentioned in my memo in submitting the correspondence, the Acting *uperintendent adopted the Indápur plan of assessing weil gurden lands, which provides for the imposition of the highest Jiráyet rate of the village on all lands irmgated from existing welle, which include those constructed during the period of the settlement as well as the old ones subjected to assessment at the first settlement of the distmet The following is the part of the lidapur Report alluded to -
"178. The course adopted by me is to put the first class Jurayet rate upon all land capable of being arrigated from existing wells, urrespective of the value assigned to it by the Jirayet classification. But when the land has been classed at the full Jirayet rate, no oddrtion has been made in consideration of its being irrigated by a well Government wish a general addition to be made to the Jiráyet rates of all lands possessing a water-bearing stratum, but it is almost impossible, I think, to work out this plan in the ever varying soll of the Deccan I have, therefore, taken existing, wells as the guide, and considered ouly the land under them as having a watel stratum"
3 This plan of dealing whth the assessment of well garden lands was fully approved of by Government, as will be seen from the remarks on the subject in paragraph 10 of their Kesoluticn It was their wish, indeed, to extend it by putting the highest Jirayet rate on lands supposed to have a water-bearing stratum, but in consequence of its being reported inopracticable to carry out such a system of assessment, they gave ther full approval to my plan of making "the maximam for dry-crop lands the mazimum for well lands also."

4 Under the rules in force the existence of well water-supply is taken as an element of special value pertaining to the soll, which 18 provided for by a smail addition to the classification rate, in the same way that we increase the classification value of a field if it is capable of growing a second crop owing to some inherent mossture in the soil The plan provides for an equitable rating of all existing well garden lands, and in my opinion it does not carry with it any infraction of the rule ladd down in Section $\overline{X X X}$. of the Act as to the manner in which the revised assessment should be fixed Sir George Wingate take

Ou the Revision Settlement of the Indapur Táluka.

- Dry crop converted into garden land by the construction of a new or repars of an old well.
the same niew of this case, for in referning to the subject in paragraph 7 of his memorandum we find hum stating thus "I would not, however, propose to apply to such land* any higher rate of assessment than the maximum dry-crop rate which Colonel Francis has recommended" For the reasons here stated I would advocate the contınuance of the Indápur plan, as also adopted in Mádha Taluka, of putting the highest Jnáyet rate of the village on all well land-urrespectipe of the well being an old one or one constructed during the currency of the first settlement

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J. FRANCIS, Laeut -Colonel,

Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D.

No 4050.

## Revinge Department.

## Bombay Castle, 22nd August 1871.

Resolution,-The plan of assessing lands irrigated by wells in districts like those of Indápur and Madha at the highest Jurayet rate, unstead of umposing an extra well assessment, has the entire approval of Government But a maximum Jurayet rate should clearly not be imposed in cases where a well has been constructed since the introduction of the survey, and that alone, and not the actual quality of the sol, warrants the maposition. To do so wo ild, in effect, be to tax mprovements made during the currency of a settlement, and would be in contravention of Section XXX of the Suvey Acc. The only principle on which such a proceedng would be justifiable would be in consideration of the water-bearing properties of the soil But the Survey Officers have admutted their mability to act on this principle generally, and the result of the proposed system is to tax the man whose enterprise and labour have induced him to sink a well, while his neighbour, whose land may possess precisely the same properties, eseapes the extra burthen, simply because he has not availed humseif of his opportunities.

2 It is of the highest umportance to offer every encouragement to increasung the number of wells in those districts which are so subject to drought.

3 Has Excellency in Council drects that the rates on lands in these cases both in Inda. pur and Madha be revised in order to their reduction where it is shown that the well from whek they are actually irrgated, and not simply rendered capable of irrigation, has been constructed subsequent to the intioduction of the survey.

## F. S. CHAPMAN,

No. 325.

## Exiract from the Proceedinga of the Government of Bombay in the Revenue Department, dated 22nd January 1872.

Read the followng despatch from Her Majesty's Prneipal Secretary of State Ior Inda, to His Excellency the Governor in Council, Bombay, No 76, dated 20th December 1871 -

1. I have considered in Counel the proesedrogs of your Excellency m Councl on the re-assessment of the Madha Taluka of the Sholapur Collectorate, which were forwarded by your Secretary's letter of the 20th of June, No 28, and by your Secretary's letter No 42 of the 29th of August I have recelved two copies of the map and diagram referred to an those proceedıngs.
2. This is the second dustriet in which the oryginal settlement of 30 years has expired, and at has been found necessary to re-measure and classify afresh the whole of it. The former assessment was fixed purposely at a very low rate in order to enable the distict to recover from the effects of the over-assessment under whoh it had suffered. That policy seems, from the contrast preeented by the district now, to have been completely nuccessful

3 The results now prepared give the large increase of 77 per cent, rawing thesssessment from $£ 10,058$ to $£ 17,805$ Nearly $£ 2,100$ of the amount 15 denved frem the discovery of land whush had escaped assessment This ncrease is still large to be made all at once, and I appreciate the value of the eaution given by the Revenue Commassigner, Mr. Havalock, at the conclusion of hxs memorandum, that in the Deccan, where the ramfall fluctuates so greatly, this high rate should not be converted into a preeedent, lest profits enough should not be left to cultivators in good years to meet the losses of unfavourable years.
4. In this case, however, the incmease reported in the prosperity of the district, as showa by the greater quantity of capital invested in the land, by the small extent of land left uncul. tivated, and by the great rise in the price of the staple grann, jowani, together with the increase of roads throughont the taluk, seem to me to justify your Excellenoy in Council in the view taken, that the merease was not hagher than the dustruots could easily bear. I approve, therefore, your procesdıngs
5. I quite concur wath the observations of your government with respect to the impolicy of levying extra nates on lands watered from wolls constructed dunng the course of the last settlement It was, I supposed, a principle established, that mprovements of that nature, made by the eaputal of cultivators themselves, fere not subjected to extra asseesment in consequence.
6. I agree also with your Excellency in Councl that it is very umportant that, on any renerval of these settlement terms, the statistics and other grounds on which the rates are fixed, should be fully and aceurately recorded

7 I percerve by your proceedungs of September !ast, that you have determuned, in regard to the five villages exoluded from these papers, that four of there should continue at ther - present rates for the full term of 30 years, and that the fifth should do so likewise unless a notioe was given in 1859 that the settlement weuld expure with that given to the taluk genacally.

Resolution - Copies of the despatoh to be commumeated to the Survey Commissoner, Northern Dinsion, and the Revenue Commissioner, Southern Division, with reference to correspondence endiog with Government Resolation No 5263, dated 20 th October 1871.
2. Copy also to the Survey Commuamoner, Southern Divisen.

Ordered that copres of the above be forwarded to-
The Revenue Commiserioner, S. D.
The Survey and Settlement Commisaioner, N D.
The Survey and Settlement Commissioner, S. D.
The Revenue Commissoner, N. D.

CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING THE REDUCTION ORDERED TO BE MADE IN 1874 IN THE REVISED SETTLEMENTS INTRODUCED IN THE POONA AND SHOLA'PUR COLLECTORATES.

No 5739 Of 1874

Revende Dhpartuevt
Bombay Castle, 29 th October 1874
RESOLUTION of GOVERNMENT,
The attention of His Excellency the Governor in Councll has, for some tume past, been anviously directed to the effects of the revised iates of assessment introduced into certain parts of the Poons and Sholapur Collectorates

2 The published reports on which these revisions have been sanctioned by Government show that the revised rates were not, takeu as a whole, otherwise than moderate at the time they were imposed

The following as an abstract of the results obtaned -

| Name of Taluka | Number of cultarable acres under old assesgment | Number of caltarable acres under new sasess ment | Total old assess ment | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ \text { new nesess } \\ \text { ment } \end{gathered}$ | Avarage per aere under old assersment | Average per acre under revised nscessment | Percentage increase on the whole. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Acres | Aeres | Rs | 12s | Rs. a, p | Rs. a p |  |
| Indápur | 2,38,135 | 2,70,076 | 81,391 | 1,24,200 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 5 & 5\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 7 & 4\end{array}$ | 53 |
| Sholápur | 3,81,882 | 4,33,572 | 1,74,915 | 3,09,630 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 7 & 4\end{array}$ | 0114 | 77 |
| Mádha |  |  | 1,00,580 | 1,78,050 | $\cdots$ | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 9 & 4\end{array}$ | 77 |
| Bhmmthadi | 1,90,410 | 2,12,703 | 86,464 | 1,46,596 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 7 & 3\end{array}$ | 0110 | 69 |
| Pandharpur .. | 84,273 | 90,798 | 36,043 | 63,979 | 0610 | 01113 | 77 |
| Bársi. . .. | 2,48,465 | 2,78,509 | 1,24,658 | 2,07,174 | 0880 |  | 66 |
| Hávela | 1,27,610 | 1,46,745 | 80,965 | 1,34,768 | 01002 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 14 & 7\end{array}$ | 66 |
| Pabal. | 1,61,240 | 1,92,411 | 1,02,228 | 1,52,108 | 010 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 12 & 7\end{array}$ | 48 |
| Supa (Petha) | 1,47,244 | 1,59,227 | 1,59,926 | 1,78,788 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 6 & 6\end{array}$ | 0 | 36 |
| Karmála .. | 2,71,194 | 2,99,242 | 1,10,824 | 1,46,890 | 066 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 7 & 6\end{array}$ | 32 |

3 Owing to the very remarkable fall in prices that has taken place of late, Government have, within the last two years, not fanled to enjoin on the officers of the survey a policy of moderation The tume has, however, now arrived when it is due to those officers to lay down more precise instructions for their gridance, and to decide the extent to which at will be right to modify past revisions so as to bring them into accord with the limited nocreases that will be obtained by future revisions.

4 Before proceeding to determine the limits of the wereases to be henceforth imposed in Deccan Collectorates, His Excellency the Governor in Council will record briefly the reasons which make it imperative that the right to revise past settlements should not be foregone.

In the first place, it must be borne in mind that the onginal assessments were imposed at a time when the country was in an extiaordinary state of depression, when prices were extremely low, and when there were hardly any facilities of commumeation in the shape of wheeled carriage It is unquestionable that in all these respects the condition of the country has materially mproved On these grounds alone it would not, in the general interests of the State, be just to waive the clam to the enhancements which are nightly due, and the lability to pay which has long since been anticipated by the people themeelves.

But there is anothei important considelation nhich must not be overlooked. The earher original settlements were eftected before the survey system had been matured and organized, and before the officers and their establishments" had acqured the necessary knowledge and experience The work was consequently exceedingly mperfect as regards measurement and valuation Without, therefore, sbandoning the equitable principles which are the essence of the survey system, it is necessary to correct obvious errors in measuroment and valuation, and by this means to place the earher setthed districts on the same footing as these in nhuch original settlements have been more recently introdueed

5 His Excellency in Councll will now proceed to Iay down the following precise rules as to limitation of morease. In dong so he has been influenced manly By the consideration that it is not piobable the bigher prices which ruled during the last decade of the or ginal settlements will be manntained -

1st-The nacrease of revenue in the case of a táluka or group of villages brought under the same maxumum dry-crop rate shali not exceed 83 per cent
$2 n d$-No merease exceeding 66 per cent should he imposed on a single village without the circumstances of the case being spenally reported for the orders of Government
$3, d$ - No nacrease esceeding 100 per ceăt shall in like manner be umposed on an mdividual holdng.
6 It is desurable here to strite the principles which should be adopted in dealing with the last description of inoreases. Putting fraud or obvious error in the calculation of the original assessments out of the question, these excessive mereases in individual cases will be found to be due to one of three causes -
$18 t$ - To the assersment of land which was deducted by the orgizal survey as unarable and unassessed, but nevertheless included wnthin the limits of the original assessed number.
$2 n d$-To enlargement of the original assessed namber by portions of neighbourng lands unassessed at the ouginal assesiment having been with or without permiesion encroached upon by the ryots and cultuvated together with the orignal assessed numbers.
$3 r d$ - To the alterations that have been made (1) by the adoption of a different valuation scale, and (2) by putting a higher value on the soils themselves
7 A consideration of the first eause turns mannly on the construction to be put on Section XXX. of the Sur vey Act, and on what are to be held to be umprovements. It is well known that the practioe in making these deductions was exceedingly lax, and that much land. really arablé was deducted as unassessed, simply from ats being then uncuitivated and covered with bushes and grass It is further well known that, in the great majority of cases, the only outlay that has been incurred by the cultivator in bringing such preces of land under the plough, has consisted in the labour of breaking them up But, on the other hand, the Survey Act does not prescribe that the expenditure from private resources should be more than a particular sum, while in very many eases it would be impossible to say that the reclamation had not cost more than was at Grst sight apparent. His Excellency in Counchl, on the whole, attaches such great mportance to mantanning strictly the princaple enjomed by law of non-assesement of improvements made by private enterprize, that he se pleased to drect that the same area shald be deducted trom each number as unassessed as was allowed at the origunal settlement

8 As regards the second canse, His Excelleney in. Counoll is of opimion that lands so appropriated must be regularly valued, and assessed by the Revision Survey, no matter what macrease in assessment may thereby result
9. As regands the last cause, it must be borne in mind that the officers employed in the mfancy of the survey woiked on varjng scales of valuation, and that the systems they severally adopted were, consequently, more or less tentative or experimental It was not tull after the lapse of a few years that the then Superintendents of Survey were able to fix upon a uniform system of valuation which was subsequently embodied in the Joint Report However much, therefore, His Eixcellency in Counall would wish to avoid extreme ancreases in the assessmen on ipdividual holdings, there can be no doubt about the supenority of the Joint Report system, and of the absolute necesity for determung and upholdung a classification of soils based, an far as possible on correct and unform data.

10 It is understood that the Joint Report system was generally adopted a very few years after the introduction of the easly assessments, and that, consequently, no alteration will be requred to be made at future revisions Explanation on this point should, however, be cleanly given in future, and also for each future revisiop in respeot to the extent to which it has beens tound negessar'y to alter and depart from the classification value origunally fised on the different descriptions of sols The smallest exteut of variation from the old valuation consistent with the puncuple laid down in the last paragruph, should be permitted, and the greatest eare should be tahen to keep the valuation of the poorest and lighter sols low

11 If the above rules are adhered to, the cases in which the enhancement of the assessment in individual holdings will be found to be an excess of the prescribed himat; wis probably be very few. In oriler to prevent excessive individual nacreases, the fixed standzrd of valuation must not be abandoned It will al ways be optional with Goverament to remit wholly or in part. or for a particular peniod, such proportion of the merease in excess of 100 per cent as may seem necessary, but the correct value of the land must be caretully ascertamed ou a ouiform bases, and the proper assessuent thereon duly calculated and recorded.
12. Lastly, it remams to be coneidered how the rensed assessments that have glready been: introduad in ceatain parts of the Poonas and Sholapur Collectorates can best be ussimilated wnh the rates that mull probably be mtioduced elsewhere in these Collectorates ander the/above instr ctuons. In deaning wath thas question, the fact must not, be lost aght of, that the work of the earlier settlements nas characterized by greater defects in respeot to both measurement and classitication than that done after some expenenie had been acquired. It was, therefore, to be expscted that larger proportionate macreaves would be obtained by the first than by subsequent revisions, and the pmgressuve decreases obserrable in the figures shown in the table in parar graph 2 are anderstood to be due cluefly to the canse.

After veiy careful consideration, His Excellency in Council 18 pleased to authonze the requaste reductions being made on the following prociples -
$1 s t$--Portions of cultivated numbers hatherto anassessed, are to be deducted as laid down in paragraph 7 above, where it is practicable to do so.
$2 n d$ - When this has been dove, the maximum rates of the taluka are to be so reduced as to bring the increase in the total revenue demand of a taluka or group of vilages within the limits of 50 per cent This having been done, any case in which the increase in a village 28 still above 75 per cent, or an an individual hoiding above 100 per cent, should be specially reported for orders, with distinct recommendations from the Survey Officers whether further alterations are necessary, and, if so, how they should be effected
His Excellency in Council is of opinion that, for the reasons given in paragraph 12, this reduetion will, in the cases alloded to, be suffictent
13. His Excellency in Council hopes that, in tálukas settled subsequent to 1848, little or no field operations will be required, and that the revision of the assessment by a mere re-adjustment of the maximum rates will be found to be all that is necessary

F S CHAPMAN, Chief Secretary to Government. To

The Revende Commssioner, S D.
The Requnul Commissioner, N D
The Suryby and Sbttlement Commisbioner, N D ${ }^{-}$
The Survey and Settlement Commisbioner, $S$ D
all Collectors, includng the Extra First Assistant Collector in charge Pance Maháls

The instructions contained in para 7 and Rule I, para 12, of the foregoung Resolution (dreeotng that land meluded in a number, and not assessed at the orignal survey, should remann exempt under a, revision survey) were subsequently cancelled by the following Resolution -

No 4506 or 1875.
$\bullet$
Revenue Departyent
Bombay Castle, 10th August 1875

## RESOLUTION oY GOVERNMENT.

Under orders from the Government of Indaa, His Excellency the Governor in Council 13 pleased to direct that paragraph 7 of Goveroment Resolution No. 5739, of 29 th Octaber 1874, shall be cancelled, as also Rule 1., para. 12, of the same Resolution. * * * *

In all other reepects the instructions ladd down in that Resolution iemain unaltered, and 'should now be carred into effect with the least possible delay

## W. G PEDDER,

Aoting Secretary to Government.

- No. 759 or 1875

Retenue Department.

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From -
    - Colongl J FRANCIS,
                    Survey and Seftlement Commissioner, N D ,
To
W. G. PEDDER, Esq,
Acting Secretary to Government.
Camp Mrahableshwar, 28th May 1875.
Sib,
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Adverting to your letter No. 2210, of the 15th Aprl, and to previous correspondence on the subject of effecting the proposed reduction of the revised assessments of the Poonim and Sholapur Collectorates, by a reduction in the anna values of the classfication scale in the manner
therain explained, I have the honour to state, that after trying the effect of this plan maveral cases, which have been land before the Honourable Mr Rogers, I have been requested to prepare statements for each district showing the effect of this plan, combined with a reduction of maxi-

- Hot printed mam rates; and I beg, accordugly, to submit the accompanying statement * showng the manner in which I propose to reduce the assessment of the Mádha Taluka to the prescribed limit of increase, sanctioned in Government Resolution No. 6739, dated the 29th October last.

2 It will be percerved that in this case I propose to make ar reduction throughout in the maximum rates of the district by adopting a 1 rapee 2 annas and a 1 rupee maximum in place of the 1 rupee 4 annas and 1 rupee 2 annas maximas on which the revised assessment is calculated, and to supplement this by reducing the classification annas according to the accompanying scalet in cases in which the reduction by the former plan is not sufficient to bring down the village to the presoribed limit of marease fixed in the resolution

3 On referning to the accompanying statement, it will be seen that by the adoption of this plan the revised assessment will be reduced from $R_{s} 1,58,125$ to $R_{g} 1,34,776$, and the general parcentage of the whole distnct from 74 to 48

4 There will atill be cases, as margunally noted, in which the uncrease is in excess of the percentage hmit fixed for individual villages, but it is expected they will be brought down to the preserbed limit by the applicetion of the rule lumiting meresses in individual fields to $100^{\circ}$ per cent. in excess of the former assessment I beg, therefore, to request sanction to re-caleqlate the assessment of this district on the plan explaned herein

I have, \&c.,<br>J FRANCIS, Colonel,<br>Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N. D

No. 3624 or 1875.
Reventu Dapartmint
Bombay Castle, 26 th June 1875
To
The SURVEY and SETTLEMENT COMMISSIONER, N.D
$\mathrm{Sir}_{\text {, }}$
With reference to your No. 759 of the 28th ultumo, I and drected to request that you will be so good as to let me have an estumate, as soon as it can be prepared, of the total assessment of the Madhs Taluks at the maximum rates of Rs. 1-2-0 and 1 rupee proposed by you, but with the reduced classification annas apphed to all the villages of the tsiluks equally motead of to a few only.

I presume you will be able to make thus estamate from the Darwaris with no great delay
I have, 捀c,
W. G. PEDDER,

Acting Secretary to Government.
\$ The fallowing is the ceale alluded to :-
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Scale annas.

## No. 937 of 1875

From
Colonel J FRancis,
Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D,
To
W G PEDDER, Esq,
Acting Secretary to Government.
Poona, 28th June 1875
Sir,
With reference to your No 3624 of the 26 th instant, I have the honour to forward the *Not panted accompanying statement* showing the reduction in the present assessment of the Madha Taluka by the application of the reduced classification annas and by the apphcation of the proposel lower maximum rate, respectively, and by the two combined
2. The general result of these measures, as will be seen by the statement, is to reduce the total assessment from Rs $1,58,125$ to Rs $1,28,650$ and the general increase from 74 to 41 per cent

I have, sce,<br>J FRANCIS, Colonel, Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D

## Revenue Department

## Bombay Castle, 11th August 1875

Resoldrios - By Government Resolution No 2757 of 9th June 1871, the revision of the origmal settlement introduced in 1859-40 in the Mádhs Táluka of the Sholápur Collectorate was sanctioned The ucrease in demand caused by this revision was about 74 per cent, and, for reasons fully stated in the Resolution, it then appeared to Government by no means excessive

2 Since the issue of that Resolution, however, vanous considerations,-the principal of which are the steady fall smee 1871 in the prices of agnçultural produce, and the probability that prices will range lower during the currency of the rensed aettlements than was anticipated from therr course durng the decade 1860-70 when the new rates for Mádha were sanctioned,have determined Government, as far as Poona and Sholapur were concerned, both to limit the uncrease of assessment to be made in future revisions, and to modify revisions already effiected, so as to bring them into accord with those hereafter to be made Resolution No 5739 of 29th October 1874, layd down rules to effect these objects, and by paragraph 12 of that Resolution it was darected that the rates imposed in talukas hitherto revised should be so reduced as to bring the increase over the old assessments within the limut of 50 per cent

3 The new settlement of Mádha has, therefore, to be revised in accordance with thrs principle, and Government have now to determine the extent to which the reduction shall be carred, and the method in which it may most equitably and convenuently be effected.

4 After careful consideration His Excellency the Governor in Councl is pleased to decide as follows upon these points -

1. The maximum rates per acre imposed by the orignal settlement were Rs. 0-13 $2 \frac{1}{2}$ for one portion of the taluka, and Rs $0-12-7 \frac{1}{\text { f }}$ for the other portion The maximum rates sanctioned for the revision were Rs $1-4-0$ per acre for a group of 15 villages, with special faolitites for Railway communcation, and Rs $1-2-0$ per acre for the remainng 62 villages These maximam rates must be lowered to $\mathrm{Rs} 1-2-0$ and Rs 1-0-0 respectively

2 The reduction thas effected will, in the opinion of Government, be quate sufficient for the more fertile lands But there is reason to beleve that an the classification of Mádha the medrum and lower soils have generally been valued somewhat too high 10 proportion to the better sols A modification of the valuation scale to meet this defect has, therefore, been arranged, and should be adopted throughout the táluka
5 The effect of these alterations will be as follows -

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| ores. | Re. | Rs. | B. |
| 308,655 | 1,00,531 | 1,74,448 | 1,42,208 |

6. The percentage merease of demand on the whole taluka will thus be lowered from 74 per oent to $41 \frac{1}{1}$ per cent., 15 per cent. of the dufference being due to the reduction of valuation of the poorer solls, and 18 per cent. to the alteration in the maximum rates

Of the gross increase of $41 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent, about 19 per cent, is due not to increase of rates, but to the assessment of lands left unassessed at the ongunal settlement, but appropriated by the cultivators during its term Such additions it has been already deaided (vule paragraph 8 of Government Resolution No. 5739 of 29th October 1874) must be now assessed

The average rate of assessment per acre will be annas 7-6, aganast about annas 6 under the orignal settlement, and annas $9-4$ by the revised rates at first sanctioned

And the rates of assessment wall vary from Rs $1-2-0$ per acre on the best and most favourably situated lands to pres 9 per acre on the poorest solls capable of cultrvation

7 For the following reasons His Excelleney the Governor in Councal is of opinion, that the rates now mposed are extremely modorate, and the merease in assessment the least that in justice to the rest of the country, caa be made

8 Before the patroduction of the orginal settlement in 1839 the nominal average rate of asseasment was about $12 \frac{1}{2}$ annas an acre, the reaizastions, deducting remissions, averaged about 71 annas an acre, to which must be added haks and ullicit exactions to a considerable amount The price of the staple, jowdin, for the 5 years proceding 1833 was about 65 seers the rupee For the first 10 years of the original settlement, durng which period the taluka moceased rapidly in prosperity, the average price was about 55 seers, the average assessment rate benng 6 annas Durng the last decade of the origunal settlement the price averaged 25 seers, but for the last year of two it has fallen to from 35 to 40 seers Assumng that the average price for the future will be as low as 40 seers, the weight of assessment will be much less than half that of the old nomanal rate before 1839, about 30 per cent less than that of the actual realizations, and considerably lighter than that of the original survey assessment when int2oduced

9 Independently of proes, the increase in the population, maternal wealth, and value of land in Mádha during the last 30 years would justrfy an uncrease of assessment Population has increased 86 per cent, plough oattle 15 per cent, ploughs 33 per centr, wells 65 per cent, carts 204 per cont., cultivation has increased 35 per cent and the amount of arable waste-land as only 170 acres out of over 300,000 And whereas at the natroduction of the original settlement $2 t$ was etated that ordnary Government land had no saleable valae, such land was found at the revision to be selling at 12 to 15 times ats assesssment.

10 At the introduction of the origmal survey the means of communioation were extremely defective The railway, of course, dad not exnet, and there were hardly any roads passable for carts The rallway now passes through a pottion of the taluka, and itt 18 traversed by several grod roads, the enormous increase in the number of carts shows the improvement in communcations, which means, of course, a better market for produce

11 It has been estumated, by the Revenpe and Survey Commissonora, thant, taking anto consederation the bad seasons common 30 this part of the Deccan, the average butturn par acre of jowirn, the staplo of the táluka, is at least lbs. 160 , or 2 maunds, and some authorities put it at double thus. At this very low eatumate, the value of the produce of the talubia at 40 seers the rupee would be (Rs $2 \times 300,000$ aeress) about 6 lalkhs of rupees But as the straw, whuch is valuable, hat not been uncluded in this computation, and as about ith of the arable areas is under crops, sugar, rice, cotton, \&e, more valuable than the staple grains, at least 8 lakhs should be added to the above estimate According to this, the revised assessment now fixed represents only between fth and $\ddagger$ th of the gross produce of the taluka. Again, if the whole taluka was let out by the land-owners at a gram rental of trd the produce, which is the usual rate, the assessment would amount to less than it the rent
12. On the whole, then, the settlement now sanctioned mast be cohsidered an estremely light one. It ouly .remaus to inquure whether these rates will cause an inzulmussible nerease 2n particular villages

13 The ohief doubt is regarding the 15 villages placed in the higher, or Rs 1-2-0 group These were formerly the villages worst off un point of faculties for communcation, and were, consequently, very lowly assessed by the original settiement Thay are now close to Raylway stations and for this roason bave proparly boen assessed at a spscial rate somiwhat higher than that of the rest of the taluka Hence in them the nacrease in assessment is 61 per cent. against 41 per centi in the taluka genurally, and two of them have been rased as much as 152 and 110 per oent. respectively This is partiy due to the assessment of eneroachments. But the valuation of some of these vil'ages wery high. The average classification of some, for nnstance, appeara to be 13 or 14 aunas out of 16 , and though it is understood that the land of these villages consists almost enturaly of alluvial soil of remarkable fertilty, yet this raluation for the Deocan is unusually, high. Colonel Francis should, if he has not already done so, speoially unqure into and report on the olasstication of these villages. If it is wrong, it mast be corrected, but if, on the other hand, it is aceurate, an average rate of 14 or 15 annas cannot
be conardered as other than very moderate for land of suoh fertality as this classification inducates, Government will decline to make any further reduction, and the people should consider themselves very fortunate in having enjoyed ther land so long at wholly madequate rates.
W. G PEDDER,

Acting Secretary to Government.

## To

The Revenue Commıssioner, S. D.,

- The Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N. D,

The Suivey and Settlement Commasioner, S D,
The Collector of Sholapur
$\qquad$ ,

No. 223 op 1876.
From
Lirdt.-Colonel E L. TAVERNER,
Acting Superntendent, Poons and Násik Survey,
To
Colonel J. FRANCIS,
Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D.
Camp Nasth, 3sfd March 1876
Sir,
With reference to your letter No 444, dated the 20th instant, I have the honour herewnth to forward a statement showng the result of the alteration made under Government Resolution No 4515, dated 11th August 1875, in the revision settlement rules of 77 vallages of the Madha Taluka of the Sholapur Collectorate

2 The estimate entered in paragraph 5 of the Government Resolution is that the assessment would be reduced from Rs, $1,74,448$ to $\mathrm{Rs} 1,42,208$, or from an increase of 74 to one of 41 per cent. The actual result is an assessment of Rs, $1,38,799$ against the original assessment of Rs $1,00,531$, or an increase of R.s. 38,268 , or 38 per cent

3 A record is given, at the foot of this statement, of the corrections made in 5 other willages belonging to this taluka, besides the 77 formung the subject of the Government Resolution Of these one village, Kumbhej, was revised un 1873-74, under Government Resolution No 5754, dated 17 th October 1873, for a pernod of 27 years, the revaion for the remaining four is not due until 1886-87

4 For thus taluka, as is the case with Indapur, the period of the duration of the revision - Not printed, settlement has not yet been publushed in the Government which it will be seen that the Gazette. 1, therefore, append the usual form of notice,* by At the foot of the hat are entered the names of six Dumala villages which were also same year. the first tame, five in 187071 and one in 1873-74

I have, \&c.,
E. L. TAVERNER, Ineut.-Colonet,
${ }^{\bullet}$ Acting Superintendent, Poons, and Násk Survey.

Siatement showng the ultrmate result of the Survay Revision Settlement for the under mentroned Fallages of Talukas Mádha，Sholapur Collectorate，as jinally adjusted under Government Resolutron No．4515，dated 11th August 1875.

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| 10 | Wadmal | 2，287 | 850 | 2，280 | 88 | $*$ |  | 2，938 | 1，468 | 77 |  |  |  | 1，580 | 109 | 656 | 8 | 81 | $\cdots$ | 0108 |  |
| 12 | Mohol ． | 8，477 | 8565 | 8，7961 | 215 |  |  | 0，009 | 4，262 | 178 |  |  |  | 4，470 | 538 | 1，823 | 6 | 78 | － | 080 |  |
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| 13 | Chinchgaon | 1，990 | 894 | 2，244 | 151 |  |  | 2，393 | 901 | 116 | $\bullet$ |  |  | 1，107 | 403 | 219 | 30 | 24 |  | 070 |  |
| 14 | Barlonl．．． | 4，261 | 1，870 | 4，488 | 118 |  | $\cdots$ | 4，603 | 2，391 | 101 |  |  |  | 2，409 | 348 | 629 | 8 | 33 |  | 0 0 8 \％ |  |
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| 10 | Anjapgaon | 4，858 | 1，800 | 8，872 | 435 |  | － | 4，105 | 1，414 | 102 |  |  |  | 1，008 | 762 | 808 | 29 | 24 | 100 | 0 0． 0 |  |
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| 21 | Wiphls | 8，734 | 1，888 | 4，14 | 588 |  |  | 4，508 | 1，288 | 877 |  |  |  | 1，603 | 768 | SII | 21 | 25 |  | 050 |  |
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| 28 | Alitis | 18，989 | 4，789 | 12，976 | 497 |  |  | 12，870 | 8，179 | 370 |  |  |  | B，549 | 697 | 780 | 6 | 16 |  | 070 |  |
| 4 | Angar | 11，769 | 4， 608 | 12，609 | 680 |  |  | 13，168 | 6，588 | 518 |  |  |  | 0，101 | 1，400 | 1，409 | 22 | 93 |  | 076 |  |
| 25 | Phyrl ${ }^{\text {－}}$ | 4，097 | 1，315 | 4，695 | 14 |  |  | 4，739 | 1，975 | 114 |  |  | $\cdots$ | 1489 | 040 | 174 | 18 | 13 |  | －5． 0 |  |
| 20 | Budul | 2，818 | 768 | 3，083 | 308 | $\cdots$ | ， | 8189 | 829 | 00 |  |  |  | 893 | 3 S | 139 | 12 | 17 |  | 0 － 8 |  |
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Camp Ndask, 23 rd March 1876
Acting Supenntendent, Revenue Survey, Poons and Nam

# Revenue Depatrmant <br> Camp Malidbleshzoar, 16th May 1876. 

Submitted for the anformation of Government with reference to Resolution Na. 4515, dated 11th of August last

2 It will be seen from the report that the assessment of the Madha Taluka, after effectugg the reductions ordered in the above Resolution, amounts to Rs. $1,38,799$ against the orggmal assessment of $R s 1,00,531$, the difierence of $R s 38,268$ being equivalent to an increase of 38 per cent.

3 The notification regarding the duration of the settlement submitted by the Acting. Superintendent may now be pubhshed

> J FRANCIS, Colonel,
> Survey and Settlement Commassioner, N D

No. 3133.

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## Bombay Castle, 2Sth May 1876

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E W. RAVENSCROFT,
Actang Chief Secretary to Government.

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# a f Maconochie, Esquire, I. C S., <br> Collector of Sholápur; 

To

The Monourable Mr. A. D. YOUNGHUSBaND, I. C S., Commissioner of tibe Central Division.

Sholípur, 23rd October 1903.

## Sir,

I have the honour to submit for the orders of Government proposals for the Second Revision Settlement of the Sholápur, Bársi, Karmála, and Mádha Tálukas of this District. The reports for the first three tálukas were written between January and August of this year by my late Assistant, Mr. Painter that for the fourth taluka was written m 1900 by Mr F. $B$ Young, then Superintendent of Land Records and Agriculture, Central Division. All four reports would in the usual course of things have been submitted at earlier dates, for the last settlement expired in Mádha at the end of 1899-1900, in Sholapur at the end of 1900-01, in Bárs1 at the end of 1901-02, and in Karmala at the end of 1902-03. But in view of the recent succession of bad years, Government were pleased to durect in their Resolution No. 8325 of 31st December 1900, that proposals for revision of settlements should not be laid before them till 1904 This judicious order has not only conferred a boon on the cultivators, but also rendered it possible to re-settle nearly two-thirds of the district at one time and on one consistent scheme.
2. In these circumstances I beg to embody my remarks on all four reports in one letter They will not be many. Mr Painter's description of the existing condition of things is so accurate and so full that it leaves me little to add. And as we on several occasions discussed the whole subject personally, his proposals for the future substantially represent my own views. It is only in a very few cases that I shall suggest some slight modnfication.

3 Before trealing of each táluka in turn, I must observe that there is one main factor in the problem, common to all in greater or less degree, of which we must never lose sight, and that is the long succession of disastrous years through which the district has recently passed Shortiy after the existing rates were introduced came the great famine of 1876-77. 'Twenty years afterwards, when the district had recovered from this blow, it was agan attacked by the hardly less severe famine of 1896-97. Two seasons of scantiness followed, and then came the famine of 1899-1900, the worst of the century, followed in 1ts turn, whthout a moment's respite, by that of 1900-01, to be again succeeded by another unfavourable year. The good year 1902-03 just past was the first of ats kind for seven years 'The current year seems likely to be as good or even better, and it may be hoped that a period of prosperity has now begun But it has only just begun, and we must not allow this gleam of present well-bengit may be but transient-to efface from our minds the memory of the terrible loss and suffering of the immediate past. A population so afflicted must be treated with the utmost tenderness, and a leniency must be shown by the state in its demand, for which after an epoch of prosperity, there would be no need and no justification Of the four tálukas now in question, Karmala suffered most, Mádha less, Sholápur and Bársi least, but all suffered severely, and our .revised rates must reflect that fact both generally and comparatively.

4 I now proceed to renew Mr. Painter's proposals for the Sholápur táluka. The leadıng facts to be borne in mind are that the rates originally fixed at the beginning of the existing settlement in 1872 were considerably reduced in 1875 on account of an extraordinary fall in prices, that since then
prices have risen again to much their former level, that land has mantained its purchasing power under an increased assessment and has therefore risen in value, that there has been a remarkable development of the central market town of Sholápur, but that on account of the repeated famines increase in general agricultural prosperity has been arrested during the currency of the present settlement, and the rayat is in much the same state as in 1872. Mr. Painter, therefore, recommends that the rates originally fixed in 1872 may, with a few local augmentation, be re-1mposed now for the term of the next settlement I think that the figures and arguments that he adduces prove his conclusions to be sound, and I support them. The only change I propose is that the three villages mentioned in has paragraph 67, should be put into the First Group along with Sholápur, which they adjom, as their land is equally valuable. This is an enhanoement of 40 per cent., but in the peouliar ourcumstances set forth by Mr Painter it is perfectly just and proper In point of fact Sholápur and these villages could well bear a rate of Rs 2-0-0 instead of Mr. Yainter's proposed rate of Re. 1-12-0, and that I do not propose the former is due merely to my sense of the advisability of lenient treatment after the famines. The other modifioations proposed in Mr. Painter's 68th paragraph have my entire approval. As regards paragraph 76, it wall be seen hereafter that Mr. Painter and I both propose a reduction by two annas of Mr. Young's proposed rates, and If this is done, the new rates for Mádha and Sholápur will be harmonious. As for the higher rates in the adjacent Native State of Akalkot, that tract has always been assessed hgger than Sholápur, and the circumstances are not identical

As remarked in paragraph 80 , the tripartite classification of land is now obsolete and might well be abolshed

The Pathastal rates proposed are suitable. There is very little of this form of cultivation.

One other point demands notıce-the isolated villages of the taluka surrounded by the Nizám's territory They are fertile, but inaccessible and diffcult to administer, and are consequently full of dacoits, who annoy the officals and people of both jurisdictions alike. It is a very great pity that they cannot be exohanged for Hyderabad vallages inside the dastrict.
5. I now turn to Bársi. This is undoubtedly the best táluks in the district. It has a fourishing commercial town in its centre, it has a better climate than Sholápur, its commumications have been very much improved during the current settlement by.the construction of the Bársi Lught Railway and several excellent long roads, land is more valuable than in Sholdpur, and it has suffered less from famine. As in Sholápur the rates originally fixed at the beginning of the current settlement were reduced in 1875 on account of the fall in prices, but sunce then prices have recovered their former level. In these ciroumstances Mr. Panter justly considers that the táluka oan bear rates slaghtly higher than those proposed for the greater part of Sholápur. I agree with him, and recommend that his proposals be adopted.
6. As regards Mádha Mr. Painter and I recorded independently two reviews of Mr. Young's proposals, he this year, and I last year. We both arrived at the same conclusion, that his proposed groups should be accepted, but that his proposed inerease in the rates should be reduced by one-half. Mr Young drew up these proposals in 1900, and therefore could not take full account of the famine. If Mr. Painter's and my opinion be adopted the rates for Mádha wnll be in harmony with those we propose for Sholápur on one side and Karmals on the other. It is worse off than the former, but better off than the latter. Prices have recovered themselves, and commumeations both by rail and road have been much improved during the current settlement, so that a slight morease in the rates seems justaiable.
7. Karmila is a very poor and baokward táluka, that has suffered most severely by the famme, as AIr. Painter's figures show. We cannot recomamend any enhancement of the present rates, save in the solitary instance of the headquarter to wn , the rate of which we propose to raise by two annas. I heartuly support the proposal to do away with Pathasthal rates here altogether. They are an absurdity in Karmála. Mr. Snow strongly objected to them in 1891, so that the proposal is not a new one.

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The idea of making a separate mahal of Tembhurni and the adjoining villages is excellent at present the táluka is unmanageable, and administration suffers in consequence.
8. I trust these proposals will commend themselves to Government. Mr Painter and I have botl been a long time in the district, and may claim that we know it well. I think that on examination our scheme will be found adequate to the situation. At any rate we have tried our best to combine a just view of the rights of Government with an equitable consideration of the clam of the people to indulgent treatment after so many calamities.
9. It is my pleasing duty in conclusion to bring to the special notice of Government the admirable manner in which Mr. Panter has performed the special duty of preparing these settlement reports. He took it up in January and finusbed it by the end of July, being releved only of his magisterial work in the meantime, and performing the whole of his revenue work during that period as usual. I trust that Government will agree that the production within six months of three such reports as these, so thorough, so accurate, so interesting, is a most excellent piece of work for which Mr. Painter deserves the highest credit.

I have the honour to be,
Sur,
Your most obedient servant,
A. F. MACONOCHIE,

Collector.
Throjgh tee Director of Land Records and Agriculture.

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\text { No. } \frac{A}{258} \text { of } 1904
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From
H. S. LaWrence, Esquire, I. C. S., Drieetor, Land Records and Agriculture, Bombay;

# The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, 

 Revenue Department, Bombay.Poona, 19th Janwary 1904.
Sik,
I have the honour to forward the proposals for the Revision Settlement of the tálukas of Sholápur, Bársi, Karmála and Madha with the Review thereon by the Collector.
2. The proposals have been prepared by officers with an intimate knowledge of the district, Mr. Pamter having served there for $2 \frac{1}{3}$ years and Mr . Maconochie for $4 \frac{1}{2}$ years, and the reports reflect their anxiety that the district should receive indulgent treatment in consideration of the recent and prolonged period of distress.
3. It is a matter of great difficulty to assess equiably the weight that this period of abnormal distress should have on the settlement of the Government demand for the next 30 years.

The existing assessment of the distriet has already taken full account of the exoeedingly precarious character of the rainfall and cultivation, for though the soll is generally of a good quality, the average assessment is lower than in any other district, being 8 annas and 2 pies against 8 annas and 11 ples in Bijapur, 9 annas and 7 pies in Nagar, and 10 annas and 6 pies in Poona.
4. 4. Messrs. Painter and Young have made a careful and full examination of the economic history of the four talukas Mr. Painter's conclusion in regard to the Sholápur taluka may perhaps be adopted for the whole tract that "the rayat is on the whole about as well off as he was in 1872, or at any rate nerther much better nor much worse."

5: On the one hand the calamities of the successive famines are represented in the absolute reduction or the cessation of morease in population; on the other hand, there are the remarkable facts that even during the prevalence of famine land.continued to sub-let for sums equal to at least 3 times the survey assessment, and that the recent famines did not, like the famine of 1876-77, result in the abandonment of any holdings. and finally the fact-of special importance on the future ability of the rayat to pay hus assessment-of a great rise in prices.
6. This latter point requires some further emphasis, and I refer to it separately in the case of each taluka.

Sholápur.-The rates that were imposed in 1872 were reduced in 1875 in consideration of the fall of prices that had occurred in the interval. The rates imposed in 1875 were sanctioned on the basis of an average price of 10 wain in the four years 1872-75 of Rs. 1-6-10 per maund. If we exclude the years of abnormal prices (1897-1900-1901) we find the average price of the last decade was Rs 1-15-9 per maund, an increase of 40 per cent.

Bársu.-Simalarly the rates in Barsi were sanctioned on an average price of jowari of Rs. 1-2-10 which has now risen to Rs. 1-15-11, an increase of 69 per cent

Mádha.-The case of Mádha is simular, but the record of prices for 1874-75 being missing the exact percentage of rise cannot be calculated; if however we assume the price of that year to be the average of adjacent tallukas, $\imath e$, Rs. 1-0-3, we find the rise to be from Rs. 1-3-10 to Rs. 1-13-5, or 49 per cent

Karmála.-In Karmála alone was no reduction made in consequence of the fifall of prices, and the existing rates are therefore based on the average of the deoade from 1כ63-64 to 1872-73 of Rs 1-14-6 which has risen in the last decade by only $5 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. to Rs. 2-0-2.
7. The increases of assessment in the proposals under consideration are shown below -

| Taluta | Fresent assessment | Proponed assessment | Increase, | Present average rate. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Proposed } \\ \text { sverage fate } \end{gathered}$ | Remarks, |
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|  | Rs. | Rs. |  | A. p. | A $\mathbf{p}$ |  |
| Sholápar .. | 2,81,245 | 2,62,384 | 135 | 93 | 106 | Mr Painters proposals. |
| Barsa . | 1,89,968 | 2,05,508 | 82 | 100 | 1010 | Do. do. |
| Karmála | 1,54,274 | 1,54,259 | Nel. | 79 | 78 | Do. do. |
| Madha | 1,42,177 | 1,62,372 | 142 | 76 | 87 | Mr. Maconochue's proposals |

The proposals are marked by extreme moderation, but in the present circumstances of the district I am not prepared to advocate a further enhancement.
8. I now come to some minor points in the several reports -

Sholdipur.-If the three villages of Mr. Painter's second group were placed with Sholapur in the first group, the percentage enhancement would be 338 per cent., and would exceed the presoribed limit. I would suggest that Mr. Maconochie's view should be in part met by imposing a dry-orop maximum on these three villages of Rs. 1-10-0 in place of Rs, 1-9-0, thus raising therr enhancement from 25 per cent. to 30 per cent.

I do not think there is sufficient reason for the adoption of the proposal in paragraph 80 of Mr. Panter's report: the matter mdeed has little concern with the settlement report.
9. Mr. Painter's proposals in regard to pátasthal rates are not quite clear. Apparently he would raise the maximum from Rs. 6 to Rs. 8 and mpose a ${ }_{4}{ }_{2}$
permanent rate of Rs. 832 on 348 acres in 8 villages; the remanning area now assessed of 485 acres in 24 villages he would leave to be assessed at an occasional rate by the Collector.

The rates in Appendix $Q$ however do not agree with his statement that Re 1 per acre will in most cases be all that can equitably be imposed It appears to have been assumed that pátasthal urrigation has been permanently destroyed by the recent drought, but I doubt whether this assumption is well founded. If years of favourable rann recur thè channels will flow agan, and I am inclined to think that a permanent reduction should only be made in the case of páts which are shown to have run dry for several years before the drought For this purpose the records of cultivation on these pats for ten years previous to 1895 should be examined. Where an average rate can be imposed it is preferable to occasional assessments by the Collector. This view which bas been frequently and vigorously discussed was taken by Government in the case of Karmála (vbde paragraph 3 of Government Resolution No. 2037 of 24th March 1892 and underlying correspondence) and has recently received the approval of the Irrgation Commission

I would suggest therefore that a re-examination of the pats be durected with a view to the imposition of an average rate wherever this is possible.
10. Bársi.-Mr. Pannter here reduces the pátasthal assessment from Rs. 1,837 on 1,015 acres in 61 villages to Rs 335 on 169 acres in 12 villages (the figure 170 in paragraph 46 of his report appears to be an error). The remarks I have made above on Sholápur apply equally to Bársi

- 11. Karmála -Mr. Painter would abolish the pátasthal rates, but suggests as an alternative that " a chade should be put on land so situated as to be urigable by pát," this latter alternative is practically what the patasthal assessment is intended to be, and the right course would be, if the Survey Department were as alleged "overhberal in their classification of land as patasthal," to reduce that classification,

12. On all other points relating to the settlement of these tálukas I have the honour to support Mr. Pamter's proposals.

13 Mádha.-A revised Appendix Q showing the result of Mr. Maconochie's rates is appended

In regard to the pátasthal of this táluka ${ }^{2} \mathrm{Mr}$ Young places a permanent rate on 15 acres, and leaves 41 acres to be occasionally assessed. The area is so small that the proposal may perhaps be accepted. I agree in the recommendation to reduce Mr . Young's rates and in other respects have the honour to support his proposals.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

> (Signed) H S. LAWRENCE, Durector, Land Records and Agriculture.

Through the Commissioner, C. D.

REVISED APPENDIX Q

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Effect of Revisoon Settlement proposals on Government occupzed land in the Mádha Táluka (referred to in para


DIX $Q$.
graph 13 of the letter from the Director of Land Records and Lgrieulture, No. A.258, datod 19th January 1304).


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(Signed) G. H. ANJANGAONKAR,
for Durector, Land Reards and Agriculta.e.

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Revende Department<br>Camp Malsuras, 22nd March 1904.

Forwarded, with an expression of general concurrence in the Director's criticisms.

2 It is undoubtedly, as Mr. Lawrence observes, a matter of great difficulty to assess equatably the weight which the recent prolonged period of abnormal distress should be given in the settlement of the Government demand for the next thirty years. To the solution of this dificult question it is evident that Messrs. Maconochie and Painter have devoted much thoughtful and sensible consideration ; and the Commissioner is of opinion that their proposals, which are based on considerable local knowledge and expenence, may be accepted.
3. The Director's proposal to raise the maxımum dry-crop rate in the three villages constituting Mr. Painter's second group for the Sholápur Táaka from Rs. 1-9-0 to Rs. $1-10.0$ seems a judicious compromise between Mr. Painter's and Mr Maconochie's proposals. It will have the effect, which is desired by all, of a slight additional enhancement in the assessment of these three villages, while at the same time keeping within prescribed limits
4. On the question of patasthal rates, the Commissioner supports Mr . Lawrence's proposal that further detanled report should be awated. It is understood to be Mr Painter's view that, in those villages in which he has recommended the abandonment of pátasthal assessment, there is a permanent absence of urrigation facilities, and not merely a temporary absence, resultug from recent years of abnormal drought. But it is as well that this should be placed beyond possibility of question, by means of as complete statistics of cultivation as can be procured for the years preceding 1895.
5. The proposal to reduce by one-half the enhancements originally proposed by Mr Young for the Mádha T'aluka is based on sound reasoning, and the Commissioner concurs with all the offcers through whose hands the papers have passed in supporting it.
6. The Commissioner has pleasure in associating himself in the expressions of commendation contamed in the Collector's 9 th paragraph of the industry and ability displayed by Mr. Painter in the preparation of three of these four reports. He is confident that this officer's good work will meet with the approbation of Government Mr. Young has prepared an exceedungly careful and interesting report on the settlement of Madha, and it in no way detracts from the credit due to him that subsequent events have suggested some modification of his proposals.

## A. D. YOUNGHUSBAND,

Commissioner, C. D.

Revenue Survey and dosessment. Sholápur.
Revision Settlement of the Sholápur, Barsi,

- Karmála and Mádha Tálukas.

No. 5050,
Revenue Department.
Bombay Castle, 2nd July 1904.
Memorandum from the Commısioner, C. D., No. T.R.-138, dated 22nd March 1904-Submittugg, with his remarks, a letter No A-258, dated 19th January 1904, from the Director of Land Records and Agriculture, who forwards, with his remarks, the papers noted in the margin contaniing proposals for the second revision settlement of the Sholápur, Bárss, Karmála and Mádha Talukas of the Sholapur District.
Memorandum form the Commissioner, C D, No. B.-1718, dated 18th June 1904-Forwarding one No. A.- 8227 , dated 9 th 1dem, from the Director of Land Records and Agriculture, together with letters Nos. 1354, dated 8th April 1904, 1539, dated 23rd April 1904, and 1884, dated 14th May 1904, from the Collector of Sholapur, who submits certann petitions of objections made by village communties to the proposed grouping and maximum rates at the second revision settlement of the Sholapur, Barsi, Médhe and Karmáa Talukas.
Resoldrion.-These papers relate to the second revision settlement of the four tálukas of Sholápur, Bárss, Mádha and Karmála, on which the Governor in Councl deems it expedient to pass one general order. The tract rwith which they deal is one of the most arid in the Presidency, and the harvest is so precarious that it is not easy to devise a system of settlement which would be suitable in all respects. Mr. Painter points out that in the Sholapur Taluka it sometimes occurs that one-half of a village gets sufficient rain and the other half hittle or none, and indeed that there has been alleged to be a similar variation within individual fields. Yet that taluka is more favourably situated in this respect than Mádha and Karmála, the last beng the worst, while in Barsi the rainfall is somewhat less uncertain. The very fact that there are so many and so wide variations in the same season, however, indicates the difficulty, amounting to virtual impracticability, of adapting the demand to the year's outtyrn, and the reports on the original settlements show to what serious evils a system of annual remissions almost inevitably leads. Even in auch a táluka as Karmála the only system which is consistent with a general safeguarding of the interests of the cultuvators is to impose an assessment which coan be paid without difficulty in an average of farr years, and to allow remissions only for exceptional loss. A comparison of the old reports with those now under consideration shows that on the whole this system has worked well. The cultivators are notindeed in affluent circumstances, and after such calamities as they have passed through during the period of the last settlement they would not have been even of they had been hable to no assessment at all. But they are much better off than they were before the orignal settlement was introduced. The facts that land has attained a very high value, that real coerove prooesses have been altogether unnecessary except in the Karmála Táluka, while even there they are almost negligible, and that after an unprecedented series of calamitous years no land has been relinquished, afford convincing evidence of the moderation of the assessment. There need be no besitation therefore in contmuing to apply the same principles.

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2. As regards revision of the grouping and rates the proposals of Mr. Painter, including those regarding reduction of the enhancement suggested by Mr. Young for the Mádha Táluka, are generally justzied by the reasons assigned by him and are, subject to very slight modifications, approved by the Collector, the Director of Land Records and Agriculture and the Commissioner. The question of prices, on which any change must mannly depend, has been carefully considered, and there can be no doubt that the deoline, which was the ground for a reduction of the rates first sanctioned in connection with the first revision settlement of the Sholápur, Barsi and Mádha Tálukas, was only temporary, and that the standard is now as high as thíat on which those rates were based. A reversion in these tálukas to the rates approved in 1871, 1872 and 1873 is therefore reasonable and suitable. The first revision settlement of the Karmála Taluka was made after the decline of prices had begun, and the enhancement was moderate. The pitch of the rates was about the same as that of the rates as modified in 1875 for the Madha Taluka. The latter was at the time considered somewhat less favourably situated, but the experience of the last 30 years has modıfied that conclusion. Karmála has suffered most in the years of famine and scarcity. The value of land in this táluka is materially lower than in the other talukas, and in a few cases some pressure has been needed to recover Government dues. More lenency is therefore required there than in the other talukas, and the continuation of the existing rates for another period of 30 years, notwithstanding the rise in the standard of prices, is a judicious course. There seems no reason to doubt that the gradation of rates 18 , both within the tract and with reference to the assessment of adjoming areas, roughly according to the degrees of security of crops dependent on rannfall and of other natural advantages. The proposed grouping and rates are accordiagly sanctioned subject to the modifications mentioned below.
3. The maximum dry-crop rates proposed by Mr. Painter for the village of Sholapur and the three adjoinng villages of Shelgn, Bále and Degaon in the Sholápur Táluka, as well as for the villages of Bársi and Varrág in the Bársi Táluka, seem to be unduly low as compared with those recommended for other villages under less favourable ourcumstances in point of material prosperity or of the advantages of proximity to a market or ralway station. In Government Resolution No. 2712, dated 27th March 1896, ut has been ruled that "immediate proximity to a large and important market or railvay station shall" be deemed an adequate cause for a moderate special increase of assessment". The value of the exceptional advantages of lands adjoining a large market-such as disposal of every part of the produce at the prices prevalentin such a market, with little or no cost of carriage, high price of fodder, cheap manure-1s not inducated by the difference between the rates proposed for such lands and those for lands at some distance from markets There has been a tendency to differentiate insufficiently between localities which have advanced in prosperity owng to such advantages as are above indicated and those which are stationary and backward. The late famines cannot fairly be deemed to be a sufficient reason for foregoing for the next 30 years a full increase in such a singularly advanced area as the village of Sholápur, which on its merits could well bear a rate of at least Rs. 2. The rate of Rs. 1-12-0 pröposed by Mr. Painter raises the assessments in this village by $27 \cdot 21$ per cent., while a rate of Rs. 2 would raise them by about 45 per cent., which would still be well within the 66 per cent. which has been fixed as the hmit of enhancement for a village. But as Sholápur village 18 classed by itself as a separate group, the standing orders' lumit the enhancement to 33 per cent. In the circumstances the highest possible rate that can be apphed to the village without exceeding this limit will, it is presumed, be about Rs. 1-13-0, and this rate is sanctioned. For the same reason the rate for the three adjoining villages of Sbelgi, Bále and Degaon, which have not like Sholápur the advantage of quite close proximity to market and cannot be grouped with this village as suggested by the Collector, should, as recommended by Mr. Lawrence, be Rs. 1-10-0, which will give an necrease of about 30 per cent. As Bársi is an important town and likely to improve, Government see no reason why the rate for lands in it should be under Rs. 1-12-0, which will not cause an excessive nerease. The rate for Varrg, where there is a grain and grocery market, should be Rs, 1-8-0.
4. The uniform rate of Rs, 3 proposed by Mr. Painter for all rice lands in the three tálukas of Sholápur, Barsi and Karmála seems to be appropriate and is approved. No rice rate is proposed for the Mádha Táluka for the reason stated in paragraph 32 of Mr. Young's report on that taluka.
b. The proposed treatment of "bágayat" or "garden" lands in the weveral tálukas 18 also accepted.

6 As regards pátasthal lands, it has recently been drected* that in new

- Government Resolution No 2986, dated 20th April 1904.

Government Resolation No. 3969, dated 25th May 1904 settlements no permanent water-rate should be mposed on areas irrigable from temporary dams which give only a fitful flow, and that all such areas should, when actually rrigated from suoh dams, be assessed for the use of water by the Collector from time to time, under section 55 of the Bombay Land Revenue Code, witinn the limits of the maximum water-rates specially prescribed by Government for each taluka. In the case of the Karmála Taluka Mr. Painter proposes to do away wholly with permanent pátasthal rates, and shows good reasons, which apply equally to the other three tálukas of Sholápur, Bársi and Mádha, in which pátasthal irrigation is reported to be very rare and fitful. In the circumstances the orders above referred to should be followed in the case of all these four tálukas.
7. On the question of the assessment of lands under the Ekrukh canals or affected by them, the remarks made by Mr . Painter in paragraphs 84 and 85 of his report on the Sholápur Táluka seem to be correct, and the course adopted by bimin in regard to these lands and by Mr. Young in the case of the area under the A'shtı tank in the Mádha Taluka is approved.
8. Mr Painter's remarks on inám villages in the several talukas should be noted for future gurdance.
9. The new settlements as now sanctioned should be introduced in all the four tálukas after the lst August 1504 and guaranteed for 30 years from the revenue year 1905-06. The revised assessments should be announced and levied in accordance with standing orders. The statements forming Appendix $Q$ to the several reports should be revised in the light of the orders contained in the foregoing paragraphs before publication of the reports in the form of Selections.
10. The petitions of objections do not contain any facts or arguments which have not been fully considered, and for which ample allowance has not been made, in the proposals which are now approved.
11. Some incidental points not directly connected with survey settlement, which are raised in these reports, are noticed below :-
(a) As regards the villages of the Sholépur and other talukas isolated in the midst of the territory of His Highness the Nizam, the Collector should be requested to submit a separate report, giving reference to previous proposals, if any, stating in detal the grounds for the proposed exchange, and indicating generally the lines on which the exchanges should be made. A copy of the joint report on the Jamkhed project should at the same time be supphed to the Collector, and his attention should be specially invited to the fact that the three detached villages of Karmala Táluka have already been included in that project.
(b) On the subject of Mr. Painter's recommendations for the disforestment of large areas whech, although included in forest, are an his opinion better suited for purposes of cultivation than of forest conservaocy, any reasonable proposals which may be submitted to Government will receive coreful consideration. But in making proposals for any extensive disforestments, officers should not lose sight of the facts that forests classed as "pasture" are in oharge of the Revenue Department, not of the Forest Department, and that in the interests of the agricultural economy of the country it $1 s$ expedient to retann a sufficient area of common pasture and not to reduce at below a hmit bearing a reasonable proportion to the culti-
vable area and to the number of cattle required for working that area and for the domestic uses of the people. If, howewer, such land is really suitable for cultivation, it will yield more fodder when under the plough than when uncultivated, and probably the grass, when it is left fallow, will be improved. There should therefore be no hesitation in disforesting good soil unless $1 t$ is only 10 small patches within proper forest, but on the other hand the cultivation of shallow soils on the slopes of hills or rising grounds only leads to further deterioration through loose soils being washed away.
(c) The recommendation regarding the omission of certann particulars from Village Form No. 1, as well as the proposal for the formation of a separate mahál of the Karmála Táluka with Tembhurnı as the head-quarter of the mahal, should be reported separately for the orders of Government.
12. Government cordially concur in the commendation bestowed by the Collector and the Commissioner on Mr. Painter for his industry and ability in the prompt preparation of his three lucid and sensible reports, and on Mr. Young for his careful report on Mádha Táluka.

G. F. KEATINGE,<br>Under Secretary to Government.

To
The Commissioner, C D.,
The Collector of Sholapur (with a copy of the joint report on the Jamkhed project),
The Drector of Land Records and Agrioulture,
The Conservator of Forests, C. C.,
The Accountant General,
The Public Works Department of the Secretariat.

## REVISED APPENDIX Q.

Effect of Révisoon Settlement proposals on Government Occupred Land

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From

H. L. PAINTER, Esq., I. C. S., Assistant Collector, Sholápur.

To
THE COLLECTOR OF SHOLA'PUR.
Sholúpur, 27 th July, 1903.
SIR,
Introduction -I have the honour to submit for the consideration of Government proposals for the second rivision settlement of the Sholápur Táluka, comprising 148 Government and 4 Inám villages.
2. Expiratzon of current settlement.-The current settlement was due to expire' on 31st July, 1901, but Government directed, in their Resolution No. 8235, dated 31st December, 1900, that, on account of the recent famines, proposals should not be submitted to them untal 1904.
3. Authorities for current settlement.-The authorities for the current

G R. No. 2033, dated 27th April, 1872.
G R. No. 5874, dated 19th October, 1875.
G. R. No 9598, dated 8th December, 1892 settlement are given in the margin, 147 villages being settled in 1872 and the remainung village (Ardhnari, which was transferred from Pandharpur under authority of Government Resolution No. 6643, dated 10th December, 1873,) being resettled in 1892. The rates of the villages settled in 1872 were reduced in 1875, a matter which will be referred to in detail further on.
4. Natıral features and climate.-The Sholápur Táluka comprises a tract of gently undulating country with bare treeless uplands and fertile valleys; there are no hills worthy of the name. The climate is moderate, temperature seldom rising above $110^{\circ}$ Fahrenheat in summer or falling below $50^{\circ}$ in winter, and in the monsoon months the weather conditions are particularly agreeable. The ranfall is light and variable and the natural drainage rapid.
5. Geography.-The main body of the tailuka measures about 40 miles from east to west and 30 mules from north to south, and is bounded on the north by the Nızám's Domınons, separating it from the Bársi Taluka of the same district, on the east by the Akalkot State, on the south by the Bhima Biver, dividung at from the Indi Táluka of Bijapur, and on the west by the Pandharpur and Mádha Talukas. It is traversed by the Sina River, which passes about ten miles south of the City of Sholípur and joins the Bhima at the point where the latter passes out of the táluka. Both rivers are easily fordable in the fair season.
6. Rivers and irrigation - No use is made of the Bhima or Sina for irrigation, partly, as Lieutenant Robertson said in his report on the Mandrup Pargana in 1840," because during the monsoon the rivers rise so high, and become so impetuous in therr flow, that nothing that they (the oultivators) oould build for drawing water would be able to stand," and partly from religious objections, also noticed by that officer. He did not, however, appear to have heard the latter expressed in a form in which it has been told to me, namely, that the loosing of a nóla (the name given to the rope attached to the water-bag) over a river whoh is called "the Mather" would, from a pecular signification of the expression, constitute a deadly sin. Apart from all this, the lift would in most cases be so great as to render $m 06$ irrigation umpractioable.
7. Streams.-There are a few smaller streams, the chief of which is the Harni, whoch passes through a few villages in the extreme east of the taluka: in a very few cases pátasthal irrigation is possible from them, especially when в 71S-1
aided by budkrs, which are, however, more often used by themselves. Most of the streams become nearly or quite dry in the hot season. Those in the eastern portion of the táluka frequently have their banks planted with the date palm (shind ${ }_{b}$ or $k$ hajure ) in large numbers, the effect being in pleasing contrast to the dust-coloured and arid surroundings. These date palms do not, of course, bear fruit, but are used for the manufacture of toddy.

8 Ratlways.-The Great Indian Peninsula Railway runs through the middle of the taluka from north-west to south-east, and there is a branch of the Southern Mahrátta Ranlway from Hotgi to Bijápur, a few mules of which he in the south-east corner of the táluka.

9 Ekrukh Tank.-The Ekrukh Tank, 4 miles to the north of Sholapur, which, by means of canals, irrigates a large area of land between it and the Sina River, and on which the City of Sholápur is dependent for its water-supply. is the only other important feature which need be mentioned at this stage.
10. Isolated vellages.-Several villages forming part of the táluka are situated at a dustance from the main body, islands, topographically speaking, in an ocean of Hyderabad Territory, some of them forty miles away from the táluka head-quarters. Endeavours to get these exchanged for Nizám's villages simularly situated within the district have from time to time been made, but nothing has come of them. Their isolation necessarily leads to their being to some extent neglected by the local admınistration, and they suffer from certan other disadvantages, eg, salt costs more in the Mangrul bazar than in British villages included in the bulk of the táluka (the difference bemg about half a sher per rupee) on account of a tax levied on it by the Nizam's Government in transit which is not refunded.
11. Languages.-Maráthi is the chief language of the talluka, but Kánarese is spoken in the south-eastern portion, the lne of the Hyderabad-Sholápur road from the eastern boundary to Sholápur City, and its imaginary production westward may be said to divide the táluka as regards language, but stray villages speaking Kánarese are found in the Maráthı group and vice-versa.
12. Castes.--The Marathás form the great cultivating community in the north of the taluka and Lingayat Vanis are the rule in the south. There is however a farr sprinkling of other castes and of Mahomedans in both divisions: some Dhangars, whose traditional ocoupation is that of shepherds, are very prosperous cultivators, and there are a couple of well-to-do Deshmukh famulies among them in the south.
13. Roads.-The roads serving the táluka are as under :-

## Provincial Roads.

(1) Poona-Sholaipur-Hyderabad Road-This road, which traverses the táluka and must, before the opening of the railway, have been of great importance, now carries little or no through traffic between its terminl. It is however used for local communication The road is. metalled throughout and bridged, except where it crosses the Sina and some of the larger water-courses, and is in good condition. There is a ferry over the Sina at Lamboti.
(2) Sholápur-Bijápur Road-Has similarly deteriorated as a means of through traffic between Sholápur and Blápur, being displaced by the Southern Mahratta Branch opened in 1885. Metalled and bridged, with flying bridges across the Sina and Bhima Rivers. Condition good.
(3) Sholápur-Hıparge Road.-A short diversion from the Tuljápur Road to the Ekrukh Tank. Muramed and drauned. Thore is practically no traffic.

## Local Board Roads.

(a) Kept up by Pubic Works Department Agency.
(1) Sholápur-Bairsi Road -Metalled and in good condition except where it passes through Hyderabad Territory, where it degenerates into a track. There is considerable traffic between Bársia, Waurag and Sholá-
pur, and a good doal of raw cotton comes into and twist goes out of Sholápur via thes road.
(2) Sholápur-Alalkot Road.-Metalled condition moderate Connects these two towns, passing by the large dyeing and weaving village of Valsang.

## (b) Kept up by Local Board Agency.

(i) Sholápur-Pandharpur Road.-Muramed and occasionally metalled. Used a good deal by pilgrims going to Pandharpur. The Pandharpur goods traffic goes to Bársi Road Station. Condition poor. The ferry over the Sina at True consists of a large boat, the flying bridge being out of repaur.
(2) Turhe-Begampur branch of the above road, diverging on the right bank of the Sina. Muramed : condition poor. Leads on to Man. galveda and Sángola, the Bhima being crossed by ferry at Begampur.
(3) Sholapur-Tulgápun Road.-Metalled and in good condition up to Ulhe. thence to frontier little better than a track. From the frontier the Nazam's metalled road to Tuljápur is good.
(4) Sholápur-Shelgi Road (only a mle long)-Muramed : fair condition. The road contmues as a track to Kasegaon.
(5) Sholapur-Mardi Road, duverging from the Sholápur-Barsi Road near the point where it is crossed by the Ekrukh high level canal. Muramed as far as Bhogaon; thence to Mardı merely a track.
(6) Sholapur-Hotgi Road.-Incomplete as yet. It is intended to connect Sholápur with the Hotgi irrigation tank under construction, Hotgi village, and Hotgi station. The road, as far as the tank and from the village to the station, was recently made as a famine work by the Publıc Works Department. The 'Táluka Local Board is about to have the road finished.

There are a few other so-called roads kept up after a fashion by the Taluka Looal Board, but these are in reality little more than tracks,
14. Rarleay stations.--There are, besides Sholápur, three stations on the Great Indıan Peninsula line within the limits of the taluka, viz., Pakni, Hotgi Junction (joint Great Indian Penmosula and Southern Mahrátta Railways), and a station called Tilati. The Southern Mahritta Railway has no station in the taluka except its share of Hotgi.
15. Railvay trafic.-Goods are loaded and unloaded at all these stations, but Sholápur and Hotgi are the only ones where the traffic done is not insignificant. Tlati station is a peculuarity: it bears the name of no village known in its vicinity, and is situated almost inaccessubly in the midst of a large area of wired-in forest. Its recent construction was, I believe, rather for the needs of the railway itself than for the public convenience.
16. Exports.-Figures of the railway exports from these stations since 1872, kindly furnished by the raulway authorities, are given in the accompanying statement, from whioh it will be plain that Sholápur is the only umportant export station among them .-

Statement showng the quantsty of cotton, food-grains and onl-seeds from the undermentioned Stations

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| 31st December | Mds. | Mds. | Mds | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{Md} \mathrm{\omega} \\ 146,757 \end{gathered}$ | Mds, $20,536$ | Mds. $12,516$ | Mdse | Mds | Mde | $\mathrm{Md}_{\mathrm{B}}$ | Mda | Mda |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1872 \\ & \text { 30th June } \\ & \text { 3lst Decermber } \end{aligned}$ | - | $\because$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & 26,980 \\ & \mathbf{8 7}, 886 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 125,789 \\ 58,937 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 23,742 \\ & 16,842 \end{aligned}$ | $\cdots$ |  | - | - | $\because$ |  |
| $\begin{gathered} 1873 \\ \begin{array}{c} \text { 30th Jnne } \\ \text { 31st December } \end{array} \end{gathered}$ |  |  | - | 54,868 | 184,726 | 40,584 | - | $\cdots$ |  |  | - |  |
|  |  | - | $\cdots$ | $\begin{array}{r} 8,922 \\ 22,508 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 110,696 \\ 62,985 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 77,879 \\ & 17,673 \end{aligned}$ | - | - | - |  | * | * |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1874* } \\ & \text { 30th June } \\ & \text { 81st December } \end{aligned}$ |  | - | " | 31,430 | 173,681 | 95,052 |  |  |  |  |  | . |
|  | " | . | ,* | $\begin{aligned} & 28,334 \\ & 48,857 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 229,617 \\ & 156,088 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 122,610 \\ 84,340 \end{array}$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | , |  | $\cdots$ |  |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { 1875 } \\ \text { 80th June } \\ \text { 31st December } \end{gathered}$ | - | * | $\cdots$ | 77,181 | 385,655 | 156,950 | $\cdots$ |  | - | . |  |  |
|  | : | $\cdots$ | - | $\begin{gathered} 27,426 \\ \text { Not } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 122,964 \\ B 7.21_{a} \end{array}$ | $\text { ble } 211,628$ | . | $\cdots$ | - | - | $\cdots$ |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1876 . \\ & \text { 30th June. } \\ & \text { 31st December } \end{aligned}$ | - | - |  | - | - | - | , |  | , | $\cdots$ |  |  |
|  | $\because$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 17,873 \\ & 59,377 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 148,199 \\ & \mathbf{1 6 8 , 9 7 9} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 278,054 \\ 28,907 \end{gathered}$ | , | , | - |  |  | $\because$ |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1877 . \\ & \text { 30th June. } \\ & \text { 31st December } \end{aligned}$ | - | - |  | 77,250 | 317,178 | 301,981 | - |  | - |  |  |  |
|  | - | $\cdots$ | .. | $\begin{aligned} & 1,875 \\ & 1,739 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 288,206 \\ 229,556 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 10,217 \\ 9,733 \end{array}$ | , |  | $\because$ | - | : |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1878. } \\ & \text { 30th June } \\ & \text { Blat December } \end{aligned}$ | - |  | - | 8,114 | 512,762 | 18,950 | . 0 | - | - |  |  |  |
|  | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | : | $\begin{aligned} & 5,946 \\ & 2,626 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 160,940 \\ 39,032 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 69,430 \\ & \mathbf{3 1}, 211 \end{aligned}$ | - | - | ".. | * | $\cdots$ | - |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1879 \\ & \text { 30th June } \\ & \text { 31st December } \end{aligned}$ |  | -• |  | 8,572 | 199,972 | 100,641 |  | $\cdots$ | . | , |  | - |
|  | - |  | ''. | $\begin{array}{r} 9,848 \\ 15,400 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 26,521 \\ 101,848 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 26,741 \\ & 17,522 \end{aligned}$ |  | - | * | - |  |  |
| 1880 <br> 30th June . <br> 31at December | - |  | - | 25,248 | 128,369 | 44,263 |  | . | - A |  | . |  |
|  | *. | $\cdots$ | " $\because$ | $\begin{aligned} & 11,833 \\ & 52,489 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 84,776 \\ 142,819 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 98,186 \\ & 89,584 \end{aligned}$ | * | 6 |  |  | $\cdots$ | - |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1881 . \\ & \text { 30th June. } \\ & \text { 31st December } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | 64,322 | 227,595 | 132,770 |  | 6 | - |  |  |  |
|  | Not | aval | $\begin{array}{r} 49 \\ \text { able. } \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 10,822 \\ & 43,660 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 203,696 \\ & 200,696 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 121,188 \\ 63,998 \end{array}$ | " |  |  | - | - |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1882 . \\ & \text { 30th June. } \\ & \text { 31st December } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 49 | 54,482 | 404,892 | 185,186 | $\cdots$ | *** |  |  |  | - |
|  | $\left.\begin{array}{ccc} N & 0 & t_{1} \\ \mathbf{N} & 0 & t \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { evail } \\ & \text { B vail } \end{aligned}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { able } \\ & \text { able } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 48,958 \\ & 84,170 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 499,223 \\ & 321,779 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 124,201 \\ 77,323 \end{array}$ | - | " |  |  |  | $\cdots$ |
| $\begin{gathered} 1883 \\ \text { s0th June } \\ \text { 31st December } \end{gathered}$ | - |  | - | 127,128 | 821,002 | 201,524 |  | - | * |  | - |  |
|  | " | 141 | $\begin{array}{r} 116 \\ 30 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 14,267 \\ & 77,685 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 248,966 \\ & 128,849 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 205,107 \\ & 101,274 \end{aligned}$ | - | 231 |  | . | $\because$ | - |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1884 \\ & \text { 80th June } \\ & \text { 31st December } \end{aligned}$ | $\cdots$ | 141 | 146 | 91.892 | 377,805 | 806,361 | - | 231 | - |  |  |  |
|  | Not |  | sble. | $\begin{aligned} & \begin{array}{l} 67,295 \\ 37,048 \end{array} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 76,098 \\ & 47,921 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 237,662 \\ 60,580 \end{array}$ | . | 2,807 | 198 | * | $\because$ | - |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1885 . \\ & \text { 30th June } \\ & \text { 31 } 1 \text { December } \end{aligned}$ | - | $\cdots$ |  | 94,343 | 124,019 | 298,242 | - | 2,807 | 196 | - | - | - |
|  | Not | $\begin{array}{r} 12 \\ 0.9 a 11 \end{array}$ | able | $\begin{aligned} & 687 \\ & 514 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 112,444 \\ & 138,727 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 87,817 \\ & 57,276 \end{aligned}$ | - | 498 9 | - | * | : |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 30th Jane. } \\ & \text { 30th } \\ & \text { Becember Decer } \end{aligned}$ |  | - |  | 1,201 | 251,171 | 144,593 |  | 507 |  |  | - |  |
|  | Not | aval | able | $\begin{aligned} & 1,301 \\ & 1,338 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 334,099 \\ 145,768 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 138,571 \\ 81,088 \end{array}$ | - | $\begin{aligned} & 340 \\ & 158 \end{aligned}$ |  | * |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1887 \\ & \begin{array}{l} \text { 30th Jung } \\ \text { alst } \\ \text { Deceqber } \end{array} \end{aligned}$ |  | - |  | 2,639 | 280,767 | 217,857 | - | 498 |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\cdots$ | 61 | 106 | $\begin{array}{r} 1,909 \\ 326 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 129,504 \\ 84,604 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 109,628 \\ & 104,569 \end{aligned}$ | - | $\begin{aligned} & 800 \\ & 162 \end{aligned}$ | 158 |  | $\because$ |  |
|  |  | 61 | 105 | 2,318 | 214,108 | 214,197 |  | 462 | 158 |  | - |  |


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| Falt year ending | Cotton, raw | Fond graina | Oil-seeda | Cotton, raw | Food-grain | Oil seedr | Cotton, mm | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Food } \\ & \text { grain } \end{aligned}$ | Oil-seeds | Cotton, raw | Food | Oilseeds. |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { J888 } \\ & \text { 30th June } \\ & \text { 81st December } \end{aligned}$ | Mds. \#* | Mds. | Mds. $166$ |  | Mds. <br> 58,085 <br> 98,391 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Mds} \\ & 159,889 \\ & 43,656 \end{aligned}$ | Mds . | $\begin{gathered} \text { Mds } \\ 198 \\ 113 \end{gathered}$ | Mds | Mda | Mds $*$ | Mds. |
|  |  | 15 | 166 | 11 | 151,477 | 208,394 |  | 305 |  |  |  | - |
| 1889. <br> soth June 318t December |  | * | - | 104 | $\begin{aligned} & 138,605 \\ & 134,370 \end{aligned}$ | 58,466 88,218 | * | $\begin{aligned} & 39 \\ & 20 \end{aligned}$ | 228 |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1890 \\ & \text { 80th June } \\ & \text { \$lst December } \end{aligned}$ |  | * |  | 104 | 272,976 | 144,684 |  | 50 | 228 |  | , |  |
|  | Not | av8 811 | able. | 10 | $\begin{array}{r} 80,196 \\ 110,823 \end{array}$ | 119,093 69,310 | - | 92 49 | 125 | -• | * |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1891 . \\ & \text { 30th June } \\ & \text { 81st December } \end{aligned}$ |  | - |  | - | 191,019 | 188,409 |  | 141 | 125 | - |  |  |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 16 \end{array}$ |  | 1,048 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{2 0 0 , 5 6 0} \\ & \mathbf{2 3 3 , 0 0 8} \end{aligned}$ | 266,870 78,784 |  | 464 37 | 835 | - | *** |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1892 \\ & \text { 30th June } \\ & \text { 81at December } \end{aligned}$ | * | 24 |  | 1,048 | 485,566 | 845,404 | - | 501 | 635 |  | ** |  |
|  | ** | 25 | 31 | $\begin{aligned} & 6,064 \\ & 1,438 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 226,710 \\ & 144,859 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 96,963 \\ & 58,308 \end{aligned}$ | - | $\begin{array}{r}8 \\ \hline 188\end{array}$ | 1 133 | * | * |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1898 \\ & \text { 30th June } \\ & \text { 31st December } \end{aligned}$ |  | 27 | 31 | 7502 | 371,569 | 154,671 | - | 136 | 184 |  | 4 |  |
|  | - | 29 20 | 10 | 66 | $\begin{aligned} & 77,992 \\ & 68,581 \end{aligned}$ | 179,549 59,444 | ** | 160 24 | 98 41 | , * | *** | - |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1894 \\ & \text { 30th June } \\ & \text { 3lat December } \end{aligned}$ |  | 65 | 10 | 66 | 186,503 | 238,993 | - | 184 | 134 |  |  |  |
|  | - | 38 | - | 4,001 | $\begin{aligned} & 38,307 \\ & 17,648 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 305,003 \\ 61,626 \end{array}$ | - | $\begin{aligned} & 608 \\ & 330 \end{aligned}$ | - | ** |  | *- |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1895 \\ & \text { gorh June } \\ & \text { slut December } \end{aligned}$ |  | 88 |  | 4,007 | 50,950 | 886,629 | * | 933 |  | - |  |  |
|  | ** | $s$ | * | 170 318 | $\begin{aligned} & 52,176 \\ & 67,953 \end{aligned}$ | 156,829 31,483 | - | 100 96 | 45 |  | * |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1896 \\ & \text { S0th June } \\ & \text { 8lst December } \end{aligned}$ |  | 3 | - | 288 | 120,129 | 188,112 | $\cdots$ | 196 | 45 |  | - |  |
|  | * | 87 |  | 1,443 | $\begin{array}{r} 70,483 \\ 104,560 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 168,890 \\ 83,858 \end{array}$ |  | 1,112 | * |  | * |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 1897 } \\ & \text { soth June } \\ & \text { Slet December } \\ & \text { 1898. } \\ & \text { soth June } \\ & \text { 3lat December } \end{aligned}$ | - | 27 | - | 2,448 | 174,998 | 187,848 | . | 1,112 |  | ** | ** |  |
|  | - | $\begin{array}{r} 96 \\ 8 \end{array}$ |  | 142 | $\begin{array}{r} 114,549 \\ \mathbf{4 8 , 9 5 9} \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 8,406 \\ \mathbf{2 5 , 4 8 4} \end{array}$ | - | 1,708 | $\cdots$ |  | - |  |
|  |  | 108 | ${ }^{* *}$ | 156 | 168,508 | 38,890 |  | 1,708 |  | $\cdots$ |  |  |
|  | * | 13 | 12 | 48 | $\begin{aligned} & 56,702 \\ & 72,657 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 20,135 \\ & 18,148 \end{aligned}$ | * | 29 440 | . | - | - |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1899 \\ & \text { 30th Jube } \\ & \text { 8Lat Decembor } \end{aligned}$ | - | 13 | 19 | 48 | 129,859 | 38,283 |  | 469 | . |  |  |  |
|  |  | ${ }^{41}$ |  | 51 | $\begin{aligned} & 101,608 \\ & 258,485 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 49,875 \\ & 11,078 \end{aligned}$ | - | 294 2,498 | 10 | - | 51 385 |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1900 \\ & \text { 30th June } \\ & \text { Slut Deoember } \end{aligned}$ | * | 31 |  | 95 | 360,093 | 80,953 | - | 2,722 | 10 | *** | 386 |  |
|  |  | 11 |  | 851 | $\begin{aligned} & 14,565 \\ & 55,444 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{8 , 4 4 0} \\ & 8,804 \end{aligned}$ | - ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 2,837 642 | ${ }^{58}$ | * | 21 36 |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1901 \text {. } \\ & \text { soth June } \\ & \text { sist December } \end{aligned}$ | - | 17 |  | 851 | 70,009 | 12,244 |  | 3,479 | 58 | ** | 57 |  |
|  | * | 8 | * | $\begin{array}{r} 956 \\ \mathbf{2 , 8 6 5} \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 82,828 \\ 97,600 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 19,139 \\ & 87,025 \end{aligned}$ | $\bullet$ | 189 | 51 | - | 56 |  |
| $1909$ <br> 30th Junv 8lat Deoembor |  | 8 |  | 2,819 | 129,889 | 46,164 | ** | 250 | 51 | - | 68 |  |
|  |  | 64 $\$ 29$ |  | 1,559 851 | $\begin{aligned} & 157,761 \\ & 142,874 \end{aligned}$ | 48,042 |  | 615 15 | 8 |  | 28 6 | * |
|  |  | 898 |  | 1,810 | 300685 | 76,366 | - | 630 | 2 | - | 36 |  |

17. The export of raw cotton from Sholapur has, as the table shows, practically ceased ance 1884, and since 1896 the export of oll-seeds has largely fallen off. But practioally all the ootton and the bulk of the oll-seed (at any rate of linseed) are produced not in Sholápur but in the Nizám's Dominons over a handred mules away, so that such traffic, which mostly comes through Bárs, is, or was, almost enturely forengn. The cause of the cessation of cotton export after 1884 is the 718-2
opening of the Hotgi-Gadag Branch of the Southern Mahratha Ralway in 1885, when cotton produced in the area fed by this line could be booked nearer hrome and ceased to come to Sholápur by cart to be thence exported by rall. The Bársi Light Ralway, which began to work in 1897, is responsible for the diversion of much of the linseed traffic

Grain exports
18. The grain export trafic, which alone represents, to any extent, local production, has suffered no permanent dımınution.
19. Both the Great Indian Peninsula Railway and the first six roads mentioned above, which, except the Sholapur-Hipparge Road, are the most important, existed at the time of the first revision settlement, as did also the ferries on the meations Bhıma and Sina at Takli, Bandharkavte, Begampur, Lamboth, Tirhe and Vadakbal. The communications of the taluka have not, therefore, been greatly augmented sunce then, presumably because they were so well advanced already.
20. It is difficult to draw any comparison from toll figures, because the roads were formerly farmed out singly, whereas now tolls are sometimes collected departmentally and sometrmes farmed out in a lump. However, such comparisons as are possible are given below. It must be remembered that from 1900 onward the prevalence of famine necessarily diminished traffic, and, with regard to the first set of figures, that Sholápur was not in those days connected with Hyderabad and Bijápur by rall. Moreover, as the charge for an ordınary laden cart is now annas 2 only, whereas 30 years ago it was annas 4, the latter set of figures require to be doubled or the former halved before any fair comparison can be made.

|  | Sholapur Pooma R Rond | Sholapur <br> Bigapur Road. | Sholépar- <br> Hyder abad Road. | SholatpurA saikot Road. | SholapurPandharpur Road |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sholifur } \\ & \text { Tuilapur } \\ & \text { Rooad. } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Rs | Rs. | Rs | Rs. | Rs. |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 1867-68 \\ & 1898-90 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2,000 \\ & 2,310 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1,022 \\ & 1,827 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{9 , 4 5 0} \\ & \mathbf{2 , 1 9 4} \end{aligned}$ | $\stackrel{2,075}{*}$ | * ${ }^{1,075} *$ | $* * *$ $* * *$ | $* * *$ $* * *$ |
|  | R | Re. | Rs | Rs. | Rs |  |  |
| 1868-69 | 2,850 | 3,500 | 9,600 | 2,350 | 1,550 | * * | *** |
| 1899.1900 | 1,870 | 2,062 | 2,031 | * * * | * ** | * * * | * * * |
|  | Rs | Rs. | Rs. | Rs. | Rs. | Rs | Rs |
| 1869-70 | 2,745 | 4,500 | 9,100 | 2,725 | 1,600 | *** | *** |
| 1900-1901 | 1,228 | 1,384 | 2,364 | 1,240 | 852 | 1,443 | 1,817 |
|  | Rs | Rs. | Rs | Rs | Rs. |  |  |
| 1870-71 | 2,500 | 3,700 |  |  |  | * * * | * * * |
| 1901-1902 | 841 | 1,163 | 3,137 | * * * | * * * | * * * | * * * |

21. As regards ferries, the receipts for the last five years amount to Rs. 1,837 Ferres as against Rs. 3,394 for thel last five jears of the orignal settlement The scale of charges in use 30 : years ago not being, however, avalable, no safe deduction can be drawn.
22. Primary education has advanced considerably and secondary education has practically come into being during the lease. The exact figures of thirty years ago are not obtainable from the Educational Department, but, comparing the figures given by Colonel Waddington in his revision report with thosa given in Appendix if, I find that there are 75 schools as against 59 , while the pupils number 3,600 as against $\mathbf{1 , 9 8 6}$.
23. The most remarkable advance wluch has taken place durng the term of Sholápur $\mathrm{O}_{\text {ty }}$. the expiring settlement is that of the City of Sholápur. The advent of the Ralway in 1860 and the construction of the Ekrukh Tank, completed in 1871, followed by the ereotion of three cotton mills employing some 5,500 persons between them, are the chief causes of the rapid development of this town, which is now one of the most important and progressive mdustrial centres in the mofussil. Its population amounts to 75,288 * inhabitants as against $53,403 \dagger$ in 1872 and $24,000 \ddagger$ in 1839 , figures which speak for themselves.
24. Sholápur has a Municıpality with an annual income of nearly two lákhs, which administers its own educational institutions, 13 in number, as against two, conducted by Government, thirty years ago It has provided the town, formerly dependent on local wells and tanks, with a first class watersupply by the erection, in 1881, at a cost of two lákhs, of a pumping station and three high level reservoirs whereby water from the Ekrukh Tank is distributed all over the town and suburbs. The Mulls and Raulway also draw copiously from the Ekrukh canals, but the tank supply is practically unlimited. Sholápur comprises a considerable rallway community, and is the centre of several Christian Missions. It also boasts a High School, the new building for which was opened only a year ago. Metal and leather working aro, next to weaving, the prinoipal cratts practised by resident artizans, but almost all are represented.

