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FOREWORD

The present issue of the annual digest of statistics, the eighth of the series, follows the lines of the preceding editions.

I have great pleasure in placing on record my appreciation of the assistance rendered by the Government departments, private firms, and individuals in keeping the Year Book up to date.

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DEMOGRAPHY

Definition : For statistical purposes the convention has been adopted of dividing the whole population into three classes:
(i) the General population, comprising Europeans and descendants of Europeans, and people of African and mixed origin; (ii) the Indo-Mauritian population, made up of Indian Immigrants and their descendants; and (iii) the Chinese population consisting of immigrants from China and their descendants.

TOTAL RESIDENT[X] POPULATION - Estimated as at 31st December, 1953[+]

	POPULATION			
	General	Indo-Mauritian	Chinese	Total
Males ...	72,499	179,263	10,777	262,539
Females ...	81,264	173,142	7,922	262,328
Total	153,763	352,405	18,699	524,867[@]

X By " resident " population is meant that population which is actually living in the Island; it excludes foreign military forces and civilians habitually resident in the island, but temporarily absent overseas on Military Service and as tourists or students. The " de jure " population of the island is estimated at 532,600.

\+ Based initially on Census enumeration of June, 1952.

@ Excluding members of the Pioneer Corps serving overseas.

CONSTITUTION OF THE RESIDENT POPULATION

Year	General	Indo-Mauritian	Chinese
1953	29.3%	67.1%	3.6%

MOVEMENT OF THE CIVIL POPULATION### DURING THE YEAR

	General			Indo-Mauritian			Chinese			Total
	Males	Fem.	Total	Males	Fem.	Total	Males	Fem.	Total	
Arrivals	3,752	1,954	5,706	715	317	1,032	353	161	514	7,252
Departures	3,576	1,851	5,427	721	293	1,014	435	178	613	7,054

Includes :-

(a) the very small figure of engaged or disengaged seamen

(b) Emigrants and immigrants to and from the dependencies but does not include movements of troops and locally enlisted servicemen.

ESTIMATED POPULATION BY DISTRICT AS AT 31ST DECEMBER, 1953.

DISTRICT	GENERAL +			INDO-MAURITIAN			TOTAL		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
Port Louis	20,634	22,455	43,089	22,792	22,433	45,225	43,426	44,888	88,314
Pamplemousses	3,655	3,749	7,404	17,653	17,448	35,101	21,308	21,197	42,505
Rivière du Rempart	3,570	3,627	7,197	18,111	17,412	35,523	21,681	21,039	42,720
Flacq	5,975	5,905	11,880	24,177	23,659	47,836	30,152	29,564	59,716
Grand Port	7,329	7,457	14,786	20,560	19,621	40,181	27,889	27,078	54,967
Savanne	4,293	4,334	8,627	14,299	14,045	28,344	18,592	18,379	36,971
Plaines Wilhems	32,107	35,755	67,862	45,667	42,898	88,565	77,774	78,653	156,427
Moka	2,639	2,695	5,324	12,108	11,793	23,901	14,737	14,488	29,225
Black River	3,084	3,209	6,293	3,896	3,833	7,729	6,980	7,042	14,022
TOTAL	83,276	89,186	172,462	179,263	173,142	352,405	262,539	262,328	524,867

+ Including Chinese Population.

Resident population trend 1925 - 1953

Year	Natural increase ϕ as at 31st December	Cumulative increase	Rate @ of natural increase	Net increase as at 31st December	Ratio of birth rate to death rate	Resident population as at 31st December
1925	+ 7,218	+ 7,218	+ 18.4	+ 5,965	1.77	393,708
1926	+ 5,562	+ 12,780	+ 14.1	+ 4,528	1.56	398,236
1927	+ 3,733	+ 16,513	+ 9.4	+ 3,457	1.38	401,693
1928	+ 3,864	+ 20,377	+ 9.5	+ 3,109	1.34	404,802
1929	+ 1,358	+ 21,735	+ 3.3	+ 747	1.11	405,549
1930	- 1,548	+ 20,187	- 3.9	- 1,091	0.89	404,458
1931	- 3,526	+ 16,661	- 8.9	- 4,316	0.77	400,142
1932	- 2,582	+ 14,079	- 6.6	- 2,644	0.80	397,498
1933	+ 2,864	+ 16,943	+ 7.4	+ 2,297	1.27	399,795
1934	+ 3,447	+ 20,390	+ 8.8	+ 3,036	1.34	402,831
1935	+ 2,801	+ 23,191	+ 7.1	+ 2,534	1.27	405,365
1936	+ 3,367	+ 26,558	+ 8.5	+ 3,611	1.32	408,976
1937	+ 2,580	+ 29,138	+ 6.4	+ 2,202	1.22	411,179
1938	+ 1,374	+ 30,512	+ 3.5	+ 1,647	1.12	412,826
1939	+ 3,236	+ 33,748	+ 8.0	+ 3,195	1.28	416,021
1940	+ 1,772	+ 35,520	+ 4.3	+ 1,317	1.17	417,338
1941	+ 2,994	+ 38,514	+ 7.4	- 252	1.29	417,086
1942	+ 1,626	+ 40,140	+ 4.0	+ 158	1.14	417,244
1943	+ 2,962	+ 43,102	+ 7.3	+ 1,188	1.28	418,432
1944	+ 6,903	+ 50,005	+ 16.4	+ 4,720	1.61	423,152
1945	+ 1,013	+ 51,018	+ 2.4	+ 2,164	1.07	425,316
1946	+ 3,899	+ 54,917	+ 9.2	+ 4,906	1.31	430,222
1947	+ 10,246	+ 65,163	+ 23.7	+ 5,832	2.18	436,054
1948	+ 8,521	+ 73,684	+ 19.3	+ 5,486	1.81	441,540
1949	+ 13,088	+ 86,772	+ 29.4	+ 15,177	2.77	456,717
1950	+ 16,657	+ 103,429	+ 35.8	+ 18,669	3.58	475,386
1951	+ 15,760	+ 119,189	+ 32.6	+ 19,133	3.19	494,519
1952	+ 16,673	+ 135,862	+ 33.3	+ 15,288	3.25	509,807
1953	+ 15,597	+ 151,459	+ 30.2	+ 15,060	2.88	524,867

In the course of the 29-year period ending with 1953, the Natural Increase has amounted to 39.1% of the original population.

ϕ Excess of births over deaths;

@ Rate per 1,000 of the mid-year population.

Natural Increase of Population

Year	Births	Deaths	Natural Increase +	Ratio to prewar (1935 - 1939 = 100)
1948	19,039	10,518	8,521	319
1949	20,472	7,384	13,088	490
1950	23,110	6,453	16,657	624
1951	22,968	7,208	15,760	590
1952	24,120	7,447	16,673	624
1953	23,896	8,299	15,597	584

The number of live births during the year 1953, was 23,896, a decrease of only 224 on the number for 1952 which was the highest on record. Crude birth rates both for the General and Indo-Mauritian populations were lower than corresponding rates for last year.

The total number of deaths was higher than in the previous year. The excess of births over deaths or natural increase of population was484% above the quinquennial prewar average (1935 - 1939).

The natural growth during the year was 15,597, a number which is about six times the corresponding average (2,670) for the five prewar years (1935 - 1939). This increase for 1953 was, however, 6.5% lower than the figure for 1952.

The comparatively lower figure of natural growth for 1948 was consequent to a severe epidemic of whooping cough which prevailed in the island.

The total of natural growth has in fact increased the whole Mauritian resident population of the end of 1945 by 23.4% in the interval of the eight post-war years.

\+ Excess of births over deaths.

CHANGES IN THE DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS FROM PREWAR TO POST-WAR

	PREWAR PERIOD Annual Average: 1933 - 1937			POST-WAR PERIOD Annual Average: 1949 - 1953		
	General+	Indo-Mauritian	Total	General+	Indo-Mauritian	Total
Births	4,642	8,999	13,641	7,021	15,892	22,913
Deaths	3,117	7,514	10,631	2,524	4,834	7,358
Birth rate@	36.0	33.9	34.6	43.1	48.3	46.5
Death rate@	24.1	28.3	26.9	15.5	14.7	14.9
Ratio: Birth rate / Death rate	1.49	1.20	1.29	2.78	3.29	3.12
Natural increase	1,525	1,485	3,010	4,497	11,058	15,555
Rate of Natural Increase@	11.67	5.58	7.59	27.60	33.58	31.60

\+ The General Population here includes the Chinese.

@ Per thousand of population.

DISTRIBUTION OF THE POPULATION BY AGE AND SEX

Age Group	MALE		FEMALE		TOTAL	
	Number	% distribution	Number	% distribution	Number	% distribution
Under 1 year	9,163	3.49	9,050	3.45	18,213	3.47
1 - 4 years	36,440	13.88	36,175	13.79	72,615	13.83
5 - 9 "	33,710	12.84	33,919	12.93	67,629	12.88
10 - 14 "	25,991	9.90	25,997	9.91	51,988	9.91
15 - 19 "	24,337	9.27	24,292	9.26	48,629	9.26
20 - 24 "	21,502	8.19	22,613	8.62	44,115	8.41
25 - 29 "	22,841	8.70	22,245	8.48	45,086	8.58
30 - 34 "	17,459	6.65	16,448	6.27	33,907	6.46
35 - 39 "	16,697	6.36	15,320	5.84	32,017	6.10
40 - 44 "	14,125	5.38	12,225	4.66	26,350	5.02
45 - 49 "	11,630	4.43	9,890	3.77	21,520	4.10
50 - 54 "	9,845	3.75	8,945	3.41	18,790	3.58
55 - 59 "	6,826	2.60	6,925	2.64	13,751	2.62
60 - 64 "	5,540	2.11	6,637	2.53	12,177	2.32
65 - 69 "	3,203	1.22	5,142	1.96	8,345	1.59
70 - 74 "	1,549	0.59	2,912	1.11	4,461	0.85
75 - 79 "	735	0.28	1,731	0.66	2,466	0.47
80 - 84 "	263	0.10	813	0.31	1,076	0.21
85 & over	158	0.06	446	0.17	604	0.12
Age unknown	525	0.20	603	0.23	1,128	0.22
TOTAL	262,539	100.0	262,328	100.0	524,867	100.0

VITAL AND SOCIAL STATISTICS

BIRTHS AND BIRTH RATES

DISTRICT	GENERAL x				INDO-MAURITIAN				TOTAL	
	Males	Females	Total	Crude rates +	Males	Females	Total	Crude rates +	Births	Crude rates +
Port Louis	955	987	1,942	45.7	1,076	1,075	2,151	48.4	4,093.	47.1
Pamplemousses	129	133	262	35.7	854	807	1,661	48.2	1,923	46.0
Rivière du Rempart	165	173	338	47.7	943	973	1,916	55.1	2,254	53.8
Flacq	274	256	530	45.1	1,162	1,124	2,286	48.7	2,816	48.0
Grand Port	317	325	642	43.8	975	914	1,889	47.8	2,531	46.7
Savanne	216	180	396	46.5	638	630	1,268	45.5	1,664	45.7
Plaines Wilhems	1,447	1,432	2,879	43.0	1,950	1,854	3,804	43.7	6,683	43.4
Moka	133	95	228	43.4	518	522	1,040	44.2	1,268	44.0
Black River	144	110	254	40.7	214	196	410	54.1	664	48.0
Whole Island	3,780	3,691	7,471	43.9	8,330	8,095	16,425	47.4	23,896	46.3

BIRTH RATES+ FOR THE WHOLE ISLAND - 1930 - 1953

Year	General	Indo-Mau-ritian	Total	Year	General	Indo-Mau-ritian	Total	Year	General	Indo-Mau-ritian	Total	Year	General	Indo-Mau-ritian	Total
1930	37.3	29.2	31.5	1936	36.4	34.1	34.9	1942	33.8	32.9	33.2	1948	35.8	47.3	43.1
1931	36.9	27.1	30.2	1937	36.3	34.7	35.2	1943	33.5	33.0	33.2	1949	37.3	51.0	46.0
1932	32.1	23.5	26.2	1938	36.0	32.1	33.4	1944	31.3	50.6	43.5	1950	40.7	54.8	49.7
1933	36.3	33.9	34.7	1939	38.4	34.8	36.0	1945	32.0	42.2	38.5	1951	42.0	50.5	47.5
1934	36.1	33.7	34.5	1940	32.2	28.7	29.8	1946	33.5	41.8	38.7	1952	45.0	49.6	48.1
1935	34.9	32.9	33.6	1941	34.1	32.4	33.0	1947	36.9	47.8	43.8	1953	43.9	47.4	46.3

x In this and subsequent tabulations the term " General Population " includes also the " Chinese ".

\+ Crude rates per 1,000 of the population.

SEXES OF CHILDREN BORN

General			Indo-Mauritian		
Males	Females	Male births per 1,000 female births	Males	Females	Male births per 1,000 female births
3,780	3,691	1,024	8,330	8,095	1,029

BIRTH RATES

Crude birth rates for the General and Indo-Mauritian Populations were lower than corresponding rates for last year. In the General Population they were 2.4% lower and in the Indo-Mauritian Population 4.4% lower than last year. The natural increase of the population has amounted to 48,000 souls in the course of the last three years.

The crude birth rate was still 8% higher in the Indo-Mauritian Population than in the General Population. In the General Population it was 22% higher than the average of the five prewar years (1934 - 1938) while in the Indo-Mauritian Population it was 42% above the corresponding prewar level. The following ratios show the birth rates since 1945 in the Indo-Mauritian Population as compared with those obtained in the General Population.

Year	Birth Rate
	Ratio Indo-Mauritian/General
1945	1.32
1946	1.25
1947	1.29
1948	1.32
1949	1.37
1950	1.35
1951	1.20
1952	1.10
1953	1.08

DEATHS AND DEATH RATES

DISTRICT	GENERAL				INDO-MAURITIAN				TOTAL	
	Males	Females	Total	crude rates +	Males	Females	Total	Crude rates +	Deaths	Crude rates +
Port Louis	384	362	746	17.6	340	336	676	15.2	1,422	16.4
Pamplemousses	95	66	161	21.9	300	273	573	16.6	734	17.5
Rivière du Rempart	66	58	124	17.5	276	263	539	15.5	663	15.8
Flacq	137	121	258	22.0	338	337	675	14.4	933	15.9
Grand Port	167	167	334	22.8	387	378	765	19.3	1,099	20.3
Savanne	83	91	174	20.4	233	223	456	16.4	630	17.3
Plaines Wilhems	482	489	971	14.5	582	558	1,140	13.1	2,111	13.7
Moka	48	37	85	16.2	201	165	366	15.5	451	15.7
Black River	64	70	134	21.5	62	60	122	16.1	256	18.5
Whole Island	1,526	1,461	2,987	17.5	2,719	2,593	5,312	15.3	8,299	16.1

Deaths and Death Rates

The total number of deaths in 1953 was 11.4% higher than in the previous year. The crude death rates were nevertheless well below the prewar quinquennial average (1934 - 1938): in the General Population the death rate was 29% and in the Indo-Mauritian Population 47% below the prewar quinquennial average.

The death rate among the Indo-Mauritian Population was in the ratio of 0.87 to 1 was compared to that of the General Population. The corresponding ratio for the decennial average 1937 - 1946 was 1.25 to 1.

\+ per 1,000 of mid-year population.

The following table gives the crude death rates for the last twenty five years:-

Year	POPULATION		
	General	Indo-Mauritian	Total
1929	28.4	31.7	30.7
1930	34.8	35.6	35.4
1931	33.3	4i.8	39.1
1932	29.0	34.6	32.8
1933	24.6	28.6	27.3
1934	23.3	26.8	25.7
1935	22.9	28.2	26.5
1936	23.3	27.9	26.4
1937	26.6	29.9	28.8
1938	26.6	31.6	29.9
1939	27.3	28.3	28.0
1940	22.5	27.0	25.5
1941	24.4	26.2	25.6
1942	26.5	30.6	29.2
1943	26.1	25.8	25.9
1944	24.1	28.8	27.1
1945	28.5	40.4	36.1
1946	24.9	32.2	29.5
1947	17.5	21.6	20.1
1948	21.3	25.2	23.8
1949	15.2	17.4	16.6
1950	12.9	14.5	13.9
1951	14.1	15.3	14.9
1952	15.4	14.6	14.8
1953	17.5	15.3	16.1

NUMBER OF DEATHS BY AGE AND SEX (Total population)

Age	Male	Female	Total
Under 1 ...	1,230	1,005	2,235
1 - 4 ...	616	769	1,385
5 - 9 ...	85	101	186
10 - 14 ...	34	55	89
15 - 19 ...	49	80	129
20 - 24 ...	65	101	166
25 - 34 ...	210	254	464
35 - 44 ...	286	205	491
45 - 54 ...	488	231	719
55 - 64 ...	540	373	913
65 - 74 ...	438	476	914
75 - 84 ...	167	309	476
85 and over ...	37	95	132
All ages	4,245	4,054	8,299

MARRIAGES

DISTRICT	POPULATION		
	General	Indo-Mauritian	Total
Port Louis	417	323	740
Pamplemousses	76	145	221
Rivière du Rempart	59	170	229
Flacq	109	270	379
Grand Port	126	284	410
Savanne	70	202	272
Plaines Wilhems	576	418	1,094
Moka	59	121	180
Black River	28	20	48
Whole Island	1,520	1,953	3,473
Crude Rate +	17.9	11.3	13.4

\+ Ratio of the actual number of persons of both sexes newly married to 1,000 of the entire population.

MARRIAGE RATES

The marriage rate in each population for 1953 was again higher than the corresponding average rates for the quinquennial period 1934 - 1938. In the General population it was 15% and in the Indo-Mauritian population it was 69% above this prewar average rate. The post-war increase in marriage rates is shown in the following table:

Prewar average (1934 - 1938)	General Population 15.6		Indo-Mauritian population 6.7	
Year	% Increase on prewar average 1934 - 1938		% Increase on prewar aver-age 1934 - 1938	
1946	19.9	+ 28	17.0	+ 154
1947	19.6	+ 26	15.9	+ 137
1948	16.6	+ 7	13.5	+ 102
1949	17.0	+ 9	15.8	+ 136
1950	16.7	+ 7	11.1	+ 66
1951	16.7	+ 7	10.5	+ 57
1952	19.6	+ 26	14.7	+ 119
1953	17.9	+ 15	11.3	+ 69

DIVORCES

	POPULATION			
	General	Indo-Mau-ritian	Chinese	Total
Adultery by husband	3	10	-	13
Adultery by wife	18	34	1	53
Adultery & Injures graves by husband	4	10	1	15
Adultery & Injures graves by wife	3	9	1	13
Injures graves by husband	4	12	-	16
Injures graves by wife	8	11	1	20
Desertion by husband	2	1	1	4
Desertion by wife	-	1	-	1
Sevices by husband	-	-	-	-
Sevices & Injures graves by husband	1	2	-	3
Sevices, Adultery & Injures graves by husband	1	-	-	1
Sevices & Injures graves by wife	1	-	-	1
Desertion & Adutlery by wife	-	1	-	1
Adultery & Sevices by husband	-	-	-	-
Adultery, Desertion & Injures graves by husband	-	1	-	1
Adultery, Desertion & Injures graves by wife	-	1	-	1
Adultery and desertion by husband	-	1	-	1
Desertion & Injures graves by husband	1	-	-	1
Excess, Sevices & Injures graves by husband	-	-	1	1
Penal servitude for more than 5 years (husband)	1	-	-	1
Sevices & Injures graves by wife 'a mensa et thoro'	1	-	-	1
	48	94	6	148

NUMBER OF DIVORCES BY NUMBER OF CHILDREN LIVING AT THE TIME OF DIVORCE.

Number of children	Number of divorces
No child	76
1 child	33
2 children	15
3 children	13
4 children	4
5 children	3
6 children and more ...	4
Total	148

Total number of children 237

NUMBER OF DIVORCES BY DURATION OF MARRIAGE

Duration of marriage	Number of divorces
Under 1 year	2
1 year	6
2 years	5
3 years	7
4 years	14
5 years	17
6 years	18
7 years	25
8 years	5
9 years	9
10 - 14 years	22
15 - 19 years	11
20 years and over	7
Total	148

STILL-BIRTHS

District	General		Indo-Mauritian		Total	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
Port Louis	67	45	113	78	180	123
Pamplemousses	8	2	57	43	65	45
Rivière du Rempart	7	8	54	28	61	36
Flacq	10	12	82	77	92	89
Grand Port	14	18	67	70	81	88
Savanne	7	15	61	47	68	62
Plaines Wilhems	62	65	179	117	241	182
Moka	6	8	65	33	71	41
Black River	8	5	14	16	22	21
Whole Island	189	178	692	509	881	687

Total of still-births	...	1,568
% to live-births	...	6.6
% to total births	...	6.2

STILL-BIRTHS

A still-birth is by definition the birth of a dead child at or after the seventh month of pregnancy. Still-births are not included either as births or deaths in the various numbers and rates shown in this chapter.

From year to year the number of still-births fluctuates closely around 1,500 corresponding to a ratio of 6% to 7% of the total births.

STILL-BIRTHS RATE +

Year	General	Indo-Mauritian
1946	5.5	9.7
1947	4.9	7.6
1948	5.4	7.6
1949	4.8	7.4
1950	4.6	6.7
1951	4.4	6.9
1952	4.7	7.4
1953	4.9	7.3
1953 ratio	1:	1.5
Average 1937 - 1946 ratio	1:	1.7

\+ percentage to live-births.

INFANTILE MORTALITY

Age	EXCLUSIVE OF STILL-BIRTHS							Deaths + under 1 year per 1,000 live births	INCLUSIVE OF STILL-BIRTHS (x)							Deaths + per 1,000 births
	Males			Females			Total		Males			Females			Total	
	G	I/M	T	G	I/M	T			G	I/M	T	G	I/M	T		
Under 3 months	198	549	747	191	408	599	1,346	56.3	387	1,241	1,628	369	917	1,286	2,914	114.4
3 months and under 6 months	80	131	211	64	122	186	397	72.9							397	130.0
6 months and under 12 months	101	171	272	70	150	220	492	93.5							492	149.3
1 year and under 2 years	122	139	261	123	191	314	575									
2 years and under 3 years	94	109	203	87	142	229	432									
3 years and under 4 years	27	71	98	51	105	156	254									
4 years and under 5 years	14	40	54	18	52	70	124									
	636	1,210	1,846	604	1,170	1,774	3,620									

(x) Inserted in consideration of the result of ~~ante~~-natal influences.

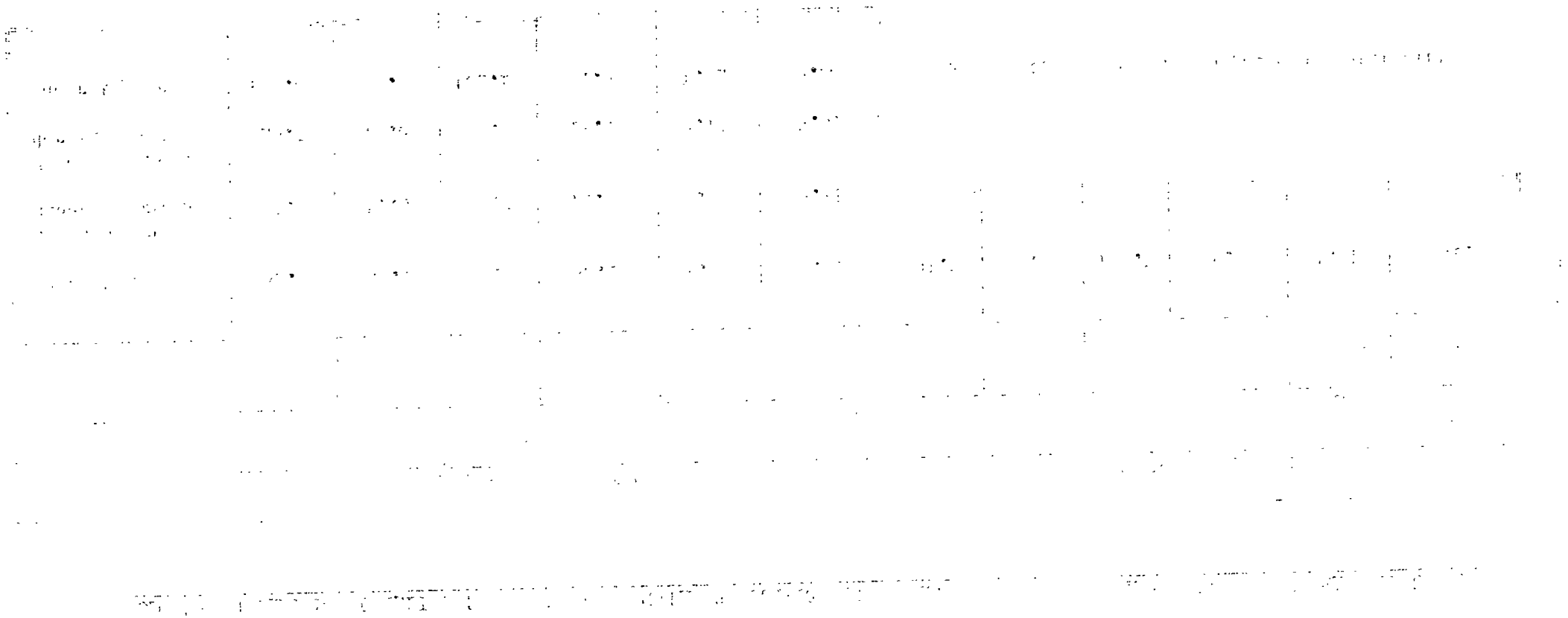
\+ The rate here refers to the total number of deaths occurring under the upper age limit

G = General; I/M = Indo-Mauritian; T = Total

RATES OF INFANTILE MORTALITY IN THE INDO-MAURITIAN POPULATION AS COMPARED WITH THE MORTALITY IN THE GENERAL POPULATION

Age	EXCLUSIVE OF STILL-BIRTHS						INCLUSIVE OF STILL-BIRTHS +					
	General		Indo-Mauritian		Ratio Indo-Mauritian/General		General		Indo-Mauritian		Ratio Indo-Mauritian/General	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
Under 3 months	52.4	51.7	65.9	50.4	1.26	0.97	97.5	95.4	137.5	106.6	1.41	1.12
3 months and under 6 months	21.2	17.3	15.7	15.1	0.74	0.87						
6 months and under 12 months	26.7	19.0	20.5	18.5	0.77	0.97						
Under 1 year	100.3	88.0	102.1	84.0	1.02	0.95						

+ Rates here are computed on total births



INFANTILE MORTALITY RATES.+

Year	POPULATION		
	General	Indo-Mauritian	Total
1946	146.3	144.6	145.2
1947	112.2	114.7	113.9
1948	180.8	188.6	186.2
1949	88.5	92.0	91.0
1950	69.7	79.0	76.3
1951	85.1	82.7	83.5
1952	78.8	81.7	80.8
1953	94.2	93.2	93.5

+ The number of deaths of infants under 1 year of age occurring in any year for every one thousand live births registered during the same year.

CAUSES OF DEATH - INFANTILE MORTALITY

Section @	Cause	Under 1 year	1 to 5 years
1	Infective and Parasitic Diseases	312	275
2	Neoplasms	3	2
3	Allergic, Endocrine System, Metabolic and Nutritional Diseases	20	38
4	Diseases of the Blood and Blood Forming Organs	17	53
5	Mental, Psychoneurotic & Personality Disorders	-	-
6	Diseases of the Nervous System & Sense Organs	43	49
7	Diseases of the Circulatory System	8	6
8	Diseases of the Respiratory System	389	339
9	Diseases of the Digestive System	465	380
10	Diseases of the Genito-Urinary System	14	16
11	Deliveries and complications of Pregnancy, Childbirth and the Puerperium	-	-
12	Diseases of the Skin and Cellular Tissue	6	1
13	Diseases of the Bones & Organs of Movement	2	2
14	Congenital Malformations	8	1
15	Certain Diseases of early infancy	803	-
16	Symptoms, Senility and ill-defined Conditions	137	189
17	Accidents, Poisonings and Violence	8	34
	Total	2,235	1,385

@ International Classification 1948

INFANTILE MORTALITY

Infantile Mortality in 1953 was slightly higher than in the previous year, the total number of deaths of infants under 1 year of age being 2,235 as compared with 1,948 in 1952. The rates of infantile mortality in 1953 were, however, lower in both populations that for any year anterior to 1949. In the General Population it was 25% lower and in the Indo-Mauritian Population 30% lower than the previous 12 year average 1941 - 1952.

In the case of infants under 3 months of age, the rate of mortality was 12% higher in the Indo-Mauritian Population than in the General Population. When still-births are included, the rate is correspondingly about 27% higher in the Indo-Mauritian Population. The inclusion of still-births raises the infantile mortality occurring under 3 months of age by the following proportions:-

POPULATION		
General	Indo-Mauritian	Total
+ 85%	+ 110%	+ 103%

RATE OF MATERNAL MORTALITY+

POPULATION		
General	Indo-Mauritian	Total
1.7	3.2	2.7

\+ per 1,000 total births.

MATERNAL MORTALITY

The rate of maternal mortality in 1953 dropped to 2.7 per thousand a figure which showed a reduction of 74% when compared with the decennial average (1937 - 1946) of 10.5.

RODRIGUES ISLAND (Area 40 square miles)

DEMOGRAPHY

POPULATION - Estimated as at 31st December.

Year	NUMBER OF PERSONS	
	Total	Number per square mile
1953	13,998	350

The figures of population previously published for Rodrigues were estimates based on the Census taken in 1944 and adjusted annually for an uncertain number of migrants, in which were included members of the Royal Pioneers Corps leaving the Colony on overseas service or returning to it.

On the 29th of June 1952, a Census of the population was taken and the resident population was found to number 13,333, which when adjusted in respect of natural increase and migration, is brought to the figure of population stated above as at the end of the year.

The inhabitants of the island belong almost entirely to the General Population. The number of inhabitants belonging to the Indian Population is extremely small being 1.6% of the total population. The ratio of males to females in the population is 1 : 1.16. When adjusted, however, for the number of males serving overseas the ratio becomes 1 : 1.03.

The rapid natural growth of the population observed in Mauritius is also taking place to some extent in its main dependency, where in five years, it has amounted to 14.4% of the original population.

VITAL STATISTICS

Year	Births	Deaths	Natural increase	Birth rate per 1,000	Death rate per 1,000
1953	532	251	281	38.5	18.2

RODRIGUES

AGES AT DEATH

Age	Males	Females	Total
Under one year	54	47	101
1 year and under 5 years	37	38	75
5 years and under 10 years	2	7	9
10 years and under 20 years	4	2	6
20 years and under 45 years	3	16	19
45 years and under 65 years	10	3	13
65 years and over	13	15	28
Total	123	128	251

INFANTILE MORTALITY

The infantile mortality in 1953 in the island was 189.8 per 1,000 live births; this figure being about 3 times that for 1952.

MOVEMENT OF POPULATION

RODRIGUES

	General			Indo-Mauritian			Chinese			Total
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	
Arrivals from Mauritius	334	149	483	99	24	123	95	13	108	714
Departures to Mauritius	368	240	608	102	30	132	121	29	150	890

M = Males; F = Females; T = Total

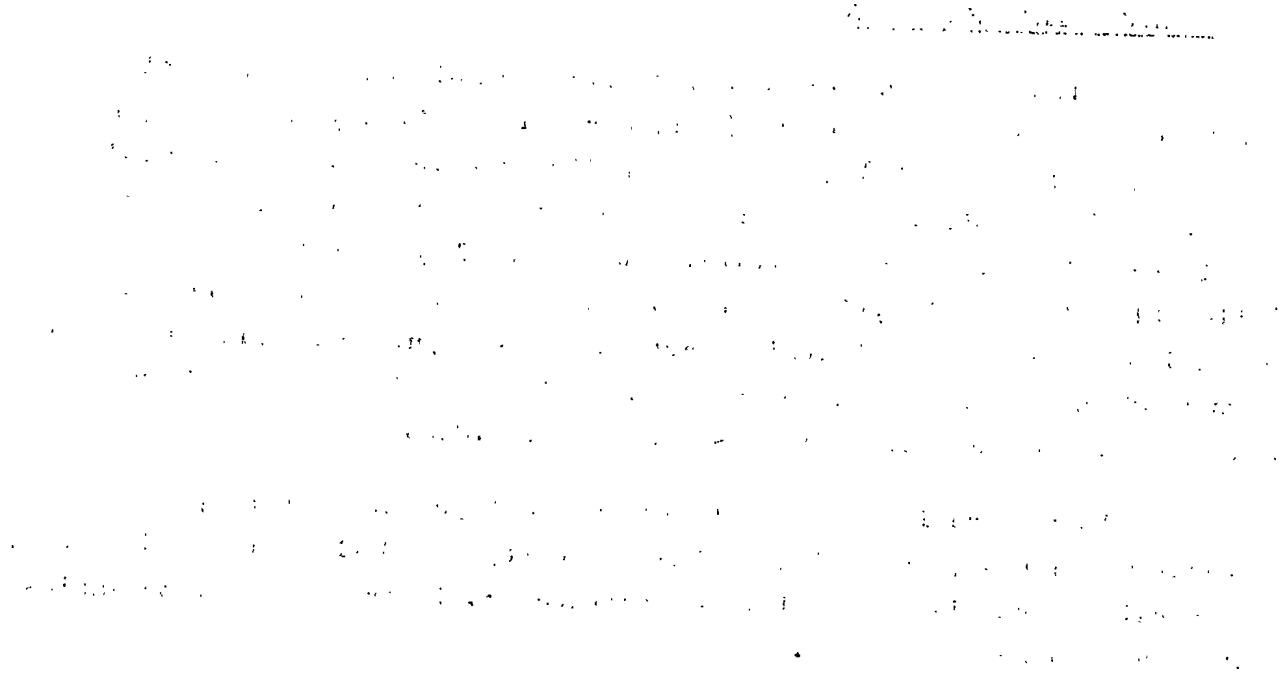
HEALTH

The tables are computed from returns of the Medical and Health Department and of the Registrar General's Department.

PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICES

In 1953, the Public Health Services consisted of 8 General Hospitals, 3 special hospitals (one for Poliomyelitis, one for Leprosy and one Mental Hospital) and 45 public dispensaries and outpatients' department of hospitals, 4 mobile dispensaries, 1 mobile ante-natal clinic and 1 mobile dental clinic. On the whole, 248,049 cases (118,931 males and 129,118 females) were examined at the public dispensaries and the outpatients' department of the public hospitals; the number of outpatients in attendance was 399,899 whilst the total number of attendances at the mobile dispensaries was 111,849.

There were in addition to the above 5 private clinics, 8 maternity centres (belonging to the Maternity and Child Welfare Society) 8 Maternity Wards in hospitals, 33 private hospitals and 8 dispensaries maintained on sugar estates.



STATISTICS OF HOSPITALS

Hospital	Patients remaining on 31.12.52	Total admissions	Deaths	Patients remaining on 31.12.53	No. of beds	No. of patients on any date during period under review		Medical cases	Surgical cases	No. of operations performed on		Births in hospital		Still-Births
						Maximum	Minimum			In-patients	Out-patients	Born alive at term	Premature births	
Civil	231	8,454	424	216	410	395	216	5,979	2,475	1,960	4,771	848	55	164
Long Mountain	27	2,243	26	35	65	78	22	2,031	212	63	193	25	-	4
Poudre d'Or	5	2,652	31	8	70	82	4	2,287	365	142	1,329	22	2	5
Flacq	42	2,836	63	30	92	109	26	2,353	483	104	1,464	140	3	16
Mahebourg	32	2,433	111	28	105	105	28	2,002	431	205	1,409	116	9	29
Souillac	45	3,310	73	43	89	104	43	1,950	1,360	212	254	98	2	22
Moka	31	1,621	51	19	80	85	19	976	645	466	617	67	3	17
Victoria	145	6,887	341	159	263	283	163	4,365	2,522	1,729	8,713	753	38	122
Mental (Infirmary only)/	12	417	33	46	64	58	17	399	18	84	-	-	-	-
Industrial School	4	197	-	5	16	25	1	119	78	6	70	-	-	-
Beau Bassin Prisons	10	269	1	8	57	21	4	203	66	8	273	-	-	-
Floreal++	147	584	17	142	228	233	142	130	454	1,568	1,740	-	-	-
Leper	48	6	2	48	62	48	46	6	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	779	31,909	1,173	767	1,601	1,626	731	22,800	9,109	6,547	20,833	2,069	112	379

/ Figures shown are for physical cases only. The Mental Hospital has a total bed strength of 693.

++ Hospital for Poliomyelitis and Orthopaedic Cases.

HEALTH SERVICES

DISTRICT	Medical Practitioners		Dentists	Occulists	Maternity Centres°	Pharmacies	Public Cemeteries	Hospitals	Leper Hospital	Orthopaedic & Poliomyelitis Hospital	Mental Hospital	Dispensaries ++	Benevolent & Orphan Asylums	Private Clinics	Estate Hospitals xx	Beds in Estate Hospitals
	Private	Government														
Port Louis	8	13	9+	-	-	16	-	1	-	-	-	3	6	-	-	-
Pamplemousses	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	5	2	1	4	55
Rivière du Rempart	-	1	-	-	-	-	4	1	-	-	-	5	-	-	4	107
Flacq	-	1	-	-	-	1	6	1	-	-	-	7	-	-	5	110
Grand Port	-	1	-	-	1	-	5	1	-	-	-	6	2	-	9	103
Savanne	2	1	-	-	1	-	4	1	-	-	-	4	1	-	6	121
Plaines Wilhems	40	18	15	2	6	17	1	1	-	1	1	4	4	4	3	54
Black River	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	1	20
Moka	2	3	-	-	-	1	4	1	-	-	-	3	-	-	2	45
TOTAL	52	39	24	2	8	35	29	8	1	1	1	42	15	5	34	660

\+ 3 belonging to Government Medical Services.

° Excluding 1 Government Ante-Natal Clinic.

++ Excluding 4 Mobile Dispensaries and 3 Prisons Department Dispensaries

STATEMENT OF THE CAUSES OF DEATH IN THE ISLAND DURING THE YEAR 1953.

Section +	Nature of Disease	POPULATION						Total number of deaths	% of total	Death rate per 100000 of population
		General			Indo-Mauritian					
		M	F	T	M	F	T			
I	Infective and parasitic diseases	147	162	309	258	271	529	838	10.1	162.2
II	Neoplasms	28	40	68	34	37	71	139	1.7	26.9
III	Allergic, endocrine system, metabolic and nutritional diseases	52	40	101	125	106	231	332	4.0	64.3
IV	Diseases of the blood and blood-forming organs	44	61	105	148	251	399	504	6.1	97.6
V	Mental, psychoneurotic and personality disorders	2	-	2	4	-	4	6	0.1	1.2
VI	Diseases of the nervous system and sense organs	132	114	246	166	103	269	515	6.2	99.7
VII	Diseases of the circulatory system	133	117	250	194	134	328	578	7.0	111.9
VIII	Diseases of the respiratory system	257	228	485	424	381	805	1,290	15.5	249.7
IX	Diseases of the digestive system	239	206	445	432	392	824	1,269	15.3	245.7
X	Diseases of the genito-urinary system	83	68	151	115	74	189	340	4.1	65.8
XI	Deliveries and complications of pregnancy, childbirth & the puerperium	-	13	13	-	56	56	69	0.8	13.4
XII	Diseases of the skin & cellular tissue	4	5	9	9	4	13	22	0.3	4.3
XIII	Diseases of the bones & organs of movement	6	5	11	13	14	27	38	0.4	7.4
XIV	Congenital malformations	2	2	4	4	1	5	9	0.1	1.7
XV	Certain diseases of early infancy	128	98	226	320	257	577	803	9.7	155.5
XVI	Symptoms, senility & ill-defined conditions	217	273	490	386	462	848	1,338	16.1	259.0
XVII	Accidents, poisonings & violence	52	20	72	87	50	137	209	2.5	40.5
	Total	1,526	1,461	2,987	2,719	2,593	5,312	8,299	100.0	1,606.8

+ International Classification 1948.

CAUSES OF DEATH IN THE ISLAND

There was a slight increase (11%) in the number of deaths from all causes in 1953 as compared with 1952. The more important variations in the various disease sections are shown below :

Section	% increase or decrease in deaths
I	+ 17
III	+ 17
VI	+ 12
VII	+ 83
VIII	+ 29
XI	- 16

The Diseases responsible for the larger number of deaths were:

(i) Diseases of the Digestive System;
(ii) Diseases of the Respiratory System;
(iii) Infective and Parasitic Diseases;
(iv) Diseases of early infancy.

These causes of death were also the predominant ones last year.

In 1953, however, the diseases of the Respiratory System were 29% in increase over 1952. The Infective and Parasitic Diseases were 17% in increase over 1952 while the Diseases of the Digestive System as well as those of early infancy were slightly on the decrease.

Antimalarial works have been carried out in the island since 1942 and in 1949 an intensive campaign to eradicate malaria was started using insecticides. As a consequence the number of deaths due to malaria has been constantly on the decrease in the course of the last ten years; in 1953 only 61 deaths due to this cause were recorded as against 188 in 1952 - a decrease of nearly 52%.

The greatest increase over last year is to be found in the deaths due to diseases of bones and organs of movement.

The proportion of still-births (6.6% of live births) was slightly higher than last year.

DISEASES CAUSING HIGH MORTALITY IN MAURITIUS

SECTION	DISEASE	Actual number of deaths	Death rate per 100,000 of popu-lation	Variation ± on 1952 rate
I	Whooping Cough	430	83	+ 83
	Malaria	61	12	- 25
	Tuberculosis of the Respiratory System	142	27	- 12
III	Asthma	175	34	+ 3
IV	Anaemia	503	97	- 6
VI	Diseases of the nervous system & sense organs	515	100	+ 9
VII	Diseases of the circulatory system	578	112	+ 24
VIII	Influenza	142	27	+ 5
	Pneumonia	497	96	+ 11
	Bronchitis	544	105	+ 16
IX	Enteritis and Diarrhoea	1,015	196	- 12
X	Nephritis	325	63	- 4
XV	Congenital Debility	618	120	- 4
	Premature Birth	114	22	- 9
XVII	Accidents, Poisonings and Violence	209	40	- 1

TUBERCULOSIS

Year	Number of deaths in the Colony due to the disease	% to total deaths in the Colony	Crude death rate from tuberculosis per million living
1946	196	1.57	462
1947	171	1.97	395
1948	269	2.56	609
1949	301	4.08	677
1950	244	3.78	525
1951	235	3.26	486
1952	201	2.70	401
1953	146	1.76	283

The case mortality among hospital patients suffering from tuberculosis was 9.73%

MATERNAL MORTALITY RATE +

Year	Rate per 1,000
1946	10.39
1947	5.25
1948	4.10
1949	3.80
1950	3.51
1951	3.20
1952	3.19
1953	2.71

+ The ratio of the number of deaths ascribed to the Puerperal State to the total number of births, including still-births.

The rate of maternal mortality this year was 3.18 per 1,000 in the Indo-Mauritian Population and 1.66 in the General Population. On the whole it was 15% less than last year, and has fallen by 74% as compared with the 1946 rate.

MAIN CAUSES OF MORBIDITY

Disease	In-patients at hospitals	Out-patients at hospitals and Static Dispensa-ries
Tuberculosis (all forms)	555	149
Syphilis and its sequelae	153	475
Dysentry (all forms)	180	2,525
Schistosomiasis vesical	73	498
Filariasis	45	81
Ankylostomiasis	431	5,873
Ascariasis	285	12,956
Scabies	88	4,188
Avitaminosis and other deficiency states	315	2,969
Anaemias	2,934	21,150
Asthma	557	3,027
Inflamatory diseases of eye	170	2,877
Influenza	857	30,979
Pneumonia	491	127
Bronchitis	921	4,643
Diseases of teeth and supporting structures	278	12,441
Gastro-enteritis and colitis (between 4 weeks and 2 years)	98	2,958
Gastro-enteritis and colitis (2 years and over)	310	2,471
Complications of pregnancy, child-birth and the puerperium	1,371 X	5,266
Infection of skin & subcutaneous tissue	1,303	12,271
Other diseases of skin & subcutaneous tissue	241	4,144
Muscular rheumatism and rheumatism unspecified	378	7,860
Accidents, poisonings and violence	4,025	33,903

Number of persons treated for malaria in public hospitals

Year	No. of malaria cases	Case % mortality
1946	2,522	4.20
1947	1,989	3.82
1948	1,576	4.19
1949	804	5.35
1950	209	4.80
1951	98	4.08
1952	3	NIL
1953	NIL	NIL

CAUSES OF MORBIDITY

Influenza ranks first in importance and the total cases, treated in hospitals and dispensaries, show an increase of 28% as compared with last year.

X excluding 2,267 normal deliveries.

The number of cases of Tuberculosis reported in hospitals and dispensaries showed an increase of 2% over last year and the number of deaths ascribed to this disease was 27.5% lower.

Cases of Anaemia reported were about 13% more than last year's number, cases of complications of pregnancy, childbirth and the puerperium were greater by 31% while cases of Injuries, Poisoning and Violence reached a higher figure by only 4%.

HOSPITAL STATISTICS

(Corresponding to the 1948 International Classification)

Section	Disease	MALE		FEMALE		TOTAL		% of total cases	% of total deaths
		No. of cases	No. of deaths	No. of cases	No. of deaths	No. of cases	No. of deaths		
I	Infective and Parasitic Diseases	1,350	81	1,032	55	2,382	136	7.89	11.60
II	Neoplasms	138	23	387	22	525	45	1.74	3.84
III	Allergic, Endocrine System, Metabolic & Nutritional Diseases	563	25	569	26	1,132	51	3.75	4.35
IV	Diseases of the Blood and Blood forming organs	848	24	2,103	27	2,951	51	9.77	4.35
V	Mental, Psychoneurotic & Personality Disorders	363	-	206	1	569	1	1.88	0.08
VI	Diseases of the Nervous System & Sense Organs	814	54	615	23	1,429	77	4.73	6.56
VII	Diseases of the Circulatory System	698	78	366	52	1,064	130	3.52	11.08
VIII	Diseases of the Respiratory System	1,642	69	1,097	37	2,739	106	9.07	9.04
IX	Diseases of the Digestive System	1,871	90	1,171	51	3,042	141	10.07	12.02
X	Diseases of the Genito-Urinary System	749	33	867	21	1,616	54	5.35	4.60
XI	Deliveries & Complications of Pregnancy, Childbirths, etc.	-	-	3,638	54	3,638	54	12.05	4.60
XII	Diseases of the skin & cellular tissue	998	4	546	4	1,544	8	5.11	0.68
XIII	Diseases of the Bones & Organs of Movement	517	2	315	1	832	3	2.75	0.26
XIV	Congenital Malformations	35	2	33	1	68	3	0.22	0.26
XV	Certain diseases of early infancy	110	83	77	60	187	143	0.63	12.19
XVI	Symptoms, Senility & Ill Defined Conditions	1,300	39	1,155	30	2,455	69	8.13	5.88
XVII	Accidents, Poisonings & Violence	3,043	67	982	34	4,025	101	13.34	8.61
	Total	15,039	674	15,159	499	30,198	1,173	100.00	100.00

NOTIFIABLE CONTAGIOUS OR COMMUNICABLE DISEASES BY DISTRICTS

District	Typhoid fever	Diph-the-ria	Acute polio-mye-litis	Erysi-pelas	Puer-peral fever	Tuber-culosis
Port Louis	10	21	3	-	-	136
Pamplemousses	17	5	1	-	-	24
Rivière du Rempart	12	1	3	-	-	27
Flacq	11	1	5	-	-	24
Grand Port	12	2	1	1	-	35
Savanne	7	1	2	-	-	14
Plaines Wilhems	22	24	10	2	-	91
Black River	7	-	-	-	-	4
Moka	10	7	3	1	2	14
Total	108	62	28	4	2	369

The incidence of typhoid fever in 1953 showed a decrease of 57% over last year.

MONTHLY NOTIFICATIONS OF NOTIFIABLE CONTAGIOUS OR COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

Month	Typhoid fever	Diph-the-ria	Acute polio-mye-litis	Erysi-pelas	Puer-peral fever	Tuber-culosis
January	20	9	1	1	-	28
February	13	2	4	-	-	28
March	13	12	1	1	-	23
April	6	13	1	1	-	26
May	10	6	-	-	-	48
June	8	5	1	-	1	18
July	6	-	-	-	-	28
August	8	1	6	-	-	33
September	3	6	4	-	-	36
October	11	5	4	1	1	38
November	4	1	6	-	-	31
December	6	2	-	-	-	32
Total	108	62	28	4	2	369

JUDICIAL STATISTICS

P O L I C E

The establishment of the Regular Force in Mauritius and Rodrigues at the end of 1953 was constituted as follows:-

1	Commissioner
1	Deputy Commissioner
1	Police Medical Officer
10	Superintendents
1	Paymaster
1	Assistant Pay and Quartermaster
12	Assistant Superintendents (1 at Rodrigues)
15	Inspectors
65	Sub-Inspectors (1 attached to the Railways and 1 at Rodrigues)
97	Sergeants (1 attached to the Railways and 2 at Rodrigues)
111	Corporals (1 at Rodrigues)
713	Constables (9 attached to the Railways and 22 at Rodrigues)
25	Police Women

The Police Band comprised:

1	Bandmaster
1	Inspector
1	Sub-Inspector
4	Sergeants
2	Corporals
22	Bandsmen
4	Band Cadets

The following table shows the establishment of the Police Force in Mauritius and the proportion of police to population for the last 5 years:

Year ended 31st December	Officers	OTHER RANKS					TOTAL (+)	Proportion of Police to population
		Inspectors	Sub-Inspectors	Sergeants	Corporals	Constables		
1945	21	11	-	51	65	495	643	1: 631
1946	25	12	-	51	64	536	688	1: 625
1947	25	12	-	51	64	536	688	1: 634
1948	25	12	-	52	64	542	695	1: 635
1949	26	11	-	52	65	542	696	1: 656
1950	26	14	-	57	72	630	799	1: 595
1951	26	16	-	67	86	732	927	1: 533
1952	26	15	64	95	110	691	1,001	1: 509
1953	26	15	64	95	110	691	1,001	1: 524

(+) Excluding Women Police, Police Band and Rodrigues Police.

REVENUE AND TRAFFIC

The following tables summarise the offences dealt with by the Revenue and Traffic Control Branch of the Police in 1953:

REVENUE

	Cases
Illegal slaughtering of cattle ...	4
Other offences connected with the prevention of illegal slaughtering of cattle ...	19
Offences under the Defence (Food Control) Regulations	88
Revenue Contraventions ...	699
Offences under the Distillery and Liquor Laws	282
Offences against the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance	79
Offences against the Weights and Measures Ordinance	223
Total	1,394

TRAFFIC

The following statement shows the number of cases prosecuted under the Traffic Laws:

	Cases
Bicycle Contraventions	5,800
Exceeding Speed	976
Dangerous, negligent and inconsiderate driving	500
Using unlicensed motor vehicles ...	67
Other offences	13,613
Total	20,956

CRIME

A total of 85,344 cases of every description were reported to the Police of which 26,466 had no criminal character.

INVESTIGATIONS, PROSECUTION AND CONVICTIONS

Offences	Cases reported to the Police	Cases prosecuted	Persons prosecuted	Persons convicted	Persons awaiting trial at the end of 1952+
Crimes	971	473	678	541	126
Misdemeanours	17,200	4,432	4,659	4,245	740
Contraventions	40,707	27,439	28,549	28,051	2,241
Total	58,878	32,344	33,886	32,837	3,107

\+ Includes cases in which information has not yet been filed.

SERIOUS CASES

Homicide	13 +
Larceny (exclusive of praedial larceny	2,491
Receiving and possession of stolen property	39
Embezzlement	271
Burglary	80
Robbery	40
Forgery	32
Praedial larceny	83
Profiteering and Black Marketing ...	54
Offences under the Distillery and Liquor Laws ...	385
Other serious offences ...	412

\+ Includes cases of wounds and blows causing death

76 cases were prosecuted under the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance.

FIRES

492 cases of fire were reported to the Police in 1953 of which 404 were accidental, 10 were cases of arson and 78 cases of imprudence or negligence.

JUVENILE CRIMINALITY

Offence	Number arrested and convicted			
	1950	1951	1952	1953
Larceny ...	78	102	127	74
Larceny, praedial	3	13	2	1
Larceny with violence	1	3	2	1
Larceny being two in number or more ...	20	12	30	10
Larceny with breaking	3	10	11	11
Larceny with night breaking	4	4	5	2
Larceny with false key and scaling	2	-	-	-
Larceny by person in receipt of wages ...	-	6	2	5
Larceny with aggravating circumstances	3	1	36	17
Possession of stolen property ...	4	4	3	5
Vagrancy ...	10	13	12	2
Plundering ...	110	77	113	60
Wounds and blows ...	47	40	57	79
Offences against morality	-	13	2	-
Roguery and vagabondage	-	1	8	1
Forgery ...	3	7	3	3
Various offences ...	217	266	307	145
* Larceny by servant	5	6	3	5

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION DEPARTMENT

The following is a statement of cases referred to, and dealt with by the Investigation Branch of the Criminal Investigation Department:

	Crimes	Misdemeanours
Number of true cases declared	67	140
Number of cases in which prosecution was entered	57	134

BICYCLE THEFTS

YEAR	NUMBER OF BICYCLES	
	Lost or Stolen	Recovered
1953	222	98

HABITUAL CRIMINALS

There were 2,138 male reconvicted criminals (including 140 first offenders reconvicted during the year) in Mauritius in 1953. At the end of the year

208 were in Prison;

314 were under Police supervision;

67 were at liberty on licence;

225 were in the Mauritius Pioneer Corps (200 of these were serving overseas).

VIOLENCE AND ASSAULTS

Assaults with violence are common. 1,278 cases of wounds and blows were examined by the Police Medical Officer and 2,208 medical reports were forwarded to the Police for use in evidence.

52 cases of rape and sexual assaults were dealt with.

SUICIDE

10 cases were reported and investigated during the year and the following causes of death were found : 1 by drowning, 2 by poisoning, 5 by hanging, 1 by gunshot, and 1 by sharp cutting instrument.

FORGERY AND THEFT

In 1953, 318 exhibits related to cases of forgery, swindling and other fraudulent alteration of deeds and documents were examined in the Forensic Laboratory. The corresponding number of exhibits for 1952 was 274.

FIREARMS

Licences were issued during the year involving the use of 5,421 firearms. The comparative figures for 1951 and 1952 were 5,129 and 5,522 respectively.

SUMMARY OF OFFENCES PROSECUTED BY THE POLICE

OFFENCE	Number of persons prosecuted		
	Males	Females	Total
Homicide ...	4	-	4
Other offences against the person	3,098	294	3,392
Praedial larceny	198	30	228
Other offences against property	1,428	304	1,732
Offences against the Labour, the Narcotic substances, the Customs, the Stamps, the Municipal, the Road, the Bankruptcy Ordinances and other laws relating to the Social Economy of the Colony	27,395	618	28,013
Total	32,123	1,246	33,369

JUDICIAL

SUPREME COURT

In the Supreme Court, in 1953, the following cases were dealt with:

	Civil Cases	Divorce Cases	Criminal Appeals	Civil Appeals	Motions & other applications	Bankruptcy Cases
New cases entered during the year	43	187	48	22	216	85
Cases disposed of	39 +	185	49	19	202	78

\+ Of which 25 were for actions exceeding Rs.3,000.

There were 25 cases brought for trial before the Court of Assizes in which there were 36 accused parties.

	Number of cases
Murder	4
Attempt at murder	1
Manslaughter	2
Wounds and blows causing death without intention to kill ...	2
Rape	6
Involuntary homicide ...	7
Arson	2
Perjury	1

27 of those accused parties were convicted, 5 discharged on the merits of the case, 4 accused parties were remanded to stand trial at the first session of 1954.

In the 4 cases of murder, 1 accused party was sentenced to death.

PERSONS BROUGHT BEFORE THE MAGISTERIAL COURTS BY ARREST, WARRANT AND SUMMONS.

	NUMBER OF PERSONS														
	discharged for want of prosecution			discharged on the merits of the case			summarily convicted			committed to Superior Courts			Grand Total		
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
ADULTS															
Homicide	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	9	-	9
Other offences against persons	120	7	127	500	15	515	2,769	218	2,987	23	2	25	3,412	242	3,654
Praedial larceny	12	-	12	8	3	11	147	19	166	-	-	-	167	22	189
Offences against property	45	2	47	209	8	217	1,762	272	2,034	2	-	2	2,018	282	2,300
Offences against Labour Ordinance	1	-	1	2	-	2	57	-	57	-	-	-	60	-	60
Offences against the Narco-tic Substances Ordinance	-	-	-	-	-	-	42	-	42	-	-	-	42	-	42
Offences against the Customs and other Ordinances+ & Laws relating to the Social Economy of the Colony	98	13	111	191	25	216	5,011	347	5,358	-	-	-	5,300	385	5,685
Sanitary Contraventions	19	-	19	4	3	7	1,129	55	1,184	-	-	-	1,152	58	1,210
Road Contraventions	183	-	183	274	-	274	19,546	65	19,611	-	-	-	20,003	65	20,068
Offences dealt with by the Profiteering Court	5	-	5	27	-	27	555	11	566	-	-	-	587	11	598
Other offences	42	-	42	113	5	118	3,893	122	4,015	-	-	-	4,048	127	4,175
Total	526	22	548	1,328	59	1,387	34,911	1,109	36,020	33	2	35	36,798	1,192	37,990

Figures include persons appearing before " Magistrate sitting alone " and before " Bench "

\+ Including the Stamps, the Municipal and the Bankruptcy Ordinances

M = Males; F = Females; T = Total.

