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Bubonic Plague.

Passing orders on the proposal of the District Board, Coimbatore, to make Shoranur an inspection station under No. 14 of the Plague Regulations and on the suggestion of the Sanitary Commissioner to post an inspecting officer at Madukarai, and stating the sources from which the cost of the inspection stations should be met.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following paper :—

G.O., No. 529 M., dated 15th March 1897.

ABSTRACT.—Requesting the Sanitary Commissioner to report on the proposal of the Coimbatore District Board to make Shoranur an inspection station either instead of or in addition to Pódanúr.

READ—also the following paper :—

From Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel W. G. KING, M.B., C.M., D.P.H., Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department, dated 19th March 1897, No. 710-S.

With reference to G.O., Mis. No. 529 M., dated 15th March 1897, I have the honour to state that I consider the condition stated by the President, District Board, Coimbatore, can be best met by his establishing an inspection station within the meaning of G.O., No. 111 L., dated 19th January 1897.

2. The object of the observation station established by Government is to secure the segregation of cases actually suffering from plague, or suspected to suffer from plague. As a sequence of these requirements, hospitals and observation wards are provided. To prevent therefore entry of cases *via* Madukarai, it seems to me that all that is required is that a medical subordinate or certificated sanitary inspector should be posted at the railway station who should examine all passengers alighting there with the object of securing their names and addresses, so as to maintain subsequently domiciliary observation. Cases that appear to this subordinate to be actually suffering from plague, or to present doubtful symptoms should be sent to Pódanúr as the nearest Government observation station. This could easily be arranged for by modification of the existing regulations issued under the Epidemic Diseases Act, by a ruling such as already submitted by me to Government with my letter No. 434 S., dated 20th February 1897, and which, as directed in G.O., Mis. No. 301 M., dated 26th February 1897, I am this day submitting with certain modifications.

ORDER—No. 900 M., dated 13th April 1897.

Both the District Board's proposal to make Shoranur an inspection station under No. 14 of the Plague Regulations, and the Sanitary Commissioner's suggestion to post an inspecting officer at Madukarai to take the names and addresses of passengers from affected tracts are practically met by the regulations under the Epidemic Diseases Act published in Part I of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 6th April 1897. The Collector of Coimbatore may however depute a medical subordinate, if he can spare one, from some dispensary or hospital in his district to Madukarai to examine passengers as they alight and to pass on to Pódanúr those that may be found or suspected to be suffering from plague.

2. As regards the cost of these inspection stations, the Government considers that all charges incurred on account of the superior medical officers, the magistracy and the police may be met from Provincial funds, while expenditure on account of the subordinate staff, hutting, medical appliances and the like should be paid by local boards, the municipalities also sharing the cost where the inspection stations are adjacent to them. The proportions to be paid by these bodies may be settled by mutual arrangement or by the Collector subject to the orders of the Government.

(True Extract.)

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For Secretary to Government.

To the President, District Board, Coimbatore.
 „ all other Presidents of District Boards.
 „ all Chairmen of Municipal Councils.
 „ all Collectors.
 „ the Surgeon-General.
 „ the Sanitary Commissioner.
 „ the Financial Department.
 „ the Accountant-General.
 „ the Public Works Department (Railway Branch).

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