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[SHREE SHAHU MARKET YARD, KOLHAPUR]****4.1 INTRODUCTION:**

Kolhapur District is known as leading and well developed sugarcane producing centre in Maharashtra. The district comprises of 12 talukas. The total population of the district as per census carried out in the year 1981 is 25,06,330 and that of Kolhapur city is 3,40,625.¹ The geographical area of the district is 20,21,010 acres and gross area under cultivation is 10,51,670 acres. The height from sea-level ranges from 1200 to 2000 ft. and the average annual rainfall is 40 inches.² Besides, there are a number of rivers flowing through the district. The main rivers are the Panchaganga River, Warana River and Krishna River. Two command area projects, viz. Warana Project and Dudhaganga Project and five medium irrigation projects are in progress in the district. The agriculturists in the district make use of the abundant area water to their fullest advantage by lift irrigation and other schemes and the result is that the sugarcane crop area is increasing annually. At present, more than one lakh and fifty thousand acres area is under sugarcane cultivation. Out of the total area of sugarcane cultivation, about 1,10,000 acres of

area is captured by total 12 sugar factories of the district for the manufacture of white sugar and rest is turned into jaggery production. The soil of the area and the natural environment are mostly suitable for this crop. In respect of sugar, the yield percentage of sugar factories in the district is the highest in India.

With the growth and development in agriculture, Kolhapur has now been growing up in a big industrial estate. There are thousands of industrial workshops manufacturing water pumps and diesel engines. Cement pipe industry has also flourished. Tractors, trolleys and bulldozers are seen everywhere in the district. This green revolution has been the order of the day. The co-operative movement in the district has been already spread and the district is leading in the co-operative movement in Maharashtra.

Before 1895, there was no jaggery market at Kolhapur. The agriculturists had to take their jaggery to the nearby Sangli market. This difficulty of agriculturists was viewed by the late Chhatrapati Shahu Maharaj of Kolhapur State. He invited jaggery merchants from Gujarat, Saurashtra, Madhya Pradesh, Konkan and Karnatak to Kolhapur and offered them various lucrative facilities and thus foundation of the present jaggery market at Kolhapur was actually laid in the year 1895.

Later, when the volume of trade was expanded enormously, to safeguard the interests of the agriculturists, the Kolhapur State passed the Kolhapur Agricultural Produce Market Act in 1945 and it was made applicable in the same year to this market. Subsequently, the Kolhapur State was merged into the erstwhile Bombay State in the year 1949.

