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" Inspector-General of Police. ✓
" Sanitary Commissioner. ✓
" Surgeon-General. ✓
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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTME

Papers to be read in proceedings:—

Again G.O., No. dated 189 .
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Current No. 264 P of 1899, dated 5. 2. 99, from the Plague Commr.
" " 378 P " 1899, " 21. 2. 99, " " Do
" " " 189 , " , "

ORDER.

The Plague Commissioner's recommendation contained in the second paper read above is approved and the following notification will be published in the Fort Saint George and the Bellary, Anantapur, Kurnool, South Canara, Cuddapah, Kistna, and Nellore District Gazettes:—

(N.B. the revised notification received with the second paper read above as amended by Govt.)

2. The following telegrams will be despatched:—

(1) To the Collector of Kurnool—

"Notify by issue of

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Gazette Extraordinary and otherwise that pilgrimage to Mahasivaratri festivals at Srisailam and Mahanandi has been prohibited"

(2) To the Collectors of Bellary, Anantapur, ~~Kurnool~~, South Canara, Cuddapah, Kistna and Nellore

"Notify by issue of Gazette Extraordinary and otherwise that pilgrimage to Mahasivaratri festivals at Srisailam and Mahanandi in Nandikotkur and Nandyal taluks, Kurnool district, has been prohibited under Epidemic Diseases Act"

(3) To the Governments of Bombay, the Resident in Mysore and the Resident at Hyderabad —

"This Government

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requests Bombay / Mysore / Hyderabad Govt. to notify that, in consequence of danger of plague, pilgrimage to Mahasivaratri festivals at Srisailam and Mahanandi, in Nandikotkur and Nandyal taluks, Kurnool district, has been prohibited under Epidemic Diseases Act, from first March to twentieth April and third to thirteenth March, respectively."

V.R.
21/2/99

To, The Plague Commr
" Collr of Kurnool
" " Bellary
" " Anantapur
" " South Canara
" " Cuddapah
" " Kistna
" " Nellore
" " Commr. of S A & S Rev
" " Inspr. Gl of Police
" " Sanitary Commr
" " Surgeon Gl.
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To The Plague Commr.

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13.2.99

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Note for the Secretary

C. No. 264 P.

With the current read above the Plague Commissioner submits a letter from the Collector of Kurnool regarding the prohibition of pilgrimage to the Sivaratri festivals at Srisailam and Mahanandi, with the recommendation that the draft notification received from the Collector may, as amended by him, be approved and published in the Fort Saint George Gazette. In this letter, the Collector recommends (1) the prohibition of pilgrimage to both the festivals and (2) the prohibition of the sale of railway tickets to intending pilgrims from the Anantapur, Bellary and Kurnool districts, the Mysore and the Hyderabad States and the Bombay Presy.

Note These however are only some of the places from which people proceed to the festivals

It will be seen that these recommendations are not consistent with one another. If the pilgrimage to the

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the Plague Commr.

festivals should be prohibited, the sale of tickets should also be likewise prohibited to persons from all places.

It will also be observed that the Collector does not, in the draft notification submitted by him, adhere to his recommendation (1) mentioned above. In his letter he has reported that people from the

× Bombay Presy
× Mysore State
× Hyderabad State
South Canara Dt.
× Bellary Dt.
× Anantapur Dt.
Cuddapah Dt.
Kistna Dt.
Nellore Dt. &
× Kurnool Dt.

attend the festivals and that for the reasons given, the pilgrimage to both the festivals should be prohibited. But according to the draft notification only the attendance at the festivals of persons from some of the aforesaid places is to be prohibited.

From para 2 of the Sanitary Commissioner's Lett. it will be seen that he also considers that the festival (apparently the more important one at Srisailam) should be prohibited to outsiders.

The Plague Commr. has merely forwarded the notification without any remarks on the points raised above.

Orders are therefore solicited as to whether the draft notification should not be amended so as to prohibit (1) pilgrimage to the festivals to all outsiders & (2) the sale of railway tickets to intending pilgrims from all the places from which people usually proceed.

V.R.
13/8/99

× marked × above.

Because these are the only places infected
10/8 LB

But it does not follow that because he says nothing the P.C. has not considered the points.
18/8 LB

I consider this unnecessary. There is no fear of infection to persons coming from uninfected areas.
18/8 LB

Dep. 3-a
To the Plague Commr.

Local & Munl. (1899) Department.

CURRENT No. 2649

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From The Plague Commissioner

Order

Refce. No. 1460

Dated 5.
Received 7.
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SUBJECT.

