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PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLAGUE COMMISSIONER.

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Issuing instructions ~~in connection~~ with G. O. No 173 R dated 2-2-99 ~~communicating orders of the Government of India~~ regarding the grant of and ~~on the~~ supply of cooly hire clothing to ~~sepoys on plague duty~~ the troops.

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Here, in Madras, we arranged regimentally for the making up of the white suits, and the bill was paid by the Plague department of the Municipality.

If you could kindly sanction this procedure, I would arrange for the making up of the clothing and its issue to the party.

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Exd. Shaik Karim.

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Personal Assistant,
for *Plague Commissioner.*

K/

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(print full).

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To all Collrs (A, B, C, D-4)
Sanitary Commr.
Surgeon General
President M.C. Madras
D.A.G. Madras Command
General Officers Commanding Dts.

Despd 13/2/99

Plague

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Local & Munl. (1898) Department.

CURRENT No. 1899

P.C.

From The Collector of Anantapur

Order.

The Plague Commissioner agrees with the Collector in considering that the expenditure referred to, should be met by the military Dept:

Pl. Commr

To the Collr of Anantapur

Ref. No. 917 P.

Dated 3rd December 1898

Received 5-12-1898

Registered 5-12-1898

Enclosures 1

Spare-copies –

SUBJECT.

Forwarding copy of letter from Lieutenant Peart Commanding 9th M.I. on Plague duty at Guntakal, reporting on the several points raised in para 6 of the P. Commissioner's Pro: No. 795 d. 24th Nov: 98.

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FURTHER PAPERS.

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C. No 1899

Guntakal 30th November 1898.

From
C. C. Detachment
9th M. I. to the Collector of
Anantapur.

Sir,

Reference your covering letter forwarding extracts from letter of San. Commissioner and Proceedings of the Plague Commissioner, dated 27th November 1898, I have the honour to enclose a statement of the value of the clothing (their own) that the sepoys of the Detachment on Plague duty are now wearing, with the request that you will kindly authorize the Special Plague Deputy Collector at Guntakal to make this sum good to them together with whatever compensation is sanctioned for them by Govt of India No 673 dated 26th June 1897 (this order I have not seen but is mentioned by the Sanitary Commissioner in his letter).

They are also entitled to two suits of white drill & boots. Two pair of boots are however included in the above statement and

and these are therefore not required at present. The sizes in suits of white drill required are as follows: 1st size - 24; 2nd size 60; 3rd size 18 (total 102). These sizes are, I understood, known to the Master Tailors. These charges will be met by the Civil Department. The extra pay to which sepoys on Plague duty are entitled is being drawn for them by the Head Quarters of the Regiment.

1 suit of No 1 size and
1 " " 3 " are
for Native Officers.

As regards para 3 of your letter, I have informed the Dt. Medical & Sanitary Officer that the Sanitary Commissioner's information is incorrect, that the Sepoys bathe both morning and evening using the Perchloride of mercury solution for the purpose and that every precaution is being taken under the superintendence of the Hospital Assistant of the Detachment.

I have &c
(Sd) C. L. Peart, Lt
Commanding Dett. 9th M. I.

Refce No $\frac{917P}{3/12/98}$

Copy forwarded to the Plague Commissioner, Madras, with reference to para 6. of his Proceedings No 795 dated

24th November 1898. The expenditure is Imperial and will have to be met by Military Department, under his Proceedings No 672 dated 14th November 1898.

Anantapur Collr's Office
Camp Guntakal
Dated 3rd December 98.

Bannatyne Macleod
Collector

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Average value of Clothing in use with the Detachment 9th Regiment M. I., on Plague duty.

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Strength		Amount Rs	a	p	Remarks.
Native Officers	2				
Rank & File	99				
Hospital Assistant	1				
Clothing					
Boots pair	1st No	4	8	–	Military Boots Govt Pattern – cost when new Rs 5 – 2 –
Do Do	2nd "	3	8	–	
Putties Do		1	4	–	
Pagree		1	–	–	
Suit		2	8	–	
Socks pair		–	8	–	
Total	Rs:	13	4	–	

Camp Guntakal
30th November 1898.

(Sd) L. L. Peart Lieut.
Commanding Detl: 9th M. I.

