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POLICING THE UNITED PROVINCES: JUNE 1917

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS



LOCAL ALLOWANCE GRANTS

Deputy Superintendents in six major cities received a local allowance of Rs. 50 per month.



RAILWAY POLICE PAY REVISION

Proposals were approved to increase pay for vernacular clerks to address legitimate grievances.

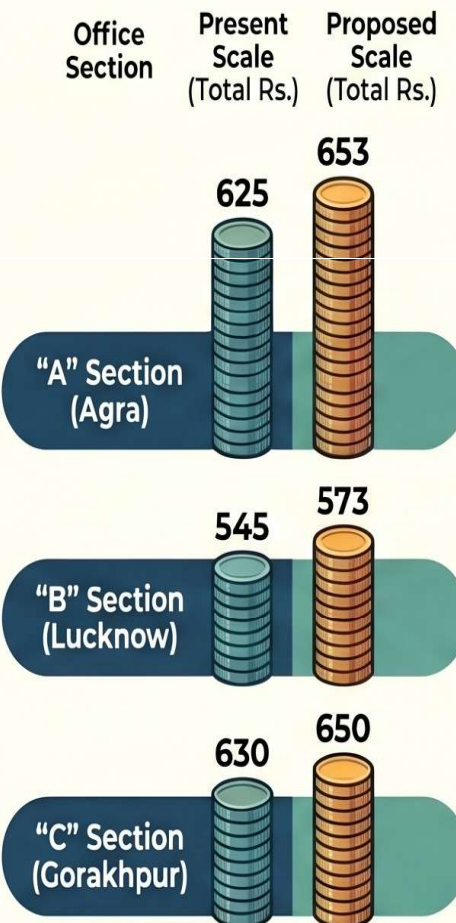


ADMINISTRATIVE & FINANCIAL REFORMS

STREAMLINING CONSTABULARY RECORDS

Head constables earning over Rs. 20 shifted from service books to constabulary registers.

DATA TABLE: RAILWAY POLICE PAY REVISION PROPOSALS



ENFORCEMENT OF THE CRIMINAL TRIBES ACT

Extensive proceedings focused on the registration and settlement of groups like the Maghiya Doms.



OPERATIONAL FOCUS & SOCIAL CONTROL



POLICE CONDUCT & ACCOUNTABILITY

The department recorded numerous complaints, including cases of extortion and assaults by soldiers.

ARMED FORCE STRENGTH TRACKING

Detailed audits monitored firearms, including carbines and pistols, held by various police branches.

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Archival Record Synthesised / June 1917

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Internal Bureaucracy

The mundane machinery of empire: balancing budgets, restructuring clerical workflows, and calibrating racial pay scales to maintain administrative efficiency.

The Economics of Clerical Work

A 1916 review found clerks in the vernacular offices of the Railway Police sections (handling heavy correspondence on Rs. 12-20) had a 'legitimate grievance' compared to English clerks (earning up to Rs. 100).

Railway Police Vernacular Offices

Role	Old Scale	Proposed Scale
Record-keepers	Rs. 12 to 20 maximum	Rs. 30
A / B Section Clerks	Rs. 12 to 20 maximum	Rs. 30 to 40
Senior C Section Clerks	Rs. 12 to 20 maximum	Up to Rs. 60

The Bottom Line: The total increased cost to the Government was calculated down to the precise anna: Rs. 101-4-0 per mensem (month).

Reallocating Headcount for Anglo-Indian Recruitment

By 1915, the pay for Police Sergeants was deemed "insufficient to attract a good class of Anglo-Indian," resulting in declining quality among recruits.

