

Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 393 P

DATED 26.4.98

[Despatch Abstract.]

Bubonic Plague Informing the Govern-
ment of India that this Government
will extend the Dr. Baumerman's stay
in Bombay by one month but that
is subject to his immediate recall
should plague appear in the Madras
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Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 582 P

Telegram
From
The Government of
India

Order No 393 P. mis. dt 26.4.98

The following telegram
will be despatched to the Gov-
ernment of India:-

No.

Your telegram 490.
Medical, twentieth. ~~Dr Banner-~~
~~man required here but in~~
deference to wishes of Govern-
ment of India this Govern-
ment extends ^{Bannerman's} stay by one
month. Subject to immediate
recall should plague occur
Madras Presidency.

Dated 20.4.98
Received 21.4.98
Registered 21.4.98
Enclosures
Spare copies.

SUBJECT.

Statuing that the Govt
of India would be glad
if Madras Government
could arrange to defer
the recall of Dr Banner-
man.

(Bannerman)
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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.

Current No. 502 P of 1890, dated 20-4-97 from the Govt of India

Current No. of 189 , dated from the

SUBJECT.

Dr Bauner's Deputation to Bombay

FOR ORDERS.

A In the beginning of March 1897, this Government resolved to send a medical officer to Bombay to study the treatment of ~~unfledged~~ plague both generally and with special reference to the methods adopted by Mr. Haffkine and Dr. Yersin. Dr Bauner was selected for the duty and after remaining in Bombay for 3 weeks returned on the 30-3-97. He submitted a report which is recorded in G.O. No 807 M of 13-4-97. Being anxious to study the life history of the plague microbe & connected questions, he on the 8-4-97 asked for permission to return to Bombay to

to study the disease more
^{under Mr. Haffkine} fully. This was sanctioned
and Dr. B. left for Bombay
on the 1-7-97. It was arranged
that he should carry on the ordinary
work of his office as Dy Sanitary
Commr. in Bombay and no
substitute has been appointed
to act for him. His pay and
allowances are still paid by
the Govt.

G.O. No 1001 d/28-4-97

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2. On the 30-4-97, the Govt
of India acting on a suggestion
made by its Sanitary Commr.
wired to this effect Government
that should plague unfortunately
visit Madras, it would be a great
advantage that the Chief Sanitary
officer of the Presidency should have
had practical experience of plague
and the methods for combating it,
and that if the Madras Govt desired
to depute ^{temporarily} its Sanitary Commr. & Dy
Sanitary Commr. to Bombay for
gaining the experience, it would arrange
with the Govt of Bombay to have
them placed for duty under the
Plague Committee. This telegram
was followed the next day by
another

another, in which the Govt of
India said it was enough if
Dr. King alone ~~was~~ visited
Bombay for a month. The
following message was sent in
reply - "Dy Sanitary Commr.
"Bannerman has already spent
"three weeks in Bombay studying
"plague and has been ordered to
"return there shortly to study
"questions more fully. Govt
"therefore prefers not depute
"Dr. King, whose presence here
"is necessary in connection with
"famine and other important
"business"

The Govt of India then
inquired if Dr. B. had been
instructed to report himself
to the Surgeon General Bombay
for duty under the Plague
Committee. No such instruction
had been issued till then. They
were now issued and the G. I.
was informed accordingly. The
information was communicated
to the Govt of Bombay by the G. I.

3. Dr. King did not
like that Dr. B. should be
required

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G.O. No 1203 d/14-5-97

required to work for Bombay
under the Plague Committee instead
of acquiring for the benefit of
his Presidency special
knowledge of the plague microbe,
and at his suggestion, the following
letter was sent to Bombay:-

--- I am directed to state
that H.E. the G. in C. understands
that while Surgeon Major B. will
be placed under the orders of the
Plague Committee, every facility
will be afforded him not only
of learning the practical methods
adopted in Bombay of combating
and treating the disease, but also
especially of pursuing the
scientific and bacteriological
study of the plague microbe
under Dr. Haffkine. I am to
observe that Dr B's main object
is to study the disease rather
than to assist in combating it.

The last sentence was added
by His Excellency to emphasize
the object of Dr B's deputation.

4. Dr B's stay in Bombay
having exceeded six months,
application was made to G. I.
in

in February last for the
extension of his ~~stay~~ the period
of his deputation. The sanction
of that Govt is thus worded -
"The Govt of India sanction the
extension of the deputation of
Surgeon Major W. B. Bannerman,
of Sanitary Commr., Madras, to
Bombay for a period not
exceeding a total of 12 months
from the date of deputation
in view of his learning the practical
methods adopted in the Bombay
Presy for combating and
treating the bubonic plague and
to pursuing the scientific and
bacteriological study of the
plague microbe under Dr. Haffkine."

5. On the 24-2-92 instructions
were sent to Dr B. to complete
his studies and to report in view
to his being recalled. On the 25th
March, Dr Haffkine asked for
permission to take Dr B. to
Hyderabad & Baroda in connection
with the plague arrangements
in those provinces, but the H.M.
did not see any use in this
and ordered that Dr B. should
return

return as soon as he finished his inquiries. In reply to a telegram from this office, he wired on the 31st March that he would come back in ten days. He has apparently not done so, and the Government of India desires to keep him longer as assistant to Dr. Haffkine - vide the following telegram of 20-4-98.

.... "Director General Indian Medical Service has informed Govt of India that Madras Govt propose to recall Bannerman. He states Bannerman is Haffkine's right hand man and that it is most important that he should stay at present. Govt of India would therefore be glad if Madras Govt could arrange to defer his recall."

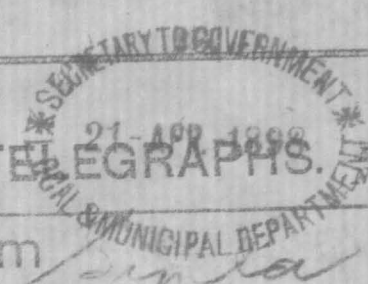
Orders solicited

It is not clear why we should pay for Prof. Haffkine's right hand man, & he is wanted here. On the other hand, he is not badly wanted here since the Plague has begun to recede from us, & of course Indian workers count for something. May he be allowed to stay another month or so, during which time Prof. Haffkine can be given

SP inform Secy for
Let him stay another month or so, subject to immediate recall if plague should break out here; but say that we cannot spare him
25/4/98

another Asst by
Bombay?
22-4-98
Prof. Haffkine can be given

S.A.
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 when called
 when it is



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 26th March about deputation
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 of India that Madras
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