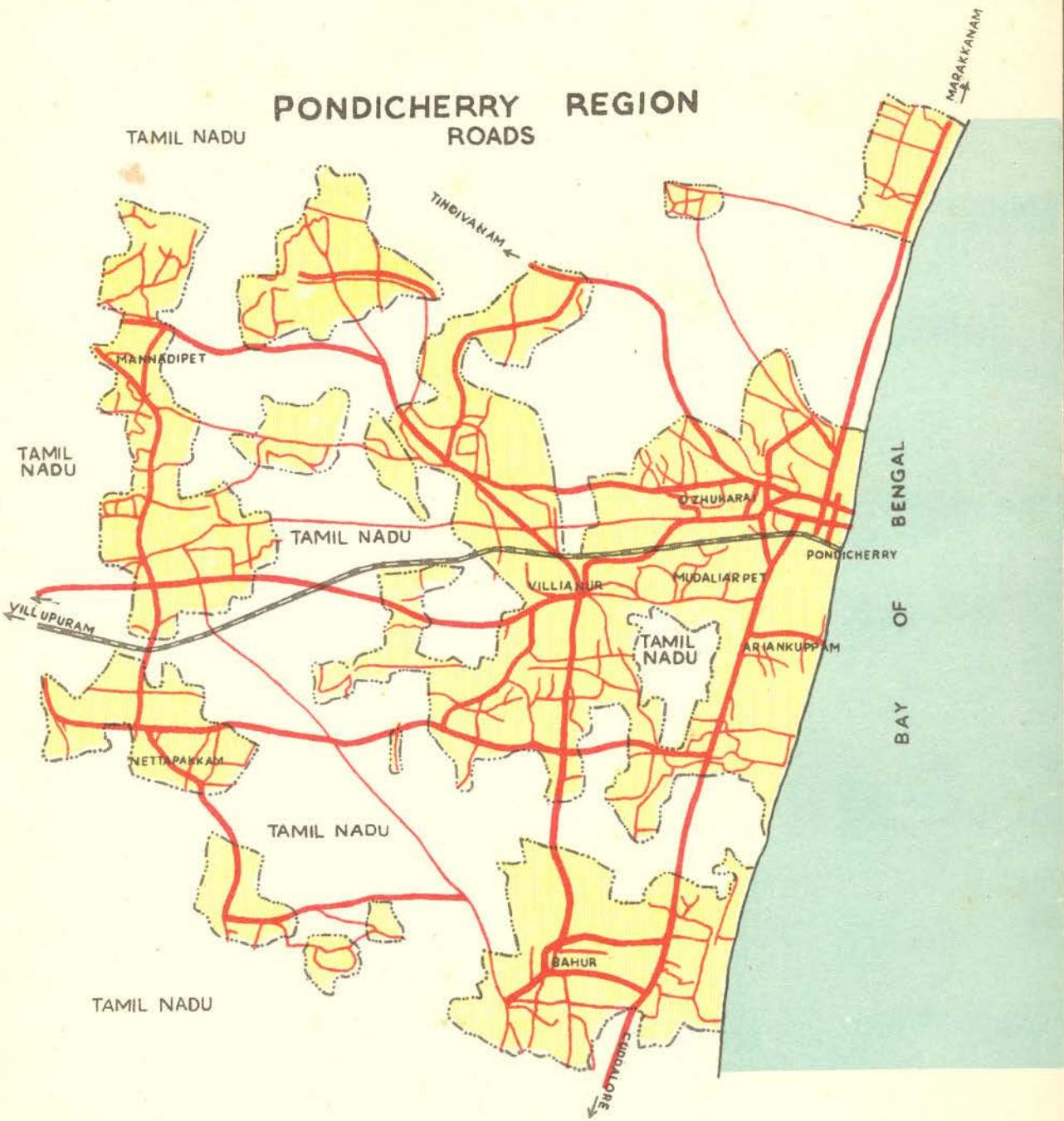


PONDICHERRY REGION ROADS



III. ROADS.

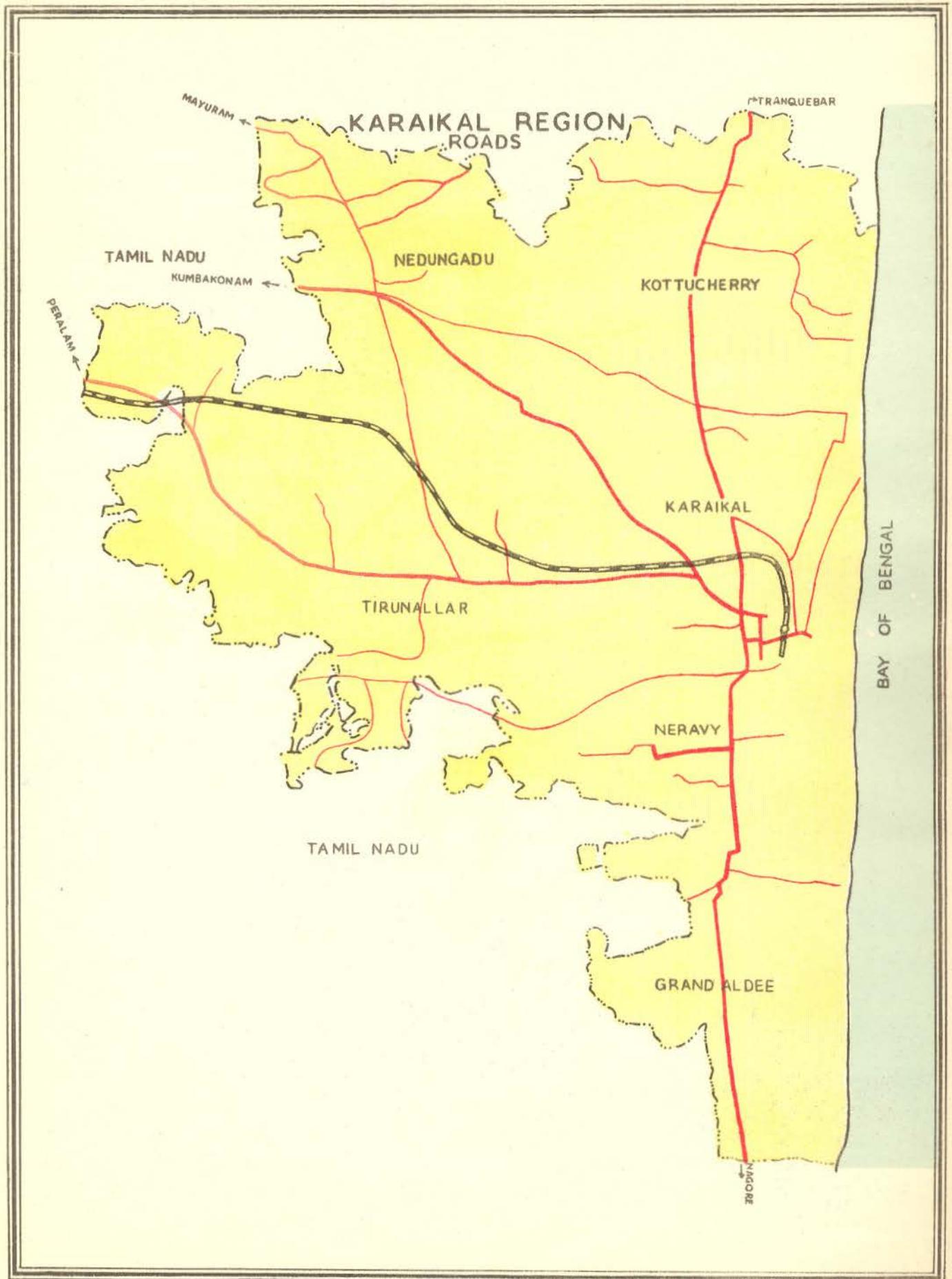
The Union Territory of Pondicherry is well served by roads. Soon after the dawn of independence considerable attention was paid to road development by extending the benefits of the Five Year Plans. Realising the importance of quick and timely movement of goods and passengers due attention was paid to the construction and maintenance of roads and bridges. The total length of surfaced road as on 31st March 1971 is 343.17 kms. which works out to a length of 71.47 kms. per 100 sq. kms. area. The All-India average is 24 kms length per 100 sq.kms. area. There is practically no bottleneck in the movement of goods and passengers

within the Union Territory. A sum of Rs. 185.11 lakhs has so far been spent on the maintenance and development of roads and bridges upto 31-3-1971 through Plan Schemes.