4.2 LOCATION OF MARKET:

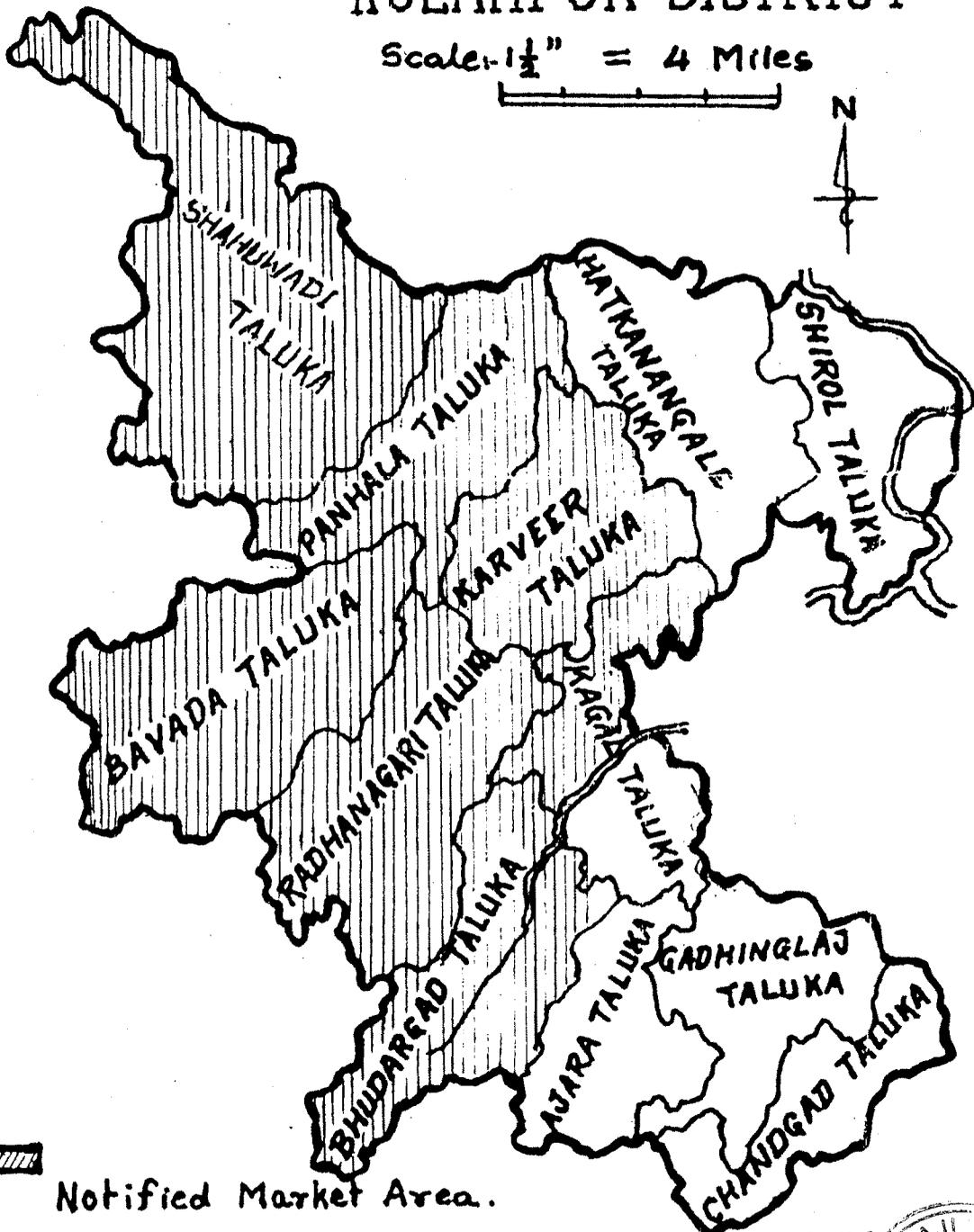
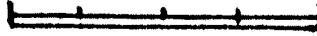
The Kolhapur Agricultural Produce Market Committee (Shree Shahu Market Yard) is situated on the eastern side of Kolhapur city on the Poona Bangalore National Highway.

4.3 NOTIFIED MARKET AREA:³

At present, the declared market area of the market committee consists of the following six and one-half Talukas of the Kolhapur District, viz: Talukas: (1) Karveer, (2) Radhanagari, (3) Bhudargad, (4) Panhala, (5) Shahuwadi, and (6) Gagan Bavda, as also 43 villages of Kagal Taluka.

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Scale: $1\frac{1}{2}$ " = 4 Miles



Notified Market Area.

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4.4 PRINCIPAL MARKET & SUB-MARKET:

Previously, the principal market was in the thickly populated area named as 'Shahupuri' in the city. Later on, it was shifted to the present site on the Poona Bangalore National Highway to the east of Kolhapur city in the month of December 1958 and was named as Shree Shahu Market Yard. The area of the present market yard is 120-134 acres. The market has been so constructed and developed and it has become an ideal and modern market in India.

SUB-MARKET YARDS:

The market committee has established the following sub-market yards in the market area:-

	<u>Name of the sub-market yard</u>	<u>Date of auctioning</u>
1)	Malakapur Sub-Market Yard, MALAKAPUR, Tal.Shahuwadi.	1.9.1960
2)	Laxmipuri/Shahupuri/Parsi Grain Market Yards.	19.8.1969
3)	Kagal Sub-Market Yard (Cattle & Sheep, Goats), Tal.Kagal.	19.8.1977
4)	Mahalaxmi Vegetable Sub- Market Yard, Kolhapur.	3.11.1978
5)	Laxmipuri Fruits Sub- Market Yard, Kolhapur.	3.11.1978
6)	Udyamnagar Sub-Market Yard Kolhapur (Grass & Fodder)	30.11.1978
7)	Vashinaka Sub-Market Yard Kolhapur (Grass & Fodder)	30.11.1978

