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1929

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Administration of Civil Justice in the Central Provinces
and Berar during the calendar year 1929.

A.—TRIBUNALS.

Statement
No. 25.

The temporary post of the fourth Additional Judicial Commissioner continued throughout the year. It has been made permanent from the 1st May 1930. The number of District Judges increased from 11 to 12 owing to the constitution of Buldana as a separate Civil district.

2. During the year under report there were temporary Courts of Additional Subordinate Judges at the places and for the periods shown below :—

Subordinate Judges, 1st Class.

Nagpur	...	...	1-1-29 to 15-6-29
Hoshangabad	...	...	8-2-29 to 31-7-29
Harda	...	...	8-8-29 to 23-12-29
Yeotmal	...	...	1-1-29 to 31-1-29
Akola	...	...	20-6-29 to 23-11-29

Subordinate Judges, 2nd Class.

Nagpur	...	...	16-6-29 to 31-12-29
Wardha	...	...	2-1-29 to 11-7-29
Khurai	...	...	9-9-29 to 23-12-29
Khandwa	...	...	6-8-29 to 31-12-29
Amraoti	...	...	1-1-29 to 31-12-29
Daryapur	...	...	1-1-29 to 23-12-29
Akola	...	...	1-1-29 to 30-4-29
Basim	...	...	1-1-29 to 31-12-29
Khamgaon	...	...	1-1-29 to 31-12-29

In addition to these Courts, Judges out of the leave reserve were utilized, when available, to relieve congestion. They were employed as Additional Judges at Nagpur, Saoner, Khandwa, Burhanpur, Bilaspur, Wun, Ellichpur, Yeotmal, Buldana, Malkapur and Jalgaon.

3. The temporary Court of the Additional Subordinate Judge, 1st Class, and Additional District Judge opened at Akola with effect from the 16th June 1924 was made permanent from the 16th June. The Tahsildar, Baihar, continued to try money suits of the Baihar tahsil not exceeding Rs. 200 in value. This arrangement works fairly well and has been continued for another year with effect from the 1st December 1929. The linked Court system between Betul and Multai and between Narsinghpur and Jubbulpore continued throughout the year. In autumn the staff of Judges was depleted by illness, while the need for additional Judges at places where files were congested continued to exist.

Accordingly, from 1st September, the Court at Banda was closed for a period of one year; from 10th September the linked Court system between Kelapur and Wun was reintroduced and from the 1st October was also established between Mungeli and Bilaspur for a period of one year.

4. West Berar was divided into two Civil districts, *viz.*, Akola and Buldana, with effect from the 4th November. The headquarters of the Buldana civil district will remain at Akola until the Civil Court building at Buldana is extended. 62 Tahsildars and 21 Naib-Tahsildars exercised civil powers as against 64 and 21, respectively, in the previous year. The Court of the Honorary Subordinate Judge, 1st Class, Saraipalli, which was temporarily closed from the 16th June 1928 owing to the ill-health of Thakur Lal Bahadursing, Zamindar of Phuljhar, was reopened from the 15th January 1929.

5. 152 new Panchayat Courts were established during the year under the Village Panchayat Act, 1920; of these 90 were in the Central Provinces and 62 in Berar, while one Panchayat Court in Bilaspur was abolished and one in Balaghat did not function. The total number of these Courts in existence at the end of the year was 369, *viz.*, 226 in the Central Provinces and 143 in Berar. The increase is a marked one.

B.—ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

Statement No. 27. 6. Institutions under three main heads in the years 1926, 1927, 1928 and 1929 are compared below:—

	1926.	1927.	1928.	1929.
<i>Central Provinces.</i>				
1. Suits for money and movable property.	57,917	70,010	76,481	76,022
2. Suits under the rent law...	10,784	13,068	12,756	13,848
3. Title and other suits ...	7,875	8,261	9,227	9,889
Total ...	76,576	91,339	98,464	99,759
<i>Berar.</i>				
1. Suits for money and movable property.	31,838	44,902	48,118	36,900
2. Suits under the rent law ...	144	197	236	189
3. Title and other suits ...	4,667	5,991	7,456	7,465
Total ..	36,649	51,090	55,810	44,554
GRAND TOTAL ...	113,225	142,429	154,274	144,313

The total institution has decreased by 9,961 but is still 31,088 more than it was in the year 1926. In the Central Provinces it has increased by 1,295, and in Berar while it has decreased by 11,256 it is still 7,905 more than in the year 1926. In the Central Provinces there is a marked fall in the Nagpur and Wardha districts and a marked rise in the Saugor, Jubbulpore and Raipur districts. In Berar the fall is shared by all the three districts. The rise in the Central Provinces is confined to suits under the rent law and to title and other suits. The fall in Berar is mainly in suits for money and movable property. Suits for money and movable property have fallen markedly in the Nagpur and Wardha districts and Berar. On the other hand, they have increased in the Saugor district, from 7,785 to 9,730. Jubbulpore and Saugor are mainly responsible for the rise in suits under the Rent Law, a rise which may be due to the local failure of crops.

7. Fall of institutions in Nagpur, Wardha and Berar is, in the Judicial Commissioner's opinion, probably, connected with the fall in prices of cotton. The District Judge, Raipur, attributes the rise there to favourable agricultural seasons and to settlement operations being in progress.

8. More than 80 *per cent* of the general decline in suits is confined to suits not over Rs. 500 in value.

9 266 suits were pending in Village Panchayat Courts at the end of the previous year. 5,453 were instituted during the year as against 3,416 in 1928. 5,220 suits were disposed of leaving 499 pending at the end of the year. Out of 5,453 suits instituted during the year, the highest institution, 868 (as against 200 in 1928), was from the Seoni district where the number of such Courts was 43.

10. Valuation of suits.—The total value of suits instituted in 1929 was Rs. 4,87,54,655 and the average value per suit was Rs. 338 against Rs. 5,68,65,390 and Rs. 369, respectively, during the year 1928.

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The average value of suits in the Central Provinces proper was Rs. 274 against an average value of Rs. 481 in Berar.

11. Small Cause Courts.—Of the total number of suits for money and movable property, 92,777 or 82·2 *per cent* were instituted in Small Cause Courts as against 102,277 or 82·1 *per cent* in the preceding year. The

total value and the average value fell from Rs. 1,18,04,961 and Rs. 115 to Rs. 1,02,46,706 and Rs. 110, respectively. 101,109 suits were tried by summary procedure as against 100,057 in 1928. Of suits disposed of, 14.5 per cent were contested as against 15.3 in 1928.

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No. 29.

12. Distribution of suits.—The percentage of suits disposed of by each class of court in 1928 and 1929 was—

	1928.	1929.
District Judge	... 2	3
Subordinate Judge, 1st Class	... 3.7	3.1
Subordinate Judge, 2nd Class	... 30.8	31.1
Small Cause Court	... 65.3	65.5

13. Durations.—The average durations in 1928 and 1929 are compared below :—

Year.	Central Provinces.		Berar.	
	Contested.	Uncon- tested.	Contested.	Uncon- tested.
Small Causes.				
1928	117.4	100.2	152.1	117.1
1929	120.8	102.0	168.1	120.3
Others.				
1928	213.9	98.6	263.6	138.5
1929	214.2	100.6	256.1	131.2
Total.				
1928	163.2	99.7	214.0	122.7
1929	166.3	101.6	219.2	123.2

Durations of both contested and uncontested suits still continue to increase. In Berar the increase is marked, from 152.1 to 168.1 in contested Small Cause Court suits. The duration of contested suits has increased in all districts except Saugor, Nimar, Raipur and Akola. The increase is considerable in the Nagpur, Bhandara and Buldana districts. Average duration in uncontested suits has also increased in all districts except Nimar, Raipur, East Berar and Akola. There is a large increase in the Bhandara and Buldana districts. Variations in duration appear to depend largely on the promptness with which a Judge could be supplied when files become congested. The Judicial Commissioner is satisfied that every effort is being made by the Judges to reduce duration but the fact that it is not being reduced as much as it might be is due to the

congested state of files owing to abnormally heavy institutions during the last three years. The Department has now, however, a reserve of Judges and there is good ground for expecting that the decrease in the number of pending cases will result in a decrease in duration in the near future.