Pondicherry Region.

The progress in the construction of roads (Public Works Department) from 1965-66 to 1970-71 can be had from the position presented in the following table :—

Sl. No.	Year	Surfaced				Unsurfaced		
		Concrete	Black Topped	Water bound macadam	Total	Soled	Earthern	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
1.	As on 31-3-1966 ..	2.55	190.63	26.54	219.72	12.89	..	12.89
2.	As on 31-3-1971 ..	2.55	207.67	21.13	231.35	1.26	..	1.26



III. ROADS.

Karaikal Region.

The progress of road construction in respect of Karaikal region as on 31st March 1966 and 31st March 1971 is furnished in the following table :—

Sl. No.	Year	Surfaced				Unsurfaced		
		Concrete	Black Topped	Water bound macadam	Total	Soled	Earthern	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
1.	As on 31—3—1966 ..	..	52.18	30.33	82.51	4.98	..	4.98
2.	As on 31—3—1971 ..	..	58.96	28.48	87.44	..	..	..

It is important to note that the proportion of black topped road is significantly pronounced compared to Water Bound Macadam in respect of surfaced road.

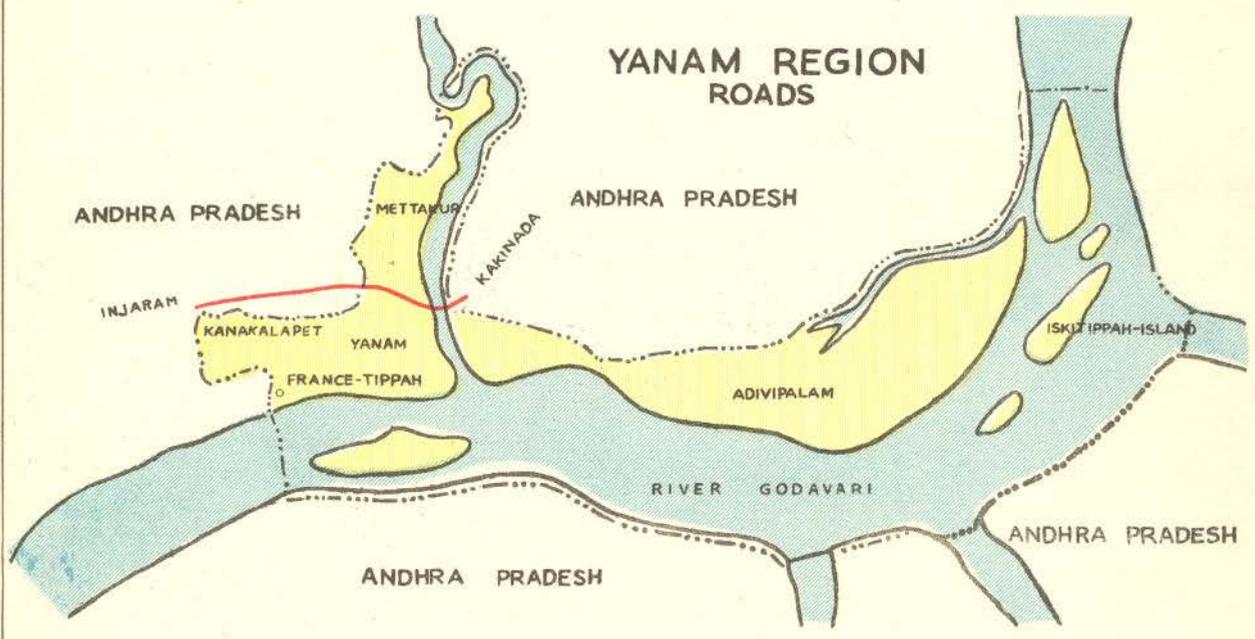
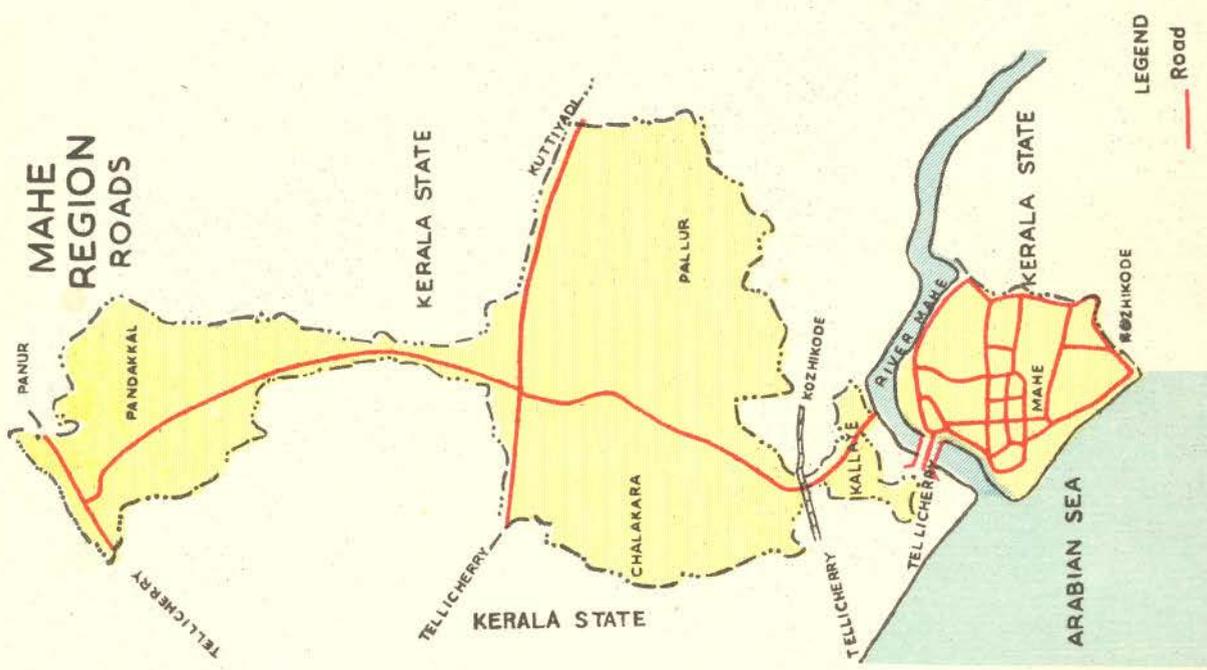
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Karaikal Region.

