

REPORTS


## adMINISTRATION OF MINORS' ESTATES

IN THE

NORTHERN, CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN DIVISIONS
AND IN SIND

FOR THE YEAR ending 31st JULY 1910.

## ERRATA.

## Northern Division Report.

(1) In line 6 of sub-paragraph 2 of paragraph 4 for 22 read 23 . In line 2 of sub-paragraph 4 for 10 read 16 . In linè 1 of sub-paragraph 10 for Rs. 5,238 read Rs. 5,277.
(2) In line 4 of sub-paragraph 7 of paragraph 7 for Re. 4,822 read Rs. 4,556.
(3) In the total of column 24 for the estates under the Collector of Broach, at pages 19 and 21 , for 7,816 read 11,609 ; and in the aggregate total of the same column for 3,71,662 read 3,75,425.

## Southern Division Report.

(4) In column 19 of the statement at pages 44 and 45 against estato No. 3 for 1,323 read.1,324.

## Sind Report.

(5) In column 24 of the statement at pages 52 and 53 for the total for the Lárkára District for 4,009 read 4,282; and for the grand total in the same column for 10,899 read 11,172.

From

> R. P. BARROW, Esquire, I. C. S., $\cdot$ Commissioner, Northern Division;

To

> Tie CHIEF SECRETARY то GOVERNMENT, Revenue Department, Bombay.
> Ahmedabad Shah-i-bagh, 15th October 1910.

## Sir,

I have the honour to submit the report on the Administration of Minors' Estates in the Northern Division for the year ending 31st July 1910.

## Assumption and Relinquishment of Estates.

2. At the commencement of the year, 73 estates were under management, 50 in Alumedabad, Kaira and Broach by the Tálukdári Settlement Officer and 23 by Collectors. Of the former, eight were releasod from management while two new ones (Nos. 8 and 27) were taken over early in February 1910, so that at the end of the year the total number under the T'álukdári Settlement Officer was forty-four. Of the released estates the management of Nos. 3, 6, 36 and 45 (vide statement A referred to below) was continued under section 28 of the Tálukdári Act ; of Nos. 43 and 48 under the Court of Wards Act, while Nos. 4 and 37 were restored to their owners, the former in a solvent condition although it is anticipated that troubles with the collaterals will probably foreo the Tálukdár to seek management under section 28 of the Tálukdári Act. Estate No. 37 has an outstanding debt of Rs. 1,571, which under the arrangement specified in the "Remarks" column of last year's statement A, (vide No. 35), will be cleared at the end of 1913-14. Of the estates managed by the Collectors, two in Broach, (Nos. 61 and 65), were released in the beginning of the year, in the first case because the minor came of age, and in the second by order of the District Court, while in the Panch Maháls one new one, that of Behera Talakchand of Limdi was taken over. Thus the total number under management at the close of the year was 66, the distribution being :-

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| Do. the Collector of the Panc̣h Maballs | .. | ... | ... | 2 |
| Do. the Collector of Broach | .- | $\cdots$ | ... | 12 |
| Do, the Collector of Surat | $\cdots$ | - | ... | 4 |

Statement A appended gives the usual particulars with regard to each estate under management in the Division.

## Income.

3. The increase under this head, (except in the Kaira District), which has been generally shared by all estates testifies to a fairly satisfactory agricultural year. There has been an appreciable increase in the recoipts of estates Nos, 3 , $7,9,16,20,23,42,44$ and 46 owing mainly to the grant of leases in the Dhandhuka and Viramgam Tálukas and to good harvests elsewhere, while poor crops were responsible for the decrease in the oase of estates Nos. 5,10 and 32 .

The total income of the estates would have compared more favourably with that of the preceding year but for the decrease in the receipts of the Kaira estates with reference to which the Collector writes:-
"I regret to have to lay stress on the fact that the income of the two estates fell from Rs. 6,075 last year to 2,789 this year. Making full B 1085-1
allowance for "reasons", I cannot escapo from tho conclusion that at least one of the two estates suffered owing to bad manaroment. It is now somerrlant late to arert this yoar a recurrence of somo of tho dofects of management which happened last year, but I am inquiring into the matter with a view to preventing slackness on the part of the Mámlatdars and Talatis concerned in future ycars and with a viow 10 ensuring that the Collector's attention shall at the right seasons bo automatically directed towards the management of these estates ".
The income from land of the twelve estates under the Collector of Broach shoms an increase of Rs. 907, Zadeshwar yielding the largest amount.

The only increase worthy of notice in Surat is in tho case of Diehn-Olpid estate No. 76 , which was due to the redemption of the minor's Inim land from mortgage.

The most important fluctuations under the head 'Incomo from other sources' which is over Rs. 9,000 in excess of that of the previous ycar, are explained in the "Remarks", column of Statement $A$.

A statement (B), giving information regarding tho area, assossment and gross income of land (on which full assessment is paid) belonging to oach estate, accompanies.

## Expenditure.

4. The causes of fluctuations hare been giren in Statement $\Lambda$ whererer necessary.

Maintenance Allorance:-Although, apparently in this connection there is an increase in the total of more than lis. 3,500 orer

Estates under the management of the Talukdiri Scttlement Officer. the previous year, more than half of it is accounted for by the inclusion of figurcs for the new estates Nos. 8 and 27 ; the remaindor being made up by increases in the case of estates Nos. $4,22,20$ and 44, the causes of which have been specified in the statement.

The discontinuance of the practice of withbolding from the surplus balance a sufficient amount to meet the cost of maintenance in the case of the Kherra Umarkhan Modji estate (vide sub-para. 4 of paragraph 4 of the report for 1008-(9) is responsible for the increaso of Rs. 600.

The amount of "Government dues" payable by the cstates, shown in column 10 of the statement, was credited to Government wherever possible. 'The apparent decrease under this head in this year's statemont is due to the exclusion of figures of repayment of arrears of Jama and Tagavi which were hitherto shown in this column. They have now been included in column 17 under the head "discharge of liabilities".

Other expenditure :-As in the case of expenditure under column 15, the new estates, referred to, have here again caused an increase in the total. Exclusire of the figures for these estates therefore, there is an actual decrease of nearly hs. 3,000 . On the whole there appears to have been a general curtailment of "miscellaneous expenditure" except in the case of the more important estates Nos. 12, 16, 20, 30, 42 and 52, the reasons for which are given in the statement.