14. Pending files.—The total number of suits pending at the beginning of the year was 52,842* as against 48,023 at the beginning of the year 1928. 144,312 suits were instituted and 3,845 were reinstated during the year as against 154,274 and 3,777 in 1928. The total number of suits for disposal before the Courts was 200,999 as against 206,074 in 1928. Of these, 154,256 were disposed of as against 153,231 in 1928, leaving a balance of 46,743 as against 52,843. The pending file in the Central Provinces has increased from 29,793 to 30,386, while in Berar it has decreased from 23,050 to 16,357. The increase in the pending file is shared by Jubbulpore, Saugor, Hoshangabad, Chhindwara and Raipur districts. It is gratifying to note that the total pending files have decreased by 6,100. This is due to satisfactory disposals given by the Judges, the posting of Additional Judges to places where files were congested and the fall in institutions. During the year the Judges worked at very heavy pressure. The number of suits pending over six months has slightly decreased in the Central Provinces, from 3,357 to 3,306, while in Berar there is a substantial decrease, from 2,999 to 2,379. The number of suits pending over one year has increased from 628 to 789 in the Central Provinces but in Berar it has decreased from 712 to 619.

15. Executions.—The number of applications before the Courts in 1929 was 200,421 as against 191,922 in the previous year, thus showing an increase by 8,499. The number of disposals throughout the province rose from 144,940 to 151,060, *i.e.*, by 6120. The pending file increased from 46,982 to 49,361 but the number of cases over six months fell from 3974 to 3831. The percentage of cases in which satisfaction was obtained in full was 16·2 as against 16·7, and 61·4 *per cent* of the applications were wholly infructuous as against 60·5. The amount realized in execution of decrees was Rs. 56,26,731 as against Rs. 58,48,393 in the previous year. The number of judgment-debtors imprisoned

*Excludes one suit; *vide* foot-note (a) in Statement No. 29.

was 372 as against 291 in the preceding year. As there is reason to believe that agricultural land when sold during the rains in execution of decrees by Civil Courts fetches a low price, instructions have been issued to Civil Courts in Berar that sales of such lands should not ordinarily be held during that season. The desirability of issuing such instructions to the Courts in the Central Provinces is under consideration.

16. **Insolvency.**—4,207 petitions were presented by debtors and 320 by creditors during the year as against 3,793 and 489, respectively, in the previous year. The rise is shared by all districts except Saugor and Hoshangabad in the Central Provinces and Akola and Buldana in Berar. 48 petitions were withdrawn under section 14. 1,585 were dismissed under section 25 and 2,914 were disposed of by order of adjudication. 759 insolvents were discharged absolutely and 276 conditionally. Orders of adjudication of 1,005 insolvents were annulled and 8 insolvents died during the year.

17. The application of the Act has been found to be helpful in giving relief to honest debtors and it seems advantageous both to the debtors and creditors. The working of the Act is, on the whole, satisfactory. Insolvency work has considerably increased and the appointment of whole time Judges for the trial of these cases at certain important stations in the Province is a matter which is to receive the attention of the Judicial Commissioner.

C.—APPELLATE JURISDICTION.

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18. **Judicial Commissioner's Court.**—The table below compares the figures for civil Appellate work in the years 1928 and 1929 :—

	1928.			1929.		
	Institu- tions.	Dis- posals.	Pend- ing.	Institu- tions.	Dis- posals.	Pend- ing.
First Appeals	257	199	360	225	269	316
Second Appeals	1,014	789	1,325	1,210	1,000	1,535
Miscellaneous Appeals	109	97	60	111	94	77
Total	1,380	1,085	1,745	1,546	1,363	1,928

Total institutions have increased from 1,380 to 1,546. The number of Second Appeals has risen from 1,014 to 1,210. There is a slight fall in First Appeals from 257 to 225. In addition to the above institutions, 996 Civil

revisions and 171 Miscellaneous Petitions were also filed as against 888 and 271, respectively, in 1928. 1,028 Civil Revisions and 176 Miscellaneous Petitions were disposed of as against 780 and 221 respectively in 1928. In spite of the good disposals given by the Judges the pending file has increased from 1,745 to 1,928 owing to heavy institutions. The continuous rise in institutions and the pending files of this Court justify the permanent retention of the temporary Court of the fourth Additional Judicial Commissioner. This Court has been made permanent since the close of the year, *i.e.*, with effect from the 1st May 1930. As stated in the last report the appointment of a sixth Judge may soon be necessary. The revised rules providing for the translation into English of papers filed on the Civil side of this Court as mentioned in paragraph 17 of the last year's report were submitted to Government and have recently been sanctioned. The rules will not facilitate the work of the Judges before 1931, as they do not apply to appeals already filed. The subject of improvement in the methods of dealing with civil cases has been discussed by the Judges and some suggestions have been adopted with a view to more speedy disposals.

19. District Judges.—The total number of regular appeals instituted increased from 4,211 to 4,509 and of those disposed of increased from 3,759 to 4,162. In spite of the increase in disposals the pending file has increased from 1,877 to 2,222. The number of appeals pending over three months was 1,083 as against 695 in 1928 and that of appeals over one year was 71 as against 55. The rise in appellate work is due to the abnormal rise in institutions during the past three years. The average duration of regular appeals in the Central Provinces increased from 152·6 to 158·2 and in Berar from 165·4 to 209·3. The increase is noticeable in the Wardha, Hoshangabad, Chhindwara and Berar districts. The increase in Wardha and Berar is due to congestion of work owing to heavy institutions. In Hoshangabad the increase is attributed to heavy sessions work. In Nagpur and Bhandara there was a rise in the duration of uncontested appeals and this is attributed to heavy criminal work. In Nimar duration has decreased markedly, a circumstance probably due to light sessions work during the year. 615 miscellaneous appeals were disposed of during the year as against 549 in 1928.

D.—MISCELLANEOUS.

20. **Bar.**—The total strength of the Bar increased from 1,303 to 1,376. Relations between the Bench and the Bar continued generally to be cordial except at one outlying station where however measures were taken which put matters right again.

21. **Guardians and Wards Act.**—913 estates were under the management under the Act during the year as against 872 in 1928. Management was relinquished in 38 estates as against 65 in 1928. The question of an inspecting agency for inspecting the management and auditing accounts of guardians of Wards' estates referred to in paragraph 20 of the last year's report is still under the consideration of the Judicial Commissioner.

22. **Usurious Loans Act.**—The Act is being applied by the Courts to a considerable extent. The benefits of its provisions are being given to debtors although difficulty is experienced in that the more ignorant debtors often fail to make out a relevant case for its applicability. Nevertheless, the Act is affording some relief and the Judicial Commissioner believes that more and more advantage will be derived from it. The District Judge, East Berar, remarks that it has been noticed that in some cases creditors have of their own accord reduced the stipulated excessive rate of interest to the normal rate in the plaints. This is a satisfactory feature of—so to speak—the moral effect of the enactment.

23. **Copying Branch.**—The detailed instructions and suggestions issued by the Officiating Judicial Commissioner in order to secure efficiency and economy resulted in increased outturn and efficiency and have obviated the necessity of strengthening the copying staff in certain districts. The total number of sheets written by the copyists at headquarters increased from 466,826 in 1928 to 491,498. The total expenditure on section-writing decreased from Rs. 15,771 in 1928 to Rs. 9,484. Some of the District Judges report that competent section-writers are not regularly available.

24. **Records and Record-rooms.**—The rack space in the record-room at Raipur continues to be insufficient and its extension is a very urgent necessity. Extension of the record-room at Saugor and that of the Civil Court building at Raipur could not be taken up during the year for want of funds. The inquiry mentioned in paragraph 22 of the last year's report, as to how the difficulty

regarding the storing of the ever increasing records which are to be preserved permanently is met in other Provinces, showed that fewer records are permanently preserved than here. The question of adopting the Bombay system by which only plaint, judgment and decree are preserved permanently is under the consideration of the Judicial Commissioner. The records of disposed of cases of the Buldana district are at present stored in the record-room of the District Judge, Akola. In all other districts the accommodation is sufficient for the present. Elimination of records was up to date in all districts except in East Berar and Buldana. In East Berar it has fallen into arrear; the District Judge reports that a redistribution of work amongst the staff is under consideration. In Buldana, owing to inadequacy of staff, elimination of records is not up to date. It is hoped that, with the help of extra hands available during the ensuing summer vacation, the work will be well in hand.