PERSONS BROUGHT BEFORE THE MAGISTERIAL COURTS BY ARREST, WARRANT AND SUMMONS (continued)

	NUMBER OF PERSONS														
	discharged for want of prosecution			discharged on the merits of the case			summarily convicted			committed to Superior Courts			Grand Total		
	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T	M	F	T
JUVENILES															
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against persons	1	-	1	10	-	10	62	2	64	-	-	-	73	2	75
Praedial larceny	-	1	1	-	-	-	26	-	26	-	-	-	26	1	27
Offences against property	4	-	4	11	-	11	140	7	147	-	-	-	155	7	162
Offences against the Labour Ordinance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Offences against the Narcotic Substances Ordinance	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Offences against the Customs and other Ordinances+ & Laws relating to the Social Economy of the Colony	10	-	10	6	1	7	143	8	151	-	-	-	159	9	168
Sanitary Contraventions	5	-	5	-	-	-	12	1	13	-	-	-	17	1	18
Road Contraventions	-	-	-	-	-	-	196	-	196	-	-	-	196	-	196
Offences dealt with by the Profiteering Court	-	-	-	2	-	2	3	-	3	-	-	-	5	-	5
Other Offences	-	1	1	-	-	-	37	2	39	-	-	-	37	3	40
Total	20	2	22	29	1	30	619	20	639	-	-	-	668	23	691

Figures include persons appearing before " Magistrate sitting alone " and before " Bench "

\+ Including the Stamps, the Municipal and the Bankruptcy Ordinances.

M = Males; F = Females; T = Total.

DISTRICT COURTS

Percentage of Acquittals and Convictions

Acquittals and Convictions are in the following table expressed as percentages.

Offence	Non prosecutions & acquittals	Convictions & committals to Assizes
Against the person ...	17.5	82.5
Praedial larceny ...	11.1	88.9
Other offences against property	11.3	88.7
Offences against Revenue, Municipal, Road and other laws relating to the social economy of the Colony	5.9	94.1
Offences against the Labour Law	5.0	95.0
Other offences ...	3.8	96.2

In the acquittals are included the cases in which the accused were released in Limine Litis and the cases which were abandoned for want of evidence; in the convictions are included the cases in which the accused were committed to stand trial at the Court of Assizes.

CLASSIFICATION OF OFFENCES

The total number of cases prosecuted before the District Courts (including Preliminary Enquiries) during the year may be distributed as follows :

Offences against the person	3,609
Praedial larceny	203
Other offences against property	2,411
Other offences (including offences against the Labour Law, Revenue Law, etc.) ...	31,888
Total	38,111

CONVICTIONS

The convictions (including committals to Assizes) before the District Courts for the same period were as follows :

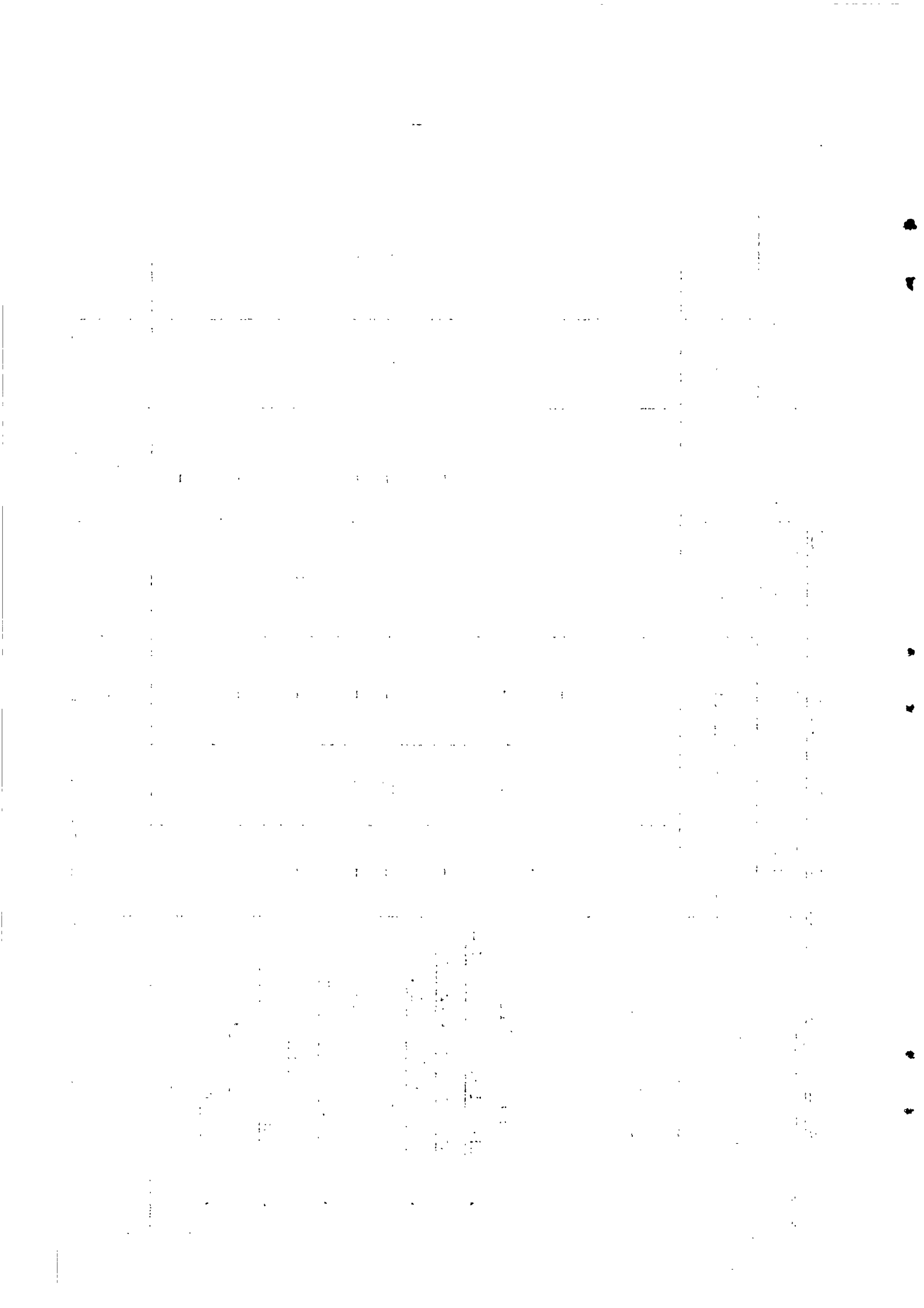
Offences against the person	3,084
Praedial larceny	192
Other offences against property	2,183
Other offences (including offences against the Labour Law, Revenue Law, etc.) ...	31,235
Total	36,694

OFFENCES AGAINST THE FISHERY LAWS.

Year	Total number of contraventions	Number of cases prosecuted	Number of convictions	Total fines inflicted	Number of boats seized	Number of illegal nets seized
				Rs.		
1946	772	657	644	10,546	19	111
1947	770	676	664	11,924	7	99
1948	757	612	592	10,146	17	80
1949	777	664	660	9,208	7	75
1950	591	559	542	7,998	20	103
1951	788	707	690	11,595	15	118
1952	605	511	483	10,304	4	106
1953	550	509	501	15,057	17	120

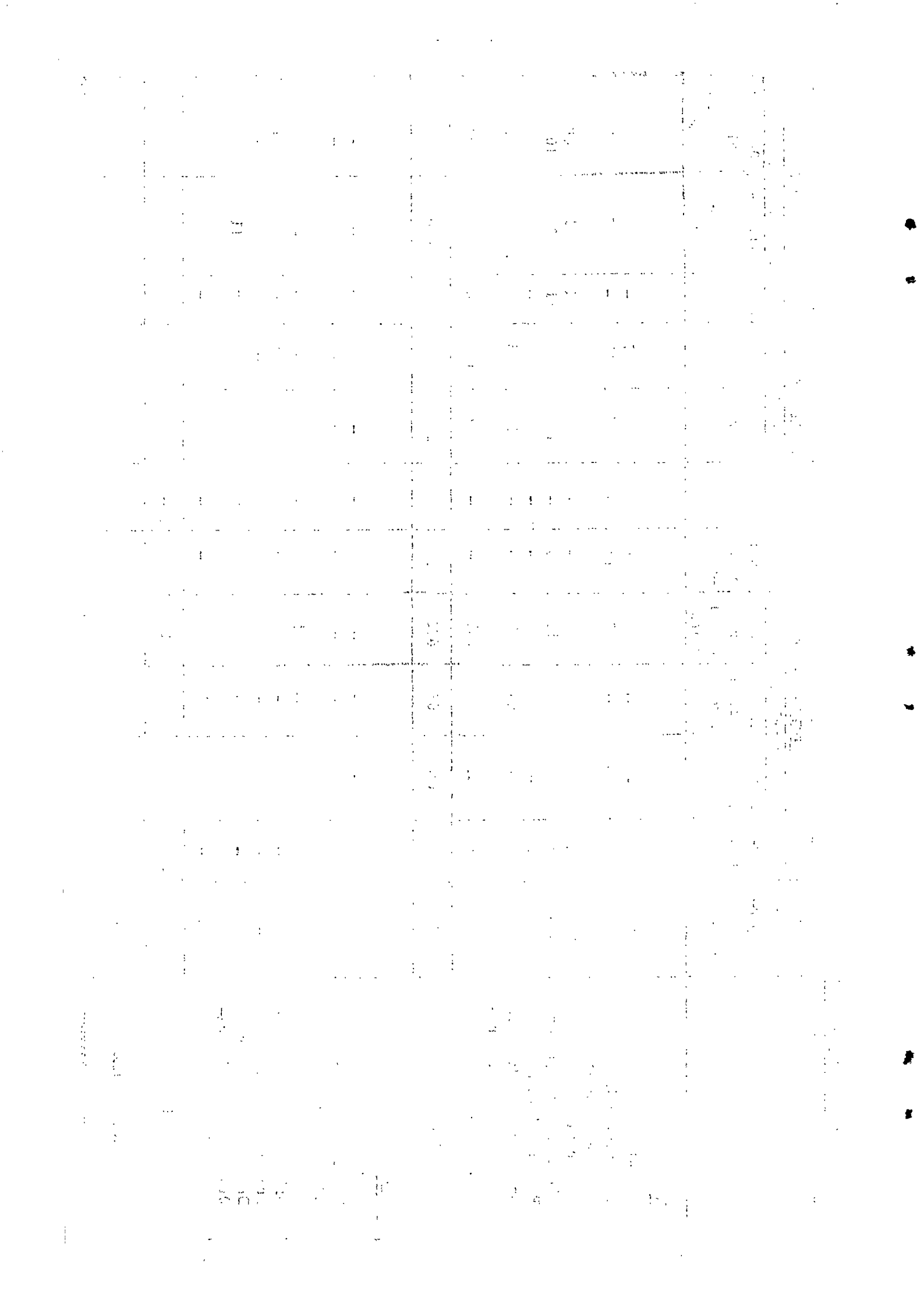
SUMMARY OF OFFENCES AGAINST THE FOREST LAWS DURING THE YEAR

Category of offences	Cases taken to the Court			Cases dealt with Departmentally	Cases in which offenders remained unknown	Total	
	Imprisonment	Fines	Acquittal			Cases	Number of persons involved
1. Unauthorised felling or removal:							
(a) In Crown Forests	2	114	-	18	84	218	161
(b) In Mountain Reserves	2	22	-	-	9	33	37
(c) In River Reserves	-	64	1	7	98	170	158
(d) In Pas Géométriques	-	21	-	2	4	27	27
2. Illegal possession of Indigenous Forest Produce	-	6	1	-	-	7	7
3. Possession of tools:							
(a) In Crown Forests	-	15	-	2	-	17	21
(b) In River Reserves	-	9	-	-	-	9	10
4. Conflagration in Crown Forests.	-	-	-	1	1	2	2
5. Encroachment in River Reserves.	-	197	-	8	-	205	219
6. Plundering in Crown Forests.	1	3	-	-	-	4	3
TOTAL	5	451	2	38	196	692	645



PRISONS STATISTICS

Offence	Total number of persons sentenced	NATURE OF SENTENCE						DISTRIBUTION OF OFFENCES ACCORDING TO				
			Imprisonment					Age of offender			Education of Offender	
		Borstal	For non payment of fine	Less than 1 month	One & more than 1 month	Penal servitude	Death	Under 25	25 to 50	Over 50	Illiterate offender	Offender able to read and write
MEN												
Homicide	11	-	-	-	3	7	1	4	7	-	6	5
Unnatural crimes	24	1	3	-	7	13	-	7	17	-	7	17
Offences against the person	130	2	32	18	78	-	-	43	83	4	81	49
Offences against property	376	43	8	8	314	3	-	146	209	21	272	104
Praedial larceny	9	1	-	-	8	-	-	1	8	-	8	1
Drunkenness & Disorder	97	1	45	26	25	-	-	17	75	5	35	62
Other crimes & Contraventions	219	1	42	45	131	-	-	41	163	15	156	63
Total	866	49	130	97	566	23	1	259	562	45	565	301
WOMEN												
Homicide	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unnatural crimes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Offences against the person	2	-	1	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	2
Offences against property	7	-	-	-	7	-	-	6	1	-	6	1
Praedial larceny	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Drunkenness & Disorder	12	-	3	3	6	-	-	7	5	-	11	1
Other crimes & Contraventions	4	-	1	2	1	-	-	3	1	-	4	-
Total	25	-	5	5	15	-	-	18	7	-	21	4
GRAND TOTAL	891	49	135	102	581	23	1	277	569	45	586	305



JUVENILE OFFENDERS DETAINED AT THE INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

Offence	SENTENCE					AGE OF OFFENDER			
	Less than 3 years	3 years	Over 3 years	Detained till the age of 18	Total	Under 10 years	10 to 14 years	Over 14 years	Total
Unnatural crimes	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	1
Offences against persons	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	2	2
Offences against property	-	23	-	18	41	1	21	19	41
Vagrancy	-	2	-	-	2	-	2	-	2
Other offences	-	-	1	3	4	-	2	2	4
Total	-	25	1	24	50	1	25	24	50

PROBATION

Legislation on this subject first came into force in 1947. Since the 3rd October, 1949, the Probation system covers the whole Island.

Number of persons released on Probation

Year	Juveniles		Adults		Total
	Males	Females	Males	Females	
1947	35	1	8	1	45
1948	58	5	32	2	97
1949	69	2	37	12	120
1950	91	11	183	24	209
1951	106	10	189	41	346
1952	117	10	177	29	333
1953	91	6	158	32	287

Number of persons who committed a breach of the conditions of the Probation Order or who offended again.

Year	Juveniles		Adults		Total
	Males	Females	Males	Females	
1947	4	- -	—	-	4
1948	15	-	-	-	15
1949	10	1 -	3	1	15
1950	5	1	10	1	17
1951	16	1	20	1	38
1952	19	-	15	2	36
1953	18	1	9	3	31

In 1953, 239 probationers successfully completed their period of probation, as compared with 257 in 1952.

LABOUR AND SOCIAL

L A B O U R

Employment and Wages in local industries.

The Labour Ordinance No.47 of 1938 provides for the compulsory submission by employers to the Labour Department of quarterly or half-yearly returns giving the number or workers employed, actual earnings and information relating to compensation cases and camp population (if any).

These returns are however restricted to establishments where more than 9 workers are employed or where 25 acres or more of land are cultivated.

A statement of employment and wages of skilled workers in Sugar Factories is submitted bi-annually by the Sugar Factories to the Central Statistical Office. The statistics given in the table hereafter concerning the Sugar Factories are compiled from these returns.

The Wages of the workers of the Sugar Industry are fixed by means of a trade agreement between the Sugar Industry employers represented by the Sugar Producers' Association and the Sugar Industry Workers represented by the General Workers' Union for the artisans and the Mauritius Amalgamated Labourers' Association for the labourers. The last agreement was made to cover the period 31st July, 1951 - 31st December, 1953, and is subject to renewal for further periods.

As regards employment and wages ruling in occupations, trades and industries in which employers are not compelled by the provisions of the Labour Ordinance to submit employment returns, periodical surveys are carried out by the Labour Department.

WAGES

Wages of skilled workers in the Sugar Factories.

Category of Workers		W A G E S					
		Monthly			Daily		
		Lowest	Highest	Average+	Lowest	Highest	Average+
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
CATEGORY "A"	Grade						
Fitters	I	112.50	210.00	130.12	3.60	4.83	4.13
	II	95.00	112.50	98.44	3.11	3.65	3.45
	III	60.00	92.00	72.76	2.07	3.15	2.55
Turners	I	105.00	173.00	118.48	2.76	6.21	3.60
	II	82.50	102.50	88.63	2.41	2.76	2.58
	III	60.50	78.75	68.15	-	-	-
Tinsmiths	I	60.50	97.00	75.18	-	-	-
	II	55.00	-	55.00	2.85	4.15	3.50
Blacksmiths	I	95.00	165.00	110.24	3.45	6.21	4.05
	II	86.50	95.00	88.35	3.45	-	3.45
	III	54.30	86.50	70.91	1.62	3.27	2.77
Coppersmiths	I	95.00	145.50	113.61	4.35	5.70	5.03
	II	69.00	88.98	78.22	3.45	3.62	3.56
	III	-	-	-	2.11	-	2.11
Boiler Makers	I	69.00	157.50	103.50	-	-	-
	II	60.50	69.00	66.87	2.75	3.80	3.35

\+ Weighted average.

Wages of skilled workers in the Sugar Factories (continued)

Category of Workers		WAGES					
		Monthly			Daily		
		Lowest	Highest	Average+	Lowest	Highest	Average+
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
CATEGORY "A"	Grade						
Welders	I	100.00	167.00	113.47	-	-	-
	II	69.00	95.00	77.44	2.66	3.62	3.20
	III	-	-	-	1.90	-	1.90
Pattern Makers	I	93.50	202.50	107.28	-	-	-
	II	69.00	78.00	73.50	2.07	3.97	3.02
Moulders	I	92.50	172.50	122.53	-	-	-
	II	69.00	78.75	73.88	2.07	-	2.07
Pan Boilers	I	130.00	317.98	148.21	-	-	-
	II	95.00	129.00	102.14	3.40	3.50	3.45
	III	60.50	93.00	73.61	2.30	2.93	2.60
Masons Chief		86.00	112.50	90.89	3.01	5.00	3.46
Masons		62.00	78.50	68.98	2.62	3.10	2.78
Carpenters Chief		95.00	197.00	105.29	2.94	4.44	3.26
Carpenters		49.30	88.77	71.35	2.15	2.96	2.72
Motor Mechanics Chief		147.00	293.10	185.31	-	-	-
Motor Mechanics	I	95.00	189.00	117.47	3.38	4.14	3.55
	II	55.00	99.50	78.40	1.15	2.75	2.40
Motor Vehicle Drivers	I	67.50	107.00	70.14	2.30	3.35	2.88
	II	59.50	67.50	60.59	-	-	-
	III	52.00	55.17	52.97	-	-	-
Tractor Drivers	I	55.00	236.25	89.10	2.07	4.14	2.55
	II	47.00	48.49	47.25	-	-	-
Loco Fitters	I	112.00	212.50	133.50	2.76	4.00	3.24
	II	95.00	106.70	96.71	-	-	-
	III	60.50	93.00	71.99	-	-	-
Electricians	I	116.00	258.62	153.30	2.58	4.14	3.32
CATEGORY "B"							
Electricians	II	47.50	103.45	70.81	-	-	-
Mill Drivers	I	55.00	85.00	57.10	2.01	2.76	2.25
	II	45.07	54.00	47.81	-	-	-
Derrick Drivers	I	69.50	109.42	76.15	2.38	5.00	3.08
	II	55.00	69.50	63.03	-	-	-
Boiler Attendants Chief		55.00	125.00	70.90	2.50	3.65	3.08
Loco Drivers	I	45.50	117.93	60.73	1.90	2.25	2.04
Distillery Attendants	I	46.40	97.50	69.18	-	-	-
MESSENGERS							
Laboratory		59.00	96.50	78.67	-	-	-
Laboratory Asst.		55.00	67.00	59.60	-	-	-
Office		38.86	78.00	53.04	-	-	-
Stores		43.50	95.00	53.00	-	-	-

Cost of Living Cat. A & B 45%;
End of year bonus : Cat. A & B .3 months basic salary
Overtime : Cat. A Time + ½ ; Cat. B. Time + 1/3 Sundays Double time

\+ Weighted average.

WAGES OF SKILLED WORKERS - OTHER INDUSTRIES +

ISIC	Employed by the month			Employed by the day		
	Highest	Lowest	Average	Highest	Lowest	Average
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
23 ALOE FIBRE INDUSTRY						
Factory:						
Engine Drivers	165.-	117.-	133.40	5.-	4.-	4.70
Decortication operators	-	-	-	9.-	3.50	5.12
21 AERATED WATER WORKS						
Artisans	200.-	90.75	103.88	4.80	4.-	4.53
Drivers	113.-	90.75	112.70	-	-	-
40 BUILDING CONTRACTORS						
Foremen	350.-	200.-	277.75	-	-	8. -
Carpenters - Head	-	-	-	-	-	7.70
Grade I	-	-	-	7.70	4.50	5.23
Masons - Head	-	-	-	-	-	7.70
Grade I	-	-	-	7.70	4.50	5.35
Blacksmiths	-	-	-	6.60	4.-	4.42
Painters	-	-	-	-	-	7.-
Tinsmiths	-	-	-	-	-	4.50
22 CIGARETTE MANU -FACTURE						
Artisans	-	-	-	7.75	5.10	6.05
21 DISTILLING INDUSTRY						
Artisans	262.36	150.-	206.18	7.15	3.03	5.09
Drivers	-	-	87.-	-	-	-
71 DOCKS						
Artisans	-	-	223.-	-	-	6.40
Drivers	-	-	185.30	-	-	5.60
51 ELECTRICITY						
Artisans	225.-	81.60	109.23	7.22	4.-	5.68
Drivers	171.-	80.-	110.05	5.50	4.50	5.15

+ Statistics collected by the Labour Department.

Wages of Skilled Workers - Other Industries + (continued)

	Employed by the month			Employed by the day		
	Highest	Lowest	Average	Highest	Lowest	Average
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
ISIC						
31 LIME INDUSTRY						
Artisans	135.-	100.-	118.33	6.-	3.-	4.57
Drivers	-	-	102.25	-	-	-
31 OIL INDUSTRY						
Artisans & Foremen	-	-	-	5.-	4.27	4.52
19 SALT MANUFAC-TURE						
Artisans	-	-	100.-	-	-	-
25 SAW MILLS						
Sawyers	215.-	125.-	171.83	7.-	4.15	5.11
Artisans	-	-	-	6.-	4.-	5.-
29 TANNING IN-DUSTRY						
Artisans	160.-	145.-	152.-	-	-	-
20 TEA INDUSTRY						
Factory:						
Artisans	-	-	-	6.-	3.69	4.60
Drivers	150.-	115.-	104.97	5.-	3.53	4.23
22 TOBACCO IN-DUSTRY						
Artisans	-	-	-	6.25	4.25	5.08
21 WINE INDUS-TRY						
Artisans	220.-	160.-	180.-	5.75	5.-	5.68
Drivers	-	-	125.-	5.-	4.50	4.75

+ Statistics collected by the Labour Department.

The number in front of each industry belongs to the major group of the International Standard Industrial Classification.

WAGE INDICES +

Sugar Industry Artisans - Monthly employed

	1953 Index (1939 = 100)
Fitter	317
Pan Boiler	342
Motor Mechanic ...	290
Blacksmith	288
Carpenter	294
Boiler Maker	280
Motor Driver	368
Loco Driver	366
Mill Driver	411

+ 1953 Wages include cost of living bonus, plus end of year bonus.

Semi-skilled or Unskilled Workers

Two categories exist for this type of labour:

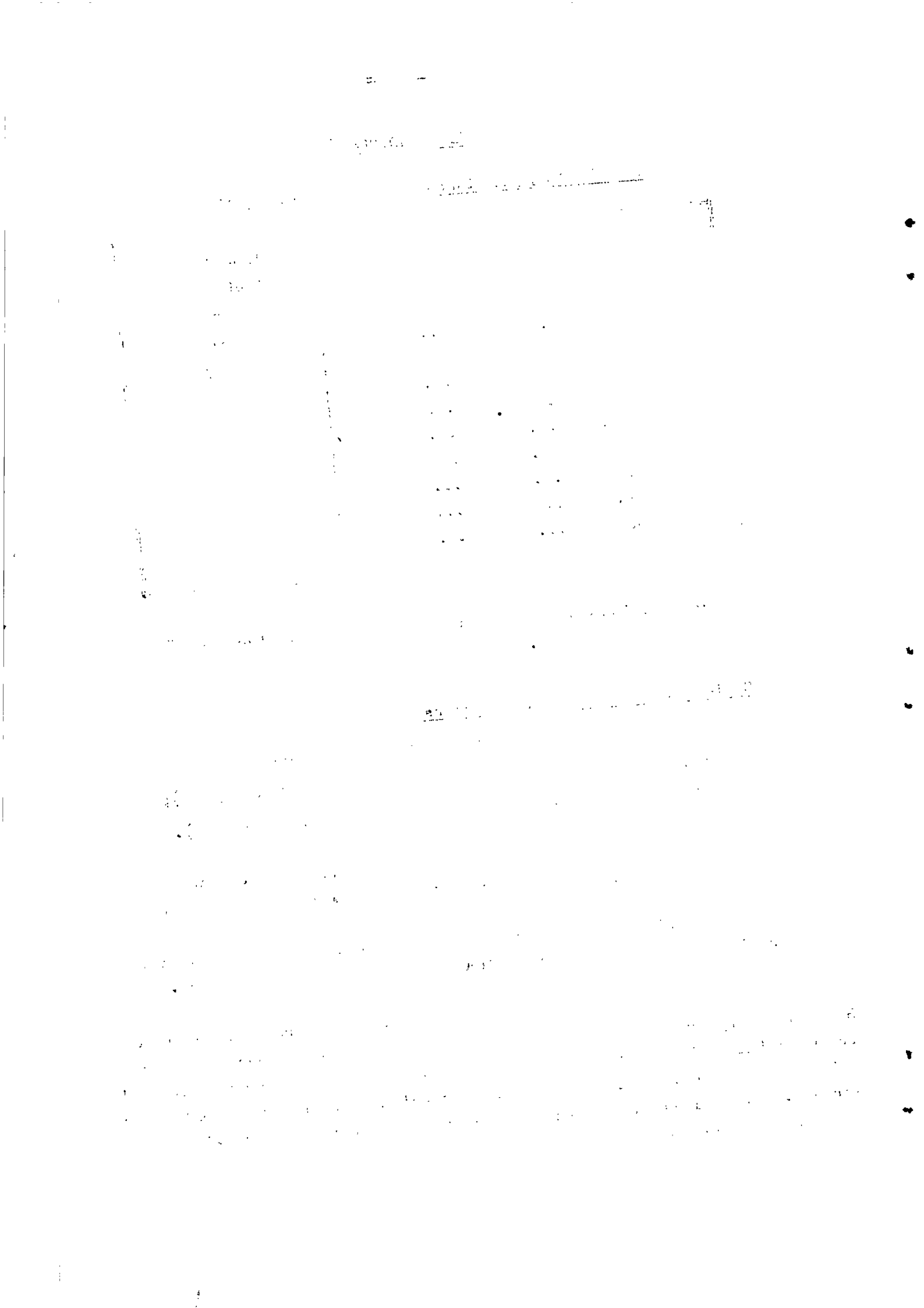
(i) The workers employed by the month (Category I); and

(ii) The workers employed by the day (Category II).

Each of these categories is again sub-divided into three classes or grades for men and two classes or grades for women and juveniles.

The various classes are intended to group the workers in respect of their different abilities and efficiency in the field or factory.

The wages paid to all the categories of workers employed in the Sugar Industry are fixed by means of a trade agreement between the Sugar Producers' Association representing the employers and the General Workers' Union and the Mauritius Amalgamated Labourers' Association representing the workers. The wages paid in accordance with this agreement are given in the following table:



SUGAR INDUSTRY

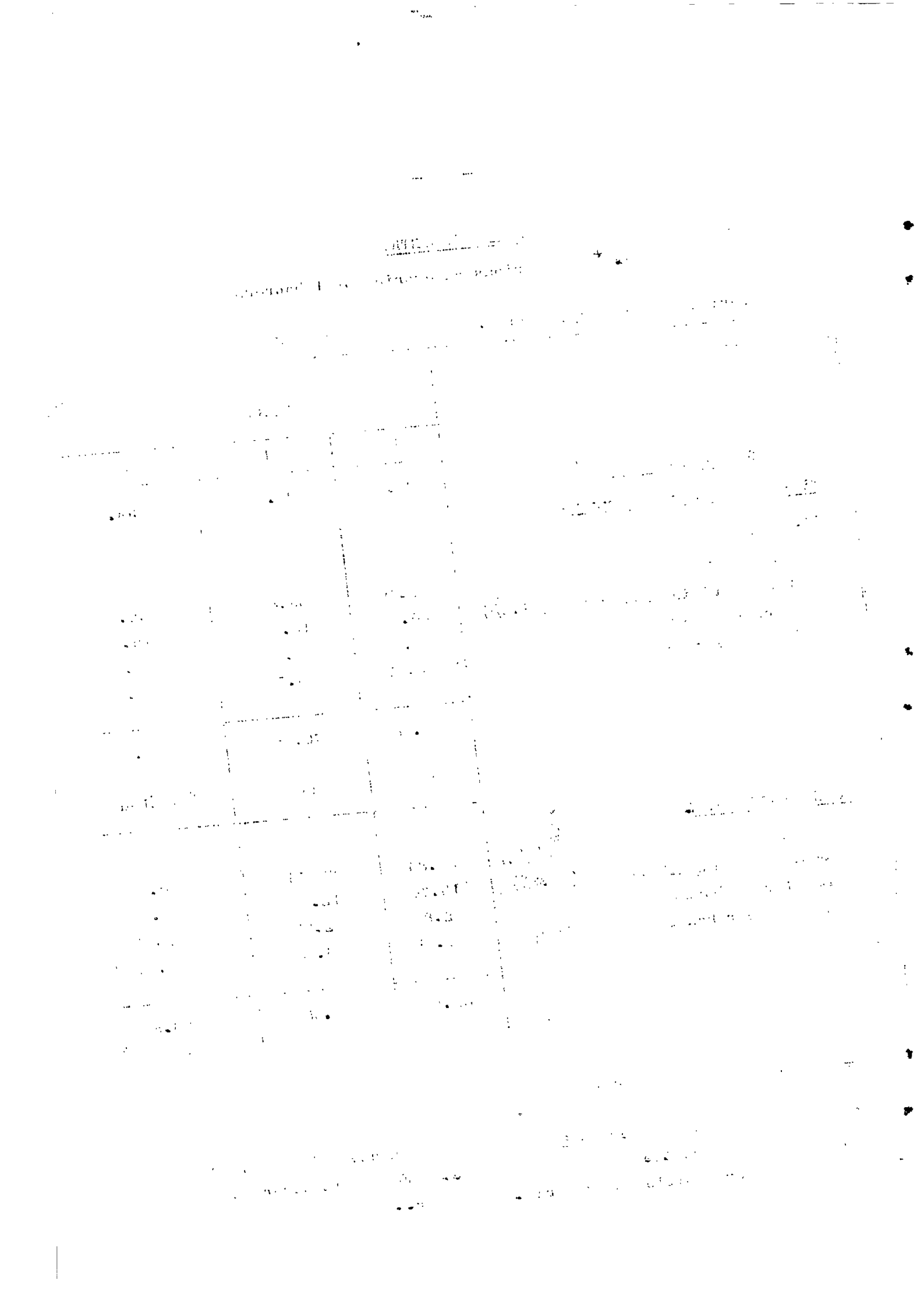
Minimum wages + of various categories of labourers

Period 1st January, 1953 to 31st December, 1953

	CLASS		
	I	II	III
MONTHLY EMPLOYED: @	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Field or Factory Labourers			
MEN			
Basic wage	43.50	38.86	32.84
Cost of Living Allowance (47.5%)	20.66	18.46	15.60
Regularity Bonus	4.35	3.89	3.28
End of year bonus	10.87	9.71	8.21
	79.38	70.92	59.93
	I	II	Children
WOMEN & JUVENILES			
Basic wage	28.85	25.73	20.08
Cost of Living Allowance (47.5%)	13.70	12.22	9.54
Regularity Bonus	2.88	2.57	2.01
End of year bonus	7.21	6.43	5.02
	52.64	46.95	36.65

\+ Exclusive of overtime earnings.

@ The monthly worker is also entitled to house allowance, free medical treatment and annual leave. Female labourers are further entitled to maternity allowance.



SUGAR INDUSTRY (continued)

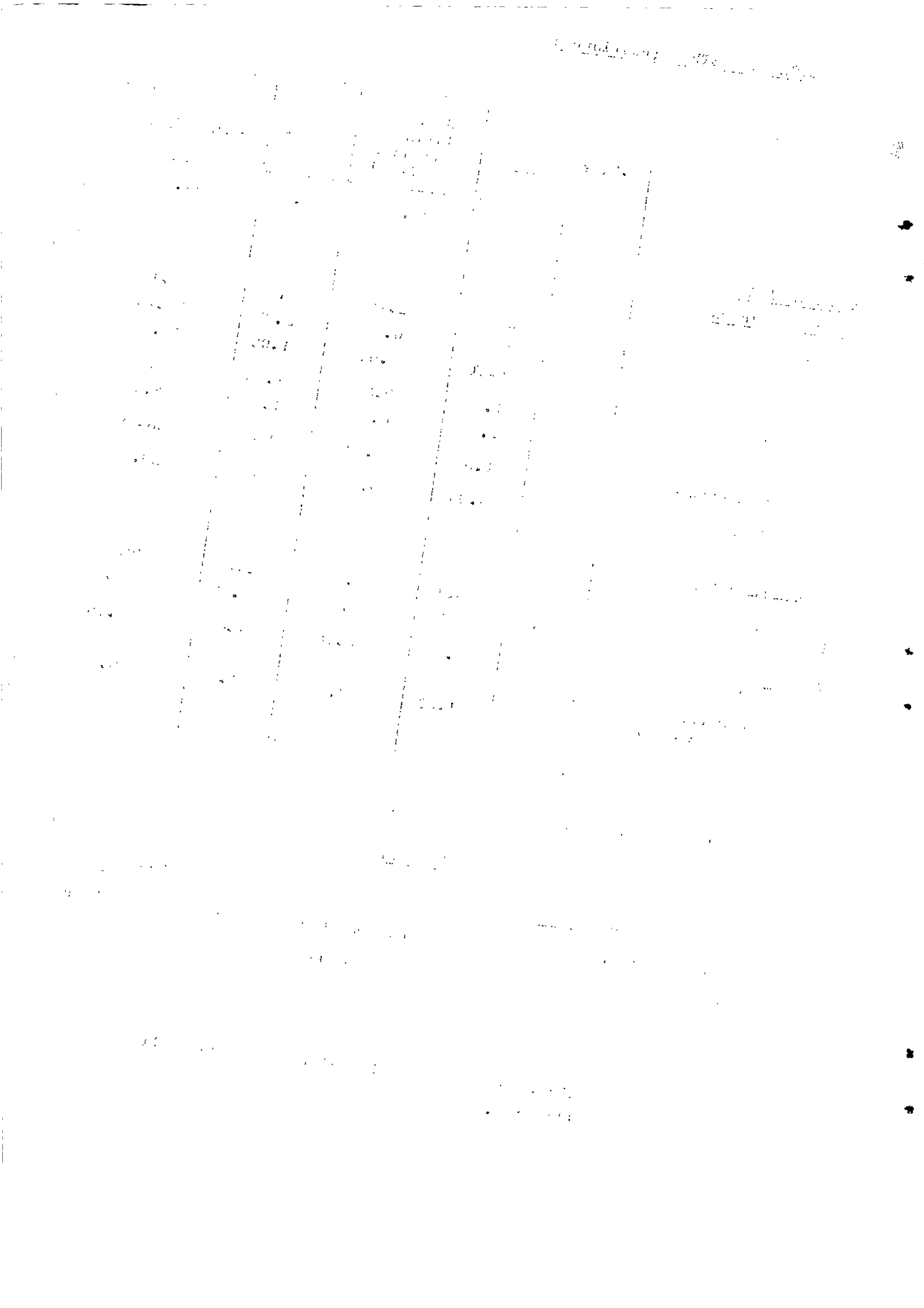
	Class	Basic wage	Cost of living allowance (47.5%)	Total	Monthly average at 26 working days @
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
DAILY EMPLOYED					
Field Labourers:					
Men	I	2.48	1.18	3.66	95.16
	II	1.93	0.92	2.85	74.10
	III	1.31	0.62	1.93	50.18
Women	I	1.24	0.59	1.83	47.58
	II	1.00	0.48	1.48	38.48
Young Persons		1.00	0.48	1.48	38.48
Children		0.69	0.33	1.02	26.52
Factory Workers:					
Men	I	2.01	0.95	2.96	76.96
	II	1.62	0.77	2.39	62.14
Women		1.00	0.48	1.48	38.48
Young Persons (Male)		1.00	0.48	1.48	38.48

@ Exclusive of overtime

OVERTIME x

Week days		Sundays
For the first 4 hours	: Time + 1/3	Paid at double rate
Over 4 hours	: Time + 1/2	

x Calculated on the basic salary and cost of living allowance.



WAGE+ INDICES (1938 = 100)

Field or Factory Labourer - Category I - Monthly employed.

	1938@ Wage Rs.	January to December 1953	
		Wage Rs.	Index
MEN:			
CLASS I	20.-	79.38	397
II	18.-	70.92	394

Field Labourer - Category II - Daily employed.

	1938@ Wage Rs.	January to December 1953	
		Wage Rs.	Index
MEN:			
CLASS I	0.95x	3.66	385
II	0.50	2.85	570

\+ Based on minimum earnings according to agreement.

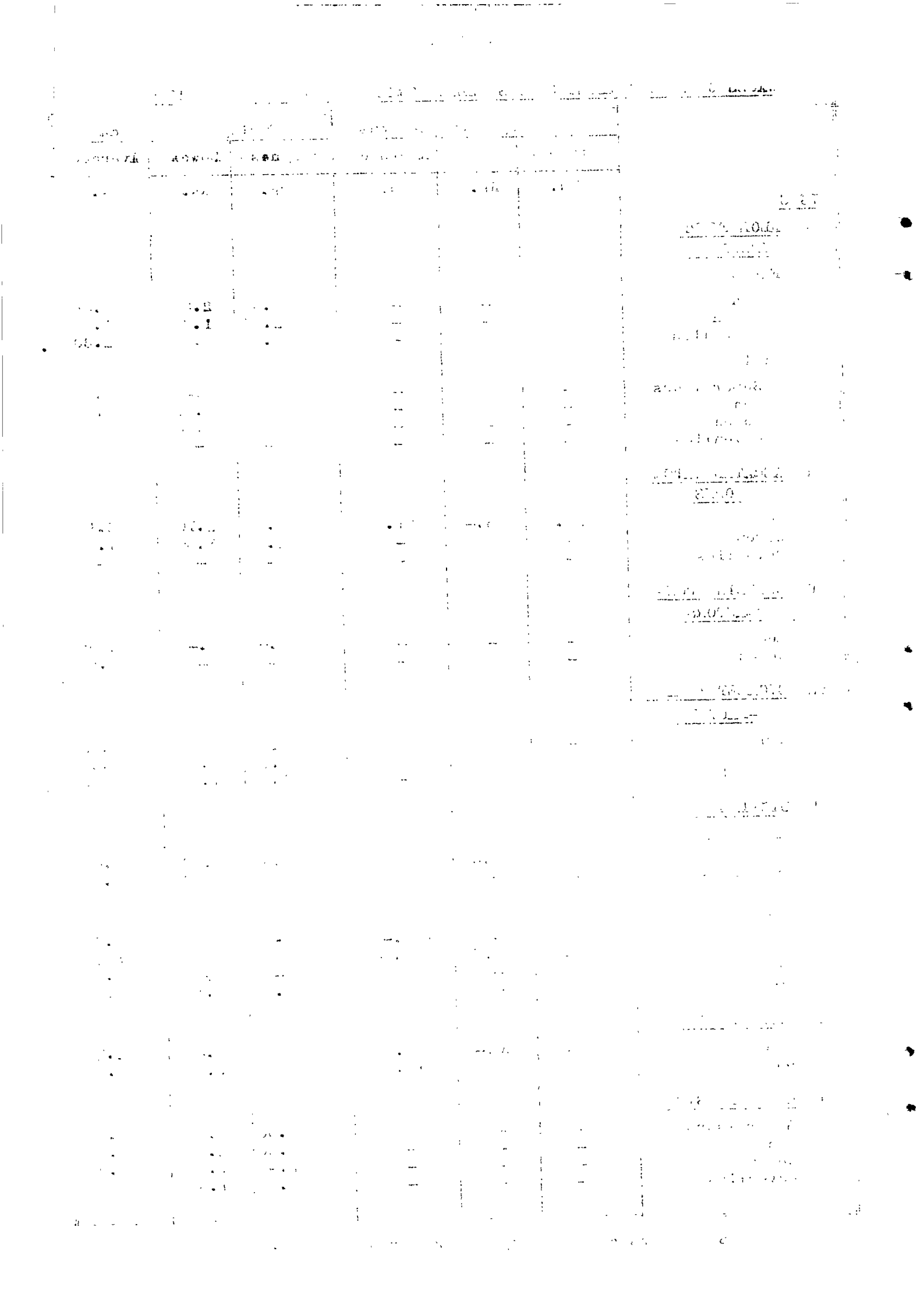
@ From Report of Minimum Wage Board 1938.

x 66 cents per day during inter harvest season and Rs.1.25 per day during harvest.

WAGES OF SEMI-SKILLED OR UNSKILLED WORKERS - OTHER INDUSTRIES ②

ISIC		Employed by the month			Employed by the day		
		Highest	Lowest	Average	Highest	Lowest	Average
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
23	ALOE FIBRE INDUSTRY						
	Factory:						
	Men	-	-	-	6.-	2.35	3.58
	Women	-	-	-	2.75	1.60	1.87
	Juveniles	-	-	-	3.33	1.60	2.30
	Field:						
	Supervisors	-	-	-	5.-	3.-	3.83
	Men	-	-	-	5.-	2.40	3.57
	Women	-	-	-	2.75	1.40	2.06
	Juveniles	-	-	-	-	-	1.50
21	AERATED WATER WORKS						
	Men	90.75	65.-	71.48	3.49	2.10	3.17
	Women	-	-	-	1.65	1.60	1.62
	Juveniles	-	-	-	-	-	-
40	BUILDING CONTRACTORS						
	Men	-	-	-	4.-	2.-	3.02
	Women	-	-	-	-	-	2.25
22	CIGARETTE MANUFACTURE						
	Men	-	-	-	4.20	3.50	3.80
	Women	-	-	-	3.20	2.45	2.56
	Juveniles	-	-	-	1.85	1.75	1.78
21	DISTILLING INDUSTRY						
	Men	106.57	56.34	76.67	3.85	2.26	3.07
	Juveniles	-	-	-	1.85	1.42	1.60
71	DOCKS						
	Supervisors	-	-	154.-	-	-	3.20
	Men	83.52	82.04	83.43	9.64	5.10	8.05
	Women	-	-	33.55	-	-	1.45
	Juveniles	-	-	-	1.52	1.14	1.33
51	ELECTRICITY						
	Men	115.-	50.-	82.28	3.70	2.-	2.83
	Juveniles	-	-	14.-	1.76	0.50	1.56
31	LIME INDUSTRY						
	Supervisors	-	-	-	6.50	3.-	4.80
	Men	-	-	-	4.80	2.50	3.30
	Women	-	-	-	3.-	1.60	2.09
	Juveniles	-	-	-	2.70	1.-	2.20

② Statistics collected by the Labour Department.

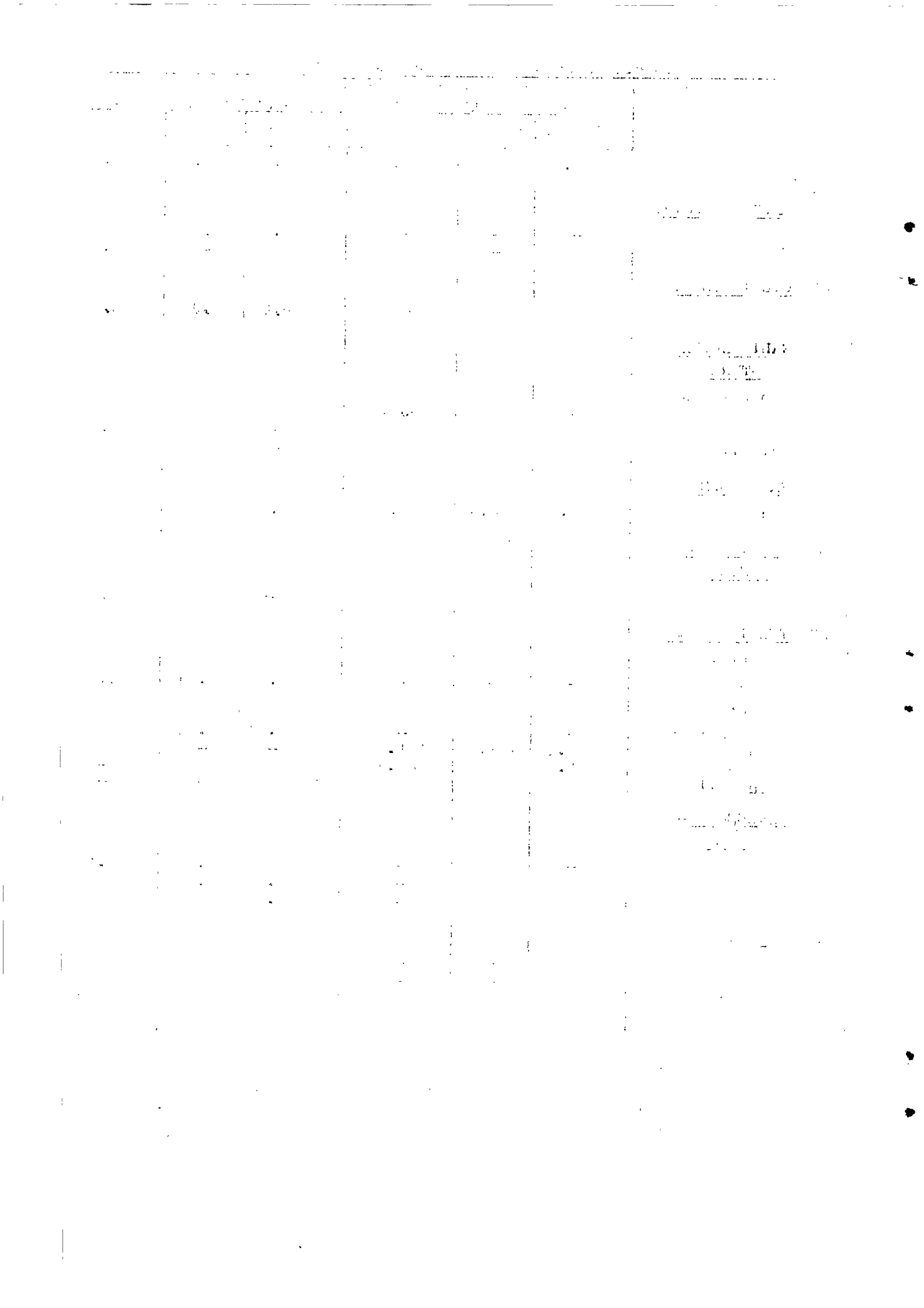


Wages of semi-skilled or unskilled workers - Other Industires[@] (cont.)

ISIC		Employed by the month			Employed by the day		
		Highest	Lowest	Average	Highest	Lowest	Average
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
31	MATCH INDUSTRY						
	Men	-	-	-	5.-	2.25	3.-
	Women	-	-	-	-	-	1.60
31	OIL INDUSTRY						
	Men	-	-	-	3.38	2.05	2.29
19	SALT MANUFAC-TURE						
	Supervisors	-	-	-	-	-	3.53
	Men	-	-	90.-	3.-	2.75	2.83
	Women	-	-	-	-	-	1.60
	Juveniles	-	-	-	-	-	1.60
25	SAW MILLS						
	Men	85.-	60.-	81.43	4.65	2.-	3.52
29	TANNING INDUSTRY						
	Men	-	-	-	4.-	2.25	3.25
20	TEA INDUSTRY						
	Factory:						
	Men	-	-	-	5.64	3.50	3.82
	Field:						
	Supervisors	-	-	-	5.50	4.22	4.71
	Men	142.-	141.	141.66	-	-	-
	Women	91.-	78.25	84.35	-	-	-
	Juveniles	94.25	64.-	65.78	-	-	-
22	TOBACCO INDUSTRY						
	Men	-	-	-	5.25	3.-	4.15
	Women	-	-	-	2.50	1.69	2.15
	Juveniles	-	-	-	3.50	1.50	2.14
21	WINE INDUSTRY						
	Men	-	-	-	4.25	3.-	3.23
	Women	-	-	-	3.75	1.60	2.14
	Juveniles	-	-	-	1.60	1.-	1.30

@ Statistics collected by the Labour Department

The number in front of each industry belongs to the major group of the International Standard Industrial Classification.



EMPLOYMENT OF SKILLED AND UNSKILLED WORKERS IN THE SUGAR INDUSTRY

Summary of employment of skilled Workers:	Monthly employed	Daily employed
Skilled Workers	3,353	948
Semi-skilled Workers : Supervisors	1,296	656

Summary of employment of Unskilled workers:	MONTHLY EMPLOYED								
	Men			Women			Juveniles		
	Maximum	Minimum	Average	Maximum	Minimum	Average	Maximum	Minimum	Average
Class I	2,368	2,273	2,307	108	73	94	57	7	38
II	998	953	982	26	-	18	19	-	10
III	233	197	210	5	-	3	4	-	2
			3,499			115			50
	DAILY PAID								
By Estate	21,322	14,823	18,250	7,760	6,321	7,024	2,733	2,331	2,493
By Job Contractors	10,910	8,271	9,761	7,041	4,979	6,009	853	571	684
			28,011			13,033			3,177

Proportion of monthly & daily employed workers in each category		
	Monthly	Daily
Skilled workers	78%	22%
Supervisors	66%	34%
Unskilled workers : Men	11%	89%
Women	1%	99%
Juveniles	2%	98%

% distribution of daily paid unskilled workers employed by the Estates and by Job Contractors		
	Paid By Estate	Job Contractors
Men	65%	35%
Women	54%	46%
Juveniles	78%	22%

MANPOWER EMPLOYED IN THE SUGAR MANUFACTURING PROCESS ONLY

Number of skilled and unskilled workers employed per factory:

Maximum	...	...	312
Minimum	...	...	137
Average	...	...	203

Number of shifts per day per factory : 2

Number of men per shift per factory :

Maximum	...	...	156
Minimum	...	...	59

Total number of men workers employed per day in the 27 Sugar Factories : 5,478

Employment in the Sugar Industry has a seasonal fluctuation determined by the harvest and inter-harvest periods. The harvest period is from July to December, but employment as a rule, is at its highest between September and November, and at its lowest in January or June. The total employment in the Industry in 1953 reached a maximum of 59,900 workers and a minimum of 47,300 workers a $\pm$ 12% fluctuation on the average of 54,200.

The difference in conditions of employment between skilled and unskilled workers is noteworthy. About 78% of the skilled workers are employed on a monthly agreement, while about 89% of the unskilled men are on day-employment. Nearly all unskilled women and juveniles are employed by the day.

The vast majority of workers in the Sugar Industry are field labourers belonging to the cultivation side; there were only 27 factories in 1953 employing the greater number of skilled workers and artisans. In fact the proportion of skilled to unskilled labour in the Industry is only 8.6 : 100. On the average one factory needs about 160 skilled men.

EMPLOYMENT IN THE SUGAR INDUSTRY - 1953

YEAR	Maximum number of workers employed during the year			Minimum number of workers employed during the year			Average number of workers employed during the year		
	Skilled	Unskilled	Total	Skilled	Unskilled	Total	Skilled	Unskilled	Total
1953	4,375	55,570	59,945	4,221	42,980	47,201	4,301	49,837	54,138

Skilled workers are employed in the Secondary Industries to a total of about 4,600, while public services (Railways, Public Works, Electricity) employ about 2,900.

The total labour employment in the main industries and public services go on the average to add up to 11,800 skilled and nearly 44,700 unskilled men and some 21,600 women and juveniles, forming a grand total of 78,100. To this figure might be added some 5,500 workers engaged in tailoring and shoe repairing.

LABOUR DISPUTES

Number settled:	
(a) By conciliation ...	3,056
(b) After arbitration (official trade dispute) ...	NIL
(c) Industrial Magistrate's Court (legal dispute)	140

STRIKES

Industry	Number of strikes	Number of workers involved	Number of men-days lost
Baking	1	250	1,425

CASUALTIES SUSTAINED DURING WORK

	Deaths	Injuries
Factory cases ...	4	328
Rail Transport cases	4	55
Other cases ...	15	4,618
Total	23	5,001

Employment of Skilled and Unskilled Workers - Other Industries @

	ISIC Group	Skilled Workers	Unskilled Workers			TOTAL
			Males	Females	Juveniles	
Aloe Fibre Industry+	231	127	549	917	197	1,790
Aerated Water Works	214	48	33	42	-	123
Bakeries	206	283	185	-	-	468
Building Trade	400	813	258	23	-	1,094
Bus Coach Building	383	88	26	-	19	133
Cigarette Manufacture	220	31	52	138	3	224
Distilling Industry	211	99	207	-	20	326
Docks	720	221	1,053	10	14	1,298
Electrical Companies	511	195	182	-	30	407
Footwear Manufacture	241) 300)	221	-	30	150	401
Jewellers Trade	395	206	-	-	135	341
Lime Industry	311	157	190	267	33	647
Match Industry	319	-	15	23	-	38
Oil Industry	209) 312)	4	60	-	-	64
Printing Establishments	280	195	-	-	45	240
Public Services:						
Government	810	2,886	6,153	213	126	9,378
Municipal	810	48	305	55	29	437
Salt Manufacture	190	6	34	40	6	86
Saw Mills	250	54	120	-	-	174
Stevedoring	716	660	-	-	-	660
Tanning Industry	291	19	17	-	-	36
Tea Industry	209	33	473	565	436	1,507
Tobacco Plantations	010	85	762	849	417	2,113
Wine Manufacture	212	145	126	140	33	444
Workshops - Engineering & Motor	381) 382) 383) 384)	899	387	3	245	1,534
		7,523	11,187	3,315	1,938	23,963

ISIC = International Standard Industrial Classification

@ Statistics collected by the Labour Department

\+ Inclusive of the Sack Factory.

List of Trade Unions and/or Industrial Associations as at 31.12.53

Association	Number of members on roll	Number of persons who have ceased to be members	Number of members as at 31.12.53.
Technical Workers			
Printing Workers' Union	65	18	47
Electricity and Telephones Manual and Technical Workers' Union	258	53	205
Government Printing Workers' Union	69	-	69
Commercial			
Milk Producers' and Retail Distributors' Union	70	-	70
Jewellers' Association	52	42	10
Mauritius Market Traders' Association	106	1	105
Shop Assistants Union	17	8	9
Industrial			
Federation of Port & Harbour Employers	12	-	12
Tobacco Producers' Syndicate	61	16	45
Sugar Producers' Association	29	-	29
Planters' Association	1,873	-	1,873
Tobacco Small Planters' Association	116	-	116
The Mauritius Owners of Bakéries' Association	18	3	15
Mauritius Cane Growers' Association	39	-	39
Labour			
General Port & Harbour Workers' Union	2,242	150	2,092
Mauritius Agricultural Workers' Union	3,694	2,754	940
Amalgamated Labourers' Association	11,395	6,188	5,207
Government Manual Workers' Union	1,456	1,047	409
Primary School Servants' Union	88	24	64
Gold, Silver & Allied Trades Union	19	6	13
Mauritius Bakers' Union	454	426	28
Rodrigues General Workers Union	243	100	143
Clerical			
War Department Civilian Employees' Association	127	-	127
Government Clerical Service Association	203	61	142
Municipal Employees' Union	91	19	72
Docks & Wharves Staff Employees' Association	207	-	207
Clerks' Association	78	-	78

List of Trade Unions and/or Industrial Associations as at 31.12.53 (continued)

Association	Number of members on roll	Number of persons who have ceased to be members	Number of members as at 31.12.53.
Clerical (continued)			
Bank Officers' Guild	72	-	72
The Cable & Wireless Employees' Association	23	-	23
Sugar Industry Staff Employees' Association	565	-	565
The Mauritius Commercial Bank Employees' Association	113	-	113
Professional			
Mauritius Senior Professional Civil Servants Association	112	-	112
Secondary & Preparatory School Teachers' Union	89	31	58
Government Teachers' Union	475	375	100
Union of Aided Primary School Teachers	554	88	466
Association of Principals of Roman Catholic Secondary Schools	9	-	9
Government Nursing Association	210	130	80
Government Sanitary Officers' Association	39	7	32
Miscellaneous			
Postmen Union	95	11	84
Government Railway Workers' Union	846	315	531
General Workers' Union	3,804	2,497	1,307
Government Servants' & Employees' Association	1,597	578	1,019
TOTAL	31,685	14,948	16,737



EDUCATION

Number of children of primary school going age (5 - 12) 104,000

Percentage enrolment to children of primary school going age 35%

Number of pupils on roll + in Government and Aided Primary and Secondary Schools

Year ended 30th June	Number
1945	41,483
1946	43,156
1947	45,738
1948	45,680
1949	51,557
1950	58,422
1951	62,234
1952	66,744
1953	74,919

\+ Exclusive of children attending private institutions.

