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G.O. No. 1241

No. 962 P of 1897.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT:

Bombay Castle, 17th March 1897.

FROM

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT;

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

SIR,

I am directed to forward, for the information of the Government of Madras, the marginally noted Notifications issued by this Government under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897.

1235A / 735AP dated 7th March 1897.
1272 / 765P dated 9th March 1897.
1290 / 781P dated 9th March 1897.
1294 / 784P dated 10th March 1897.
1312 / 795P dated 10th March 1897.
1332 / 822P dated 10th March 1897.
1333 / 818P dated 10th March 1897.
1306 / 785P dated 10th March 1897.
1461 / 925P dated 15th March 1897.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

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Under Secretary to Government.

Bubonic Plague.—
Measures at Mahábaleshvar and Panchgani.

General Department.
No. 1235-A.
735-A.P.

Bombay Castle,
7th March 1897.

RESOLUTION OF GOVERNMENT.

Under Act III of 1897, the Governor in Council is pleased, as a temporary regulation, to prohibit the entrance of people into the hill stations of Mahábaleshvar and Panchgani, except subject to regulations made by the Superintendent and confirmed by Government.

J. DEC. ATKINS,
Secretary to Government.

To

The Commissioner, C. D.,
The Collector of Sátára,
The Superintendent of Mahábaleshvar,
The Sanitary Commissioner for the Government of Bombay,
The Surgeon General with the Government of Bombay,
The Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor,
The Joint Plague Commissioners,
The Government of India (by letter).

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Notifications.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Bombay Castle, 9th March 1897

No. $\frac{1264}{758\text{-P.}}$.—Government Notification No. $\frac{1}{B}$, dated 4th instant, is hereby cancelled.

No. $\frac{1272}{765\text{-P.}}$.—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 2 of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, and of the powers in this behalf conferred by the Governor General in Council under Section 2, sub-section (3), of the same Act, the Governor in Council is pleased to direct as follows:—

1. The following gentlemen are constituted a Committee for the purpose of carrying out, under the orders of Government, the measures to be taken to suppress and prevent the spread of Bubonic Plague within the limits of the City and Suburban Municipalities of Poona and the Poona Cantonment:—

Mr. W. C. Rand, I. C. S.—*Chairman.*
Lieutenant-Colonel C. R. Phillipps.
Surgeon-Captain W. W. O. Beveridge.

2. For the purposes of plague operations, the Committee shall exercise authority and control over the whole establishments of the City and Suburban Municipalities of Poona and the Poona Cantonment Committee. They may add to those establishments to such extent as they think necessary and may remove from them any persons whom they consider unfit for their posts.

3. The Committee may temporarily either rescind, suspend, alter or modify any bye-law, rule or order already made or issued by either of the City and Suburban Municipalities of Poona or the Poona Cantonment Committee, or by any Committee appointed by either of the said bodies, to such extent as they consider necessary or advisable in order to suppress and prevent the spread of the plague.

4. The Committee may incur such expenditure out of the funds of the Municipalities and the Cantonment Committee as they may consider necessary for the performance of their duties, and in order that sufficient funds may be available for plague operations they may control the expenditure of the Municipalities and the Cantonment Committee on objects unconnected with the plague.

5. The Committee may cause any building or enclosure to be entered and searched for the purpose of ascertaining whether any of the inmates or occupants are suffering from the plague or whether any corpse is concealed therein, and may cause any persons found therein to be examined in order to ascertain whether any of them are suffering from the plague. They may further cause any person to be detained for medical examination and segregate, in such place as they may appoint for the purpose, any person found or suspected, after examination by a Medical Officer, to be suffering from the plague.

6. If the Committee have reason to believe that any building is or has recently been occupied by a sufferer from the plague or that any death which has not been certified by a Medical Officer holding Her Majesty's Commission, or some other Medical Officer empowered by the Committee to certify in this behalf, to be due to some cause other than the plague, has occurred in any building, the Committee may cause the inmates of such building to be segregated in such place as they may appoint for a period not exceeding ten days, and may prevent such building from being used as a human habitation in the meanwhile.

7. If the Committee are of opinion that any building is in such an insanitary condition as to be unfit for human habitation, they may prohibit the further use of such building as a dwelling house.