25 Sholápur since many years has been a purely Civil Station; the Sadar Bazá, cantonment bungalows and the Motı Bag are almost the only relics of the time when troops were quartered there
26. An important fair is held near the Siddhesvar Lake in the City in

Sankránt Farr January every year, when the whole road running along the water-side is occupied by tent-like structures, which are removed after the fair, only the plinths being permanent. Shops for the selling of grain, groceries, metal pots, sweetmeats and the like are set up, and these booths are also used for the usual gala shows. The gathering is known as the Sankrant Fair.
27. Appendix C gives a list of the villages where weekly bazars are held.

## Baxárs.

Generally speakng, these institutions are availed of
by the rayats merely to take (or send their wives with) a headload of grain, sell it, and bring away in exohange such vegetables, condiments, pansupari, lamp-onl and the like as will last them and their families over the week. all wholesale disposal of agricultural produce takes place at the Sholápur market. These small weekly bazárs are regularly visited by petty oloth-sellers called Chátos, who travel from one bazár to another with their goods strapped onto little ponies which they lead or ride. They and other perpatetio traders set up temporary shops under a small awning in the midst of the bazar. Grain, glass bangles, cocoanuts, onions, a few plantains and guavas, earthen and sometimes metal pots, sugar-cane, and cheap Birmingham goods make up the list of things generally offered for sale. Grann merchants either visit the bazars themselves or send agents, and buy the caltivator's grain in small quantities, removing their purchases in a lump to the larger markets. Cowries are still used as small change in some of these bazárs.
28. In vilages where there are shops these are generally of the most unpretentious description, with a very small and Traders and money lenders. dingy stock in trade: the weekly bazárs, no doubt,
obviate the necessity of anything much bemg done in this direction The shop-keepers are, in the Marathi speaking part of the táluka, generally either Márvadıs or "Gujars," i.e., natives of Gujarit, who almost invarıably hail from the Idar State, though few of the present generation have ever seen the outside of the Decoan sometımes there are Lingayat Vimis in this part too, but these have assimilated themselves to the Marithas, speaking Maráthi among thenuselves and occasionally actually wearing a Shendu. In the Kánarese-speaking part of the tíluka the shop-keepers are almost always Lingáyat Vánis. All these petty dealers are, or sooner or later become, money-lenders, and many

[^21]alien Márvádıs and Gujars have now acquired substantial holdıngs; indeed some appear to have left the shop-keeping business, though perhaps not the money-lending, and taken to actual cultivation, not mere leasing or partnership. Local Bráhmans, not infrequently the Kulkarns themselves, often do money-lending and so acqure land. Money-lenders among the oultivating classes pure and simple are rare but not unknown.

29 As will be seen from Appendix D, the agricultural population is just one-half of the whole This low proportion is due to the fact that the City of Sholápur itself contains a business or industrial population equal to almost three-

Agricultaral and industrial population
quarters of the pcpulation of the rural area
30 The most important craft in the villages is weaving, which is chiefly done by Koshtis and Sals there are many cotton and some silk looms in Sholápur City, Valsang, Dhotrn, Begampur and other villages, mostly in the Kánarese-speaking portion of the taluka, where coarse cloth and finer Sarıs are the chief article of manufacture. The mdustry has declined to some extent owing to the introduction of weaving mulls, but there is very little machine weaving in the Sholápur factories, and apart from this hand-woven Saris are always in demand. Some of the Valsang weavers and dyers appear to be prosperous, but it is more usual to find these people exploited by sávkárs and living from hand to mouth. The only woollen cloths made are coarse blankets called Ghongadis, woven by Dhangars from the fleece of their own sheep (they also spin the woollen thread for the purpose) and in some places by low caste villagers Such a blanket costs about Re 1-8. A few famlies of Telis, or onl-pressers, are to be found in most of the larger villages Years ago there was a regular trade done by Lonaris in extracting saltpetre (80remith) from the soll by evaporation. This apparently ceased with the introduction of the A'bkári laws, but the old earth-heaps are stull conspicuous in many villages.
31. The cultivators of the táluka are in no way peculiar: an easy-going,

## Cultivators

 farly contented, illiterate lot, mostly in debt and evincing ao ambition to be otherwise, conservative and a little suspicious, good-humoured, patient, tolerant; truthful when they consider it to their advantage to be so, never very enterpnsing. Interests outside cultivation they have none, and they are dependent on such literate, and not alnays disinterested, individuals as they may have access to for the interpretation of all Government policies affecting agriculture. An easy prey to dishonesty on the part of astuter persons, they are not above combining with the latter to musrepresent facts for what they imagne will be their own benefit but which often proves to be to their undoing : the notorious evasion of the provisions ot the Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act by the very persons whom the law seeks to protect is an instance in point. The life of a cultivator is simple in the extreme, the regular routine being broken only by domestic occurrences, the excitement of a local cause célebre in the criminal or civil courts, or, more rarely, a pilgrimage. His abode, shared between his family and his live-stock, and often with numerous more or less distant relations besides, is one of half a hundred flat-roofed, generally dilapidated, mud and stone houses clustered together anyhow in the untidy village site, but at barvest time be practically lives in the fields Each holding has its own threshing floor or hhalle on the land itself, the communal threshing-floor of Gujarat being unknown For stoming therr grain the cultivators use grain-pits in villages where the soll is of a nature to admit of these being made, but such pits are often impossible owing to water being tapped or to other 1 mpediments These grain pits, or pevs, are sometimes found to the number of forty or fifty in an average-sized millage. They are sunk in the open streets, not inside the owners' house-compounds or vádás, and thefts from them never occur, partly no doubt owing to the difficulty of getting at and removing the grain, and partly because pits have to be lift open for some days before it is safe to enter them, owing to poisonous or suffocating gases generated. Most of the pits are of ancient date, but in this year of abundant crops I saw some new ones being dug. Pits are not so popular as they used to be, chiefly because, I am told, the people of the present day, being more fastidious, apparently, than thein forefathers, object to a certain peculiarityof taste about grain which has been so stored. When grain-pits are not resorted to grain is kept in cavitzes bult inside the houses known as ambárais, or in large wicker-work receptacles, placed outside, called kamings. Surplus fodder (jovari stalks) $1 s$ stacked in the fields, the stacks being plastered with cowdung or covered by clods of black earth when available, the latter variety is known as a depan.

32 Táls.-The undulating character of the country makes the construction of earthen embankments, called táls, necessary in many places, these often being several hundreds of yards in length; the larger ones are frequently planted with trees. They prevent the sell of the field below which they are constructed being carred away by heavy rain and also catch the sult from higher ground, thereby improving the land. Rice and coarse wheat are sometimes grown in the water accumulated behind such tals, and their construotion is one of the chief objects for which tagai is sought.
33. Live-stock-Bullocks are unversally used for ploughing and traction: only very occasionally a he or even she-buffalo is pressed into service Every bullock has his own particular name (though the stock of appellations is somewhat limited) and is supposed to answer to $1 \mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{n}}$. The best bullocks are not homebred but imported from outside the district, the cultivator acquiring them at one or other of the cattle bazars. Home-bred bullooks are not castrated, but only mulled, and this operation is deferred until the anıpal is 4 or 5 years old, as if done earher it is believed by cultivators to interfere with its growth.
34. Implements.-Agricultural implements are much the same as they were at the beginning of the lease. The type of cart universally used for everyday purposes $1 s$ that designed by Sir G. Wingate when engaged on the original settlement of this and neighbouring talukas over 60 years ago. But rehos of the old primitive cart are still to be seen in the gádás used for carting lcadba (javarí stalks) at harvest tume and in the vadars' or stone quarmers' carts • these vehicles have low solid wood or stone discs for wheels: the vadars' carts are invariably drawn by buffaloes.
35. Agrucultural operations.-The deep soil of the valleys is ploughed about once in three or four years, or oftener in the case of irrigated land, and this operation 18 very thorough - it often takes eight or ten bullocks to pull the plough through the heavy earth, a few steps at a time and then a pause. The ploughman always sings to the bullocks when so engaged, as also at sowing time or at the well. In the intermediate years the land has to put up with the harrow alone, and the lighter shallow sonls never get anything else. Manurng $2 s$ practically confined to irrigated lands, but in some oases dry-orop land of the better class is manured : it depends, apparently, on qualitios inherent in the soll of the particular field, which are best known to the cultivator in whose famoly it has been for generations. Weeding is not paid much attention to in dry-crop lands, and the weeds are not as a rule noxious rather the reverse, in fact, as good haráli often grows in this form. Fallows are hardly ever resorted to
36. Tenures.-Tenures are numerous: the ideal case of the registered occupant being the cultivator is by no means typical. But, in spite of the fact that a large proportion of the hereditary cultivators have mortgaged or sold their rights in the land, still they usually continue to cultivate it as tenants, paying interest on the money raised in the gulse of rent in the former case or actual rent (which they often believe to be interest on a redeemable mortgage) in the latter. Then, apart from alienation, there are cases when land is leased to a tenant on the half produce share system, say by a large landholder, the lease continuing in the same famaly for generations. Even when partition is resorted to and the different sharers rase money on their dafferent plots in dufferent ways, the actual cultivation generally stays in the famly. Thus, although the charges on land are generally many and comploated, the land itself does not, generally speaking, suffer muoh through frequent changing of hands.
87. Crops.-The staple produot of the táluks is javari, which is cultivated as a rabi crop, the next important and chief kharrf cereal beng bajiri, grown only in the lighter, shallow solls. Bajri, however, only fills 6 per cent of the aropped area as against 68 per cent ocoupled by javari. Safflower-seed is

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cultivated to a considerable extent as a mixed crop, being sown as a rule with javari or linseed, one furrow of safflower to 8 or 10 of the latter. Tur, gram, wheat and rice are the only other crops worthy of special notice, the area under the first being equal to or slightly greater than that under bápui, and none of the others covering more than three per cent of the cropped area. Gram, wheat and rice are mostly grown under irngation or in accumulated water Tur, though sown early, is reaped, very late and depends to a large extent on rabe rauns.

38. Cotton and sugaroane.-Cotton cultivation is quite insignificant it was tried in the sixties when the fibre was realizing phenomenal prices, but the soll or the climate or both appear unsurted to it and the few scattered crops that are occasionally met with are miserable in the extreme. Sugarcane is sparsely cultivated, chefly in lands under the Ekrukh canals.
39. Rainfall.-The táluka is therefore primarily, indeed almost wholly, dependent on the late (rabl) rains, and the occurrence or otherwise of good falls in September and October, after the seed has germunated, and of showers in November and perhaps December, is the making or marring of the year. The early part of the monsoon can, apparently, never be depended upon, and the not infrequent fallure of the late rains has been the cause of continually recurring famines, especially in recent years. No less than three such famines have to be recorded in the term of the current settlement, viz., that of 1876-77 (popularly known as the kálábanda), that of 1896-97, and its almost ummediate successor of 1899-1900, which was followed by poor harvests and semi-famine conditions until the end of 1902. The period from 1896 to 1902, which I have already heard referred to as the six-year famine, has practically been one continuous drought, and although fair crops were reaped in one or two years the continual sunking of the subsoll water brought about a deficiency in wells and other sources of supply wheh became extremely acute last year and would 'have reached a clımax by now had not the copious falls of 1902-1903 (the last of which actually harmed the crops) turned the scale in the right drection, still, normal water conditions cannot be reached unless and until two or three successive good monsoons are experienced.

40 In monsoon weather (when the taluka is favoured with it) the falls are often peculiarly variable and local. It sometrmes occurs that half of the lands of a village get sufficient rain while the others get none. I have even known this to be said of a single field There $1 s$ general idea that the eastern part of the taluka fares a little better than the western, owng perhaps to its being nearer the path of the return or north-east monsoon, on which the late rains depend. This belief would appear, from the figures given below, well founded Appendux A gives the ramfall for the last 11 years with minutiæ: the average works out to 26 unches per annum as against 27 for the last eighteen years of the preceding settlement. I give below a summary of this and of the rainfall registered at a few other places in the taluka where rain-gauges have been installed (the figures having kindly been furnished by the Executive Engineer and the Great Indian Peninsula Railway authonties), and also that of Akalkot, which is ten miles to the south-east of Valsang, and of Mádha, 20 miles from the north-west boundary of the taluka.

|  |  | 1892. | 1893 | 1894 | 1895 | 1896 | 1897 | 1898. | 1899 | 1900 | 1901 | 1802 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | [nches | Inches | Inches | Incher. | Inches. | Inches | Inches, | Inches | ches | Inches | Inches |
| Sholápur** |  | 3928 | 3335 | 2097 | 3160 | 1840 | 2042 | 34.85 | 1281 | 1893 | 2492 | 3041 |
| Sholapar $\dagger$ | -0. | 4166 | 34-20 | 2316 | 3410 | 1736 | 2119 | 3619 | 1407 | 1834 | 2656 | 3101 |
| Hıparge $\ddagger$ |  | 37.94 | 4186 | 1981 | 3673 | 2145 | 2910 | 3081 | 13.83 | 1683 | 2954 | 3209 |
| Hotg1 |  |  | . | " | $39 \cdot 17$ | 2069 | 3166 | 3382 | 1551 | 28.49 | 3975 | 3033 |
| Akalkot | - 0 | 4375 | 3671 | 27.99 | 3638 | 14.50 | 3232 | 2252 | 1361 | 1500 | 37-20 | 2621 |
| Mádua ... | $\cdots$ | 5160 | 3106 | 24-27 | $30 \cdot 39$ | 11.96 | 3928 | 2399 | 1450 | 1769 | 1874 | 2498 |
| - Obmorratory - |  |  | $\dagger$ Executive Engineer's ollioes |  |  |  |  | $\ddagger$ Ekrukh Tank |  |  |  |  |

41. I may observe here that cultivators believe that up till about 50 years ago rainfall was much more regular and copious than it has been since, especially after the 1876-77 famine. The old men of the villages are always ready to tell how the monsoons made the tracks impassable for weeks together when they were boys There were no rain-gauges in use then, so their account must be taken for what it is worth.
42. Vareations in populatron.-The Imperial Census of 1901 gives the population of the táluka as 203,905, consisting of 75,288 urban and 128,617 rural inhabitants, Sholapur City being the only "town" in the taluka. At the time of the first revision settlement, when the táluka numbered one village less than it does now, the population was 180,587, out of which 53,403 were dwellers in the City.* In 1840 the total population of the táluka, which was, however, differently constituted, was 106,962, out of which, according to the writer of the settlement report, $24,000^{\circ}$ belonged to the City, leaving 82,962 as the rural population. It thus appears that the rural inhabitants, after having very largely increased during the original lease, have on the average remained practically stationary in numbers over the period of the first revision settlement. The figures of the intervening decenmal censuses are given below:

| Imperial Cenors of | Sholapur Citys | Rural | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1881 | 59,890 | 89,649 | 149,589 |
| 1891 | 61,915 | 118,715 | 180,630 |

The figures of 1881 show that the oheck recerved by the agricultural population from the famine of 1876-77 was not shared by the City, where population went on steadily msing.
43. Effect of orginal settlement on population.-A perusal of the papers of the onginal settlement will to a large extent explan the great increase in population which followed its introduction: it marked, accordung to the writers of the reports, the transition from an excessive land-tax, which had ground the cultivators down to the lowest depths, to a system of extremely moderate demands which was calculated to, and apparently did, put them in a position to rise to the surface, once this millstone had been loosed from about therr necks.
44. As will appear from a consideration of Appendix $F$, the very slight increase in the agricultural population during the last 30 years has not been acoompanred by a corresponding augmentation of agnoultural stock, which has suffered

## $\operatorname{Variatione~m}$ agrioultural atook

 a general depletion owing to the recurrence of famines and bad times. The details are given for three years, viz., 1891-92, 1900-01 and 1903, the figures of the latest perrod having been compled by a special census taken in June 1903 for the purpose of this report. Statistios of only 147 Government villages are given, as it was found necessary to exclude Sholapur itself, partly because of the practical dufficulty of taking an accurate census this year and partly beoause an examination of the figures recorded for the town in past years showed plaunly that they were utterly devold of acouracy and probably mere gaess-work. The first revision report gave the number of bullocks in 1870-71 at 41,303 : in 1891-92, inoluding the diseredited figures of Sholápur City, they had slightly decreased to 38,674 , and in 1900-01 the famine had reduced them to 27,543. Statistics of mulch cattle and young stock for 1870-71 are not available from the report. Taking the figures of Appendix F (whoch excludes Sholapur)s we find that plough ballooks decreased between 1891-92 and 1900-01 to roughly sisths of their number, muloh cattle to one-half and young stook to a little over sths. A considerable reoovery is, however, shown by the latest figurus. Goats and carts are the only kinds of agrioultural stock whych have not been[^22]dıminished by famine: the goat is perhaps unequalled for his apparent capacity of thriving on nothing and is of no particular value to the ordinary husbandman, whule the increase in carts is as hikely to be an indication of a lapse from agnculture to hured labour as of any mereased resources on the part of the average owner. It would not be farr to draw anyinference from the large increase in carts since the commencement of the ${ }^{2}$ lease, as the cart was then, in its present form, at any rate, a new invention.
45. In considering these figures it must be borne in mind that the culti-

Waste land. vated area in the táluka is now, oliefly owing to the absorption of land into forest, nearly 27,000 acres less than it was thurty years ago, so that a smaller number of cattile would be sufficient for tillage And, depressing though the figures of Appendix F are, it is necessary to note that the area of unoccupied arable land in the taluka amounts to only 3,000 acres, or 75 per cent of the whole, while since 1884 there has been a steady increase in the area under cultivation. Of the 3,000 unoccupied acres the great bulk is land of the most mferior desoription: only in a very few instances have I noticed good land lying waste, and this was due in the case of at least one village (Kanbas) to the high patasthal rates, which, in the complete absence of water, deterred cultivators from taking it up.
46. A considerable addition to the land avallable for cultivation could be

## Forests

 made by disforestment. After the famine of 1876.77 thousands of fields remanned untilled, the occupants with their famılies having emıgrated, died or disappeared. Some years later the bulk of these unclaimed lands were converted into forest and they still remain under the control of the Forest Department. But there are, generally speakung, no trees to be shown for twenty years of expert management, no doubt chiefly on account of the arid climate If an ordinary cultivator be asked what he understands by "forest" (the word is vernacularized) he will generally reply "waste land": that trees are essential to the definition he has not learnt owing to the connexion not having been made apparent to him in practice. Much of this "forest" land, praducing nothing but sparse brushwood and inferior grass, is good soll and would be eagerly taken up for cultivation, as I know from extensive enquries which I made into this matter last year and from numerous spontaneous applications which I have from time to time received Proposals for the disforestment and putting up to auction of 18,234 acres of "forest" land out of a total of 38,438 acres now classed as forest in the Sholapur taluka have been formulated by me, and the greater part of this area, if the proposals be sanctioned, will undoubtedly come once more under the plough.47 From the demand for this forest land it is fair to infer that if the fields abandoned after the 1876-77 famine had been left available for cultivation there would have been a much larger increase in the cultivated area than has actually taken place during the last 20 years. As $1 t \mathrm{is}$, practically all the land which is avaulable and worth cultivating is cultivated.
48. The number of wells has, as will be seen from Appendix J, increased Wells during the last decade, though not to any remarkable extent. The total number in use at the time of the revision survey was given as 2,200 (roughly) while the present number is about 500 more, an increase approsimately equal to that which took place during the term of the original settlement. Out of these 500 additional wells, only 300 are used for arrigational purposes The distinction given in the appendix between pakka and kachha wells is rather a fine one in a táluka like this, where rock is almost always reached within a few feet of the surface and external building is rather a luxury than a necessity; so that the small decrease in pakika wells shown as haviug taken place during the last ten years is not a matter of any moment.
49. Except in years of famine the collections of the assessment have been easily effected, the outstandings at the end of each year being quite insignficant, and remissions on a large scale have only been necessary only after the 1876-77 famine and the long
period of distress which has just passed awray. From 1886 to 1896 there was only one year in which the full assessment was not collected before the end of July, and in that year the outstandings were 14 annas only. Nearly all such remissions as were granted were announced after the close of the year to which they related and, therefore, appear in column 18 of Appendix 0 : those shown in columns 4 and 5 were granted before the close of the year and are, in most cases, sums automatically remitted on account of enhancement of assessment not remissions due to special local causes.

## 50. I do not give figures of notices of demand, because they are often

quite masleading (notices are sometimes issued wholesale as a matter of course immeduately the 10 days' grace from the date of the revenue mstalments has elapsed) As regards other forms of coeronve process during the last 5 years (beyond which detanls are not available) there have been absolutely none employed This year, when the. wholesale $18 s u e$ of notices was stopped, only 75 notices have been issued and no other coercive process taken, and the collections on account of the current year up to date (16th July) amount to Rs. 2,51,392-1-0 out of a total demand (mcluding fluctuating revenue) of Res. 2,54,522-11-11. It is a safe thing to say of the Sholapur táluka that in a fair or even moderate year the land revenue under the first revision settlement has come in almost automatically.
51. I now pass on to a consideration of prices, which are the chief factor on which the new rates must be made to depend. Jowari being the all-important produce of the táluka, a study of the fluctuations in the price of this comduce.
modity alone will suffice.
52. Appendix N sets forth the average yearly prices at Sholapur of both jowari and the less important artioles of produce since 1871-72, the figures up to $1887-88$ having been procured from the taluka records and the subsequent ones from the Director of Land Records and Agriculture.
53. It was the unexpeated depression in prices which ruled during the three or four years almost immedrately following the introduction of the first revision settlement which led Government in 1875 to curtal the assessment of the taluka by the threefold expedient of reducing the maximum rates by two annas all round, of moving certain villages from one group into the group below, and of lowering the classification bhag annas of the poorer solls. Scarcely had this been done when the great famine of 1876-77 sent prices up with a bound to the highest point of which any local record exists and which is approsohed only by the prices which obtained later as a result of the famines of 1896-97 and 1899-1900. These exceptionally hagh prioes did not, however, benefit the rayat, for the simple reason that he had, as a rule, no produce to sell; on the contrary, they drove him to emigrate or to seek State relief because he had not the money wherewith to buy. It is necessary, therefore, in order to farrly consider the trend of prices in general and their bearing on the agriculturist's condrtion in partıcular, to set aside the exceptional prices of 1876-77, 1877-78, 1878-79, of 1897, and of 1900, and to deal with fluctuations over fairly normal periods only Doing this, the average price of jowári for the last "deosde" (1898-94 to 1902) works out to Rs. 2-1-5 per maund; that of the ten years preceding to Re. 1-13-4, and that of the remaining portion of the lease to Re. 1-10-10.
54. The average price taken by Colonel Waddington for the period from 1564-65 to $1870-71$ works out to Rs. 2-1-1, 2 rate which very closely approximates to the average of the last docade (excluding abnormal years) as shown above.
55. The primary feature in the history of prices during the current lease is, therefore, a steady rise; but masmuch as the lease started with exceptionally low pricos this rise has, after all, only brought about conditions similar to those whioh prevalled at the time when the first revision settlement was about to be introduced. I shall have to refar to this matter again further on, and leave it far the present to turn to the cognate subjeat of the value of land.
56. The value of land is more difficult to ascertan than the pitch of prices,

Value of land.
but it is one of the principal matters to be considered in a settlement report. The Appendices K to M set forth particulars regarding sales, mortgages and sub-leases obtained from the Registration Department. it must be explained that they do not cover all cases dealt with in the quinquennial periods concerned (except in the case of sales under Civil Courts' decrees), but that 20 cases of each kind of document have been taken from the records of each vear at random The periods selected are from 1891-92 to 1895-96 and from 1896-97 to 1900-01, in order that comparison, may be possible between the normal state of thungs and the altered conditions brought about by plague and famine. In ordinary sales of land in the first period the average price is shown to be 27.3 times the assessment. in the second it is 24.4 . Statistics of simple mortgages in both periods show that land was mortgaged for $17 \frac{1}{2}$ times its assessment, while in the case of mortgages - with possession nearly 17 times the assessment was realized in the former and over 23 tumes in the latter. In both periods land is sbown to have been sublet for 39 tumes its assessment. The above averages are not mathematically accu* rate, for the reason that, as explamed, they only cover a large numbor of cases selected at random they might be properly described as "samples"; but some of the figures, especially the last mentioned, are strikingly constant over the two periods. The actual figures of sales by Civil Courts' deoree, there having been only 15 in the first period and 9 in the second, show that the average prices realized were 334 times the assessment in the former and $30 \frac{3}{2}$ in the latter.
57. From what I have seen in the taluka I am led to infer that the sales by Civil Courts' decree probably more nearly show the market value of land than the statistics of orduary sales, because many of the latter were no doubt believed by the vendor to be redeemable mortgages and a smaller consideration accepted in consequence, it being a regular custom for the mortgagor and mortgagee of land to combine to evade the operation of the Deccan Agriculturists' Relief Act by executing nominal sale-deeds when the transaction, as arranged verbally between them, is a mortgage with possession. Needless to say the vendee's promise to restore the land is often broken.
58. Only 12 survey numbers of Gevernment waste have been sold by open auction since 1897, and consequently the prices obtained do not furnish much of a gunde: the average was just over 10 'times the assessment, but in one case it was 30 times.
59. Comparison of the figures of the appendices under discussion with those given in the first revision report can hardly be convinemg, as the latter were much less representative; but taking the comparison of sales for what it may be worth I find that Colonel Waddington's figures give about $23 \cdot 3$ tmes the assessment as the purchasing power of land between 1868 and 1870 (his statistics of mortgages are too meagre to render any comparison safe). The broad inference to be drawn 1s, therefore, that the value of land has not fallen with the rise in assessment, but has risen with it.
60. It is of course a fact that mortgage and sale-deeds often do not show the true figures on their face, but this would probably vitiate both the present and former statistics to an approximately equal extent, and therefore does not affect the comparison.
61. Having discussed above thoise "general considerations of the value of

## Points for decision

 land, whether as to soll or situation, prices of produce or facilities of communication," on which a revised assessment must be based, and having also examined the revenue history of the past thirty years and the development of the taluka under the expiring lease, we have to see whether there is any "general increase in the protits of agriculture, resultang from a general mse in prices, or local increase resulting from a better market seoured by new roads or ralways constructed at publec cost."62. I have shown that prices have steadily risen, decade by decade, and this rise was a general one in the Deccan; I have shown also that land, speaking of the táluka generally, has maintaned its purchasmg power in termas of
the assessment, in spite of the inorease in the latter, which is tantamount to its having risen in value; and I have drawn prominent attention to the industrial development of the central market towa of Sholápur, which develop... ment, due to the rallway and the canals, must have had ats indurect effects for good upon agroultural interests in the viomity. A general inorease and a local nncrease, though it is dufficult to draw a sharp distinction between the two, are thus both apparent.

63 Against these considerations must be weighed the evidence of agricultural deterioration furnushed by the statistios of the rayat's stock, which, owing to the three famines of the past thirty years, has deoreased while the numbers of the rayats themselves have augmented. At the same time the steady increase in the cultivated area for the past 20 years, which even the two recent famines have falled to check, indicates that though cattle may be less than they were they are, broadly speaking, sufficient.
64. The fair conclusion is, I think, that the rayat is, on the whole, about as well off as he was in 1872, or at any rate neither much better nor much worse, and that, generally speaking, the rates fixed in 1872 would be the
Conclusions and proposed nem ratol appropriate ones to levy during the forthcoming lease. These rates were, as has been explamed, reduced to those at present obtaining entirely on a consideration of the extraordinary, and, as the sequal has shown, temporary fall of prices from 1873 to 1876, which led Government to have regard to "the probability that prices would range lower during the currency of the (first) revised settlements than was anticipated from their course in the decade 1860-1870". Prices did range lower for the greater part of the lease, but, as I have shown, they have, during the last 10 years, adjusted themselves almost exactly to the prices of the concluding 7 years of the decade in question, even when exceptionally high prices (due to famine) have been pat out of consideration.
65. By adopting these rates we shall be actually assessing the bulk of the táluka lower than was done in 1872, because the curtailng of the relative classification values of the poorer solls effected at the same time as the lowering of the rates in 1875 constitutes a permanent concession. (I must here, to prevent possible misunderstanding, observe that this curtalment has not been taken into consideration in the table printed on pages 260 et seq. of Government complation CL, though from the heading of the same one would be led to suppose that this had been done.)
66. I have said that the rates of 1872 will be suitable generally speaking,

The case of Sholápur. and this implies exceptions. The chief exceptions I would make are in the cases of the "village" of Sholapur and of three villages adjoining it. I have sad enough concerning the almost phenomenal progress of Sholápur to make any further evidence that it is capable of bearing a much higher assessment than the present one (maximum rate Rs. 1-6-0) unnecessary and to have established that the essential local morease in the profits of agriculture in the nenghbourhood of the City is strongly marked A rate of Rs. 1-12-0 would have been applied to Sholapur in 1872 had it not been for the fact that the previous assessment of that "village" was more than doubled by a rate of Rs. 1-8-0, whech it was therefore deemed madvasable to exceed (vide Colonel Waddngton's remarks in paragraph 38 of his report, and Colonel Francis' in paragraph 22 of his review of the same, printed in Appendix R). In 1872 Colonel Francis wrote "Sholapur might fairly be assessed at this rate (Rs 1-12-0)," and I have not the least hesitation in saying that its adoption now is not only enturely justafiable but evinces very considerable forbearance.
67. The lands of Shelgi, Bale and Degaon adjoin Sholapur and their village The onse of three nllages sites are connected with the City by good roads, adjomang Shoiapur. Shelgi being only one mule distant. Moreover (though this advantage does not apply to all their lands) each of these villages is, like Sholápur itself, served by one or more of the Ekrukh irrigation canals. They are also quite close to the Mumcipal manure (poudrette) depot, an advantage over canal-served villages further away from Sholápur.

That the value of land in these villages is very great is demonstrated by the fact that a large number of fields have been acquired by rich merchants and sávkárs belonging to Sholápur and even J3ombay, who in many cases have taken the trouble to have their names entered as the registered occupants. They mostly cultivate these lands through tenants, paying a money rent, but sometimes by hired labour or on the half produce system. A few figures which I have collected are interesting. In Degaon three survey numbers, assessed altogether at Rs. 30, are leased by the owner and registered occupant (who acquired the land by mortgage afterwards commuted to sale) to a tenant, other than the original occupant, on a five years' written agreement at a rent of Rs. 300 per annum, the owner paying the assessment. In Bale two survey numbers bearing a total assessment of Rs. 48 were sold in 1901 for Rs 3,500, but the vendor beleves that repayment of the sum with interest will get the land back for hum, it being a case of vishoais kharedr. At Shelgi one survey number (Patil's inám, the judr on which is equal to the assessment) assessed at Rs. 20 is let out for one year on a verbal agreement for a rent of Rs 450, and another field in the same village, assessed at Rs. 21, is simularly leased for Rs. 350, the registered occupant paying the assessment in each case. These instances are, it is to be admitted, exceptional, and have been selected as such, but they are useful in showing to what the value of lands in the vicinity of Sholapur can rise. Altogether there can be no doubt that the highly prized land in these three villages could bear rates at least as heavy as that of the Sholápur hamlet, the fields under which are counted as belonging to Sholápur but which are considerably less advantageousiy situated, while the hamlet itself is actually further from the City than any of the three village sites.
68. As against the present four groups of villages constituting the taluka I therefore propose five, the first of which will consist of Sholápur alone, and the second of Shelgi, Bale and Degaon, while the third, fourth and fifth will, with a few modifications, contan the villages in the existing second, third and fourth groups respectively. The maximum rates of the fifth, fourth and third groups, comprising the great bulk of the táluka, will, as I have intımated, be those originally fixed in 1872 for the villages in the old fourth, third and second groups to which they correspond, 2 e., Re $1-2-0, \mathrm{Re}_{\mathrm{a}} 1-4-0$ and $\mathrm{Re} 1-6-0$. The first group will, as explaned above, take a rate of Re. 1-12-0, and for the second I propose a rate, intermediate between the first and third, of Re. 1-9-0.
69. The modufications alluded to are, firstly that Kásegaon, Honsal, Ráleras and Tákalgaon, which are now in good communication with Sholápur, the Sholápur-Tuljápur road passing close to them and a good track leading from Kásegaon itself to the City, should go into the fourth group instead of remaining with the villages of the old fourth and new fifth group Kasegaon was grouped with the villages of the proposed fourth group in 1874, but lowered. to the group below in 1875 as part of the scheme of reduction which has been described. The small villages of Ráleras and Tákalgaon (the latter contains two or three houses only), besides haring the advantage of easy communication with Sholápur, he close to the important villages of Mardı, Kásegaon and Uhle, of which they are virtually hamlets.
70. The second modification is that Mustı and Tándulvadi, well-to-do villages convenuently sutuated on or near the Hyderabad Road, should go from the lowest to the proposed lowest but one (fourth) group, with the nillages of which they were originally classed in 1872, having been afterwards lowered as in the case of Kásegaon.
71. The third and last modıfication of the old grouping is that Pakni, where there is now a rallway station which did not exist in 1872, should ascend to the new third group, on which it now borders, and that Irvad B., Dadpur, Shurapur and Parmeshvar Pimpri, situated close to the Pandharpur road on the one side and the Páknu railway station on the other, should be raised to the new fourth group instead of remaining just outside 1t. The partition between the groups inithis corner of the táluka, which is at present somewhat uneven, will, moreover, be nucely adjusted by this change.
72. The four villages constituting the proposed first and second groups and the villages of Pákni, Parmeshvar Pımpri, Dadpur, Irvad B., Shurapur, Honsal, Raleras and Takalgaon constatute the only exceptions on the side of enhancement to the general principle I am following of adopting the mazimum rates fixed in 1872. By retaining all except three (Kásegaon, Tándulvadı and Musti) of the 27 villages which were lowered in 1875 in the group to which they were then relegated I am making a concession from that general principle in their case, nasmuoh as they will in consequence come under maximum rates two annas lower than those originally assigned to them thirty years aga.

73 Salghar is (as it has been hitherto) placed one group higher than the other outlying villages because of its convement proximity to the large market town of Akalkot, nine miles distant.
74. Two maps are appended, one giving the present grouping (dating from 1875) and the other the proposed new grouping, The latter may be convenently shown in tabular form as under:-
Number of

Group. $\underset{\text { Mate }}{\text { Maximum }} \quad$| Number of |
| :---: |
| Villagen. |

Rs. a. p.

| I | $\cdots$ | 1 | 12 | 0 | 1 |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| II | $\cdots$ | 1 | 9 | 0 | 3 |
| III | $\cdots$ | 1 | 6 | 0 | 21 |
| IV | $\cdots \cdots$ | 1 | 4 | 0 | 68 |
| $V$ | $\cdots$ | 1 | 2 | 0 | 57 |

75. As regards Infim villages, in the event of any of them lapsing to Government during the currency of the approaching lease, Sávtkhed, Ekrukh and Pir Tákli would naturally fall in the fourth group and A'rbali in the fifth.
76. In proposing these rates I have not lost sight of the fact that the Rates in nenghbounng second revision settlement proposals for the Madha
Táluka, adjoining Sholapur on the west, have been tálukas. formulated and are awaiting the orders of Government.
In that report Mádha villages bordering on my fifth group are proposed for a maximum rate of Re. 1-4-0 and villages adjoining my fourth group for a maxımum rate of $\mathrm{Re} .1-6-0$, so that the sanction of both Mr. Young's recommendations and my own would give rise to unevenness. all that I need say is that I have, bearing in mind the principles on which enhancements must be based, proposed what I consider to be fair rates, and that Mr. Young's report, being written as long ago as 1900, could not take into full account the famine and distress which began in 1899 and have only just disappeared.
77. The Pandharpur villages contiguous to the proposed fifth group were resettled in 1893, the maximum rates of the villages on the south of the Bhima being fixed at Re. 1-2-0, whle in the case of those to the north of the Bhima nominal rates of Re. 1-4-0 were sanctioned, but it was directed that an actual rate of Re. 1-2-0 only should be imposed for fifteen years, after which the remission might cease if deemed desirable. These rates exactly comncide with thase of my fifth group.
78. The Akalkot State, bordering on the Sholspur Taluks to the east, was resettled in 1894 at maximum rates ranging from Rs. $20-0$ in the first to Re 1-6-0 in the lowest (fourth) group of the State proper, and my proposed groups will be, generally speaking, 4 annas lower than these. It must be noticed, however, that the dufference between the old Akalkot rates and the current Sholapur rates are hardly less marked, and it is understood to be almost invariably the case that higher rates are levied in Native States than in simularly circumstanoed British territory.

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79. The Indi Táluka of Bijapur, which is separated from the Sholápur Táluka by the Bhima, is also being resettled, and no object can be gained by comparng the rates proposed by me with the expinng rates of Indi.
80. As regards lands under wells, those classed as bdgáyat at the original survey continue to be so classified, no account being taken of wells constructed during the terms of the orggnal and first revision settlements. This is accordlands. ing to the standing orders on the subject. Simularly, lands onginally classed as rice continue to be described as such in the records It is obvious that many of such bágáyat or rice lands may no longer be actually under irngation or rice cultivation and that, per contra, other lands classified as jiráyat may have been converted to rice or garden. Consequently the three headings of jurayat, bágáyat and rice are no longer an even approximate guide to the true nature of cultivation. This naccuracy will increase as time goes on, and it appears to me that the preservation in the village records (Form No. 1) of this tripartite classification is useless and likely to produce confusion. I would therefore recommend its abolition: the field books and other survey papers which are permanently preserved in the Huzúr Survey Office contann all information in connection with the classification of the land under one of the three heads and the method in which the classification bhág annas have been computed which can possibly be required.
81. Pátasthal irrigation is extremely rare. Out of 32 nillages in which

Pátasthal lands. survey numbers assessed for pát water were recorded in the first revision settlement such irrigation remains in 8 only, the fact being that the táluka is more arrd even than it was 30 years ago and that most streams which then flowed for a month or two after the monsoon are now mere storm-water channels which become quite dry as soon as the surface water has flowed away, while others have enturely sulted up. This is easy to understand when one considers the three famines due to short rain and the five years' drought which has only just passed away I myself visited the "Pátasthal" lands in 19 out of 32 villages, while the Mámlatdár inspected the remaunder under my instructions, and the assessment for water of each number has been done by me on a consideration of its particular circumstances as seen by myself or described in the Mámlatdár's reports. The result is that pátasthal being obsolete in 26 of these villages, and no fresh patasthal having come to notice in any others except one or two when water was used only for one year and specially assessed by the Collector; I have only 8 villages in which to propose water-rates. Out of these only one, Arlh, has a really excellent supply, drawn from the only perennial stream in the táluka. The patasthal rates of these lands were assessed at an average of Rs. 6 (the maximum) at the first revision survey, but this was reduced to Rs. 3 in 1881 on a representation of the cultivators concerned. Groundnut is generally grown here, but this year, when I saw the place, there was little owing to want of rain at the time of sowing, the kachha bandháras not having at that time been put up for the season. Sugarcane and garden crops of different kinds are also grown under some of the paits, assisted by budkis. Kalegaon, further down the stream, is the next best pátasthal village, but the supply is distinctly inferior as the surplus water of the Arli bandháras sinks into the ground to a large extent before reaching the Kálegaon fields. Taking a maximum water-rate of Rs, 8 per acre, which is the one generally adopted in the neighbouring taflukas, as against the former one of Rs. 6, I would assess Arlı at the former rate of Rs. 6 for the best supply and Kálegaon at Rs 3 as against the Rs. 6 which (not having been reduced) it is still paying. All other pátasthal is of the most inferior and precarious kind, only sutherent as a rule to water juvari in the event of short ram, and a rate of Re. 1 per acre will in most cases be all that can equitably be mposed.
82. It is possible that in years of copious rainfall water may be taken in scattered fields in villages not now assessed to paits, but such cases must be dealt with by the Collector as they are brought to notice.
83. The maximum rate for rice lands, which is at present fixed at Rice rates. Rs. 2-8-0 for the whole taluka, irrespective of groups, I propose to raise to Ris. 3, which was the rate origin-
ally imposed in 1872, the reduction having been made at the same time as the dry-crop rate reductions in order to preserve the proportion between the two. Rıce cultivation is, as has been observed above, very sparse, and as the classification bhág annas are calculated half for soll and half for water and the supply of the latter when dependent on rain is very precarious, the rate actually imposed falls, as a rule, far below the maximum and does not materially exceed the maximum dry-crop râte.
81. Irrigation from the Ekrukh Tank canals is charged for by the Public
Lands
Ekrighated canals, Works Department, the system being one of crop Lands mrngated from
Ekrukh canals, rates, which vary from Rs 16 to Re. 1 per acre. The question of enhancing the settlement rates in the case of lands deriving indirect benefits from the construction of this irrigation work was raised in 1876, and the result was an order of Government (Government Resolution No, 305 W. I.-696, dated 28th October, 1876) that "the fact that no increase of assessment for undirect advantages was made at the last revision be distmetly recorded for guidance at the next recurring revision" Since then the pronciples on which such indirect advantages are to be charged for by Government have been laid down by the Secretary of State for India in his Despatch No. 5, Revenue, dated 23rd February, 1882, where the final pronouncement is that "the rule shall be that where the settlement has enhanced the assessment of any land in conseqence of a disadvantage, which would otherwise have caused a lower assessment to be imposed, having been removed by the construction of a Government work of irrgation, the increase of revenue thus occasioned shall be taken credit for by the Irrgation Department. But the Settlement Department is not to assume that because a work of urrgation has been constructed the tract in its nerghbourhood is necessarily to be assessed higher than it otherwise would be unless an appreciable increase in the value of land can be durectly traced to that eause."
85. Now it would obviously be impossible to arrange for such an enhancement (supposing a case for it were made out) on lands under the Ekrukh canals by raising the maximum rates of the villages to which they belonged, because in the first place other lands of those villages not under the influence of the canals would be unjustly affected thereby, and secondly because the adjustment with the Irrigation Department of the amount of the enhanoement would be a matter of considerble practical difficulty. The last obstacle would also in a measure interfere with a system based on a reclassification of such lands as derved benefits from the canals, a course which was once proposed. In the present case, fortunately, there is no need for any arrangement beyond that in force and the modifications which the revisional proposals will bring about. The Publio Works Department, besides the crop rates, levy half rates in cases where indirect advantages are derived from the canals (eg. wells filled by percolation), as empowered to do under Section 48 of the Bombay Irrigation Act of 1879, and these half rates are practically the equivalent of the enhancement whioh might, in their absence, be made in the assessment and credited to the Irrigation Department. It therefore appears to me unnecessary to make any special recommendations for the assessment of the lands in question.
86. The estimated results, village by village, of the foregoing proposals Effects of proposale are sét forth in Appendix $Q$, the assessment according to the present year's Jamabands being contrasted with what the assessment would be if the rates now proposed were apphed Variations in the estimated assessments will ocour, if the new rates be accepted, oring to the applacation to each survey number separately of the "distance from village soale" and of the dhar-sod (elimination of fractions), but these variations will be slight and may be considered negligeable. The total soil assessment on the (Government) lands of the taluka will be raised from Rs. 281,245 to Rs. 262,384 , unvolving an increase of $13 * 46$ per cent. The highest inarease in any village as a whole is $27 \cdot 21$ in Sholapur itself. No re-messurament or re-classification having been made the assessment of individual holdings will increase in the same proportion as that in which the maximum rates have been rased. Consequently, nather in the case of the holding, the village, nor the táluka will the hmits ( 100,66 and 33 per cent. respectively)
laid down by Government be exceeded : on the contrary they have nowhere been even approached.
87. I have recorded pátasthal water-rates separately from soil assessment in Appendix Q, as their inclusion with the figures of soil assessment and in averages taken of the same would be misleading. It will be observed that the new patasthal acres will be less than half what they were, while the water-cess, notwithstanding the adoption of a higher maximum rate, will be reduced to less than Rs 1,000, not being much more than half what it is at present.
88. The average soil assessment of Government occupied land in the táluka as a whole will, by my proposals, be raised from 9 annas 3 pies to 10 annas 6 pies per acre.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
H. L. PAINTER,

Assistant Collector.


APPENDIX A-contraued

| Yast, | $\begin{gathered} \text { Rarfy rain } \\ \text { (1at Juncarf } \\ \text { to } 10 t h \text { Aprif). } \end{gathered}$ |  | Ante Hungoon (11th April to th June) |  | Monsoon Kharlt(5th June to 1tth Auguat) |  | Monsoon Rab <br> 15th Ang ust to Ilst Ottober) |  | Ingto ranns(28nd Octoher to8int December) |  | Total |  | Remarika |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Fall | ${ }_{\text {raing }}^{\text {Ray }}$ | Fall. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ralny } \\ & \text { dhay } \end{aligned}$ | Fall | Raing <br> day. | Fall | $\begin{gathered} \text { Ralny } \\ \text { dayid } \end{gathered}$ | Fall | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Raing } \\ & \text { dass } \end{aligned}$ | Fall | ${ }_{\text {Raing }}^{\substack{\text { Rays } \\ \text { dusy }}}$ |  |
|  | Inchen, | No | Inchen | No | Inches | No | Inohcs | No. | Inchea, | No | Inches | No. |  |
| 1900 | 087 | 1 | 055 | 2 | 1164 | 22 | 439 | 10 | 174 | 1 | 1893 | 36 | Rast in June sufficient and the khant mowng wes full and tamely $J_{\text {aly }}$ rain favourable for sown Khant crops Season so far promised well but it soon ohanged, there being very hight showere in first half of Angust and their total absence in the second half Kharif erops suffered Septembar rein fell in lght showers and it was quite msufficient to arreet the withering of crops Except some ahowers at the end no rasn came in October Rabi sowing wan therefore restricted Both kharif and rabicropg fuled except in the riverside villager. Season pery poor on the whole. |
| 1931 | 132 | 4 | 277 | 8 | 1699 | 20 | 370 | 5 | 014 | 1 | 24.92 | 38 | Sowng ram generally maufficient for fall kharif soming The fall in July was just, suficient in Sholapur and Bársi and crops here did well Fall in Auguat was again deficient and crops began to wither, eapecially in Karmila Some showern in the latter half of Soptember improved the withering crops Fall in the muddle of October furthor mproved khanf orops and helped to fingh rabis sowing More rain was required but none fell from November Crops conseqnently failed over large areas, Both kharif and rabi orope almost failed in Karmála, but in sholapur and Bírsi they yyelded between 7 and 12 anname |
| 1508 | 040 | 1 | 112 | 2 | 476 | 7 | 1594 | 14 | 810 | 11 | 8041 | 35 | Rainfall in June and Joly quite deficiont and kharif nowing therefore oould not be completed Soedlings of early sown crops commenoed to wither August rain though nasoffioent was useful in refreshing the surviving crops and preparation of rabl lard. Fall wa september fully zaade up the deficiency of the past months. Kharif crops mach benefited and rabi sowngg started everywhere. Rabi cmpa throve well under favonarable fall in October and November Rabi cropa were satisfactory but they were a hittle injured by heavg ghowera in December teason on the whole fasr to good |
| Averske | 061 | 1 | 181 | 4 | 911 | 15 | 1210 | 15 | 237 | 8 | 2600 | 38 |  |

APPENDIX B.
Delazts of cultivalion and crops ine the Government vellages of the Sholápur Taluke of the Sholápur Collectorate


APPENDIX C
Statement showong the vellages in woluch the pruncopal weekly bazars are held en the Sholápur
Táluka of the Shobapur Collectorate.


APPENDIX ${ }^{\circ}$--contanued.

| No | Villages | Daye on whoch Bazar is held. | Werkix Salsk |  | Chuef arheles traded in. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Artaces, | Amoant |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | ${ }^{6}$ |
| 8 | $\begin{array}{\|} \text { Sholspur } \\ \text { Crty con } \\ \text { tinned } \end{array}$ | Tuesday $\ldots\left\{\begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array}\right.$ |  | Re. | Manchester cloth, luggads and country cloth, \&c. <br> Bombay hemp, gunny bags, \&c. <br> Blankets, \&c. <br> Iron, brass and copper pots, \&o. Bangles, \&óc. |
|  |  |  |  | 68,000 1,225 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 32,000 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 900 1,850 |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r}1,850 \\ 80 \\ \\ \hline 80\end{array}$ |  |
|  |  |  |  | 7,500 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 175 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 210 | Fruit, sugarcane and vegotables, \&e <br> Shoes, \&c <br> Kadbi, \&c. <br> Country liquor, ganja and bhang, oprum, \&e |
|  |  |  |  | 600 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 570 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 475 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 280 870 |  |
|  |  |  |  | 1,56,005 |  |

## APPENDIX $\mathbf{D}$.

Detall of population according to occupation by percentages of the Sholápur Taluka.

| Agrteoltural foptlation |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Non-agriodtrubal popdiation |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Haning interest in land. |  |  |  |  | Labourers. |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total } \\ \text { agncultural } \\ \text { popalataon } \end{gathered}$ | Crafts. | Un. skilled labour | Others. | Total nonagricultural popalation. |
| Land ocenpants not cultsvating | Land occupants cultivating | Tenants and sharers coltivating | Others. | Total | $\underset{\text { Barvente }}{\text { Farm }}$ | Fueld <br> 1abourers and crop Fatchers. | Total. |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 173 | 43,847 | - 20,240 | 1,609 | 65,869 | 314 | 35,707 | 36,021 | 101,890 | 57,173 | 6,114 | 38,728 | 102,015 |
| 008 | 2150 | 993 | 079 | 3230 | 016 | 1751 | 17.67 | 4997 | 2804 | 300 | 1898 | 5003 |

APPENDIX F .
Detanls of population accordeng to relvgion and education in the Sholápur Taluka of the Sholápur Collectorate

| Talaka. | Sex. |  1901. |  | Reitaion |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Hindu castes, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Mahomedans. | Christдада | Péras | Others |
|  |  |  |  | Brab mins | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Mará } \\ & \text { thas } \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{\text { yats }}{\text { Lnga- }}$ | Salus and Eoshtis | VAnıs | Mals |  | Others, |  |  |  |  |
| Sholipur . | Male <br> Female <br> Total. | 103,120 | 10.32 | 3,806 | 15,538 | 14,298 | 5,906 | 2,018 | 1,933 | 12,716 | 30,270 | 14,616 | 935 | 151 | 935 |
|  |  | 100,785 | 078 | 3,322 | 15,275 | 13,885 | 5,657 | 2,031 | 1,851 | 12,911 | 29,406 | 14,600 | 805 | 154 | 848 |
|  |  | 203,905 | $5 \cdot 61$ | 7,128 | 30,813 | 28,181 | 11,563 | 4,049 | 3,784 | 25,627 | 59,676 | 29,306 | 1,740 | 305 | 1,788 |

## APPENDIX F .

Statement showing the agricultural stock of the 147 Government villages (excludnug Sholdpur) in the Sholápur Taluka of the Sholápur Oollectorate. dursng the years 1891-92, 1900-01 and 1903.


Statement of shope, looms, temples, \&o., average burths, deaths and vacetnation, Táluka Sholápur


[^23]APPUNDIX H
Statement of schools together with therr average attendanee in the yoans 1s75-79 and 1901-1902


Stalevrent thowing the proportion of Government ocoupled and Inám lands cultevaled by occupants and sub-tenants, \&e, on the year $1201-1902$.

| $\begin{gathered} \text { Numbor } \\ \text { of Corer } \\ \text { Crnment } \\ \text { Villages. } \end{gathered}$ | Taluka. |  | Total survey numbers cultivated by registered ocoupante or Inámdárs |  | Total numbere cultivated by occupants or lnámdara in partner ship with othors. |  | Total numbers cultivated by subtenants on money rent. |  | Total numbers cultivated by sab temante for share of produce or grain rent |  | Waste Numbera | Parampok Numbers | Total Nambers |  | Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Government, | Inam | Government. | Inám, | Govern ment | Inám | Government, | Inam |  |  | Govern ment | Instm. |  |
| 1 | 9 |  | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 148 | Sholápar | - $\{$ | 11,28513 <br> Percentage 4993 | $1,264$ <br> 559 | $\begin{array}{r} 1,220 \\ 539 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 166 \\ 73 \end{array}$ | 3,696 58 <br> 1636 | 791 350 | 2,208 69 977 | $\begin{array}{r} 354 \\ 157 \end{array}$ | $1,3606$ <br> 602 | 257 114 | 20028 8861 | $\begin{aligned} & 2,575 \\ & 1139 \end{aligned}$ | Information deriver from the Record of Rights. |

APPENDIX J


## - APPENDIX K.

An abstract statement shourng ordınary sales in the villages of the Sholapu1 Táluka of the Collectorate of Sholdapur for the quinquennial pervod ending 1895-96.

| Class of ceses according to the number of tames the Sarvey Assessment for which land is sold. | Number of cases | Total Acres sold. | Total <br> Assessment. | Average rate <br> of Agsestiment per Acre | Total anm for which scid. | Average rate per Acre for whech sold | Average number of times the Survey Assessment for which sold |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 9 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|  |  | A. g | Rs. a. p. | Rs a p. | Rs. a. pv | Rs. a. p. |  |
| Class I . I to 10 tımes | 13 | 34324 | 27180 | 0128 | 2,965 00 | 6142 | 87 |
| \% II, 11 to 25 , .. | 46 | 1,210 13 | 81180 | 0108 | 13,397 00 | 101510 | 165 |
| " III.. 26 to 50 , .. | 24 | 44323 | $\begin{array}{lll}304 & 8 & 0\end{array}$ | 0110 | 11,085 00 | 24.1510 | 364 |
| „ IV 51 to 100 , | 14 | 266 | 143110 | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 8 & 7\end{array}$ | 12,550 00 | 47629 | 877 |
| \% V 101 to 250 , .. | 3 | 5812 | 2960 | 080 | 3,300 00 | $\begin{array}{lll}56 & 9 & 8\end{array}$ | 1123 |
| Total .. | 100 | 2,390 34 | 1,559 15 0 | 0118 | 42,697 0 | $\begin{array}{lll}18 & 5 & 2\end{array}$ | 273 |

APPENDIX K ${ }^{(1)}$.
An abstract statement showng sales by decrees of courts in the villages of the Sholapur Taluka of the Collectorate of Sholápur for the quinquennial pervod endrng 1895-96.

| Class of cases according to the number of tumes the Survey Assessment for which land 18 sold. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { casem } \end{gathered}$ | Total Acres sold. | Total <br> Assesemont | Average rate of Agsessment (per Acre | Total gum for which sold. | Average rate per acre for which sold | Avernge number of time the Surt ey Asessment for ahich aold |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|  |  | A. ${ }^{\mathrm{g}}$ | Rs: ${ }^{\text {a }}$ - P | Rs. a p | Rs a $\quad \mathrm{p}$ | Rs. a p |  |
| Class 1... 1 to 10 tımes | 1 | 2226 | 2100 | 01410 | 20500 | $9 \quad 0 \quad 10$ | 97 |
| " II.. 11 to 25 m •. | 7 | 11020 | $\begin{array}{rrr}94 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 13 & 7\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}1,388 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 1290 | 147 |
| " III... 26 to 50 , ${ }^{\text {c. }}$ | 5 | 17816 | 11900 | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 10 & 8\end{array}$ | 3,944 00 | $22 \begin{array}{lll}12 & 1\end{array}$ | 335 |
| " IV... 51 to 100 " | 1 | 3637 | 3200 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 18 & 10\end{array}$ | 1,840 00 | 49134 | 575 |
| " V... 101 to 250 , .. | 1 | 87 | 700 | 0138 | 1,752 00 | 21450 | 2502 |
| Total | 15 | 35826 | 27300 | 0123 | 9,129 00 | $25 \quad 10 \quad 3$ | 334 |

APPENDIX L.
An abstract statement showing simple mortgages 2 n the villages of the Sholápur Táluka of the Collectorate of Sholápur for the quinquennzal perzod endzng 1835-96.

| Class of cases accordung to the number of times the Sarvey Assessment for which land 16 mortgaged. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { caseas } \end{gathered}$ | Total Acres mortgaged | Total Assessment. | Average rate of Assessment per Acre, | Total num for which mortgaged | Average rate per Acre for whoh mortgaged | The average number of times the Sarvey Assensment is equal to the sum for s hich the isad us mortgaged |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|  |  | A g | Rs a $p$ | Rs a. p | Rs. a p. | Rs. a. p |  |
| Class I . 1 to 10 times | 32 | 9534 | 7189 | 0134 | 5,230 00 | $\begin{array}{llll}5 & 7 & 10\end{array}$ | 65 |
| , II 11 to 25 , $\cdot$ | 38 | 1,076 39 | 79700 | 01110 | 11,695 10 | 10139 | 146 |
| , JII . 26 to 50 , | 23 | 4456 | 252134 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 9 & 1\end{array}$ | 9,175 00 | $20 \quad 910$ | 362 |
| " IV... 51 to 100 " | 3 | 6524 | 44130 | 01011 | 3,150 00 | 4800 | $70 \cdot 1$ |
| " V. 101 to 250 ", | 4 | 3713 | 3200 | 0130 | 4,520 00 | $121 \quad 17$ | 1412 |
| Total .- | 100 | 2,578 6, | 1,920 3 | 01110 | 33,77010 | $\begin{array}{lll}13 & 1 & 7\end{array}$ | 17.5 |

## APPENDIX $\mathrm{I}^{(1)}$

An abstract statement showsng mortgages woth possession in the villages of the Sholápur Tailuka of the Collectorate of Sholapur for the quinquennal perıod endıng 1895-96.

| Clagn of cases accordang to the number of tumes the Survey Assenament for which land 28 mortgaged, | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { cases } \end{gathered}$ | Total Aores mortgaged | Total Asвasament. | Average rate of $\Delta$ ssessiment per Acre. | Total sum for which mortgaged. | Average zate per Acre for which mortgaged. | The average number of tumes the Survey Aseessmant is equal to the sum for which the lind is mortgaged |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|  |  | A. g | Rs, a. p | Rs. 8. $p$ | Rs a. p | Rs. an p. |  |
| Class I 1 to 10 times. | 35 | 1,261 36 | $\begin{array}{lll}931 & 8 & 0\end{array}$ | 01110 | 6,770 00 | 55.510 | 72 |
| \% II . 11 to 25 " | 42 | 99038 | $\begin{array}{lll}762 & 10 & 0\end{array}$ | 0124 | 13,455 00 | $13 \quad 9 \quad 3$ | 176 |
| \% III .. 26 to 50 , .. | 16 | 2480 | 1780 | 0112 | $6,670 \quad 0 \quad 0$ | 26144 | 385 |
| \% IV.... 51 to 100 , .. |  | 1334 | 96120 | 0118 | 6,400 00 | 48114 | 660 |
| , V...101 to 250 , ... | $\lambda^{1} 2$ |  | ..." |  | ... | . |  |
| Total | 100 | 2,633 38 | 1,963 14 0 | 01111 | 38,295 00 | $1210 \quad 3$ | 169 |

## APPENDIX M.

An abstract etatement shonong sublettings en the villages of the Sholápur Tailuha of the Collectorate of Shalipur for the quznquannzal period ending 1895-96.

| Clabs of oases according to the number of times the Survey Assentment for which land in sublete | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { casces. } \end{gathered}$ | Total A Aeres sublet. | Total Aseessment. | Average rabe of Assessment per Acre | Total sum for which aublet. | Average rate par Acre for whoh sablet | $\begin{gathered} \text { Average } \\ \text { number of } \\ \text { trmes the } \\ \text { Survey } \\ \text { CAsessment } \\ \text { far Which } \\ \text { nublet. } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|  |  | A. g. | Rs, a. $p$ | Rs, a. p. | Rs. a. p. | Rs. 8. p |  |
| Class I. 1 to 5 trmes... | 76 | 2,390 0 | 1,787 20 | 01111 | 5,835 50 | $2 \begin{array}{lll}2 & 3\end{array}$ | 2.9 |
| \% II .. 6 to 10 \%... | 15 | 3741 | 26560 | 0114 | 1,882 00 | $\begin{array}{llll}5 & 4 & 9\end{array}$ | 74 |
| " III... 11 to 25 " | 8 | 5216 | 5700 | 115 | 79340 | $15 \quad 2 \quad 2$ | 139 |
| \% IV.... 26 to 50 \% ${ }^{\text {\% }}$.. |  |  | $\cdots$ |  | . |  |  |
| " V...above 50 " | 1 | 1627 | 400 | $0 \quad 310$ | 22000 | $\begin{array}{llll}13 & 3 & 1\end{array}$ | 55 |
| Total | 100 | 2,533 4 | 2,11380 | 01111 | 8,880 90 | 2150 | $3 \cdot 9$ |

## APPENDIX K.

An abstract statement showing ordnsary sales in the vellages of the Sholapur Taluka of the Collectorate of Sholdapur for the quinquennsal persod ending 1900-1901.

| Olass of cases according to the number of times the survey Assosement for which land 18 sold. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { cases. } \end{gathered}$ | Total Acres sold. | Total Assessment. | Average rate of Assessment per Acre | Total sam for whech wold. | Average rate per Acre for which sold. | Average number of time the Survey Asuessment for which sold |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|  |  | A. g | Rs. a. p. | Rs a p | Rs a. p. | Rs a p |  |
| Class I 1 to 10 times | 12 | 33626 | 24280 | 0116 | 2,205 00 | $\begin{array}{llll}6 & 9 & 0\end{array}$ | 9 |
| " II... 11 to 25 " | 55 | 1,237 27 | $925 \quad 510$ | 01111 | 15,590 00 | 1296 | 188 |
| " III.. 26 to 50 ".. | 26 | 56725 | 318 4 0 | 0810 | 12,115 00 | 2196 | 38 |
| , IV 51 to 100 " | 6 | 18614 | 11880 | 0102 | 6,860 00 | $\begin{array}{llll}36 & 13 & 0\end{array}$ | 578 |
| " V 101 to 250 ". | 1 | $33 \quad 39$ | 2300 | 01010 | 3,000 00 | $\begin{array}{llll}88 & 3 & 9\end{array}$ | 1304 |
| Total | 100 | 2,362 11 | $1,627 \quad 910$ | 0110 | $39,770 \quad 0 \quad 0$ | $16 \quad 13 \quad 4$ | 244 |

APPENDIX K ${ }^{(1)}$.
An abstract statement showung sales by decrees of courts un the mllages of the Sholápur Táluka of the Collectorate of Sholápur for the quinquennual persod ending 1900-1901.

| Class of cases according to the number of times the Survey Assessment for which land 19 sold. | $\underset{\substack{\text { of } \\ \text { Numbe }}}{ }$ cases cases | $\underset{\substack{\text { Total Acres } \\ \text { gold. }}}{ }$ | Total Assessment | Average rate of Assessment per Acre | Total gum for which sold. | Average rate per Acre for which sold. | Average nomber of time the Sarvey Assessment for which sold. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| Class I . 1 to 10 times | 1 | A. g. 10818 | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { Rs } & \text { a. } & \text { p. } \\ 51 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { Rs, } & \text { a. } & \mathbf{p} \\ 0 & 7 & 6\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { Rs. } & \text { a. } & \text { p } \\ 267 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} \text { Rs. } & \text { a. } \\ 2 & 7 & 5 \end{array}$ | 52 |
| , II .. 11 to 25 „.. | 2 | $46 \quad 0$ | 3380 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 11 & 8\end{array}$ | 71000 | $15 \quad 611$ | - 212 |
| " III . 26 to 50 n. | 4 | 1406 | $9 \pm 20$ | 0109 | 3,238 00 | $\begin{array}{llll}23 & 1 & 8\end{array}$ | 344 |
| , IV... 51 to 100 ",. | 2 | 5222 | 4400 | 0135 | 2,595 00 | 4966 | 589 |
| " 101 to 250 " ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Nil |  | ***'. | ... | - | .-. |  |
| Total .. | 9 | 3476 | 222100 | 0102 | 6,810 00 | 19100 | 305 |

APPENDIX L.
An abstraet statement showong simple mortgages in the villages of the Sholápur Táluka of the Collectorate of Sholapur for the quinquenneal persod endrng 1900-1901.

| Class of cases according to the number of times the barvey Asseessment for which land is mortgaged | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { casea } \end{gathered}$ | Total Acres mortgaged. | Total Asseasmunt. | Average rate of Ase per Acre | Total anm for which mortgaged. | A Verage rate per acre for which mortgaged. | The average number of times the Survey $\Delta$ seessment 18 equal to the sum for wheh the land is mortgaged. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | $5:$ | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|  |  | A. g | Rs a p | Rs, 8. $p$ | Rs. a p. | Rs. a. p. |  |
| Class I .. 1 to 10 times | 36 | 1,029 17 | $\begin{array}{llll}731 & 9 & 0\end{array}$ | 0114 | 4,925 00 | 4127 | 6.7 |
| " II .. 11 to 25 , ... | 43 | 1,260 31 | 757 0-1 | 0097 | 11,881 00 |  | 156 |
| \% III . 26 to 50 , .. | 11 | 2141 | 9650 | 072 | 3,735 00 | $17 \quad 7 \begin{array}{ll}17 & 3\end{array}$ | 387 |
| , IV... 51 to 100 , | 6 | 884 | $53 \quad 3$ | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 9 & 8\end{array}$ | 3,725 00 | $42 \quad 46$ | 70 |
| " V... 101 to 250 , .. | 4 | 4820 | 44.00 | 0146 | 5,500 00 | $\begin{array}{llll}113 & 6 & 5\end{array}$ | 125 |
| Total | 100 | 2,640 33 | 1,682 174 | 0102 | 29,766 00 | 1144 | 176 |

## APPENDIX L ${ }^{(1)}$

An abstract statement showng mortgages woth poesession in the vollages of the Sholápur Táluka of the Collectorate of Sholapur for the qurnquennral perod ending 1900-1901.

| Clase of cases according to the number of tumea the Survey Assessment for which - land as mortgaged. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Nomber } \\ \text { cosear } \\ \text { casea } \end{gathered}$ | Total Aeres mortgaged | Tokal Assessment. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Arerage rate } \\ \text { of Assessment } \\ \text { per Acre } \end{gathered}$ | Total sum for which inortgaged. | Average rate per Aure for whuch mortgaged. | The average tumes the Survey Assessment 18 equal to which the mortgaged |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|  |  | A. g | Rs. a. p. | Rs. a. p | Rs. an p. | Rs. a. p |  |
| Class I... 1 to 10 times | 29 | 86221 | $\begin{array}{llll}678 & 4 & 0\end{array}$ | 0127 | 4,870 000 | 5104 | 71 |
| \% II... 11 to $25, \ldots$.. | 37 | 1,003 14 | 68780 | 0102 | 9,685 00 | 91010 | 151 |
| " LII . 26 to 50 " | 26 | 59228 | 32880 | 0810 | 11,962 00 | $\begin{array}{llll}20 & 3 & 0\end{array}$ | 864 |
| " IV . 51 to 100 " | 6 | 11339 | 52.00 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 7 & 4\end{array}$ | 3,225 00 | $\begin{array}{llll}28 & 4 & 7\end{array}$ | 62 |
| " V... 101 to 250 , ... | 2 | 6230 | 4580 | 011 | 10,700 00 | $\begin{array}{llll}170 & 8 & 3\end{array}$ | 235.1 |
| Total | 100 | 2,635 | 1,741 120 | 0106 | 40,422 0 | $\begin{array}{lll}15 & 5 & 5\end{array}$ | 232 |

APPENDIX M.
An abstract slatement showeng sublettrngs on the vollages of the Sholdipur Táluka of the Collectorate of Sholápur for the quınquennsal persod endeng 1900-1901.

| Clines of oseses according to the number of umee the Sarvey Assessment for which land us sublet. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { Nus } \\ \text { onsege, } \end{gathered}$ | Total Acres sublet | $\underset{\text { Asseasament. }}{\text { Total }}$ | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Average rate } \\ \text { of Ascosement } \\ \text { par Acre. } \end{array}\right\|$ | Total sum for which sublet. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Averaga rate } \\ \text { per Acere } \\ \text { for mhuoh } \\ \text { Bablat } \end{gathered}$ | Average thmes the Survey Assabsment sublet. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
|  |  | A. g | Rs an p | Rs a. p. | Rs a p. | Rs. a. p. |  |
| Cless $\quad$ I... 1 to 5 times.... |  | 2,151 <br> 416 | $\begin{array}{rrrr}1,474 & 2 & 0 \\ 187 & 8 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrrr}0 & 11 & 0 \\ 0 & 7 & 3\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}4,836 & 2 & 0 \\ 1,390 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ |  |  |
|  | 17 | ${ }^{416} 69$ | $\begin{array}{r}187 \\ 28 \\ 28 \\ \hline 11\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 7 & 8 \\ 0 & 6 & 7\end{array}$ | 1,390 375 | $\begin{array}{llll}3 & 5 & 5 \\ 5 & 6 & 8\end{array}$ | ${ }_{13}{ }^{4}$ |
| "\% IV... 26 to 50 " ${ }^{\prime \prime}$.... | 2 | 917 | 58 | 094 | 17900 | 131510 | 325 |
| " V... above 00 " |  |  |  | . | . | . | .- |
| Total .. | 100 | 2,646 6 | 1,695 136 | 0102 | 6,780 20 | 2811 | 89 |

APPENDIX N
Statement showong the proces prevalent in the Sholápur Táluka from 1871-72 to 1902

| Years | Pricas per Indiam Mauad of 40 Sazbs (1. brrem 80 Touas) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Re- } \\ \text { marks } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Jowinn, | Bajpr | Rice (clean) | Wheat | Tar. | Gram. | Linseed | Safllower. | Groundnat sced | Towári Kadbu, |  |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
|  | As a pb | R8, An $\mathbf{p}$ | Rg $\mathrm{mog}^{\text {P }}$ | Bs a. $\mathbf{p}$ | Reg, A. $\mathbf{p}$ | Rs 8. p | R5 an $p$ | Brs 8, p | R3, a. $p$ | Hes an $p$ |  |
| 187178 | 2100 | 3.54 | $\begin{array}{lll}19 & 8 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}3 & 8 & 5\end{array}$ | 2156 | 3780 | 810 |  | $\begin{array}{llll}8 & 8 & 10\end{array}$ | 1884 |  |
| 1872.73 | 1119 | 1151 | 17 1 4 | 2181 | 2887 | 2150 | 8156 |  | 2148 | 090 |  |
| 187374 | 154 | 1510 | 17108 | 205 | 225 | 255 | 303 |  | $2 \begin{array}{lll}2 & 1 & 8\end{array}$ | 0100 |  |
| 1874-75 | 123 | 129 | $\begin{array}{llll}15 & 4 & 7\end{array}$ | 250 | 188 | 1158 | 2140 |  |  | 072 |  |
| 187576 | 178 | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 3\end{array}$ | 1259 | 220 | 115 | 196 | $\begin{array}{llll}3 & 3 & 8\end{array}$ |  | 219 | 0144 |  |
| 187677 | 3511 | 214.9 | 17 17 4 | 355 | $2{ }^{2} 145$ | 2154 | 8135 | - | 608 | 1180 |  |
| 1877-78 | 5868 | 43211 | 18154 | $\begin{array}{llll}6 & 3 & 8\end{array}$ | 3137 | 8158 | 4111 | , | $\begin{array}{lll}7 & 7 & 2\end{array}$ | Nos ayal | able |
| 187879 | 4100 | $\begin{array}{lll}3 & 7 & 9\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}16 & 9 & 2\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}6 & 3 & 5\end{array}$ | 8131 | 4110 | 3110 |  | $7 \quad 710$ | 1811 |  |
| 1879-80 | 306 | 2124 | 18011 | 471 | 213 | 3144 | 5123 |  |  | 0184 |  |
| 188081 | 1884 | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 7 & 8\end{array}$ | 15145 | 298 | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 7 & 8\end{array}$ | 1132 | 8109 |  | 21011 | 0107 |  |
| 188182 | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 1 & 7\end{array}$ | 140 | 14.28 | 285 | 1010 | 194 | 3011 | * | 257 | 062 |  |
| 1882-83 | 1585 | 169 | 13130 | 2142 | 1310 | 11511 | 318 | - | 2136 | 0311 |  |
| Total | $\begin{array}{llll}28 & 8 & 5\end{array}$ | 2760 | $195 \quad 710$ | 4109 | 2668 | $\begin{array}{llll}33 & 3 & 4\end{array}$ | $40 \quad 511$ |  | 441010 | 989 |  |
| Average | 260 | 245 | $\begin{array}{lll}16 & 4 & 8\end{array}$ | 369 | 233 | 2123 | $3 \quad 510$ |  | 3117 | 01311 |  |
| 188384 | 1152 | 1104 | 1210 3 | $2{ }_{2} 9811$ | 1410 | 1126 | 835 | * | 328 | 0 5 58 |  |
| 1884-85 | 246 | $2{ }^{2}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}14 & 9 & 4\end{array}$ | $2 \begin{array}{llll}2 & 9 & 11\end{array}$ | 1134 | 11411 | $\begin{array}{lll}3 & 6 & 7\end{array}$ |  | 3 F | 063 |  |
| 188586 | 192 | 11010 | 17120 | $2 \begin{array}{lll}2 & 12 & 1\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}2 & 2 & 9\end{array}$ | 2456 | 3104 | * | $\begin{array}{lll}3 & 3 & 10\end{array}$ | 071 |  |
| 1856-87 | $1{ }_{1}^{6} 68$ | 1811 | 16108 | $2 \begin{array}{lll}2 & 14 & 3\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 10 & 8\end{array}$ | 215 | 3110 |  | 2119 | 097 |  |
| 188788 | 1129 | 1111 | $17 \begin{array}{lll}17 & 3\end{array}$ | 2126 | 1.510 | 1151 | 3121 |  | 269 | 061 |  |
| 188889 | 1159 | $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 1 & 1\end{array}$ | 4.810 | 2118 | $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 8 & 1\end{array}$ | 226 | 3100 | 2142 |  | 0611 |  |
| 188990 | 1159 | $2{ }^{2} 314$ | 4101 | 2119 | 2122 | 2889 | 3145 | $2{ }^{2} 26$ |  | 068 |  |
| 188091 . | 1118 | $1 \begin{array}{lll}12 & 1\end{array}$ | 423 | $\begin{array}{lll}3 & 6 & 5\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}2 & 6 & 2\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}2 & 2 & 9\end{array}$ | 3141 | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 14 & 8\end{array}$ |  | 0888 |  |
| 189192 | 1122 | $\begin{array}{llll}2 & 0 & 8\end{array}$ | $4{ }^{4} 18$ | $\begin{array}{lll}8 & 7 & 2\end{array}$ | $3{ }^{3} 966$ | $2{ }_{2} 36$ | 3153 | 31811 | $\cdots$ | 0102 |  |
| 189293 | 1142 | 210 | 3166 | 8710 | 3147 | 2141 | 493 | 269 | - | 081 |  |
| Total | 18 | 18119 | 10042 | 2876 | $23 \quad 711$ | 211511 | 87105 | 1230 | 14143 | $410 \quad 9$ |  |
| Aversge | 1134 | 1140 | 1005 | 2187 | 267 | 238 | 3123 | 270 | 2158 | 076 |  |
| 189394 | 220 | $2 \begin{array}{lll}2 & 1 & 10\end{array}$ | 3100 | 310 | $\begin{array}{lrr}3 & 7 & 6\end{array}$ | $2 \begin{array}{lll}2 & 4 & 7\end{array}$ | 290 | 1150 | * | 0 9 93 |  |
| 1894-95 | 1149 | $\begin{array}{llll}2 & 8 & 7\end{array}$ | 3911 | 279 | $\begin{array}{lll}810 & 7\end{array}$ | 2281 | 499 | $2{ }^{2} 808$ |  | 0318 |  |
| 1895 | 172 | 1108 | $\begin{array}{llll}3 & 8 & 9\end{array}$ | $2{ }^{2} 4$ | 8100 | 2 II 0 | 505 | 299 |  | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 7 & 2\end{array}$ |  |
| 1896 | $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 0 & 5\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}2 & 5 & 3\end{array}$ | 31210 | 2125 | 350 | 21110 | 4610 | 2144 | ** | 0126 |  |
| 1597 | $\begin{array}{lll}3 & 11 & 7\end{array}$ | 31211 | 4711 | 5124 | 5211 | 41011 | 4511 | $\begin{array}{llll}3 & 4 & 8\end{array}$ | * | 1140 |  |
| 1898 | $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 1 & 5\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 1 & 7\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}3 & 13 & 1\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}3 & 7 & 1\end{array}$ | 8127 | 2147 | 3105 | 1115 |  | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 7 & 8\end{array}$ |  |
| 1899 | $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 3 & 7\end{array}$ | 28.810 | 3117 | $\begin{array}{lll}3 & 2 & 3\end{array}$ | 3 3 | 2117 | 454 | 2661 |  | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 7 & 1\end{array}$ |  |
| 1900 | $\begin{array}{lll}3 & 15 & 2\end{array}$ | ${ }^{3} 1415$ | 477 | $\begin{array}{lll}5 & 6 & 1\end{array}$ | 41110 | $4{ }^{4} 839$ | $\begin{array}{llll}5 & 3 & 3\end{array}$ | 369 | 6141 | 0135 |  |
| 1901 | 21211 | 287 | 426 |  | 4142 | 8511 | 5811 | 8 8 8 S 5 | 5123 | 078 |  |
| 1902 | 2181 | 832 | 404 | 421 | $\begin{array}{llll}3 & 3 & 8\end{array}$ | 2141 | 645 | 2189 | 576 | 0 |  |
| Total | $24{ }^{6} 68$ | 25610 | 8940 | 87811 | 391111 | 30104 | 45118 | 2655 | $18 \quad 110$ | $7 \begin{array}{lll}7 & 1 & 3\end{array}$ |  |
| Average | 270 | 288 | 31410 | 3122 | 8147 | 310 | 492 | 2102 | 607 | 0114 |  |

APPENDIX 0.
Revenve stalement for 147 Gorernwent villages, stuated an the Sholapur Taluka of the Sholapur Collectorate, into which the first Rersion Settement vas introduced in $18 \% 1-1875$.