Information concerning non-aided primary schools and part-time and night schools is not available in all cases. Besides, such schools are not controlled by the Education Department and the information on record about some of them cannot be certified as correct.

Government and Aided Primary Schools - End of 1953

District	No. of Schools	Number of pupils on roll and in average attendance — In Government Schools — Boys — Number on roll	Boys — Average attendance	Girls — Number on roll	Girls — Average attendance	Total no. of pupils on roll	No. of Schools	Number of pupils on roll and in average attendance — In Aided Schools — Boys — Number on roll	Boys — Average attendance	Girls — Number on roll	Girls — Average attendance	Total number of pupils on roll
Port Louis	9	3,259	2,774	2,206	1,850	5,465	11	4,480	3,743	4,412	3,696	8,892
Pamplemousses	11	2,747	2,184	1,703	1,321	4,450	3	642	533	460	374	1,102
Grand Port	13	2,664	2,093	1,588	1,226	4,252	7	1,483	1,161	1,251	951	2,734
Plaines Wilhems	13	4,236	3,537	2,908	2,377	7,144	20	7,042	6,044	6,183	5,181	13,225
Moka	3	768	606	406	314	1,174	6	1,295	1,062	884	691	2,179
Rivière du Rempart	7	2,468	2,029	1,187	955	3,655	4	933	744	611	453	1,544
Savanne	6	1,877	1,502	1,085	855	2,962	4	733	576	594	459	1,327
Black River	2	317	261	203	164	520	4	361	270	263	190	624
Flacq	8	1,806	1,434	1,147	872	2,953	14	2,843	2,191	1,603	1,208	4,446
TOTAL	72	20,142	16,420	12,433	9,934	32,575	73	19,812	16,324	16,261	13,203	36,073
Rodriguez	1	314	234	266	200	580	3	790	514	736	512	1,526

Government and Aided Secondary Schools - end of 1953

Distribution of Schools	Number of pupils on roll and in average attendance				
	BOYS		GIRLS		Total number of pupils
	Number on roll	Number in average attendance	Number on roll	Number in average attendance	
GOVERNMENT					
Royal College ...	369	340	-	-	369
Royal College School ...	456	387	-	-	456
Queen Elizabeth College	-	-	141	133	141
TOTAL	825	727	141	133	966
AIDED					
Loreto Convent (Curepipe)	144	125	550	491	694
Loreto Convent (St. Pierre)	122	105	145	132	267
Loreto Convent (Quatre Bornes)	76	70	318	299	394
Loreto Convent (Port Louis)	28	25	448	398	476
Loreto Convent (Vacoas)	89	81	172	165	261
St. Joseph College ...	334	302	-	-	334
Sacré Coeur College ...	101	81	71	54	172
St. Esprit College ...	238	224	-	-	238
St. Andrews' College ...	281	264	82	76	363
TOTAL	1,413	1,277	1,786	1,615	3,199

SUMMARY

Roll of pupils and students in Schools and Colleges - End of 1953

	Enrolment			Average Attendance		
	Boys	Girls	Total	Boys	Girls	Total
Primary Schools						
Government	20,142	12,433	32,575	16,420	9,934	26,354
Aided	19,812	16,261	36,073	16,324	13,203	29,527
Secondary Schools						
Government	825	141	966	727	133	860
Aided	1,413	1,786	3,199	1,277	1,615	2,892
TOTAL	42,192	30,621	72,813	34,748	24,885	59,633

STUDENTS

Agricultural College	46
Training College for Teachers	188

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES		Number	Number of Teachers
Primary Schools			
Government and Aided	...	152	1,847
Other Institutions	...	92	386
Secondary Schools			
Government			
Royal College, Royal College School, Queen Elizabeth College	...	3	87
Aided	...	9	184
Other Institutions	...	42	272
EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS			
Museum	...	2	
Educational Laboratories	...	5	
Agricultural College	...	1	
Training College for Teachers	...	1	
Public Libraries	...	6	

DEPENDENCY OF RODRIGUES

Number of Primary Schools (Government and Aided)	4
Number of Teachers	46

SOCIAL WELFARE

Outdoor Relief

The following table shows the classification of the paupers receiving relief in 1953 according to disabilities.

	Males	Females	Total
Old Age ...	801	1,272	2,073
Tender Age	297	270	567
Tuberculosis ...	159	69	228
Other diseases	824	1,122	1,946
Temporary disabilities	1,016	1,021	2,037
Unemployment	1	-	1
Total	3,098	3,754	6,852

Indoor Relief

Charitable Institutions	Males	Females	Total
Orphanages			
Belle Rose ...	36	9	45
Bon Secours ...	-	36	36
Muslim ...	21	15	36
Père Laval ...	17	-	17
Plaisance ...	12	-	12
Ramakrishna Mission	7	7	14
Rose Belle ...	2	17	19
Shradanand ...	10	10	20
Total	105	94	199
Infirmaries			
Belle Rose	-	50	50
Bon Secours	-	33	33
Calebasses	151	-	151
Chemin Grenier	-	16	16
Currimjee Jeewonjee	40	20	60
Hospice Père Laval	-	73	73
Pamplemousses	77	-	77
Rose Belle	73	17	90
Shradanand	2	29	31
The Home	19	14	33
Total	362	252	614

Old Age Relief

The following table shows the number of persons receiving old age pension as at 31st December, 1953.

	Males	Females	Total
Persons aged 60 to 64 (as from October, 1953)	-	4,683	4,683
Persons aged 65 and over	4,098	10,084	14,182
Blind persons aged 40 and over	69	68	137
Total	4,167	14,835	19,002

AGRICULTURE AND PRODUCTION

LAND UTILISATION	Acres	Acres	% of total Island Area
Agriculture :			
Sugar ...	184,500		40.0
Aloe (effective area)	6,200		1.3
Tea ...	2,600		0.6
Tobacco ...	750	207,750	0.2
Foodcrops ...	8,700		1.9
Vegetables ...	5,000		1.1
			45.1.
Arable land potentially productive		2,250	0.5
Private Forest lands		5,800	1.2
Meadow, grassland, scrub and grazing grounds		108,400	23.5
Crown Forests		67,100	14.6
Natural Reserves		15,500	3.4
Built-up areas		6,200	1.3
Inland water bodies		2,100	0.5
Permanent waste lands		45,700	9.9
TOTAL ISLAND AREA		460,800	100.0

The main agricultural pursuit of the Island is sugar-cane cultivation which occupies the best of the agricultural lands available. In 1953, about 184,500 acres (40% of the total area) were under cane cultivation. Other industrial crops are grown on a minor scale; they are aloe fibre, tea and tobacco.

The major foodcrops, which comprise 2 cereals and several rootcrops occupy some 8,700 acres (including mixed cropping with sugar). There are in addition about 1,000 acres of banana plantation.

CULTIVATION AND PRODUCTION

	Acres under cultivation	Metric tons
Industrial crops		
Cane Sugar	184,486	512,000
Aloe (raw fibre) ...	-	2,177
Tea	2,594	412 +
Tobacco	764	480 +
	Acres harvested (Calendar year 1953)	
Foodcrops		
Maize	4,610	3,000
Rice	60	60
Manioc	790	3,325
Sweet potatoes	430	1,590
Eddoes	280	1,260
Potatoes	1,240	4,750
Groundnuts	1,280	1,260

\+ Weight of leaf tobacco.

FOOD PRODUCTION

The figures of area related to foodcrop growing should be understood to represent the effective area which has yielded the tonnage indicated for each foodcrop.

This effective area is made up of :

(i) Land devoted exclusively to foodcrop growing;

(ii) Land available in sugar cane interlines and used for mixed cropping;

(iii) The aggregate of land surface having borne two or three successive crops in one same year;

(iv) Land which has been devoted to food growing for only part of the year.

As stated previously the extent of sugar cane plantation, the area under which in 1953 was some 2,700 acres more than in 1952, was in some measure prejudicial to the foodcrop growing campaign. The extension of mechanical cultivation, however, which took care of some 1,300 acres of foodcrop land, helped to counteract the severe competition of sugar cane cultivation.

Harvested area (acres) of foodcrop plantations (period 1st July to 30th June)

Period	Maize	Manioc	Eddoes	Sweet potatoes	Potatoes	Ground-nuts	Rice	Total
1948 - 49	10,286	2,509	612	648	996	2,092	893	18,036
1949 - 50	8,425	1,442	438	224	1,168	1,347	677	13,721
1950 - 51	5,056	899	330	314	1,019	1,220	395	9,233
1951 - 52	4,819	902	360	431	1,232	1,725	74	9,351
1952 - 53	4,426	784	321	427	1,425	1,239	69	8,691
1953 - 54	4,359	672	241	874	1,189	817	10	7,662

Production of foodstuffs (metric tons)

Period	Maize	Manioc	Eddoes	Sweet potatoes	Potatoes	Ground-nuts	Rice	Total
1948 - 49	7,396	4,496	1,509	1,142	3,629	902	599	19,673
1949 - 50	5,250	3,939	1,092	494	3,360	904	519	15,558
1950 - 51	3,427	3,378	1,044	1,009	4,470	723	418	14,469
1951 - 52	3,101	3,079	1,140	1,326	4,948	1,406	75	15,075
1952 - 53	2,928	3,060	1,324	1,615	7,069	1,306	69	17,371
1953 - 54	2,684	2,895	1,046	1,338	4,750	827	45	13,585

The average yield obtained in Kilos per acre during the years 1952 - 1953 and 1953 - 1954 for each of the main foodcrops is given in the following table:-

	Kgs per acre			Kgs per acre	
	1952 - 53	1953 - 54		1952 - 53	1953 - 54
Rice	1,007	863	Sweet potatoes	3,787	3,573
Maize	662	615	Groundnuts	1,055	1,012
Manioc	3,902	4,309	Potatoes	4,962	3,994
Eddoes	4,123	4,343			

CANE CULTIVATION AND SUGAR PRODUCTION

Cultivation and Yield

The total area under cane cultivation in 1953 was 184,486 acres, of which 174,290 acres or 94.5% of the total cultivated area, were harvested. Very near 4,642,900 metric tons of cane were reaped. The larger estates, to which a factory is attached, produced 54.9% and the other plantations 45.1% of the total. The largest average yield of cane per acre for the crop was slightly less than 39 metric tons obtained by one estate with factory, located East of the Island; the lowest average yield obtained by planters was slightly more than 14 metric tons per acre. The average yield for the whole crop was 26.7 metric tons per acre. It may be significant to note that the large estates possessing a factory, reaped on the average 36% greater tonnage per acre than all the other planters together, leaving out the metayers.

The following table gives the area of estates with factory under the principal cane varieties as at 30th June 1952 and 1953.

	30th June, 1952		30th June, 1953	
	Acres	% of total area	Acres	% of total area
M/ 134/32	79,669	90	78,195	86
E/ 1/37	3,151	3	7,233	8
M/ 112/34	1,772	2	2,029	2
M/ 423/41	1,111	1	1,602	2
Other Varieties	3,127	4	2,302	2
Total	88,830	100	91,361	100

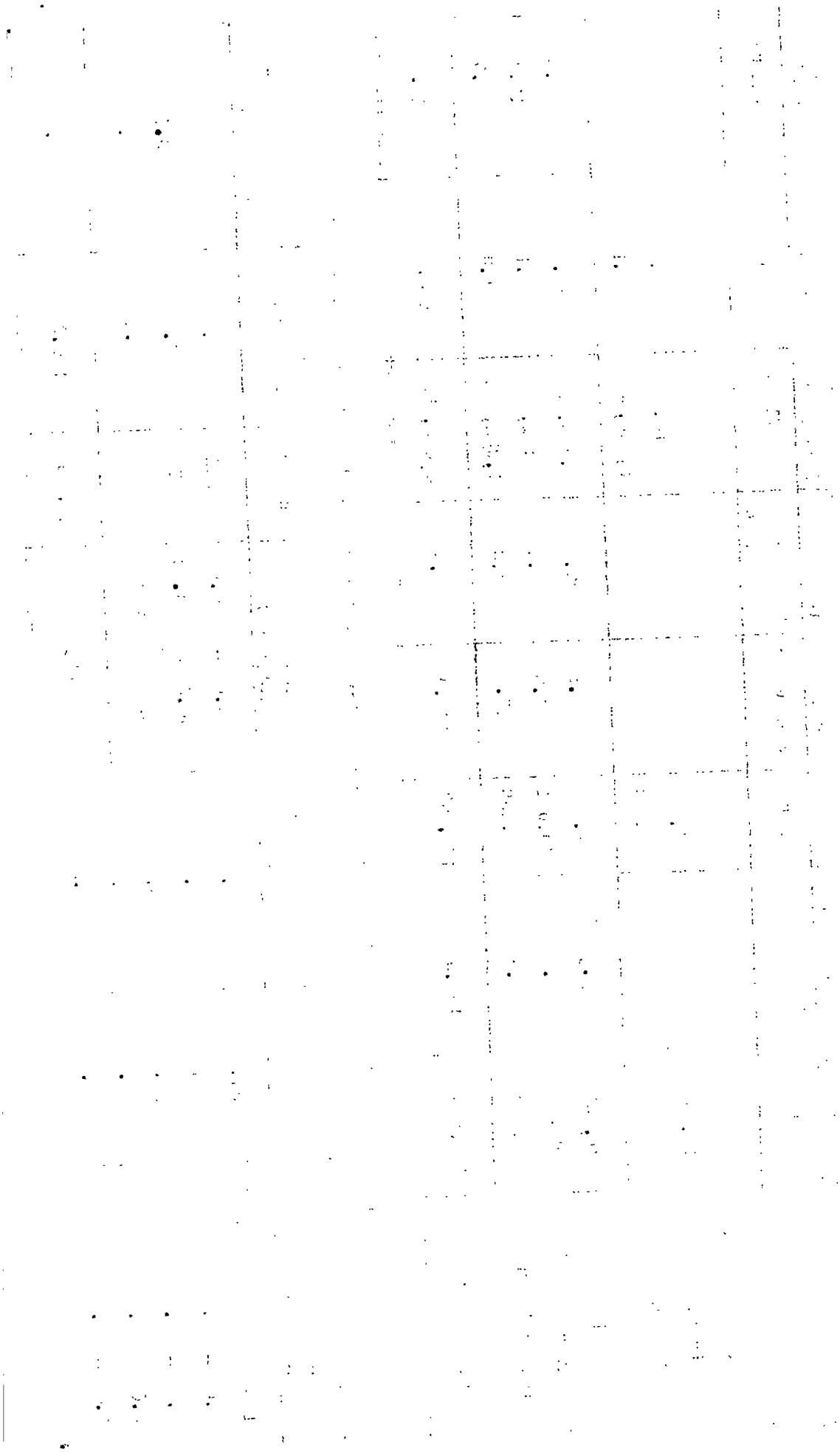


Further details on the sugarcane cultivation in 1953

	Area under cultivation		Area harvested			Tonnage of cane harvested		Yield
	Acres	% of total	Acres	% of total	% of area cultivated	M/Tons	% of total	Tons/Acre
Estates with factory:								
Virgins	18,265		8,892			315,439	6.8	
Ratoons	73,096		72,771			2,233,947	48.1	
Total	91,361	49.5	81,663	46.8	89.4	2,549,386	54.9	31.3
Metayers' lands	10,195	5.5	10,041	5.8	98.5	191,288	4.1	19.0
Planters' lands	82,930	45.0	82,586	47.4	99.6	1,902,185	41.0	23.0
Island Total	184,486	100.0	174,290	100.0	94.5	4,642,859	100.0	26.7

In respect of area, individual plantations were, in 1953, distributed according to the following table:-

Acreage (Arpents)	Number	% of total	% of cane cultivated area	Acreage (Arpents)	Number	% of total	% of cane cultivated area
Less than 1	6,380	30.8	1.7	10.0 - 99.99	932	4.5	11.5
1.0 - 1.99	5,884	28.4	3.9	100.0 - 499.99	79	0.4	9.4
2.0 - 2.99	3,043	14.7	3.7	500 and Over	35	0.2	58.7
3.0 - 4.99	2,664	12.8	5.2				
5.0 - 9.99	1,704	8.2	5.9	TOTAL	20,721	100.0	100.0



MANUFACTURE OF SUGAR - 1953

The cane crop was milled in 27 factories, the majority of which operated between the second week of July and the third week of December. The earliest and latest dates of the milling period were the 15th June and 30th December 1953 respectively. The total weight of cane milled amounted to 4,642,859 metric tons in round numbers.

The production was distributed among the 27 factories as follows:

Quantity of sugar manufactured	Number of factories
Over 25,000 m/tons	7
20,000 - 25,000 m/tons	5
15,000 - 20,000 "	5
10,000 - 15,000 "	7
Under 10,000 "	3
	27

SUGAR FACTORIES' PRODUCTION

In M/Tons

Products of Manufacture		Residues of Manufacture	
White Sugar	Raw Sugar	Molasses	Scums
13,695	498,294	141,449	79,087

Reckoning on the whole of the 1953 production, the overall commercial sugar extraction was 11.03% by weight of millable cane, which corresponds to an equivalent of 9.06% tons cane for 1 ton of sugar produced. The best average extraction of commercial sugar for a single factory was 12.17% of millable cane and the least extraction was 10.18%.

The total factory production was 13,695 metric tons of white (unrefined) sugar and 498,294 metric tons of raw sugar (including the very small amount of 10 tons of low grade sugar). The total tonnage of sugar manufactured was thus 511,989 metric tons showing an overall yield of sugar per harvested acre of 2.94 metric tons. The total sugar production for 1953 was nearly 9.4% more than that of 1952, owing to an increase of 12.2% in the average yield of canes per acre and of 1.1% in the area harvested, in spite of a decrease of 3.4% in the average sugar extraction.

The largest quantity manufactured by a single factory was 39,665 metric tons and the smallest 7,947 metric tons. Twelve factories produced more than 20,000 metric tons, 17 produced more than 15,000 metric tons and 24 factories out of 27 produced more than 10,000 metric tons.

YIELD OF SMALL CANE PLANTATIONS

(Frequency distribution of sample)

Yield in Tons/Arpents+	1949 Frequency per 1,000	1950 Frequency per 1,000	1951 Frequency per 1,000	1952 Frequency per 1,000	1953 Frequency per 1,000
Less than 5	(27.6)	(23.6)	(12.5)	(13.4)	(5.9)
5.0 - 5.9	17.3	12.8	8.2	9.1	5.3
6.0 - 6.9	19.6	14.7	9.5	11.4	7.2
7.0 - 7.9	25.1	17.8	13.2	14.7	8.9
8.0 - 8.9	31.2	21.3	18.4	16.7	11.5
9.0 - 9.9	41.5	29.4	27.6	20.8	15.0
10.0 - 10.9	46.8	34.4	32.2	26.3	18.6
11.0 - 11.9	51.4	41.5	37.5	30.8	23.3
12.0 - 12.9	54.1	45.0	38.8	35.8	26.2
13.0 - 13.9	56.2	49.7	44.4	40.9	30.7
14.0 - 14.9	60.6	51.3	46.7	45.2	32.6
15.0 - 15.9	59.1	53.1	50.3	44.5	35.6
16.0 - 16.9	57.0	52.8	49.3	51.5	35.7
17.0 - 17.9	52.8	54.0	47.0	53.7	36.7
18.0 - 18.9	51.2	57.5	48.3	54.7	39.1
19.0 - 19.9	53.0	60.0	50.6	50.1	42.1
20.0 - 20.9	48.7	58.7	48.0	45.9	44.1
21.0 - 21.9	42.8	51.2	43.4	44.1	42.8
22.0 - 22.9	33.6	43.1	38.1	41.9	42.9
23.0 - 23.9	27.3	35.9	38.1	41.2	41.0
24.0 - 24.9	22.9	29.4	35.5	36.7	40.9
25.0 - 25.9	20.4	25.0	31.2	33.1	39.8
26.0 - 26.9	17.4	21.2	27.3	29.4	39.1
27.0 - 27.9	14.7	20.3	25.6	27.7	37.9
28.0 - 28.9	10.5	17.5	25.6	29.3	34.9
29.0 - 29.9	9.5	15.0	24.7	26.8	33.2
30.0 - 30.9	7.3	10.9	21.0	23.3	30.7
31.0 - 31.9	6.3	8.7	17.8	16.8	27.6
32.0 - 32.9	4.2	6.9	15.1	14.8	25.2
33.0 - 33.9	4.0	5.6	12.8	12.0	22.4
34.0 - 34.9	3.8	4.7	9.9	9.8	20.3
35.0 - 35.9	2.9	3.1	7.6	8.4	17.6
36.0 - 36.9	2.3	3.4	6.9	6.7	14.6
37.0 and above	(16.9)	(20.5)	(36.9)	(32.5)	(70.6)
Total number of plantations	2,943	3,203	3,043	4,291	5,198

\+ 1 arpent = 1.043 acres.

AREA OF SMALL PLANTATIONS

(Frequency Distribution of Sample)

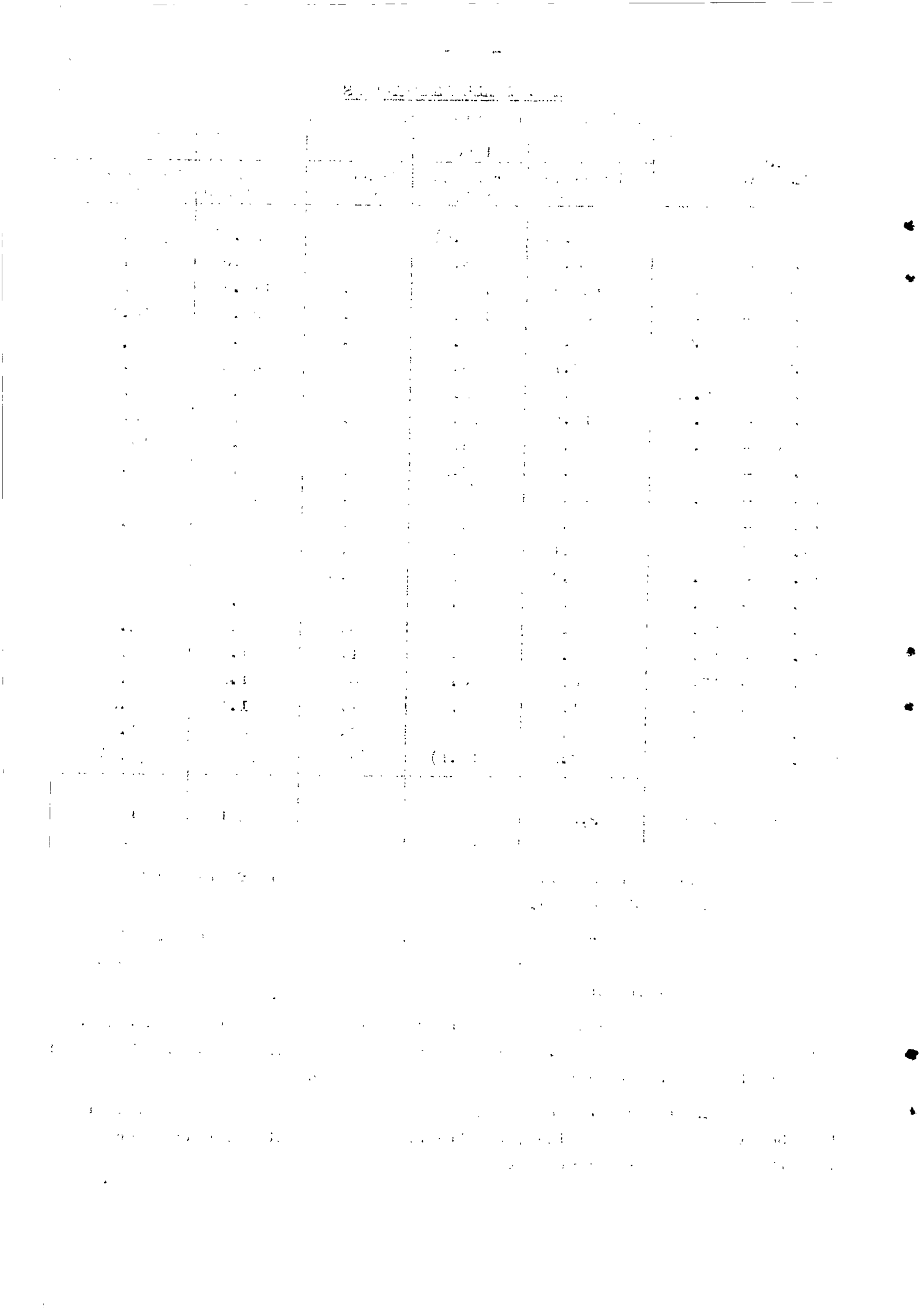
Area (Arpents)	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
	Frequency per 1,000	Frequency per 1,000	Frequency per 1,000	Frequency per 1,000	Frequency per 1,000
Less than 1.00	(222.4)	(210.8)	(178.1)	(191.3)	(210.3)
1.00 - 1.99	300.4	286.3	281.6	277.6	278.0
2.00 - 2.99	165.5	181.1	189.6	178.5	178.2
3.00 - 3.99	104.0	109.0	112.4	109.5	114.7
4.00 - 4.99	61.2	60.9	74.6	65.4	64.8
5.00 - 5.99	37.1	40.3	38.8	54.3	44.4
6.00 - 6.99	28.9	29.4	36.5	33.8	31.2
7.00 - 7.99	14.6	19.0	20.0	20.5	19.0
8.00 - 8.99	18.0	15.9	19.4	16.3	13.7
9.00 - 9.99	8.5	7.2	10.2	8.9	8.8
10.00 - 10.99	12.2	9.4	10.9	12.8	8.1
11.00 - 11.99	3.7	5.6	3.6	5.6	4.2
12.00 - 12.99	6.1	4.7	5.6	5.6	5.6
13.00 - 13.99	2.0	4.4	2.6	3.3	4.4
14.00 - 14.99	1.4	1.2	2.3	3.3	2.5
15.00 - 15.99	2.4	2.5	3.3	4.2	2.9
16.00 - 16.99	1.0	2.5	1.3	1.6	1.3
17.00 - 17.99	0.3	0.3	-	1.9	0.8
18.00 - 18.99	1.4	1.2	1.6	1.6	1.0
19.00 - 19.99	1.0	1.2	2.0	0.5	1.3
20.00 and above	(7.9)	(7.1)	(5.6)	(3.5)	(4.8)
Total number of plantations	2,943	3,203	3,043	4,291	5,198

The sample examined comprised 5,198 small plantations returned by the Department of Co-operation.

There is very clear evidence from this frequency distribution, as compared with the ones of former years, that there is a marked improvement in the yield of the small plantations.

The mean value shows a larger relative increase in yield than the weighted average which is 23.4 tons/arpent as against 21.7 in 1952. The modal value is 13% greater than that of the preceding year.

An important acreage has been put under new cane plantations in 1953 but in the sample examined, the fraction of small plantations of area less than 5 arpents is about 85%.



MECHANICAL CULTIVATION ON SUGAR PLANTATIONS

About 230 cultivation tractors were owned in 1953 by the larger estates and plantations, and some 15 more were operated by contractors. The majority of these tractors were below 45 H.P. and about 27% were of the Cletrac make.

Some 220 ploughs were used on sugar plantations.

SUGAR PRODUCTION 1948 - 1953

Year	INDEX OF		
	Acreage cultivated	Sugar production	Selling price
		(1948 = 100)	
1948	100	100	100
1949	106	106	107
1950	110	117	117
1951	114	124	132
1952	118	120	145
1953	119	131	N.A. +

DISTILLERY PRODUCE

In 1953, 7 distilleries were in operation, producing high degree alcohol (at 94° - 96° G.L.) from sugar molasses. The total quantity produced, expressed in terms of pure alcohol at 100° G.L. was 32,074 hectolitres, about 46% less than the total production of the previous year.

The quantities of this high degree alcohol which were either exported or converted into various commercial spirits consumed locally are given in the following table :

In hectolitres

Rum (48° - 50° G.L.)	18,142	Vinegar ...	85
Power Alcohol (94° G.L.)	3,549	Drugs ...	60
Denatured stove spirits (87° G.L.)	6,004	Perfumes (94° G.L.)	157
		Exported alcohol (94° G.L.)	21,185

The remaining stock (in terms of pure alcohol) held by distilleries at the end of the year was 5,248 hectolitres (at 100° G.L.).

\+ Not Available.

EXPORT OF COLONIAL SPIRITS

The quantity and value of high degree alcohol exported during the last 5 years are given in the following table:-

Year	Hectolitres	Value in Rupees
1949	61,915	4,327,852
1950	41,465	2,902,562
1951	65,931	4,615,137
1952	68,964	4,827,465
1953	21,185	1,557,114

ALOE FIBRE INDUSTRY

Fibre, extracted from the leaves of the plant (furcroea gigantea) is at present used in part in the manufacture of a number of packing bags or sacks and filter press cloth for sugar industry and in part exported as raw fibre. In Mauritius, at present, the aloe grows wild with scrub and it is not, therefore, possible to ascertain the actual acreage from which the production is derived. Regular planting which began in 1949 has now reached 3,292 acres, of which about 417 are sisal. The wild furcroea is estimated to grow sparsely over some 12,000 acres, but at present production is estimated from the yield to be derived from an equivalent effective area of some 3,000 acres.

The requirements of the sugar industry for packing a production of 500,000 metric tons of sugar are 6¼ million bags of 80 kgs net capacity or slightly more than 9 million bags of 55 kgs net capacity. It has been calculated that slightly over 6¾ thousand metric tons of raw fibre would be necessary to produce these packing requirements. In addition, some 350 - 400 tons of raw fibre would be needed to meet the miscellaneous other local requirements in filter press cloth, yarn, etc. At present about 2,200 tons are produced annually.

The weaving factory erected in Mauritius in 1932 is a well-equipped and efficient concern, capable of utilising some 1,200 tons of raw fibre annually to produce slightly over a million bags each of 80 kgs capacity to pack the sugar manufactured in the Colony. This production, however, is so far only about 1/6 of the sugar industry's requirements. The weaving factory is being enlarged to increase its production capacity to 3 million bags a year.

The production over the last five years was as follows:

Year	No. of factories +	Production (M/Tons)
1949	30	1,300
1950	40	1,714
1951	48	2,032
1952	42	2,254
1953	40	2,177

\+ In operation

The quantity and value of exported fibre for each of the last five years were as follows:-

Year	Quantity (M/Tons)	F.O.B. Value Rupees
1949	206	183,779
1950	380	567,272
1951	626	924,141
1952	506	685,685
1953	153	76,029

The raw fibre consumed by and the manufactured products of the Sack Factory for the last three years were as follows:

Commodity	Unit	YEAR		
		1951	1952	1953
Raw fibre used	M/Tons	1,215	1,260	1,201
Sacks (capacity 80 kgs of sugar)	Units	1,084,741	1,143,056	1,203,750
Sacking cloth	Sq.yds	1,527	290	549
Filter press cloth	Yards	56,942	44,702	34,581
Yarn for twine making	M/Tons	73	41	9

TEA INDUSTRY

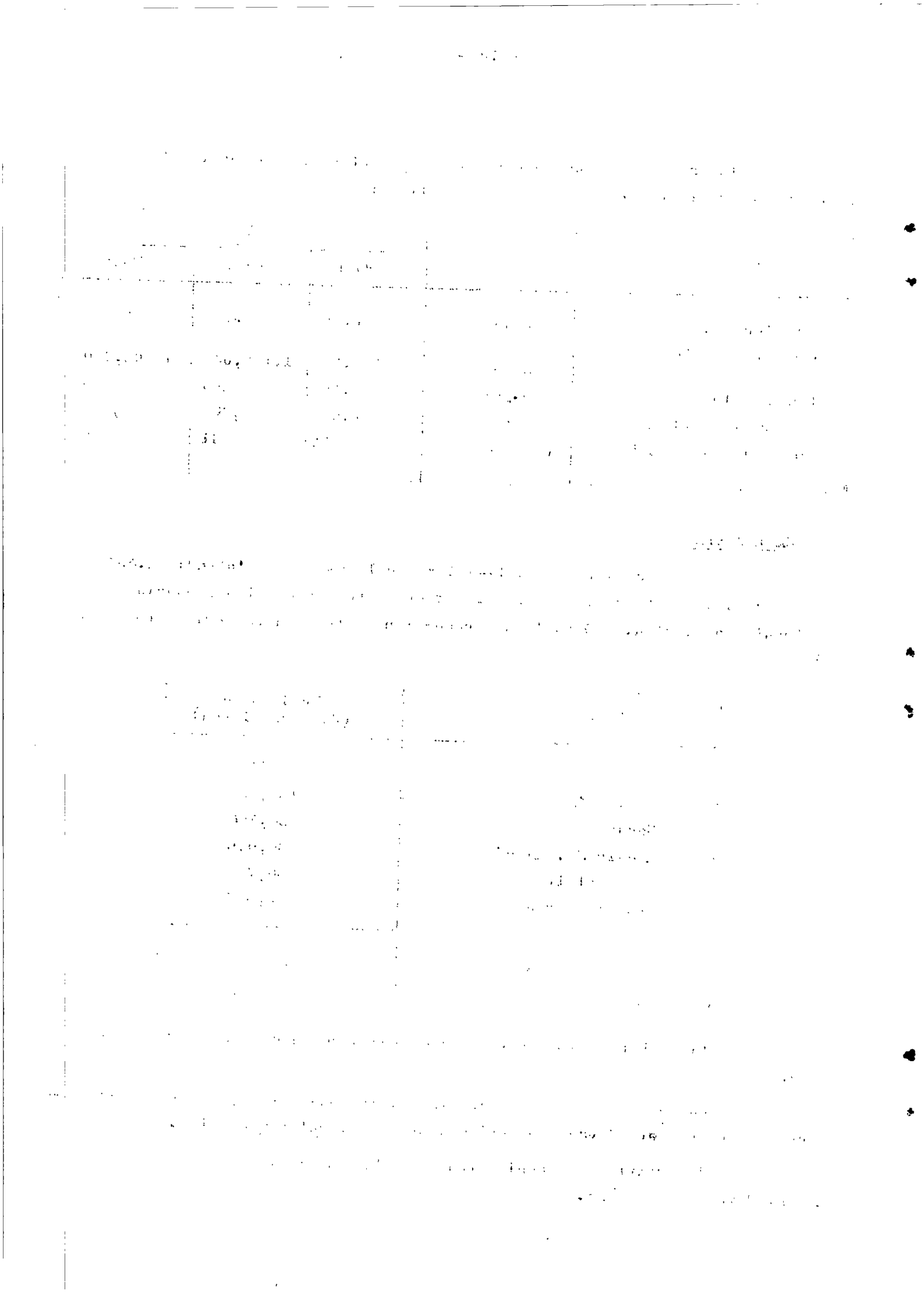
Tea is grown in the well-watered uplands of the Island; 2,594 acres were under cultivation in 1953. There were 5 factories producing tea for local consumption. Details of production of the tea factories are given below:

Factory	Production (Commercial tea)
	Kgs.
Bois Chéri	189,404
Corson	124,705
Avenir St. André	60,046
Pont Colville	30,748
Nouvelle France	6,877
Total	411,780

In addition, 668 Kgs. of green tea were manufactured during the year.

Out of the production of 412 metric tons of tea, 35 tons were exported so that most of the production went into local consumption.

Importation of foreign tea from Ceylon, India and Hong Kong amounted to only 52 tons.

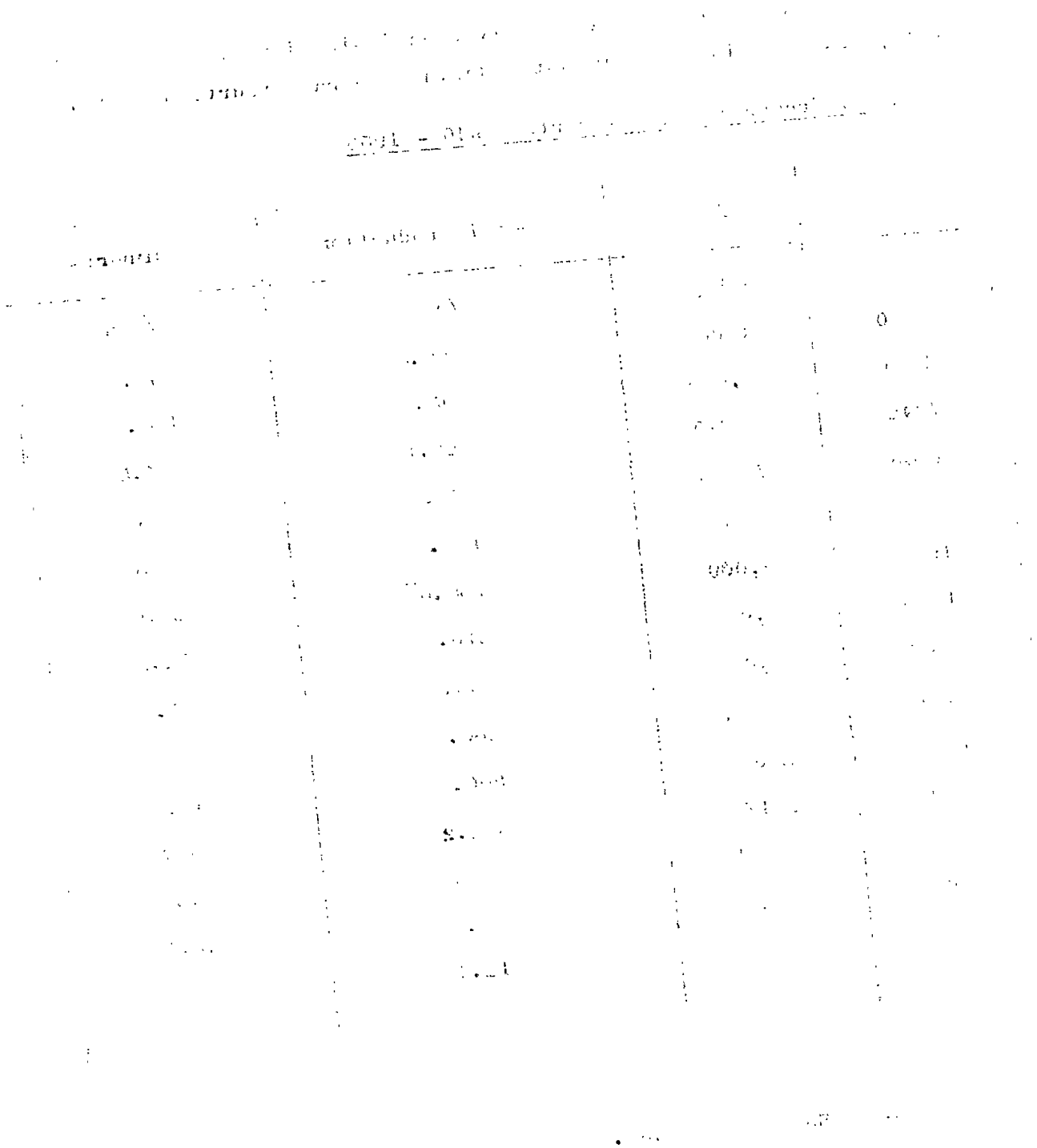


The following table gives an indication of the trend in the development of this local industry during the past fourteen years.

Area, Production and Imports 1940 - 1953

Year	Area	Local Production	Imports
	Acres	M/Tons	M/Tons
1940	1,086	69.5	99.4
1941	1,326	105.5	144.8
1942	1,670	126.1	84.5
1943	1,969	173.9	68.1
1944	2,009	173.2	42.0
1945	2,009	165.0+	29.0
1946	2,009	216.4	72.2
1947	2,009	235.4	77.4
1948	2,031	280.0	57.7
1949	2,077	300.3	16.2
1950	2,174	342.2	39.5
1951	2,211	384.3	21.5
1952	2,426	401.8	43.1
1953	2,594	412.4	51.5

\+ Severe cyclones.



TOBACCO INDUSTRY

Tobacco cultivation in 1953 covered an area of about 764 acres, the production being restricted to 565 tons of cured leaf tobacco. There were 465 growers, of which 390 produced air-cured and 75 flue-cured tobacco. Further details of this industry are given in the following tables:-

	1952 - 1953	1953 - 1954
Acreage under cultivation		
Flue-cured leaf	594 acres	498 acres
Air-cured leaf	269 "	266 "
Total	863 "	764 "
Crop production		
Flue-cured leaf	407,363 kgs	286,221 kgs
Air-cured leaf	252,000 "	193,705 "
Total	659,363 "	479,926 "
Average yield per acre (Mauritius plantations)		
Flue-cured	685 kgs	575 kgs
Air-cured	938 "	728 "
overall average	764 "	628 "

Average return obtained by producers in Mauritius

Variety	PER ACRE		PER KILOG	
	1952 - 1953	1953 - 1954	1952 - 1953	1953 - 1954
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Flue-cured	2,755	2,170	4.02	3.77
Air-cured	1,977	1,673	2.11	2.30

Highest and lowest values obtained during year 1953 - 1954

Variety	Yield per acre		Value per acre		Value per Kg.	
	Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest	Highest	Lowest
	Kgs	Kgs	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Flue-cured Amarello	2,171	302	8,324	744	5.13	2.40
Air-cured Amarello	2,125	22	5,584	[illegible]	2.79	0.90

The figures in the above tables refer to the " tobacco crop year " which normally extends from the beginning of April to the end of March.

Quantity of tobacco leaf received at factories

In Kilos

	Financial Year		
	1950 - 1951	1951 - 1952	1952 - 1953
Local leaf	417,442	443,368	408,466
Imported leaf	99,955	107,395	137,917
Total	517,397	550,763	546,383
Quantity of tobacco leaf used at factories			
Local leaf	417,498	435,685	398,962
Imported leaf	99,725	104,375	131,555
Total	517,223	540,060	530,517

Imported leaf represents on the average only 21% of the total leaf consumed.

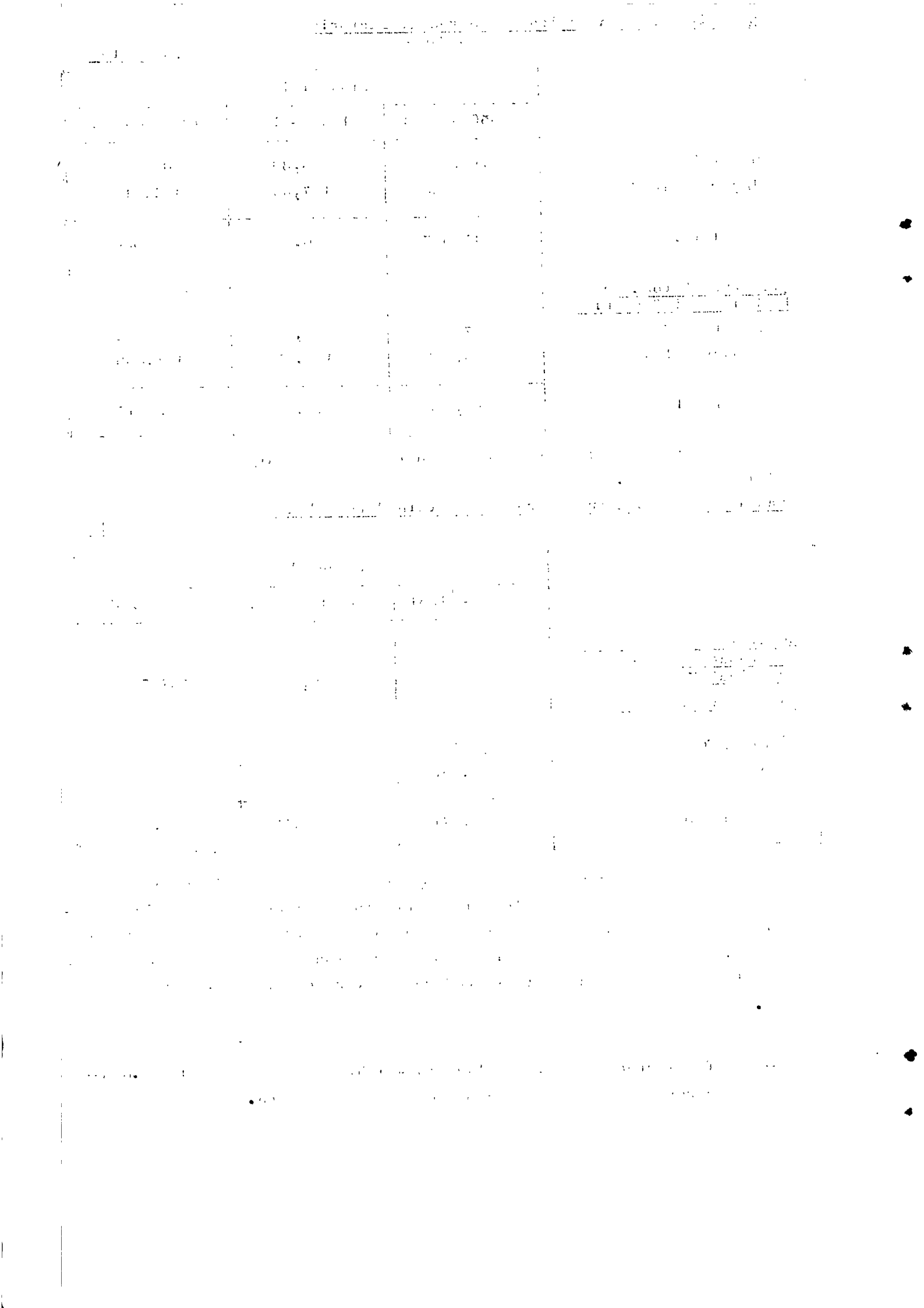
Quantity of manufactured products obtained from leaf

In Kilos

	Financial Year		
	1950 - 1951	1951 - 1952	1952 - 1953
Quantity of manufactured tobacco obtained from leaf +	524,996	550,087	537,744
Marketable tobacco products			
Cigarettes	521,021	544,210	536,302
Snuff	3,450	3,243	2,496
Total	524,471	547,453	538,798

In the course of the three-year period ending mid 1953, an average of 534 metric tons of locally manufactured cigarettes went into consumption, with in addition an average of about 32 metric tons of the imported commodity. In the average total of 566 metric tons of cigarettes consumed, the local production represents therefore the very considerable proportion of 94%.

\+ The increase of 1.5% - 1.9% in weight here is due to the incorporation of moisture in process of manufacture.



F O R E S T R Y

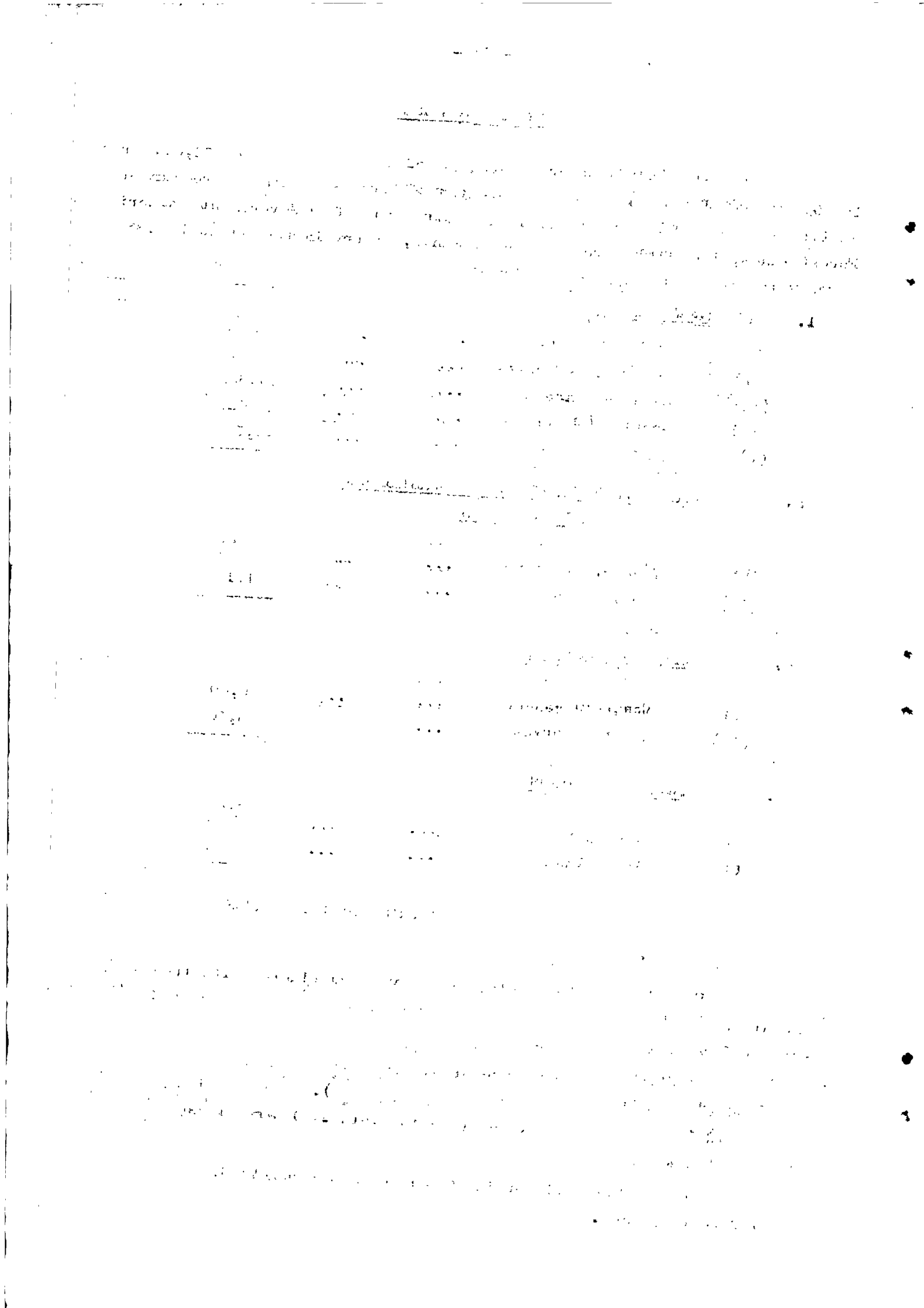
The Crown Lands cover an area of 82,000 acres of which 72,000 or nearly 90% are under control of the Conservator of Forests, while the remainder is administered by the Department of Public Works and other Government authorities. Forest lands, including scrub and grass lands, occupy in the Island 187,850 acres which are distributed as follows:

			Acres	Acres
1.	CROWN FORESTS			67,150
(i)	Native Forests	... ...	4,520	
(ii)	Productive Forests	... ...	23,859	
(iii)	Catchment Areas	... ...	10,602	
(iv)	Mountain Reserves	... ...	23,424	
(v)	Miscellaneous	... ...	4,745	
2.	LEASED CROWN LANDS ON THE COASTAL BELT OF 250 FEET			5,500
(i)	Tree plantations	... ...	4,400	
(ii)	Grazing lands	... ...	1,100	
3.	NATIONAL RESERVES			15,500
(i)	Mountain reserves	... ...	9,000	
(ii)	River reserves	... ...	6,500	
4.	PRIVATE HOLDINGS			99,700
(i)	Forest land	... ...	5,800	
(ii)	Scrub land	... ...	93,900	
	TOTAL FOREST AND SCRUB LANDS			187,850

From 1946 to 1953, 415 acres have been planted with tree seedlings in the River Reserves, while 595 acres of new plantations were created in 1953 within the Crown Forests Lands.

Building and furniture timber from Crown Forest produce in 1953 amounted to 9,161 cubic metres (in log volumes). In addition it is estimated that 8,412 cubic metres of timber (in log volumes) were produced from private owned forests.

The imported timber in 1953 represented nearly 79% of the volume of local forest produce.



Total output of Timber and Wood Fuel in 1953

	Unit	From Crown Forests	From Pas Géométriques and Private Forests	Total
Timber	Cu. metres (round timber)	9,161	8,412	17,573
Wood Fuel (round wood)	Cu. metres (solid)	68,398	19,271	87,669

Details of the output of forest produce for 1953 are given hereunder.

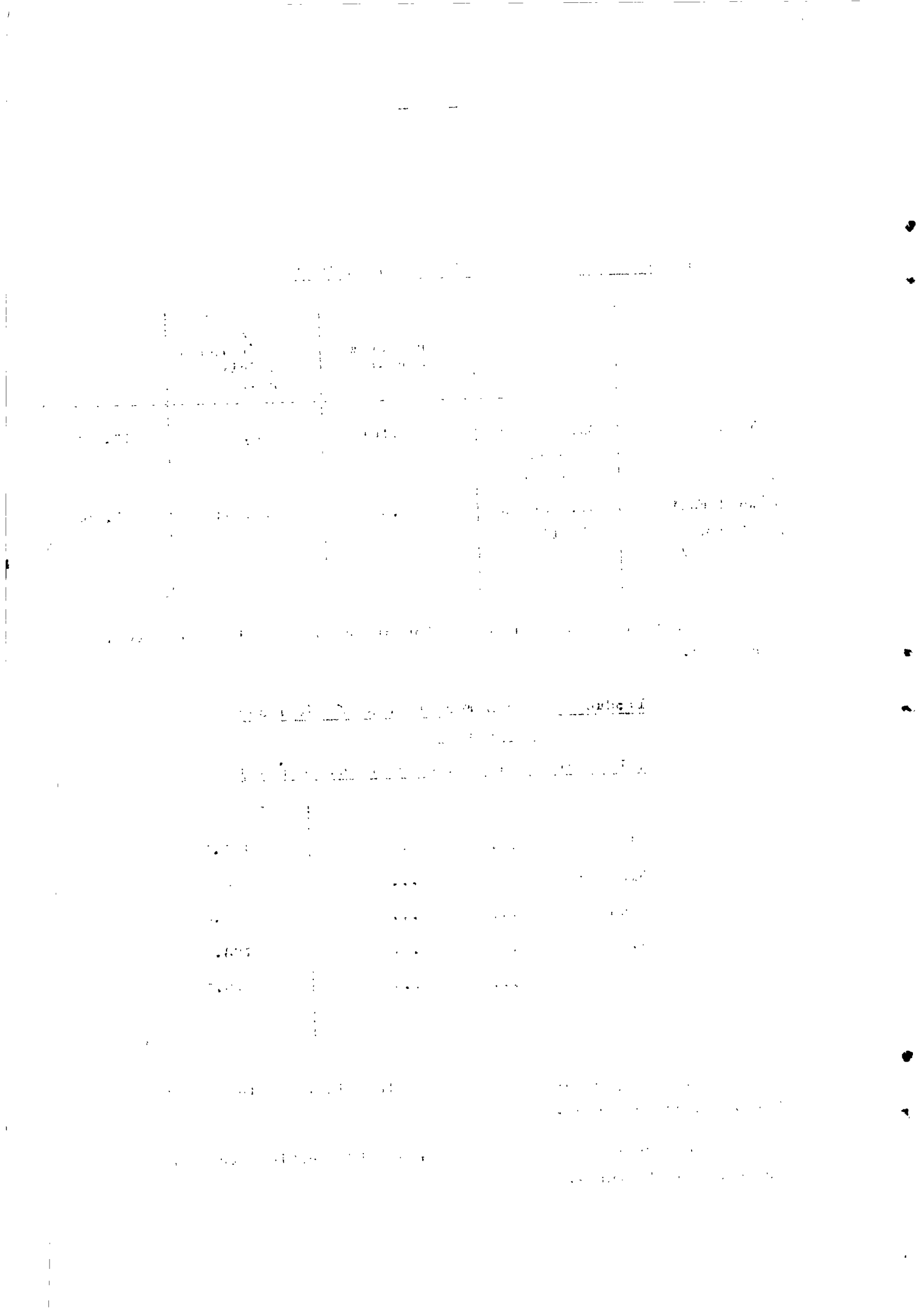
Produce of Crown Forest, Pas Géométriques and Private Forests

(Log volumes in hundreds of cu. metres)

Timber	107.7
Sleepers	-
Round wood	68.0
Firewood	763.0
Charcoal	113.7

This represents a total equivalent in log volume of round timber of 105,242 cubic metres.

The Crown Forests also supplied 165 cubic metres of log wood for match manufactures.



OTHER INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

LIME

Production of lime in Mauritius is connected with sugar manufacture, being the principal agent in the juice clarifying process. Lime is moreover employed as a fertilizer in agriculture and is also generally used in the building trade and in the tanning industry. It is produced from corals, in stone kilns located near the sea-board. Of these kilns only one is a modern patent continuous vertical type. Wood is generally used as fuel in these kilns, though a number also use coal.

