

**REPORT**  
ON THE  
**SEA-BORNE TRADE**  
AND  
**CUSTOMS ADMINISTRATION**

OF THE  
**BOMBAY PRESIDENCY, EXCLUDING SIND**  
(INCLUDING ADMINISTRATION OF LAND CUSTOMS, THE  
COTTON DUTIES ACT, AND THE MERCHANDISE  
MARKS ACT),

FOR THE OFFICIAL YEAR

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WITH APPENDICES.



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Statement showing Receipts and Expenditure of (1) the Bombay Custom House and (2) the Continental Sea Customs Ports and Land Customs Stations in the Bombay Presidency for the year 1917-18 as contrasted with those for 1916-17.

Items.	Receipts.								Expenditure.			
	Bombay.		Continental Sea Customs.		Land Customs.		Total.		Items.	Bombay.		
	1917-18.	1916-17.	1917-18.	1916-17.	1917-18.	1916-17.	1917-18.	1916-17.		1917-18.	1916-17.	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Controlling.	Rs.	Rs.	
Imports, Sea Customs ... ..	4,34,50,702	3,75,95,141	1,35,929	1,49,241	3,04,413	2,60,254	4,38,97,043	3,80,10,636	Commissioner of Customs ...	41,663	41,920	
Exports do. ... ..	10,22,514	6,97,908	19,040	23,910	63,424	52,545	11,04,988	7,44,361	Personal Assistant to do. ...	2,961	4,971	
Recovery of the cost of establishment entertained on behalf of Private Firms ... ..	32,318	23,833	92	325	...	...	32,410	24,108	Office Establishment ...	15,858	15,852	
Interest on arrears of Revenue ... ..	.....	4	...	...	...	...	.....	4	Total Rs. ...	60,510	62,773	
Commission at 7½ per cent. on Besses Light Dues ... ..	913	410	...	...	...	...	913	410	<i>Executive.</i>			
Overtime work fees ... ..	3,41,646	2,19,196	...	...	...	...	3,41,646	2,19,196	Collector of Customs ...	31,434	24,918	
Warehouse rent ... ..	4,386	2,497	1,783	1,368	...	...	6,119	3,865	Assistant Collectors ...	64,740	60,736	
Fees for Transhipment, amendment and duplicate copies of documents ... ..	85,610	88,046	...	1,746	...	217	85,610	90,009	Customs Subordinate Establishment ...	4,18,844	4,18,913	
Confiscations and Penalties ... ..	1,40,430	64,675	2,675	4,111	...	2,532	1,52,165	71,313	Preventive Establishment ...	3,17,222	3,10,532	
Sale-proceeds of forms, Trade Reports, etc. ... ..	130	102	...	...	...	...	130	102	Total Rs. ...	8,32,280	8,13,180	
Other items ... ..	60,132	43,586	7,015	4,447	3,521	3	70,668	49,036	Total, Pay Rs. ...	8,92,790	8,75,933	
Profit on gold acquired from passengers ... ..	1,794	.....	...	...	...	...	1,794	.....	<i>Allowances.</i>			
Government share of Land Customs and transit duties levied in the Foreign Territories of Baroda and Dharampur ... ..	.....	.....	...	...	9,153	9,153	9,153	9,153	Travelling, Tentage and other allowances ... ..	43,100	29,329	
Grand Total ... ..	4,51,55,575	3,87,05,446	1,66,484	1,85,049	3,80,530	3,30,704	4,57,02,579	3,92,21,108	Overtime work fees ... ..	1,44,535	1,10,931	
<i>Deduct—</i>									Total, Allowances ...	1,87,685	1,40,263	
Refunds, Imports ... ..	6,27,250	6,41,881	217	584	13,595	11,399	6,41,062	6,53,364	<i>Contingencies.</i>			
Do. Exports ... ..	46,956	49,817	7	16	1,832	2,597	48,795	49,460	Fixed contingencies including Umbrellas, Kamblis, Lighting charges, etc. ...	7,844	6,358	
Do. Miscellaneous ... ..	75,750	36,561	267	385	194	94	76,211	37,040	Purchase and repairs of Dead Stock Articles ...	500	727	
Drawbacks ... ..	15,62,519	9,61,607	...	...	...	...	15,62,519	9,61,607	Carriage of Text and Records	2,658	2,763	
Total ... ..	23,18,475	16,80,396	491	985	15,621	14,090	23,34,597	16,95,471	Repairs of Tents ...	4,786	411	
Customs Net Revenue ... ..	4,38,37,100	3,70,25,050	1,65,993	1,84,063	3,64,899	3,16,614	4,33,67,992	3,75,25,727	Clothing to Peons ...	514	928	
									Do. to Scalesmen ...	.....	430	
									Official Postage and Service Telegrams ... ..	4,595	4,773	
									Rewards ... ..	22,553	12,029	
									Boat Stores and Repairs including Marine Stores ...	13,554	7,080	
									Petrol for Motor Launches ...	.....	.....	
									Coal for steam launches ...	.....	.....	
									Rental of Telephone wire and instruments ... ..	5,702	5,367	
									Petty construction and repairs including weather frames ... ..	219	371	
									Scales and Weights ... ..	92	66	
									Supply of medicines ... ..	.....	83	
									Cart and coolie hire ... ..	1,760	801	
									Purchase of Books and Publications ... ..	171	173	
									Rents, Rates and Taxes including water cess ...	2,638	2,165	
									Purchase of a carpet ... ..	.....	97	
									Do. of a bicycle ... ..	.....	.....	
									Do. of safes ... ..	.....	.....	
									Contribution for the maintenance of the customs club ... ..	2,400	2,400	
									Interest paid to Vacuum Oil Company ... ..	.....	101	
									Law Charges ... ..	.....	3,349	
									Compensation to the owner of a stolen parcel ...	60	.....	
									Total, Contingencies ...	70,046	50,490	
									Add—1/10 of the whole expenditure of the combined Salt and the Continental Customs Department ...	1,71,024	1,62,489	
									Total Rs. ...	13,21,545	12,29,163	

## APPENDIX II.

*Statement showing the number of cases dealt with under the Indian Merchandise Marks Act as required by paragraph 67 of the Indian Merchandise Marks Manual.*

Class of Cases.	I	II	III	IV	Total.	Remarks.
A.—Application of counterfeit trade mark or false indication in respect of the person by whom goods were made or produced.	5	...	...	...	5	
B.—Application of false trade description or other indication in respect of the country in which goods were made or produced—						
(1) As between the United Kingdom or British India and a foreign country.	464	210	545	82	1,301	
(2) As between two foreign countries.	8	6	30	7	46	
C.—Application of trade description that is false in other respects, viz. :—						
(1) As to the number, quantity, measure, gauge or weight of the goods	5	16	24	7	52	
(2) As to the time at which goods were made or produced	...	...	...	...	...	
(3) As to the mode of manufacture or production	...	...	...	...	...	
(4) As to the material of which goods were composed	5	8	7	12	32	
(5) As to the goods being the subject of an existing patent, privilege or copyright	...	...	...	...	...	
D.—Length not properly stamped on piece-goods.	51	72	193	26	342	
Total ...	533	312	799	134	1,778	