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[Despatch Abstract.]

Pilgrims for the Hedjaz — Recording  
Letter from the Govt of Bombay forwarding  
for information copy of a resolution  
regarding the arrangements for the  
despatch of — & stating that the  
pilgrims from Madras have to be  
segregated a second time in Sind  
before their embarkation at Karachi.

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CURRENT No. 355 M

From The Secretary to Govt.  
General Deptt. Bombay

Order No. 226 misd 26-1-98

Recorded

No. 379

We can address Bombay  
later if necessary to  
exempt our pilgrims  
from a second segregation.

Dated 20-1-98

Received 24-1-1898

Registered 24-1-1898

Enclosures 1

Spare copies. 10

# SUBJECT.

Forwarding for information copy of  
a Resolution regarding the arrange-  
ments for the despatch of pilgrims  
to the Hedjaz and stating that for  
the reasons given, the pilgrims from Madras  
have the appeared a second time in  
hind before their embarkation at  
Karachi.

From para 3 of memo dated 24-1-98 it will be seen that  
if a considerable number of pilgrims assemble  
at Calicut, a special steamer to convey them  
to Karachi direct might possibly be arranged  
but the port of Bombay may not be a convenient  
one as sufficient berths for the pilgrims  
from Segregation in Sind, as there is still while  
the steamer was in Bombay harbour, have come in  
contact with the port and other officials  
of the place.

\* Rest at Hyderabad Tall Chis  
 that under present orders from India  
 all the pilgrims from our camps at  
 Guntakal & Mysore will have to undergo  
 a brief period of segregation at Karachi;  
 talk them & make this known to  
 intending pilgrims - This may put  
 some of them off. The long Bombay Pros  
 need not be reprinted - A memo  
 & abstract (letter to Hyderabad?) will  
 be enough.

BS  
 25/1/98

+ Do this if it  
 has not been  
 done  
 HT  
 23-1-98

this has already been done -  
 Please see para 2 of letter no 147 m d  
 18-1-98 and para 6 of 80 no 148 m  
 8-1-98 - M  
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 I thought so  
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Pilgrims.—  
 Arrangements for the despatch of — to  
 the Hedjaz.

General Department.  
 No. 378

Bombay Castle,  
 20th January 1898.

Memorandum from the Commissioner in Sind, No. 5779, dated the 17th December 1897—  
 Forwarding copy of a letter No. 5778 of the same date, addressed by him to the  
 Commissioner of Customs.

Letter from the Commissioner of Customs, No. 6194, dated the 29th December 1897:—

"I have the honour to report that several Hajis, residents of Bokhara, have recently  
 arrived by sea in Bombay from Karachi. At my request the Commissioner of Police tele-  
 graphed to the Commissioner in Sind informing him of their arrival and asking him to take  
 steps to prevent more Hajis leaving Karachi for Bombay. The following is the telegraphic  
 reply received from the Honourable Mr. James:—

"1302. Your telegram. Pilgrims, no doubt, concealed their object and destina-  
 tion, hoping to escape detention and disinfection in Sind by going to Bombay. Strict  
 orders already given to warn all passengers at Malir. As these pilgrims disregarded  
 warning, if you send them back, they will be isolated and disinfected at Manora, but  
 better ask Secretary, General Department, as Government has not decided if pilgrims  
 arriving Bombay may be sent to Karachi or not; if sent back, wire urgent to  
 Mr. Framroz Panthaki, Deputy Collector, and also to Port Health Officer, Karachi, so  
 that all may be ready for them. Have wired urgent Port Health Officer to stop any  
 more from starting."

"2. In the various orders latterly passed by Government on the subject of pilgrims  
 the contingency of Hajis coming by sea to Bombay from Karachi does not appear to have  
 been contemplated.

