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Exd. A. Raitt.

D.O. No 49 of 10-3-98

My dear Sibthorpe

Will you kindly let me know how many ~~lady-doctors or~~ qualified nurses, & how promptly, you could arrange to supply, in case plague comes into this Presidency? They will be required to accompany search-parties in towns, to examine women in ~~segregation~~ plague camps, to attend on patients & for other similar duties. They should be either Europeans or Eurasians. On what terms can they be made available?

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of H. M's Note d/ 12-3-98.

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Local & Munl. (1898) Dpartment.

D.O. No. 34

H. M. The terms mentd by S. G. do not seem too high for nurses in the field
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For **Orders**

From Surgeon Major General C. Sibthorpe, Madras.

No. 98.

Dated 14th March '98

Received 15th March '98

Registered Do.

Enclosures –

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SUBJECT.

Stating that five candidates have registered their names as nurses for plague duty and that more are likely to come forward if liberal terms are offered.

P. T. O.

In Bombay, nurses were engaged by the month on the following rates of pay:–

Matrons – Rs 150 p.m. with quarters, food, light & all found
Senior nurses – Rs 100 – do – do
Junior nurses – Rs 80 – do – do
Subordinate nurses – Rs 20 to Rs 30 – do – do

When food was not provided, a board allowance of Rs 1-8-0 per diem was allowed for Europeans & 8 as per diem for natives.

Duties of Matrons & Senior nurses were

"Management of servants, providing
"meals & general care of Nurses' messes;
"supervision of all ward arrangements;
"the cleansing of wards, latrines of hospitals etc
"disinfection of clothes & entire control
"over Nurses, Ayahs & ward boys; disbursement
"of all petty cash"

Duties of Junior & Subordinate nurses were –

"To assist the matron generally; to be responsible
"during her temporary absence; to go round with
"the doctors; to receive orders & to see that the
"orders are carried out".

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~~I dont see how we can arrange for food & lights as they did in Bbay. Wd.~~

~~to~~ I should say the Bbay rates of Rs 100 & 80 plus food, ~~&~~ quarters & lights would suffice – For nurses for such duties as we are now contemplating in connection with "Ambulance Staffs", the quarters must be huts run up on the spot, or tents. As to the food, no doubt it will be a trouble to the Collr. or doctors to arrange for feeding the nurses; but the question is Wont it be better? The S.G. might be asked what he thinks – I dont myself care whether the food is supplied or whether the daily allce of Rs 1½ is given as in Bbay – The Ambulance Staff will comprise cooks – One of the male ward attendants might be a man of such a class that he can wait on the nurses, or the Collr. can appt. an extra servant under Rule 27 – The Collr. might be told to add to the equipment the necessaries for the nurses' use – tables, chairs, cots, crockery, lanterns &c –

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17/3/98

Copy D.O. to S.G. for favour of opinion

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D.O. No. 34

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15. MAR. 1898
& MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT

SURGEON GENERAL WITH GOVERNMENT
MADRAS

No. 98

Nungumbaukum
14 March 1898

My dear Fremantle,

With reference to your
E D.O. dated 10 March in re. nurses for plague duty, I may state that five candidates have already recorded their names in my office & about fifteen more are likely

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to be found if the terms offered are liberal.

Those employed at medical inspection stations now draw Rs: 100 per mensem without quarters, but as the duty mentioned by you involves greater work & exposure I would propose pay Rs: 150 per month with free quarters & travelling expenses. Should these terms be approved I can make sure how many nurses are likely to be available at the shortest notice.

Yours sincerely

C Sibthorpe

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D.O. No 66
19/3/98

My dear Sibthorpe

~~D~~ I enclose a copy ~~[illegible]~~ of Sir Henry Bliss' note regarding the remuneration of nurses on plague duty. Kindly let me have your opinion in the matter.

Yours sincerely

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Please copy H.M's note dt 17-3-98 in D.O. No 34

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Local & Munl. (1898) Dpartment.

D.O. No. 42

From
Surgeon Major General C. Sibthorpe,
Madras

Order

No.

Dated 21st March '98
Received 22nd March '98
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Enclosures –
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SUBJECT.

Proposals regarding the pay and allowances of nurses for plague duty.

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No. 114

SURGEON GENERAL WITH GOVERNMENT MADRAS

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
22 MAR 1898
LOCAL & MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT

Nungumbaukum
21 March 1898

My dear Tremenheere,

With reference to your D.O. No. 66 dated the 19th inst, I am of opinion that the terms proposed by Sir Henry Bliss for nurses required for plague duty are sufficiently good. The rate of pay however should not be less than Rs: 100 as really good nurses are not likely to be had on Rs 80 a month.

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the process of feeding the nurses will be very inconvenient & I therefore prefer the system of daily allowance - Thus under the new scheme a nurse on plague duty will be entitled to -

Pay Rs: 100 per mensem

Ration all^ce Rs: 1½ per diem.

with free quarters & lights.