| Yenis |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Unocoupied Asqersid arhale Governigent LAVD. |  |  | Land the Revenue of which ib ALIENATtD entibliz on pabtuitix ( $\mathrm{Im} / \mathrm{m}$ ). |  |  | Total Land, Gofbrnietity AND OCCUPIED, UNOCCUPIBD AND INSM, |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Balunge } \\ \text { Ontetonding } \\ \text { at cloae of } \\ \text { year of } \end{gathered}$ |  | Bemarks, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | OscrupledAren |  | Benoleton durting the jear |  |  | Balance for collection. | derea, | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Pall } \\ & \begin{array}{c} \text { Ausesere- } \end{array} \\ & \text { mentit } \end{aligned}$ | Bealies tion from sale of Erazing | sares. |  | ColloctionQuitiontde | To beal ofOoland ing inand |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Permament | Crant. | Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1 |  | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 16 | 16 | 17 * | 18 | 19 |
| 187071 | $\cdots$ | 895,832 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Rk: } \\ 1,74,218 \end{gathered}$ | $\mathbf{R s}_{6}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{E}_{\varepsilon} \\ & 1,071 \end{aligned}$ | Rs, <br> 1,071 | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{B} \varepsilon \\ 1,73,142 \end{gathered}$ | 7,208 | Rs, $5,821$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathbf{R G}_{1} \\ \mathbf{1 0 , 2 2 3 3} \end{gathered}$ | 52,996 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Rs } \\ 26,004 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{R E} \\ & \mathbf{7 , 7 0 5} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{s}} \\ 4,66,036 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{Re}_{\mathrm{g}} \\ 2,05,588 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \mathrm{R}_{\mathrm{A}} \\ 1,91,080 \end{gathered}$ | 831 | Rs. <br> - 0 | (1) Eleven vilagen recens. |
| 1871.72 |  | 428,146 | 297,077 | 1,25,501 | 40,068 | 1,C8, 460 | 1,81,508 | 2,449 | 1,683 | 7.774 |  | 42,187 |  | 4,87,589 | 8,41,847 |  |  |  | first mincorporated in the |
| 1872.73 1878.74 | $\cdots$ | 428,167 | 3,97,086 | 2,401 | 58 | $\because$ | 2,97,985 | 2,489 | 1,682 | 6,183 | 58,919 | 42,178 | 7,705 | 4,87,625 | 8 8,41,845 | 8,11,878 | 1,488 | $\begin{array}{r}79 \\ \hline 46\end{array}$ | ${ }_{\text {Lalnga }}$ in thig year |
| ${ }_{1874.76}$ |  | 428,914 | 2,98,489 | 2,401 | 68 | 2,469 | ${ }_{2,51022}^{2,96,030}$ | 8,471 | 2,708 5168 | 4.580 | 57,855 | 42,917 | 7,788 | 4,67,740 | 8,44,114 | 3,08,393 | \%,220 | 1,842 | lageas for previous years |
| 1875.78 |  | 422,510 | 2,45,899 | 2,656 | 49 | 4,705 | ${ }_{2,48,194}^{2,41}$ | 9,689 | 4,684 | ${ }_{4,215}^{4,215}$ | 58,754 | 43,193 36,819 | 7,841 7881 | $4,87,799$ $4,90,385$ | 84,402 287862 | 2,63,084 | (1) $\begin{array}{r}1,948 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 887 | cannot, consequentily, be |
| 1876.77 | . | 424,471 | 2,46,837 | 4,080 | ... | 40080 | $2,42,757$ | 7,662 | 3,665 | 3,827 | 58, 588 | ${ }_{86,849}^{36,4}$ | 7,781 | 4,90,321 | 2,87,362 | 2,55,120 | (2) Not avallable | -85 | ${ }_{\text {given }}$ |
| 1877.78 |  | 424,868 | 2,43,079 | ... |  |  | 2,42,979 | 7,247 | 8,385 | 2,799 | 58,188 | 36,689 | 7,781 | 4,90,323 | 2,83,053 | $\underset{2,53,559}{2,54,965}$ | (3) ${ }^{(3)} 89,724$ | (4) 50,868 | (2) Talukk form No 1875 of |
| $1878-79$ $1879-80$ |  | ${ }_{4}^{424,889} 8$ | $2,42.982$ 21278 | $\cdots$ | $\because$ |  | 2,42,982 | ${ }_{8,878}$ | 8,164 | 1,254 | 58,188 | 36,689 | 7,781 | 4,90,000 | 2,82,835 | 2,62,077 | (3) $\begin{array}{r}80,810 \\ 81,469\end{array}$ | (4) 20,668 | ${ }^{187578}$ to 187879 de- |
| 188081 |  | 877,118 | $2,21,689$ | (5) 20,547 | $\cdots$ | 20,547 | 1,92,002 | ${ }_{65,009}$ | 88,844 | ${ }_{1}^{1,429}$ | 58,186 | 86,689 | 77881 | 4,88,988 | 2,82,820 | 2,22,095 | 20,852 |  | (8) Bajance as at atood on |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 57,835 | 86,528 | 7,603 | 4,87,982 | 2,82,811 | 2,01,214 | 6,432 | $\cdots$ | 81 et July 1879; balance |
| 188188 $1882-83$ | $\ldots$ | 881,450 884,087 | $2,29,222$ $2,24,288$ | (b) 20,487 <br> (6) 29,450 | $\because$ | 29,487 29,460 | 1,08,735 | 80,699 47178 | 22,718 21,509 | 1,8944 | 57.704 | 36,443 36,446 | 7,670 | 4,89,813 | 2,82,878 | 2,03,299 | 423 |  | outstanding at olose of |
| 158884 | $\cdots$ | 888,859 | 2,24,006 |  | 4 | 29,460 | ${ }_{2,24,082}^{1,94,783}$ | ${ }_{4}^{47,264}$ | 21,509 81,630 | 2,470 8,515 | ${ }^{57,761}$ | 86,446 | 13,873 | 4,88,004 | 2,82,188 | 2,04,928 | 213 |  | for reason given in (2) |
| 188485 |  | 888,001 | 2,24,069 | - | 8 | 8 | 2,24,086 | 47,301 | 21,742 | 8,148 | 57,648 | ${ }_{86,415}^{36,431}$ | 13,827 | $4,88,816$ <br> $4,89,845$ | ${ }_{8,82,126}^{2,82,137}$ | $\underset{2,41,041}{2,4127}$ | 13 6.717 | ... | (4) Remustions on account |
| 188886 |  | 891,806 | 2,28,182 | . | 8 | 3 | 2,28,179 | 39,412 | 17,608 | 8,760 | 58,568 | ${ }_{36,425}$ | ${ }_{18,918}^{18}$ | ${ }_{4,88,785}^{4,89885}$ | ${ }_{2,42,113}^{2,82,126}$ | 2,45,852 | 6,717 |  |  |
| 188887 |  | 392,800 | 2,28,480 | $\because$ | 8 | 8 | 2, 8,468 | 14,115 | 6,490 | 4.712 | 67,538 | 36,397 | 13,112 | 4,68,054 | 2,71,856 | 2,47, ${ }^{2,46}$ | 104 | \% | (5) Remiesions on account |
| 188788 1888 | " | ${ }_{897,877}^{896,929}$ | 2,80,287 | $\because$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | 2,30,237 | 7,828 | 8,776 | 8,485 | 57,346 | 36,270 | 18,789 | 4,61,101 | 2,70,283 | 2,47,611 |  |  | OI enhancement in Rovi- |
| 188980 |  | 898,001 | ${ }_{2,81,1616}^{2,81,17}$ | $\ldots$ |  | ... | 2, $2,31,516$ | 6,338 4,608 | 2, 2128 ${ }_{2}^{289}$ | 8,418 8,426 | 57,346 | ${ }_{36,270}^{36,270}$ | 13,789 | 4,60,556 | 270,069 | 2,48,888 | . | ... | orders conveyed mindov- |
| 189091 | ... | 898,765 | 2,81,608 | $\cdots$ | - | - | 2,31,608 | 4,470 | 2,178 | 2,388 | 57,844 | 36,270 | 18,789 18,789 | $\begin{aligned} & 4,60,552 \\ & 4,80,56 \theta \end{aligned}$ | 2,70,075 <br> 2,70,061 | $\xrightarrow{2,48,731}$ |  | ... | ernment Resolinion |
| 189192 |  | 888,979 | 2,81,709 |  |  |  | 2,31,709 | 4,234 | 2,067 | 8,684 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1881, and Governmeat |
| 1892-98 | ... | 8849,311 | 2,81,829 | . | $\because$ |  | 2,31,829 | 8,204 | 1,047 | ${ }_{8,098}^{8,684}$ | 57,341 | - ${ }_{86,288}^{86,288}$ | 18,789 18,789 | 4,80,554 | 2,70,044 | $\underset{\text { 2,48,717 }}{\mathbf{2 , 4 , 1 8 2}}$ | $\cdots$ |  | Resolution No 2190, |
| 189894 1894.95 |  | 899,865 | 2, ${ }_{\text {2,81,842 }}$ | ... | $\because$ | ... | 2,81,842 | 8,851 | 1,918 | 2.594 | 57,841 | ${ }_{36,288}$ | 13,774 | 4,60,557 | 2,70,026 | 2,48,210 |  | . | (8) Dated 16th March 1883, |
| 189698 | $\therefore$ | 400,052 | ${ }_{2,32,268}^{2,82,}$ | $\because$ | $\cdots$ |  | $\xrightarrow{\substack{2,32,268}}$ | 8,470 8,171 | 1,704 | 2,892 2,890 | 57,341 | 86,270 36.269 | 13,795 | 4, 80,547 | 2,70,026 | 2,48,539 |  | . | aoquired for the Hotg |
| 189697 |  | 400,245 | 2,82,820 | $\cdot$ | . | $\ldots$ | $2,32,320$ | 3,071 | 1,565 | 2,630 | 57, 5 , ${ }^{\text {52, }}$ | 36,269 36,229 | 13,794 | 4,60,574 | 2,70,072 | 2,48,342 |  | - | Tank. |
| 189798 | $\cdot$ | 400,275 | 2,82,889 | .0 | . | $\ldots$ | 2,32,839 | 88,048 | 1,503 | - 3,264 | ${ }^{57,253}$ | - $\begin{aligned} & 36,229 \\ & 9622\end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | 2,48,704 |  | -4. |  |
| 148889 | $\cdot$ | (00,801 | 2,32,948 | * |  |  | 2,32,348 | 8,024 | 1,498 | 1,817 | ${ }_{57,253}$ | ${ }_{36,222}^{36,22}$ | 18,749 | 4,60,678 | 2,70,064 | 2,47,352 | 456 | 2 |  |
| 188981800 |  | 400,848 | 2,82,871 |  | $\cdots$ |  | 2,32,371 | 2,984 | 1,478 | 1,489 | 57,253 | 36,222 36,222 | 18,749 | 4, $4,00,578$ | $2,70,068$ $2,70,071$ | 2,47,414 |  | ${ }^{131}$ |  |
| 18001801 |  | 400,844 | 2,32,872 | -"* |  | $\cdots$ | 2,82,372 | 2,984 | 1,478 | 828 | 57,282 | 36,221 | 13,749 | 4,60,580 | $2,70,071$ | 2,46,947 | 2,658 | 889 |  |
| 19011902 | . | (0) 400,068 | 9,82,188 | 189 | $\cdots$ | 189 | 2,31,994 | 2,084 | 1,478 | 1,378 | 57,136 | 86,117 | 13,749 | 4,00,180 | 2,69,778 | 2,47,121 | 1,688 | 887 |  |

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| 29 | 28 | 24 | 26 | 28 | 97 | 28 | \％ 9 | 80 | 31 | 99 | 3 | 83 | 35 | 88 | 87 | 88 | \＄9 | 40 | 41 | 42 |
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| 80 | 8 |  | 8016 | 2，180 | 0811 | 68 | 129 | 1188 | 104 | 96 | 0147 | 4，088 | 2，307 | 095 | 1898 |  |  |  | Kuroln | 134 |
| 80 | 3 |  | 704 | 384 | 088 | 8 | 6 | 1108 | 28 | 20 | 0124 |  | 409 | 0811 | 1867 | m | ＊ |  | Jamgron tarl Mohol | 135 |
| 20 |  | $\cdots$ | 2，732 | 1，072 | 063 |  |  | $\cdots$ | 91 | 01 | 0108 | 8，893 | 1，193 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 6 & 5\end{array}$ | 125 |  | m | $\pm *$ | Sohale | 138 |
| 80 | 8 |  | 8，213 | 1，895 | 067 | 89 | 66 | 1111 | 91 | 88 | 0151 | 3，349 | 1，417 | 071 | 1288 |  | － |  | Waghen | 187 |
| 90 | 9 |  | 2，169 | 885 | 088 |  | 125 | 1110 | 14 | 日 | 0208 | 2，290 | 990 | 0811 | 18－46 |  |  |  | Ijgaon | 188 |
| 20 | － |  | 1，588 | 801 | 001 | ． | ＊ |  | 18 | 15 | 0150 | 1，584 | 908 | 082 | 125 |  |  |  | Ghodeshmar | 139 |
| 80 | 3 |  | 9279 | 018 | 065 | 12 | 98 | 1184 | 42 | 25 | 0 O8 | 2，883 | 985 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 6 & 7\end{array}$ | 12－76 |  |  |  | Wuâdegaon | 140 |
| 10 | 8 |  | 2，109 | 1，277 | 0 O |  | 28 | 1100 | 56 | 4 | 0123 | 2，271 | 1，848 | 0 O B | 1269 |  | $n$ | ＂ | Eotale | 141 |
| 20 |  |  | 8，983 | 2，024 | 0811 |  |  |  | 72 | 75 | 108 | 2，485 | 1，099 | 078 | 18．5 |  |  |  | Yenki m | 149 |
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| $\pm 0$ | 3 |  | 1，418 | 687 | 073 | 40 | 68 | 1117 | 39 | 42 | 118 | 1，401 | 747 | 0 S 0 | $13 \cdot 18$ | 8 | 34 | 65 | Kelegaon | 144 |
| 90 | 8 | ＊ | 5，18 | 2，269 | 070 |  | 38 | $1 \begin{array}{lll}1 & 9 & 1\end{array}$ | 304 | 230 | 0181 | 8，409 | 8，521 | 07 t | 1259 |  |  | $\cdots$ | Eakrambe | 145 |
| 80 | 8 |  | 8，260 | 1，348 |  | 88 | 108 | 1122 | 74 | 80 | 127 | 3，592 | 1531 | 072 | 18436 | 8 | 8 | 6 | Hudalgi | 140 |
| 90 |  |  | 898 | 876 | 0688 |  | $\cdots$ |  | 86 | 20 | 0811 | 984 | 998 | 008 | 185 |  |  |  | Tadrel | 147 |
|  | － |  | 1385 | 748 | 080 |  |  |  | 11 | 12 | 118 | 1，888 | 760 | 0 O 1 | 1850 |  |  | － | Ardhanari | 143 |
|  |  |  | 188080 | 79，818 | ${ }^{-1} 7$ | 798 | 1，944 | 1110 | 3158 | 2，755 | 0140 | 187，090 | 83918 | 0810 | 1889 |  | 538 | 804 | Total of the 5th Group | 57 |
|  |  | $\cdots$ | 850，009 | 2，48，868 | 0103 | 8558 | 4，120 | 1101 | 9988 | 8，887 | 01510 | 401，508 | 2，08，384 | 010 E | 19 48 |  | 948 | 883 | Grand Total－ | 248 |

## APPENDIX R.

# Tge survey and settlement Commissioner, N. D. 

## Sir,

I have the honour to forward the report of Colonel Waddington, Superintendent Revenue Survey, Poona and Násik, on the revision of the survey rates in the Sholapur Táluka of this Collectorate, recerved with a letter from that officer No 132 of the 87th ultimo

For 33, dated 15 th January 1872, received on the lat March 1872 and accompariments.
2. As I understand that, the season being far advanced, it is considered advisable that the orders of Government should be obtaned with as little delay as the importance of the nature at issue will permit, I send the report to you without obtaining the opinion of my Assistant, Mr Crowe, who is at present in revenue charge of the Sbolapur Taluka I do this very unwillingly, as I think that Mr Crowe might have been able to offer some remarks which would bave assisted me in writung this letter.
3. I observe that the necrease of assessment over the old rates is the same as has been sanctioned for the neighbouring taluka of Madha, 77 per cent The maximum Jerayet rate proposed, Rs 1-8, is lower than that which has been sanctioned for the neighbourng State of Akalkot, or Rs. 1-12. The rate of Rs. 1-8 18 proposed only for Sholapur itself, the villages adjoining having a masimum rate of Rs. 1-6, and the maximum proposed for more distant villages being lower stall
4. As stated generally, the maximum proposed does not seem to involve too great an nerease over the old rates. I think, however, information should bave been included to the repoit to show the maximum rate of enhancement on rodividual holdings The report is surely imperfect, while it contents itself with stating the rate of enbancement, as concerns the villages taken as so many wholes, without entering into any detan to show whether or not lands which were favoured in the old assessment have now been subjected to rates 'qeveral times higher than those hitherto in force and vice versd. In other words, we have not information to tell us whether, the old rates being as a basis for present calculations, they have been rased uniformly, or whether a new principle bas been introduced, the effect of which will be, perhaps, to muituply several times the assessments on certain classes of land, while in regard to other classes little or no enhancement will be made.
5. The subject of the prinerple on whicb the rates of assessment should be mereased from time to time, leads me to the 54th paragraph of the report, which recommends the time from which the new rates should be sanctioned.

6 Colonel Waddington has explaned that the survey of 1840 was in many nastances faulty and unequal If the present survey is to be relied on, the duty of the olficers to whom the work of the next revision survey will be entrusted, will be not so much to consider again the relative value of the produce of the different plots of land, as to consider the change in the relative value of money which shall have taken place suce the present tume.

7 If this view be correct, thrty years seems to be too long a time for the rates now recommended to remann unchanged
8. The value of money during the last thirty years bas decreased so much, that, in connection with this and other circumstances, it is now recommended that tho rates should be enhanced 77 per cent. Therefore, a cultivator paying, say, ten rupeps 20 1^70-71, will have to pay nearly twenty in 1872-73 In the former case be obtans a much larger profit, and Government a much smaller profit, thas by a revision of rates would appear to be just In the latter case, however just the newly-imposed rates may be both for the cultivator and for Government, the cultivator must probably feel some discontent.
9. The principle so long acknowledged in the Konkan, of Government receiving a certan share of the pioduce, fixed in kind and commuted year by year $21 . t$ a money payuent calculated on its market value, appears to me not to be an altogether uusound one the only disadvantage of it would appear to be, that in years of famme, when the cultupator would have a much smaller crop than usual, he would bave to make a larger money payment, owing to the rise in the market value of grain Such a system could, thesefore, only contiuve where a system of remission from fuilure of crops was generally acknowledged. 1 thisk, however, that it would be worthy of consideration if, on account of the continued change in the value of money, it mught not be advisable, takung the rates of the previous survey as a basis of calculation, to make more trequent changes in the figures represeuting the assessable value of the land as expressed in money. If such changes were made every fitteen yenrs instead of every thirty, as is usual at present, Government would obtain a farrer share of revenue, and the culturators would not be hable to have to pay one year revenue nearly double that paid by them two years previously.

10 Paragraphs 20 and 49 of Colonel Waddington's report treat of the water-rate to be levied on lands arrigated from the New kikruk Tank la paragraph 49 Colonel Waddivgton
says --_ "It will be impossible to fix any permanent water-rate on the lands to be irrigated until I have been supplied by the Irrigation Department with mformation as to the quantity of land commanded by the canal, its situation, the area for which they will be able to supply water, and the period for which the supply will last Meantime, I purpose to explain to the people and record that an extra cess will be hereafter levied on all lands to which water may be supplied from the tank"
11. I am of opinion that, had it been possible, it would bave been better for the ${ }^{\text {a }}$ required information to have been obtained in time for the rates as affected by the tank to have been fixed for these lands at the time of the general introduction of new rates into the whole íaluka The new rates to be imposed in regard to these particular lands should not, I consider, be regarded as hable to enhancement so much for their being afterwards actually supplied with water from the tank as for their being so situated as to be capable of being supplied with water if desired by the cultivators It is clear that the value of land is increased by its being within the reach of irrigation. That a cultivator may be unwiling to take advantage of the means within bis power for improving the resources of his land, is not a sufficient reason for his being subjected to a lower rate of assessment than a cultivator of other land, similarly situated, who avails bimself of such means. Government have already resolved that a cultivator who constructs a new well should not on that account be subjected to extra assessment, for he does but make use, and that by an expenditure of labour and money, of means put within the reach of many others. When, therefore, water can be readily obtamed without labour or money, it is obrious that a cultivator refinsing to make use of it should not be exempted from the payment of the rates farily calculated on the value of the crop which it is supposed to be capable of producing. This principle is, I believe, acknowledged in regard to lands watered from Government Irrigation Woiks in some other parts of India.
12. With regard to paragraph 50 of Colonel Waddington's report, I bave to state that the subject therenn alluded to bas formed the subject of a correspondence which has lately taken place between the Revenue Commissioner and the Military authonities and myself I heve expressed my opinion that a portion of the Motı Bagh should be reserved for the uses to which it has been hitherto put but I have expressed an equally strong opiaion that a large portion of $1 t$, consisting of very rich garden land, should be disposed of for oultivation. It could be sold by public auction in the usual manner
13. I agree with the opinion expressed by Colonel Waddington in his 5Srd paragraph that Pir Tákli, now belonging to the Mádha Taluka, should be incorporated with the Sholápur Táluka.
14. I take this opportunity of mentioning a subject regarding which I bave long desired to address Government. It as alluded to in the 7th paragraph of the letter of Mr. L R. Reid, Chief Secretary to Government, No, 2587 of the 8 th August 1840, to the address of the Revenue Commissioner. It suggests the advisability of the detached village of Mangrul being exchanged with the Government of His Higbness the Nizam, for His Highness' villages of Popla and Sewni, which are surrounded by British territory, "but," it is added, "it is apprehended this cannot be effected."
15. From the map accompanying Colonel Waddington's report, it will be seen how many villages of the Sholapur Táluka are neconvemently situated at many miles' distance in the midst of His Fighness the Nizam's territory. It is much to be regretted that at the tume of their first acquisition by the British Government an attempt was not made to exchange them with villages lying in close proximity to British territory It might be said that it would be difficult for such an exchange to be effected now, as it would necessitate so many British subjects being delivered over without their consent to another Government.

16 I consider, however, that it is a very serious inconvemence there being so many asolated British villages far off in His Highness the Nizam's dominons, and that it would be worth a considerable sacrifice on the part of Government to make some attempt to reqtufy the frontier. An apportunity for such rectification might have been found about ten years ago, when the Western Ceded Districts were delivered back to His Highness the Nizam's Government.
17. The difficulty which would present itself on a rectification of the frontier being attempted now, would be that some compensation might have to be paid to Bitish subjects possessing property in villages to be delivered in exchange to His Highness I do not think, however, that such a difficulty should be acknowledged as an unanswerable reason why such rectification should not be attempted. The existence of these isolated villages renders the police arrangements in the Sholápur and Barsi talukas especially difficult. The crime in these tálukas, from theur position in respect to His Highness' domnonons, is probsbly more than that of all the other tslukas of the Collectorate put together

I have the bonoar to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
T. BOSANQUET, Acung Collector.

Camp Bhorápur, 16th January 1872.

## Sir,

I have the bonour to submit a report on the rates I propose to introduce in 147 villages of the present Sholápur Táluka of the Collectorate under your charge.
2. I have appended bereto printed coples of the reports of Messrs. Wingate, Bellasis, Robertson, Vibart, and G Blane. The former three gentlemen, as you are aware, were officers of the Revenue Survey Department, Mr. Vibart was the then Revenue Commissioner, Northern Division, and Mr. G. Blane was the Assistant in charge of the Sub-Collectorate.
3. The report of Captaın Bellasis relates to the Subhá and the Abirwár Pargana, and that of Mr. Robertson to the Mandrup division of the táluka. Captain Wingate's report forwards those of the above-named two gentlemen with his remarks, and such modifications in their proposals as he deemed requisite
4. Before proceeding to express my own views of the rates that may be considered applicable at the present day, I will take a brief notice of the reports of the above-named gentlemen.
5. Captain Bellasis commences his report by describing the survey operations which Captam Bellasss' xeport. had been carried out under h1s supervision. It appears that 10 per cent of the survey measurements of 71 villages, contan ing 256,828 acres, had been tested by his measurers between November 1838 and the end of June 1889 The result, although coosidered satisfactory by hım, showed that in 17 out of the 71 villages the errors in excess and defect exceeded 10 per cent whilst three required to be entirely re-measured. The difference between his men's measurement and the test taken by Captan Bellasis appears to have been a little more than $2 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. The average daily work of a measurer was 62 actes.

6 Captan Bellasis then proceeds to notice the re-classification work, which, however, had only been completed in 16 villages of Sholapur. He describes the old classification as "perfectly unintelligible," and ascribes the discontent which prevailed, and the deching state of cultivation, in a great measure to the discrepancies in classitication, and says that the very great inequality of assessment had thrown land of all qualities out of cultivation ' He probably, however, meant only, what he adds, namely, that much of the best land was waste in consequence of the heavy rates on $2 t$.
7. Captan Bellasis next gives a general description of the district, its soils, clımate products, \&c, and appends a statement showıng the price of jowárl and bájri in the Sholápur Bazaar from Fash 1230 (A D. 1823) to 1248 (A.D. 1839).
8. Captain Bellasis draws attention to the case of two villages as exemplifying the evils of over-assessment, and the blessings arising from the imposition of muderate rates, and then proceeds to some remarks on the general dechne in the outward aspect of the villages $H e$, however, admits that, with the exception of certain Ahirwari villages, they were many degrees better than most in Bhimthar1, Indapur, or Mohol. He describes the Patels as ill-paid, and the cultivators much involved an debt, and quate without the power of repaning wells or extendıng cultivation, half the Ahırwári Pargana was untılled, and 17 ont of the 30 villages nearly depopulated. He thinks that, at the prices then ruling, the produce of an acre of the best soll and most favourable season might be estımated at about Rs 3 He, however, admits that much weight cannot be attached to any calculations whatever regarding the produce of lands.

9 Captain Bellasis concludes by recommending a rate not exceeding Re 1 per acre as the maximum rate for Jerayet crops, or 333 higher than Indápur - which would give, be calculates, an average of 6 annas per acre, or a total assessment of Rs $5 n, 300$ on the Government assessed land under cultivation, and $\mathbf{R s} 87,588$ on the whole arable laud.
10. In an appendix Captain Bellasis refers to the cultivation of the Mauritrus sugarcane and potatoe as being worthy of encouragement in these districts The fallure of cotton and the mulberry be attibutes to the want of pecumary encouragement He comments on the negligent system of husbandry in vogue, and the neglect of manuring the land, the paucity of carts, neglect of dranage, and absence of education, he not having met with a single school in the district

11 Mr. Robertson's report is on the Mandrup Pargana, and be commences with a Enagn Robertaon's reports general description of the dintrict, on which it is not necessary a ammilar account of the condition of the villages to that given by Captain Bellasis, and a like description of the apathy of the village oftcials. He also notices that nullas which had formerly been used for urigation had fallen into disuse and distress experienced from want of water,

He mentions a curious superstition as existing among the Natives and partly accounting for the fact that no use is made of the waters of the Bhima or Sina for irrigation. Education is described as being at the lowest ebb still he enumerates 12 schools
12. In describing the survey operations carried out under his oharge, Mr Robertson remarkn that the gross contents of fields according to the old survey had been correctly computed and recorded, but that portions of fields had often been deducted as "Krab" or "unculturable," when no such land existed in them, and thus the old measurements were to a certann degree unrelable, though not to such an extent as to vitiate the assessment had the classification of the sorl been correct

The defects of the former classtication he passes by as being already well known to Government.

13 Mr. Robertson describes the ryots as much impoverished, and the land-tax oppressive, and would faun hope that the "dawn of ease and comfort, brought to existence by a new assessment, is now breaking on the tax-ground-down population" He proposes a maximum rate of fifteen per cent increase on that of 1ndapur. Mr. Robertson concludes his report by referring to various topios regarding the district officals, and to which I need not further allude.

14 Captain Wingate, in forwarding the above reports, expresses his conviction that the state of the district was notone of prosperity, that the condition of the cultivators bad deteriorated during the course of our administration, that there was an utter absence of activity or enterprise, and that the state of the villages and husbandry was generally wretched. This state of affairs he attributes chiefly, as do his two Assistants, to an excessive land-tax. After setting forth his reasons for a reduction in the rates, he proposes, for the Sholapur villages, the rates advocated by Captan Bellasis, viz, an advance of 33 per cent. (more correctly 33.3 ) on the Indápur rates, and for the Mandrup Pargana of 20 per cent. 5 more than proposed by Mr. Robertson.
15. At this distance of time it is difficult to say whether the pictures drawn by the officers of the Revenue Survey of the condition of the ryots were over-coloured or not. Mr. Blane expresses his dissent from the opinion of Captan Wingate on this point, and contents himself by observing that the rates proposed are not too hagh Doubtless, however, the nowposition of a lower assessment has had the best effect in improving the condition of the people, and preparing them for a revision of rates more in accordauce with the circumstances in which they are now placed.
16. The general features and character of the district have been sufficiently described Preliminary remarks in the annesed reports; I will, therefore, confine myself to ty years in the way of improved means of communication have taken place in the last thirty years in the way of improved means of communication, facilities of education, increase in the value of land, and the present condition of the district
17. The Sholápur Táluku as now constituted consists of 150 villages, ves, 112 Govern-- Number of villagen. ment and 2 Inám villages, originally belonging to the táluka, ernment, 15 Government and 1 Inám village transferred from Mobol, and 11 villages recerved from His Highness the Nizam. Of these villages, 147 Government and 1 Inám village will now come under settlement.

18 The total area of the 135 villages meluded in the dagrams is 504,080 square acres, aree and population, or 7896 square miles. The population 1 na 1840-41 amounted or 786 square miles. The population in 1840-41 amounted
to 106,962 , by the present return it is 135,710 , showing an increase of 28,748 , or 26.8 per cent. The number of inhabitants per square mile is 172 , and there are, therefore, $\mathbf{8} 8$ acres to each individual. The following statement, propared from the Mámlatdar's return, shows the number of inhabitants, \&cc, at the period of settlement, aud at the present tume -


The great increase in the number of ploughs and carts compared with that in the number of bullocks, as also the decrease in the number of cattle, sheep, \&ic, makes me somewhat sceptical as to the correctness of this return, but I trust the coming census will enable me to submit more full and rehable anformation hereafter.
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19. Among the chief causes affecting the progress of the district is the Great Indian Roads, \&o

Peninsula Railway, which connects Sholapur with the eastern and western ghores of the Continent of Hindustan, a marvellous change since the days when (as Captann Wingate wrote) the "Sholápur ryot had to pay a higher price for his salt than the inhabitants of Mohol and Mádba." There 1s, however, but one station withun the limits, of the district, namely, at Sholápur itself, which, consequently still continues to be the chief market for the produce of the district, and source of supply The numerous roads which bave been constructed during the present lease (and not one of which existed 30 years ago) to Poona, Hyderabad, Pandbarpur, Akalkot, Bujápur, 1 n fact in every direotion, have given an mopulse to traffic, which may be judged of from the fact that the number of carts has increased, during that period, from 219 to 1,167 , or 433 per cent I The farm of the tolls on these roads for the last seven years has been sold for the sums shown below -

| Bala (Poona road) ... ... | 1864-65. | 1865-66 | 1860-67 | 1867-68, | 186869. | 186970 | 1870.71 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Rg | Rs | Rs | Ks. | Rs. | Rs | Ra. |
|  | 1,825 | 1,050 | 1,550 | 2,000 | 2,850 | 2745 | 2,500 |
| Soregaon (Bijapur road) | 5,500 | 3,425 | 4,500 | 1,022 | 3,500 | 4,500 | 3,700 |
| Borskams (Hydersbad road) ... | 5,500 | 8,500 | 11,500 | 9,450 | 9,600 | 9,100 | 7,80 |
| Kambhary (Akalkot road) - | 2,000 | 1,750 | 2,400 | 2,075 | 2,350 | 2,725 | 1,700 |
| Turha (Pandharpar roed) .. | 1,625 | 1,100 | 1,500 | 1,075 | 1,550 | 1,600 | 1,400 |
|  | 11,450 | 15,825 | 21,450 | 15,622 | 19,850 | 20,670 | 17,100 |

The sum paid for $1870-71$ is equivalent to the tax on 68,400 laden carts, so that some idea may be formed of the traffic passing through this district independent of that conveyed by rail.

There are publuc fernes on the Sina at Lámbots, Tirba, Wadakbal, and Wangy, and on the Bhıma at Ghodeshwar, Tákl, and Bandarkáuta. The farm of these ferries has averaged during the last five years Rs. 3,394.
20. With the future prospects of the districts, another work is intimately connected, The Ekruk Tank which, though as yet not utilized, is destined, let us bope, to have the most beneficial effects. I allude to the Ekruk Tank, an important work which has just been completed at the expense of the State It has been formed by the damming up of a large nulla about three miles north of the City of Sholápur. Three aqueducts are led from the reservoir, one of which, I beliove, is intended to afford a perenmal supply of water, and the two others to be equal to a four months' supply The courses of these aqueducts are shown by red lines on the accompanying map. The total area which will be irrigable is not as yet ascertanned, but at the time of settlement I purpose to have a statement made out of all lands which are under the command of the canal level, and to explan to the occupants and record that Government reserve the night of levying such * water-rate as may hereafter be decided-the rate, of course, only to be applied as each portion is brought under urngation At present water 18 being supphed gratuitously, with the sanction of Government, to a small quantity of land, as a temporary measure, but from next season the arrangement explained in paragraph 6 in Colonel Anderson's memo No 1319 of 29th November last, might be brought into operation.

| Chávdis <br> Dharamshálas. |  | 21. The following statement shows the number of chavdis and dharamshálas erected in the whole of the villages which form the taluka since 1840-41 - |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  | Dunng 1st Decade. |  |  | Darng 2nd Decade. |  |  | Dunng 3rd Decade |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 号 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 65 | Chávảıs Dhavamsháles | 18 | Rs. <br> 1,914 <br> 145 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{K}_{\mathbf{8}} \\ & 831 \\ & 75 \end{aligned}$ | 31 4 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{R B}_{8} \\ & \mathbf{2 , 4 3 4} \\ & 657 \end{aligned}$ | $\underset{1,283}{R_{s}}$ | 13 | $\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Rs}_{8,}^{2,321} \\ & 1,053 \end{aligned}$ | Rs. 872 6,682 |
|  | Total.c. | 20 | 2,059 | 906 | 35 | 3,091 | 1,283 | 20 | 3,374 | 7,554 |

or a total of 62 chádis and 13 dharamshalas, built at a cost of Rs. 18,267, of which Rs 9,743 were pand by Government, and Rs 8,524 by the ryots.
22. At the tume of the present settlement there were 1,119 wells an working order, and 463 out of repar. During the period of the lease 213, or nearly one-fifth of the wells then at "work, have fallen into disxepar, but 75 of the old wells have been repared, and 537 new wells built, of which 298, or nearly three-fifths, have been constructed during the last ten years The increase on wells in working order 18395 or 335 per cent. Water is, as a rule, found at moderate depth below the surface in most parts of the distnct, and it 18 probable that the ryots will not be slow to profit by this circumstance, when they find that no extra cess is placed on well-mrigated land. The following statement shows the number of wells in 1840-41, and at the present time -

| Number of Wella at time of Settlement |  |  | Number of Wells in 1870-71. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total. |  |  |  |  |  |  | Totad. |  |
| 1,119 | 468 | 1,582 | 680 | 902 | 75 | 61 | 178 | 298 | 2,194 | 395 |

23. Captain Bellasis writes that he had not met with a single school in his districts, but Mr. Robertson ennmerates twelve. There $1 s$ no record of the number of schools in the district at the tume of the present settlement. There are now 59 schools attended by 1,986 pupls of these 39 are kept by private individuals, and 20 supported by Government. In the City of Sholápur there are four Government Schools-in one of which English alone as taught, the number of boys being 100, and one is a grils' school, attended by 40 pupils There are, besides, in the city 21 private schools, in one of which, contauning 15 pupils, English is taught, the rest being vernacular.
24. There are several large villages in the district, but Sholapur itself is a crty containing at the present tume some 31,000 mhabitants, of whom 7,228 follow varrous trades and professions. A large weekly bazaar is held, at which about Rs 15,000 worth of cotton goods, kamblis, \&ce, made in Sholápur and the nerghbourhood, Rs. 10,000 worth of grann, and Rs. 500 or 600 of horses and cattle are exposed for sale. There are also weekly bazaars at Walsang, Mandrup, Mangrul, Mustı, Márdı, Ghodeshwar, Keshar Jowalga, and Wadala, at which from Rs. 300 to Rn. 2,500 worth of goods change hands, There was formerly a bazaar at Bandarkánta whech no longer exists.
25. There is a large manufacture of cotton goods, sarms, pagrì̀, earpets, khád, \&c.; and Manufactures the woollen "kámblss," or Native blankets, made in this district are superior. In the city of Sholapur there are 6,425 looms for cotton cloths, 4,250 weavers, 310 dyers, and 840 spinners of thread. Walsang hes 200 weavers and 100 dyers, and Mandrup, Ahırwán, Hotg1, Márd, Salghar, and Ghodeshwar also hare many looms. The cotton goods manufactured in the district yearly are valued at Rs. $5,76,000$, woollen goods Rs. 39,000 , brass and copper utensils Rs. 25,000, and implements of iron Re, 30,000 , making a total of $\mathrm{Rs}, 6,70,000$.

26 The people appear to be well off and'well clothed, and the villages are decidedly Condition of the people. better kept and cleaner than those of Indapur and Bhimthad. The City of Sholspur is within a few hours of any part of the district, and affords a ready market for their produce, to which the greater portion of it finds its way, and from whence they draw their supphes of salt, tobacco, spices, sce. Land, both m the vicinity of Sholspur itself and in the more distant villages, sells readuly at from 10 to 70 years' purchase, as may be seen from the annexed statement.
27. The average rainfall, as registered at the civil hospital at Sholápur, for the last Ruintall.
eighteen years, has been 27 inches, being the same as that of Poona for the last elght years The eastern portion bordering on Akalkot is sad to enjoy a somewhat more plentiful fall than the rest of the district, but there is no record of the amount. The appended comparative statement shows the rainfall at Poona, Pátas Indépur, and Bársı from 1868 to 1870, and for Sholápur from 1853 to 1870.

## 28. The tilling of the soll and other agricultural operations are conducted in the same <br> primitive and inartistic manner noticed in the annexed reports <br> Littie or no attention being pald to weeding or manuring the

 land, or to rotation of crops except when ungated. Mr. Fietchar (who supermintended the classification of the N.W. portion of the talula) reports that "cultivation is carned on but lasly, and very little attention bestowed on it, as a rule, either in garden or dry-crop land."He, however, excepts the outlyng villages of Mangrul, Arl, Kalegaon, and Kakramba, the ryots of which villages take marked pans in tilling their land, and afford a pleasing example of what may be done in time in a naturally poor soll by constant manuring and irrgation. He also notices that in Kálegaon manuring Jerayet lands 18 not uncommon. There is a great deal of land, especially in the neighbourhood of Sholapur, left untilled and let out for grazing, the occupants thereby realzing in some cases as much as 18 times the Government assessment, as will be seen from the following cases :-

| Sholápur | Acres. |  | Assesement. |  |  |  | Sub let for Granng |  |  | Thmes Assensment. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 230 | ... | Rs. | 67 | 0 | ... |  | 800 | - 0 | Rs. |  |
|  | 132 | . ${ }^{\prime}$ | " | 19 | 11 | . | " | 350 | -.' | " | 182 |
|  | 92 |  | " | 10 | 0 | - | " | 150 | *** | " | 15 |
|  | 66 | ... | " | 15 | 0 |  | " | 200 | . | " | 131 |
|  | 167 | .*. | " | 23 | 0 | $\cdots$ | " | 250 | . | " | $10 \frac{8}{4}$ |
| Degaon | 150 | $\ldots$ | " | 39 | 13 | $\cdots$ | 3) | 400 |  | \% | 10 |
|  | 53 | ... | " | 8 | 0 |  | " | 30 | $\cdots$ | " | $3{ }^{3}$ |
| Shelg1 | 18 | ... | " | 4 | 0 | ... | " | 40 | . | " | 10 |
|  | 12 | ... | " | 1 | 8 | ... | " | 15 |  | " | 10 |
|  | 16 | . . | " | 2 | 0 |  | " | 15 | . $*$ | " | $7 \frac{1}{2}$ |

29. Three-fourths of the crops grown conssist of jowarn, bajn beng the next in order, although only to the extent of ${ }^{\frac{1}{r}} \mathrm{t}$ th of the jowarin. Together with the jowári "Kardai" 1 s almost invariably grown a row of it being planted here and there, and withstands drought well. Coarse rice is grown in small patches in hollows where water lodges, and occasionally a second crop of gram or wal succeeds The Mauritius sugarcane is reported to be unknown, as also the mulberry and potatoe Cotton was sown to the extent of 14,000 acres, or 36 per cent of the whole. "Surangl" or the Indıa madder dye 18 grown in mconsiderable quantities in dry crop lands The garden crops consist of sugarcane, plantans, guavas, limes, earth-nut, wheat, turmeric, and vegetables. Turmeric 15 chiefly grown in the outlymg villages in rotation with sugarcane and wheat.
30. Captain Bellasis in his returns of caltivation and collections does not give either, the names or number of the villages to which they apply, and Mr Robertson's, though given by villages is so incomplete as to be of little service. Captain Wingate also does not mention the number of villages to which the statement furnisked by him refers, and, on looking at the Collector's settlement reports from 1837-38 to 1840-41, I find they apply in the first year to 113 vilages, in the vext to 117, in the third to 110, and in the last to 109, so that it is impossible to compare them with the diagram, which includes 120 villages properly belonging to the division.

The Sholapur Sub-Collectorate was formed into a seperate Collectorate in November 1838, at which time the autstanding balances of the three tálukns of Sholípur, Báral and Karmála amounted to Rs. 2,14,449, of which sum Rs. 1,37,608 was written off as Irrecoverable In 1842-43 a further sum of Rs. 49,284 was written off the accounts of the Sholápur Taluka, and the outstanding balance reduced to Rs $\mathbf{5 , 1 3 8}$. I may add that for the two years 1839-40 and 1840-41 the gross land assessment, remissions, balances, \&c., were as below -

|  | Gross Land Revenue |  |  | Remısanınse |  |  | Balance Ontstanding. |  |  | Balence <br> Realized. |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Re. | a. | p. | Rs | a. | p. | Rs. | a. | p. |  | Rs. |  | a p . |
| 1839-40... | 1,46,348 | 11 | 8 | . $\mathrm{S}, 83$ | 94 | 8 | 722 | 11 |  | , | ,36,786 |  | 11 |
| 1840-41 | 1,15,116 | 4 | 1 | 4,17 | 12 | 0 | 750 | 10 |  |  | ,10,186 |  | 9 |

Captann Wingate estımated roughly that the total maximum rental, exclusive of Inam but mcludang the items of "Ain Jamé" and extra cess on water lands, would be Rs. 1,27,000.

The following paragraphs give a brief analysis of the fluctuations in cultivation, and collections of the villages which originally formed the Sholapur Taluka.
31. The cultivated area durng the first two years of the present settlement was, in Rs 278 in the second The average waste of these two years was 28,000 , or about onetwelfth of the whole area. In the next two years the cultivation fell to Rs. 2,47,000, the remissions, however, being only Rs 21, and the waste 44,400, or about one-enghth. For the next three years the cultivation and collections rose, the average being 322,645 acres cultivated, and Rs $1,39,687$ collections, there being only Rs. 576 remissions in the first of the three years. During the final three years of the first decade cultivation and collections again fell off, the cultivation being 313,000 acres, and collections Rs. $1,36,500$, and no remission. The average area under cultivation during the first decado was 312,847 acres, and average collections Rs $1,34,168$, the avernge annual remissions being Ra. 315, and average waste 29,468 acres, or little over one-sixteenth of the whole.
32. During the first three years of this period the average cultivation was 308,000 2nd Decade, acres, and collertions Rs. 1,34,000, the average waste being 35,800 acres or a hittle over one-tenth, and the remissions Rs. 102. Dunng the next four years the oultivation rose to 315,000 acres, and collections - to Rs. $1,38,900$, the average waste being 2,560 acles, or one-fifteenth per cent and remissions Rs 62. In the concluding three years the cultivation averaged 335,300 acres, and collections Hs. $1,45,100$, the waste being 9,940 acres, or one-thirty-fifth, and remissions Rs. 30 The average collections for this period were Rs. 1,39,288, being Rs. 5,100, or nearly 4 per cent. in excess of the first ten years. The average remissions were only Rs 64.
33. During the third decade the average cultivation has been 344,384 acres, and Bnd Decaden collections Rs. $1,48,887$, or 7 per cent in excess of those of the second Decade, and nearly 11 per cent. of those of the first decade The waste at the present time is almost inappreciable, being about one-thousandth part of the whole area, and the average annual remissions, although slightly in excesss of the second decade, have still been only Rs. 82.
34. In the 15 villages transferred from Mohol, the avèrage waste durng the first five Villages tranaferrod from years of the lease was 4,932 acres, or 188 per cent. and the Mohal. ${ }^{\text {Vilages }}$ transferrod trom average collections Rs 11,808 , the average annual remissions beng ouly Rs 103. During the remaining five years of this decade the remissions were nıl, and the average annual collections Rs. 12,333, the waste being 1,092 acres, or 9 per cent. The average annual collections dunng the first decade were R. 12,292, remissions Rs. 54 , and waste 3,012 , or 84 per cent.

35 During the second deoade the average collections were Rs. 12,840, or 467 more than those of the first ten years, the waste was 1,366 acres, or 38 per cent. of total area, and the remissions Rs. 19.

36 During the last ten years the average collections have been Rs 13,240 or 875 per cent. in excess of those of the first decade, and $3 \cdot 1$ above those of the second decade. The average waste during this period has been only 019 per cent., and the remissions nel.
37. I have in vain endeavoured to obtann a satisfactory return of the prices of grann in

Rise in prioes, Sholapur during the past thirty years, but from the following list of prices, taken from the Bazaar Office records for the last seven years, it is evident that they are as high in Sholapur as in auy other part of the Deccan, ndeed, from such returns as I have been able to procure, the rise in prices at Sholdpur"during the present settlement has been greater than eisewhere.-

Statement showing the Average Prices of Grasn tn the Sholápur Cantomment from 1864-65 to 1870-71, un seers of two pounds.

| Years, |  |  |  | Jowan | Bajum | Gram. | Wheat |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1864-65 | $\cdots$ | ** | ** | 14 | 10.75 | 975 | 10 |
| 1865-66 | , | , | -. | 1825 | 153 | 109 | 99 |
| 1866-67 | $\cdots$ |  |  | 166 | 1575 | 88 | 85 |
| 1867-68 | $\ldots$ | -• | ** | 205 | 1575 | 10 | 11 |
| 1868-69 | ... |  | - | 255 | 272 | 14.4 | 12 |
| 1869-70 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |  | 1865 | 1645 | $99^{3}$ | 822 |
| 1870.71 | ... | $\cdots$ |  | 219 | 15 | 83 | 8 |

38. The maximum rate for the Sholápur and Ahrwhrn parganas was fixed at 33 ( $33 \cdot 3$ ) Former and proposed ratee por cent. above that of Indapur, and for the Mandrup Pargana and the outlying village of Mangrul at 20 per cent. higher. The former rate is the same as that recommended by Captain Wingate for the Pimpalgaon division of the Bhımthadı Táluka. In the case of the best stivated villages of that táluka, I have lately proposed an increase of 75 per cent on the Ind $\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{p}}$ ur rate, or Rs. 1-12-0 as the maximum, which proposal has met with the approral of Government. The conditions affecting the material progress of the two districts, vis, the benefits accruing to either from the construction of the railway and extension of roads, are so similar, that a corresponding rate to that of Pimpalgaon would appear applicable in this instance. In the neighboaring State of Akalkot, into which the Survey Settlement has been lately introduced, the maximum Jerayet rate was Rs. 1-12n0. But lookng at the very large increase that an enhanced imposition of that rate would canse, and taking into consideration the opinion expressed by Colonel Francis in his memorandum on the Bhimthadi rates, and in which I fully concur, I cannot venture to recommend a higher maximum than Rs, 1-8-0, and that only for the lands of the City of Sholapur itself, placing the villages immediately adjoining it under a maximum of Rs 1-6-0 and the more distant of Rs 1-4-0. For the Mandrup vullages, which have not been benefited so much from the construction of the ralway and are still dependent on ferries for the orossing of the Sina in the monsoon, I would not recommend an increase of more than 25 per cent. (Rs 1-4.0) over the Indípur marimum for those most favourably situated, and of $12 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. (Rss 1-2-0) for the more distant.

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39 The application of these rates causes a somewhat large werease in the assessment, Increase in assesament the average on all the villages of the taluka being 77 per cent But this unusual rise is not so much due to the imposition of an enhanced maximum rate, as to the extreme faultiness of the old classification, whi ch, especially in Sholápur itself and some of the large adjoining villages, is so unprecedentedly low as to be scarcely free from suspicion. For instance, there are cases of 15 and 16 -anna fields which were classed at from 7 to 5 annas-a discrepancy so great that it can hardly be ascribed to mere ignorance. The foliowing figures show some of the errors of the old classticatıon

| Number terted. | Numbers un whoh the dufference in classification is above |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 6 pres. | 1 an | 2 as. | 3 вs | 4 as | 5 as | 6 as | 7 as | 8 вs | 9 as. | 10 as | 11 ns |
| 81 | 4 | 9 | 7 | 18 | 13 | 15 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 |

You will see that out of 81 numbers taken at random, in 30 the difference of classification exceeds three annas, whilst in 10 numbers the difference exceeds five annas, and there is one instance in which it is above eleven annas

40 Under these circumstances, and considering the rates at which lands in the vicminty of Sholapur are sub-let, the saleable value of land, and the exceptionally low assessment on which some of the villages which are most advantageously situated are at present held, there is no fear of my rates being excessive. For instance, in the lands of the flourishing city of Sholápur itself, the average rental is 4 annas 8 pies per acre. Again, the rich villages of Degaon and Bála are payıng 5 annas and 6 annas 7 pres respectıvely. I cannot, theretore, but conclude that in those cases in which the new rates cause an unusual increase in the assessment, it is to be attributed to the observance of a lower scale of valuation in the former classification of the lands, and feeling confident, as I do, that the rates are not too high, I do not feel justified in recommending the adoption of a lower scale.
41. The result of the grouping of the villages is as follows -

|  |  |  | Number of Villages | Maximum rate | Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathrm{Cl}_{\text {ass }}$ I <br> Class II | - | *** | 1 | 18 | Sholápur <br> Viliages momediately adjoming the city <br> Villages within a radins of 5 miles, or on high roads. <br> Villages beyond that distance and chuefly in Mandrup. |
|  |  |  | 39 | $1 \cdot 6$ |  |
| Class III | - | ** | 52 | $1 \cdot 4$ |  |
| Class 17 |  |  | 55 | 1.2 |  |
|  |  |  | 147 | -0.7* |  |

42. The effect of the proposed rates on the $\mathbf{3} 20$ villages of Sbolápur and the 15 vilages Effect of rates, trausferred from Mohol, which are entered in the two accompanymg diagrams, will be as follows

| 120 Villsges of Sholspur | Occapred lando |  | Unocoupred assessed land |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Area | Asseasment | Area | Ansearment. | Area. | Assemment |
| Assessment according to proposed rates | 3,70,137 | $\underset{2,70,696}{\mathrm{Rg}_{2}}$ | 1,520 | Rs. 667 | 3,71,657 | $\underset{2,71,363}{\mathbf{R}_{\theta_{0}}}$ |
| Assessment according to present rates | 3,44,766 | 1,49,190 | 365 | 66 | 3,45,131 | 1,49,256 |
| Increase | 25,371 | 1,21,506 | 1,155 | 601 | 26,526 | 1,22,107 |


| - 15 Villagea from Mohol. | Occupred lend. |  | Unoccapred assessed land. |  | Total. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Areas | Asgesement | Area. | Assesmment. | Aren | Asseasument |
| Assessment according to proposed rates. | 38,414 | $\underset{22,776}{\mathbf{R s}_{6}}$ | 28 | $\mathrm{Bs}_{13}$ | 38,442 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rs } \\ & 22,789 \end{aligned}$ |
| Assagsment according to prasent rates. | 35,785 | 13,249 | 33 | 17 | 35,818 | 18,266 |
| Increase | 2,629 | 9,527 |  | *** | 2,624 | 9,523 |
| Decrease . ... | ** | - | 5 | 4 |  |  |

43. The uneven manner in which the present assessment was imposed is rendered

Uneven moidency of old Aseessmant with the same maximum only rises 43 per cent Again, Kher, No. 4, and Kegaon, No 36, adjoining villages with a sumilar maximum, are affected very differently-the former being raised 127 and the latter only 2 per cento
44. The land which has been cultivated, though not recorded as such, is about 7 per Unrecorded oultivation. cent. of the whole area under cultivation, excluding the 11 villages received from His Highness the Nizam The assessment on this at 11 annas 4 ples-the average dry-crop rate of the district-amounts to Rs. 19,883, so that the actual increase in the assessment due to the new rates wall be 70 per cent.
45. The assessment on cultivated land of the 147 Government villages for the year, $1870-71$ was Rs $1,74,101$, by the new rates it will be Rs. $3,09,315$, showing an merease of Rs. $1,35,214$, or 77 per cent. The waste-land only amounts to 1,548 a.cres, assessed at Rs. 680 , making a total assessment of Rs. 3,09,995.
46. Irrigation from paths 18 very limated, and confined chrefly to the outlying villages Pathasthal urigation. of Arl, KGlegaon, Salghar, \&c. I propose a maximum rate of Pathasthal urigation. Rs. 6 (exclusive of the Jerajet assessment) for first class water-supply, descending to Re. 1-8-0 in the lowest clags. The total assessment on account of water is only Rs. 1,991.
47. I purpose exempting lands under wells constructed during the term of the present settlement from any extra assessment, and on those under wells which existed previously nothing beyond the highest dry-crop rate will be levied.
48. There is a limited amount of rice land in which coarse rice is grown, and sometimes Riog.
a second crop of wall or gram. There are in all 2,503 acres of this land, which at the maximum rate of Rs. 8 , which $I$ propose, will realize Rs. 4,096
49. With regard to the Ekruk Tank, it will be mposssble to fix any permanent waterElsruk Tank. rate on the lands to be irrigated therefrom, uutil I have been supplied by the Irrigation Department with uformation as to the quantity of land commanded by the canal, its situation, the area for which they will be able to supply water, and the pernod for which the supply will last. Meantime I purpose to explain to the people and record that an extra cess will be hereafter levied on all lands to which water may be supplied from the tank.
60. By the late change in the limits of the military cantonments, a considerable

Camp Lumith quantrity of land has been thrown out of camp. Such portions of it as have been enclosed and built on, I purpose to assess at the rate of Rs. 2 per acre, whilst what is lying waste will be assessed as other culturable lands. The Motu Bágh, however, has hitherto been used as a sort of publec garden and pleasure ground and as it is the only spot avalable for the recreation of the officers, I would recommend that it should be set apart for that purpose.

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In 24 out of 53 numbers the error exceeded 6 per cent, whilst there are six cases in which it exceeded 20 per cent I append statements showing the result of the test of the present measurement and classification, from which you will see that out of 2,120 numbers, the measurement of which was tested, in only one the difference exceeded 10 per cent, and of 2,022 numbers that were classed, a difference of 4 annas was only exceeded in one case
52. The present survey was carried out under the superintendence of Messrs Gibson, Present 日urvey. Echalaz, Francis, and Young, and the classification under Present survey. $\quad$ Mersrs, Cumming, Fletcher, and Whitcombe All the village boundaries were carefully traversed and plotted from computation, and a map of the taluka compiled therefrom, copy of which is annexed.

53 Two disgrams accompany this report, showing the average collections during the past thirty years in 120 villages of Sholápur and 16 transferred from Mohol The Inam village of Pir Táklı, which at present belongs to the Mádha Táluka, would more conveniently form part of this district.
54. In conclusion, I would recommend that the rates, if approved, may be sanctioned for 30 years.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,
W. WADDINGTON, Lieut -Colonel, Supenntendent, Revenue Survey.

Extrael from Stalement of Sale and Mortgage of Lands in the Sholapur
Taluka from 1868 to 1870

| Names of Villages. | Jerayet. |  | Bagayet. |  | Remarks. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Acres | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Aesoss- } \\ & \text { ment. } \end{aligned}$ | Acres | Asscssment |  |  |
| Sholápux | 3437 | Rs |  | Rs |  |  |
|  |  | 12 |  | ** | 200 | Mortgaged, mortgagee to enjoy nsufract in place of interost, no well |
|  | 5027 | 11 |  |  | 500 | Mortgaged, 2 years, no well. |
|  | 5324 | 8 |  | - | 550 | Mortgaged for 3 yeare, no wall. |
|  | 2938 | 13 |  | - | 400 | Sold, no well. |
|  | 1919 | 5 |  | ... | 300 | Do. |
|  | 4110 | 10 |  | . | 300 | Do. |
|  | $44 \cdot 12$ | 66 |  | *-* | 500 | Do. |
|  | $486$ | $12$ |  |  |  | $\xrightarrow{\text { Do. }}$ |
|  | 188 | 128 |  | $\cdots$ | 1,000 | Mortgaged |
| Borámanı | 4220 | 19 |  | $\cdots$ | 100 | Sold, no well. |
|  | $45 \cdot 27$ | 28 |  | . | 365 1 | Do |
|  | 20.33 1533 | 16 5 |  |  | 1,625 150 | Sold, one well valned at Bg 200. Sold, no well |
|  | 15 47 | 28 |  | -. | 150 80 | Sold, no well <br> Do. |
|  | 2714 | 9 |  | $\ldots$ | 75 | Do. |
|  | 4719 | 28 |  | ... | 200 | Do. |
|  | 11.32 | 6 |  |  | 250 | Do. |



Statement shovong Raunfall in Sholápur, Poona, Indápur, Pátas and Bárst,

| Year. | Sholapar | Indápur. | Patan | Poons. | Bärsı |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1853 | 2575 |  |  |  |  |
| 1854 | 31.58 |  |  |  |  |
| 1855 | 1365 |  |  |  |  |
| 1856 | 28.77 |  |  |  |  |
| 1857 | 8414 |  |  |  |  |
| 1858 | 3350 |  |  |  |  |
| 1859 | 8833 |  |  |  |  |
| 1860 | 3307 |  |  |  |  |
| 1861 | 2647 |  |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{1862}$ | 2874 |  |  |  |  |
| Average 10 jears. | 27.9 |  |  |  |  |
| 1868 | 2128 | 801 | 952 | 2255 | 2420 |
| 1864 | 2077 | 9.78 | 788 | 1655 | 2256 |
| 1865 | 1378 | 695 | 1169 | 3128 | 1905 |
| 1866 | 20.02 | 406 | 6.57 | 18.90 | 2245 |
| 1867 | 9587 | 10.74 | 1088 | 2799 | 25.76 |
| 1868 | 25.98 | 843 | 1033 | 8091 | 1862 |
| 1869 | 3578 | 2447 | 2276 | 88.16 | 3812 |
| 1870 | 85.03 | 2577 | 2081 | 4060 | 4319 |
|  | 265 | $10 \cdot 4$ | 13.23 | 2703 | 2674 |

W. WADDINGTON, Lieut.-Colonel,

Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment

The following comparative statement exhibits the results of the new and former survey of 120 villages of the Sholápur Táluka, shown in detall under the same head -

| According to present According to former sur According to former sur | Govbrnmant Lamd |  |  |  |  | aximatid Laid. |  |  | Grand Total. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Caltarable assessed | Uncaltarable | Karan | Gauran Roads, \&c | Total. | Cultur able | Unculturable | Total. |  |
|  | 3,71,657 | 6,556 | 4,227 | 23,761 | 4,06,201 | 52,352 | 890 | 63,242 | 4,50,448 |
|  | 3,45,181 | 28,437 | 5,483 | 20,058 | 3,94,109 | 49,332 | 3,018 | 62,350 | 4,46,459 |
| Increase | 28,526 | . |  | 3,703 | 30,229 | 8,020 |  | 8,020 | 33,249 |
| Decrease | . | 16,881 | 1,256 | * | 18,137 | ** | 2,128 | 2,128 | 20,265 |

The following comparative statement exhibits the results of the new and former survey of 15 villages of the Sholapur Táluka, shown in detanl under the same head -

| Accordagg to present According to former sarvey | Govermment Land. |  |  |  |  | ALimatibd Lasd |  |  | Grand Total, |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cultarable assessed. | Unculturable | Kuran | Garran Roady, \& $c$ | Total. | Cultur able | Uncul turable | Total, |  |
|  | $\mathbf{8 8 , 4 4 2}$ $\mathbf{3 5 , 8 1 8}$ | 876 2,766 | 792 793 | $\mathbf{3 , 8 3 2}$ $\mathbf{3 , 4 0 5}$ | 43,441 42,782 | 1,178 1,230 | 18 | 1,196 $\mathbf{1 , 2 8 2}$ | 44,637 44,064 |
| Increass .- | 2,624 |  | ... |  | 2,624 |  | $\because$ |  | 2,624 |
| Decrease |  | 1,891 | 1 | 73 | 1,985 | 52 | 34 | 88 | - 2,051 |

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STATISTICAL TABLE No. IIL Details of Cultivation. ad. 1870.71.

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Sholápur Drstructs, Juns 26th, 1839.
Srir,
The measurements of the Sholapur and Ahurwari parganas, oomprisng a curcle of from 12 to 15 miles around the Kasba Sholapur, having been all tested durng the last eight months, end the re-classifioation of the Sholípur Pargana being also well advanced, I have the honour to address you on the subject of the new rates to be introduced, bat,

Firstly, beg to state for your information a few points immedately connected with the work which had as well be recorded in my first report.

Operations oommenced in November 1838, sinoe which penod the karkun messarers under
Measurements my ummedrate personal supenntendence and check have tested 10 per cent. of the whole survey measurements of 71 vullages, comprising acrea 256,828 , the total area of the two parganas.

The result has been, on the whole, satisfactory when we consider the very large proportion of land that has lann waste annoe the survey, and whose boundaries have in consequence been often nearly obiterated, thus their erors in excess and defect-


The old sarvey sub-divisions (Tưt numbers) of Kadme"Daghs, or ancient fields, have heewhee in several vullagee been all re-measured, as also village boundary stones restored, whenever the parties could be brought to an amicable agreement and faur adjustment.

These disputee are still numerous, and would alone ocoupy a regularly constituted commission for a season No necessity exists for their immediate settlement, nor are any of those remainng very considerable, but as the land is agayn all brought into tillige under a lighter assesement, it will then be to the interest of Government to dispose of them, oultivatore beng averse in these districts to hold lands bonierng on these dusputes Oat of 2,620 acres in Takrar 1,480 acres have been settled eather by Pancháet, arbitration, and in one instance the dusputed land ( 140 acres) was divided between two of our own villages in proportion to their respective akars by mutual consent, so that only 1,140 aores remaun. Much of this $I$ also hope to have adjustod.
2. I have visated personally the whole of the above 71 villages, and in mest of them tested a farr portion of the karkuas' measurementa, in some more in others less, as I found I oould depend on the accuracy and duligence of the indindual's work. About 21 per cent. ( 2 acree 25 gunthás) was the difference between the karkuas' and my own measurements, which, considering the crope were on the ground great part of the tume, added to the unerpenence of muy new eatablishment, I trust you will deem satisfactory also.
3. Independent of thrs test I angulated Iarge plote of from 200 to 250 acres at random, to be enabled to judge of the whole survey measurements in general (orde para. 1).
4. Several attempts to tamper with the kárkuns in the most open manner by the cultivators having been reported, I am happy to say, by the kárkuns themselves, the Acting Collector was kind enough to circulate a strict proclamation I drew up, pointing out the evil consequences of such conduct, which $I$ attribute to custom and ignorance as mach as any thing else, since which no fresh cases have been detected, and I have every reason to think it has ceased. The fact of the karkuns themselves giving noformation becoming known to the kunbis, put, I hope, an effectual stop to all attempts at bribery
5. As the clasesfication proceeds, all numbers (fields) of donbtful extent or doubtful arable area noted by the Tarams, are tested and corrected if found requisite

6 I may mention, as this appears the proper place and in order, the numerous trifing disputes of Mirasdars and others regarding field boundarnes These patty encroachments I consider impossible without the connivance of the village authonties, boundaries are constantly ploughed through under my eyes, malmost every case by lgnorant or careleas hired ploughmen employed by the better kanbis If a balutedar or patel were to nist a field and see to the bounds before ploughng, and also to re-visit it immediately after it is sown, this evi, I concerve, might in a great measure be put down. The preservation of field boundaries is not at all attended to, and, it must be conceded, the mischief is of great magnitude, by degrees the dispute increasee, sll-will ensues, cattle are destroyed, and even blood shed, and the land thrown ap for want of some such little sumple precantions as the above not being attended to.
7. The average daily woik of a measurer has been 82 acres, including all interruptions
8. The re-classuification of the two parganas commenced in December 1838, in Sholápur Clabenfioation.

16 . villages, total 71,618 acres, or half of the whole has been finished and tested. In consequence of the very hmited establishment at commencing (only 4 Tarams), the work necessarily proceeded but slowly I calculate the whole of Sholapur will be classified long before the next Jamabandu settlement, and as all measurements are fimshed I shall be enabled to superintend a large establishment of Tarams in Alurwarr, the early or late elose of the work in that pargana dependung on thus contingency.
9. In every village yet examined I found the old classification (one great source of present dıscontent) perfectly anintelligible, the very great mequality of assessment thus caused, has contributed to throw land of all qualities out of cultivation, much of the best land is waste in consequence of tite heavy rates alone precluding its cultuie. The present dechnngg state of cultuvation, particularly in those villages where the rates are not bearing so very heavily, $2 s$ chiefly attributable to this disorepancy in classes, particular instances I have already noticed to - you, but they have been so often pomted out before my labours commenced, that it is scarcely necessary to udvert to them agaun here more fully.

10 The pot numbers have been abolished in every village yet visted by the Tarams, always at the request of Mirasdars and kunbis, in addition to the great vexation, trouble, and confurion the adoption of this splitting of fields into minute divisions by the old survey karkuns has caused, it was to be regretted as a wanton disregard of local usages, often more unpopular to a Native than acts of drect injustice.
11. During the course of other duties the Tarams have brought to light several mnstances of inam land having been brought, changed, or enlarged at or mince the old sarvey, all which have been laid before the Colleotor for inquery. The population and other returns and particular notices of wells and garden land are aliso in course of preparation by the classfiers, whose average daily work has been $168 \frac{1}{2}$ acres.
12. Before a few short remarks on the principal features of the country I give an abstract of the land in the two parganas It may be remarked I have in many anstances spoken of the two parganas as one, a glanee at the aketch map, A ppendıx No. 4, wall show that the villages of one are so mixed up with those of the other that this is ansvodable.

| Abatraot. |  |  | Sholapur | Ahirwin |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Land now in caltrivat <br> Waste formerly unde <br> Kurans (grass preserv <br> Inám land (alrenated) <br> Disputed <br> Barrea ... | - |  | 89,343 | 39,752 |
|  | .-. |  | 43,713 | 39,048 |
|  | ** | . | 2,038 |  |
|  | . | .. | 10,867 | 5,388 |
|  | ... | .. | +367 | 778 |
|  |  | - | 19,858 | 7,737 |
|  |  | al. | 165,180 | 91,648 |
|  | Gran |  | ,828 acres, | are mules 4 |

13. The total arable area is 210,996 aores exclusive of inam, the remainder beang common, appropriated as pasture and farmed out, 2,434 acres nocluded in "cultivation" are let at ufts rates, average 2 annas an acre.
14. The Bagayet in both parganas only amounts to acres $1,044 \mathrm{in}$ Sholápor.

In Ahrwarl it is all Motasthal, and the assessment as fixed by Panchaet, Fasli 1:345, I have never heard objectrons to, and it appears fair. Mangral alone cultivates 400 acres, being a Kadim Bagayet village it is assessed at $6 \frac{\pi}{4}$ rupees, the highest rate per acre of garden land in
Total aerea 1,64s,
this, being the Kumavisdar's division of the taluka, although the average rate is only 2 rupees and 12 annas par acre.
15. The general aspect of the country is undulating and bare of trees, rieng in some Face of the country and soll. places unto small hallocks showing the bare rock, but altogether it is less rugged and stony than the Mohol District, which bounds it on the north-west The only remarkable geological features are the columnar basaltic formations visible from the Naldrug durection towards Abirwari, and discernble here and theie from Rámpur towards the latter vallage. The nver Sina is the western boundary, on the south and east the Akalkot, and on the north-east His Highness the Nuzam's territomes, whose villages are mixed up with the Sholápur ones on the north. Three villages (Phutganons) are quite out off from the tafluka and isolated in the Mogalai, a belt of which, about 10 mules broad, separate Sholapur from the Varrag and Barsi parganas Mangrul, the most distant, is 18 miles from the Kasba. The quality of this almost level surface is various and irregular, in the dips is much fine alluvial soil. The specific portion attributable to each class in a few separate average villages I had the ouriosity to examine, were blacks 10 , reds 50 , gravelly $40=100$ parte, the black soil, being about 1 -10th of the whole, is only found in small patches and of no great depth, resting on a sandy losm, under it the pebbly lime stone as in Guzerat Towards the banks of the Sina it is more plentuful but meagre, the sub-strata the same, but, on the whole, the soll of this division, particularly near Sholápur, Bala, Degaom, and the south-east of Ahyrwari, presents a fertility in many places capable of producing all the noher products, which our indigent and depressed ryots seem at present to possess neither the means nor energy to compass. A loose system of tillage is apparent everywhere, and a field is seldom ploughed but from necessity.
16. The climate is dry and supply of rain (there being neither hills nor woods) very Clumata. scanty, within the last 24, years three partial famines have occuired from drought-one from excess of ram, the Kardisal In Fasli 1235 the crops were nearly destroyed by rats (the Undussl), and last year there was Little or no rain. During the last 22 years the cholera has thinned the population thrice, and only one extraordinary good season ocours, Fash 1243, named the Pixsal. The greater famine, Fash 1214, the Panch-chipti, nearly depopulating the country
17. All the rabi grains, oils, pulses, \&e, are grown, but little bajri, the rude, but often Producta efficient, system of agriculture is similar in all respects to the surrounding districts, Indápur, and east of Bhumthari
18. The roade, or more properly cart tracts, throughout these parganas are good; wherRoads and Fords. ever trifing levelling or clearance was requisite, it has been brought as far as the bounds of the collectorate.
19. The fords of the Sma near Narkhed, Lámboti, Nandur, and Tuha all need elearance and repair, and have been mose particularly notioed to the Collector in their respective village memoranda, agreeably to the late Revenue Commussioner's instractions. The form of one of these is appended, No. 9.
20. Sholapar, satuated in the contre, affords a ready market for all surplus produce, and is from its proximity the only one now resorted to. It 18 a $\begin{array}{ll}\text { Market. } & \text { is from its proximity the only one now resorted to. It } 18 \text { a } \\ \text { considerable thriving town. Population } 24,000 \text {. Import duties }\end{array}$ of last year amounted to Ra. 18,538 All the Khirana ginger, garic, safflower, betel, surangi, and more valuable products rased in the nerghbouring Mogalan villages are here brought in large quantities ; it 18 also a depôt for salt, betel-nut, \&o, from Málwan and the cosst, and for cotton, coarse cotton aloths, siris, \&o , from the surrounding villages.
21. Although there have been five years of partaular famine and ecarenty during the Pross. last 24 yearg, yet it will be eeen, on reference to No. 1 Appendix, that the price of jowin has averaged 32 pukha seara per rupee; the fluetuations are also shown. Extraneons eanses, previous to the Britush rule, caused so great fluotastions in prioes, that I have rejected the average further back, and confined myself to sance a couple of years atter the settlement of the conntry by the late Sur T. Mannoe and Assastants.
28. The most flowrishing peried of these districts anterior to our possession, is referred to Forwer management. the thme and revenue management of Ramohandra Shivajn, a Konkani Brahmin and relative of the late Peushwa, 35 yeers ago, when nearly the whole division was in cultavation and all the wells in repar. From Fash 3237 it was superintended by Abbaji Balal Kundlay, Kulleder of Sholapur, but under the Mankeshwar of Temburm, untal the former was deposed for hus rapacity and oppression, shortly previous to the affar at Ashth. The old Mámal measures, varyng as usual in every eur or a 718-16
enght villages, had reference to the productiveness of the soll ; seers and taks 72 to the seer, pysas, adhelas, and the bigha of the Mussalmen, all vary with the quality of the sou. The surts rates, meluding all the extra pattis and bábs of the Peishwa's managers, must have weighed heavily on the Kanbs and paralyzed his exertions, had not tracts of the less fertile lands, particularly under Mankeshwar's admonstration, been given on easy istawa kowls and light pkti rates as an off-set to the heavy mámul-dar. Thus the present clamour for kowls undes the heavy survey aspessments, which, it will be seen below, were as onerous as the kamal (never realized) without kowls, not to mention the difference of currency Belapuri rupee In some villages I find only one rate for every description of soll, in others there were so many as 5 or 6. At Naikhed, where the mámul bigha was the nominal measure, they had five rates, from 8 to 12 annas per bugha and kowls run from 5 to 7 years. The nautank is one-eighth of a seer, from 20 to 40 acres the size of fields, and rates averaged 15 to 25 rupees the nautank.

| Sholépur Pargana <br> Ahurwárl do | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\because$ | Tankha | Kamal | Paumash Survey. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Rg | Rs. | Rs. |
|  |  |  |  | 61,380 | 97,921 | 89,263 |
|  |  |  |  | 55,410 | 72,514 | 59,098 |

23 I observe that, four years ago, the falling off in cultivation of the Sholapar SubCollectorate was reported to be 49,000 acres in a sangle year, and that the year following the Revenue Commissioner had satisfied humself of the causes and reported the same to Govern-ment-facts I need not here recapitulate If after 20 years of our management the country has so far detenorated as to produce less exportable commodity and manufactures, and the result that it is not merely etationary, but dechingg, and no sign whatever of improvement in the country or character of its inhabitants, the inference may readily be drawn The game clumsy mode practised in most of their mechamical and agricultural operations is still adhered to, and yet might be swept away for a trifling consideration which wonld be cheaply purchased Paragraph 12 shows the proportion of both parganas now lying uncultivated, the greatest part of this land still bears the mark of former cultivation, full half of the Ahirwari targana hes untilled! Seventeen out of the 30 villages ate at present nearly depopulated, all of which exhibit marks of former prosperity.
24. The highest survey Jerayet rates are about Rs. 2, but there are a few villages assessed even hugher than this Of the most heavily assessed is the village of Ulha, dustant from Sholápur 8 mules The rate bere is $2 \frac{2}{16}$ rupees per acre, this place $I$ well recollect a flounshing village. Seven years ago it had a couple of shops, and was to appearance populous, it is now next to deserted, the shops are removed, all the trees disappeared, walls down, and the place in rums. Ont of 4,100 acres, 2,475 acres are waste, revenue fallen off from (Fash 1241) Rs. 1,060 to Rs 618 (1248), Patel and Kulkarni both runed, being involved in Tots Farari defalcations whinch they could not prevent, and acting Patel and Taláti doung duty, and an outstanding balance of Rsa 3466 . several of the villagers now cultuvate in Taradgaon, Mogalai, having left Ulhe. Three years prior to the survey this village produced net revenue Rs 2,000. The rest of these over-assessed and misclassified vallages have all partaken more or less of simular run and misery.
25. Adjounng Ulha 18 the village of Honsal, one of the lightest asseased of the survey, Rs $1 \frac{1}{8}$ per acre. The sonl similar to Ulha, nearly the whole us under the plough; out of 2,045 acres 384 only are waste, but will also soon be turned up, the revenue improving, only Rs 80 outstanding, and during the last 7 years the remissions amount to Rs 100 Of the 12 nillages sumularly assessed the same remarks are applicable, indeed, a moderately assessed village may be discovered often in passing through it. Need I aay more to show the mequality and incongruous nature of the present rates.
26. It has been remarked by an intelligent statistical writer, that the aconmulated

General Remarks. experience of ages is requisite to perfect one's kuowledge in the several sumpler departments of husbandry. The difficult and extensive nature of the subject, the importance and mmense variety of particulars relating to it, the vague, doubtful, and even contradictory details of alleged facts in almost every branch of $i t$, the obscurity of the principles, in which several of the operations and other usual basiness depend, augment the difficulties. It is to be regretted, therefore, that all former inquires, \&c., into the state of these distriots, from their hanng so often been transferred to other, are not easily procurable, though so calculated to abridge the labour of the attentuve inquarer, partncularly in this climate, and whereby the general course of hes researches maght be durected and made more casy and successful than otherwise, and his attention be soliested not only to what is confessed of importance and generally studied, but likewnse to many new umprovements and disooveries as they arise, and hisewise direct his thoughts to other particulars whieh, though hitherto little regard may have been shown them, are nevertheless of material consequence. Having been twice, however, stationed at Sholspur in 1823-24, again in 1830-32, I had duning both these periods opportunities of viating most of the villages around, the princpal ones several times, as well as the neighbouring parts and Mogalai, consequently ícan paheantatingly bear teatumony to the general dechne in the outward aspect of most of the villagese Appendices II and III will show the dechne in the revenue and balances outatanding.
27. With the exception of 17 of the Ahurwann villages before noticed, after another eight months constant intexcourse I can say they are many degrees better than most I viaited in Bhimtharn, Indápar or Mohol, still they are very ruinous and filthy, the walls down, and with few exceptions are uncomfortable, and a desolate appearance perveides them The patels having bsen deprived of their haks, with sometimes not half the value of their gugre (enjoyed from trme immemonal) in per cent as compensation, are everywhere apathetic and quite indifferent to the prosperity of their villages, having in many no interest in their concerns. Some patels have actually no remuneration. The acting patels have salanes fixed so low that no honest man, if foond, could accept it, it being impossible for those who did, to aubsist on Rs. 5 without having recourse to nefarious practices, and they have no permanent interest in any lasting improvement. (Note.)
28. I hope the above paragraphs will not be deemed altogether supererogatory, that it bears on the subject before us, I think cannot be demed, and that must be my excuse The kulkarnis are not quite so ill-aff as the patels. The cultivators are quite without the means of complating their teams-great and small, are much involved in debt, and quite without the power of repairing wells or extending cultivation beyond its present very limited bounds, yet, strange enough, many of the more intelligent have often expressed therr belief that something will soon be done for therr relief. I am sure no one can more heartily wish their hopes may be speedily realized than myself.
29. Without entering into any very minute calculations, I think, after much inquury and Proposed Ratem patient investigation made of intelligent Kunbis, that in 49 villages in both parganas, the produce of an aore of the best soll, most favourable season, tuking the average of some years' prices, may be now estrmated in this district at about Rs. 3 To the selling Kunbi, leaving entirely out of the question any of the more refined but conflecting European notions of faur proportion of rent said to be fixed and taken on perfect principles, one-thud of the profits, as the late able Revenue Commiesioner very fairly remarks, cannot be called a very light corn tax. The great uncertanty of the rany season, failure or excess though met by remissions, must preclude much weight being attached to any caloulations, and whether even the general reduction of assessment may be productive of better or lower prices, as facilaties of market, mereased production, consumption or demand, or the reverae, may lead to, I shall not minude on your valuable time with any adle speculations on the subject, let the experiment and time proclaim the result. I understand it to be the wish of Government that the Indapur assessment be the ground-work of the surrounding distriots, and which is now fulfilling the expectations entertaned.
30. Ong comparison of prices at Sholápur and Indapur for 18 years, rejecting the two famine years, Fash 1234 and 1242, from the Indapur average, and 1230, 1234, and 1242 from the Sholapur one, the duference in favour of Sholapar, taking the Indápur rates as the standard, would be nearly $2 \frac{1}{2}$ annas, added to 12 of Indápur equal to $14 \frac{1}{2}$ annas, Sholápur first back per acre, if I $\frac{1}{2}$ anna (which it is short of one rupee) be added, on account of the triflug dufference in seer, total one rupee.

31 Whether the above be the basis or not, I beg earnestly to recommend the new rate of assessment be fired not higher than the present rate of assessment in the highest tared of these villages, niz., one rupee per acre for first-class soil, the result of the inquiries made both by Mr Stuart and myself I have forwarded to you before, indeed, all inquiries persuade me that thes should be the maximum, that is 38 per oent hugher than Iadápur, neither do I conaider it a light one. But if anything was wanting, the flourishing state of the vilages so assessed only is to me the best criterion when compared with the destutute state of most of the others. The inquiries made by Mr Stuart at Honsal I forwarded at his request. I would also press the many other reasons, scattered through these pages, urging a lighter assessment, leaving to your $\begin{aligned} & \text { buperior judgment to recommend or modify it to the confirming authorities. }\end{aligned}$ Under the supposition that thas may meet with approval, I have calculated, as suggested by you, the land revenue of several villages already reolassified. Three of which-of best, average, and poor soil-are shown below, and contrasted with the old assessment -

| Mooja | Aaran, | Sarvey Aspegements | Largest collectaon aince the survey | Lasst year's, an avarnge year. | Proposed rates at Res, 1 per eare, lat Black |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| *) |  | Rs. an $p$ | Rs an $\mathrm{p}_{0}$ | Rs a p | Res an $p$ | Rs |
| Bila | 2,440 | 1,971 61 | 1,472 810 | 1,888 3 111 | 1,096 11 c | 1,775 on |
| Sangdari | 1,303 | $670 \quad 11$ | 159158 | 37176 | 462510 | acres 4,664. |
| Khar | 921 | 45866 | 27011 b | 2715 | 21588 | Average 6 anna |
|  | 4,664 | $3,100 \quad 2 \quad 5$ | 2,203 3 3 1 | 8,081 06 | 1,774 911 | per acres |

Nort-The waris of the pateln and all the old leoded propriecors are gone to ruk, and they may be seen takng up therr quarters in a corner thatohed in Nambere who formerly had a horne, camel, or cart are now reduced to the


As an eetimate of the revenue on the Khalsa land now in cultivation, and also on the arable Khalsa land in the whole division, I have carned on this calculation and apphed it ws below:-


The great relief to the agricultural population by this slight sacrifice of revenue（if it does not prove an immediate gain to Government）will be more than connterbalanced by waste reclamed，all those thrown out of cultivation by the sarvey now reclassified and equalized， and which will be more mmediately brought under the plough－the return of many ryots from the neighbounng and Nuzam＇s viliages，＊consisting of the more sabstantial Kunbis who can afford to transport their plonghs．One cause of theur migration was the facilities of pasturage and water，which in a bad season are always scarce here，but they have been encouraged to remann and settle permanently by takán and hght kowlo－abundance of good food and better command of markets and sale of therr surplus produce without heavy loss，and increase to the present seanty and apparently decreasing，population－according to census（ 1247 Fash）only $\mathbf{3 6 , 0 0 0}$ sonils，a renovation of therr dilapidated resources generally，and，lastly，an improvement of revenue not a paper one These I anticipate as results to be expected，shoald it not prove so the rates can be still lowered，but you will perceive I bear in remembrance the precautions on this point alluded to by the Acting Chief Seoretary an the 6th paragraph of his commun－ cation to the Revenue Commishoner，No 4619 of 1838，wheh is worthy of all consideration， and must over be borne in mind，involving，as it does，Government interests of such magnitude that it can never be lost sight of．

I have the bonour to be，\＆c．，
（Signed）J．B．BELLASIS，
Captann，9th Regt N．I．， Assistant Revenue Sarvey．
Average Prsce of Gram in the Sholápur Bazaar for the last 20 years．

| Fash | Month | Pakks Seers per 1 rapee |  | Remarks， |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Jowtr． | B6jur． |  |
| 1230 |  | 14 | 21 | No rain． |
| 1231 |  | 25 | 22. |  |
| 1232 |  | 45 | 32 |  |
| 1233 |  | 28 | 20 |  |
| 1234 |  | $15 \frac{1}{2}$ | 13 | Partial famine． |
| 1235 | $\stackrel{3}{2}$ | 30 | 26 |  |
| 1236 | 吕 | 46 | 42 |  |
| 1237 | 4 | 40 | 34 |  |
| 1238 | 吕 | 52 | 48 |  |
| 1259 | \％ | 44 | 32 |  |
| － 1240 | － | 44 | 82 |  |
| 1241 | 島 | 27 | 20 |  |
| 1242 | $\underset{80}{ }$ | 13 | 11 | Famine． |
| 1243 | 吕 | 33 | 28 |  |
| 1244 | 官 | 274 | $21 \frac{1}{2}$ |  |
| 1245 | ค | 261 | $20 \frac{1}{2}$ |  |
| 1246 |  | $34{ }^{2}$ | 23 |  |
| 1247 |  | 35 | 31 |  |
| 1248 |  | 31 | 27 |  |
| 20 years＇average． |  | 32 |  |  |

[^25][^26]SHOLA'PUR PARGANA.