25. Ministerial Service.—With effect from the 1st April 1929 ten *per cent* of the existing posts of the Lower Division clerks on the scale of Rs. 30—1—50 in the offices of the District and Sessions Judges and the Subordinate Civil Courts have been converted into a Selection grade on Rs. 50—2½—65. With effect from the same date, the pay of Copyists in the District and Sessions Judges' (Headquarters) offices has also been raised from Rs. 30—2—40—42½—2½—50 to Rs. 30—2—40—42½—2½—65—68—3—80, all, except the Head Copyists and their two Assistants in each Civil district of the Central Provinces, being barred at Rs. 65. Although inadequacy of pay is still a general complaint, the above revision of the scales of pay has, as anticipated in paragraph 23 of the last year's report, allayed the grievance of the ministerial establishment to some extent. The ministerial establishment, especially in Berar, continued to work under a heavy strain.

26. Working of the Nazarat.—The percentage of service of summonses and notices ranged from 71 to 80 and that of warrants from 72 to 83 except in East Berar, where the percentage of summonses and notices was 68 and that of warrants 67, and in Nimar, where the percentage of warrants was 68. Several District Judges report that the system of employing Sale-Amins to check the work of process-servers is working satisfactorily. The District Judges, Jubbulpore, Saugor, Hoshangabad,

Chhindwara and Akola, report that some posts of process-servers have been kept vacant as an experimental measure. The work is being managed with the reduced staff and by employing men under the 30 per cent rule, whenever necessary.

27. There were two cases of embezzlement of public funds during the year: one at Bilaspur and the other at Daryapur. In Bilaspur a temporary process-server embezzled Rs. 26-4-0 on account of a decretal amount recovered from a Judgment-debtor. The amount was paid by his surety, and the server was prosecuted and convicted. In Daryapur a process-server embezzled Rs. 100 recovered by him on a warrant of arrest. The money embezzled is in process of recovery and the process-server is being prosecuted under section 409, Indian Penal Code.

28. The District Judges, Jubbulpore, Saugor, Nimar, Raipur and East Berar report 107 cases of obstruction to service and 11 cases of escape from the custody of process-servers: in 32 cases conviction was secured and 25 cases were pending. The District Judge, Akola, reports that several cases of obstruction to service were reported by process-servers but for want of sufficient evidence and help the delinquents could not be punished. A process-server of Gondia was killed by a Judgment-debtor while another one at Katol was severely injured by a sword while executing a warrant of attachment. During the year under report, proposals to revise the scale of pay of process-servers and to supply uniform to them were before Government, but since the close of the year, the Judicial Commissioner has been informed that it had not been found possible to obtain funds to meet the extra cost involved in the proposals. Both proposals he regards as highly desirable ones.

29. Trial of Tenancy Suits by Revenue Officers.—Almost all District Judges report that the procedure followed by Revenue Officers in the trial of tenancy suits is susceptible of considerable improvement.

30. Buildings.—The extension of the Civil Court buildings at Warora, Saugor, Rehli and Raipur, although administratively sanctioned, could not be taken up during the year 1929 also for want of funds. The Civil Court buildings at Gondia, Brahmपुरi, Harda, Multai and Sehora also require extension. Independent Civil Court buildings at Mahasamund, Murtizapur and Akot are also required. The roof of the Civil Court building

at Jubbulpore is in an unsatisfactory condition and requires immediate renewal. The work of installation of electric fittings in the Civil Court buildings at Wardha and Jubbulpore could not be taken up owing to lack of funds. Owing to the increase in litigation, the consequent posting of Additional Judges and also to the increase in the number of the members of the Bar insufficiency of accommodation is being felt at many places but for financial reasons nothing could be done in this connection. The construction of the Civil Court house at Chandur was completed during the year. Funds for extending the Civil Court building at Buldana and for the construction of a bungalow for the District and Sessions Judge, Buldana, are being allotted in 1930-31. It is a matter for satisfaction that the allotment for minor works for 1930-31 was Rs. 27,000 in place of the previous inadequate sum of Rs. 6,000. It is expected that in the future the Department will continue to be treated more liberally in this connection than it has been in some past years. Preliminary steps for the provision of increased accommodation for a possible local High Court have been taken and the question whether the present building should be extended or an entirely new building should be constructed is under the consideration of Government.

31. Furniture and Libraries.—Courts and office rooms are reported generally to have been sufficiently furnished. The District Judge, Wardha, reports that he had to postpone the purchase of necessary furniture for want of funds, while the District Judge, Saugor, reports that he postponed the purchase of furniture to effect economy. Allotment for the purchase of books continued to be insufficient for providing up to date editions to Courts.

32. Inspections.—The Judicial Commissioner conducted detailed inspection of the Civil Courts at Wardha, Mandla, Chhindwara and Drug and visited Jubbulpore for administrative reasons. All Civil Courts were inspected by the District Judges during the year except the one at Saraipalli. The District Judge, Raipur, reports that, owing to heavy sessions work, the Court of the Honorary Additional Subordinate Judge, 1st Class, at Saraipalli could not be inspected. The District Judge, Akola, also reports that, owing to extra heavy work thrown on him in making arrangements in connection with the separation of the Buldana district, the Copying section and Record room

could not be inspected during the year. They have, however, been since inspected.

33. Mr. D. K. Kolatkar, District and Sessions Judge, and Messrs. R. M. Wathodkar, R. M. Bhagade, K. G. Khandekar and B. B. Chaubal, Subordinate Judges, 1st Class, retired from service during the year. The title of Rao Bahadur was conferred on Mr. S. M. Parande, retired District and Sessions Judge, and of Rao Sahib on Mr. S. M. Bhagade, Subordinate Judge, 1st Class, during the year.

34. Sir Charles Stewart Findlay, Kt., I.C.S., Judicial Commissioner, was on combined leave from the 7th February till the 10th November and during his absence Mr. R. H. Macnair, I.C.S., officiated as Judicial Commissioner. Mr. R. J. Jackson, I.C.S., District and Sessions Judge, officiated as Additional Judicial Commissioner from the 7th February until he was confirmed in the vacancy caused by the retirement of Mr. F. W. A. Prideaux, who was permitted to retire from service from the 9th May. Rao Bahadur M. B. Kinkhede, B.A., B.L., Additional Judicial Commissioner, proceeded on leave for five months on full allowances with effect from the 18th February to the 17th July, and Mr. G. L. Subhedar, Barrister-at-Law, Advocate of this Court, was appointed to officiate. Rao Bahadur M. B. Kinkhede resigned the service with effect from the 18th July and Khan Bahadur Ghulam Mohiuddin, Temporary Additional Judicial Commissioner, was confirmed as Additional Judicial Commissioner; since then Mr. G. L. Subhedar, Barrister-at-Law, holds the appointment of the Temporary Additional Judicial Commissioner. Mr. F. H. Staples, I.C.S., Officiating Additional Judicial Commissioner, proceeded on combined leave owing to ill-health with effect from the 25th September and Rao Sahib (now Rao Bahadur) Hari Sheoram Munje, District and Sessions Judge, was appointed to officiate as Additional Judicial Commissioner from the 3rd October until the 10th November when he was relieved by Mr. R. H. Macnair. Khan Bahadur Ghulam Mohiuddin was on duty throughout the year.

35. A Knighthood was conferred on Mr. C. S. Findlay, I.C.S., Judicial Commissioner, during the year under review.

G. B. DE,
Registrar,

NAGPUR: *Judicial Commissioner's Court,*
The 29th April 1930. *Central Provinces.*

PRESCRIBED STATEMENTS
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STATEMENT NO. 25.—*Showing the number of Judicial Divisions and the Central Provinces and Berar on the*

Name of Province.	Judges of Chief Court of Province.	Civil	
		Number of districts.	District Judges.
1	2	3	4
Central Provinces (including Berar).	5	12	12 (a)

(a) Do both civil and criminal
(b) 153 do both civil and

STATEMENT NO. 26.—*Showing the number of Civil cases decided in*

Name of Province.	Number of cases		
	Original.		Appel
	Regular.	Miscellaneous.	Regular.
1	2	3	4
Central Provinces (including Berar)...	154,256	20,950	5,431

the number of officers exercising Appellate or Original Civil Jurisdiction in 31st December 1929.—(Paragraphs 1—5.)