Step 1: Reduce Strength

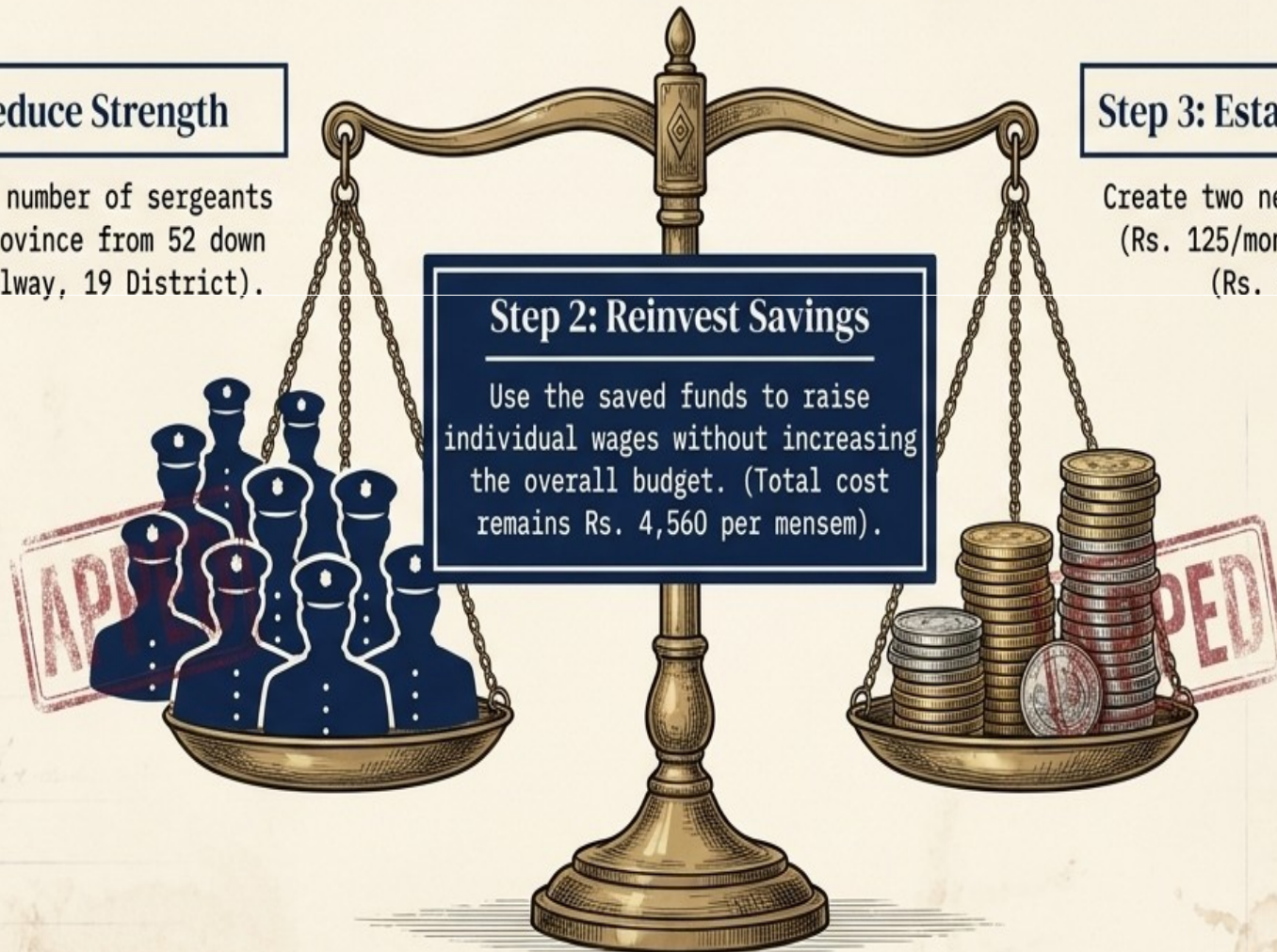
Cut the total number of sergeants across the province from 52 down to 40 (21 Railway, 19 District).

Step 2: Reinvest Savings

Use the saved funds to raise individual wages without increasing the overall budget. (Total cost remains Rs. 4,560 per mensem).

Step 3: Establish New Grades

Create two new tiers: 1st Grade (Rs. 125/month) and 2nd Grade (Rs. 100/month).



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Streamlining the Empire's Paperwork

To minimise clerical work in administrative and account offices, the United Provinces adopted a system from the Government of Madras.



Old System (Inefficient)

Maintain individual 'Service Books' for all constables.

Complex pension sanctioning procedures.

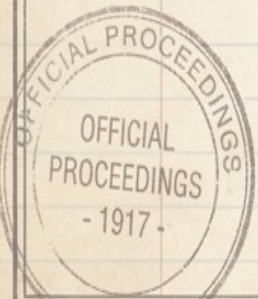
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New System (Streamlined)

For Head Constables earning > Rs. 20/month:
Abandon individual books.

Record services collectively in a 'Constabulary Register.'

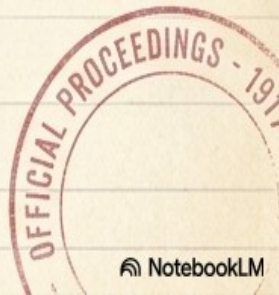
Inspector-General directly sanctions pensions, waiving book maintenance.