The production for 1950 - 1953 was as follows :-

Year	No. of kilns in operation	Quick lime produced	Slaked lime produced	Total production
	M/Tons	M/Tons	M/Tons	M/Tons
1950	24	6,200	6,500	12,700
1951	22	7,600	8,100	15,700
1952	21	6,000	7,200	13,200
1953	23	7,900	6,500	14,400

SALT

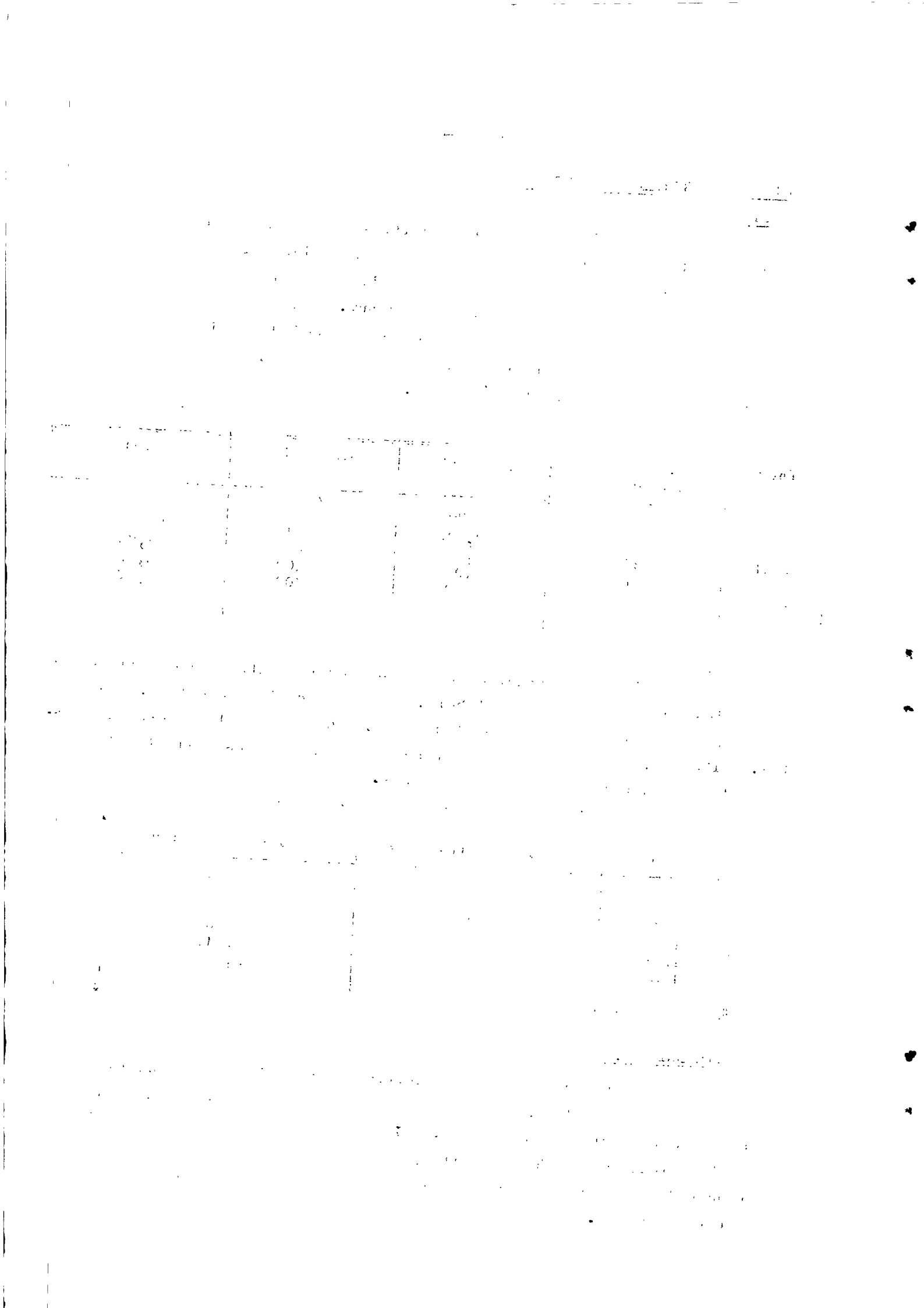
Salt is extracted from sea-water in shallow paved pans located in the driest parts of the coastal belt. There were in the Colony, in 1953, 8 salt-works having a total of about 130 acres. Of these only 7 were in operation. The smallest works have a surface of about 3 acres while the largest in actual operation in 1953 was of 55 acres.

The production for 1950 - 1953 was as follows :-

Year	No. of Salt-works	Total production
		M/Tons
1950	10	2,610
1951	9	3,400
1952	6	2,210
1953	7	2,500

OIL AND SOAP

Oil production in Mauritius assumed importance during the period immediately following the first World War and again, to an even greater extent, during World War II. There is at present only one oil extraction plant in the Colony; it was established some 25 years ago but was improved and enlarged during World War II in order to increase its productive capacity.



Copra from which coconut oil is extracted, is produced by the dependencies of Mauritius - Agaléga and the Chagos Archipelago. The present production of copra is around 1,500 tons. The coconut oil produced is in part refined and deodorised for human consumption, and in part used for the manufacture of soap.

The following table gives the quantities of copra used and the oil and soap manufactured during the last 5 years.

In Metric Tons

Year	Copra used	Edible Oil produced	Soap manufactured	Poonac produced+
1949	1,958	995	435	683
1950	2,213	1,248	358	795
1951	2,061	1,077	348	718
1952	1,276	654	309	440
1953	1,498	833	203	524

\+ Oil cake residue for feeding animals.

MATCH MANUFACTURE

Matches are produced in the Island from imported chemicals and by utilising wood from pine logs produced by the Forest Department.

The production and consumption of local matches in the Colony for the period 1949 - 1953 are given hereunder :

Year	PRODUCTION		Value	Consumption
	Million sticks	Packed in gross boxes		
			Rs.	Gross boxes
1949	230	45,936	145,300	67,276
1950	360	71,140	224,200	52,908
1951	209	36,212	116,300	25,100
1952	86	15,000	52,800	34,600
1953	109	18,890	65,200	21,900

Only one match factory was in operation in 1953. It consumed a total of 165 cubic metres of local wood during the year.

NATURAL RESOURCES

WATER POWER

Water power is used and has been developed in the Island for generating electricity in three main hydro-electric plants and to a lesser ex-tent for driving machinery in sugar, and aloe fibre factories and workshops.

The three main hydro-electric power stations are:

Station	Output in million Kwtt-hrs
1. The Tamarin River Power Station, Tamarin Falls, (General Electric Supply Co. Ltd.)	26.19
2. The Cascade River Power Station, Reduit Falls, (Mauritius Hydro-Electric Co.)	3.71
3. The Savanne River Power Station, Cecil Falls, Souillac, (The Electric Generating Power Co. Ltd.)	0.92
Total	30.82

In addition, about 800 H.P. of minor isolated water power installations exist in sugar factories, and another 200 H.P. in aloe fibre factories.

The total output of the three main hydro-electric power stations was distributed as follows:

	Kwtt-hrs
Port Louis and district	9,185,300
Beau-Bassin, Rose-Hill, Quatre Bornes, Reduit, Moka and St. Pierre	6,524,528
Phoenix, Vacoas, Floreal, Curepipe and Forest Side	12,354,843
Rose-Belle, Souillac and Mahebourg area ...	2,760,000
Total Kwtt-hrs	30,824,671

This total output represents an increase of 15% over the previous year's output.

The aggregate power of electricity generating installations in the Colony (comprising the hydro-electric installations, the diesel operated generating stations and the several private installations in sugar factories) amounts to 22,000 kilowatts or roughly 30,000 H.P. Of this aggregate, the total electrical power generated on sugar factories now accounts for about 50%.

Development of hydro-electric power production 1938 - 1953

Year	Kwtt-hrs Generated	Index (1938 = 100)
1938	5.0 million	100
1946	12.4 "	248
1947	14.2 "	284
1948	15.4 "	308
1949	17.6 "	352
1950	20.8 "	416
1951	23.1 "	462
1952	26.8 "	536
1953	30.8 "	616

LIVESTOCK

The main livestock of the Colony consist of draught and dairy cattle, the greater number of which are kept on small holdings or by individual cow-keepers, while a lesser number exists on sugar estates, where herds are kept mainly for the production of manure. A fair proportion of the locally-bred cattle go to supply the total beef consumed in the Island. Goats exist in fairly large numbers, with a comparatively small number of sheep and pigs. Equines are very small in number. Wild deer exist in a difficultly ascertainable number, but probably less than 10,000. The local stock is largely supplemented by importation of live animals, principally beef-cattle.

Total livestock in the Colony (1950 Census Figures)

Dairy stock (including young stock)	32,100	Sheep ...	2,000
Herd cattle	5,100	Goats ...	53,500
Draught cattle	3,100	Pigs ...	4,000

Livestock imported during the year

Country of origin	Cows & Oxen	Equines	Goats	Sheep	Pigs	Turtles
United Kingdom	-	6	-	-	-	-
Union of South Africa	-	-	-	-	3	-
Australia	-	-	-	-	-	-
America	-	-	-	-	-	-
France	-	6	-	-	-	-
Madagascar	4,101	-	-	-	-	-
Seychelles	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rodrigues	800	-	7,100	3,200	3,800	-
Other Dependencies	-	-	-	-	14	234
Total	4,901	12	7,100	3,200	3,817	234

Depletion of livestock +

	Head
Cattle	3,826 x
Goats	24,781
Sheep	898
Pigs	6,795 @
Deer	2,000

\+ slaughtered for food; x of which 5,825 were from local herds @ estimated annual number of head killed in hunting parties.

Beef cattle supply	From imports	From local herds
Percentage of animals slaughtered	34.0	66.0

FISHERIES

The coast line of Mauritius is 152 miles long. The total shallow area where coastal fishing is exercised is about 125 square miles. The lagoon area where most of the fishing is done is estimated at 95 square miles. Of this area, fishing reserves cover about 25 square miles; so that normal daily fishing is carried over only 70 square miles inside the lagoon area. About 600 different species of fish have been found to exist around the Island classified + as follows:

	Varieties
(i) Lagoon shallow species ...	100
(ii) Reef species ...	250 - 300
(iii) Botton species, to a depth of 60 fathoms	100
(iv) Deep bottom species, from 60 to 120 fathoms	50
(i) Pelagic species ...	50

Shallow water fishing is carried out with basket traps, lines, nets and cast nets. Outside the reef, line fishing is extensively carried out. Day and night fishing go on but the quantity of fish brought in by day is more than twice that brought in by night fishing. At present special permits restrict the use of large nets to 35 in number, which give employment to about 250 fishermen. The lagoon and neighbouring waters are now exploited to the fullest extent and therefore the yield from these sources cannot be sensibly increased. But the open waters of the shelf with an average depth of 30 to 40 fathoms can still admit of an intensification of fishing.

The number of professional fishermen engaged in the fishing industry at the end of 1953 was:-

No. of fishermen		Mode of fishing
701	using	basket traps
491	"	line traps
204	"	baskets traps and line
16	"	basket traps and nets
366	"	nets and cast nets
1,778		

A small number of professional fishermen go in for deep sea fishing, the two most important fishing banks are located off the North East Coast and off the South West Coast of the Island. The North Eastern bank has an estimated area of about 200 square miles. Deep sea fishing and large scale fishing on the banks of the South Indian Ocean was started in 1950 by a local company, using a modern 1,100 tons steam vessel with adequate refrigerating equipment. In 1953 a cruise produced 98,151 Kgs of fish. The considerable increase in price of furnace oil affected the cost of fishing and freezing. The slowness with which the fish was being sold had a crippling influence on the venture, increasing the cost of storage of the landed catch out of all proportion with the cost of the frozen fish at landing. The promoters resolved to stop all operations, and ultimately the Company decided upon a voluntary liquidation.

+ Except for the pelagic species, there is no very definite demarcation in the classification owing to the migratory habits of the different varieties.

The annual catch of fish is estimated at 2,180 tons made up as follows:

	Metric tons
Weight produced at controlled landing stations	1,684
Weight produced at uncontrolled landing stations	200
Weight of fish consumed by fishermen	180
Weight caught by non-professionals	120
	2,184

The controlled catch in 1953 was made up as follows:

Metric Tons

Catch of common fish by			Catch of		Total
Nets	Lines	Basket traps	Lobsters	Octopus	
410	247	791	32	204	1,684
24.4%	14.7%	46.9%	1.9%	12.1%	100.0%

The present annual production from the lagoon shallows and the sur-rounding waters has been estimated at roughly 15 tons per square mile; this is considered to be almost the maximum that can be expected from local waters. The above production is,however, estimated to be only one-third of what the optimum local consumption could absorb. Fishing as an industry is also carried out by a private company at the Cargados Carajos Banks (St. Brandon Island). The average production for the ten-year period 1944 - 1953 was 220 tons of salted fish. In 1953, 160 tons of salted fish were received in Mauritius from St. Brandon.

The number of sharks captured during the period 1949 - 1953 is given hereunder:

1949	...	1,195
1950	...	1,415
1951	...	1,632
1952	...	1,892
1953	...	1,960

The figures show a steady increase since the application of the new rates of bonus for sharks captured.

YIELD OF ANIMAL PRODUCE

Milk	...	200,000 hectolitres
Butter	...	27 metric tons
Cream	...	4,000 litres
Beef	...	1,274+ metric tons
Pork	...	319 " "
Mutton	...	203++ " "
Goat flesh	...	207 " "
Cattle hides	...	8,800 units

\+ Includes 428 metric tons or 34% of imported livestock and 315 tons or 25% of congealed beef.

++ Includes 190 tons of congealed mutton.

SUMMARY OF LOCAL FOOD PRODUCTION

Commodity	Quantity produced for home consumption
Cereals	
Rice	60 metric tons
Maize	3,000 " "
Bread	12,000 " "
Rootcrops	
Manioc	3,325 " "
Sweet potatoes and eddoes	2,850 " "
Potatoes	4,750 " "
Meat fresh	950 " "
Fish fresh	2,180 " "
Dairy produce	20,300 " "
Edible Oil (coconut) ...	830 " "
Tea	410 " "
Sugar : White	13,633 " "
Raw	8,373 " "
Salt	2,500 " "
Rum	1,814,000 litres
Wine	3,938,000 "

SUMMARY OF INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION

Commodity	Quantity produced or manufactured
Sugar	512,000 metric tons
Aloe Fibre (Raw)	2,200 " "
Rum	1,814,000 litres
Alcohol for export ...	1,483,000 "
Tobacco (leaf)	480 metric tons
Pouch tobacco and snuff ...	2 " "
Cigarettes	540 " "
Tea	410 " "
Wine	3,938,000 litres
Soda water	1,238,000 pints
Lemonade	4,883,000 "
Sacks (aloe fibre) ...	1,204,000 units
Cloth (aloe fibre, width 20" - 46")	34,600 yards
Yarn	10 metric tons
Lime	14,400 " "
Salt	2,500 " "
Soap	200 " "
Hides and skin, Cattle ...	8,800 units
Timber (building and furniture)	8,800 cubic metres
Charcoal	1,100 metric tons (estimated)

Number of persons licensed to exercise in trades specific to food production and distribution

	ISIC +	
Manufacturer of Soda and Aerated Minerals	214	8
Manufacturer of salt	190	8
Victualler (on and off premises)	612	1,405
Retailer of groceries	612	83
Manufacturer of Ice	399	5
Producer of vinegar	209	5
Dealer in imported Vegetables and Fruits	612	18
General Retailer	612	2,660
Wholesale and Retail Dealer	611-612	127
Seller of Ale, Beer, Porter and Cider	612	22
Hotel and Boarding House Keeper	843	13
Producer of Meat	201	368
Rice Retailer	612	2,074
Producer of Fresh Fish	040	1,778
Producer of Bread	206	101
Manufacturer of Wine	212	13

INDUSTRIES AND MANUFACTURES

Number of persons in possession of a licence to conduct or deal in certain specific industries

	ISIC			ISIC	
Manufacturer of Oils	209) 312)	2	Manufacturer of Gold & Silver Wares	395	148
" " Lime	311	23	Manufacturer of Matches	319	2
" " Salt	190	8	" " Tobacco	220	2
" " Soap	319	4	Operator of a Foundry	341-342	99
Manufacturer or Seller of Bricks, Tiles & Cement	331	19	" " " Distillery	211	7
Manufacturer or Producer of vinegar	209	5	Dealer in Firewood	612	71
Manufacturer of Perfumed Spirits	319	5	" " Manure	612	13
" " Manure	311	1	" " Leather and Saddlery	612	18
" " Ice	399	5	" " Vacoas bags	612	1
			" " Timber	612	58
			" " Old Metals	612	11

Number of establishments engaged in various local industries

	ISIC			ISIC	
Sugar Factory	207	27	Ice Factory	399	5
Aloe Fibre Factory	231	40	Vinegar Factory	209	5
Tea Factory	209	5	Perfume Producing Plant	319	5
Distillery	211	7	Gold & Silver Wares Shop	395	148
Soap Factory	319	4	Tobacco Factory	220	2
Match Factory	319	2	Sawmill	250	48
Oil Producing Plant	209) 312)	2	Bakery	206	101
Salt Pan	190	8	Tannery	291	7
Lime Kiln	311	23	Furniture and Cabinet Making	260	495
Bricks, Tiles & Cement Factory	331	19			

+ ISIC = International Standard Industrial Classification Group Number.

TRADE AND COMMERCE

THE VISIBLE TRADE OF THE COLONY

The visible trade balance of the Colony depends almost entirely on the price obtained for exported sugar. In 1953 sugar exports formed 97.7% of the total domestic exports whilst molasses and distillery produce, by-products of the sugar industry, accounted for another 2.1%.

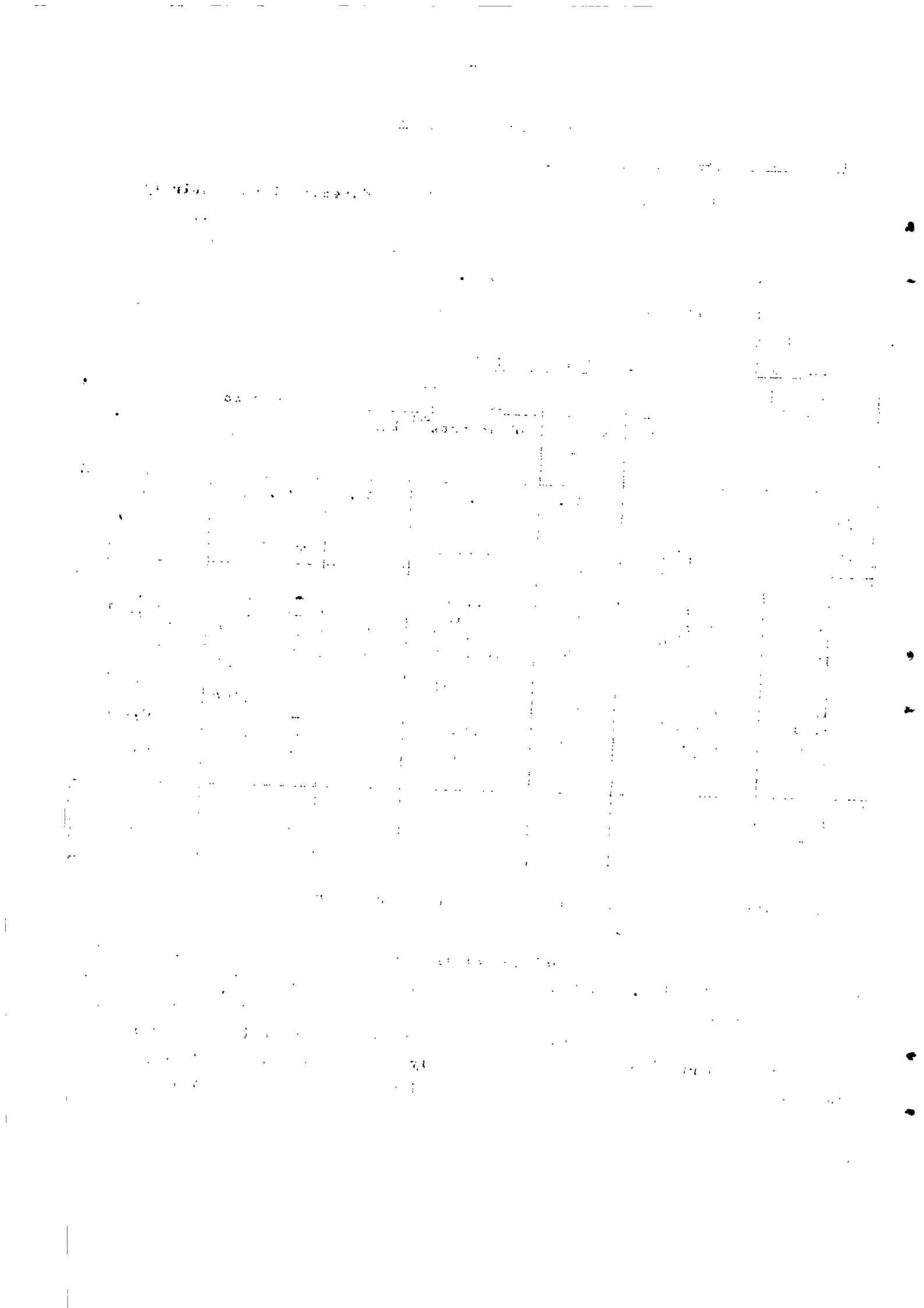
The following table shows the value of the total annual trade and of the visible trade balance for the last ten years:

BALANCE OF VISIBLE TRADE (1944 - 1953)

Calendar Year	VALUE of Imports	Per capita	VALUE of Exports+	Per capita	Excess in value of exports (+) or imports (-)	Total Value of trade
	Rs.000	Rs.	Rs.000	Rs.	Rs.000	Rs.000
Prewar average 1936-38	32,759	80	39,464	95	+ 6,705	72,223
1944	65,707	155	61,571	146	- 4,136	127,278
1945	57,732	137	48,199	114	- 9,533	105,931
1946	66,700	156	66,946	156	+ 246	136,646
1947	113,833	259	102,541	233	- 11,292	216,374
1948	136,189	308	144,891	327	+ 8,702	281,080
1949	153,140	345	168,451	378	+ 15,311	321,591
1950	175,802	378	151,996	329	- 23,806	327,798
1951	203,062	420	237,006	490	+ 33,944	440,068
1952	230,801	460	251,772	502	+ 20,971	482,573
1953	251,094	486	274,146	530	+ 23,052	525,240
Period 1944-53	1,454,060		1,507,519		+ 53,459	2,961,579

\+ Includes amount allowed on sugar preference certificates and various bonusses.

The visible trade balance at the end of 1953 was thus Rs.23 million on the favourable side. But the declared value of the Colony's exports is in a large measure dependent on the fraction of the exportable crop which has been shipped by the end of the year. As the production of sugar (the main item of domestic exports) starts annually in July and the crop is completely sold out by the following June, it seems more rational to examine the visible



trade balance half-yearly as follows:-

In 000 Rupees

Period	Imports	Exports+	Difference (E - I) Half-yearly	As at 30th June
January 1949 - June 1949	75,221	50,861	- 24,360	
July 1949 - December 1949	77,919	117,589	+ 39,670)	- 2,326
January 1950 - June 1950	81,169	39,173	- 41,996)	
July 1950 - December 1950	94,633	112,823	+ 18,190)	+ 13,347
January 1951 - June 1951	80,425	75,582	- 4,843)	
July 1951 - December 1951	122,637	161,424	+ 38,787)	- 10,480
January 1952 - June 1952	116,054	66,787	- 49,267)	
July 1952 - December 1952	114,747	184,985	+ 70,238)	+ 8,843
January 1953 - June 1953	118,721	57,326	- 61,395)	
July 1953 - December 1953	132,373	216,820	+ 84,447	

\+ Includes amount allowed on Sugar Preference Certificates and various bonuses.

A large favourable balance was once more obtained over calendar year 1953 and contrarily to 1952, financial year figures showed a noteworthy favourable balance.

On the whole however the balance for the ten year period 1944 - 53 shows a marked favourable balance of some Rs.53.5 million and when computed over the five year period 1949 - 53 the favourable balance works out to a still larger figure (Rs.69.5 million).

INDEXES OF DOMESTIC EXPORTS@ (1948 = 100)

Calendar year	SUGAR		COLONIAL SPIRITS		ALOE FIBRE		TEA	TEA
	Ton. exported	Value+ per ton F.O.B.	Vol. exported	Value per ton F.O.B.	Vol. exported	Value per ton F.O.B.	Vol. exported	Value per ton F.O.B.
1950	93	115	84	86	352	152	384	102
1951	131	126	171	80	580	151	699	105
1952	122	143	95	92	469	138	141	109
1953	125	155	28	105	142	51	565	110

@ No indexes were computed for Molasses as they were not exported in 1948 - exports of molasses began only in 1949.

\+ Inclusive of the value of Preference Certificates.

THE POST-WAR TERMS OF TRADE

The quantum and price indexes (1948 = 100) of external trade for the five years 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952 and 1953 are given in the following table:

Year	QUANTUM INDEX			PRICE INDEX		
	Exports	Imports	Ratio Exports Index/ Imports Index	Exports	Imports	Ratio Exports Index/ Imports Index
1949	112	108	1.04	104	104	1.00
1950	92	110	0.84	115	117	0.98
1951	131	110	1.19	126	136	0.93
1952	123	127	0.97	142	134	1.06
1953	127	140	0.91	149	132	1.13

The volume of exports for the calendar year 1950 appears somewhat low, yet the production of sugar and consequently the tonnage of sugar exported has been steadily increasing and has been much larger for the 1950 crop (produced from June to December) than for each of the two previous years.

This is shown in the following table:

QUANTUM INDEX FOR EXPORTED SUGAR

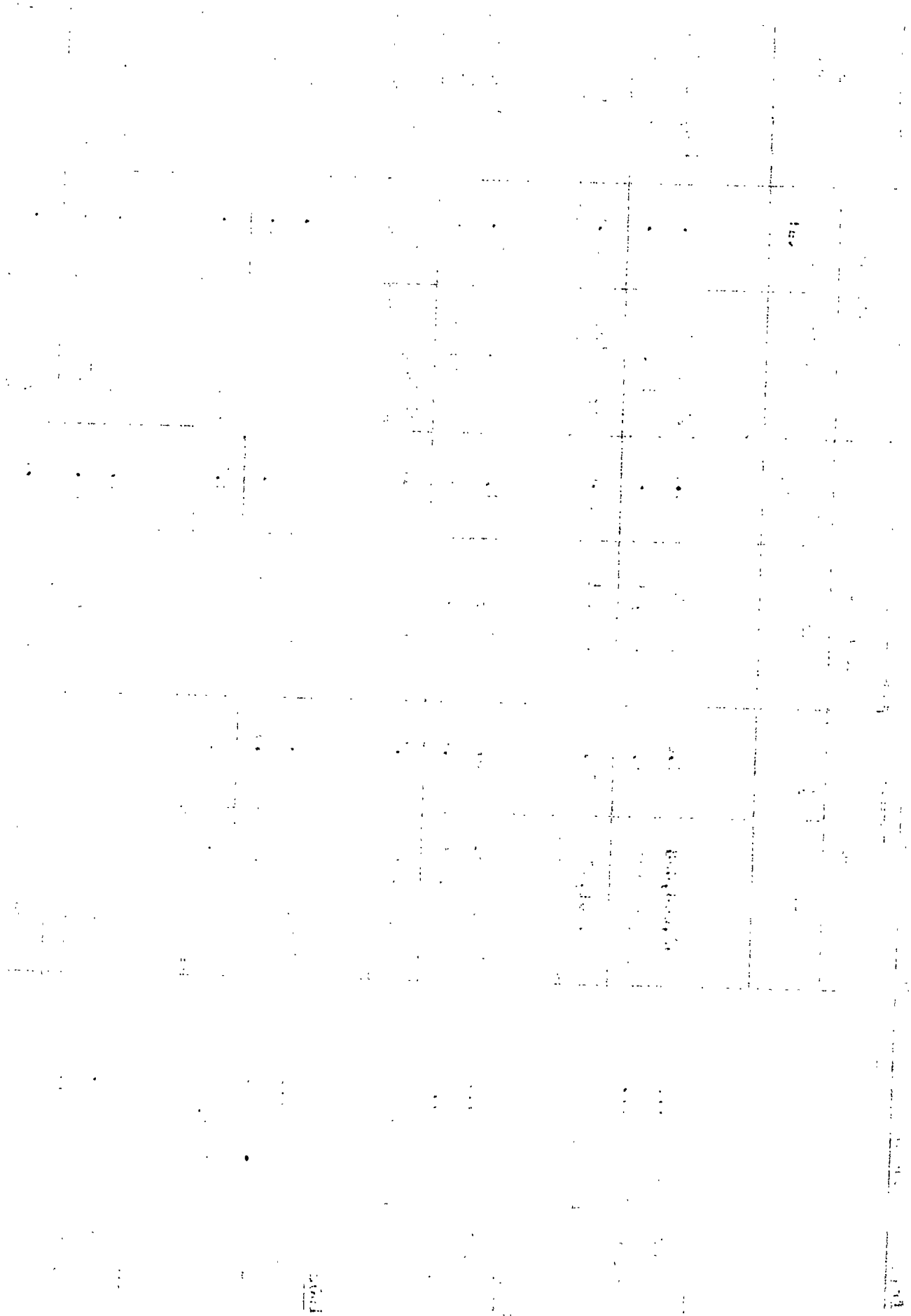
Crop Year	Tonnage exported from crop	Export quantum index for crop year	Export quantum index for calendar year
1938	308,483 m/tons	100	100
1948	373,297 "	121	132
1949	396,365 "	129	149
1950	434,901 "	141	123
1951	464,143 "	150	173
1952	446,625 "	145	160
1953	490,219 "	159	165

The quantum index of exports for the calendar year is thus largely dependent on the fraction of the harvested crop which is exported between June and December each year. Domestic exports other than sugar are insignificant in comparison.

NOTE:- Price indexes are computed by Fisher's ideal formula using moving crossed weights. Coverage varies from 70% to 75% in the case of imports and is very nearly 100% in the case of exports. Quantum & Price indexes conform with the index of total trade value.

Trade with the Sterling and Hard Currency Areas

	STERLING AREA		HARD CURRENCY AREA		OTHER COUNTRIES		TOTAL Rupees
	Rupees	% of total	Rupees	% of total	Rupees	% of total	
1950							
Import Trade ...	130,003,303	74.0	4,771,399	2.7	41,027,672	23.3	175,802,374
Export Trade ...	119,498,167	81.0	27,602,919	18.7	507,432	0.3	147,608,518
Total Trade	249,501,470	77.2	32,374,318	10.0	41,535,104	12.8	323,410,892
1951							
Import Trade ...	149,595,432	73.7	3,330,667	1.6	50,135,965	24.7	203,062,064
Export Trade ...	224,646,687	97.1	5,812,525	2.5	998,361	0.4	231,457,573
Total Trade	374,242,119	86.1	9,143,192	2.1	51,134,326	11.8	434,519,637
1952							
Import Trade ...	175,066,238	75.8	4,983,230	2.2	50,750,955	22.0	230,800,423
Export Trade ...	231,516,250	94.3	9,846,703	4.0	4,225,343	1.7	245,588,296
Total Trade	406,582,488	85.3	14,829,933	3.1	54,976,298	11.6	476,388,719
1953							
Import Trade ...	199,570,372	79.5	3,849,855	1.5	47,673,528	19.0	251,093,755
Export Trade ...	224,334,528	83.7	41,381,822	15.4	2,174,157	0.9	267,890,507
Total Trade	423,904,900	81.6	45,231,677	8.7	49,847,685	9.7	518,984,262



THE EXPORT TRADE

The total values of the Export Trade in domestic produce for 1948 - 1953 were:

		Rs.
1948	... ...	136,506,669
1949	... ...	160,681,871
1950	... ...	145,881,309
1951	... ...	227,833,883
1952	... ...	242,995,510
1953	... ...	264,785,990

The total values for domestic exports quoted above are exclusive of the value of the Colonial Sugar Preference Certificates which add to the selling price of the sugar. The figures for domestic exports when the value of the Sugar Preference is included are:

		Rs.
1948	... ...	141,299,669
1949	... ...	165,511,871
1950	... ...	151,141,309
1951	... ...	233,381,671
1952	... ...	249,106,680
1953	... ...	271,060,579

The proportions in value of the various items of domestic exports were as given in the following table:

Article	1 9 5 3	
	Value (Rs.)	% of total value
Sugar	264,908,589@	97.72
Molasses	4,641,194	1.71
Colonial Spirits	1,073,704	0.40
Tea	170,990	0.06
Aloe Fibre	76,029	0.03
Minor Miscellaneous Items	190,073	0.08
Total	271,060,579	100.00

@ Includes value of Colonial Sugar Preference Certificates.

The destination of the main domestic exports in 1953 were, in relative quantities :

	% of total quantity			
	Sugar	Molasses	Colonial spirits	Tea
United Kingdom	60.3	44.0	99.0	82.0
Other Countries of the British Commonwealth	39.7	0.2	1.0	16.6
Foreign Countries	-	55.8	-	1.4
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0

RE-EXPORTS

There were re-exports of merchandise in 1950, 1951, 1952 and 1953 to the value of Rs.1,727,209, Rs.3,623,690, Rs.2,592,786 and Rs.3,104,517 respectively.



THE IMPORT TRADE

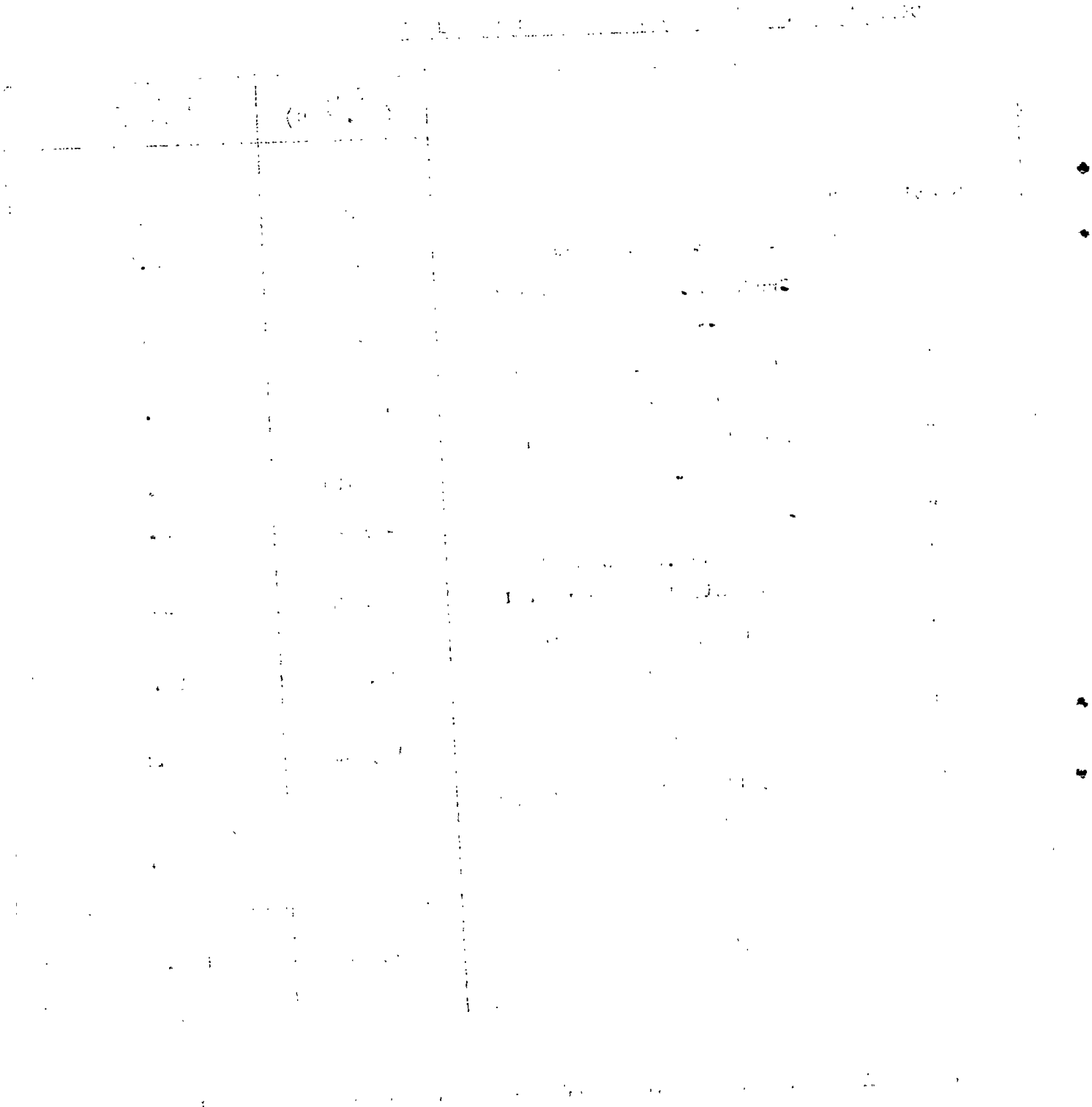
The value of the Import Trade in 1953 totalled 251.1 million rupees. The countries from which the principal 1953 imports were derived were:

Country	Value (Rs.)	Proportion to total
		%
United Kingdom	96,1[illegible]011	38.3
Burma	47,1[illegible]053	18.8
Australia	20,146,441	8.0
France	11,910,762	4.7
India	10,570,925	4.2
Union of South Africa	8,849,464	3.5
Siam	7,735,462	3.1
Italy	6,599,153	2.6
Madagascar	4,730,324	1.9
Straits Settlements	4,309,609	1.7
United States of America	3,842,047	1.5
Germany	3,042,750	1.2
Bahrein	2,867,153	1.1
Morocco	2,807,302	1.1
Hong Kong	2,269,270	0.9
Kenya	2,137,293	0.9
Holland	1,983,176	0.8
Belgium	1,539,624	0.6
Ethiopia	1,477,941	0.6
Uganda	1,450,258	0.6
Sudan	1,288,225	0.5
Other Sources	8,173,[illegible]	3.4
Total	25[illegible],09[illegible],7[illegible]	100.0

CLASSIFICATION+ OF 1953 IMPORTS IN VALUE

			Value (Rs. 000)	Proportion of total
				%
Section	0	Food	95,819	38.2
"	1	Beverages and Tobacco	5,139	2.0
"	2	Crude Materials, Inedible except Fuels	4,592	1.9
"	3	Mineral Fuels, Lubricants & related materials	13,538	5.4
"	4	Animal & Vegetable Oils & Fats	9,010	3.6
"	5	Chemicals	20,924	8.3
"	6	Manufactured goods classified chiefly by material	52,270	20.8
"	7	Machinery & Transport Equipment	36,690	14.6
"	8	Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	12,852	5.1
"	9	Miscellaneous Transactions & Commodities (not elsewhere specified)	260	0.1
		Total	251,094	100.0

+ According to the Standard International Trade Classification.



FOOD

CEREALS AND PULSES

The percentage value of cereals and pulses in the total food purchases was 83%. Rice constituted 75% and wheat flour 17% of the total value of cereals and pulses.

In respect of quantity, the importation in 1953 of cereals and pulses and certain other main food commodities, expressed as a percentage of the prewar average + imports are:

SITC ++	Commodity	Quantity imported		% of prewar average imports
042 - 02	Rice	58,562	M/Tons	97.6
046 - 01	Wheat flour	21,699	"	241.1
054 - 02	Pulses	5,134	"	86.6
054 - 01	Potatoes	2,749	"	193.6
051 - 01) 051 - 05)	Fresh Fruits	683	"	517.7
001 - 01	Live cattle for food[x]	4,104	Heads	84.6
031 - 02	Fish salted or pickled	765	M/Tons	142.0

x Beef supply

EDIBLE OILS AND FATS

The relative quantities of edible oils and fats imported in 1953 are shown in the following table as a ratio of prewar average + imports:

SITC + +	Commodity	Quantity imported (M/Tons)	% of total quantity imported	% of average prewar imported quantity
412 - 04	Groundnut (pistachio oil)	651	12.0	161.0
091 - 02	Shortenings, lard & lard substitutes and other similar edible fats	150	2.8	51.9
412 - 07	Coconut & Mustard oils	320	5.9	82.1
091 - 01) 412 - 19)	Other edible oils	4,289	79.3	362.2
	Total	5,410	100.0	185.0

\+ The prewar average is computed from imports of 1936 - 1938.

++ Standard International Trade Classification.

CRUDE MATERIALS AND MINERAL FUELS

The quantities of these materials imported in 1953 are expressed in the following table as a percentage of the prewar average imports:

SITC +	Material	Quantity imported		% of the prewar average imports
311 - 01	Coal	28,199	M/Tons	64.3
243 - 03	Timber	12,366		112.5
313 - 02	Kerosene	34,705	hectol	119.8
313 - 01	Motor spirit (petrol)	238,946	"	355.4
313 - 04	Lubricating oils	17,338	"	263.3
512 - 05	Turpentine	336	"	149.3
412 - 11	Castor oil	30,711	kgs.	32.1
412 - 01	Linseed oil	101,115	"	56.2

The relative proportions in the total imports of motor spirits in reference to different sources of importation were:

	Quantity imported Hectolitres	% of total
Italy	121,483	50.8
Bahrein	56,913	23.8
France	51,330	21.5
Netherland West Indies	7,504	3.2
Saudi Arabia	1,713	0.7
United Kingdom	3	-
Total	238,946	100.0

MANUFACTURED GOODS

Road Vehicles

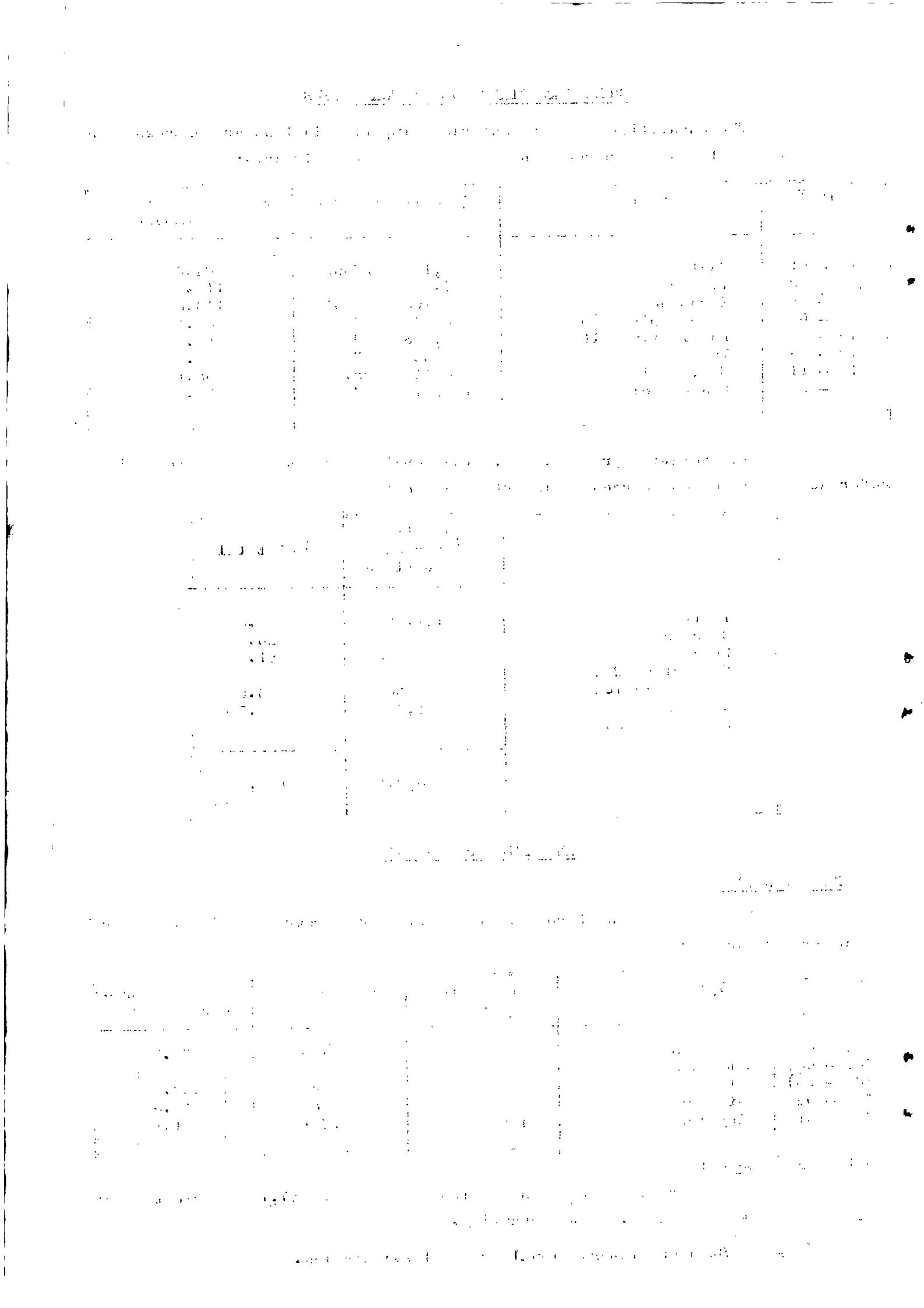
The importation of road vehicles in 1953 as compared with the average prewar numbers was:

SITC +	Type	Average pre-war number	1953 number	Ratio to pre-war average
732 - 01	Motor cars	270	753	278.9
732 - 05) 732 - 03)	Motor chassis and lorries	75	338	450.7
732 - 02	Motor cycles	16	83	518.8
733 - 01	Bicycles	1,900	5,721	301.1

661 - 02 + Cement

The importation of cement in 1953 amounted to 27,728 metric tons or 420.3% of prewar average imported quantity.

\+ Standard International Trade Classification.



MANUFACTURED GOODS (continued)

TEXTILES

The value of 1953 imports in textiles was made up in relative proportions as follows:

	MANUFACTURES			
	Cotton	Woollen	Silk	Total
Total value of imports	Rs.10,667,371	Rs.2,346,338	Rs.4,812,258	Rs.17,825,967
% of the total value of textile imports	59.8	13.2	27.0	100.0

As compared with prewar average the relative quantities of textiles imported in 1953 were:

SITC +	Material	Quantity imported Sq. Metres	% of the prewar average imports
652 - 01)) 652 - 02)	Grey and white cotton piece goods Dyed or printed cotton piece goods	8,194,596	91.5
653 - 03	Woollen piece goods	212,238	162.0

552 - 02 + Soap

The quantity of common soap imported in 1953 was 2,595 metric tons representing 162.2% of prewar average.

\+ Standard International Trade Classification.

Details of Imported Merchandise +

Division No	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs.1000
Section 0 FOOD						**95,819**
Live Animals						
00	001	001 - 01	Bovine Cattle	Head	4,101	1,243
"	001	001 - 03	Swine	"	3	3
Meat and Meat Preparations						
01	011	011 - 01 to 04)	Frozen meat	M/tons	470	857
"		011 - 09)				
"	012	012 - 01	Bacon and Ham	"	16	100
"	012	012 - 01 -)	Smoked, dried or salted meats	"	45	128
	012	02 - 03)				
"	013	013 - 01	Sausages of all kinds not in airtight containers	"	18	91
"	013	013 - 02	Meat and Meat preparations in airtight containers	"	73	309
Dairy products, Eggs and Honey						
02	022	022 - 01)	Milk condensed and powdered	"	731	1,966
"	022	022 - 02)				
"	023	023 - 01	Butter	"	189	1,149
"	023	023 - 01	Ghee (animal)	"	9	67
"	024	024 - 01	Cheese	"	68	291
"	025	025 - 01	Eggs in the shell	000	110	26
"	025	025 - 02	Eggs not in the shell, liquid, frozen or dried	M/Tons	2	5
"	026	026 - 01	Natural honey	"	6	18
"	029	029 - 09	Dairy Products N.E.S. @	"	87	364

+ According to the Standard International Trade Classification
@ Not elsewhere specified

Details of Imported Merchandise (continued)

Division No	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs.1000
Section 0 FOOD (continued)						
Fish and Fish preparations						
03	031	031 - 01	Fish frozen	M/Tons	64	109
"	031	031 - 02	Fish salted, dried or smoked	"	765	1,100
"	031	031 - 03	Crustacea and Molluscs	"	11	33
"	032	032 - 01	Fish canned	"	697	1,815
Cereals and Cereal preparations						
04	042	042 - 02	Rice	"	58,562	60,180
"	046	046 - 01	Wheat Flour	"	21,699	13,293
"	048	048 - 03	Vermicelli and Macaroni	"	15	29
"	048	048 - 04	Biscuits and Cakes	"	86	366
"	041	041 - 01)				
"	043	043 - 01)				
"	044	044 - 01)				
"	045	045 - 02)				
"	045	045 - 09)	Other Cereals Products	"	1,241	598
"	047	047 - 02)				
"	047	047 - 09)				
"	048	048 - 01)				
"	048	048 - 09)				
Fruits and Vegetables						
05	051	051 - 01)				
"	051	051 - 02)				
"	051	051 - 04)	Fresh Fruits	"	690	757
"	051	051 - 05)				
"	051	051 - 06)				
"	051	051 - 07	Edible Nuts	"	41	50
"	052	052 - 01)	Fruits - dried and preserved	"	99	167
"	053	053 - 01)				

Details of Imported Merchandise (continued)

Division No	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs.1000
Section 0 FOOD (continued)						
Fruits and Vegetables (continued)						
05	053	053 - 02	Fruit Peel	M/Tons	1	3
"	053	053 - 03	Jam, Marmalade and Jellies	"	25	47
"	053	053 - 04	Fruit Juices	"	-	202
"	054	054 - 01	Potatoes	"	2,749	1,350
"	054	054 - 02	Beans, peas, lentils and other legumes (pulses) dry	"	5,134	3,523
"	054	054 - 09	Vegetables	"	707	408
"	055	055 - 01)				
"	055	055 - 02)	Other fresh and dried vegetables	"	262	238
"	055	055 - 03)				
"	055	055 - 04)				
Sugar and Sugar preparations						
06	061	061 - 01)				
"	061	061 - 02)	Sugar and Sugar Preparations	"	111	421
"	061	061 - 09)				
"	062	062 - 01)				
Coffee, Tea, Cocoa, Spices & Manufactures thereof						
07	071	071 - 01	Coffee not roasted	"	26	94
"	071	071 - 02	Coffee roasted	"	5	46
"	071	071 - 03	Coffee extract & essences	"	3	45
"	072	072 - 01	Cocoa Powder	"	19	93
"	073	073 - 01	Chocolate	"	80	403
"	074	074 - 01	Tea	"	52	299
"	075	075 - 01	Pepper and Pimento unground	"	82	195
"	075	075 - 02	Other Spices	"	382	500

Details of Imported Merchandise (continued)

Division No	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs.1000
Section 0 FOOD (continued)						
Feeding Stuff for Animals +						
08	081	081 - 02)				
"	081	081 - 03)	Feeding stuff for animals	M/Tons	959	360
"	081	081 - 04)				
"	081	081 - 09)				
Miscellaneous Food preparations						
09	091	091 - 01	Margarine	"	481	1,128
"	091	091 - 02	Shortenings, lard or lard substitutes etc.	"	150	327
"	099	099 - 09	Food preparations N. E. S. @		25	1,023
"	099	099 - 09	Vinegar			10
Section 1 BEVERAGES AND TOBACCO						**5,139**
Alcoholic Beverages						
11	112	112 - 01	Wine ordinary	Hectol	3,922	621
"	112	112 - 01	Wine sparkling	"	136	156
"	112	112 - 02)				
"	112	112 - 03)	Beer, Ale, Porter and Cider	"	17,653	1,182
"	112	112 - 04	Distilled alcoholic beverages	"	1,235	746
Tobacco and Tobacco Manufactures						
12	121	121 - 01	Tobacco Unmanufactured	M/Tons	143	1,460
"	122	122 - 01 & 02	Cigars, Cheeroots and cigarettes	"	56	970
"	122	122 - 03	Tobacco Manufactured	"	0.2	4

+ Not including unmilled Cereals

@ Not elsewhere specified

Details of Imported Merchandise (continued)

Division No	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs.1000
Section 2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS						**4,592**
Oil Seeds, Oil Nuts and Oil Kernels						
21	221	221 - 01	Groundnuts	M/Tons	46	48
"	221	221 - 05	Linseed	"	3	3
"	221	221 - 09	Oil Seeds and Nuts N.E.S. @	"	31	31
Wood, Lumber and Cork						
24	243	243 - 01	Railway Sleepers	Number	10,000	269
"	243	243 - 02)	Lumber sawn, planed or dressed	Cu. M.	13,740	3,297
"	243	243 - 03)				
Pulp and Waste Paper						
25	251	251 - 01	Paper waste and old paper	M/Tons	368	141
Textile Fibres (not manufactured into yarn, thread or fabrics) & waste						
26	263	263 - 01	Raw cotton (other than linters)	M/Tons	4	4
"	263	263 - 02	Cotton linters	"	1	6
"	263	263 - 03	Cotton waste	"	14	25
"	263	263 - 04	Cotton, carded or combed	"	1	11
"	264	264 - 01	Jute (including cuttings and waste)	"	1	3
"	265	265 - 09	Vegetable textile fibres N.E.S. @	"	120	60
"	267	267 - 01	Waste materials from textile fabrics	"	1	2
Crude Fertilizers and Crude Minerals, excluding Coal, Petroleum & Precious Stones						
27	271	271 - 01	Natural Fertilizers	"	2,365	211
"	271	271 - 01.2	Other fertilizers, (fish or other substances condemned by Sanitary Authorities as unfit for food)	"	4	1
"	272	272 - 01	Natural asphalt	"	176	56

@ Not elsewhere specified.

Details of Imported Merchandise (continued)

Division No	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs.1000
Section 2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUELS (continued)						
Crude Fertilizers and Crude Minerals etc. (continued)						
27	272	272 - 04	Clay	M/Tons	102	16
"	272	272 - 05	Salt	"	1,771	154
"	272	272 - 10	Stones for industrial uses	"	7	5
"	272	272 - 11	Crude Minerals N.E.S.@	"	59	11
Animal and Vegetable crude materials, inedible, N.E.S.@						
29	291	291 - 09	Materials of Animal Origin N.E.S.@	"	-	3
"	292	292 - 02	Natural gums, resins, balsam and lacs	"	19	50
"	292	292 - 03	Rattan	"	53	113
"	292	292 - 04)	Miscellaneous seeds	"	10	48
"	292	292 - 05)				
"	292	292 - 09	Kapok	"	5	20
Section 3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS & RELATED MATERIALS						13,538
Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and related Materials						
31	311	311 - 01	Coal	"	28,199	1,957
"	311	311 - 02	Coke and Lignite	"	131	55
"	313	313 - 01	Aviation Gasoline	Hectol	13,449	702
"	313	313 - 01	Other Motor Spirit	"	225,497	4,144
"	313	313 - 02	Petroleum Lamp Oil	"	34,706	1,641
"	313	313 - 03	Other Fuel Oil	"	195,833	2,844
"	313	313 - 04	Lubricating Oil	"	17,338	1,416
"	313	313 - 04	Lubricating grease	M/Tons	169	176
"	313	313 - 05	Mineral Jelly and Waxes	"	10	11
"	314	314 - 02	Pitch	"	1,752	552

@ Not elsewhere specified.

