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Local & Munl. (1897) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 2029 M

DATED 17-9-97

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[Despatch Abstract.]

*Rules for the treatment of patients
approving the revised rules, proposed by the
Munl. Council of Vancouver, for the
treatment of patients at the Munl.
hospital.*

BACK PAPERS.

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Papers to be read in proceedings:—

Again G.O., No. 1706m dated 14th Decr 1889 - 189 -

Again G.O., No. dated 189 .

Current No. 1341 m of 1897, dated 17th March, from the chairman, m.c. Cocanad,

" " 1819 m " 1897, " 21st April 97 " the collector of Godavari

" " 2324 m " 1897, " 17th June 97 " the Supt. Genl.

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ORDER.

No. 2029 M. m.c. d. 17.9.97.

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The proposed revised rule is approved.

(From orders)

JS

11/9/97

Note. The draft G.O. authorises that the revision of a rule already approved by Govt. in G.O. No. 1706m of 1889. Under Rule 4 (iv) of the Council rules - G.O. No. 19 Pub. of 1-94 - the draft has to be circulated to a number of Govt. The proposal has already been approved by Mr. Hon. Sir Henry Blair K.C.I.E. & it is therefore submitted that the papers with the draft may be circulated to similar honorable members.

JS
11/9/97

The modification of such an order as was passed in 1889 scarcely comes within the spirit of the Council rule quoted. However, etc. to His W. Hon.

I assent to the alteration.

The chairman, mem. Council, Cocanad 15/9/97
through the collector of Godavari
Supt. Genl. 22/9/97

Rules for the treatment of
patients, Cocanada Municipality

Local and Municipal Department.

Current No. 1341 M, 1894/2324 M

For Orders.

C In G.O. No. 1706 M, dated 14th
December 1889, the following rules adopted
by the municipal Council of Cocanada for
the treatment of patients at the municip-
al hospital were approved by Government

" (1) All inhabitants of the munici-
" pality that attend the municipal dispen-
" sary in person and are willing to abide
" their turn for medical advice and treat-
" ment will come under the class of ~~the~~ sick
" poor. In special cases of poverty, where
" the patient is physically unable to at-
" tend in person, the medical officer may,
" in his discretion, issue medicines free.

" (2) Inhabitants who attend the dis-
" pensary in person and wish to be attended
" to out of order will be considered to be
" of sufficient means to pay for their
" medical relief.

" (3) The following rates will be
" adopted in the case of persons other
" than the sick poor:- anna

" For every ounce of mixture $\frac{1}{2}$

" ,, each powder or pill $\frac{1}{4}$

" (4) Subscribers paying a subscrip-
" tion of 1 Re per month will be supplied
" with medicines for themselves and ~~their~~
" family free.

" (5) Prescriptions that may be sent
" by any certificated medical officer sha-
" be made at the municipal dispensary,

" provided

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provided such prescriptions reach the dispensary during the hospital hours, i.e., from 7 to 10 A.M. and 3 to 5 P.M. and paid for at double the rates laid down in rule No. 3."

2. In February 1897, the Civil Surgeon of Cocanada recommended an increase in the rates of payments charged for medicines on the ground that people of considerable income escape payment by attending the hospital in person and thus getting medicines free under rule No. 1, and that the rate of one rupee fixed in the case of subscribers is too low, considering the actual cost of medicines issued, which may amount to Rs 5 or more. The municipal council of Cocanada thereupon resolved on the 25th February last that "the actual cost of medicine should be charged to any person that gets medicine from the hospital, unless he is in the opinion of the Civil Surgeon too poor to pay the cost"; and in the first of the letters read above the Chairman requested the sanction of Government for the proposed alteration in the rules. The Surgeon-General who was consulted in the matter considers that the rules framed by the Cuddalore municipal Council and approved in G.O. 928 M, dated 3rd June 1896, are preferable to the one now suggested, by the Cocanada Municipal Council.