The progress of road construction in respect of Karaikal region as on 31st March 1966 and 31st March 1971 is furnished in the following table :—

Sl. No.	Year	Surfaced				Unsurfaced		
		Concrete	Black Topped	Water bound macadam	Total	Soled	Earthern	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
1.	As on 31—3—1966 ..	..	52.18	30.33	82.51	4.98	..	4.98
2.	As on 31—3—1971 ..	..	58.96	28.48	87.44	..	..	..

It is important to note that the proportion of black topped road is significantly pronounced compared to Water Bound Macadam in respect of surfaced road.



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Mahe Region.

The length of roads maintained as on 31st March 1966 and 31st March 1971 in Mahe Region is furnished in the following table :—

Sl. No.	Year	Surfaced				Unsurfaced		
		Concrete	Black Topped	Water bound macadam	Total	Soled	Earthern	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
1.	As on 31—3—1966 ..	..	15.68	..	15.68	..	..	..
2.	As on 31—3—1971 ..	..	15.68	..	15.68	..	..	..

The entire surfaced road is black topped.

Yanam Region.

The length of roads constructed and maintained as on 31st March 1966 and 31st March 1971 is furnished below in respect of Yanam Region :—

Sl. No.	Year	Surfaced				Unsurfaced		
		Concrete	Black Topped	Water bound macadam	Total	Soled	Earthern	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
1.	As on 31—3—1966 ..	..	5.30	0.18	5.48	..	..	..
2.	As on 31—3—1971 ..	..	4.50	4.20	8.70	..	2.31	2.31