(Copy)

Anantapur Collrs Office
Camp Guntakal
3rd ~~November~~ Dec 1898

Macleod
Collector

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Plague Commissioner's Office,
FORT ST. GEORGE.
Dated 189

From
L. E. BUCKLEY, Esq., I.C.S.,
PLAGUE COMMISSIONER,

To
Coll. of Anantapur

B/ Notes

SIR,

Draft issued

With reference to your Communication Ref. to C.as 917 P. dt. 3-12-98 ~~I have the honour to inform you~~ that officers and troops employed on guard duty in connection with plague operations are not entitled to any plague allowance and that those ~~doing~~ engaged in sanitary duty (such as ~~in~~ searching, disinfecting, superintending, scavenging etc.) ~~have~~ are entitled to ~~can claim~~ the following allowance under the orders of the Govt. of India (vide pages 401 & 402 of Vol. I, Native Plague in India)

(a) Allowances

(1) Combatant British officers

Rs 300 a month for officers of over 5 years' service and Rs 200 a month for officers of less service & travelling allowance admissible

Notes for [illegible]
See flag A.

accommodation

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admissible to members of the Indian Civil Service.

(2) British Non Commissioned Officers – Re 1 a day + 6 annas a day extra ration money.

(3) British privates – 12 annas a day + 6 annas a day ~~extra ration~~ money

(4) Native Officers – Rs 1-8-0 a day

(5) Native Non Commissioned officers 12 annas a day.

~~(6) Sepoys – 8 annas a day.~~

~~(b) Compensation for wear & tear of clothing~~

(7) British troops ~~[illegible]~~ Rs 15

(8) Native troops ~~[illegible]~~ Rs 10

~~(9) [illegible] camp followers [illegible]~~

2. If, as is understood, ~~the troops are plague~~ have been ~~[illegible]~~ duty, employed on ~~plague~~ sanitary duty, above, ~~the officers [illegible]~~ informed that allowances on the above scale will be granted from the date of their employment. Lt Peach states that the sepoys are entitled to two suits of white drill & boots. I ask the authority for this statement.

3. The question as to the head &

Note for Lt Dn: extra ration money for non-comm was not granted in Govt of India no 673/26.6.97, but was granted by a later order (see Matthew). It was evidently an omission.
4/1

Office
(a) Does this cover? [illegible]
(b) Or is there only Nathan to rely upon? 4/1

(a) No
(b) yes
6/1/98 Seen 4/1

If, however, they have been employed on plague duty as well as on sanitary duty, it rests with Government to decide if they are entitled to the allowances. I shall be obliged if you will kindly report clearly the nature of the duties performed by the sepoys in your district.

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× Vide draft note in linked file.

to which the charges on account of officers & troops on plague duty should be debited has been × referred to Government for orders. Meanwhile I have the honour to request that an estimate for these charges for the current year may be prepared as soon as possible and forwarded to me for obtaining an allotment of funds.

4/1

Copy to the Collrs of Bellary and Salem for information ~~and for~~ and for ~~submitting~~ requested to prepare a similar estimate for their districts.

Lines
2/1/98

Note: the G.O.'s orders about clothing to sepoys in Madras (vide No 535/5-11-98) ~~[illegible]~~ seem to require confirmation by Govt.

~~4. A proposal on the~~

~~recommendation~~

D.V. 4/1/88

NOTE FOR THE L. & M. Dept

The accompanying draft letter to the Coll. of Anantapur regarding allowance to sepoys is forwarded for favour of Counter initials.

2. The order of India granting compensation for wear & tear of clothing does not seem to have been communicated to this Govt. but is referred to on page 402 of Vol I, Rather. May allow compensation at the rates mentioned in this order be sanctioned in this Procg: Perhaps it might be cheaper to issue two suits of white khaki and a pair of boots to each sepoy so long as he is employed on plague duty. A proposal to this effect was made by the Sanitary Commr. with regard to the City of Madras & ~~has been~~ was sanctioned by Mr. Hammick in his Procs. 20 535 d/ 5-11-98. This seems to require the Confirmation of Govt.

L.B. 4/1

Lucy 4/1/88

A

Formal reference had better be made to Govt. hereafter on the points in para 2 marked A & B.

Before Govt. consult with other Govts.

S.T.

The system was found cheaper in Bombay, than compensation for wear & tear.

4/1 LB

B

Recommendation

1,000—4-10 98.

NOTE FOR THE

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This should go to L & M for counter initials. I think these passed by me finally, for the [illegible] orders [illegible].