Other Judges.		Remarks.				
Stipendiary.	Honorary.					
5	6		7			
223 (b)	1	work. criminal work.	Grades of Judicial Officers.		Euro- peans.	In- dians.
			Judicial Commissioner	1	...	
			Additional Judicial Commissioners	...	2	2
			District Judges	...	4	8
			Additional District Judges	...	...	30
			Subordinate Judges, First Class	...	...	12
			Additional Judges to Courts of Subordinate Judges, First Class.	...	...	18
			Judges, Small Cause Courts	...	...	5
			Registrars, Small Cause Courts	...	...	1
			Subordinate Judges, Second Class	...	...	75
			Extra-Subordinate Judges, Second Class	...	...	17
			Additional Judges to Courts of Subordinate Judges, Second Class.	...	...	66
Total			...	7	234	

the Courts in the Central Provinces and Berar for the year 1929.

decided.	Remarks.
late.	
Miscellaneous.	
5	6
709	

STATEMENT No. 27.—*Showing the number and description of Civil Suits for the*

Class of Tribunal.	Suits for money or movable property.	Suits under the		
		Arrears of rent with or without ejection	Enhancement or abatement of rent.	For ejection or recovery of possession alone.
1	2	3	4	5
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.				
Unpaid Tribunals	47	..	..	..
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals	18,124	13,938	..	31
Small Cause Courts	93,777	..	..	..
District Courts other than Chief Courts of districts.	1,890	60	..	2
Chief Courts of districts	84	..	..	..
Total	1,12,922	13,998	..	33

STATEMENT No. 28.—*Showing the number and value of suits for the*

Class of Tribunal.	Number of suits			
	Value not exceeding Rs. 10	Value Rs. 10 to Rs. 50.	Value Rs. 50 to Rs. 100.	Value Rs. 100 to Rs. 500.
1	2	3	4	5
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.				
Unpaid Tribunals	..	14	33	..
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals	3,655	11,317	5,982	15,165
Small Cause Courts	2,881	29,526	25,644	33,557
District Courts other than Chief Courts of districts.	410	382	174	452
Chief Courts of districts	..	..	..	11
Total	6,946	41,339	31,833	49,185

instituted in the Civil Courts in the Central Provinces and Berar year 1929.—(Paragraphs 6—9.)

Rent Law.		Title and other suits.					
All other suits under the Rent Law.	Total.	Suits for immovable property.	Suits for specific relief.	Mortgage suits.	Other suits not falling under any of the preceding heads.	Total.	Grand Total.
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
...	...	..	...	...	...	...	47
3	1,972	6,803	1,765	4,863	654	14,085	46,181
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	92,777
3	65	907	515	1,402	120	2,944	4,899
...	..	42	49	173	61	335	409
6	14,037	7,752	2,329	6,438	835	17,354	144,313

instituted in the Civil Courts in the Central Provinces and Berar year 1929.—(Paragraphs 10 and 11).

instituted in the different courts.

Value Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,000.	Value Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 5,000.	Value above Rs. 5,000.	Number of suits the value of which cannot be estimated in money.	Total number of suits instituted.	Total value of suits.
6	7	8	9	10	11
...	...	..	...	47	3,259
6,133	3,929	...	...	46,181	1,62,04,072
1,169	...	...	...	92,777	1,02,46,706
444	2,355	682	...	4,899	1,09,44,361
1	4	393	...	409	1,13,56,257
7,747	6,388	1,075	...	144,313	4,87,54,655

STATEMENT No. 29.—*Showing the General Results of the Trial of Civil
Cases for the*

CIVIL SUITS.—

Class of Tribunal.	Number of suits before the Courts.			
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.				
Unpaid Tribunals ...	...	47	1	48
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals ...	(a) 17,543	(b) 46,107	1,793	65,743
Small Cause Courts ...	32,059	92,772	1,788	126,619
District Courts other than Chief Courts of districts.	2,716	4,677	236	7,629
Chief Courts of districts ...	524	409	27	960
Total ...	(a) 52,842	(b) 144,312	3,845	200,999

NOTE.—The difference between column 11 of the statement for the year 1928 and column 2 of the
(a) Excludes one suit treated as
(b) Excludes one suit treated

Cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction of Original Jurisdiction in the Central year 1929.

(Paragraphs 12—14.)

Number of suits disposed of excluding transfers.					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of suits, in days.		Remarks.
Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration.			Average duration in days of contested suits.	Average duration in days of uncontested suits.	
		Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.						
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
6	16	4	...	...	22	...	101'0	61'0	
7,443	27,061	10,611	2,801	51	17,776	706	215'5	104'4	
15,501	70,390	13,300	1,908	10	25,510	104	133'7	108'7	
672	2,143	1,573	342	9	2,890	362	313'7	160'1	
65	141	173	22	8	545	236	507'7	298'3	
23,687	99,751	25,661	5,079	78	46,743	1,408	183'2	109'0	

statement for the year 1929 is due to the transfer of suits from one class of Tribunal to another, miscellaneous as judicial case in the year 1929, as miscellaneous judicial case.

STATEMENT No. 29.—*Showing the Geneing General Results of the Trial Provinces and Berar*

MISCELLANEOUS

Class of Tribunal.	Number of cases before the Courts.			
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted during the year.	Revived during the year.	Total.
1	2	3	4	5
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.				
Unpaid Tribunals ...	...	3	...	3
Paid Sub-Divisional Tribunals ...	1,994	10,905	39	12,938
Small Cause Courts	1,018	5,768	12	6,798
District Courts other than Chief Courts of districts.	854	2,900	15	3,769
Chief Courts of districts	401	1,598	2	2,001
Chief Court of the Province ...	34	140	1	175
Total	4,301	21,314	67	25,684

NOTE.—(a) Three cases of contempt of Court under Chapter XXXV of the Code of
(b) Insolvency petitions are not taken into

of Civil Cases in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the Central for the year 1929.

CASES.

Number of cases disposed of excluding transfers.					Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of cases.		Remarks.
Without trial.	Without contest.	With contest.		On reference to arbitration.			Average duration in days of contested cases.	Average duration in days of uncontested cases.	
		Judgment for plaintiff.	Judgment for defendant.						
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
...	1	..	...	...	2	..	...	32°0	
5,193	2,069	1,932	1,337	...	2,297	11	109°1	54°6	
3,339	897	885	548	...	1,129	6	99°1	53°4	
1,518	548	507	352	..	844	28	156°8	83°6	
1,013	246	157	156	...	429	28	180°5	70°8	
97	5	21	19	...	33	6	258°1	51°8	
11,270	3,766	3,502	2,412	...	4,734	79	118°7	59°6	

Criminal Procedure were disposed of by Civil Courts during the year. account for purposes of this statement.

STATEMENT NO. 31.—*Showing the Business of the Civil Appellate*

APPEALS FROM DECREES.—

Class of Tribunal.	Number of appeals before the Courts.			Appeals from			
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and re-instituted during the year.	Total.	Appeals disposed of			
				Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Con- firmed.	Modified.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.							
APPEALS FROM ORIGINAL DECREES.							
Chief Appellate Courts of districts.	(a) 1,875	4,509	6,384	306	2,216	693	
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.							
Chief Court of Province.	{ Appeals from original decrees.	(b) 360	225	585	22	167	38
	{ Appeals from appellate decrees.	(c) 1,525	1,210	2,535	50	822	28
Total	1,685	1,435	3,120	72	989	66	
GRAND TOTAL	3,560	5,944	9,504	378	3,205	759	

NOTE.—There were no references under section 27
 (a) Excludes two appeals transferred to the Court of the Additional
 (b) Two appeals were received on
 (c) One appeal of 1928 was

Courts in the Central Provinces and Berar for the year 1929.

(Paragraphs 18 and 19.)

decrees.		Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of appeals.		Remarks.
(excluding transfers).				Average duration in days of contested appeals.	Average duration in days of uncontested appeals.	
Reversed.	Remanded.	10	11			12	13	14
8	9					
655	292	2,222	71	175'9	159'7	
21	21	316	124	572'3	364'6	
67	33	1,535	583	553'7	183'6	
88	54	1,851	727	558'2	202'1	
743	346	4,073	778	248'7	179'4	

of the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923.
 Judicial Commissioner.
 transfer from the District Judge, East Berar.
 cancelled during the year.