Details of Imported Merchandise (continued)

Division No	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs.1000
Section 4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS AND FATS						9,010
Animal and Vegetable Oils, Fats, Greases and Derivatives						
41	411	411 - 01	Oils from fish and other marine animals	M/Tons	7	16
"	411	411 - 02	Tallow and Cart Grease	"	49	40
"	412	412 - 01	Linseed Oil	"	101	170
"	412	412 - 02	Soya Bean Oil	"	21	41
"	412	412 - 03	Cotton Seed Oil	"	3,766	6,132
"	412	412 - 04	Groundnut Oil	"	651	1,275
"	412	412 - 05	Olive Oil	"	21	84
"	412	412 - 07	Coconut Oil	"	305	558
"	412	412 - 11	Castor Oil	"	31	76
"	412	412 - 19	Other Vegetable Oils	"	144	567
"	413	413 - 01	Oils oxidized, blown or boiled	"	21	38
"	413	413 - 03	Acid Oils and fatty acids	"	1	5
"	413	413 - 04	Bees Wax	"	2	6
"	413	413 - 04	Waxes of animal origin except bees wax	"	2	2
Section 5 CHEMICALS						20,924
Chemical Elements and Compounds						
51	511	511 - 01	Inorganic Acid	M/Tons	35	29
"	511	511 - 03	Sodium Hydroxide	"	39	22
"	511	511 - 04	Sodium Carbonate	"	12	3
"	511	511 - 09	Inorganic Compounds and Chemical Elements N.E.S.@	"	405	290
"	512	512 - 01	Aliphatic and other organic acids	"	1	3
"	512	512 - 02	Ethyl and Methylated Alcohol	Hectol	4	0.7
"	512	512 - 04		"	6	2
"	512	512 - 03	Glycerine	"	336	21
"	512	512 - 05	Spirit of Turpentine	M/Tons	2	6
"	512	512 - 09	Organic Compounds N.E.S.@			

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Section 5 CHEMICALS (continued)						
Mineral Tar and Crude Chemicals from Coal, Petroleum and Mineral Gas						
52	521	521 - 01	Mineral Tar	M/Tons	177	59
"	521	521 - 02	Tar Oils	Hectol	4	1
Dyeing, Tanning and Colouring Materials						
53	531	531 - 01	Dyestuff and Natural Indigo	M/Tons	76	187
"	532	532 - 01	Dyeing Extracts	"	7	11
"	532	532 - 02 & 03	Tanning Extract	"	87	81
"	533	533 - 01 to 03	Colouring Materials, Paints, Mastics and Varnishes +	"	703	1,446
Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products						
54	541	541 - 01 to 04	Medicinal Alkaloids and Derivatives	"	12	359
"	541	541 - 09	Other Medicinal Products N.E.S. O	"	306	2,596
Essential Oils, Perfume Materials, Toilet, Polishing and Cleansing Preparations						
55	551	551 - 01	Joss sticks, Incense and Flavour Materials	"	-	83
"	551	551 - 02				
"	552	552 - 01	Toilet preparation	"	-	945
"	552	552 - 02	Soap Common	"	2,442	2,434
"	552	552 - 02	Toilet soap	"	152	410
"	552	552 - 03	Waxes	"	41	96
"	552	552 - 03	Polishes and Blacking	"	92	177
Fertilizers Manufactured						
56	561	561 - 01	Fertilizers	"	29,572	9,547
"	561	561 - 02				
"	561	561 - 03				
"	561	561 - 09				

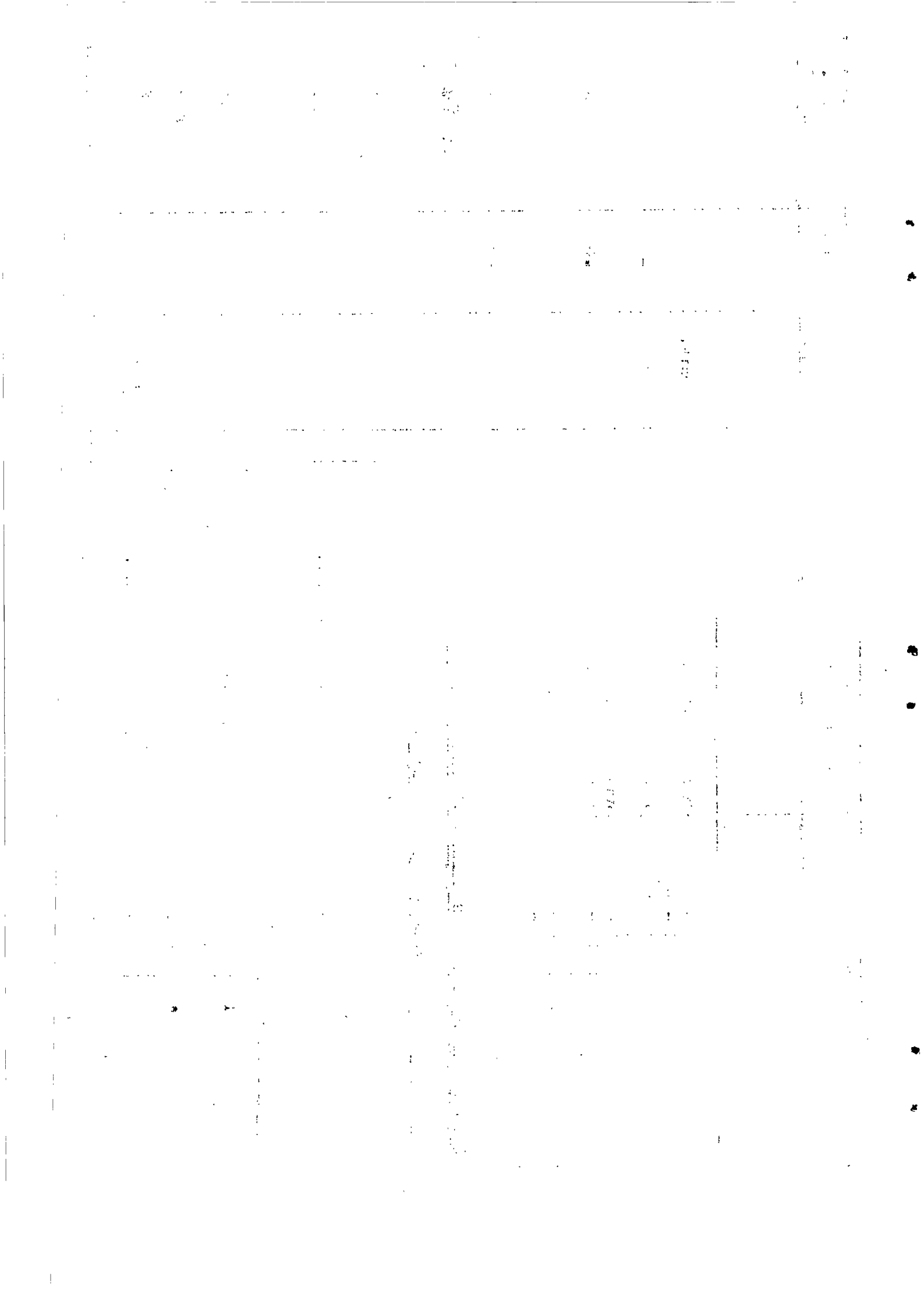
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Section 5 CHEMICALS (continued)						
Explosives and Miscellaneous Chemical Materials and Products						
59	591	591 - 01	Cartridges loaded and empty	000 units	-	20
"	591	591 - 01				
"	591	591 - 02	Explosives	M/Tons	-	106
"	591	591 - 03				
"	599	599 - 01	Synthetic Plastic Materials	"	-	21
"	599	599 - 02	Disinfectants and Insecticides	"	440	1,531
"	599	599 - 03				
"	599	599 - 04	Other Chemical Materials and Products	"	227	437
"	599	599 - 09				
Section 6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL						52,270
Leather, Leather Manufactures N.E.S.Q and Dressed Furs						
61	611	611 - 01	Leather	"	33	331
"	611	611 - 02	Artificial Leather	"	18	159
"	612	612 - 01				
"	612	612 - 03	Manufactures of Leather N.E.S.Q	"	-	172
"	612	612 - 09				
Rubber Manufactures N.E.S.Q						
62	621	621 - 01	Rubber fabricated materials		-	34
"	629	629 - 01	Rubber tyres and tubes for vehicles and aircraft			2,473
"	629	629 - 02	Hygienic, medicinal and surgical articles of rubber			2
"	629	629 - 09	Manufactures of Rubber N.E.S.Q	M/Tons	65	418

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Division No	Group No.	Item	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs.1000
Section 6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL (continued)						
Wood and Cork Manufactures (excldng furniture)						
63	631	631 - 02 & 03	Manufactures of wood and cork		-	635
"	631	631 - 09				
"	632	632 - 01 to 03				
"	632	632 - 09				
Paper Paper Board and Manufactures thereof						
64	641	641 - 01	Newsprint paper	M/Tons	219	193
"	641	641 - 02	Printing and writing paper	"	131	245
"	641	641 - 03	Packing and wrapping paper	"	26	99
"	641	641 - 04	Paperboard (cardboard)	"	9	11
"	641	641 - 05	Building paperboard	"	355	288
"	641	641 - 06 & 07	Other paperboards	"	24	76
"	641	641 - 08	Wall paper	"	5	7
"	641	641 - 11	Cigarette paper	"	11	92
"	641	641 - 12	Blotting paper	"	0.8	5
"	641	641 - 19	Tissue or muslin paper	"	55	47
"	641	641 - 19	Paper and paperboards N.E.S.Q	"	23	43
"	642	642 - 01 to 03	Articles made of paper, pulp and paperboard	"	308	930
"	642	642 - 09				
Textile Yarn, Fabrics, Made-up Articles and related products						
65	651	651 - 01	Silk yarn and thread	"	0.4	12
"	651	651 - 02	Yarn of wool and hair	"	3	65
"	651	651 - 03 & 04	Cotton yarn and thread	"	23	863
"	651	651 - 05	Yarn and thread of flax, hemp and ramie	"	6	27
"	651	651 - 09	Yarn of textile fibres N.E.S.Q	"	10	16
"	652	652 - 01	Cotton fabrics grey	000 Sq. M.	1,701	1,400
"	652	652 - 02	Cotton fabrics other than grey	"	6,313	3,267
"	653	653 - 01	Silk (including artificial silk) fabrics	"	2,385	4,812
"	653	653 - 02	Woollen and Worsted fabrics	"	212	2,346

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Section 6 MANUFACTURES OF GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL (continued)						
Textile Yarn, Fabrics, Made-up Articles and related products (continued)						
65	653	653 - 03	Linen, hemp and ramie fabrics	000 Sq. M.	30	68
"	653	653 - 04	Fabrics of jute	"	50	72
"	653	653 - 06 & 07	Other fabrics	"	5	15
"	653	653 - 09				
"	654	654 - 01 to 04	Tulle, lace, embroidery & trimmings		-	421
"	655	655 - 01 & 02	Rubberized and impregnated fabrics & felts	M/Tons	121	107
"	655	655 - 04				
"	655	655 - 06	Cordage, cables, ropes and twines	"	159	534
"	655	655 - 09	Special products of textile materials N.E.S.@		-	103
"	656	656 - 01	Jute bags	000 units	1,407	1,672
"	656	656 - 02	Tarpaulin & made up of canvas goods			126
"	656	656 - 03	Blankets and rugs			141
"	656	656 - 04 & 05	Made up articles			953
"	657	657 - 01 to 03	Carpets and Rugs			76
"	657	657 - 04	Linoleum and similar products			13
Non-Metallic Mineral Manufactures N.E.S.						
66	661	661 - 01	Lime	M/Tons	17	3
"	661	661 - 02	Cement	"	27,328	3,951
"	661	661 - 03	Stone worked	"	15	4
"	661	661 - 09	Building Materials of asbestos & cement	"	168	150
"	661	661 - 09	Building Materials N.E.S.@	"	8	5
"	662	662 - 01	Clay construction materials			351
"	663	663 - 01	Grinding and polishing wheels			41
"	663	663 - 02	Abrasive cloth and paper			20
"	663	663 - 03	Manufactures of asbestos			172
"	663	663 - 05	Carbon and graphite products			54
"	663	663 - 06	Non-metallic minerals worked or manufactured N.E.S.@			2
"	663	663 - 07	Refractory products			12
"	663	663 - 09	Articles of ceramic materials			26

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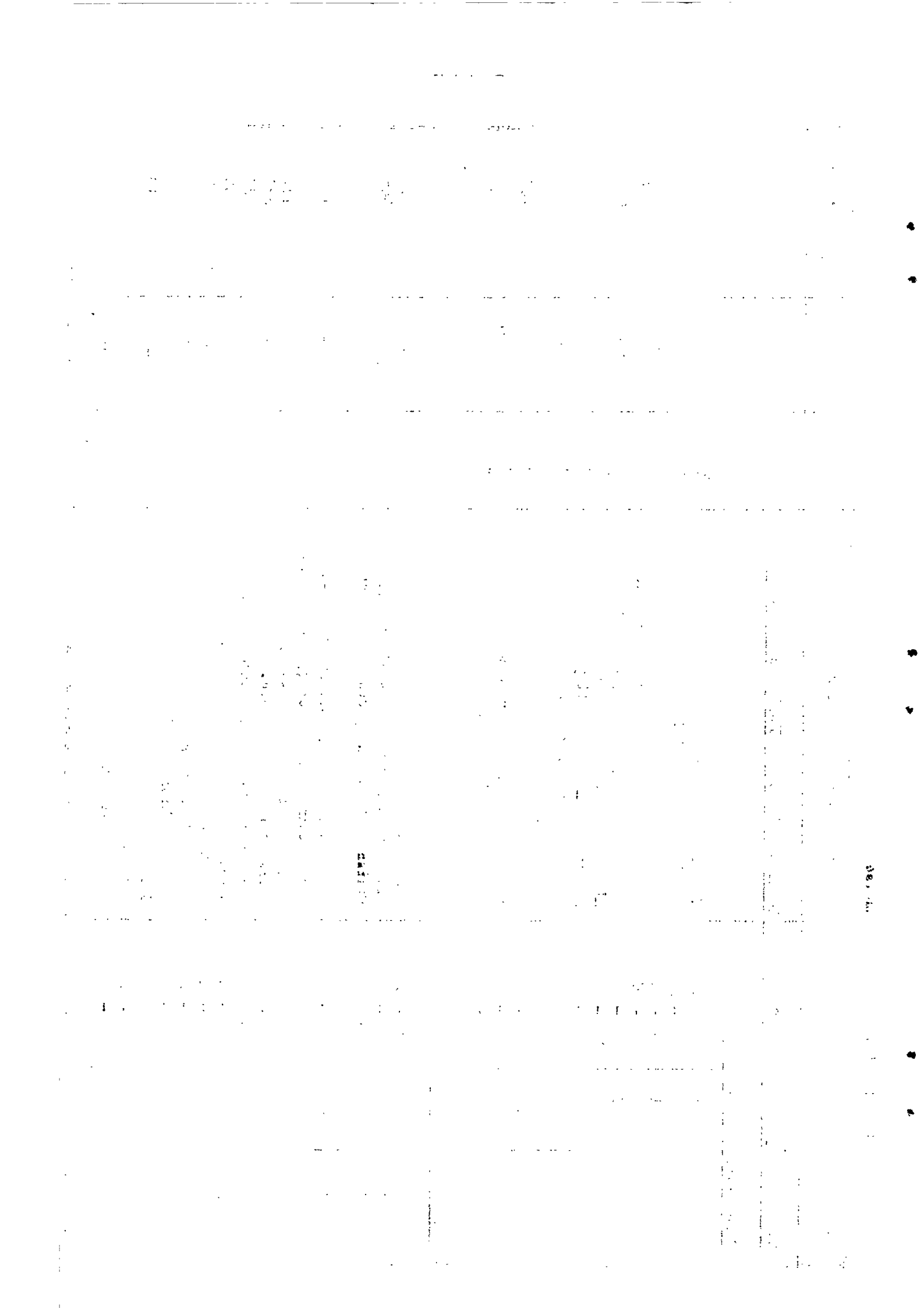
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Section 6 MANUFACTURES OF GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL (continued)						
Non-Metallic Mineral Manufactures N.E.S.@ (continued)						
66	664	664 - 03	Glass sheets and plates (unworked)	000 Sq.M.	59	336
"	664	664 - 08	Glass sheets and plates (worked)		-	78
"	664	664 - 09	Glass N.E.S.@		-	16
"	665	665 - 01	Bottles, flasks and other containers		-	111
"	665	665 - 02	Glass tableware		-	442
"	665	665 - 09	Articles of glass N.E.S.@		-	276
"	666	666 - 02	Table and other household earthenware		-	266
"	666	666 - 03	Table or other household chinaware or porcelain		-	17
Silver, Platinum, Gems and Jewellery						
67	671	671 - 02	Platinum unworked & partly worked		-	2
"	672	672 - 02	Precious and semi-precious stones cut but not set		-	66
"	673	673 - 01	Jewellery, Goldsmiths' and Silversmiths' wares		-	221
"	673	673 - 02	Imitation jewellery		-	363
Base Metals						
68	681	681 - 01	Pig Iron	M/Tons	4	9
"	681	681 - 03	Ingots, blooms, slabs, billets etc.	"	38	25
"	681	681 - 04	Joists, girders, angles, shapes, bars & concrete reinforcement rounds	"	2,328	1,569
"	681	681 - 05	Universal sheets & plates uncoated	"	523	351
"	681	681 - 06	Hoops and strips	"	4	4
"	681	681 - 07	Plates and sheets coated	"	2,378	2,553
"	681	681 - 08	Tramway rails	"	63	39
"	681	681 - 11	Railway construction accessories to rails	"	547	454

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Section 6 MANUFACTURES OF GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL (continued)						
Base Metals (continued)						
68	681	681 - 12	Wire rods and wire	M/Tons	28	36
"	681	681 - 13	Steel tubes and fittings	"	1,523	1,489
"	681	681 - 14	Pipes and fittings	"	485	386
"	682	682 - 01	Copper and alloys of copper unwrought	"	2	7
"	682	682 - 02	Copper and alloys of copper wrought	"	102	516
"	684	684 - 02	Aluminium corrugated sheets	"	83	251
"	684	684 - 02	Aluminium & Aluminium alloys worked	"	5	28
"	685	685 - 02	Lead and Lead alloys worked	"	34	62
"	686	686 - 02	Zinc and Zinc alloys worked	"	1	2
"	687	687 - 01	Solder	"	45	137
"	687	687 - 01	Tin and Tin alloys unwrought	"	0.7	8
"	687	687 - 02	Tin and Tin alloys worked	"	27	61
Manufactured Metals						
69	691	691 - 02	Firearms	"	-	48
"	699	699 - 01	Finished structural parts of iron and steel	"	1,230	2,345
"	699	699 - 02	Finished structural parts of non ferrous base metals	"	-	6
"	699	699 - 03	Wire cables, ropes, etc. of iron & steel	"	32	109
"	699	699 - 05 & 06	Wire netting, wire fencing, wire grills & barbed wire of all base metals	"	123	171
"	699	699 - 07	Nails, bolts, washers, etc.	"	389	530
"	699	699 - 08	Needles and pins of all base metals	"	4	37
"	699	699 - 11	Safes	"	14	33
"	699	699 - 12	Hand tools	"	38	228
"	699	699 - 13	Household utensils	"	144	73
"	699	699 - 16	Table and Kitchen Knives		-	26
"	699	699 - 17	Cutlery		-	216
"	699	699 - 18	Hardware	M/Tons	145	530
"	699	699 - 21	Metal containers	"	222	352



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Section 6 MANUFACTURES OF GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL (continued)						
Manufactured Metals						
69	699	699 - 22	Stoves, furnaces, grates, etc.	M/Tons	15	78
"	699	699 - 29	Capsules for bottles and crown corks		-	253
"	699	699 - 29	Manufactures of metals N.E.S.	M/Tons	439	2,362
Section 7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT						36,689
Machinery other than Electric						
71	711	711 - 02	Boiler house plant and parts	M/Tons	85	238
"	711	711 - 03	Steam engines and parts	"	9	53
"	711	711 - 05	Diesel engines and parts	"	22	185
"	711	711 - 09	Engines N.E.S.	"	0.6	14
"	712	712 - 01 to 03)	Agricultural machinery and implements	"	36	155
"	712	712 - 09)				
"	713	713 - 01	Tractors for agricultural purposes	Number	22	1,290
"	713	713 - 01	Parts thereof		-	62
"	713	713 - 01	Tractors N. E. S. and parts thereof	M/Tons	7	55
"	714	714 - 01	Typewriters	Number	299	111
"	714	714 - 02	Other office machines (including Accounting, Bookkeeping, calculating, etc.)	M/Tons	4	187
"	715	715 - 01	Machine tools for working metals	"	1	9
"	715	715 - 02	Other metal working machinery	"	2	5
"	716	716 - 01	Pumps for liquids	"	36	294
"	716	716 - 02	Industrial trucks	Number	1	7
"	716	716 - 03	Bulldozers	"	4	88
"	716	716 - 03	Parts thereof		-	3
"	716	716 - 03	Hoisting machinery and parts	M/Tons	129	502
"	716	716 - 04	Wood working machinery	"	0.5	6
"	716	716 - 05	Pneumatic tools	"	0.5	4
"	716	716 - 07	Printing type and plates	"	16	105
"	716	716 - 07	Printing & Bookbinding machinery & parts	"	8	18

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Section 7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT (continued)						
Machinery other than Electric (continued)						
71	716	716 - 08	Textile machinery and accessories	M/Tons	4	46
"	716	716 - 11	Sewing machines	Number	2,611	569
"	716	716 - 12	Air-conditioning and refrigerating equipment (excl. mechanical refrigerators)	M/Tons	6	32
"	716	716 - 13	Machinery and appliances N.E.S.	"	1,477	5,670
"	716	716 - 14	Ball, needle or roller bearings & parts	"	0.2	1
"	716	716 - 15	Machine parts and accessories N. E. S.	"	1,177	8,206
Electrical Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances						
72	721	721 - 01	Electric generators, motors & parts	"	18	189
"	721	721 - 02	Electric batteries for motor vehicles	"	11	74
"	721	721 - 02	Electric batteries for torches	000 units	247	61
"	721	721 - 02	Electric batteries N.E.S.	M/Tons	0.7	4
"	721	721 - 03	Bulbs for electric lighting	000 units	233	135
"	721	721 - 03	Bulbs for motor vehicles	"	3	1
"	721	721 - 03	Bulbs for torches and hand lamps	"	24	4
"	721	721 - 03	Bulbs N.E.S.	-		8
"	721	721 - 04	Radio apparatus	000 units		892
"	721	721 - 04	Parts thereof			0.4
"	721	721 - 05	Apparatus (other than radio) for telephony & telegraphy	M/Tons	8	90
"	721	721 - 06	Electric domestic apparatus	"	24	236
"	721	721 - 06	Other electrothermic apparatus	"	0.9	6
"	721	721 - 07	Electric appliances for vehicles	"	1	10
"	721	721 - 08	Apparatus for controlling energy	"	5	77
"	721	621 - 11	Electric apparatus for medical purposes	Kgs	20	0.8
"	721	721 - 12	Electric portable tools and parts	M/Tons	19	219
"	721	721 - 13	Insulated cable and wire	"	82	371
"	721	721 - 19	Electric machinery, apparatus and appliances N.E.S.	"	199	1,774

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Section 7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT (continued)						
Transport Equipment						
73	731	731 - 01	Steam tramway locomotives		-	93
"	731	731 - 03	Tramway locomotives except steam and electric	unit	6	436
"	731	731 - 06	Railway cars	"	28	36
"	731	731 - 06	Tramway cars	M/Tons	234	321
"	731	731 - 07	Parts of railway rolling stock	"	82	169
"	731	731 - 07	Parts of tramway rolling stock	"	62	306
"	732	732 - 01	Motor cars	Number	753	4,923
"	732	732 - 02	Motor cycles and side cars	"	83	79
"	732	732 - 03	Buses, Trucks, Lorries etc.	"	74	771
"	732	732 - 05	Motor chassis	"	264	2,691
"	732	732 - 06	Parts and accessories for road motor vehicles	"	308	2,398
"	732	732 - 07	Parts and accessories for motor cycles and side cars	"	3	35
"	733	733 - 01	Bicycles	unit	5,721	740
"	733	733 - 02	Bicycles parts and accessories	M/Tons	16	128
"	733	733 - 09	Road trailers			210
"	734	734 - 03	Parts of aircraft	M/Tons	2	35
"	735	735 - 09	Ships and Boats	Number	4	1,251
Section 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES						**12,852**
Prefabricated buildings, Sanitary, Plumbing, Heating & Lighting Fixtures & Fittings						
81	811	811 - 01	Prefabricated buildings & their assembled parts	M/Tons	22	56
"	812	812 - 01	Central heating apparatus	"	0.2	2
"	812	812 - 02 & 03	Sink, washbasins, bidets, etc.		-	98
"	812	812 - 04	Lighting fixtures of all materials	M/Tons	5	89

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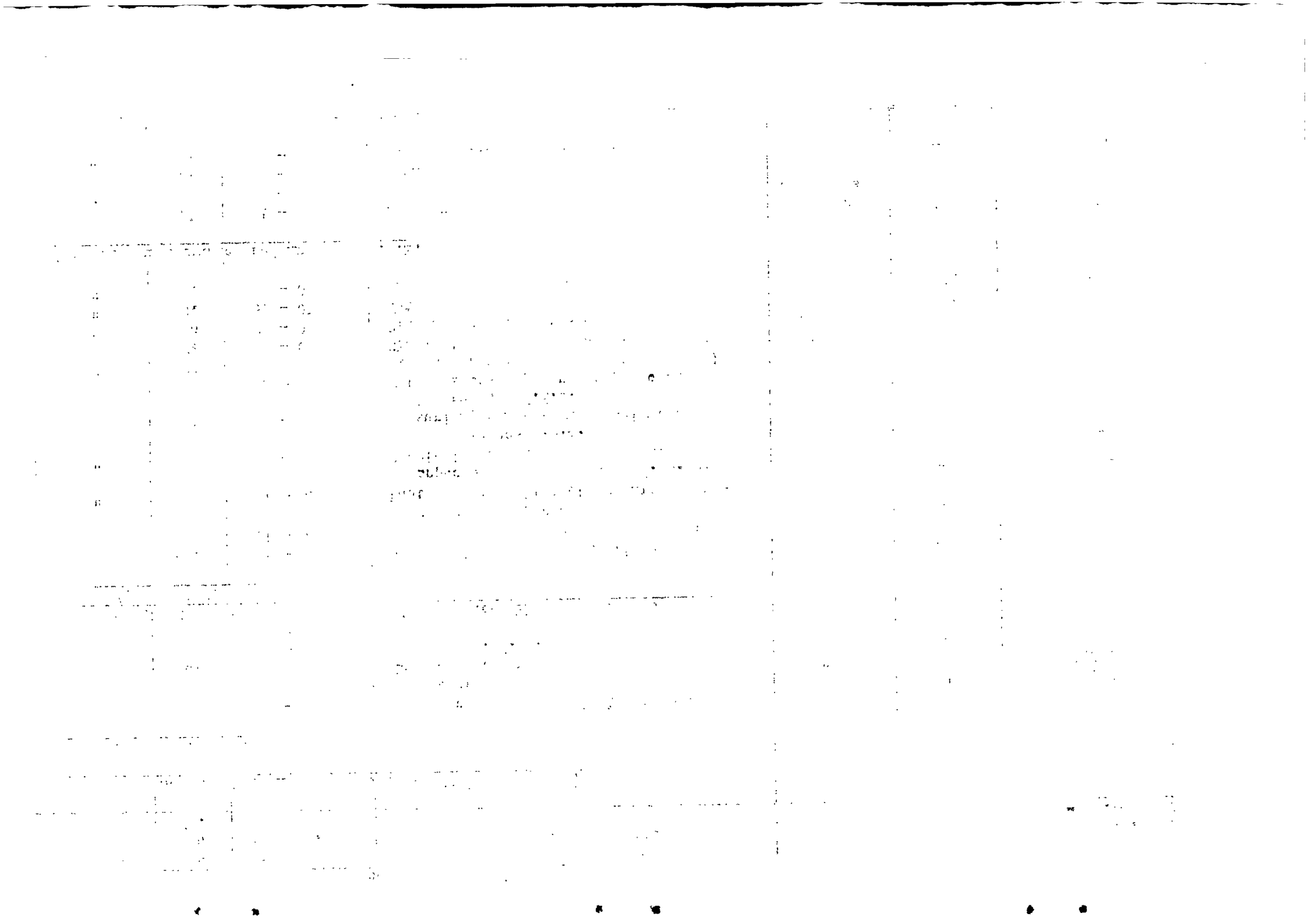
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Section 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (continued)						
Furniture and Fixtures						
82	821	821 - 01	Wood furniture and fixtures		-	193
"	821	821 - 02	Metal furniture and fixtures	M/Tons	356	816
"	821	821 - 09	Furniture and fixtures N. E. S.Q		-	122
Travel Goods, Hand Bags and similar articles						
83	831	831 - 01	Travel goods of all materials		-	66
"	831	831 - 02	Hand bags, wallets, etc.		-	140
Clothing						
84	841	841 - 01	Stockings and Hose	000 pairs	352	432
"	841	841 - 02 & 04	Pyjamas and underwear		-	216
"	841	841 - 03	Outwear (excluding shirts)		-	565
"	841	841 - 05	Shirts		-	320
"	841	841 - 06	Leather coats and other leather clothing	Number	556	6
"	841	841 - 07	Clothing of Impermeable materials	"	9,145	96
"	841	841 - 08	Hats and other headgear of wool-felt and fur-felt	"	24,345	233
"	841	841 - 11	Caps	"	25,669	71
"	841	841 - 11	Hats and other headgear of silk or artificial silk	"	559	5
"	841	841 - 11	Hats and other headgear N.E.S.Q	"	30,942	147
"	841	841 - 12	Gloves and mittens (except rubber gloves)	pairs	2,331	15
"	841	841 - 19	Clothing N.E.S.Q		-	1,202
Footwear						
85	851	851 - 01	Slippers & house footwear of all materials (except rubber)	"	20,827	89
"	851	851 - 02	Footwear wholly or mainly of leather	000 pairs	44	457

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Section 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (continued)						
Footwear (continued)						
85	851	851 - 03	Footwear wholly or chiefly of textile materials	000 pairs	11[illegible]	236
"	851	851 - 04	Rubber footwear	"	227	1,543
"	851	851 - 09	Footwear N. E. S.@		-	9
Professional, Scientific & Controlling Instruments, Photographic & Optical Goods, Watches & Clocks						
86	861	861 - 01	Optical instruments & appliances		-	67
"	861	861 - 02	Cinematograph projectors, sound films recorders & parts		-	56
"	861	861 - 02	Photographic & Cinematographic cameras, apparatus and appliances N. E. S.@		-	172
"	861	861 - 03	Surgical, medical & dental instruments & appliances N.E.S.@		-	76
"	861	861 - 09	Measuring, controlling & scientific instruments N.E.S.@		-	100
"	862	862 - 01	Films plates & paper for photography		-	82
"	862	862 - 02	Cinematographic films (not exposed)		-	2
"	862	862 - 03	Chemical products for use in photography	M/Tons	0.3	1
"	863	863 - 01	Cinematographic films exposed	000 metres	1,298	488
"	864	864 - 01	Watches and parts	000 units	16	443
"	864	864 - 02	Clocks and clock movement	"	14	128
Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles N.E.S.@						
89	891	891 - 01	Phonographs & record players	Number	156	18
"	891	891 - 02	Phonograph records	000 units	34	87
"	891	891 - 03	Pianos	Number	3	8
"	891	891 - 09	Musical instruments N.E.S.@		-	141

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Section 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (continued)						
Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles N.E.S.@ (continued)						
89	892	892 - 01	Books and pamphlets printed		-	121
"	892	892 - 02	News papers and periodicals		-	5
"	892	892 - 03	Music printed, engraved or in manuscript unbound or bound		-	1
"	892	892 - 04	pictures and designs		-	9
"	892	892 - 09	Stamps, postage used and unused		-	21
"	892	892 - 09	Geographical, topographical & astronomical maps and charts		-	70
"	892	892 - 09	Commercial publicity materials		-	30
"	892	892 - 09	Printed matter or paper or cardboard N. E. S.@		-	337
"	899	899 - 01	Candles	M/Tons	73	109
"	899	899 - 02	Matches	gross boxes	92	341
"	899	899 - 03	Umbrellas and parasols		-	77
"	899	899 - 04	Artificial flowers & prepared ornaments		-	10
"	899	899 - 05	Buttons & studs		-	190
"	899	899 - 06	Fancy carved articles		-	2
"	899	899 - 07	Table or other household articles made of plastic		-	2
"	899	899 - 08	Refrigerators	Number	312	298
"	899	899 - 11	Articles made of plastics N.E.S.@		-	128
"	899	899 - 12	Articles of basketware or wickerwork N. E. S.@		-	5
"	899	899 - 13	Brooms & Brushes of all materials		-	133
"	899	899 - 14	Sports goods (except arms & ammunition)		-	126
"	899	899 - 15	Playing cards		-	42
"	899	899 - 15	Baby carriages	Number	116	8
"	899	899 - 15	Toys and games N.E.S.@		-	564
"	899	899 - 16 & 17	Office supplies (not paper) N.E.S.@		-	374

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Section 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (continued)						
Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles N.E.S.@ (continued)						
89	899	899 - 18	Smokers'		-	4
"	899	899 - 21	Works of art & collectors' pieces		-	6
"	899	899 - 99	Manufactured articles N.E.S.@		-	694
Section 9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES N.E.S.@						260
Postal Packages						
91	911	911 - 01	Postal Packages			24
Live Animals not for food						
92	921	921 - 01	Horses	unit	12	100
"	921	921 - 09	Live animals N.E.S.@	"	23	1
Returned Goods and Special Transactions						
93	931	931 - 02	Baggage and personal effects			135
G O L D						
A	A	A - 3	Gold Sheets			1,064

@ Not elsewhere specified.

SUMMARY OF IMPORTS IN VALUE

Section No.		Description	Value C.I.F. Unit = Rs.1000 *
SITC	0	Food	95,819
	1	Beverages and Tobacco	5,139
	2	Crude Materials, Inedible, Except Fuels	4,592
	3	Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and related materials	13,538
	4	Animal and Vegetable Oils and Fats	9,010
	5	Chemicals	20,924
	6	Manufactured Goods Classified Chiefly by Material	52,270
	7	Machinery and Transport Equipment	36,690
	8	Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	12,852
	9	Miscellaneous Transactions and Commodities N.E.S.@	260
	A	Gold	1,064
		Grand Total	252,158

NOTE: Returned goods amounting to Rs.265,683 included in Imports.

* Including Imports by the Colonial Government. @ Not elsewhere specified.

Details of Exported Merchandise (including Re-Exports) 1953

Exports of domestic produce are indicated by +

Division No	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs.1000
Section 0 FOOD						263,651
Meat and Meat preparations						
01	012	012 - 02 & 03	Meat, dried, salted, smoked, etc.	M/Tons	0.7	7
Dairy Products, Eggs and Honey						
02	022	022 - 01)				
"	023	023 - 01)	Dairy Products	"	5	25
"	024	024 - 01)				
Fish and Fish preparations						
03	031	031 - 02 & 03	Fish and fish preparations	"	0.4	1
Fruits and Vegetables						
05	051	051 - 01)				
"	051	051 - 05)	Fresh Fruits	"	62	68
"	051	051 - 06)		"		
"	054	054 - 09	Vegetables		271	99
Sugar and Sugar preparations						
06	061	061 - 01 & 02	Sugar +	"	481,892	258,634
"	061	061 - 03	Molasses +	"	67,848	4,641
Coffee, Tea, Cocoa, Spices & Manufactures thereof						
07	074	074 - 01	Tea +	"	33	171
Miscellaneous Food preparations						
09	091	091 - 01	Margarine	"	0.7	1

Details of Exported Merchandise (including Re-Exports) (continued)

Division No	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs.1000
Section 0 FOOD (continued)						
Other Food preparations						
048 - 03) 048 - 04) 061 - 09) 073 - 01) 075 - 02) 081 - 09) 099 - 09)	-	-	-			4
Section 1 BEVERAGES & TOBACCO						4
Alcoholic Beverages						
11	112	112 - 01)	Alcoholic beverages	Hectol	10	1
"	112	112 - 03)				
"	112	112 - 04)				
Tobacco & Tobacco Manufactures						
12	121	121 - 02 & 04		L/Tons	0.2	3
Section 2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUEL						1,070
Hides, Skins and Fur Skins undressed						
21	211	211 - 01 & 09	Hides and Skins undressed	M/Tons	5	7
Wood, Lumber and Cork						
24	243	243 - 03	Lumber sawn, planed, etc.	Cu. M.	4	1

Details of Exported Merchandise (including R[illegible]xports) (continued)

Division No	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs.1000
Section 2 CRUDE MATERIALS, INEDIBLE, EXCEPT FUEL (continued)						
Textile Fibres not manufactured into yarn, thread or fabrics & waste						
26	265	265 - 04	Aloe Fibre +	M/Tons	142	56
Crude Fertilizers and Crude Minerals, excluding Coal, Petroleum & Precious Stones						
27	271	271 - 01)	Crude materials		-	2
"	272	272 - 02)				
Metalliferrous Ores and Metal Scrap						
28	282	282 - 01	Iron and Steel scrap	M/Tons	6,269	774
"	284	284 - 01	Non-ferrous metal scrap	"	433	227
Animal and Vegetable Crude Materials, N.E.S.@						
29	292	292 - 03	Vegetable materials for plaiting	"	1	3
						34
Section 3 MINERAL FUELS, LUBRICANTS AND RELATED MATERIALS						
31	311	311 - 01	Coal	M/Tons	200	24
"	313	313 - 01)	Petroleum Products	Hectol.	132	10
"	313	313 - 03)				
"	313	313 - 04)				
Section 4 ANIMAL AND VEGETABLE OILS AND FATS						-

@ Not elsewhere specified.

Details of Exported Merchandise (Including Re-Exports) (continued)

Division No	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs.1000
Section 5 CHEMICALS						1,093
Chemical Elements and Compounds						
51	512	512 - 02	Alcohol, (ethyl), excluding perfumery & toilet preparations +	Hectol	14,607	1,074
"	512	512 - 02	Alcohol Methylated +	"	24	1
Pigments, Paints, Varnishes, and related Materials						
53	533	533 - 03	Prepared paints etc.	M/Tons	0.7	1
Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Products						
54	541	541 - 02 & 09	Medicinal & pharmaceutical products		-	7
Miscellaneous Chemical Materials and Products						
59	599	599 - 02	Miscellaneous chemical materials & products		-	10
Section 6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL						589
Rubber Manufactured Articles N.E.S.@						
62	629	629 - 01 & 09	Rubber manufactures		-	2
Paper, Paperboard and Manufactures thereof						
64	642	642 - 09	Articles made of pulp, of paper, of paperboard N. E. S.@		-	16

@ Not elsewhere specified.

Details of Exported Merchandise (including Re-Exports) (continued)

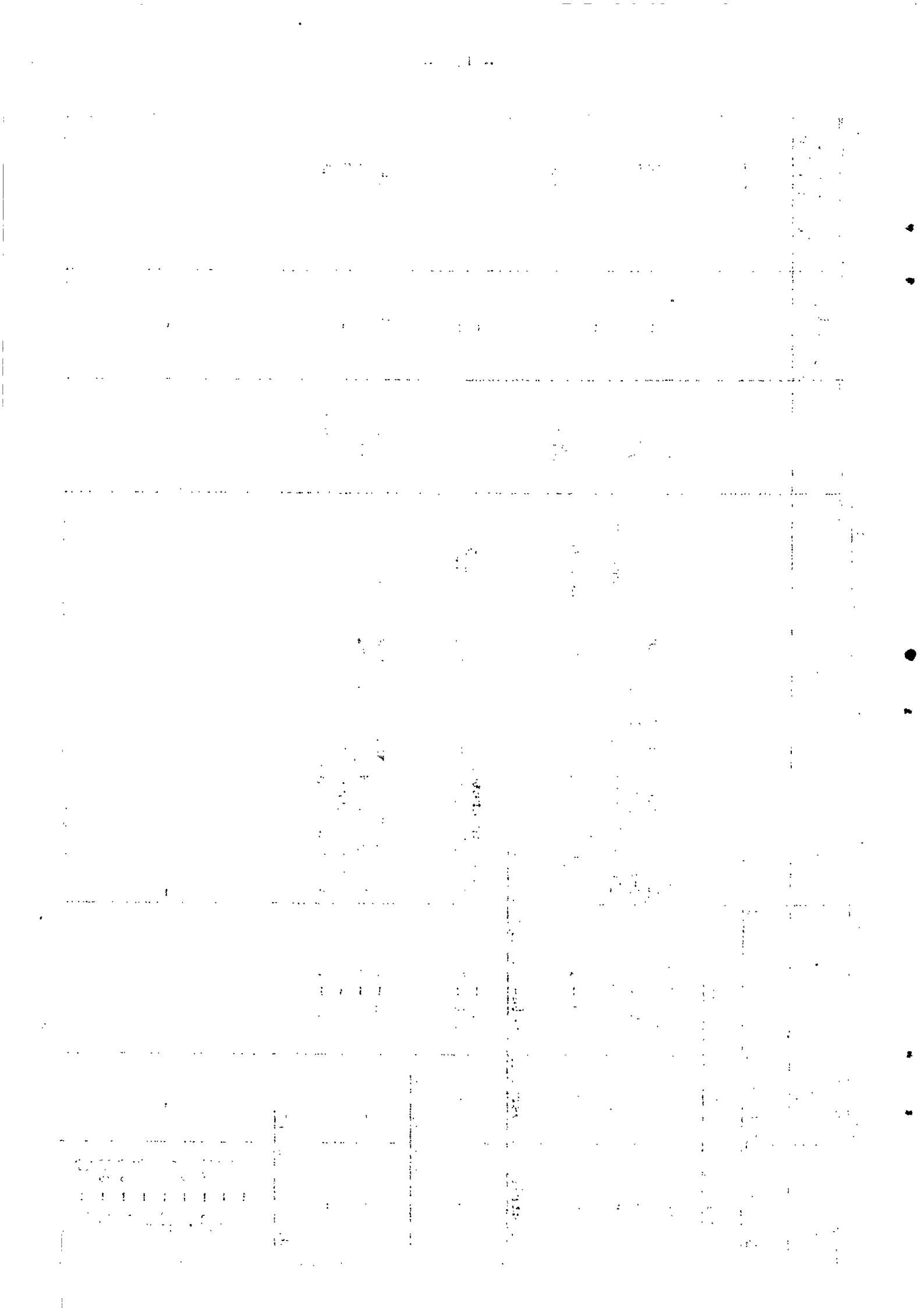
Division No	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs.1000
Section 6 MANUFACTURED GOODS CLASSIFIED CHIEFLY BY MATERIAL (continued)						
Textile Yarn, Fabrics, and Made-up Articles and Related Products						
65	651	651 - 09	Yarn of textile fibres	M/Tons	10	20
"	652	652 - 02	Cotton fabrics other than grey	Sq. M.	5,918	11
"	653	653 - 01	Silk fabrics	"	805	3
"	653	653 - 02	Woollen and Worsted fabrics	"	82	2
"	656	656 - 01	Bags and Sacks for packing	000 units	530	492
"	656	656 - 02	Tarpaulins and tents		-	1
Base Metals						
68	681	681 - 07	Plates and sheets galvanized	M/Tons	4	4
"	681	681 - 13	Steel tubes and fittings	"	1	3
"	681	681 - 14	Pipes and fittings	"	1	4
Manufactures of Metals						
69	699	699 - 12	Hand tools	"	[illegible].3	4
"	699	699 - 16 & 17	Cutlery		-	2
"	699	699 - 21	Metal containers		-	21
Manufactures of metals N.E.S.@						
661 - 02) 665 - 09) 666 - 02) 673 - 01) 673 - 02) 691 - 02) 699 - 01) 699 - 07) 699 - 18)	-	-	-		-	6

@ Not elsewhere specified.

Details of Exported Merchandise (including Re-Exports) (continued)

Division No	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs.1000
Section 7 MACHINERY AND TRANSPORT EQUIPMENT						357
Machinery other than electric						
71	712	712 - 01	Ploughs and parts	M/Tons	0.2	3
"	713	713 - 01	Agricultural Tractors and parts		-	4
"	716	716 - 07	Printing type and plates	M/Tons	5	7
"	716	716 - 12	Air conditioning machines and refrigerating equipment		-	9
"	716	716 - 13 & 15	Machine parts, appliances and accessories (not electric)	M/Tons	31	140
Electric Machinery, Apparatus and Appliances						
72	721	721 - 04	Radio apparatus		-	5
"	721	721 - 19	Electric machinery & appliances N.E.S.@		-	2
Transport Equipment						
73	732	732 - 01	Passenger road motor vehicles complete	Number	16	110
"	732	732 - 06	Bodies, chassis, frames, etc.	M/Tons	2	5
"	734	734 - 03	Parts of aircraft		-	6
"	735	735 - 09	Ships and boats	Number	6	35
Other Machinery						
711 - 02) 711 - 05) 711 - 09) 716 - 11) 716 - 13) 716 - 15) 721 - 01) 731 - 07) 733 - 01)	-	-	-		-	31

@ Not elsewhere specified.



Details of Exported Merchandise (including Re-Exports) (continued)

Division No	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs.1000
Section 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES						408
Prefabricated Buildings, Sanitary, Plumbing, Heating & Lighting Fixtures & Fittings						
82	821	821 - 01)	Furnitures and fixtures		-	3
"	821	821 - 02)				
"	821	821 - 09)				
Clothing						
84	841	841 - 05	Outwear		-	2
"	841	841 - 19	Clothing N.E.S.@		-	1
Footwear						
85	851	851 - 02 & 04	Footwear		-	1
Scientific, Medical, Optical, Measuring and Controlling Instruments and Apparatus						
86	861	861 - 02)	Medical, scientific & optical, measuring & controlling instruments		-	1
"	861	861 - 03)				
"	861	861 - 09)				
"	863	863 - 01	Cinematographic films	000 Metres	1,525	339
Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles N.E.S.@						
89	892	892 - 01	Books and pamphlets printed		-	7
"	892	892 - 02	Newspapers	M/Tons	0.5	1
"	892	892 - 03	Music printed etc.		-	6
"	892	892 - 04	Pictures and designs		-	6
"	892	892 - 09	Stamps and postage		-	1
"	892	892 - 09	Commercial publicity materials		-	3
"	892	892 - 09	Printed matters N.E.S.		-	1

@ Not elsewhere specified.

Details of Exported Merchandise (including Re-Exports) (continued)

Division No	Group No.	Item No.	Divisional title description	Unit	Quantity	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs.1000
Section 8 MISCELLANEOUS MANUFACTURED ARTICLES (continued)						
Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles N.E.S.@ (continued)						
89	899	899 - 08	Mechanical refrigerators	Number	4	13
"	899	899 - 14	Sports goods		-	8
"	899	899 - 15	Toys and games		-	2
Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles N.E.S.@						
812 - 04) 831 - 01) 862 - 01) 864 - 01) 899 - 21) 899 - 99)	-	-	-		-	13
Section 9 MISCELLANEOUS TRANSACTIONS AND COMMODITIES N.E.S.@						**685**
Postal Packages						
91	911	911 - 01	Postal packages		-	160
Returned Goods and Special Transactions						
93	931	931 - 01	Returned Goods		-	266
"	931	931 - 02	Special transactions (personal effects, samples, etc.)		-	259
S I L V E R						**NIL**
	B	B - 2	Silver Coins	M/Tons		NIL

@ Not Elsewhere specified.

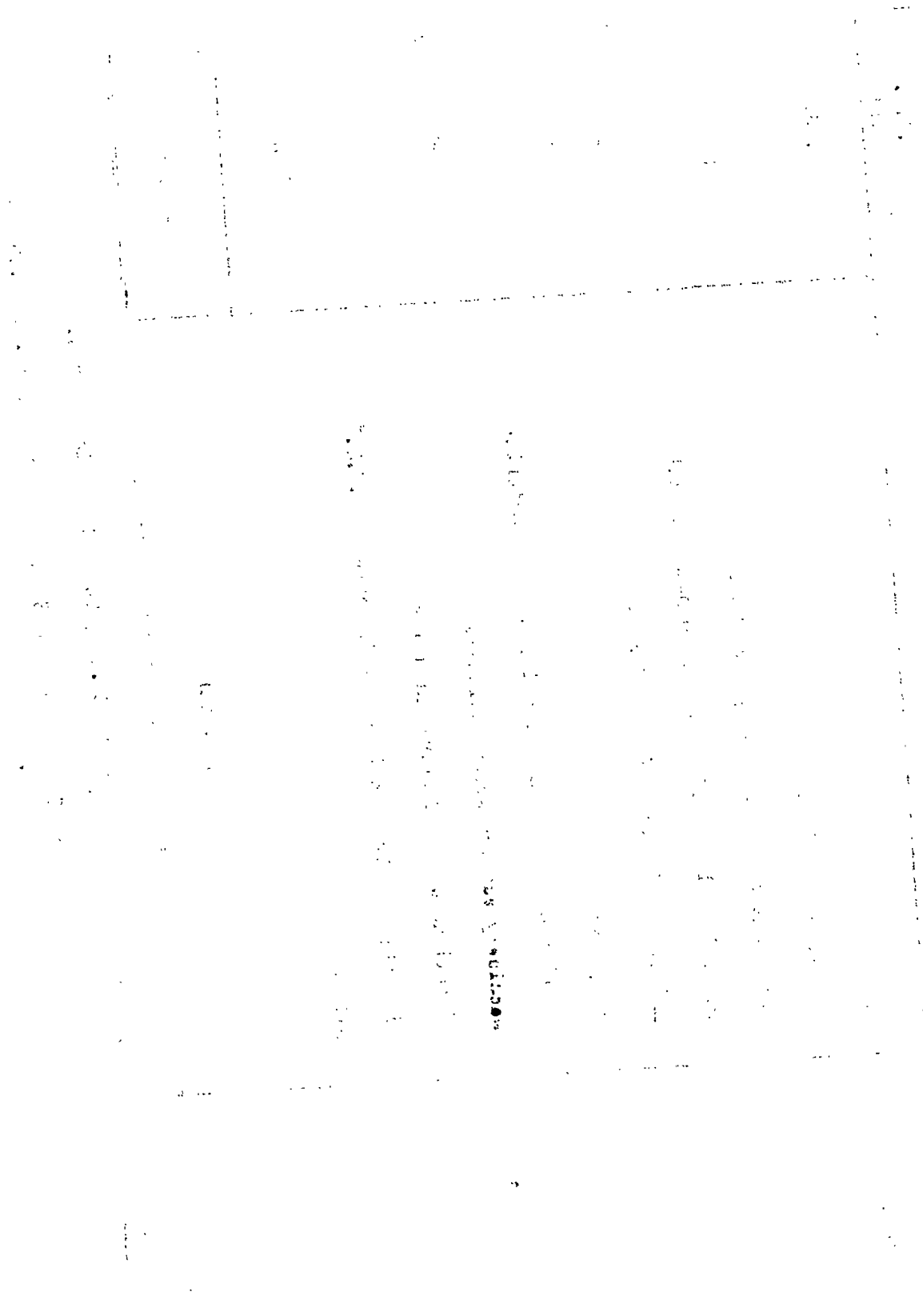
SUMMARY OF EXPORTS IN VALUE

Section No.		Description	Value F.O.B. Unit = Rs.1000
SITC	0	Food	263,651
	1	Beverages and Tobacco	4
	2	Crude Materials, Inedible, except Fuels	1,070
	3	Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and related materials	34
	4	Animal and Vegetable Oils and Fats	-
	5	Chemicals	1,093
	6	Manufactured Goods classified chiefly by material	589
	7	Machinery and Transport Equipment	357
	8	Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	408
	9	Miscellaneous Transactions and Commodities N.E.S.@	685
	B	Silver	NIL
		Grand Total	267,891

NOTE: Returned Goods amounting to Rs.265,683 included in Exports.

Value of Preference Certificates on Sugar amounting to Rs.6,274,589 excluded from exports.

@ Not elsewhere specified.



DOMESTIC TRADE

The following table gives a summary of imports from and exports to the Dependencies + of Mauritius during the year 1953:

In Rupees

Section No.		Divisional title description	Imports	Exports
SITC	0	Food	1,567,778	1,600,877
	1	Beverages and Tobacco	345	627,214
	2	Crude Materials, Inedible except Fuels	668,126	108,203
	3	Mineral Fuels, Lubricants and related materials	-	84,564
	4	Animal and Vegetable Oils and Fats	7,700	121,843
	5	Chemicals	115	169,797
	6	Manufactured Goods classified chiefly by material	2,466	652,718
	7	Machinery and Transport	675	33,286
	8	Miscellaneous Manufactured Articles	1,543	373,630
	9	Miscellaneous Transactions and Commodities N.E.S.Q	7,292	58,114
	B	Silver coins and current notes	NIL	NIL
		Total	2,256,030	3,880,246

\+ Rodrigues, Chagos Archipelago, Agalega, St. Brandon.

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SUGAR SALES 1940 - 1953

In Metric Tons

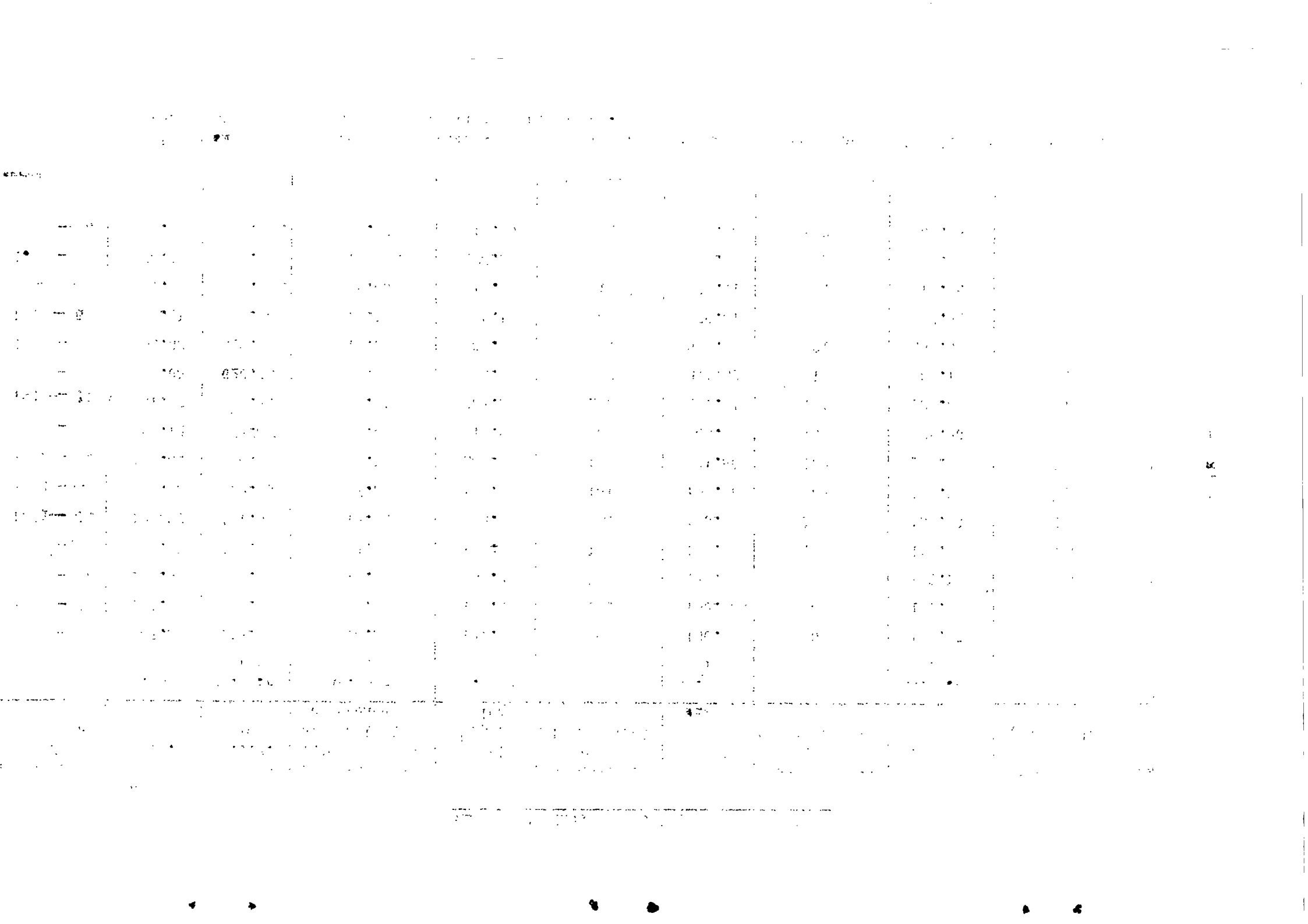
Crop Years	SUGAR EXPORTED		LOCAL SALES		Total Sales
	Raw Sugar	White Sugar	Raw Sugar	White Sugar	
1940	276,403	27,433	-	10,941	314,777
1941	276,308	34,093	-	12,640	323,041
1942	261,484	52,444	3,243	11,652	328,823
1943	259,298	28,848	12,543	7,196	307,885
1944	154,962	23,675	6,794	13,314	198,745
1945	117,073	3,590	7,670	10,160	138,493
1946	244,473	27,192	7,189	12,104	290,958
1947	310,310	18,379	7,999	10,899	347,587
1948	365,848	7,449	7,036	11,018	391,351
1949	396,865	-	7,484	11,601	415,950
1950	434,901	-	9,170	12,620	456,691
1951	464,143	-	8,925	11,018	484,086
1952	444,353	4,520	6,823	12,587	468,283
1953	490,168	51	8,373	13,633	512,225

SALES PROCEEDS OF SUGAR PER METRIC TON

PRICES

Crop Year	C.I.F. Value	F.O.B. Value	Value of special colonial preference	Total export value	Index (1938 = 100)	Local sales value	Index (1938 = 100)	Total sales value	Index (1938 = 100)
	Rs. per	Rs. per M/Ton	Rs. per M/Ton	Rs. per M/Ton		Rs. per M/Ton		Rs. per M/Ton	
1938 - 39	137.92	115.05	15.99	131.03	100	160.93	100	132.27	100
1939 - 40	147.68	127.46	22.77	150.23	115	160.95	100	151.33	114
1940 - 41	172.87	151.63	16.46	168.09	129	179.78	112	169.18	128
1941 - 42	173.70	152.45	15.98	168.43	129	179.88	112	169.32	128
1942 - 43	202.86	181.05	15.62	196.67	150	189.48	118	196.80	149
1943 - 44	202.89	180.95	17.28	198.26	151	168.28	105	196.72	149
1944 - 45	252.53	230.06	27.75	257.81	197	221.50	138	255.24	193
1945 - 46	360.10	337.80	40.49	378.29	289	245.28	152	362.20	274
1946 - 47	291.99	269.74	18.21	287.95	220	291.41	181	288.84	218
1947 - 48	343.05	320.53	14.82	335.35	256	341.62	212	336.18	254
1948 - 49	363.38	340.68	13.00	353.68	270	355.60	221	354.56	268
1949 - 50	387.21	364.94	12.18	377.12	288	370.51	230@	377.34	285
1950 - 51	424.55	401.34	12.09	413.43	316	359.91	224	411.75	311
1951 - 52	478.24	454.04	11.95	465.99	356	356.75	222	463.24	350
1952 - 53	518.20	497.78	14.63	513.40	392	369.85	230	507.45	384

@ The higher index as compared with previous and following years is due to a consumption of white sugar which was greater in proportion than the consumption of raw sugar.



