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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, ORISSA.

FIRST REPORT ON THE COTTON CROP OF ORISSA, 1936.

(On an average of the five years ending 1934-35 the area under the cotton crop in the territory to which this forecast relates, represents about 0.0 per cent of the total area under cotton in India )

*Explanatory.*—This is the first report on the cotton crop of this province for 1936-37. It deals with the estimates of area sown up till now. The sowing of cotton begins over the greater part of the province in June, and this is picked in October. A small area is sown at the end of monsoon which is included in the final forecast and is picked in the hot weather.

*Character of the season.*—The cotton is grown on more than 1,000 acres in the Cuttack district. The weather conditions were reported to be not favourable in the Ganjam district and in parts of the Cuttack district. The condition of the crop is reported to be fair to good in all the districts.

*Area sown.*—The area sown up till now is reported at 5,146 acres against 5,336 acres estimated to be under the crop in corresponding period of last year. There has been decrease in area in Cuttack, Balasore, Puri and Sambalpur districts which is due to excessive rainfall at sowing time.

CUTTACK :  
The 8th August 1936.

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Offg. Revenue Commissioner,  
Director of Agriculture, Orissa.

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FIRST REPORT ON THE COTTON CROP OF ORISSA, 1936.

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*First report on the Cotton Crop of Orissa, August 1936.*

District.	Area in acres sown in the current year 1936.	Area in acres of the previous year 1935.	Average area in acres under cotton of previous years.		Total area of the district which has been cadastrally surveyed.	Figures from the Cadastral Survey.			Date at which the sowing of the crop was begun this year.	Remarks by District Officers.	Remarks by the Director of Agriculture, Orissa.
			Five years.	Ten years.		Years during which the cadastral survey took place.	Area found under cotton during the cadastral survey.	8			
Cuttack	4,180	4,300	5,754	6,210	2,629,223	1922-31 in Sadr, Jajpur and Kendrapara sub-divisions and 1925-28 in Angul sub-division.	Acres.	4,210	1st week of July in Sadr, Jajpur and Kendrapara sub-divisions and 3rd week of June in Angul sub-division.	Weather favourable but rainfall was not so favourable for the growth of the crop in Sadr, Kendrapara and Jajpur sub-divisions and favourable in Angul sub-division. Condition of the crop is fair in Sadr, Kendrapara and Jajpur sub-divisions and good in Angul sub-division. Sowings are late and are still going on in some places in Sadr, Jajpur and Kendrapara sub-divisions. The date of sowing is normal in Angul sub-division and sowing has been completed. The crop of this year is expected to be normal in Sadr, Jajpur and Kendrapara sub-divisions and same as last year in Angul sub-division. Decrease in area is due to excessive rainfall at the time of sowing.	
							Acres.				

	14	33	51	1,330,560	1922-23	27	N.R.	
Balasore	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	There is no regular cultivation of cotton in this district. Some people used to grow cotton in their homestead lands for domestic consumption but this year they could not sow cotton seeds owing to excessive rain since the month of May 1936.
Puri	80	201	375	1,400,304	1923-28	275	June	The weather and rainfall have been favourable. The condition of the crop is fair. Sowings were normal and have been completed. The crop is expected to be the same as last year. There is no cultivation of cotton in Khurda which accounts for the decrease.
Sambalpur	820	522	2,840	2,974,388	Sambalpur district 1015-20 Palampur tract 1929-32 Kharriar zamindari 1921-24.	9,307	June and July.	The weather was favourable. The condition of the crop is reported to be fair. The date of sowing was normal. Sowing has been completed. The crop of this year is expected to be the same as that of last year. The decrease in area is due to heavy rainfall at the time of sowing.
Ganjam	60	287	402	..	..	..	Last week of May and last week of June.	Heavy rainfall in June is not favourable to the growth of the crop. The condition of the crop is fair. The date of sowing was normal. Sowing still continues. The crop is expected to be the same as last year.
Koraput	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Cotton is not grown.
Total	5,146	6,807	9,378	..	..	..	..	..

Vital statistics of towns having a population of 20,000 and over in the province of Orissa for the week ending the 5th September 1936.