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| 8) | Subhashnagar Sub-Market Yard
Kolhapur (Hides & Skins) | 30.11.1978 |
| 9) | Temblaiwadi Sub-Market Yard,
Kolhapur (Cattle & Sheeps & Goats) | 30.11.1978 |

**4.5 COMPOSITION & CONSTITUTION OF
THE MARKET COMMITTEE:**

The market committee consists of the following members from the different constituencies:-

1)	<u>Agricultural Constituency:</u>	10
	a) Co-operative Societies Constituency	7
	b) Gram Panchayat Constituency	<u>3</u>
2)	<u>Co-operative Marketing Societies:</u>	1
3)	<u>Traders Constituency:</u>	3
4)	<u>Local Authority Constituency:</u>	2
	a) Taluka Panchayat Samiti Chairman	1
	b) Kolhapur Municipal Corpn. Representative	<u>1</u>
5)	<u>Government Nominees:</u>	2
	a) District Agricultural Officer, Zilla Parishad, Kolhapur.	1
	b) District Deputy Registrar	<u>1</u>
	<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>18</u>

4.6 REGULATED COMMODITIES: ⁴

Following is the list of the agricultural commodities regulated in the market area of this market committee:-

Date of Regulations	Names of the Commodities
6.10.1945	1) Gul, 2) Groundnuts (shelled & unshelled).
13. 6.1968	1) Jowar, 2) Paddy (husked & unhusked), 3) Bajara 4) Wheat, 5) Tobacco, 6) Cotton (ginned & unginned) 7) Chillis, 8) Turmaric 9) Gram, 10) Gram-dal, 11) Tur, 12) Tur-Dal, 13) Udid, 14) Udid-Dal, 15) Moog, 16) Moog-Dal, 17) Masur, 18) Masur-Dal, 19) Onion, 20) Peas, 21) Val, 22) Chola, 23) Kulthi, 24) Cattle, 25) Sheep & Goats.
2. 3.1978	1) Fruits & Vegetables 2) Grass fodder, 3) Hides & Skins.
26. 6.1980	Additional Fruits, Ginger & Spices Corriander, Garlic, ginger, Betal Leaves.

4.7 STAFF:

The staff is appointed by the Market Committee. The staff recruitment rules and staff service rules are approved by the Director of Marketing, Maharashtra State, Pune. The present staff position of the Committee is as follows:-

SUPERVISORY STAFF:		SUB-ORDINATE STAFF:	
1. Secretary	1	1. Wireman	1
2. Asstt.Secretary	1	2. Naik	1
3. Accountant	1	3. Driver	1
4. Satisfician	1	4. Peons	6
5. Head-Clerk	1	5. Gardeners	2
6. Inspectors	3	6. Coolies	4
7. Cashier	1	7. Sweeper	1
8. Senior Clerk	4	8. Road-roller Driver	<u>1</u>
9. Sande Clerks	5	WATCH & WARD STAFF:	<u>17</u>
10. Grader	1	1. Security Officer	1
11. Junior Engineer	1	2. Asstt.Security Officer	1
12. Junior Clerks	20	3. Watchmen	<u>27</u>
13. Mestry	<u>1</u>		<u>29</u>
	41		
Total	<u>87</u>		

4.8 TURNOVER OF COMMODITIES:

Table No.4.1 shows the annual turnover of important commodities in Shahu Market Yard, Kolhapur, between 1980-81 to 1986-87.

TABLE NO.4.1

Year	Gul	Groundnuts	Onions	Tobacco Bodh
	in quintals	in quintals	in quintals	in quintals
1980-81	8,58,862	21,814	56,599	5,966
1981-82	8,04,113	12,611	59,423	569
1982-83	6,95,162	14,837	69,107	78
1983-84	5,94,295	14,389	95,449	1,232
1984-85	7,51,463	29,826	1,23,290	582
1985-86	5,47,245	37,357	1,26,633	-
1986-87	5,59,729	24,766	1,03,592	-

4.9 INCOME & EXPENDITURE OF MARKET COMMITTEE:

The sources of income of the Market Committee are limited. The main sources are Licence Fee and Market Fee and other income.

Table No.4.2 gives the details of income and expenditure for the year 1980-81 to 1986-87.