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| 1288 | 48,707 | B,084 | 89,721 |  | 12,870 | 65,100 | 62,126 | 584 |  | 92,880 | 14,798 | 107,758 | 1293 |
| 1293 | 84,559 | 6,598 | 10,498 | 16888 | 11768 | 68,675 | 40,001 | 489 |  | 92,662 | 18,867 | 100,519 | 1883 |
| 1834 | 19,080 | 4,298 | 24,206 | 97,084 | 7, 966 | 88005 | 83,817 | 855 | Fatuine. | 94,854 | 15,136 | 109,519 | 1284 |
| 1295 | 46,565 | B,081 | 10,875 | 8,728 | 12,276 | 71,680 | 49,651 | 928 |  | 98,729 | 15,786 | 109,519 | 1295 |
| 1236 | 48,548 | 8,002 | 4,569 | 6,855 | 17,186 | 7,384 | 51,896 | 2,674 |  | 92,704 | 16,815 | 102,519 | 1286 |
| 1287 | 28,663 | 4,0688 | 81,800 | 27,642 | 18,010 | 76,858 | 80,191 | 1,114 |  | 88,262 | 81,861 | 109,804 | 1987 |
| 1288 | 45,613 | 8,081 | 50684 | 7,817 | 18,247 | 76,489 | 48,948 | 8,892 |  | 88,068 | 20,898 | 309,854 | 1288 |
| 1289 | 26,159 | 4,401 | 80,860 | 24,183 | 14,800 | 60,504 | 27,488 | 8,828 |  | 83,005 | 21,658 | 100,857 | 1839 |
| 1840 | 84,818 | 4,056 | 88,807 | 15,768 | 16,208 | 70,870 | 36,480 | 8,477 | (Survey) | 91,249 | 18,414 | 109,65\% | 1240 |
| 1241 | 96,198 | 4,610 | 38,787 |  | 10,681 | 50,418 | 85,517 | 4,940 | Scarcity | 85,608 | 48,740 | 329,409 | 1241 |
| 1248 | 8,265 | 8,080 | 11,501 | 35,64 | 7,708 | 84,888 | 10,098 | 895 |  | 88,105 | \$5,774 | 188,879 | 1248 |
| 1248 | 85,107 | 4846 | 40,089 | - | 80,285 | 60,319 | 88,204 | 1,898 |  | 88,716 | 39,78\% | 188,503 | 2248 |
| 184 | 81,961 | 1,300 | 86,208 | 784 | 10,094 | 58184 | 84,507 | 1,398 |  | 79,785 | 40,755 | 129,591 | 1844 |
| 2846 | 88,018 | 4,956 | 88,511 | 248 | 18,578 | 67, 130 | 87,805 | 016 |  | 88,720 | 40,806 | 120,526 | 2245 |
| 1240 | 88,081 | 6,185 | 40,288 | 1,766 | 18,940 | 60,989 | 89714 | 571 |  | 85,894 | 48,020 | 129,516 | 1848 |
| 1869 \% | 82,548 | 8,108 | 85,44 | 6,761 | 16,829 | 69,028 | 83,110 | 2,392 |  | 91,76S | 37,761 | 129,515 | 1847 |

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| 1292 | 85,529 | 8,40 | 88,971 |  | 3,078 | 4804 | 97,775 | 1,195 |  | 60,672 | 11,167 | 71,880 | 1298 |
| 2885 | 80,394 | 8,392 | 89,098 | 8,977 | 4,143 | 40,188 | 38,500 | 1,988 |  | 57,085 | 13,891 | 72,899 | 1289 |
| 1234 | 28,891 | 2,785 | 31,658 | 11,874 | 8,188 | 4,380 | 31,005 | 658 | Famine. | 58,005 | 18,939 | 70,945 | 1234 |
| 1295 | 88, 101 | 8,147 | 41,60 | 2,282 | 4,180 | 47,989 | 40,378 | 1,176 |  | 69,005 | 13940 | 70,005 | 1235 |
| 1228 | 3,727 | 3,008 | 38,78 | 8,176 | 7,186 | 52,159 | 25,118 | 2,872 |  | 58,770 | 18,207 | 72,177 | 1236 |
| 298 | 18,79 | 1,900 | 20,680 | 20,704 | 7,390 | 48,74 | 18,098 | 2,881 |  | 61,220 | 81,118 | 72,402 | 2297 |
| 1288 | 8, 818 | 2,808 | 34,691 | e,2ce | 7.406 | 4B,504 | 80,016 | 4,004 |  | 59,540 | 19,868 | 79,409 | 1893 |
| 1289 | 16,001 | 2,772 | 17,504 | 18,301 | 0,600 | 40,326 | 16,286 | 8,009 |  | 50,288 | 8\%,910 | 72,003 | 1388 |
| \%20 | 80,465 | 2,198 | 23,601 | 10,846 | 7,014 | c0,652 | 10,88e | 2,700 | (Surrey) | 50,183 | 22,410 | 72,402 | 1840 |
| 1241 | 81,380 | 2,570 | 24,351 |  | 7,100 | 81,580 | 19684 | 4707 |  | 30,067 | 38,748 | 77, 800 | 1241 |
| 184 | 6,150 | 1,318 | 7,003 | 18,5100 | 3,491 | 20,24 | 7,881 | 191 |  | 87,280 | 40,660 | 77,800 | 189 |
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| 1ass. | 32,683 | 2088 | 20,500 | $\cdots$ | 7,088 | 25,748 | 28,000 | 2,888 |  | 38,864 | 40,918 | 77,780 | 184 |
| 184 | 2,304 | 2,832 | 24,645 | 1,001 | 7,468 | 35,104 | 21,989 | 2,668 |  | 86,148 | 4, 3,008 | 77,800 | 184 |
| 2945 | 2,802 | 2,364 | 28,641 | 2,000 | 8,77 | 20,016 | 28,848 | ${ }^{008}$ |  | 40,709 | 37,048 | 77,841 | 1930 |
| 185 | 22,975 | 2161 | 25,058 | 3,281 | 0,809 | 88,197 | 2,946 | 12 |  | 39,384 | 33,468 | 7,800 | 1 |
| 184 | 20,745 | 2,76 | 38,47 | 3,089 | 8,188 | 31,930 | 21,7es | ${ }_{18}$ |  | 28,04 | 30768 | 77,800 | 184 |

## APPENDIX VIII.

The Mauntias sugarcane I only found in two villages growing luxuriously. At Arjunsonde the patel, Umrat Row, an intelligent man, had taken some pains at great expense to give it a farr trial, whlst his neighbours from prejudice had rejected it. He had also procared a man from Bhum to instruct him in the Bengal operations of refinng, \&e , and appears to have suceeeded wonderfully well, and ${ }^{1 s}$ deserving of all encouragement, considering the dufficulty of persuading natives to attempt works of this nature as a mere speculation, which is great undeed. There, then, is a most desirable and excellent opportunity of effecting an important object, and should this person be speedily furnished with an ron mall, and a liberal advance of cash for wells, I have no doubt it would soon be extended over the district all the assistance or encouragement that he has ever recelved was a pugree! I was struck at the contrast whilst reading a Herts" report "a farmer of Herts had $£ 100$ per annum conferred on him to encourage him to ratroduce turnips and clover into England"- a large sum in those days I hope you will be enabled to brong the patel's case to the notice of those interested in Bombay. From 5 to 700 rupees I would recommend, for which he will engage to sulk wells and also supply cuttings to all applicants gratis. I have given Umrat Row all the assistance m my power and the mastructions fiom the Hortucultural Report regarding refinung and orystallizang drawn up by Dr Gibson

I trust you will deem the above as a highly beneficial measure to both eountry and revenue.
Potatoes -I have seen some very fine specimens of these from 4 villages surreunding the Kasba and in 4 out of 12 villages where I distrmbuted seed and saw it sown, having been kindly suppled by the Aseistant Collector, Mr Stewart, a gentleman who takes much interest in any importance Notwithatanding the great neglect and inattention with which they were all treated, in every instance they succeeded

It appears from the most careful trials in England that potatoes will produce from 10 to 13 tons weight of food per statute acre, and the enormous crop 670 bushels, 80 lbs each, has been raised wath care from a single acre. In times of scarcity, so frequent an these parts, two crops might be rased, whilst waiting for those of gram, other articles of food might be most effeetandly supplied by them. Much pubhe consequence must, therefore, be attached to this branch of agricalture.

The same remarks I have taken the liberty to make regarding rewards and slumulating the cane cultsvation apply here a reward of 3 or 4 rupees to a kunbu barely covers the expense of manure, weeding, \&se, for one trial.

Cotton and the mulberry have falled heie merely for want of pecunrary encouragement, and considering the impartance of ensuring success attending every first endeavour at nntroducing new and valuable products, it is greatly to be regretted, and renders subsequent attempts doubly arduous.

From a perusal of the country reports the operations of draynng, weeding, manurns, and top-dressing, which appear at home to be smply and efficacionsly performed by the small landholders, are here almost onknown, though it is not unusual to see, in the poorest villages, banks and embankments constructed at a considerable labour and expense, yet in preventing theur best land being injured and impoverished by the numbers of perennal weeds, or by adoptmg rotations in which particular crops shall predominate as the means of ensunng their destruction they seem almost quite unacquanted, these are sometames so interwoven in the sorl where it has been negingently cultivated as to form a perfect matting. The kunda, a species of couch grass, is one of the cultivators' greatest banes, yet if collected and burnt, or deposited in a heap and mused with a hittle lime, it would become the basis of an excellent compost, and a penniaious nuisance might be convertad unto an excellent manure.

The burnt kankar, marl, sand-refuse of ol plants, unne of cattle, the salune depssite so common in swampy nullas, the hemp water, chalky earths, seounngs of ditches, mght soil, old leather, haur, and rags, river mud, and ashes are some of the chief ingredients commonly found in the vemity of every nullage where they lay neglected and unavailable The introductinn of carts (rarely seen in these parts) would be a boon to many, who anxioasly wish for them if on very easy terms of payment, this measure whll greatly fachitate the ryote in therr uteroourse with neighbourng markete, and alse induce them to clear the mads. Draming the sub-eols, which ahsorb and retain a superabundant quantity of ran which is prevented rercolating 10 heavy monsoons to the utter destruction of fine crops, appears another measure that mught be very beneficially introduced either by the plough or pit draining. A great desideratum is a small code contanning hints of agricultural matters, true there are very few who could benefit themselves by it, but surely much maght be effected by a well-managed elementary education and at a trifing expenditure towards a superior system of tillage alone, to say nothing of their moral cultare

I have not met with a sungle school in these districte.
It will be seen in Appendır No VI, tables of hâkdars, that the shetsandis in the two parganas amount to 134, holding $4,686 \mathrm{Kbalan}$ acles of Government, in heu of services and rated by the last survey at Rs 3,085 . This establishment seems to require reforming. In Sholapur there are but 4, in Walsang 8, in Bandaikauta 15 ! Some have thus more than
requred, others not sufficient, and in 15 vallages there are none. Some are old men, some boys, and all subsist in a great measure on the charity (dharm penda) of the miserable kunbl, thereby diminishing the means of his paying his rent. Some have one nautank, some two. Their duties are various and responsible, and if in heu of therr Government land they received a small monthly money payment, say, Rs. 3, their duties as vullage police, \&c., would be much more efficiently performed, and the Government land better tilled in other hands. One more point remains for me to notice, which is the Deshmukhs and Deshpandes benng atill permitted to levy Pendíwal or any hâk in kund, which is open to all kunds of abuse and merits immeduate attention. The state of all the village chauries has been examined, also wells requurng repari, advances and grants of money and the same brought to the notice of the Acting Collector

The Balutn and Mohtarfa taxes bear very heavily and unequally on the payers and are subjecta of great complaint.

## REPORT on ter MANDRUP PARGANA.

1 This pargana is in the Sholkpur Zillah; and lees between $75^{\circ} 40^{\circ}$ and $70^{\circ}$ East Long!tude, and $17^{\circ} 20^{\prime}$ and $17^{\circ} 35^{\prime}$ North Latitude, and as bounded on the north by the taluka of Mohol, the ruvers Bhima and Sina form Its western, southern and eastern boundaries; across the Sina on the east he the Sholápur T'aluka, the pargana of Ahrwár, and the "Akolkot Raja's territory, aeross the Bhima on the west and south-west there is a strip of land belonging to the Patwardhan family, and beyond thrs again stretches the territory of the Sataia Raja, coming up to and forming the bank of the Bhme on the south tull ats junction with the Suna.
2. The greatest length of the pargans measurng from north-west to south-west 28 about 23 miles, and its greatest breadth 18 miles It is composed of 40 villages, of this one is a Dumála of the Nupankar, and two belong to the Sholapur Táluka, but for convenence are placed under the Mahailkari of Mandrup, and, an fact, may be considered to be part of the pargana itself. The total ares of the Government villages is 183,618 Brtish acres, and of the Dumála village of Aurad 4,857 acres $\cdot$ total 138,470 British acres.
3. The face of the country is in general flat, partieularly on the benk of the Sina; in some part of the upper end of the district the ground 18 more uneven and also very rocky; but whth this exception and that of a few risings here and there about the centre, the whole extent of the land may be put down as of a blaok quality. Commencing at Kamthi Khurd (vode the accompanying aketch map) and going down the Suna to Kudal, 18 villages in all, the land 18 really beautuful, wath the exception of hittle patches of Garran the greater part is a deep blackmoula the land of Kamthı Budruk, Gunjegaon, Jamgaon, Wabwaté, Barrur, and Malkáuta is not good. Kandalgaon, Antrol, Y elegaon, Mandruy and Nandni having among good soll somevery mferror Wadápur has arndge of rocky ground, whth these exceptons, commencing at Mur and going down the Bhima to the village above mentioned, Kudal, the land is on the Sua side exoellent, thus includes Vinchur and Numbargr.

Most of the villages are in a sadly dilapidated condrtion, the walls in some places are merely small onconneoted preces of mud, and in others the old site only 18 pointed out Yelegaon is the only rillage at which any attempt has been made to re-buld the wall, the Patel, Bhimgound walad Jagdea, has induced the people to buld a certaun portion each I mention him in the hope that, as he deserves great praise, Government will deem him deserving of its favourable notice, a small present would, I am persuaded, be attended with very beneficial effects, for at present the village officers are quite apathetic and undiferent Through the Kinduess of the late Acting Collector of Sholapur, Mr. Phillips Stewart, nn!advancing me money for the purpose, I have been able to arrange for the building of a ohaurn m 25 villages, these will be a great comfort to the people and also to the Government servants who may have to proceed on duty to the village, hitherto they have been much moonvemenced for want of a place to put up in.
5. Many villages have streams with water in them throughout the year, m many eases no advantage is taken of them now, while the rums of places for rasing the water are visible in several direotions I fear it will be some tume before these nullas are again made ufe of, probably, not untul the villagers have acquired a little capital through the mstrumentality of a low assessment. The village wells require something baing done to them, great distress is experienced for want of water for man and beast. At Nandm during the last seascn the villagers were reduced to such a state that the water of the solitary and out-of-repair vallage well was divided among them duly; some rand fell much earher than usual, and thus extreme misery was averted.
6. No wse Thatever for the parposes of irrigation is made of the two rvers which enclose the pargana on throe sades cne reason (and a good one) given by the Natives is, that during the monsoon the rivers rise so high and become so impotuous in their fiow, that nothing they could buuld for dramang water would be ablo also to stand. Anothor reason, and I umagne the raore cogent one, with them, 15, that he who makes use of niver water for irngation ercepting by a pith or water couree will be childless. Misfortune will certapily attend the unhappy wight who should venture to pollate the stream by raising water by a mothin onssequence of its being leather! In allustration of the fact my attention was drawn to Aurungzebe's oncampment at

Brahmípuri, a few miles from the village where the conversation oceurred, this monarch had built places for raising the water from the Bhima, and what, it was triumphantly asked, were the consequeuces? Was not the whole army washed away?

7 The two principal roads are the Bijápur and Rajapar, coming from Sholapur they trarerse the pargans, the former through Wangi, Mandrup, and Takli, the latter crossing the Sina at Páthry (of Pargana Sholápur) through Gunjegaon and Mrr. A few rupees would. suffice to put the nullas that now injure them into good order and passable for carts, but the soll is of so heary and black a description that it would cost a very large sum to make these roads so that they would remain in good condition during wet weather. Surrounded as the district is by water on three sides, there are, of course, many fords, and all require some monery to be expended upon them The pnncipal ones are those of Wang1, Honmargi, Takl, Bandarkauta and Murı, to these may be added that of Pathri of the Sholapur Pargana.

8 Education is in its lowest ebb in this district. Very few persons can read and write, many of the kulkarnis are obliged to engage some one more learned than themselves to perform their duties In many instances the duties of several vilages are undertaken by one such individual, this cannot but cause the greatest inconvenience to the public and village service Aes a sample of the careless manner in which the kulkarnis' busmess is conducted and the village records preserved, I beg to refer to Appendix II I endeavoured to ascertann the amount of the revenue of each village for a penod of 20 years, in this table where the columns are blank there are no accounts forthcoming for those years! Now I think such a state of affairs could hardly exist if the kulkarnis were efficient men, and this they cannot be withont education. The number of schools is as follows .-

At Kasbe Mandrup tron, Wángı one, Talegran one, Aunj one, Bárur one, Vinchur one, Kámthı Khurd one, Bandarkauta two, Nımbargı one, total eleven, these are supported entirely by the villagers The Dumála village, Aurad, also has a school.

9 I commenced measuring operations at the begnaing of last November, and classifying about a month afterwards I have found the old survey measurements, upon the whole, very good, indeed as good as could be expected or obtained, only a very few "numbers" have been discovered where there evidently had been rascality When the measurements of some nombers differ widely from what was marked down in the old records, the cause of the difference was generally found by measuring the adjoining fields, and it was only, as above-stated, in a few cases, that it was clear from the measurements of the surrounding numbers being correct, and the suspected numbers far exceeding what was in the village paper, that there had been fraud.

10 But although the gross contents of the numbers were in the old survey generally correetly computed and recorded, I have found that there was a great opening for rascality, and of which advantage was not omitted to be taken in what was denominated the Kharáb or unculturable portion of the numbers There have been made deductions under thus head from the acres of fields where there is no uncniturable ground Mr Pringle in his report to Government of 6th September 1828, in paragraph 167, mentions that he occasionally caused expenments to be made, for the verification of the Native surveycr's work, by the surveyors from the Engineer Institution These were performed by trigonometrical computation of the acres of the villages, and the result was always bighly satisfactory in its confirmation of the work of the Brahmins, the variation from which is seldom greater than might be expected from the difference in the mode of surveying Probably some of the Mandrup villages weie in like manner tested, and the conclusion arrived at was that the kárkuns bad faithfully performed their duty. As far as my examination extended, I was so convinced of this, that I did not at first see the nesessty of re-measuring many of the villages, only those indeed where the original measurements had been rendered of no longer use by the coltavators encroaching upon the waste-land and otherwie destroying the boundanes, however by degrees I have discovered the fraud abovementioned regarding the $K$ harub, and $I$ now see there exists an absolute necessity that the number of every village which has not been re-measured should be carefully examined, and the $K h a r a ́ b$, Where there $1 s$ any measured The Taiams (classifiers) have been strictly enjoned to pay particular attention to this head, and I have kept them constantly on the alert about it.

Perhaps I may be permitted to pass my opinion as to the adoption of acres and guntas and the rejection of the antiquated bighas, scc., by the late and present surveys. I cannot agree with Captain Shortrede who, in the 100th paragraph of his report to Government, dated 44th October 1835, appears to think that the survey measurements occasioned a decrease of ealtivetion The measurement is most frequently in favour of the cultivator, and can hardly be said to be the basia of the assessment, it must have a good deal to do with what a kunbi pays to Government; but the basis of the late assessment as well ms of the present, 18 , I concerve, the soll iteelf, and the kunbl pays more or less according to the quantity of the sonl, the assessment being made on its quality. With regard to the survey measurements being imperfectly understood by the people, the same objection applies equally to the Mámul or any other system. Colonel Sykes in his statistical report truly asys that the Hinda denominations under which land is assessed, demonstrate by their variety and absurdity an ouitré buzarrezess that could scarcely have been looked for in a people reputedly sample and nuform in their opinions and economas. He also considers (alluding, I imagine, to the late survey) that a Revenue Survey was imperatively called for under the indefinte Hindu land denominations, to enable a Collector to regulate his aesessment with a shadow of equality. A glance at his tabular new of these dequminations in his 6th Section would convince, one would think, the most enamoured of the

Native 日ystem of the correctness of his opinion. It is but fair, however, briefy to recall to the remembrance of Government the substance of what Major Robertson an the letter mentioned un the margin states on this same head, vz , that what are termed measures of land in the Deccan, such as the Khand, Ruka, Pyos, \&e , are measures of the powers of the soll and not of superficial extent - that $i t 2 s$ inpossible but the lonal measures of land should vary in size in almost every freld, sance a field of good soll whose measured extent is only one-half that of another, whose powers of production are only half eo great, would have the very same denommation or exponent of its powers as the other field, for the reason that the net produce of both is the same If the small field were called a Khands so should the larger, if the one were a bigha (not a measured bigha) so must the other be a bighu, and so must every other portion of land, let its measured extent be greater or less or equal, in that village yneldung exactly the same measure of net produce. Major Robertsom adds that he has repeatedly and carefully examined these measures as what they are, and thenr extreme accuracy in disclosing the relative capabilitiss of the vanous sols of a village is, in his judgment, indsputable The only measure which is quite uniform is the Sashahi bigha, it formed the standard for the Kamal assessment and never fluctuates, it is totally distinot from the bugha of production mentroned above. Notwnthstanding. what MMajor Robertson has advanced, I cannot but view the adoption of the mnvarying acre as ą measure of no mean value. That there was much mısmeasurement under the late survey, cannot be demed, but not to that extent (I speak of Mandrup Pargana) as totally to vitate the assessment, had the classification of the soll been correct.
12. Little need be said on the classtication, it would occupy far too much space and time to pount out its defects. Government is doubtless already fully satisfied that the real capabilsthes, powers, and qualities of the soll have had but little weight in determining the class under which the telds should be entered.
13. The boundaries (or rather the want of them) have been to me an mereasing source of annoyance. orders after orders have been sent to the Patele, \&tc, of all villages, but they have met with little or no attention. The excuse given is, that there never have been any boundaries to the numbers, and so it appears, nevertheless it is truly astonishung how accurately the limuts are pounted out on a level plain, either cultivated or uncultivated, it seems as yf this was done at random, but, on measuring, the result satisfactorily proves that the patels and others know what they are about. By the same tolien it is olear to my mund that in almost every case of boundary dspputes, whether between the fields of a village or between village and village, one or both parties are guilty of gross and wanton falsehoods in the hope of ganning some more land.
14. I have mentioned that I have aeen no necessity to enturely remeasure some villages, I may add that this is generally the case with those which are almost wholly under cultivation. In consequence of the land on the Sina being superb, and many kunbis from its eastern ade coming across to cultivate, there is very hittle waste land on which tn encroash, and each onitivator has taken good care of his quantum (although there are no boundaries). Of many of these villages only a few numbers have been remeasured for a test; but it has often been necessary to measure others, because, on account of the absence of boundaries, the disputes among the caltivators are numerous; each fancies or pretends to fancy that his nelghbour has encroached upon him, and although on measurng it is clear that the dispatante have therr proper share of land, and that their mutual acousations are groundless, 耳et these quarrels mill be endless, unless the owners of the fields are compelled to make boundaries With a few exceptrons total disregard has been paid to the numerous ordera given on this subject for months past, and a very serious meonventence to me has rasulted therefrom, for $2 n$ many villages, when I procoeded to test the measurement of my ksirkuns, I have often been quite atja loss to ascertann whether they and I measured exactly the same prece of ground, and frequently when there has been the greatest dufference I referred to them to ascertain the canse, and thay had always the answer ready that there were no boundarnes, that they had obeyed my ordera by putting stones or other marks at certan distanoes all round the space they measured, but that the vilagers will not complete the work by makang the bonndary, whoc 18 easaly done eithor by a ndge of earth or by puttung larger stones. The kuabis object to plant trees on the boundaries as marks; they say they collect the burds, and I also found that where tiees are on or near a boundary, they are a frutful source of contention between the ownors of the adjoming fields,
15. The boundary disputes between the vilages are also very numerons, and have excsted for many years ; in some cuses the dispated ground is under cultivation and in others it wo waste. If a settlement could be mede, it would be, no doubt, of great advantage to all parthes, to the oultrators themseives, to the village officers, and to the Government, bat I do not thmk they are worth the expense of a Commission being eepecially apponted for such a mensure ' In many anstances the dusputes have been settled two or three tumes, and the papers are forthcomong, but eanh party refuses to abide by the papers which the othet party produces. It seems to be a hopeless busidess altogether, and any settlement now made would probebly last but a few years.
16. The people of thus disinct are very much impovenshed, and nothing will tead so much to ameiorate this condtion as a hght assessment. With poverty 00 -xints ignoranoe, and these combined lead to nolence developing itself in gang robberies and marders, from which atrocities the Mandrap Pargana onhappily is not exempt. Por want of wealth nearly the whole

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population is compelled to heve recourse to agnculture; but fiom an oppressive land-lax the hamd of industry is paralysed, and the kunbis are prevented making those mprovemente from which much enjoyment and happiness as well as pecuniary recompense would proceed. They are thus reduced to live on the lowest description of food, their standard of comfort being almost confined to a sufficiency of it, being the worst housed, fed, and clothed of any people in the world perhaps, there is no demand for those trades and manufactures which generate and support a respectable middle class population, this state of poverty and wretchedness of the caltivators is gradually undermining the comforts of the class above them, and bids fair to involve all in the same common rum, for by their low standard of comfort they are the mann instruments for bringing down all others to therr own miserable standard. In a late address to the Irish people from upwards of a hundred Working Men's Assoctations in England, Scotland, and Wales, I was so struck with the apphcability to the people of Indas of mach theren stated, that I have not hesitated in penning this paragraph to borrow from it, because with local modifications it applies strictly to the subject on haud, and exhibits attention to facts and the knowledge of applying them.
17. It is panful to observe the expedrents adopted by the ryots, evidently with the intention of allevisting thernselves from severe pressure of as disproportionate an assessment as the one now to pass away. Government at one time exempted all lands with cotton from the tax, immediately a large quantity of ground was sown, but from the miserable crops I have seen I cannot but think that the ryots entertanned no adea of getting a suitable return, the tax was more than they could endure, they were fast beng runed, those few whose doom was not already sealed, were glad to catch at any straw that would afford them temporary reliel and enable them to retain their lands The same remarks apply to the giving out of land on ukts rates, the moment such a measure is proposed, men, who have two or three or at utmost four bullocks, by wo means sufficient for the land they are already holding, immediately seize upon the opportunty thus presented to them, and apparently recklessly take up land which has been lying waste many a year, and which will require mamense labour and expense to bring into condition Their object appears to be to get a certan quantity of land on low rates, so as to equahice in some measue the excessive tax they are paying for their present holding
18. It has been sard (by Major-General Briggs) that the moderate rent or tax so unceasingly ordered by the Court of Directors in almost every despatch on the land revenue of India, ana so strictly enjomed by all the Governments, is an object of visionary attanment that such has been hitherto the case an the Deccan cannot be demed, but I would fann hope that this will no longer be the melancholy fact, but that the dawn of a period of ease and comfort, brought into existence by a new assessment, is now breaking upon the tax-ground-down population of this extensive portion of the Britisli dominions in Hindustan It was the conviction of the absolate necessity of such ay woik as this on which I am engaged, together with the manfestly impoverished condition of the people, which enabled me to prosecute my labour so earnestly as I have done, for had I confined my wiew to the actual treatment I received at their hands, I should soon have giown wealy in well-doing

19 At one time I thought the new rates of assessment should be the name as those of the adjoining district of Mohol, which, I understand, are recommended to be 10 per cent. higher than those of Indapur, bat further experience and intercourse among the people lead me to propose a stall higher rate, $2 \in z$, 15 per cent on the Indapur. Great advantage is enjoyed by the great proximity of many of the Mandrup villages to the market town of sholapur I have frequently experienced the grealest difficultyin piocuring forage, as the ryots prefer taking karba to Sholápur, where they sold it at an enormous profit, the villages on the Bhima enjoyed to a certan extent a similar advantage. Government has alseady declared that every day and hour must be deprecated whech bv delaying a new revision, subjuct the ryots to a continuation of the miseries of a heavy and unequal assessment, it, therefore, affords me extreme satisfaction to report that, with the exception of two whole villages and halt of two others (which may be reckoned as thee enture villages), and which must stand over until after the monsoon, the field woik of the remaining 35 has now been brought to a conclusion, and if the rate proposed by me meets with the approbation and satisfaction of Government, I slall be able during the rans to get ready all the calculation, so that they may come into nperation at the next Jamaband.

20 The bagayet rates of several malás were remolelled a fev years ago by a Pancháet, but I have utterly failed in my endeavours to procure the pioceedings. The survey acres were turned into bighas, and, as well as I con ascertain, the rate fured at Rs 3 per bigha, the bigha was as near as possible three-fourths of an acie, so that the Panchatet rate may be called Rs 4 per acre. I think thus too high, but I am not prepared to say what I would recommend I canuot learn from the people what they think of it, if it is not too heavy a rate, they will not commit themselves by saying so.

21 In some of the central villages there is a good deal of bagayet cultivation, but 12 might be carried to much greater extent, several wells ale now useless, being chocked up with mud, \&c. It is to be regretted that when the Panchaet was engaged in fixing a lighter bagayet rate than that of the survey, its labours were not extended to all those villages where there was bagayet cultivation, instead of to only a few malds

22 In 1246 Fash (1836-37 a d ) the then Princiral Collector, Mr. Miles, allowed a few malds $0^{\circ} \mathrm{K}_{\text {gsba }}$ Mandrup to be taken for a certan term of years at a still further reduced rate
than that of the Panchat, under proviso that the occupants were to repair the wells. Three years have now elapsed, and Appendix III will show how fanthfully the dccupants have acted up to their agreement. My opidion 18, that those who have not fulfilled the terms of the engagement should forthwith be ejected.
23. In recommending a certan rate for this pargana, I beg to observe that I have based entirely on that of Indapur, whach has been particularly proved to be just and equitable. I have not entered into any calculations regarding the expenses of cultivation, produce, \&o, beasuse I do not feel myself sufficiently expernenced in these matters I might easily be deceived or misled, and, therefore, as any such calculations would, in my own opinion, be valueless, I would not presume to offer them to Government. Independent, too, of thes, I find that the Jumar Princpal Collector of Poona, Mr Gibern, states that with regard to the share paid by the ryots generally of the gross and net produce, many practical expernments have been made, and so unsatisfactory is the result on this subject that there are scarcely to be found two perv sons of the same opimin. Also the Principal Collector of Ahmednagar speaks of the cost of production and the amount of the produce as facta of a very unreliable description anywhere and by any person even after long experience
24. I aval myself of the present opportanty of commenting upon a fow ciroumstances which have come under my notice In domg so I must necessarily touch on many points that are not, perhaps, within my province, if eo, I trust Government will not misatifinbute my motives. I naturally feel a great annety in the welfare of a district in which I have expended so much labour and time, the majonty of the people have never seen a European, and I beheve that with a very few exceptions the villages, although so near to Sholapur, have never been entered by on Englishman before myself. I, therefore, in some measure consider it incumbent on me to state what I know, partucularly, too, as the late Assistant Collector, Mr. Stewart, in his ansuety to benefit the ryots to the utmost of his power, requested me on more than one occasion to inform him of anything and everything worthy of notuce, although out of the sphere of my duties.

25 A great irregularity exists in the practice of the village officers not residing in their own villages bat in one at some distance for example, the Patel of Malkantha hives at Barur,日ix miles off, that of Chinchpur at Nandm, upwards of four miles off; the Kalkarnu of Bandagi at Annj, upwards of nine miles off, the Patel of Jamgaon is generally to be found at Begame pur, - miles distant. This must cause frequent inconvonience, besides, if these officers are not present in their proper village, except when eent for, or the occurrence of something recalls them, who is to see after the affars of the village? Donbtless many cueumstances which should be reported, pass annoticed and anknown.
26. Another fact requing mention is one of a most injurions chiaracter to the hardworked Balotidars, enz, the very fow cultivators who reside in the village the land of which they cultivate, the consequence 1s, the Mhars and Balotidars are robbed and cheated of their farr share of balot : the cultivator removes the prodace of his land to the village where he lives, and then, of course, the Balotidar experiences greater difficulty in obtaining his nght than if the cultivator remaned in the same village with himself. This difficulty is greatly increased when, as in the case of the district on which I am reporting, the cultivator lives across the niver where the villages do not belong to the Britush, and where he can put the Baloudars to defance. This custom of non-reandence necessarily increases the Patel's dufficulty un collecting the revenue Having stated this grievance of the Balotidar and entailment of extra work on the Patel, a very few words suffice to mention the remedy I would ouggest, and that is that no man be allowed to occupy land who does not hive an the village to which the land belongs In the instance of indiriduals who cultivate extensively, and have land in neghbouriog villages, an exception might be made This remedy would also have the effect of re-bulding the villages now lying m rums, nor do I think it can be considered objectionable in that it would cause many kunbis to throw up therr land, if it did it would be merely terpporanly The land of this pargana is generally so excellent, that most would prefer removing to the village to throwang up theur holding Another benefit would also, I think, be denved from it in the superior cultivation which would ensue, the occupier, from having his land near at hand and onder has own eye, would pay more attention to it

27 All the vallages have not shetsandis (sepoys), and mauy which have, requre more, agan sometumes more than are neoeseary, to wit, Bandarkáta, which has 15. No village should, be withont one, and, if possible, there should be tro. Circumstances or the locelaty of the villages should be taken into consideration in determining the number. In Appendix IV I have distributed the present estamate of shetsandis according to what appears most judicious from my knowledge of the wants and positions of the villages this hist may, perhaps, be of use should a remodelment of the shetsandz system be deemed advisabls or desirable.

2S. The Deshmukhs and Deshpandes and village officers of this pargana appear to have been exceedingly hardly treated at the late survey in other districts in heu of hakes mám was assigned to them, but, strange to cay, with one or two exceptions in the two first-named classes of officers, no such mam has been given them here. The greatest dissatisfaction and discontent, exista, partioulariy among the Patels and Kulkarnis. They complana bitterly, and with reason, of the depnvation of nghts to which they have been subjected I have made careful mqury, and I cannot find that the above alluded to mam (denominated Kambert:) has in any case been
granted, in hen of the gugri only do they seem to bave reserved any equotalent, and that wa a trifling addition to ther present average on the jamá The exceeding high rates of assessment have thrown the lands of numerons villages out of cultivation and rendered them a howlugg wilderness, so that the jamás have been very small, and the unfortunate village officers starve upon the paltry sums of $4,5,6$, or 8 rupees per annum for all their work, at the same tame they are hable, on account of negligence or misconduct, to a fine, perhapa, double or treble ther annual income. Appendix $\nabla$ whll show the Mushaisa of the Patel and Kalkarn of each vallage for last year

29 The Ballota and Mohtarfa taxes are in many instances exceedingly heavy, and call loudly for a revision. Appendix. VI exhibits these taxes of every vallage in the pargana where they are levied In some cases they are so exorbitant and unreasonable that no one will incur them, so that the table contanus merely those which were actually levied during the past year. The cultivators complain that, while the survey and assessment operations are going on, they have not the same services of the Mhars and Balotidars as at other times, and make this an excuse for not givng the proper proportion of balota or for withholding it altogether. It must be acknowledged that the kunbis have some reason on their ande, and it appesrs to me worthy of conenderation whether the Mhars and Balotidars should not be exempted from the tax for such a portion of ther time as Government makes use of them in carrying on the survey in their village The case of the Mhars is particularly desel ving of some such exemption, because they are constantly employed in carrying letters, \&c, and the tax taken from them by Government is avowedly in heu of service
30. The utter absence of medical ard is a subject that has specially forced itself upon my attention Multiplied and melancholy matances of sickness and death have falien under my notice dunng my peregrination in the jungles, and it is really appalling to reflect how much disease and masery exist among the poor Natives They have no peison of medical skill to apply to, and those of then countrymen to whom they have recourse are the veriest quacks, whose ignorance only aggravates what they pretend to presenbe for. I beg respectfully to suggest that a qualified Native practitioner be fixed at the centrical village of Mandrup, with duections to thavel about the district periodically and report accordingly I feel less hesitation in making thas suggestion than I otherwise should do from the belief that the welfare of the milhons placed by Providence under the Britush Government is now more the object of its solicitude than in the dark days of bygone years
31. My report would be incomplete did I not, before concludnag, briefly dwell upon the extreme annoyances I and my establishment have been exposed to from the people of the district-dumng our operations In some cases they have been of a nature moie meulting to me than I could have expected from persons who readuly admitted the value of and were loud in their expressions of gratitude for the labours that, as the executive officer of the Government, I was both personally undertaking and superntending on thear behalf These annoyances, too have been highly detrimental to the progress of the work I have been singularly entuated in as far as theie was no civil officer in the districe to whom I could on the moment apply The Natives very soon discovered I had no authority, and the trouble they gave me and mpedıments they threw in my way uncreased I was quite at a loss what to do I spoke to the Acting Collector, Mr. Stewart, who told me to send the cases to him I accordingly sent a few, but was obliged to diccontinue, partly lecanse they were so numerous that ifelt sure they would cause great interruption to Mr Stewart's other duties, and partly on account of the extreme delay and unconvenience which arose from the karkuns of my establishment being obliged to proceed to Sholápur If the number of days the several kárkuns were away fiom therr work on account of the few cases I forwarded, were added together, they would amount to 4 months This is a great deal when it is considered that the working season 18 barely 9 monthe altogether, and also that the cases were of a trifling nature, auch as the villagers refusing to allow the kárkuns to measure certain fields, or else taking np the signal stones and remonng them to another spot as soon as the kárkans proceeded to measure, or else taking up and throwing aside the boundary stones they put down, \&c These appear to be circumstancen ntterly unworthy of notice, but it must be remembered that seveial days' delay occur during the karkun's reporting the case and recelving my reply what to do, and also uf allowed to pass unnoticed they multiply, for those persons acquanted with the character of the Natives will admit that none are so ready to exceed all bounds if allowed the least latitude

GEORGE HENRY ROBERTSON, Eneign,
Assist. Supt, Revenue Suivey and Assessment in Mandrap.
Camp near Poona, 1st August 1840
No 63 oz 1840.
To
G BLANE, Esquire,
First Assistant Collector in charge,
Sur,
I have the honour to transmit reporta by Captan Bellasis and Lieutenant Robertson, proposing rates of asfessment for the divisions of the Sholápur Taluks in which the prexen

Revenue Survey operations were conducted under their superintendence These reports were received by me so long ago as last monsoon, but, findung it would be mpossible to mtroduce the revised assessment at the present Jamaband, there remanned no object to be gauned by lay1ng tham at once before Government, and I thought it every way preferable to await a decision mn the case of the Mohol and Madha tallukas before submitting further proposals for any of the distriets of this collectorate, and having now completed the introduction of the new rates in the districts just mentioned, and had opportumties of observing their immediate effects, I feel myself enabled to speal whth more confidence of the results to be anticupated from the estension of simlas settlements to other quarters

2 The aocompanying reports will be found to contan ample mformation regardng the soils, clemate, and circumstances of the Sholápur Taluka, and I have only occasion to observe that these, in all essential respects, are the same in the adjoming districts of Mohol and Madha. One great advantage, however, possessed by this talluka is the market of Sholapur, and to this we may safely ascribe the fact of its revenue and cultivation having, under our management, been less subject to the extremes of fluctuation and depression so remarkable in other distrucrs

3 Notwithstanding, however, the fact of the present revenue and cultivation being fully equal to the average of past years, there is yet no want of conmocing endence to show that the present state of thus district 18 far from being one of prosperity, and that the condition of the cultivators has become seriously deteriorated during the course of our administration, and this, too, in despite of the extensive and flourishing market of Sholapur, where the demand for agncultural produce is now greater than it ever was in the tumes of our ummedate predecessors For detals on the subject of these remarks I beg to refer you to the accompanying reports; but may here observe that my own tours through the districts have fully satisfied me as to the utter absence of activity or enterprize among the cultivatore, and the generally wretched state of the villages, and husbandry-curcumstances the more remarkable from the favoured position of the district in other respects.

4 That this state of things is chiefly owing to an excessive land tax, I feel convinced from reflection on the subject and still more from observation, of the happy 1esults wheh have ummediately followed a reduction in every one of the districts hitherto settled In a clumate so subject to drought as that of the Deccan, it will probably be found impracticable to avert entrely the necessity of annual remissions, at least until Bagayet cultivation is greatly more extended and the condition of the cultivators much mproved, but it is only necessary to uspect the table given an a subsequent page, and rate the large amount of annual remussions and outstanding balanoes, averagng 20 per cent of the land revenue, to be convinced of the present assessment being grievously disproportioned to the means of the cultivators, and, in illustration of the opposite effects of heary and light assessment, it would be dafficult to give a more foroble example than 18 furnished by the villages of Ulha and Honsal in the Sholápur Pargana, described in the 24th and 25th paagraphs of Captam Bellassis' report.
5. These two villages adjorn one another, and the quality of their lands is much alike, but by one of the caprices of the survey classification the rates of one village are about double those of the other. The heavily-assessed village which Captan Bellass himself well recollects as flounshing and populous a few years back, 18 now, he aays, next to deserted, the shops are removed, all the trees "have disappeared, and the place in rungs," while great part of the land les waste, the revenue has decined to not much more than a half of its former amount, and an enormous balanoe has accumulated on the unfortunate villagers. Contrasted with this, the hghtly-assessed village of Honsal, "where nearly the whole arable land 28 under the plough, the revenue improving, and Rs 80 only outstanding, while the amount of remassion given during the last 7 years does not exceed Rs 100 " And in further proof of the importance of a moderate assessment, I beg to mstance the district of Indapur, which has enjoyed for some years the benefits of the new settlement, and where the remissions given in the present unfavourable season have been little more than nominal, being about Rs $8,000 \mathrm{in}$ a revenue of Rs 75,000 , while the latter sum is much in excess of the average collections of the years preceding the revised settlement From theory then, and actual observation of the effects of moderate and heavy assessments I am equally led to condude that the present stationary, if not dechinng, condation of the Sholápur Taduka is chiefly, if not solely, due to the weight of its land tax.

6 Trusting to have satisfactorily established the necessaty of a reduction, I shall now endeavour to show to what extent this should be effected, with reference to the standards already established in the settlement of other districts Captan Bellasis, in his 29th and following paragraphs, gives has reasons for proposing an increase of 33 per cent on the Indapour rates for Sholapur, or to make the rate in the latter distrot Re 1 per acre for the best description of soll I am madmed to agree with him in this opmion from the table of prices given in my report upon Mohol and Mádha, it appears that, taking Indápur as a standard, the selling price of grain in the Sholápur bazar has been about 35 per cent. better than in Indápor during the last 5 years The bazar price at Sholépur is, however, considerably higher than the average price in the villages of the district, from this town being the single market for the whole produce of the talluka (which is not the case with Indapur), and this carcamstance will make the price at Sholapur 10 per cent, at least, higher than in the district generally The prices of the Mohol District agree very nearly with those of Indapur, and, consequently, vary to the same extent from those of Sholapur, and I estmate that the cultivator in the Mámlatdar's division of the latter taluka can ordinarily obtain about 25 per cent better prices than

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those of the two former distncts He also possesses considerable advantages over the ryots of distant districts in the facilities afforded for the disposal of the more bulky portion of his produce, and the purchase of clothes, spices, and other articles for domestic consumption at the Sholápur bazar He has, however, to pay a higher price for his salt than the inhabitants of Mohol and Indápor, which lie nearer to the cosst The balance of these advantages and disadvantages, however, is decidedly in favour of the Sholapur cultivator, and I feel assured that the rates advocated by Captain Bellasis, although somewhat higher than are deducible from a consideration of prices alone, may be adopted with perfect safety and without danger of assessing him relatively higher than those of the districts already settled.

7 These rates, however, will require some abatement for the Mandrup Pargana, which is separated from the rest of the thluka by the miver Sina, which, when in flood or during the four monsoon months, prevents the produce of this division from readily finding its way to the market of Sholdpur This and the greater distance separating most of its villages from the latter town, operate considerably to the disadvantage of its cultivators, compared with those of the Mámlatdấ's division, but due allowance, would, I think, be made for this by fixing its rates about midway between those of the latter division and of the Mohol District Lieutenant Robertson proposes rates of 15 per cent in radvance of those of Indapur, of 5 per cent in advance of Mohol for this pargana, but this increase does not appear sufficient to secure equality of assessment, and I beg to recommend rates 20 per cent in advance of those of Indápur for the Mandrup Pargana
Table of the Gross Land Assessment of the Sholdapur Táluka, dureng 17 years of Britrsh management, the remrsstons givten, balances still due, and sums actually realızed up to termination of the year A.D. 1838-39.

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| 1824-25 |  | 1,60,492 009 | 72,668 90 | 1,496 78 | 86,427 0 6 |
| 1825-26 | * | 1,66,257 14 0 | 16,144 118 | 372658 | 1,46,387 70 |
| 1826-27 |  | 1,69,875 15 6 | 17,553 88 | $8,633{ }^{9} 10$ | 1,43,68× 1211 |
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| 1829-30 |  | 1,46,050 15 | 38,358 4 0 | 9,018 01 | 98,674 118 |
| 1830-31 | $\cdots$ | 1,53,013 110 | 34,435 0 6 | 9,448 11 5 | 1,09,129 151 |
| 1831-32 | - .- | 1,26,499 110 |  | 13,877 0 | 1,12,622 10 6 |
| 1832-33 |  | 1,21,731 610 | $87,624 \times 10$ | $1,251{ }^{2} 7$ | 32,856 0 |
| 183334 | - | 1,32,108 46 |  | 4,299 139 | 1,27,808 6 |
| 1834-35 | - | $1,25,625$ 9 | 2,140 159 | 6,505 0 | 1,16,979 8 |
| 1835-36 |  | 1,26,149 14 2 | 1,133 115 | 3,347 70 | 1,21,608 119 |
| 1836-87 | - | 1,37,291 14 | 4,903 11 0 | $\begin{array}{lll}889 & 4 & 8\end{array}$ | 1,31,498 15 |
| 1837-38 | ... | 1,32,883 102 | 15,903 157 | 5,86488 | $1,11,315$ <br> 12 |
| 183839 |  | 1,34,004 144 | $\begin{array}{llll}11,248 & 7 & 5\end{array}$ | 2,109 005 | 1,20,647 6 6 |
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In the second column of this statement, besides the assessment upon land in cultivation, is included the amounts recervable from sheep and grazing farms, melon-beds, \&c.,-in fact, every item of assessment falling upon the land. In the third and fourth columns the remissions given and balances still due on account of sayer zevenue are included, but a liberal allowance 18 made for this at the foot of the statement, whule the realizations given in the last column, must be in excess of the truth, in consequence of the entries including the full allowances to Hákdars, \&e, but considerable balances are due to these officers from every village, although not shown in the public accounts

8 I now proceed to show the effect the adoption of these rates will have upos the revenue The gross collections (inclusive of allowances to Hákdars, \&ce) on account of the land revenue during the last 17 years, as will be seen from the table above, give an average of Rs, 1,16,000 per annum, as nearly as I can estimate, whle the average of the last 4 years is Rs $1,23,000$.
9. The rates now proposed for the Kamavisdar's division, as shown by Captain Bellasis in his 3lat paragraph, will average 6 annas per acre, bat in Mandrup, where the sonl is sapemor, this average will be exceeded and probably reach 7 annas per acre. According to these rates the total rental of the taluka, exclusive of naim, would amount to $\mathrm{Rs}_{\mathrm{s}} 1,22,000$ nearly, and if to thus be added Ris 5,000 for the extra cess to be imposed on water-lands and items of the "an
jamá" not embraced in the regular assessment, we have Rs, $1,27,000$ as the maximum land rental under the revised settlement. This is Ras, 11,000 in excess of the average collections of the last 17 years, and Rs. $4,000 \mathrm{~m}$ excess of those of the last 4 years. Under the new settiement, then it is not probable that the average collections on account of land will exceed what we have hutherto obtamed from the district, but this affords no ground for concluding that the reduction now proposed is excessive The nerghbourhood of a large market and good and steady prices of grann have kept a large portion of the Sholápur District under tullage throughout the period of our management, and prevented the excessive fluctuations in cultivations and revenue so remarkable in other tálukas, but that, under crrcumstances so favourable, the condition of the cultivators should have been deteriorated, or at least stationary, as a striking proof of the burdensome nature of the present assessment. The advantages of a ready market for all kinds of agricoltural produce are so important, that thas district could not have faled to prosper under our management had the assessment been at all moderate.
10. Although the settlement now proposed holds out little prospect of any durect morease of revenue beyond that of past cultivations, it will yet ensure Government aganst any matenal decrease, and holds out the farrest promise of changing a poor and stationary, if not decayng, district into one comparatively wealthy, populous, and improving-and I advance this opinon whth the more confidence from observation of the happy effects of moderate assessment, already being rapudly developed, in the Mohol and Mádha districts, where numerous new wells are now being dug by cultivators at therr own charge, bunds are being thrown up for the protection and improvement of fields, and a strikang umcrease of activity 18 exhibited in husbandry generally Durıng ray late Jamábandı settlement I recerved an unusual number of petitions for Tagé to build and repaur wells or construct bunds, and the prospect, of indastry now meetng its due reward, may be sadd to have given the coltivators new hife. Whie this is nothing more than what with reason was anticipated of the new settlement, it 18 yet gratifying to find that our expeotations upon this head are so soon being realized
11. The present Bagayet assessment of the Sholápur Distriet, of which I have now to say a few words, was fixed by a Panchaet, about three years baok, on a plan of the late Ravenue Commissioner's, and is noticeed by Captain Bellasis in his 14th, and by Leutenant Robertson in his 20th and followng paragraphs The former officer states he has heard no complants of it and that it appears farr. It is certannly moderate but very unequal, as the rates per acre vary from under Rs 2 up to Ras. $6 \frac{3}{4}$; and $I$ beheve that the number of nores allotted to the gardens are 1 m many cases under-rated--on this account, and to ensure greater equality of assessment, as well as sumlarity of system in the nowly-settled dustrict, the extension to this district of the plan carried into effeot in Indápur, Mohol and Mádha would, I thunk, be adrisable The plan onginally proposed for the latter districts differed in a alight degree from that carried into effect in the first-mentioned, but the modifications not haring met the spproval of Government, the Indápur plan has bean adhered to Every garden whatever, whetner previously taxed or not, has been assessed at one uniform rate of Rs. 2 per aore, the number of acres belng adjusted to meet the difference in the supply of water and other circumstances affecting the value of the land for the purposes of irrigation. This settiement, as I have good grounds for believing, proved generally acceptable to the Bagayet cultuvators, and notwithstandng that the aggregate amount of the extra tax thus imposed 18 very consderable, being upwards of Rs. 8,000 for the two districts of Mohol and Madha, very few complants, undeed, have been made to me of our assessment. I beg, therefore, to recommend the adoptron of this plan in the Sholapur District, and it may be remarked of the exnsting setilement there, that 15 was untended by the late Revenue Commussioner as a temporary arrangement, pending a regular revision of assessment.
12. To the rates recommended for the Mśmlatdar's divsion of the taluka, I would suggest that exceptions be made in the eases of the villages of Mangrul and Narkhed, which are both, as will be seen from the map appended to Captann Bellasis' report, situated at a great distance from the market of Sholapur, and completely separated from the rest of the talluka by His Highness the Nizam's territory. To these villages the Mandrap rates ought, I think, to be applied, and I have further to reoommend that the nullage of Narkhed be transferred to the Mohol Táluka, as it is placed at a most meonvenient distance from Sholapar, and does not adjoin any other village of thè táluka, while it is withun six miles of the Mamlatdár's station at Mohol, and only separated from his district by the river Sins, which at this place is easly fordable almost throughout the year, and is also furnished with means of communication in floods. Narkhed is, consequently, essily accessible from Mohol at all seasons, and as a further argument in favour of the transfer suggested, I would observe that the Mohol District is amsill and easily managed, while the oharge of the Mámiatdár of Shoĺapur 18 undoubtedly too extensive.
13. It will be observed that there are many other points of anterest and mportance ecattered through the accompanyug reports, which, though well-deserving of attention, I have preferred to leave natouched, morder to keep the question of assessment as free as possible from all extraneous diseussion.
14. Should the rates here proposed, vis, an merease of 33 per cent. on those of Indapur, for the Mamlatder's and 20 per ceat. for the Mahalkari's division of the taloks, meet the approval of Government, I need hardly recommend that they be protected by the lease of 30 years, sanctioned in the case of the Mohol, Madha, and Indapor districts. The matimation of thas lease has been receeved by the cultuvators here with unmingled satisfaction, and it wull, I feel ussured, do as much towards the rapid improvement of the conntry as the reduction of assessments it:elf.
15. Before concluding, I have only further to request that jou will kindly take the earlest practicable opportunity of submitting these proposals for sanction, as the Sholápur Taluka 18 large, and the new accounts will take long 2 n preparing. The time when this can most convenuently be done, is durnng the cessation of field operations in the monsoon months, and, if protracted beyond this period, it can only be effected at additional trouble and expense by the entertannment of extra kérkuns, and at a time when the attention of the European officer is neeessarily ehrefly occupred with his operations in the field.

I have the honour to be, \&c,
(Signed) G. WINGATE,
Camp at Bembla, 294n Aprıl 1840
Supernntendent, Revenue Survey.

No 139 or 1840.
To

## J. VIBART, Esquirb,

Revenue Commissioner.

## Sir,

I have the honour to forward an original report from Lientenant Wingate, proposing new rates of assessment for the Sholápar Taluka, and as he is anxions that the subject should be lard before Government with as little delay as possible, I take the first opportumity of submitting his report without detainng it to offer any remarks on the proposals it contanas
2. Having so slight an acquantance with the district under consideration, it would appear presumptuous in me to offer an opinion, particularly when at variance with that of one of so much expemence and of such sound judgment as Lieutenant Wmgate. From the observations I have been able to make during the Jamabandı settlement of this taluka, the inferences that I should have drawn would have led to a different conclusion regarding the condition of the ryots than that represented by Lieutenant Wingate The past season, though far from a favourable one, has not called for any great sacrifice of revenue Petitions for remissions have not been so numerous as might have been expected, and the collections have proceeded without any unusual difficulty or pressure on the ryot.
3. The large remissions and outstanding balances of former years which are pointed to, can scarcely be solely attributed to the impovernshed state of the cultivators. A lax system of management and the extensive frauds which have been brought to light, are quite sufficient to account for these results, and so far from the ryots not having the means of payment, we know that, at all events, a large portion of the losses that the revenue has sustaned is not at all chargeable to them

4 With these observations I will content myself with expressing my opmon that the rates proposed for the Sholapur Táluka are not too high

5 Regardung the transfer of the village of Narkhed to the Mohol Taluka, there appears to be no objection to such a measure, as it is a "Phutgaon" and will not interfere with the pargana division, I would beg, therefore, to recommend that Mr, Wimgate's suggestions be adopted.

I have the honour, \&c., (Signed) G. BLANE,
Head Aserstant Collector in Charge.
Collector's Office,
Sholápur, 7th May 1840.

No. 603 or 1840.

## To

L. R. REID, Esquire,

Chef Secretary to Government, Bombay.
SIR,
I have the honour to forward a letter from the Assistant in charge of Sholápur, dated 7th instant, No. 939, submitting reports from Lieutenant Wingate, Captann Bellasis, and Lientenant Robertson relative to the rates proposed by them for the two divisions of the Sholápor Talaks in which the survey has been completed. Lieutenant Wingate in paragraphs 3 and 4 discasses the necessity of introducing lower rates in this taluka than are at present in force, and in my
opinion a case for reduction has been made out. It is true, from what is shown, that the condition of the ryots of this taluka is not certainly so depressed as in the other parts of the zullah in which the survey has been completed. It must be recollected, however, that the situation of the Sholapur Taluka possesses numerous advantages in point of clumate and the proximity of the flournshing market of Sholapor, where the demand for agncultural produce is greater than when the country came into our possession, it will be seen, however, that, notwithstanding these advantages, the situation of the ryots has seriously deteriorated under our management, large outstanding balances have accumulated, year after year Government have been called on to grant heavy remissions, and we have Lieutenant Wingate's evidence, based on actual personal investigations, as to the absence of all activity and enterprize amonget the cultivators, and that the villages and husbandry are generally throughout the taluka in a wretched state The Assistant Collector of Sholapur states that his own observations do not lead him to the same conclosion relative to the state of the ryots as upheld by Lieutenant Wingate, and in support of his opinion he states that, though the past year was an unfavourable one, no great sacrice of revenue has been called for, and that the collections have been made without any unusual difficulty or pressure; and he attributes the large remissions of former years and the outstanding balances, not so much to the depressed state of the ryots as to the lax system of management, and the extensive frauds that have been discovered Mr. Blane submits his opinion with some diffidence, opposed as it is to that of Lneutenant Wingate and the other officers of the survey, who, Le allows, have had more experrence of that part of the country, and are consequently better able to form a sound judgment on the subject Mr. Blane, however, gives a qualified support to the revised rates, which, he states in paragraph 4, are not, in hus opinion, too high

The inference $I$ draw from the reports before us is, that the state of thas taluka $1 s$, on the whole, more favourable than the others for which the re-assessing of rates has been aanctioned, and that, taking the situation, clmate, \&e., into consideration, a considerably bigher rate can be imposed than in the Indapur and Mohol Talukas.

This, it will be seen, is the opinion also of Lieutenant Wingate and his Assistants, who propose an increase of 33 per cent for Sholapur, and 20 per cent for Mandrup over the Indápur rates ; and I am respectfully of opinion, for the reasons adduced by Lieutenant Wingate, that Government should sanction them

It will be seen that the whole rental of the taluka according to the proposed rates will amount to Rs $1,22,000$ independent of the extra cess on irrigated lands, and some hâks not moluded in the regulas assessment, which will amount to about Rs. 5,000 more, giving as the maximum of land rental under the new rates Rs $1,27,000$, being Rs. 11,000 in excess of the collection of the past 17 years, and Rs. $4,000 \mathrm{in}$ excess of the last 4.

With reference to the 11th paragraph of Lieutenant Wingate's letter, it appears that the present assessment of the Bagayet lands was made on a plan of my predecessors as a mere temporary measure until the regular system should be introduaed The assessment is represented as moderate, though in some cases unequal. On this account, as well as to ensure similarity of assessment in the early settled districts, I would beg to support Lueutenant Wingate's proposition, that the system introduced with regard to these lands in Indspar, Madha, and Mohol and whech has been found to work well, should be extended to the Sholapar Taluka. I beg also respectfully to record, for the reasons set forth in paragraph 12, that the proposed rates for Mandrup should be adopted for the two villages of Mangrul and Narkhed I think also it nould be advisable to sanction the transfer of the village of Narkhed to the Mohol Taluka as ploposod by Lieutenant Wingate The Assistant Collector in charge supports this arrangement.

Should Government be pleased to sanction the rates now proposed, I would respectfully suggest that they be declared in force for a period of 30 years as in the districts already settled. The reports of Captain Bellasis and Lieutenant Robertson will, no doubt, be read by Government with great satisfaction, the manner in which the survey of this taluks has been conducted, reflects the greatest credit, in my opinion, on both those officers.

I have, \&ce.,
J. VIBART,

Poona, SOLA May 1840.
Revenue Commseloner.

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Tbrrizorial Departienty, Refynog.
To

## J. VIBART, EsqCiRe,

Revenue Commassioner:-
Sir,
I am directed by the Hon'ble the Governor in Coumell to acknowledige the recent of your letter No 603, dated the 30th May last, and Its enclosures, respecting the revised rates of assessment which are to be sdopted un the trio divisions (Sholápor and Mandrup) of the Sholápur I'uluka.

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2. It is proposed to fix the rates for the different classes of land in Mandrup at 20 per cent, and those of the Sholapur Division at 33 per cent above the Indápur rates. The grounds on which the propositions for the higher rate aie based, are the supenority of the Sholapur Taluka in market, soil, and climate-1ncidents the value of which it may be difficult exactly to define, but which must operate wrth great weight on the eapability of payng an assessment. - In climate the two dirisions of Sholapur and Mandrup are probably equal The latter seeme, from Lneutenant Wingate's 9th paragraph to possess an advantage in soil, while the former 18 better situated from the immediate vicinity of the large and increasing market of Sholapur.

3 The difficulty, however, of crossing the Sina during the monsoon, though certamly occasioning a difference in the position of the two divisions, is too much dwelt upon, as a disadvantage to Mandrup, in paragraph 7 of Leutenant Wingate's letter, for the transit of grain or other produce is but trifling throughout the wet months, and there is ample time before the rams fall for the conveyance of all produce to the market.

4 Comparng Mandrup with Indápur and the other districts in which the rates of assessment have been fixed, it does not appear that the advance of 20 per cent. on the Indápur rates 15 too high. When a further advance of 13 , making a total of 33 per cent, can well be appled to Sholapur and Ahirwári, is not perhaps quite so clear, but it is recommended by Captann Bellasis, Laeutenant Wingate, and yourself, and this weight of authority is considered by Government sufficient to counterbalance any doubts which the largeness of the merease may create. The proposed sates are, therefore, approved, and the settlement according to them should be made, as in the case of Indapur, \&e, for a term of thirty years.

5 The assessment of the Bagayet may proceed on the plan sanctioned for Indápur, Mohol, and Mádha. The Governor in Council concludes that the Bagayet xs ull mothusthal, or from wells, as to that alone the Indapur rates apply. Such, indeed, appeass to be the case, as Captain Bellas:s expressly states it as regards Sholápur in paragraph 14, and Lieutenant Robertson in paragraph 6 explans that no advantage is taken of the vinuty of the Bhma and Sina rivers fur purposes of urrigation.
6. It must not be overlooked that the system pursued at Indapur, of ratnge each well at a certan number of acres, to be assessed at the standard of rupees two per acre, was adopted under an untimation that the extent of Bagayet on that talaka was but trifling, and it was therefore, but of little importance what rate of assessment was fixed, provided it was low The efficers of the survey should be careful, therefore, in recommending the same system in talukas differently situated and possessing greater facility of irrigation

7 The 1 ates of Mandrap may be adopted for the two villages of Mangrul and Narkhed and the latter village may be transferred from the Sholapur to the Mohol Taluka, as recommended by you in paragraph 7 From an mospection of Captain Bellasis' map it seems desirable that an exchange should be effected, with the Nizam's Government, of Mangrul, which is situated in the midst of his districts, for Pople and Sewno, which belong to that State, and are surrounded by our villages, but this, it is apprehended, cannot be effected The map likewise shows several villages in the centre and extreme confines of the Ahirwari Division, which seem to be attached to the Mámlatdar of Sholapur, while they might be much more easily managed by the Mahalkari of Ahurwán. You are requseted to consider whether it may not be advisable to transfer them to the charge of the latter officer.

8 The reports of Captain Bellasis and Leeutenant Robertson are deserving of much prase These officens bave devoted themselves zealously to the task they have undertaken, and have shown themselves to be actuated by an earnest desire for the improvement of the country and the promotion of the best interests of the agricultural classes

9 There are several points of interest touched apon, particularly in Leutenant Robertson's able report, on which no remarks have been made by you or Leentenant Wingate, with a view of keeping the subject of assessment distinct, and, as Lieatenant Wingate expresses it, ' as free as possible from all extraneous discussion" The Governor in Council trusts, however, that these important subjects, though for a time passed over, will be duly considered and brought forward by you at a fitting opportunity, and particulanly that your attention bas been attracted to the remarks made by Lieutenant Robertson, on the difficulties which he experienced in the prosecution of the work, from the conduct of the district and village officers, and that you have resued such instructions as may be requisite, in order to oblige these servants of the State to faclitate, instead of obstructing, the operations of the Survey.

# I have, \&e., (Signed) L. R. REID, 

Bombay Castle, 8th Axgust 1840
Chef Secretary.
No 436 op 1872.

> Ratnágırn Dtatruct, Camp Deola, 30th March 1872

The Superntendent commences his report with a careful summary of the anformation regarding the first settlement of the district, and its general condition as given in the reports of
the former Survey Officers, copies of which will be found in the appendioes to his own report. The ohief point calling for remark is that affecting the difference of opinion between the Sarvey and Revenue Officers as to the condation of the people at the period referred to.
2. The Survey Assistants (Messrs. Bellasis and Robertaon) represent the country generally to have been in an mproverished state,-vallages depopulated, and cultivation decliming, this depressed etate of things being attributable, in their opinion, to the oppressively high rates of assessment obtaning at that time. Lieutenant Wingate, the Supenntendent of the Survey, seems to have taken somewhat the same new of the case, his opinion being thus summarized by Colonel Waddngton in his review of the correspondenoe -"Captann Wingate, in forwarding the above reporte, expresses his conviction that the state of the distriot was noti one of prosperity-that the condition of the cultivators had deteriorated dunng the course of our administration - that there was an utter absence of activity or enterprize, and that the state of villages and husbandry was generally wretched" He (Lieutenant Wingate) agrees writh his Assistants in ascribing this state of things to an excessive land-tax.
3. The Revenue Officer in oharge of the Collectorate, Mr Blane, dissents from Lieutenant Wingate's conclusion, stating that, from the observations which he has been able to make during the Jamábands settlement of the talutr, "the anferences he should have drawn would have led to a different conclasion regarding the condition of the ryots than that represented by Lueutenant Wingate." The real state of the case is correctly described, in my opinon, in the following extract from the Revenue Commassioner's letter in submitting the reporte to Government-" "The inference," he observes, "that I draw from the reports before us, is that the state of this taluka 19 , on the whole, more favourable than the others for which the re-assessing of rates has been sanctioned, and that taking the situation, climate, \&e, into consideration, a considerably higher rate can be imposed than in the Indápur and Mohol Talukas"
4. But the Survey Officers, though taking a somewhat exaggerated view of the depressed condition of the district, were nevertheless very decidedly of opunon that it could bear a considerably higher assessment than had been mposed in Indapur and accordnggly fixed their rates for the villages round about the town of Sholapor 33 per cent, and for those of the Mandrup Division 20 per cent higher than the Indapur ccale of rates, 1 rupee berng the maximum in the former case, and 14 annas in the latter The steady extension of eultivation which followed immediately apon the antroduction of the settlement and continaed throughout the first decade, coupled with the faot of the revenue hanng been realized with but slight remissions averaging Rs 315 out of a demand of Rs. $1,34,168$, shows clearly that the rates were favourable from the first, even with the low prices of the period.
5. After thurty years of low rates, with prices now about 100 per cant. higher than when the settlement was first introduced, a ralway established, and roads and commancations in a perfect state, it is not surpnsing, mended it is but natural to find that the materal wealth of the district has been greatly augmented, and the condition of the cultivator muchimproved in the interval since our harst settlement was introduced. Referring to the statistics given in the report for information bearng on these pounts, we find -
(a) That the population has mereased in the proportion of 26 per cent.
(b) Working cattle has ince eased in the proportion of 25 per cent

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| (d) Plorghs | do | do | 111 | do |

The prosperous condition of the cultivators is further shown by the constraction of 75 Paragraph 22. chaurres and dharamshallas (chefly at their own expense) and
Paragraph 22. $\quad 537$ new wells The report also shows 75 old wells to have been repared, there beng now 1,514 wells in working order. The value of the property in land-the occupanoy right of which the Superintendent reports to be saleable at from 10 to 70 years' purchase of the assessment according to situation-is another source of wealth which has been acqured during the lease.

6 It 18 pleasing also to notice the spread of eduoation which has already taken place. According to the Survey Officers' reports, there were but 12 sehools in the district at the tume themr operations were carried out. There are now, Colonel Waddugton informs us, " 59 schools attended by 1,986 pupuls. Of these 89 are kept by private andividuals and 20 supported by Government. In the City of Sholapur there are 4 Government schools, in one of which Enghish alone is taught, the number of boye beng 100, and one is a gris' school attended by 40 papila There are besides in the aty 21 private sehools, in one of whuch, contanning 15 pupils, Englash 15 taught; the rest being vernacular'"

7 The Superntendent has given a full acoount (paragraphe 31 and 38) of the workng of the settlement dumng the 30 yeara' lense He has also forwarded a dagram, prepared in the usual manner, and exhbisting in detail the results of which he has given a summary by decades in the paragraphs noted above. The only notevorthy caroumstance in the fiseal history of the settlement is the small nucrease of revenue, as compared mth other Doccan Districte, which has taken place during the lease. Thie revenne in the first two years is stated to have amonnted to atout Rs, 1,31,000. It averaged only Re $1,34,168$ dunng the first decade, Rs. 1,39,268 during the seoond, and Rs. 1,4S,S87 durng the last decade The dufference between the
revenue of the first two years and of ats annual average during the last ton years being but Rs 17,887 , equavalent to only $13 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent, whereas in Indapur the revenue was nearly cent. per cent ligher at the close of the 30 years than it was prior to the introduction of the settlement It was, however, foreseen by Lieutenant Wingate that the settlement would not be a paying one for Government In referring to this subject he states as follows -"Under the new settlement, then, it is not piobable that the aveiage collections on account of land will exceed what we have bitherto obtaned from the district, but this affords no ground for concluding that the reduction now proposed is excessive. The negghbourhood of a large market and good and steady prices of grain have kept a large portion of the Sholapur District under tillage throughout the period of our management, and pievented the excessive fluctuations in cultivation and revenue so remazkable in other tálukas, but that under croumstances so favourable the condition of the cultivators should have deteriorated, or at least remained stationary, 18 a striking proof of the burdensome nature of the present assessment The advantages of a ready market for all kinds of agncultural produce are so mportant that this district could not have falled to piosper under our management had the assessment bean at all moderate"

In noticing the cultivation of the land the Superintendent states it to be his opinion that no improvement in this matter has taken place doring the lease, "agricultural operations being," he observes, "conducted in the same primitive and martistic manner noticed in the annexed reports, little on no attention being pard to weeding ol manuring the land, or to rotation of crops except when urigated, "' and he quotes the remarks of his Assistant, Mr Fletcher, in confirmation of this opinion My own observations lead me to dissent from the opinion these officers have come to, for I have noticed a considelable mprovement in the character of the cultivation of this part of the Deccan of late years
9. As regaids the implements employed, therr remarks may be said to be correct, for the cultivator of to-day uses the same kind of plough and the same implements for cleaning and sowng the land as were in use thuty years since, but, judging trom former reports, I am certan that more care and labour are now bestowed in tillage operations with these implements than under the system of faiming followed at that thme It is still, I may observe, a debateable point as to whether the intioduction of English ploughs and other farming implements would be of any good in mereasing the production of the soll For my part I think not, for I inchine to the opimion that the primitive implements used by the cultivator are well surted to the purpose, as they certamly are to his means and to the working power he can command.

10 In making these remarks I by no means admit that the cultivation of this part of the Deccan may not be improved. The introduction of other products which would afford the means of having a better system of rotation, and a more careful selection of the grain used for seed in the case of the present staple products, are measures which, in my my opinon, would effect a considerable improvement It whll be seen, however, that attempts were made thirty years ago to introduce superior products, experiments having been made in the cultivation of the Mauritius sugar-cane and potatoes. Captan Bellasis reports somewhat favourably of the experiments at the time referred to, but his anticipations were not realized, the culture of both products having long since ceased entirely. The result in this case is certannly somewhat discouraging, but the success which has attended more recent experiments, in the cultivation of cotton, for instance, gives hopes of something favourable being done for Shold́pur eventually.
11. At piesent jowann is the staple product, covenng 75 per cent. of the total area. It is cultivated almost entrrely as a rabi crop, being dependent on the late rains Cotton, wheat, and linseed are also grown as rabi ciops, but to a small extent only, the return beng 3 per cent. in the case of the first-mentioned pioduct, 2 in that of the second, and 1 only of the last. The remaning 19 per cent represents the propostion of the total area culcivated with kharif or monsoon crops-of whech bajri is the chef, showing 7 per cent It appears from the return that about 2 per cent of the occupied assessed land is reserved for grazing, and the Superintendent shows, by the statement given in paragraph 28 how valuable land in the vicinity of the town of Sholepur 18 for such purposes It lets commonly for ten and twelve times the survey assessment, and in one case as much as eighteen times that demand is shown to have been paid This is a strong proof of the lightness of the piesent assessment in the neighbourhood of Sholápur, to whach I shall have to refer in the sequel

12 In his 24th and following paragraph the Supenintendeut gives an accoant of the trade of Sholápurand of several of the other chief towns of the distinct at which weekly bazars are held. The mfoimation as regards the town of Sholapur would have been more complete had he obtsined from the railway the traffic returns of gram, metals, \&c, and goods of every description received at and despatched from the Sholápus Railway Station Ihis would have given us a better idea of the value of the trade of the town than 18 to be gained from the weekly bazar sales, which, in fact, represent only the business done on those particular days But, according to the information he has given, the cotton and woollen goods annually manufactuied in the district are estimated to be worth $\mathrm{Rs} 6,15,000$, copper utensils and uron implements being valued at a further sum of hs 55,000 , making a total of neally six and three-quarter lacs as the value of the retura derived from these sounces.

13 Sholápur has long been an amportant town and thriving place of business. According to the former Survey Officer's report it contained at that time a population of 24,000

- Hyderabad Territory. mbabitants It was the chief markes of the district and for the neighbourıng Mogala.* villages also, ginger, garhe, saflowe.;
betel, and other valuable products of the latter country beng brought there for sale in large quantities. It was also said to be a "depôt for salt, betelnut, \&oc., from Malwan and the Coast • and for cotton, coarse cotton cloths, sarns, \&e , from the surrounding villages."

14. It has risen considerably in importance sznce thas description of it was written. It now numbers a population of 31,000 inhabitants, has a mumicipality with an weome of about Rs. 50,000 per annum, and 18 the great mart for all the trade of the country. The report unfortunarely furnishes no proper statistical returns of what this now amounts to, but the Superintendent has fully recognuzed its mportance as a market town in the apportionment of his rates.
15. Accordng to the stastement given in paragraph 17, the táluka now consists of $150^{\prime}$ villages-3 of which are alienated. The present pioposals anclude the whole of the "Khalsa" or Government villages, 147 in number, and 1 of the ahenated holdings, or 148 in all. The Superntendent proposes to divde these into four main groups. Taking the town of Sholapur as bis centre or startung point, he has arranged his groups in circles regulated generally by dustance from that town. The first group is confined to Sholapur, and the last meludes the villages on the outer boundary of the taluka adjoming the Madha Distriet settled last year, the rates for it being identical with those adopted in the latter case.
16. The following shows the number of villages allotted to each class, and the maximum rate proposed for each -


The rate for the Inám nillage has not been given, but at comes into the $1-2$ group, and will be asesesed at that rate.
17. The comparison between present and proposed rates given by the Superintendent in his 42nd paragraph refars to 135 vallages, which comprise 120 desonbed as origually belonging to the Sholápur Thaluka and 15 tranaferred from Mádha. To thus I have added the 11 villages recesved in an exchange of territory with the Nizam in connection with the Ekruk Tank, and the village of Tadwal, also shown separately, because of ite not having been settled till recently.

Excluave of one allanated. The following being the result for the whole of the 147 to be
Excluave of one alvanated. brought under settiement -

| 185 Fillages | Ocoupled Land. |  | Unoccupled Landa |  | Total. |  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { Percent- } \\ & \text { Increase } \end{aligned}\right.$ |
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|  | Arem | Ansemment | Area | Asmessment. | Arem | Assessment |  |
| Assenament according to propomed rates Dor present rator <br> Increase |  | Rs, |  | Ris. |  | Ra. |  |
|  | 408,561 | 2,93,472 | 2,548 | 680 | 410,099 | 2,94,158 |  |
|  | 380,661 | 1,62,439 |  |  |  | 1,68,528 |  |
|  | 28,000 | 1,31,098 | 1,150 | 697 | 20,150 | 1,31,830 | 80 |
| Add. <br> For 11 willager received trom Nixim and for 1 (Thadmal) . <br> Assessment ecoording to proposed Tabse Da, proeent rates $\qquad$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 98,802 \\ & 98,501 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 15,843 \\ & 11,668 \end{aligned}$ | $\because$ | - ' | $\begin{aligned} & 29,309 \\ & 28,301 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 15843 \\ & 11,669 \end{aligned}$ |  |
|  | 1 | 4,181 | - | - | 1 | 4,181 | 35 |
| Total for 147 villages Asseasment acoording to propomed ratei Da presentititen ... | 431,859 | 3,09,815 | 1,548 | 680 | 483,401 | 809,095 | $\cdots$ |
|  | 409,858 | 1,74,101 | 898 | 83 |  | 1.74,184 |  |
| Inermen | 28,001 | 1,35,914 | 1,150 | 697 | 29,161 | 1,35,811 | 77 |

18 The merease in the case of the 135 villages alone, as shown above, is 80 per cent. For the 12 it is 35 per cent., and for the whole combined 77, as given by the Superintendent in hus 45 th paragraph. But the effect of the rates is better seen by arranging the vilages according: to the several groups as below:-

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19. We may observe from this that the largest merease is in the villages of classes 1 and 2, being, respectively, 113 and 92 per cent This great difference of result in the case of vilages of which the maximum rate is increased only aboat 50 per cent, 18 due, according to the explanation given by the Superintendent, "to the extreme faultiness of the old classification, which especially in Sholapur itself and some of the large adjoining villages, is so unprecedently low as to be searcely fiee from suspicion" And he then mentions cases of fields classed formeily at 5 and 6 annas, of which the present valuation is 15 and 16 , so great a disciepancy, as he observes, can "hardly be ascribed to mere igcorance"

20 There is no doubt of the former work being extremely faulty, but after a lapse of thirty years it is difficult to say to what cause it is attributable The Assistants in charge of the theld operations (Messrs Bellasis and Robertson) wers, I know from the records, new to the work at the time, having been but a short time in the departmont, and mistakes, perhaps, crept into the work through their 'want of expenence The chief point, however, as regards the new assessment, is to be assured of the coriectness of our own operations An extensive test of it has been taken by the Assistants, and the Spperintendent himself (Colonel Waddington) has

The test returns appended show also personally examined the work in the field, every precaution an average error of 6 pies beng taken to ensure its accuracy, of which there can, in. my opinion, be no doubt.
21. The information given in the report in regard to the price of gram is not, I regret to observe, so full as is desirable In iegard to this we find the Superintendent explaining that he has in vain endeavoured to obtain a satisfactory return of the prices of grain $2 n$ Sholapur during the past thirty yeare. His returns are contined to the pices obtainng in the Sholapar Paragraph 37 Cantonment dunng the last seven years, and fiom the resalt they exhrbit ho assames that prices have been as high in Sholapur as in other parts of the Deccan, adding, fuither, that, from such returns as he has been able to procure, he finds "the rise in prices at Sholapur during the present settlement has been greater than elsewhere." There is no doubt of the nise having been as great as in the other settled districts of Indápur and Mádha, but it would have been satisfactory to have had this point established by ducumentary endence We may, however, I think, safely assume that an increase of between 50 and 60 per cent, which was taken as the basis for regulating the new assessment of the Indapui 'Iajuka, is applicable also in this case, -the farthei sum in excess of this scale imposed by the new rates being clearly dae, as explaned above, to the auspreiously low standard of valuation adopted at the first settlement.
22. The Superintendent, as explaned in his 30th paragraph, was at first melined to make his maximum rate for the first group Rs 1-12-0, in accordance wita the rate introduced two years since in the Akalkot State, and Sholapur might farly be assessed at this rate Akalkot
is, perhaps, a little superior in point of climate, and the soll of the few villages to which the Rs 1-12-0 rate was appled is particularly good, but the advantage Sholapur has in the great market of that town, and the othor carcumstances moidental to proximity to a populous town which tend to enchance the value of land, may be taken to be fully equivalent to the little superionty Akallkot may have an regard to climate and soil. It appeared to me, however, that as the assessment would be increased above 100 per cent. by the apphcation of a Rs 1-8-0 rate, it was better to restrict our present demand to that rate instead of being guided by what had been done in an analngous oase, and the Superuntendent, therefore, modufied his original proposals in accordance with my suggestions.
23. A water-rate of Rs 6 per acie for pathusthal urrigation appears to me to be rather Para 48 high Hor such a rate the supply shouid be sexa-perenuıal, but I am not aware of any cases whore, it is so. Inquiry will be made about thrs, and should any reduction appear to be necessary,' it shall be carried out at time of settlement and reported for sanotion.
24. The Superintendent's proposals in regard to well-land are in accordance with reeent orders It appears from the figured statement, showng present and proposel assessment, that the payments on account of the present $\nabla_{\text {ruhunda cess }}$ on wells amount to Rs 6,522 , whach as the assessment was fixed at a rate of 2 rupess per acre, represents an rrigated area at that time of 3,261 acres This has now mereased to 7,198 acies, and if we apply to this only the former small rate of Rs 2 per sore, xt gives a total assessment Rs 14,396, which may he sald to have been foregone under the liberal policy adopted 10 regaid to well-land
25. There is a small extent of niee-land in the district, comprising in the aggregate 2,503 acres, which 18 made up of small patches of cultivation here and there in the hollows and depressions of the surface, where the rain water settles A maximum rate of Rs 3 per acre 1 s proposed for the cultivation, but the valuation is so adjusted that as a general rule, the fixed rate will not exceed the sum imposed as the maximum Jerayet rate of the village

26 In his 49th paragraph the Superintendent refers to the arrangements to be made with regard to the arrigation from the Ekruk Tank. As suggested by him, the only course to be edopted in aspect to the new settlement is to explain to the poople that, in addition to the ordinary Jerayet assessment, they will bs hable for the payment of an extra cess as a waterrate for lands uriggable from the tank. The notice must be general, as no fixed rate can be imposed until the arrigation has been developed. Its management will meanwhule be carried on by the Irrigation Department. It is satisfactory to find that the cultivators have this year shown considerable readness in avaling themselves of the rrigation supplind by this woik, which promises to be a great benefit to the country, and at 18 hoped will eventually be remunerative to Government.

27 The question of what should be done with the land which has besn made over to the Revenue authouties by a recent reduotion an the military lumite of the Sholapur Camp, is discussed in paragraph 50 'The Superintendent proposes to put a rate of 2 rupees par acre upon the lands whoh have been enclosed and built upon I an somewhat doubtful whether thas is the best course to adopt, and should like the matter to stand over for further rep ret to be submutted after the jamáband has been effected

28 He proposes that the Moti Bagh, now exoluded from camp, and which has hitherto been used as a public garden and for 2ecreation parposes generally by the officers of the station, Para. 12. should be continued as heretofore for sucil parposes it seems, however, from the remarks in the Collector's letter, that he purposes resuming what has hitherto been cultivated as a garden and disposing of it by public auction, reserving the remaining portion of the ground for recreation purposes. I think the opmon of the military authorihes should be ascertamed before any portion of the land $1 s$ taken away from them, and would suggest that the Collector and Superintendent should confer whth the Offioer Commandang the station in the matter and report the result for the orders of Government.

2J It will be observed, frome the remarks in the Colleotor's letter, that it was his intentoon to have submitted the Superintendeat's report for the opionon of the Assistant in charge of the district, but that he was prevented doing this in oonsequence of the season bengy oo far advanced when the report reached ham With regard to this proposal, I would take this opportunity of stating, that I belheve it is not the intention nor the wish either of Government, that the Survey Ruports should be reviewed by the Asssistant Collector who may happen to be in oharge of the district, and who frequently, as in this case, is a jumior Revenue Oticer of no experience, and whose opinion could be of no vatue If the Collector should wish to consult an experienced Assibtant on any question affecting the rates of a district, there can be no objection to has doing so, but it is not advisable to have the correspondence which under any curcum-

30 So far as I can gather fiom the Collector's remarks, he seems to be of opinion that the rates are not too high He appears, however, to think that information showing what individual increases will amount to should have been given. It is impossible to furnish any such information until the detailed jamábands papers have been made out. The report shows the result for each village, and I may add that apportionment of the new assessment to individual holdings 25 effected by the scale of classification in force in the Department, whieh from lengthened experience has been so regulated as to ensure the apportionment of the rates according to the relatave fertility and productuveness of the soll The effect of the system in thas case, $I$ may explain, will be, using the Collector's words, "to multiply several times the assessment

Pars, t of Collector's letter. on certain classes of land" (the good soils), "while in regard to " other classes (the poor solls) little or no enhancement will be made" The reasons for the great nerease have already been explaned in a preceding paragraph

31 In conclusion, I beg to state that notwithstanding the large increase effected by the Superntendent's proposals, I consider the district to be lightly assessed-a maximum of a rupee and-a-half per acre being a low rate for best black soll an the viciuity of Sholápur.
32. I have called upon the Superintendent to explain his reasons for not having submitted this report by the date on which it was due under the instructions in Government Resolution No 4398, dated 6th September 1871, and shall make this the subject of a separate commumication to Government.