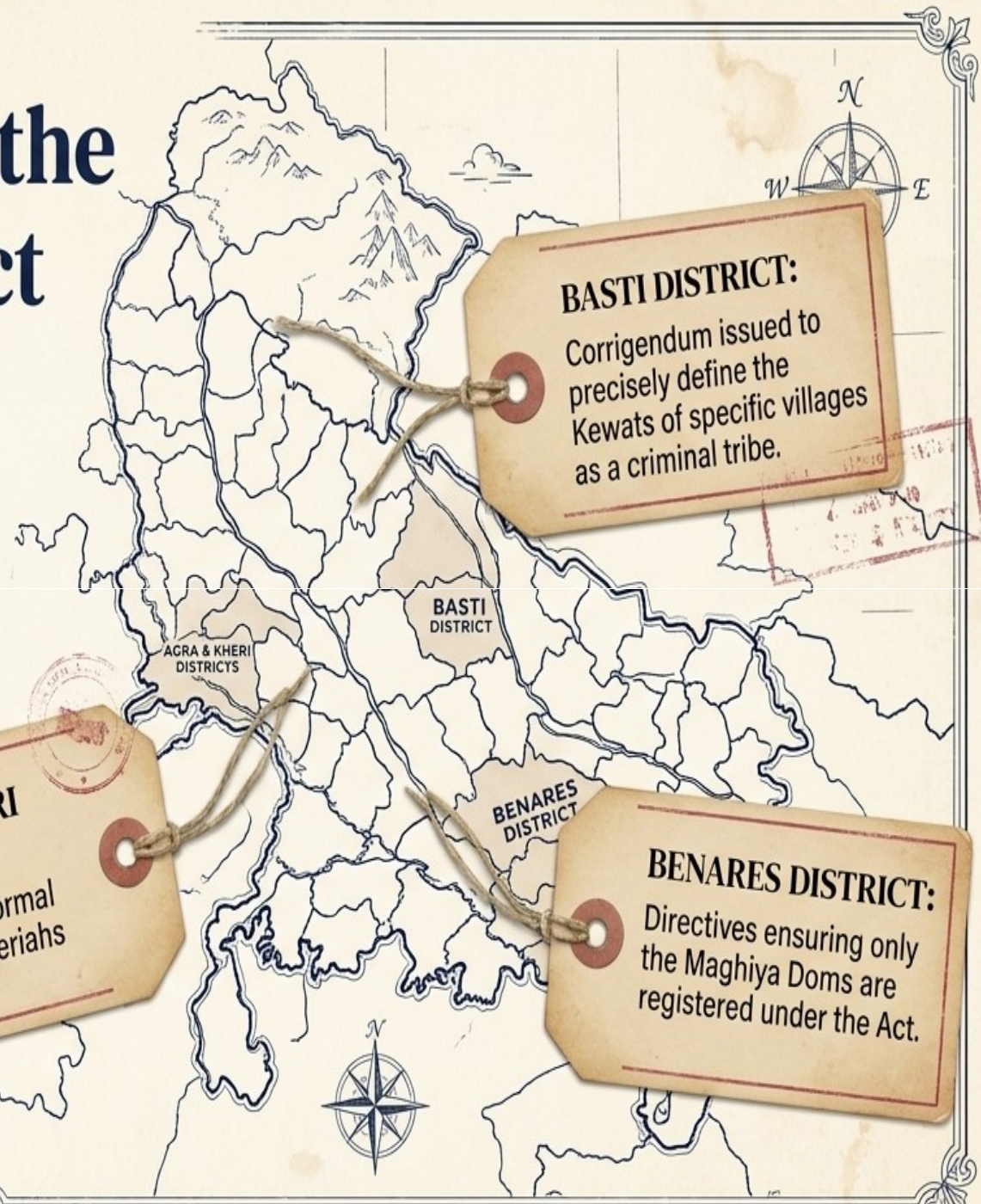
Systemic Social Control

The weaponisation of bureaucracy. How the administration utilised legislation and third-party organisations to label, track, and contain entire communities under the Criminal Tribes Act.



The Geography of the Criminal Tribes Act

The index reveals the relentless administrative maintenance required to enforce Section 4 of the Criminal Tribes Act, which pre-emptively criminalised entire ethnic or social groups.



