

PREFACE

The Gazetteer of the Bombay Presidency was originally compiled between 1874 and 1884 and this revised edition of it has been prepared under the orders of the Government of Bombay. The work was entrusted to the Bombay District Gazetteers (Revision) Editorial Board which was specially created for that purpose in 1949.¹ As reconstituted in 1957, the Board consists of the following members :—

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Diacritical marks to explain the pronunciation of names of places and of words in Indian languages have been used only in two chapters, namely, chapter 3—The People and Their Culture, and chapter 20—Places of Interest and also in the Directory of Villages and Towns. In other chapters the current spellings have been retained. A key to the diacritical marks used is given at page 857.

M. R. PALANDE,

Executive Editor and Secretary.

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¹ The following members constituted that Board : Chief Secretary to Government (Shri M. D. Bhat, I.C.S., 1949-52; Shri M. D. Bhansali, I.C.S., 1952-56); Prof. C. N. Vakil, Bombay; Dr. G. S. Churye, Bombay; Dr. S. M. Katre, Poona; Dr. S. C. Nandimath, Bagalkot; Director of Archives (Dr. P. M. Joshi); Executive Editor and Secretary (Prof. D. G. Karve, 1949-52; Prof. M. R. Palande, since 1952).

² Shri M. D. Bhansali, I.C.S., retired in 1958 and Shri K. L. Panjabi, I.C.S., who came in his place also retired at the end of the same year.