STATEMENT NO 32.—*Showing the Business of the Civil Appellate*

MISCELLANEOUS

Class of Tribunal.	Number of appeals before the Courts.			Appeals disposed of		
	Pending at the beginning of the year.	Instituted and re-instituted during the year.	Total.	Dismissed or not prosecuted.	Con-firmed.	Modified.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
COURTS IN THE INTERIOR.						
APPEALS FROM ORIGINAL DECREES.						
Chief Appellate Courts of districts.	222	675	897	90	339	20
COURTS AT THE PRESIDENCY OR SEAT OF GOVERNMENT.						
Chief Court of Pro- vince. { Appeals from original decrees.	44	63	107	5	46	...
{ Appeals from appellate decrees.	(a) 16	(b) 48	(b) 64	2	21	...
Total ...	60	111	171	7	67	...
GRAND TOTAL ..	282	786	1,068	97	406	20

(a) One appeal of 1928 was cancelled during the year 1929 and hence the
(b) Includes two appeals under section 30

Courts in the Central Provinces and Berar for the year 1929.

APPEALS.—(Paragraphs 18 and 19.)

(excluding transfers).		Pending at the close of the year.	Pending for more than a year.	Average duration of appeals.		Remarks.
Reversed.	Remanded.			Average duration in days of contested appeals.	Average duration in days of uncontested appeals.	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
98	68	282	5	135'2	95'4	
6	5	45	6	263'5	118'7	
7	2	(b) 32	3	388'0	97'9	
13	7	77	9	306'4	111'8	
111	75	359	14	156'5	97'8	

number of appeals pending at the close of the previous year has been reduced by one, of the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1923.

ADDITIONAL STATMENTS.

[Giving statistics, of Civil Cases only, and showing totals
for each district.]

1929.

STATEMENT
Statement showing the General Result of the Trial of Civil Cases
Central Provinces and Berar

PART I.—

Districts.	For disposal.				Total for disposal.	Disposed			
	Remain- ing at the close of previous year.	Insti- tuted.	Re- insti- tuted.	Re- ceived by trans- fer from other provin- ces.		Trans- ferred to other provin- ces.	Plaint reject- ed or return- ed after insti- tution.	Un- der prosecution.	
								Dismissed for default or want of prosecution.	Per- centage of total dis- posed of.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Nagpur ..	4,747	12,367	317	..	17,431	..	79	1,647	12'5
Wardha ..	5,249	13,194	355	..	18,798	..	77	2,280	15'7
Bhandara ...	2,819	8,807	280	..	11,936	..	99	1,470	15'7
Jubbulpore ...	3,040	12,688	370	..	16,098	..	111	2,039	16'6
Saugor ...	3,129	13,589	251	..	16,969	..	42	2,007	15'4
Hoshangabad ...	2,220	8,705	322	..	11,247	..	78	1,565	17'6
Nimar ...	3,674	10,999	289	..	14,962	..	62	1,725	14'7
Chhindwara ..	1,804	7,134	208	..	9,146	..	73	1,438	21'0
Raipur ...	(a)3,080	12,276	349	..	15,705	..	95	2,144	17'7
Total Central Prov- inces. {	1929 (a)29,792	99,759	2,741	..	133,292	..	716	16,315	16'0
{	1928 27,813	98,164	2,876	..	127,163	..	727	16,096	16'2
East Berar ...	8,698	18,981 (b)	298	..	27,977	..	80	2,304	10'2
Akola ...	6,904	12,065	104	..	19,373	..	120	1,436	10'3
Buldana ..	7,448	13,507	402	..	21,357	..	49	1,979	13'4
Total Berar {	1929 23,050	14,553	1,104	..	68,707	..	249	5,719	10'9
{	1928 20,200	55,810	901	..	76,911	..	229	5,247	9'7
GRAND TOTAL CEN- TRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR. {	1929 (a)52,842	(b)144,312	3,845	..	200,999	..	965	22,034	14'3
{	1928 48,023	154,274	3,777	..	206,074	..	956	21,243	13'9

(a) Excludes one suit treated as
(b) Excludes one suit treated as

*in the Courts of Original Jurisdiction in the districts of the
during the year 1929.*

(CIVIL SUITS.)

of

contested.

With- drawn with leave.	Compromised.		Decreed on confession.		Decided <i>ex parte</i> .				
	Number.	Percentage of total disposed of.	Number.	Percentage of total disposed of.	Decreed.	Dismissed.		Total.	
						Number.	Percentage of total <i>ex parte</i> .	Number.	Percentage of total disposed of.
11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
55	891	6·7	2,676	20·3	5,247	20	'4	5,267	39·9
97	632	4·4	2,677	18·5	5,906	71	1·2	5,977	41·2
42	561	6·0	1,337	14·9	3,793	21	'5	3,814	40·7
79	896	7·3	3,527	28·7	3,301	1	...	3,302	26·9
32	863	6·6	3,615	27·9	3,991	14	'3	4,005	30·6
28	960	10·8	1,879	21·2	2,615	5	'2	2,620	29·5
45	448	3·8	2,240	19·1	5,633	1	...	5,614	46·2
32	409	6·0	1,429	20·9	1,719	...	...	1,719	25·2
94	1,370	11·3	2,065	17·0	2,505	32	1·3	2,537	20·9
504	7,033	6·9	21,535	21·1	34,710	165	'5	34,875	31·2
425	7,342	7·4	20,330	20·4	33,293	197	'6	33,490	33·7
89	1,413	6·3	4,061	18·1	9,928	58	'6	9,986	44·4
56	798	5·7	2,496	17·8	6,103	27	'5	6,130	43·8
39	519	3·3	3,008	18·9	7,894	3	...	7,897	49·7
184	2,730	5·2	9,565	16·3	23,925	88	'4	24,013	45·9
188	3,149	5·8	11,567	21·5	23,550	107	'4	23,667	44·0
688	9,763	6·3	31,100	20·2	58,635	253	'4	58,888	38·2
613	10,491	6·8	31,897	20·8	56,843	304	'5	57,157	37·3

miscellaneous judicial case in 1929.
miscellaneous judicial case.

STATEMENT

PART I.—

Districts.	Disposed of— <i>concl'd.</i>						
	Contested.						
	On reference to arbitration.		Judgment for plaintiff in whole or in part of claim.		Judgment for defendant.		
	Found for plaintiff.	Found for defendant.	Number.	Percentage of total contested.	Number.	Percentage of total contested.	
I	21	22	23	24	25	26	
Nagpur	2,156	83.5	425	16.5	
Wardha	...	5	1	2,323	84.6	418	15.2
Bhandara	...	1	...	1,531	77.4	447	22.6
Jubbulpore	...	29	6	1,886	81.4	395	17.1
Saugor	1	2,172	87.9	397	12.0
Hoshangabad	...	2	...	1,705	79.9	349	20.0
Nimar	...	2	...	1,259	81.5	283	18.3
Chhindwara	...	6	...	1,467	84.8	257	14.9
Raipur	...	6	...	2,972	77.9	837	21.9
Total Central Provinces.	...	51	8	17,161	82.0	3,708	17.7
	...	49	7	17,180	82.0	3,724	17.7
East Berar	...	8	3	3,950	86.8	590	13.0
Akola	...	2	2	2,410	81.9	527	17.9
Buldana	...	2	2	2,140	89.2	254	10.6
Total Berar	...	12	7	8,500	85.9	1,371	13.9
	...	24	5	8,648	88.0	1,147	11.7
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR.	...	63	15	25,661	83.3	5,079	16.5
	...	73	12	25,828	83.9	4,871	15.8

No. IV.—(CIVIL.)

(CIVIL SUITS)—*concl'd.*

		Pending.			Average.				Remarks.
Total.		Total.	Total.	Over 6 months.	Duration of suits in days and tenths.		Number of hearings in suits disposed of.		
Number.	Percentage of total disposed of.				Con- tested.	Uncon- tested.	Con- tested.	Uncon- tested.	
		27	28	29	30	31	32	33		34	35	36
2,581	19'5	13,196	4,235	777	205'0	111'1	5'5	2'0	
2,747	19'0	14,487	4,311	637	175'5	112'3	4'5	1'8	
1,979	21'1	9,365	2,571	380	198'7	129'5	4'7	1'9	
2,316	18'9	12,270	3,828	276	160'5	95'4	4'7	1'9	
2,470	18'9	13,064	3,905	170	129'1	85'4	4'0	1'7	
1,746	19'7	8,876	2,371	429	190'2	97'4	4'7	1'8	
1,514	13'2	11,698	3,264	232	137'0	106'3	4'5	1'6	
1,730	25'3	6,830	2,316	153	143'7	91'6	4'1	1'8	
3,815	31'5	12,120	3,585	252	135'0	81'5	3'9	1'8	
20,928	20'5	101,906	30,386	3,306	166'3	101'6	4'9	1'7	
20,960	21'1	99,370	29,793	3,357	163'2	99'7	4'3	1'7	
4,551	20'2	22,481	5,493	644	210'4	109'5	5'1	1'9	
2,941	21'0	13,977	5,306	872	215'2	119'4	5'0	1'9	
2,398	15'1	15,889	5,468	863	210'4	111'4	5'2	1'9	
9,890	18'9	52,150	16,357	2,379	219'2	123'2	5'1	1'9	
9,814	18'2	52,561	23,050	2,999	214'0	122'7	5'2	1'7	
30,818	20'0	154,256	46,743	5,625	183'2	109'0	5'0	1'8	
30,784	20'1	153,231	52,811	6,156	179'5	100'8	4'5	1'7	