BASTI DISTRICT:
Corrigendum issued to precisely define the Kewats of specific villages as a criminal tribe.

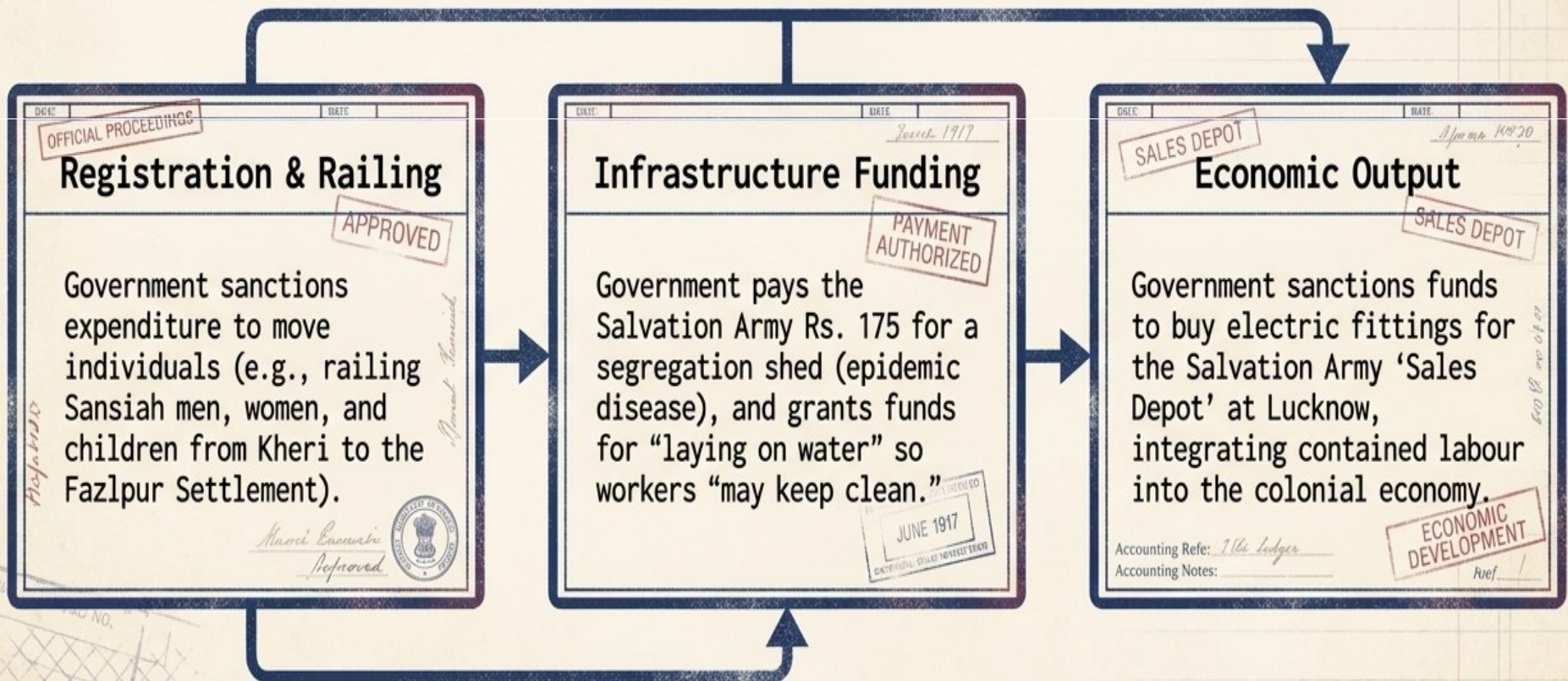
AGRA & KHERI DISTRICTS:
Orders for the formal settlement of Beriahs and Sansiahs.

BENARES DISTRICT:
Directives ensuring only the Maghiya Doms are registered under the Act.



Outsourcing Containment

The physical management of targeted communities was heavily outsourced to organisations like the Salvation Army and the Wesleyan Methodist Mission. The state provided the legislative framework and the funding.





Logistics and Monopolised Force

The hardware of authority. A detailed accounting of the firearms, geography, and demographic composition required to physically maintain order across the province.

The Inventory of Force

The government required an exacting annual return detailing the "strength and armament" of the police. This logistical tracking was vital for maintaining the monopoly on violence.



