

Resident

Home (1917) Department.
(His)

Ordinary SERIES.

G.O. No. 628

DATED 23-6-17.

(Sup. to ...)

[Despatch Abstract.]

Emigration - Ceylon

Requesting the Resident
in Travancore and Cochin to bring to
the notice of Govt any instructions which

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Public dept
(Political)

Memo. 879-22-22-8. 1)

The proceedings of Govt. noted in the [#]margin, on the subject of emigration out of India by sea, are forwarded to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, and the Political Agents for Pudukkottai, Banganapalle and Sander, with the request that the barbars concerned may be advised to give wide publicity in their States to the orders and instructions contained therein.

40. 285 Home Sept. (Mus) d. 18.3.917.
VF 292 - - - 20.3.917
VK 326 - - - 30.3.917
- 446 - - - 8.5.917

The Resident in Travancore & Cochin
P. A. for P. Kottai
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Home Dept
(H.S.)

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19/5/17

Telegram

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To

Resident in Travancore
and Cochin

1958 Please state if estate
coolies ^{emigrate} ~~emigrate~~ ~~emigrate~~
to Ceylon ^{from} ~~at~~ any of the
ports in Travancore and
Cochin [and] if so furnish
list of such ports, and
approximate number of emigrants.

To

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Plek
19.5.17

C. L. H.
19.5.17

M. S. S.
18.5.17

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Home dept
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Telegram

To the Resident in T.T.

Despd
11.6.17

Please expedite reply
to telegram 195 of
19th May regarding
emigration to Ceylon
from ports in Travancore
and Cochin.

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INDIAN TELEGRAPHS.

NOTICE.

This form must accompany any inquiry made respecting this Telegram.

Charges to pay

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Office Stamp
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Handed in at (Office of Origin).

Date.

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Service Instructions.

Words.

Thiruvananthapuram

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Recd. Here at

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TO

Madras Home

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Cotacamund

Your telegrams 19th May and
 21st June no cookies emigrate to
 Ceylon from Cochin State ports
 Travancore reply not received and
 reminding darbar urgently

The name of the Sender, if telegraphed, is written after the text.

Gulab Singh & Sons, Calcutta—

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TELEGRAMS

NOTICE.

This form must accompany any inquiry made respecting this Telegram

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Charge to pay.
14-JUN-1917

Office Stamp.
HOUSEHOLD
14-JUN-17

Handed in at (Office of Origin).	Date.	Hour.	Minute.	Service Instructions.	Words.
TO Travancore	14	16	10	State	20
Read, here at	16	H.	20	M.	

Madras Home

Costa Rica

SECP

Continuation my wire
12th instant estate cob lies
don't emigrate to ceylon
from Travancore ports

N.B.—The name of the Sender, if telegraphed, is written after the text.
Lal Chand & Sons, Calcutta—No. 804 P. O.—29-6-16—90,000 Bins.

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Home (Miscellaneous) Department.

Extract from the notes relating to G.O.No.
446, Home (Mis.), dated the 8th May 1917,
re. emigration to Ceylon.

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Political may be consulted as to
whether it sees any objection to the applica-
tion of the orders to Native States..

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H.F.W.G.
7-5-17.

Public department
(Political)

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Attention is invited to
para 6 of the Permit Issuing
officer's letter;
para 6 of the Home (His)
office note on p. 7 of notes;
para 4 of the U. S. note d. 3.5.17 on
p. 8 of notes;
para 4 of the Home Secy's note
d. 3.5.17 on p. 9 of notes;
and K in the H. M. note on p. 12 of notes

The point which has
to be decided first is, whether the
G. G. S. orders in notification
1227 E. D. dated the 12th March, 1917,
prohibiting unskilled labourers
to leave British India by sea
are intended to apply to labourers
hailing from Native States.

2 The notification prohibits
a "native of India", from leaving
British India etc. It is not
clear whether "native of India"
includes a subject of a native State.
Presumably it does - Vide pp. 5-6
of notes in G. O. 221-222 Sub. d. 13.2.1915.

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* relevant portion
is underlined

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Even granting that it does, it is still very doubtful whether India intended to apply the prohibition to subjects of Native States, because,

Firstly, the prohibition is only against leaving British India, by sea; that is to say, if there is no prohibition to labourers leaving direct from a Native State on the sea coast, e.g. Travancore, if such ~~departure~~ ^{emigration} is possible. This perhaps shows that the Govt. of India did not mean to legislate for Native States also in this matter.

