

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLAGUE COMMISSIONER.

(1898)

MISCELLANEOUS.

No. 648

Dated 11-11-98

Despatched 17-11-98

[Despatch Abstract.]

Duties of Ry. Station Masters under the Plague Rules.

Requesting the Manager, E. C. Railway, to instruct the station masters of his railway on their duties under the Plague Rules.

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Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 2349 P

East. No. 235-P 9/9-11-98

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for disposal.

Secretary to Govt
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Recd 8/10/98

From The P.W. Department

- Mont. Railway Branch

Order

Submitted for order

9/10/98

To Manager E.C. Rail

Sir I have the honor to say that from a report from the Comr of Vijayapalan it appears that several of the Station Masters in E.C. Railway do not understand their duties under the E.C. Railway Act & the Regulations framed under that Act. I shall be much obliged if you will inform them of their duties & wish to see them at the P.W. Department. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours faithfully,
The Manager of the P.W. Department

Dated 26-10-98
Received 28-10-98
Registered 29-10-98
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SUBJECT.

stating that the P.W. Department has no concern with the papers transferred and suggesting that the Manager of East Coast Railway may be ordered to carry out the duties laid down in the General G.O. & the Gazette Notification.

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P.W.
Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

Railway
CURRENT No. 1175



From
The Collector,
Vizagapatam.

Order End. No 146 P. dt 15-9-1898

Transferred to P.W. Department
(Railway Branch) for disposal.

All orders concerning Railways
are communicated to that Dept. &
in urgent cases also to Railway
Administration direct.

2. The question about special punches
will be disposed of separately in this
department.

It is remembered
Secretary to Government

14/9/98

2^o Sh. P. W. D. (Ry. branch)

Dri No. 2650

Dated 6 September 1898
Received } 13-9-98
Registered }
Enclosures Recd. 8. 10. 98
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SUBJECT.

Reporting that the Station
Masters at the Railway Station
in this District are ignorant of
the stations and areas which
are to be considered as plague
infected and requesting that
steps be taken to impress upon
the officers of Railways their
responsibilities in plague matters

for urgent communication to the Government

2.

Secretary L & M.

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But in transferring this to me for disposal
are you not submitting what we have already
mutually agreed to that orders in regard to plague
matters, when they do not require executive action in
the P.W. Dept. shall issue in the L & M. Dept.

This Dept. has no more concern with the
S.C.R. than has the L & M. Dept. Every Secretary
in the Ministry of Government may be told
by Govt. to communicate orders to the Manager
S.C.R. But there is a certain convenience, as we
agreed, in all orders of Government in plague
matters being issued by L & M. (except special ones
involving engineering construction in which this
Dept. would speak in its own Master's capacity)

My only connection with the S.C.R. is
present in an Govt. of India Inspecting Officer.
The Local Govt. does not control the Railway
through me, in its executive manner as they control
the South Indian and Madras Railways.

I think the proper course to adopt is for
Government (through the L & M. Secretary) to send
the Collector's letter and the G.O.'s referred to, and
the further Notification, and quoting the E.D.
Act, to promptly order the Manager S.C.R.
to carry out his duties as laid down in the several
Orders quoted. They are rather correct enough, and it
will be then good to be stirred up a bit.

JRS
24/10/98

Re G. No. 2650
Dis.

C. No. 17568

VIZAGAPATAM COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

Dated 6 September 1898.



W. O. HORNE Esq^{re}.

Ag. Collector,

Vizagapatam District.

From

To

J. A. A. Themanhere Esquire,

SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Local and Municipal DEPARTMENT,

MADRAS.

SIR,

I have the honor to report that from
personal enquiries at the Railway Stations
in this District, and from similar enquiries
made by my Head Assistant Collector,
I find that the Station Masters upon
whom, under Regulation ^{Flag 3} XVII of the
Original Mufassal Regulations under
the Epidemic Diseases Act, the duty of
issuing passports to arrivals from infected
areas devolves, are ignorant of the Stations
and areas which are to be considered as
infected and that their surmises on the
subject are in consequence very wild
and sometimes very incorrect. The Traffic
Manager, East Coast Railway appears
to be equally in the dark and I am
now furnishing him with the information
contained in the notifications of Government
for urgent communication to his Station Masters.

2. It appears to me however that this circuitous mode of communication ought not to be necessary and that the officials of State Railways should be bound to acquaint themselves with the orders of Government on a matter which is so particularly appertaining to their particular province.

3. Further the Railway officials, from the Traffic Manager downwards, are ignorant of what are the distinctive marks which under Additional Mufassal Regulation, Part I, 5 (b) (ii) should be put on the tickets of all persons travelling from an infected area. I find the Station Masters have never heard of such marks nor has the Traffic Manager, as the latter has asked me to give him a sketch of them. This I regret I am unable to do, but I have referred him to the G.O.S. on the subject of these marks, all of which however have I observe been communicated to the Public Works Department, Railway Branch. I should have thought that all officials of State Railways would have had the necessary knowledge.

4. I hope I may be excused for suggesting that steps be taken to impress upon the Officers of Railways their responsibilities in Plague matters. In this District

vide para 2 of the
Lett. dated 21st Nov 1906
the same

This office has
communicated the same to
the P.W.D.

I regret to say that I do not think they are at all adequately realised.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant,

M. M. M.

Collector.

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