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Local & Munl. (189) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 1465 P

DATED 13. 9. 98

[Despatch Abstract.]

Triupati Brahmotsavam festival.

Approving the special arrangements
made by the Collector of N. Arcot on account
of plague for the ensuing—

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Order No 1065 P. mis. dated 9-9-98
Telegram to the Collr of N. West. Defend

Government approves your
arrangements, Tripate festival.
(From order 1)

note to report Billings please see P.O.
Long No 1040 P. d. 9-9-98
H.M.

Order

For information with reference
to query at H. The Collr
wishes to know by telegram if
his arrangements meet with
the approval of Government. He
seems to be taking every precaution
except disinfection of clothing
which he points out will be
impracticable ^{at Tripate} as regards this.
the disinfection by steam ^{already made} at Mangabatra,
Hospet & Jalampet ought to be
enough

Long
12/9/98.

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note festival commences on the
18th Sept. Any tickets have been
stopped from the 10th

From

The Collector of North Arcot

No.

Dated 10-9-1898

Received 12-9-1898

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Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

Submitting an account of the
special arrangements made
on account of plague at
the ensuing Brahmotsavam
festival.

I think this will do. But Hospet
Mangabatra might be cautioned
specially careful in regard to the
pilgrims ("suspicious persons") met
their way towards Tripate

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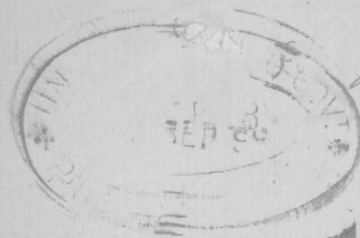
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D.O.

Chittoor
10th September 1898



Dear Mr. Stemenheere

As requested I submit an account of the special arrangements made on account of plague at the ensuing Brahmotsavam festival. As the issue of tickets from infected districts to the neighbouring railway stations has been prohibited from to-day, and as persons from infected districts have been prohibited from attending the festival, it is to be hoped that very few persons from infected districts will in fact find their way to Tirupati and Tirumalai (Upper Tirupati). But I have in consultation with the District Medical and Sanitary officers, the Chairman of Tirupati Municipality, and the Sahibdar of Chaudragiri made the following arrangements on the spot. The Chittoor Civil Surgeon, Dr. Thomson Lugh, will be at Tirupati throughout the festival to supervise all medical and

sanitary

sanitary arrangements and can in case of emergency also visit Tirumalai. There will also be two Hospital Assistants at Tirumalai and one at Tirupati (If found more convenient one of the two Hospital Assistants at Tirumalai may be employed at Tirupati instead of Tirumalai). There are two routes to Tirumalai where the festival proper is held, one via Chandragiri, and the one usually used by pilgrims via Tirupati. The route via Chandragiri is with the concurrence of the Mahant to be absolutely closed (as was once done before) At Tirupati (East) which is the station where most pilgrims alight the passport issuing officer for the trains coming from Renigunta will be a Hospital Assistant, who will see all who alight from the train and examine all who (if there be any such) come from

from infected localities, or who are in any way "suspicious" He will be empowered under Regulation 29 of the Original Regulations, and will send to the Tirupati segregation camp any person having fever, or who he considers for any special reason should be kept under observation. For the trains coming to Tirupati East from the Pakala side, and for all trains coming to Tirupati West (where few pilgrims alight) there will be the ordinary passport issuing officers. Officials empowered under Regulation 29 will also be posted at the toll gates on the Chandragiri and Renigunta roads. Similarly the passport issuing officer ^{at Renigunta} for trains from the North will be a Hospital Assistant, who will scrutinize all passengers who alight at Renigunta to go to Tirupati by road. There are plague hospital sheds

already

already erected at Tirumalai and
Tirupati, and observation sheds (7)
are also being erected there as well
as at Renigunta. I do not propose
that the above officers should
detain or send to the observation
sheds anybody except those suffering
from fever or for whose observation
there is any special reason. Nor do
I propose that any general attempt
should be made to disinfect dirty
persons coming into the town, or
their clothing. I consider that such
measures would be in practice
unworkable as large numbers of
pilgrims especially Byragis are
always dirty, and the staff and
accommodation necessary for the
disinfection or segregation of all
the dirty people that arrive
would be out of the question. What
I must rely on is the efficient (8)
observation of all the lodging
houses

houses, chattrams &c in both Tirupati
and Tirumalai. These will be constantly
visited by the medical and sanitary
staff and any case of sickness
should be at once detected and the
necessary measures taken. For
(9) plague purposes during the festival
Tirupati is divided into two circles,
with circle Inspectors, and one of
the Hospital Assistants above
referred to will be Divisional Inspector.
The necessary staffs have also
been appointed. Myself and the
Divisional officers as well as
D^r Thummon Singh will be on the
spot and will be able to deal
with any emergency as it arises.
The Tahsildar will be at Tirumalai.
The above are the special arrange-
ments for plague, but the usual
sanitary arrangements for the
festival made according to the
suggestions of the Sanitary Commission
are

are being carried out. I do not suppose that Government wishes to have a report regarding these. The District Medical and Sanitary officer who has been at Tirupati and Tirumalai with me for a week is satisfied that due attention is being given to the sanitary arrangements. The recent very heavy rains have done much to cleanse the foul drains of Tirupati. I should be very much obliged if you would kindly telegraph whether Government approves of the above arrangements.

Yours sincerely

W. S. A. S. S. S.

Ag Collector of North Arcot.

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From

The Collector of North Arcot

Order

Lodged, pending receipt of
the further communication from the Collector.

27/8/98

To the Collector of North Arcot

Expenditure of the further reply

to D.O. 65 P. August 22nd regarding

27/8/98

Tirupati festival.

No.

Dated 24-8-1898

Received 26-8-1898

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SUBJECT.

Stating that the advertisement of the Tirupati Municipality Council is probably in the reference to his request to the Chairman to appoint the necessary observation staffs.

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Extract from H.W.'s letter to the Secy
of 21-8-88

I see the Tirupati M.C. is advertising
for plague inspectors. Better see by
inquiry of the Coll: exactly what is being
done there." (J.H.) H.W.B.

Ses. No 65-P of 22-8-88

My dear Batten

The Government find that
the Municipal Council of Tirupati
is advertising for plague inspectors.
Will you kindly ascertain and
report what is being done there?

Tirupati is an extremely dangerous
place and with plague ^{so near as} Bangalore
and Madras, extra precautions seem
necessary. Perhaps, an inspection
station at Pakhal may be required.
It will also protect Bellary and the country
to the South.

Yours faithfully
J.H. B.
Ses. No 65-P of 22-8-88

detain suspicious persons
at Remounta or
where you wish. You
must now protect yourself

H.T.
26-8-88

Ses. No 162 Clutterbuck
24-8-88

Dear Mr. Trevelyan
With reference to your D.O.
No 65-P dated 22nd August,
the advertisement of the
Tirupati Municipal Council
is probably with reference
to my request to the Chairman
dated 13th inst to appoint
the necessary observation
staffs under rules 5 and 6 in
G.O. No 522 dated 13th
March 1897. In a few days
when Dr. Lancaster returns
from Tiruvallur I shall
go to Tirupati with him
and in consultation with

Ses. No 26-8-88

H.T.