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[Despatch Abstract.]

Enteric fever.

Recording letter from the Director of Public Instruction
reporting that care will be taken to see that officers recruited
in Europe are required to be inoculated against enteric fever.

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G.O. No. 247, 4th June 1918

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(True extract)

V. T. Krishnamachari
for Acting Secretary to Government.

To all Departments of the Secretariat,
the Surgeon-General.

(Educational)



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Communicated to the S.D.O. under the Home (S.D.) Dept. for the Officer in charge of the Dept. of Information and Guidance. The order should be brought to the notice of every officer recruited in Europe immediately on his arrival in India and should be entered in the Madras Inspection Code.

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Government of Madras

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL (MEDICAL) DEPARTMENT

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READ—the following papers:—

I

G.O. Nos. 687-88, Public, dated 6th June 1913.

ABSTRACT.—Replying to a letter from the Government of India, Department of Education (Sanitary), No. 77-C.D., dated 22nd January 1913, regarding the compulsory inoculation against enteric fever of every officer about to proceed to India for the first time.

II

Letter—from R. A. GRAHAM, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Secretary to the Government of Madras, Local and Municipal (Medical) Department.

To—the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Education.

Dated—Fort St. George, the 5th March 1918.

No.—386-1 Medl.

I am directed to invite a reference to the correspondence ending with this Government's letter No. 688, Public, dated 6th June 1913, regarding the proposal that every officer about to proceed to India for the first time should be required to produce a certificate of inoculation against enteric fever, and to request that this Government may be informed of the action, if any, which it was finally decided to take in the matter.

III

Letter—from Rai Bahadur J. M. MITRA, Esq., M.A., Assistant Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Education (Sanitary).

To—the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Local and Municipal Department.

Dated—Simla, the 21st March 1918.

No.—88.

In reply to your letter No. 386-1, Medical, dated the 5th March 1918, regarding the proposal that every officer about to proceed to India for the first time should be required to produce a certificate of inoculation against enteric fever, I am directed to say that the Government of India decided not to proceed further with the matter as it was considered inexpedient to introduce compulsion. And further the existing rules under which candidates are recommended by the India Office to undergo inoculation were considered sufficient for all practical purposes.

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R. A. GRAHAM,
Acting Secretary to Government.

To all Departments of the Secretariat } order only.
,, the Surgeon-General

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL (MEDICAL) DEPARTMENT.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O. No. 247, MEDICAL,
DATED 4TH JUNE 1913.

[SUBJECT.—*Inoculation against enteric fever.*]

I

Previous papers :

G.O. 697, Public, 23rd April 1878.	G.O. 355, Educational, 22nd May 1894.
" 538, Financial, 12th March 1880.	" 609, Public, 18th August "
" 1694, Public, 18th July 1885.	" 706 " 22nd September "
" 119 " 2nd February 1889.	" 834 " 5th November "
" 1865, Revenue, 23rd March "	" 687-8 " 6th June 1913.
" 339, Public, 15th April "	" 339, Medical, 4th August 1917.
" 108, Financial, 27th January 1892.	Pamphlet by Major J. T. Calvert, I.M.S., on the preservation of health for the guidance of young officers on their arrival in India.
" 299, Public, 3rd May "	Unofficial hints for junior officers of the Indian Civil Service on arrival from England.
" 78 " 31st January 1894.	
" 815, Revenue, 26th February "	
" 129, Educational, 1st March "	

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

As orally directed by the Chief Secretary, the question is submitted for consideration whether young civilians on first arrival in India should not be required to undergo compulsory inoculation against enteric fever. In this connexion, attention is solicited to the correspondence and notes in G.O. Nos. 687-88, Public, dated 6th June 1913, where a similar question, raised by the Bombay Government and referred by the Government of India to the Madras Government for opinion, was considered at length and was supported by this Government.

2. So far as the *Indian Civil Service* is concerned, 31 officers who arrived in India during the six years (1907 to 1912) were specifically consulted in 1913 as to (1) whether they had been inoculated either before or since their arrival in India and (2) whether they had had fever either before or since their arrival in this country. From the replies of these officers, summarized at page 41 of note file in G.O. Nos. 687-88, Public, dated 6th June 1913, it will be seen that, out of the 31 officers, 19 had been inoculated *before* arrival in India and 1 *after* arrival.

3. It is understood that there has been no correspondence on the subject subsequent to this Government's letter to India No. 688, Public, dated 6th June 1913, and it is for orders whether Local and

Separately.

L.D.—14-2-18.

Municipal (Medical) may be requested to ascertain from India how the matter stands at present.

A.H.—14-2-18.

Mr. Jolly, Mr. Harvey and Mr. Callander in the Indian Civil Service alone have since died from enteric fever. Are any other cases of illness or death from this disease traceable?

Which department should in ordinary circumstances deal with this now? Home (Miscellaneous) I suppose. The rule, if it be prescribed, ought not to be confined to the Indian Civil Service.

L. DAVIDSON—14-2-18.

Submitted that no other cases of illness or death from enteric are traceable among Indian Civil Service members.