J FRANCIS, Colonel,
Survey and Settlement Commissoner, N. D.

No 1965 or 1874.

## Revenue Departuent.

In forwarding these papers, the Acting Revenue Commissioner, S D, has the honour to offer a few remarks He does so with diffidence, because he 18 not personally acquanted with the district under revision, and the careful review of the Survey Commissioner has almost exhausted the subject.
${ }_{17}$ Supernntendent's Report, para $27^{\mathrm{Su}}$ (a) Govt $\begin{array}{cc}\text { Inám } \\ 112 & 2\end{array}$

|  | Govt | Inám |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| (a) | 112 | 2 | $\ldots$ |
| (b) | 15 | 1 | $\ldots$ |

(b) $15 \quad 1$
(d) Of the Nipanikar's Estate lapsed to Government.
(d) $110 \quad$ Recerved in exchange from His Highness the Nizam.
2. The present Sholapur Taluka contains' one hundred and forty-seven Goverament and three Inám villages, as detailed below -

Total $\quad . .147 \quad \overline{3}$
Of these villages, one hundred and forty-seven Government and one Inam village are to be brought under the revised settlement.
3. The statistical information furnished in the Superintendent's report, to show progressive improvement in the condition of the taluka durmg the Supersntendent's Report, parass last 30 years, may be shortly summansed .-

## 18 to 27.

I. Population has nocreased at the rate of 26 per cent.

If. Agricultural stock do do. 25 $\%$
1II. No of cartz
IV. No of ploughs do do. 111 "

V No of wells in working order do 33 ",
VI. Chauries and dharmshálas have been constructed to the number of 75 , the ryots contributing towards the cost $\mathrm{K}_{\mathrm{s}} 8,524$.

VII A rallway now runs through the district, connecting Sholápur with Bombay on the west, Madras on the east, and all untermediate towns on the line
VIII. Numerous roads have been constructed during the past 30 years, giving a great impulse to traffic, which is shown by the fact that the number of carts has increased from 219 to 1,167 .

IX The average rannfall registered at Sholápur during the last (18) eighteen years has been 27 mehes (see the Comparative Statement appended to Superintendent's Report)
$X$ The right of occupancy of Government land us reported to be saleable at from 10 to 70 years' purchase of the assessment.

XI The formation of the Ekruk Tank, which must exercise a most beneficial effect on the district
XII. The spread of education as shown by the fact that, whereas there were but 12 echools in the district 30 years ago, there are now 59, of which 39 are kept by private induriduals and 20 supported by Government, the number of attendant pupis being nearly 2,000 .
4 The following statement shows the average area cultivated, the average realizations of revenue, and the remissions, durng each of the three decades of the lease just expred, as regards 135 villages (paragraphs 31 to 36 of the Superintendent's Report) It is understood that the 11 Nizam's villages and village of Tadwal have been only recently settled -

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Acres. | Rs. | Re. |
| Ist Decade | $\cdots$ | -•• | -•• | 3,45,620 | 1,46,460 | 869 |
| 2nd do. | . | - | - | 3,55,620 | 1,52,070 | 83 |
| 3rd do. | - |  | -.. | 3,79,490 | 1,62,180 | 82 |

5. The information given in regard to the fluctuation in prices of gram during the 30 years' lease is meagre The Superintendent states that he has Superntondent's Report, para- not been able to obtain a satisfactory return, and he furmshes a graph 27, Commisesonarts para-
graph 21. graph 21. seven years only. From this and such returns as he has been able to procure, he concludes that "the rise in pruces at Sholdapur durang the present settlement has been greater than elsewhere."

The Commassioner of Survey considers "s there 18 no doubt of therise having been as great as in the other settled districts of Indápur and Mádha" He thunks "we may safely assume that an merease of between 50 and 60 per cent, which was taken as the basss for regulating the new assessment of Indápur 'Caluka, is apphcable also in this case."
6. The proposed new rates of assessment are treated of an paragraph 88 of the Supermintend-

See paras, 15 to 22 of Survey ent's Report. He divides the villages into four classes with a separate rate for each The maximum berng Rs 1-8-0, the Commussioner'A Roport. $\quad$ minimum Re $1-2-0$ the difference between each class being 2
annuas. The highest rate, however, is apphed to the town of Sholapur only, so that the maximum rate generally applicable in the taluka is only Re. 1-6-0.
See Saperntendent's Repart, 7 The following statement shows the rasults of the new para. 45.


8 The following table shows the results for the different kinds of land under culture -

| Assbibuent. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| New assessment Present do | "* | Jerayet | Well. | Páthasthal. | Rice. | Total. |
|  |  | Rs. | Rs. | Rs. | Rs. | Hs. |
|  |  | 3,03,228 | -.. 52 | 1,921 | 4,096 | 3,09,315 |
|  |  | 1,67,579 | 6,522 | .. ... | 4,09 | 1,74,101 |
| Increase | - | 1,35,649 | - | 1,991 | 4,096 | 1,35,214 |
| Decrease | - | ** $\cdot$ " | 6,522 | "* * | - |  |

For classified detauls under this tabular statement, see the Survey Commissioner's parsgraph 18.
9. The proposed exemption of lands under wells constructed during the expured lease from any extra assessment, and the levy of highest dry-crop rate only on lands under wells which existed previously, is in accordance with the recent orders of Govermment

10 The proposed Páthasthal rate of $\mathrm{Rs}_{\mathrm{s}} 6$ per acre being Supenntendent's Report, parar considered high by the Survey Commissioner, his farther report raph 26, Survey Commsssoner's paragraph 23 considered high by the Survey Commissioner, his further report
on the subject may be awaited by Government before final orders are passed on this point.
11. Regarding the future fixing of rates on water urigation from the Ekruk Tank, which Superintendent's Report, para- cannot now be settled for the reasons given by the Superintendent graph 49, Survey Commisioner's the undersigned concurs with the Suivey Commissioner as to the paragraph 26 prehminary arrangements which should be made.

12 The decision of the question discussed in paragraph 50 of the Supernatendent's Report, $n z$, the disposal of the land which has been made over to the Revenue authorities by a recent reduction in the mulitary limits of the Sholapur Camp, had better remann for future considerstion, as proposed by the Survey Commissioner, whose further report on the subject might be called for, Attention is requested to the remaiks in the 28th paragraph of his report.
13. The undersigned coneurs with remarks offered in the 29th and 30th paragraphs of the Survey Commissioner's Report.
14. This is the 4th revision report in the Southern Division which has been submitted to Government The former reports were on tálukas Indapur, Mádha and Bhumthari It may be worth while to give a comparative statement of the new 1 ates, general mendence, and percentage increase of assessment in the four tálukas, as shown below -

15. The application of the proposed rates will cause a large merease in the assessment The Survey Officers, however, show that this 18 not due to the imposition of excessive rates, bat to the extreme faultiness of the former classification. On this subject see paragraphs 39 and 40 of the Superintendent's, and 19 and 20 of the Survey Commissioner's Reports
16. The undersigned, therefore, recommends that the proposed rates (with reservation contamed in paragraph 10) be aanctioned for 30 yeara
17. Several errors are apparent in the figured statement sent up, which ought not to have occurred.
J. E. OLIPHANT,

Samp Lonamh, 17th Apral 1872.

Resolution.--These papers have been submutted much later than is usual, and Government will awart the explanation which Colonel Francis proposes to forward.
2. On a careful consideration of all the facts and figures, His Excellency in Counoll approves of the proposed rates. The advance, on the former rates, is, it is true, large, but under the circumstances, not too large. The progreasive prosperity of the district is shown to be most satisfactory, and the good effects of the liberality of Government have been very clearly exhbibted.
3. Government are not melined to think that a water-1ate of Rs. 6 per acre for Páthasthal irngation is too high, buthif, at the tume of the settlement, Colonel Franoss shonld be atrongly of that op mion, His Excellency in Counci will carefully consider any proposal for reduction which may be made.
4. Wath reference to the future fixing of rates on water for irrgation from the Ekruk Tank, the preluminary arrangements made by the Survey Commissioner are approved *
5. With reference to the disposal of the land which has been lately made over to the Revenue authontres, in consequence of the recent reductions in the Multary hmits of the Shold-- pur Camp, Government will at present pass no orders. The Survey Commissioner should, in communication with the Collector and Military authonties, disenss the question and submit has views, for the approval of His Excellency in Council, through the Revenue Commissioner, S. D.
6. Government concur in the opimon expressed in paragraph 29 of Colonel Francis' memorandum, that it is not necessary, as a rule, to obtain the separate opinion of the Assistant Collector in charge of the dastrict as to the rates proposed to be intioduced. But wherever there is reason to believe that the Assistant 18 well qualified to give a valuable opinon, the Collector should aval himself of the Assistant's local knowledge.
7. The proposed rates may be untroduced for the usual period of 30 years, and the Survey Commisbioner should submit the usual notrication for publication in the Goverrment Gazette.

> E. W. RAVENSCROFT,

Acting Chief Secretary to Government.

- Note.-A farther carrospondence regarding the imposinion of mereased assassment for indrect urrigational adventages took plave eubsequently in 1876 ; upon whoh the following Government Resalutions were psased .-

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\text { No, } 249 \text { W. I. }-576 \text { or j876. }
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Bombay Casthe, goth Septtmber 1876.
Memorandum from the Chaf Engneer for Imgetion, No. 3868, dsted 8th September 1876.
Forwands copy of corraspondenoe whth the Survey and. Eettlement Commismoner, $N$ D., on the subject of enhancing asseasment on the lands enjoying the advantages of proximity to the Ekruk Tank Canale,

Drawe prominent attention to the orrommatance that, on the revision of the settiement of the land in quesinon in Ootober last, the mdirect benefits derived from the proximity of the lake and canals have been, as previonsly, overlooked, as also the notice ordered in Government Resolution No. 5474 of 1874, Hevenue Department, regarding the rates being, on future aettlement, hable to enhancement on account of indirect sa well as durect adrantages accruing from the con struction of urrigation worka

States that revenue from this sourse has been lost to Government in this case, and in that of the Mutha Canal too and that atepa appear dearable to remedy this atate of thinge affecting the finanesal prospecte of new urigation works: moreover, this Government $2 a$ pledged to the Government of Indas to the conrse, and that as in trio woportant ossen moreover, the opportuity has been lost, the pasaing of an Aot making it lawful for Government to enbance the assessment ou muah lands during the curnenoy of the settlement appeare necessary.

Mowsid by the Under Secrotary to Government, Irrugation Departmont, dated 15th Soptember 1876.
If special legialation oannot be recommended to cover these omisnons, I would suggest that, onder Section XXX of the burvey Aot, areolasanication of the lands rader the Fkrut Tank and Mutha Canals be ondered, alchough the additionsl asesament could not be mposed till the expiration of the period of previous gaarantee.

Such a mearure would enrure the mbjent not being lost ngit of, as it probsbly will be 25 ar 80 yeert hence, when the eanals will be regarded as old worka $1 t$ will likewnse enable as to ehow the Government of Indis that the works have a certan value which will not be duregarded at the next revian, though unfortangtely it haa been over looked on the preesnt occasion.

Benolurion.-The papers ahould be forwarded to Colonal Francis for opinson on this subject.

> C. J. MERRIMAN, Colonel, R.E,

Acting Inder Secretary to Government.

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Bombay Caedle, sotl Detaber 15\%6.
Letter Irom Colonal Francis, Survey and Settlement Commisaioner, N. D., No. 1628, dated 19th Oetober 1876,
With reference to Government Resolution No. 849 W I -576, dated 80 th September 1876, aubmita, wilh hat own observaciong, copy of a mexacrandum from the Sapenntendent of the Poone and Namik Sarvay, reporang on the propoesd re-clamenfication of the landa ander the Etrat Tank and Mutha Cenals, for the purpose of aseortaning what ingresse of assessment mught be imposed for indureot sdivantages darived frem these work.

Beconds his genoral eonourrence in the newe expressed by Colonel Tarerner.
Rytoluriok - The conrse reocmmended by Colonel Franess chould be adopteoi, wes, that the fact that no merease
 reaurring revienon in the pristed selections on the settlements now beng published.

Actang Under Secretary to Government:

# From <br> Lieutenant-Colonel W WadDINGTON, Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment, 

To

Colonel J. FRANCIS, Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N, D.

Poona, 27 th September 1872

## Sir,

I have the honour to forward my final report on the introduction of revised rates into 136 villages of the Sholapur Taluka The leases of 10 of the remaining villages do not expire antal the years 1873-74 and 1874-75, but the papers have been all prepared in anticipation, and the rates can be at once introduced when they become due. In one village, Tadwal, anto which the Survey rates were introduced in 1866, there is no record of the date of the expiry of the lease, and the question is under reference to Government.

2 The total assessment, as shown in my former report, was Rs 3,09,995 as finally settled; it differs but little from the estimated amount, being Rs $3,09,630$, or only Re. 365 less than the onginal assessment, a difference which does not affect the percentage increase, which ettll rèmains 77 per cent.

3 There are, in all, 20,725 survey numbers, with an ares of 533,908 acres, of which 2,420 numbers, contaning 57,243 acres, or a hittle over 10 per cent of the whole area, are alienated. The Government occupred land amounts to 431,153 , and the unoccupied to 2,419 acres Theie are deducted as unculturable 8,985 acres or about 18 per cent of the assessed area and 21,107 acres or nearly 4 per cent of the whole area on account of roads, village sites, \&c There are 281 survey numbers, contaming 12,963 acres of kuran, which are annually put up to auction. The recorded holdings are 9,329 in number, the average size of each holang being 46 acres 19 guntas and the average assessment Rs 33-2-0 There are 5 acies 3 guntas of alable land per head of the population and the payments are Rs 2-2-10

4 Only two or three petitions were presented to me aganst the rates daring the time I was employed in explaining them, and these, I have reason to believe, were due to the natigation of the Sarvajanik babha During the last three months not a single petation has come before me, nor has any land been thrown up, we may conclude, therefore, that the new assessment has been acquesced in without dissatisfaction.

6 The question of the Motı Bágh I have reported on in a separate communcation. With regard to the land which has been thrown out of the camp himits, I still consider that a light rate of Rs. 2 per acre for such lands as have been bult on would be a sufficient rent, for the letting of these houses now that the garison has been reduced, is very piecarious, and the sonl, as a rule, $1 s$ poor, or they might be assessed as any other occupied land, or their classification value at the maximum rate. With regard to the unoccupied land thrown out of camp, I would recommend that the occupancy right should be reserved, as it is quite within the bounds of possibulty that the land may some day be requured by Government, and in the meantume it will probably return a larger revenue by being annually sold for grazing, than it would if let out for cultivation

8 There are certain Shetsandis in the villages received from His Highness the Nizam who are remunerated by holding certan lands at a nominal payment, that 18 , the lands are entered in the accounts as revenue-paying, and not Inam, but the payments are not collected. In the Government villages the Shetsandis' service lands are entered as Inam, so that if the present practice is continued in the case of these 11 villages, there will be two different procedures in the same district I have, therefore, the honour to solicit instructions on this point. The total number of acres thus held is 357 acres 18 guntas, assessed at Rs 262-8-0, bespdes which they receive a money payment of $\mathrm{Re}_{\mathrm{g}}$ 76-8-5. A atatement as attached, ahowing the details for each village
9. In the village of Kond there are 2,175 acres of kuran, which last year realzed Rs 3,025 . Of this land 5 numbers, amounting to 109 acres 33 guntas, are entirely currounded by the cultivated lands of the village, and the people petitioned that they might be allowed to take them up for cultivation, and aa these lands are probably a govd deal damaged by the cattle of the surrounding cultivators, they might be assessed, and the right of occupancy offered at 10 years' purchase of the assesement, aud I would recommend a eimilar course with regard to the Malai land of the district, the extent of which is 479 acres and the assessment Res. 588
10. As noticed in my former report, the Mauritius gugarcane, to introduce which an attempt was made aome years ago, has died out, but in one village, Arjun Sonda, the Patel expressed his milhingness to plant it if he were supplied with seed cane.
11. With regard to your objection to a Patasthal rate of Rs 6 as being too high, on the ground that to bear that rate the water-supply should be semu-perennial, I have the honour to unform you that in the only villages to which the rate has been applied, vez, Arl and Kalegaon, the water-supply answers the condations prescribed by you, and I feel confident that the rate 18 not too high.

12 In conclusion, I have the honour to request a decossion with regard to the village of Pur Taklh, the transfer of which to the Sholapur Taluka was recommended in my former report.

I have the honoar, \&ce,<br>(Signed) W. WADDINGTON,<br>Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment,<br>Poona and Násk.

No. 1563 of 1872.

## Revende Drpartuent, <br> Poona, 23rd October 1872

The Survey and Settlement Commissioner begs to submit, for the consaderation of Government, the accompanying letter from the Superintendent of the Poona and Násil Survey, giving the final result of the setllement introduced on the villages of the Sholapur Talaka, and requesting instructions on certain points to be referred to in the sequel.
2. The report contamed proposels for the settlement of 147 Government villages, but
 it will be observed, from the explanation given in the paragraph, that the introduotion of rates was deferred in $10^{*}$ casee, owing to the non-expiration of the lease, and in the 11th (vilage of Tadwal) pending a decssion of the general question as to whether the order of 1858, roling that the lease of isolated villages is to be held termunable with the general lease of the district, is to be enforced in cases where no record of untimation to this effect having been given at time of settlement is forthcoming. This question 18 now awaiting final orders in a report recently submitted (see this office No. 1558, dated 2knd October 1872).

3 The figures given in the 2nd paragraph show the total assessment for the whole of the 147 villages. The difference between the orngual estumate and fixed amount ze very small, being only Rs 365 which, as the Supenntendent has explamed, "does not affect the general percentage merease, which still remains 77 per cent."
4. Statustical atatements prepared in the approved form have been appended to the letter. A nummary of the result is given in paragraph 3. No orders have as yet been given upon the question $t$ as to whether these papers should be compiled by collectorates in the Survey Commissioner's office for general distribution in the Revenue Dew

+ Paragraph 4 of memorandum trom this office No. 81, dated 3rd January 1878. partment.

5 The question affeoting disposal of the Moti Bagh, and alteration of camp hmits involved, adverted to in paragraph 6, has been referred $\ddagger$ for the ILetter No. 1073, dated 31st orders of Government, which are awaited It will be observed July 1872 (throvgh the Rovance that the Superintendent suggests (same paragraph) that a rate of Rs. 2 per aore should be charged for old bulding-site land formerly belongugg to camp, or that it ahould be classed and assessed as occupied land at the maximum rate of the district The former appears to the undersugned to be the preferable course to adopt, bat therspecial rate might be fixed at $1_{2}$ rupee (which 13 the maximum rate for the lands of Sholapur) and the provisions of Section 35 be made applicable in the event of the site beang rebult upon. It is very desurable to retan for Goverument the oceupancy right of the unocoupied waste-lands, the quarrying right on which should be sold by auction annually, as suggested by the Superintendent
7. The lands assigned to Shetsandis in the 11 villages receaved from the Nuzara should,

Paragraph \&. it is presumed, be recorded as Service Inam Haldings, and the
nent.
8. The Supernitendent requests permisaion to assess and let out for cultivation fome detached numbers belonging to the Kondr kíran. For the reasons stated, he might be allowed to dispose of the land concorned in the manner auggested, except that, in place of offerng the occupancy right at 10

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years' purchase, he should put it up to auction to be disposed of to the highest bidder The disposal of Malar lands at 10 years' purchase appears to be a surtable arrangement, and 18, moreover, in accord with the arrangement proposed for similar lands belonging to the Bhimthari Táluka.

9. Sanction 28 solucited for the transfer of the village of Pur Takil from the Madha to the Sholapar Taluka, at being sarrounded by villages belonging to the latter district

J. FRANCIS, Coloner, Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N. D.

Revente Depantusnt
Poona, 12th November 1872
The Revenue Commissioner, S. D., has the honour to submit correspondence, as per margin relative to the final revision of assess-

Memorandum from Sarvey and Settlement Commisioner, N. D, No. 1563, dated 23rd October 1872, and accompaniments Letter from the Actang Collector of Sholápar, No 2393, dated 30th Octobar 1872.

April 1872.
2nd No question appears to remann regarding the year of introduction of revised rates in ten of the villages included in paragraph 2 of the report of the Commissioner of Survey and Settlement and specific arrangement for the eleventh village, Tadwal, will depend on the decision of Government on the question referred with memorandum from this office No 5382, dated 26th October 1872.

3rd. Adverting to the question of the disposal of the Moti Bagh, and alteration of the cantonment lumits at Sholdapur, noticed in the reports cf the Superintendent, the Commissioner of Survey, and the Collector, further orders are awaited on correspondence submitted from this office with memorandum No. 5394, dated 28th October 1872.

4th. The Commissoner of Survey and Settlement (paragraph 5) approves the recommendation of the Superntendent to let out certann old building-site land formerly belongng to the cantonment, but he would fix the rate at Rs. 1-8-0 per acre instead of $\mathrm{R}_{3}$ 2, and would allow of buulding under the provisions of Section XXXV of Act I of 1865 The Collector seems to favour the higher rate of Rs. 2 per acre proposed by the Superintendent, and would not put the reetnctrons on buildng proposed by the Survey and Settlement Commissicner As far as the Revenue Commussioner 2 s able to judge the merits of this question, Colonel Francis' proviso would not give Government any special hold on the ground, the land is not of much value for cultivation, so that the condrions of Section XXXV do not very clearly apply to the case, and it would seem generally desirable not to discourage the erection of dwelling-houses in the locality, so that the enforcement of the rule under Section XXXV might, the Revenue Commissioner thanks, be duspensed with.

5th. The Superintendent of Survey, and Colonel Francis, and the Collector, all agree that the unoccupied land formerly belonging to the cantonment should be let out for grazing. The Revenue Commissioner thinks that the best plan as to let out the grazing annually, and, if Government spprove, reference can be made to the Conservator of Forests regarding the suggestion of the Acting Collector in his 5th paragraph to have a portion of the land, whech uncludes a very fine growth of babul trees, specially enclosed for forest conservancy.

6th The undersigned coneurs in the opinion expressed in Colonel Francis' 6th paragraph, that it is desirable to reserve all the kurans near Sholapur. It was in this vew that, when the Conservator of Forests made apphcation for (among others) 15 kúran lands in the Sholápur Taluka, 3 kúrans were, as stated in the Collector's 7 th paragraph, reserved by Government. Of the 11 kúrans included in the hist now accompanying Colonel Waddington's report, 7 were included in the Conservator's application of these, three, namely, numbera 6,9 , and 10 , were retamed, and four were conceded It is suggested that the remaining four be offered to the Conservator in addation to the twelve kúrans of the Sholápur Tálaka, already, ander the Government Resolution No. 6461 of 22nd December 1871, placed at the dispossl of the Forest Department

7th. Statistical tables prepared by the Superintendent of Survey, Colonel Waddıngton, in the prescribed form, accompany these papers. They evince a considerable advance in maternal prosperity, which has been already recognized by Government in reviewing the papers previously submitted Deducting the population of the city of Sholápur, which 18 sufficiently large to derange the percentage for a hmited axea like an agncultural taluka in the Deccan, the population is between 140 and 150 per square mule-a higher average than that of most of the Decoan districts.

8th. The rates establshung an enhancement on the whole taluka of 77 per cent. have been approved by Government The former asseasment, which wnold give an average of about sux annas and six pres per acre, was evidently mach lower than the district could bear in recent years, and all the favourable crrcumatances adduced, tend to prove that the new average rate of about 11 amnas and 6 pres can be paad without difficulty, at least, in a great portion of the villages

9th. If, as 18 shown in Colonel Waddngton's prenrous report, paragraph 28 , the survey occupants of Sholapur and of the adjonnng villages, Degaon and Shelge, can sub-let therr lands for grazing at from $7 \frac{1}{2}$ to 18 times the former assesement, it 18 evident that the very great enhancement imposed on those villages can be borne by the lands in question, and probably it can be borne by those adjoinng them; but it should not be forgotten that suoh a sudden merease of the Government demand, however reasonable it may be shown to be in relation to prevaling prices, must cause, even under the most favourable curcumstances, a volent derangement in those very transactions of sale, mortgage, and sub-lease, which are adduced in support of the measure.

10th. It may be sald that none of the villages now under revision are very distant from the market of Sholapur and from the Rallway, but there is a lumit beyond which the demands for the supply of the non-agricultural population do not extend, and the markets seeking conveyance of jowari by ral or road, though at trmes large, are very uncertain. It 1s, therefore, quite possible that, in the Sholípur villages, a price for jowarn-the staple produce-equal to the average of the last ten or twelve years may not be always obtainable, and the rates apparently, now so moderate, may press heavily on the culturators, leadng to diminution of prosperity, and, ultumately, to possible embarrassment in meeting the Goveinment demand

11th. It is for the reasons given an the two preceding paragraphs that the undersigned considers the great enbancement in several of the out-lying villages, such as Tandulwari, No 40 in the list, Kasegaon, No 41, Arjun Sonda, No. 44, Shrpanhállı, No 53, Dotrı, No. 55 , Hanámgaon, No. 57 , Dındur, No 58 , Aunj, No. 64, Sungadgaon, No 65, Rajur, No. 69 ; and the two villages followng in the list, Jámgaon, No. 91, Kandalgaon, No. 100, and the three following villages and others should have been avoided, 80 as to bring the total average enhancement considerably lower than 77 per cent. This would have been even somewhat higher but for the molusion of the newly-receaved Nuzam's villages and Tadwal, which have reeerved an enhancement of only 35 per cent., thus slghtly reduang the average of the 147 villages. There is, however, some make-wesht in retanning from what may be termed concealed cultivation now brought under assessment, the percentage of which is shown in the figured statements, These figures are urreepective of the $6 \frac{1}{4}$ por oent additional for local funds, which, if mostly expended in the district, is eminently benefimal, and can hardly be regarded as the same draun on the resources of the people as the Government assessment, which is the subject of the papers now submitted.

12th The Revenue Commissioner thinks it his duty to lay before Government the doubts whoh occur to has mind on thus umportant question It will be an unmixed pleasure to find that the doubts are not verified in the sequel, and that the district wall manatain its prosperity and capacity for regular payment of the Government revenue in the manner antreppated by the warmest adrocates of the rates as they stand. On one point the undersigned quite concurs wnth the survey officers, namely, the great comparative prosperity which the Sholapur villages under revision have attanned under the previous lease, and he believes that the taluka is fully as well able to pay its average assessiment of 11 annas and 6 pres per acre, as Madha to pay its average of 9 annas and 4 pies, and Bhimthari rensed villages, notorous for the uncertanty of the ramfall, theur average of 11 annas.

13th. The Revenue Commissioner concurs in the proposed transfer of Pir Takli from Madha to Sholápur
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No. 6380.
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Bombay Costle, 8412 Decomber 1879.
Rasolutron.-The usual notaication guaranteeng the permanence of the revsed rates for 30 years having been published in the Government Gazette, these papers may now be reoorded.
8. With regard to the Revenue Commissioner's remarks on the great enhancement the adoption of the new rates has brought about in the assessment of certan villages, His Excellency the Governor in Connoul would call his attention to the cause of the unequal enhancement zontroned both by the Superintendent and the Commissioner of Survey, noted in the 15 th paragragh of Mr. Olphant's memorandum No. 1965, dated 17th April last, viz, the extremely
faulty classification of the soil on the first introduction of the survey system It would be most nequitable to ngnore what are now ascertained to be the true relative values of the sol $n$ different locahities for the sole object of preventing a sudden merease of assessment in particular cases
3. The principle to be adopted in determing the expiration of guaranteed periods of assessment in cases in which clearly recorded notifications may not be forthcoming, has been settled by Government Resolution No. 6347 of the 23rd instant, and should be adopted in that of the village of Tadwal, mentioned in thas correspondence.

4 The question of the alteration of the limits of the Cantonment at Sholapur has also been settled by Resolutions Nos, 1089 and 5615, dated, respectively, the 8th March and 12th November 1872.

B It is not apparent whether some of the lands thrown out of cantonment limits have, whilst othera have not, buldngs erected on them, nor whether any portion of them 18 already in any person's occupancy Governmeat are not yet, therefore, in a position to decide what shall be done with the land in future. A statement and plan should be submitted, ehowing the area and positions of the land in question, and in the meantime the right of grazng on such portions as may be avaulable should be let out for the current season.
7. The transfer of the Inám village of Pur Taklı from the Madha to the Sholapur Taluka, recommended by the Revenue Commissioner, is sanctioned, pruvided the Inámdár has no objection. If he should have, a further report should be made on the subject

> (Signed) E W RAVENSCROFT, Acting Chyef Seoretary to Government.

No. 1407 or 1875.
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From
Colonel J. FRANCIS,
Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N. D ,
To

## W. G. PEDDER, Esquire, Acting Secretary to Government.

Poona, 13th September 1875,
Sir,
I have the honour to forward the accompanying statement,* showing the reduction pro-

- Not printed posed to be made in the revised assessment of the Sholapur Taluka under the provisions of the Resolation of October laet,
No 5739 .
2 On referring to the correspondence upon the revision settlement, it will be pexceived that the villages of thus taluka were divided into four groups and assessed at maximum rates as shown below -

Rs. a.

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|  |  |  | villages | do | 1 | 6 |
| 31d | do. | 52 | do. | do | 1 | 4 |
| 4 th | do. | 55 | do. | do | 1 | 2 |
|  | Total | 147 |  |  |  |  |

I propose to continue this grouping with the exception of five villages (marginally noted),
$1 \quad \mathrm{Dod}_{1}$
2. Borámanl.
4. Madia
4. Darganhalh situated on the outside boundary of the second group, which I have transferred to the next loweat group (the third), in order have transferred to the next lowest group (the third), in order
to brng down their assessment which would be conaiderably above the prescribed limit if they were subjected only to the reduction of rates appled to the other villages of the group. This modification of the orignal proposals will not affect the general princuples on which the groupmg was carried out, as it merely contracts the boundary line of the particular class, making it nearer to the town of Sholapur, which is the great market centre of the district
3. Following the plan generally adopted in other districts, already reported on, I proposo to make a reduction of $\frac{2}{2}$ annas per group throughout, combined with a reduction of classification Values from 10 annas downwards according to the scale sanctioned for other districts

4 The following statement shows the reduotion effected by these measures -

|  | Group |  | Revision Ansemmort. |  | Proposed Reduction |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Total } \\ & \text { reduotion } \end{aligned}$ | RemainingBeifegament,beinf dirarsiceof columnic3 and 7 |  |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { 18t } \\ & \text { 2nd } \\ & \text { 8rd } \\ & \text { 4th } \end{aligned}$ | $\cdots$ |  | Rs |  | Rs | Ra | Rs | R. |  |
|  |  |  | 9,153 | 125 | 906 | 687 | 1,593 | 7,560 | 86 |
|  |  |  | 82,269 | 86 | 5,324 | 7,017 | 12,941 | 69,938 | 58 |
|  |  | - | 1,24,709 | 78 | 7,226 | 12,952 | 20,178 | 1,04,531 | 49 |
|  |  |  | 91,841 | 65 | 6,016 | 9,507 | 15,623 | 76,918 | 37 |
|  |  | Total | 8,07,972 | 77 | 19,472 | 30,163 | 49,685 | 2,58,837 | 48 |

It will be seen from these figures that, by the proposals now submitted, the general meiease for the whole tailuka will be reduced from 77 to 48 per cent, and the average rate from 11 annas 4 pies to 9 annas 7 pies per acre.
5. With regard to the rather numerous cases in which the morease in individual villages is above the presonbed limit, notwithstanding the reductions now made. As bearipg on thas subject, I would beg to refer to the followng remarks by Colonel Waddington, relative to low standard of valuation adopted for this distriot at the first settlement, especially for some of the large villages in the vicinity of Sholápur Having shown the general increase for the whole district to be 77 pel cent., he proceeds to observe --"But this unusual rise zs not so much due to the imposition of an enhanced maximum rate as to the extreme Para 39 of the Superntendont's faultzness of the old classufication, which, especially in Sholapur Report No 3s, dated 15 th Jannary
1872 itself and some of the large adjoining villages, is so unprecedentedly low ss to be scarcely free from suspicion. For instance, there are cases of 15 and 16 anns Gields which were classed at from 7 to 5 annas, a discrepancy so great that it can hardly be ascribed to mere ignorance The followng figures show some of the errors of the old elassification -

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| 81 | 4 | 9 | 7 |  | 18 | 15 | 5 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 |

"You will see that out of 81 numbers taken at random, in 30 the difference of classification exceeds 3 annas, whulst in 10 numbers the difference exceeds 5 annas, and there 18 one instance in which it is above 11 annas.
"40 Under these circumstanoes, and consadering the rates at which lands in the viminty of Sholépar are sublet, the saleable value of land and the exceptionally low assessment on which aome of the villages, which are most advantageously situated, are at present held, there is no fear of my rates being excessive For instance, in the lands of the flourishing city of Sholapur itself, the average rental is 4 annas 8 pies per acre. Again, the rioh villages of Degaon and Bala are paying 5 annas and 6 annas 7 pies respectively I cannot, therefore, but conelude that in those cases in which the now rates cause an unusual increase in the assessment, it is to be attributed to the observance of a lower scale of valuation in the former olassification of the lands, and feeling confident, as I do, that the rates are not too high, I do not feel justafied in recommending the adoption of a lower scale."
8. Further proof of the very low scale of valuation adopted is given in the Statement B, appended to my letter No 1485, dated 19 th September 1874, whoch will be found to contain numerous cases in Kasba Sholápur and in the villages of Ahrwán and Dahitna, belonging to that tsluks, of fields-valued at the first settlemenc at from 4 to 6 annas on a rupee scale-of which the present valuation on the same scale ranges from 10 to 15 annas.
7. It is impossible to make out the canse to which these gross mistakes in the old clasaification are to be ascmbed. As confirmatory,
"Several attarpts to tamper with the kirkuna in the mont opan mannar by the culuvatore having been reported, I am happy to say by the karluns themselves, the Aoting Collector
 ponnting out the ovil consequences of suah conduch, whach I atribute to custom and iguarnnoe as much es anythng elese, nuoe which poo ireah ases hive ben dateded and hive orery zoason to think it has oeasod, Tho fact of tho karkuos themselves giving information becomung known to the kunbie
put, I hope, an alteotual atop to all attounpts at bribery however, to a great extant of thour being due to dishonest workang on the part of the classer, as atated by Colonel Waddington, I would refer to the remarks in the report of one of the Assistants employed in the onginal classafication, whoh, it will be seen, contain a direct admission of attempts having been made to bribe the karkuns to vinate their work, and it may be inferred that they were not unsuccessful
8. With this evidence before us of the former elassification values having been unduly reduced either by fraud or gross error, I am of opinion that nothing further in the way of reduction of assessment should be done in regard to the villages of this district in which the assessment as now reduced is in excess of the prescribed limit of increase fixed for individual villages It is doubtful, indeed, whether the rule limiting the merease on individual holdngs to a 100 per cent might not be held in abeyance, but as the generation, which 18 sapposed to have been ustrumental in bringing about the undue lowerng of the former assessment bas passed away, it would perhaps be considered a harsh proceedng to withhold from the present cultivators the benefit of the measure being made generally applicable to the districts in which the revised settlement is now in force. But I beg for the orders of Government in the matter

9 I thank it is advisable to make some reduction in the nice assessment of this district, partly with the view of preserving the proportion it bore to the Jerayet rate fired at the revision, but more particularly because the cultivation is of the poorest description, and the crop hable to failure in consequence of the uncertannty of the ranfali in this locality The necessary reduction on these accounts will, $I$ consider, be effected by the sabstitution of a rupees $2 \frac{1}{2}$ maximum for the 3 -rupee maximum adopted by Colonel Waddington. Calculated on the former rate, the assessment of the cultivation will amount to about Rs $3,438 \mathrm{~m}$ place of Rs. 4,110 as now in force. This reduction is not shown separately in the statement, but it is meluded ander the total amount given as the result of the proposed modnication of rates and clasenfication values

I have the honour to be,

## Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,
J. FRANCIS, Colonel,

Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N D.

No. 5874
Revenue Department.
Bombay Castle, 19 th October 1875.
Rasoldtion - Colonel Francs now submits proposals for the correction, in accordance with the principles layd down in Government Resolution No 5739, dated October 29th, 1874, of the revised assessments of the Sholápur Táluka.

2 The followng are the leading facta of the revenue history of this taluka.
3. The Mabomedan or "Tankha" rates of assessment were superseded during the latter years of Marátha rule by what were known as the Kamal, rates which included cessee of various kands. These rates remamed in force till about $\Delta . \mathrm{D} 1830$, when the táluka having been steadaly detenorating since their introduction, they were replaced by the assessments fixed by Mr Pringle His settlement, however, from several causes, the chief of which were that has rates were both too heavy and were based on an uncorrect principle, entirely broke down, and in 1840 the survey settlement was introduced by Captan Wingate

4 The average rates of assessment per cultivated acre under these different settlements appear to have been nearly as follow -


Mr Prngle's maxamum dry-crop rate of assessment was Rs 2-2-0 per acre, and for it Captain Wingate substituted maximum rates of Re 1 for the portion of the district most favourably situated, and of Re 0-14-0 for the remaunder These rates were, respectively, 33 per cent and 20 per cent higher than the maxımum rate previously adopted for the Indapur Tálaka, the chmate of Sholapur being far superior to that of Indapur.

5 Thus taluka, like others, prospered greatly durng the 30 years of the survey settlement
6. Cultivation mereased (nolusive of about 25,000 acres of land unassessed by the old survey, but encroached on and cultivated by the ryots) about 19 per cent, and only about $\frac{1}{3}$ rd or 1 per cent. of arable land was found to be left waste in the whole taluka on renason revenue from increase of cultivation rose 14 per cent There mereased durng the term of settlement-

| Population |  |  | 25 per cent. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Workang bullockn | - |  | 20 | " |
| Carta | . |  | 433 |  |
| Ploughs | ... |  | 111 | " |
| Wells in use |  |  | 33 |  |

Land unsaleable before 1840 acqured a considerable value In the last years of the settlement fields assessed at Rs 356 sold in 27 publio sales for Rs 8,300, or 23 times the assessment, and lande near Sholapur were found to be sublet for grazing at an average of 11 times the assessment.

7 Independently of the settlement, the district was greatly improved durng its term Before 1840 there wers no made-roads, and communication with external markets was dufficult. The ralway now traverses the taluka, and good roads have been opened in all dureations And a very fine work of irrgation, the Ekruk Lake, has recentily been constructed near Sholapur.

8 Considering these facts and the great rise in prices during the term of the settlement, it appeared that, on Its expury in 1870-71, a considerable mecease in assessments was called for. The orignal maximuma rates of Re 1 and Re $0-14-0$ were therefore (Government Resolution 2033, dated 27th April 1872) replaced by maximum rates of Re. 1-8-0 for the town of Sholapur titelf, Re 1-6-0 for 34 villages most favourably situated in point of clumate and means of commanication ; and Ree. 1-4-0 and Re. 1-2-0 for the remanning villages accordng to situation.

The effect of these rates upon the new clasgrication and measurement was to rasse the total assessment from Rs $1,74,101$ to Rs. $3,07,972$, or 77 per cent., and the average rate per acre from Re 0-6-6 to Re 0-11-4 In round numbers 40 per cent of the total increase of 77 per oent. was due to merease of maximnm rates, 10 per cent. to assessment of encroachments, and 27 per cent. to difference of classification.
9. It must, however, be remarked that the old classification of Sholapur was found to be extremely neorrect, so much so that it appears certan that fraud and corruption suspected at the tume of the introduction of the old survey, were actually practised by the ryots and classers of somevillages The assessment of a few villages was actually reduced by the revised settlement, in one case as much as 29 per cent, while the assessment of many was raised much more than 77 per cent., in one oase as much as 191 per cent. The two villages between which there is so extraordinary a disorepanoy are olose together and close to the city of Sholápur, and are assessed, by both the original and revision settlement, at the same maximum rate It is, therefore, evident that the original valuation of one was too high and of the other much too low Equally important discrepancies are to be found throughout the talluka.
10. Had prices remanned as high as when the rensed settlement was introduced, the new rates would not, in the opinion of the Government, have proved excessive Such, however, 19 not the oase Durng the last 4 years the fall in prices has been marked and considerable, and it is necessary to consider the assessment whth reference to thus fact

11 About 14,000 acres, or $3 \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}}$ per cent of the total arable area, are under cotton, but the staple product is jowarr, which occupies 75 par cent of the total area. The average priee of jowhir for the 19 yeara preceding 1839 (whioh poriod nucluded three famune years) was 48 seers the rupee In the year of the introduction of the original settlement the prioe was 47 seers The average price for the seven years proceding the introduction of the revised settlement was 19 seers, and in the year of its introduction 18 seers. In 1871 the price rose as high as 14 seers, but has sunoe fallen rapudly-

| 1872 | - | *. | ... | 171 | seers |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1873 | , | ... | ... | 28 | " |
| 1874 |  |  | . | 38 | " |
| 1875 (3 months) |  | - |  | 29 | " |
|  |  |  |  | 28 |  |

or about 71\$ por cent. higher than the average price before the introduction of the old rates
12. The price of cotton has fluctuated even more than that of jowarn The average price of ootton in Bombay for the five years 1855 to 1859 (that 1s, at the beginning of the secondhalf of the term of the origual settlement, when all waste had been brought under the plough and the taluka was prosperous) was Rs 132 a candy Then the great demand for Indian ootton set m, and in the five years 1853-67 the average prioe was Rs 441. Bat it has snak rapidly since, and in 1S74 was only Re. 184.

13 In addation to the inerease which present prices juatify on the old rates, other erroumstanoes, of oourse, should also be taken into consideration

14 Colonal Praners' proposals are -
1si-To reduce the maximum rates two annas all round.
2md-To reduce the valuation of the middle and poorer solls in the manner already sazotuoned for Indspur and other tálnkas.
3rd-To transfer five villages, whoch may whth equal propriety be placed in ether group, from the second to the third group.
The result of these proposals would be to reluce the parcentage increase from 77 to 48, and the average rate from Re. 0.11-4 to Re. 0-9-7.
15. Consudering the advantage ia clumate which Sholapur hns over the more westerly dustriots of Madha, Indipur and Bhimthan, His Exoelleacy in Counol is of opimon that an
increase of four aunas in the maximum rate over that of Madha 18 not in any way excessive, especially as this will affect the town of Sholapur aloue, and the increase in the second group will be only 2 annas, whilst the maximum rates of the third and fourth groups will be the same as those of the two Mádha groups The reduction of rates proposed by Colonel Francis is accordingly approved

16 The modufication of the grouping by which five villages are transferred from the second to the third class is also approved, but as this, together with the lowering of the classification of the inferior descriptions of sonls which has been carried out, will still leave the percentage increase of eeveral villages high, it will be advisable to lower by a class the following villages lyng on the outskirts of the piesent second and third groups This will contiact the line up to which the maximum of Re 1-4-0 will run to within five or six mules of the market of Sholépur, and give the benefit of the lowest rate of one rapee to all the villages on the outer limit of the onginal third group which are not whthm easy reach of a maiket town or a ralway station

Villages of the second to be lowered to the thard group -
Kardehalı,
Togarhalı,
Yetnal,
Chınchol,
Walsang,
Salghar,

Villages of the third to be lowered to the fourth group -
Kásegaon,
Tándulwán,
Mustı,
Sanjwad,
Rájur,
Aurad,

Hatur,
Shamshápur,
Nándur, Talegan, Páthrı.

Bádalgı, Nándanı, Kebhar Jawalga, Ibrámpur, Mungl.

17 This will reduce the percentage increase on the second group from 53 to 52 , on the third from 49 to 45 , and on the whole táluka from 77 to 45
18. The permanent reduction of assessment in consequence of these measures will amount, on the whole, to $\mathrm{Rs} 54,993$, and the average rate per acre will be annas 9 and pres 5 , which would be equivalent, at the average price of 28 seers a rupee in the current year quoted above, to a grain rent of under $16 \frac{1}{2}$ seers or 33 lbs of jowarn The extreme moderation of this rate cannot be questioned, and it should be brought into effect from the current year. Of the total reduction, about $\frac{23}{6}$ is general and about $\frac{20}{\frac{2}{2}}$ on the poorer soils only

19 These reductions having been made, Government consider it unnecessary to make a further special reduction in the case of those villages, about 15 out of the 147 of the táluka, im which the increase is still in excess of 75 per cent., as this is due solely to the faulty classinication of the original survey, of which they then so long enjoyed the advantage In 6 or 7 vilages the old assessment will be reduced, in one as much as 47 per cent. Increases on mdividual holdings of more than 100 per cent should be spectally reported for orders

20 As proposed by the Survey Commissioner, the maxımam water-rate on rice lands should be reduced by 20 per cent. The figures given at paragraph 18 above ipclude thus reduction.
W. G PEDDER,

Acting Secretary to Government
To
The Survey and Settlement Commissioner, N. D,
The Revenue Commissioner, S. D,
The Collector of Sholépur,
The Survey and Setilsment Commissioner, S. D

## No 222 of 1876.

## From

Lheutenant-Colonel E L. TAVERNER,
Acting Superintendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment;
To
Colonel J. FRANCIS,
Survey and Settlement Commussioner, N D ,
Camp Nastk, 23rd March 1876
Sir,
With reference to your letter No. 444, dated 20th mstant, I have the honour herewith to forwand a statement showng the result of the alteration made under Government Resolution No. 5874, dated 19th October 1875, in the revsion settilement rates of 147 villages of the Sholapur Táluka of the Sholápur Colleotorate.
2. The estunate entered in para. 18 of the Government Resolution is that the assessment would be reduced from Re $3,07,972$, by a sum of Rs 54,993 or from an increase of 77 per cent. to one of 45 per cent. The actual result 18 an assessment of $R s 2,51,126$ agaunst the onginal assessment of Rs. 1,74,101 or an merease of Rs. 77,025 or 442 per cent

I have, \&c,
(Signed) E. L TAVERNER, Leut.-Colonel, Acting Supernntendent, Poons and Násis Survey.

Ctatement showing the ultimate Result of the Suroey Revision Settlement for the under adjusted under Goverrment Resolutron

menttoned Erullages of the Shotapur Taluka of the Sholapur Collectorate as finally No 5874 , dated, $18 t$ October 1875


| $\begin{gathered} \text { Num } \\ \text { ber of } \\ \text { Viliage } \end{gathered}$ | Namo of Villaze |  |  | At pra Revitom |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Acrea |  |  |  |  | Assoss |  |
|  |  |  | Asscesment | Jiriagat | $\begin{array}{\|c} \begin{array}{c} \text { Motas. } \\ \text { Bhal } \\ \text { Brgayat } \end{array} \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Pitag. } \\ \text { thand } \\ \text { Baral } \\ \text { fat. } \end{gathered}$ | Rice | Total. | Jirayat | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Motat- } \\ & \text { thal } \\ & \text { Bagajat. } \end{aligned}$ |
| 3 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 79 \\ & 80 \\ & 81 \end{aligned}$ | Kardehallı <br> Yetnal <br> Salgher <br> Total | Acres | Rs | Acres, | Acres, | Acres | Acres | Acres. | Rs, | R. |
|  |  | 1,574 <br> 1,074 | 696 | 1,541 | 82 | - | 8 | 1,631 | 836 418 | 81 |
|  |  | 6,597 | 2,940 | 5,393 | 381 | 114 | 8 | 5,846 | 2,826 | 882 |
|  |  | 138,934 | 68,991 | 158,831 | 4,295 | 309 | 1,018 | 184,013 | 95,580 | 4,096 |
| 828384 | Téndalwáds <br> Kásegaon <br> Sanjwad | 2,265 | 742 | 2,444 | 56 | 10 | 36 | 2,546 | 1,045 | 45 |
|  |  | 8,158 | 2,494 | 8,232 | 244 | 3 | 189 | 8,668 | 8,377 | 192 |
|  |  | 2,147 | 1,100 | 2,215 |  | 3 | 6 | 2,224 | 1,579 |  |
| 848588 | Sanjwad Rájur | 820 | 412 | 832 | 8 |  | 2 | 842 | 646 | 7 |
|  | Bádalg1 <br> Nánd ${ }^{2}$ | 1,259 | 929 | 1,321 |  |  |  | 1,321 | 1,125 |  |
| 888 |  | 1,872 | 1,000 | 1,955 |  |  | - | 1,955 | 1,233 |  |
| 87 | Aúrád | 4,000 | 2,636 | 3,948 | 24 |  |  | 8,972 | 3,255 | 21 |
| 89 |  | 4,749 | 2,622 | 4,811 | 429 | 38 | 6 | 4,784 | 2,188 | 834 |
| 90 | ${ }_{\text {Mustr }}{ }^{\text {Ibrimpur }}$. | 3,772 | 1,180 | 1,824 | 50 |  | 2 | 1,876 | 1,316 | 49 |
| 91 |  | 8646 | 3,690 | 9,601 | 88 | 9 | 46 | 9,739 | 3,752 | 59 |
|  | Mungh - | 1,870 | 1,199 | 1,762 | 175 | 21 |  | 1,958 | 987 | 165 |
| 93 |  | 2,061 | 719 | 2,066 | 53 |  | 8 | 2,127 | 1,025 | 43 |
|  |  | 5,832 | 1,878 | 5,786 | 116 |  | 25 | 5,927 | 2,206 | 88 |
| ${ }_{96}^{96}$ | Numbarg 1 Bhandarkauthe | 8353 <br> 2,077 | 5,668 | 8,540 $\mathbf{2 , 2 1 8}$ | 22 | : | 6 | 8,540 2,240 | 6,299 |  |
| 98 | Jámgaon (tarf Mandrup) | 1,042 | 250 | 1,168 | 14 |  |  | 1,182 | 458 | ${ }_{6}^{17}$ |
|  | Talegann (tarf Mand rup) | 2,405 | 1,304 | 2,587 |  |  | 2 | 2,589 | 1,951 |  |
| 99 | Tákh . . | 1,666 | 1,109 | 1,769 |  |  | 4 | 1,773 | 1,421 |  |
| 100 | Gunjegron | 3,210 | 844 | 3,282 | 28 | - | 4 | 3,314 | 1,287 | 18 |
| 101 | Karghot - <br> Mangolı | 1,385 | 788 | 1,529 |  | - |  | 1,529 | 1,199 |  |
| 102 |  | 1,476 | 815 | 1,523 |  |  | 11 | 1,584 | 1,119 |  |
| 103 |  | 3,024 | 1,173 | 8,199 | 3 |  |  | 3,202 | 1,785 | 2 |
| 105 | Kusur ${ }_{\text {Kandigaon }}$, | 1,144 2,035 | 771 | 1,259 2,111 | 12 |  | - | 2,125 | 1,078 | '5 |
| 106 |  | 7,581 | 2;074 | 8,078 | 129 |  | 10 | 8217 | 3,046 | 115 |
| 107 | A kola Itarf Mandrup) | 1,245 | 486 | 1,412 | $\cdot 17$ | 10 |  | 1,422 | 781 |  |
| 108 | Antroll - - | 2657 | 779 | 2,084 | 17 | 3 | 18 | 2,122 | 1,132 | 15 |
| 110 | Yelgaon <br> Aunj (tarf Mandrup) | 1,879 1,475 | 760 469 | 1,616 | 37 |  |  | 1,653 | 1,423 | 188888 |
| 111 |  | 3,604 | 1,948 | 3,761 | ${ }^{2}$ |  |  | 3,763 | 2,827 | 2 |
| 112 | Aupy (tarf Mandrap) Kárkal | 1,822 | 978 | 1,956 | 10 |  | 11 | 1,977 | 1,358 | 7 |
| 114 | Lawenga | 3,062 | 678 844 | 1,175 1,149 | 15 |  | 10 | 1,190 | ${ }_{682}^{910}$ | $1{ }^{2}$ |
| 115 | Sadepur Barur. | 1,293 | 456 | 1,474 | 15 |  | 2 | 1,491 | 738 | 10 |
| 116 | $\mathrm{F}_{1 \text { nchar }}$. | 4,990 | 2,090 | 5,116 | 55 | - | 21 | 5,182 | 2,776 | 47 |
| 117 |  | 2,968 | 1,046 | 8,077 | 112 |  | 71 | 8,260 | 1,407 | 83 |
| 118 | Bágt | 947 | 636 | 984 |  |  |  | 984 | 764 |  |
| 119 | Chinchptr | 764 | 459 | 813 |  |  |  | 813 | 638 |  |
| 120 |  | 335 | 217 | 374 |  | - |  | 374 | 341 |  |
| 121 | ${ }^{\text {Hatarsang }}$ | 667 | 385 | 741 |  |  | - | 741 | 626 |  |
| 122 | Borsar | 261 | 141 | 292 |  |  |  | 292 | 243 |  |
| 123 |  | 952 | 553 | 1,052 |  |  | 6 | 1,058 | 940 |  |
| 124 |  | 2,074 | 767 | 2,556 | 103 |  | 7 | 2,666 | 939 | 80 |
| 126 | Kimtha Budrak Mangral | 4,830 $\mathbf{2 , 5 6 2}$ | 1,564 1,148 | 4,899 2,648 | 101 | 170 | ${ }_{28}^{22}$ | 5,548 <br> 2,777 | ${ }_{1,263}^{1,644}$ | $\begin{array}{r}378 \\ 72 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| 127 |  | 3,365 | 1,612 | 3,529 | 167 |  |  | 8,696 | 2,010 | 140 |
| 128 | Parmeshwarpimpin | 1,435 | 461 | 1,565 | 29 |  | 8 | 1,600 | 616 | 17 |
| 129 | ${ }_{\text {Dadpur }}$ | 3,851 | 650 | 1,992 | 30 |  | ${ }^{27}$ | 2,049 | 687 | 23 |
| 130 |  | 3,877 | 1947 | 4,005 | 45 |  | 1 | 4,551 | 2,946 | 36 |
| 131 | Irmad Budrak Korol J | 6,462 | 2,115 | 6602 | 104 26 |  | 73 3 | 6,779 1,276 | 2,907 | 84 18 |
| 133 | Jámgaon (tarf Mohol) | \%,278 | 1.040 | 8,352 | 91 |  |  | 8,443 | 1085 | 54 |
| 134 | Waghol ${ }^{\text {Sohola }}$ - | 4,019 | 1,339 | 4,578 | 91 |  | 41 | 4.710 | 1,617 | 76 |
| 135 | Iygaon | 2397 | 728 | 2,407 | 14. |  | 74 | 2,495 | 877 | 8 |
| 136 | Ghodeshwar | 1,460 | 572 | 1,577 | 16 |  |  | 1,593 | 802 | 13 |
| 137 |  | 2,421 | 841 | 2,399 | 42 |  | 12 | 2,453 | 843 | ${ }^{2} 2$ |
| 138 | Kotala ( ${ }^{\text {thirapur (tarf Mohol) }}$ | 2,171 | 999 | 2,233 | 56 |  | 16 | 2,305 | 1,153 | 38 |
| 139 |  | 2,933 | 385 <br> 880 <br> 80 | $\begin{array}{r}748 \\ 8,102 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 72 | - | - | 748 8,174 | 1,126 | 67 |
| 141 | Ráleras . . |  | 497 | 738 | 82 |  |  | ${ }^{8} 765$ | 488 | 82 |
| 142 | Taksigeon |  | 196 | 337 |  |  |  | 337 | 259 |  |
| 143 | ${ }_{\text {Arla }}^{\text {Kilegann }}$ - | 4,476 | 1995 | 4,500 | 60 | 101 | 178 | 4,829 | 1,351 | 88 |
| 144 |  | 1,440 | 750 | 1,379 | 39 | 84 | 40 | 1,492 | 539 | 37 |
| 345 |  | 5,448 | 2,372 | 5,180 | 804 | 12 | 14 | 6,510 | 2,006 | 210 |
| 146 |  | 8,114 | 1,305 | 8,240 | 74 | 10 | 58 | 3,382 | 1,191 | 78 |
|  |  | 938 | 489 | 897 | 36 |  |  | 988 | 334 | 18 |
|  | Total | 170,764 | 78,774 | 178,317 | 8,707 | 424 | 1,095 | 183,543 | 91,021 | 2,885 |
|  |  | 881,484 | 1,74,101 | 419,718 | 9,938 | 848 | 2,516 | 433,021 | 2,96,178 | 8,849 |
|  |  | 398 | 814 |  |  |  |  |  | Ansesı | ant of |
|  | Grand Total | 381,842 | 1,74,915 | 419,718 | 9,938 | 848 | 2,516 | 433,021 | 2,36,178 | 8,848 |

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(Sygned) F. L. TAVERNER, Lueutenant-Colonel, Acting Supenntendent, Revenue Survey and Assessment,

Poona and Nísit

## Retenter Department. <br> Poona, 9th September 1876.

Forwarded in continuation of No. 1406 of this day's date, for the final confirmstion of Government to the reduced assessment shown in the Superintendent's Report.

## J. FRANCIS, Colonel,

Survey and Settlement Commssiouer, N. D.

No. 5516.
Revenoe Departhent.
Bombay Castle, 27 th September 1876.
Rrsolution - These reports give the final results of the reduotions effected in these four talakas in conformity with the prneoples land down in Government Resolution No. 5739, dated 29th October 1874,
2. The following are the several percentage reductions - -

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> reducheng.
2. Sholápur from 77 to 442 * * * * * and the total amounts contrast as follows -

according to rediditions $\underset{*}{\text { reported. }}$
2. Sholâpur.. 1,74,101 3,07,972

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2,51,126
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3. His Excellency the Governor in Conncil 1s pleased to express his approval of the manner in whech Colonel Taverner has carned out the nnstructions of Covernment
F. S. CHAPMAN,

Chef Secretary to Government.

No. 5420 of 1903.
From

„A. F. MACONOCHIE, Esquire, I. C.S., Collector of Sholápur;

To

Tee Honourable Mr. A. D. YOUNGHUSBAND, I. C. S., Commissioner of tho Central Division.

Sholaipur, 23rd October 1903.
SIr,
I have the honour to submit for the orders of Government proposals for the Second Revision Settlement of the Sholápur, Bársi, Karmála, and Mádha Talukas of this District. The reports for the first three talukas were written between January and August of this year by my late Assistant, Mr. Painter • that for the fourth táluka was written in 1900 by Mr F. B. Young, then Superintendent of Land Records and Agriculture, Central Division. All four reports would in the usual course of things have been submitted at earlier dates, for the last settlement expired in Mádha at the end of 1899-1900, in Sholápur at the end of 1900-01, in Barse at the end of 1901-02, and in Karmala at the end of 1902-03. But in view of the recent succession of bad years, Government were pleased to durect in their Resolution No. 8325 of 31st December 1900, that proposals for revision of settlements should not be land before them till 1904. This judicoous order has not only conferred a boon on the cultivators, "but also rendered it possible to re-settle nearly two-thurds of the district at one time and on one consistent scheme.
2. In these circumstanoes I beg to embody my remarks on all four reports in one letter. They wall not be many. Mr Painter's desoription of the existing condition of things is so acourate and so full that it leaves me little to add And as we on several occasions disoussed the whole subject personally, his proposals for the future substantially represent my own views. It is only in a very few cases that I shall suggest some slight modification.
3. Before treating of each táluka in turn, I must observe that there is one main factor in the problem, common to all in greater or less degree, of which we must never lose sight, and that is the long succession of disastrous years through which the district has recently passed Shortiy after the existing rates were introduced came the great famme of 1876-77. Twenty years afterwards, when the district had reoovered from this blow, it was agann attacked by the hardly less severe famine of 1896-97. Two seasons of scantiness followed, and then came the famine of 1899-1900, the worst of the century, followed in its turn, without a moment's respite, by that of 1900-01, to be again succeeded by another unfavourable year. The good year 1902-03 just past was the first of its kind for seven years. The current year seems likely to be as good or even bettar, and it may be hoped that a period of prosperity has now begun. • But it has only just begun, and we must not allow this gleam of present well-bengit may be but transient-to efface from our minds the memory of the terrible loss and suffering of the immeduate past. A population so afflicted must be treated with the utmost tenderness, and a leniency must be shown by the state in its demand, for whoh after an epoch of prosperity, there would be no need and no justifioation. Of the four tálukss now in question, Karmála suffered most, Mádha less, Sholipur and Bársi least, but all suffered severely, and our revised ratos must reflect that fact both generally and comparatively.
4. I now proceed to review Mr. Painter's proposals for the Sholápur talluka. The leading facts to be borme in mind are that the rates originally fixed at the begmning of the existing settlement in 1872 were considerably reduced in 1875 on account of an extraordinary fall in prices, that since then

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prices have risen agan to much ther former level, that land has mantaned its purchasing power under an increased assessment and has therefore risen in value, that there has been a remarkable development of the central market town of Sholápur, but that on account of the repeated famines increase in general agricultural prospenty has been arrested during the currency of the present settlement, and the rayat is in much the same state as in 1872. Mr. Painter, therefore, recommends that the rates onginally fixed in 1872 may, with a few local augmentations, be re-imposed now for the term of the next settlement. I think that the figures and arguments that he adduces prove his conclusions to be sound, and I support them. The only change I propose is that the three villages mentioned in his paragraph 67, should be put into the Furst Group along with Sholápur, which they adjom, as their land is equally valuable. This is an enhancement of 40 per cent., but in the pecuhar circumstances set forth by Mr Painter it is perfectly just and proper. In point of fact Sholápur and these villages could well bear a rate of Rs 2-0-0 instead of Mr. Yainter's proposed rate of Rs. 1-12-0, and that I do not propose the former is due merely to my sense of the advisability of lenient treatment after the famines. The other modufications proposed in Mr. Painter's 68th paragraph have my entire approval. As regards paragraph 76, it will be seen hereafter that Mr. Pannter and I both propose a reduction by two annas of Mr. Young's proposed rates, and if this is done, the new rates for Mádha and Sholápur will be harmonous. As for the higher rates in the adjacent Native State of Akalkot, that tract has always been assessed hugher than Sholápur, and the curcumstances are not identical

As remarked in paragraph 80, the tripartite classfication of land is now obsolete and might well be abolushed

The Pathastal rates proposed are suitable There is very little of this form of cultivation.

One other point demands notice-the isolated villages of the talnka surrounded by the Nızam's territory They are fertile, but inaccessible and difficult to administer, and are consequently full of dacoits, who annoy the officials and people of both jurisdrctions alike. It is a very great pity that they cannot be exchanged for Hyderabad villages inside the district.
5. I now turn to Bársi. Thas is undoubtedly the best táluka in the district. It has a flourshing commercial town in its centre, it has a better climate than Sholápur, its communications have been very much improved during the current settlement by the construction of the Barsi Light Railway and several excellent long roads, land is more valuable than in Sholápur, and it has suffered less from famine. As in Sholápur the rates originally fixed at the begmning of the current settlement were reduced in 1875 on account of the fall in prices, but since then prices have recovered their former level. In these circumstances Mr. Painter justly considers that the taluka can bear rates slightly higher than those proposed for the greater part of Sholapur. I agree with him, and recommend that his proposals be adopted.
6. As regards Mádha Mr. Painter and I recorded independently two reviews of Mr. Young's proposals, he this year, and I last year. We both arriv. ed at the same conclusion, that his proposed groups should be accepted, but that his proposed increase in the rates should be reduced by one-half Mr. Young drew up these proposals in 1900, and therefore could not take full account of the famine. If Mr. Painter's and my opmion be adopted the rates for Mádha will be in harmony with those we propose for Sholápur on one side and Karmála on the other. It is worse off than the former, but better off than the latter. Prices have recovered themselves, and communications both by rail and road have been much amproved during the current settlement, so that a slight increase in the rates seems justifiable.
7. Karmála is a very poor and backward táluka, that has suffered most severely by the famine, as Mr Painter's figures show. We cannot recommend any enhancement of the present rates, save in the solitary instance of the headquarter town, the rate of which we propose to rase by two annas. I heartily support the proposal to do away with Pathasthal rates here altogether They are an absurdity in Karmála Mr. Snow strongly objected to them in 1891, so that the proposal is not a new one.

The idea of making a separate mahál of Tembhurni and the adjoining villages is excellent At present the táluka is unmanageable, and admunistration suffers in consequence.
8. I trust these proposals will commend themselves to Government. Mr Painter and I have both been a long time in the district, and may claim that we know it well. I think that on examination our scheme will be found adequate to the situation. At any rate we have tried our best to combine a just view of the rights of Government with an equatable consideration of the claim of the people to indulgent treatment after so many calamaties.
9. It is my pleasing duty in conclusion to bring to the speacial notice of Government the admirable manner in which Mr. Painter has performed the special duty of preparing these settlement reports. He took it up in January and finssed it by the end of July, being relneved only of his magisterial work in the meantime, and performing the whole of his revenue work during that period as usual. I trust that Government will agree that the production withm six months of three such reports as these, so thorough, so accurate, so interesting, is a most excellent piece of work for which Mr. Painter deserves the highest credit.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
. Your most obedient servant,
A. F. MAOONOCHIE,

Collector.
Througe tha Director of Land Records and Agriculture.

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\text { No } \frac{A}{258} \text { of } 1904 .
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From
H S. Lawrence,jEsqutra, I. C. S., Director, Land Records and Agriculture, Bombay,
To
The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, Revenue Department, Bombay.

Poona, 19th January 1904. SIR,
I have the honour to forward the proposals for the Revision Settlement of the tálukas of Sholápur, Bársi, Karmála and Madha with the Review thereon by the Colleotor.
2. The proposals have been prepared by officers with an intimate knowledge of the district, Mr. Paunter having served there for $2 \frac{1}{2}$ years and Mr. Maconochue for $4 . \frac{1}{2}$ years, and the reports reflect therr anxiety that the distriot should recelve indulgent treatment in consideration of the recent and prolonged period of distress.
3. It is a matter of great difficulty to assess equitably the weight that thas period of abnormal distress should have on the settlement of the Government demand for the next 30 years.

The existing assessment of the distriot has already taken full account of the exoeedingly precarious character of the rainfall and cultivation, for though the soil is generally of a good quality, the average assessment is lower than in any other district, being 8 annas and 2 ples agaunst 8 annas and 11 pies in Byápur, 9 annas and 7 ples in Nagar, and 10 annas and 6 pies in Poona

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4. Messrs. Painter and Young have made a careful and full examination of the economic history of the four tálukas Mr. Painter's conclusion in regard to the Sholápur táluka may perhaps be adopted for the whole tract that 'the rayat is on the whole about as well off as he was in 1872, or at any rate neither much better nor much worse."

5 On the one hand the calamities of the successive famines are represented in the absolute reduction or the cessation of increase in population, on the other hand, there are the remarkable facts that even during the prevalence of famine land continued to sub-let for sums equal to at least 3 times the survey assessment, and that the recent famines did not, like the famine of 1876-77, result in the abandonment of any holdings and finally the fact-of special importance on the future ability of the rayat to pay his assessmenl-of a great rise in prices.
6. This latter point requires some further emphasis, and I refer to it separately in the case of each táluka

Sholápur.-The rates that were imposed in 1872 were reduced in 1875 in consideration of the fall of prices that had occurred in the interval. The rates imposed in 1875 were sanctioned on the basis of an average price of jowarn in the four years 1872-75 of Rs. 1-6-10 per maund. If we exclude the years of abnormal prices (1897-1900-1901) we find the average price of the last decade was Rs 1-15-9 per maund, an increase of 40 per cent.

Bársı.-Sımılarly the rates in Bársı were sanctioned on an average price of jowari of Re 1-2-10 which has now risen to Rs. 1-15-11, an increase of 69 per cent

Mádha.-The case of Mádha is simılar, but the record of prices for 1874-75 being missing the exact percentage of rise cannot be calculated, if however we assume the price of that year to be the average of adjacent talukas, $\tau e$, Rs. 1-0-3, we find the rise to be from Rs. 1-3-10 to Rs. 1-13-5, or 49 per cent

Karmála.-In Karmála alone was no reduction made in consequence of the fall of prices, and the existing rates are therefore based on the average of the decade from 1863-61 to 1872-73 of Rs 1-14-6 which has risen in the last decade by only $5 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent. to Rs 2-0-2.
7. The increases of assessment in the proposals under consideration are shown below -

| Taiuse | Present ascessment. | Proposed assessment | Increase. | Present average rate. | Propoaed average rate | Remaris. |
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| Sholápur | 2,81,245 | 2,62,384 | 135 | 93 | 106 | Mr Painter'i proposals, |
| Bársa | 1,89,968 | 2,05,508 | 82 | 100 | 1010 | Do. do. |
| Karmala .. | 1,54,274 | 1,54,259 | Nul | 79 | 79 | Do. do. |
| Madha | 1,42,177 | 1,62,872 | 142 | 76 | 87 | Mr. Maconochue's proposals |

The proposals are marked by extreme moderation, but in the present circumstances of the district I am not prepared to advocate a further enhancement.
8. I now come to some minor points in the several reports -

Sholapur.-If the three villages of Mr. Painter's second group were placed with Sholdpur in the first group, the percentage enhancement would be $33 \cdot 8$ per cent., and would exceed the prescribed limit $I$ would suggest that Mr. Maconoche's view should be in part met by mposing a dry-crop maximum on these three villages of Rs. 1-10-0 in place of Rs. 1-9-0, thus raising theur enhancement from 25 per cent. to 30 per cent.

I do not think there is sufficient reason for the adoption of the proposal in paragraph 80 of Mr. Painter's report. the matter undeed has little concern with the settlement report.
9. Mr. Painter's proposals in regard to pátasthal rates are not quite clear. Apparently he would raise the maxmum from lis. 6 to Rs. 8 and impose a
permanent rate of Rs. 832 on 348 acres in 8 villages; the remaining area now assessed of 485 acres in 24 villages he would leaye to be assessed at an occasional rate by the Collector.

The rates in Appendix $Q$ however do not agree with his statement that Re. I per acre will in most cases be all that can equitably be imposed It appears to have been assumed that pátasthal irrigation has been permanently destroyed by the recent drought, but I doubt whether this assumption is well founded. If years of favourable rain recur the channels will flow again, and I am incluned to think that a permanent reduction should only be made in the case of páts which are shown to have run dry for several years before the drought. For this purpose the records of cultivation on these pats for ten years previous to 1895 should be examined. Where an average rate can be imposed it 18 preferable to occasional assessments by the Collector. This niew which has been frequently and vagorously discussed was taken by Government in the case of Karmála (vede paragraph 3 of Government Resolution No. 2037 of 24th March 1892 and underlying correspondence) and has recently reoeived the approval of the Irrigation Commission

I would suggest therefore that a re-examination of the pats be durected with a view to the imposition of an average rate wherever this is possible.
10. Bdrsi.-Mr. Panter here reduces the pátasthal assessment from Rs. 1,837 on 1,015 acres in 61 villages to Rs. 335 on 169 acres in 12 villages (the figure 170 in paragraph 46 of his report appears to be an error). The remarks I have made above on Sholápur apply equally to Bársi.
11. Karmála-Mr. Painter would abohsh the pátasthal rates, but suggests as an alternative that " a chad should be put on land so situated as to be umgable by pat", this latter alternative is practically what the patasthal assessment is intended to be , and the right course would be, if the Survey Department were as alleged "overliberal in their classafication of land as patasthal," to reduce that classification.
12. On all other points relating to the settlement of these tálukas I have the honour to support Mr. Painter's proposals.
13. Mdidha.-A revised Appendix $Q$ showing the result of Mr. Maconochee's rates is appended.

In regard to the patasthal of this táluka Mr. Young places a permanent rate on 15 acres, and leaves 41 acres to be occasionally assessed. The area is so small that the proposal may perhaps be accepted. I agree in the recommendation to reduce Mr. Young's rates and in other respects have the honour to support his proposals

> I have the honour to be,
> Sr,
> Your most obedient Servant,
> (Signed) H. S. LAWRENCE, Director, Land Records and Agriculture.

Through the Commissuoner, C. D.

No. $\frac{\mathrm{TR}}{188}$ or 1904.

Revente Department<br>Camp Malsuras, 22nd March 1904.

Forwarded, with an expression of general concurrence in the Director's criticisms.

2 It is undoubtedly, as Mr. Lawrence observes, a matter of great difficulty to assess equitably the weight which the recent prolonged period of abnormal distress should be given in the settlement of the Government demand for the next thirty years. To the solution of this difficult question it is evident that Messrs. Maconoche and Painter have devoted much thoughtful and sensible consideration ; and the Commissioner is of opinion that their proposals, which are based on considerable local knowledge and expenence, may be accepted.
3. The Director's proposal to rase the maximum dry-crop rate in the three villages constituting Mr Painter's second group for the Sholápur Taluka from Rs. 1-9-0 to Rs. 1-10-0 seems a judicious compromise between Mr. Painter's and Mr Maconochie's proposals It will have the effect, which is desired by all, of a slight addrtional enhancement in the assessment of these three villages, while at the same time keeping within prescribed limits
4. On the question of pátasthal rates, the Commissioner supports Mr. Lawrence's proposal that further detaled report should be awarted. It is understood to be Mr Painter's view that, in those villages in which he has recommended the abandonment of pátasthal assessment, there is a permanent absence of irrigation faculities, and not merely a temporary absence, resulting from recent years of abnormal drought. But it is as well that this should be placed beyond possibility of question, by means of as complete statistics of cultivation as can be procured for the years preceding 1895.
5. The proposal to reduce by one-half the enhancements originally proposed by Mr Young for the Mádha Táluka is based on sound reasoning, and the Commissioner concurs with all the officers through whose hands the papers have passed in supporting it.
6. The Commissioner has pleasure in associating himself in the expressons of commendation contained in the Collector's 9th paragraph of the industry and ability displayed by Mr. Painter in the preparation of three of these four reports. He is confident that this officer's good work will meet with the approbation of Government Mr. Young has prepared an exceedingly careful and interesting report on the settlement of Madha, and it in no way detracts from the credit due to him that subsequent events have suggested some modifioation of his proposals.

A. D. YOUNGHUSBAND,<br>Commissioner, C. D.

## Revenur Survey and Aesessment.

Sholápur.
Revision Settlement of the Sholispur, Barsi, Karmála and Mádha 'Iálukas.

No. 5050.

## Refenue Department.

Bombay Castle, 2nd July 1904.
Memorandum from the Commasioner, C. D., No. т.R.-138, dated 22nd March 1904—Submittung, whih his remarks, letter No $1 .-259$, dated 19th January 190t, from the Director of Land Records and Aginculture, who forwards, with his remarks, the papers noted in the margin containing proposals for the second revision settlement of the Sholápur, Bársı, Karmíla and Mádha Talukas of the Sholapur Distnct.
Memorandum form the Commissiner, O D, No R.-1718, dated 1sth June 1904-Forwarding one No 4. - 3247, dated 9th idem, from the Director of Land Records and Agriculture together wath letters Nos 1354, dated 8th April 1904, 1539, dated 23rd April 1904, and 1884, dated 14th May 190t, from the Collector ot Sholápur, who submita certan petitions of objections nade by village commumities to the proposed grouping and maximum rates at the second revision settiement of the Sholapur, Barsi, Madha and Karmála Tálukas.
Resolution.-These papers relate to the second revision settlement of the four tálukas of Sholápur, Bársi, Mállha and Karmála, on which the Governor in Counoll deems it expedient to pass one general order. The tract with which they deal is one of the most arid in the Presidency, and the barvest 18 so precarious that it is not easy to denise a system of settlement which would be suitable in all respects. Mr. Painter points out that in tbe Sholapur Taluka it sometimes occurs that one-balf of a village gets sufficient ran and the other half little or none, and indeed that there has been alleged to be a sumilar variation within indzvidual fields. Yet that taluka is more favourably situated in this respect than Madha and Kaımala, the last being the worst, while in Barsa the ranfall is somewhat less uncertan. The very fact that there are so many and so wide variations in the same season, however, indicates the diffioulty, amounting to virtual impracticability, of adapting the demand to the year's outturn, and the reports on the original settlements show to what serious evils a system of annual remíssions almost mevitably leads. Even in such a táluka as Karmála the only system which is consistent with a general safeguarding of the interests of the oultivators is to impose un assessment whol can be pard without difficulty in an average of far years, and to allow remissions only for exceptional loss. A comparison of the old reports with those now under consideration shows that on the whole this system has worked well. The cultavators are not indeed in affluent circumstances, and after such calamities as they have passed through during the period of the last settlement they would not have been even if they had been hable to no assessment at all. But they are much better off than they were before the original settiement was introduced. The facts that land has attaned a very high value, that real coercive prooesses háve been altogether unnecessary except in the Karmála Taluka, whle even there they are almost neghgible, and that after an unprecedented series of calamitous years no land has been relinquished, afford convinoing evidence of the moderation of the assessment. There need be no hesitation therefore in contunung to apply the same principles.

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2. As regards revision of the groaping and rates the proposals of Mr . Painter, moluding those regarding reduction of the enbancement suggested by Mr. Young for the Málha Talluka, are generally justified by the reasons assigned by bim and are, subject to very slight modificutions, approved by the Collector, the Director of Land Records and Agriculture and the Commissioner. The question of prices, on which any change must mainly depend, has been carefully considered, and there can be no doubt that the decline, which was the ground for a reduction of the rates first sanctioned in connection with the first revision settlement of the Sholápur, Bársı and Mádha Tálukas, was only temporary, and that the standard is now as high as that on which those rates were based. A reversion in these tálukas to the rates approved in 1871, 1872 and 1873 is therefore reasodable and suitable. The first revision setrlement of the Karmála Taluka was made after the dechne of prices had begun, and the enhancement was moderate. The pitch of the rates was about the same as that of the rates as modified in 1875 for the Mádha Taluka. The latter was at the time considered somewhat less favourably situated, but the experience of the last 30 years has modified that conclusion. Karmala has sudered most in the years of famine and scarcity. The value of land in this táluka is materially lower than in the otber tálukas, and in a few cases some pressure has been needed to recover Government dues. More leniency is therefore required there than in the other talukas, and the continuation of the existing rates for another period of 30 years, notwithstanding the rise in the standard of prices, is a judicious course. There seems no reason to doubt that the gradation of rates 1s, both within the tract and with reference to the assessment of adjoining areas, roughly according to the degrees of security of crops dependent on rainfall and of other natural advantages. The proposed grouping and rates are accordingly sanctioned subject to the modifications mentioned below.
3. The maximum dry crop rates proposed by Mr. Panter for the village of Sholápur and the three adjoining villages of Shelgi, Bále and Degaon in the Sholápur Táluka, as well as tor the villages of Barsi and Varágan the Barsi Táluka, seem to be unduly low as compared with those recomwended for other villages under less favourable circumstances in point of material prosperity or of the advantages of prosimity to a market or railway station, In Government Resolution No. 2712, dated 27th March 1896, it has been ruled that "immediate proximity to a large and important charket or railvay station shall be deemed an adequate cause for a moderate special merease of assessment". The value of the exceptional advantages of lands adjoining a large market-such as disposal of every part of the produce at the prices prevalent in such a market, with little or no cost of carriage, high price of fodder, cheap manure- is not indicated by the difference between the rates proposed for such lands and those for lands at some distance from markets. Ihere has been a tendency to differentiate msufficiently between localities which have advanced in prospenty owing to such advantages as are above indicated and those which are stationary and backward. The late famines cannot farrly be deemed to be a sufficient reason for foregoing for the next 30 years a full increase in such a singularly advanced aiea as the village of Sholépur, which on its merits could well bear a rate of at least Re. 2. The rate of Rs. 1-12-0 proposed by Mr. Painter rasses the assessments in this village by $27 \cdot 21$ per cent., while a rate of Rs. 2 would rasse them by_about 45 per cent., which would still be well within the 66 per cent, which has been fised as the limit of enhancement for a village. But as Sholápur village is classed by atself as a separate group, the standing orders lunit the enhancement to 33 per cent. In the circumstances the highest possible rate that can be applied to the village without exceeding this limit will, it is presumed, be about Rs. 1-13-0, and this rate is sanctioned. For the same reason the rate for the three adjonngg villages of Shelgi, Bale and Degaon, which have not like Sholápur the advantage of quite close proximity to market and cannot be grouped with this village as suggested by the Collector, should, as recommended by Mr. Lawrence, be Rs. 1-10-0, which will give an increase of about 30 per cent. As Bársi is an important town and likely to improve, Government see no reason why the rate for lands in it should be under Rs. 1-12-0, which will not cause an excessive increase. The rate for Varag, where there is a grain and grocery market, should be Rs. 1-8-0.
4. The unform rate of Rs. 3 proposed by Mr. Painter for all rice lands in the three tálukas of Sholápur, Barss and Karmála seems to be appropriate and is approved. No rice rate is proposed for the Mádha Táluka for the reason stated in paragraph 32 of Mr. Young's report on that táluka.
5. The proposed treatment of "bágayat" or "garden" lands in the several talukas is also accepted.

6 As regards paitasthal lands, it has recently been directed* that in new

- Government Resolution No. 2986, dated 20ch April 1904.

Government Resolution No. 3969, dated 25th May 1904 under sectioh 55 of the Bombay Land Revenue Code, witain the limits of the maximum water-rates" specially prescribed by Government for each táluka. In the case of the Karmala Táluka Mr. Pannter proposes to do away wholly with permanent pátasthal rates, and shows good reasons, which apply equally to the other three tálukas of Sholápur, Bársi and Mádha, in which pátasthal irrigation is reported to be very rare and fitful. In the circumstances the orders above referred to should be followed in the case of all these four tálukas.
7. On the question of the assessment of lands under the Ekrukh canals or affected by them, the remarks made by Mr. Painter in paragraphs 81 and 85 of his report on the Sholápur Táluka seem to be correct, and the course adopted by him in regard to these lands and by Mr. Young in the case of the area under the A'shti tank in the Mádha Taluka is approved.
8. Mr. Painter's remarks on inám villages in the several talukas should be noted for future guidande.
9. The new settlements as now sanctioned should be introduced in all the four talukas after the lst August 1G04 and guaranteed for 30 years from the revenue year 1905-06. The revised assessments should be announced and levied in accordance with standing orders. The statements forming Appendix $Q$ to the several reports should be revised in the light of the orders contanned in the foregong paragraphs before publication of the reports in the form of Selections.
10. The petitions of objections do not contain any facts or arguments which have not been fully considered, and for which ample allowance has not been made, in the proposuls which aye now approved.
11. Some incidental points not directly connected with survey settlement, which are raised in these reports, are noticed below:-
(a) As regards the villages of the Sholápur and other tálukas isolated in the midst of the territory of His Highness the Nizam, the Collector should be requested to submit a separate report, giving reference to previous propossls, if any, stating in detal the grounds for the proposed exchange, and indicating generally the hines on which the exchanges should be made. A copy of the joint report on the Jamkhed project should at the same time be supphed to the Collector, and his attention should be specially invited to the fact that the three detached villages of Karmála Taluka have already been ancluded in that project.
(b) On the subject of Mr . Painter's recommendations for the disforestment of large areas which, although included in forest, are in his opinion better suited for purposes of cultivation than of forest conservancy, any r-asonable proposals which may be submitted to Government will receive careful consideration. But iu making proposals for any extensive disforestments, officers should not lose sight of the facts that forests classed as "pasture" are in charge of the Revenue Department, not of the Forest Departinent, and that in the interests of the agricultural economy of the country it is expedient to retans a sufficient area of common pasture and nut to reduce it below a hmit bearing a reasonable proportion to the culta-
rable area and to the number of cattle required for working that area and for the domestic uses of, the people. If, however, such land is really suitable for cultivation, it will yield more fodder when under the plough than when uncultivated, and probably the grass, when it 18 left fallow, will be improved. Ihere should therefore be no hesitation in disforesting good soil unless it is only in small patches within proper forest, "but on the other band the cultivation of shallow soils on the slopes of halls or rising grounds only leads to further deterioration through loose soils being washed away.
(c) The recommendation regarding the omission of certann particulars from Village Form No. 1, as well as the proposal for the formation of a separate mahal of the Karmála Taluka with Tembhurni as the head-quarter of the mahal, should be reported separately for the orders of Government.
12. Government cordially concur in the commendation bestowed by the Collector and the Commissioner on Mr. Painter for his industry and ability in the prompt preparation of his three lucid and sensible reports, and on Mr. Young for his careful report on Mádha Táluka.