STATEMENT
Statement showing the Business of the Civil Appellate Courts in
PART I.—APPEALS

Districts.	For disposal.			Disposed of.				
	Remain- ing at the close of the pre- vious year.	Insti- tuted, re-d- mit- ted and received by transfer from other pro- vinces.	Total for dis- posal.	Trans- ferred to other pro- vinces.	Deci- sions con- firmed under Rule 11 (1), Order XLI. Act V of 1903.	Dis- miss- ed for default or other- wise not prose- cuted.	Heard	
							Con- firmed.	Modi- fied.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Judicial Com- missioner's Court	Appeals from origi- nal decrees. (a) 360 Appeals from ap- pellate decrees (b) 1,335	225 1,210	585 2,535	..	16 312	22 50	3 7	2 1
Total ... { 1929 1928	1,685 1,401	1,435 1,411	3,120 2,672	..	328 277	72 58	10 4	3 3
Nagpur ...	218	440	658	..	1	30	4	1
Wardha ...	193	380	573	..	..	23	4	1
Bhandara ...	174	352	526	..	1	31	2	1
Jubbulpore ...	81	221	302	..	1	6	3	..
Saugor ...	29	206	235	..	..	13	2	3
Hoshangabad ...	130	298	428	..	1	21	1	4
Nimar ...	65	189	254	..	5	10	..	..
Chhindwara ...	38	212	250	..	3	10	..	1
Raipur ...	240	699	948	..	9	65	15	1
Total Central Prov- inces for 1929. { Districts All Courts	1,177 2,862	2,997 4,432	4,174 7,794	..	21 349	209 281	31 41	11 14
Total Central Prov- inces for 1928. { Districts All Courts	977 2,378	2,882 4,153	3,759 6,531	..	31 308	171 229	21 25	12 12
East Berar ...	(c) 276	683	959	..	9	39	10	6
Akola ...	319	567	916	..	3	63	10	9
Buldana ...	73	262	335	..	..	25	2	1
Total Berar for 1929 ... { Districts All Courts	698 698	1,512 1,512	2,210 2,210	..	12 12	127 127	22 22	16 16
Total Berar for 1928 { Districts All Courts	448 448	1,339 1,339	1,777 1,777	..	14 14	80 80	10 10	4 4
GRAND TOTAL CEN- TRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR FOR 1929. { Districts All Courts	1,875 3,560	4,509 5,944	6,384 9,504	..	33 361	336 408	51 61	27 30
GRAND TOTAL CEN- TRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR FOR 1928. { Districts All Courts	1,125 2,826	4,211 5,422	5,636 8,308	..	45 322	251 309	31 35	16 16

(a) Includes two appeals received on transfer
(b) One second appeal of 1928 was cancelled
(c) Excludes two appeals transferred to the

No. V.—(CIVIL.)

the Districts of the Central Provinces and Berar during the year 1929.

FROM DECREES.

<i>ex parte.</i>							Pending.		Number of cases in which objections under Rule 12, Order XLI, Act V of 1908, were		Average duration of each appeal tried.
Reversed.		Contested.				Total.	Total.	Over 3 months.	Preferred.	Allowed because successfully maintained.	
Without re-mand.	And re-manded under rule 23, Order XLI, Act V of 1908.	Confirmed.	Modified.	Reversed.							
				Without re-mand.	And re-manded under Rule 23, Order XLI, Act V of 1908.						
10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
...	...	148	36	21	21	269	316	255	27	9	538'0
..	..	503	27	67	33	1,000	1,535	1,159	10	5	416'8
...	...	651	63	88	54	1,263	1,851	1,451	37	14	442'5
4	1	432	50	80	82	988	1,684	1,331	19	5	399'3
2	2	195	47	70	19	370	288	172	13	7	211'5
...	..	195	84	59	18	385	188	96	25	8	226'2
1	...	180	38	73	27	354	172	82	11	3	196'5
1	...	113	51	39	20	236	66	17	7	5	114'9
4	...	99	45	25	8	199	36	6	29	10	80'0
...	7	164	38	35	29	300	128	59	23	7	175'1
...	...	118	38	26	16	213	41	6	15	4	97'5
...	...	73	17	21	16	141	109	44	1	1	100'7
...	2	345	84	122	34	678	270	100	19	5	132'3
8	11	1,183	445	470	187	2,876	1,298	582	143	50	158'2
8	11	2,134	508	558	241	4,145	3,149	2,056	180	64	245'2
13	5	1,385	400	446	198	2,682	1,177	392	111	28	152'6
17	6	1,817	450	526	280	3,670	2,801	1,715	130	33	219'0
1	2	287	105	63	33	555	404	218	16	1	203'8
8	1	268	79	80	46	567	349	177	...	...	250'1
1	..	66	33	24	12	164	171	77	...	...	191'0
10	3	621	217	167	91	1,286	924	501	15	1	239'3
10	3	621	217	167	91	1,286	924	501	16	1	209'3
5	4	566	188	146	60	1,077	700	303	18	9	165'4
5	4	566	188	146	60	1,077	700	303	18	9	165'4
18	11	1,104	662	637	278	4,162	2,222	1,083	159	51	174'0
18	14	2,755	725	725	332	5,431	4,071	2,557	196	65	236'9
18	9	1,951	588	532	258	3,759	1,877	695	129	37	156'1
22	10	2,383	638	672	340	4,747	3,561	2,018	156	42	206'9

from District Judge, East Berar,
during the year.

Court of the Additional Judicial Commissioner.

STATEMENT

Statement showing the Business of the Civil Appellate Courts in the

PART II.—MISCELLANEOUS

Districts.	Total number of appeals before the Courts.	Transferred to Courts in other provinces.	Decisions confirmed under Rule 11 (1), Order XLI, Act VI of 1908.	Dismissed for default or otherwise not prosecuted.	Heard		
					Rejected.	Modified.	Decreed or granted.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Judicial Commissioner's Court.	107	...	17	5	...	...	...
{ Appeals from original decrees.	64	...	9	2	...	...	...
{ Appeals from appellate decrees.							
Total { 1929 ...	171	...	26	7	...	...	...
{ 1928 ...	158	...	25	6	1	...	2
Nagpur	92	...	1	8	3	...	...
Wardha	83	...	...	5	1	1	2
Bhandara	20	...	...	1	...	...	1
Jubbulpore	31	...	2	2	1	2	1
Saugor	45	...	1	6	1	...	...
Hoshangabad	55	...	2	5	...	...	1
Nimar	35	...	2	4	1	...	1
Chhindwara	28	...	1	3	...	...	...
Raipur	62	...	5	13	5	...	...
Total Central Provinces { Districts ...	451	...	14	47	12	3	6
{ All Courts ...	622	...	40	54	12	3	6
Total Central Provinces { Districts ...	388	...	19	27	18	1	5
{ All Courts ...	546	...	44	33	19	1	7
East Berar	190	...	7	12	6	...	1
Akola	212	...	25	21	3	2	2
Buldana	44	...	...	10	3	...	...
Total Berar for 1929 { Districts ...	446	...	32	43	12	2	3
{ All Courts ...	446	...	32	43	12	2	3
Total Berar for 1928 { Districts ...	383	...	29	44	11	4	2
{ All Courts ...	383	...	29	44	11	4	2
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR { Districts ...	897	...	46	90	24	5	9
{ All Courts ...	1,068	...	72	97	24	5	9
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR { Districts ...	771	...	48	71	29	5	7
{ All Courts ...	1,068	...	73	77	30	5	9

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APPEALS—(JUDICIAL).