TABLE NO.4.2

Year	I N C O M E				E X P E N D I T U R E		
	Licence Fees Rs.	Market Fees Rs.	Other Income Rs.	Total Income Rs.	Establishment Rs.	Other Expenses Rs.	Total Expenses Rs.
1980-81	1,54,490.00	20,68,885.86	3,92,807.76	26,16,183.62	5,60,539.87	4,33,056.00	9,93,595.87
1981-82	1,47,116.00	14,95,813.95	4,77,629.71	20,84,559.66	6,34,512.65	2,86,365.75	9,20,878.40
1982-83	1,41,437.00	12,97,622.91	5,00,315.41	19,39,295.32	8,05,054.81	4,33,876.77	12,18,272.58
1983-84	1,29,840.00	16,10,762.61	5,29,885.61	22,68,288.22	8,07,254.30	4,19,517.43	12,26,771.73
1984-85	1,33,541.00	18,16,167.43	11,98,982.38	31,28,740.81	10,41,648.48	6,73,971.65	17,15,620.13
1985-86	1,19,185.00	16,76,336.70	8,14,917.42	26,08,293.19	10,63,939.10	6,81,714.50	17,45,653.60
1986-87	1,24,590.00	22,14,167.83	16,63,490.19	40,02,248.02	11,34,861.10	16,75,469.80	28,10,330.90

4.10 AMENITIES & CONSTRUCTIONS?

Shree Shahu Market Committee provides various valuable amenities and facilities. They are as follows:-

1. Office Building,
2. Compound Wall,
3. Tree Plantation,
4. Canteens - 2 units,
5. Bank & Post Office,
6. Sanitary Blocks,
7. Urinals,
8. Entrance Gates - 6 Units,
9. Watchmen Gates,
10. Roads,
11. Water arrangements,
12. Cattle Shed,
13. Cattle Trough,
14. Water Well,
15. Rest House for Labourers,
16. Multi-purpose Hall
(Building includes Guest Home, Records, etc.)
17. Elevated Water Tank,
18. Provision Shops - 2 units,
19. Police Chowki,
20. Gardens,
21. Store Building,

22. Tobacco Godowns - 10 Galas,

23. Cultural Centre.

Other Special Amenities available are as follows:-

1. Special Railway Siding,
2. Petrol Pump,
3. City Bus Service,
4. Banking Facilities,
(Branches of 7 Banks)
5. Central Warehouse Godowns - 5 Units,
6. Block Development Seeds Godowns,
7. Electricity,
8. Telephone.
9. Car Parking.

4.11 JAGGERY RESEARCH CENTRE:

There is one Government Sugarcane and Jaggery Research Centre near the Market Yard. This Centre helps to keep up and improve the quality of jaggery for export purpose.

This market committee is proud to note that near about 44 co-operative societies are functioning in this market yard as commission agents. The percentage of the quantity handled by the co-operatives out of the total turnover is very high.

4.12 GOVERNMENT and BANK LOANS:

The Market Committee had taken State Government Loan of Rs.10.0 Lakhs in the year 1955-56 and 1958-59. The loan was repaid together with interest in the year 1971-72. This loan was taken for the construction of new Principal Market Yard at Kolhapur.

A loan of Rs.20.0 Lakhs is sanctioned by the Maharashtra State Land Development Bank, Bombay, (under the NABARD scheme) for the construction of fruits and vegetable market in Shree Shahu Market Yard, Kolhapur, which is now under construction.

4.13 GOVERNMENT SUBSIDY:

This Market Committee has received the Government subsidy for the following markets under various schemes. Table no.4.5 provides the details of the Government subsidies.

TABLE NO.4.3.

Sr. no.	Name of Market	Scheme under which Government subsidy granted	Amount
1)	Malakapur Sub-Market Yard, MALAKAPUR Tal.Shahuwadi.	Small Farmers' Development Assistance.	Rs.1.00 Lakh.
2)	Kagal Sub-Market Yard, KAGAL Tal.Kagal	Development of Rural Markets	Rs.1.50 Lakhs
3)	New Fruit & Vegetable Market, Shree Shahu Market Yard, Kolhapur.	Development of Fruits & Vegetable Market.	Rs.7.50 Lakhs

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