Sir Henry Bliss does not touch on the question of travelling allowances - but I presume it is understood that they will draw the same under the Civil Service Regulations both for joining their first appts & subsequent moves if any.

I would also propose with reference to article 1157 C.S. Regulations that the rule of 5 miles should not apply to them when

Employed with search parties.
They should be paid actual
Conveyance
Charges when accompanying
such parties as they can
neither be expected to walk
out long distances nor
to keep a Conveyance of
their own. The new terms should
apply equally to those already on duty

Yours sincerely

C S H Moore

Fin. Dept. 29/3

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Again G.O., No. , dated 189 .

D.O. ~~Current~~ No. 34 of 1898, dated 14-3-98 from the } Surgeon General
D.O. ~~Current~~ No. 42 of 1898, dated 21-3-98 from the }

SUBJECT

Allowances to nurses on plague duty

FOR ORDERS.

The terms may be so settled. But I don't see how (E) can (a) be sanctioned, nor do I understand what the S.G. says about "those already on duty" - How are (b) there any nurses "already on duty"?

As to (E) we shall have to go to India -

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15/4/98

(a) The Financial Dept now ~~[illegible]~~ agrees that (e) can be sanctioned by the local Govt under article 873 C.S. Regulations provided the nurses are paid from Local Funds - vide H

(b) The Surgeon General evidently refers to nurses engaged for duty at the plague inspection ~~[illegible]~~ stations. Under G.O. No 898 M. d/13-4-97, these nurses are to be paid Rs 100 a month with free quarters if available but not as a matter of right. Their duties are very light as compared with those which are required at plague hospitals. I

In Bombay & Poona special conveyance allowances were sanctioned in the case of certain officers but not nurses - vide page 402, Vol I, The Plague in India. H.T. 2/5 98

After seeing H.M's remarks at I, the Surgeon General suggests the following terms for nurses on plague ~~duty~~:-

(a) That the salary shall not be less than Rs 100 a month;

(b) That a board allowance of Rs 1-8-0 a day be paid to the nurses in preference to feeding them;

(c) That they be allowed free quarters and lights;

(d) That they be given travelling allowance for joining their first appointments as well as for subsequent journeys;

(e) That when accompanying search parties, they be paid actual conveyance charges irrespective of the five miles limit prescribed in article 115[illegible]

Very well
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of the Civil Service Regulations;
(f) that the above terms be extended to nurses already on duty.

For the future; that is Hs

2. (d) may be sanctioned under article 1191(a) of the C.S. Regulations; and if ~~it is ordered~~ ~~that~~ the pay of the nurses is debited to Local Funds (vide para 1 of G.O. No 720 Fin d/4-8-97),

x vide G.O. 2106 M d/27.9.97.

(e) may be sanctioned under article 873 C.S. Regulations. The other proposals may be sanctioned at the pleasure of Government.

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Has Financial any objections to the Surgeon General's proposals?

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Finl Dept

No objection. (E) can be sanctioned under article 1157 CSR.

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Chief Secretary.

Under article 1157 only railway fare or ferry and other tolls can be drawn when the distance travelled does not exceed five miles, but what the Surgeon General refers to is conveyance charges i.e carriage hire, and this I think, can be sanctioned by the Local Government under Article 873, provided the nurses are paid from Local or Municipal Funds as apparently decided in G.O.
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Financial Department.

L. & M., C. No. 219, Plague.

NOTE

The Surgeon General was understood to refer to the actual expenses specified in article 1157. If the establishment is to be treated as paid from general revenues, the sanction of India will be necessary to the admission of Conveyance allowance (vide art. 1181, 2 C.S.R.) If the establishment is paid from Local Funds, the Acct. Genl's office, where ~~whose~~ unofficial enquiries have been made, agrees with the L. & M. Dept. in thinking that India's sanction is not necessary for the admission of the charge. The Acct. Genl's office has notes by Mr. Harrison stating that on the analogy of the principle laid down by India in the paper annexed [No. Ex. 2463, dated 10th June 1893], charges of this kind may be admitted in the case of Local Fund establishments without reference to India. An official reference to the Acct. Genl. will perhaps be safest.

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To

The L. & M. Dept. u.o

Copy of letter from the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department No.Ex/2463, dated 10th June 1896:-

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No.193 Marine, dated the 21st March 1896, requesting confirmation, if considered necessary, of the sanction accorded by the Local Government, to the grant from the Madras Harbour Trust Funds of an honorarium of Rupees 1,000 to Mr. C. Pinsent, Secretary to the Madras Harbour Trust Board.

2. In reply I am to say that as the Harbour Trust Funds are not administered by Government, the rules in the Civil Service Regulations do not apply to payments from such funds, and the authority of the Government of Madras in the present matter under Madras Act II of 1886 (sections 21 and 24) is therefore not restricted by any executive orders. In these circumstances, the sanction of the Government of India to the grant of the honorarium is not required.

Copy forwarded to the Acct General. Madras.

By order &c

(Sd) R. M. Dane.

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[L. & M.]
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H. T.
8-5-98

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