There is no charge for maintonance in the case of Abu Bavaji who is looked after by a relative. In Devisang's estate, the

Estates ander the management of the Collector of Ahmedabad. only point worth notice is the purchase of a Government promissory note for Rs. 1,000 from the cash balance in hand.
The total expenditure of the two estates amounted to Rs. 2,248 as against Rs. 3,941 in the preceding year. This, however,

Estates ander the managemert of the Collector of Kaira being exclusive of the substantial sum of Rs. 3,982 which cannot litcrally be considered an item of "expenditure" in view of the appreciable return ralized by way of a sccurity of the value of Rs. 4,100 is still actually in excess of the previous year's expenditure which also included money spent on the purchase of securities.

The following items are the real oause of this increase :-
(1) Cost of Civil Suits.
(2) Charges on account of a death ceremony in estate No. 1.
(3) Cost of maintenance.

The variations under the head "Government dues" in the case of both estates are explained in the statement.

The expenditure of the year amounts to Rs, 5,238 against 6,088 in the
Estates nuder the management of the Collector of the Panch Maháls.

The Thakore's expenses, The Thakore's expenses, Metral estate No. 57, are given in the statement Rs. 1,052, including the price of a now the maiatenance, amount to rent.

There is an appreciablo decrease of Rs. 876 under "maintenanoe" partly
Estates ander the manage. ment of the Colleotor of Broach. due to a reduction in the allowance to Bai Parrati (No. 72) and to the release from management of estates Nos. 61 and 65 . Miscellaneous expenditure amounting to Rs. 5,913 was incurred mainly on the repairing of houses and boundary marks and in the case of the Zadeshwar estate, on establishment charges.

## Management of imnoveable property:

5. Of the estates in the Talukdári Settlement Officer's charge, twentynine were managed departmentally, the remainder having been leased out. The leasing system has found suitable soil in the Dhandhuka and Viramgam Tálukás of Ahmedabad; ten estates having been leased in the former and five in the latter.

The Talukdári Settlement OMcer is probably correot in his contention that there is no advantage in extending the system to Kaira estates where rents are paid in cash and practically the whole area is under cultivation.

With reference to the estates under the Collector of Ahmedabad there is nothing to mention of any importance beyond the fact that they have been leased to tenants who pay the Government dues.

The total area of land comprised in the estates with the Collector of Kaira is 201 acres against 213 in the previous year, the difference being due to the redemption of mortgaged land. It has again been found impracticable to lease out all the lands of the estates to one individual. The l'alatis of the village collect the rents partly in cash and partly in kind.

The Metral estate in the Panch Maháls is administered by a Japtidar on behalf of the Collector; while for the efficient management of the new Limdi estate an establishment consisting of one karkun on Rs. 20 + Rs. 3-5.4 (Pension contribution) and a peon on Rs. 7 has been maintained. The valuation survey of the former estate sanctioned by Government Resolution No. 9562 of 19th September 1908, was made during the year under report by the Assistant Tálukdári Settlement Officer and all fields have been measured and demarcated.

The total area of land comprised in the estates with the Collector of Broach shows a decrease of 46 aeres owing (1) to redemption of 40 acres by the original mortgagors and (2) to estate No. 12 of last year's statemont having been handed over to the rightful claimant. Annual leases are sold by auction in this District.

## Mroveable property.

6. The aggregate total value of moveable property belonging to the estates was Rs.' $1,13,383$ as against Rs. 90,735 in the preceding ycar. The increase is mainly due to the inclusion of lis. 23,300 the value of the moveable property of the new Limdi estate under tho Collector of the Panch Mabáls.

## Liabilities of the esfates.

7. The total liabilities of the estates amounted to Rs. $4,32,052$ of which Rs. 60,390 are due to Government and Rs. 3,71,662 to other croditors.

The increase in column 23 in the case of estates Nos. 3 and 14 is due to the advance of debt settlement loans and in a ferr other cases to the addition of interest, while in the case of No. 5 it is due to fresh advance of Tagavi. With a few exceptions there has been a general reduction in the debts due to Government in consequence of the fair scason.

Column 17 includes repayments made on account of debts due to Government as well as to private creditors. Besides repayments of minor importance made during the year, Rs. 960 were paid to Government by the Ambli estate of Dadubha Vajesing, Rs. 1,600 by the Rozka estate of Khodubha Bhojarajji and Rs .751 by the Pipli Bhikhubha estate, and the following repayments were made in satisfaction of private debts:-


The increase in columns 22 and 24 against estate No. 38 is the result of debt settlement inquiries while in the case of Nos. 1, 28 and 41 it is due to the submission of claims not previously allowed to be submitted under the discretion vested in the Tálukdári Settlement Offeer under Section 29B (2) of the Gujarát Talukdárs' Act.

With reference to the remark made in paragraph 3 of Government Resolution No. 5099, dated 7th June 1910, that the Dholka estate of Shermia Bapumia is allowed to continue in debt due to Government to the extent of Rs. 20,000 while it is permitted to make investments from the balance at its disposal, the Tálukdári Settlement Officer writes:-
"The amount of Rs. 20,633 shown against the estate in column 23 of last year's statement consisted mainly of arrears of Jama and Local Fund Cess amounting to Re. 20,231 for the year 1904.05. Payment was delayed because the estate had given remissions of rents to its tenants and proportionate remission of jama could not be ordered till the character of three successive years was known. Of this amount Rs. 8,483 have now been remitted and the balance has been ordered to be paid up in three instalments under the orders of the Collector of Ahmedabad."

It is of interest to note that a considerable portion of the debts of estates Nos. 1 and 3 which were alluded to as almost hopelessly involved in Government Resolution No. 4363, dated 30th April 1908, were settled during the year. A claim of Rs. 20,727 against the former estate was settled for Rs. 3,000 and a claim of Rs. 17,787 against the latter for Rs. 1,050.

Negotiations for the settlement of the rest of the claims of these estates are in progress while similar settlements made in the case of estates Nos, 47 and 48 have reduced their debts from Rs. 11,450 to Rs. 5,605 and from Rs. 6,591 to Rs, 4,822 respectively.

