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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From J. A. CUMMING, Esq., Acting Collector of Coimbatore, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department (through the sanitary Commissioner and Plague Commissioner), Madras, dated 15th September 1898, Ref. on Cur. No. 2413 (A) Rev.

I have the honour to report that the annual Deepávali Jatrai (festival) on the Mádéswarem Hills in the Kollegal taluk falls on or about the 12th November next. The temple on the hills where the festival is celebrated is situated at a considerable distance from any railway line. People who attend the festival come chiefly from the Talamalai plateau of Satyamangalam Taluk, from the hill villages of Bhaváni taluk, from the Salem district and from the parts of the Mysore State bordering on the Kollegal taluk. Their number varies much from 2,000 to 20,000. I strongly recommend that the pilgrimage to the festival from the taluks of the Salem district and the Mysore State be prohibited and that all intending pilgrims be turned back from the 8th to 17th November 1898. I make this recommendation as owing to the inaccessible position of Mádéswarem, it is practically impossible to make efficient arrangements to prevent it. It is on the hills in a remote corner of Kollegal, the remotest and most inaccessible taluk of the district.

2. This recommendation has been delayed by a hurried visit I paid to Kollegal.

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ENCLOSURE.

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REMARKS.—The number attending the festival depends upon the state of the season, the highest being 20,000 and the lowest 2,000. In 1897 there were only about 2,000 people owing to the prevalence of cholera in the Mysore and British districts.

No. 2333-S.

Forwarded.

Undersigned agrees with the recommendation made by the Collector. He should, however, be required to report the arrangements he will make to turn the pilgrims back.

17th October 1898.

(Signed) W. G. KING, Lieut.-Col.,
Sanitary Commissioner for Madras.

No. 220.

Submitted to Government. I agree that notification should issue prohibiting persons from attending this feast. The Collector will be asked what arrangement he considers necessary for turning pilgrims back.

M. HAMMICK,
Plague Commissioner.

18th October 1898.

No. 203 P.

The Plague Commissioner is requested to submit the necessary draft notification.

(Signed) H. TREMENHEERE,
Secretary to Government.

To the Plague Commissioner.

ORDER—No. 1378 P., dated 25th October 1898.

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NOTIFICATION.

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In exercise of the powers delegated to him under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, His Excellency in Council prohibits the attendance at the said festival of persons from the Salem district and the Mysore State, from the 5th to 17th November 1898, both days inclusive.

2. The Collector of Coimbatore is requested to arrange with the Commissioner of Salt, Abkari and Separate Revenue and the Inspector-General of Police for the necessary patrol and guard to stop the pilgrims and send them back.

3. The following telegrams will be despatched :—

(1) To the Collectors of Salem and Coimbatore.

Notify by issue of Gazette Extraordinary that attendance at the Deepávali festival on the Mádéswarem Hills in the Kollegal taluk (of the) Coimbatore district of persons coming from the Salem district and the Mysore State has been prohibited from 5th to 17th November 1898.

(2) To the Resident in Mysore.

This Government requests Mysore Government to notify that, in consequence of danger of plague, attendance at the Deepávali festival on the Mádéswarem Hills in the Kollegal taluk, Coimbatore district, of persons coming from infected parts has been prohibited from 5th to 17th November 1898.

(True Extract.)

H. TREMENHEERE,
Secretary to Government.

To
The Plague Commissioner.
" Collector of Coimbatore, } (A—L).
" of Salem,
all other Collectors (A).
the President, Municipal Commission, Madras.
" Sanitary Commissioner.
" Surgeon-General.
" Superintendent, Government Press.
Gazette.

Exd. S. J. Pereira.

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(Signed) H. TREMENHEERE,
Fort St. George, 20th October 1898.
Secretary to Government.

To the Plague Commissioner.

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NOTIFICATION.

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In exercise of the powers delegated to him under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, His Excellency in Council prohibits the attendance at the said festival of persons from the Salem district and the Mysore State, from the 5th to 17th November 1898, both days inclusive.

2. The Collector of Coimbatore is requested to arrange with the Commissioner of Salt, Abkari and Separate Revenue and the Inspector-General of Police for the necessary patrol and guard to stop the pilgrims and send them back.

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This Government requests Mysore Government to notify that, in consequence of danger of plague, attendance at the Deepavali festival on the Mádéswarem Hills in the Kollegal taluk, Coimbatore district, of persons coming from infected parts has been prohibited from 5th to 17th November 1898.

(True Extract.)

for Secretary to Government.

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the Sanitary Commissioner.
the Surgeon-General.
the Superintendent, Government Press.
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Exd. S. J. Pereira.

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Papers to be read in Proceedings:—

Again G.O., No. dated 189 ,

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Current No. 2212.P. of 1898, dated 17-10-98, from the Plague Commission.

" " " 189 , "

" " " 189 , "

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ORDER. 1378.P-25-10-98

The Plague Commission's recommendation is approved and the following notification will be published in the Fort St George and Coimbatore and Salem District Gazette:—

Notification

(H.E. notification submitted by the Plague Commission)

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3. The following Telegrams will be despatched:—

The order for striking off G.O. No. 1378 P, dated 25th October 1898 was received in the Press only on the 7th November, but the number of copies not having been stated, a telephone was sent the same morning to the Head clerk asking the number of copies required. No reply was received, 100 copies were struck on the 8th and despatched early on the morning of the 9th with a note enquiring whether additional copies were required. An order for 140 more copies was received and complied with on the 10th. From the above you will see there was no delay in the Press.