Please see previous [illegible].

I think it might be found that it will be cheaper to supply clothes for fresh companies of sepoys

[illegible]

Submitted with a draft note to L & M. The query has been answered

[illegible] 4/1/99

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~~Plague Commissioner's Office,~~

FORT ST. GEORGE.

Dated 189 .

SQ., I.C.S.,

AGUE COMMISSIONER,

To Genl, L & M. Dept

~~I have the honour to inform~~

[illegible] the orders of Government

[illegible] should be

[illegible] to Military officers and troops

employed on plague duty in this

Presidency on the [illegible]

by [illegible] of [illegible]

the Bombay Presidency which will be

[illegible] mentioned on pages 401, 402

of vol. II, [illegible] Plague in India.

~~[illegible]~~ may be

~~[illegible]~~

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~~[illegible]~~ be employed on plague

duty. ~~A proposal on the~~

~~[illegible]~~

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PLAGUE COMMISSIONER,

To
The Secy to Govt, L. & M. Dept.

Reference 1858 of 98

D&P — today
11/1/99

Sir,

~~I have the honour to express~~ [illegible] the orders of Government as to the allowances which should be paid to Military officers and troops employed on plague duty in this Presidency, the [illegible] by the Government of India in respect to the Bombay Presidency, which will be found mentioned on pages 401, 402 of Vol. I, Indian Plague in India, ~~[illegible]~~ may be ~~[illegible]~~ for this Presidency, ~~except as regards compensation for wear and tear of clothing. Instead of [illegible], two suits of white clothing and a pair of boots may be issued to each sepoy~~ ~~employed~~ employed on plague duty. ~~A proposal [illegible]~~

~~recommendation~~

for

adopted for

As regards the compensation for wear & tear of clothing, it may be found cheaper to issue working clothing, as in Bombay, & I solicit sanction for adopting this alternative course, if satisfactory arrangements can be made

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~~Recommendation of the Sanitary Commr~~ It may be mentioned in this connection that Mr. Hammick allowed half batta for the four days during which the 100 sepoys placed at the disposal of the President M.C. Madras for plague duty were under training trained by the Sanitary Commr., and also approved of the Sanitary Commr.'s proposal that sixty of them should be provided with 2 suits of white drill each. A copy of Mr. Hammick's Procs. is submitted for the information of Govt.

2. [illegible] ~~[illegible]~~ forward a letter from the Plague Commr. on the allowances granted in that Presy. ~~[illegible]~~ with reference to para. [illegible] thereof. I have the honour to enquire whether the Govt. would be prepared to sanction any allowances to the ~~[illegible]~~ ~~[illegible]~~ sepoys mentioned therein and, if so, what the rates [illegible]

Ling 6/1/99 ? I think very early orders [illegible] the sepoys at [illegible] who have been at work for 3 months who have [illegible] received no allowances.

✓ 128/1

(with this is perhaps in another file now with P.C. I refer to the para which sanctions Rs. 5 p.s. of salary to subordinates below Rs. 20 & 33 p.s. to those drawing more).

Omit this reference [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] 8/1 LB

This I have not seen in the paper with me. Show please. 8/1 LB

Please see flag K in the linked file. This file was seen by the P.C. on the 7-1-99.

9/1/99

LB"

Despd. 12/1/99

Coun: 808/99

FROM

THE COLLECTOR AND
DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
North Arcot.

To
The Plague Commissioner
Madras.

P.C. 20 JAN 1899

No. of Enclosures. 1

Letter, dated 18-1-1899

R.C. No. 205/P of 1899

SUBJECT.

Requesting to be informed if the requests of the Commandant 28 M.I. about the supply of clothing etc. to the sepoys, can be complied with & if so from what funds the cost is to be met.

Submitted

When? Shew. 19/1

A ref. on the subject was made to [illegible] on 11-1-99 - no reply has yet come.

20/1/99

Mr. Tremenheere has gone to [illegible]. Shew tomorrow morning.

20/1

Resubmitted

Inform Commandant & Dist. that the letters on proposed are under [illegible] I [illegible] [illegible] [illegible].

Inform Collr. accdly.

21/1

& send copy to [illegible]

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No. A/79.

Adjutant's office
28th M. I.
Madras. 14th Jany 99.

