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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

JUDICIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper:—

From A. G. CARDEW, Esq., M.A., Inspector-General of Prisons, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Ootacamund, 18th May 1895, No. 2747.

The articles of bedding, namely, cumblies and mats, required for supply to sub-jails are now, for the most part, procured by District Magistrates from manufacturing jails by means of indents passed in this office under Rule 1366 of the Jail Code. In framing the indents thus submitted, it is found that District Magistrates follow very various principles. Thus, in some districts, the view has been taken that there ought to be a mat and a cumby ready for every prisoner which the sub-jail is capable of containing irrespective of the average population; in other districts, the indents are framed with reference to daily average population; while in other cases—forming probably the majority—no principle at all is followed, but the demands of sub-jail officers are accepted and passed on.

2. It is natural that District Magistrates should not be able to enter into details as to the number of mats and cumblies which each of their sub-jails contains, but if the expenditure on sub-jail bedding is to be kept within reasonable limits, it is also necessary that the indents should be scrutinized and checked in this office, and to this end the adoption of some principle on which to regulate supplies is requisite. After some consideration, the supply of bedding sufficient for a number of prisoners double the average population of the previous year has been adopted and seems to have worked fairly well. Thus, if the daily average population of a sub-jail was five in 1894, a supply of ten blankets and ten mats would be passed in 1895. This principle has been generally accepted by District Magistrates, but as it possesses no authority and as sooner or later some District Magistrates will probably question it, I beg now to submit it for the approval of Government.

3. Numerous instances could be given of the impossibility, with due regard to economy, of passing indents as received from the districts. Thus, in one case, an indent was received for 91 cumblies and 106 mats as a lump supply for a district. The District Magistrate was then asked to state the number required for each sub-jail with its average population, and the result of the revision was that the demand was reduced to 68 cumblies and 92 mats. But on examining the details it was found that in the case of one sub-jail 32 cumblies and 32 mats had been asked for for a daily average population of five prisoners, while, in another case, a daily average population of six prisoners only required ten mats and ten cumblies. Ultimately 22 cumblies and 52 mats were supplied. Similar discrepancies occur in most indents, and the adoption of some principle to regulate supply being necessary, that of giving bedding enough for double the average population appears to be a reasonable plan. It should be remembered that rats or white-ants will, in a few hours, destroy many rupees' worth of stored bedding, and hence the supply of large superfluous stocks frequently leads to waste of money.

ORDER—dated 8th June 1895, No. 1212, Judicial.

The principle adopted by the Inspector-General of Prisons is approved.
(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector-General of Prisons.
„ all District Magistrates.

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Sub-jails.

Approving the principle adopted by the
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supply of bedding to —.

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No. 2747.

OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF PRISONS, MADRAS,

Dated *Ootacamund* the 18th May 1895.

From

A. G. CARDEW, Esq., M.A.,

INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF PRISONS,

MADRAS,

To

THE HONOURABLE MR.

T. F. Price C. S. I.

CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

SIR,

Enclosures.

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cumbliers and mats required for supply
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2. It is natural that District Magistrates should not be able to enter into details as to the number of mats and cumbles which each of their Subjails contain, but if the expenditure on Subjail Bedding is to be kept within reasonable limits, it is also necessary that the indents should be scrutinized and checked in this office, and to this end the adoption of some principle on which to regulate supplies is requisite. After some consideration, the supply of Bedding sufficient for a number of prisoners double the average population of the previous year has been adopted and seems to have worked fairly well. Thus, if the daily average population of a Subjail was 5 in 1894, a supply of 10 blankets and 10 mats would be passed in 1895. This principle has been generally accepted by District Magistrates, but as it possesses no authority and as sooner or later some District Magistrate will probably question it, I beg now to submit it for the approval of Government.

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I have the honour to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant

D. G. Cardew
Inspector-General of Prisons.

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JAIL (1895) DEPARTMENT.

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From

THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF PRISONS,

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THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

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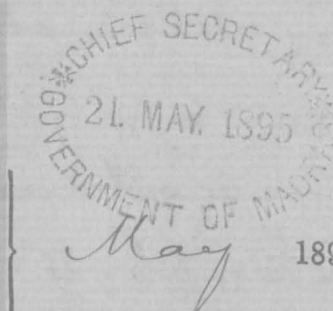
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to work fairly well for the
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