## G. F KEATINGE, <br> Under Secretary to Government.

To
The Commissioner, C. D.,
The Collector of Sholapur (with a copy of the joint report on the Jamkhed project),
The Director of Land Records and Agrioulture,
The Conservator of Forests, C. C.,
The Accountant General,
The Public Works Department of the Secretariat.



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\text { No. R. S.-27 of } 1920 .
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Camp Sangola, 5th May 1920.

. From

> G Y. MIRIKAR, Esquire,
> Assistant Settlement Officer, Taluka Malsiras ;

To
The Collector of Sholapur.
Sir,
I have the honour to submit my proposals for the Second Revision Survey Settlement of the Malsiras Taluka of the Sholapur District
2. The taluka boundaries have undergore no change during the current lease There are in all 69 villages in the taluka, of which 57 are Government, and 12 are Inam My report deals with 57 Government villages only Out of the 12 Inam villages (1) Bljwadi; (2) Sangam, (3) Tambwe, (4) Newre, (5) Tandulwadi and (6) Bacherı are yet unsettled and the remaining (7) Karunde, (8) Kothale, (9) Pımpri, (10) Ganeshgaon, (11) Nimbgaon and (12) Kolegaon, though due for revision, requre revision measurement and classufication operations None of these 12 Inam villages therefore are included in this report as advised by the Superintendent,

- Land Records, Central Divisior.

3. The current settlement in the 57 villages was introduced in 'the year land under the authority quoted below and, was guaranteed up to the Revenue emeryear 1920-21.

| of villeges | Settloment | Year of introduction | Authonty |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 57 | Revimon. | 189182 | G R No 2845, dated 24th Apmi 1891 |
| Posttion and Phtistoal features |  |  |  |

4. The Malsiras Taluka, is the westernmost portion of the Sholapur District. In the north it is bounded by the Nura River beyond which is the Indapur Taluka of the Podaa Collectorate ' in the east by the Bhima River and parts of the Karmala, Madha and Pandharpur Talukas The south-east portion of this taluka adjoins the Sangola Taluka In the south-west and west are the Mahadev (Singnapur) hills of the Man Taluka of the Satara Collectorate and in the west is the Phaltan State The Taluks Head-quarter is nearly in the centre.

The lands slope gently towards the Nurs and Bbima Ruvers which meet at Narsunghpur (Indapur Taluka) near Sangam in the extreme north-east.

There is a great dearth of water in this taluka even for drinking purposes. The sub-soll water cannot be reached at practicable depth Flowing water is rarely seen, as most of the streams are hable to ary up from the season of cold weather and travellers have to foresee their demand of water to quench their thirst and to keep water with them while en route to and from Pandharpur and Singnapur which are pilgrim centres.

The Nura river alse dries up in the dry season. The River Bhima only 18 with a perenrial fiow but as it flows only on the boundary line of the taluka it is usaful for only a very lumited number of villages of this taluka which axe on its banks

5 The taluka consists of an undulating plain more level and richer in soil towards the boundarnes of the two rivers and more broken in surface and more sterile along the foot of the hills Some part is stony - The soll is not retentive of moisture On the whole, the taluka is rocky and treeless and the undergrowth is scanty

## Clmate and Ratnfall.

6 Appendıx A gives the figures of ramefall recorded at Malsiras, Akluj and Piliv for the last 11 years Statistics of the last few years are also avalable for Dharmapurn, Mandwe, Islampur and Bhamburdı where rain guages have recently been established by the Public Works Department (Irrigation), Malsiras

A comparison of these statements will show that the dastribution of rainfall - is generally equal everywhere in the taluka except at Akluy and Piliv At Akluj the ranfall is less and at Pilho it is more than at Malsiras

I have also obtained the detale of the record of rainfall at the adjoming four Taluka Head-quarters, 2zz., Indapur, Man, Sangola and Pandharpur; and from this it will be seen that the rainfall at Pandharpur is comparatively more than at any of the adjoining talukas. Although Dahiwadi is a hully taluka, it has the least ramfall

The climate is dry and hot and the rainfall scanty and uncertain. At Malsiras during the last 11 years ending 1919, the fall varied from 4177 inches in 1916 to 8.71 mehes in 1912. The average rainfall is 1924 irches

As regards distribution of the rainfall, it is clear that the late rans are more important, and its total amount is generally double that of kharif. Naturally rabi crops preponderate in this taluka and this will clearly be seen from the crop statistics

The taluka is excessively liable to famine and the cause of it is the fanure or unseasonableness of the ramfall
Crops

## 7 Appendux B gives details of crops

The primcipal crops are jowan and bajri The relative proportion of these crops varies according to the season of the year's rainfall Jowari is usually sown with safflower as an inter-crop The jowarl covers 5973 per cent of the gross cropped area as compared with 50 per cent at the time of the First Revision Bajri covers only 1442 per cent of the gross cropped area as compared with 187 per cent at the time of the First Revision. This shows that rabi crops are grown over larger area than in the past.

The average areas under wheat, rice and cotton are shown below -

| Crop | Area in acres. | Percentage on gross <br> oropped area |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Wheat | 2,265 | 103 |
| Rice | 112 | 005 |
| Cotton | 4,386 | 200 |
|  | as compared to |  |
| Wheat | 1,516 | 06 |
| Rice | 504 | 0.2 |
| Cotton | 1,096 | 0.4 |

at the time of the orignal Survey. Cotton has expanded in the villages noted below --

1. Umbre Velapur, Yeliv, Khandali, Dharmapuri, Natepute, Purandavade Fondshuras, Bondle, Borgaon, Mahalung, Malkambu, Mandwe, Velapur, Islampur Kanher, Girvi, Chandapuri, Phalvanı, Mandki, Rede.

As regards rice, it 18 grown close to bug tals, the area has diminushed owng to the embankments having been filled in Rice is very unimportant in this dry taluka.

At the time of the First, Revision the fallow land in the Malsiras Taluka on the gross cultivated area was 12.3 per cent, and now it is 2017 per cent. on the same Probably one of the reasons seems to be that some people find it advantageous to keep therr land fallow and to accept work on the Canal works and thus to obtain more money than they would ordinarily get from agriculture " secondly -owing to the rise in the cost of cultivation people find it convenient to keep lands for grazing for sheep and goats In the undulating "Mal" lands much area necessarily remains uncultivated

The area under safflower is shown under the head "dyes" as safflower is classed under "IX Dyes' in the Revenue Accounts Manual by Mr Anderson on - page $152^{-}$

## Irrigation.

8 Appendux B-I gives the detalls of irrigated crops. Figures of the last 5 years are given from which it will be seen that the area urrigated in 1917-18 is greater than any of the years shown in the statement. The only source of urrigation is wells There are no Government or private canals. Out of the average area under wheat ( 2,265 acres) shown in Appendix B, the average area irrigated for wheat - is 2,132 acres Rice and sugarcane-are urrigated on a very small scale The average area under cereals and pulses urrigated is 11,305 acres

## Communicalions.

9 The taluka is traversed by only one good metailed road which runs throughout the whole of its length connecting Pandharpur on the east with Poona in the west This is a provincial road Another road also staring from Pandharpur leads to Satara and passes through only the south-eastern portion of the taluka: This road is manntanned by the District Local'Board. It is not, however, of much use to the villagers in the Malsiras Taluka There are also three branch roads -
(1) Velapur to Akluj - distance $\overline{7}$ miles.
(2) Malsiras to Akluj leading to Tembhurni

- ** (3) Malsuras to Dahuwadı
- No new roads have been constructed during the expiring lease.
- . Bazars.

10. The only trade centre in the taluka which seems to be of some moderate importance is Akluj. It is 7 miles from Malsiras. It is only the grain market. Just outside the taluka is the mportant market of Pandharpur Villagers in the extreme east have access to Pandharpur, the distance being only from about 15 to 20 miles Weekly markets are held withun the taluka at Akluy, Natepute and Malsiras. Jowarn, bajri and safflower oll form the chief exports and the mports are the usual groceries together with rice and various kinds of clothes A great deal of minor produce such as fodder of all knds, fuel, vegetables, etc, finds a ready sale at Pandharpur itself and also along the roads frequented by the pilgrims who pass to and from Pandharpur

Many of the cultuvators have to take their grain to merchants at trade centres at the time of the payment of the amount of assessment The grain marchants seeing that the agriculturists are in urgent need of money to defray Government dues, ask for grain at lower rates. This involves extra expenditure upon the agriculturists m addition to the troubles of bagging and carting the gram.
11. There being no Ralway Station in this taluka, I am unahle to give figurés of actual import and export of this taluka.

## Manufactures and industries.

12. The taluka is purely agricultural There are no factories in the taluka. Detals will be found na the Appendix E . There are 129 hand looms preparing blankets which are largely exported and 64 hand looms preparing lugris, eta, for local sale. There are no gns or cotton presses.e There are only two flour mulls at Akluj : but they are for some part idle.

## Population.

13. According to the classification adopted in the census of 1911, 73.26 per cent of the people are agniculturists The non-agriculturists population consists of weavers and others

The actual figures of population of the 57 Government villages under report are as follows -

| 18571858 | 1890 | 1891 | 1901 | 1911 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 41,486 | 57,630 | 69639 | 40,578 | 59,211 |

The above table will show that at the begioning of the First Revision Settlement (1890) the population showed an merease of 391 per cent as compared with that of the Orignal Settlement It mereased from 57,630 to 59,639 in one year: but durng the census of 1901 the number came down to 40,578 and at the census of 1911 again it rose to 59,211 The considerable fall in the population in the year 1901 may be attributed to the emgration on account of the great famine of 1899.

From 1911 to the end of 1919, the number of burths is 21,652 and the number* of deaths is 26,654 Thus the total population may now be taken to be 54,209 The taluka suffered severely from the attack of Influenza of 1918 and the decrease is due to this disease.

## Health

14. Plague visited the taluka only once in the year 1917 and is responsible for 1,480 deaths At the very first-warning of the rat epizotic the people readily evacuated and removed themselves to healthy localities-ordinarily to their own holdings-thus making themselves more able to work on therr own land

Influenza and fever took away 9,205 souls in 1918 Fever seems to be a' regular yearly misitor to this taluka

## Schools and education

15 During the period of settlement, the number of Government schools for boys has risen from 17 to 40 The average attendance in 1914 was 12387 In the last year it was 11650 In 1900 there was only one Grrls' School Now there are two. The average attendance in Girls' School in 1914 was 702 It was 627 in the last year. There are no private schools A large number of villagers have no school within practicable distance of them and people having had no interest in Education, do not care to have schools in therr own villages.

## L.ve and Dead stock.

16 Figures of the latest census (1919-20) are given in Appendix D In the same table figures of 1909-10 and 1915-16 are given for comparison It will be seen from the figures that there has been a remarkable decrease in the number of plough cattle, mulch cattle and young stock This is clear from the following table -

| Description | 1890 | 1919 | Difference, | Increase or decrease per cent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Bullocks and he-buffaloce (Plough cattle) | 18,863 | 13,235 | -5,629 | - 2884 |
| Cows, buffaloes and young | 24,056 | 18,001 | -6,055 | - 2517 |
| Sheep and gosts | 52,428 | 41,541 | -10,887 | - 2076 |
| Carta | 1,032 | 1,761 | +729 | + 4707 |
| Ploughe | 1,759 | 1,264 | - 495 | - 2814 |
| Horaes and ponies ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 1,301 | 568 | - 733 | - 5634 |

Every item except carts shows decrease Even the sheep and goats have decreased though they cost nothing to keep but on the other hand affords a regular source of profit.

It is clear that the agricultural plough cattle have decreased by nearly 30 per cent. since the time of the 1st Revision (In 1915, the number was 13,601 It 1813,235 at present. The dfference of 366 is msignificant) There are natural facilities for grazing in this tract and people keep cows to rear young stock and it is cows and the buffaloes who suffer most in a severe famine Judged from the stand point of agricultural earning it must be admitted that the tract has suffered a set back in point of plough animal which it will take years to recoup. These circumstances will adversely affect the prosperity of the agricultural class in this tract. This fact must have some determining influence on the proposals of revised rates.

The number of carts has uncreased more than cent per cent. as the cartmen find ready and' high paid cash labour in the urrigation department to. bring earth and murum for the embankment of the Nira Right Bank Canal -They have thus the double advantage of ther carts, first for the conveyance of their agricultural produce to their respective homes and secondly for the sald labour work

Ploughs have also decreased by $28 \cdot 14$ per cent , the reason may be due to the fact that wooden ploughs are now-a-days being replaced by iron ploughs which on account of their durability and utility have become popular Besides the aron plough has become one of the meduums for the agriculturists to carry on their busmess of leasing out the same to other poor agriculturists and making money.

## Watèr supply

17 There are only two rivers- the Nura to the north and the Bhima bounding on the east. The latter only is perennial These rivers are far below the surrounding land and not avalable for irrigation. There as the confluence of the two rivers Nira and Bhima near the ahenated village of Sangam

There are some streams rising in the hills close to the boundary of the Taluka in the south, but they dry up very early in ordinary years Irrigation from Bhudkis is freely used in good years

The following comparative table will show the comparison between the number of wells at the begnning of the expuring settlement and at the end of the expung settlement.
For what use
Irrigation
Drinking
Out of repaur

| lat Revision | 1919 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1,313 | 2,045 |
| 54 | 172 |
| 501 | 534 |

1,868
2,751
Irrigation wells have uncreased This shows the industry of the people. The irrigated area is 11,418 acres

## Value of land.

18. All the seles that could be found in the Record of Rughts Registers during the last five years have been tabulated and given in Appendices Gand G-1. Transactions which did not appear to be genume have been excluded.

The value of dry crop lands in the villages of the frst group ranges from 22 to 81 tumes the assessment. The special high value of lands sold at Wagholi is due to the proximity of the Bhma River which when flooded enriches the sol and thus bumper crops are yrelded As regards Bhamburds the lands are contiguous to Nua Rught Bank and hence they fetched high value.

The exceptsonally high value of lands in the" villages of Mandki and Girvi is as per my local inqury due to the richer quality of soul.
-x $\mathrm{B}^{48-2}$

A comparison between the dry crop sales in the two groups will show that lands in the second group are sold on an average for smaller considerations

In the case of Bagayat lands in villages of the Mandwe (first group) and Bhamb (second group) the selling value of lands is exceptionally high

The selling value of lands in the villages of the second group seems to be comparatively smaller than that in the first group At the time of the first Revision Settlement the selling price was nearly 19 times the assessment Information tabulated from the Record of Rights shows that in the dry crop lands the selling value is now 4411 times and in the case of Bagayat lands 8103 times the assessment on an average. This cent per cent rise in the selling value is no doubt due to general rise in prices of articles It is in some respects due to the probability of the land coming under the command of the Nira Right Bank Canal and the rise in the eelling value of lands in Group II is specially due to this very cause, as the Canal is to pass through this group, there may be bogus transactions to decerve Sawkars, but they have not come to light during personal inquiry Hence the facts as they stand in the Record of Rights have been accepted The price in land has abnormally increased whieh justifies the raising of assessment as proposed later on

## Leases

Leases in the Taluka are usually of the following three kinds -
(1) For cash
(2) For a fixed amount of grain
(3) For a definte share of gross produce $\frac{1}{2}$ share in the case of dry crop - and $\frac{1}{3} \mathrm{rd}$ in the case of Bagayat Lands
(a) Majority of Kabjedars cultivate their lands themselves by employing hired labour of necessity Information regarding leases has been collected from crop register and tabulated in Appendices H and H-I.
(b) The usual rents in this taluka are crop share rents but these are useless for settlement purposes and have been omitted Cash rents have therefore been taken mto accounts in compling the Appendices The letting value in the case of dry crop lands is 336 times the assessment Index Numbers have been calculated and given in Appendices H and H -I to unify the statistics, about leases "Index No" for each village has been found by taking the assessment per acre on land of 8 annas soll valuation ( $\imath e$, the average soil) in the village and multiplying it by the figure expressing the average rent in multiples of assessment for that village in rupees and annas This average rental value of soil of middle quality may safely be taken as half the rental value of soll of the mazimum ( 10 as) quality which may not even exist in the village But it gives us -the fair "maximum rates" for the village lands as fixed by the transacthons of the people themselves These indices show that the existing assessment is moderate, vvz (Rs 1-4-0 $+1-3-0$ against a fair maximum of Rs $2-0-8+2-8-1$ ) and even if it is substantially increased it will not exceed half the net rent A reference to Appendix $H$ will show that in the case of dry crop lands the letting value of villages in Group II is comparatively hugher than that in villages in Group I In the case of Bagayat lands it is nearly twice that in villages in Group I
(c) At the time of the Revision Settlement the average land was sublet at three times the survey assessment.

## Pruces

20 In Appendix I are shown the prices of the principal products of the taluka, jawarn and bajri covering an area of 60 and 14 per cent, respectively. The graph attached to the Appendix gives an unbroken sequence from 1847-48 of the prices of the two prinerpal food grams-jawan and bajri. There are certann years, in which owing to the fallure of crops the prices went up to abnorral heights; this is specially noticeable in 1897, 1900, 1918 and 1919 But apart from the exceptional figures there is a marked upward trend of prices which has all the
signs of permanency. The following * table compares the average prices for different periods -

| Period | - Jawarl | Price per mannd | Bajr | Price per maund |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| From 1887 to 1895 (8 years) 1905-1917 (13 years) | $\begin{array}{cc} \text { S. } & \text { C. } . \\ 20 & 12 \\ 14 & 15 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rcc}\text { Rs. } & \text { anc } & p \\ 1 & 14 & 10 \\ 2 & 10 & 10\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ll} \text { 8. } & \mathrm{Cb} \\ 18 & 13 \\ 13 & 13 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr} \text { Re, a. } & \text { p } \\ 2 & 2 & 0 \\ 2 & 14 & 0 \end{array}$ |
| Incresse per cent over the average figure for 8 years from 1887-1895 |  | 389 |  | 362 |
| 1918-1918 <br> Increase per oent over the average figure from 1887 to 1895 | 511 | $\begin{aligned} & 706 \\ & 26487 \end{aligned}$ | 412 | 8 6 9 29638 |

The prices are exceptronally high owing to the falure of crops in 1918 and on account of the war conditions. Prices of some more crops are given in addition to those mentioned above and a reference to Appendix I, will show that there is a-general nise in prices for all crops

## Wages

21 The Mamlatdar has furmished statistics of wages for the last 32 years From these records it appears that the ordinary wage at the time of the list Revision was below 3 annas It contmued to be so till the year 1908 The rate rose to annas 4 in 1913 There is a steady rise from 4 annas to 6 annas at present. The wages are specially heavy on account of the construction work of the Nira Right Bank Canal in progress in this taluka Many labourers employed on thas work do work by contract system (completing some fixed amount of work in one day) and thus get annas 10 to 12 a day including bonus for extra work This rise is an addition to the cost of cultivation This increase in the cost of labour is a good reason for keeping enhancement well below the rates which the merease in the price of produce would allow The high wages pard by the irrigation department attract the agncultural class who instead of cultivating therr own holdings lease them out on agreement to receive half produce or even prefer in some cases to leave their land fallow

## Recenue History

22 The area of the unoccupied assessod waste land is now 704 acres 22 gunthas assessed at Rs. 206 while at the begnning of the lease there were only 358 acres assessed at Rs. 59-14-0 (please vide Appendux M). In the year 1889-90 it was 288 acres assessed at Rs 43 (please vide Appendux P, page 21 of the Selections from the records of the Government of Bombay No. CCXIVII New Sernes).

Appendux $M$ will show that the assessed unoccupled, area was insignificant till 1896-97. Then the succession of bad years commenced with the result that in 1901-02 the area reached the figure of 7,761 acres. Thas mecrease was due to the forfentures of land for arrears. The area showed a dechne to 469 acres in 1906-07 ${ }^{\circ}$ because the lands avere again brought under cultivation for good seasons. The area as now 704 acres and 22 gunthas. It seems that it is of the poor description and is not needed by the people.

There is no change in the unoccupied waste land in the second group
At the begining of the expiring lease (1891-92) the land revenue demand was Rs. 90,214 In 1918-19, it was Rs. 1,01,816. A reference to Appendix K will show that remissions have been very considerable agaunst the years 1901-02, 1905-06 to 1911-12 and 1915-16 and 1916-17. During the last 14 years total remissions amounted to Rs, 3,14,210-the annual average demand being Rs. 97,969. Coercive measures had at times to be resorted to, for the recovery of land revenue.

The statement shows that remissions were given in 13 years out of 28 , while there were authonzed arrears in 22 years out of 28 . The tract is thus
always liable to famine and bad years and heavy suspensions and remissions are required The revenue history reflects the series of bad years through which the tract has passed and is still passing The year 1918-19 was worst and its effects are not yef over. Unless the tract enjoys regular arrigation, it is clear that there is no likelhhood that it will enjoy a satisfactory revenue history It is evident that in judgung of the adequacy of any proposed rates, the unhappy revenue history must carefully be borne in mind

## Grouping.

23 In the orignal and Revision Settlements the taluka was divided into twogroups The southern 12 villages were formed into a separate group (II) The main reason of two groups has been explaned in the First Revision Settlement report as follows.-
"But some small disadvantage must still be allowed to exist (in the villages in Group II) on the score of greater uncertainty of climate and the rough difficult conformation of the village lands " The same argument holds good under the present circumstances and hence no change in grouping is necessary Maps showng old and new grouping are attached.

## General Remarks.

24 The prices have abnormally increased The selling value of lands has also increased The indices in Appendix $H$ shows that the present assessment is moderate On the other hand wages have doubly mereased and consequently cost of cultivation has also increased. There is no improvement in communications. Agncultural cattle have decreased The Revenue History is unsatisfactory on account of the successive bad and dry seasons and the result is that the remissions have been heavy

It is however impossible to avoid arrears, remissions and forfeitures or rehnquashment of land during famine however light the assessment may be It was not very hard to recover the assessment in normal years as will be seen from the (Appendux K) authorized outstandings in the year 1916-17 when there was sufficient rainfall Thus shows that in a good year, the revenue of two years can be easily recovered It can therefore be easily deduced that the pitch of assessment is not so high Looking to the general rise in prices, moderate increase in the assessment

- will be justrified, after makng an allowance for the rise in the cost of cultivation.


## Maiximum rates

25. The present maximum rates are Rs. 1-4-0 for villages in Group I and Rs 1-3-0 for villages in Group II

In new of the remarks made in the above paragraphs, it is for consideration whether the existing rates should be increased The following points will, I believe, be useful in deciding the question

On the north, the Malsiras Taluka is surrounded by the villages in the Indapur Taluka with the Nira River between The Second Revision Settlement was motroduced moto the Indapur Taluka in 1912-13 The rates sanctioned for the villages adjoming Malsuras are Re 1-0-0 and Rs 1-2-0 only A rate of Rs 1-4-0 was first sanctioned for these villages but it was found very high Lower rates were therefore proposed and sanctioned by Government The existing rate in the Malsress Taluka is already Rs 1-4-0

On the southern side of the Malsuras Taluka, there is the Man Taluka of the Satara District with the Signapur Hills between The villages of the Man Taluka stand on a plateay. The position of the villages in the Malsiras Taluka near the hulls is quite diffirent The existing rates in the adjoining villages in the Man Taluks, are Rs 1-7-0 and Rs 1-4-0 In the villages in the Malsiras Taluka near the hills, the efristing rate is Rs. 1-3-0.

IThe constritution of the Nira Right Bank Canal is in progress and it is belheved that the yod will not be completed for more than 10 to 15 years Even 20 years will to yóqured to enjoy the produce from imgation.
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The Barsi Laght Ralway lime also is to be extended from" Pandharpur to Lonand vad Akluj and Malsiras, ete, and the work will be taken up in hand shortly These two factors, when complete, will tend to improve the material, condition of the people considerably.

In view of the above considerations, there will appear no necessity for increase in the existing rates for the present but taking into consideration the exasting condition and the existing prices and values, and takng into consideration the share of the produce which Government now recelves as compared to the one recerved at the tume of the beginning of the expiring lease, I am incluned to increase the assessment in such measure as will give Government a share approxmately equal to that whych it formerly received.‘ There has been no change in the customary share pard by a tenant to has landlord It still remanns at one-half or one-third accordng to the knd of the land. It $1 s$ very clear that Government now recerves a very much smaller share of the produce- It is therefore obligatory that the increase must be based on the rise in prices. I therefore propose to increase the rates as under -

| Group. | Villages, | Proposed maximum <br> rate. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| II | 45 | $1-6-0$ |
|  | 12 | $1-5-0$ |
|  | Rrce Assessment. | $\ddots$ |

There are only 105 acres under rice. The maximum rate is Rs 6. The area is very small and it may be allowed to stand.

## Assessment on Garden lands.

The patasthal assessment has been abolished by Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No 8,523, dated 18th October 1905. The area irrgated by wells is 9,903 acres. At the last settlement no dufferenciation was made between the maxumum rates for dry crop and garden lands under wells Accordingly under the present proposals the maximum rates for garden lands are identical with those for dry crop lands

The financial effect of the new rates is given in summary of the Appendix $\mathbf{I}_{\text {. }}$ The increase in the revenue of 57 villages is Rs. 9,637 or 10 per cent.

## Period of guarantee.

26. There are some reasons for which $I$ should like to propose a short period of guarantee. They are that there will be changes by the opening up of the Barsi Light Railway and irrigation by Nura Rught Bank Canal, which will quite alter the condition of the large tracts of the taluka. Besides the uncertain course of prices which still continues is also another reason for consideration. But as these improvements will not take place within 20 years, I recommend that the period of guarantee 'should be usual of thurty years

> I have the honour to be,
> Sir,
> Your most obedıent servant,

> G. Y. MIRIKAR,

Assistant Settlenent Offcer, Taluks Malsiras.

APPENDIX A.
Information obtainfd from the Irrigation Department, Malsiras
Rainfall recorded at Malswas Taluka in the Sholapur District durnng the years 1914 to 1919

| Year | Warly rain 18t June to 10th ApriJ |  | Ante monsoon 11th April to 4th June. |  | Monsoov, Khars6th June to14th Auguat |  | Monsoon, Rabl, 15th August to 21st October |  | Late ralne 22ad October to 31.tt December |  | Total |  | Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Fall | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No of } \\ & \text { rainy } \\ & \text { daya. } \end{aligned}$ | Fall | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No of } \\ & \text { ralny } \\ & \text { daylate } \end{aligned}$ | Fall | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { No of } \\ & \text { rainy } \\ & \text { dayy } \end{aligned}\right.$ | Fall | No of rainy days | Fall. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { No of } \\ & \text { rafing } \\ & \text { dayg } \end{aligned}\right.$ | Fall | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { No of } \\ & \text { ralny } \\ & \text { days } \end{aligned}\right.$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | Haln | fall at | Bham | burdi. |  |  |  |  |
| 1914 | No rec | ord. | 62 | 8 | 830 | 17 | 444 | 13 | 255 | 8 | 1401 | 41 |  |
| 1915 | 45 | 2 | 94 | 2 | 608 | 10 | 1188 | 18 | 510 | 0 | 2530 | 60 | The relagaug at |
| 1016* | 71 | 2 | 244 | 10 | 1332 | 25 | 1171 | 21 | 1006 | 15 | 3824 | 73 | Bhamburdl was |
| 1017 | 151 | 7 | 187 | 5 | 112 | 10 | 1293 | 29 | 188 | 8 | 1831 | 59 | Exacutive En |
| 1918 | 18 | 2 | 428 | 12 | 15 | 7 | 379 | 18 | 144 | 5 | 1074 | 39 |  |
| 1919 | 00 | 0 | 187 | 6 | 651 | 15 | 775 | 18 | 184 | 8 | 1770 | 87 |  |
| Total | 285 | 18 | 1202 | 38 | 3723 | 08 | 5232 | 107 | 2187 | 48 | 12829 | 298 |  |
| Average | ${ }^{*} 057$ | * 2 | 200 | 6 | 621 | 16 | 872 | 18 | 865 | 8 | 2105 | 50 | *Average of 5 years |

Rainfall recorded at Islampur, Taluka Malsiras, District Sholapur, durnng 1916 to 1919

| 1916 |  | No re |  |  | 1066 | 25 | 925 | 20 | 901 | 10 | 3482 | 64 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1917 | 151 | 7 | 201 | 0 | 111 | 10 | 1248 | 28 | 175 | 7 | 1076 | 58 | Bhanburdl was |
| 1818 | 18 | 2 | 248 | 11 | 129 | 4 | 351 | 12 | 151 | 4 | 897 | 33 | Executive ${ }^{\text {ex }}$ |
| 1819 | 00 | 0 | 206 | 5 | 590 | 11 | 904 | 16 | 185 | 8 | 1835 | 85 | April 1916 |
| Total | 168 | $\theta$ | 745 | 22 | 2498 | 50 | 8428 | 76 | 1862 | 83 | 8200 | 100 |  |
| Average | +58 | $\dagger 8$ | +248 | $\dagger 7$ | 624 | 12\% | 857 | 10 | S 403 | 8 | 2050 | 473 | tAverage of 8 years only |

Raınfall recorded at Mandwa, Taluka Malsuras, District Sholapur, during 1918 to 1919

| 1918 | 000 000 | 0 | 581 180 | 5 | 67 368 | 1 | 8 13 13 | 8 14 | $\begin{aligned} & 280 \\ & 185 \end{aligned}$ | 5 | $\begin{aligned} & 1275 \\ & 2066 \end{aligned}$ | 23 29 | The ratrgange was established by the Executive En gineer, Malatras, in 1018 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 000 | 0 | 741 | 14 | 480 | 8 | 1755 | 22 | \&15 | 8 | 88.1 | 52 |  |
| Average | 000 | 0 | 870 | 7 | 216 | 4 | 877 | 11 | 207 | 4 | 1670 | 26 |  |

Raunfall recorded at Dharampurn, Taluka Malsuras, Distrut Sholapur, during the years 1917 to 1919

| $\begin{aligned} & 197 \\ & 1918 \\ & 1019 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 084 \\ & 000 \\ & 108 \end{aligned}$ | 4 0 1 | $\begin{aligned} & 800 \\ & 429 \\ & 314 \end{aligned}$ | 2 8 4 | $\begin{aligned} & 014 \\ & 126 \\ & 476 \end{aligned}$ | 4 | 1071 $¢ 86$ 847 | 21 6 12 | $\begin{array}{ll} 1 & 40 \\ 1 & 05 \\ 1 & 20 \end{array}$ | 5 4 2 | 1609 1154 1884 | 36 <br> 22 <br> 28 | $\begin{gathered} \text { Do. } \\ \text { do } \\ \text { 12-9-1916 } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { dop }_{0} \\ & \text { don } \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 102 | 5 | 1048 | 14 | 625 | 17 | 2354 | 39 | 48 | 11 | 4627 | 80 | , |  |
| Averago | 84 | 2 | 848 | 5 | 205 | 6 | 785 | 13 | 141 | 4 | 1512 | 20 |  |  |

Rannfall recorded at Akluy, Taluka Malsuras, Dhstruct Sholapur, from 1909 to 1919.

| 1809 | 081 | 1 | 528 | 10 | 410 | 28 | 1841 | 2 | 024 | 2 | 2324 | ${ }^{6} 0$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1910 | 000 | 0 | 024 | 3 | 688 | 16 | 1478 | 29 | 386 | 5 | 2484 | 40 |  |
| 1612 | - of | 0 | 18 | 4 | 727 | 22 | 213 | 6 | 102 | 4 | 1294 | 80 |  |
| 1912 | 000 | ${ }^{1}$ | 254 | 0 | a 16 | 18 | 576 | 18 | 212 | 6 | 1569 | 4 |  |

## APPENDIX A-contd .

Information obtained from the Director of agriculture.
Raunfall recorded at Akluy, Taluka Malsras, Distruct Sholapur, from 1909 to
1919-contd

| Year | Rarly rain 18 t June to 10th April |  | Ante monsoon 11th Aprld to eth Jun |  | MonsoonSth June to14th August |  | Monsom, Rath, 16th Augustto 21 st October to 21st October |  | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Late ralns 2and } \\ \text { Sistober to } \\ \text { Slacember } \end{array}$ |  | Total |  | Remarita |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Fall | $\left\|\begin{array}{cc} \text { No } & \text { at } \\ \text { ralyy } \\ \text { dayit } \end{array}\right\|$ | Fall. | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { No of } \\ \text { ranging } \\ \text { dayy. } \end{array}\right\|$ | Fall | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { No of } \\ \text { ralny } \\ \text { day. } \end{array}\right\|$ | FaH | $\left.\begin{aligned} & \mathrm{Nop} \text { of } \\ & \text { rany } \\ & \text { days. } \end{aligned} \right\rvert\,$ | Fall | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} \text { No of } \\ \text { ratiny } \\ \text { deys. } \end{array}\right\|$ | Fall | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { No ot } \\ \text { ranny } \\ \text { deyan } \end{array}\right\|$ |  |
| 1018 | 128 | 0 | 178 | 4 | 306 | 16 | 280 | 8 | 005 | 1 | 788 | 29 |  |
| 1014 | 004 | 1 | 085 | 0 | 513 | 21 | 485 | 25 | 368 | 8 | 1256 | 61 |  |
| 1015 | 088 | 6 | 078 | 7 | 578 | 18 | 1190 | 26 | 501 | 7 | 2888 | 04 |  |
| 1018 | 004 | 1 | 154 | 8 | 854 | ${ }^{36}$ | 1030 | 85 | 681 | 18 | 2788 | 87 |  |
| 1017 | 089 | 8 * | 188 | 0 | s 51 | 12 | 1025 | 40 | 217 | 8 | 1860 | ${ }^{88}$ |  |
| 1918 | 012 | 2 | 172 | 9 | 080 | 7 | 288 | 11 | 188 | 4 | 731 | ss |  |
| 1019 | 008 | 5 | 000 | 7 | 620 | 13 | 786 | 16 | 081 | 4 | 154 | 45 |  |
| Total | 151 | 19 | 1023 | ${ }^{68}$ | 5396 | 201 | 8884 | 228 | 2686 | ${ }^{67}$ | 187 33 | 581 |  |
| Averago | 0.14 | 2 | 175 | - | 486 | 18 | 780 | 20 | 240 | 6 | 1730 | 59 |  |

Rasnfall recorded at Malswas, Taluka Malsuras, Destrect Sholapur, during the years 1909 to 1919

| 1809 | 000 | 0 | 838 | 0 | 258 | 7 | 1111 | 17 | 000 | 0 | 1697 | 30 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1010 | 000 | 0 | 084 | 2 | 605 | 18 | 1878 | 18 | 288 | 4 | 2488 | 87 |  |
| 1911- | 007 | 0 | 218 | 2 | 650 | 14 | 283 | 6 | 078 | 8 | 1182 | 25 |  |
| 1018 | 000 | 0 | 227 | 8 | 284 | 11 | 826 | 10 | 194 | 8 | -871 | 27 |  |
| 1018 | 000 | 0 | 301 | 7 | 815 | 6 | 290 | 5 | 000 | 0 | 000 | 18 |  |
| 1014 | 000 | 0 | 182 | 6 | 780 | 14 | 061 | 18 | 162 | 5 | 2035 | 87 |  |
| 1915 | 061 | 2 | 067 | 5 | 668 | 15 | 1299 | 18 | 598 | 7 | 2691 | 40 |  |
| 1016 | 082 | 2 | 270 | 3 | 1888 | 18 | 10.17 | 17 | 920 | 14 | 4177 | 68 |  |
| 1917 | 008 | 2 | 208 | 5 | 291 | 5 | 1484 | 25 | 134 | 4 | 9102 | 4 |  |
| 1018 | 000 | 0 | 89 | 7 | $10{ }^{\circ}$ | 3 | 849 | 8 | 211 | 4 | 1057 | 28 |  |
| 1020 | 12 | 1 | 149 | 6 | 7 6s | 12 | 780 | 111 | 141 - | 4 | 1029 | 83 |  |
| Trotal | 871 | 6 | 2976 | 48 | 054 | 118 | 0218 | 148 | 2604 | 48 | 21167 | 869 |  |
| Averaga | ${ }^{086}$ | 1 | * 16 | 4 | 5-82 | 11 |  | 14 | 245 |  | 1024 | 84 |  |

Rannfall recorded at Psiv, Akalkot State (13 mites from Malsuras southwards) from 1909 to 1919

| 1009 | 000 | 0 | 010 | - | 510 | 9 | 1074 | 22 | 000 | 0 | 250 | 97 | - |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1010 | 000 | 0 | 000 | 0 | 64 | 18 | 1718 | 28 | 278 | 7 | 858 | 49 |  |
| 1012 | 000 | 0 | 112 | a | 11 6s | 18 | 858 | 7 | 088 | 4 | 1717 | 85 |  |
| 1012 | 000 | 0 | 185 | 5 | 178 | 8 | 768 | 11 | 251 | 5 | 1830 | 20 |  |
| 1018 | 000 | 0 | 480 | 0 | 138 | 8 | - 60 | 4 | 000 | 0 | 124 | 22 |  |
| 1024 | 000 | 0 | 000 | 5 | 762 | 20 | 9 28 | 14 | 210 | 5 | 10 \% | 4 |  |
| 1025 | 18 | 8 | 059 | $\cdots$ | 018 | 10 | 1740 | 19 | 335 | 6 | 327 | 52 |  |
| 1026 | 000 | 0 | 640 | 11 | 1181 | 17 | 1625 | 20 | 88 | 15 | 4138 | 68 |  |
| 1917 | 078 | 4 | 38 | 8 | 058 | 4 | Is 18 | 28 | 475 | 5 | 20. 40 | 46 |  |
| 2018 | 085 | 8 | 434 | 10 | 18 | 5 |  | 10 | 208 | 8 | 168 | 90 |  |
| 1810 | 010 | 1 | 287 | 3 | 074 | * | 18 | 7 | 84 | 4 | 90\% | 22 |  |
| Totat |  | 12 | 810 | 6 | 60 88 | 125 | 1267 | 16\% | 2091 | 54 | 88989 | 417 |  |
| Averes | 0 2t | 1 |  | 8 | -00 | 4 | 20.63 | 16 | 3 m | 5 | 28 | 83 |  |

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Rarnfall recorded at Indapur, Poona Distruct, for the years 1909 to 1919

| Year | Early rain, 1at June to 10th April <br> - |  | Ante moneoon, 11th April to 4th June. |  | Monsodn Kharift, 5th June to 14th August |  | Monboon Rabl, 15 th August ber |  | Late rains 22nd October to Slet Do cember |  | Total |  | mamarka |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Fal | $\left.\begin{gathered} \text { No of } \\ \text { rainy } \\ \text { days } \end{gathered} \right\rvert\,$ | Fall | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { No of } \\ \text { rallyy } \\ \text { cays } \end{array}\right\|$ | Fall | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { No of } \\ \text { rathey } \\ \text { cape } \end{array}\right\|$ | Fall | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { No of } \\ \text { ralny } \\ \text { duys } \end{array}\right\|$ | Fall | $\left\|\begin{array}{cc} \text { Wo } & \text { of } \\ \text { raing } \\ \text { dopys } \end{array}\right\|$ | Pall | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { No of } \\ \text { rany } \\ \text { dayo } \end{array}\right\|$ |  |
|  | Inchee | Nos | Inches | Nos | Inehes | Nos | Inchee | Nos | Inches | No | Incheo | No |  |
| 1009 |  |  | 250 | 6 | ${ }^{6} 88$ | 18 | 971 | 14 | 094 | 2 | 1888 | 85 |  |
| 1010 |  | , | 058 | 1 | 604 | 15 | 1102 | 21 | 287 | 5 | 2141 | 48 |  |
| 1011 | 009 |  | 070 | 1 | 769 | 15 | 807 | 6 | 037 | 2 | 1176 | 24 |  |
| 1022 |  |  | 872 | 4 | 541 | 14 | ${ }^{6} 63$ | 10 | 137 | 8 | 1718 | 31 |  |
| 1018 |  |  | 251 | 5 | 008 | 11 | 378 | 8 | 076 | 1 | 1811 | 25 |  |
| 1014 | 0 昞 | 1 | 176 | 1 | 727 | 11 | 707 | 14 | 080 | 8 | 1728 | 30 |  |
| 1096 | 168 | 5 | 050 | 3 | 800 | 11 | 1977 | 21 | 804 | 4 | 8812 | 44 |  |
| 1916 | 118 | 1 | 478 | 6 | 1920 | 21 | 1344 | 25 | 777 | 18 | 4688 | ${ }^{66}$ |  |
| 1817 | 200 | 8 | 150 | -2 | 255 | 11 | 19 08 | 25 | 231 | 8 | 2740 | 44 |  |
| . 1918 | 028 | 1 | 411 | 6 | 219 | ${ }_{4}$ | 827 | 10 | 072 | 2 | 1051 | 28 |  |
| 1018 | 012 | 1 | 188 | s | 1285 | 14 | 1238 | 18 | 060 | 1 | 2781 | 35 |  |
| Average | 065 | 1 | 220 | 3 | 772 | 18 | 992 | 15 | 105 | 4 | 2284 | ${ }^{36}$ |  |

Rannfall recorded at Pandharpur, District Sholapur, for the years 1909 to 1919


Rannfall recorded at Sangola, Dhstruct Sholapur, for the years 1909 to 1919.

| 1800 |  |  | 751 | 8 | 433 | 11 | 1285 | 21 |  |  | 2410 | 40 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1010 |  |  | 085 | 1 | 719 | 10 | 902 | 21 | 140 | 5 | 1878 | 87 |
| 1912 |  |  | 061 | 2 | 1143 | 11 | 827 | 4 | 072 | 2 | 1808 | 19 |
| 1912 |  |  | 168 | 4 | 285 | 6 | 8898 | 14 | 145 | 2. | 1482 | 26 |
| 1918 |  |  | 628 | 0 | 000 | 7 | 348 | 6 |  |  | 1560 | 28 |
| 1914 |  |  | 052 | 2 | 502 | 18 | 788 | 14 | 148 | 8 | 1580 | 32 |
| 1015 | 104 | 3 | 209 | - 5 | 762 | 11 | 1775 | 28 | 186 | 3 | 8020 | 45 |
| 1916 |  |  | 358 | 6 | 1800 | 19 | 1688 | 18 | d 90 | 18 | 2009 | 56 |
| 1917 | 188 | 8 | 728 | 7 | 151 | 6 | 1281 | 24 | 482 | 8 | 8788 | 47 |
| 1018 - |  |  | 258 | 0 | 197 | 8 | 718 | 8 | 360 | 7 | 1524 | 88 |
| 1919 | 061 | 1 | 225 | 6 | 988 | 11 | 1188 | 18 | 110 | 8 | 2580 | 38 |
| Average | 027 | 1 | 818 | 5 | - 52 | 10 | 1008 | 15 | 210 | 4 | 2210 | 35 |

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Ramfall recorded at Dahswadn (Man), Dnstrret Satara, for the years 1909 to 1919.


## Malnvas Taluba, Dutrid Sholapur.

1008-The fotal rain was bolow the normal Yharif arops ware not sown at all as there was practically no ratn tor them and thetr out-


 moderato-s to 6 annas,
1010-Raintall above average. Fall sufficiant for kharif sowings in villages in the west, but latier ratns were absent and erope withered.

1011-Fall largely in defoot of normal. Patn sumelent for tharif sowing in pleces but later on it ooased altogether and oropy were poor, Thare was timely rain in a few villigea for rabi sowing but owing to subsequ
ares nown with rabl dry cropt-yielded two annas and wet oropa 6 annal:
 of latar rainh oliops did not $\infty$

 sowingt were retarded oving to continuous rain in soptember and were oomplet


 Frere anished only after break lo latter part of Auguat and standing cropm benafted largely Rain in septomber was agaln oxeme

1017- Rain ebove nomal. The early ralna were defoleat and nowiag were United. Moreover, the fall in Ootoher war far in excemof of





 and Rovamber rairs nare defolent and mond
G. Y. MIRIKAR,

## Asanstant Settlement Officer,

Taluka Malaras.

APPENDIX
Detanls of Cultivation and Crops in the Villages of the Malsuras

uka of the Sholapur Collectorate.


APPENDIX B-I
Shounng area in acres wrigated for dufferent sources of urngation and average of crops under them in 57 Government villages of Malsiras Taluka of the Sholapur Dhstrut

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Assistant Settlement Officer,
Taluka Malsiras.

* APPENDIX C.

Dedals of population according to the occupration as per censut of 1911 for Malswras

| Agrieultaral population : |  |  |  | Non-agnonitural population |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Heving intereati in land. |  |  |  |  |
| Tedanta and anb- abarers | Other land holdern, | Labourara. | Total. |  |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | $4 *$ | 5 |
| 25,784 | 1,203 | 22,634 | 40,621 | 18,126 |

Agricultural Stock of the 57 Government enllages in the Malstras taluka


APPENDIX E.
Shops, industries, etc, in the villages of the Malsuras taluka, Sholapur District


Wells, Bhudkis, Tanks and other Sources of Water supply in the 57 Government urlages of the Malsras'Tatuka of the Sholapur Dusirat for the year 1919


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Abstract of Appendzs $F$.


Asssistant Settlement Officer, -
Taluka Malaras

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## APPENDIX G

Statement showing the selling value in Dry crop lands sold in the villages of the Malssras Taluka of the Sholapur Dustrret

| Sonal No in Appen dix L. | Name of village | Area of land sold | Assessment | Sale prose | Number of tumes the assemarient re prosented by the price |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| , | Growp No I | A g | Rs ${ }^{\text {p }}$ | Rs a $p$ |  |
| 1 | Abluj | 60520 | 355 | 16,760 00 | 3018 |
| 2 | Umbre $P$ ( ${ }_{\text {alagagan }}$ | $165 \quad 35$ | 97100 | 2,233 00 | 2287 |
| 8 | Umbre $P$ (Volapur) | 22016 | 13168 | 8,102 00 | 8185 |
| 4 | Yeliv | 3710 | 5159 | 2,435 00 | 2730 |
| 5 | Fkashiv | 8432 | 49110 | 6,024 00 | 4059 |
| 6 | Kalambuls | 5130 | 3000 | 1,15000 | 3830 |
| . 7 | Kurbavi | 3878 | 24822 | 12,592 00 | . 5014 |
| 8 | Kondbspi | 20783 | 94116 | 5.14000 | 5638 |
| 0 | Khalve | 1224 | 71157 | 3,05100 | 4238. |
| 10 | Khudus | 9010 | 31688 | 9,800 00 | 3058. |
| 11 | Khadalı | 16812 | 74100 | 4,191 00 | 5775 |
| 12 | Grrzam | 2410 | 66150 | 3,412 00 | 50 8t |
| $\checkmark 13$ | Gursale | 2233 | 11204 | 5,71800 | 5080 |
| 14 | Chakore | 44132 | 25220 | 9,167 00 | 3636. |
| 15 | Jambud | 386 | 29700 | 17,60900 | 5986 |
| 16 | Tarangtal | 24439 | 46142 | 1,769 00 i | 3774 |
| 17 | Trrvands | 17535 | 125146 | 4,374 00 | 3474 |
| 18 | Tondle - | 35732 | 15474 | 5,178 00 | 4533. |
| 10 | Dasur | 31220 | 206118 | 9,134 00 | 4418. |
| ${ }^{2} 20$ | Dalugaon | 7220 | 27254 | 12,353 00 | 4537 |
| 21 | Dharmapun | 34321 | 1491011 | 13,242 00 | 8843 |
| 22 | Natepute | 20635 | 58141 | 5,250 00 | 8850 |
| 23 | Palasmandar | 30019 | 19930 | 8,435 00 | 4234 |
| 24 | Pamiv | 257 | 12338 | 6,675 00 | 5416 |
| - 25 | Pirale | 63717 | 27146 | 10,655 88 | 3824 |
| 26 | Purandavade | 35414 | 45885 | 18,093 00 | 3507 |
| 27 | Phondeburas | 4,741 34 | 1,603 20 | 59,794 00 | 3729 |
| 28 | Bangarde | $180 \quad 27$ | $\begin{array}{llll}155 & 1\end{array}$ | 6,174 00 | 3978 |
| 29 | B6bhalgaon | 6715 | 4636 | 1,854 00 | 4009 |
| 30 | Bondie | 48416 | 18364 | 8,392 00 | 3488. |
| 31 | Borgaon | 13632 | 7698 | 4,849 00 | 6328 |
| 32 | Bhamburds | 18616 | 1129 | 13,340 00 | 11848 |
| 33 | Mahalung | - 77421 | 3961010 | . 16,60700 | 4198 |
| 34 | Malkhambı | 1110 | 1108 | 12000 | 7200 |
| 35 | Mandwe | 62732 | 18784 | 9,662 00 | 6163 |
| 36 | Maluram | 1,891 24it | 692 6 6 | 37,638 88 | 5391 |
| 87 | Mur | 40014 | 186 - 0 | 8,913 O ${ }^{\circ}$ | 4788 |
| 38 | Modad | 11724 | 49120 | 3,45000 | 0985 |
| $\times 30$ | Morochs | 30827 | 14952 | 7,344 00 | 4919 |



APPENDIX G-I.
Statement showng the selling value in Bagayat lands sold in the villages of the Malswas Taluka of the Sholapur Distruct
(The figures mdrcate sales durrong the last five years only)


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*APPEMDIX H
Leases of dry crop lands in the verlages of the Malsuras Taluka of the Sholapur Dnstruct (57 Government villages).
(The figures indscate leases during the last five years only)


APPENDIX H-concld


Assistant Settlement Officer, Taluka Malsiras

APPENDIX HI
Leases of Bagayat Lands in the villages of Malsuras Taluka of the Sholapur Dwirret (57 Government villages)
(Only leases dernng the last five years have been ancluded)

| Berral Nu In Ap pendix L | Neme of village - | Area of land leased | Assessment | Rente | Multiple of the arsegs ment re presented by rent | Indices |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Grosp No. I | A. g | Rs. a. $p$ | Rs a. P |  |  |
| 1 | Aklay | 526 | 68910 | 48200 | 705 | 4-6-8 |
|  | Ekkshiv | 25 | 294 | 3200 | 1238 | 7-ri-9 |
| 10 | Khudus | 438 | 4132 | 4300 | 8. 87 | 6-11-8 |
| 12 | Girzan) | 2613 | 2800 | 28000 | 1000 | 6- 40 |
| 13. | Gurame | 24 | 300 | 6000 | 2000 | 12-8-0 |
| 19 | Dsasur - | 62 | 700 | 6500 | 928 | 5-12-10 |
| - 20 | Dahigaon | 2832 | 3040 | 4580 | 1507 | 9-8-8 |
| 21 | Dharmapuri | 415 | 580 | - 4000 | 727 | 4-8-8 |
| 22 | Natopute | 2330 | $\begin{array}{llll}25 & 3 & 2\end{array}$ | 10500 | 416 | 2-9-7 |
| C. 25 | Pırale | 8036 | 8374 | 58200 | 097 | 4-5-8 |
| 26 | Purandavade | 2125 | 39114 | 44580 | 14.65 | 9-2-6 |
| 27 | Phondishiras | 1634 | 24210 | 40400 | 1671 | 10-7-0 |
| 30 | Bondle | 125 | 1120 | $\begin{array}{llll}55 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 314 | 19-8-6 |
| 35 | Mandwe | 534 | 5140 | 7200 | 1225 | 7-11-6 |
| 36 | Malaraa | 13224 | 15124 | 1,080 00 | 714 | 4-8-9 |
| 40. | Lonand ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | 234 | 2120 | 1400 | 622 | 3-14-8 |
| 44 | Vizori | 310 | 220 | 7200 | 3388 | 21-2-9 |
| 45 | Velapur | 4426 | 4783 | 26280 | 552 | 3-7-2 |
|  | Total, Group No I | 45833 | 63377 | 4,550 00 |  |  |
|  | Average por acre |  | 127 | 9148 | $853{ }^{\circ}$ | 6-5-2 |
| 46 | Group Na. II <br> Jilampur | $11 \leqslant$ | 1080 | 12800 | 1219 | 7-3-80 |
| 47 | Kauher | 4830 | -4447 | 08000 | 1535 | 9-1-9 |
| 51 | Jalbawi | 228 | 1910 | 12180 | 258 | -8-0 |
| 62 | Fadtar | 814 | 5410 | 117180 | 2220 | 13-2-11 |
| 68 | Phalvam | $10 \quad 32$ | 985 | 18700 | + 1758 | 10-8-3 |
| 65 | Malolı | 21.28 | 1812 II | 28300 | 1425 | 8-7-4 |
| 56 | Mandkı | 36 | 370 | 13700 | 3985 | 23-10-3 |
|  | Total, Group Na. II | 10822 | 937 | 1,525 B 0 |  |  |
|  | Avorage por mase. | * | 0140 | 1451 | 1635 | 2-11-4 |
|  | - Taluka Total | 60515 | 026152 | 0.0758 |  |  |
|  | Averege par nere |  | 110 | 101111 | 986 |  |
|  |  |  |  | G. Y. MIP | KAR, |  |
| NH | 48-7 |  | Assustant | lement Offic | r, Taluka 1 | alsirse |

APPENDIX I
Proes prevalent in the Malstras Taluka of the Sholapur Dnstruc from 1890-91 to 1919 (as plotted in the accompanyong dragram)

| Year | Rate per rupee in sears and chhata |  |  |  |  |  | Jwan Kadbi pnce per maund of 3,200 tolae |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Ywan | Wheat. | Tur dal | Gram. | Ground nut | Bajn |  |
|  | S oh | s ch | S ch. | s ch. | S. ob | 8 ch | Re. ar p. |
| 1890-91 | 2115 | 1810 | $15 \quad 2$ | 106 |  | 200 | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 8 & 3\end{array}$ |
| 1891.92 | 224 | 1212 | 1115 | 139 |  | 189 | 01110 |
| 1892.93 | $17 \quad 4$ | $13 \quad 10$ | 109 | 123 |  | 176 | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 7\end{array}$ |
| 1893.94 | $17 \quad 10$ | 1411 | 1310 | 1611 |  | 185 | 0 5 11 |
| 1894-95 | 250 | 161 | $12 \quad 2$ | $18 \quad 12$ |  | 1812 | 086 |
| Average | 2013 | $13 \quad 9$ | 1211 | 162 |  | 1810 | 081 |
| 1895-98 | $25 \quad 1$ | $16 \quad 9$ | 10 6 | $13 \quad 13$ |  | 247 | 0104 |
| 1896-97 | 1814 | 138 | 113 | 150 |  | 16 6 | 130 |
| 189798 |  | Ths | being a | famine | year 18 | excluded. |  |
| 1898.99 | 1612 | 126 | $10 \quad 4$ | 136 |  | $15 \quad 12$ | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 8 & 7\end{array}$ |
| 189000 | 169 | 1312 | 98 | 1310 |  | 153 | 087 |
| 1900-01 |  | This | being a | famune | year la | excluded. |  |
| 100102 | 130 | 711 | 78 | $10 \cdot 7$ | $6^{\circ} 1$ | 1310 | 0710 |
| 1902-03 | 169 | 810 | 10 11 | $12 \quad 2$ | 64 | 1612 | 088 |
| 190304 | $38 \quad 2$ | 104 | 93 | 124 | 71 | $27 \quad 15$ | 015 |
| 1904.05 | $27 \quad 5$ | $16 \quad 2$ | $13 \quad 2$ | $17 \quad 12$ | 810 | 268 | $0 \quad 310$ |
| Average | 218 | 126 | $10 \quad 4$ | 139 | 70 | 198 | 078 |
| 190508 | 170 | 1413 | 112 | 1313 | 8 8 | 158 | 070 |
| 1906 | 126 | 90 | 815 | 912 | 67 | $12 \quad 14$ | 191 |
| 1907 | 10* 12 | 94 | 910 | 915 | 510 | 17 6 | 0 O 3 |
| 1008 | 1112 | 84 | 610 | 715 | 512 | 111 | 015 |
| 1909 | 19 - | 910 | 711 | 91 | 69 | 161 | 061 |
| 1910 | 1513 | $914 *$ | 96 | 109 | 610 | $16 \quad 15$ | $\begin{array}{llll}0 & 13 & 3\end{array}$ |
| 1911 | 158 | 911 | 1115 | $12 \quad 15$ | 510 | 155 | 113 |
| 1912 | 1013 | 73 | 96 | 913 | 54 | 913 | $3 \quad 8 \quad 10$ |
| 1913 | 115 | 72 | $\overline{8} 3$ | 112 | 51 | 109 | 1118 |
| 1914 | 1212 | 613 | 611 | 86 | 54 | 120 | $210 \quad 3$ |
| 1915 | 170 | 78 | 63 | 811 | 56 | $16 \quad 2$ | 077 |
| 1916 | 196 | 915 | 86 | 115 | 60 | 156 | 0 0 2 |
| 1917 | 141 | 910 | 71 | 10 6 |  | 108 | 0 \% 11 |
| Averago | 14. 15 | 92 | 98 | $10 \quad 4$ | 59 | 1313 | 1210 |
| 1918 | 612 | 515 | 50 |  | 510 |  | 12 |
| 1910 | 410 | 37 | 36 | 49 |  | 48 | 278 |
| Avorage | 511 | 411 | 43 | 60 |  | 412 | $1 \begin{array}{lll}13 & 2\end{array}$ |
|  |  |  | G Y MIRIKAR, |  |  |  |  |

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'Prwoer prevalent in tha Sangola Taluka of the Sholapper Collectorade durveg the years 1890-91 to. 1919

| Your | Rate per rapee in seers and chhataks (One seer 28 equal to 80 tolas) |  |  |  |  |  | Jwarn Kadbi price per maund of 3,200 tolse |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Jwant | Wheat | Tur dal | Gram. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ground } \\ & \text { nut } \end{aligned}$ | B8y |  |
|  | s ob | s oh | s oh | $s$ oh | S ah | s oh. | Ra. a. p |
| 1800,91 | 218 | 184 | 14.7 | 18 4 |  | $20 \quad 14$ | $\begin{array}{lll}0 & 8 & 7\end{array}$ |
| 189182 | $20 \quad 14$ | 141 | 111 | 141 |  | 186 | 0 O 11 |
| 1892-93 | 187 | 118 | 100 | 1115 |  | 1814 | 0153 |
| 1809-94 | 2011 | $13 \quad 3$ | 1212 | 1114 |  | $20 \quad 6$ | 073 |
| 1894.95 | 2315 | 264 | $10 \quad 14$ | 194 | , | $19 \quad 18$ | 065 |
| Total | 1057 | 736 | 592 | 756 |  | $98 \quad 5$ | 215 |
| $\Delta$ verage | 211 | 1411 | 1113 | 151 |  | 1812 | 096 |
| 189596 | 286 | 178 | 97 | $13 \quad 3$ |  | 223 | 08 ' |
| 189897 | $17 \quad 3$ | 138 | 106 | 146 |  | 1612 | $014 *$ |
| 189708 | Omutta | as | this | 18. | famine | year |  |
| 189898 | $18 \quad 12$ | 126 | 912 | 123 |  | $17 \quad 12$ | 076 |
| $189800{ }^{*}$ | 176 | 1313 | - 12 | 134 |  | 170 | 02 |
| 190001 | Omitte | a | thus | 18 a, | famine | year |  |
| 1801:02 | 1113 | 80 | 77 | 98 | 611 | 1310 | 012.5 |
| 100203 | $17 \quad 7$ | $8 \quad 12$ | 117 | 1110 | - 13 | 180 | 07.9 |
| 190304 | $41 \quad 15$ | 122 | 014 | 12 Il | 713 | 3311 | 031 |
| \$80405 | 300 | 17.10 | 123 | 205 | 915 | 883 | 0.1 |
| Average, 8 years | 228 | 1215 | 10 0 | 136 |  | 2014 | 081 |
| 180508 | 1812 | 1514 | 915 | 146 | 010 | 184 | 079 |
| 1908 | 136 | 91 | 85 | 96 | 64 | 13 T | 182. |
| 1907 | $17 \quad 14$ | 97 | 810 | 106 | 6 6 | 18 E | 0 10 0 |
| 1908 | 1112 | 89 | 62 | 712 | 66 | $11 \quad 13$ | 143 |
| 1010 | 189 | 107 | 711 | 103 | 713 | 15.8 | 089 |
|  | 178 | 1012 | 916 | 119 | 78 | $17 \quad 10$ | 080 |
| 2011 | $\begin{array}{ll}16 & 12\end{array}$ | 108 | 11 11 | 14. | 814 | 1611 | 01111 |
| 1018 | 113 | 711 | 811 | 106 | 64 | $10 \quad 10$ | 11410 |
| 1013 | 112 | 74 | 77 | 108 | 56 | 107 | 146 |
| 1914 | 129 | 71 | 68 | 79 | 65 | 18 \% | 341 |
| 1918 | 18.8 | 70 | 314 | 88 | 515 | 1615 | 0 ¢ |
| 1916 | $19 \quad 10$ | 10 1 | 71 | 128 | 63 | 167 | 087 |
| 1917 | 130 | 90 | 7 * | 10 0 | 48 | 121 | 011 1 |
| 4 varage, 13 years | 159 | 9.10 | 81 | $10 \%$ | 68 | 14.10 | 107 |
| 1918 | 60 | 8, 14 | 416 | 615 | 315 | 87 | 226 |
| 1919 | 64 |  | 31 |  | 23 | 51 | 3.2 |
| $4 \mathrm{erag} \mathrm{S}^{\text {a }}$ | 614 | 4 | 40 | 5 | 31 | 612 | 21010 |
| - |  |  | Asam | at Settl | Y MIR ment Off | KAR, <br> ar, Talul | Malsuras. |

Pruces pretalent in the (Man) Dahuwadı Taluka of the Satara Drstroct during the years 1890-91 to 1919


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Proe prevalent in the Indapur Taluka of the Poona Collectorate from the year 1890-91 to 1919.

| Year | Rate per rupe in seera and chhataks (One aeer is equal to $80^{\circ}$ tolas) |  |  |  |  |  | Jwan-Kadbl price per maund of 3,200 tolas |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Jwan | Wheat | Tur dals | Gram | $\underset{\text { Ground- }}{\text { nut. }}$ | Bajr ${ }^{\text {, }}$ |  |
| 1890-91 | $\$$ ch. | S. ch. | S. ch. | S. ch. | S ch. | \$ ch. | Re. an p. |
|  | $23 \quad 9$ | 150 | 131 | $17 \quad 10$ |  | $17 \quad 15$ | 088 |
| 1891092 | 24 | 118 | 118 | 140 |  | 1510 | 0102 |
| 1892-93 | 193 | $9 \quad 14$ | 99 | $12 \quad 15$ |  | 175 | 081 |
| 1893-94 | 185 | 1015 | 133 | $17 \quad 2$ |  | 1710 | 0.3 |
| 1804.95 | 231 | 1315 | 117 | $18 \quad 7$ |  | 178 | 0129 |
| Average of 6 years | $21 \quad 15$ | $12 \times 4$ | 1112 | 160 |  | $17 \quad 3$ | 098 |
| 189598 | $\begin{array}{cc} 24 & 14 \\ 10 & 4 \end{array}$ | 151 | $\begin{array}{rl} 0 & 14 \\ 10 & 14 \end{array}$ | 148 |  | $20 \quad 3$ | 072 |
| 1896-97 |  | $\mathrm{lc}^{12} \begin{gathered} 7 \\ \\ \\ \text { Thus } \end{gathered}$ |  | $13 \quad 2$ |  |  | 0126 |
| 1897-98 , Thus being a fa rune year sa excluded |  |  |  |  |  | from this. |  |
| $1898-99$ 16 9 11 2 9 4 13 8 |  |  |  |  |  | 168 | 078 |
| 1890.1800 | 1611 |  | $12 \quad 3$ | 9 | $12 \quad 13$ |  | 15, 3 | 071 |
| 1000-01 - Thas being a fa mine year sat excluded |  |  |  |  |  | from thes, |  |
| 1901-02 |  | 12 11 | 79 | 711 | 106 | 615 | $183$ | 236 |
| 1002-03 | 1611 | 714 | 1010 | $12 \quad 2$ | 72 | 150 | 128 |
| 1008-04 | 3210 | 06 | 90 | 123 | 7 | $194^{\prime}$ | 0109 |
| 1004-05 | 27 9 | 141 | 1210 | 1614 | 82 | 2215 | 0122 |
| Average of 8 yeare | $20 \quad 13$ | 113 | 915 | $13 \quad 3$ |  | 17 14 | 01311 |
| 1805.06 | 190 | 150 | 112 | 1412 | 810 | $16 \quad 2$ | 118 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1008 | $12 \quad 3$ | 715 | 60 | 712 | 67 | 1110 | 183 |
| 1000 | $17 \quad 10$ | 91 | 77 | 106 | 76 | 155 | 089 |
| 1910 | 162 | 813 | 910 | $10 \quad 15$ | 610 | 1515 | $0118$ |
| 1911 | $16 \%$ | 88 | 13 4 | 139 | 814 | 147 | 0148 |
| 1012 | 1011 | 611 | 09 | $10 \quad 5$ | 58 | 90 | 1147 |
| 1013 | 118 | 02 | $8 \quad 2$ | 1011 | 5 . | 911 | 168 |
| 1914 | 126 | C 12 | 814 | 81 | 56 | 1114 | 11110 |
| 1015 | 1614 <br> 191 <br> 1410 | 611 | 62 | 813 | 68 | 1313 | 0.2 |
| 1016 |  | 88 | 72 | 1014 | 612 | 136 | 073 |
| 1917 |  | 86 | 615 | $\begin{array}{lll}10 & -1\end{array}$ | 312 | 1113 | 042 |
| Avorage of 13 jomers | 158 | 87 | 88 | 107 | 63 | 136 | 115 |
| 1918 | 68 | 58 | 56 | 74 | 56 | 515 | 0.1 |
| 1910 |  |  |  | 414 | 810 |  | 2817 |
| varage of 2 jeare | 50 | 413 | - 7 | 61 | 4. 0 | 57 | 1104 |
|  |  |  |  |  | Y. MII | RIKAR, |  |
| $x=8$ - |  |  | Assus | at Settl | ment Off | oer, Talut | Mfalsurss |

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Prices prevalent in the Pandharpur Taluka of the Sholapur Collectorate from the year 1890-91 to 1919.

| Years. | Rite per rupee in Sears and Chhataka. One Seer is equal to 80 tolas. |  |  |  |  |  | Jwan Kadb1 price per Manad of 3,200 tolse. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Jwary | What | Turdal | Gram. | Ground nut | B8jr |  |
|  | $s$ ch. | S. ch | S. ch. | S. oh. | S ch. | S. ob. | Ra. a. p, |
| 1890-91 | 2213 | 181 | $14 \quad 14$ | $19 \quad 10$ |  | $21 \quad 8$ | 898 |
| 1891-92 | 2314 | 1213 | 1212 | 137 |  | $17 \quad 1$ | 0109 |
| 1892-93 | 180 | 107 | 9 ¢ | 124 |  | 1712 | 088 |
| 1893-94 | $18 \quad 2$ | 127 | 114 | $17 \quad 3$ |  | 1815 | 081 |
| 1894-95 | 266 | 14 Z | 814 | $18 \quad 2$ |  | 1812 | 066 |
| Average of 5 years. | $21 \quad 13$ | 1310 | 1110 | $18 \quad 2$ |  | $18 \quad 13$ | 08 |
| 1895-96 | 244 | 158 | $8 \quad 13$ | 128 |  | $20 \quad 13$ | 084 |
| 1896-97 | 18 6* | 1311 | 1110 | 1311 |  | 1614 | 0137 |
| 1897-98 |  | Thus | being a fa | mune year | $s$ excluded | from this. |  |
| 1898-99 | $18 \quad 10$ | 1113 | 116 | 138 |  | $18 \quad 12$ | 032 |
| 1899-1900 | $15 \quad 14$ | 1211 | $10 \quad 13$ | 1311 |  | 158 | 072 |
| 1900-01 |  | Thı | bering afa | mine year | $s$ exeluded | from this. |  |
| 1901-02 | 1311 | 89 | 94 | 113 | 78 | 147 | 0129 |
| 1002-03 | $18 \quad 3$ | 814 | 137 | 1214 | 712 | 182 | 070 |
| 1903-04 | 380 | 119 | 1012 | 134 | 813 | $30 \quad 2$ | 029 |
| 1904-05 | 291 | 1612 | 1315 | $20 \quad 10$ | $10 \quad 5$ | 2614 | 041 |
| * |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Average of 8 yeara | 220 | 127 | 114 | $13 \quad 15$ |  | 20 | 07 |
| 1905-06 | $19 \quad 9$ | 14-11 | 1011 | $15 \quad 2$ | 812 | 17 | 0135 |
| 1906 | $14 \quad 2$ | 100 | 100 | 112 | 7 9 | 1313 | 0148 |
| 1907 | $17 \quad 15$ | 910 | 910 | 11.10 | 613 | 1814 | 0911 |
| 1908 | 136 | 811 | 70 | 810 | 78 | 1212 | 0138 |
| 1009 | 1811 | $10 \quad 9$ | 811 | 117 | 88 | $17 \quad 2$ | 074 |
| 1910 | 1814 | 109 | 1113 | 135 | 710 | 19 | 0911 |
| 1911 | 174 | 109 | 1215 | $17 \quad 2$ | 73 | 113 | 0911 |
| 1912 | 120 | 715 | 98 | 129 | 65 | 109 | 1138 |
| 1913 | 1114 | 715 | 80 | 120 | 62 | 115 | 11210 |
| 1914 | 1312 | 78 | 75 | 97 | 61 | 133 | 1. 83 |
| 1015 | 1912 | 84 | 613 | 101 | 89 | 175 | 063 |
| 1916 | $20 \quad 2$ | 108 | 0 | 1215 | 7 B | 170 | 069 |
| 1917 | 145 | 98 | 82 | 1114 | 62 | 146 | 085 |
| Average of 13 yeara | 164 | 912 | 90 | 12 ? | $74^{\circ}$ | 1415 | 0142 |
| 1918 | 612 | 513 | 55 | 84 | 514 | 74 | 174 |
| 1919 | 55 | 311 | 310 | 57 | 213 | © 10 | 286 |
| Average of 2 years |  | 412 | 47 | 613 | 4 | 67 | 1159 |

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## APPENDIX K

Collection of assessiment on Government land in the 57 Government vrllages of the Malswas Taluka of the Sholapur Dhstrict

| Yoar | , | Demand ${ }^{\text { }}$ | Remissions, | Outatanding ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  | Remarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Anthorized | Unauthonzed. |  |
| 1891-92 |  | 90,21423 |  |  |  |  |
| 1892-93 |  | 90,20828 |  |  |  |  |
| 1893-94 |  | 96,364 149 |  |  |  | ' |
| 1894-95 |  | 96,336 5' $\mathrm{S}^{\prime}$ |  | - |  |  |
| 2895-96 |  | 97,743 120 | 491 - 0 |  | - |  |
| 1896-97 |  | 97,74312 0 |  | $\cdot 11,97057$ | - |  |
| 1897-98 |  | 97,743 40 | , | 9,915 13 |  |  |
| 1898-98 |  | 97,743 40 | . | 6,430 152 |  |  |
| 1899-1900 |  | 97,743 40 |  | 27,933 146 | - |  |
| 1900-01 |  | $87,743 \leq 0$ | 2900 | 45,199 110 | - | - |
| 1901-02 |  | 98,098 154 | 81,207 167 | 682 ธ 5 | . |  |
| 1002-03 |  | 99,10824 | . | 1,350 1410 | - |  |
| 1903-04 |  | 101,408 80 |  | 8,493 133 |  |  |
| 1904-05 |  | 101,408 80 |  | 63,90530 |  |  |
| 1995-08 |  | 101,381 20 | 15,453 152 | 91,070 6 7 |  |  |
| 1008-07 |  | $98,344 \times 2$ | 5,688 112 | 10,756 311 |  |  |
| 1907-08 | , | 98,32560 | 44,825 108 | 93,238147 |  |  |
| 1808-09 |  | $98,358 \times 0$ | 72,789 80 | 32,205 139 |  |  |
| 1009-10 |  | 98,36320 | 8,234 75 | 20,819 6 3 | -• |  |
| 1010-11 |  | $06,374{ }^{6} 0$ | 42,374 2 в | 1820 | - |  |
| 1911-12 |  | $98,241 \times 0$ | 74,877 110 | 3724 | 28360 |  |
| 1012-13 | . | $88,309 \times 0$ | 1,825 158 | 569140 | 1)90 |  |
| 1913-14 | . | 96,336 02 |  | 95,399 \& 8 |  |  |
| 1014-15 |  | 98632020 |  | 3,405 10 \% | 41163 | - |
| 1915-18 |  | 101,700 147 | 18,052 122 | 80,894128 | - $\cdot$ |  |
| 1910-17 | . | 101,640 152 | 32,292 43 | 8,167 1110 | - . |  |
| 1917-18 |  | 101,788 108 | . |  | - |  |
| 1018-19 |  | 101,816 1111 |  | 85,583128 | - |  |

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Effect of Revrsoon Settlement proposals on Government

d land in the Malswres Taluka of the Sholapur Dostroct.


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Summary of dry crop rates regarding the effect of Revseron Settlement proposals on Government land in the Malswas Taluka of the Sholapur Distroct •

| Proposed group. | Number of villages (in batches according to the ex isting grouping) | Current dry crop rate of each batch | $\left\|\begin{array}{c}\text { Proposed dry orop } \\ \text { rate for } \\ \text { of each batch }\end{array}\right\|$ | Increase per oent | Increase per rupe (to nearest quar ter anna) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|  |  | Res. a $\mathbf{p}$ | Reap |  | Re. a. $\boldsymbol{p}$ |
| I | 45 | 140 | 100 | 1000 | 016 |
| II | 12 | 130 | 150 | 1084 | 019 |

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The following papers contan the correspondence relatsng to the expiring selliement.
Selections from the Records of the Bombay Government No CCXLVIINew series.

Below. No R.S.-27 of 12th May 1920 from the Assastant Setslement Officer, Taluka Malarrasi

> No. S.R.V -8 of 1921.
> Sholapur, $\frac{10}{11}$ th March 1921.

Forwarded with compliments to the Settlement Commissioner and Director of Land Records, Poona.
2. I have no remarks to offer on paragraphs 1 to 5 of the Report.

3 Paragraphs 6 and 7 Ramfall and crops. A statement of rainfall prepared for thas and adjoining talukas shows that the average ramfall at Malsiras was less by $2^{\prime}-36^{\prime \prime}$ than that reported at the time of the proposals of Revision Settlement in 1890 At Akluj the rainfall was less by $2^{\prime}-21^{* \prime}$ while at Pilo it was more by $3^{\prime}-42^{\prime \prime}$. It will appear that the rainfall was not equally distributed. It will be also seen from the Appendix that the average kharif rainfall during June, July and August is less than the rabi ranfall from August to October. If the rams that commence in the beginning of June had not shown long breaks the kharif crop-area would have been $\frac{1}{3}$ if not.more of the total cropped area. These early rains, if insufficient for kharif cultivation, are of no use except for the preparation of lands for rabi sowings and consequently the ryots are obliged to depend princopally on rabi crops. The proportion of kharif and rabi crops given at the time of the last settlement (1890) was 26 to 61 in every hundred acres but the ratio has now fallen to 18 61. This goes to undicate that the first falls are irre gular and not well distributed and the frequent and long breaks make it difficult to sow kharif crops in time Good rainfall in the begmning of the season has several advantages The early growth of grass is assured and saves a lot of trouble to the agricultural classes so far as cattle are concerned The decrease in the number of plough-bullocks by 30 per cent. can also be partially attributed to the urregular distribution of rainfall Simularly the increase in fallow from 12 to 21 per cent. is due more or less to this cause. The poor lands called "Mal" require more or less contmuous rainfall as they cannot retam mossture long Lands with deep black soil or those with Tals, have the capacity to retain moisture for several days but the Mal lands soon get dry as heat causes quick evaporation This is prinopally the reason why as early rains were irregular, the percentage of kharif has decreased as compared to rabl and the percentage of fallow has nearly doubled.

4 The reason ascribed by the Assistant Settlement Officer, $2 n z$, that people find it more convement to keep lands for grazing than to cultivate them, does not seem to be a sound one. The taluka is not famous for its grazing grounds and there are no good kurans in the taluka. This is obvious from the figures of livestock given in paragraph 16 of the report. The decrease of nearly 30 per cent. in the number of plough-bullocks, of 27 per cent. in that of cows and buffaloes and of over 58 per cent. in horses and pomies, does not bear out the Assistant Settlement Officer's opinon in paragraph 7 that people find it more convenient to keep lands for grazing. To my mind, the real fact is that the insufficiency of early rains makes it difficult for ryots to cultavate all Mal or hght soll lands In a few cases or in parts adjoming Sangola Taluka the lands might have been kept for grass, but even in such cases they are to be shown under cropped area sccording to the instructions on the village farm No. XIII of the Revenue Manual if these lands are specially kept for grass.
5. Paragraphs 8 to 12. No remarks.
6. Paragraph 13. Population In making his calculation about the present population Mr. Murikar overlooks the fact that the Nira Canal works are being carried out for the last five or six years and there is a probablity of the population having mereased by 5, 6 thousands if not-mere:-
7. Paragraphs 14 and 15. No remarks.
8. Paragraph 16. There is a substantial decrease under all the heads which is a somewhat serious factor in the a 8 ricultural economy of the taluke.
9. Paragraph 17. No remarks.
10. Paragraphs 18,19 and 20 - -In spite of the adverse factora noted above, the great rise in the value of land is a most noticeable feature It is due to the construction of the Nura Raght Bank Canal which, when completed, will change the face of the country. That the Canal water will be avalable for almost all these villages is a fact which must not be ggnored Moneyed men are shrewd busuess men and naturally invest their money in business that promises good profit Owing to the recent world wide war almost all trading classes made good profits in business and Malsiras Taluka is no exception to it Rightly calculating that the lands would yield bumper urrigation-harvests when the Canal will give water, the merchants and trading classes of Malsiras have begun to invest in land and the value of land has naturally gone up I consider this increment in land-value is due to extraneous and speculative causes and not to any great intrinsic increase in profits from cultivation except to the extent of rise in prices The rise in prices has been enormous but it does not benefit the actual cultivator or tenant so much as it benefits the landlord and middleman, first because, the tenant pays the rent in kind, second because there has been a cent per cent increase in wages and thrd because prices of other necessaries of life have similarly gone up I have no objection to the grouping since the orignal survey there are two groups formed for the cettlement of the taluka and I propose to retain them

## 11 General Remarks

Land revenue is recovered in this taluka, without difficulty if the year is not bad The signs of general agricultural prosperity however are not very promunent. The population has not uncreased to an appreciable extent, cattle and agricultural recourses show a decrease and 20 per cent of the cropped area is lying fallow. There have been nearly 4 lacs of remission during the guarantee period, and remissions had to be given continuously for eight years The demand for tagai has of late years become heavy

Against these considerations are the facts of an enormous increase in the value of land and a tremendous increase in prices How far these uncreases benefit the real cultivators and tenant is a doubtful question But we are not solely concerned with that issue as it is not tenants who pay the assessment but the khatedars and landlords The landlord's half-share of the Bhagoni is now worth to him considerably more than what it was a few years ago, and I see no reason why he should not contribute to the state a proportionate mereased assessment. At the same time, we must remember that considerable tracts of land are still in the hands of bonafide agriculturists, that the prevalent high gram-prices will benefit these classes only in proportion as they have surplus grain to sell in the market and that side by slde with rise in the price of gram, there is rise in the price of cloth, sugar, oll and all other necessaries of life for which the agriculturists have-to pay double the former price if not more

The conclusion I come to is this The taluka is passing through a transitronal stage For want of adequate ramfall and facilities of transportation, the taluka has not prospered to the extent that it should and could have prospered in view of the morease in prices Both these shortcomings are going to be shortly remedied The Nira Right Bank Canal ought to be completed in ten years time If not earlier and the Pandharpur-Lonand Railway ought to be constructed during the same period It is in my opinion useless to fix the settlement for another period of 30 years as the state would thereby lose considerably after the Canal and the Rallway are constructed I would recommend a guarantee only for ten years as the merease in the rates, that can be justified at present, will be hopelessly inadequate ten years hence. If Government, are inclined to accept this recommendation, I propose that the increase of 10 per cent. proposed by the Assistant Settlement Officer be accepted only for ten years and the Settlement be revised again at the end of that period The objections recelved from the rayats of 8 villages are submitted herewith They were all called and personally interviewed when my camp was-at Malsuras and a patent hearing was given to the objections of a well represented body. It was explamed to the people that in view of very good prices realased by agxcultural produce and the enhancement in land-values, their objections were of little importance.

S. M. Bharucha,<br>Collector.

Below Sholapur Collector's No. S R.V.-8 of 10th-11th March 1921.
No. S T. 235.
Poona, 6th April 1921.

Forwarded with compluments to the Commissloner, C. D.
2. The followng remarks are offered on the Assistant Settlement Officer's report.

Paragraph 13.-The actual population on 18th March 1921 seems to have been 50,926 It is not to be denied that the Influenza mortality of 1918, which amounted to $1 / 6$ th of the whole population, was awful.

Paragraph 16 -This traffic in hiring out uron ploughs is very noteworthy. It is the first time the undersigned has ever heard of $1 t$, and shows how improved implements will come within the reach of the very poorest by quasi-co-operative arrangements

Paragraph 18.-Exception may be taken to the statement that the high rental value and sale value is due to the "superior quality of soll." This high value is shown to exast in multuples of the assessment, and the assessment (based on classsfication) takes full account of the difference in qualities. not perhaps quite the whole of the difference but a great deal of it When we find exceptionally high value in a particular tract as expressed in multiples of assessment, it does not mean that the classification was quite all wrong It may possibly mean that the soll has greatly improved since the original classification (which 1s very doubtful), or far more likely it imphes that the commercial facilties in those villages, and some other advantages in climate or situation, have concentrated the demand for land upon them. The remedy for this of course is proper grouping. The taluks is very much too roughly grouped. There is no practical dufference between the average value in Group I and Group II, but there are very marked dufferences in blocks of villages This will be dealt with when we come to the grouping

The Nura Canal is not surely only a "probablity." It has got so far that we may regard it as now a certainty, at least as certain as anything else im the coming eettlement period and the new Ralway is still less an uncertanaty.

Paragraph 21.-Prices having risen 200 per cent. at least and. wages having risen 100 or more but not nearly 200 per cent., Mr. Mirikar says that this morease in cost of labour is a good reason for keeping the enhancement well below the rates which the, prices of produce would allow If wages have not risen quite as much as prices, then the residual profit of agriculture is planly more than ever. Thas would seem to indicate that Mr Mirikar proposes to take prices of produce as the main base of his estimate of the enhancement But surely he would even hmself be horrified at a proposal to increase the rates by 200 per cent and he must be aware that there can be no question of such an increase under the 33 per cent limiting pledge. The question really before hum is whether ve shall enhance by the full 33 per cent. or not. This is a question which he has not really tackled at all. In - paragraph 21 Mir Mirikar says that the agricultural class lease out theur lands and go a way to earn higher wages somewhere else. Even so, I presume that they have got to lease them to other members of the agricultural class who do not go away, sinco non-agniculturists or absentees do not perform much cultivation.