From.
Lieut. Col. W. H. Lowry.
Commandant. 28th Regiment.
M. I.

To.
The Collector of North Arcot
Chittoor.

Sir,

In accordance with telegraphic instructions from Command Headquarters, a party of 100 men under Lieut. Sherrard, with 3 Native officers and 8 non-Commissioned officers, has been sent this day for disinfecting work under your orders at Vellore.

The hundred men employed on this duty in Madras have been supplied by the Municipality with two white drill suits and two white turbans per man, and are also paid 8 annas a day per man.

I should be greatly obliged if you could kindly sanction

such

such an issue to the party now employed at Vellore, the mens' uniforms being unsuitable for disinfecting work.

Here in Madras, we arranged Regimentally for the making up of the white suits, and the bill was paid by the plague department of the Municipality.

If you could kindly sanction this procedure, I would arrange for the making up of the clothing and its issue to the party.

I have sent tents with the party, but if they could be housed in the old barracks in the Fort Vellore, it would I fancy, be more ~~compatible~~ comfortable and convenient for the men.

I have etc

(Sd) W. H. Lowry
Lieut Col.
Commdt. 28th M. I.

(True copy)

for ag Collector

IRs
Col

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Plague

NORTH ARCOT, COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,
Camp Vellore dated 18-1-1899
R.C No. 205/00 of 1899

FROM
J. K. Batten Esqr. ICS
ag COLLECTOR AND DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
North Arcot,

To
THE Plague Commissioner
Madras.

SIR,

I have the honor to forward herewith copy of letter No A/79 dated 14th January 99, from Commandant 28th Regiment, M. I. and to request that you will be so good as to let me know at an early date if I can comply with the Commandant's requests and if so from what funds the cost is to be met.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant

for ag Collector

DESPATCHED
19 JAN 1899

IRs
Col.

Reference No 808/99.

Plague Commissioner's Office,
FORT ST. GEORGE,
Dated 189 .

From
L. E. BUCKLEY, Esq., I.C.S.,
PLAGUE COMMISSIONER,

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To
The Commandant ✓
28th Regiment
M. I. Madras

SIR,

I have the honour to inform you that ~~by~~ the proposals contained in your letter No A/79 dated 14-1-99 to the Collr. of N. Arcot regarding supply of clothing to the troops on plague duty at Vellore are sanctioned. The question as to payment has been referred ~~for the orders of~~ to Govt & a separate communication will be sent to you when orders have been passed.

Per orders
[illegible]
for P.C.
21/1/99

Copy to the Collr. of N. Arcot with ref to his letter Dis. No 205 dated 18-1-99 ✓
Secy to Govt [illegible] ✓

Despd. 21/1/99.

Plague

~~Local & Munl.~~ (1899) Department.

File with previous papers

CURRENT No. 816

Ref. on C. No. 816 P.

From The Collector
Anantapur

Order.

Dp 25/1/99

The Collector is informed that a reference has been made to Government & orders are awaited.

Ref. on C **No.** 917/P

Dated 18th January 1899

Received

Registered

Enclosures

Spare copies

P. C.
20 JAN 1899

or

21/1/99

P. C.

To the Coll. Anantapur ✓ Read abstract

SUBJECT.

Requesting to be informed if the Commanding officer at Guntakal is entitled to any allowance

Matter now before Govt.

Desp. 23/1/99.

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BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
	Refer C no 816 P		

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Refer C No. 917 of 98
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ANANTAPUR COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,
Dated 17th January 1899.

FROM

Bannatyne Macleod Esq., M. A. Barrister at Law
COLLECTOR OF
Anantapur,

TO

THE Plague Commissioner
Madras,

Enclosures.

SIR,

I have the honour to state that Lieut G. Avis Officer Commanding 9th Dett M. N. I on Plague duty at Guntakal reported himself for duty on the 12th ultimo and applies to me for the sanction of his allowance of Rs 200/- monthly. and request to be informed of the allowance he is entitled to. I have received no orders about it and request early orders:

I have the honour &c
Sir
Your most obedt servt
M Macleod
Collector

AH

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

FROM

THE COLLECTOR OF

Anantapur,

TO

THE

Dated
Despatched } 189
Received

No.

ENCLOSURES.

SUBJECT.

600—29-11-98.

