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to all Local Boards & Municipal
Councils proceedings, Civil Dept,
passing orders regarding the
financial powers of the Plague
Commr & the Control of all Plague
Expenditure.

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Plague Expenditure.

Communicating to all Local Boards and Municipal Councils Government Order, Financial Department, passing orders regarding the financial powers of the Plague Commissioner and the control of all —, and calling for certain information from all Presidents of District Boards and Chairmen of Municipal Councils to enable the Government to revise the District Boards' and Municipal Budgets so as to provide the additional allotments which may be necessary for expenditure on plague preventive measures.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following paper:—

G.O., No. 868, Financial, dated 11th October 1898.

Read—the following paper:—

G.O., Nos. 1122, 1123 P., dated 20th September 1898.

ABSTRACT.—Sanctioning the appointment of a Plague Commissioner, issuing notifications defining his powers, and giving instructions in regard to the disposal of business by him.

Order—No. 868, Financial, dated 11th October 1898.

As regards the financial powers of the Plague Commissioner, the Plague Regulations provide for the carrying out of works and the appointment of establishments by Collectors. So far as expenditure on these heads needs superior sanction, the Plague Commissioner will be empowered to accord such sanction himself (save as respects appointments carrying a salary in excess of Rs. 200 *per mensem*), reporting the fact immediately to Government.

2. The Plague Commissioner will be empowered to sanction grants-in-aid for the construction and maintenance of private hospitals and segregation and health camps up to a total limit of Rs. 10,000. He will immediately report all such expenditure to the Financial Department, intimating whether provision for the same exists in the most recent estimates, but he will in no case exceed the total limit of Rs. 10,000 without obtaining the orders of Government.

3. The monthly estimates submitted under paragraph 3 of G.O., No. 514 P., dated 25th May 1898, should, as in the case of monthly famine estimates, show the estimate for the current month, as well as for the succeeding month and for the remainder of the official year. These estimates should be submitted by Collectors to the Plague Commissioner, instead of as at present through the Surgeon-General and the Accountant-General, and should reach the Plague Commissioner not later than the fifth of each month. That officer will forward them immediately, with such remarks as may seem to him to be necessary, to the Financial Department, which will consolidate them and issue revised forms to Collectors as early as possible in order to provide the additional column referred to above.

4. The attention of all Collectors is drawn to paragraph 2 of the Government Order quoted in the last paragraph in which it was pointed out that they are primarily responsible for making provision for the necessary expenditure and for ensuring that municipal and district board budgets are so framed as to provide sufficient funds for carrying out plague measures in each district. Collectors will clearly understand that expenditure can be incurred only against the monthly allotments passed by Government on the returns referred to above and that although it is not the intention exceeded in any month, the Collector concerned will be held responsible for exercising proper supervision over the expenditure and applying at the earliest possible moment it becomes apparent that funds are becoming exhausted.

5. Orders will issue in the Local and Municipal Department revising the budgets of all local boards and municipalities so as to ensure that a reasonable provision is made in each case for plague expenditure. Where it is absolutely impossible to find the funds necessary to meet the expenditure falling on these bodies, the question of a grant-in-aid from Provincial Funds will be considered.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Local and Municipal Department.
„ the Plague Commissioner.
„ the Accountant-General.
„ all Collectors.
„ the Surgeon-General.

ORDER—No. 2031 L., dated 22nd October 1898.

Communicated to all Local Boards and Municipal Councils.

2. In view of the outbreak of plague in Bangalore and in parts of the Bellary and Anantapur districts, the Government considers that Local Boards and Municipal Councils should be prepared to incur on plague preventive measures a much larger expenditure than that provided for in the budgets for the current year and that the additional allotments which will be necessary should be met by cutting down the provision for works. To enable the Government to revise the budgets accordingly, all Presidents of District Boards and Chairmen of Municipal Councils are requested to submit without fail, within two weeks from the date of the receipt of this order, a statement in the accompanying form, showing the works for which provision has been made in the budget, the expenditure or liabilities actually incurred thereon up to date, and other particulars. As regards works not yet commenced or remaining incomplete, the Presidents and Chairmen should give in the last column of the statement their opinion as to which of them may be postponed so as to render the allotments available for expenditure on plague preventive measures. Pending the issue of orders on the statement now called for, all expenditure on works which can be postponed without grave public inconvenience should be absolutely stopped.

(True Extract.)

A. Edgington
for Secretary to Government.

To all Presidents of District Boards.
„ all Chairmen of Municipal Councils.
„ all Collectors.
„ the Accountant-General.
„ the Financial Department.
„ the Plague Commissioner.
„ the Sanitary Commissioner.

[Appendix.

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APPENDIX.

Provision made in the Budget for plague expenditure including amounts subsequently allotted.	Expenditure incurred up to date on plague preventive measures.	Balance of allotment. (Difference between columns 1 and 2).	Anticipated closing balance of 1898-99 as revised with reference to the actual opening balance of the year.	Allotments sanctioned up to date from the closing balance.	Balance available for allotment (Difference between columns 4 and 5).	Works provided for in the Budget for 1898-99. (New works and repairs).	Allotment for the year.	Expenditure or liabilities actually incurred up to date.	Balance of allotment. (Difference between columns 8 and 9).	Remarks.
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