Paragraph 22 -The revenue history is a histary of great lemency Even with the reduced population, and in spite of the 13 years out of 28 being classed as "poor to very bad "still the price of land has gone up to an astonishing extent. The explanation of the phenamenon is perfectly simple. It is only this: that the rupee has fallen in value and purchasing power to something like half or perhaps less than half in some respects of the value it formerly had. Consequentily most of the values expressed in rupees, whether of grass or milk or corn or bricks or land, are amply multiplied by two or more, and conforming to thes movement if the assessments were multuphed by the same amount or doubled in theur nominal amount, they wruld still remann much the same in their intrinsio burden, and the same would be the percentage of the profits which they claim for the State. It

* $=$ 48-11*
would require powerful arguments on the facts which Mr. Murikar has given to upset a case for increasing these assessments (on the general principles of settlement) by 100 per cent With all allowance for the probability that this great inflation of prices will not continue indefinitely and from the natural desire not to sheer any sheep too close, we might possibly reconcule ourselves to an enhancement of something between 60 and 80 per cent. But then there is the 33 per cent. pledge and if that is'seriously still to be manntanned, although it was origunally given with a reservation against the possibility of a sudden and unversal change in the value of money, we need not go into any facts or statistics of this case, but the obvious conclusion is that if we cannot enhance more than 33 per cent then at least that enhancement is the absolute minimum which can possibly be recommended The undersigned cannot at all accept the recommendations of Mr Mirkar The difference between the groups is even now only 1 anna in maximum rates, which is almost the same thing as confessing that there is not really any difference between the groups at all, but a dividing line which means va little has been drawn merely for the sake of dong something The rate should be raised on the dry crop to Rs $1-10$ in the case of both groups together, or if a second group is maintained, for which I see no necessity whatever, its proper rating would be Rs 1-9-4, which we might agree to call Rs 1-8-0 as a measure of lemency This will mean an increase of something like 28 to 30 per cent. and not 33 per cent.

3. Coming to the few acres of rice now assessed at Rs. 6, there can be hittle doubt that, in such a taluka where the crop is rarely grown, in those parts where it does succeed it bas exceptional value, and there is no reason whatever why there should be no increase in the rate The only reason given by Mr Mirkar is that "the area is very small" The inference from this fact is that increase should certanly be made unless we are going to deal very unfairly with the exceedingly fortunate cultivator who does grow rice It is recommended that the rice rate should be raised to Rs 9, and even then it will be a light charge upon the rental profits of this cultivation, and will have no appreciable effect upon the percentage of merease over the whole taluka But in recommending the general increase for Group I and Group II together which is well inside 33 per cent it must be pointed out that there are some villages which all statistics and crrcumstances show are enjoying a very much higher range of land values than the other villages in the taluka These villages form the true " highest group" of the taluka The settlement officers, who divided the taluka into the present groups, did so more or less at a venture, and showed how much they thought of the importance of the division by fixing the difference between the maximum rates at the maximum amount of one anna per acre, which means on most of the land a difference of about one pice per acre In other words they really admutted that there was not any difference at all. But now we have left it to the people for the last 30 years to assess themsehes We have in no way influenced the prices they have paid when purchasing land, and the rents they have agreed to pay when leasing them 'We now find that there are certan villages well marked out as being in advance of therr neighbours If we were seekng to make groups on a prowr grounds we might the orise about climate, communications, general excellence of methods of husbandry, education, and so on But the realised and accomplished value of land overrides all theories by providung us with actual facts, and we now find that the division in the taluka into the existing two groups is not in true relation to the facts There are some villages in Group I which are valued by the people who know far better than anybody else-that is by the sellers and purchasers, and lessors and lessees of the land-at an even lower rate than many villages in Group II Unless we are to abandon the sound theory that land is to be assessed with reference to its proved and ascertaned profits or rental value, then we must abandon the old grouping

4 Of the villages in Group II only one, and that only shghtly, falls below the general average of the taluka in respect of leases and selling rates, and that village Gurvi is the most northern and most nearly approaches the central and northern plan of riverbank villages. In Group I, on the other hand, there are about a dozen which exhibit lease and rental figures consulerably below the average of either group Allowng for the fact that the assessment is higher by the mucroscopic sum of some fraction of an anna per acre in Group I, it seems that there are two groups of villages in the siver side plain which mught be singled out as inferior to the rest of the taluka, and those are Dahigaon, Pirale, Phondsiras, Ekshiv, Palasmandal
on the north-west, and Mahalung, Lavang, Khandali and neighbours on the northeast Yet none of these are over-assessed, and in none is the dufference so well defined and serious as to justify us in carving out a separate group based solely upon these statistics The conclusion to which the Settlement Commissioner comes is that the 10 per cent increase proposed by the Assistant Settlement Officer, or rather 10 per cent. in Group I and $10 \frac{1}{2}$ per cent in Group II, is far too small; and that there is no reason for keeping the two groups distinct He would propose that both the groups should be amalgamated and rated at Rs 1-10, an increase of 30 per cent in Group I and 36.84 per cent in Group II, which is approxımately 33 per cent over both groups together and does not violate the 33 par cant pledge.

5 The Collector in his review fully admits that upon present prices and selling values there could be no question of taking so small an increase as 10 per cent. buthe regards the maintenance of prices as uncertain and considers that there may be a very great improvement in the taluka within the next 10 years. He would even support a 33 per cent nereass if there were a prospsst of great deterioration mstead of improvement. With all this the undersigned quite agrees. The Collector then goes on to say that it is in his opinion useless to fix the settlement for another 30 years. We have the 33 per cent. limit, and we have the 30 years' settlement. If we are to disregard one or other of them, the Settlement Commissioner would certainly not support the Collector's proposal of a 10 par cent increase. If we are not to have the 30 years' period, then it is certan that (since we are only to settle for a short period) we should take the increase which it is admutted prices and rental values justify at least upto the limit of 33 per cent., which is what the undersigned recommends The only possible excuse for taking less than the 33 per cent would be the conviction that it could not be maintanned throughout 30 years, because prices, etc., would certannly fall. The Settlement Commissioner would not like to vouch for any such prophecy there is no certamty But if we are only goung to settle for 10 years then we need not hesitate. Let us put on the 33 per cent knowing that if prices do come down within 10 years we can then bring our assessment down As he has emphasised in other cases it is always and everywhere open to Government to reduce rates even if in the first place it guarantees them for 30 years. That guarantee has in past years practically been interpreted as a guarantee against enh ancement, not as a guarantee against reduction. The position then is that to-day the 33 per cent is justified times and times over, but neither we nor any one else can foresee what the ccadition wall be $15,20,25$, or 30 years hence We can introduce rates and guarantee them against verease for 30 years, still leaving ourselves a free hand to dearease tham as soon as curcumstances demand it The only sentument which mught be urged is that Government would be very slow and reluctant to make a reduction and maght not make it until after serious economic harm had been done Why should we admit that there is any foundation for such a sentiment? We have before us, in the present report and in previous settlement reports published statistics of prices and rents in Malsuras. We have also ac more perfect machunery to-day than ever before for recording prices of produce, and rents and sale values, and it would not require a month's investugation to establish the fact that there had been a ganeral fgil or that there had been no change. Land going out of cultivation, popular outcry, and inability to collect the revenue are always there as alarm signals directly the assessment takes too large a share of the total rent. Therefore it is recommended that we cannot make such an enormous abatement of the just public demand upon the rental value of this taluka as to accept an marease of only 10 per cent. (or an average of about 1 anna per acre) in face of admitted increases in prices of produce and values of land of roughly 200 per cent We ought to take 33 per cent. and guarantee it aganst merease for 30 years with the well understood (or even definitely expressed) reservation that as soon as it seems that these rates press heavily, a fresh investigation of values will be made, and a reduction made in the assessment, even before the assessment has begun to take a full half of the unearned rent.
6. In some talukgs the very doubt ful economic future of cotton may give us pause. But in this taluka we have to deal only whth Bajri and Jowari. There is very little else grown and no crops are grown for export. The value therefore
of land and the prices of produce have little or nothing to do with Exchanges or Foreign Markets There are a few talukas so entirely independent.
F. ANDERSON,

Settlement Commissioner and Durector of Land Records

Below memorandum from the Settlement Commissioner and Director of Land Records' No. S. T.-235, dated 6th April 1921, on the Revision Settlement proposals of the Malsiras Traluka, Sholapur District.

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Poona, 7th June 1921.

## Submitted.

2. As explained by the Assistant Settlement Officer this report deals with 57 Government villages only Of the 12 Inam villages, six are unsettled and the remaining sux are to be resurveyed and reclassufied in accordance with the orders in Government Order No. 2653, dated 3rd March 1917, and theSuperintendent, Land Records, Central Division, will take them up in their turn. The facts are quite clear and simple and there is no dispute about them. The only issue for determnation is whether the views of the local officers should prevail who recommend a small increase of 10 per cent. or those of the Settlement Commissioner Mr. Anderson, who recommends a full 33 per cent, merease.
3. Revenue officers, who deal with a tract peculiarly lable to famme and scarcity owing to its clematic conditions, will often hesitate to recommend any increase of assessment even in the face of the strongest reasons for a full merease. Misled by a generous and sympathetic instinct they forget that generosity must be subordinated to justice.

Mr Anderson has shown conclusively that there need be no hesitation in imposing the maximum increase. The land is fully occupied, the very light assessment is paid wath ease in good years-and in bad years remissions and suspensions are liberally granted Prices and values have risen enormously The existing assessments are now very much below any reasonable standard To leave_them alone or to umpose a merely trifling merease would be unjust and impolitic.

Money is urgently wanted in a hundred durections merely for maintainingthe efficiency of the administration, let alone its improvement and development

The stability of provincial finance and with it the success of the Reformed Constitution in this Presidency will be umperilled if the just clams of the State at revision settlements are to be lightly foregone on grounds that will not bear scrutiny and criticism.
4. I agree wrth Mr Anderson that the present arrangement of two groups in this taluka with a difference of only 1 anna in their maximum rates is useless and should come to an end and that there should be one single group for the whole taluka which should now be rated and assessed on a maximum rate of Rs. 1-10-0.
5. I agree with Mr. Anderson that the settlement may be made for a 30 year period and recommend that it may be introduced, if possible, before the 31st July 1921 in order that the new rates may be levied in the revenue year 1921-22.

The petitions of objections call for no remarks.

(Signed) F G. PRATT,

Commissioner, C. D.

Second rension settlement of the Malsiras taluka

## GOVERNMENT OF BOMBAY

- Revenue Departmant.

Resolution No. 1767.
Secretariat, Fort, Bombay.
Dated the 5th July 1921.
Memorandum from the Commsssioner, C. D , No L.N.D /S 2/1 dated 7th June 1921Submitting with has remarks the papers specified below* oontanning proposals for the revision settlement of the Malsuras taluka of the Sholapur distnot.

- Letter from the Absistant Sottlement Officer, taluka Malaras, dnetrict Sholapur, No R S - 27 dafed 12th May 1920 with accompaniments Memorandum from the Coileotor of Sholapur Nom 8 R V - 8 dated 11 th March 1921 Memorandum from the Settlenent Commssioner and Direotor of Land Reoords No 8 T -235 dsted 6 th April 1921.

Resolution -These papers contain proposals for the revision settlement of the Malsiras taluka of the Sholapur district. The Assistant Settlement Officer humself says that ' it is very clear that Government now receives a very much smaller share of the produce It is therefore obligatory that the increase must be based on the rise in prices' He has himself shown that the rise in prices sunce the last settlement is 280 per cent. Jet hè proposes a rise of only 10 per cent in the assessment. The Commissioner, Central Division, and the Settlement Commussioner propose an merease of 33 per cent. This is the most wheh is possible under the present rules, and it is certanly the least which is reasonable in the crrcumstances. The proposal made by the Settlement Commissioner and the Commissioner, Central Division, to have only one rate for dry crops and gardens and to fix the maximum rate at Rs. 1-10-0 is approved. The rice rate should also be nereased by 33 per cent from Rs. 6 to Rs. 8.

2 The revised rates should be introduced in the current revenue jear 1920-21, levied from the year 1921-22 and guaranteed for a period of ten years.
3. The petitions of objections do not disclose any grounds for a modification. of the orders now passed.

By order of the Governor in Councll,
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SHAMRAO D MANKAR,
Under Secretary to Government
To
The Commussioner, C D,
The Colleotor of Sholapur (with the petıthons of objections),

The Direotor of Agriculture,

- The Settlement Commssioner and

The Accountant General,
The Public Works Department,
The Financial Department, The Government of Inda (by letter).

REVISED APPENDIX L

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Effect of Revssion settlement proposals on Government occupse


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INDEX TO TH日 CORRESPONDENCE RELATING TO THE SECOND REVISION SETTLEMENT OF PANDHARPUR TALURA, SHOLAPUR DISTRICT


J. H. GARRETT, Esq., I C.S., Settlement Officer Sholapur and Khandesh;

To
Ter COLLECTOR,
Sholapur.
Sholapur, 25th August 1922.
Sir,
I have the honour to make the following repert on the second Revision Settlement of the Pandharpur Taluka of the Sholapur District.

2 The present report deals with 78 Government villages and one inam village There are 7 other inam villages in the taluka, but Settlement proposals for these villages are to be pos'poned pending measurement and classafication operations. The boundaries of the taluka have remaned anchanged since the First Revision Settlement
3. The anthority for the existmg settlement is as follows -

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { villagem. } \end{aligned}$ | Buthocity for eristing settiementh $1$ | Year of expiry of lease. | Whers printed |
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| 78 | Governmeat Resolatron, Revenno Department No 5556 dated 84 th Jtime 1899 | 1922-1923 | Saleotaon No COLIXXV |
| 1 | Government Order, Revenue Department, Nos 9858 dated 17th feptrember 1918 and 2056 doted Oth July 1.939 | 1922-1923 | Appendix N to thrs тeport. |

## Posituor and Physical Features.

4. The Pandharpur Taluka is situated near the centre of the District. It is bounded on the west by Malsiras, on the north by Madha, on the east by Sholapur and on the south by Sangola and the Mangalvedha Taluka of Sangli State Its somewhat irregular shape is due partly to the situation of State Terntory and partly to the wiading of the River Bhama which forms parto of the boundary in the north-west and south-east. Except for these short reaches of the Bhima there is no natural feature marking the boundaries.

The tract consists of bare uplands sloping towards the Bhuma and intersected by nalas. There are no hills.
(The River Bhime runs through the taluka and with its tributary the Man, drams the whole areal

The general level of the taluka 18 between 1,450 and 1,600 feet above sea level A few ridges rise to 1,700 feet. The country is entirely devold of forest bat soattered mim and babhul trees are found in moderate abandance.

## Climate and Rainfall.

5. Appendix A gives statistics of ranfall for the last eleven yeara recorded at Pandharpur I bave unserted in this Appendix records of Tisangi Sonke and Khardi supphed by the Irngation Department although these figures are incomplete.
(The average ranfall at Pandharpur 182261.$)$ This fall if regularly distributed and seasonable is more than enough for any crop But detailed examinatiou of the figures gives a less favourable impression. Some years have excess of rain and some years deficiency.

It is admitted by all villagers whom I questioned, that the raunfall in all parts of Pandharpur Taluka is more regular and abundant than that of the adjoining Taluka of Malsiras Statistics confirm this view as the ranfall at Malsuras is less in average quantity and mone irregular in its seasonal distributhon The rainfall of Pandharpur is also greater maverage quantity than that of Sangola But as regards seasonal regularity Pandharpur and Sangola are about on an equality.
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As regards the variations within the taluka it is generally reported that the rainfall improves towards the Hast This view is confirmed by the figures recorded at Tisangı which are much less favourable than those of Pandharpur.

## Cultwatzon and Crops.

## 6 Appendix $B$ gaves the detales of crops.

The 'laluka 18 almost entirely dependent on rabi crops. Jonary 19 the staple food crop. It covers no less than 7301 per cent. of the gross cropped area. Next in importance is bajn with 858 per cent The area under bajn fluctuates greatiy. There is a considerable area of light land suitable either to jowari or bayri. When the kharif rams are favourable the cultivator naturally seizes the opportunity and sows bajr1. If the orop fails it is ploughed up and jowarn sown. As an example of the fluctuation in the area of bajri, compare 555 acres of bajri in Group I mn 1920-21 with 10,927 acres in 1919-20. The only other crops of importance are wheat, gram, safflower and cotton .But none of these are grown to any great extent. The area of land unsown which is shown as "Fallow" in column 6 of Appendix B amounts to 42,841 acres which is one-sixth of the occupied area The greater part of this is not really fallow but land left under grass or left uncultivated owng to unfavourable seasons, poverty, neghgence or simular reasons. Large though the area is it is not unusual for a Deccan District, and no cultivator ownung such land would dream of abandonmg it.
(Cultavation 15 for the most part poor. Much of the good soll is choked with deep rooted haral grass. Manure is rarely used except in bagait land and round the villages It has been ponted out that eradrcation of weeds and mulching the surface to conserve monsture would vastly increase produce. Even allowing for poverty and insufficiency of plough cattle, there is much room for mprovement Hand labour can do much especially by drgging out haral. But the cultivators are apathotio and disinchined to work hard $)$

The spread of rron ploughs is very striking. In many villages in the East of the Taluka, ron' ploughs have entirely supplauted the old wooden ploughs. Man' cultivators own these ploughs whle large numbers are kept for hure at Pandharpux, Karkamb and elsewhere At Karkamb a Gujarathu has 75 ploughs for hire at 0-6-0 per diem These ploughs have done much to smprove thllage, but there is still much to be done

- Irrigated Crops

7 The following statement shows the area under irrigation.-

> Net area $\begin{gathered}\text { m } 2 g a t e d ~(a v e r a g e ~ o f ~ \\ \text { endung 1920.21). }\end{gathered}$
> 1920.


This area amounts to 660 per cent of the gross cropped area. The greater part of this irmgaterd area is not true garden land growing fruits, sugarcane, vegetables and the hike The urrigation is rather an assistance to the ordinary crop of Jowarl. Wheat and chulles are the best crops grown purely as urrgated crops.

At the time of the First Revision Settlement the average area irngated was 9,246 aores. The increase in irrigation during the lease amounts to 50 per cent.

## Communicatzons.

8 The internal road-system centres on Pandharpur This town is the prinoipal market and export centre as well as a place of pilgrimage of special importance. Easy access to Pandharpur is therefore the chief consideration for all villages.

The principal metalled roads are -

Name of road
Pandharpur-Mohol
Pabdharpur-Kurduwadi
Pradharpur-Sangola
Pandhaipur-Karad
Pandharpur-Malsiras

Length within the Taluka Mules Fur. 10 Mus $\begin{array}{rr}10 & 4 \frac{1}{2} \\ 6 & 6 \frac{1}{2}\end{array}$
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Other ruads which are in a less satisfactory condition lead to Karkamb, Akhj, Gadegaon, Bhalanni, Macimur and Sholapun Some of these are Intle better than cart tracts or have fallen into disrepar. Eiven where there are no roads, access to all villages is possible by cart tracts.

The crossmg of the Bhuna is now made easy by the oonstruction of a new high level causeway at Pandharpur.

The most mportant improvement in commumioations since the First Revision Settlement is the opening of the light Railway from Kurduwadi on the G I. P. man line to Pandharpur. This rallway has reduced the road transport by 22 miles and is the regular route for exports and imports The result of this ralway is that Pandharpur as now not only a large market for local consumption but a centre of import and export. The advantage to the Taluka is obvious

## Markets and Farrs

9. The only merlets un the Toliusa are Pandharpur, Karkamb, Bhalapni and Tarapur. Of these, the last three are of very little importance and supply the needs of a few neighbouring villages only For all practical purposes Paudharpur is the market for the whole taluka It is visited weekly by villagers of all parts except the extreme north and south-east In the north, Karkamb, and in the south-west, Begampur and Mangalvedhe are the most, convenient markets. ,

Pandharpur is an important trade centre. It requires considerable supphes for the consumption of its non-productive population and for the greatgatherings of pilgrims It as also the only market dealing with exports and umports. Its importance as a trade centre has grown considerably since the opeung of the rallway Nearness to Pandharpur is therefore the chuef point to ber considered in grouping acoording to the prinoiple of nearness to markets.

The annual farrs held at Pandharpur on the Eksdash of Chartra, Ashadh, Kartak and Magh must be mentroned only beoause of the vast concourse of pilgrims These fans are pimarily religious and only indurectly affect trade, by the consumption ot necessities for these pilgrims

Imports and Exports.
10 The imports and exports of the Pandharpar Taluka now pass almost enturely by ral through Pandharpur Station. This is a very considerable amproveinent over the time of the First Remsion Settlement when Kurduwadı (formerly known as Barsi Road) was the nearest station. There is one other station in the Taluka at Babhulgaon. For Karkamb the nearest station is Ashti. But the goods traffic at these two stations is of small mpartance

The followang statement gives the actual figures of imports and exports during the last four years -

Imports.

| Station. | Kund | Quantry in Menands |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | - | - | - | - |
|  |  | 1910-19 | 1919-20. | 1990-21. | 1991-28 |
| Pnndbarpur | Food graus | 989\% | 3910 | 2,870 | 96,090 |
|  |  | 99,975 | 31,059 18,099 | 19,594 | 95,965 |
|  |  | 19,589 | 38,996 | 191,999 | 25,191 |
|  | Total | 70,545 | 81,051 | 88,831 | 1,01,567 |

Exports

| Station | EInd |  | Quantity in Maunds |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 191819 | 1919-20 | 192091 | 192122 |
| Pandharpur -. | Jawan and Bajri Oll seeds Whest Tanning bark | Total | 64,217 | 19,140 | 45,704 | 39,563 |
|  |  |  | 19,807 | 2,954 | 1,568 | 1,943 |
|  |  |  | 22,605 2,881 | $\mathbf{8 , 6 4 4}$ 11,776 | 8,429 1,145 | 1,501 4,501 2,52 |
|  |  |  | 98,990 | 27,514 | 56,841 | 48,569 |

The imports require no remarks as they consist solely of consumable goods which are not produced locally

The principal exports are jowari, wheat, groundnuts, pulses, onl-seeds, cotton and cottonseed In fact the exports consist entirely of agricultural produce

The ralway at Pandharpur serves not only the Pandharpur Taluka but also Sangola Taluka, part of Malsiras Taluka and the Mangalvedhe Taluka of Sanglı State It is impossible to estimate how much of the traffic belongs to Sangola and Mangalvedhe Sangola is a companatively poor Taluka Malsiras is generally reputed to be very poor Mangalvedhe is a fertile and productive tract but only half the size of Pandharpur Nearly half the total traffic in all probability belongs to Pandharpur.

## Manufactures and Industries

11. There are no manufactures carried on in this Taluka Appendix E gives the number of looms But weanng is not a flourishing industry Besides agriculture there is no industry worth mention

Pandharpur as a famous centre of pilgrimage has its special popalation who depend on the pilgrim traffic for their living but they are non-productive

Population.
12. Appendix $C$ and $M$ give detarls of population.

The population according to the last three censuses is as follows -

| Year |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1901 | $\ldots$ |  | 91,928 |
| 1911 | $\ldots$ |  | $1,01,284$ |
| 1921 | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | 87,609 |

The normal rate of increase is considerable as is seen by the norease between 1901 and 1911 The great decrease found in 1921 is due to the ravages of plague and influenza. The loss of life is calamitous but has not caused any material loss to the survivors The Taluka is not suffering from labour shortage Eren now the agriculturist has far too much idle time and could, if he wished, bring his fields into a condition of perfect tillage.

The productive population is all agricultural, with a suitable portion of accessones such as shop-keepers, artisans and the like. The bigh percentage of non-agncultarists is due to the large population at Pandharpur who make their living out of the pilgrims

## Schools and EEducation.

13 The total number of boys' schools has risen from 40 to 56 and the attendance from 1,663 to 2,365 The number of girls' schools has increased from 2 to 3 and the attendance from 66 to 249 The percentage of schoolgoing children to total population is only 29

Education has made little headway among the cultivating class There are many villages where schools have been opened but owing to the want of boys the schools have bad to be closed Such education as the village children recerve is extremely rudimentary and is not carried on long enough to produce a literate population

## Health.

14. The taluka is generally healthy and owing to the openness of the country and good drainage is not seriously affected with malaria.

Owing to the peouliar conditions of Pandharpur as a famous centre of pilgrimage serious epidemics have occurred.

Cholera occurs almost every year. The loss of life an the last 29 years under this head amounts to 3,017 .

Plague has caused serious mortality in 1903, 1911 and 1916. In all 7,664 deaths from plague occurred. In 1918 came the outbreak of influenza which carried off over 8,000 persons.

During the decennum between the census of 1911 and 1921, deaths exoeeded births by 5,679 . This unsatisfactory condition is due to the severe epidemics of 1911, 1916 and 1918. The census of 1921 shows a decrease of 13,675 since that of 1911. The difference between this figure and that of the vital statistics $1 s$ chiefly due to defects in registration. Evidently many deaths were omitted from the returns,

I regard the loss of population as a temporary set back which has no permanent effèct on the economic, condition of the taluka. From a purely material point of view the surviving population is probably no worse off. The lumits to production in a troot like this are a bar to any greatinorease in population.

## Live and Dead Stock.

15 Appendix $D$ gives the figures of live and dead-stock for the year 1919-20.

The following statement will facilitate comparison with the figures of the First Revision Settlement.-



#### Abstract

The great decrease in the number of eattle of all kunds is an unfavourable sign. The low water mark was in 1900-01.- There was a substantial morease in 1905 and again in 1915, followed by a deorease in 1919. Evidently the loss of animal life due to the famine of 1899 and 1900 has never been made up The regovery up to 1916 was steady though slow, but a further set back ocourred owing to the bad season of 1918-19 Tharty aeres per pair of oxen is too large an area for the best oultivation. I am of opmion that the present stock of cattle is insufficient and attribute the prevalence of weeds in the better olass soils partly to this caúse.

The anorease in the number of carts as not easy to explan There are no sugas of luxury such as pony ohakdas which are found in every village of Khandesh. With the opening of the railway much of the necessity of oartage has disappeared. There seems to be a general nncrease in the use of carts for pilgrimage to Pandharpur and if the figures are to be trusted the pilgrimage is now much more frequented than formerly. No doubt some of the increase is due to this cause. .


## Water-Supply.

16. The taluka is rather fortunate in having water available at reasonable depths tu all parts. The only exception to this is the black soll on the banks of the Bhima. In this part well sinking is not usually practicable but ample water for domestio purposes and live stock is available in the river.

Appendix F gives details of the sources of water-supply according to the latest consus. The infermation is unfortanately nue years old and if more os $4-8$
recent figures were obtanable, I have no doubt an improvement would be found. In 1891-92 the total number of wells was 1,757 In 1912-13 it was 2,483. The merease is very considerable and most of the increase is in the number of pakka wells This improvement is both a safeguard in time of famine and a slgn of prosperity

There are no tanks of any importance in the taluka but the canals from Mhasvad Tank in Satara District and Ashti Tank in Madha Taluka irrigate on an average 6,762 acres annually

For Pandharpur town modern water-supply has been mstalled This has already a considerable effect on the health of the pilgrims and should remove much of the danger of epidemic disease

## Sales of Land.

17 Appendices G and G-1 give the detarls of sales of land during the years 1919 to 1922 The figures were collected from the Record of Rughts and each entry was inquired into on the spot Only sales for cash of unencumbered land are brought into the Appendices All cases which were conditional sales or in which the consideration included pre-existing debts, transactions which were in reality partitions, settlements or gifts, and all cases in which there was reason to suspect that the consideration was falsely stated, are excluded. The sales recorded represent the true market value of land

The value of land is on an average 8246 multiples of the assessment in Group I and 10504 multiples in Group II The average for the whole taluka is 9178 multiples Th-figures for individual villages vary greatly owiag to local and accidental circumstances It is therefore not possible to take individual cases. But a proper deduction from the totals of the Groups is that, the assessment in Group I is relatively heavjer than in Group II In Group I there 18 a natural division into two blocks, the Karkamb block and the Pandharpur block In the 15 villages of the Karkamb block the sale value of land is only 4237 multiples of the assessment while in the Pandharpur block it is 13116 This confirms my observation that the Karkamb block is inferior to the Pandharpur block and that the assessment is unequal

At the time of the First Revision Settlement the average sale price of land was only 18 times the assessment according to the Original Settlement. - This is equivalent to 142 multiples of the present assessment The figures of sales recorded at the First Revision Settlement were taken from the Registration Department without local inquiry and are not strictly comparable with the present statistics But it is quite clear that land is now 6 or 7 times more valuable than in 1891 The increase in the value of produce is not nearly so great It may be concluded that the mhabitants have amassed a good deal of capital and that land is the favourite investment.

In the nelghbqurhood of Pandharpur, much land is owned by Brahman non-agriculturists The demand from this class rasses the value of land without advantage to the true cultivator. Elsewhere I find no reason for the high multzple shown by sale price except that the assessment is light The actual price of land is low, only Rs 51 per acre At this price a very small yield will give a satisfactory return oa an investment

The sale price of land in Sangola Taluka is 10409 multiples of the assessment The difference in favour of Sangola is not important Malsiras Taluka gives an average of 4411 multiples according to the inquiry made two years ago It may be admitted that thévalue of land has risen in the interval but Pandharpur is evide.atly assessed more lightly than Malsiras

## Leases.

18 Appendices H and H-1 give datails of rental value The cash rent of land gives the best evidence of the assessment which can properly be imposed In this taluka orop share rents are more general than eash rents,) but the area of land leased for cash is suffioient to afford a reliable indication of the pitch of assessment

The leases are recorded in V F. No. XII. Each case was inquired into locally and care taken to exclude all except genuine leases between andependent
parties.' Leases between savkar', and debtor where the rent is interest in disguise, leases between relatives, leases where thëre is an agreement by the landlord to sell to the lessee and the like are excluded. The figures given in the Appendix may safely be taken to show the true rental value of land,

The difference in rental value between Group I and Group II is insignificant In Group I the rent is 494 multiples of the assessment and in Group II 5.45

Group I naturally falls into two distinct blocks' the Karkamb block and the Paindharpur blook In the 15 villages of the Karkamb block the multiple is 389 while in the 22 villages of the Pandharpur block the multiple 18524 This comparison supports the view that the Karkamb block is somewhat inferior to the rest of Group I and confirms the evidence derived from sales. This point will be further discussed in the paragraph 'Grouping'.

The following statement gives a basis for comparison with adjoining tailukas -

|  |  | Number of multiples of assebment repressonted by remp |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Pandharpur |  | 512 |
| Sangola |  | 451 |
| Malsiras |  | 336 |

Indices.
In Appendix H are given indices for each village These indioes are explanned un page 397 of the Survey and Settlement Manual, Volume II.

The Index for Group I is Rs 3-1-4 and for Group II is Rs 3-1-0. The conclusions which follow from these figures are (1) that the two groups should be brought under one maximum rate and (2) that the highest admissible norease will not brimg the assessment near to the limat which could farrly be unposed.

The index gives a sign corresponding to the deduction which can be made directly from the tgures of leases .

Crop Experiments.
19. The following statement of crop experments conducted by Prant Officers under the control of the Agrioultural Department show that the assessment is extremely light in this taluka. So light is it that at present prices it is in most cases a merely nominal share of the gross outturn -


## Preces.

20. The prices of the principal products from 1888-89 to 1921 are given in Appendux I and a graph is also appended.

The following statement gives the averages for decennial periods -

| Penod | - Jowar Seers per rupee | Bajrı <br> Seers per rupee | Wheat Sears per rupee. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1881-1882 to 189011891 | 29-12 | 24-5 | 194 |
| 18911892 to 1901 | 1614 | 15-14 | 11-3 |
| 1902 to 1911 | 207 | 18.7 | 112 |
| 1912 to 1921 | 11-10 | 1012 | $6-14$ |
| Difference between the last decade of onginal lease and of corrent lease. | +155 per centio | +126 per cent | +180 per cent. |

Jowari and bajri are subject to great seasonal fluctuations in price, but like all other articles they have, in the last 4 or 5 years taken a sharp upward move The increase in prices is well over 100 per cent since the period preceeding the last settlement The highest admissible increase in assessment will leave the cultivator a larger surplus than he enjoyed when the existing settlement was brought into force. Unless therefore anything shows that the existing assesement was wrong, the full increase can be demanded without any hardship.

## Wages.

21. There is no exact mformation to be got about wages. The cultivators generally complan that wages are high. For ordinary field labour annas 6 per drem is about the normal In certann villages round Pundharpur, the rate is about 8 annas while in the remoter villages it goes as low as 4 annas During the jowarl harvest a labourer can earn as much as Re. 1 per diem.

At the begmong of the lease the rate was about half the present rates
The inorease in wages is not greater than the increase in prices Labour in this taluka is not mobile and magration is unusual, Durng the harvest a large number of people come to the black soil tract from the Sangola kharif villages On the whole the labour question gives no cause for anxiety. The labourer has certannly not profited at the expense of the employer. The increase in wages is only enough to maintain the labourer in the same standard of comfort as at the beginning of the lease.

- Revenue History.

22 Appendix M gives the area of unoccupied assessed land for the years 1892-93 and 1920-21 There was hardly any waste land fit for cultrvation at the beginning of the lease At present there is still less. The 791 acres that reman are nearly all poor land which 18 hetter kept waste for communal purposes.

Villagewar changes in the area of waste land are due to the occasional forfertures and sales which occur in all talukas There are no changes on a large scale.

Appendix K gives the demand, remissions and outstandings for each year of the lease The remissions include for the first 15 years a special concession to 33 villages of Group I. The amount remitted under this head was about Rs. 6,400 annually

The usual remissions during the first years of a new lease account for the balance of the remissions up to 1896-97

Remissions on aecount of bad seasons first appear in 1901-1902 Substantzal remissions were given in 1905-06, 1906-07, 1907-08, 1908-09, 1910-11, 1912-13 and 1914-15

Outstandings were very heavy up to 1915-16, Agaın from 1918-19, there have been large suspended arrears.

The remissions and suspensions show that the sessons are precarious and for this reason assessment be low. But the study of the figures in this Appendix clearly shows that great lenenoy has been exercised.

Since 1912 the grant of remissions and suspensions has been determined by careful inquury and is based on definite ealoulations of outturn.

The recovery of the assessment is made without diffoculty in ordinary years and when the season is favourable arrears in' addition to current year's revenue have been easily cleared off

## Grouping.

23 There are at present two groups whth maximum rates of Rs. 1-4-0 and Rs. 1-2-0 respectively. These groups were formed out of a patch work.

Mr. Pitt has not given any detailed disqussion of the reasons which led hum to propose these groups His argument is that the differences in climate, rainfall, markets and communications in the different parts of the taluka are slight but that the villages on the north of the Bhima have a better clumate and ramfall than the southern vallages and are nearer to the Rallway

As regards climate and ruinfall there is no statistical support for Mr Pitt's contention There is some support from looal observation, that the eastern part of Group I has a rather better rainfall than the north-western villages The rainfall statistios of Malsiras, Pandharpur and Sholapur certannly prove that Sholapur is far betfer off than Malsiras. As Pandharpur is midway between these two talukas, it is safe to presume that the advantage of rainfall lies an the earst of the taluka and not on the Malsiras border I do not agree with Mr Pitt that the present Group I has advantage of climate and rainfall over Group II

Distanoe from the railway which was a sound argument in favour of having two groups, no longer apphes The rallway has been brought to Pandharpur which, is nearly central in the taluba. As for markets, Paodharpur is the sole market of importance All villages in the taluka have access to Pandharpur. If any part can be said to be worse than another in this respect, it is the north-west block of villages which now forms part of Group I.

The evidence of sales and leases confirms the view that the north-west (Karkamb) blook is less prosperous than other parts

I am satisfied that the Karkamb block should not be ancluded in the higher of two groups.

There are two possible alternatives in re-arranging the groups, either
(1) to retain two groups, excluding the Karkamb group from Group I, or
(2) to form one group for the whole taluka.

As the difierence in the advantages of the exasting two groups is very small and the taluka forms a homogeneous area with a definite centre at Pandharpor, I consider that a single group should be made.

## Maxımum Rate.

24 The rise in prices since the Furst Revision Settlement exceeds 100 per cent. Unless there 18 , an indication that the present assessment is too heary, it will be perfectly farr to rasse the assessment by the full permssible amount of 33 per cent.

The following points may be considered -
(1) The area irrigated amounts to the high figure of 671 per cent of the net oropped aret. Wells have noreased by fully 50 per cent. dunng the lease
(2) Roads are numerous and give acofss to all parts of the taluka.
(3) Ralway communnoation has been brought to Pandharpur thus relleving the oultivator of the heary expense of carting goods 20 or 30 mules to a station
(4) Pandharpur is a first class market easily capable of absorbing all that the taluka can produce.

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(5) Population has dechned somewhat, but thus as due to epidemies. The loss of life is regrettable but the economic condition of the survivors is not affected
(6) Plough cattle have decreased but mere numbers are no true guide The loss is due to fodder shortage The useless and inferior cattle are the first to go. The increase in the number of carts is remarkable and signufies prosperity
(7) The selling value of land is high The increase dunng the lease greatly exceeds the rise in the value of the produce.
(8) The letting value of land is quite substantial Government at present takes only one-fifth part of the rental value in the form of assessment
(9) The area of waste land is only 791 acres-this is all poor land unfit for cultivation
(10) Revenue in ordmary seasons is recovered without diffieulty The remission and suspension rules provide ample safeguards aganst the vicissitudes of the season
It is clear from the above facts that the tract is prosperous and that the present assessment is light and equitable The rate which I propose for the whole Taluka is Rs. 1-9-G This gives an increase of 3132 per cent. The nerease amounts to 25 per cent 10 Group I and 3888 in Group II

## Maxımum Rates in Adjoinıng Talukas

25 The proposed maximum rate is lower than that sanctioned for Malsiras in 1921. The difference is only 1 anna but as Pandbarpur is better off in respect of railway communication and rainfall, Pandharpur Taluka receives an advantage to which it is not entitied

The rates proposed for Sangola Taluka are slaghtly lower than in Pandharpur The difference is justified by the greater distance of Sangola from rallway and markets

If any doubt remains about the moderation of the rate proposed for Pandharpur Taluka it should be finally removed by comparison with the following State villages which are situated' geographically within or adjoining the Pandharpur Taluka -


* Manmum rate is not known but appears to be about Ras. 2-0-0.

Patasthal
26. The patasthal assessment was abolished under orders contained in Government Resolution No. 8523, dated 18th October 1905 No proposals are required under this head.

## Ruce Land.

27 The taluka is unsuitable for the growth of rice 25 acres assessed at Rs 44 are classed as rice This land is practically only dry-crop land where ran water 18 occasionally impounded by weans of 'tals'. No special treatment is required I recommend that the assessment on this land be raised equally with that of dry-crop land

Inam.
28. The village of Kavtali is due for First Revision. The rate approved by Government in Government Order No 9358, Revenue Department, deted

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17t: Septsmber 1918, was Risc 1-6-0. Subsequentily on a representation by the Inamdar Govesminente directed that the maximume rate should be Rs.1-12-0 and that the dafference between the promiséd rate of Rs 1-12-0 per acre and the sanetroued rate of Rs. 1-6-0 per acre should be made good to the Inamdar by Govermment. Thus, although the maximum rate is Rs. 1-12-0, the holders have paid on a basis of Rs 1-6-0 only.

The village of Kavtall does not differ from the adjounng Government villages ou the Right Bank of the Bhima such as Isbavi and Khed.

The assessment under the mamul rates gave a revenue approximately equal to that yielded by a rate of Rs 1-6-0. If the rate of Rs 1-12-0 is now brought anto operation the Inamdar will recerve a revenue 12 per cent greater than that recerved by Government in adjoining villages. This concession should be sufficient

I accordingly propose a maximum rate of Ry. 1-12-0 for this village. The rate may be guaranteed for a period expiring with that of the Government villages.

## Guarantee.

29 Ordinarily I should propose a long lease for a taluka like this It has ralway communioation and is not likely to undergo any important change in the next 30 jears.

But there are good reasons for departing from the ordmary rule in this case.

Four of the seven talukas of the District have settlements 'due to expire in 1934-35.

Malsuras has recently had ats settlement guaranteed for 10 years, expring in 1930-81 I have pointed out that the Pandharpur rates do not fit in with the recently sanotioned rates for Malsiras. If Pandharpur is now given a long guarantee the inequality will be perpetuated The lease of Malsiras can later on be extended to 1934-35.

The remaning taluka Sangola is now undergoing revision Its settlement can be guaranteed for the same period as that of Pandharpur

There is now an opportumity of getting a unform and equitable assessment for the whole Sholapur District in 1935.

I accordingly reoommend that the rates as finally sanctioned be guaranteed up to 1934-35

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
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## APPENDIX A-1

Ramfall recorded at Pandharpur, Distroct Sholapur

| Year | $\underset{\substack{\text { Barly rain } \\(18 t) \\ \text { 10th Apary } \\ \text { Apri) }}}{\text { to }}$ |  | Ante-monsoon ( 11 h April to 4th June) |  | Monsoon Khanf (5th June to 14th August) |  | Mensoon Rabi (15th August to 21st October) |  | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Late ramns } \\ \text { (22nd October to } \\ \text { 31st December, } \end{gathered}\right.$ |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Fell | $\left.\begin{array}{\|c} \text { Rauny } \\ \text { days } \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | Fell | $\left.\begin{array}{\|l\|l\|} \hline \text { Rann } \\ \text { dayy } \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | Fall | $\left\|\begin{array}{l} \text { Ranny } \\ \text { days } \end{array}\right\|$ | Fall | $\left.\begin{array}{\|l\|} \text { Ranny } \\ \text { dayy } \end{array} \right\rvert\,$ | Fell | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rainy } \\ & \text { days } \end{aligned}$ | Fall | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rainy } \\ & \text { daxs } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Inches | No | , nnches | No | Inches | No | Inohes | No | Inches | No | Ioches | No |
| 1911 | - | $\cdots 1$ | 879 | 5 | 1078 | 16 | 276 | 7 | 009 |  | 1742 | 28 |
| 1919 |  |  | 217 | 5 | 744 | 17 | 684 | 15 | 140 | 2 | 1785 | 89 |
| 1918 | 0.04 |  | 201 | $\checkmark$ | 534 | 11 | 309 | 5 | 004 |  | 1052 | 21 |
| 1914 |  | - | 016 |  | 989 | 15 | 1258 | 21 | 249 | 8 | 2512 | 39 |
| 1015 | 121 | 2 | 111 | 4 | 800 | 15 | 1897 | 19 | 169 | 4 | 2598 | 44 |
| 1816 |  |  | 834 | 8 | 1132 | 21 | 1660 | 24 | 809 | 15 | 8935 | 66 |
| 1917 | 169 | 4 | $2 \cdot 84$ | 8 | 562 | 7 | 1650 | 18 | 308 | .$^{4}$ | $2^{\prime} 98$ | 36 |
| 1918 | 011 | $\cdots$ | $\cdots 66$ | 9 | 285 | 7 | 615 | 11 | 076 | 4 | 1458 | 81 |
| 1919 | 048 | 1 | 086 | 1 | 1055 | 12 | 1220 | 14 | 123 | 4 | 2482 | 32 |
| 1920 | 076 | 3 | 127 | 2 | 670 | 8 | 10.68 | 13 |  |  | 1941 | 26 |
| 1921 |  |  | 149 | 1 | 920 | 19 | 787 | 8 | 518 | 9 | 2374 | . 31 |
| Average | 039 | 1 | 206 | 4 | 796 | 14 | 993 | 14 | 227 | 8 | 2261 | 36 |
| $\backslash$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $r$ |  |  |  |  | Settlement Offeer, Sholapur and hhan esh |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

APFENDIX A. 2 .
Ranfall recorded at Tresange Sonke and Khardr un the Pamdhaspur Taleutac of the Sholapur Dustruct.

| Year | Flamiy ram (Ist.January to ioth Apmil |  | Ante-mónsoon(11th April totth Jume) |  | Monscon Khamf ( 5 th June to It th August) |  | Donsoon Rabl <br> (15th Auguot to <br> 81st Ootaber) |  | Late rains(22nd Qctober too81st December) |  | 'total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Fell | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { Ramay } \\ & \text { dayy } \end{aligned}\right.$ | Fall | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rainy } \\ & \text { days. } \end{aligned}$ | Frall | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ramay } \\ & \text { diya } \end{aligned}$ | Fall | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ravng } \\ & \text { days. } \end{aligned}$ | Fall | Ramay dayg. | Fall. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rany } \\ & \text { fays } \end{aligned}$ |
| Tianngi Sonke | Inabes | No. | Inohes | No | Inchma. | No | Inches | No | tnoker | No | Inebes | No |
| 1911 | Nel |  | 066 | 3 | 916 | 14 | 092 | 6 | 019 | 2 | 1091 | 95 |
| 1918 |  | $\ldots$ | 140 | 2 | 255 | 14 | 600 | 16 | 283 | 4 | 29\% 78 | 86. |
| 1918 .- | NH2 | - | 420 | 11 | 856 | 19 | 297 | 8 | No | Ea |  |  |
| 1914 | 015 | 1 | 115 | 9 | 736 | 24 | 895 | 16 | 158 | 4 | 19.14 | 48 |
| 1916 | 062 | 2 | 250 | 2 | 891 | 31 | 1813 | 19 | 134 | 4 | 2650 | 88 |
| 1916 | 014 | 1 | 084 | 10 | 1488 | 21 | 1428 | 16 | 96 | 14 | 45-48 | 62 |
| 1917 | 847 | 5 | 811 | 4 | 200 | 3 | 1220 | 94 | 212 | 7 | 2290 | 48 |
| 1918 | 0.16 | 2 | $5 \cdot 89$ | 12 | 0.89 | 8 | 808 | 10 | 07 | 2 | 1658 | 29 |
| 1912 |  |  | 088 | 4 | 686 | 8 | 11.90 | 12 | 830 | 6 | 2140 | 80 |
| 1290 | $10 \cdot 80$ | 4 | 0.80 | 9 | 4.70 | 7 | 1080 | 9 |  | - | 1670 | 20 |
| 1021 ... | ** | * | 020 | $\pm$ | 6.95 | 311 | 620 | Y | 285 | \% | 15660 | ${ }^{1} 1$ |
| Ehardh |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1916 . | - | $\cdots$ |  |  | - |  | $\cdots$ | -... | 387 | 20 | 357 | 12 |
| 1917 | 187 | 8 | 676 | 5 | 158 | 11 | 1452 | 33 | 155 | 6 | 2522 | 88 |
| 1918 | $\bullet$ |  | 867 | 10 | $2 \cdot 66$ | 5 | 540 | 11 | 060 | 2 | 1988 | 98 |
| 1919 | * |  | 025 | 1 | 580 | 7 | 1558 | 13 |  |  | 21.68 | 21 |
| 1920 | 080 | 1 | $1 \cdot 40$ | 2 | 570 | 6 | 228. | 1 | - | - | 3719 | 16 |
| 1921 |  | $\cdots$ | an* | - | 861 | 11 | ** | $\cdots$ | * | ** | 861 | 11 |

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## Fomarks with ragard to the character of the season at Pandharpur and Sangola Talukas, Distract

 Sholapur, for the eleven years ending 19211911 -Total annual rainfall was considerably ander the average In the antemonsoon panod, faurs heary ann what recelved at Pandharpur though it did not exceed a few drcps at Bangola The monsoon commenced tumely in Jone and the fall of the month beang adeguate khanf sowngs were done in tume The reedinga throve well under the favoorable and heary rains of July In August the fall though moderste was farr enough to maintan the crops. But in September it was almost absent at Pandbarpur while it was totaliy so at Sangols with the rosult that the gtanding kharif orops deteriorated and yrelded a far less outturn than was once expected. Rabi sownge were done on the strength of ths Octobar fall (meagre though it was) bat as the fall durng the two sobsequent months was very scanty the seedlings dxd not either germinate or where they dad, they drd not flourish The season on the whole was only farr for the kharif, whule it was very unsatisfactory for the rabi crops

1912 - Year's total rainfall far short of the average Fair to good rain was recerved during the antemonsoon peniod The monsoon opened about the middle of June but tho fall of the month beng anadequate tharif sownggs had to be deferred to July when they were completed under the favourable fall of the month The ranfoll durng the three subsequent months was generally satisfactory and the crrps (though in places they felt the want of moore rama) yolded a farily good outturn the rabl sowings were done in time but owng to denclency of later rans (in Novem kharif but a porr rabl season

1913 -Total fall of the year was considerably short of the average at Sangola and oven less then half of the normal at Pandharpur Good ram was recelved in the antemonsoon period. This was very useful for the preparation of the lands The regular monsoon set in, in the second of June and the fall of the month being farrly good kharif sowngs were started in tome and completed in the first half of July under the favourable rans of the months and seeding throve well But the rainiall in August being very mengre (only one fourth of an meh) at Pandharpar and totally absent at Sangola the kharif crops senously suffered and withrred away in many placess September ranas though moderate gave some reilet to the surving crops but rainfall beang agan deficient in October their condition was agan serious and in the end they gave only a very poor return Owng to this unsatisfactory condition of ranfall provaing in October, rabi sowng was restricted to places of sufficient moisture To add to the dificulty there was a total absence of rans in November and December and the crops faled completely except 1 n wet and riverside lands. Season on the whole was very unsatistactory

1914 -The annual ramisll was just equal to the average at Pandharpur but considerably below it at Sangola The antemonsoon period went practically dry The monsoon commenced timely and kharif sownigs were andertaken as the fall in June was quite adequate and completed in early July The fail in August and September was quite up to the requrrements and the crops progressed satisfactorly October had agann a fair rain which besides benifilting the khanf crops was usetul for pushugg on rabl savinga November rain Fas aliso benifcial but ranfall again in December proved unjunous to the raby crops whoh suffered oansequantly in outturn. The season on the whole was generally satasfactory for the khanf crops and fartly good for the rabi.

1915 -Total rainfall slightly above the average nt Pandbarpur, though far in excess of it at Sangola Fairly heavy ram was received durng the antemonsoon period, which facilated the preparation of the lands in places The monsoon opened timely and the kharif rains were well distributel, seasonable and sufficient except in ing when Cetoher rains were suffered for want of mosture but fere improved by the copious rams october condintion was gquer ally satisfactory The sescon on the whole was favourgble both for the kharif and the rabl crops

1916 -The year's total fall considerably exceeded the average Very good rain was recenved in May which facilated preparation of lands for the ensuing khani season. The fall in June however, being nadequate and that in July excesive, kharif sowings were only completed in August when favourable weather conditions prevailod Rain in September was again excessive and injared standiog kharif crops and retarded rabi sowings. Excesave and continuous rain in October further dsmaged standung crops The fall in the first fortnight of November was also continuous and rops did not mprove and had to be resown in places December went diry Season on the whole was only moderate

1917 -Total ranfall of the year was in excess of the usual amonnt Good rain was recelved at Sangols dunng tl e antemonsoon pariod though it did not exceed a fow cents at Pandharpur The monsoon opened early in June and the fall of the month being farly heavy khanf sowings were pushed on vigorously The rainfali in July, however was tery cennty (amounting to about one quarter of an meh) with the result that they (the kharif sowngg) were, featly restricted They were completed in august when very good rain was received September rains though beavy did not damage the crops but excessive iall again in October proved mjurions everywhere as besides damaging completed under the favourable inur fall of the month December went dry The khanf crops did not yield well cwing to damage by October rams The rabl crops however yielded fariy well

1918 -Total rainfall considerahly in defect of the average Elarly rains were deficient and kharif nowinge were made only in places of sufficient monsture They however falled owing to arsence of further ran The rainfall was also insufficient for rabl sowngs and large areas had to kept fallow Influenea epidemic further impeded the progrese. The long break in October sdiversely affected the growth of crops and though rains in November and Deoamber saved them to a cortann extent therr outturn was very poor-less than four annas. Season disastrous on the whole.

1919 -Rannall of the year slughtly below average at Pandharpur though symewhat above it at Sangola antemonsoon rain farr at Sangola where it was useful for preparing lands, though it was absent at Pandharpur Ran un June was largely in excess of average and enabled kharif sownga being completed July ram was deficient and August was almost dry at Pandharpur and wholly so at Sangola and crops began to wither owng to the protracted drought September rain was plentiful and helped the withenng khanf orops and sowng of rabiones. October and Novamber mins were deficent and more rain was requared for the standing rabicrops. None was received in Devember Khanf and rabi crops yielded only farr returas duriag the season

1920 - Totsl annual ramfall far short of the average at Pandharpur and shightly above half of it at Sangola Antemonsoon perind was pracheally dry. The monsoon commenced about the middie of June and gave a farlv heavy rannat Pandharpur where consequently hharif sowings were started every where in earnest In Sangola, however being very meagre, lharif sowings recelved a further oheok and the seedlings where germimated begon the fail in July beinfall durng the two fabsequent months being fairly heavy afforded some relief but the ranfall in Octoler The raniall durng the two fabsequent months being fairly heavy aftorded some rehet but the rainfali in October being fall in anticipation of heavier subsequent rann which nafortunateiv never came with the sesult that of this meagre totally faided except where they were helped by urigation Season on the whole pas poor for the kharif crops, It was, however, distinctly bad for the rabi ones.

1921 -Year's total fall short of the average Some light to farr rain was received during the antemonscon period The regular monsoon commenced sbout the muddle of June and the fall beang up to the requiremeots thanf sowinge were undertaken everywhere and finished off in July under the fevourable rauns of the month and the geedling thrived well The deficiency in the rainfall in August however told seriously upon them and they began to wither in places Rain in the second fortnight of September was very useful for roviving them and also for the undexpaling of rabl sowngg. These were duly completed in the following month (October) when the heavy rain fell The rabl aeedlinge flourished and continued to do so in November when ngain good rain was recerved There was no rain in December A shower in the month would have proved very benefional hut even in its absance the rabl crops are axpected to rield a furlv eatisfactory outturn Seacon on the wh le may fafely be termed as fully normal

APPENDIX B
Deta:ls of cultwation and crops in the villages of the Pandharpur Tdiluka of the Sholapur Collectorate, for five yeas sfom 1916-17 to 1920-21.



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APPENDIX C
Detazls of populatzon according to rocupation as per Census of 1911 for Pandharpar Taluka, Distinct Sholapu"

| Agrealtural population |  |  |  | Non agricultural population. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Having interest in land. |  | Labourers. | Total |  |
| Tenants and sub-sharers. | Other land holders |  |  |  |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 |
| 39,892 | 2,891 | 17,831 | 60,614 | 40,670 |
| G |  |  |  |  |
| Settlement Officer, Sholapuı and Khandesh |  |  |  |  |

APPENDIX D.
Agricultural Stock of the 78 Government villages in the J'andharpur Taluka for the years 1901, 1905, 1911, 1915 and 1920


* Note -Animale are reckoned ab calvef ap to the tima they commonce work if male or are mature for breading, if female

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* APPENDIX E

Shops, industries, etc, in the villages of the Pandharpur Taluka, Distruct Sholapur

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APPENDIX F .
Wells, Bhudkzs, Tanks and other sources of water supply in the Government villages of the P'andharpur Talulta for the year 1912-13


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| Dithrict <br> 1 | Dotaile | Wolle Bhadris and tholike |  | Tanke |  | Othenmonroek |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Parka | Ksoha. | Pakha. | $\begin{gathered} \text { Xacha. } \\ 0 \end{gathered}$ | Pakike. | Knohe. <br> © |
| shalagar | Foz Ircigetion <br> For drinking eupply of human bainga but not far irrisention <br> For oathe and wahing and ather purpoest ste. <br> In fares |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 1 \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | $\stackrel{-}{*}$ | 9 30 00 15 | $\cdots$ |
|  | Tome | 1,400 | 80 | $\pm$ | 19 | $\sigma$ | 11 |
|  | Towis recorded at the profioun entilemenat. | 5 | mes | * | 15 | 14 | 18 |

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APPENDIX G -
Sellong value of dry crop lands in the villages of the Pandharpur Taluka,
$D_{\text {\&tr }}$ ret Sholapur

| Serial Appendux L | Name of village | Area of land sold | Assessment | Sale price | Number of times the assessment represented by price | Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Govrbnmrnt Vithaeb Group I | A 8 | Rs a p | $\mathbf{R g} \mathbf{p}$ | $\bullet$ |  |
|  | Anjansond | 021 | 056 | 50000 | 50000 |  |
| 2 | Abir Babhulgaon | $30 \quad 4$ | 3400 | 1,875 00 | 5516 |  |
| 8 | Ambe Ohincholl | 8939 | 478 | 60000 | 15000 |  |
| 4 | ${ }^{\text {Adhr }}$ | $\begin{array}{ll}38 & 11\end{array}$ | 14.186 | 1,240-0 0 | 8857 |  |
| 5 | ${ }^{\text {A }}$ Whe | 28 <br> 41 <br> 10 | $\begin{array}{llll}21 & 13 & 6 \\ 34 & 6 & 0\end{array}$ |  | 9100 |  |
| 6 | Ite | 41.7 | 3460 | 2,15000 | 6620 |  |
| 7 | Ishwar Vathar | 2-38 | $\begin{array}{rrr}3 & 5 & 0 \\ 15 & 14 & 0\end{array}$ | 40000 | 18338 9687 |  |
| 8 | Umbar | 418 | 15140 | 1,550 00 | 9687 |  |
| 9 | Karkamb | 54826 | 23166 | 17,975 00 | 7781 |  |
| 10 | Karole | 38 31 <br>   <br> 0  | 26154 | 1,700 00 | 6293 |  |
| 11 | Kınhapura | $50 \quad 35$ | 3090 | 4,598 0 0 | 14832 |  |
| 12 | Kharsol ${ }^{\text {Khed }}$ parg Bhose | $\begin{array}{cc}74 & 2 \\ 1 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrrr}3414 & 6 \\ 1 & 4 & 0\end{array}$ | 8,08980 | 8802 |  |
| 13 | Khed parg Bhose Gursale | $\begin{array}{r}18 \\ 124 \\ \hline 23\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}1 & 4 & 0 \\ 57 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}200 & 0 & 0 \\ 6,000 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 16000 10526 |  |
| 15 | Gopalpur | $\begin{array}{lll}28 & 87\end{array}$ | 28140 | 3,099 00 | 12912 |  |
| 16 | Chincholi parg Bhose | $23 \quad 25$ | 1480 | 1,600 00 | 11428 |  |
| 17 | ${ }^{\text {Jaloh }}$ | $88 \quad 38$ | 4080 | 1,900 00 | 475 |  |
| 19 | Tarapar | 736 | 680 | 20000 | 3333 |  |
| 20 | Tungat | 20 | 254 | 4000 | 20000 |  |
| 21 | Degaon Budruk | $\begin{array}{ll}23 & 92\end{array}$ | 14180 | 1,400-0 0 | 10000 |  |
| 22 | Devdbe | $\begin{array}{ll}42 & 17 \\ 18\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}44 & 12 \\ 11 & 5\end{array}$ | 2,449 00 | 5422 |  |
| 24 25 | Nandora ${ }^{\text {Narayan }}$ Chimoholi | $\begin{array}{ll}18 & 1 \\ 47 & 38\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}11 & 5 & 4 \\ 28 & 15 & 4\end{array}$ | 800 1,775 | 7272 6120 |  |
| 25 27 | Namayan Chimoholy Pulunj | 191781 11928 | 2815 111 118 | $\begin{array}{rrr}1,775 & 0 & 0 \\ 10,414 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 6120 9382 |  |
| 98 | Pehe | 826 | $\begin{array}{llll}56 & 4 & 6\end{array}$ | 2,500 00 | 4464 |  |
| 29 | Pohorgaon | $15 \quad 6$ | 170 | 2,600 00 | 15294 |  |
| 30 | Pandharpur | 1042 | 74.011 | 11,607 80 | 15685 |  |
| 81 | Phul Chinchols | $\begin{array}{ll}78 & 38 \\ 11\end{array}$ | 39 4 <br> 10 0 <br> 8  | 2,873 00 | 7366 |  |
| 32 | Badalkot | 1133 | 1088 | 64000 | 6400 |  |
| ${ }_{95}^{33}$ | Bhatumbre | $2 \quad 4$ | ${ }_{1}^{1} 1110$ | 1500 | 7500 |  |
| 35 | Sherte | 13810 | 1341110 947 8 | 6,266 00 | 4641 12500 |  |
| 36 37 | Shankargaon Suste | $\begin{array}{cc}2 & 27 \\ 1 & 0\end{array}$ | $2 v$ 1 1 080 | 250 325 | 12500 32500 |  |
|  | Total | 1,853 30 | 1,144 154 | 95,127 80 | 8246 |  |
|  | Average per sore |  | 0911 | $51 \pm 11$ |  |  |
|  | Group IT |  |  |  |  |  |
| 88 | Isbavi |  | 400 | 1,400 00 | 850.00 |  |
| 40 | Upar | $1{ }^{1}$ | 0150 | 20000 | 200.00 |  |
| 41 | Ombargaon | 31.97 | 900 | 1,900 00 | 21111 |  |
| 48 | ${ }_{\text {Kabegaen }}$ | ${ }_{\text {Nill }}{ }^{14}$ | 3510 $N$ Nil | ${ }_{\text {3,399 }}^{\text {Nl }}$ \% 0 | ${ }_{\text {N }}{ }^{94} 41$ |  |
| 46 | Kondharin | 26631 | 121110 | 6,388 00 | 5236 |  |
| 47 | Khard? | $73 \quad 27$ | 21129 | 2,850 00 | 12954 |  |
| 48 | Khed parg Bualavm | 2916 | 1656 | 3,550 00 | 22187 |  |
| 49 | Gadegaon | $63 \quad 27$ | 18010 | 3,196 000 | 17772 |  |
| 50 | Gubjegaon |  | 1570 | 1,190 000 | 7938 |  |
| ${ }_{58}^{51}$ | ${ }_{\text {Gharnki }}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}8 & 28 \\ 7 & 95\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}5 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 400 600 00 | 8003 20000 |  |
| 54 | Tanalı | $\begin{array}{ll}94 & 34\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rll}56 & 4 & 0 \\ 5 & \end{array}$ | 2,939 00 | 2000 523 |  |
| 55 | $\underset{\substack{\text { Taratgaon } \\ \text { gaon }}}{ }$ parg Kase | 748 | 3520 | 2,300 00 | 6571 |  |
| 56 | Tramdard, | $12 \quad 29$ | 1200 | 75000 | 625 |  |
| 57 58 58 | Tavsh1 | $\begin{array}{ll}9 & 28 \\ 74\end{array}$ | 280 | 20000 | 8000 |  |
| 58 59 | Tisang1 Souke - bondevad. | $\begin{array}{lr}74 & 7 \\ 84 & 28\end{array}$ | 2014 2710 | $\begin{array}{lll}4950 \\ \\ 2,480 & 0 & 0 \\ \\ 4 & 0\end{array}$ | 20714 8857 |  |
| G0 | A epatgaon | 84 28 <br> 26 27 <br> 8  | 2710 12 12 10 | 2,480 700 700 | 8857 5898 |  |
| 61 | Paghh | 24 | 1580 | 1,550 00 | 10933 |  |
| 62 63 | Bathsn | 3183 | 1600 | 1,700 00 | 10625 |  |
| 63 64 | Bramhaporı Bohalt | $\begin{array}{ll}33 & 4 \\ 38 & 4 \\ 38 & 6\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}28 & 8 & 0 \\ 15 & 5 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}1,700 \\ 9,700 & 0 & 0 \\ 1,250 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 84643 |  |
| 65 | Bhalavil | 56 | 2074 | 2,825 00 | 14125 |  |
| ${ }_{67}^{66}$ | Bbanda Shega $n$ | $32 \quad 1$ | 1000 | 45000 | 4500 |  |
| 68 68 | Machnur Marapar | $\begin{array}{rrr}8 & 6 \\ 5 & 35\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}6 & 6 & 6 \\ 3 & 8 & 0\end{array}$ | 700 <br> 200 <br> 0 | 11666 5714 |  |
| 69 | Mundhewad | [88 26 | 7179 | $\begin{array}{r}200 \\ 7,675 \\ \hline 0\end{array}$ | 5714 108.09 |  |
| 71 | Valhri | 130 | 4112 | 35000 | 7000 |  |
| 72 | Vadi Karoll | 440 | 2400 | 86000 | $150 \cdot 00$ |  |
| 78 | Sundewads | 918 | 5120 | 5000 | 8383 |  |

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| Serial Appandix L | Name of vilage | Area of land sold. | Asgessment | Sale price. | Number of times the assessment represented by price | Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & 75 \\ & 76 \\ & 78 \end{aligned}$ | ShetphaI <br> Shelve <br> Suph | A g <br> 112 9 <br> 22 28 <br> 37 30 | Ris a P  <br> 88 10 10 <br> 18 9 0 <br> 16 8 0 |  | $\begin{array}{r} 8064 \\ 14285 \\ 10625 \end{array}$ |  |
|  | Total | 1,528 30 | 75288 | 78,891 00 | 10424 |  |
|  | Average per mare |  | 0710 | 5144 | - |  |
|  | Total of Group I. <br> Grand Total | 1,858 80 | 1,144 154 | 95,127 80 | 8946 |  |
|  |  | 3;982 20 | 1,897 76 | 1,78,518 8 \& 0 | $9178{ }^{\prime}$ |  |
|  | Average per more |  | 0811 | 51411 |  |  |
|  | Inam vimiagas |  |  | - |  |  |
|  | Kautain | 426 | 8826 | 2,248 00 | 5801 |  |
|  | Avorage per aore |  | 0100 | 58154 |  |  |

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Sellng value of Bagaut lands $2 n$ the vollages of the Pandharpur Taluka, Distruct Sholapur


APPENDIX H
Leases of dry-crop lands an the villages of the Pandharpur Taluka, District Sholapur


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Leases of Bagart lands in the villages of the Pandharpur Taluka, Distrsct Sholapur


## APPENDIX I

Prices prevalent in the Pandharpur taluka from 1888-89 to 1921
(As plotted in the accompanying Diagram)

| Years. | Sears of 80 tolas per rupee and 1 ch 5 toles |  |  | Year | Seers of 80 tolas per rupee and 1 oh 5 tolas |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Jowarn | Bayn | Wheat |  | Jowant | Bajrı | Wheat |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 |  | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| Financral year | 8 oh | S ch | S ch | Calendar year-contd | S ch | 5 ch | S ch |
| 1888-1889 | 186 | 175 | 1510 | 1905 | 199 | 177 | 1411 |
| 18891890 | 2011 | 1914 | 155 | 1906 | 142 | 1313 | 100 |
| 1890-1891 | 2218 | 219 | 181 | 1307 | 1715 | 184 | 910 |
| 19911892 | 2914 | 171 | 1213 | 1908 | 136 | 1212 | 811 |
| 18921893 | 180 | 1712 | 107 | 1909 | 1811 | 172 | 109 |
| 18981894 | 182 | 1815 | 127 | 1910 | 1814 | 191 | 109 |
| Calendar year |  |  |  | 1911 | 174 | 118 | 109 |
| 1895 | 244 | 2018 | 158 | 1912 | 120 | 109 | 715 |
| 1896 | 186 | 1614 | 1811 | 1913 | 1114 | 115 | 715 |
| 1897 | 818 | 815 | 611 | 1914 | 1318 | $13 \quad 3$ | 78 |
| 1898 | 1810 | 1812 | 1118 | 1915 | 19.12 | $17 \quad 5$ | 84 |
| 1899 | 1514 | 158 | 1211 | 1916 | 202 | 170 | 108 |
| 1900 | 98 | 100 | 81 | 1917 | 145 | 146 | 99 |
| 1901 | 1811 | 147 | 89 | 1918 | 612 | 74 | 513 |
| 1902 | 188 | 18. | 814 | 1919 | 55 | 510 | 311 |
| 1909 | 380 | 302 | 119 | 1920 | 77 | 57 | 42 |
| 1904 | 291 | 2614 | 1612 | 1921 | 54 | 510 | 42 |

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APPENDIX K
Collection of Assebsment on Government and Inam land in the villages of the taluka of Pandharpur, Dustruct Sholapur


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M-Inad became nsaleas on anoount of mach moustare.
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Effect of Revasion Settlement propasals on Government

supsed land in Pandharpur Taluka of the Sholapur District -


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Summary for dry crop rates regarding the effect of Reviswon Settlement proposals on Government occupzed land in the Pandharpur Taluka.


APPHNDIX M
Showmag village, mopulation and area of unoceworred assessed cultivable Gevermment land in Pandharpur Taluka, Sholapur Dustruct.


APPENDIX M-continued

| Serial <br> No in Appen- dix L <br> dix | Village | Population |  |  |  | Area of unocsupiod assesced cultivable Government land |  | Remariss |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1891 | 1901 | 1911 | 1921 | 1898 | 81921 |  |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | B | 9 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 68 \\ & 69 \\ & 70 \\ & 71 \\ & 72 \\ & 73 \\ & 74 \\ & 75 \\ & 76 \\ & 77 \\ & 78 \end{aligned}$ | Group No II-concla |  |  |  |  | A 8 | A g |  |
|  | Marapur | 529 | 545 | 701 | 695 |  |  |  |
|  | Mundhewadı | 462 538 | 445 461 | 564 | 484 | 1521 417 | 60 |  |
|  | Vakhr | 1,109 | 929 | 1,849 | 1,190 |  | 810 |  |
|  | Vadı Kuroin | 498 | 890 | 516 | 888 |  | 219 |  |
|  | Sindewad | 698 | 586 | 718 | 624 |  |  |  |
|  | Shirgaon | 895 | 801 | 841 | 297 |  |  |  |
|  | Shetphal | 656 | 462 | 985 | 889 |  | 180 |  |
|  | Shelve | ${ }^{809}$ | 1,816 | $\begin{array}{r}866 \\ 1,155 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 697 1,019 | 812 |  |  |
|  | Supla | ,608 | ${ }_{423}$ | 484 | , 460 |  | 788 |  |
|  | Total | 38,481 | 28,639 | 86,122 | 38,177 | 528 24 | 1974 |  |
|  | Total of Group No I | 51,787 | 46,054 | 57,884 | 48,633 | 40411 | 59416 |  |
|  | Total | 85,218 | 74,698 | 94,006 | 81,710 | 93235 | 79120 |  |
|  |  |  |  | Alsenated | vilages |  |  |  |
|  | Kauthal | * | 503 | 1,007 | 780 |  |  | * Informa tion not avalable |

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## APPENDIX N

The correspondence regarding the First Revision Settlement of the Pandharpur Taluks has been printed in the form of Selection No CCLXXV

The correspondence regarding Kavtala Inam village in Pandharpar Taluka is printed below.

Revenue Survey and Assessment, Sholapur
Original Settlement of the Inam village of Kavtali in the Pandharpur Taluka.
GOVERNMENT of BOMBAY

## Revenue Department.

## Order No 9358.

Bombay, 17th September 1918
Letter from the Superintendent, Land Records, C D, No. SS -13 dated 13th June 1918 -
"I have the honour to subinit proposals for the origanal settlement of the mam village Kavtall, taluka Pandharpor, of the Sholapur District
" 2 As for the aituation of the village in question a reference is mavited to the map bound up with Government Selection No CCLXXV (New Series) for the revision survey settiement of the Pandharpar T'aluka
" 3 As will be seen from the map, Kavtali is situated on the' right bank of the river Bhima, 6 males to the north-west of the well-known and seared city of Pandharpar.
" 4 The propisions of chapters VIII and IX of the Land Reyenue Code were extended to the village under Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 1100 dated 7th February 1910
" 5 . The measurement and olassification operations were carried out in the village in 1913-14 by the Central Division Field Party under the general supervision of the Superintendent, Land Records, Central Division The necessary test of the field work was taken by the Head Surveyor in charge of the party
" 6 The areas obtained by the survey operations are tabulated below under the several heads of cultivation -

| Desoriphon |  |  |  |  | ${ }_{\text {Alemen }}^{\text {Aream }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dry-crop |  | . | - | - | 3,951 |
| Garden | M | ... | ... | ... | 31 |
| Rice | P |  |  | ... |  |
| Unassessed unarable |  |  | ... | . | 385 |
|  |  |  | Total |  | 4,368 |

" 7 The village is surrounded on all sides by the Government and Inam villages mentioned below -

| Direotion |  | Inam | Guvernment | Gronp | Rata |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Ra m. |  |
| North |  | Hol Blic. (unsurveyed) | Khed, teluka Bhome | 1 | 11 |  |
| West |  | Nu | Do Bhalavis | II | 120 |  |
| South |  | shirdhon (unaurveyed) ${ }_{\text {Do }}$ | Vakhart Gursale | II | 12 | 0 |
| EHat | , |  | Gursale | I | 1 4 | 0 |

"It will be seen from the portion of the village that it would fall eather in the first group rated at Rs 1-4-0 or in the second group rated at Rs. 1-2-0
"It 18 evident that the village has more topographical affinity with villages to the south and west in group II rated at Rs 1-2-0 The application of this rate would result , in a decrease of 21 per cent. in the mamul aseessment now recovered by the mamdar. Even if the village 18 placed in the first group, the percentage decrease comés to 12 per cent. I do not see why the mamdar should lose by the acceptance of the survey and eottlement The villages in Pandharpur were revised as early as 1893, i.e, nearly 25 years ago During the quartar of a century conditions have entirely changed. Pandharpur which is only 6 miles is now connected by a railway, pnces have gone up very high and commanications have improved. These curcumstances alone would justufy the adoption of a higher maximam rate. It may be noted here further that
oa $4-0$
the current maximun dry-crop rate in Kuroli to the west of this village is Rs 1-8-0 The village belonge to the Miraj Junior State and is due for revision this year and the revision 18 sure to result in enbancement $I$ therefore recommend that the maximum rate for this village should be Rs 1-6-0 which gives an increase of 24 per cent over the mamul assessment The average nacidence of assessment which is Re 0-13-10 arrived at by the application of this rate compares favourably with that of the adjoining Government villages which varres from Rs 1-6-0 to Rs 1-1-3.
"8. There is nether patasthal nor rice land in the village Theie are only 32 acres of motasthal land which are essessed at the maximum dry-crop rate
" 9 The area and assessment under the several heads of cultivation are given below -

| Description | Area | Assessment |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Acres | Re |
| Ocoupred land | 8,989 | 3,444 |
| Unoccopled land | 111 | 109 |
| Unasseseed unarıble | 885 |  |
| Total | 4,479 | 8,569 |

" 10 If the proposed rate be approved, it is recommended that it be so guaranteed as to expire simultaneously with that of the taluka, $2 e, 1922-23$ "

Order - The proposals made by the Supernntendent, Land Records, C D, which are supported by the Collector of Sholapur, the Settlement Commissioner and Director of Land Records and the Commissioner, C D., are sanctioned The rate should be introduced during the current revenue year 1918-19 and guaranteed for the period ending with the expiry of the existing settlement of the rest of the Pandharpur Taluka in 1922-23

A F L BRAYNE, Under Secretary to Government

Revenue Survey and Assessment
Complanat made by the namdar of Kavthale in the Phandharpur Talnka of the Sholapar Distriet in respect of the settlement rates introduced into his village

## GOVERNMENT of BOMBAY

Revente Department
Order No 2056

Bombay 8th July 1920
Petitions dated 4th and 6th December 1919 from Mr Haribarrao Kashinath Khasgivale, mamdar of Kavthali in the Pandharpur Taluka of the Sholapur Distrct -Complaining against the orders of the Collector of Sholapur and the Commissioner, C D, confirming the settlement rate of Rs 1-6-0 per acre fised by the Survey Department for the alienated village of Kavthali, observing that a higher rate of Ris 1.12-0 per acre approved in Government Resolution, No 5382 dated 2nd June 1909, was gaaranteed by the Collector to the petitioners predecessors-in-title , making remarks, and praying that, in the circumstances stated, Government may be pleased to cancel the orders passed by the Collector of 8holapur and the Commiseioner, C D, and also Government Order No 9358 dated 17th Septenber 1918, aanctioning the introduction of the rate of Re 1-6-0 for the village, and direct the introduction of the rate of Rs 1-12-0 per acre instead

Telegram from Mr Harrharrav Khasgivale of Kavthalh dated 13th January 1920

Government memorandum No B-Misc. dated 9th -January ' 1920 to the Collector of Sholapur

Memorandum from the Collector of Sholapur No SRY.-6 dated 11th March 1920 -
"Returned with compliments to the Commissioner, C D, with, file contaning the papers relating to the case under reference.
" 2 . The matter has already been fully considered and Government have passed orders in their Resolution No 9358 dated 17th September 1918, Revenue Department

- From this it will be seen that by acceptang the maximum rate of Re. 1-6-0 as recommended by the Superintendent, Land Records (printed in the preamble of the sald Government Resolution), the inamdar gets an increase of 24 per cent over the mamul assessment"

Memorandum from the Saperintendent, Land Records, C D, No SLT dated 20th March 1920. ,

Memorandum from the Commissioner, C D, No' ${ }^{\text {625-B }} \mathbf{- 1 9}$ dated 27th March 1920, to the Settlement Commissioner and Director of Land Records

Memorandum from the Settlement Commisioner ànd Director of $\mathrm{I}_{\text {and }}$ Records No. ST-195 dated 8th April 1920*-
" Returned with compliments to the Cornmissioner, C. D.
"2 When this case came before the Settlement Commissioner in 1918 the position then appeared to be as set forth in $\mathrm{R}-5383-07$ and in the reports before him, that the namdar had consented to apply for the settlement on an assurance that his nncome would not be reduced The settlement (Rs 1-6-0) showed that apon a mamut nncome as then proved of Rs 3,516, the namdar would get Rs 3,613 or an inorease of 24 per cent This seemed to satisfy the condition 10 which he had assented Butin forwarding the pioposals the undersigned remarked that the rate of Rs $1-6-0$ was very low (implyng that Rs 1-12-0 whould have been quite a proper rate on general principle), alao observing that as it was to be revised within five years, thas low rate maght be allowed until the general resettlement of the taluka.
"3 It now appaars that the true position was not set forth The Collector of Sholapur (then Mr L J Mountford) had defintely assured the inamdar in has No. Pandharpur Mulki Jawak No 28 of 20th September 1309, that Government had ayreed to a rite of Rs 1-12-0 which would yield approximately an income of Rs 4,176 and it was upon that assurance that the inamdar applied Now was the assurance, as given by the Collector, justified? Upon reference to R. 5383-09 it appears that it was justufied Government had agreed in perfectly general terms that the inamdar applying for the settlement should be assured that no loss would be caused It was particularly pointed out in respect of this village Karthali that Rs 1-12-0 would not be exorbitant rate, sod would yreld an amount sufficient to protect the inamdar from the possibility of lobs
" 4 Since this essurance was given a mistake was made in fixing the rate at Rs 1-6-0 - The fare of the assurance was never brought to the notice of this Department unthl the present appeal To cancel the sattlement and alter its rate to ks 1-12-0 would now be illegal The only thing that can be done is to point out to the mamdar that there will be a resetilement 10 1923, and that full effect would then be given to the assurance Whether he should he compensated meanwhile for the loss in assessment is a matter outside the province of the Settlement Department This case exemplifies in a very pointed way the evil (which has now fortunately been noticed and corrected bat which did exist in 1918) under which mam villages were nesettled withoat issa ng notices erther to the inamdars or to people caling for their objections Had the mamdar been able to represent this objection in 1918, it is hardly possible that Government would have passed therr orders in No R 9358~18"

Memorsndun from the Commissioner, C D, No SRV-2 dated 11th May 1920-
"Submitted to Government in the Revenue Department
" 2 In the circumstances stated by the Settlement Commissioner and Director of Land Records the lose suffered by the inamdar cannot be recouped until the time comes for revision settlement "

Order -The oourse proposed by the Settlement Commissioner and Director of Land Records in paiagraph 4 of his memorandum, that the inamdar be informed that there will be a resettlement in 1933, and that full effect would then be given to the assurunce, is approved The diference between the promsed rate of Rs 1-12-0 per aore and the sanctioned rate of Rs. 1-6-0 per acre should be made good to the namdar by Governmett.
2. The petitioner should be referred to the Collector of Sholapur for a reply to his petitions.
(Signed) H. F. KNIGHT, Under Secretary to Government

Below Settlement Officer, Sholapur's proposal for revision of the Pandharpur Taluka, made in has No 423 of 25th August 1922

No S.R V - 10 of 1922
Sholapur, 25th October 1922
Forwarded with compliments to the Settlement Commissioner and Director of Land Records, Poona
2. Mr Garrett's report is clear and concise and I have very Inttle critucism to offer on it It is perfectly clear that the Taluka is on the whole in a prosperous condition and can well bear a substantial increase The value of the land averages 9178 multiples of the assessment, and rents are about 5 multiples of the assessment There has been a very large nncrease in the price of grain There is practically no unoccupied land and I mught add that the little that is left would all have been taken up by now, had it not been that it is reserved for Militdry grantees under recent orders of Government The assessment is always recovered without difficulty if there is even a moderate crop A ralway to Karduwad, has been constructed since the last settlement and will probably be extended in a few years vua Sangola to Miraj and viá Malsiras to Lonand
' 3 The only drawbacks as compared to the 1891 conditions are a falling off in population and a decrease $n$ cattle (though carts have largely increased). These however are clearly explained by the Settlement Officer. As regards the population I might add that I am informed that the 1911 Census took place while the magh fair was in progress in Pandharpur and that in consequence a considerable number of pilgrims were included in the figures

4 The Settlement Officer's proposals therefore for increasing the rates to the maximum, and for fixing them at Rs 1-9-0 for the whole taluka nstead of the former 2 groups of Rs 1-4-0 and Rs 1-2-0 seem to me well justified and may safely be accepted I am entirely in agreement with his proposal to have only one group for the whole Taluka, which seems to me quite sound

5 I mast point out that, as the new rates will still be 1 anna less than those just lately sanctioned for Malsiras Taluka, viz, Rs 1-10 0, there is really no need for any argument as to whether the new Pandbarpur rate is too high It is perfectly certain that the Pandharpur Taluka is much better off in every way than the Malsinas Taluka This is too well-known to need any argument and is in facc clear even to the most casual observer. Even after taking the maximum increase possible, as the Settlement Officer has done, Pandharpur still has an unjustified advantage over Malsrras

6 I am also strongly in favour of the Settlement being guaranteed only up to 1934-35, the year when the Settlement of the 4 Talukas of the Sholapur division expires. It is I think very important that the whole district should be resettled then at one time I am making the same proposal for the Sangola re-settlement and the Malsiras re-settlement, that was recently sanctioned for 10 years, can easily be extended by the necessary 2 or 3 years.

## C. H. BLATHWAYT, Collector.

# [Below Sholapur Collector's endorsement No, S R.V -10, dated 23rd/25th October 1922] <br> $$
\text { No. S T }-311
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Forwarded with compliments to the Commissioner, Central Division.
2. The report 18 written with Mr. Garrett's usual terse cogency, and I support all his propasals

3 The figures of market value and rent are peculiarly useful in a taluka such as this where they are hardly at all influenced, as in so many other talukas, by considerations other thas the profits of cultivation Here there is no shortage of labour on the one hand nor, over-population on the other, factors which are sometimes found to influence rents seriously elsewhere Nor is there any part of the taluka except the nenghbourhood of, Pandharpur (vide paragraph 17) where the market price of land is influenced by factors which render it an erroneous measure of the value of the land to the true cultivator, and the taluka is purely agrioulture.

4 Mr. Garrett's arguments, onfirmed by the statistios of sales and leases, amply demonstrate that whatever grouping he adopted in this taluka, the assessment of each group may be raised with perfect safety by the maximum permissible. The Karkamb batch of villages is clearly shown to be the least lightly assessed area in the taluka, but even there a 33 per cent increase is fully justaied

5 The difference between the vanious parts of the taluka $1 s$ slight For instance, the multuple for leases in terms of assessment is 545 for group II, whioh, at the group I maximum rate of Rs 1-4-0, would become 49 , say 5, while the multıple for group I, even after excluding the Karkamb batch of villages is 5t. In these croumstances, and considering that it is certain that every village will be assessed well within its capacity, I agree with the Sottilement Officer that the taluka should be made into one group What the maximum rate should be follows àutomatically
6. For the reasons given in his paragraph 29 Mr . Garrett proposes to limit the period of guarantee to ten years There will then be "an opportunity of getting a uniform and equitable assessment for the whole of the Sholapur District an 1935," provided tho settlement of Sangola 18 also limited to 10 years. I thunk this proposal ought to be adopted.