The whole of the sugar production of the Colony is at present sold through the medium of the Mauritius Sugar Syndicate, so that all producers are receiving the same average price per ton. The Syndicate makes no charge for its services, beyond the bare cost of salaries and office expenses. The Syndicate does not handle the sale of alcohol or any other by-products of the Sugar Industry.

Raw sugar in excess of 99° polarisation is liable to a higher customs' duty in the United Kingdom and in Canada than sugar exceeding 98° to a maximum of 99°. Out of the saleable sugar crop, a guaranteed quota of 356,600 metric tons is sold to the United Kingdom Ministry of Food according to the terms of the Commonwealth Sugar Agreement, and the balance is sold on the World Market. On sugar sold to the Ministry of Food, the Syndicate is only responsible for freight at pre-war rate, the Ministry of Food paying all difference. The Syndicate is, on the other hand, responsible for effecting the Marine Insurance on all exported sugar.

The sale of sugar on the overseas market is liable to a local Merchant's Commission at the rate of 2/3% of the c.i.f. value, and also to a Broker's Commission of 1/2% in London. The following table gives in relative proportions the cost of these services per ton of sugar sold on the foreign market:

CROP YEAR

	1950 - 1951		1951 - 1952		1952 - 1953	
	Rs.	%	Rs.		Rs.	
Freight	16.00	68.9	16.00	66.1	16.00	63.2
Insurance	1.28	5.5	1.67	6.9	1.95	7.7
London Brokerage	1.98	8.6	2.18	9.0	2.47	9.8
Shippers' Commission	3.95	17.0	4.35	18.0	4.90	19.3
Total	23.21	100.0	24.20	100.0	25.32	100.0

Brokerage and commission are also payable by producers to Port Louis brokers through whom the Syndicate distributes the proceeds but this is not considered to be a marketing expense in the proper sense.

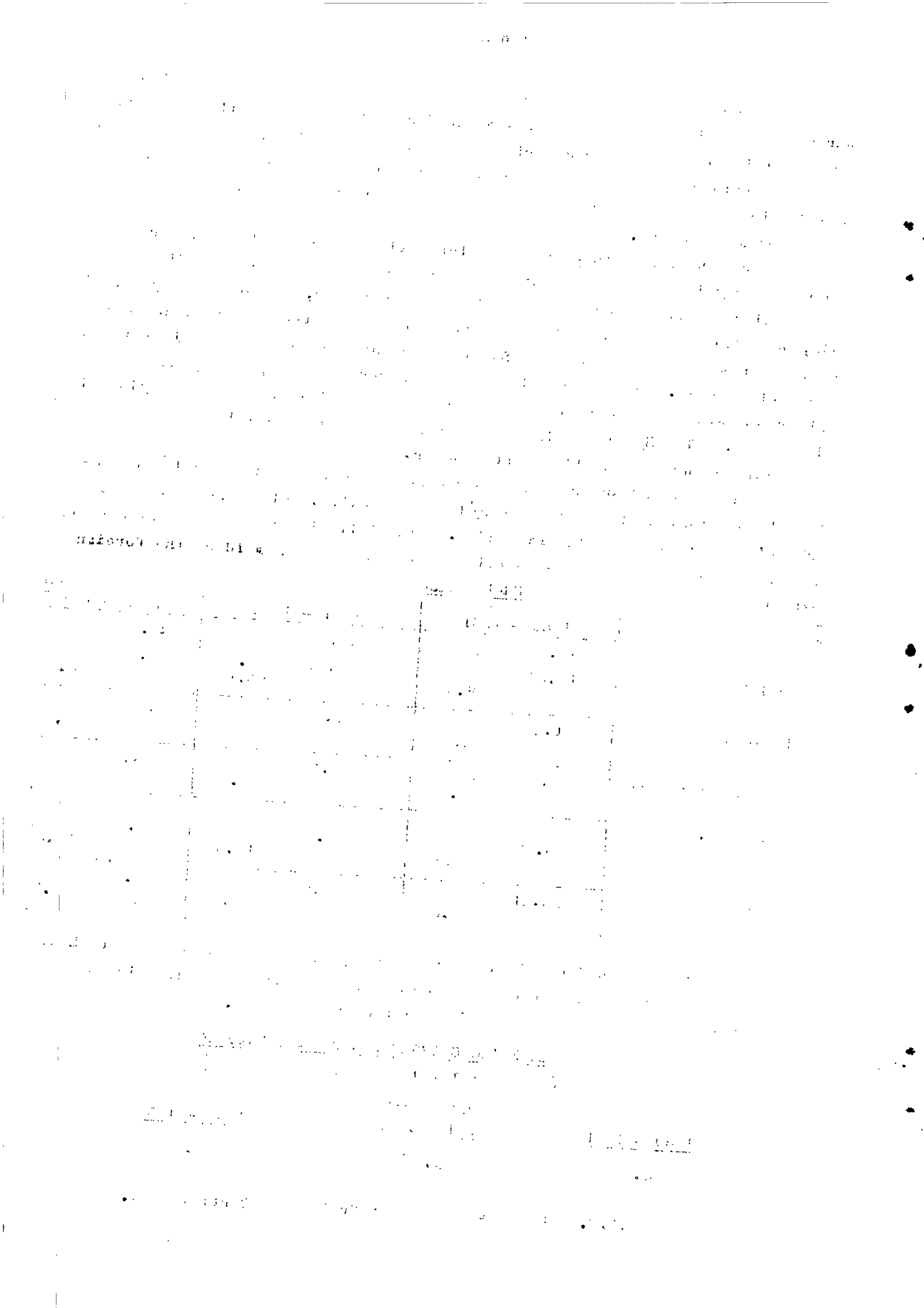
MARKETING CHARGES FOR OVERSEAS SALES

(% of total value@ of crop exported)

CROP YEAR

1950 - 1951	1951 - 1952	1952 - 1953
5.3	4.9	4.8

@ C.I.F. Value + Value of Preference Certificates.



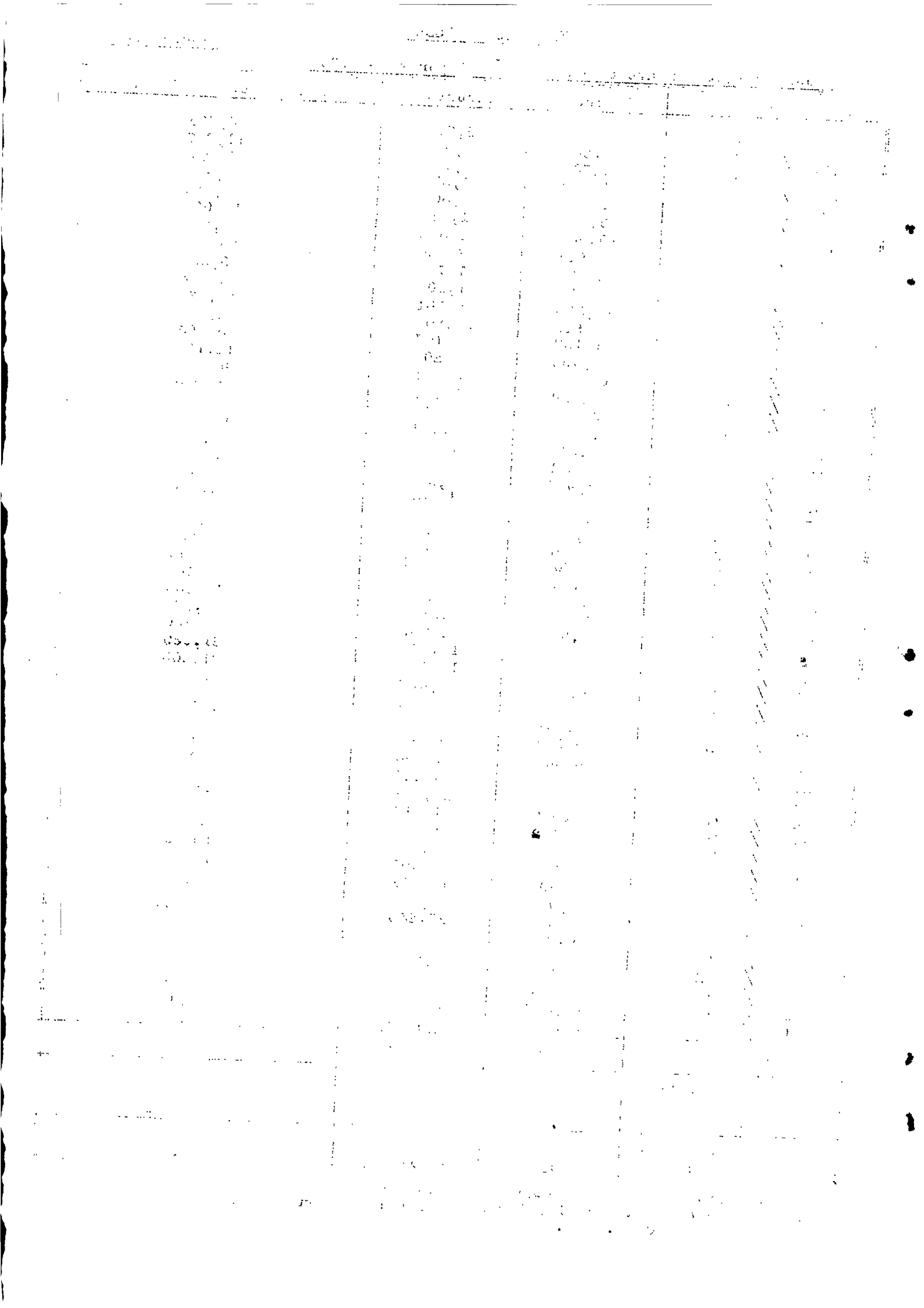
EXTERNAL TRADE

Metric Tons

Gross freight tonnage of exports and imports - 1953

Period ending	Imports	Exports	Total exports & imports
4 / 1	957	2,768	3,725
11 / 1	2,388	9,269	11,657
18 / 1	4,705	5,287	9,992
25 / 1	1,650	5,602	7,252
1 / 2	1,975	11,500	13,475
8 / 2	5,729	11,276	17,005
15 / 2	10,686	4,692	15,378
22 / 2	7,645	8,928	16,573
1 / 3	3,198	17,795	20,993
8 / 3	2,159	1,209	3,368
15 / 3	14,594	2,781	17,375
22 / 3	13,640	11,809	25,449
29 / 3	1,198	4,107	5,305
5 / 4	8,962	3,206	12,168
12 / 4	14,437	5,851	20,288
19 / 4	4,398	1,222	5,620
26 / 4	5,391	3,071	8,462
3 / 5	10,888	4,191	15,079
10 / 5	8,319	1,533	9,852
17 / 5	5,641	3,118	8,759
24 / 5	3,982	5,936	9,918
31 / 5	3,451	1,459	4,910
7 / 6	3,987	261	4,248
14 / 6	7,976	243	8,219
21 / 6	4,375	580	4,955
28 / 6	2,705	2,906	5,611
5 / 7	3,737	845	4,582
12 / 7	9,825	3,075	12,900
19 / 7	3,472	3,792	7,264
26 / 7	7,369	2,361	9,730
2 / 8	5,262	15,777	21,039
9 / 8	2,577	18,726	21,303
16 / 8	9,488	20,006	29,494
23 / 8	4,712	25,164	29,876
30 / 8	8,931	8,676	17,607
6 / 9	3,168	21,637	24,805
13 / 9	3,952	21,603	25,555
20 / 9	4,653	23,224	27,877
27 / 9	7,707	20,467	28,174
4 / 10	6,646	21,914	28,560
11 / 10	3,482	21,802	25,284
18 / 10	2,324	14,185	16,509
25 / 10	6,577	10,407	16,984
1 / 11	8,206	14,071	22,277
8 / 11	6,085	5,364	11,449
15 / 11	8,514	27,253	35,767
22 / 11	10,022	36,137	46,159
29 / 11	3,240	20,485	23,725
6 / 12	9,799	16,068	25,867
13 / 12	8,650	21,508	30,158
20 / 12	10,046	18,126	28,172
31 / 12	14,824	22,621	37,445
Total	328,652	575,582	904,234
Total imports from & exports to dependencies	4,823	6,869	11,692
Grand Total of exports & imports	333,475	582,451	915,926

The gross freight tonnage is computed according to actual weight in case of heavy goods and in case of light goods according to bulk at the conversion rate of 1,000 kgs per 40 cu.feet.



Number of persons in possession of a licence to exercise under the various trades

ISIC+		Number
19	Non-metallic mining and quarrying not elsewhere classified ...	8
20	Food manufacturing industries, except beverage industries ...	5
21	Beverages industries ...	43
22	Tobacco manufactures ...	2
25	Manufacture of wood and cork, except manufactures of furniture ...	56
26	Manufactures of furniture and fixtures	49
28	Printing, publishing and allied industries	40
29	Manufacture of leather and leather products, except footwear ...	7
31	Manufacture of chemicals and chemical products	33
33	Manufacture of non-metallic mineral products, except products of petroleum and coal	19
34	Basic metal industries ...	42
38	Manufacture of transport equipment	2
39	Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	176
40	Construction ...	102
52	Water and sanitary services ...	10
61	Wholesale and retail trade ...	7,214
62	Banks and other financial institutions	398
63	Insurance ...	68
64	Real estate ...	5
71	Transport ...	25
72	Storage and warehousing ...	35
82	Community and business services	251
83	Recreation services ...	114
84	Personal services ...	4,468
	TOTAL	12,975

Number of Rice Licence holders as at 31.12.1953

	Number		Number
Port Louis	470	Grand Port	206
Plaines Wilhems	572	Flacq	220
Moka	131	Black River	50
Savanne	128	Rivière du Rempart	155
Pamplemousses	142	TOTAL	2,074

Number of Bakeries as at 31.12.1953

	Number		Number
Port Louis	17	Grand Port	10
Plaines Wilhems	39	Flacq	8
Moka	6	Black River	1
Savanne	7	Rivière du Rempart	5
Pamplemousses	8	TOTAL	101

\+ International Standard Industrial Classification

CONSUMERS' PRICE INDEXES 1953

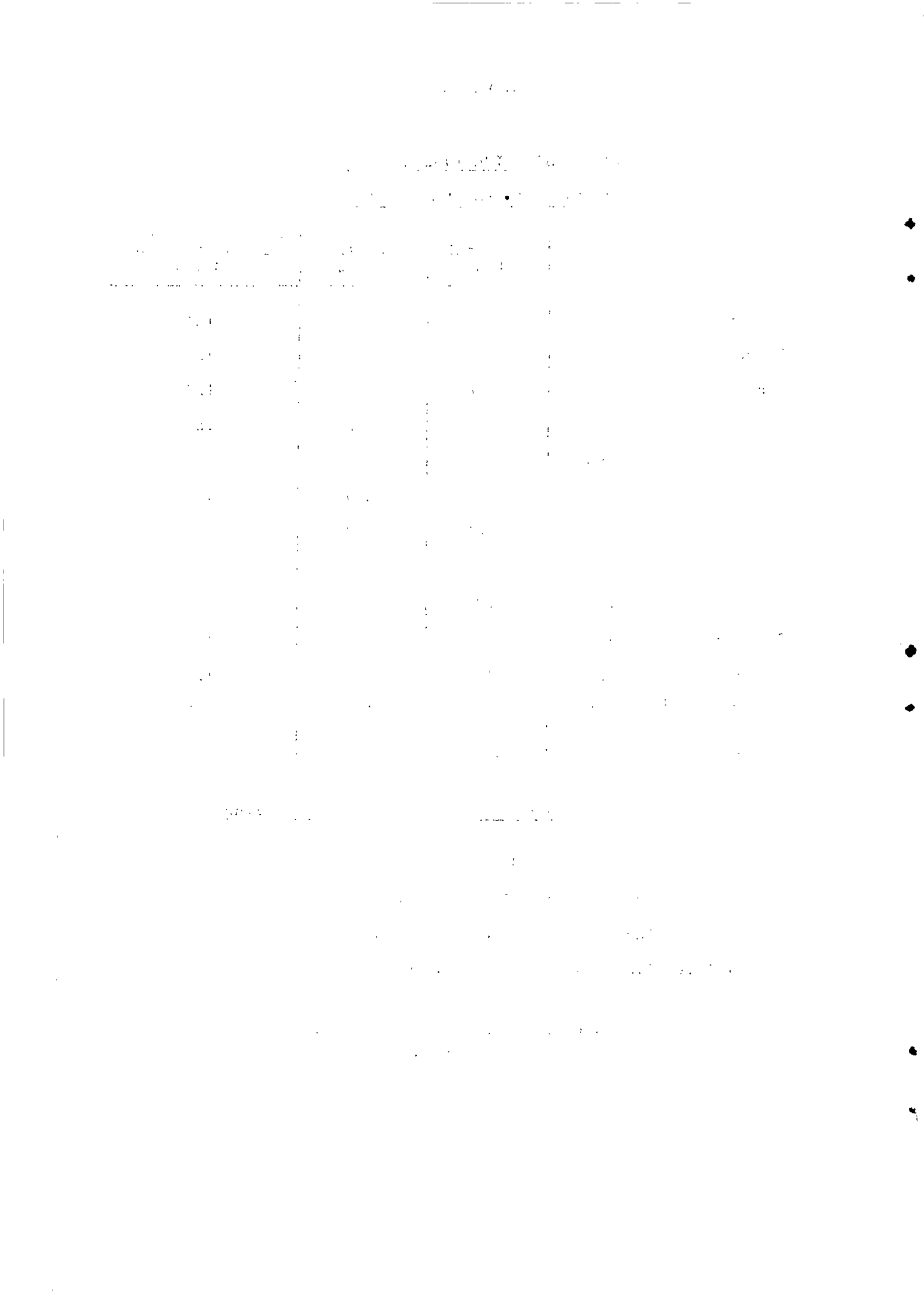
Basic period:- 1948 = 100

Date	Manual Workers	Clerical Class	Executive Class	Administrative Class
January	126	126	126	125
February	127	127	127	126
March	129	128	128	127
April	129	129	129	127
May	129	129	129	127
June	131	130	130	127
July	132	131	130	127
August	131	129	129	127
September	129	127	127	125
October	126	126	126	125
November	126	126	126	125
December	127	127	126	125

Range of monthly Household expenditure

Manual Workers	:	Up to Rs.300
Clerical Class	:	Up to Rs.550
Executive Class	:	Rs.550 - Rs.1000
Administrative Class	:	Over Rs.1000

The above indexes are based on the findings of a new survey of household budgetary expenditure effected at the beginning of 1952.



COMPARATIVE RETAIL MARKET PRICES IN 1948 AND IN 1953

1. FOOD (a) Grains and cereals comprising rice, maize, flour, lemtils, dholl and beans

Commodity	Unit of Quantity	1948 Maximum Rs.	1948 Minimum Rs.	1953 Maximum Rs.	1953 Minimum Rs.
Flour	kg.	0.56(c)	0.52(c)	0.74(c)	0.74(c)
Bread	200 grms.	0.13(c)	0.12(c)	0.18(c)	0.18(c)
Biscuits (local)	100	1.00	0.80	1.50	1.25
Biscuits (imp.)	½ kg.	4.00	2.50	4.25	3.00
Rice (local)	kg.	3.00	1.40	2.20	1.60
Rice (imp.)	"	0.70(c)	0.62(c)	0.84(c)	0.84(c)
Paddy	"	1.40	0.60	1.45	0.86
Maize rice	"	0.50	0.50	0.86	0.70
Macaroni (local)	"	0.98	0.98	1.64	1.10
Macaroni (imp.)	"	1.80	1.76	3.04	2.00
Vermicelli (local)	"	0.98	0.98	1.64	1.10
Lentils black	"	0.62	0.62	1.20	0.84
Dholl (imp):					
Toowar oily	"	1.50	1.00	1.04	0.84
Gram	"	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Split peas	"	0.92	0.92	1.30	1.00
Peas - dried	"	0.70	0.70	1.10	1.10
Beans - broad	"	0.60	0.60	1.28	0.84
Beans haricot	"			1.30	1.07
1. FOOD (b) Meat, fish, eggs, poultry, etc.					
Beef - fresh	kg.	2.50(c)	1.40(c)	3.10(c)	2.30(c)
Beef - salted	"	3.20	2.40	4.00	3.60
Corned beef	12 ozs.	1.15	1.06	2.38	1.85
Corned mutton	"	1.00	0.99	1.60	1.60
Sausages pork (fresh)	Kg	6.00	5.60	5.20	5.20
Sausages pork (canned)	12 ozs.	2.48	1.25	2.25	2.00
Sausages beef (canned)	"	2.00	1.20	1.90	1.70
Goat & mutton-fresh	kg.	1.20	1.20	3.40	3.40
Pork - fresh	"	5.60	4.60	4.80	4.80
Pork - salted	"	4.40	3.60	5.50	4.00
Fish - fresh	"	1.60	0.60	2.95	0.97
Fish - salted	"	1.10	1.10	1.60	1.30
Sardines in oil	4 ozs.	0.82	0.40	0.65	0.50
Salmon	16 ozs.	1.82	1.47	2.32	2.32
Herrings	"	1.30	1.04	1.20	0.95
Bombias	kg.	2.10	1.90	3.20	2.40
Snoek	"	2.00	1.50	3.20	2.20
Prawns	"	5.36	4.24	6.80	6.00
Eggs	unit	0.22	0.17	0.32	0.22
Poultry	kg.	6.00	3.50	6.50	5.50
Ham uncooked	"	2.50	2.50	10.00	8.00
Ham boiled	"	6.00	5.00	16.00	15.00
Salami	"	2.25	1.75	8.00	6.50
Bacon	"	3.75	3.25	8.50	7.80
Lamb tongue (canned)	12 ozs.	1.40	1.40	1.75	1.50
Sheep tongue (canned	"	1.40	1.40	1.75	1.50

1. FOOD (d) Cooking oils, curry stuffs and fats (ghee, lard, oil, vegetable fat), vinegar, salt, etc.

Commodity	Unit of Quantity	1948 Maximum Rs.	1948 Minimum Rs.	1953 Maximum Rs.	1953 Minimum Rs.
Coconut oil refined	litre	1.50(c)	1.25(c)	1.35(c)	1.35(c)
Groundnut oil	"	1.50(c)	1.25(c)	2.00(c)	2.00(c)
Salad oil	"	5.00	5.00	3.64	3.07
Olive oil (Plagniol)	"	16.16	12.00	6.13	4.80
Lard	Kg.	4.92	3.08	3.20	2.80
Ghee, vegetable	"	4.84	3.80	3.00	2.80
Ghee, animal	"	5.64	5.46	9.58	8.0[illegible]
Vinegar (local)	litre	0.65	0.60	0.62	0.62
Vinegar (imp.)	"	2.33	2.33	2.53	1.15
Salt fine	Kg.	0.12	0.12	0.18	0.13
Curry stuff	"	2.00	1.60	2.00	1.40
Curry powder	"	5.40	2.80	2.80	2.40
Jam	1½ lbs	1.55	1.30	1.75	1.50
Orange marmalade	2 lbs	0.75	0.75	2.00	1.50
Yorkshire sauce	Jar	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.40
Tomato sauce	1 lb	1.60	1.60	1.20	1.20
1. FOOD (e) Butter, cheese, sugar and beverages (tea, coffee, milk, etc.)					
Tea (local)	Kg.	5.60	4.80	7.95	6.00
Tea (imp.)	"	8.80	5.66	10.97	6.43
Sugar, white	"	0.44(c)	0.39(c)	0.44(c)	0.43(c)
Sugar, raw	"	0.30(c)	0.30(c)	0.30(c)	0.30(c)
Coffee	"	1.30	1.30	6.94	4.80
Cocoa	"	4.48	2.48	7.00	5.00
Chocolates	"	7.00	2.56	10.00	7.00
Butter (local)	"	7.80	6.67	7.60	6.67
Butter (imp.)	"	5.59	4.46	8.24	7.30
Margarine	32 ozs	2.83	2.80	2.75	2.75
Cheese (imp.)	Kg.	4.10	3.26	6.40	5.60
Milk, whole	litre	0.40	0.38	0.50	0.40
Milk, condensed	14 ozs	0.90	0.66	1.33	1.30
1. FOOD (f) Wines and Spirits					
Soda water	½ bottle	0.15	0.15	0.15	0.15
Lemonade	"	0.20	0.15	0.20	0.15
Wine (local)	bottle	1.50	0.60	1.50	0.65
Wine (imp.)	"	4.50	1.50	4.25	1.50
Beer	"	2.01	1.42	1.60	1.40
Ale	"	1.25	1.25	1.60	1.50
Porter	"	2.24	1.86	2.00	1.80
Brandy	"	11.00	8.50	13.50	10.50
Rum	litre	6.00	4.00	6.50	4.25
Whisky	bottle	9.05	8.78	17.00	13.00
2. CLOTHING AND GARMENTS					
Men's hats, felt	unit	33.00	5.00	27.50	8.00
Women's hats, felt	"	30.00	12.00	25.00	10.00
Women's hats, straw	"	25.00	12.00	25.00	8.00
Helmets, ord.qual.	"	9.00	5.00	10.25	8.00
Helmets, sup.qual.	"	27.00	18.00	30.00	18.00
Bonnets (tweed caps)	"	3.25	2.00	4.00	2.50
Bonnets (topees	"	12.25	3.50	18.00	4.50

2. CLOTHING AND GARMENTS (continued)

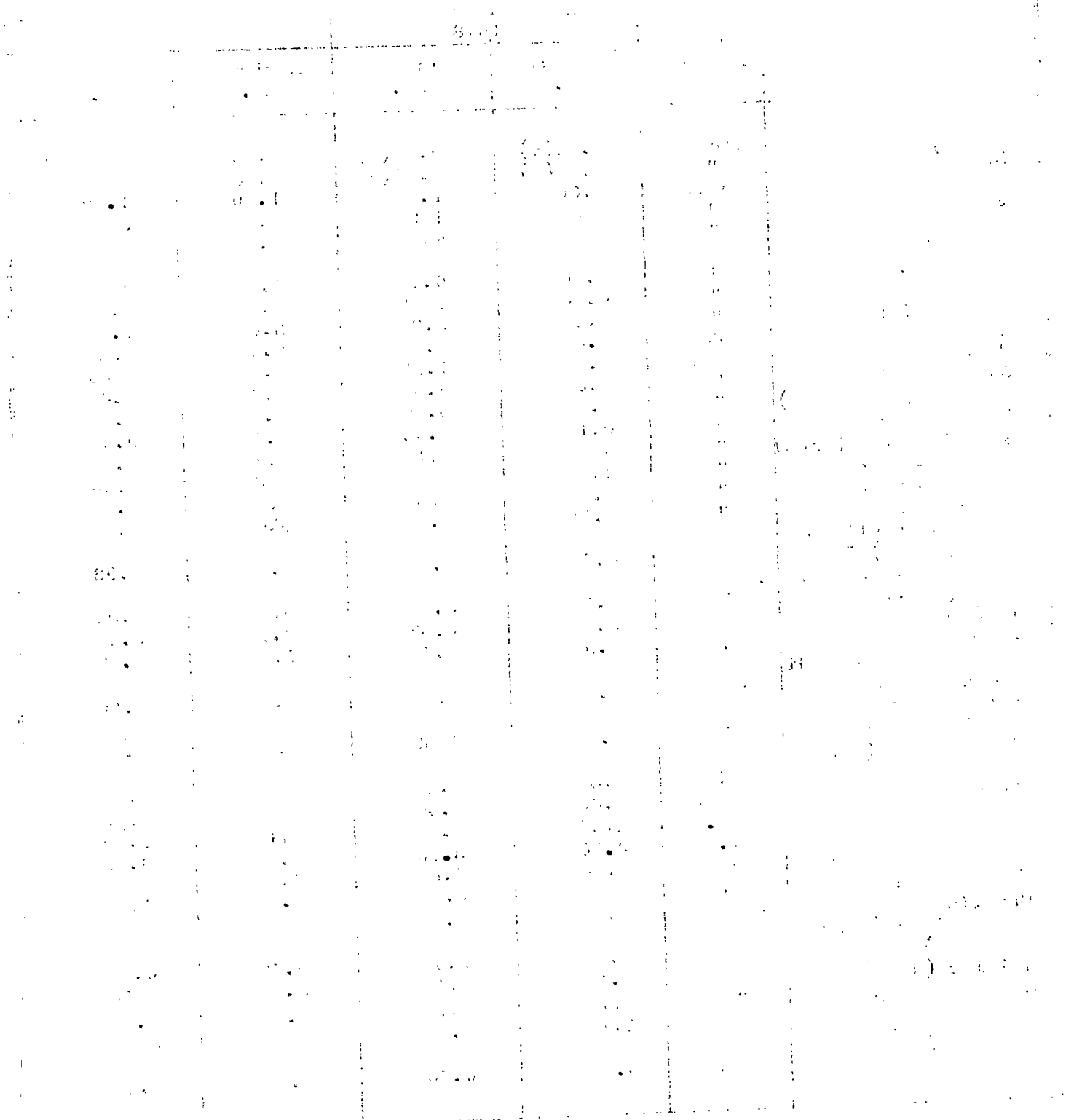
Commodity	Unit of Quantity	1948		1953	
		Maximum Rs.	Minimum Rs.	Maximum Rs.	Minimum Rs.
Sarees	unit	12.36	9.27	14.16	5.50
Handkerchiefs	"	1.50	0.50	1.75	0.85
Drill, white	metre	3.33	1.30	3.78	1.89
Drill, khaki	"	3.45	2.21	3.75	2.00
Mattress cloth	"	5.50	1.66	5.00	2.25
Serge	"	26.00	18.07	27.00	15.00
Mosquito netting	"	6.75	2.50	6.50	3.50
Silk material	"	4.09	1.26	2.75	0.90
Tweed	"	26.75	12.32	22.00	7.00
Moleskine	"	3.00	0.90	3.00	1.75
Lining material	"	3.50	0.60	4.50	2.00
Flannel	"	30.45	11.93	22.00	8.00
Regatta	"	1.50	0.75	1.20	0.85
Prints (Indienne)	"	2.60	1.25	1.75	0.90
Shirting - grey	"	2.90	1.85	1.45	0.75
Shirting - white	"	2.70	1.40	2.25	1.00
Shirts (local)	unit	12.00	3.00	10.00	3.25
Shirts (imp.)	"	19.00	7.50	29.75	14.50
Towels (ord. qual.)	"	4.50	0.75	3.00	0.85
Towels (bath)	"	6.00	2.71	11.00	4.00
Socks, cotton	pair	3.70	0.75	4.00	1.25
Socks, woollen	"	4.25	2.50	6.00	4.50
Stockings, silk (for ladies)	"	8.50	1.50	5.00	2.25
Blankets, cotton	unit	12.00	4.00	9.00	6.00
Blankets, woollen	"	52.00	20.00	75.00	37.50
Shoes, Men's	pair	36.80	14.00	50.00	15.00
Shoes, Women's	"	30.00	9.00	40.00	13.00
Shoes, Children's	"	16.00	4.00	25.00	6.00
Shoes, canvas	"	5.50	2.50	8.00	3.75
Sewing thread, cotton	300 yds	0.63	0.47	0.80	0.80
Sewing thread, D.M.C.	50 gms	1.83	1.20	2.25	2.25
Knitting wool	Kg.	29.22	16.00	40.00	16.00
Neckties inferior quality	unit	3.75	2.25	3.50	2.00
Neckties superior quality	"	7.50	4.00	12.00	5.00
Men's underwear (singlets)	"	3.50	1.25	5.00	1.50
Pullovers	"	20.00	3.50	22.50	7.00
Dhotees	"	10.00	6.50	8.50	7.00
Tussor, inferior quality	metre	3.75	2.50	3.25	2.25
Tussor, superior quality	"	12.00	8.50	9.00	5.00
3. FUEL					
Kerosene	litre	0.45(c)	0.39(c)	0.71(c)	0.70(c)
Denatured spirits	"	0.40	0.35	0.60	0.40
Power alcohol	"	0.46	0.45	0.50	0.50
Motor spirit	Imp.gal.	2.47	2.20	2.30	2.20
Charcoal	Kg.	0.20	0.16	0.24	0.20
Firewood:					
Higher grade	bundle	0.07	0.06	0.09	0.09
Higher grade	corde +	60.00	44.00	80.00	80.00

\+ 1 Corde = 2.74 cubic metres.

4. HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES

Commodity	Unit of Quantity	1948		1953	
		Maximum Rs.	Minimum Rs.	Maximum Rs.	Minimum Rs.
Soap (local)	bar of 3 lbs	2.25(c)	0.92(c)	1.40(c)	1.10(c)
Soap (imp.)	"	2.25(c)	2.23(c)	1.85(c)	1.58(c)
Cups & Saucers	unit	2.00	1.25	1.50	1.50
Plates	"	2.50	1.00	2.25	0.85
Glasses	"	1.00	0.25	1.25	0.35
Electric bulbs 16 c.p.	"	0.90	0.75	0.90	0.75
Candles	"	0.28	0.28	0.20	0.20
Writing Pads	"	2.50	0.90	3.00	1.25
Envelopes	100	2.00	0.75	3.50	1.20
Frying pans	unit	4.00	1.25	5.50	2.50
Cooking pots	"	9.00	5.00	10.00	4.00
Kettles (aluminium)	"	7.50	3.00	7.50	5.00
Safety razor blades	"	0.12	0.05	0.15	0.05
Shopping bags (vacoa)	"	0.75	0.15	0.75	0.20
Brooms - coco	"	0.25	0.25	0.30	0.30
Brooms - fatac	"	0.40	0.30	0.60	0.25
Washing blue	"	0.06	0.05	0.07	0.05
Matches, small box (local) +	"	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
Matches, small box (imp.)	"	0.16	0.06	0.07	0.05
Toilet soap	cake	0.45	0.35	0.40	0.18
Tooth paste	tube	0.90	0.75	0.75	0.70
Toilet paper - ordinary quality	roll	0.50	0.50	0.75	0.60
Toilet paper - superior quality	"	0.60	0.60	1.25	1.00
Face Powder (large box)	unit	3.50	2.25	4.25	1.50
Scrubs Ammonia	bottle	1.40	1.40	2.50	2.50
Turpentine	litre	2.50	2.50	3.10	2.50
Wax	kg.	3.00	3.00	4.00	3.20
Cleansing powder	packet	1.00	0.80	0.84	0.84
Washing soda	kg.	0.50	0.50	0.70	0.70
Creoline	litre	2.75	2.75	2.00	2.00
Boot polish (large size)	tin	0.40	0.40	0.50	0.50
Whiting (shoe)	cake	0.15	0.15	0.25	0.25
Sunlight soap	"	0.10	0.10	0.36	0.33
Metal polish	tin	1.75	0.95	2.25	0.50
Brush coco (for floors)	unit	0.50	0.50	0.40	0.30
5. TOBACCO AND CIGARETTES					
Pipe tobacco (local)	oz.	0.68	-	0.83	0.83
Pipe tobacco (imp)	"	1.70	1.25	1.63	1.31
Cigarettes (local)	50	1.90	0.70	2.50	1.00
Cigarettes (imp.)	"	3.75	2.00	3.50	2.75

\+ 40 sticks.



Retail Price Level Indices
(1948 = 100)

The figures in each column are quarterly extremes of indices

1. FOOD (a) Grains and Cereals comprising rice, maize, flour, lentils, dholl and beans

Commodity	Jan-March	Apr-June	July-Sept	Oct-Dec
Flour	132	132	132	132
Bread	144	144	144	144
Biscuits (local)	159	159	159	158
Biscuits (imported)	110	110	110	110
Rice (local)	138	119	119-106	119-94
Rice (imported)	120	120	120	120
Paddy	114	186	186	186
Maize rice	172	160	160	140
Macaroni (local)	139	139	139	140-139
Macaroni (imported)	167	135	135	124
Vermicelli	140	140	140	140
Lentils, black	177-169	169-164	164	164-153
Dholl (imported):				
Toowar oily	100	100-84	104-84	104
Gram	100	100	100	122-100
Split peas	127	127	127	127
Peas, dried	157	157	157	157
Beans, broad	191-177	177-161	170	147-135
Beans, haricots	240-234	240-220	220	212
1. FOOD (b) Meat, fish, eggs, poultry, etc.				
Beef, fresh	144	144	144	144
Beef, salted	160	160-144	144	152
Corned Beef	183	189-183	189-186	186
Corned Mutton	160	160	160	160
Sausages, pork (fresh)	90	90	90	90
Sausages, pork (canned)	131	133-131	133	133
Sausages, beef (canned)	122	122	122	122
Goat & Mutton, fresh	106	106	106	106
Fish, fresh	255-218	250-196	258-194	280-205
Fish, salted	127	122-118	122	145-122
Pork, fresh	94	94	94	94
Pork, salted	114	114-108	114	114-94
Sardines in oil	74	74	74	74
Salmon	137	137	137	137
Herrings	94	94-88	88	88
Bomblas	146	137-130	130	190-130
Snoek	140	158-148	176-148	170
Prawns	129	125-122	129-122	142-125
Eggs	147	163-153	153-126	132-121
Poultry	120	115	115	115
Ham, uncooked	333	333-300	300	300
Ham, boiled	282	282	282	282
Salami	306-267	296	296-258	334-258
Bacon	223	223	223	223
Lamb tongue - canned	113	113	113	113

1. FOOD (c) Vegetables and Fruits

Commodity	Jan.	Feb.	March	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
PERISHABLE												
Chouchou	-	388	306	96	94	100	153	150	143	143	206	168
Brinjal	74	93	128	128	88	174	234	125	131	164	175	136
Haricot, green	208	245	169	167	146	164	224	133	135	141	164	167
Pipengaille	141	135	117	108	110	131	192	131	128	162	227	181
Patolle	70	98	113	112	128	177	199	177	153	-	216	146
Andive	185	108	144	88	104	138	88	108	131	108	127	123
Green Leaf Vegetables	100	115	115	108	125	118	129	142	108	97	111	115
Pomme d'Amour	172	152	197	275	382	349	403	343	165	58	63	90
Lalo	110	115	129	146	126	157	219	163	152	163	165	140
Pumpkin	83	78	72	83	105	220	234	165	136	81	101	103
Calabash	76	69	88	130	116	202	126	202	114	135	139	101
Peas, green	148	200	267	248	250	311	232	167	148	156	200	194
Margoze	83	116	102	123	121	108	-	108	138	209	188	152
Manioc	87	131	-	100	89	93	115	110	118	104	121	142
Voëm	103	110	107	90	118	101	197	142	135	-	149	79
Petsaï	-	-	207	133	110	189	172	155	145	183	209	-
Cabbage	-	-	-	228	161	183	170	183	166	158	239	176
Cauliflower	-	-	-	-	207	153	210	111	113	153	144	-
Lettuce	114	-	149	103	100	109	100	114	111	109	109	146
Cucumber	62	113	85	120	130	114	150	131	151	117	131	106
Beetroot	90	110	-	130	125	100	103	130	90	100	105	110
Turnip	-	-	-	138	117	142	131	146	128	127	129	154
Patisson	125	150	181	175	125	129	125	129	131	106	150	138
Rave	80	128	159	144	172	181	144	176	100	124	128	160
Banana	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75	75

1. FOOD (c) Vegetables and Fruits (continued)

Commodity	Jan	Feb.	March	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
SEMI-PERISHABLE												
Potato (local)	88	110	128	157	142	198	178	141	107	114	125	114
Potato (imp.)	-	153	120	127	145	150	145	145	133	141	165	132
Arrouille - violet	94	82	82	81	71	87	78	105	96	90	85	73
Arrouille - curry	115	115	104	113	106	115	115	115	115	130	122	109
Carrot	173	246	250	315	246	218	259	218	139	137	171	129
Onion (local)	129	141	144	232	185	179	179	153	179	206	273	291
Onion (imp.)	149	140	154	168	182	182	182	161	139	128	177	218
Garlic	95	100	95	109	97	115	111	105	115	111	100	100
Ginger	141	109	129	94	129	121	98	94	86	70	88	94
Chillies, green - big	45	89	66	87	65	182	172	209	436	391	400	168
Chillies, green - small	109	111	120	112	94	141	134	281	511	382	364	177
Groundnut, dry	64	-	-	-	-	64	64	134	125	-	172	145
Groundnut, green	-	90	111	75	100	100	49	100	100	80	200	160
Sweet Potatoes	121	111	132	140	104	105	107	100	101	111	120	123
Maize (whole)	-	143	125	97	100	117	128	146	142	138	128	121
Radish	125	-	-	88	67	-	75	75	75	68	50	75
Pineapples	122	153	181	194	190	160	258	219	259	267	185	153
Oranges	155	225	154	217	-	128	116	134	133	131	118	125
Mangoes	150	-	103	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coconut, dry	93	97	85	88	97	89	82	95	90	93	84	116

- means not available.

1. FOOD (d) Cooking oils, curry stuffs and fats (ghee, oil, vegetable fat), Vinegar, salt, etc.

Commodity	Jan-March	Apr-June	July-Sept	Oct-Dec
Coconut oil, refined	90	90	90	90
Groundnut oil	92	92	92	92
Salad oil	73	67	67	67-61
Olive oil, Plagniol	30-27	30	30	35-32
Lard	95	89	89	89
Ghee, vegetable	78	78	78-67	67
Ghee, animal	167-163	166-158	166	166-159
Vinegar (local)	99	99	99	99
Vinegar (imported)	79	79	79	79
Salt, fine	109	117	117	150-117
Curry stuff	79	100-79	100-89	89
Curry powder	70	70-60	65	65
Jam	107	107	107	120-107
Orange marmalade	114	114	132-114	132
Yorkshire sauce	112	112	112	116-112
Tomato sauce	120	120	160-120	172-160
1. FOOD (e) Butter, cheese, sugar and beverages (tea, coffee, milk, etc.)				
Tea (local)	134	135	135-155	155-185
Tea (imported)	113	135-113	135	130
Sugar, white	105	105	105	105
Sugar, raw	100	100	100	100
Coffee	376-371	371-305	305	305
Cocoa	176-169	176	176	173
Chocolates	190	190	190	190
Butter (local)	99	99	99	99
Butter (imported)	155	155	155	155
Margarine	98	98	98	98
Cheese (imported)	164	164	164	164
Milk, whole	108	108	108	123-108
Milk, condensed	158	158	158	158
1. FOOD (f) Wines and Spirits				
Soda water	100	100	100	100
Lemonade	100	100	100	100
Wine (local)	105	105-94	105	98
Wine (imported)	80	80	80	80
Beer	90	90	90	90
Ale	124	124	124	124
Porter	102	102	102	102
Brandy	102	102	111	111
Rum	88	115-85	117	117
Whisky	179	173	185	185-171
2. CLOTHING AND GARMENTS				
Men's hats - felt	114	114	114	114
Women's hats - felt	83	83	83	83
Women's hats - straw	76	76	76	76
Helmets, Ordinary quality	98	98	98	98
Helmets, Superior quality	95	95	95	95
Bonnets (tweed)	133	133-120	120	120
Bonnets (topees)	188	188	188	188

2. CLOTHING AND GARMENTS (continued)

Commodity	Jan-March	Apr-June	July-Sept	Oct-Dec
Sarees	75	75	85-75	87-85
Handkerchiefs	186	186	186	186
Drill, white	118-109	116-113	115	116
Drill, khaki	117-98	98-94	94	94
Mattress cloth	151-112	107-104	107	107
Serge	97	97	97	97
Mosquito netting	121	121-91	91	103-91
Silk material	77- 74	77-74	77	77-74
Tweed	75-71	71	71	71
Moleskine	127	N.A	N.A	N.A
Lining material	248-236	236-232	232	232-212
Flannel	73	73	73	73
Regatta	106-96	96	96	98-95
Prints (Indienne)	68-65	68	68	68-63
Shirting - grey	63-49	51-47	47-46	47-45
Shirting - white	80	76-74	80-76	76-72
Shirts (local)	96	96	96	88
Shirts (imported)	171	171	171	171-134
Towels (ordinary quality)	93	93	93	93
Towels (bath)	156	156	156	156
Socks, cotton	140	140	140	140
Socks, woollen	160	160	160	160
Stockings, silk (for ladies)	103	132-103	103	103
Blankets, cotton	88	88-79	79	79
Blankets, woollen	210	210	166	166
Shoes, Men's	125	125	125	125
Shoes, Women's	131	131	131	131
Shoes, Children's	148	148	148	148
Shoes, canvas	150	150	150	150
Sewing thread, cotton	145	145	145	145
Sewing thread, D.M.C.	123	123	123	123
Knitting wool	120-116	131-116	134-120	116
Working suits	82-71	71	71-66	66
Neckties, inferior quality	87	87	87	87
Neckties, superior quality	102	102	102	102
Pullovers	77	77	77	77
Dhotees	60-54	58-54	58	58
Men's underwear (singlets)	139	139	139	139
Tussor, inferior quality	93-85	85-82	82	85
Tussor, superior quality	88-82	78	73-67	67
3. FUEL				
Kerosene	165	165	165	165
Denatured spirit	145	145-118	118	118
Power alcohol	109	109	109	109
Motor spirit	92	96-92	96	96
Charcoal	122	122	122	122
Firewood:				
Higher grade (bundle)	150	150	150	150
Higher grade (corde +)	151	151	151	151

N. A. = Not available

\+ A corde = 2.74 cubic metres.

4. HOUSEHOLD REQUISITES

Commodity	Jan-March	Apr-June	July-Sept	Oct-Dec
Soap (local)	78	78	78	78-69
Soap (imported)	82	82-77	77	77-71
Cups and Saucers	123	123	123	123
Plates	114	114	114	114
Glasses	109	109	109	109-101
Electric bulbs (16 c.p.)	94	94	94	94
Candles	71	71	71	71
Writing pads	135	135	135	135
Envelopes	168	168	168	168
Frying pans	169	169	169	169
Cooking pots	96	96	96	96
Kettles (aluminium)	119	119	119	119
Safety razor blades	113	113	113	113
Shopping bags (vacoa)	117	117	117	117
Brooms - coco	120	120	120	140-120
Brooms - fatac	186-157	186-114	114-94	94
Washing blue	100	100	100	100
Matches, small box (local) +	100	100	100	100
Matches, small box (imported)	117	117	100	100
Toilet soap	144	144	144	100
Tooth paste	72	72	72	72
Toilet paper, Ordinary quality	123	123	123	100
Toilet paper, Superior quality	128	128	128	128
Face powder (large box)	176	176	176	191
Scrubs Ammonia	125	125	125	125
Turpentine	127	127	127	127
Wax	185	185	185	185
Cleansing powder	168	168	168	168
Washing soda	233	233	233	233
Creoline	125	125	125	125
Boot polish (large size)	104	104	104	104
Whiting (shoe)	139	139	139	139
Sunlight soap	106	106	106	97
Metal Polish	129	129	129	129
Brush coco (for floors)	175	175	175-140	140
5. TOBACCO AND CIGARETTES				
Pipe tobacco (imported)	208	208	208	208
Pipe tobacco (local	122	122	122	122
Cigarettes (local)	131	131	131	131
Cigarettes (imported)	110	110	110	110

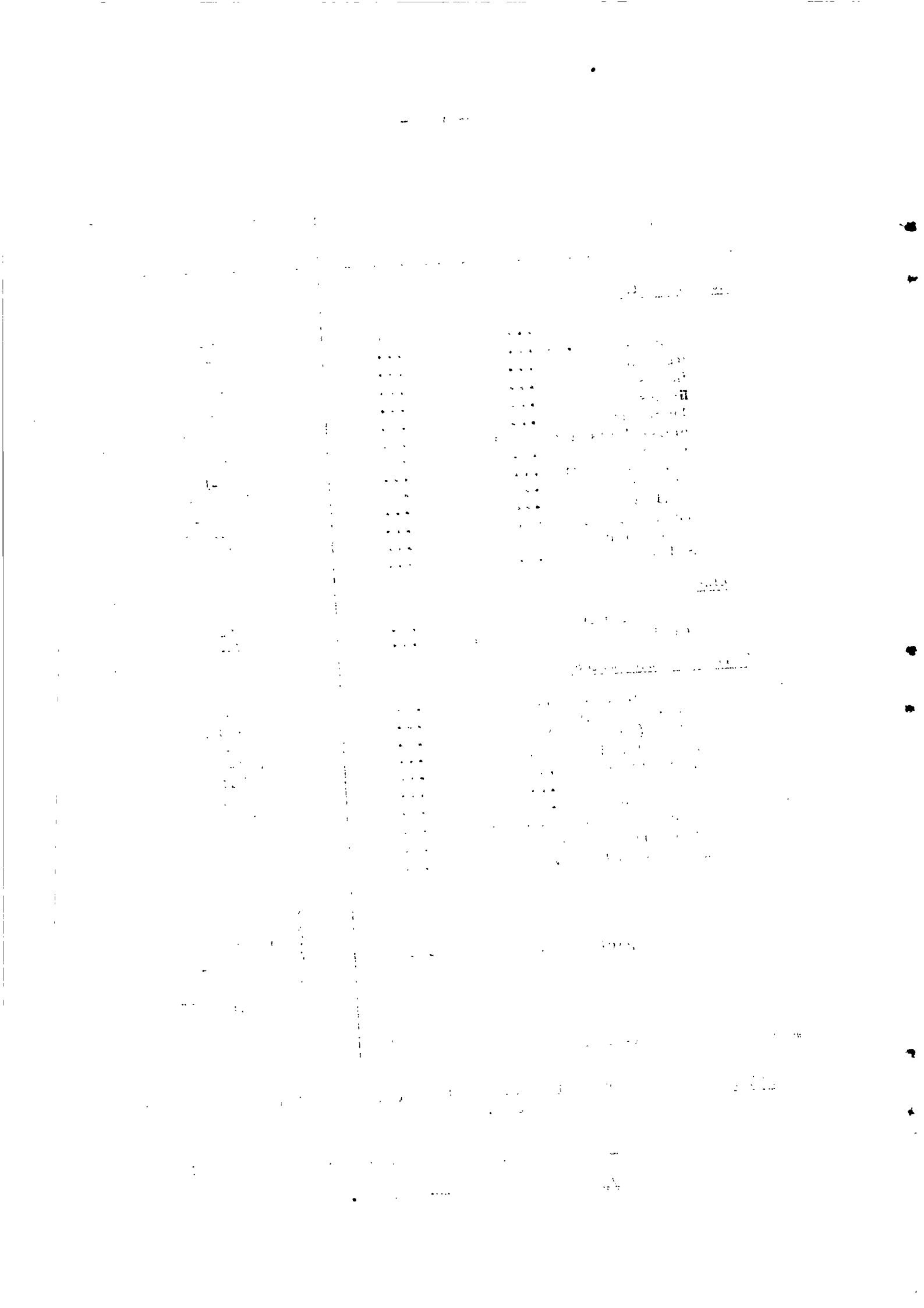
+ 40 sticks.

Commodity	Indices
IRONMONGERY	
Nails	294–100
Screws	208–100
Rivets	133
Locks	100
Hooks	167–100
Iron wire	185–171
Brass bars and sheets ...	120
Tacks	100
Bolts and nuts	167–100
Hinges	140–100
Padlocks	133–120
Iron bars and plates ...	167–133
Steel bars	100
Solder	208
TOOLS	
Agricultural tools ...	147–83
Metal and woodwork tools ...	150–78
BUILDING MATERIALS	
Glass plates	100–83
Paint, prepared ...	207–125
Paint (powder) ...	140–100
Linseed oil	137–89
Turpentine	187
Cement	180
Lead pipe	110–100
Corrugated iron sheets ...	148
Plain iron sheets ...	200
Wood, local	130 +
Wood, imported	139 @ 155–122 x 137 // 150–130 ++

NOTE:- The highest and lowest values of the indices are quoted.

\+ Eucalyptus; @ Singapore; x Keruing

// Mahogany; ++ Teak.



Market price fluctuations of vegetables and fruits

Commodity	Unit of quantity	Maximum during year	Minimum during year	Fluctuation
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
PERISHABLE				
Chouchou	kg.	0.73	0.15	0.58
Brinjal	"	0.60	0.13	0.47
Haricot vert	"	1.17	0.62	0.55
Pipengaille	"	0.77	0.33	0.44
Patolle	"	0.53	0.16	0.26
Andive	"	0.60	0.34	0.32
Green Leaf Vegetables	"	0.56	0.24	0.32
Pomme d'Amour	"	2.70	0.25	2.35
Lalo	"	0.97	0.45	0.52
Pumpkin	"	0.85	0.21	0.64
Calabash	"	0.40	0.14	0.26
Peas Green	"	2.80	1.20	1.60
Margoze	"	1.05	0.50	0.55
Manioc	"	0.26	0.16	0.10
Voëm	"	0.87	0.33	0.54
Petsaï	unit	0.36	0.11	0.25
Cabbage	"	0.50	0.11	0.39
Cauliflower	"	0.86	0.31	0.55
Lettuce	"	0.15	0.06	0.09
Cucumber	"	0.29	0.05	0.24
Turnip	"	0.12	0.07	0.05
Patisson	"	0.15	0.06	0.09
Rave	"	0.13	0.03	0.10
Banana	"	0.04	0.02	0.02
beetroot	"	0.15	0.07	0.08
SEMI-PERISHABLE				
Potato (local)	kg.	1.33	0.62	0.71
Potato (imported	"	0.90	0.66	0.24
Arrouille - violet	"	0.34	0.25	0.09
Arrouille - curry	"	0.34	0.27	0.07
Carrot	"	0.90	0.32	0.58
Onion (local)	"	2.60	1.00	1.60
Onion (imported)	"	1.30	0.61	0.69
Garlic	"	2.45	1.70	0.75
Chilly green (big)	"	2.40	0.25	2.15
Chilly green (small)	"	8.00	1.23	6.77
Sweet potato	"	0.29	0.20	0.09
Maize (whole)	"	0.69	0.45	0.24
Radish	unit	0.05	0.02	0.03
Pineapple	"	1.12	0.39	0.73
Orange	"	0.50	0.16	0.34
Coconut (dry)	"	0.45	0.28	0.17
Ginger	kg.	0.45	0.23	0.22

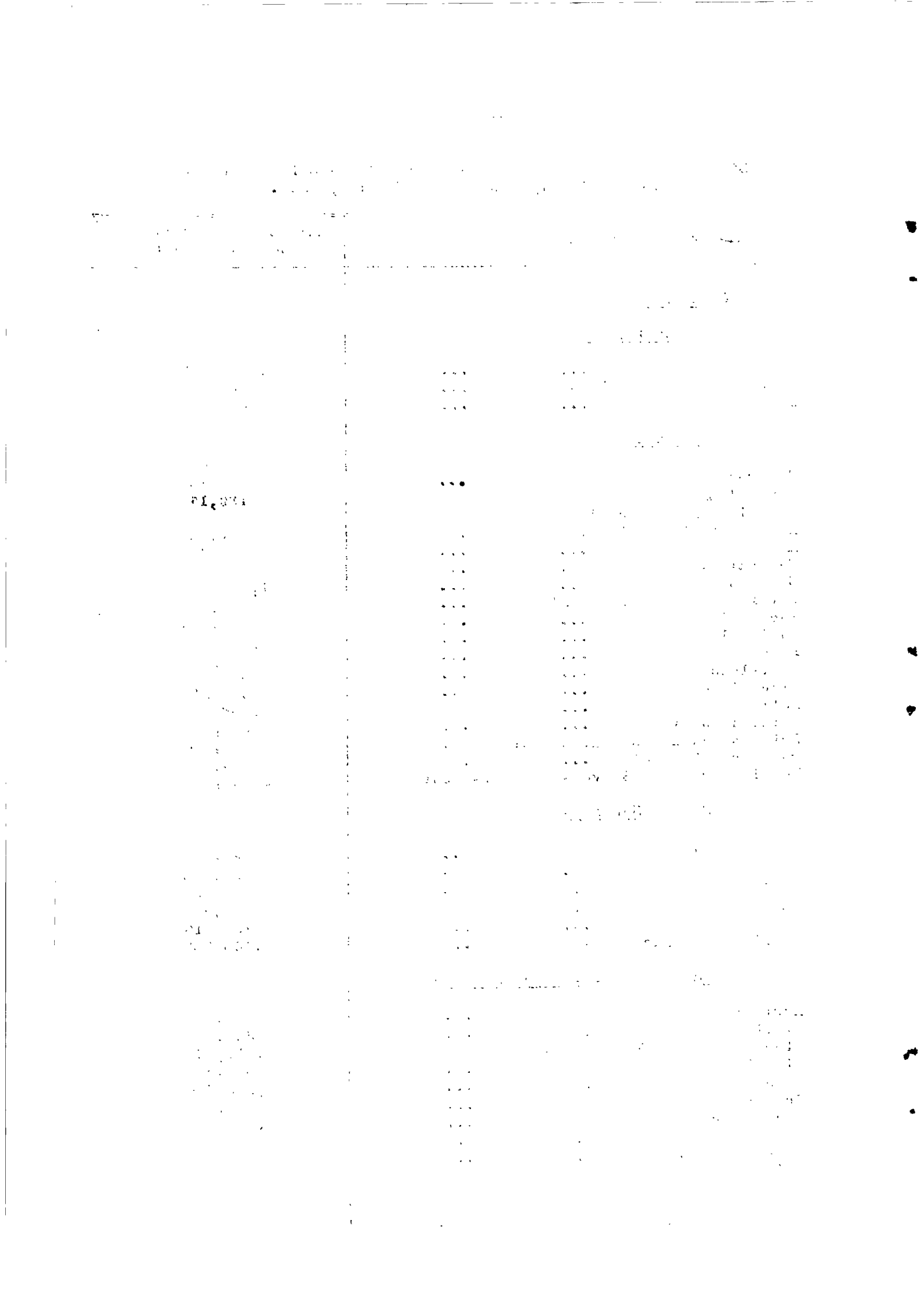
F I N A N C E

Statement of the public Revenue of the Colony for the period 1st July, 1952 to 30th June, 1953.