<i>ex parte.</i>	Contested.				Pending.		Average duration of appeals.	Objections under Rule 22, Order XLI, Act V of 1908.
	Re-manded.	Re-ject-ed.	Modi-fied.	Decreed or granted.	Re-mand-ed.	Total.			Over 3 months.
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
...	29	...	6	5	45	26	212'1	...
...	12	...	7	2	32	20	288'3	...
...	41	...	11	7	77	46	238'0	...
1	41	1	12	8	61	31	187'6	...
1	23	1	8	5	42	21	150'2	...
...	31	5	9	8	21	8	159'5	...
...	3	1	3	1	10	3	122'5	...
...	10	...	5	2	6	...	60'2	...
...	22	...	10	...	5	1	58'1	...
...	12	1	8	4	22	0	132'4	...
...	16	1	3	4	1	...	49'1	...
...	10	1	1	6	6	2	66'6	...
1	12	...	4	5	17	17	87'5	...
2	139	10	51	35	132	51	108'8	...
2	180	10	64	42	209	97	137'7	...
9	119	6	49	35	100	20	106'2	...
10	160	7	61	43	161	51	126'8	...
2	61	2	11	9	79	36	157'4	...
7	61	3	25	13	50	19	134'2	...
...	8	...	2	...	21	7	91'7	...
9	130	5	38	22	150	62	139'6	...
9	130	5	38	22	150	62	139'6	...
1	106	5	28	31	122	43	123'3	...
1	106	5	28	31	122	43	121'3	...
11	269	15	89	57	282	113	123'1	...
11	310	15	102	64	359	159	138'5	...
10	225	11	77	66	222	63	114'2	...
11	266	12	89	71	283	94	125'7	...

STATEMENT

Statement showing the Result of proceedings on Applications for Execution of during the

Districts.	Total number of applications for the execution of decrees before the Courts.	Applications		
		By transfer		
		To Civil Courts.	To Collector under section 68 of Act V of 1908.	To a Revenue Officer under section 85 of the Tenancy Act.
1	2	3	4	5
Nagpur	20,199	6	3	502
Wardha	19,772	8	10	173
Bhandara	15,866	...	...	146
Jubbulpore	12,838	20	267	273
Saugor	15,567	83	512	351
Hoshangabad	13,561	21	...	286
Nimar	17,867	...	...	68
Chhindwara	9,117	13	56	102
Raipur	13,170	21	..	51
Total Central Provinces	{ 1929 ... 137,957	172	878	1,755
	{ 1928 ... 132,100	177	679	1,980
East Berar	22,073	4	1,212	21
Akola	16,741	...	875	...
Buldana	17,650	...	652	...
Total Berar	{ 1929 ... 62,464	4	3,239	21
	{ 1928 ... 59,822	10	3,096	...
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROV- INCES AND BERAR.	{ 1929 ... 200,421	176	4,117	1,776
	{ 1928 ... 191,922	187	3,735	1,980

No. VI.—(CIVIL.)

Decrees of Civil Courts in the Districts of the Central Provinces and Berar year 1929.

disposed of			Pending.		Amount realized.
Satisfaction obtained in full.	Satisfaction obtained in part.	Wholly infructuous.	Total.	Over 6 months.	
6	7	8	9	10	11
2,215	3,783	8,715	5,177	616	8,66,155
2,363	3,081	8,698	5,139	484	7,03,478
1,647	2,451	7,879	3,743	310	4,27,065
1,531	2,415	5,819	2,513	162	3,10,558
1,301	2,347	7,534	3,406	157	2,26,862
1,461	1,726	6,931	3,136	333	4,47,870
1,377	2,149	9,501	4,772	252	5,23,935
1,022	1,568	4,338	2,008	107	2,80,084
2,206	1,787	5,655	3,450	139	5,43,337
15,123	21,107	65,068	33,654	2,560	43,34,344
15,231	20,678	61,826	31,229	2,444	43,35,349
4,759	3,088	11,883	6,605	417	3,71,027
2,136	1,527	8,005	4,198	457	5,41,638
2,432	1,917	7,746	4,903	397	3,79,722
9,327	6,532	27,634	15,707	1,271	12,92,387
8,803	6,311	25,849	15,753	1,530	15,13,044
24,450	27,839	92,702	49,561	3,831	55,26,731
24,334	26,989	87,675	46,982	3,974	58,48,393

STATEMENT

Statement showing the Result of Proceedings on applications for Execution of during the

Districts,	Number of			
	On which judgment debtor was imprisoned.	On which he was arrested, but released without imprisonment.	On which movable property	
			Was sold.	Was attached, but subsequently released.
1	12	13	14	15
Nagpur	13	290	130	599
Wardha	7	286	267	1,096
Bhandara	1	96	196	1,234
Jubbulpore	73	317	114	1,029
Saugor	4	399	236	1,179
Hoshangabad	14	220	95	740
Nimar	40	608	121	416
Chhindwara	30	284	146	603
Raipur	12	295	229	1,048
Total Central Provinces ... { 1929 ...	194	2,795	1,564	7,914
... { 1928 ...	150	2,149	1,634	8,171
East Berar	146	691	238	307
Akola	12	109	86	95
Buldana	20	60	165	213
Total Berar ... { 1929 ...	178	860	489	615
... { 1928 ...	141	499	499	641
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROV- { 1929 ...	372	3,655	2,053	8,550
INCES AND BERAR, ... { 1928 ...	291	2,648	2,133	9,012

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applications.

On which immovable property			On which possession was given		On which specific performance was enforced.	On which partition was effected.	On which execution was effected otherwise than as in the preceding columns.	Re. marks.
Was sold.	Was dealt with under Rule 83, Order XXI, paragraph 2 of Schedule III or Section 72 of Act V of 1908.	Was attached, but subsequently released under Rule 55, Order XXI, Act V of 1908.	Of movables.	Of immovables.				
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
451	1	922	2	208	3	1	5,260	
336	4	509	2	205	...	...	3,769	
131	...	312	...	174	1	...	3,560	
141	..	299	3	204	...	...	2,345	
200	...	114	...	202	8	..	3,111	
232	...	240	1	179	...	...	2,691	
204	...	147	...	53	...	...	1,844	
169	...	96	1	162	...	...	1,737	
129	...	458	4	697	1	...	2,334	
2,053	5	2,997	13	2,084	13	1	26,591	
2,154	2	3,406	21	2,086	12	2	27,483	
585	...	639	3	1,163	5	...	7,580	
343	1	220	5	704	7	13	2,687	
451	...	167	...	697	17	1	3,203	
1,379	1	1,026	8	2,564	29	14	13,470	
1,412	1	1,273	9	1,952	8	...	12,209	
3,452	6	4,023	21	4,648	42	15	40,061	
3,566	3	4,679	30	4,038	20	2	39,692	

STATEMENT

Proceedings in Insolvency under Act V of 1920 in the Districts

PART I.—Showing the number and Result of Petitions made

Districts.	Insolvency				
	Pending at close of previous year.	Number dealt with.			Received by transfer
		Presented during the year.			
		By debtors.		By creditors.	
		Under arrest or imprisonment.	Not under arrest or imprisonment.		
1	2	3	4	5	6
Nagpur ...	129	32	282	12	155
Wardha ..	139	116	191	9	..
Bhandara ...	135	39	255	2	..
Jubbulpore ...	86	68	161	6	...
Saugor ...	30	38	44	...	...
Hoshangabad ...	138	35	109	7	...
Nimar ...	138	172	302	16	...
Chhindwara ...	25	56	49	2	1
Raipur ..	40	63	92	5	...
Total Central Provinces ...					
{ 1929 ..	860	620	1,485	59	156
{ 1928 ..	641	546	1,206	142	...
East Berar ..	486	277	790	81	..
Akola ..	327	133	424	115	1
Buldana ...	259	90	388	65	...
Total Berar ...					
{ 1929 ...	1,072	500	1,602	261	1
{ 1928 ...	815	322	1,719	347	..
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR. ...					
{ 1929 ..	1,933	1,120	3,087	320	157
{ 1928 ...	1,456	868	2,925	489	...

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of the Central Provinces and Berar during the year 1929.

under Section 7 and the number of Insolvents before the Court.

petitions.