2. The general question now raised seems to be one for consideration in Local and Municipal (Medical) rather than Home (Miscellaneous), as it is understood that G.O. Nos. 687-88, Public, dated 6th June 1913, was dealt with in that section of the

former Public Department which now corresponds to *Local and Municipal (Medical)*. It may also be noted that it is in the *latter department* that the recent general orders about the checking of the spread of tuberculosis among Government servants were issued—please see G.O. No. 339, *Local and Municipal (Medical)*, dated 4th August 1917.

3. If this view is accepted, it is submitted that the matter may be referred to *Local and Municipal (Medical)* for consideration and also for reminding India as suggested in paragraph 3 of office-note supra.

A.H.—16-2-18.

Please send accordingly to *Local and Municipal (Medical)* u.o. with the remark that my instruction to put up the note was given after conversation with Sir Alexander Cardew. [I understand other Honourable Members and His Excellency have discussed the point.]

L. DAVIDSON—18-2-18.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL (MEDICAL) DEPARTMENT.

There are no statistics in this department to show whether enteric fever is particularly rife among Europeans newly arriving in this country. The annual returns of civil hospitals and dispensaries give the total number of patients treated and the number of deaths among in-patients but these are not classified according to communities. The figures for the last three years were as follow:—

Year.	In-patients.			Number of out-patients treated.
	Attacks.	Deaths.	Percentage of column (3) to column (2).	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1914	531	69	13	1,483
1915	585	77	13.16	1,305
1916	541	74	13.67	1,643

Considering the seriousness of the disease, the mortality does not seem very high though it is undoubtedly higher than the general average for all diseases, which was 5.03 per cent in 1914, 4.54 per cent in 1915 and 4.11 per cent in 1916.

2. Before any action is taken, it is submitted that a reference may be made to the Government of India enquiring what action was taken on the correspondence that took place in 1913. A draft letter is submitted for approval.

K.N.—2-3-18.

N.R.—4-3-18.

V. T. KRISHNAMA ACHARIYAR—4-3-18.

Issue.

There is practically no recruitment going on now for any of the services but is there any reason why this Government should not issue an order that every officer, on first arrival, should be inoculated if he has not already been inoculated within the preceding two years?

R. A. GRAHAM—5-3-18.

Article 49 of the Civil Service Regulations prescribes the general conditions regarding age and health certificates required of entrants to the public service. The form of certificate prescribed in this article may be modified when necessary, and this Government have accordingly laid down that all candidates for employment in the public service should produce certificates of re-vaccination also—vide G.O. No. 609, Public, dated 18th August 1894. It seems, therefore, within the competence of the Local Government to require certificates of inoculation against enteric from candidates joining the public service in this country. With regard to persons recruited in England for service in India, however, the rules regarding the production of such certificates are, under article 49 of the Civil Service Regulations, enforced by the Secretary of State. This, however, does not preclude the Local Government from issuing a rule such as that referred to in the Secretary's note above, but seeing that the officers would have already entered the service of Government under certain conditions the subsequent enforcement of the rule may be attended with practical

difficulties. Moreover, the services in question being Imperial, a rule enforced in one province only may be regarded as invidious. For these reasons it seems preferable

V.T.K.—21-3-18. that the matter should be dealt with as an all-India one.

K.N.—20-3-18.

V. T. KRISHNAMA ACHARIYAR—21-3-18.

Await reply.

R. A. GRAHAM—22-3-18.

From the Government of India, Department of Education, No. 88 (Sany.), dated 21st March 1918.

Please see the Government of India's reply in the current file. For orders.

K.N.—25-3-18.

N.R.—25-3-18.

V.T.K.—26-3-18.

I doubt the validity of the objection raised that it would be 'invidious' if Madras alone made a rule that all officers recruited from England should be inoculated against enteric on arrival if they have not been inoculated within two years before arrival. Perhaps, however, it might be enough if it were made definitely the duty of some individual to impress upon all new arrivals the desirability of being inoculated.

R.A.G.—27-3-18.

I do not think that we should hesitate to insist on the protection of our officers against this very real danger merely because the Government of India has decided not to take action. Presumably they are afraid of an outcry from the anti-inoculation fanatics at home. I think we could be a little bolder. The statistics in favour of inoculation are stated in an article by Sir William Osler in the B.M.J. of 28th November 1914. The evidence is very convincing, but I need hardly set it out here. I would put a departmental order into the Indian Civil Service Manual, Police Orders, etc., requiring each newly arrived officer to satisfy the Government that he is protected against typhoid before he is allowed to join his district.

A. G. O[ARDEW]—29-3-18.

A draft order is submitted for approval. With reference to paragraph 2 of the draft, it is submitted that the order will not apply to Indian Medical Service officers who generally enter the civil department after four or five years of military duty. Hence there is no need to insert the rule in the Civil Medical Code.

Public Department (all sections).
Financial Department (all sections).
Home Department (all sections).
Revenue Department (all sections).
Public Works Department (all sections).

2. The draft may be forwarded to the marginally-noted departments for acceptance.

K.N.—2-4-18.

V.S.—4-4-18.

V.T.K.—4-4-18.