When such prohibition has been made, no owner or occupier of such building shall use or suffer the same to be used for human habitation until the Committee give him permission in this behalf.

For the purpose of enforcing this regulation, the Committee may, if necessary, forcibly remove or cause to be removed any person from such building.

8. If it shall appear to the Committee that any building used as a dwelling is so overcrowded as to endanger the health of the inmates thereof, they may by written order require the owner or occupier of the building, within a period to be fixed by the Committee, to abate the overcrowding thereof by reducing the number of inmates thereof.

For the purpose of enforcing this regulation the Committee may, if necessary, at the expiration of the time prescribed in the written order forcibly remove or cause to be removed such and so many of the inmates of the building as shall seem to them proper.

9. In the case of any building ordered to be vacated under Rule 6, 7, or 8 and in the case of any other building or enclosure which may appear to them to be in a filthy or insanitary condition, the Committee may require the owner or occupier to carry out, or may of their own motion carry out, such measures as may seem to them necessary for the purpose of cleansing, ventilating or disinfecting such building or enclosure, and for the purpose of such cleansing, ventilating or disinfecting may, if necessary, forcibly break open and enter any such building or enclosure, and may remove and disinfect or destroy any articles found therein.

10. The Committee are empowered to remove or burn any huts or temporary erections in which a case of plague is believed by them to have occurred.

11. The Committee are empowered to make regulations, when they deem necessary, for the purpose of enforcing burial in certain places or at a certain depth and for requiring that quicklime be placed with the corpse; and may prohibit the burial or burning of corpses of persons reasonably supposed to have died of the plague in or upon ground other than that specially assigned by them for such purpose.

12. The Committee may for the purpose of military camps, segregation camps, hospitals, burial grounds, warehouses or offices take possession of and occupy any vacant ground or building either within or without the limits of the City and Suburban Municipalities of Poona and the Poona Cantonment, such compensation being afterwards made to the owner or occupier thereof as may be awarded by a Panch constituted as provided in Rule 13.

13. For property destroyed under Rule 9, no compensation shall be payable to the owner. No property shall be destroyed under Rule 10, until the value of it has been assessed by a Panch consisting of the Poona City Magistrate and two other members appointed by him. The award of the Panch shall be final and conclusive.

14. The Committee are empowered to temporarily impress carts or other vehicles ordinarily let for hire with the beasts necessary to draw them and labourers or coolies, and to make payments for the same at rates fixed by the Committee.

15. The City and Suburban Municipalities of Poona, the Poona Cantonment Committee, and all the officers and servants of those Municipalities and of that Committee, and all public servants and all persons employed by the Committee, shall carry into effect, without delay, any measures which may be ordered by the Committee.

16. On the requisition of the Committee, the District Superintendent of Police, Poona, shall give such assistance as may be necessary in order to enforce immediate compliance with any order of the Committee.

17. The principal occupant of a house or building or the principal surviving member of a family shall give immediate information to the Secretary of the Municipality or Cantonment within the limits of which the house or building is situated of the occurrence in the house or building or amongst the members of the family of—

(*a*) any sickness due or likely to be due to plague,

(*b*) any death, whatever may be the cause of it.

18. On receipt of information of any death, the Secretary shall immediately register the death and give the informant a certificate that the death has been registered. "The informant may be detained and required to guide to the place where the corpse is lying the officer appointed by the Committee to ascertain the place of death."

Notification.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Bombay Castle, 24th June 1897.

No. 3411—2498-P.—Under Act III of 1897, His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to substitute the following rule for Rule 13 of the Rules published in Notification No. 1272—765-P., dated 9th March 1897:—

"13. Before the destruction of property of special value under Rule 9 or 10 the value of it shall be assessed by a Panch consisting of the Poona City Magistrate and two other members appointed by him. The award of the Panch shall be final and conclusive. Any member of the Committee, or any person specially appointed by them in this behalf, is empowered to decide whether an article which it is proposed to destroy is of sufficient value for the said Panch to be called to assess its value. If he decides it is not of sufficient value, he may destroy it on the spot, and may in his discretion pay compensation to the owner: provided, however, that no person shall be entitled as of right to claim any compensation whatsoever. It is the desire of Government that the authorities mentioned in this rule should show liberality and promptness in the exercise of their power to award compensation, and that, for example, a very poor man should be promptly compensated for the loss of clothes which, though of no special market value, may be of considerable value to him."