HEAD OF REVENUE	Actual Revenue to 30th June, 1953
CURRENT RECEIPTS	
Direct Taxes	
Taxes on Income ...	29,819,598
Taxes on Capital ...	559,575
Contribution to Social Security	887,095
Indirect Taxes	
Customs Duties ...	21,615,749
Taxes on Commerce and Industry:-	
(a) Excise Duty ...	13,915,852
(b) Licences ...	2,748,621
Taxes on Transportation ...	1,638,189
Taxes on Financial Transactions	3,683,900
Receipts from Public Utilities	
Civil Aviation ...	68,524
Electricity and Telephones ...	1,268,650
Harbour and Quays ...	1,659,835
Posts and Telegraphs ...	1,337,276
Sanitation and Sewerage ...	214,012
Water and Irrigation ...	462,700
Wireless and Broadcasting ...	183,840
Receipts from Public Services	
Accountant General ...	11,547
Agriculture ...	568,574
Audit ...	32,900
Archives ...	2,160
Central Administration ...	18,000
Customs and Excise ...	241,937
Education ...	188,394
Fire Services ...	37,534
Forests ...	1,305,468
Health ...	131,302
Judicial ...	182,852
Labour ...	15,560
Miscellaneous ...	1,870,544
Police ...	84,172
Printing ...	59,017
Prior Charges Reimbursed ...	22,336
Prisons ...	14,485
Public Assistance ...	11,751
Public Works and Surveys ...	641,560
Rental of Government Property	474,079
Interest and Royalties	2,207,020
TOTAL CURRENT RECEIPTS	88,179,608
CAPITAL RECEIPTS	
Repayments of Loans and Advances	1,826,580
TOTAL CAPITAL RECEIPTS	1,826,580

Statement of the public Expenditure of the Colony for the period 1st July, 1952 to 30th June, 1953.

HEAD OF EXPENDITURE	Actual Expenditure to 30th June, 1953
ORDINARY	
Prior Charges	
Public Debt	3,165,115
Public Service Pensions ...	6,219,962
Defence	1,113,309
Governance	
Governor	193,197
Central Administration ...	1,189,178
District Administration ...	167,149
Accountant General	521,235
Audit	254,728
Central Statistical Office ...	191,488
Customs and Excise	1,442,917
Development Establishment ...	500,000
Income Tax	322,339
Judicial	1,173,577
Legal	215,697
Legislature	674,613
Miscellaneous	2,575,216
Police	5,168,684
Printing Office	649,242
Prisons and Industrial School ...	1,076,864
Registrar General	293,292
Public Works and Surveys Establishment	2,525,685
Social Services	
Ecclesiastical	423,488
Education	12,124,582
Health	8,407,699
Labour	437,246
Mauritius Institute	109,919
Public Assistance	3,103,863
Public Utilities and Services	
Agriculture	2,035,488
Civil Aviation	539,084
Electricity and Telephones ...	2,970,402
Fire Services	557,560
Forests	2,249,798
Granary	267,841
Harbour and Quays	2,185,535
Observatory	282,716
Posts and Telegraphs	1,917,748
Railways	2,699,284



Statement of the public Expenditure of the Colony for the period 1st July, 1952 to 30th June, 1953 (continued)

HEAD OF EXPENDITURE	Actual Expenditure to 30th June, 1953
ORDINARY (continued)	
Investment	
Public Works (Recurrent) ...	6,157,050
TOTAL ORDINARY	76,102,785
EXTRAORDINARY	
Public Works (Non-Recurrent) ...	4,557,323
TOTAL EXTRAORDINARY	4,557,323
Special Expenditure ...	643,689
Subventions ...	1,727,044
Emergency Services ...	5,889,975
Loan Redemption ...	9,238
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	88,930,054

NOTE The foregoing statements of Revenue and Expenditure have been presented in a new form designed by the Financial Secretary to facilitate accounting and analysis, and to enhance expenditure control.

Statement of Assets and Liabilities of the Public Treasury as at 30th June, 1953

LIABILITIES	Rs.	ASSETS	Rs.
Deposits	3,262,191	Cash, General	7,389,128
Mauritius Development & Welfare Fund	11,975,626	Remittances in Transit ...	1,081,041
Loan Fund Unexpended ...	125,064	Advances	30,516,670
Joint Colonial Fund ...	3,373,334	Investments:-	
Special Funds - Deposits held on account of various Special Funds	54,928,109	Surplus Funds	22,890,936
		Various Special Funds ...	49,018,733
Reserve Fund	12,000,000	War Savings Certificates ...	150,000
General Revenue Balance ...	25,382,184		
	111,046,508		111,046,508

Financial position of the Colony as at 30th June, 1953

REVENUE	Rs.	EXPENDITURE	Rs.
General Revenue Balance as at 30th June, 1952	23,092,111	Ordinary Expenditure Rs.82,393,724	
Ordinary Revenue Rs.89,149,097		Extraordinary Expenditure Rs. 5,892,641	
Extraordinary Revenue -		Special Expenditure Rs. 643,689	88,930,054
Special Revenue Rs. 857,091	90,006,138	General Revenue Balance as at 30th June, 1953	25,382,184
Appreciation on Investments	1,213,939		
	114,312,238		114,312,238

SIX YEARS' SUMMARY OF PUBLIC REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE

Annual Revenue and Expenditure 1948 - 1953 (excluding transfers to & from the Reserve Account and Supplementary Sinking Fund)

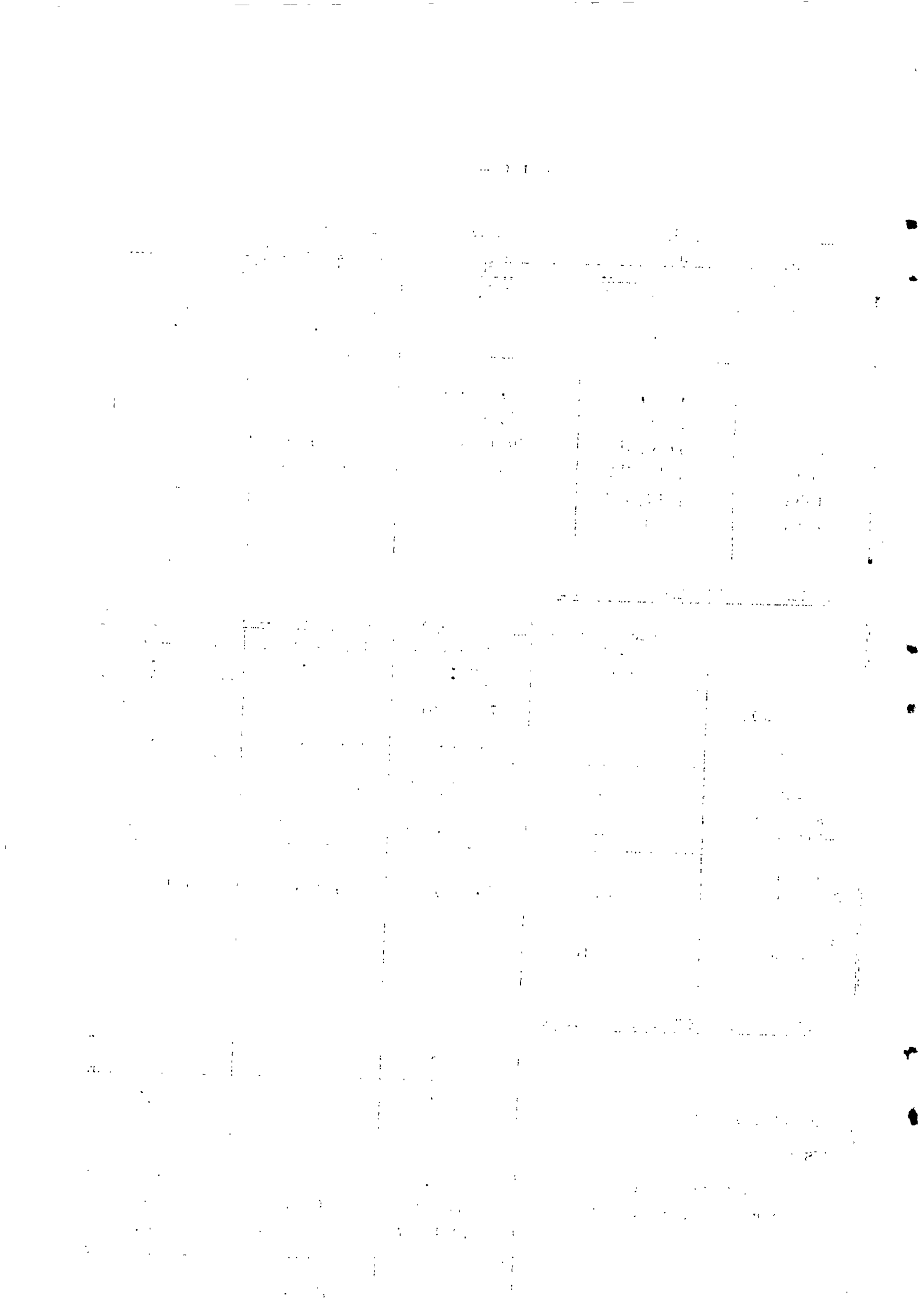
Year ended 30th June	Revenue Rs.	Expenditure Rs.	Surplus Rs:	Deficit Rs.
1948	39,856,646	49,147,495	-	9,290,849
1949	46,271,893	44,000,757	2,271,136	-
1950	55,100,214	50,106,975	4,993,239	-
1951	60,315,772	55,809,013	4,506,760	-
1952	82,612,696	73,861,434	8,751,262	-
1953	90,006,188	88,930,054	1,076,134	-

YIELD OF POLL TAX/INCOME TAX.

	Prewar average 1936 - 1939 Rs.	FINANCIAL YEAR 1950 - 1951 Rs.	1951 - 1952 Rs.	1952 - 1953 Rs.
Individuals	598,062	7,416,018	11,383,666	12,030,241
Companies		9,899,559	15,728,894	17,770,037
TOTAL	598,062	17,315,577	27,112,560	29,800,278
Excess Pro -fit Tax	-	6,682	814	19,319
Total Collected	598,062	17,322,259	27,113,374	29,819,597
Ratio to prewar	100	2,896	4,534	4,986

REVENUE COLLECTED ON TOBACCO

	1951	1952	1953
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
EXCISE REVENUE	4,440,639	5,419,433	4,697,327
CUSTOMS REVENUE :			
Manufactured Tobacco	8,920	12,398	17,497
Imported cigars & cigarettes	652,166	1,012,524	1,383,411
Imported leaf	2,001,695	2,395,245	3,255,231
Total	7,103,420	8,839,600	9,353,466



Revenue collected on Distillery Produce.

	1950 - 1951	1951 - 1952	1952 - 1953
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Exported alcohol	25	-	-
Rum	3,808,729	4,860,681	7,824,541
Denatured spirits (including power alcohol)	18,970	20,920	20,148
Wines	1,109,762	1,416,966	1,104,050
Vinegar	1,195	1,041	947
Drugs and Tinctures	2,070	1,410	2,012
Perfumes	5,185	5,066	6,890

Public Debt.

The total Public Debt of the Colony on 30th June, 1953, was Rs.62,316,428 and the Sinking Fund held against the Public Debt aggregated Rs.6,605,020. The comparable figures on the 30th June, 1952, were Rs.67,840,678 and Rs.10,694,102 respectively.+

Statement in respect of compassionate allowances paid from funds of the Colony.

Financial Year	Number of pensioners at beginning of year	Number of new pensioners	Number of pensions which ceased during the year	Actual expenditure Rs.
1946-1947	452	34	17	73,079
1947-1948	469	27	69	72,126
1948-1949	427	33	39	73,284
1949-1950	421	39	34	74,279
1950-1951	426	29	29	71,108
1951-1952	426	28	29	74,385
1952-1953	425	24	23	69,054

The item expenditure comprises:

(i) Compassionate allowances;

(ii) Allowances paid to maimed and disabled artisans.

Statement in respect of Pensions paid by the Civil Service Widows' and Orphans' Pension Fund

Calendar Year	Number of pensioners at beginning of year	Number of new pensioners	Number of pensions which ceased during the year	Actual expenditure Rs.
1950	1,268	38	35	415,102
1951	1,271	52	25	421,745
1952	1,298	62	42	435,301
1953	1,318	62	51	447,671

+ The decrease in Public Debt is mainly accounted for by the redemption of the 6% Mauritius Loan, 1922.

Statement in respect of Pensions and Gratuities to Public Servants paid from funds of the Colony

Financial year	Number of pensioners at beginning of year	Number of new pensioners	Number of pensions which ceased during the year	Actual Expenditure Rs.
1945 - 1946	940	55	60	1,319,636
1946 - 1947	935	79	43	1,496,744
1947 - 1948	971	85	73	1,334,529
1948 - 1949	982	74	67	1,470,804
1949 - 1950	989	72	40	1,505,661
1950 - 1951	1,021	55	70	1,593,290
1951 - 1952	1,006	60	46	1,598,859
1952 - 1953	1,020	87	57	1,793,933

The item expenditure comprises:

(i) Pensions and Gratuities on retirement;

(ii) Death gratuities of Pensioners;

(iii) Death gratuities of recipients of compassionate allowances who were formerly holders of non-pensionable offices;

(iv) Death gratuities to heirs of deceased public officers;

(v) Pensions and Gratuities to members of the Labour Batalion who served in World War I.

Statement in respect of Old Age Pensions paid from funds of the Colony

Calendar Year	Number of pensioners	Actual Expenditure Rs.
1950	10,545 x	845,390
1951	13,965	2,340,613
1952	12,304	2,200,740
1953	19,002	3,180,364

x including 57 Blind Persons aged 40 and over.

Amounts of Public Funds expended in relieving various types of destitution - 1948 - 1953

Calendar Year	Outdoor relief	Indoor relief	Relief work	Old Age Pensions+	Contribution to Welfare Organizations			School for the Blind	T O T A L
					Maternity & Child Welfare Society	Milk for poor mothers & babies	Expenditure on free meals		
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1948	600,016	225,520	42,973	-	42,375	4,800	6,666	6,000	928,350
1949	703,841	220,968	55,464	-	47,900	4,800	6,315	6,800	1,046,088
1950	794,704	231,606	51,312	845,390	49,851	7,400	6,806	6,800	1,993,869
1951	1,024,382	234,979	59,400	2,340,613	41,575	16,162	8,296	6,800	3,732,207
1952	1,596,437	359,344	60,262	2,200,740	99,773	17,600	14,044	15,000	4,363,200
1953	2,106,678	360,991	65,193	3,180,364	42,904	30,712	15,232	15,000	5,817,074

+ Scheme instituted on 1st July, 1950.

Comparative approved public expenditure on different Social Services of the Colony for the financial year 1953 - 1954

Social Services	Administration (salaries)	Other Expenditure (including travelling)	Total	% of the estimated revenue of the Colony
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
Public Assistance	516,038	5,079,040 +	5,595,078	5.8
Social Welfare	200,992	202,250	403,242	0.4
Prisons & Industrial School	864,972	404,190	1,269,162	1.3
Health	3,959,299	7,282,410	11,241,709	11.6
Education	5,399,023	7,813,260	13,212,283	13.6
Relevant Subventions	-	91,750	91,750	0.1
Total	10,940,324	20,872,900	31,813,224	32.8

+ Includes Old Age Pensions.

SUBSIDIZATION OF STAPLE FOODSTUFFS

Financial Year	1949 - 1950	1950 - 1951	1951 - 1952	1952 - 1953
Amount of Expenditure	Rs.300,451	Rs.2,635,612	Rs.2,582,767	Rs.4,773,392

MAURITIUS DEVELOPMENT & WELFARE FUND

Statement of Revenue for the period 1946 - 1953

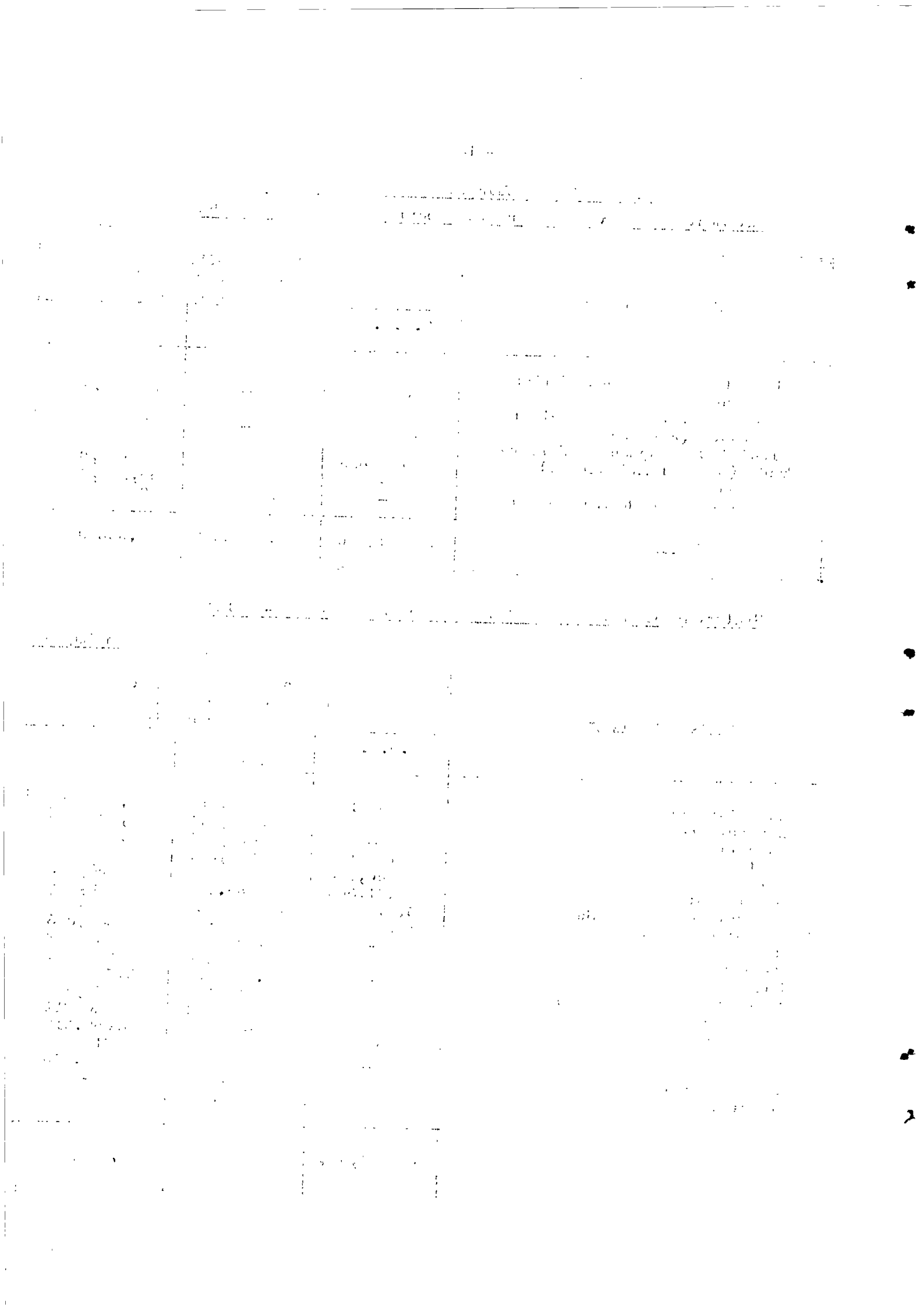
In Rupees

HEADS OF REVENUE	TOTAL REVENUE From 1st July 1946 To 30th June 1953		
	C.D.F.	Other Sources	Total
Colonial Development & Welfare Fund	11,053,529	-	11,053,529
Colonial Development & Welfare Fund (Research)	1,689,352	-	1,689,352
Colonial Development & Welfare Fund (Central Allocation)	138,629	-	138,629
Loan Funds	-	36,277,269	36,277,269
Subventions and Reimbursements	-	20,794,288	20,794,288
TOTAL	12,881,510	57,071,557	69,953,067

Statement of Expenditure for the period 1946 - 1953

In Rupees

HEADS OF EXPENDITURE	TOTAL EXPENDITURE From 1st July 1946 To 30th June 1953		
	C.D.F.	Other Sources	Total
Administration	156,100	3,067,414	3,223,514
Agriculture	-	2,560,141	2,560,141
Education	-	1,065,711	1,065,711
Health	5,142,129	653,957	5,796,086
Nutrition	30,263	230,346	260,609
Settlement	471,500	68,442	539,942
Irrigation & Water Supplies	5,019,618	11,708,020	16,727,638
Buildings	1,677,891	3,976,177	5,654,068
Roads	-	2,935,676	2,935,676
Research	1,900,406	4,990,258	6,890,664
Sugar Industry	-	5,728,908	5,728,908
Scholarships and Training Grants	38,125	35,723	73,848
Sewerage	-	320,611	320,611
Secondary Industries	-	3,069,515	3,069,515
Forestry	18,033	692,643	710,676
Housing	-	2,320,000	2,320,000
Experimental Farms	-	-	-
Rodrigues	-	99,833	99,833
TOTAL	14,454,065	43,523,375	57,977,440



The revenue of the Development and Welfare Fund over the ten-year period + is to be derived from the following sources:

	Rs.
Colonial Development and Welfare Fund (the Colony's allocation under the Colonial Development and Welfare Acts)	23,333,300
Colonial Development and Welfare Fund (Research)	2,266,000
Colonial Development and Welfare Fund (Central Allocation)	385,500
Loan (to be raised in Mauritius & the United Kingdom)	60,500,000
Subventions and Reimbursements (from local Funds and General Revenue	22,413,595
Rs.	108,898,395

The details of the contributions from local sources are:

	Rs.
Surplus Funds	11,300,000
Mauritius 3% Loan 1961	3,140,754
War Risk Insurance Fund	770,405
Contributions from Revenue	6,450,000
Miscellaneous other receipts ...	752,436
Rs.	22,413,595

A summary of the expenditure incurred to the 30th June, 1953, and of the expenditure to be incurred during the ten-year period is given in the table below:

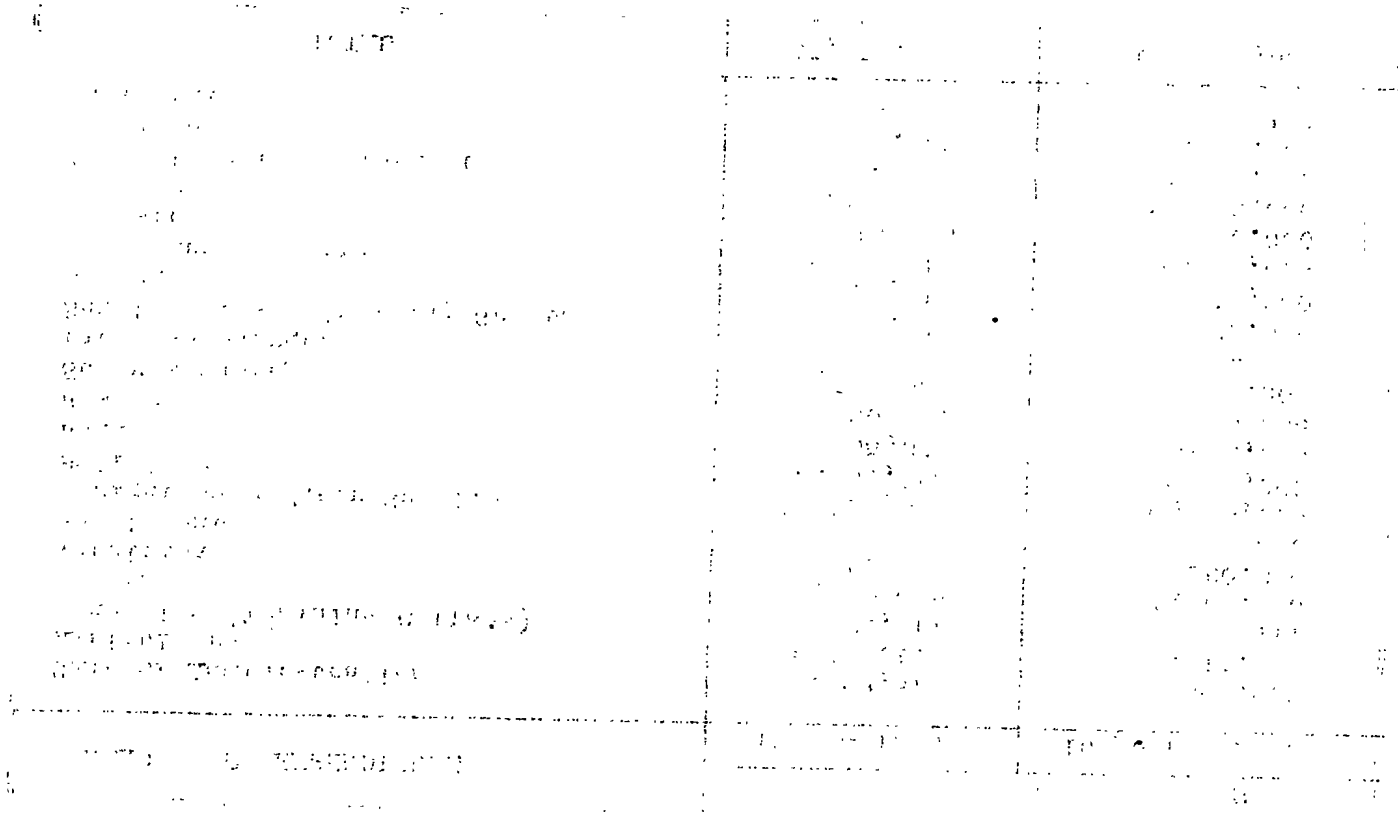
In Rupees

HEAD OF EXPENDITURE	PERIODS	
	1946 - 1953	10 year period
Central Administration	3,223,514	2,500,000
Agriculture	2,560,141	4,615,000
Education (Training College)	1,065,711	1,065,711
Health	5,796,086	6,000,000
Nutrition	260,609	260,609
Settlement	539,942	830,000
Irrigation & Water Supplies	16,727,638	35,825,000
Buildings	5,654,068	12,900,000
Roads	2,935,676	2,842,000
Research	6,890,664	8,000,000
Sugar Industry	5,728,908	5,728,908
Interest Charges	-	-
Scholarships & Training Grants	73,848	370,000
Sewerage	320,611	712,000
Secondary Industries	3,069,515	8,275,000
Forestry	710,676	750,000
Housing	2,320,000	10,625,000
Agricultural Development	-	5,000,000
Rodrigues	99,833	1,600,000
Unallocated	-	999,167
TOTAL	57,977,440	108,898,395

The expenditure for the period 1946 - 1953 was financed as follows:

	Rs.
From the Colonial Development & Welfare Fund	14,454,067
From Loan Funds	24,890,438
From Subventions and Reimbursements	18,632,935
Rs.	57,977,440

+ 1st July, 1946 to 30th June, 1956



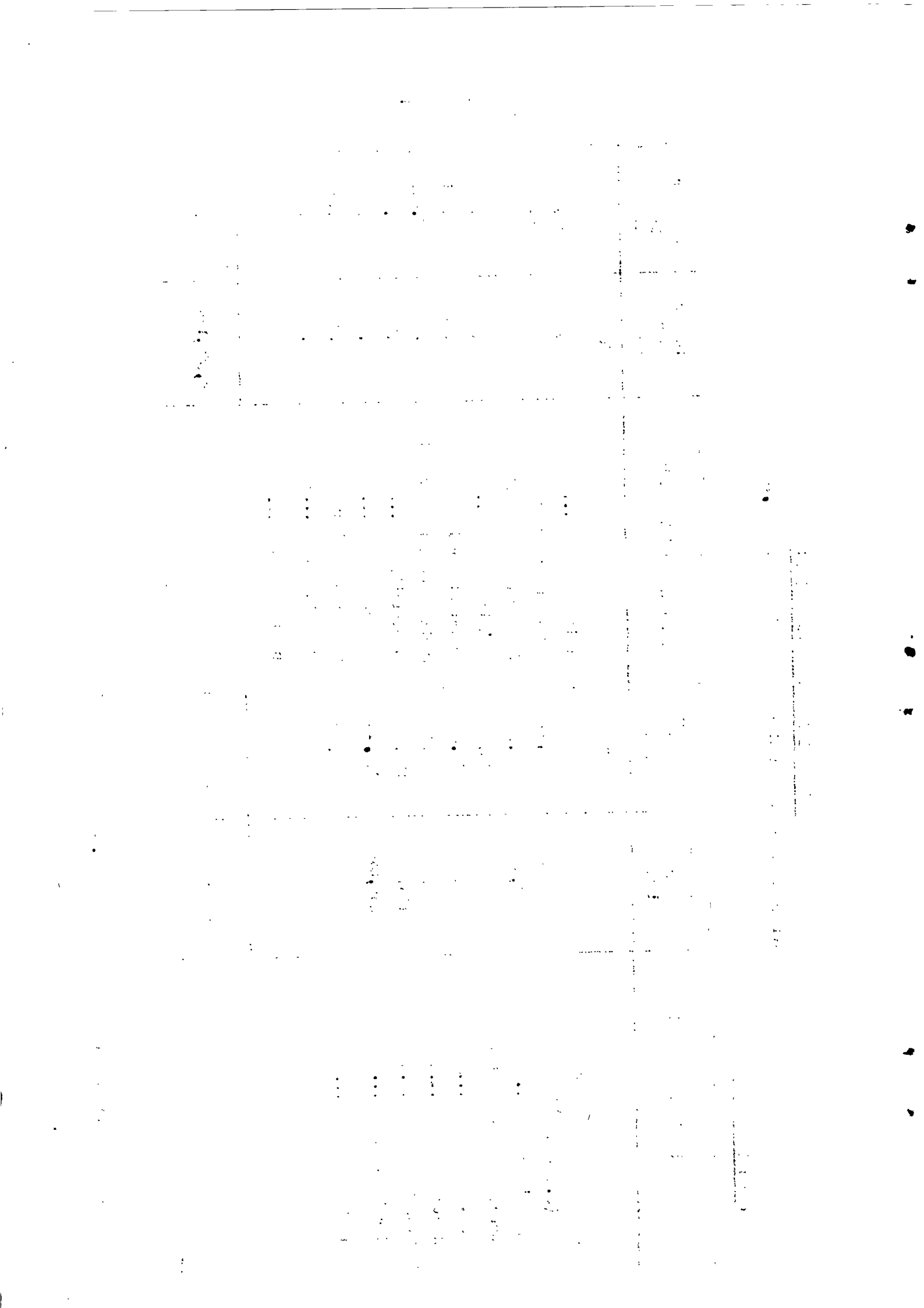
MUNICIPALITY OF PORT LOUIS +

Estimated population on 31st December 1953 = 72,750

Local Government

REVENUE	Calendar year 1952	Calendar year 1953	EXPENDITURE	Calendar year 1952	Calendar year 1953
	Rs	Rs		Rs	Rs
Rate on Immovable properties (0.8 - 2.0%)	750,922	804,002	Public Debt ...	177,227	216,032
Tenant's Tax ...	75,295	97,264	Pensions and Gratuities	61,320	60,474
Government contribution	858,252	412,842	The Mayor and Council	41,604	94,382
Rents ...	302,250	201,876	Establishments ...	123,702	72,092
Electricity ...	628,204	698,039	Municipal Services	436,218	920,881
Water Supply ...	115,884	151,625	Public Recreation & Education	29,832	127,014
Miscellaneous ...	238,368	352,348	Electricity ...	803,746	589,424
Closing Balance ...	-	149,776	Fire Brigade ...	211,839	334,172
			Special Expenditure	756,239	268,139
			Miscellaneous ...	56,427	85,162
			Closing Balance ...	271,011	-
	2,969,165	2,867,772		2,969,165	2,867,772

+ Strictly within Municipal limits.



TOWN COUNCIL OF CUREPIPE

Estimated Township population on 31st December 1953 = 23,100

REVENUE	Financial year 1952 - 53	Estimates Financial year 1953 - 54	EXPENDITURE	Financial year 1952 - 53	Estimates Financial year 1953 - 54
	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.
Rate of 1 - 2% on immovable properties	323,931	340,000	Administrative services	252,488	246,478
Tenant's Tax	36,400	37,000	Pensions or gratuities	39,685	26,403
Government Contribution	110,000	340,198	Social services @	200,061	167,300
Receipts from Public Utilities +	23,709	25,000	Public Utilities and Services	73,852	85,850
Receipts from Public Services	57,199	55,550	Public Works	244,663	189,000
Rents	81,495	92,778	Construction of office Buildings	25,724	195,897
Miscellaneous	18,967	16,042	Public Debt - Interest & instalment on capital	72,484	101,563
Closing Balance	257,256	105,923			
	908,957	1,012,491		908,957	1,012,491

+ Include Markets and Abattoir @ Include Sanitary Services and Public Entertainment

NOTE: During the periods under review, the following loans were granted to the Town Council.

Source	1952 - 53	1953 - 54
Government (Colonial Development and Welfare)	600,000	180,000
Sugar Industry Welfare Fund ...	300,000	700,000

TOWN COUNCIL OF QUATRE BORNES

Estimated Township Population on 31st December 1953 = 18,200

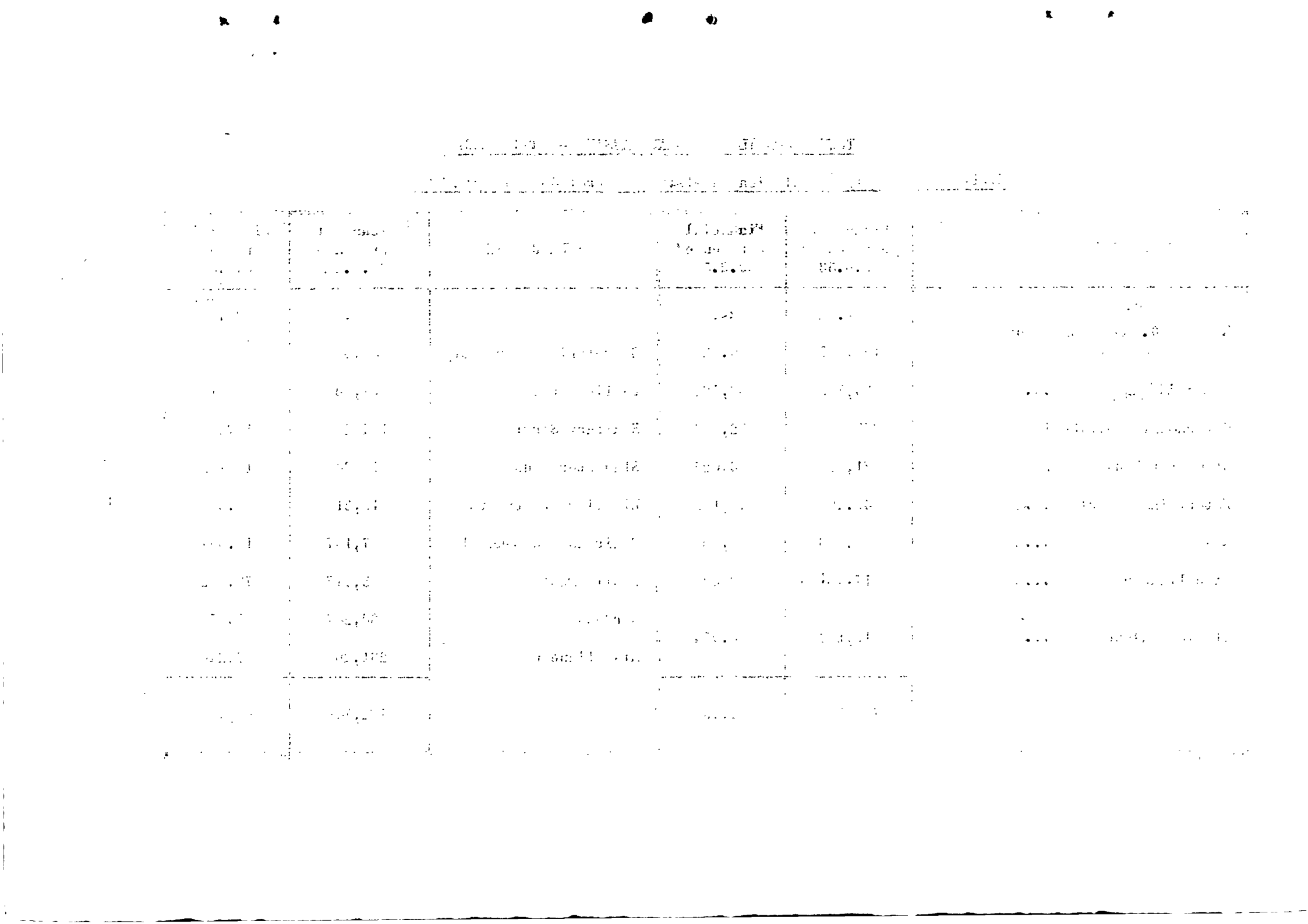
REVENUE	Financial year ended 30.6.53	Estimates Financial year ended 30.6.54	EXPENDITURE	Financial year ended 30.6.53	Estimates Financial year ended 30.6.54
	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.
Rate of 1% on immovable properties	82,066	105,000	Secretariat & Treasury	33,446	39,096
Tenant's tax ...	12,332	16,000	Public Works	177,531	100,250
Government contribution	238,392	106,242	Sanitary Services	44,344	51,518
Miscellaneous ...	40,053	47,300	Markets & Lighting of streets	20,690	21,733
			Miscellaneous	47,271	61,473
			Closing Balance	49,561	472
	372,843	274,542		372,843	274,542



TOWN COUNCIL OF BEAU BASSIN - ROSE HILL

Estimated Township Population on 31st December 1953 = 29,600

REVENUE	Financial year ended 30.6.53	Financial year ended 30.6.54	EXPENDITURE	Financial year ended 30.6.53	Financial year ended 30.6.54
	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.	Rs.
Rate of 0.6 - 1% on immovable properties	157,920	170,794	Secretariat & Treasury	52,493	63,401
Tenant's Tax ...	30,789	36,765	Public Works	207,739	97,816
Government contribution	370,560	172,140	Sanitary Services	114,235	118,366
Slaughter House & Markets	71,423	83,025	Slaughter House	14,605	15,132
Entertainment duty ...	49,497	46,192	Lighting of streets	19,519	20,356
Rents ...	54,906	89,668	Chairman and Council	7,197	18,557
Miscellaneous ...	17,461	42,838	Public Debt	85,417	70,952
			Gardens	30,247	17,676
Closing Balance ...	10,192	43,074	Miscellaneous	231,296	262,240
	762,748	684,496		762,748	684,496



Total Sale-proceeds of sugar

Crop Year	Export proceeds + Rs.	Index	Local sale proceeds Rs.	TOTAL sale proceeds Rs.
1938	40,853,310	100	1,865,695	42,719,005
1939	32,971,853	81	1,996,428	34,968,281
1940	51,607,586	126	2,179,602	53,787,188
1941	52,825,931	129	2,420,044	55,245,975
1942	62,372,994	153	2,972,517	65,345,511
1943	57,709,112	141	3,450,197	61,159,309
1944	46,452,857	114	4,673,487	51,126,344
1945	45,951,025	113	4,516,256	50,467,281
1946	79,002,383	193	5,813,192	84,815,575
1947	111,658,797	273	6,490,700	118,149,497
1948	133,657,301	327	6,435,766	140,093,067
1949	151,433,186	371	7,080,562	158,513,748
1950	182,434,053	447	7,861,440	190,295,493
1951	219,337,613	537	7,133,770	226,471,383
1952	230,451,162	564	7,178,694	237,629,856
1953⊙	266,000,000	651	8,000,000	274,000,000

\+ These values exclude only insurance, freight and London brokerage. They include the value of Preference Certificates.

⊙ Estimated.

AVERAGE RATE OF EXCHANGE WITH LONDON

Average selling rate for demand drafts on London :

By Banks : Rs.13.40 per £ sterling.

By Public : Rs.13.20 per £ sterling.

NOTES AND COINS IN CIRCULATION

	Notes	Coins
	Rs.	Rs.
During 1st quarter 1953	49,126,000	3,317,400
During last quarter 1953	56,098,000	3,500,400

TRENDS IN CIRCULATION OF CURRENCY

30th June	Notes and Coins	Ratio to prewar
1937 - 1939 (average)	Rs. 11,142,490	100
1948	Rs. 30,426,835	273
1949	Rs. 31,226,835	280
1950	Rs. 34,726,835	312
1951	Rs. 37,135,407	336
1952	Rs. 45,673,000	410
1953	Rs. 51,443,400	462

BANKING STATISTICS

Particulars of Trading Banks in Mauritius

Statement as at 31st December, 1953

(Unit = Rs.1,000)

LIABILITIES		ASSETS	
1. Notes in circulation	-	1. Cash	4,629
2. Deposits (i) Demand	88,281	2. Balances due by other banks in the Colony	946
(ii) Time	10,332	3. Balances due from banks abroad	71,694
(iii) Savings	3,118	4. Loans & Advances :	
3. Balances due to:		(a) Primary Production (including process -ing of primary products)	9,786
(a) Other banks in the Colony	1,316	(b) Other Industries (including Commerce & Distribution)	10,495
(b) Banks abroad	4,781	(c) Other Advances	17,803
4. Other liabilities etc.	16,586	5. Investments (a) Local	1,770
		(b) Other	2,326
		6. Other Assets	4,965
Total Liabilities	124,414	Total Assets	124,414

MAURITIUS GOVERNMENT SAVINGS BANK+

Year	Number of depositors on 30th June	Amount of deposit during the financial year ended 30th June	Amount of withdrawals during the financial year ended 30th June	Total amount to credit of depositors on 30th June
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1938	40,551	2,142,250	2,070,852	6,815,120
1939	42,896	2,233,886	2,189,713	7,053,802
1946	55,022	9,394,676	7,657,246	17,180,346
1947	58,582	8,384,791	9,128,123	16,835,091
1948	62,630	7,394,575	7,474,334	17,147,123
1949	66,830	8,497,113	6,932,581	19,139,629
1950	68,701	9,393,451	8,945,238	20,043,925
1951	74,021	9,854,999	9,126,527	21,242,304
1952	78,465	13,668,612	11,045,096	24,380,985
1953	79,108	14,300,760	12,948,099	25,346,852

BANK DEPOSIT FIGURES

30th June	Savings Bank	Trading Bank	Total
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1940	7,121,852	10,515,972	17,637,824
1941	6,778,385	15,246,332	22,024,717
1942	6,972,194	23,032,902	30,005,096
1943	8,917,074	31,889,362	40,806,436
1944	12,122,810	36,433,543	48,556,353
1945	15,064,637	36,064,424	51,129,061
1946	17,180,346	35,432,919	52,613,265
1947	16,835,094	40,975,158	57,810,252
1948	17,147,123	40,432,039	57.579,162
1949	19,139,629	46,765,173	65,904,802
1950	20,043,925	56,978,356	77,022,281
1951	21,242,304	63,401,345	84,643,649
1952	24,380,985	71,440,617	95,821,602
1953	24,778,105	70,812,001	95,590,106

TREASURY

The deposits as at 30.6.53 amounted to Rs.3,262,191

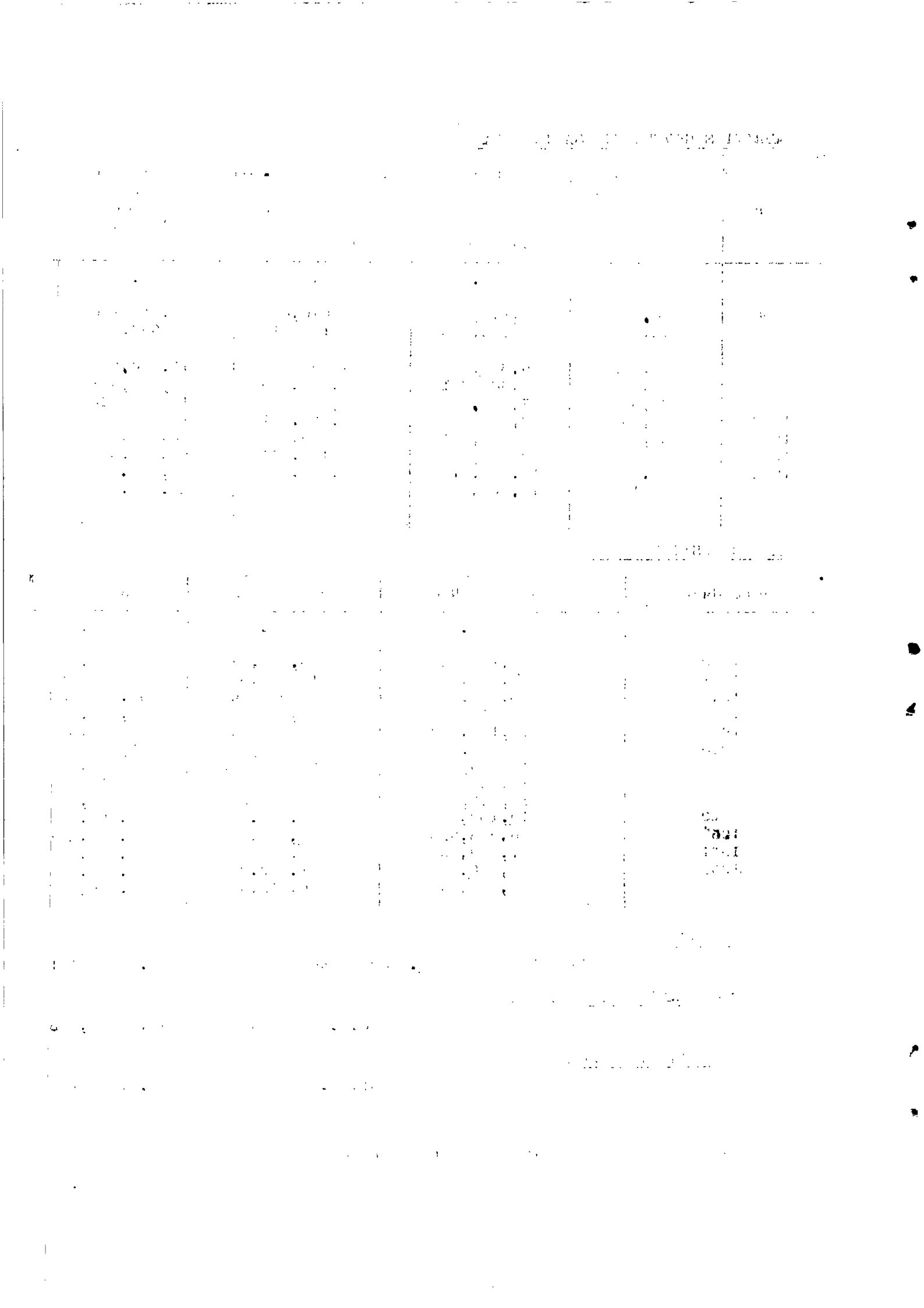
CO-OPERATIVE CENTRAL BANK LIMITED

The total deposits as at 30.6.53 amounted to Rs. 805,482

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES

The total deposits as at 31.12.53 amounted to Rs.1,526,168

\+ Bank pays interest at the rate of 2½%.



MAURITIUS AGRICULTURAL BANK

Agricultural loans granted as at 31st December, 1953	Number of loans	Amount Rs.
1. Agricultural Bank loans:		
Agricultural loans	334	26,358,735
Industrial loans	2	189,693
Housing loans	331	5,179,117
2. Government Loans:		
(a) The Hurricane Loan Ordinance 1945		
(i) Repairs to Industrial buildings	57	2,234,557
(ii) Replantation of sugar-cane lands	194	9,855,606
(iii) Rebuilding & Repairing houses	351	255,309
(b) The Sugar Industry (Rehabilita-tion of factories & Rolling Stock Ordinance 24/1948)	27	4,296,681
(c) The Aloe Fibre Industry (Development loan) Ord. No.72/1952.		
(i) for aloe plantations	5	194,750
(ii) for aloe factories	5	134,000
		48,918,663

Mortgages subscribed by small planters at the Mauritius Agricultural Bank as at 31st December, 1953 :

Number of loans	...	329
Amounts outstanding	...	Rs.1,412,257 x

x Out of which Rs.384,963 due for loans under the Hurricane Loan Ordinance 1945.

Estimated Indebtedness of the Sugar Industry + - 30th April, 1953

			In Rupees
1.	Amount due on Hurricane Loan 1931 (Ordinance 16 of 1931)		1,158,505
2.	Amount due on Hurricane Loan 1945 (Ordinance 2 of 1945)		
	(i) Art. 6 (1) (a) Buildings	2,281,753	
	(ii) Art. 6 (1) (b) Plantations	10,572,156	12,853,909
3.	Rehabilitation Loan (Ord. 24 of 1948)		4,324,245
4.	Amount due to the Mauritius Agricultural Bank		23,507,592@
5.	Other Mortgages: Factory Estates	8,152,342	
	Planters (estimated)	4,500,000	12,652,342
	TOTAL		54,496,593

\+ Secured by Mortgages.

@ Excludes loans made to the Tea Industry but includes small loans made to concerns engaged in mixed farming such as cane and tobacco, cane and aloe, cane and forestry.

THE BALANCE OF PAYMENTS 1951 - 1953

Item	1951 +			1952 *			1953 *		
	Credit	Debit	Balance	Credit	Debit	Balance	Credit	Debit	Balance
CURRENT TRANSACTIONS									
Total goods and services	270,034	225,295	+ 44,739	296,144	254,637	+ 41,507	305,921	349,893	- 43,972
Total Donations	4,158	3,603	+ 555	7,007	6,008	+ 999	7,604	6,024	+ 1,580
TOTAL CURRENT TRANSACTIONS	274,192	228,898	+ 45,294	303,151	260,645	+ 42,506	313,525	355,917	- 42,392
CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS									
I Private Capital movements	650	2,000	- 1,650	942	6,229	- 5,287	672	3,541	- 2,869
II Official & banking capital movements	33,042	58,566	- 25,524	21,000	71,823	- 50,823	17,800	31,044	- 13,244
TOTAL CAPITAL TRANSACTIONS	33,692	60,566	- 26,874	21,942	78,052	- 56,110	18,472	34,585	- 16,113
GRAND TOTAL	307,884	289,464	+ 18,420	325,093	338,697	- 13,604	331,997	390,502	- 58,505

\+ Final figures

* Provisional figures

FORMATION OF CAPITAL

In the past issues of the Year Book were published figures of Capital Formation in respect of the years 1949 to 1952.

The Second Conference of Colonial Governments' Statisticians held in London in 1953 fully considered a memorandum prepared by the United Nations Statistical Office entitled " Concepts and Definitions of Capital Formation " and made certain recommendations to be adopted gradually by the Colonial Territories.

The estimates prepared on those lines differ from the previous ones in two important respects:

(i) Durable Consumer Goods are now excluded from " Purchase of Capital Goods and Equipment " and

(ii) The value of work in progress in the building industry is now included under " New Buildings and Public Works ".

In order to facilitate comparison the following table gives the figures of Gross Capital Formation from 1948 computed in accordance with the new definitions.

GROSS CAPITAL FORMATION - 1948 - 1953

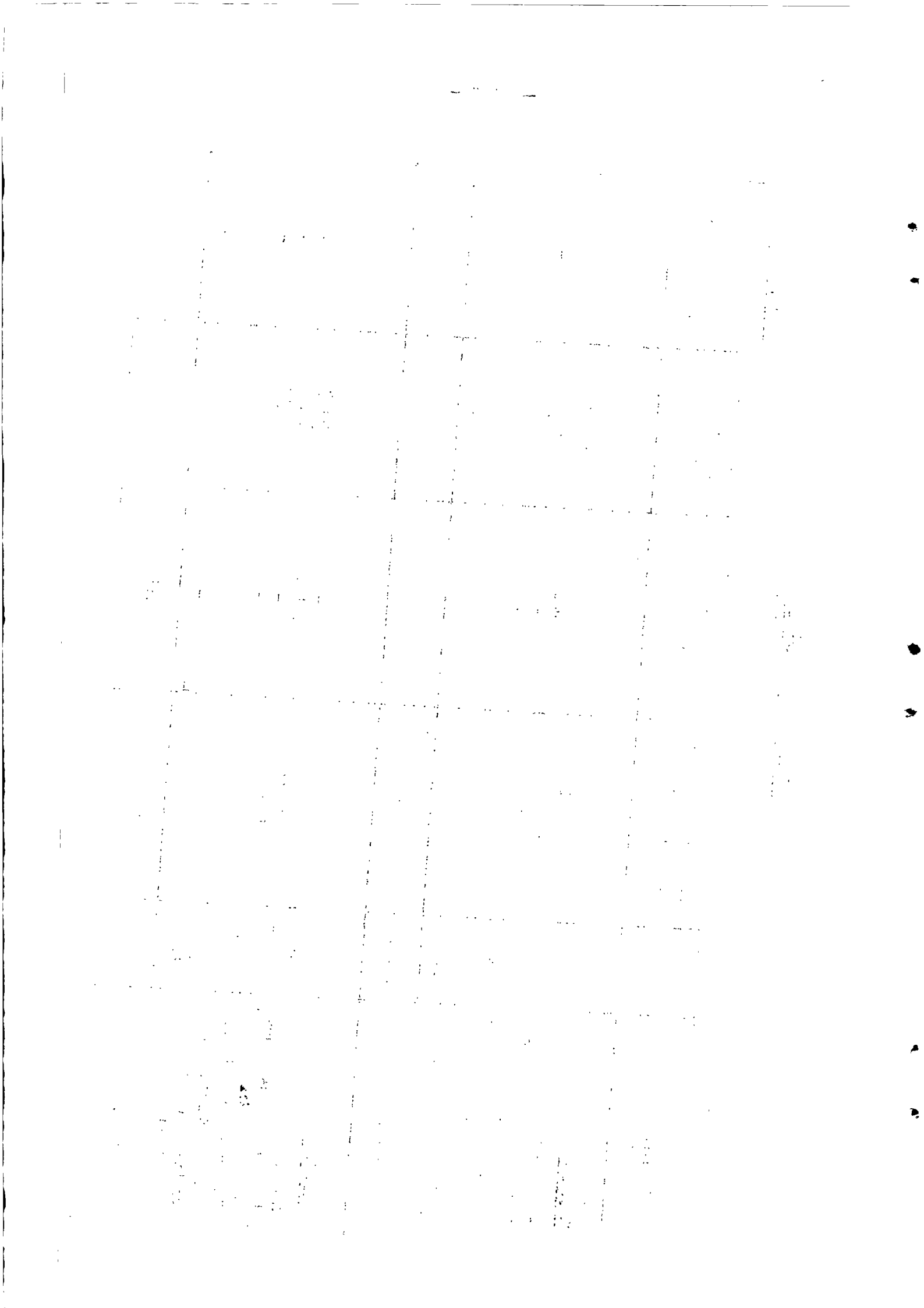
Unit Rs.1,000

Year	Total	Purchase of capital goods & equipment	Domestic production of capital goods & equipment	New buildings & public works	Capital sunk in plantations and silviculture
1948	40,127	17,603	150	19,274	3,100
1949	54,921	27,957	500	21,674	4,790
1950	64,598	34,467	1,050	24,581	4,500
1951	72,647	33,750	1,480	33,067	4,350
1952	86,137	34,852	2,050	44,945	4,290
1953	90,581	38,253	2,115	47,389	2,824

FORMATION OF CAPITAL

Unit Rs.1,000

Industry	Total	Purchase of capital goods and equipment	Domestic production of capital goods & equipment	New buildings & public works	Capital sunk in plantations and silviculture
YEAR 1952					
Agriculture	11,853	2,221	-	5,342	4,290
Industry & Manufactures	23,038	15,725	2,050	5,263	-
Transport (Road & Rail)	20,565	15,948	-	4,617	-
Commerce & Distribution	1,454	483	-	971	-
Housing, Sanitation, Public Buildings & Constructional Works	29,227	475	-	28,752	-
Total	86,137	34,852	2,050	44,945	4,290
YEAR 1953					
Agriculture	8,042	1,795	-	3,423	2,824
Industry & Manufactures	28,320	20,403	2,115	5,802	-
Transport (Road & Rail)	19,604	14,889	-	4,715	-
Commerce & Distribution	3,216	914	-	2,302	-
Housing, Sanitation, Public Buildings & Constructional Works	31,399	252	-	31,147	-
Total	90,581	38,253	2,115	47,389	2,824



CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES

The number of societies on the Register at the close of the last co-operative year (30th April, 1953) was 275 comprising the following types of societies:

Central Bank	...	...	1
Credit Unlimited	...	...	146
Credit Limited	...	...	2
Marketing	...	...	2
Thrift and Savings	...	...	38
Co-Operative Union	...	...	1
Housing	...	...	2
Federation of Credit Societies		...	1
Consumers' Stores & Canteen		...	64
Printing	...	...	1
Transport	...	...	2
School Savings	...	...	13
Wholesale	...	...	1
Better Living	...	...	1
			275

WORKING CAPITAL

In Rupees

	1950 - 1951		1951 - 1952		1952 - 1953	
	Mauritius	Rodri-gues	Mauritius	Rodri-gues	Mauritius	Rodri-gues
Central Bank	2,063,618	-	2,180,962	-	2,796,286	-
Credit Limited	615	2,101	639	2,183	625	2,301
Credit Unlimited	2,959,676	38,081	3,198,054	39,750	3,920,084	45,242
Consumers' Stores and Canteen	269,874	-	375,584	-	451,483	-
Marketing	3,014	-	5,452	-	14,632	-
Thrift & Savings	103,970	-	140,848	-	174,866	-
Co-Operative Union	-	-	-	-	10,005	-
Housing	4,483	-	2,351	-	5,216	
Federation of Credit Societies	124	-	57,248	-	42,134	-
Printing	-	-	10,273	-	28,123	-
Transport	-	-	7,678	-	38,106	-
School Savings	-	-	-	-	7,948	-
Wholesale	189,930	-	137,091	-	122,123	-
Total	5,595,304	40,182	6,116,180	41,933	7,612,531	47,543

CREDIT SOCIETIES OF UNLIMITED LIABILITY

At the end of April, 1953, the number of societies in the oldest field of activity, i.e. Credit of the Unlimited Liability type, in active operation in Mauritius was 128 and in Rodrigues 20 (making a grand total of 146) comprising a membership of 7,721 and 346. The owned capital was Rs.976,218 and Rs.34,624 respectively. Loans granted during the co-opera-tive year, i.e. during the period 1st May, 1952 to 30th April, 1953, amounted to Rs.4,422,978 in Mauritius and Rs.49,984 in Rodrigues. While loans are given exclusively for agricultural purposes, there is a certain proportion for purchasing cattle and repairing carts, repairing buildings, freeing land from debt, etc. The great bulk of the loans are naturally made in connection with cane cultivation and have been applied for the purposes of cultivation, purchase of chemical fertilizers, manure and reaping the crop. Apart from this, in places where the raising of tobacco, tea, foodcrops and vegetables is practised, an appreciable proportion of the available capital has been applied for the purpose of raising these crops.