District.	Number.	Municipality.	Population according to the Census of 1931.				Births excluding still-borns.			Deaths from											Ratio per 1,000 per annum.				
			Male.	Female.	Total.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Still-born.	Cholera.	Small-Pox.		Plague.		Fever.	Dysentery and diarrhoea.	Respiratory diseases.	Injuries including suicide.	Other causes.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Births.	Deaths.	
1	3	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Ganjam	..	..	18,490	19,260	37,750	19	15	34	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	2	..	7	8	6	14	40.8	19.3
Koraput	..	..	9,582	10,466	20,048	11	5	16	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	8	5	5	10	41.5	25.9
Cuttack	..	..	36,357	28,906	65,263	22	15	37	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	2	..	14	12	10	22	20.5	17.5
Puri	..	..	20,703	16,865	37,568	8	14	22	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	8	8	1	..	5	9	13	22	30.5	30.5
		Total ..	85,132	75,497	1,60,629	60	49	109	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	13	15	6	..	34	34	34	68	35.3	22.0

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G. VERGHESE, LT.-COL., I.M.S.,

The 16th September 1936.

Director of Health and Prisons Services, Orissa.

Statement showing the seizures and deaths of epidemic diseases in the province of Orissa for the week ending the 5th September 1936.

District excluding towns.	Cholera.		Small-pox.		Plague.		Influenza.		Remarks.
	Seizures.	Deaths.	Seizures.	Deaths.	Seizures.	Deaths.	Seizures.	Deaths.	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Cuttack .. ..	64	32	24	8	..	..	..	..	*Old occurrences not reported previously
Sambalpur .. ..	15	13	14	2	..	..	..	..	
Balasore .. ..	14	10	7	3	..	..	..	..	
Puri .. ..	13	9	9	1	..	..	..	..	
Ganjam Plains ..	..	..	12	1	..	..	..	..	
.. ..	..	..	*5	1	..	..	..	..	
Khondmals .. ..	..	..	10	3	..	..	..	..	
Koraput .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Total .. ..	106	64	76	18	..	..	..	..	
.. ..	..	..	*5	1	..	..	..	..	
In towns having a population over 50,000—									
Cuttack .. ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
In other affected towns—									
Puri .. ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
Total of all towns ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	

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The 16th September 1936.

G. VERGHESE, LT.-COL., I.M.S.,  
Director of Health and Prisons Services, Orissa.

## Weather and Crop Report of Orissa for the week ending the 21st September 1936.

No.	Name of district.	Rainfall at Sadr Station.	Price of common rice in seers, per rupee.		Character of the weather, state and prospects of the crops, etc.  (The rainfall figures in this column are for the week ending Saturday, the 19th September 1936.)
			This week.	Previous week.	
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	CUTTACK ..	Inches. Nil.	13 1/8	13 1/8	Rainfall at Jajpur 0.12, at Kendrapara 2.35 and at Angul 1.19 inches. Weather seasonable. Its effect on agricultural operations favourable and on crops beneficial. Weeding and transplantation of <i>saradh</i> paddy still continues in a few places. Harvesting of <i>beali</i> , <i>mandua</i> and jute going on. <i>Til</i> , <i>arhar</i> , cotton and sugarcane thriving. <i>Biri</i> being sown. Vegetables growing well. Fodder and water sufficient. Cattle disease reported from Kendrapara police-stations. Common rice selling at 13 1/8 seers a rupee at Jajpur, 14 7/16 seers at Kendrapara and 15 3/4 seers at Angul. Weather for jute favourable. No damage by floods. Steeping water sufficient. Harvesting nearly 4ths done.
2	BALASORE ...	1.00	13	12	Rainfall at Bhadrak 0.95 inch. Weather seasonable. Paddy plants growing. Weeding is in progress. Harvesting of jute and <i>beali</i> paddy commenced. Sugarcane and vegetables thriving well. Cattle disease at places reported from Sadr. Fodder and water sufficient. Common rice selling at 13 seers a rupee at Bhadrak.
3	PURI ..	0.17	13 1/8	14 7/16	Rainfall at Khurda 2.70 inches. Weather seasonable. Weeding and transplantation of <i>saradh</i> paddy in progress. <i>Beali</i> , <i>mandua</i> , <i>maize</i> , and <i>til</i> ripening and being harvested at places. Sugarcane, <i>arhar</i> , <i>biri</i> and cotton thriving. Fodder and water sufficient. Cattle disease reported from Chandk police-station. Common rice selling at 15 1/16 seers a rupee at Khurda.