The rejection of a claim of Rs. 1,049 as time-barred has reduced the liabilities of the Sihunj estate in Kaira to Rs. 1,355.

The payment by the Zadeshwar estate in Broaoh, of the substantial sum of Rs. 4,612 besides a large amount from its securities, towards the disoharge of liabilities, is worthy of attention.

## Education.

8. Five minors attend the Sadra Scott College, 11 the Dhandhuka Jubilee Hostel, one the High School and another the Anglo-Vernacular School at Broach, 9 village schools, while 3 receive private tuition at home.

Thakore Ranjitsingji of Metral who has left the Godhra Tálukdári School, has been allowed to proceed to the Dohad Agricultural Farm with the objoct of learning the elements of scientific agriculture under the Farm Superintendent. Others of school-going age obtain no eduction owing to the obstruction and indifference of their guardians. The Tálukdári Settlement Oficer writes:-
"The experiment of a Hostel for Talukdars' sons at Dhandhuka has proved successful, and 42 boys are at present in residence. The present hostel building is however filled to its utmost capacity, and applications have to be refused. No other suitable building is available in Dhandhuka. Government have promised the present District Bungalow and site rent free, as soon as a ner Bungalow can be constructed; but it has not yet been possible to provide funds for the latter, so that the site of the present Bungalow is still not available. A similar hostel has been arranged for and is now beginning work in Anand for Tálukdárs' sons of the Broach and Kaira Districts. T'wo scholarships at the rate of Rs. 10 per mensem are given to deserving students from the funds of the Jubilee Institute. It is anticipated that proposals for the compulsory education of Tálakdars' sons will shortly become law,"

The opening of the new hostel at Anand will help to relieve the congestion at Dhandhuka.

## Litigation.

9. The suit filed by the paternal relatives of minor Bai Amarbai, referred to in the previous year's report, is still pending in the 1st Olass Sub-Judge's Court at Âhmedabad.

A noteworthy feature of litigation during the year is the filing of a suit by certain sharers in the Bhankoda estate in Viramgam Taluka for a declaration of the illegality of management under section 28 of the Tálukdári Act assumed by the T'álukdári Settlement Officer on behalf of minor Mcrubha Gambhirsing and his co-sharers with the sanction of Government in their Resolution No. 5479, dated 17th June 1910. The suit which was pending in the District Court, Ahmedabad, has now been withdrawn. There was no litigation of importance in respect of other estates.

I have the honour to be,<br>Sir,<br>Your most obedient servant, R. P. BARROW, Commissioner, Northern Division,

Statement showing the yarticulars of Minors' Estates under the guardia:


## A.

of the Collectors and the T. S. O. in the Northern Division for the year ending 31st July 1910.



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R. P. BARROW,

Commissioner, Northern Division.

## STATEMENT B.

Statement giving the information regarding Minors' estates under guardianship as required by paragraph 7 of Government Resolution No. 6323, dated 25th June 1907.


STATEMENT B-continued.

| Number of estate as given in the general statement. | Area of land c omprised in the estata on which full land revenue essessment is paid. | Land revenue assessment of area in Column 2. | Gross income of area in Columan 2. | Remarka. |
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| 75 | 43 | 208 | 385 |  |
|  | 21 | 110 | 292 | The income is more than double the assessment. |
| Total... | 97 | 447 | 1,150 |  |
| Grand Total... | 13,634-2 | 7,782 | 18,947 |  |

R. P. BARROW,

Commissioner, Northern Division.

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\text { No. } \frac{\pi}{24} \text { or } 1911 .
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From
The Honodrable Mr. G. S. CURTis, I. O. S., Acting Commissioner, O. D.;

To
T\#e CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, Revenue Department.
Poona, 4th January 1911.
Sir,
I have the honour to submit the report on the Administration of Minors' Estates in the Central Division for the year ending 31st July 1910.
2. I attach a Statement A showing the estates now under the guardian-

Assumption and relinquishment of estates. ship of Collectors in this Division. At the commencement of the year, there were ten such estates. Two belonging to that of the Pethe minor (No. 4) and the Bokil minors (No. 8) were given up and one that of deceased Ghadge minor (No. 7) was transferred to the management of the Court of Wards at the request of Laxmibai, widow of the deceased minor (vide Government Resolution No. 3761, dated 25th April 1910, Revenue Department).

Information regarding the guardians of the persons of the minors has been given in the remark column of the statement.
3. The total income of estates from land was. Rs. 6,300 as against Income. Rs. 16,438 in the previous year. The decrease is chiefly due to the transfer of the estate of the deceased Ghadge minor (No. 7) to the Court of Wards. The reasons for the increase under the head "Income from other sources" are given where necessary in the remark column of Statement A. A statement giving the amount of land revenue fully assessed and of income derived this year from land is appended to this report, as required by Government Resolution No, 6323, dated 25th June 1907, Revenue Department.

Expenditure.

(a) the release of estates Nos. 7 and 8 ;
(b) Purchase of promissory notes last year by Estates Nos. 1 and 3
but not this year; and
(c) the handing over cash balances of the estates of minors Kole-
wadikar Deshpande of Sátára and Devargaokar and Haste of Násik.
The increase or decrease noticed in each estate is noted in the remark column of Statement $A$.

In the case of Mokashi minor (No. 5) the expenditure under the head "cost of maintenanco" shows a considerable increase and is due to the fact that the maintenance allowance of the minor for two years was paid during the year, and that about Rs. 150 were spent in connection with the thread ceremony of the minor. It may be remarked that in the case of this estate all the receipts including the opening balance were spent in defraying the expenditure of the minor during the year.

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The amount under the head "other expenditure" in the case of Sindkar minor (No. 6) shows also a considerable increase and is due to petty repairs to the house, tals in the lands of the estate, etc. Besides these, there were no important fluctuations in expenditure in respect of other estates.
5. The practice of leasing the agricultural lands and houses of the minors,

Management of immoveable property. where possible, was continued during the year. Most of the houses do not fetch any rent as some of them are occupied either by the minors or their relatives and some are situated in small villages where there is no demand for them. Much of the property belonging to Sindkar minor (No. 6) has been omitted from Statement A by the Collector, because it lies within the territory of the Chief of Bhor and because the Chief is its ex officio guardian. A piece of waste land at Khetia belonging to Matkar minor (No. 3) was sold during the year. It fetched Rs. 387. Some lands in the possession of Giram minor (No. 10) under a mortgage-deed were released during the year aftor the expiry of the term fixed. The house of the minor Usufalli (No. 9) is still in the possession of the minor's creditor who is also his bhauband.