In partioular the anomaly of Malsiras being rated higher than Pandharpur (Rs. 1-10-0 as against Rs 1-9-0) can then be wiped out. The sernousness of this anomaly may be gauged from the fact that whule sanctionng the 33 per cent increase in Malsuras in 1921 Government remarked "This is the most whoh is possible under the present rules and it is certanly the least which is reasonable under the curoumstanoes."
7. To wipe out this anomaly would of course mean that, even if the Malsuras rates are only retained ws they are, the rates in Pandharpur would be mareased after 10 jears, and this would involva an morease of over 33 per cent withun the usual period of 30 years

But I do not think that Government should any longer be bound by the 33 per cent rule in oases where it results in absund anomalies. The existence of this rule is continually, foroing Government not only into perpetuating such anomalies for 30 years, but even into accentuating them, while at the same time revenue as needlessly sacrificed This can be conolusively shown from many recent resettiements. In faot it is so even in the present case Prior to this second revision settlement about half the villages in each of these talukas of Pandharpur and Malsiras were assessed under a maximum rate of Rs. 1-4-0. This was bad enough, oonsidenng that Pandharpur ought to be deotdedly more hughly assessed than Malsiras; but now in second revision settlement these villages in Pandharpur will actually bear a less assessment than those in Malsiras. An unlimited number of similar anomales could be pointed ont in other talukas.
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8 Moreover, the existence of this taluka and group limit makes the increase which a village shall recerve greatly a matter of luck If a batoh of villages can be amalgamated with a higher group they may receive an increase up to 50 or 60 per cent., while if they cannot be so amalgamated they oan only receive a 33 per cent. increase

It is the increase in individual villages, which is in most cases the same thing as the increase for the individual occupant, which should be limited If some villages receive increases of 50 or 60 per cent it is inequitable that other villages, every whit as well able to bear it, should by sheer luck be liable to an increase of only 33 per cent

9 It is unfair that talukas which have been underassessed for 30 years, of which there are many in the Deccan, should now be prevented from being adequately assessed owing to this limit, while talukas which were fully assessed at first revision, of which there are many in Gujarat, can once more be fully assessed at second revision The areas which escape adequate assessment profit at the expense of less fortunate areas and of the general tax-payer

10 It appears to me that Government ought to cease to be bound by this taluka and group limit of 33 per cent at least to the minmum extent necessary to avoid such an absurdity as an area which ought to be more highly assessed than another actually having a lower assessment imposed on 1 , the anomaly being perpetuated for 30 years No doubt heavy increases of assessment ought not to be imposed all at once, but in the present case the ten years that must elapse before any adjustment can be made will provide an easy gradation towards an equitable assessment
$111^{\prime}$ If a 30 years' settlement period is adopted, and the 33 per cent limit is adhered to, I think the maximum rate should be Rs 1-9-6, which will give a percentage increase of 338

12 The popularity of iron ploughs is an interesting feature The decrease in number of cattle perhaps requires a word. The latest figures given are for 1919-20, and they exhibit the full effect of the bad season of 1918-19. There 18 no reason to doubt that already a considerable recovery has taken place.

## A MACKIE,

Acting Settlement Commissioner and Director of Land Records
[Below No S.T. - 311 of 24th November 1922 from the Settlement - Commissioner and Director of Land Records.]

No. L N D. - $2 / 2$
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Camp Sholapur, 16th January 1923
Submitted to Government in the Revenue Department

- 2 The Commissioner supports the proposals of the Settlement Officer (a) to form one group for the whole taluka, (b) to fix the maximum rate at Rs 1-9-0, giving an increase of 3132 per cent over the whole taluka. The Settlement Commissioner would increase the maximum rate by 6 pies, giving a percentage increase of 338 , this trifling addition, moolving as it does a slight infringement of the 33 per cent rule, does not appear to have any justification. Mr Markie argues for the abandonment of the 33 per cent. rule, this is a suggestion that is not made for the first tume, but it is one that the Commissioner trusts Government will be very slow to accept

3 As regards the period of settlement Mr. Garrett recommends that the rates be guaranteed up to 1934-35, and the Collector supports him. The object of thus short term is to obtain a revision of the whole district at the same tume This would be an administrative convenience, but the Commissioner is unable to attach much importance to it, when compared with the advantage of maintaming the sense of security enjoyed by the ryot under a 30 years settlement. The usual time of 30 years is accordingly recommended.

G. W. HATCE,<br>Commissioner, C. D

# GOVERNMENT of BOMBAY. 

## Revende Department.

Resolution No 7147.
Bombay Castle, 26th July 1923.
Memorandum from the Commissioner, C D., No LND/S-2/2 dated 16th January 1923-Submitting, with his remarks, the papers specified below* containang proposals for the second revision settlement of the Pandharpur Talaka of the Shalapur District, together with the petitions of objections relating thereto

- Letter from Mr J H Garrett, 1 CE, Bettlement Offlear, Sholapur and Khandesh, No 428 dated 25th August 1922 to the Colleotor of Sholepar
Memorandum from the Colleotor of Sholapur No \& R V-10 dated 25th October 1922 to the Settlement Memorandum from the Dreotor of Land Recordis.
Memorandum from the Settiement Commessener and Direator of Land Recorde No ST-811 datea 24th November 1929 to the Commessioner, O D
Government memorandum No Y147-B dated 1st June 1923 to the Commassioner, C D.

Government endorsement No 7147-B dated Ist June 1923 to the Settlement Commissioner and Drector of Land Records.

Joint letter from the Commissioner, C. D, and the Settlement Commussioner and Drector of Lend Records No LN D/S-2/2 dated 29th June 1923

Resolution-Government have very carefully exammed the Settlement Officer's proposals for the second revision settiement of the Pandharpur Taluka of the Sholapur District They accept his proposal to place the whole taluka of 78 Government villages in a single homogeneous group with a sungle maximum rate of assessment They also accept his proposal to fix the maximum rate at Re. 1-9-0 which pields a total enhancement of 3132 per cent. over the whole taluka

2 In arriving at this decision Government have been influenced by the same considerations as in the case of the Sangola Taluka, of the same district and have based their conclusions upon the same principles. The figures of land values for the years followng the year 1919 have been excluded from consideration, as from 1920 onwards both sales and rentals have reached a level far exceeding the level of previous years and it is not unlikely that they may drop to the old level before the end of the settlement period, although there are at present no bugns of such a drop During the four years immedsately preceding the commencement of inflation of land volues, land exchanged hands at prioes equal to 71 tpmes the existing rates of assessment, while rents averaged five times the assessment. The prices of agricultural products have risen to a remarkable extent Excluding recent years of what may be only a temporary inflation of prices, Government find that a companson of prioes prevailing in the six fears from 1912 to 1917 with those of the last deoade of the previous settlement reveals increases respectively of 94 per cent, 74 per cent and 123 per cent in the prices of the staple grains, jowari, bajri and wheat These faots taken into consideration along with the advent of the railway line and the consequent market facilities to Pandharpur lead Government to the conclusion that the present moidence of the assesswent is exceedingly light. As in the case of Sangols Taluka, however, Government have deoided to follow the long standing practace of keeping the percentage of enhancement within 33 and therefore do not intend to rase the maximum rate proposed by the Setilement Officer to a higher figure than Re. 1-9-0.
3. Government approve of the Settlement Officer's proposals to rarse the nice land assessment on the same scale and to fix 'a maximum rate of Re 1-12-0 for the inam village of Kavthsh in accordance with their previous undertaking with the Inamdar.
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4. The new rates should be announced in the present revenue year and levied from the ensuing revenue year with a guarantee of 30 years

5 The petitions of objections disclose no grounds for modifyng the orders now passed

6 Mr Garrett is thanked for his able and concise report
By order of the Governor in Council,

## A $\mathbf{R}$ DALAL,

Deputy Secretary to Government
G R. No. 7147, R D, dated 26th July 1923
To

The Commissioner, C D, The Oollector of Sholapur (with the petitions of objections),
The Settlement Commissioner Drector of Land Records,
The Director of Agriculture,

The Accountant General, The Public Works Department, The Finance Department,
$J$ H Garrett, Esquire, I'C S ,
The Government of India (by letter)



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Sholapur, 28th August 1922.
From
J H. GARRETTH: Esquire I I CS.,
Settlement Officer,
Sbolapur and Khandesh,
To
The COLLECTOR, Sholapur.

SIr,
I have the honour to make the following report on the 2nd Revision Settlement of the Sangola Taluka of the Sholapur District

2 The present report deals with 71 Government villages and 1 Inam village. There are 5 other Inam villages which are held over for report after measurement and classification operations have been carred out by the Superintendent of Land Records
3. The authority for the existing settlement is as follows -

4. One Government village Pachegaon Bk was transferred to this Taluks from Khanapur Taluka of Satara District from lst February 1910 un accordance with the orders contamed in Government Resolution No. 11462 dated 26 th November 1909.

This is the only change in the constitution of the Taluka during the lease.

## Postion and Physucal Features.

5. The Taluka is situated in the South West of the Distnct. Its shape is roughly triangular with its base resting on the Pandharpur Taluka and the Mangalvedhe Taluka of Sangl State. Its sides are irregalar. The Weatern boundiry $1 s$ formed by the Malsiras Taluka of the Sholapur Distriet and the Atpadi Taluks of Aundh State, the Southern boundary is the Jath State. In the apex at the South West corner it touches villages of Satara District and Muraj State.

The irregularity of the outline is due to the contiguity of State territory.
The land is for the most part undulating. The uplands have a general slope towards the North East ; but rise and fall in erratic fashon towards the numerous streams and nalas

In the North West and South Weat the country ms much broken up and rocky hills rise in places to over 2,000 feet. The general level of the country is from 1,700 to 1,550 feet sbove sea-level.

The Man River, a tributary of the Bhima, passes through the centre of the Taluka and drams the whole of it with the exception of a few villages in the extreme North and extreme South East. (The Man Ruver ceases to flow soon after the rams are over but its deep sandy bed retains water throughout the year.)

The country is devoud of tanks and forests. Even scrub jungle is rare. Num and Babul trees are faurly abundant but seldom attain to any size as they are in constant demand for fuel and domestic uses. The vegetation is typucal of the dry zone of the Deocan.
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The soil is nearly all light and shallow Much of it is so poor that cultivation 18 wasted on it The better class soil is found only in the valleys

## Clumate and Rainfall

6 Appendux A contains the rainfall statistics for the last 11 years recorded at Sangola. I have added the figures of rainfall recorded by the Irrigation Department at Katphal and Budihal as far as they are available The average rainfall amounts to 21 05 inches ) This quantity, if seasonable, is enough for the rasing of good crops But the figures taken year by year are not so favourable. In seven of the eleven years the fall was less than 20 inches The remarks given in Appendix A show that only 1915 and 1921 can be called good seasons

The figures of ramfall at Katphal show that the North West corner of the taluka has a more urregular ramfall than Sangola The fall at Katphal gives a lower minimum and a higher maximum than at Sangola The rainfall in the adjouning Taluka of Malsuras is of the same irregular type as at Katphal

The figures for Budihal are too scanty for comment
In the case of Pandharpur the rainfall is rather more regular and greater in quantity than at Sangola

I consider that the general report is correct in placing Sangola as intermedıate between Malsiras and Pandharpur in respect of rainfall

As regards local distribution inquiry shows that the North West part of the Taluka is worse off than the centre

## Crops and Cultrvatzon.

7 Appendux $B$ gives the details of crops
Unluke the greater part of the Sholapur District, this taluka depends almost as much on bajri as on jawarı The average of the last 5 years gives 1223 per cent. of the cultivation area under jawarı and 3554 per cent under bajri But the percentage varies greatly from year to year When the kharif rains are favourable bajri is sown For instance in 1916-17 and 1917-18 the area under bajri considerably exceeded the area under jawari 1920-21 was unfavourable for kharif and the result was a great increase in the area under jawari

No other crop is of importance except safllower
Mr Pitt observed at the trme of the 1st Revision Settlement "we look in vain through the list for any large amount of exportable produce" This statement is still true in the sense that many crops such as cotton, are not grown There is however in normal years surplus gram and fodder for export Though the sol is poor, the population is not dense and many people spend a large part of the year outside the district

Cultuvation is of the ordinary type Much of the light soll is not worth expendture on careful tillage or manure It is chiefly in the urigated land that labour is usefully employed As the better class sol is small m area, it is kept in good condition A creditable amount of work is put into embanking fields and protecting them from scour by rain Where this is not done irreparable damage is sure to follow very quickly.

## Irrugated Crops

8 The area of land under mrrigation is very considerable The precarious nature of the rainfall makes irrigation almost a necessity or at any rate, supplies the powerful incentive which alone will induce the cultivator to give the additional labour required for such cultivation

According to the 1st Revision Survey 14,605 acres were elassed as bagait but it does not follow that the whole of this was actually rrigated In addition 2,806 acres were irrigated by the Mhasvad Tank. At the most therefore some 17,000 acres were under urrigated crops

The area urigated in 1916-17 was 21,375 acres The figures for the next four years were obtained from Taluka records but owing to some mistaken method of classification I have to reject them as worthless Apparently the fields which conserve rainfall by means of 'tals' are classed as irrigated and hence the urrigated area has been exaggerated. I consider that the figures for 1916-17 are a fair sample of the true urngated area Certainly the figure 91,687 acres given for 1920-21 is a glaring mistake.

## Communreations

9. The Sangola Taluka being without ány durect railway communcation with outside markets is naturally associated with Pandharpur.

The only metalled roads are -

| Name of Road. | , |  | Length wnthin the Taluka |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Miles |
| Pandharpur-Junona | * |  | 20 |
| Pandharpur-Karad-(metalled | up to | Mahud | 15 |
| only) |  |  |  |

Other roads are merely superior cart-tracks. the chief of these'are - -

- Sangola-Mangalvedhe.

Sangola-Mahud Bk.
Sangola-Gherd.
Access to all villages is easy except to a few villages such as Itka, Kavaspur, Lotevadi, Diksal and Narale where the tracks are hilly and rough.

I have remarked in my report on the Pandharpur Taluka how the opening of the light ralway from Kurduwadı to Pandharpur has improved the situation This railway is no less important to Sangola Nearly all the external trade of this taluka passes through Pandharpur whereas formerly Kurduvadi (Barsi Road) was the nearest ralway station, 40 mules from Sangola with the Bhima to cross en route. Sangola is still distant from the ralway but, the greater part of the taluka is within a day's journey of Pandharpur.

## Markets and Farrs

10. There are no mportant trade centres in this taluka this is not surprising as the amount of produce avalable for export is small, the population scanty and the sol poor.

There are weekly markets at Sangola, Mahud Bk, Köle, Gherdı, Javle, Najhre, Balavdi, Lakshmi Dahivadi, Sonand and Hatid Of these Sangola is the most important and the only cattle market , The other markets satisfy local needs. There are other market towns near the borders but none of importance except Mhasvad which has a well known cattle farr

Such external trade as the taluka can afford, both inward and outward, passes almost enturely through Pandharpur.' This town by reason of its umportance as a pilgrim-centre is visited by almost all the Hindus of Sangola at least once a year

## Imports and Exports.

11. As there is no rallway in the taluka there are no means of estumating the quantity of $\mu \mathrm{mports}$ and exports The Taluka produces very hittle surplus and no doubt much of its imports are met by the cash earnings of workers who go in large numbers to earn a hiving outside the District

I have stated elsewhere that Pandharpur is the ralway station through which the bulk of the exports and imports pass. But I have no means of ascertaning what portion of the total belongs to Sangola

## Manufactures and Industrues.

12. The Taluka is purely dependent on agriculture. There are no manufactures.

The weaving undustry is unimportant and confined to the making of conrse cloth and blankets for local use.

## Population.

13. The population of the taluka including all Inam villages is as follows :-

## Popedation

| Number of villagee | 1901 | 1911 | 1031 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 77 | 88,698 | 82,016 | 77,840 |

The steady decrease in population may be only apparent. The census takes place in the month of March when agricultural work is slack. Seasonal mrgration is now usual whereas in 1901 it had probably not reached its present development.

There has been a real loss of population between 1911 and 1921 This is explamed in the paragraph "Health ".

Accordung to the census of 1911 the non-agricultural population amounts to $\mathbf{1 7 , 8 8 7}$ equal to 2170 per cent of the total The non-agricultural population is merely accessory to the agncultural classes and consists of artisans, shop-keepers and the like

## Mugration.

14 Although local industries to supplement agriculture are wanting, most villages send labourers to Bombay, Sholapur and elsewhere The movement is seasonal. Nearly all the labourers set out after the kharf season and return at the begmong of the rains The occupations which they take up are lime-burning in the suburbs of Bombay, hamals' work in Bombay and charcoal buraing.
This seasonal migration is not a bad thing as the taluka has ample labour supply during the monsoon and the people are saved from enforced idleness during half the year

Thes migration is pecular to Sangola Pandharpur is a rabitaluka and migration of this sort is not found there.

## Schools and Education.

15 There are now 41 boys' schools with an attendance of 1,435 as agaunst 27 and 913 m 1891 There are 2 grls' schools with an attendance of 67 as against nul in 1891 Education is very backward The percentage of children attending schools to total population is only 18. The economic effect of education is negligible in such circumstances

## Health.

16 The Sangola Taluka is naturally healthy es would be expected in a tract devold of forest and marsh.

Its chief recurring danger is from cholera due to the constant presence of streams of pilgrims who contaminate the water supply and have no regard for elementary principles of sanitation. During the last 29 years no less than 4,552 deaths are recorded under thus head and probably it registration was more accurate the total would be higher Thas mortality is regrettable as it is to a great extent preventable by simple precautions.

Plague caused heavy mortality in 1903 and 1917.
In 1918 there was an exceptional outbreak of mfluenza which caused nearly 10,000 deaths

The normal increase due to excess of births over deaths during the decennium between the censuses of 1911 and 1921 was turned into a deficit of 1,945 owing to the epidemic of influenza in 1918 The census of 1921 showed a decrease ot 4,278 over that of 1911 The reduction of population is a calamity from one pomt of new but no loss is suffered from the material side which alone can gude a Settlement Officer. Even now the density of the population is greater than the local resources can support

## Inve and Dead Stock

17. Appendix D gives the figures of live and dead stock according to the latest census.

The following statement gives a summary for comparison with the year preceding the First Revision Settlement and various years during the currency of the lease -

|  | Year | Male cattle. | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Miloh } \\ \text { cattle } \\ \text { and young } \end{gathered}\right.$ | Horses and ponies | Carta. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1890-91 | * | 22,888 | 34,759 | 1,412 | 1,329 |
| 1901 |  | 15,073 | 17,158 | 680 | 1,352 |
| 1906 |  | 12,799 | 16,394 | 628 | 1,371 |
| 1911 |  | 14,983 | 21,935 | 648 | 1,437 |
| 1916 |  | 17,692 | 32,035 | 693 | 1,616 |
| 1920-21 |  | 17,747 | 29,160 | 769 | 1,403 |
|  | Percentage dufe | - 2246 | $-1610$ | $-4553$ | $+506$ |

The adverse effect of bad seasons is reflected in the enormous loss of cattle of all sorts, amounting to one-half, between 1890 and 1906. Since the latter year there has been a steady recovery The latest census showed a small set back in the total number of cattle but the loss was confined to mulch cattle and young. The number of male cattle remained stationary. It is clear that the bad season of 1918 resulted in no lose to useful stock

The cropped area per pair of bullocks is 27 acres This is high but considering the large extent of light soll it is not unsatisfactory. The condition of Sangola in respect of cattle is more fakourable than that of Pandharpur I consider that the stock is sufficient for the needs of the Taluka

Ths Taluka has a valuable asset in its sheep and goats which are more numerous now than at the Furst Revision Settlement The flocks are valuable for their skns, wool and flesh and mdrectly for their manure. The large area of uncultivated land affords ample grazing for these animals.

Water Supply.
18 The Sangola Taluka 18 well supphed with water from wells and streams. None of the streams have a perennial flow but in the larger streams water is obtained by dugging pits in the sand.

Appendux Fgives the detals of water supply according to the census of 1911-12-the latest available In the year 1891 the total number of wells was 3,620 In 1911 the number had risen to 4,446 The increase is considerable If the latest returns were obtamable still further progress would appear.

There are no tanks of mportance in the taluka but Mhasvad Tank in the Satara District irrigates on an average 2,000 acres On the map is shown a large tank at Budihal but this has never been completed. What its future is, is uncertan

The great increase in the number of wells during the lease shows that the traet is prosperous and affords protection against famine

Sale prue of Land.
19. Appendices $G$ and $G-1$ give details of sales of land during the last 5 years. The figures are chiefly for the years 1920 and 1921. The statastics were collected from the Record of Rights and each entry was mqured into on the spot Sales for cash of unencumbered land are the only onea brought into the Appendices. All cases which were conditional sales or in which the consideration included preexasting debts, transactions which were really partitions, settlements or gfts, and all cases in which there was reason to suspect that the considèration was falsely stated, are excluded The sales recorded represent the true market value of land.

The average value of land is 97.74 multiples of the assessment. The lowest multiple is 8627 in Group I and the highest 12648 m Group IV From this it appears that Group IV enjoys an undue advantage over Group I in the pitch of assessment. The average sale price of land in Pandharpur Taluka is 9178 multiples of the assessment, and in Malsuras Taluka 44 11. Sangola therefore is somewhat lightly assessed as compared with Pandharpur, and very lightly as compared with Malsuras

## Leases.

20. Appendices $H$ and $\mathbf{H - 1}$ give details of rental value. The cash rent of land gives the bast evidenoe of the assessment which can property be imposed. In this taluka the customary form of rent is a share of the crop. These rents are useless to a Settlement Officer as it is mpossable to ascertan the quantity or the cash value of the arop share. Cash rents are found in most villages but therr value as a guide to the assessment is not complete as the statustics are rather scanty.

The leases are recorded in V. F. No. XII. Each case was inquired into on the spot. All leases which were between a savkar and debtor, or between relataves or where there was an agreement by the landlond to sell to the lessee are excluded. The object of the uqquiry is to ascertain the true rental value between independent parties. I have given close attention to this part of the inquary and can confidently effirm that the figures are accurate.

The rental value of land varies greatly from village to village owing to local and accidental circumstances. It is not possible to mstitute comparisons between single villages. By taking a number of villages together, accidental variations are elmmuated.

The rental value in the four groups is as follows -

Number of times the asseasment represented by rent.
Group I 310
, II 355
" III 586
" IV . 4.55

These figures confirm the deduction from sale prices that the two lower groups are more lightly assessed than the two upper groups

A further comparison may be made with adjouning talukas -

| Taluka. | Number of timen the assensment <br> represented by rent |
| :--- | :---: |
| Sangola | 455 |
| Pandharpur | $\mathbf{5 0 5}$ |
| Malsiras | $\mathbf{3 3 6}$ |

Pandharpur has a slight advantage over Sangola but as in the case of sales the dufference is not great In the case of Malsiras the share taken by Government is nearly one-thurd while in Sangola it is under one-fourth These figures confirm the deduction from sales that Sangola is more lightly assessed than Malsuras

## Indices.

In Appendux $H$ is given a column showing ' indices'. The manner of preparing indices and their object is explamed in Survey and Settlement Manual, Volume II, page 397.

The Indices for the existing groups are as follows --

| Group 1 | Groap II | Gronp III | Group IV |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Rs a $\mathbf{p}$ | Re a $\boldsymbol{P}$ | Rs. a p | Ra. a $p$ |
| 11110 | 1124 | 290 | 1113 |

These figures tend to show that a uniform maximum rate throughout the taluka would be reasonable The assessment in Group III is especially light The statistics of leases in this taluka are not large enough to justify umplucit reliance on these figures For reasons which I give in the paragraph on Groupmg I do not favour a single rate for the whole taluka but simplification of the groups is possible and desirable

The induces also show that the increase in rates which I propose will be well within the lumits that can be borne without hardship

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- Crop Experments
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21 I give in the following table a fen actual tests of outturn conducted under struct conditions by Prant Officers under the control of the Agricultural Department. In my report on the Pandharpur Taluka a large number of examples are given The Pandharpur tests apply to this taluka equally -


The meidence of assessment is light
22. Appendux I gives details of prices during the last 30 years. A graph is also appended The following statement shows the course of prices during the last four decennial periods :-


The prices recorded at Sangola for the last three decades are almost identical with those of Pandharpur The prices for the first decade are decidedly higher than those of Pandharpur. Mr Pitt, from whose report these figures are taken, had some doubt as to the accuracy of the Sangola figures, but the error, if any, is in favour of the rayat and I thinik they may be accepted as nearly correct. The increase in prices smee the period preceding the First Revision Settlement exceeds 100 per cent -Unless therefore there is any mducation that the exasting assessment was too high, the maximum increase will cause no hardiship

The fluctuations in prices owng to the conditions of the season are great. But the effect of the great rise in world prices is clearly marked in the last four or five years.

## Wages.

23. Local mquiry during 1922 gives annas 5 to annas 6 as the ordinary rate of field labour. According to the Mamlatdar the rate at Sangola is annas 7 to 8 . But this figure is wrong The labouring class in Sangola Taluka, are accustomed to go to Bombay, Khandesh and Sholapur in search of work during the slack season. It is certan that if they could earn annas 8 a day m their own villages they would not go abroad in search of work.

At the beginning of the lease the rate of wages was about annas 3. During harvest the rate is about double the ordinary rate.

The Sangola Taluka is largely a kharif taluka and has a reduced demand for labour after October The migration of large numbers of labourers is simply due to lack of demand

The supply of labour is sufficient for local needs. The rise in wages is not greater than the rise m prices. There is therefore no ground for the contention that the cost of labour is an undue burden on the cultivator.

Agriculturests and Non-Agriculturnsts.
24. The followng statement shows the area held by:-

| צear. |  | Agneultunsts. | Non-Agnoulturists. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Aares. | Acres. |
| 1916-17 | - | - 3,41,788 | 3,193 |
| 1917-18 |  | 8,41,801 | 3,168 |
| 1918-19 | - | 3,41,983 | 3,031 |
| 1919-20 |  | 3,48,117 | 2,908 |
| 1980-21 |  | 3,44,114 | 1,911 |

In this Taluka almost the whole area is held by genume cultivators such as Maratha, Kunbis and Dhangars. The Savkar and capitalst from outside is not attracted. Hence the area held by non-agriculturists is very small.

## Revenue History.

25 The total demand has remaned stationary throughout the lease In Appendux $K$ the remission due to the introduction of the revised settlement is wrongly shown Hence there is an apparent merease in demand from 1895-96 onwards The remission should have been shown as such

In 1906-07 there is a reduction in demand by about Rs 1,500 This is due to acquistion of land for the proposed extension of the railway from Pandharpur to Sangola

The outstandings have been large almost from the beginning Very large sums have been remitted owing to bad seasons, notably in 1901-02, 1905-06, 1907-08, 1908-09, 1910-11 and 1915-16

In 1916-17 and 1917-18 the arrears were all cleared off But owing to the bad season of 1918 suspensions were again necessary The history of suspensions and remissions which can be read from the figures of Appendix $K$ shows that the greatest leniency has been exercised Only in rare and isolated cases land has been forferted The suspension and remission rules now in force are based on humane and scientific principles None need fear that he will lose his land fo\& curcumstances over which he has no control

In ordinary years the land revenue is recovered without difficulty.
Appendix M shows the area of assessed waste to have been 1,238 acres in 1893-94 and 1,384 acres in 1920-21 The greater part of the assessed waste is inferior land which is unfit for cultivation. The small addition is accounted for by a few forfertures Practically speaking the taluka was cultivated up to the limit since the time of the Orignal Survey and no further extension is likely to occur

## Groupeng.

26 There are at present four groups, and one village Pachegaon Bk which, owing to transfer from Satara District, does not fall in its proper group Although the Original Settlement was made in three batches Mr Pitt found that the grouping was appropriate He adhered as closely as possible to the original grouping. All he ddd was to correct anomales in certain isolated villages and reduce the number of groups from 6 to 4

As regards markets, there is but one. Nearness to Pandharpur is the only advantage that need be considered This is not only a market but the nearest ralway station Neither the Hotgi-Gadag Line nor the Poona-Belgaum Line is near enough to compete with Pandharpur Nor is there any good road communication with these lines.

The present grouping gives an unnecessary advantage to Group II over Group I and to Group IV over Group III

The other main consideration in grouping is that of clumate and ramfall General report is that the North-West part of the taluka is slightly worse off than the rest The rainfall statistics of Katphal support this view

No figures of rainfall are avalable for any place in Group III or IV But as the average fall at Tasgaon and Vite (Khanapur) on the West and Sholapur, Indi and Biapur on the East exceeds that of Sangola I see no reason to accept Mr. Pitt's niew that the villages of Group IV "enjoy a slightly less favourable clmate than the other groups" I consider that Group IV is fully equal to Group III in all respects

The difference in the four groups is reduced to the small one of nearness to Pandharpur. I do not think there is any need for four groups The groups can conveniently be reduced to two

Group I will be made up of the existing Groups I and II
Group II will consist of the exasting Groups II and III together with the single village of Pachegaon Bk The present grouping of Pachegaon Bk is due to its transfer from Satara District

The statistios of sales and leases support the view that Group $I$ is in no way superior to Group II

As for Groups III and IV the sale value of land is higher in Group IV than in Group III The letting value is higher in Group III than in Group IV, but the difference is accidental If the large village of Kadlas were omitted from Group III, the remaining villages show a lower letting value than those of Group IV.

Alteration in groups causes rather heavy increases in the villages of the old -second and fourth groups. 'But I see no reason to perpetuate dufferences in rating which are not in themselves necessary or justufiable

## Maximum Rates

27 In proposing change in the maximum rates the deciding factor will be the course of prices A Settlement Officer would only reject this indicator if the evadence collected during local inquiry showed that the taluka was unduly burdened or that high prices were due to local famme conditions

I would invite consideration of the followns points -
(1) In 20 years the number of wells increased by 826 No doubt urrigation has increased in like manner though figures are not available for comparison. Well-building is a sign of prosperity.
(2) The Taluka has good communication by roads and cart tracks
(3) The princrpal market for the Taluka is Pandharpur Thus, has now become a busy railway station.
(4) Population has decreased durung the lease. The decrease is due to the unfortunate outbreaks of plague and influenza. It is entirely unconnected with any economic calamity. Even how part of the population is idle for half the year Fortunately the mhabitants of this tract have taken to work outside the District during the slack season.
(5) As the figures of live-stock and the revenue history show, the taluka has passed through some periods of severe depression, but rapid recovery has been made every time
(6) Large areas of unassessed waste and forest, as well as uncropped occupied lands afford grazing for vast numbers of sheep and goats
I consider that the present assessment is light and the full merease of 33 per cent can be mposed without hardship

I propose the following rates -


Owng to the reduction in the number of groups, the nocrease in the villages of the old groups II and IV amounts to 375 and 50 per cent. respectively. This merease is tar below the limit of 66 per cent. allowed in indindual villages, and will eause no hardship.

## Rates in adjouning Talukas.

28 The rate proposed for Pandharpur Taluka is Rs. 1-9-9. This fits in with the rates proposed for Sangola and farrly marks the difference in nearness to markets As compared wnth Malsuras (maximum rate Rs. 1-10-0) I consider that Sangola, will be lightly assessed. The rates in Satara District where it touches Sangola are far higher. The same remark applies to the Sangh State.

## Patasthal

29. The patasthal assessment in this taluka wàs abolished under orders contained in Government Resolution No 8523 dated 19th October 1905 and Government Resolution No. 6848 dated 1st August 1910 No proposals are therefore required in this matter

Ruce Land.
30. Ninety-tiwo acres of land are classed as nce land. The taluka is not suited to the growth of rice but in a few places nice is grown in land where ram water can bo umpounded by means of tals. Of the total area, 33 acres are classed as old rice assessed under a combined soll and water rate of Rs $6-0-0$ while the new rice land is assessed within the dry-crop maxmum rate. There is no reason to change the classafication now. Even the old rice rate gives an average assessment of only Rs 2-2-5. I propose that the assessment on rice land, old and new should take the same merease as dry-crop land.

## Inam village.

31. The only Inam village to be dealt with in this report is Andhalgaon. This village though situated in the midst of villages of Grorp II assessed at Re. 1-0-0, has since its original settlement in 1870 had a maximum rate of O4 7-3

Re. 1-2-0 The village has a population of 1,176. This is an merease over all previous censuses The village is in all respects prosperous enough to take an merease of 33 per cent without hardship But it has no advantage over the neighbourng Government villages I therefore propose a rate of Rs 1-6-0 for this vullage as in the case of the surrounding Government villages This gives an uncrease of 2222 per cent

The rate as finally sanctioned may be guaranteed for a period expiring in the same year as in Government villages

## Guarantee

32 In ordınary cases a guarantee for 30 years would be recommended. But here I propose a short lease Four of the seven talukas of the District fall due for revision in 1934-35 For Malsiras a 10-year settlement has been sanctioned and for Pandharpur a guarantee up to 1934-35 is proposed If Sangola is given a lease for a like period, there will be an opportunity of removing all mequalities at the next Settlement

In the case of Sangola a further reason for a short lease is that an extension of the Barsi Light Railway is to be made. I understand that work will begin next year The construction of this ralway will have an mportant influence on the taluka

I therefore recommend that the rates as finally sanctioned, be guaranteed up to 1934-35

I have the honour to be,
$\mathrm{Sir}_{3}$
Your most obedient servant,
J. H. GARRETTT,

Settlement Officer, Sholapur and Khandesh.

APPENDIX A
Raunfall recorded at Katphal, Budhual and Sangola, Distrct Sholapur

| Year | Parly rain (1at January to 10th $\Delta$ pril) |  | Ante mongoon, (11th April to 4 th June) |  | Mronsoon Kharik (5th June to 14th August) |  | Monsoon flaht 15th August to $\underset{\substack{21 s t \\ \text { ber) }}}{2 c t o-~}$ |  | Late ralns, (22nd October to 3ist Dac camber) |  | Total |  | Rembrks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Frall | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Rainy } \\ \text { days } \end{gathered}\right.$ | Fall | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Erannv } \\ & \text { dayy } \end{aligned}$ | Fall | $\left.\right\|_{\text {Ralny }} ^{\text {davk }}$ | Fall | $\begin{array}{\|l\|l\|l\|} \text { Rayy } \\ \text { days } \end{array}$ | Fall | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Rniny } \\ \text { days } \end{array}$ | Fall | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Rainy } \\ & \text { days } \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Kutphal | Inches | No | Inches | no | Inohas | No | Inchas | No | Inches | No | Inches | No |  |
| 1911 | 000 |  | 109 | 4 | 870 | 14 | 184 | 8 | Nu |  | 1168 | 28 |  |
| 1012 | 000 |  | a 80 | 7 | 182 | 11 | 081 | 14 | 172 | 3 | 1265 | 35 |  |
| 1018 | 000 |  | 488 | $\theta$ | 284 | 16 | 255 | 12 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1914 | 000 |  | 147 | 5, | 548 | 21 | 705 | 21 | 188 | 0 | 1508 | 53 |  |
| 1015 | 0 428 | 3 | 025 | ${ }^{4}$ | 1018 | 19 | 1498 | 19 | 197 | 4 | 2770 | 51 |  |
| 1010 * | 011 | 2 | 407 | $8{ }^{+}$ | 1488 | 21 | 1836 | 17 | 025 | 18 | 4068 | 01 |  |
| 1917 | 112 | 5 | 335 | 0 | 285 | 6 | 1881 | 26 | (189 | 5 | 2452 | 48 |  |
| 1018 | 041 | 2 | 845 | 4 | 045 | 8 | '708 | 11 | 140 | 2 | 1077 | 24 |  |
| 1019 | 100 | 1 | 277 | 4 | 315 | 0 | 1035 | 18 | 147 | 4 | 1875 | 86 |  |
| 1020 | 130 | 2 | 118 | 8 | 345 | 6 | , 893 | 14 |  |  | 1480 | 25 |  |
| 4091 , |  |  | 110 | 2 | 1176 | 15 | 810 | 10 | 205 | 8 | 2200 | 30 |  |
| Ludhtul |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1010 | 000 | 0 | 885 | 8 | 677 | 19 | 888 | 13 | 077 | 4 | 1875 | 85 |  |
| 1020 |  |  | 067 | 3 | 208 | 8 | 704 | 12 |  |  | 1009 | 28 |  |
| 1021 |  |  | 020 | 2 | 447 | 20 | 908 | 15 | 260 | 8 | 1725 | 40 |  |
| 1011 Sanpola | 000 | 0 | 061 | 2 | 1143 | 11 | 327 | 4 | 072 | 8 | 1803 | 10 | - |
| 1912 | 000 | 0 | 158 | 4 | 286 | 6 | 800 | 14 | 145 | 8 | 1482 | 28 |  |
| 1018 | 000 | 0 | 623 | 9 | 000 | 7 | 346 | 6 | 000 | 0 | 1560 | 22 |  |
| 1916 | 000 | 0 | 088 | 2 | 589 | 13 | 788 | 141 | 148 | 8 | 1580 | 32 |  |
| 1015 | 104 | 8 | 900 | 5 | 739 | 11 | 1575 | 29 | 180 | 8 | \$0 26 | 46 |  |
| 1016 | 000 | 0 | 350 | 6 | 1300 | 10 | 15 ts | 18 | 670 | 18 | 3909 | 55 |  |
| 1017 | 138 | 9 | 720 | 7 | 151 | 6 | 1261 | 24 | -88 | 8 | 2788 | 47 |  |
| 1018 , | 000 | 0 | 288 | 9 | 197 | 8 | 713 | 8 | 356 | 7 | 158 | 38 |  |
| 1010 | 051 | 1 | 925 | 5 | 006 | 11 | 11.68 | 13 | 110 | 8 | 2550 | 38 |  |
| 1080 | 000 | 9 | 125 | 4 | 3 34 | 7 | 761 | 10 | 000 | 0 | 13 16 | 28 |  |
| 1021 | 010 | 1 | 087 | 3 | 751 | 15 | 780 | 12 | 268 | 8 | 1840 | 38 |  |
| Avarage for Bangola | 080 | 1 | 257 | 5 | 6 46 | 10 | 040 | 18 | 5-21 | 4 | 2105 | 88 |  |

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of safficicnt molature They however falled owing to absence of further rain The rainfali was also insufflecht for rab
sowngs and large areas had to be zept fallow Influenza epldemic forther fimpeded the progress The tong hreak in October adversely affected the growth of wrops and though rains in November and D
outture was very poor-less than four annas Scason dtenetrous on the whole
1919-Rainfall of the year slightly below average at Pandharpur though zomewhat above it at Sangols Ante-monsoon ralu fatr at average and enabled kharif sowings belng completed July raln was deflent and august was almost dry at pandharpur and wholly so at Sangola and crope regan to wither owing to the protracted drought September raln was plentifol and hel ped the withering kharif crops and aowing of rabl oncs October and Nosember rains were defflent and more raln was required
for the standing rabl crops Mone was receli ed in December Kharif and rabl crops ylelded only fatr returns during the season 1920-Total annual rainfall far short of the average at Pendharpor and bllfhtlv above balf of it at Bangols Ante-monsoon period wai practicnlly dry. The monsoon conmenced about the middle of June and gave a tairly henvy rats at Pandharpur whare con charif sowinge were restricted to places of sufferient moistare The fall in Juiy betag ver meagre kharif sowings received
a firther check and the seedlings where germinated began to suffer The rainfail during the two subsequent months bing
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never carno with the resilt that the rabi crops totally failed except where they werc helped by irrigation Season on the whole
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 There was no rain in December A shower in the month would have proved very beneficial armed as fully normal

APPENDLX B.
Details of Cultwation and Crops in the Villages of the Sangola Taluka of the Sholapur.
Collectorate for five years from-1916-17 to 1920-21


APPENDIX C
Detarls of population according to occupation as per Census of 1911 for Sangola Taluka, District Sholapur

| Agricultural popugation |  |  |  | Non Agrioultural population <br> 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Having anterest in land |  | Labourera <br> 3 | Total <br> 4 |  |
| Tenants and sub sharers. 1 | Other land-holders. $2$ |  |  |  |
| 52,053 | 613 | 11,463 | 64,129 | 17,887 |

APPENDIX D
Agricultural Stock of the 71 Government villages in the Sangola Taluka for the years 1901, 1906, 1911, 1916 and 1921


APPENDIX E.
Shops, industrees, etc, in the villages of the Sangola Taluka, Dnstrict Sholapur.

| Hand Industriees |  |  |  |  |  |  | Mreohanical Power |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Liquor 8hops | On One | Cotton | Woolen | $\begin{gathered} \text { Bur } \\ \text { Looms } \end{gathered}$ | Gins. | Ging | $\left\lvert\, \begin{gathered} \text { Rice } \\ \text { Rushing } \\ \text { Machlne } \end{gathered}\right.$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Cotton } \\ & \text { Presses } \end{aligned}$ | Steam Pumpa Pumpa |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Groupp } \\ & \text { I } \\ & \text { II } \\ & \text { in } \\ & \text { Iv } \end{aligned}$ | 1 | 2 21 24 1 1 | 8 <br> 07 <br> 178 <br> 4 | 5 188 10 85 | , |  |  | - |  | - |  |  |
| Total | 1 | 48 | 284 | 172 |  |  |  |  |  |  | - |  |
| Ailionatod villages |  |  |  | 1 | , |  | , |  |  |  |  |  |

APPENDIX F.
[From V F 16]
Wells, Bhudkr, Tanks and other sources of water supply in the 71 Government villages of the Sangola Taluka, Dustrict Sholapur, for the year 1911-12


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Abstract of Appendıx $F$

| District <br> 1 | Detalls | Welle Bhudkde and the llike |  | Tauks |  | Other Sources |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Pakka <br> 3 | Kacha <br> 4 | Prkika 5 | Kacha 6 | Palka 7 | Kacha <br> 8 |
|  | For irrigation <br> For drlokdig supply of human beinga but not for irrigation <br> For cattle and weshing and cther pur poses, eto <br> In disuse <br> Tokal <br> Totals recorded at the previous settle menta | $\begin{array}{r} 614 \\ 328 \\ 8 \\ 898 \\ \mathbf{2 9 8} \\ \hline 185 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 8,268 \\ 67 \\ 62 \\ 89 \\ 3,411 \\ \hline 80 \end{array}$ | - | 1 | ' | 0 |

APPENDIX G
Selling Value of Dry-crop Lands in the Villages of the Sangola Taluka Drstruct Sholapur

| Serial No in Appen dux $L$ | Name of village. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Area of land } \\ & \text { sold. } \end{aligned}$ | Assossment. | Sale price. | Number of times the assessment represent ed by price. | Remarks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Govirnmisnt vitlages |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Group No I | A G | Ra a. P | Rs |  |  |
| 1 | Aohakdani | $63 \quad 27$ | 1200 | 57400 | 47.83 |  |
| 2 | rtki | $39 \quad 5$ | $420^{\circ}$ | 36500 | 9125 |  |
| 3 | Katphal | 8089 | $122^{2} 8$ | 4000 | ${ }^{33} 33$ |  |
| 7 | Cbuk Mahud | 16832 | 4588 | 5,600 00 | 12444 |  |
| 7 | Dhayti | 12415 | 29185 | 2,150 00 | 71 68 |  |
| 11 | Mahud Budruk | 2831 | 907 | 2,900 0 O | 32222 |  |
| 112 | Whakı parg Kasegaon | 36 13 | 1448 | 1,760 00 | 12571 |  |
| 12 | Shurbart | 17815 | 67.9 | 4,400 00 | 8470 |  |
| 13 | Sonalvadi | 279 28 28 19 | 4110 <br> 168 <br> 18 | $\begin{array}{llll}\mathbf{2}, 600 \\ \mathbf{1 , 3 0 0} & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 619 |  |
| 15 | Hal Dahivadi | 3781 | 1348 | ${ }_{889}{ }^{2} 80$ | 6915 |  |
|  | Total | 1,084 9 | 205148 | 22,94800 | 86.27 |  |
|  | Average per aore |  | 040 | 2191 | , |  |
|  | Group No II | $\bullet$ |  | L |  |  |
| 16 | Akole | $60 \quad 33$ | 30158 | 3,100 000 | 10000 |  |
| 17 | Ajnale | 11118 | 29142 | 285900 | $\begin{array}{r} 953 \\ 00 \end{array}$ |  |
| 18 | Anaidhal | $\begin{array}{ll}64 & 10 \\ 48 & 17\end{array}$ | 26140 | 2,400 540 540 |  |  |
| 20 | Khupsingi | 22383 | $653{ }^{3}$ | 4,102 0 O 0 | 6310 |  |
| 21 | Chunohale Lendve | 1437 | $\begin{array}{ccc}512 & \\ 9 & 8 & 8\end{array}$ | 20000 | 3383 |  |
| 22 | Chinke | 1234 |  | 80000 | 8888 |  |
| 23 | Devlo | 327 | 2580 | 2,945 00 | 1178 |  |
| 24 | Najhre | 80 | 20880 | 1.840 0 0 | 9200 |  |
| 26 | ${ }_{\text {Pachegaon Budak }}$ | $\begin{array}{ll}15 & 4 \\ 20 & 8\end{array}$ | 7148 | 1,474 2350 2 | 18425 |  |
| 27 | Mamdabad | 20 131 | 14133 | 2,350  <br> 4,474 0 | 156 89 80 96 |  |
| 28 | Manje | 2138 | 0134 | 300000 | 9000 |  |
| 29 | Mothavde | 14536 | 00100 | 7,80000 | 7800 |  |
| 30 | Mangevadi Yolmar | 15.38 | 749 | 85000 | 9285 |  |
| 313 | Rajapur | ${ }_{245}{ }^{\text {Nat }}$ |  |  |  |  |
| 32 38 | Ojhre | 246 86 88 | 828 | $\begin{array}{llll}\mathbf{5 , 9 7 0} & 0 & 0 \\ 3,375 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 1148 |  |
| 34 | Vatambre | 53. 8 | 1380 | 3,299 1,299 0 | 8881 89 |  |
| 35 | Vedegaon | 4323 | 85 ¢ | ${ }^{2} 8000$ | 10000 |  |
| 38 | Vasud | 11032 | 54.9 | -6,670 $0^{*} 0$ | 12127 |  |
| 37 | Shivne | 6021 | 3104848 | 17100 | 4275 |  |
| 38 39 | Shulevad! | 1080 |  | $2.973{ }^{15}$ | 7078 |  |
| 39 40 | Sangola | 75018 | $\begin{array}{r}197 \\ 30 \\ \hline 0\end{array}$ | 15,804 00 | 8022 |  |
| 40 | Save | 6230 |  | 2,400 0 | 8000 |  |
|  | Total | 2,497 15 | 859103 | 75,902 00 | 8828 |  |
|  | $\Delta$ verage per ecre |  | 050 | $30-64$ |  |  |
|  | Group No. III |  |  |  |  |  |
| 41 | Alegnon | $\begin{array}{ll}59 & 10 \\ 18 & 16\end{array}$ | 180 | 2,246 200 | 898 11688 |  |
| 43 | Ueanvads | $15 \quad 27$ | 8120 | 8240 | $\begin{array}{r}116 \\ 91 \\ \hline 15\end{array}$ |  |
| 4 | Kadias | 6316 | 20134 | 200000 | 9588 |  |
| 48 | Chopdr | 998 | 754 | 1,050 000 | 16000 |  |
| 47 | Javio | 11517 | $\begin{array}{ccc}63 & 11 & 2 \\ 3 & 8 & 0\end{array}$ | 6,700 00 | 12407 |  |
| 48 | Jujarpur | 3824 |  | 24000 | 6857 |  |
| 49 | Junoni | 67. | 900 | 1,349 0 of | 149.88 |  |
| ${ }_{51} 50$ | Dongargmon | 20111 | 34152 | 3,785 00 | 10757 |  |
| 51 81 | Thppehall | $8{ }^{8} 5$ | 80 | 30000 | 15000 |  |
| 85 | Nyampur | 13.9 | 300 | ${ }_{5}^{299} 000$ | 996 |  |
| 68 | Paohegman Khurd Bndlehal | $\begin{array}{rrr}12 & 38 \\ 88\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}5 & 8 & 0 \\ 1 & 10 & 8\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}650 & 0 & 0 \\ 200 & 0\end{array}$ | 10000 |  |
| 65 | Manegzon | 928 | 596 | 260 660 0 | 10000 13200 |  |
| 68 | Modeuga | 0034 | 141201120 | 2,900 0 | ${ }_{85} 89$ |  |
| 67 | Mangovadı Hatkar | 17 |  | -425 0 | 218. 5 |  |
| 58 | Rajort | 1739 | 42104 | 6,314 00 | 14684 |  |
| ${ }_{60}^{69}$ | Lonvie ${ }^{\text {Vaka Parg-Gherdi }}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}68 & 15 \\ 11 & 17\end{array}$ | 2988 +80 | 3,830 0 | 19766 |  |
| 60 | Vaka Parg-Gherdı | 1117 | ¢ 80 | 4000 | 8888 |  |


| APPENDIX G-concluded |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sersal <br> No in Appendix I | Name of village | Area of land sold | Assessment | Sale prace | $\left\|\begin{array}{l}\text { Number of } \\ \text { times the } \\ \text { aseessment } \\ \text { represent } \\ \text { ed by price }\end{array}\right\|$ | 蜀 |
| $\begin{aligned} & 61 \\ & 62 \\ & 83 \end{aligned}$ | Governmat vilfages-concluded Group No III-ooncluded | $\begin{array}{cc}G & A \\ 113 & 30 \\ 82 & 24 \\ 30 & 4\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc}\text { Rs a } & p \\ & & \\ 40 & 8 & 8 \\ 19 & 8 & 0 \\ 12 & 10 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{cccc}\text { Rs } & \text { a } & p \\ \mathbf{5} 180 & 0 & 0 \\ 1,000 & 0 & 0 \\ 1,560 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}115 \\ 52 \\ 11 \\ 123 \\ \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  |
|  | Total | 1,226 19 | 372711 | 41,966 00 | 11281 |  |
|  | Average per acre |  | 0410 | 3438 |  |  |
| , | Group No IF |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 64 \\ & 65 \\ & 66 \\ & 67 \\ & 68 \\ & 68 \\ & 70 \\ & 70 \end{aligned}$ | Gherdi <br> Dikead <br> Narale <br> Pare <br> Bhose <br> Radde <br> Vand Chinohale <br> Hangarge |  | $\begin{array}{rrr}22 & 8 & 0 \\ 9 & 4 & 0\end{array}$ | 2,850 1,000 | 12686 |  |
|  |  | 39 98 98 | $\begin{array}{llll}9 & 4 & 0 \\ 2 & 10 & 8\end{array}$ | 1,020 300 | 113 <br> 100 <br>  <br> 00 |  |
|  |  | ${ }^{8} 87$ | 0158 | 200 0 0 | 20000 |  |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{ll}290 \\ 238 \\ & 30 \\ 18\end{array}$ | 81136 | 6,750 2,420 0 | 82 89 89 14 |  |
|  |  | $\begin{array}{ll}236 & 18 \\ 151 & 18\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}35 & 0 & 0 \\ 35 & 9 & 7\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrrr}2,420 & 0 & 0 \\ 10,600 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}6914 \\ 294 \\ \hline 84\end{array}$ |  |
|  |  | 4315 | 780 | $\begin{array}{r}124 \\ \hline 10\end{array}$ | 7485 |  |
|  | Total | $870 \quad 23$ | 19555 | 24,884 0 | 12848 |  |
|  |  |  | 036 | 2865 |  |  |
|  | Total of Gronp I | 1,084 9 | 265149 | 22,948 0 |  |  |
|  | II | 2,497 15 | 859103 | 75,902 00 |  |  |
|  | III. | 1,226 19 | 372711 | 41,96680 |  |  |
|  | IV | $870 \quad 23$ | $105 \quad 5 \quad 5$ | 24,664 00 |  |  |
|  | Taluke Total | $5,658 \quad 28$ | $1,693 \quad 6 \quad 4$ | 165,480 00 | 9774 |  |
|  | Average per aore |  | 048 | 29310 |  |  |

APPENDIX $G^{(1)}$
Sellmg Value of Bagant Lands in the Vollages of the Sangola Taluka


APPENDIX H
Leases of Dry crop Lands in the Villages of the Sangola Taluka

| Sernal <br> No m Appen- dix $L$. | Name of Vllage | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Area of land } \\ \text { leased } \end{array}$ | Absosgment | Rents $\mid$ | Number of times the Assessment repremented by rent | Indices |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Govrbmumat Vielaois Group No I | A g | Rs a P | Re a. p |  | Rs a p |
|  | Achakdans | $77 \quad 13$ | 18138 | 550 | 305 | 1115 |
|  | Khevaepur | 67.2 | 1700 | 28.00 | 165 | 01410 |
|  | Chuk Mahud | 11812 | $\begin{array}{lll}27 & 5 & 0\end{array}$ | 134120 |  | 2130 |
|  |  | 37 <br> 63 <br> 63 | $\begin{array}{llll}10 & 3 & 4 \\ 6 & 12 & 0\end{array}$ | 45 48 38 | $\begin{array}{ll}4 & 5 \\ 5 & 43\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}2 & 8 & 6 \\ 3 & 0 & 10\end{array}$ |
|  | Mahud Budruz | 6331 | ${ }^{612} 120$ | $\begin{array}{llll}38 & 0 & 0 \\ 86 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 543 | $3{ }^{3} 1010$ |
|  | Shurbavt | $130{ }^{8}$ | 47100 | ${ }^{66} 00$ | 138 | 0 12 8 <br> 1 15  |
|  | Sonalvad | $\begin{array}{rr}101 & 32 \\ 18 & 4\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{lll}10 & 8 & 0 \\ 10 & 0 & 3\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}35 & 0 & 0 \\ 45 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 35 4 4 | 1 15 <br>  8 <br>  8 |
|  | Hal Dahuved | $235 \quad 36$ | $\begin{array}{llll}72 & 5 & 4\end{array}$ | 238184 | 332 | 11310 |
|  | Total | 8309 | 22097 | 6859 | 310 | 11110 |
|  | Average per acme |  | 041 | 01210 |  |  |
| Group No 11 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Akole | 1474 | 80134 | 34300 | 424 | $2111{ }^{\prime}$ |
|  | Aynale | 22236 | 4958 | 13000 | 285 | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 5 & 2\end{array}$ |
|  | Anakdhal Kamlapur | $\begin{array}{rrr}72 & 29 \\ 31 & 4\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrr}22 & 2 & 6 \\ 3 & 4 & 0\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrrr}58 & 0 & 0 \\ 5 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 264 1686 | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 5 & 2 \\ 0 & 13 & 3\end{array}$ |
|  | Chunchale |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Lendve | $53 \quad 6$ | $\begin{array}{lll}16 & 8 & 0\end{array}$ | 3700 | 231 | 126 |
|  | Devle | 2195 | 17740 | 76400 | 481 | $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 2 & 6 \\ 2\end{array}$ |
|  | Najhre | 1930 | 14134 | 6500 | 433 | 228 |
|  | Mamdabad | $25 \quad 26$ | 17108 | 640 | 355 | 1125 |
|  | Manjrı | 73 <br> 69 <br> 69 <br> 11 | 45 <br> 44 <br> 4 <br> 10 | 178 106 80 | 305 240 | 115 13 1 |
|  | Lakshmı | 457 | $\begin{array}{lll}18 & 0 & 8\end{array}$ | 75 7 | 418 | $\begin{array}{llll}2 & 1 & 3\end{array}$ |
|  | Dahuvadi Ofhre |  | 1800 | 1300 | 722 | 398 |
|  | Vatambre | 11510 | 79148 | 23700 | 296 | 178 |
|  | Vadegaon | 29821 | 137120 | 350 | 253 | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 4 & 3 \\ 2 & 3\end{array}$ |
|  | Vasud | $\begin{array}{ll}26 & 37\end{array}$ | 18120 | 850 | 447 | 239 |
|  | Shanne | $\begin{array}{ll}190 & 28 \\ 509 & 32\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}4710 \\ +2350 \\ \hline 80\end{array}$ | 125 837 88 8 | 260 385 350 | 1 1 1 12 2 |
|  | Save | 4637 | 4080 | 20200 | 505 | 285 |
|  | Total | 2,203 23 | 1,067 010 | 3,792 00 | 355 | 1125 |
|  | Average par mere | - | * 078 | 1116 |  |  |
| Group No III |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Alegaon |  | 11548 | 574140 | 5 | 230 |
|  | Yedray | 24132 | 57 88 | 253 [rer | 444 | 1161 |
|  | Kadlas | 29127 | 182108 | 2,545 00 | 1390 | ${ }_{1} 183$ |
|  | Chopdr | $\begin{array}{r}116 \\ 49 \\ \hline 9\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}22 & 11 \\ 11 & 3 \\ 4\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{llll}75 & 4 & 0 \\ 80 & 0 & 0\end{array}$ | 328 <br> 782 | $\begin{array}{lll}1 & 6 & 10 \\ 3 & 211\end{array}$ |
|  | Javie | 1525 | 7914 | 32500 | 411 | 1129 |
|  | Jujarpur | 1729 | 400 | 200 |  | 230 |
|  | Junonı | 6432 | 16120 | 7700 | 452 | 1157 |
|  | Budhehel | 4216 | 1300 | 3500 | 269 | 1210 |
|  | Manegson | $\begin{array}{rr}90 & 20 \\ 227 & 19\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{rrrr}19 & 5 & 4 \\ 114 & 5 & 0\end{array}$ | 40 343 | 210 300 | $\begin{array}{llll}1 & 1410 \\ 1 & 5 & 0\end{array}$ |
|  | Mangewadr |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Hajimar | 5112 | 1500 | ${ }^{60} 00$ | 40 | 1120 |
|  | Vonvire | $168 \quad 19$ |  | $\begin{array}{rl}178 & 0 \\ 178\end{array}$ | 307 | 156 |
|  | Vakn Gherds | 186 | 47100 | 23880 | 496 | 228 |
|  | Sonand | 540 | 26234 | 1,2510 | 477 | $\begin{array}{lll}2 & 1 & 5\end{array}$ |
|  | Hatad | 12616 | 3413 | 720 | 214 |  |
|  | Total | 2,586 $\quad 37$ | 1,064 50 | 8,180 $10 \quad 4$ | 585 | 2811 |
|  | Awerage per arowe |  | 06 | 262 |  |  |

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APPENDIX H-contrnued.


APPENDIX $H^{(1)}$
Leases of Bagaut Lands in the Dillages of the Sangola Taluka


## APPENDIX I

Prces prevalent in the Sangola Taluka from 1888-1889 to 1921.
(as plotted in the accompanying Diagram)


APPENDIX K
Collection of Assessment on Government land on the villages of the Taluka of Sangola, dustruct
Sholapur



Note -Dearease in demand from 19061907 is due to abolition of patasthal assessment. Inoresse in demand from 1915-1916 is due to malusion of Locel Fund Cess.
, Summary for Dry-Crop Rates


Effect of Reviswon Settlement Proposal




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APPENDIX M
Showing village, population and area of unoccupied assessed cultwable Government Land in Sangola Taluka, Sholapur Distruct



## APPENDIX N.

The correspondence regarding the Ist Revision Settlement of the Sangola Talukz has been printed in the form of Selection No CCLXVIII.

The correspondence regarding the Revision Settlement of the village Pachegann Budruk has been printed in Selection No CCLIX except Government Resolution, 4499 of 2ind May 1894 which is printed below.

The correspondence regarding Andhalgaon Inam village in Sangola Taluka is printed below -

Revenue Survey and Assersment Satara.
No. 4499.
Reyevug Departiment.
Bombay, 22nd May 1894.
Letter from the Survey Commissioner and Director of Land Records and Agriculture, No. S-2810, dated 1st December 1893-Soliciting, with reference to the correspondence endmg with Government Pesolution No. 6905, dated 7th October 1891, the orders of Government as to the rate which should be finally adopted for the village of Pachegaon, taluka Khanapur, dustnct Satara, and adds as follows.-
" 2 The rate provisionally sanctioned for the village is Re. 1-4-0. This rate increased the revenue of the village by 68 per cent.

Gorernment Resolution No 4004, dated 12th June 1891, paragraph 3. (exclusive of the water cess on patasthal lands), but, in consequence of the adjustment made in the patastbal assessment and finally sanctioned by Government, thus increase has, the Sopermtendent reports, been reduced to 605 per cent, and as this is well within the limit prescribed tor indicidual villages, the Superintendent recommends, that the rate provisionally sanctioned should be confirmed.
Government
Nosolntion
No.
No. 659, dated 24th January
1893.
" 3. It appears from the correspondence on the subject, however, that the rate proposed for this village was not objerted to so much on the ground that it produced a high percentage mcrease as on the ground that the increase in the rate itself was disproportionately great as compared with the rate adopted for

| Croup | Orgimal Surrey rate | Revimon Sarvey rate. | Increase. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ${ }^{\text {IV }} \text { (Village }$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{array}{ccc} \text { Rs. } & \text { an } & P \\ 1 & 6 & 0 \\ 0 & 10 & 0 \end{array}\right.$ | $\begin{array}{rcc} \text { Rs. } & 2 & \mathbf{p} \\ 1 & 12 & 0 \\ 1 & 4 & 0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{ccc} R s & \frac{2}{6} & 0 \\ 0 & 10 & 0 \end{array}$ | the villages of the next higher group (Group IV). With reference to this point the Supermtendent states that. although the rillage of Pachegaon assumilates in physical charactensics to the villages of the 4th Group of viliages of the Fhanapur Taluka rated at Rs. 1-12-0 jet, taking unto consideration the great pressure of assessment that would result were it assessed at the 4 th Group mannmum rate it was made into a separate group or class and rated at Re. 1-4-0 I do not thonk that the explanataon given by the Superntendent sufficiently justifies the sudden and disproportionate merease made in the maximum rate of the rillage, and further considering that the vallages of the Sangola Taluka (old Pandharpur) to the East with which the village of Pachegaon was ongmally settled under a mexamum rate of As. 10 have been rated at As 14 m the revision settlement lately introduced. I am of opmon that the village of Pachegaon should be

Gorermment Resoluton rated at Re. 1. Cnder this rate, the increase will be


Memorandum from the Commissioner, C D, No. R.-1186 dated 12 th April 1894 Submitting, with reterence to Government memorandum No 9100, dated 12th December 1893, a letter No 2720, dated 3rd April 1894, from the Collector of Satara who states as follows:-
" $\Sigma$. Considering that the villages of the Sangola Taluka (old Pandharpur) to the East with which the vilhage of Parkegaon was ongmally settled under a maxumum rate of As. 10 have been rated at As 14 in the Revision Survev Settlement lately introduced, Mr. Ozanne's opimion that the village in question should be rated at Re. 1 is, I think, fair sird just and should be gdopted. The

Commiesioner, C. D., concurring with the Survey Commissioner and Drrector of Land Records and Agriculture, and the Collector in considering that the village in question should be rated at one rupee."

Resolution.-The recommendation made by the Survey Commissioner and ${ }^{-}$ Director of Land Records and Agnculture, wheh 1 s concurred in by the Collector of Satara and the Commissioner, C.D., is approved and sanctioned.
(Signed).
Under Secretary to Government.

No. 819 of 1893.
From
A. P. YOUNG, Esquire, F.G.S., F.L.S., Ag. Superintendent, Deccan Revenue Survey;

## To

THE SURVEY COMMISSIONER AND
DIRECTOR OF LAND RECORDS AND AGRICULTURE,
Deccan Survey Superintendent's Office. Poona, 17th June 1893.
Sir,
In continuation of the Revision Settlement Report No. 1491 dated 14th: October 1892 on the Government villages of the Sangola
 Taluka- the rates for which have now been sanctioned by Government, I have the honour to solicit your sanction for the introduction of a revised rate of assessment into the mam village of Andhalgaon belonging to the Taluka in question.
2. This Inam village formerly belonged to the Pandharpur Taluka but was transferred to that of Sangola and its original settlement was introduced in. 1870-71. Its situation in the Taluka will be seen on a reference to the map which. accompaned the report above referred to It hes on the East border of the Taluka, some 10 mules, distant from Sangola and the road from Sangola to Mangalvedha passes through its centre
3. The followng statement contrasts the area obtained at Revision Survey with the first Survey under heads of cultivation .-


There is a trifling decrease in the total area, between that recorded at onginal survey and at Revision Survey. The mcrease otherwise under the head of garden land fully accounts for the decrease under the other heads. With the exeeption of 17 acres Patasthal, thę cultivation of garden lands is carried on by water obtained from wells.
4. Andhalgana has an area of 6,130 acres or 96 square mules and

Appoadoon A B.C. from the appendices marginally noted, it will be seen that it now possesses a population of 898 against 539 as recorded at the first survey which gives an merease of 359 , or 66.6 per cent. There were no carts formerly and at present there are 19. Under the head of cows, Buffaloes and thear young there is an merease of 41.9 per cent. and in sheep and gosts of 84.3
on $7 \rightarrow$ -
per cent Wells and Budkhis have nncreased by 375 per cent and Agncultural cattle by 428 per cent. Which gives a proportion of one pair to 32 acres of cultivated land.

5 The Revenue History shows that during the 10 years previous to the Survey Settlement the average cultivation was 3,912 acres and with permanent Revenue History, Appondux $D$ remissions of Rs 1,929 annually given, the collections in 1870-71 the occupied area was 4,761 acres, and deducting the difference of assessment during the first year of settlement the collection was Rs. 752. The following year with a remission of Rs. 524 the collections rose to Rs 1,416 Since then, and until 1890-91 cultivation and collections remained farly steady without any remissions During the year of settlement the waste area (was 138 acres and entirely disappears during the last 3 years Column 17 shows outstanding balances at the close of 4 years, of which however, the full amount in 1876-77 and 1878-79 and half in 1877-78 was finally remitted
6. The village is situated among Government villages of the second group with a maximum of Re 1 But the maxamum rate adopted at the originally Survey Settlement of this village was Re 1-2-0 The main facts of the Revenue History already quoted furnish sufficient proof of the growing prosperity under the old *Survoy and Settlement Com- lease, and in accordance with precedent* it is now proposed misanoner ${ }^{\text {No }}$ o 256 , dated 2 nd to adopt the original rate of Re. 1-2-0 for the Revision February 1888 Settlement The Patasthal maxamum rate for the Taluka, Rs 8 is also adopted for Andhalgaon As mentioned in the Settlement Report on the Taluka the Sangola District is altogether unsuited for rice cultivation ; hence it is not remarkable that the small area of rice ( 32 acres) recorded at the first settlement has sunce then been converted into dry-crop.
7. The estimated result of the rate now proposed is given below contrasted with the present revenue:-

| Clnse | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Maximum } \\ & \text { dry crop } \\ & \text { rate } \end{aligned}$ | $\left\lvert\, \begin{aligned} & \text { Number } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { villages. } \end{aligned}\right.$ | By former Survey |  | By Heption Survey |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Government cocupied land. |  | Goverament occupted land |  | Government moccupled land. |  | Total |  |  |
|  |  |  | Acrea | Ascesst | Acres | Asbege ment | Acres | $\underset{\text { Asseass }}{ }$ | Acres | Atsengment. |  |
| 1 | 120 | 1 | 4,736 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { R8. } \\ & 1913 \end{aligned}$ | 4,754 | 78 2000 |  | - Ra. | 4,754 | R8. | 45 |

8. The usual statement (Appendix E.) giving detals of the proposed settlement with the present state is annexed.
9. The results of the orignal settlement are contrasted below with the proposed revised rate under every head :-

10. The average rate per acre of Khalsa occupied land was As. 6-5 and will now be As. 6-9.

I have, etc.,
A. P. YOUNG,

Acting Superintendent, Deccan Revision Sürvey.


Reply of the Survey Commissioner and Dhrector of Land Records and Agriculture to letter No 819, dated 17th June 1893 from the Superntendent, Deccan Survey
The proposals made by the Acting Superintendent as regards the revision rates of the Inam village of Andhalgaon are fully approved and hereby sanctroned

2 The only question for comment is the proposal to rate the village at Re. 1-2-0, though it is situated in the centre of Government villages rated at Re. 1: For the reasons ststed By Mr Young that the onginal rate was Re 1-2-0, that there is a precedent forthe proposed higher rating, and that there is no reason why that precedent should not be followed, m view of the good progress made under the expiring lease, the Survey Commissioner and Director of Land Records and Agriculture concurs that it would not be reasonable to lower the maximum rate.
3. The small enhancement of 45 per cent is due to the apphcation of a charge for new land brought under irrigation by the utilization of the water of flowing streams. Other causes of increase appear to be msignficant.

The rates now sanctioned are to he guaranteed so as to expre at the same time -as those of the Government villages of the Sangola Taluka.

E C. OZANNE,<br>Survey Commissioner.

Below No. 423-A, dated 25th/28th August 1922, from the Settlement Officer, Sholapur.
No. S R V-11.
Sholapur, 30th October 1922.
Forwarded.with compluments to the Settlement Commissioner and Director of Land Records, Poona.

2 Mr Garrett's report is clear and concise and I have very little criticism to offer on it
3. The value of the land has increased very much over that reported in the year 1892 The figures communcated in statements $G$ and $G-1$ are very interesting and show a substantial increase over those reported in 3 892. The average sale price is 9794 multiples of the assessment. The rental value also averages 455 tumes the assessment, which is hgher than that in Malsuras Taluka. The prires of grain have risen enormously (more than 100 per cent) since 1918, and thas has largely caused the rise in the valuation of land. The area under waste land in the Taluka is scanty, $\imath e, 1,546$ acres The fallow shown in appendix B consists partly of some forest area which is reserved for being granted to Military Soldiers and partly of cultivated land kept unsown by rotation
4. The Census of 1921 showed a decrease of 4,276 as compared with that of 1911, whoch is not important. It is mainly due no doubt to the influenza epidemic of 1918, and, as pointed out by the Settlement Officer, the people in this Taluka are now in the habit of going to Poona and Bombay to earn money when the harvesting season is over and hence many are absent àt the time of census. The census of cattle shows a general decrease but there bas been a great recovery since 1906 The number of carts bas been nocreased Thio increase shows that they are kept for'traffic to Pandharpur, Miraj and other big market towns in the vicinity.

5 The proposals of Settlement Officer in grouping the Taluka seem to be reasonable and the undersigned does not think it neoessary to change them The proposal of two groups instead of the former 4 groups is besed on sornd arguments and may well be accepted The proposed rates (Rs 1-6-0 and Rs 1-2-0) seem fair, considering the general prosperity of the Taluka, but tbese are still decidedly lower than those in Pandharpur and Malsiras Talukas. Netther the Settlement Officer nor the Collector can propose higher rates than 33 p c. (vrde Note G-1 on page 369 of the Land Revenue Code, new edition, by R. B Jogalekar) Mr Garrett has given his reasons fully for the rates proposed which seem to be reasonable. There is no doubt that he has studied the case very carefully, and I think the maximum increases as proposed by him can very safely be levied.
6. I must point out that the new rates will still be 4 annas and 8 annas less than those just lately sanctioned for Malsiras Taluka viz, Rs 1-10-0 In new of this there is really no need tor any argument as to whether the Sangola rates are too high. Sangola Taluka is without question distinctly better and more prosperous than Malsiras Taluka though inferior to Pandharpur Taluka. This is obvious to the most casual observer Sangola will therefore now be farrly assessed as compared with Pandharpur, though both will have an undue advantage as compared with Mslsiras
7. The Collector is also strongly in favour of the Settlement being guaranteed only up to 1934-35 the year when the Settlement of the four Talukas ot Sholapur Sub-Division expires. It is very umportant that the whole District should be resettled then at one tume. This has already been pointed out in forwarding the Pandharpur pioposals

## C H BLATHWAYT,

 Collector.Below Sholapur Collewtor's No. S R V.-11 dated 28th/3Oth October 1922.
No. S T. $\mathbf{3 1 0}$.
Poona, 22nd November 1922.
Forwarded with compliments to the Commissioner, C D.

- 2 Mr Garrett proposes to form 2 groups, consisting of old groups I and II and old groups III and IV respectively, with a diffenence of annas 4 an the maximum rates, wra, Rs 1-6-0 and Rs 1-2-0. New group I is roughly the northern half of the taluka mad new group II the southern half.

3. In my opimion a anform maximum rate for the whole taluka would be fair Pandharpar ss admittedly the only market that need be considered in the matter of grouping, and the Settlement Officer points out in paragraph 9 that the greaber part of the taluka as within a day's journey of Pandharpur One of the two metalled roods and one of the three superior cart tracks, giving access to Pandharpur, peess through the most distant parts of the taluka, (in the south), and, besides, practically every village is easily accessible In these circumstances, some miles more or less from Pandharpur can make very little dufference As regards climate, only a portion in the north-west (included in new group I) is inferior to the rest If the statistics of sales and leases are exammed and the necessary sumple calculations made, it will be found that they corroborate the idea of only one group in the most striking fashion. (The lease atatistics for Kadlas which are too exceptional, should be elhmunated from group III before the calculations are made)

4 A unform maximum rate would, therefore, in my opinion produce a farrer incidence of assessment throughout the taluka than Mr Garrett's rates of Rs. 1-6-0 and Rs. 1-2-0 It would result in the assessments of the villages in old group IV being increased by about 66 per cent , but this is allowable. Nevertheless, I think that Mr. Garrett's proposal of 2 groups with a 10 years' settlement is the best solution of the matter Even under his rate of Rs 1-2-0 the assessment in old group IV is raused by 50 per cent. which may be accepted as enough for the present. At the end of ten years any levelling up that is then found desirable withon the taluka can be carmed out, and the intervention of the ten years will very usefully mitigate the sharpness of the total morease.
5. As for Pandharpur, I support the proposal of a ten years' settlement and for the same reasons, which I need not repeat This taluka also will be underassessed as compared with Malsiras And of course the projected extension of the Barsu Lught Railway furnishes an additional argument for a short settlement for Sangola
6. I may point out how the 33 per cent. group and taluks limit does not prevent the assessment in old group IV being increased by 50 per cent, whle it limits the incresse in old group III to 28 per cent. though it could easily bear, and, ought to bear, at least 33 per cent.

7 Appendix H-1 contaning statistics of leases of bagait land, shows the rery high rates of profit yrelded by such land. No wonder the number of wells has considerably increased.
8. The report is adequate, able and concise ; and I do not think it necessary to make further remarks. I agree with the proposals I have not discussed

## A. MACKIE,

Acting Settlement Commissioner and Director of Land Records.

Below No S T-310, dated 22nd November 1922, from the Settlement Commissioner and Director of Land Records

No $\frac{\mathrm{L} \mathrm{N.D}}{\mathrm{~S} .}-2 / 3$.
Camp Sholapur, 17th January 1923

## Submitted to Government in the Revenue Department

2. The Commisssoner supports the Settlement Officer's proposals to form two groups and to fix ther maximum rates at Rs 1-6-0 and Rs 1-2-0. As regards the period he recommends that the rates should be guaranteed for 30 years, subject to the condition that if and when a ralway is constructed on or about the line of the rallway already proposed the rates will be subject to revision even though the period of 30 years has not expired ( $C f$ the orders on the Sheogaon Settlement Report Government Resolution, Revenue Department, No. 6411, dated 29th January 1916).

(Slgned) G W HATCH,<br>Commissioner, C D

Revsron Settlement.
Second - of Sangola Taluka, Sholapur District

## GOVERNMENT of BOMBAY.

## Revenue Department.

Resolution No 7170
Bombay Castle, 26th July 1923
Memorandum from the Commissioner, Central Division, No. L ND S $-2 / 3$ dated 17th January 1923-Submitting, whth his remarks, the papers specified below* contaunung proposals for the second revision settlement of the Sangola Taluka of the Sholapur District, together with the petitions of objections relating therato.
*Letter from Mr J H Garrett, I C S, Settlement Officer, Sholepar and Khandesh, No 423-A dated 28th Augast 1922 to the Collector of Sholapur

Memorandum from the Collector of Sholepur No S R.V 11 dated 30th Ootober 1922 to the Settlement Commusioner and Dureotor of Land Recorde.

Memorandum from the Settlement Commisanoner and Dareotor of Land Records No $\mathbb{S} 310$ dated 22nd November 1922 to the Commussioner, CD *

Government memorandum No. 7170-B dated Ist June 1923 to the Commissioner, Central Dinision

Government endorsement No 7170-B dated 1st June 1923 to the Settlement Commssioner and Director of Land Records

Jomitletter from the Commissioner, Central Division, and the Settlement Commissioner and Director of Land Records No L N D S - $2 / 3$ dated 2nd July 1923

Risolution -Government have given careful consideration to the Settlement Officer's proposals for the second revision settlement of the Sangola Taluka of the Sholapur District. They accept his proposals for the regroupmg of the 71 Government villages into two instead of four groups in order to secure greater homogenerty and equality of treatment They also approve of his proposals to fix the maximum rate of Re 1-6-0 for the first group and of Re 1-2-0 for the second group. Before coming to this decision Government have made a close examuation of the sale and rental values of land throughout the taluka and of the rise and fall of prices of agricultural products. It has been brought to the notice of Government that since the year 1919 land values, as evidenced by statistics of sales and rents, have risen to an abnormal level There is as yet no sign that they will fall again to the level of the previous years, but Government prefer enturely to discard the later figures, and to base the revised rates of assessment for the new settlement period on the statistics for the years preceding the abnormal rise They have therefore taken the figures for the four years antecedent to 1920 and ascertained from a close scrutiny of those figures that land was sold during that period for prices representing no less than 79 multiples of the existing assessment, while during the same period rentals have equalled four times the actual assessment rates. Taking these facts into consideration in conjunction with the rise in prices of agricultural products between the average of the last decade of the previous settlement period and the sexennium 1912-1917, amounting to 68 per cent in the case of jowan, 70 per cent. in the case of bajri and 123 per cent in the case of wheat, Government are satisfied that, even if in succeeding years prices should return to the level of that sexennium, a much higher increase in the rates of assessment would be justuied without taking an undue share of the produce of the land. They prefer however to adhere to the longstanding practice of limiting the percentage of enhancement at a revision settlement to 33 and therefore sanction that percentage of increase only.

2 Government are also pleased to approve the Settlement Officer's proposals that the assessment on rice land, old and new, should take the same ucrease as dry-crop land and that the maximum rate for the mam village of Andhalgaon should be fixed at $\operatorname{Re}$ 1-6-0

3 The new rates should be announced in the present revenue year and brought into force with effect from the ensuing revenue jear with a guarantee of 30 years.
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4 The petitions of objections disclose no grounds for modifying the orders now passed

5 Mr Garrett is thanked for has lucid and concise report
By order of the Governor in Council,

## A $R$ DALAL,

Deputy Secretary to Government

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    The Commussioner, C D, The Accountant General,
    The Collector of Sholapur (wrth the The Public Works Department,
        petitions of objections),
        The Finance Department,
    The Settlement Commssioner and J H Garrett, Esquire, IC S
        Director of Land Records, The Government of Inda (by letter),
        The Durector of Agriculture,
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[^1]:    Through the Commissoner, C D.

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[^4]:    *With reference to hul letter No 422, dated 19th Deceraber 1857 and memprandum No 19, dated 9th January 1858

[^5]:    - I have no return of Pendharpur pricea in 1857-58, but from 39 to 40 soars as shown to be the price in Indapar at the tume
    $t$ Assereed at Rs 181, being land which with let on annual lease before the eottlement.

[^6]:    IT These rates were meroduced by the Government Revenue survey, and, so far as I have been a ble to leain, are paid by the caltivators without diffenlty In the Modinmb Taluka (Mráj State), settled so long agn as 10 1867, the one maximum rate 18 Re. 1-8-0 In Mangalveda Talaka (Sangh State), settled tn 1868-69, the maximum rates are Rea 1-14-0, Re 1-10-0, he 1-6-0 Re. 1-2-0 and $\mathrm{Re}_{\mathrm{e}} 014$ 14-0 In the Jath State, settled in 1879 the maximam rates are Re. 1-0-0, Re 0-14-0 and Re 0-120 In the Atpadi Taluka (Aund State), settled un 1882, they are Be. 18-0, Re 1-40, and Ro 1-1-0.

[^7]:    - Noben-These figures dn not ahow the andoubtedly large aree of arrygated jowin and bijri, and unclude the area impated by the Ashta and Mhiswid canals, which, mowerer, in not very large Parther, they do not indionte the ared of twice cropped lase.

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[^9]:    - The famine year 183283 ns an exception.

[^10]:    *The Cotion Compersuoner givee Ras 17 pur mannd as the faur market rate, whech would make the total mise

[^11]:    - These vilageg, which were pat under a hi 120 maxinumat first, wers reduced to 1 rupeo manauan, me paragraph 8 of Govarumenti Bualution Mo. 1031 of 21 et Februbry 187 á
    $\dagger$ Collectansimere alout the samesm ount in the following jear also.

[^12]:    - Decoan Survey Supernat ondent's No 1704, dated 28th Norember, 1891.

[^13]:    I would not, however, recommend that these rates be apphed to all the villages subject to

[^14]:    - These are to be settled, but thear rates are not sbown in the Beport.

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[^16]:    - Estimeter

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     to be's anges and 11 pies, but thia is beliovod to bo an arerage of the averagen of the difforent elacera vider ditierent maxitum, and thas is moch in excese of Coptana Wingate's average, tho former chesuhentica beare aredited with Captan' Wugate's personal saperviacm.

[^17]:    Memorandum from the Commissoner, C. D, No. B.-285, dated 19th Janaary 1892-

    Submitting the papers noted in the
    Lretter from the Superntendent, Deccan Revence Survey, No. 1457, dated 22nd Octoberinten

    Letter from the Collector of Sholspar, No. 8867, dated end December 1891

    Letter from the Survey and Settlement Commisanoner, No. 2, dated 2nd January 1892, margm, containing proposals for the introduction of revision survey settlement mito 16 Government villages of the Karmála Táluka of the Sholapur Collectorate.

[^18]:    - For the aoouracy of this atem, moeer, we have an additional seeurity in a superstinous fealking very prevalent among the onitivating cinasea, Shorty atter these districts came into our poeseasion, nome statistical enquiriea were institutod, with the viow, I suppose, of obtaming more cornet ndews of their resources, but they were looked apon wheh much distinat by the cultivacors who kmayned that ia prosecuting them Gorernment whe merely seeling cat protert for additioual tanation. They mecordingly slmost universaliy gave fulse sccounts of therr etock, stating it at ebout ono-half or a third of ita actual amonit. In the progress of tume, bowever, and by tho operation of an oppresaive asessments the stock of most of theun has been reduced so as to correapond but too closely whth whet they had stated at ta be on tho occasion just alluded to, and this thoy very gemerally rogard as a pomishment for their decent Thus imprestion is Yory strongs, and thereavo f
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[^19]:    - There are ahont 4,000 acres of Bagayet land in the talaka, which, at the low estimate of 2 ballocks to $\mathbf{3}$ screa would oecapy 2,600 oattle in its caltuvation, and at least 400 more mast be engaged in carrying burdene, workng of year benng 18,600 acres.
    $\dagger$ P'L Collector, Ceded Districtas Letter to Aessisanto

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     chati of Great Britau at $\mathrm{g}_{2}$ Ibe and mantrout that Necker had empmated that of the provieees of Pronca whach had
    
    

[^21]:    *Imperal Census of 1901. $\quad$ Imperial Census of $1872 \quad \ddagger$ Sottlement Report figures

[^22]:    - Note--These are the Imperial Census figures of 1872. Colosel Waddington gave the population of the talake as 185,710 and of Shalapar City as 81,000 anly, but the source of his informaton is not stated.

[^23]:    Nors,-The prevelence of plagne accounts for the bagh proportion of deathe to birtha,

[^24]:    51. That the re-measurement of the district was equally as necessary as the re-classification will be apparent from the followng unstances taken promuscuously from the survey records :-
[^25]:    Large seer measurng one－minth more than Indápur．

[^26]:    ＊Whilst at Narkhed the Patel of Baura，a Nazm＇s village adjoining，was rettling his jawabandi in the town chann with our own karkuns，he took that day 400 rupees from the Narkhed kunbie cultivating in hin vilage fthie is by no meays a rare ocourrencel．How mach more he carned eff I conld not discover，but he boented of 800 ropeet． The Narkhed rate is very heavy， 15 suman par acre．