3. The Cuddalore rules lay down among other things, that "all persons attending the municipal hospitals and dispensaries in person and willing to abide their turn will be considered to come under the class of sick poor and will receive treatment and medicines free and prescribe a minimum and a maximum rate of charges for medicines &c, in the case of persons other than the 'sick poor'". It is stated that the maximum charges are

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Vide his letter in C.M. 1341/96
read above

Vide the Municipal Council's resolution in C.M. 1341/96, read above

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Vide rule 1 of the rules approved in G.O. 928 M, dated 3-6-96 F

Vide rule 3

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for expensive drugs only and the actual amount to be charged in each case is left to the discretion of the medical officer. Under the rule now proposed, which is evidently intended to supersede all the existing rules sanctioned in G.O. No. 1706 M dated 14th December 1889, however, power is given to the medical officer to issue medicines free to all persons whom he considers too poor to pay the cost and to recover the actual cost of the medicines from all the others. The latter provision seems to be open to the objection that the recovery of the actual cost of medicines, while it is equitable in the case of men of larger incomes, will press hard on persons of smaller incomes who are not considered by the medical officer to be too poor to pay. According to the Cuddalore rules, however, the minimum rates are very small, and as the maximum rates are to be charged only in the case of expensive drugs, it is not likely that the enforcement of the rules will be a hardship in any case. As observed by the Surgeon-General, these rules appear to be preferable to the one now proposed, and it is submitted that the Council may be asked to consider the desirability of adopting them.

4. It is not understood how the proposal in para. 2 of the Cocanada Civil Surgeon's letter of the 6th February 1897 that "every patient attending hospital whose income is not under Rs 200 a month may

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"may be charged Rs 5 per mensem for advice
"and medicines while attending the hospital
"and Rs 5, for every Rs 100 above such income,"
is contrary to section 127 of the District
Municipalities Act, as observed by the Surgeon
General.

P.A.
26/5/97

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With reference to the
matter last referred to in the
above note, the S.G.'s point
seems to be that under S. 127
the Mun. C. ^{is entitled to} shall be reimbursed
the charges incurred by them
in the medical & surgical
relief of all persons other
than the sick poor or those
unable to pay a medical
attendant; & that therefore
it is illegitimate to make the
charge ^{arbitrarily} ~~and~~ to the patients'
income instead of with reference
to the cost of the medicine.

The ~~rule~~ ^{rule} now proposed by Coconada seems to
come, however

nearer the intention of the Act
than the ~~present~~ ^{Cuddalore} ~~Coconada~~ rules
and is thus preferable on legal
grounds. The Cuddalore rules allow a
certain latitude, which may be used
in favour of persons not very well off.

I see no objection to the
proposed Coconada rule
H.D.
8/9/97

H.
15/9/97

It should be accepted & sanctioned
H.D.
20/8/97

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Local & Munl. (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 2324

Order

From
Surgeon-Major-General C. Sibthorpe,
F.R.C.P.I.
Surgeon-General with the
Government of Madras.

No. 12/114

Dated 17th June 1897.
Received 23 JUN. 1897
Registered 23-6-1897
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SUBJECT.

Stating that the rules framed
by the Municipal Council, Cuddalore
appear to be preferable to those now
suggested in regard to the rates of
charges for medicine supplied from
the Hospitals.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
Sp	928	hkh	2-6-96
Sp	1706	hkh	14-12-89

FURTHER PAPERS.

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Current No. 630 of 1897

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Current

D.O. No. 1819. M.

From

The Collector of Godavari

No 598 dt 21st May 1897.
Order

Referred to the Surgeon-General for remarks.

No. 1885.

Dated 21. 4. 97.

Received 3. 5. 97

Registered 3. 5. 97.

Enclosures C. No 1341. M. with 2. enclosures returned

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SUBJECT

Submitting letter from the Chairman. Municipal Council, Locanada, request to sanction the alteration proposed by the Council, the rates of charges for medicine supplied from the Hospitals.

V.R.
18/5/97
Forth A. George
21 May 1897

Secretary to Government.

The Surgeon-General.

21/ 4/5 1897

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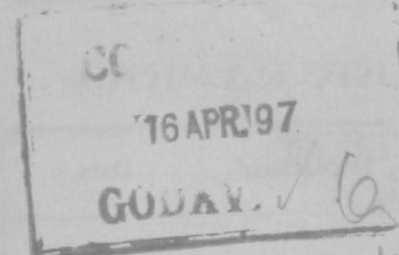
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		hch	14-12-97

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CURRENT No. *1341 M*



From

The Chairman
Municipal Council
Cocanada

No. *1688* acc
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Order No. 463 of 6-4-97

Returned to the Chair-
man for resubmission through
the Collector, as required in
fo. No. 1162. M. dated 4th September
1893.