Submitting for approval and publication in the Fort St George Gazette a draft notification prohibiting the attendance of persons from infected parts at Srisailam in the Nandikotkur Taluk, and Mahanandi in the Nandyal Taluk, Kurnool Dt, and stating that the Govt of India may be moved to prohibit the sale of Ry tickets outside the Madras Presy and that the Collr has been requested to look to the proper enforcement of the prohibition.

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To the Plague Commr.

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SANITARY COMMISSIONER WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
No. 626-S
2-FEB. 99

Local & Munl. (1899) Department.

CURRENT No. 1460

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3-FEB.1899

From The Collector of Kurnool

No 350/S

~~Order.~~

Forwarded to the Plague Commissioner.

2. Pilgrims for this festival set out very early by road. It is hence desirable that it be quickly notified in the areas mentioned by the Collector that the festival is prohibited to outsiders.

3. This festival in the North is of as much importance as the great Tirupati festival in the South. It should be held locally therefore

W G King
Lt. Col. I.M.S.
San. Commr for Madras
2/2/99

Re No. 33/99 S

Dated 26 January 99

Received 3-2-1899

Registered 3-2-1899

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SUBJECT.

Stating that Maha Sivaratri festival takes place at Sri Sylam & Mahanandi of this district in March & April next & submitting a draft notification for approval and publication prohibiting pilgrims to the above 2 places

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To the Plague Commr.

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Re No. 33/P of 99
ENCLOSURES.

KURNOOL COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,
KURNOOL,
Dated 26. January 1899.

FROM
Mahommed Razakhan Esqre
COLLECTOR OF KURNOOL,

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Lon 2768 P - 21/2/99

TO
THE SECRETARY TO Government.
Local and Municipal Deptmt
Madras.

Thro: the Sanitary Commissioner
and Plague Commissioner
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honour to report that the Maha Sivarathri festival of Srisylam in the Nandikotkur Taluk commences on 8.3.99 and continues till 20.4.99. Srisailam is in the thickest parts of the Nallamalai hills close to the Kistna river and the nearest village in British territory is Nagaluti 28 miles from the locality. The place is accessible by 3 routes one on the

1 month & 12 days

the South via Atmakur, another on the East via Markapur and the 3rd on the North in the Hyderabad Dominions across the Kistna river which has to be crossed on rafts. The first is the most frequented route and the last is the least.

2. This is the most celebrated religious festival in the district and attracts a large number of pilgrims from Dharwar, Belgaum, Hubli, North Canara &ca places of the Bombay Presidency, Mysore Province, Hyderabad Dominions and South Canara, Bellary, Anantapur, Cuddapah, Kistna, Nellore and Kurnool Districts of the Madras Presidency. Nearly half the number of pilgrims come by road either on carts or on foot and the rest by rail. Those coming by rail from the North and the East alight at the Markapur

Road

Road Station on the Southern Mahratta Railway which is about 70 miles from Srisylam and those from the West and the South at the Nandyal Station which is also about the same distance or at the Kurnool Road Station the distance from which is 120 miles.

3. In view of the existence of plague in this district as well as in many parts from which the pilgrims are expected, I beg to recommend that Government may be very early pleased to prohibit pilgrimage to the festival and to stop the issue from 20-2-99 to 15.4.99 of tickets to the stations of Nandyal, Markapur Road and Kurnool Road stations on the Southern Mahratta Railway to such of the persons in the Bombay Presidency and Hyderabad Dominions, Mysore province and in the districts of Bellary, Anantapur and Kurnool as are intending or believed to be intending to attend the festival

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Proper measures will be taken to watch the several passes and to drive back forthwith the persons who come in contravention of the notification.

4. I beg to add that another festival takes place during Sivaratri at Mahanandi at the foot of the Nallamalais in the Nandyal Taluk from 10th March 99 to 13th March 99 both days inclusive. This attracts many people from this district and from Ballary, Anantapur, Cuddapah, Nellore and Kistna Districts. About 30 per cent of the pilgrims are expected from infected areas of this District and the districts of Anantapur and Ballary and I recommend that pilgrimage to this festival also may be prohibited. The nearest railway stations are Nandyal & Gajulapalli which are 10 and 4 miles respectively from Mahanandi and the issue of

of tickets from the 8th to 13th March to these stations to persons coming from the infected parts mentioned in para 3 above may be prohibited.

The statement prescribed in Government Order No. 2798 dated 25. 3. 98 and the necessary draft notifications are enclosed.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obed^t. Serv^t.