Carbines

(Including B.L.
.476 bore and M.H.
Cavalry)



Muskets

(B.L. .476 bore)



Rifles

(Martini Henry,
Enfield)



Pistols

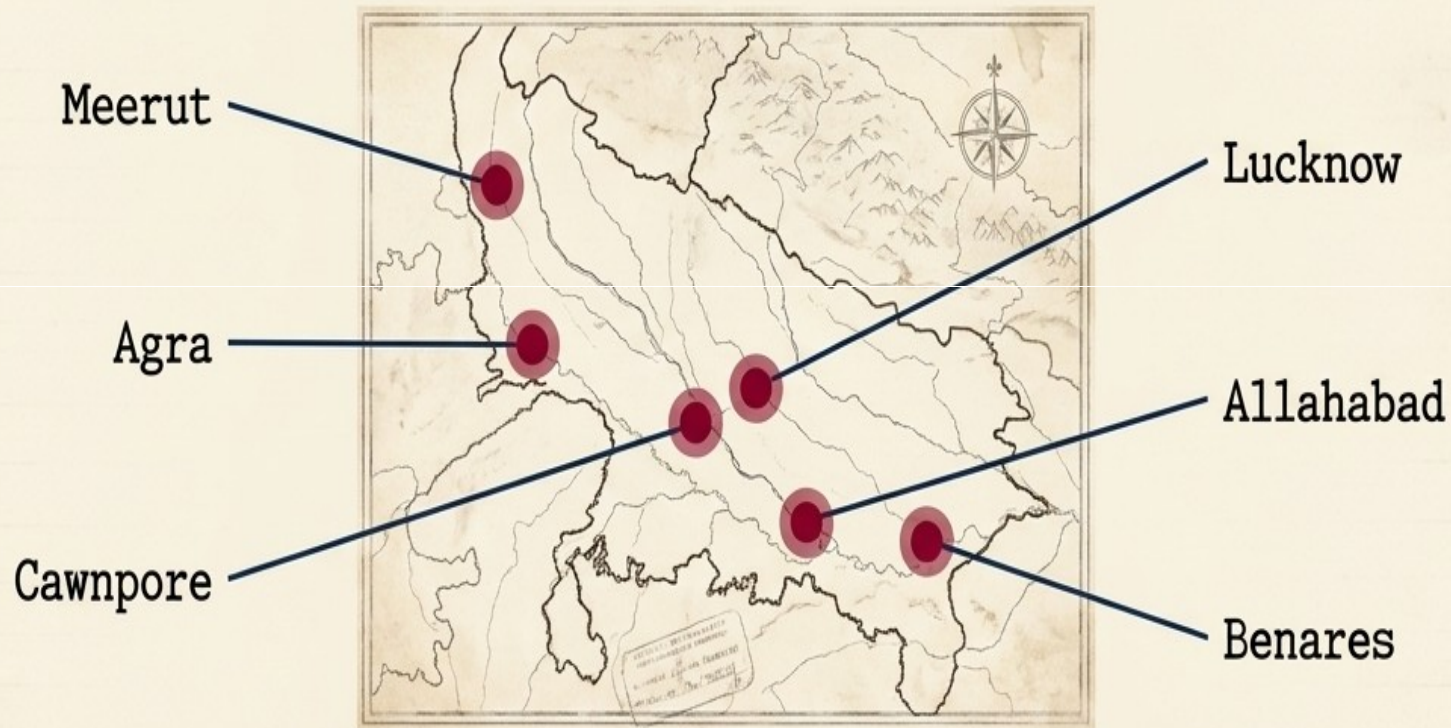
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NOTE: The tables explicitly required tracking arms distribution across specific operational branches: Special Armed Forces, Railway Police, River Police, and Training Schools.

The Geography of Premium Leadership



To ensure high-quality leadership in vital urban centres, the government sanctioned a specific 'local allowance' of Rs. 50 per mensem for Deputy Superintendents of Police in six major cities.



Strategic Insight: This geographic financial incentive maps perfectly onto the major commercial, railway, and political hubs of the province, highlighting the strategic nodes of imperial control.



The Archival Margins: Friction and Reality

Beyond the neat calculations of pay scales and pension books, the alphabetical index briefly exposes the violent friction between the police apparatus and the public.

File 1

ASSAULT: Report of an assault on three soldiers of the Rifle Brigade by "20 or 30 Chamars and bhishties" at Agra.

File 2

EXTORTION: Receipt of a further report on a case against the police of thana Beniganj, Gorakhpur.