Moreable property. $\quad$ 6. As regards moveable property the fluctuations are too insignificant to call for comment.
7. Of the estates under management at the close of the year, only estate

No. 5 is in debt; while the rest are free. As regards
Liabilities of estates. No. 5, the Collector reports that nothing could be paid to the creditors of the estate for want of funds.
8. As regards education the progress made by each minor during the Edacation. . course of the year is noted against each in the remark column of Statement A. Special teachers were engaged for minors Nos. 3, 6 and 10. Of these the first, Matkar minor, was found to be inattentive to his studies. He has now been broughit to Dhulia and suitable arrangements for his residence and education are being made. The minor Usufalli is being educated in Arabic and Persian by his guardian Khán Bahádur Pir Mahomed Dafedar at home. Arrangements for the education of the minors and their progress are all reported to be satisfactory except in the case of No. 3 noted above.
9. During the year, 11 suits were filed in the Conciliators Court on Litigation. behalf of the Akola minor (No. 1), of which 5 suits have been presented in the Sub-Judge's Court at Shevgaon and two darkiasts already passed. With regard to the estate of minor Giram (No. 10), two of the applications filed in the Conciliator's Court, Bársi, in the year 1908.09 for the recovery of the minor's dues on mortgagebonds have been withdrawn as the documents on the strength of which the suits were filed had not been properly attested and as the District Government Pleader who was consulted was of opinion that the suits would fail. The suits instituted last year in the Civil Court at Bársi on mortgage-bonds are still pending decision. The third suit filed against the minor has been decided by the Civil Court. The Court held the sale-deed to be a mortgage-bond and fixed fire equal instalments of Rs. 45 per annum in repayment of the amount due to the minor. In respect of the other estates, there was no litigation.

> I have the honour to be, Sir,
> Your most obedient servant, G. S. CURTIS,
> Ag. Commissioner, C.D.

STATEMENT.


Slatement showing the particulars of Minors' Estates unter the Guardianship

of the Collectors in the Oentral Division for the year ending 31st July 1910. .


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Ag. Commissioner, C. D.

Statement accompanying the report on the Administration of Mizors' Estates in the Oentrai Division for the year ending 31st July 1910 as prescribed in Government Resolution No. 6323, dated 25th June 1907 (Revenue Department).

| Number of estate as given in the general statement. | Area of land comprised in the eatate on which full Land Revenue is paid. is paid. | Land Revenue ansessment of area mhown in column 2. | Gross income of area in column 2. | Remarka. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|  | Acres, | Rs. | Rs. |  |
| 1 | 140 | 101. | 225 | All the lands have been leased out at a net profit of Rs. 225 for 5 years. |
| 3 | 112 | 86 | 465 | All the private lands of the minor have been leased for a period of 5 years at a profit of Re. 555 ; but of this sum, Rs. 90 were paid to a bhil Jaglia for his out vide remarks against column 7 in Statement A). |
| 10 | 800 | 509 | - 3,796 | The lands are auctioned for cultivation for a year for Rs. 1,736. |
| Total for C. D. | 1,052. | 696 | 2,486 |  |

G. S. CURTIS,

Ag. Commissioner, C. D.

No. 4203 of 1910.
From

The Hon'ble Mr. M. C. GibB, LLi.B., I.O.S., Commissioner, Southern Division ;

To

> THE CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, Revenue Department, Bombay.

Belgaum, 28th October 1910.
Sir,
I have the honour to submit the report on the administration of Minors' Estates in the Southern Division for the year ending 31st July 1010.

Assumption and Relinquishment of Estates.
2. At the commencement of the year under report, 11 estates were under the managernent of the Collectors- 4 in Belgaum, 6 in Dhárwár and one in Kánara. 'To this number two new estates-one in Belgaum and one in Dhárwár wore added in the course of the year. Estate No. 12 never came under the Collector's management, as, the minor having attained majority during the year, the District Judge decided to drop the matter. In the case of estate No. 13, though the Collector has been appointed guardian, the estate has not beon taken charge of pending receipt of a reply to a reference made to the District Judge about the property. Thus the total number of estatos actually under Government management at the end of the year was 12.

Statement $\mathbf{A}$ appended gives the usual particulars with regard to each estate under management in the Division.

Information regarding the guardians of the persons of the minors has been given in the remarks column of the statement referrel to above.

## Income.

3. Belgaum District.-Estate No. 1.-The rent roll for the year was Rs. 772 as against Rs. 823 of the last year. The decrease is explained by the fact that a sum of Rs. 50, the realisations of grazing-fess which ought properly to have appeared under "Other sources" was erroncously included under "Rent". Of the demand, Rs. 669 were recovered leaving a balance of Rs. 103 uncollected at the end of the year. lis. 3 were also recovered on account of last year's arrears. Some of the defaulters claim to be Pot-Inámdárs and contend that they have not to pay any judi or rent to the Inámdár. The Collector reports that their claim is under investigation.

Estate No. 2.-The minor has no landed property. He gets only a monthly allowance of Rs. 85 from his uncle, the Jahágirdár of Here. The money is remitted through the Collector and a sum of Rs. 500 only is reported to have been remitted during the year under report and Rs. 450 after the close of the year. Steps are in progress to recover from him the balance still outstanding,

Estate No. 3.-The Collector manages only the arricultural lands of the minor, whose other property is under the management of the Deputy Nizir of the District Court, and the Collector proposes to suggest to the District Judgo the advisability of entrusting tho moveable property as well to his carc. The rent demand was Rs. 1,180 as against 1,198 of the last year. The decrease is too insignificant to need any comment. The whole of the current yoar's demand was recovered in addition to a sum of Rs. 131 on account of arrears of past years. There is still an amount of Rs. 100 due to the estate-lis. 10.3 on account of arrears before the estate came under the Collector's managracnt and Rs. 6 on account of arrears subsequent to that datc.