Secondly, the G. of I. ~~are not favourably disposed towards~~ ^{intervention} ~~passing laws affecting~~ ^{Native States especially} in the matter of labour recruitment. Attention is invited to para 3 of the G. of I.'s letter L 361-L 365 d. 20.4.1915 in G.O. 1264 Sub. 27.8.15 where it is stated that "the policy of the Govt. of India hitherto has been one of complete non-intervention in the matter of recruitment in Native States". It is not known whether the Govt. of India's policy has

Q. Please see
last sentence
in the Court letter
to India 11
1265 Public
of 27.8.1915

since been changed. The Home (His)
may be requested to examine the point
3. ~~No doubt~~ The Native States
in this Presidency ~~will~~ be
willing to prevent their subjects
from emigrating. But it would
perhaps be preferable to ask the
Govt. of India for advice on the
point whether the ^{prohibition} ~~restriction~~
applies to subjects of Native States.
Home (His) may consult India

Oct 10/1917 J.S.

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The term 'action of India' must include
subjects of Native States. Rule 16-B of the
Defence of India (Consolidation) Rules, 1915,
published in Gazette No. 1227 - E.S., of 12.3.17,
must, therefore, operate to prevent the
subjects of Native States from departing
by sea from any port in British India
except under the conditions prescribed
for British Indian subjects. The orders
should ~~be~~ be communicated to the Res.
in T.V.C. and to the Pol. Agents for other
States in the Pres., in order that they
may be published in the several States.
I do not think it is necessary to ask
the Governors, Chief Districts &

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make similar rules to prevent the migration
by sea from ports in these States of subjects
of the States - In any case, such migration
must be limited -

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HE the Governor

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I agree that the term 'Native of India'
must include subjects of Native States and that any
rules in force at ports of British India are appli-
cable to the subjects of these States also. It is
true that emigration from the ports of States under
our political control is at present negligible but it
is possible that restrictions imposed elsewhere may
result in traffic being diverted to these ports and
it would be as well to guard against this. The Rulers
of the States concerned might therefore be addressed
as to whether they would be prepared to introduce
similar restrictions or if more advisable we might ask
the Government of India as to whether they would like
us to do so.

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14.5.17

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A draft memo for
copies of the ~~proceedings~~ ^{proceedings regarding the} ~~proceedings~~
to the R.T.C. and the other political
officers, is submitted. It may
be sent to Home (Misc) for acceptance.
The Home (Misc) dept may also be
requested to communicate
direct to all political officers,
^{whatever} ~~all~~ instructions on the subject
~~that~~ may be issued in future.

2 With reference to the last
sentence of H.E.'s note, the Home
(Misc) dept may be requested to
advise whether instructions on
the lines suggested by H.E. may be
issued to the Barbours now, or
whether Political should wait
till the Home (Misc) obtain the
orders of the Govt. of India on the
point.

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For the U.S.

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It does not
the policy of non-intervention
by the G. of I. in the matter of re-
of labour in Native States has been
The G. of I. have however interfered
the extent necessary to check the
recruitment of coolies for Assam
this Presidency resulting from
recruitment 'in Native States,
legislating that coolies recruited
Assam from Native States passing
through this Presidency should be
subject to the provisions of the
Labour and Emigration Act, 1901, as
by Act VIII of 1915.

Para 2 of Kaye
Kennedy's
pamphlet
(put up)

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Indian Emigration Act
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2 Madras is the
port from which emigration under
the Indian Emigration Act is made
There is therefore no difficulty in
applying Rule 16 B of the Defence
India Rules to emigration of
from Native States to West India
Fiji. The orders prohibiting an-
of unskilled labour
to these places can therefore be made
in the case of labourers from

sent in to. But the
to be in
informed.
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19.5.17

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Prohibition
of emigration from
are not Maritime States

Majority
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19.5.17

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States also without any necessity
similar legislation in ^{these} ~~the~~ Native States
concerned. (16)

3 As regards emigration
of labour to Ceylon, however, it is
submitted that coolies from native
States might emigrate from the ports
in the native States without restrictions.
As directed by H.E. it appears desirable
to ask the Gf I to permit this Govt to
move the Barbars concerned (Travancore
and Cochin) to prohibit the ^{emigration} ~~immigration~~
of labourers to Ceylon ^{from} any of their
ports. It is however ^{very} doubtful whether
there is at present any such emigration
to Ceylon from these ports. Before
addressing the Gf I it appears therefore
desirable to ascertain from the Resident
in Travancore and Cochin whether
labour emigrates to Ceylon at present
from any of the ports of the States
of Cochin & Travancore. A draft
telegram is submitted for approval.

4 As regards emigration
to Malaya no restriction need ^{perhaps} be
imposed in Native States as the Emig

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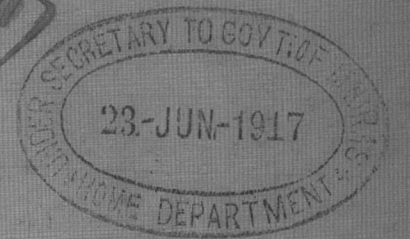
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Emigration - Ceylon.