By order of His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor in Council,

J. DEC. AKINS,
Secretary to Government.

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19. It shall not be lawful to carry any corpse to the place of cremation or burial unless the bearers are in possession of a certificate given under Rule 18 that the death has been registered. In the event of a corpse being carried in contravention of this rule all persons acting under the orders of the Committee and all policemen on duty are empowered to demand the name, sex, age, caste and residence of the deceased and to detain one of the funeral party until the information is truly given.

20. All expenses incurred in carrying out any of the measures hereby authorized shall, in the first instance, be paid out of the Municipal funds of the City and Suburban Municipalities of Poona and the Poona Cantonment Fund in such proportions as the Committee may determine, but the Committee may recover from any person any amount which such person would, under similar circumstances, be liable to pay to either of the said Municipalities or to the Cantonment Committee under any law for the time being in force.

21. The powers conferred upon the Committee by these rules may be exercised by such persons as they may from time to time empower in that behalf. All persons so empowered will, however, act subject to the control of the Committee.

22. Disobedience to any orders issued under these rules by the Committee or any person acting under their authority will subject the offender to a prosecution under Section 188, Indian Penal Code.

By order of His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor in Council,

J. DEC. ATKINS,
Secretary to Government.

Bubonic Plague.—
Measures at Mahábaleshvar and Panchgani.

General Department.

No. 1290/781-P.

Bombay Castle,
9th March 1897.

RESOLUTION OF GOVERNMENT.

The regulations mentioned in Resolution No. 1235-A.—735-A.P., dated 7th March 1897, should apply only to the medical inspection of persons and their detention if suffering or suspected to be suffering from plague. Absolute quarantine is, in the opinion of Government, unnecessary and impracticable.

J. DEC. ATKINS,
Secretary to Government.

To

The Commissioner, C. D.,
The Collector of Sátára,
The Superintendent of Mahábaleshvar,
The Sanitary Commissioner for the Government of Bombay,
The Surgeon General with the Government of Bombay,
The Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor,
The Joint Plague Commissioners,
The Government of India (by letter).

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Bubonic Plague.—
Rules under Act III of 1897 applicable to the whole Presidency.

General Department.
No. 1294/784-P.

Bombay Castle,
10th March 1897.

Telegram from the Commissioner in Sind, No. 254, dated the 7th March 1897:—

"Government Resolution 1102—586-P. of first. Does this rule apply Sind and Karáchi City? Please empower me introduce the rule wherever may seem necessary."

Telegram to the Commissioner in Sind, No. 754-P., dated the 8th March 1897.

RESOLUTION.—The following notification to be issued:—

"All rules prescribed under Act III of 1897, unless the contrary appears from the context, apply to the whole Presidency, including Sind."

J. DEC. ATKINS,
Secretary to Government.

To

The Commissioner, N. D.,
The Commissioner, C. D.,
The Commissioner, S. D.,
The Commissioner in Sind,
All Collectors, including the Collectors and Deputy Commissioners in Sind,
The Surgeon General with the Government of Bombay,
The Sanitary Commissioner for the Government of Bombay,
The Health Officer of the Port of Bombay,
The Commissioner of Customs, Salt, Opium and A'bkári,
The Collector of Customs,
The Collector of Salt Revenue,
Surgeon-Major A. W. F. Street, D.S.O., I.M.S., on special duty,
The Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor,
The Political Department of the Secretariat,
The Public Works Department of the Secretariat,
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Bubonic Plague.—
Additions to list of infected stations.

General Department.
No. 1306 / 785-P.

Bombay Castle,
10th March 1897.

Telegram from the Commissioner in Sind, No. 245, dated the 5th March 1897 :—

"Please see Government Resolution 991—460-P., dated 23rd ultimo. Please notify similar rule for Sind declaring Sukkur, Rohri, Hyderabad and Karáchi City and Cantonment infected stations."

RESOLUTION.—Under Act III of 1897, the following are hereby added to the stations recognized as infected mentioned in Government Resolution No. 991—460-P., dated 23rd ultimo, viz., Surat, Sukkur, Rohri, Hyderabad, and Karáchi City and Cantonment.