File 3

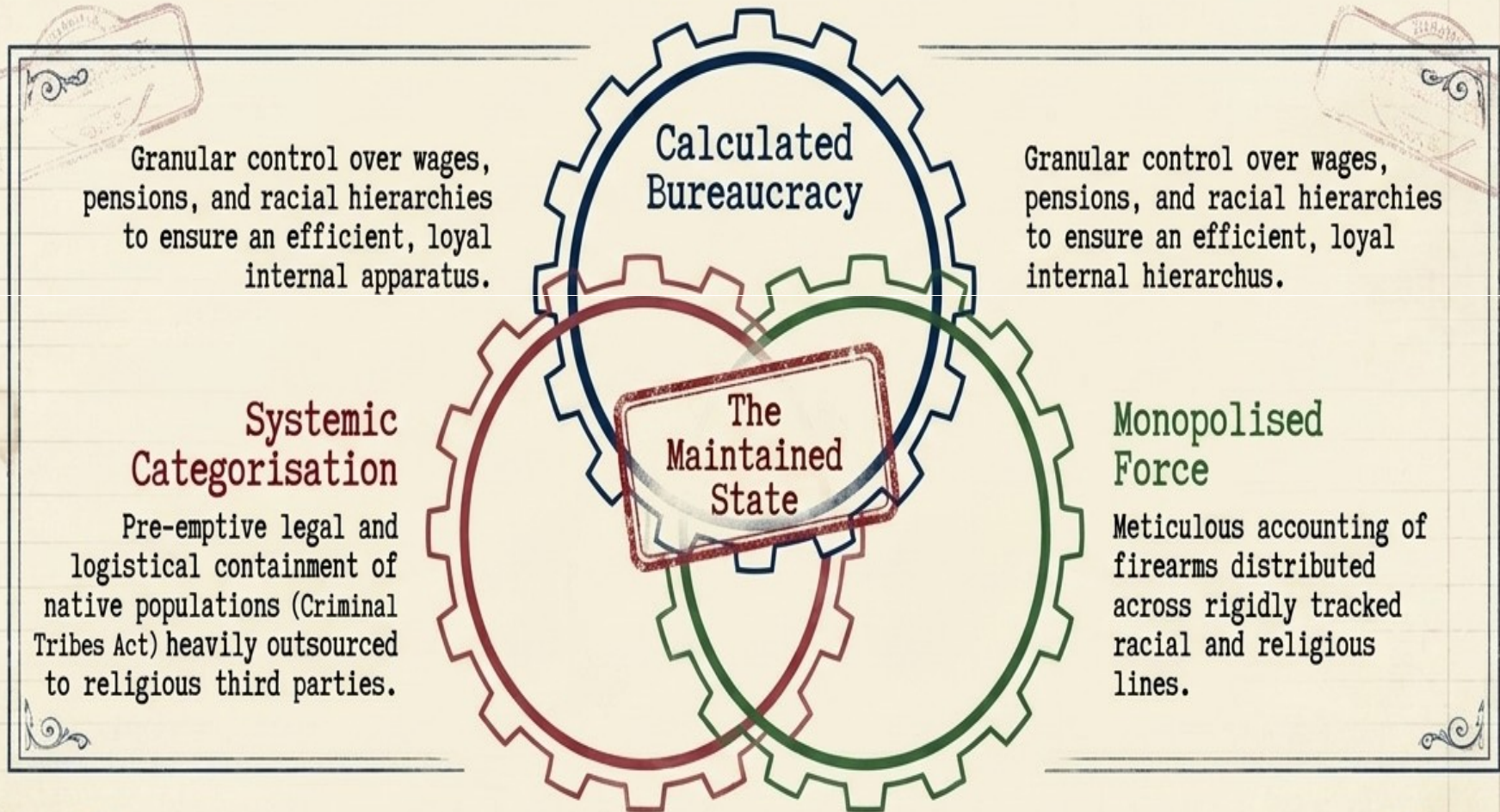
TORTURE: Receipt of a report of an alleged case of torture by the police at the Katra city outpost, Mirzapur.

File 4

PETITION: Numerous petitions for "re-instatement" by dismissed Sub-Inspectors and clerks, indicating strict internal disciplinary turnover.

The Tripartite Engine of Colonial Rule

The June 1917 Proceedings reveal that colonial authority was not merely a matter of military force, but the precise, daily synchronisation of three interlocking systems.



A regime maintained not just by the Carbine, but by the Ledger.