"3. As in the case of Bokharis it is not possible to send them to their homes, the  
 only alternative seems to be to reship them to Karachi together with the 67 referred to in  
 Government Resolution No. 7079 of the 20th instant, on receipt of information from Govern-  
 ment as to the number of pilgrims despatched from the port selected by the Madras  
 Government, and the probable date of their arrival in Bombay. I shall arrange to segregate  
 the Bombay Hajis at Malir Bandar for ten days previous to their departure from Bombay  
 so that the whole may be sent together to Karachi. The Commissioner in Sind suggests  
 that the Bokhari Hajis who have come from Karachi should be isolated and disinfected  
 at Manora. The case of these Bokharis seems to me to be on all fours with that of the  
 67 pilgrims referred to above. The former after landing in Bombay have been within  
 the infected area and as the latter who have also been in Bombay are required, after being  
 detained at Malir Bandar, to be further segregated for at least ten days in Sind at a camp  
 at some distance from Karachi, the same procedure should apparently be adopted regarding  
 the Bokhari pilgrims.

"4. I have further the honour to report, with reference to Government Resolution  
 No. 6668 of the 30th November last, that Madras pilgrims can be transferred in Bombay  
 Harbour from one steamer to another without difficulty; but nothing definite can be done  
 till I am informed of the proposals made by the Madras Government for the despatch of  
 Madras pilgrims to Bombay, so that arrangements may be made here to segregate the  
 Bombay Hajis and forward them as proposed in paragraph 3 of this letter.

"5. I beg to submit copy of No. 5778, dated 17th instant, from the Commissioner in  
 Sind. For the reasons explained in paragraph 4 I am not in a position to give the  
 Honourable Mr. James the definite information required in his first paragraph regarding  
 the transshipment arrangements of Madras pilgrims in Bombay Harbour. In his second  
 paragraph the Commissioner in Sind suggests that the special officer accompanying the  
 Madras pilgrims to Bombay should go on with them to Karachi. This suggestion seems to  
 me suitable and if Government agree, I would respectfully propose that Government should  
 obtain the consent of the Madras Government. In his third paragraph the Honourable  
 Mr. James proposes to segregate the Madras pilgrims at Manora, Karachi. This is contrary  
 to the orders contained in Government Resolution No. 7079, dated 20th December, which  
 the Commissioner in Sind will have since received, but apparently in accord with the  
 directions of the Government of India, vide paragraphs 1 and 2 of their letter\* No. 2549,  
 dated the 27th November 1897."

\* Vide the preamble of Government Resolution No. 6668, dated the 30th November 1897.

Memorandum from the Commissioner in Sind, No. 5858, dated the 29th December 1897—

Stating, with reference to Government Resolution No. 7079, dated the 20th December 1897, that the instructions of the Government of India will be carried out and pilgrims arriving by sea from Bombay including the Madras pilgrims will be taken straight from the steamer to the Málir Camp, which is 14 miles distant from Karáchi and is well organized for segregation and disinfection arrangements; and observing as follows:—

"2. The Commissioner is addressing the District Traffic Superintendent, North-Western Railway, Karáchi, with a view to a passenger waggon being attached to one of the goods trains that may be going from Karáchi direct to Málir on the day of the arrival of the ship, and he is sure the necessary arrangements will readily be made.

Letter from the Commissioner of Police, Bombay, No. 25-21, dated the 3rd January 1898—

Reporting that on the 30th December 1897 it was brought to his notice by the Protector of Emigrants that among the passengers shipped per S. S. *Sinla* for ports in the Persian Gulf there were 11 Malabári pilgrims with tickets for Linga; and observing that they were consequently brought on shore and taken to the musfarkhána on Frere Road.

Letter from the Government of India, Home Department (Sanitary), No. 7, dated the 4th January 1898:—

"I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 7080, dated the 20th December 1897, forwarding copy of the Resolution of the Government of Bombay, No. 7079 of the same date, on the subject of the arrangements made for the despatch of pilgrims to the Hedjáz from Bombay and Karáchi during the current season.