J. DeC. ATKINS,
Secretary to Government.

To

The Surgeon General with the Government of Bombay,
The Commissioner, N. D.,
The Commissioner, C. D.,
The Commissioner, S. D.,
The Commissioner in Sind,
The Deputy Adjutant General, Bombay Command,
The Commissioner of Customs, Salt, Opium and Abkári,
The Collector of Land Revenue, Customs and Opium, Bombay,
The Collector of Salt Revenue,
All Collectors,
The Sanitary Commissioner for the Government of Bombay,
Surgeon-Major A. W. F. Street, D.S.O., I.M.S., on special duty,
The Chairman, Bombay Plague Committee,
The Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor,
The Accountant General,
The Public Works Department of the Secretariat, Railway,
The Judicial Department of the Secretariat,
The Political Department of the Secretariat,
The Revenue Department of the Secretariat,
The Financial Department of the Secretariat,
The Government of India (by letter),
The Joint Plague Commissioners.

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General Department.

No. 1332
822-P.

Bombay Castle,
10th March 1897.

Memorandum by the Commissioner in Sind, No. 934, dated the 2nd March 1897—
Suggests certain additional rules under Act III of 1897.

RESOLUTION.—His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to make the following additional rules under Act III of 1897 :—

(1) District Magistrates or Plague Authorities are empowered to break holes in the walls or roofs of houses or to remove roofs altogether for the purpose of admitting light and air.

(2) A District Magistrate is empowered to direct the evacuation of houses in the neighbourhood of an infected house or of a block of houses or a particular locality and to prohibit re-occupation of such houses or locality without permission. At least three days' notice should be given and temporary accommodation should be provided.

(3) A District Magistrate, with the sanction of the Commissioner, is empowered to prohibit intercommunication between any place and any other places.

(4) A District Magistrate or Plague Authority especially authorized by him in this behalf is empowered to close places used for the supply, preparation or storage of articles of food and drink in infected localities or in the immediate neighbourhood of infected houses and to direct the removal of all articles of food and drink found in such places.

J. DEC. ATKINS,
Secretary to Government.

To

The Commissioner, N. D.,
The Commissioner, C. D.,
The Commissioner, S. D.,
The Commissioner in Sind,
The Deputy Adjutant General, Bombay Command,
All Collectors, including the Collectors and Deputy Commissioners in Sind,
The Surgeon General with the Government of Bombay,
The Sanitary Commissioner for the Government of Bombay,
The Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay,
The Health Officer of the Port of Bombay,
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The Public Works Department of the Secretariat,
The Public Works Department of the Secretariat (Railway),
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The Revenue Department of the Secretariat,
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The Joint Plague Commissioners,
The Chairman, Bombay Plague Committee,
The Chairman, Poona Plague Committee,
The Accountant General,
The Government of India (by letter).

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Bubonic Plague.—
Rule under the Epidemic Diseases Act regarding assistance to be rendered by Railway Companies and employés.

General Department.
No. 1333/818-P.

Bombay Castle,
10th March 1897.

RESOLUTION OF GOVERNMENT.

The rule prescribed in Government Resolution No. 1181—676-P., dated 4th March 1897, is hereby cancelled.

J. DEC. ATKINS,
Secretary to Government.

To

The Surgeon General with the Government of Bombay,
The Commissioner, N. D.,
The Commissioner, C. D.,
The Commissioner, S. D.,
The Commissioner in Sind,
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Bubonic Plague.—
Full reports of quarantine arrangements in their districts to be made by District Magistrates.

General Department.
No. 1461 / 925-P.

Bombay Castle,
15th March 1897.

RESOLUTION OF GOVERNMENT.

District Magistrates should be requested to immediately report full details of the quarantine arrangements in force at any places in their districts. The reports should be submitted through the Commissioners who should make proposals for any changes they think necessary, and give full reasons for thinking the continuance of quarantine desirable or the contrary.

J. DEC. ATKINS,
Secretary to Government.

To

The Surgeon General with the Government of Bombay,
The Commissioner, N. D.,
The Commissioner, C. D.,
The Commissioner, S. D.,
The Commissioner in Sind,
The Commissioner of Customs, Salt, Opium and A'bkári,
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