CLASSIFICATION OF LOANS GRANTED IN UNLIMITED LIABILITY SOCIETIES FOR THE YEAR 1952 - 1953 (Mauritius only)

	No. of loans	% of total	Amount Rs	% of total
PRODUCTIVE				
1. Cultivation	10,589	91.52	3,862,628	87.33
2. Buying cattle, carts & lorries	100	0.87	20,282	0.46
3. Repairing buildings	261	2.26	131,257	2.96
4. Purchasing land	126	1.08	94,796	2.15
5. Paying cost of Notarial Deeds	9	0.08	841	0.02
6. Medical aid and others	110	0.95	95,697	2.16
Total	11,195	96.76	4,205,501	95.08
UNPRODUCTIVE				
1. Payment of debts	305	2.64	194,069	4.39
2. Marriage and others	70	0.60	23,408	0.53
Total	375	3.24	217,477	4.92
Grand Total	11,570	100.00	4,422,978	100.00

Number of members drawing loans during the year 1952 - 1953 4,798

Number of members indebted as at 30th April, 1953 4,426

Average size of loans held by members as at 30th April, 1953 Rs.803

RATES OF INTEREST CHARGED ON LOANS TO MEMBERS

		%
13	Societies charging	6
7	" "	6½
38	" "	7
11	" "	7½
38	" "	8
2	" "	8½
9	" "	9
6	" "	10
	Average rate of interest :	
	In Mauritius	7.5
	In Rodrigues	6.5

THRIFT AND SAVINGS SOCIETIES

The number of Thrift and Savings Societies registered during the co-operative year 1952 - 1953 was 38. The total membership was 1,704 whilst the total savings at 30th April, 1953, i.e. the close of the co-operative year, amounted to Rs.126,734. All the societies are situated in the rural districts. The following table shows the distribution of societies according to districts:

District	No. of Societies	No. of Members	Total Savings Rs.	Amount Withdrawn Rs.	Working Capital Rs.
Pamplemousses	8	480	33,205	38,774	25,296
Rivière du Rempart	2	135	49,420	21,826	57,207
Flacq	7	260	10,661	4,303	26,474
Grand Port	11	465	18,565	14,677	33,474
Savanne	2	68	1,955	5,016	6,829
Plaines Wilhems	8	296	12,928	10,811	22,895
Total	38	1,704	126,734	95,407	172,175

CONSUMERS' SOCIETIES

As at 30th April, 1953, sixty four co-operative stores were on the Register and sixty three were in operation. The following is a statement of the business of the Consumers' Societies for 1952 - 1953.

District	No. of Stores	Membership 1952 - 53	Paid up Share Capital 1952 - 53	Total Sales 1952 - 53	Net Profit 1952 - 53	Reserve Funds 1952 - 53
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Port Louis	7	878	15,205	302,244	2,757	4,035
Pamplemousses	12	1,515	39,227	864,048	25,579	20,527
Rivière du Rempart	6	765	13,688	402,675	10,738	9,815
Flacq	7	981	14,583	355,460	5,871	6,834
Grand Port	5	768	10,946	248,210	5,929	3,261
Savanne	2	337	4,709	157,030	5,014	3,442
Plaines Wilhems	17	2,730	67,261	1,323,463	29,435	24,404
Moka	7	939	16,428	462,201	13,694	8,175
Black River	1	253	2,584	89,421	3,389	2,118
Total	64	9,166	184,631	4,204,752	102,406	82,611
Canteen	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wholesale	1	62	27,550	2,920,911	13,043	9,574

MARKETING SOCIETIES

There were two Co-operative Societies in operation during the co-operative year 1952 - 1953, viz: the Crève Coeur Co-operative Marketing Society and a co-operative Milk Society.

GINGER

The principal statistics pertaining to the Crève Coeur Marketing Society during each of the co-operative years 1950 - 1951, 1951 - 1952 and 1952 - 1953 are as follows:

	1950 - 1951	1951 - 1952	1952 - 1953
Number of members	284	307	355
Quantity of ginger marketed	125,500 kgs	355,881kgs	223,605kgs
Value ...	Rs. 38,730	Rs.129,059	Rs. 83,477
Gross Profit	Rs. 165	Rs. 160	Rs. 339
Net Profit ...	Rs. 114	Rs. 121	Rs. 223
Reserve ...	Rs. 396	Rs. 1,853	Rs. 1,974

SUGARCANE

The number of members of co-operative credit societies electing to engage in the co-operative sale of their sugarcane through the agency of their societies in respect of the 1952 crop totalled 5,917. The tonnage of canes thus sold amounted to 374,201 metric tons, while the quantity of sugar received in return for the canes supplied totalled 28,282 metric tons, and represented 75.58 kilos of sugar per ton of canes on an average. In addition, the members of some societies also received 10 kilos of molasses and 5 kilos of scums per ton of canes. In all other cases, the equivalent in sugar of these by-products was paid to them.

MILK

The principal statistics relating to the Belle Vue Maurel Milk Society which started business on the 1st August, 1952, are given herebelow:-

Number of members	495
Share capital	Rs. 2,645
Quantity of milk marketed	208,382 litres
Value of milk sold	Rs. 58,347
Net loss	Rs. 1,850

The following table illustrates the position of societies relative to the fluctuations:

(i) in the tonnage of canes produced; (ii) in the quantum of sugar received per ton of canes, and (iii) in the amount of money controlled at the end of each of the last ten years.

Crops	No. of members selling canes	Tonnage of canes sold	Tonnage of sugar received	Average quantum of sugar received per ton of canes	Average price of sugar ex-Sugar Syndicate per 100 kilos	Amount controlled by Societies
		M/Tons	M/Tons	Kilos	Rs.	Rs.
1943	2,101	95,082	6,680	70.25	17.50	1,167,000
1944	2,451	73,845	5,236	70.90	20.97	1,097,905
1945	2,931	63,363	4,648	73.19	25.03	1,165,394
1946	2,904	141,815	10,510	74.10	24.96	2,623,030
1947	2,885	170,257	12,824	75.33	28.77	3,688,951
1948	3,603	181,860	14,128	77.68	30.24	4,272,331
1949	3,998	197,738	15,941	80.25	32.87	5,240,421
1950	4,688	261,154	20,906	80.05	36.30	7,589,602
1951	5,524	360,542	26,474	73.43	41.19	10,905,446
1952	5,917	374,201	28,282	75.58	44.28	12,521,755

Central Bank

The Mauritius Co-Operative Central Bank Limited was registered on the 8th October, 1948, with 97 member societies (89 co-operative credit societies and 8 co-operative stores) and a paid up share capital of Rs.19,600. The managing committee consists of 16 members, 13 of which are elected and 3 nominated by the Registrar, Co-Operative Department. The Committee selects its own Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

The principal statistics relating to the Co-Operative Central Bank at the end of each of the Co-Operative financial years, 1950 - 51, 1951 - 52 and 1952 - 53 are as follows :

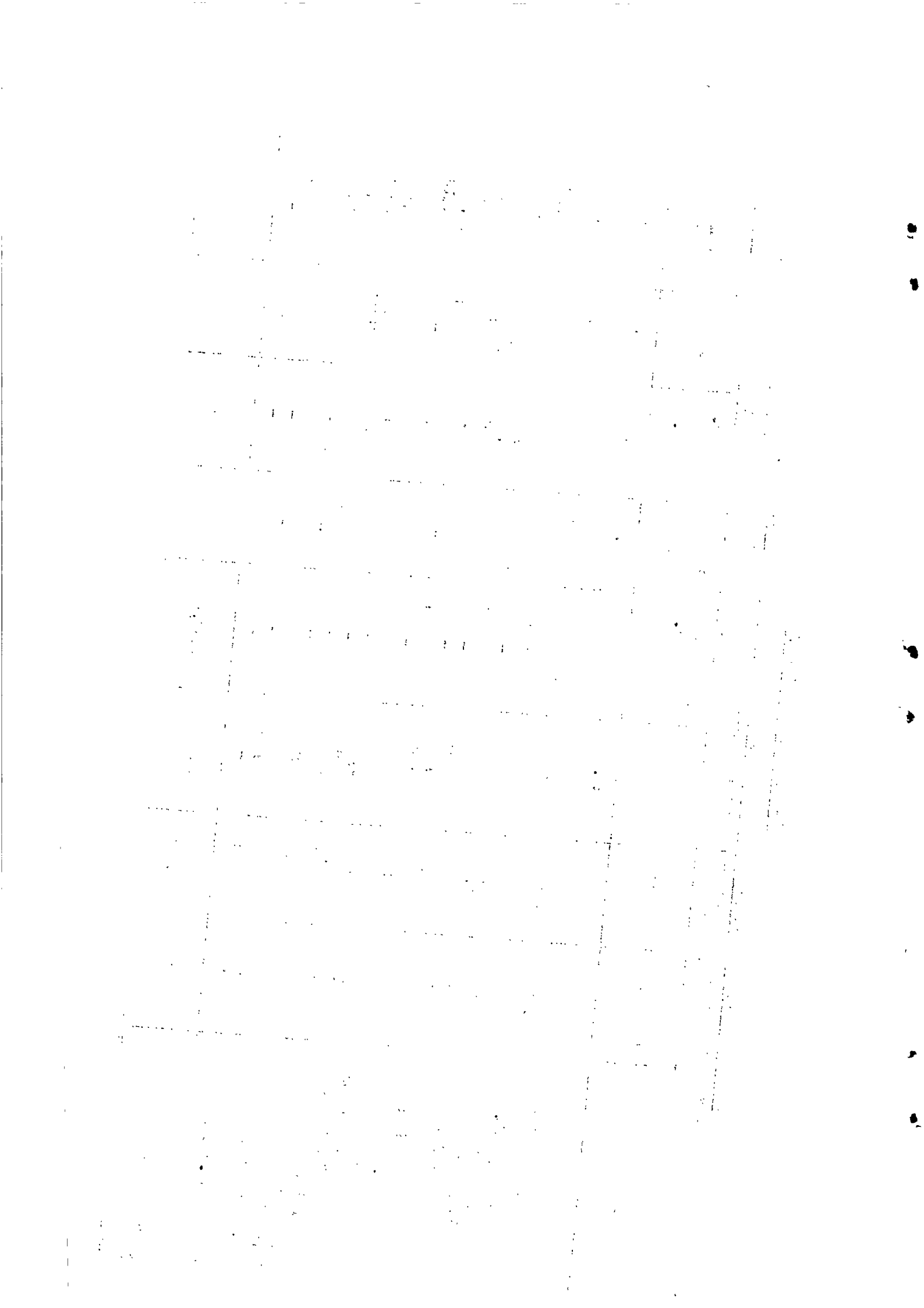
	1950 - 51	1951 - 52	1952 - 53
Borrowing rate +	4%	4%	4 - 4½%
Lending rate +	5%	5%	5 - 5½%
Membership	118	121	128
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Total assets	2,063,618	2,180,962	2,796,286
Loans granted	2,499,421	2,765,076	3,675,180
Loans recovered	725,484	586,687	882,820
Loans outstanding	2,060,849	2,178,389	2,792,360
Total deposits held	197,096	365,458	491,958
Paid-up Share Capital	67,820	114,219	166,503
Barclays Bank Overdraft	1,755,204	1,608,158	1,983,055
Reserve Fund	41,633	89,174	143,994
Net Profit	10,572	17,159	22,922

+ Both the borrowing and lending rates were increased by ½% at the end of 1952.

CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES

Financial and Statistical Statement for the year ending 30th April, 1953.

Type of Society	NUMBER OF		A S S E T S					
	Societies	Members	Cash in hand and at Bank	Loans due by members & societies	Stock in hand & build -ings	Furniture & Fittings	Other items	TOTAL
			Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1 Credit (unlimited liability)	146	8,067	212,891	3,556,326	18,470	327	177,312	3,965,326
2 Credit (limited liability)	2	34	455	2,471	-	-	-	2,926
3 Stores & Canteens	64	9,166	97,650	-	186,724	36,937	130,172	451,483
4 Central Bank	1	128	71	2,792,360	-	2,231	1,624	2,796,286
5 Wholesale	1	62	229	-	103,914	3,617	14,363	122,123
6 Thrift & Savings	38	1,704	174,842	-	-	-	24	174,866
7 Marketing	2	850	2,506	4,961	-	374	6,791	14,632
8 Housing	2	152	5,216	-	-	-	-	5,216
9 Federation of Cre -dit Societies	1	117	40,537	-	-	1,595	2	42,134
10 Printing	1	815	4,099	-	-	18,473	5,551	28,123
11 Transport	2	67	949	-	36,485	-	672	38,106
12 Union	1	123	10,035	-	-	-	870	10,905
13 School Savings Banks	13	2,125	7,948	-	-	-	-	7,948
14 Better Living	1	21	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 TOTAL	275	23,431	557,428	6,356,118	345,593	63,554	337,381	7,660,074

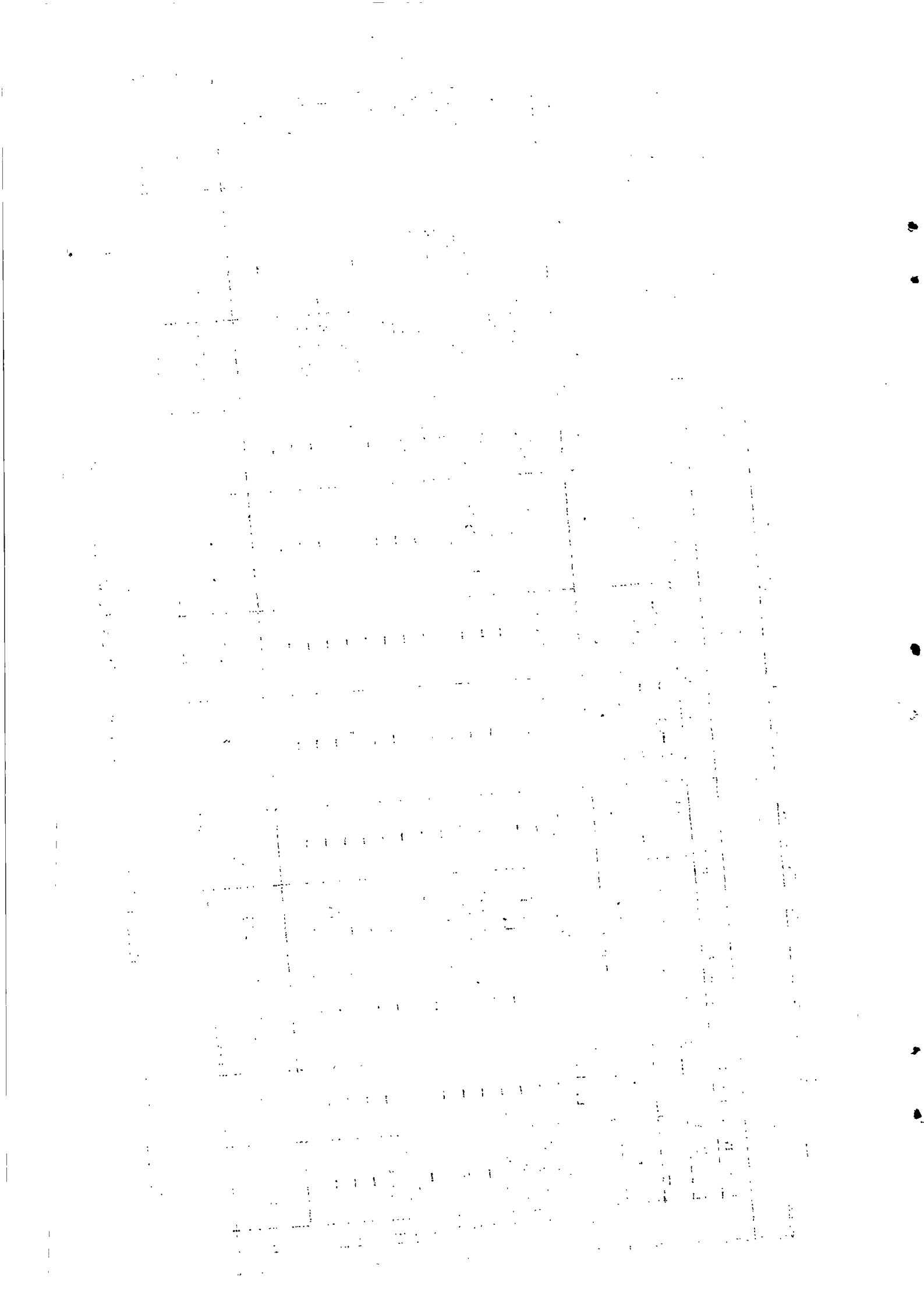


Financial and Statistical Statement for the year ending 30th April, 1953 (continued).

L I A B I L I T I E S

	Share Capital		Loans & Deposits from			Loans from		Barclays Bank overdraft	Reserve Funds	Other items	Excess of assets over liabilities	Total
	Shares		Non-Members	Members	Other societies	Co-Operative Central Bank	Government					
	A	B										
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1	418,344	1,518	8,852	102,970	5,458	2,780,836	29,120	831	590,980	13,893	12,524	3,965,326
2	1,547	-	-	161	-	-	-	-	1,109	12	97	2,926
3	184,631	-	-	4,074	-	-	-	-	82,611	77,761	102,406	451,483
4	166,503	-	-	491,958	-	-	-	1,983,055	121,072	10,776	22,922	2,796,286
5	27,550	-	-	24,329	-	-	-	23,396	9,574	24,231	13,043	122,123
6	-	-	50	172,175	386	-	-	-	1,567	14	674	174,866
7	6,273	-	1,200	-	-	-	-	-	1,974	6,812	- 1,627	14,632
8	1,840	-	-	2,690	-	-	-	-	251	37	398	5,216
9	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	42,129	-	42,134
10	27,189	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	706	212	28,123
11	28,171	-	-	-	-	11,576	-	-	48	356	- 2,045	38,106
12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10,905	-	10,905
13	-	-	-	7,880	-	-	-	-	-	13	55	7,948
14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15	862,048	1,518	10,107	806,237	5,844	2,792,412	29,120	2,007,282	809,202	187,645	148,659	7,660,074

The numbers in the first column refer to the corresponding items in the Assets Table of the previous page.



REGISTRATION

	1951	1952	1953
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Amount of duties collected	1,595,471	2,322,280	2,362,571

The increase in the year 1953 was due to the increase in the rate of registration dues which came into effect as from the 15th July, 1953.

SUCCESSIONS

	YEAR								
	1951			1952			1953		
	Population			Population			Population		
	G	I-M	Total	G	I-M	Total	G	I-M	Total
Number of declarations	203	403	606	212	431	643	217	376	593
Total amount of duties in 000' Rupees	520	121	640	589	88	677	418	196	614

G. = General; I-M. = Indo-Mauritian

MORTGAGES

	YEAR		
	1951	1952	1953
Number of inscriptions	2,851	3,068	3,353
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Sums secured by inscriptions enrolled	24,200,381	31,221,832	33,010,335
Duties & fees collected	105,635	77,328	36,505

ARCHIVES

	YEAR		
	1951	1952	1953
Number of books and periodicals deposited	349	360	337
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Fees collected	1,640	1,587	2,475

REGISTERED COMPANIES

On the 31st December, 1953, the Register of Companies contained the names of 407 concerns, enumerated as follows:

Private companies	...	272	
Public companies	...	67	
Externally controlled companies		68	
			407

Sales of land (value):

Sales to ... (General Population Rs.3,922,428
(Indo-Mauritian Population Rs.4,442,928

Sales of Real Property

	1951		1952		1953	
	No. of Sales	Value	No. of Sales	Value	No. of Sales	Value
		Rs.		Rs.		Rs.
Acquired by:						
General popula -tion	1,329	15,235,161	1,029	12,421,992	1,282	14,994,663
Indo-Mauritian population	5,528	9,961,626	4,505	12,461,632	5,157	14,126,793

BANKRUPTCY

New cases entered before Court	...	85
Cases disposed of	...	78

Number of trade licences issued from 1.1.53 to 31.12.53 distributed according to value of licence

Value of licence	Number of trade licences	% distribution on total of trade licences	Liquor licences
Rs.			
1.00	2	-	-
2.50	148	1.7	-
7.50	66	0.7	-
10.00	2,861	32.1	-
15.00	1,592	17.8	-
25.00	347	3.9	27
40.00	137	1.5	-
45.00	28	0.3	-
50.00	339	3.8	8
55.00	11	0.1	-
60.00	2,683	30.1	-
75.00	390	4.4	48
100.00	115	1.3	1,752
125.00	23	0.3	75
150.00	127	1.4	1,140
175.00	-	-	46
200.00	41	0.5	-
250.00	5	0.1	-
375.00	-	-	2
500.00	-	-	5
TOTAL	8,915	100.0	3,103

The percentage of liquor licences to total number of licences issued was 35

Classification of Taxable Incomes

INCOMES		NUMBER OF CASES - 1952 - 1953	
exceeding	but not exceeding	Individuals	Companies
Rs.	Rs.		
1	5,000	2,208	62
5,001	10,000	617	20
10,001	15,000	312	17
15,001	25,000	266	11
25,001	50,000	225	25
50,001	100,000	116	17
100,001	250,000	31	19
250,001	500,000	2	13
500,001	750,000	-	3
750,001	1,000,000	-	4
	over 1,000,000	-	16
	Total	3,777	207

These figures refer only to those individuals and companies who actually paid tax or were assessed for the year 1953.

TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION

OVERSEAS SHIPPING

	Vessels entering the port during the year		Vessels leaving the port during the year	
	Number	Tonnage	Number	Tonnage
British and Foreign				
Steam vessels	296	1,164,412	292	1,157,681
Coasting				
Steam vessels	30	15,573	30	15,261

Passenger Traffic by Sea and Air

Country of origin or destination	ARRIVING AT MAURITIUS FROM			LEAVING MAURITIUS FOR		
	AIR	SEA	TOTAL	AIR	SEA	TOTAL
British Isles	68	120	188	88	210	298
France	200	249	449	311	206	517
Other European Countries	8	5	13	10	6	16
Algeria, Egypt	5	23	28	14	95	109
British East Africa x	316	195	511	365	207	572
Northern Rhodesia	1	-	1	12	-	12
Union of South Africa	93	230	323	326	317	643
Portuguese East Africa	-	131	131	17	118	135
Belgian Congo	-	-	-	-	1	1
India	10	196	206	37	240	277
Ceylon	-	43	43	-	44	44
Hong Kong	39	103	142	8	133	141
Singapore	-	72	72	1	33	34
Australia	708	7	715	570	17	587
Seychelles	-	21	21	-	50	50
Madagascar	571	469	1,040	504	488	992
Réunion	1,346	328	1,674	1,010	388	1,398
Other Countries	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dependencies of Mauritius	-	1,338	1,338	-	919	919
Total	3,365	3,530	6,895+	3,273	3,472	6,745©

x The place of origin and destination of the majority of these passengers was probably the British Isles or India.

\+ Excluding 355 discharged seamen.

© Excluding 311 engaged seamen.

IMMIGRATION, EMIGRATION AND TRAVEL

Of the total number of persons who entered and left the Colony during the year, 60 were immigrants and 110 emigrants.

1,061 passports were issued by the Police; 282 were renewed and 279 were visaed.

GROSS TONNAGE OF MERCHANDISE HANDLED IN PORT LOUIS HARBOUR

In Metric Tons

Year	Exports	Imports	Total
1938	309,000	219,000	528,000
1948	423,000	273,000	696,000
1949	475,000	300,000	775,000
1950	394,000	280,000	674,000
1951	550,000	277,000	827,000
1952	548,000	320,000	868,000
1953	576,000	329,000	905,000

Number of vessels registered in the Harbour of Port Louis at the beginning of 1953

	Number	Tonnage
Motor vessels	2	887
Sailing vessels	4	88
Steam vessels	4	3,448

H A R B O U R

Transport in Port Louis Harbour

Number of transport crafts used by Dock and lighterage companies:

Lighters	...	136
Tugs	...	9
Water boats	...	2
Launches	...	21
Coasters	...	3

Number of transport crafts used by the Harbour and Customs Department:

Tugs	...	7
Launches	...	4
Number of plying boats		16

Gross tonnage handled at the Granary:

Commodities	Imported	73,608
	Local	NIL

AIR SERVICES

AIR TRAFFIC: PLAISANCE AIRPORT

Type of Aircraft Movement	NUMBER OF MOVEMENTS		
	Landings	Take-offs	Total
Scheduled Services	152	151	303
Charter	-	-	-
Other Commercial	-	-	-
Test Training	-	-	-
Private	-	-	-
Military (British & Foreign)	8	8	16
Other non-commercial	1	1	2
All movements	161	160	321
Diverted movements (included in the above figures)	-	-	-

PASSENGER TRAFFIC BY AIR

	Number		Category by age			Nationality		TOTAL
	Males	Females	Infant	Child	Adult	British	Foreign	
INWARDS								
Air France	1,691	873	13	324	2,227	1,918	646	2,564
Qantas Empire Airways	507	294	4	123	674	592	209	801
Total	2,198	1,167	17	447	2,901	2,510	855	3,365
OUTWARDS								
Air France	1,700	677	12	305	2,060	1,887	490	2,377
Qantas Empire Airways	521	375	7	159	730	509	387	896
Total	2,221	1,052	19	464	2,790	2,396	877	3,273

Line	Passenger traffic + (inwards and outwards)							TOTAL
	British Isles	France	British E. Africa	South Africa	Australia	Madagascar & Reunion	Other Countries	
Air France	2.4%	7.7%	10.3%	-	-	51.7%	3.7%	75.8%
Qantas Empire Airways	-	-	-	4.9%	19.3%	-	-	24.2%

+ % of total passengers carried.

SUMMARY OF TRAFFIC HANDLED

Aerodrome : Plaisance Airport

TYPE OF TRAFFIC			TYPE OR AIR TRANSPORT MOVEMENT [2]							
			SCHEDULED		CHARTER		MILITARY TRANSPORT		ALL AIR TRASNPORT	
			Set down	Picked up	Set down	Picked up	Set down	Picked up	Set down	Picked up
Loads Set down & Picked up	1	Passengers+	2,890	2,984	4	4	NIL	NIL	2,894	2,988
		Commercial freight (kilos)	79,889	66,678	NIL	NIL	142	NIL	80,031	66,678
		Post Office Mail (kilos)	17,414	6,505	-	-	-	-	17,414	6,505
Loads in transit	3	Passengers+	-	1,220	-	-	-	-	-	1,220
		Commercial freight (kilos)	-	4,769	-	-	-	-	-	4,769

NOTE : Commercial freight set down excludes baggage (92,317 kgs) and Diplomatic Mail (834 kgs)
Commercial freight picked up excludes baggage (98,185 kgs) and Diplomatic Mail (1,270 kgs)

1. Commercial freight excludes excess baggage, diplomatic freight, post office mail and diplomatic mail.
2. Including diverted movements
3. The definition of " loads in transit " will imply that, generally, the figures under " Set down " and " Picked up " will be identical.

An exception might be when an aeroplane remains at the aerodrome over the night of 31st December.

\+ Includes non-paying passengers, i.e. personnel connected with the operation of the Air Service.

INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS
RAILWAYS

Mileage table

		Main lines (miles)	Range of levels (feet)
MIDLAND :	Port Louis to Mahebourg	35¼ +	Sea level to 1,800
NORTH :	Port Louis to Grand River South East	31	Sea level to 280
MOKA :	Rose Hill to Montagne Blanche	14¾	950 - 1,450
SAVANNE :	Souillac to Rose Belle	11	Sea level to 870
	Total miles of main lines	92	

\+ 4 miles of the Midland line are double line sections :-
(a) Port Louis to Pailles; (b) Petite Rivière to Beau Bassin.

Rolling Stock

Year	Locomotives	Passenger stock @	Waggons
1932	55	187	765
1937	50	180	733
1947	49	171	720
1948	49	173	701
1949	49	173	701
1950	49	170	693
1951	49	169	675
1952	47	167	677
1953	47	167	675

@ Including all passenger-carrying cars and railcars, baggage cars and railway-owned postal vans.

Passenger Traffic

Year ended 30th June	Number of passengers carried	Number of parcels carried	Passengers gross ton miles ++	Passenger vehicle mile	Passenger train mileage
1948	3,435,385	173,136	17,479,500	1,747,950	217,461
1949	2,999,672	154,243	15,007,750	1,500,750	213,976
1950	2,844,841	150,505	15,331,130	1,533,113	209,925
1951	2,395,264	137,385	11,685,980	1,168,598	156,108
1952	2,088,085	127,537	9,927,622	888,358	117,594
1953	2,128,966	115,789	10,047,214	898,273	117,275

++ Basis of calculation now altered.

Goods Traffic

Year ended 30th June	RAIL					ROAD
	Sugar	Sugar canes	General merchandise	Total	Goods train mileage	Sugar and general merchandise
	Tons	Tons	Tons	Tons	Miles	Tons
1946	130,002	53,003	121,869	304,874	103,216	24,592
1947	282,762	72,647	107,344	462,753	126,163	40,527
1948	329,998	69,501	100,731	500,230	129,872	37,725
1949	373,982	21,164	91,474	486,620	126,849	38,373
1950	392,734	14,169	81,335	488,238	126,265	43,206
1951	405,745	5,150	71,314	482,209	123,904	60,931
1952	409,596	5,228	82,005	496,829	121,683	81,657
1953	399,360	4,423	66,328	470,111	121,102	79,163

The total Freight Ton-Miles for the year ended 30th June, 1953, was 18,967,913.

Percentage distribution of the tonnage of goods traffic by rail

Year ended 30th June	Sugar	Sugarcanes	General merchandise
	%	%	%
1946	42.6	17.4	40.0
1947	61.1	15.7	23.2
1948	66.0	13.9	20.1
1949	76.9	4.3	18.8
1950	80.4	2.9	16.7
1951	84.1	1.1	14.8
1952	82.4	1.1	16.5
1953	85.0	1.0	14.0

Coal and Lubricating oil consumption +

Consumption of coal by railways	15,969	metric tons
" " " per train mile	68.0	kgs
" " " per engine mile	44.1	"
" " lubricating oil (engines, carriages & waggons)	60,000	litres

Railway accidents +

Injuries to:	No. of cases	
Maintenance of way and works Branch personnel	235	
Transport personnel	242	
Mechanical Branch personnel	1,333	
		1,810
Cases necessitating reference to Injuries Committee	43	

+ Period 1st July 1952 to 30th June 1953.

REVENUE

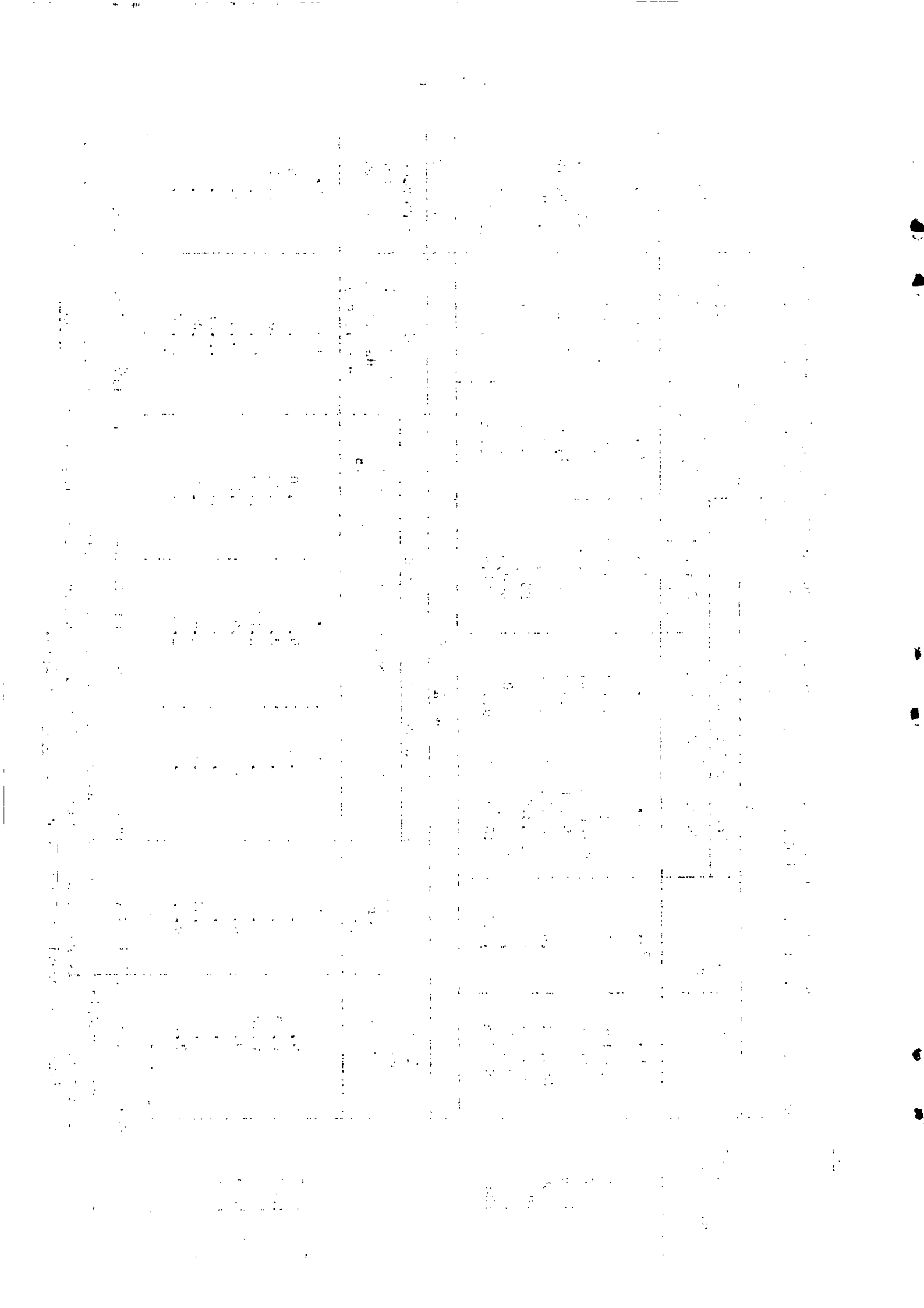
In the following tables, the Railway operating revenue during the year 1952 - 1953 and in each of the preceding 6 years is classified according to the type of traffic from which it was derived.

Year ended 30th June	RAIL					ROAD		
	Passenger fares	Parcel receipts	Goods Traffic Receipts			Road traffic receipts	Miscellaneous receipts	Total receipts
			Sugar	Sugarcanes	General merchandise			
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1947	891,190	80,103	1,752,355	57,841	343,726	29,701	180,406	3,335,322
1948	691,988	74,615	2,131,533	52,801	305,311	26,905	238,598	3,521,751
1949	591,398	68,553	2,401,510	45,781	292,937	21,905	274,726	3,696,810
1950	503,711	66,070	2,555,009	23,333	257,378	23,051	402,129	3,830,681
1951	373,591	64,367	2,653,298	10,383	239,528	99,259	301,120	3,741,546
1952	305,262	64,792	2,892,670	10,802	350,396	397,037	726,235	4,747,194
1953	298,762	71,226	3,107,165	10,126	311,256	456,472	316,959	4,571,966

	RAIL						ROAD
	Average receipt per head	Average receipt per parcel	Average receipt per ton			Receipts per train/mile (goods and passengers)	Average receipt per ton
			Sugar	Sugarcanes	General merchandise		
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
1947	0.22	0.40	6.20	0.80	3.20	9.58	0.73
1948	0.20	0.43	6.46	0.76	3.03	10.07	0.71
1949	0.20	0.44	6.42	2.16	3.20	10.79	0.57
1950	0.18	0.44	6.51	1.65	3.16	11.33	0.53
1951	0.16	0.47	6.66	2.02	3.57	12.91	0.47
1952	0.15	0.51	7.06	2.07	4.27	18.09	4.44 +
1953	0.14	0.62	7.78	2.29	4.69	17.26	5.06 +

Proportion of Net Rail Revenue for the year ended 30th June 1953:- Passenger 11% Goods 89%.

\+ The road traffic is farmed out to a contractor whose terms of office have been revised as from 1st July, 1951. As a result of this revision, the figures under this head for 1952 and 1953 represent gross receipt whereas the figures for previous years represent net receipts.



EXPENDITURE

The operating expenditure under various heads is now given for 1952 - 1953 and each of the previous 7 financial years.

In Rupees

Year ended 30th June	Maintenance of ways and works	Mechanical	Transport-ation	Head Office and General Charges	Miscella-neous	Total expenditure	Expenditure per train mile
1947	526,943	363,277	1,761,384	910,067	602,111	4,163,782	11.96
1948	594,292	392,708	1,946,646	1,332,484	675,382	4,941,962	14.16
1949	641,005	429,324	2,098,506	1,387,652	607,780	5,164,267	15.08
1950	656,977	447,419	2,188,629	1,544,322	946,793	5,784,140	17.15
1951	616,888	433,101	2,408,504	1,596,207	574,039	5,628,739	19.90
1952	489,100	463,896	2,565,073	2,110,741	968,869	6,597,679	26.65
1953	776,492	750,000	3,536,451	2,007,588	516,221	7,586,752	30.99

Proportion of Net Rail Expenditure for the year ended 30th June, 1953:- Passenger 35%; Goods 65%.

Sugar Industry - Transport Equipment

METAL TRACK				LOCOMOTIVES				WAGGONS		HAULAGE TRACTORS	TRAILERS		LORRIES OR TRUCKS+		ANIMAL DRAWN CARTS +	
Gauge				Total No.		Total H.P.										
Maximum	Minimum	Normally used	Total length	Steam	Internal Combustion	Steam	Internal Combustion	Total number	Total capacity	Total number	Total number	Total capacity	Total number	Total capacity	Total number	Total capacity
cms.	cms.	cms.	Kms.						Tons			Tons		Tons		Tons
143.5	60	75 & 80	1,900	131	89	6,400	6,200	8,900	39,300	80	360	1,850	280	1,300	175	140

+ The small number of lorries and carts owned by larger estates and plantations is not representative of the actual number of these vehicles used in the Sugar Industry, a great number being in addition hired for the harvest or for specific purposes.

ROAD TRANSPORT

Mauritius is provided with an excellent road system, consisting of some 750 miles of public main and branch roads, most of which are suitable for motor traffic. All the roads are metalled and about 340 miles are bitumen coated.

Practically all the main roads are open to heavy motor vehicles but owing to rapid development in road traffic during the past 20 years the road system is not altogether satisfactory as many of the roads are too narrow for moderately fast transport to operate in safety. There are also numerous blind corners, very populous villages to travel through, while the roads are further congested by the slow moving goods transport and the large public transport vehicles. At the end of 1953, the number of road vehicles in operation in the Colony were:

Number of cars:	
Taxi cars	915
Private cars	4,962
Number of commercial vehicles:	
Buses	219
Lorries	1,530
Number of cycles:	
Motor cycles	364
Bicycles	unascertainable
Number of haulage tractors ...	100
Number of Colonial Government vehicles	340

The increase in Passenger Road Transport in recent years is depicted in the following figures:

	1945	1947	1950	1952	1953
Number of buses in operation	135	179	186	201	219
Number of taxi cars	323	519	608	852	915
Number of private cars	1,447	1,929	2,788	3,741	4,962

Passenger Traffic by bus

Bus service between the capital, Port Louis, and the principal towns of Plaines Wilhems is very satisfactory and there are many subsidiary lines of less importance. In all; there are 45 approved bus routes in the Colony, which radiate from the main central system to every part of the Island.

Road vehicles in Mauritius have a single class of accommodation which suits the majority of passengers. The number of bus routes have now increased to the point where it is possible for passengers to be picked up and dropped almost at their doorsteps. On certain populous bus routes, non-stop runs between extreme points afford a very rapid service which is greatly appreciated by passengers.

GOODS TRAFFIC

Lorries are used for the transport of imported foodstuff from Port Louis, the only commercial harbour, to other towns and villages. They are also used for the transport of sugarcanes to the factories and of all other goods produced in the Colony with the exception of sugar, heavy machinery and imported fertilizers, which are compulsorily transported by the Railway.

The increase in the total number of lorries in operation is shown by the following figures :

	1945	1947	1950	1952	1953
Total number of lorries	446	621	1,039	1,412	1,530

LICENCES TO DRIVE MOTOR VEHICLES

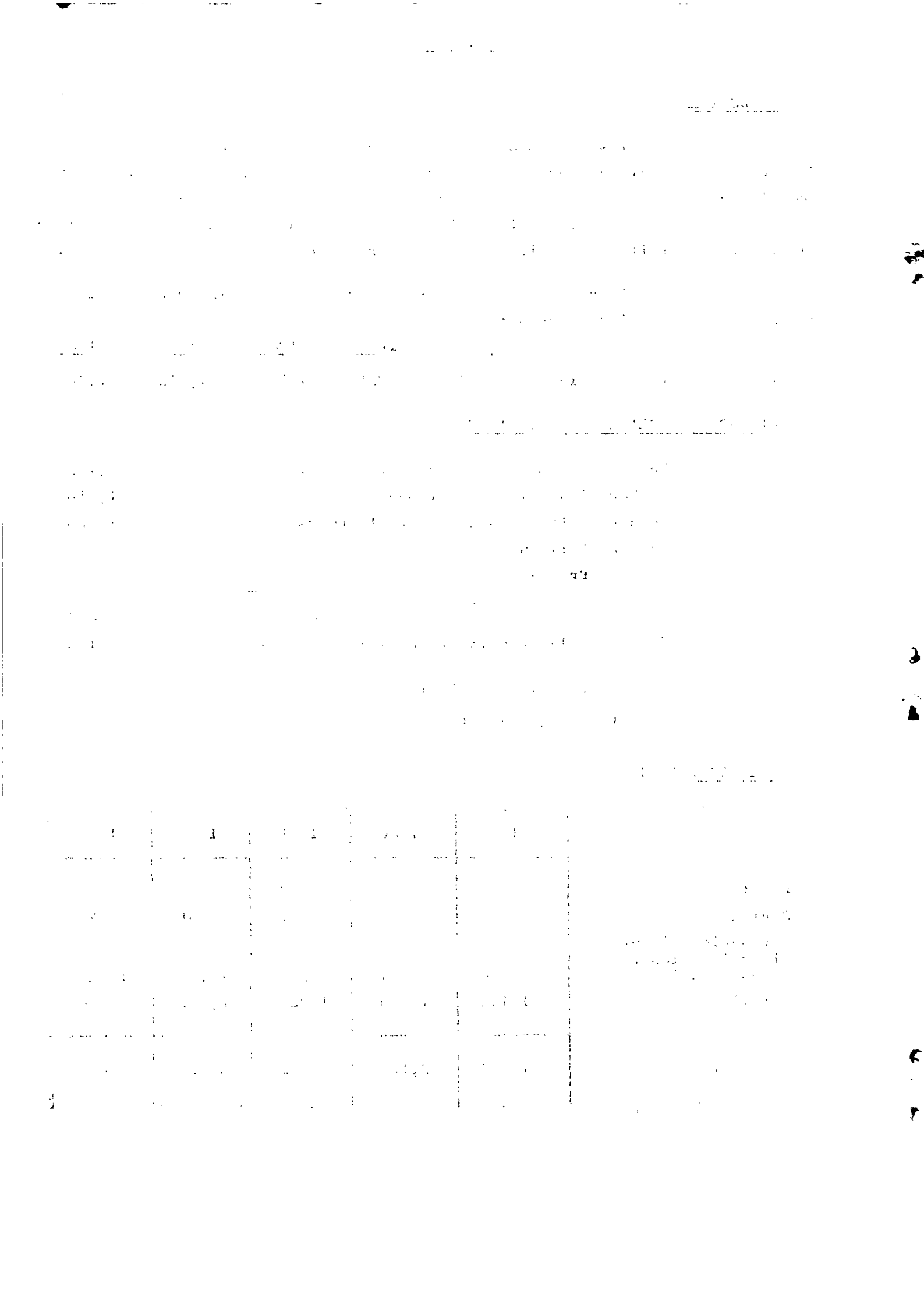
Number of applicants for a driving licence		3,152
Number of new licences issued		1,413
Number of licences issued to learners		1,593
Number of licences renewed:-		
Professional drivers	4,723	
Owner drivers	3,804 +	
		8,527
Number of International Driving permits issued		193 @

\+ Including 380 ladies

@ Including 41 ladies

ROAD ACCIDENTS

	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
Fatal	44	46	46	44	53
Serious	46	79	111	161	79
Not serious (but minor injuries to persons)	685	811	967	1,167	1,238
Trifling	1,172	1,263	1,928	2,442	3,028
Total	1,947	2,199	3,052	3,814	4,398



POSTAL SERVICES

Weight of mail traffic — In Kilograms

	SEA		AIR	
	In	Out	In	Out
1950	167,750	11,565	11,459	5,355
1951	168,125	13,020	12,463	5,214
1952	150,462	13,137	16,394	5,952
1953	168,140	15,545	17,414	6,505

Estimated number of letters etc. dealt with

Articles	Inland	FOREIGN SERVICE		Transit	Total
		Inwards	Outwards		
Prepaid letters	831,540	536,511	105,864	1,850	1,475,765
Unpaid letters	10,023	6,483	1,578	–	18,084
Postcards	24,648	13,944	1,699	–	40,291
Commercial papers	2,083	7,931	533	100	10,647
Printed papers	795,125	586,446	25,699	250	1,407,520
Blind literature	– –	150	100	–	250
Samples	177	16,290	988	–	17,455
Small packets	–	5,091	910	–	6,001
Postal packets admitted post free	740,372	4,823	3,251	40	748,486
Air Mail Correspondence	–	2,184,690	1,284,350	–	3,469,040
Total	2,403,968	3,362,359	1,424,972	2,240	7,193,539

Postal Agencies : 80. Telegraph Offices : 49. Money Order Offices : 80. Savings Bank Offices : 32.

TELEPHONES

Number of main exchanges ...	12
Number of subscribers to main exchanges	4,324
Individual installations ...	5,881
Number of calls made ...	5,604,461

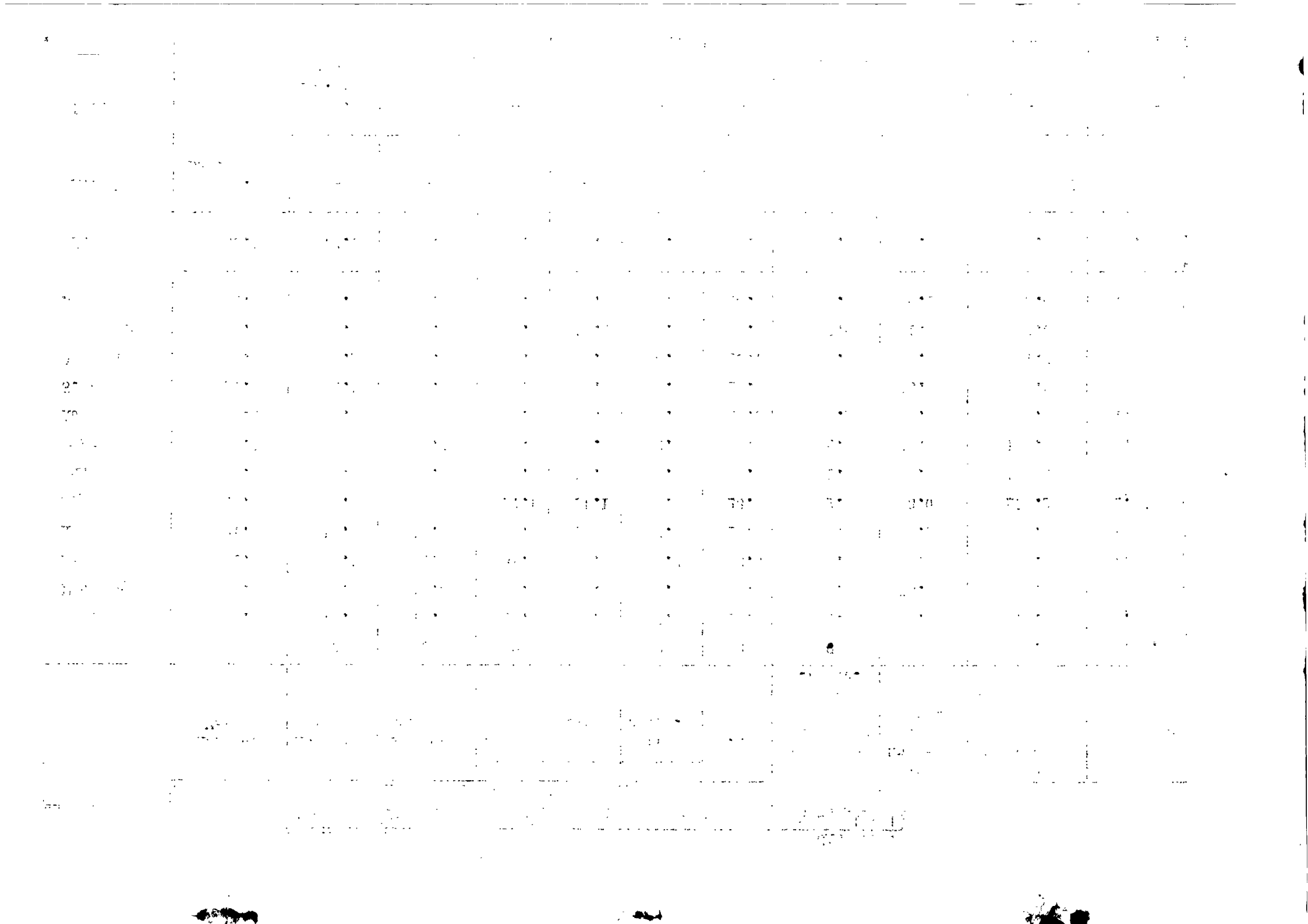
BROADCASTING

Number of broadcasting stations	1
Number of transmitters ...	2
Aerial output: Shortwave transmitter	1½ kw
Mediumwave transmitter	5 "
Weekly transmission time ...	56½ hrs
Number of wireless receiving licences	15,837

MONTHLY AND YEARLY MEANS AND EXTREMES OF THE METEOROLOGICAL ELEMENTS

(Royal Alfred Observatory, Pamplemousses, 55 metres above mean sea level)

Month	TEMPERATURE OF THE AIR							Excess of air temperature over evaporation temperature	Relative humidity (Sat = 100)	RAINFALL	
	Absolute Maxima	Absolute Minima	Absolute ranges	Mean Daily Maxima	Mean Daily Minima	Mean Daily ranges	Mean			Amount recorded by the Dines' pluviograph	Duration
	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	°C	%	mms.	mins.
January	32.7	18.5	14.2	29.6	22.5	7.1	25.7	3.2	74.7	211.8	2,670
February	32.4	20.1	12.3	30.3	22.5	7.8	26.0	3.1	76.0	213.4	1,070
March	32.7	20.1	12.6	31.0	22.4	8.6	26.3	2.6	80.3	136.9	1,575
April	31.5	18.5	13.0	29.1	21.3	7.8	24.9	3.5	71.8	101.6	1,405
May	29.1	16.5	12.6	27.1	21.1	6.0	23.8	2.0	83.0	203.2	2,370
June	28.0	15.9	12.1	25.8	19.8	6.0	22.6	1.8	84.0	198.6	2,585
July	27.0	14.5	12.5	24.2	17.8	6.4	20.7	2.5	77.2	119.6	2,020
August	26.3	13.8	12.5	23.8	16.7	7.1	20.0	3.2	70.8	56.4	1,250
September	27.0	15.1	11.9	24.8	17.4	7.4	20.8	3.0	73.2	48.3	760
October	28.7	15.2	13.5	26.7	18.2	8.5	22.1	3.2	72.3	27.7	640
November	32.4	16.9	15.5	29.3	19.5	9.8	24.1	3.5	71.8	62.0	650
December	33.5	19.7	13.8	30.7	21.3	9.4	25.6	2.6	69.4	239.8	1,890
YEAR	30.1	17.1	13.0	27.7	20.0	7.7	23.5	2.9	76.2	1,619.3	314.7hrs
MAXIMUM	33.5 Dec. 18th	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	105.6 ending 0500hrs on 7th December	
MINIMUM	-	13.8 Aug.17th & 20th	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-



MONTHLY AND YEARLY MEANS AND EXTREMES OF THE METEOROLOGICAL ELEMENTS (continued)

Month	Daily Duration of bright sunshine	% of possible sunshine	Number of days of		
			Rain	Lightning	Thunderstorm
	hrs.	%			
Janaury	7.69	58.6	27	-	-
February	7.78	61.2	25	8	1
March	7.69	63.2	21	3	5
April	6.72	58.0	19	4	2
May	6.61	59.3	20	2	3
June	6.15	56.3	26	-	-
July	7.42	67.4	25	-	-
August	7.59	66.7	22	-	-
September	7.43	62.2	24	-	-
October	9.31	74.4	17	-	-
November	9.76	75.0	15	-	-
December	7.50	56.4	12	1	1
YEAR	7.64	63.2	253	18	12
MAXIMUM	12.8 Dec. 25th	97 Nov. 26th	-	-	-
MINIMUM	0.0 often	0 often	-	-	-

TOTAL ANNUAL RAINFALL AT SELECTED STATIONS

Region	STATION		Inches	No. of days
West	Port Louis	Abercrombie Nursery	56.77	206
	Black River	Pierre Fonds	70.64	148
		Palmyre	42.21	87
		Govt. School Bambous	41.11	48
		La Ferme	43.97	98
		Médine	41.19	100
North & North West	Pamplemousses	Botanical Gardens	52.60	197
		La Nicolière	204.11	238
		The Observat ory	63.75	253
		California	82.11	113
North & North East	Rivière du Rempart	Antoinette	85.82	174
		Labourdonnais	57.66	162
		Mon Loisir	70.64	131
		Ravensworth	92.83	159
		Beau Séjour	70.48	159
Centre	Moka	Alma	163.66	256
		Bonne Veine	172.31	258
		Minissy	73.37	171
		Hermitage	96.24	156
		Mon Désert	89.68	216
		Le Réduit	68.25	216
		Piton du Milieu (Réservoir)	169.51	282
	Plaines Wilhems	Aerological Station	108.67	259
		Mare-aux-Vacoas (Arnaud)	182.18	276
		Réunion	93.05	231
		Midlands Dam	189.44	223
		Bagatelle	88.99	226
		La Marie	117.66	227
		Curepipe Gardens	142.33	250
		Petrin	152.24	274
		Highlands	117.14	214
East	Flacq	Constance La Gaiété	91.34	167
		Sans Souci	170.08	244
		Beau Champ	84.05	226
		Belle Rive	133.18	244
		Trois Ilots	110.12	223
		Rich Fund	106.48	199
South East	Grand Port	Rose Belle	156.91	235
		New Grove	136.75	182
		Deux Bras	163.13	222
		Union Vale	94.25	191
		Mon Trésor	137.06	154
		Mon Désert Carié	83.46	174
		Ferney	109.29	183
		Sauveterre	75.66	122
		St. Hubert (Cluny)	182.57	192
South	Savanne	Beau Climat	116.03	215
		La Flora	169.77	230
		Britannia	99.69	232
		Savannah	73.21	155
		Combo	117.87	210
		Fontenelle	93.29	198
		Colmar	128.83	210
		Tivoli	161.35	225
		Terracine	81.00	224
		Riche Bois	106.16	228
		Frederica	66.42	105