"2. In paragraph 2 of the Resolution it is stated that the Madras pilgrims, who will presumably be taken from Bombay Harbour by the vessels which carry the Bombay pilgrims, must be segregated in Sind. With reference to this remark, I am to point out that it was stated in my letter\* No. 2553, dated the 27th November 1897, that pilgrims from Southern India should, after segregation in a camp of observation in the Madras Presidency, be despatched from some port in that Presidency other than the port of Madras, to Bombay, Karáchi. The Government of India think it undesirable that pilgrims from the Madras Presidency should be transhipped on to vessels containing pilgrims sent from Bombay. If this course can be avoided, and if the Madras pilgrims are not allowed to mix with the Bombay pilgrims, there appears to be no need to detain them in segregation in Sind. I am accordingly to request that, with the permission of the Governor in Council, arrangements may, if possible, be made to avoid the despatch of Madras pilgrims to Karáchi in vessels containing pilgrims from Bombay.

"3. I am also to state that, in view of the increased virulence of plague in the City of Bombay, the Governor General in Council considers that it is now inadvisable to permit intending pilgrims, who have entered or who may enter the Bombay Presidency, to embark at Bombay en route for the Hedjáz, even though they belong to other parts of India. I am therefore to suggest that the pilgrims now under observation at Málir Bandar should be sent to Sind as soon as the period of their observation is completed, and that no more pilgrims should be despatched from Bombay.

"4. In paragraph 4 of the Resolution of the Government of Bombay, No. 7079 of the 20th December, it is stated that intending pilgrims who may in future come to Bombay should be treated according to the instructions contained in paragraph 2 of my letter† No. 2630, dated the 11th idem, with regard to intending pilgrims who, having evaded observation up-country, arrive at Karáchi as ordinary passengers. With reference to these orders I am to say that the Government of India consider that intending pilgrims from other parts of India arriving at Bombay should now be dealt with in the manner indicated in clause (3) of Home Department Notification‡ No. 2495, dated the 20th November 1897, that is to say, they should be placed in a camp of observation until such time as the Medical officer in charge is satisfied that all risk of the occurrence of plague among them has completely abated, and should then be sent to their homes. I am to request that, with the permission of His Excellency in Council, the necessary arrangements may be made to carry out these instructions."

Telegram to the Government of India, dated the 10th January 1898:—

"Your letter 7, dated 4th. If Madras pilgrims are transhipped to any Bombay steamer, they must come in contact with other passengers and crew, who are rather more likely to be infected than pilgrims who have been segregated. Consequently need for segregation

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"I am directed to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 7081, dated 20th December 1897, enclosing a copy of Government Resolution No. 7079, dated 20th December 1897, regarding the pilgrimage to the Hedjáz.

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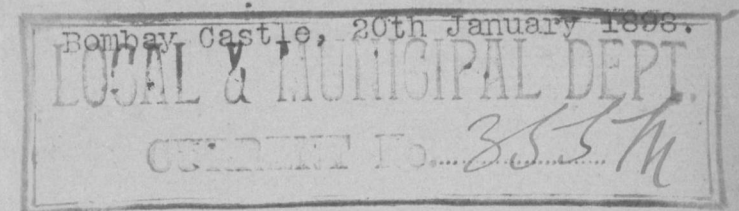
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17th instant, with an intimation that it will be seen therefrom that this Government have, with the approval of the Government of India, decided to segregate in Sind the pilgrims from Madras as they must on transhipment to a Bombay steamer in Bombay Harbour come in contact with other passengers and crew, from whom there may be a slight probability of infection.

A. C. LOGAN,  
Acting Secretary to Government.

To

The Commissioner in Sind,  
The Collector of Karáchi,  
The Commissioner of Customs,  
The Collector of Customs, Bombay,  
The Chairman, Bombay Plague Committee,  
The Commissioner of Police, Bombay,  
The Accountant General,  
The Private Secretary to His Excellency the Governor,  
The Financial Department of the Secretariat,  
The Government of Madras (by letter).

No. of 1898.

Copy forwarded for information and guidance to.

To

The Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras,  
Public Department.  
Madras.

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 90, dated the 17th instant, I am directed to forward herewith for the information of the Government of Madras copy of a Resolution of this Government No. 378 of this date, from which it will be seen that this Government have, with the approval of the Government of India, decided to segregate in Sind the pilgrims from Madras as they must on transhipment to a Bombay steamer in Bombay Harbour come in contact with other passengers and crew, from whom there may be a slight probability of infection.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

A. C. Logan

Acting Secretary to Government.

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