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SECTION 15: WEIGHTS AND SCALES The weights and scales made use of in the sadar factories and at the district to this shall be provided by 31 [the Central Government]. Examination there of every 32 [district opium officer] shall annually, before beginning to weigh the opium of the season, examine the weights and scales in use in his district and shall report the result of such examination to the agent. The Agent shall make a similar examination of the weights and scales of the sadar factory, and shall report the result to 31 [the Central Government]. No weights or scales shall be made use of which on any such examination have not been found to be strictly accurate. It shall be the duty of all officers who may superintend the weighing of opium to see that the opium is weighed fairly with an even beam; and the practice of taking excess weight for the purpose of turning the scale, or as an allowance for dry age and wastage, is hereby prohibited.