Total.	Number disposed of.							Pend- ing.
	Trans- ferred.	Withdrawn under Section 14.	By composition or scheme of arrangement under Section 38.	By orders of adjudication under Section 27.		Dismissed under Section 25.	Total.	
				Receivers being ap- pointed.	Receivers not being appointed.			
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
610	155	4	..	6	210	56	431	179
455	..	5	..	..	196	132	333	122
431	..	1	..	..	198	84	283	148
321	..	5	..	..	137	86	228	93
112	..	..	..	..	43	40	83	29
290	..	1	..	86	93	48	228	62
628	..	1	..	2	307	149	459	169
133	1	5	..	..	52	39	97	36
200	..	1	..	..	62	74	137	63
3,180	156	23	..	94	1,268	708	2,279	901
2,515	..	18	..	34	1,055	568	1,675	860
1,634	..	11	..	49	672	400	1,132	502
1,000	..	..	..	84	432	233	749	251
802	1	14	..	26	259	244	544	258
3,436	1	25	..	159	1,363	877	2,425	1,011
3,203	..	26	..	191	1,153	761	2,131	1,072
6,616	157	48	..	253	2,661	1,585	4,704	1,912
5,738	..	44	..	225	2,268	1,329	3,806	1,932

STATEMENT
Proceedings in Insolvency under Act V of 1920 in the Districts
 PART I.—Showing the Number and Result of Petitions made

Districts.	Insolvency petitions.		Debtors adjudged	
	Debtors sentenced under Section 69.	Undis-charged insolvents sent for trial under Section 72.	Number before	
			Remain-ing undis-charged at close of previous year.	Undis-charged received by transfer.
1	16	17	18	19
Nagpur	1,645	1,713
Wardha	1,136	..
Bhandara	959	..
Jubbulpore	627	...
Saugor	222	...
Hoshangabad	331	...
Nimar	...	1	1,011	...
Chhindwara	263	...
Raipur	540	..
Total Central Provinces	{ 1929 ... 1928 ...	1	6,734 6,214	1,713 1
East Berar	3,192	47
Akola	1,992	...
Buldana	1,056	...
Total Berar	{ 1929 ... 1928 ...	..	6,240 5,830	47 ...
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR.	{ 1929 ... 1928 ...	1	12,971 12,044	1,760 1

(a) Orders of adjudication were
 (b) Do. do.
 (c) Do. do.
 (d) Do. do.
 (e) Do. do.
 (f) Do. do.
 (g) Do. do.
 (h) Do. do.
 (i) Do. do.
 (j) Do. do.
 (k) Do. do.
 (l) Do. do.

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under Section 7 and the number of Insolvents before the Court.

to be insolvent.							Remaining undis- charged at close of year including insolvents who have been refused discharge or whose discharge remains suspend- ed under Section 41 (2) (b).
the Court.		Disposed of					
Adjudged to be in- solvent during year.	Total.	Transferred.	Died.	Discharged.		Total.	
				Absolutely under Section 41 (2) (a).	Condi- tionally under Section 41 (2) (c).		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
271	3,632	1,713	...	61	23	1,797	1,812 (a)
204	1,340	...	1	36	30	67	1,200 (b)
307	1,266	...	..	117	9	126	1,073 (c)
138	765	...	...	37	...	37	681 (d)
43	265	...	..	4	9	13	202 (e)
103	434	..	...	6	14	20	403 (f)
342	1,353	..	...	131	2	135	1,169 (g)
54	317	...	1	5	1	7	285 (h)
62	602	...	..	18	4	22	535 (i)
1,527	9,074	1,713	2	417	93	2,214	7,360
1,249	7,164	1	1	222	124	348	6,734
721	3,960	47	5	156	30	238	3,297 (j)
516	2,508	...	..	29	154	183	2,151 (k)
285	1,341	...	1	157	...	157	1,165 (l)
1,521	7,809	47	6	342	184	579	6,615
1,347	7,177	...	1	274	112	387	6,210
3,049	17,783	1,760	8	751	276	2,803	13,975
2,506	14,641	1	2	496	230	735	12,974

annulled in respect of 23 insolvents.

do	73	do.
do.	67	do.
do.	47	do.
do.	50	do.
do.	11	do.
do.	49	do.
do.	25	do.
do.	45	do.
do.	425	do.
do.	172	do.
do.	18	do.

STATEMENT

Proceedings in Insolvency under Act V of 1920 in the District

PART 2.--Showing the Number of Estates of Insolvents in charge of Courts

Districts.	Number of insolvents' estates in charge of Courts or in the hands of Receivers.				Amount of Creditors'	
	Pending at the close of the previous year.	Taken charge of by Court or a Receiver during the year.	Number of estates in regard to which proceedings were finally closed during the year.	Pending at the close of the year.	Unsatisfied and pending at the close of the previous year.	Admitted.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Nagpur ...	144	9	4	149	9,38,066	5,37,843
Wardha ...	24	17	27	14	1,55,950	90,474
Bhandara ...	7	28	24	11	16,045	42,476
Jubbulpore ...	6	4	3	7	27,161	6,673
Saugor ...	12	5	9	8	23,961	1,15,195
Hoshangabad ...	2	6	1	7	938	97,771
Nimar ...	103	25	35	93	1,03,406	86,853
Chhindwara ...	21	10	18	13	94,555	12,317
Raipur ...	6	8	7	7	51,570	35,524
Total Central Provinces { 1929 ...	325	112	128	309	14,11,652	10,25,126
{ 1928 ...	279	160	114	325	7,91,187	8,81,267
East Berar ...	326	165	175	316	11,25,522	2,89,518
Akola ...	35	112	27	180	1,88,052	2,25,267
Buldana ...	156	51	9	198	3,65,719	75,264
Total Berar { 1929 ...	577	328	211	694	16,79,323	5,90,049
{ 1928 ...	451	212	86	577	14,09,822	5,21,859
GRAND TOTAL CENTRAL PROVINCES AND BERAR. { 1929 ...	902	440	339	1,003	30,90,975	16,15,175
{ 1928 ...	730	372	200	902	22,01,016	14,05,226

(a) Rs. 74,119

(b) Rs. 37,979

(c) Rs. 2,852

(d) Rs. 38,670

(e) Rs. 43,586

(f) Rs. 17,902

(g) Rs. 13,780

(h) Rs. 2,98,489

(i) Rs. 20,496

(j) Rs. 10,098

(k) Rs. 40,14-0 were paid as poundage

(l) Incurred Rs. 2,079 towards costs of

(m) Excludes Rs. 129 paid as costs and

(n) Includes receiver's commission

(o) Excludes Rs. 6,400 placed in civil

NO. VII.—(CIVIL)—*concl'd.*

of the Central Provinces and Berar during the year 1929.

or in the hands of Receivers and the progress made in winning them up.

claims dealt with during the year.			Amount of insolvents' assets realized and outstanding.				Remarks.
Dis-allowed.	Satisfied.	Unsatisfied and pending at the close of the year.	Amount of realized assets in Court or in the hands of Receivers at the close of the previous year.	Gross amount realized during the year.	Total amount of disbursement.	Amount remaining in Court or in the hands of Receivers at the close of the year.	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	
...	25,594	14,50,315	31,170	33,066	41,640	22,506	
9,087	10,394	(a) 1,52,824	18,056	26,401	10,429	34,008	
...	3,670	(b) 16,872	322	4,608	(k) 3,860	1,000	
...	3,807	(c) 27,175	13,947	4,630	3,807	14,770	
...	12,277	(d) 88,209	264	11,179	11,133	105	
...	35	58,674	96	9,051	(l) 2,114	(o) 633	
12	6,285	(e) 1,40,376	6,981	13,184	6,285	13,583	
83	3,159	(f) 85,708	3,876	17,009	(m) 3,159	17,597	
...	12,619	(g) 60,695	11,209	5,709	12,919	6,209	
9,182	77,840	21,20,868	87,921	1,21,837	95,251	1,10,978	
2,208	51,492	14,11,652	26,615	1,20,338	58,957	87,921	
1,562	46,337	(h) 10,68,646	44,686	71,059	(n) 53,883	61,836	
2,782	64,693	(i) 3,25,318	66,567	73,525	61,693	75,399	
...	15,300	(j) 4,15,615	47,578	21,520	15,300	53,798	
4,350	1,26,320	18,09,609	1,58,831	1,59,104	1,33,882	1,94,053	
...	82,039	16,79,323	1,03,147	1,51,206	91,817	1,58,831	
12,537	1,04,170	33,30,177	2,46,752	2,93,941	2,29,133	3,05,031	
2,208	1,33,531	30,90,975	1,29,762	2,71,544	1,50,774	2,46,752	

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fees and Rs. 148-0-6 lapsed to Government.

defending cases, pay of servants and other expenses,

receiver's remuneration.

Rs. 7,178, land revenue Rs. 350, and Rs. 24 paid to insolvent.

court deposit.