31/1/99
for Collector

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Statement to accompany proposals for the prohibition of pilgrimage to Mahasivarathri festivals of Srisailum and Mahanandi in the Kurnool District
Vide Government Order No 279 P Dated 25.3.97

Name of festival or fair	Place where held	Distance to the nearest railway Station	Date of commencement & termination of festival or fair	Average attendance during the past 3 years	Number of people expected from plague infected parts
Mahasivarathri festival	Srisailum - Nandikotkur Taluq	Markapur Road 70 miles Nandyal 70 miles. Kurnool Road 120 miles.	8.3.99 to 20.4.99	About 8000	About 3000
— do —	Mahanandi, Nandyal Taluq	Gazulapalli 4 miles Nandyal 10 miles	10.3.99 to 13.3.99	About 6000	about 2000

Kurnool Collector's Office
D/ 26th January 1899

for Collector

28/1/99

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Notification. [illegible]

Whereas His Excellency the Governor of Fort St. George in council is satisfied that there is danger of an outbreak of plague at Srisailam in the Nandikotkur Taluk, and at Mahanandi in the Nandyal Taluk, of the Kurnool district if persons from the Districts of Anantapur, Bellary, Kurnool, the State of Mysore, His Highness the Nizam's Dominions, Bombay Presidency and other plague infected parts are permitted to visit Srisailam and Mahanandi on the occasion of the ensuing Mahasivarathri festival:

In exercise of the powers delegated to him under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, His Excellency the Governor in Council directs that n person from the Districts of Anantapur, Bellar Kurnool, the State of Mysore, His Highness th Nizam's Dominions, Bombay Presidency and oth plague infected parts shall visit Srisailam ~~from~~ ~~8~~ 1st th march to 20th april 1899 and Mahan ~~from~~ ~~10~~ 3rd 6th th to 13th march 1899 both days inclusi from stations in the Madras Presidency

~~Anantapur and Kurnool district and other plague infected parts ?~~

The sale of railway tickets to the stations of Kurnool Road, Nandyal and Markapur Road on the Southern Maharatta Railway from 20-2-1899 to 15-4-1899 to persons intending or believed to be intending to attend the Srisailam festival and to the stations of Nandyal and Gazulapalli on the Southern Maharatta Railway from 8th to 13th March 1899 to persons intending or believed to be intending to attend the Mahanandi festival is prohibited. All persons proceeding to the places in contravention of this notification will be turned back.

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Kurnool
26th January 1899 } 18
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Ref. on C. No.1460, dated 5th February 1899.

Submitted to Government with the recommendation that the draft notification as amended may be approved and ordered to be published in the Fort Saint George Gazette, and that the Government of India may be moved to prohibit the issue of Railway tickets outside the Madras Presidency.

2. The Collector is requested to see that the arrangements referred to in para 3 of his letter for enforcing the prohibition are properly carried out.

6/2/99
For Plague Commissioner.

To

The Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Dept.
with 3 enclosures in original.

,, Collector of Kurnool.

H.S.
6.2.99

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Notification

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Whereas the Governor of Fort Saint George in Council is satisfied that there is danger of an outbreak of plague at Srisailam in the Nandikotkur Taluq, and at Mahanandi in the Nandyal Taluq of the Kurnool Dt., if pilgrims are permitted to visit these places on the occasion of the ensuing Sivarathri festival. In exercise of the powers delegated to him under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to prohibit pilgrimage to Srisailam from the 1st March to 20th April 1899, and to Mahanandi from the 3rd to 13th March (both days inclusive) 1899. All persons proceeding

for the occasion of the ensuing Maha-Sivarathri festivals at these places

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to the festival in Contravention of this notification will be turned back.

N. S. Mahadevan
21/2/99
for Plague Commissioner

H.S.
21.2.99

L&M. G. No. 375 P

Proceedings of the Plague Commissioner.

READ— telegram from the Collector of Kurnool, d/ 18th Feb: 1899, to the Plague Commissioner.

"Draft notification sent with "my letter 33 of 26th ultimo regarding "Sivarathri festival prohibits "only attendance of persons from "certain parts at Srisylam and "Mahanandi. I request that "pilgrimage of all persons be "totally prohibited agreeably "to my letter 33 above men-"tioned and notification revised "accordingly".

Also letter from the same office d/ 17th Feb: 1899, R.C. No: 33/0.

In Continuation of my telegram of 18th instant requesting that the Srisylam, and Mahanandi festivals may be entirely prohibited I have the honour to forward a a revised Draft Notification, and to request that Government may be addressed to issue an early notification prohibiting the festivals altogether.

& pilgrimages

Ref: m.c. No. 2178 & 2228 d/21-2-99.

Submitted to Government with the request that the enclosed notification may be substituted for that forwarded with Ref: m.c. no: 1460 d/ 5-2-99 and may be issued in today's Gazette.

21/2/99

For Plague Commr.

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21/2/99

To
The Secretary to Govt: Local & Municipal dept with copy of Notification.

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