NOTE FOR THE

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Note —

Has there been any official applic[illegible] from any one Collector, General or any one on the subject

The following [illegible]
[illegible]
2nd [illegible]
Allow transfer [illegible]
in [illegible]
[illegible]

but [illegible] continue [illegible]

30/4/1

The Coll. of North Arcot has made a reference regarding allowances to Sepoys at Vellore. The connected papers are submitted. Files Nos. 535 & 667/98 on the subject are also submitted.

The question has been referred to the Dept. for orders —

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

FROM

THE COLLECTOR OF

Anantapur,

TO

THE

Dated
Despatched } 189
Received

No.

ENCLOSURES.

SUBJECT.

C No 1214

16548

Code Class. [illegible]

INDIAN TELEGRAPHS

Monthly Number. 38

To (Office) Fort St. George M

From (Office) Vaniambadi

Words	Day	Hour	Minute	Official Instructions
24	30	8	35	[illegible]

To (Person) Plague Commissioner

From (Person) Collector

Sappers on plague duty clamouring for batta please expedite orders or allow me make advances

Rev Dept No 1214 — Defend

The following telegram will be despatched to the Collr of Salem

"Allow troops batta eight annas a day in anticipation Government sanction ~~applied for~~ solicited."

[illegible] 30/1

Copy to the Secy to Govt L [illegible] Dept in continuation of Rev Dept No 1899 d/ 11-1-99
1898

Desp 30/1/99

P. C.
30 JAN 1899

Recd. from
sent to
MADRAS 30-1-
At Hrs. Mts. by
At Hrs. Mts. by
Telegraph Master.

Despd. 30/1/99.

84 Word Form.

F.C. 2.

C G P—No. 517 T 2-1-98 300000.

I ask for Exc[illegible] orders.

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Despd. 31/1/99.

Reference 1899 of 98 35

V.W. of 31/1

Reference

The following telegram will be despatched to the Collr of [illegible]

"Allow troops ~~the~~ eight annas a day in anticipation of Government [illegible] sanction."

[illegible] 30/1/99

Copy to the Secy to Govt [illegible] in continuation of [illegible]

[illegible] 30/1/99

Note for L.E.R.

May the paper about allowances to Sepoys on disinfection work be kindly pushed through sharp? I learn that it is with A.G. & have written to him d.o. The men are getting to grumble about not getting their ~~pay~~ allowances, & I heard this morning that 2 men had struck work in Belgaum District, had been court-martialled, & sentenced to six months H.L. which means they are dismissed from the army. This is a bit hard & it is ~~for this reason~~ to avoid a repetition that I ask for early orders.

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The Government has been informed [illegible] despatch [illegible]

Despd. 31/1/99

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Dsp at once
31/7/98

Ref on cno 1899 of 98
D.O.

Dear Mr Hesketh Biggs

We have about 500 sepoys employed in disinfecting plague infected houses. The Govt. of India sanctioned for Bombay certain allowances to these men, & the order communicating the sanction was communicated to this Govt. for information & guidance: it was rescinded. On the strength of it I understand that some time ago Mr Rivers the Collector of Belgaum drew a bill for the allowances for the men in his district, but this was objected to by the Treasury & has never been paid. If what I have been told is true, will you kindly let me know, if you can, how the matter stands?

Again as no definite orders had been passed by this Government I ~~referred~~ asked for definite orders at the beginning of this month

The L. & M. Office tells me the papers are now with you, for decision. May I ask that the matter may be considered urgent? The men have hitherto worked with excellent temper, but they are getting dissatisfied at not seeing their money; ~~&~~ I have just heard that 2 men refused to work in the Bellary District, & have been court-martialled & will be dismissed from the army. The work the men are engaged upon is most unpleasant, & that something has not arisen before shows the excellent temper of the men. I wish, if possible to avoid ~~[illegible]~~ ~~f~~ further court-martials, & make this desire my excuse for troubling you

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Despd. 31/1/99 at 12.45 noon.

Urgent

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PLAGUE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

(1899)

CURRENT No. 1339

This may be marked for despatch

D/- 1/2/99

Enter date & no. & file previous papers 1/2

P. Acky.
~~Letter~~
Ref. on Cur 1339

Recorded.

2. The ~~[illegible]~~ question was laid before Govt. for orders in this office Proz. no. 1899/98 d 11.1.99

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To
The Sanitary Commissioner
Madras ✓

Despd. 2/2/99

From
The Sanitary Commissioner
for Madras.