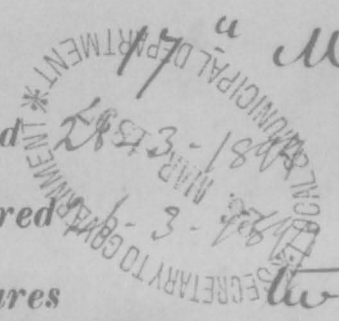
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Secretary to Government.

SUBJECT.

Requesting to sanction
the alteration proposed by
the council in the rates
of charges for medicine

F.R.
1/4/97
For George
17 April 1897
No. 16 acc dated 12th April 1897.
Resubmitted, through
the Collector

Submitted from the hospitals
to the Chairman, M.C. Cocanada

3 MAY 1897

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No 36

Office of Civil Surgeon
Bocanada, 6th February 97

From

Surgeon Captain S. B. Gablett
Civil Surgeon, Bocanada

To

The Chairman
Municipal Council, Bocanada

Sir,

I have the honor to recommend
that the sanction of Government be applied
for the following alteration in the charges
for medicine.

(1) Subscribers

(a) Income under Rs 200/. Rs 2 per mensem

(b) do over Rs 200/. Rs 5 per mensem

(2) That every patient attending hospital
whose income is not under Rs 200/a month
may be charged Rs 5 per mensem for
nurse and medicine while attending the
hospital and Rs 5 for every Rs 100/above
such income.

These charges seem to me to be
rendered necessary (1) the frequency
with which people of considerable income

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attend hospital without paying
any thing whatever, (2) the present
absurd charge of Rs 1/ per mensem
for medicine which may cost the
hospital Rs 5 or more.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant

(SD) P. B. Gabbett

Surgeon Captain

Civil Surgeon.

(True copy)

Municipal Office
Cocanada 17th March 1897
M. V. Somayajulu
Chairman Delegate

(SD)
19. 3. 97

Extract from the Proceedings of the Councillors of the Cocanada

Municipality, passed at their Meeting held

on Thursday the
25th February 1897.

PRESENT:

M. V. Somayajulu	Chairman
Surgeon Captain P. B. Gabbett	Delegate
M. V. Seshachalapathi	Councillor
do	do
do	do
G. Venkataratnam	do
do	do
P. Serrajulu	do
G. H. White Esq	do
M. V. Sarnarayudu	do
do	do
P. Annapara	do

Read letter No. 36 dated 6th February 1897 from
the Civil Surgeon recommending to obtain the
sanction of Government for the increase of
charges of medicine as stated in his letter.

The actual cost of medicine will be charged
to any person who gets medicine from the
Hospital unless he is in the opinion of the
Civil Surgeon, too poor to pay the cost.

(SD) M. V. Somayajulu

(True extract) Chairman Delegate

M. V. Somayajulu

Municipal Office
Cocanada 15/3/1897
M. V. Somayajulu
Chairman Delegate

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Municipal Office
Coimbatore, 17th March 97

LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPT.

COIMBATORE No. 134/M

From

Messrs M. V. Somayajulu & Co.
Chairman Delegate

Municipal Council Coimbatore

To

The Secretary to Government
Local and Municipal Department

Madras.

Sir,

In forwarding herewith a copy
of the Council's Resolution dated 25th
February 1897, proposing the increase of
rates in the charges for medicine, I have
the honor to request that you will be good
enough to sanction the alteration made
by the Council in the aforesaid rates.

2. A copy of letter from the Civil
Surgeon quoted above is enclosed.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

M. Somayajulu
Chairman Delegate.

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OFFICE OF SURGEON-GENERAL

WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

Madras 17 June 1897.

From

SURGEON-MAJOR-GENERAL G. SIBTHORPE, F.R.C.P.I.,

SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE HON'BLE THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Local and Municipal

DEPARTMENT.

Sir,

In returning your endorsement No. 598, dated the ---
21st May 1897 with its annexures, I have the honour to state
that in my opinion the rules framed by the Municipal Council
Cuddalore and approved in G.O. No. 928-Mis, L. & M. dated 3rd
June 1896 appear to be preferable to those now suggested.

2. The proposal in para 2 of the letter from the Civil
Surgeon, Cocanada, which forms one of the annexures, is con-
trary to Section 127 of the District Municipalities' Act of
1884. This has been communicated to the Civil Surgeon.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

G. Sibthorpe.

Surgeon- Major-General.

Surgeon-General

with the Govt. of Madras.

Chancellor

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READ AGAIN G.O., No.
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DATED

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ENCLOSURES TO C. No.

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