Estate No. 4.-The property consists of lands in British territory and in the Native States of Sángli and Miraj, Senior and Junior. The total demand of the estate excluding lands in the possession of mortgagees and servants of the estate was Rs. 6,647 in cash and 69 maunds of jowári valued at Rs. 276. Of this Rs. 5,043 in cash and Rs. 60 representing price of 15 maunds of jowari were recovered. Rs. 65 on account of the last year's arrears were recovered from defaulters in British Territory. Of the balance of Rs. 1,004 of the current year's demand outstanding at the close of the year, Rs. 1,309 and 19 maunds of jowari were collected after the year closed. The balance outstanding is practically only Ms. 215 in cash and 35 maunds of jowári. The rent roll of Is. 6,647 in cash and 69 maunds of jowári in kind of the year under report compares most favourably with that of the last year with its cash rent of Rs. 3,612 and 37 maunds of jowari in kind. The reason is that the Collector collected the rents of lands situated in the Native States which the pseudoadopted son last year appropriated to himself.

Estate No. 5.-The management of this estate was taken over by the Collector only in January last. The sum of Rs. 633 shown as income derived from land against this estate (column 13 of the statement) represents the price recovered by the sale of crops standing at the time of taking over charge of the estato.

Dhárwár District,-Column 9.-There have been variations under this head in case of estates Nos. 7 and 10. In the case of the former, the decrease is due to the fact that a survey number measuring 11 acres, which had been mortgaged with possession to the minor's father and formed part of the estate, was ordered to be restored to the mortgagor by the Civil Court in a suit brought by the latter under the Dekkhan Agriculturists'. Relief Act. The increase in the case of the latter estate is accounted for by the fact that a survey number measuring 14 acres, which was in the possession of a widow of the minor's family during her life-time, reverted to the minor on her death.

Column 10.-In the case of estates Nos. 6 and 7, the demands have been correctly made out this year, showing separately the amounts of kadim cash allowance payable by the Inámdárs as revenue payers of the villages and correcting the amounts under the other sub-heads. In the case of No. 7, the restoration of a survey number to the mortgagor has not affected the amount of revenue payable by the minor, as the amount was not being paid by the latter; similarly in the case of No. 10 though the piece of land ( 14 acres) referred to in the above para was in the possession of a widew, the revenue was being paid from the minor's estate.

Column 11.-No moveable property is in charge of the Collector except that of No. 9 , in which there has been no variation.

Columin 13.-There has been an increase under this head in the case of all the estates owing to the fact that previous year's arrears were collected during the year under report, the season being more favourable than the previous one.

Column 14.-In the case of No. 6, the decrease is due to the fact that no house rent accrued this year, as the house is out of repair. Steps are being taken to repair it. In the case of No. 7, the increase is not real, as the house rent realised last year was erroneously shown in column 13. In the case of No. 8, the increase is due to the recovery of arrears of house rent due in the previous year. The variations in the case of other estates being small call for no remarks.

Kánara.-The income during the year of the estate (No. 14) consisted of rents on land and interest on Promissory Notes of the value of Rs. 2,500. One satisfactory feature of the year under report is that all rents were collected, including the arrears of the last year (Rs. 139-8-0). The cash balance also increased from Rs. 690 to 1,110 , though an additional expenditure of Rs .16 (vide Statement A, column 18) was incurred during the year.

| Lstate. | Area, | Income from land. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Acres. | Rs. |
| 3 | 166 | 1,311 |
| 9 | 142 | 1,103 |

The figures given in the margin indioate very high rents. On the other hand, in estate No. 10, figures are-

Arca. Land Revenue. Gross income.
Acres. Rs. Rs.
1,200 1,182 . 1,341
a very small margin appears to be left for the benefit of the minors.

Expenditure.
4. Belgaum District.-Estate No. 1-The total expendituro incurred during the year was Rs. 1,025 made up of the following items:-

Rs.
232 Judi for the year under report.
82 Judi on account of past years.
224 Kadim cash allowances.
400 Advances to the Pleader in connection with suits.
48 Paid to the High Court Pleader to defend an appeal pending in the IIigh Court.
39 Cost of management.
Rs.
23 Proportionate charge of the Collector's personal establishment. 18 Cost of Local Establishment.

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1,025

Estate No. 2.-The total expenditure amounting to Rs. 843 represonts the cost of maintenance and education of the minor and bis sister and other sundry expenses. No charge on account of cost of management was levicd from this estate as all that was done by the Collector was to receive the allowance from the Jabágdirdár and pay it to the joint guardian for maintenance of the ward.

Estate No. 4.-The total expenditure incurred was Rs. 7,007 and four maunds of jowari worth Rs. 16 and was made up of the following items:-

Rs.
124 Judi paid to the British Government for the year under report.
55 Do. for the past year.
2,884 Assessment paid to Inámdárs and Jahágírdárs for the year under report.
4
1,850 Do. for the previoas year.
524 Establishment charges.
Rs.
168 Proportionate charge on account of the Colleotor's personal establishment.
356 Cost of Local Establishment.
524
121 Feed of animals.
212. Pleaders' fees, etc.

1,227 Payments of claims against the estate.
10 Copying fees.
7,007
Four maunds of jowári worth Rs. 16 paid to coolies for cutting grass, cto., for cattle.

Estate No. 5.-The total expenditure was Rs. 332, the groater portion of which, amounting to Rs. 250, was incurred on account of maintenance charges of the ward and his mother. The other itoms were : -

Rs.
35 The proportionate cost of the Collector's personal establishment.
35 Repairs to houses.
5 Pleaders' fees.
7 Miscellaneous expenditure.

Dhárwár District.-Column 15.-The increase in the cost of maintenance in the case of estates No. 6, 8,9 and 11 is due to the payment of the arrears of the previous year, while the decrease in the case of estate No. 7 is accounted for by the fact that one month's allowance due to the minors for the year under report, remained to be paid.

Column 16.-The increase in the case of estates Nos. 6 and 8 is due to the payment of the previous year's arrears, which, in some cases, had been suspended owing to the unsatisfactory character of the season, but were ordered to be collected during the year under report.