No. 307/S.

Dated 31 January 1899

Received 1-2-1899

Registered 1-2-1899

Enclosures

Spare copies

SUBJECT.

Requesting that in the circumstance stated to issue a ruling as to the allowances and compensation permissible to native troops when employed on plague duty in connection with disinfection and transport of the sick.

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No.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

No.	Date.

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C No 1839 41

URGENT.

[500—5-11-98.]

Office of Sanitary Commissioner,

Madras, 31st January 1899.
Desp 1 ~~February~~

PLAGUE.

No. 307/S.

From

Lieut.-Colonel W. G. King, M.B., C.M., D.P.H.,
Sanitary Commissioner for Madras,

To

The Plague Commissioner
Madras

Enclosure.

Sir,

I have the honor to invite
your attention to the desirability
of issuing a ruling as to the
allowances and compensation
permissible to native troops
when employed on plague duty
in connection with (a) disin
fection and (b) transport of th
sick. I find that, notwithstan
ing the lapse of nearly four
months, the detachments
of the IX M. I. that have bee
employed in the Bellary an
Anantapur Districts have
(up to date received no allo
ances. Yet, they have work
well, as both you and

duty that cannot be considered otherwise than arduous and disagreeable. It has, of course, been understood that these men would be entitled to allowances permitted by the Government of India, in its letter No 673 dated 26 June 1899 to the Government of Bombay (which was communicated to the Government of Madras) and which have already been allowed to the ~~XXVIII~~ M. I., but the Commanding Officer has sought in vain by various references, to ascertain to what authority he should present his bills. It seems to me, that the employment of sepoys being at the instance of, and under the authority xcept for internal discipline) f the Collector, that all charges hould be met by that Officer irect, and that bills should made direct by the res-

e Comman

of the troops. The concessions allowed to the ~~XXVIII~~ M. I, and for which a general ruling is now desired, were as follows:—

2 suits of cheap white drill, with one pair boots.

Allowances at the following rates:—

Native Officers — As 1-8-0 per day
do- Non-Commissd Officers Rs „-12-„ do-
Sepoys „-8-„ do

2. It seems to me, having regard to the discomforts attending plague duty, that it would be advisable to require that on the expiry of three months continuous duty, extension should be required only on individual men of the detachment concerned volunteering for that purpose. This would ~~tend~~ to maintain the popularity of this special duty.

This may be settled by C.O.s

I have the honor to be Sir
Your most obedt Servt
W G King
Lt Col. I.M.S.
Sanitary Commissioner

ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL'S OFFICE,
FORT ST. GEORGE,

the 2 of Feb 1899.

Dear Mr Buckley

On receipt of your letter of 31st ultmo, I telephoned to the Chief Sec asking if I might authorise payment of the amounts due to Sepoys on Plague duty. Up till now I have received no reply. Probably of course the amounts are in the

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Telephone message
from Plague Comsr:
to Acctt General

Your ~~[illegible]~~ D.O. of yesterday
Troops are now employed on plague duty in Bellary, Anantapur, North Arcot and Salem Dts.

for P.C.
3/2/99

(To be retd. after despatch)

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3/2/99

PLAGUE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

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on

A proof copy of the printed G.O. obtained from the Plague clerk L & M is submitted for perusal.

CURRENT No. 1475

From The L & M Deptt.

Order

No. 173 P.

Dated 2-2-1899

Received 4-2-1899

Registered 4-2-1899

Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

Communicating to the P.C. orders of the Govt of India on the subject of the allowances to be granted to troops employed on duty connected with the plague and approving the P.C's proposal regarding the supply of working clothing in lieu of compensation.

BACK PAPERS.

No.	Date.

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No.	Date.

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[25]
1,000—20-10-98.

Local and Municipal Department

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following paper :—

Read again G.O.1544-M dated 5th July 1897.

From the Plague Commissioner Ref.on C.No. 1899 dated 11th January 1899, requesting the issue of early orders of Government on the subject of allowances to be paid to military officers and troops employed on plague duty in this Presidency; and suggesting that the rates sanctioned by the Government of India for Bombay Presidency may be adopted here also.

~~Order No.~~

From the Plague Commissioner Ref.on C.No.808 dated 21st Jany 1899, submitting copy of his letter to the Commandant, 28th Regiment, Madras Infantry, sanctioning the supply of clothing to the troops on plague duty at Vellore, and stating that orders on the subject of allowances will be communicated to him as soon as they are obtained from Government.