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4	SAMBALPUR ..	Inches. 0.01	15 3/4	15 3/4	Rainfall at Bargarh 1.80 and at Nawapara 2.22 inches. Weather hot and occasionally cloudy. Sowing of <i>mung</i> begun at places. Condition of standing crops good. Cattle disease reported from Dhamma, Barpali, Bhoran, Bhatli, Bijepor, Sohella, Jagadapur, Nawapara and Komna thanas. Common rice selling at 15 3/4 seers a rupee at Bargarh, and 12 seers at Nawapara.
5	GANJAM ..	0.92	12 13/16	12 13/16	Rainfall at Balliguda 0.99, at G. Udayagiri 1.16, at Phulbani 0.75, at Khejuripara 4.54, at Russellkonda 1.12, at Surada 0.92, at Aska 2.66, at Kudala 1.59, at Berhampur 1.57, at Mohana 2.62, at Gopalpur 1.76, at Daringabadi 1.28, and at Possora 0.19 inch. Agency paddy first sort 1.57; second sort 1.61; boiled rice 3.15, raw rice 4.73; <i>ragi</i> 1.58, horsegram 3.06 and salt 3.39. Littoral paddy first sort 1.93, second sort 1.73; boiled rice 2.97; raw rice 3.90, <i>ragi</i> 2.04, horsegram 2.05 and salt 2.46. (Prices in rupees and decimals of a rupee to two places per Imperial maund of 3,200 tolas). Common rice selling at 12 seers a rupee at Khondmals. Raw rice selling at 9.63 seers a rupee at Chatrapur mart. Water supply sufficient for drinking and agricultural operations throughout the district. Transplantation of paddy is completed. Weeding operations are in progress in Aska taluk. <i>Kuhuri</i> , <i>ragi</i> , redgram, paddy in Baliguda taluk; <i>sama</i> paddy, maize, <i>ragi</i> and redgram in G. Udayagiri taluk; gingelly, paddy, <i>ragi</i> , and sugarcane in Ghumsur taluk; paddy, <i>ragi</i> , sugarcane and redgram in Surada taluk; paddy, sugarcane, <i>ragi</i> , gingelly, redgram and blackgram in Aska taluk; paddy, <i>ragi</i> , sugarcane and <i>sua</i> in Kudala taluk; groundnut, sugarcane and paddy in Chatrapur taluk; paddy, <i>ragi</i> , gingelly and groundnut in Berhampur taluk—extents appreciable—condition fair. Harvest of maize in Balliguda taluk progressing—outturn 8 annas, gingelly in Aska taluk has an outturn of 4 annas; <i>Ragi</i> in Kudala taluk has an outturn of 12 annas; gingelly and <i>ragi</i> in Chatrapur taluk have an outturn of 3.7 annas. Pasture available; Fodder sufficient. Condition of men and cattle generally good. Labour available. Stock of food grains sufficient. Prospects fair. Reservoir at Russellkonda 46.70 feet and at Surada 28.30 feet.

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		Inches.			
6	KORAPUT ..	0.67	..	..	Rainfall at Nowrangapur 2.36 and at Rayaghada 1.51 inches. Weather seasonable, favourable to agricultural operations. Standing crops—paddy, sugarcane, <i>sama</i> , <i>niger</i> , redgram, <i>ragio</i> . groundnut thriving. Harvest of <i>sama</i> in Gunupur and Pottangi taluks and <i>vuda</i> , <i>cumbu</i> , in Gunupur taluk proceeding. Outturn fair. Water sufficient. Fodder available. Cattle disease—rinderpest—in parts of Malkanagiri and Jeypore taluks. Stock of food grains sufficient. Prospects normal. Jeypore exporting rice heavily. Common rice selling at 13 seers a rupee at Jeypore and 10 seers at Gunupur and Parlakimedi.

GENERAL SUMMARY.—During the week under report light to moderate rain fell in all the districts of the Province. Weeding and transplantation of *saradh* paddy still continue. Harvesting of *bcali* paddy continues in Cuttack, Balasore and Puri districts. Jute is being harvested in Cuttack and Balasore districts. Harvesting of *ragi* continues in Cuttack, Puri and Ganjam districts and that of *sama*, *vuda* and *cumbu* continues in Koraput district. *Til*, *arhar*, cotton, sugarcane are thriving. Supply of fodder and water is reported to be sufficient. The average price of local common rice at headquarters markets is 13.56 seers a rupee against 13.67 seers for the preceding week. Cattle disease is reported from parts of Cuttack, Balasore, Puri, Sambalpur and Koraput district.

U. C. DAS,

For Revenue Commissioner, Orissa.

CUTTACK:

The 22nd September 1936.