Column 17.-In the case of estate No. 6, two instalments (Rs. 240 in all) in part repayment of a debt of Rs. 600 were paid and Rs. 80 were pard according to a compromise effected last year in satisfaction of a decree of a Civil Court for Rs. 160, while an instalment of Rs. 700 could not be paid for want of funds. In the case of estate No. 8, the increase is due to the fact that some instalments of repayment of debts, which could not be paid in the previous year for want of funds, were paid during the year. The variations in the case of the other estates are small and need no remarks.

Column 18. -In the case of No. 6, the decrease is due to the absence of any special items of expenditure such as thread ceremony, etc., as in the previous year. The increase in the case of estate No. 7, is due to unusual items of expenditure such as car festival of Hanumán temple, for which customary contributions had to be made and the "Falshoban" (consumation of marriage) ceremony of the minor Shriniwas and that in the case of No. 11 is due to the payment of subscription for a school-house at Hebli, law charges and other special charges. The increase in the case of Nos. 8 and 9 is due to the purchase of clothes, etc., for the minors and to some charges of the previous year having been paid during the year under report.

Column 19.-The amount at the credit of estates No. 7 and 11 being pretly large, will be properly invested. In reply to a reference from him the Collector was informed that on the analogy of the orders contained in Government Resolution No. 2302, dated 11th March 1910, there was no objection to his depositing a portion out of balances of the minors' estates in his charge with Co-operative Credit Societies selected in consultation, with the Registrar of Co-operative Credit Societies.

## Management of immoveable property.

5. None of the lands of the minors were managed departmentally. The season was fair and it was not found necessary to grant any suspensions or remissions during the year under report. There have been no changes in the immoveable property of the minors, except in the case of estates Nos. 7 and 10 referred to in paragraph 3 above against the Dhárwar District.

## Mloveable property.

6. Belgaum.-The only estate, the moveable property of which is in the Collector's charge is No. 2. The property consists of gold, silver and pearl ornaments which are kept in the Treasury strong room. An inventory has been made. A few copper pots worth about Rs. 6 belonging to estate No. 4 are also in the Collector's charge.

## Dhárwár.-No variation.

Kánara.-The estimated value of the moveable property was reduced from Rs. $1,6 \div 9$ to Rs. 1,615 owing to the death of two cows during the year. This property consists in part of valuables (Rs. 1,052) which are kept in the SubTreasury of Sirsi for safe custody, the remainder being in the charge of Mr. Dongre, Head Master, Sirsi A.-V. School, and guardian of the minor. The Government Promissory Notes are deposited with the Accountant General, Bombay.

## Liabilities.

7. Belgaun.--The estates Nos. 2, 3 and 5 are freo from debt, whilst estates Nics. 1 and 4 are heavily involved.

Estate No. 1.-The dispute noticel in the last year's report as sulsisting between the minor and his co-sharcrs, has, the Collcelor reports, Deen lirought to a satisfactory conclusion. The sercral co-sharers have made up their differences by referring the question of partition to arbitration. Tho matter is now being taken to the Civil Court, with a viow to ottairing a decreo on the arbitrators' arrard. After tho decreo is obtainch, it is not unlikely, according to the Collector's calculation, that noarly $7 /$ sth of the entire propry will come under the management of tho Court of Warls.

Estate No. 4.-Is indebted to the extent of Res. 81,$2 ; 5$. This delt was reduced by Rs. 1,227 paid in cash and by Rs. 50 rovitted hy a creliticr. $A$ suit betreen the pseudo-adopted son of the Jate Desai and Siridir liachopimao Desai of Chinchli, the reversionary heir, which was penling liet year i:i the First Class Sub-Judge's Court, Belgaum, was decided in farour' of tho piseadoadopted son and the reversioner has filed appoals against the Sulb-Judes decision both in District Court. and the Migh Court, tho results of which are awaited. As the estate is under the Collector's manarement under Let VIIt of 1827, no arrangement can be made for the liquidation of much of tho dult, as he is not authorised by the Act to contract loans on behalf of tho cstaic.

Dharwár.-The only estates that are encumbercd aro Nos. 6, 8 and 10. Arrangements have been made to pay off the debts by instalments according to agreement. In the case of No. 6, two creditors have recontly applicil to a Conciliator for $a$ certificate to sue the minor. The debt in quicstion anounts to Rs. 2,800. Steps are being taken to effect a compromise. Debts aro being paid off as funds permit.

## Education.

8. Belfaum.-All the wards excopt No. 4 are minors of school-soing argo. Ward No. 2, the Here boy, Hanmantrao Dadasahch, who rosides at Kolliajur with the joint guardian Mehorban Sarlaskar, was till recontly attending the Rájárám High School. Since July last, he has been sent to tho iustitution which Mr. Candy has opened lately at Kolhápur for the education of the sons of Chiefs and Sardárs. Wards Nos. 3 and 5 are natives of Sholípur and S.ankoshwar in the Hukeri Táluka and livo in their respective villages where they attend the village vernacular schools. Saheb Pacha of IIudli, Ward No. 1, was studying in the 4th English standard at the Sardírs' High School, Belgauni, but he is reported to have left the school on plea of ill-hcalth without tho Collector's permission or knowledge, and the Collector promises to try to induce him to. attend school again.

Dhárwár.-Ward No. 8 has given up the medical courso and is attending the Arts College, Poona. Of the wards entered at No. 9, the ellest docs not attend any school but is being taught singing, \&e., in order to cnable him to follow his profossion and the younger (Bhima) is attending the Anglo-Vernicular school newly opened at Nargund. The other minors are boing cducated in the schools mentioned in column 6 of the statement. The progress of the wards entered at No. 7 is reported to be not up to the mark. Spccial attention is being paid to their studies by the employment of a privato tutor. Tho progress of the other school-going wards is believed to be fair.

Kánara.-The minor is in the VII Matric Class in the High School at Kárwár and seems to have made no progress over that of the last yoar as he was in the same standard last year.

## Liligation.

9. Belgaum District.-Estate No. 1.-Tbe Darkbást and the appcal in the High Court referred to in the last year's report are still pending. There was no additional litigation during the year under report.

Estate No. 4.-The criminal cases and civil litigation pending when the last Annual Report was submitted were disposed of during tho course of tha year. The Magistrate aequitted the accused in both the criminal casco and tho Civil Court decided the civil suit in favour of the pseudo-adopted son.