(Mis)

in Travancore and Cochin to bring to the notice of
restrictions imposed on the ^{any indications which may become observable steps}
^{from} ~~and when~~ emigration of coolies to Ceylon
from the Madras Presidency are repelling in the direction of coast traffic
beginning from some of the ports in the Native States of
Travancore and Cochin.

READ AGAIN G.O. No. 326 Honorable, dated the 30. 3.

11 11 11 446, Name: Miss J, d the 8. 5. 10

READ ALSO:—

C. No. _____, From the Box to the Rest in T.C. 879-2, Pub (Pol), No. _____, dated 2/22/52

Telegram to the Resident in Vancouver and

ORDER. No. 628 dated 23.6.191

ORDER

No. 628, dated 23.6. 191

To receive at cost
please. To be
returned for further
action after issue - His

OK
23.6.17.

The Govt understand that ^{it permits} there is ^{no} emigration of coolies to Ceylon from any of the ports in the Native States of Travancore and Cochin. ~~They therefore considered it unnecessary to take any action for prohibiting emigration of coolies to Ceylon from any of these ports.~~ The Resident in Travancore and Cochin is however requested to bring to the notice of Govt ~~if and when emigration~~

of coolies to Ceylon begins
from any of the ports in
question.

Any indications which
18.6.17. may become observable that
Pdel ~~the~~ restrictions im-
posed elsewhere are resulting
in the diversion of the
coolie-trade to the ports
in question.

Ex. H.
19.6.17

May
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To
The Resident in Travancore
& Cochin
The Permit-issuing Office
at Kautapa
(order only)
Copy to the Pub (Political)
(1 & 2 of II to VI
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Agent at Kadoas for the F.H.S.
Straits Settlements and the Superintendent of the
F.H.S. depot at Negapatam have been
authorised to ship emigrant labourers
only up to a fixed number, ^{of adult males,} no restriction
being placed on the emigration of
female coolies and children and as
~~no emigration~~ for there are no
separate Agents of the Colonial
Govt for recruiting labour from
Native States.

5 The draft memo
put up by Political may be accepted
in this dept. & returned for issue.

18.5.17.
Pdel
19.5.17

I very much doubt whether any emigration
to Ceylon takes place from Travancore &
Cochin as the Ceylon Quarantine restrictions
make it difficult; they prevented us completely
stopping emigration from India but could not put
such as Tami etc; ^{off} (please look this up).

The telegram may wait while the above is
being examined.

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Political Memo may be accepted in the day
C.H.
19.5.17

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Action yet to be taken on #8's orders
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Issued as Telegram No 195, 19th 1917

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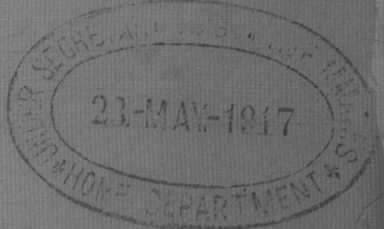
Public dept.
(Political)

Submitted that the draft
memo may issue.
2 After issue, the file may be
returned to Home (Mis.) dept.
for further action.

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11CF [Over to the Post in T&E
No. 879-2 Pub (POT)
27 22.5.17]

For the u.s

Submitted that no
reply has yet been received from the
Resident in Travancore and Cochin
to the telegraphic reference made to
him on the 19.5.17. For orders whether
a reminder may now issue, a
draft telegram is submitted for approval.

2. Submitted that so far as passenger traffic to Ceylon from South India is concerned it ~~is not~~ ^{that any} ~~is not~~ that the only routes open ^{seem to be} ~~are~~ the Mandapam route and the Tuticorin route. The ports of Chinnapatnam, Pondicherry, Pambur etc were closed to passenger traffic during the year 1915. Please see para 3, page N₄ of Part I & para 13 at pages N₁ & N₂ of Part I of the Ceylon Administration Report for the year 1915. Please see also in this connection G.O no 1386 Pub & the 22.7.16 and portion side-lined in pencil on page 8 of G.O 1619 Pub & the 15.11.15. In the circumstances it does not appear likely that there can be any emigration of labourers

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to Ceylon from any of the ports
in the Native States of Travancore
and Cochin. As however Pub (Political)
seems to think that there may
be such emigration it appears desirable
to await the receipt of a reply from the
Resident. In case it is found that
there is no emigration from any of
the ports in the Native States of Travancore
and Cochin no action will
be necessary.

Fe 11.6.17 telegraphic reminder.
7.6.17
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C. 11.6.17

Please let me know the Plague Rules and
customs if possible in what information
the plague - small pox - & cholera - in fact
forms of the Plague are shown in the Plague
following p N 14 in Ceylon reports.