This is most desired to be to the effect - No more notice will be taken of such delays in future.

A. H. C.

Superintendent

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25/10/98

(2) To The Resident in Mysore.

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To The Plague Commr.
Journals
Depot of Contributions & Sales
All other [unclear]
Pr me. Madras
S. C. [unclear]
S. Phil [unclear]
Capt. G. R. [unclear]
for the 25/10/58

Notification

Whereas the Governor of Fort St
George in Council is satisfied that
there is a danger of an outbreak
of plague on the Madraswaram
hills in the Kollegal taluk of the
Combatore St if persons from the
Salem St and the Mysore State
are permitted to visit that place on
the occasion of the ensuing
Saptarashi festival:-

An exercise of the powers
delegated to him under the S. D. Act
1899, H.C. in Council prohibits the
attendance at the said festival
of persons from the Salem St and
the Mysore State, ~~and also to those~~
from the 5 to the 17 November 1899, of
~~which the festival is to be~~, but the days
inclusive.

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This may serve in
usual form, informing

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on Cur. No. 2413(a) of 98
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Coimbatore Collector's Office,

Dated 15th September 1898.

From,

J. A. Cunningham Esq.

Acting Collector of

Coimbatore.

To,

The Secretary to Government

Local & Municipal Department

thru: The Sanitary Commissioner &

Plague Commissioner

Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to report that the annual Dipavali Jatrai (festival) on the Madiswaran Hills in the Kollegal Taluk falls on or about the 12th November next. The temple on the hills, where the festival is celebrated, is situated at a considerable distance from any Railway line. People who attend the festival come chiefly from the Palamalai plateau of Sathyamangalam Taluk, from the Hill villages of Bhavanī Taluk, from the Salem District and from the parts of the Mysore State bordering on the Kollegal Taluk. Their number varies

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2. This recommendation has been delayed by a hurried visit I paid to Kollegal.

3. The statement prescribed in G.O.N-279 P, dated 25th March 1898, is submitted.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,
Your most obedient servant

J. J. J. J.
Acting Collector.

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16/10/98

Statement relating to the Deepavali Festival at Madiswaran Hills Submitted in accordance with G.O.N-279 P. dated 25th March 1898.

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Name of festival or Fair	Place where held.	Distance to the nearest Railway Station	Date of Commencement and termination of festival or fair	Average attendance during the past 3 years.	Number of people expected from plague infected parts.	Remarks.
Deepavali Festival	Madiswaran Hills.	1. From Madiswaran 18 miles Via Kollegal 39 miles 2. From Bangalore 36 miles Via Kumbhakuram 36 miles 3. From Bangalore 36 miles Via Kollegal 39 miles	From the 10 th to the 14 th November 1898.	About 2000 in 1897. About 5100 in 1896. About 7000 in 1895.	About 1500 to 2000.	The number attending the festival depends upon the state of the season, the highest being 20,000 and the lowest 2,000. In 1897 there were only about 2,000 people owing to the prevalence of cholera in the Mysore and British districts.

Coincidence Collectors
Office 15th October 1898.

J. J. J. J.
Acting Collector.

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FURTHER PAPERS.

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Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

No. 220/18/10/98

CURRENT No. 475

Submitted to Government. Paper that
notified that the prohibiting persons
from attending the feast - The Com-
missioner asked what arrangements he
consider necessary for turning pilgrims
No. 2333 back.

Through The Secretary Commissioner,
and Plague Commissioner,
Madras.

From

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The Collector of
Coimbatore,

Ref. on cur. No. 2413 (a) of 98
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Dated 15th October 1898

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SUBJECT.

Recommending that the pilgrimage
to the Deepavali festival on the Mathi-
waran Hills in Kollegal Taluk, from
Salem District to Mysore State, may be
prohibited and intending pilgrims be
turned back from the 8th to 17th November
1898.

Local & Munl. (189) Department.

CURRENT No. 22/2 P.

From The ^{Plague} ~~Secretary~~ Commissioner

To 203 P.2/20-10-98.
Order

The Plague Commissioner
is requested to submit the neces-
sary draft notification.

H. T. S. S. S.
Secretary to Govt.

For St. George
20-10-98
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No. 220/475

Dated 18-10-98
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SUBJECT.

Recommending the prohibition
of persons from going on pilgrimage
to the Deepavali festival
on the Mathiwaran Hills
in Kollegal Taluk

To the Plague Commissioner

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W.S. agrees with the
recommendation
made by the Collector.
He should however
be required to report
the arrangements he
will make to turn
the pilgrims back.

W.S. S. S.

Lt. Col.

San. Comr. for Madras

17-10-98

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FURTHER PAPERS.

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PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following paper:—

From the Plague Commissioner No. 220, dated 18th October, 1898 recommending the prohibition of persons going on pilgrimage to the Deepavali festival on the Madeswaram Hills in the Kollegal taluk.

Order No. 1378-P dated 25th October 1898

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Notification.

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(True Extract.)

To,
The Plague Commissioner.
The Collector of Coimbatore.
" " Salem.
All other Collectors.
The President Municipal Commission, Madras.
The Sanitary Commissioner.
The Surgeon-General.
The Supdt. Govt. Press.
Gazette.

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READ AGAIN G.O., No. 189

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Order of Government

Letter of Government

Statement with dicto.

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