R.A.G.—5-4-18.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

The draft order may be accepted in Public.

2. So far as *Indian Civil Service* is concerned, it is submitted that the necessary addendum may be issued to the Indian Civil Service Manual as a *sub-paragraph* to rule 1 which seems to be the appropriate place.

It is also submitted that a similar addition may perhaps be made to the "Un-official Hints for Junior Officers of the Indian Civil Service on arrival from England", a copy of which is usually given to the junior civilian on his first arrival by the Chief Secretary in person.

3. If the foregoing is approved, necessary action will be taken on receipt of a copy of the Local and Municipal Department proceedings.

A.H.—7-4-18.

Accepted in Public.

L. DAVIDSON—8-4-18.

PUBLIC (POLITICAL AND ECCLESIASTICAL) DEPARTMENT.

The draft may be accepted in Political and Ecclesiastical. It is perhaps unnecessary to consult the Bishop—cf. pages 19—21, current file in G.O. Nos. 687-88, Public, dated 6th June 1918. The case may be passed on to Marine.

A.J.J.—10-4-18.

Accepted in (Political), (Ecclesiastical) and (Marine).

D. N. STRATHIE—16-4-18.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

The draft order may be accepted. There is no Manual issued by this department which requires correction.

T.A.S.—17-4-18.

L. E. KERSHAW—18-4-18.

FINANCIAL (SEPARATE REVENUE) DEPARTMENT.

The draft may be accepted in this department. [Except in the case of the *Abkari Deputy Commissioner* * all other officers in the Salt and Abkari Department are recruited locally.] On receipt of the order in this department a copy thereof may be communicated to the Board who will if necessary incorporate the instructions in the Salt Manual—cf. paragraph 718, volume II of the Salt Manual. The file may be passed on to Home Department.

C.V.R.—20-4-18.

D.N.S.—23-4-18.

HOME (MISCELLANEOUS) DEPARTMENT.

The draft may be accepted. So far as Home (Miscellaneous) is concerned there is no Manual in which the orders have to be embodied.

M.D.R.—25-4-18.

P.D.R.—26-4-18.

HOME (JUDICIAL) DEPARTMENT.

The draft order may be accepted in Home (Judicial). Recruitment of Europeans (other than Indian Medical Service officers) for the Jail department and for the Factory inspection staff is made locally. It seems sufficient to communicate the orders in this case to the Inspector-General of Prisons. The Board of Revenue (Separate Revenue) will take action as regards the Factory staff.

P.G.S.S.—26-4-18.

As regards police officers the Inspector-General will be asked with reference to paragraph 2 of the draft to submit the necessary draft addition to the Police Orders.

What is required is an amplification of Police Order No. 12, Chapter III, volume I.

C.V.—26-4-18.

There is no Manual relating to the Judicial Department. Recruitment for the Provincial Judicial Service is made locally. The order may be communicated to the High Court.

W.B.S.—29-4-18.

HOME (EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT.

There is no Manual for officers in this department. The draft order may be accepted and after it issues, may be communicated to the Director of Public Instruction (in regard to Indian Educational Service officers) and other heads of departments.

S.A.—30-4-18.

N.K.—1-5-18.

C. RAMANUJA ACHARIYAR—4-5-18.

R. RAMACHANDRA RAO—6-5-18.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Submitted that the draft order may be accepted in this department and the file passed on to Public Works Department.

2. The question of issuing instructions for the insertion of the rule in the departmental manuals may, it is submitted, be considered separately on receipt of a copy of the proceedings with notes from Local and Municipal (Medical).

K.S.N.—7-5-18.

G. H. JACKSON—13-5-18.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

The draft order may be accepted in this department and the case returned to Local and Municipal (Medical).

R.A.K.—17-5-18.

We have a pamphlet containing rules regarding the vernacular examinations to be passed by young Sub-Engineers. The present order may be added to that pamphlet so that it may not be lost sight of.

T.S.R.—18-5-18.

W. G. MOLESWORTH—18-5-18.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL (MEDICAL) DEPARTMENT.

The draft order has been accepted in all the departments and it is based on the orders of the Honourable Member. It may now issue.

V.S.—27-5-18.

V. T. KRISHNAMA ACHARIYAR—27-5-18.

R. A. GRAHAM—28-5-18.

P. R. AJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR—28-5-18.

H. F. W. GILLMAN—30-5-18.

A. G. C[ARDEW]—30-5-18.

His Excellency approves the draft.

(By order)

T. E. MOIR—1-6-18.

[G.O. No. 247, Medical, dated 4th June 1918.]

HOME (EDUCATION)

DEPARTMENT.

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C.I.E.,(Designation) Director of Public Instruction
M A D R A S

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,

HOME (EDUCATION) Department.

Sir,

(K) With reference to G. O. No. 247 (Medical), dated 4th June 1918, communicated with your Endorsement No. 1498 A-1 dated 24th June 1918, I have the honour to state that there is no manual in this department in which the rule can appropriately find a place but that care will be taken to see that officers recruited in Europe are required to be inoculated.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

R. A. Arine.

for Director of Public Instruction

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