C. 11.6.17
[Despatch as Telegram No 234 to the 11.6.17]
From the Resident in Travancore and Cochin
to the 12.6.17
at 14.6.17

For the W.S.
The Madras Marine Plague

NOTES.

Regulations are contained in G.O.No.355 P., dated the 20th June 1910. Please see rule 40 at page 12 of this G.O. This rule appears as rule 40 B at page 28 of G.O.No.23 Marine, dated the 21st January 1915. This rule and the other rule 40 C were made at the instance and for the convenience of the Ceylon Government with reference to their Quarantine and Prevention of Diseases Ordinance of 1897. They have been in force for several years. Attention is in this connection invited to the notes at pages 22-23 of notes to G.O.No.23, Marine, dated the 21st January 1915.

2. In the Consolidated Plague Preventive Regulations issued under section 6 of the Indian Ports Act, 1908, Rule 40 C referred to above appears as rule 8,-- vide page 2 of G.O.No.227, dated the 10th May 1917, and as rule 6 - vide page 4 of the same G.O. The other rule 40 B referred to above has been omitted in the Consolidated Plague Preventive Regulations for the reasons stated in the last paragraph of Mr. Coutenay's note dated the 8th August 1916 at page 4 of notes to G.O. No.129, Marine, dated the 10th March 1917. All the same the rule does not appear to have been modified or relaxed by the Ceylon Government.

3. The Resident in Travancore and Cochin states that there is no emigration of coolies to Ceylon from any of the ports in the Cochin State or the Travancore State. In the circumstances it is for consideration whether any action is necessary with reference to His Excellency's note - please see paras.2--4 at pages 19-21 ante. Political has already communicated the necessary G.Os. to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin. The Passport-issuing officer may be informed that the orders

Vide para(6) of letter 443-4,
12.3.13 at p 21 of
G.O. 23 Mar M
21.1.15

The attention of Pub (Mun)
may be called to
this.

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imposing restrictions on emigration to Ceylon have been communicated to the Resident.

4. The Assistant Superintendent of Immigration, Ceylon Government, Pamban, and the Ceylon Quarantine Medical Officer at Mantapam are supplied with copies of the notifications regarding plague-infected areas and notification stations. The Sanitary Commissioner also furnishes the Quarantine Officer at Mantapam with daily returns of mortality from cholera and small-pox. The information given in the Ceylon Administration Report as regards plague-infected areas etc. is perhaps based on such returns as those referred to above. If further information is considered necessary on this point Local and Municipal may perhaps be asked u.o. separately for remarks.

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Ed. u.s.'s note at p. 24

$$\begin{array}{r} 56.4 \\ 15.6.17 \end{array}$$

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$$\begin{array}{r} 12490.355 \\ 20610 \end{array} \quad Y$$

It is not quite clear whether rule 40 of the Madras Minor Plague Regulations published in 1910 is now in force or not; Pub (Madras) may be consulted; we do not know whether it applies to ports of Travancore & Cochin. On this it will be apparently necessary to consult Pub (P.O.); anyhow it is a fact that there is no emigration from these ports to Ceylon therefore no action is necessary in H.

The emigration at present from the ports in Travancore and Cochin are nil but H.E. refers to the danger of traffic being diverted to such ports in consequence of the restrictions imposed in our ports. However emigration to Ceylon is under any circumstances difficult; & emigration elsewhere from ports in Travancore & Cochin will always be nil.

It is enough to ask the Resident to inform us when his emigration begins from such ports. Meanwhile keep him informed of the orders that issue restricting emigration from British India.



16/6/17

For the U.S.

A draft order is submitted for approval. The first two sentences of the draft are with reference to para 6 of G.O. 446 Home to the 8.5.17. The draft may, if approved, be sent w.o. to Pub (Police) for acceptance.

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For orders w.o.

Separately

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Marine may be considered

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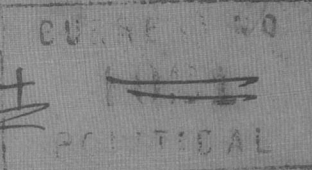
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Chaps H. B.
H. B. L. K.
H. B. L. K.

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To Pub (Pol) for acceptance of the draft.

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May be accepted

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an extract of the u.s's note at page 24 ante and para 4 of the note at page 26 ante may be sent u.o to Lt. for remarks.

3 It is also for consideration whether it will not be desirable to ask Pub (Marine) after issue of the draft order whether that Dept can throw any light on the exact restrictions imposed by the Ceylon Govt on the ~~common~~ passenger ^{or cooly} traffic to Ceylon from the ports in the Native States of Travancore and Cochin. If that Dept can furnish no information on the point it appears to be desirable to address the Ceylon Govt direct for information on the point.