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Estate No. 5.-There was not much litigation in connection with this estate. Only two suits under the Mámlatdárs' Court Act had to be filed for injunctions against a certain person who had oftered obstruction. The result is arvaited.

Dhárwár District.-A suit has been filed against estate No. 6 by a mortgagor for restoration of mortgaged lands under the Dekkhan Agriculturists' Relief Act and is pending in the First Class Sub-Judge's Court. The suit against cstate No. 7 referred to in the last report has been decided by the District Judge in appeal partially in favour of the minor, i.e., the mortgaged lands were ordered to be restored to the mortgagor and the debt of Rs. 975 due to the minor's estate was ordered to be recovered from the mortgagor. Steps are being taken to recover the amount. Of the two suits against estate No. 11, one was dismissed with costs by the District Judge as well as by the High Court and the latter refused to grant permission to the plaintiff to prefer appeal to His Majesty's Privy Council and the other suit was dismissed by the First Class Sub-Judge. But the District Judge in appeal reversed the order holding that the lower Court had no jurisdiction to entertain the suit. No fresh suit has yet been filed.

A complaint bas been filed before the Resident Magistrate, First Class, Hubli and Dhárwár, against the kárkún in charge of estate No. 11 for criminal breach of trust. The amount misappropriated is Rs. 1,400. Of this, Rs. 811 have been recovered from the kárkún. For the remaining sum, the rayats, who allege payment, have adduced oral evidence to prove their assertion but have got no documentary evidence, e.g., receipts. In these circumstances, orders have been issued to recover the amounts from them leaving them to seek redress in a competent Court against the kárkún.
10. The statement prescribed by paragraph 7 of Government Resolution No. 6323, dated 25th June 1907, is appended.

I have the honour to be,<br>- Sir,<br>Your most obedient servant,<br>M. O. GIBB, Commissioner, Southern Division.

Statcinc:ut showing the particulars of Minors' Estates under guardianslin

in the Southern Division for the Revenue year 1909-10.


Statement showing the Income of lands on which full assessment is paid (Government Resobution No. 6323, dated 25th June 1007, Revenue Deparlment).

| Nomber of Estate in the Gcneral Statement. | Area of land comprised in the estate or wbich assessment is paid. | Land Revenue assessment of Area in column 2. | Gross Income of Area in columa 2. | Rersarks. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2 | 8 | 4 | 5 |
|  | A. g. | Rs. a. p. | Rs, a. p. |  |
| 3 | 12319 | 161120 | 908 8 0 | The income is more than double the assessment. |
| 6 | 2950 | 42348 | 703 0 0 | The income is less than double the assessment as in some cases, the lands being in the Mallad have beed. leased for assessment only. |
| 7 | 610 | 5500 | 12000 | The Collector reports that the figures shown in columns 2 and 3 last year were incorrect. |
| 8 | 3310 | 488 0 0 | 1,189 00 | The income is more than double the assessment; the figures in columns 2 and 3 of the last year's statemen were incorrect. |
| 10 | 7140 | 1,136 00 | 1,341 00 | See remarks against No. 6. |
| 14 | 1100 | 48900 | 1,287 00 | The income is more than double the assessment. |
|  | 1,687 19 | 2,703 008 | 5,548 810 |  |

M. C. GIBB,

Commissioner, S. D.

No. 647 of 1911.

# Revende Departmen: <br> Office of the Commissioner in Sind, Government House, Karachi, 1st March 1911. 

## From

> A. D. YOUNGHUSBAND, Eqquire, C. S. I., I.C.S, Commissioner in Sind, To

His Excellency Befver-Colonel The Honourable<br>- Sir george sydenham clarke, g.c.m. g., g.c.i.e., Governor and President in Council,

Bозrвay.

## Honodrable Sir,

I have the honour to submit the report on the Administration of Minors' Estates by district officers in the Prorince of Sind for the year 1909-1910.

- The usual statemonts I and II are appended.


## ASSOMPTION AND RELINQuishment of estates.

2. The year opened with 80 , estates under the guardianship of Collectors and Deputy Commissioners. Two new estates were added during the year, bringing the total number of estates to 82 . Out of these, 55 yielding a gross annual income of not less than Rs. 200 each were transferred to the Court of Wards, and 7 were released, five of them on account of the owners attaining majority, one owing to the death of the minor, and one under section 40 of the Guardian and Wards Act, VIII of 1890. Thus the number of estates under the guardianship of district officers at the end of the year was 20. One of these (serial No. 4 in statement I ) is virtually out of management, the owner, who is now reported to be 25 or 26 years old, having sold his lands in the year 1908 to a person who is recognized as the occupant in the Record of rights. The salo was not sanctioned by the Collector and is under enquiry. There was no estate under guardianship in the Thar and Parkar district.
3. The persons of all the minors were in charge of their relatives and friends.

## Income.

4. The income realized from land was Rs. 5,780, and from sources other than land Rs. 1,416, bringing the total receipts to Rs. 7,190. There is nothing particular under this head to discuss. The estates, as will be seen from statoment I, are all small, the more important ones having been transferred to the Court of Wards. The slight differences, as compared with the figures of the past year, are due to fluctuations either in the area under oultivation or in the amount of rent recovered. Estates in the Sukkur district are reported to be in a poor condition, as regards both quality of land and water facilities. No noteworthy variations took place under the head "Income from other sources," except in the case of estates Nos. 14 and 19. Rs. 800 were realized by the sale of a house belonging to the former estate, to cover expenses of a suit filed in connection with the recovery of certain lands. The difference observable in the case of the latter estate is principally due to the faot that rent from buildings was included last year in column 13 of statement $I$, whereas this year it bas
been shown in column 14, in accordance with paragraph 6 of the memorandum of discrepancies accompanying Government memorandam No. 5430, dated the 16th June 1910.

## Expenditure.

5. Of the total expenditure of Rs. 7,462, Rs. 3;041 were expended on maintenance, while Rs. 4,158 were paid as Government dues and Rs. 100 in discharge of private debts. The remaining Rs. 163 were devoted to other miscellaneous expenditure. The total land revenue demand for the year, amounting to Rs. 4,020 , was paid in full, and Rs. 138 were paid on account of dues, other than land revenue assessment. The variations in the case of estates Nos. $9,10,12$ and 13 are small, and were due to fluctuations in assessment.

## Management of immoveable property.

6. Out of the 20 estates under management during the year, 10 were wholly leased for a term of years, and 5 were managed departmentally owing to no lessees coming forward. In the case of two, there are no agricultural lands to lease. The remaining three (Nos. 1, 4 and 26) are accounted for in the remarks column of statement II.

Buildings which are not used by minors for their own residential purposes are let out on rent where possible.

## Moveable propertit.

7. The estates in the Karachi and Upper Sind Frontier districts have no moveable property and in the case of the other estates this kind of property left in the hands of the owners and their near relatives remained unchanged during the year under report.

## Litabilities.

8. 10 estates are free from debt, and the remainder subject to liabilities amounting to Rs. 11,760. Of this amount, Rs. 238 were paid during the year and there was a further reduction of Rs. 436 (estate No. 18) owing partly to the remission of fallow assessment erroneously charged, partly to recoveries made from co-occupants.

## Education.

9. Of the 33 minors, 23 boys and 10 girls, whose estates are under "guardianship, only 5 of the boys are reported to be receiving education. As above stated, there is in no case any official guardianship of the person.

## Litigation.

10. The only suit Was one pending against estate No. 19, which was decided against the female minor. An appeal has been filed on her behalf, but has not yet been decided. All the other estates in respect of which litigation was shown to be going on in last year's report, were handed over to the Court of Wards.

> I have the honour to be, Honourable Sir, Your Excellency's most obedient servant,

A. D. YOUNGHUSBAND, Commissioner in Sind.

STATEMENT.No. I.

Statement No. I showing the particulars of Minors' estates under the guardianship of


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## STATEMENT No. II.

Statement acoompanying the Report on the Administration of Minors' Estates in the Province of sind for the year ending 31st July 1910, as prescribed in Government Resolution No. 6323, dated the 25th June 1907 (Revenue Department).


## R. E. GIBSON,

 For Commissioner in Sind.Annual Reports.
Reports on the administration of Minors' Estates in the Northern, Central and Southern Divisions and in Sind for the year 1909-10.

No. 7035.
Revenue Department. Bombay Castle, 24th July 191 I.

Letter from the Coinmissioner, N. D., No. 5029, dated 15th October 1 gio.
Letter from the Commissioner, S. D., No. 4208, dated 28th October 1910.
Letter from the Commissioner, C. D., No. R.-24, dated 4th January 1911.

Submitting the reports on the administration of Minors' Estates in their respective charges for the year 1909-10.
Letter from the Commissioner in Sind, No. 647, dated Ist March 1911.

Resolution.-These reports deal with minors' estates under management exclusive of those under the care of the Courts of Wards for which separate reports are submitted. At the beginning of the year there were 176 estates under superintendence in the Presidency and Sind, and during the year seven new estates were added. At the same time 58 estates, of which 55 were in Sind, were transferred to the management of the Courts of Wards, four were taken over under the Tálukdári Act, and fourteen were entirely released. One estate has not been accounted for and 106 are therefore shown as under management at the close of the year. The figures for those estates which were under management for only a portion of year are necessarily incomplete, and as the 55 estates transferred to the Court of Wards in Sind consisted of the most important estates in that province and no statistics have been given for them, the total figures under all heads are much smaller than last year.
2. The system of leasing estates continues to be followed successfully in a large number of cases and a generally good season facilitated management all round. The total land revenue demand due from estates for which figures are reported was Rs. 70,000 while collections amounted to Rs. 68,000 . The income realised from land was Rs. $1,87,000$, more than $2 \frac{1}{2}$ times the Government dues. Separate statistics, given in the case of fully assessed lands, show that in the case of 27 estates in the Presidency proper the income amounted to Rs. 27,071 against a land revenue demand of Rs. 11,025 , a figure which includes the assessment of some unleased lands. For eleven small estates in Sind for which figures are complete the income was Rs. 2,619 and the corresponding assessment Rs. 1,035. The income from sources other than land was, for all estates, Rs. 53,000 . The total income for the year therefore amounted to Rs. 2,40,000.
3. The total expenditure was Rs. $2,15,000$ of which Rs. $42,000 \cdot$ were expended in maintenance, Rs. 68,000 were paid in Government dues and Rs. 35,000 in discharge of debts. The balance in cash and securities at the end of the year was Rs. $3,53,000$.
4. The figures relating to the indebtedness of the estates show that at the close of the year the total liabilities were nearly six lákhs against an original debt of nearly $8 \frac{1}{2}$ lakks. Of the 106 estates under management at the close of the year 54 were free or practically free from debt while 16 were deeply involved.
5. The education of wards of school-going age is often a difficult question especially when the guaroians of the minor's person are relatives who are obstructive or indifferent. The hostels at Dhandhuka and A'nand for tálukdárs of the better class are yielding good results and afford assistance to the Tálukdári Settlement Officer, who has 44 estates in charge, in his efforts to secure a sound education for suitable wards. Elsewhere arrangements are generally satisfactory.
6. Government observe that some of the reports are still too detailed. Explanation of minor points are most conveniently given in the remarks column of the first statement. and if the report itself were restricted to matters of importance, Government consider that it should not exceed two pages of printed matter.

> R. D. BELL,

Under Secretary to Government.

## To

The Commissioner in Sind,
The Commissioner, N. D.,
The Commissioner, C. D.,
The Commissioner, S. D.,
All Collectors, including the Collectors and Deputy
Commissioners in Sind,

- The Tálukdári Settlement Officer,

The Settlement Commissioner and Director of Land Records,
The Director of Agriculture,
The Director of Public Instruction,
The Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor,
With copies of
The Accountant General,
The Compiler of the General Administration Report,
The Manager, Incumbered Estates in Sind,
The Political Department of the Secretariat,
The Judicial Department of the Secretariat,
The Educational Department of the Secretariat,
The Financial Department of the Secretariat,
The Oriental Translator to Government,
The Editors' Tables and Editors of Newspapers, the Report.

- The Government of India,

The Under Secretary of State for India. $\}$ By letter.