From the Plague Commissioner Ref.on C.No.1214, dated 30th January 1899 submitting to Government copy of his telegram informing the Collector of Salem that the troops on plague duty may be allowed batta at 8 annas a day in anticipation of the Government sanction already applied for.

P. C.
4 - FEB. 1899

Order No.173-P dated 2nd ~~January~~ February 1899.

The orders of the Government of India on the subject of the allowances to be granted to troops employed on duty connected with the plague, recorded in the Government order read above, will be communicated to the Plague Commissioner, the President, Municipal Commission, Madras and the Accountant General.

2. The plague Commissioner's proposal regarding the supply of working clothing in lieu of compensation is approved.

(True Extract)

V. Raghava Charlu
For Secretary to Govt.

To the Plague Commissioner
President, Municipal Commission, Madras.
Accountant-General
Financial Department.
- Sanitary Commissioner
- Surgeon-General
All Collectors

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3/2/99

PLAGUE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

(1899)

CURRENT No. 1507

From The Deputy Accountant General Madras

Order

No. 468

Dated 4-2-1899

Received 4-2-1899

Registered 4-2-1899

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SUBJECT.

Forwarding copy of letter addressed to the Treasury officer Salem re requesting to pay bills in establishment bill form presented by Plague officers of Gazetted rank for batta of troops employed on plague duty with the request that P. C. will issue instructions to the Plague officers concerned to draw and disburse Plague allowances for the troops at the rates sanctioned by the Govt of India in Finance & Commerce letter No 2913 Ex d/ 3-7-1897.

Dy. Accountant-General.

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C No 1507

Try Acct. DEPARTMENT.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
Accountant-General's Office,
4th February 1899.

No. 466 & 467

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P. C.
4 - FEB. 1899

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CSR

From

THE ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE Treasury Officer,
Salem, Bellary, North Arcot and Anantapur.

SIR,

I have the honour to request you to be good enough to pay bills in establishment bill form presented by Plague Officers of Gazetted rank in your district, for batta of troops employed on Plague duty, and to debit the amount to "24 Medical-Expenses in connection with the Bubonic Plague-Batta paid to troops". This is a temporary arrangement made to obviate further delay pending arrangements to be made in the Military Department for the payment of the allowances through Military disbursing Officers.

I have &c.
(Signed) W.H.Dawson.
Dy. Accountant-General.

No. 468

:+++++++++:

Govt have issued orders already – note ~~for~~ C No 1475

Copy to Plague Commissioner for information and with the request, that he will issue instructions to the Plague Officers concerned to draw and disburse Plague allowances for the troops at the rates sanctioned by the Government of India in Finance and Commerce letter No. 2913 Ex, dated 3rd July 1897 (Extract enclosed). Proper acquittance rolls must of course be maintained by such Officers.

W H Dawson
Dy. Accountant-General.

Extract of letter from Mr.J.P.Hewett,C.I.E., Secretary to the Government of India, to the Secretary to the Government of Bombay, General Department, No.673, dated Simla,the 26th June 1897.

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3. The following are the allowances sanctioned by the Governor General in Council for the performance of Sanitary duties:-

(1) Combatant British Officers. The same rate as that admissible to Officers employed on famine duty under Article 101 of the Civil Service Regulations, namely,Rs.300 a month for Officers of over 5 years' service, and Rs.200 a month for Officers of under 5 years service.

(2) British non-commissioned Officers.Re.1 a day.

(3) British privates.12 annas a day and 6 annas a day extra ration money.

(4) Native Officers.Rs.1-8-0 a day.

(5) Native non-commissioned Officers. 12 annas a day.

(6) Sepoys. 8 annas a day.

(True extract)

/Signed/ J.P.HEWETT,
Secretary tothe Govt.
of India.

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/ True copy /

J. A. G. Powers
Chief Superintendent.

1/50-1-08-1891

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PLAGUE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

(1899)

CURRENT No. 1715

P. C.
9 - FEB. 1899

Connected papers have been sent to the Press.
[illegible]

Progs.
Letter
Ref.

From C. A. S

Telephone to the Supdt Govt Press:

kindly have Plague Commi ~~Please send proof of~~ proceedings

No: 353 dated yesterday
~~8-2-99~~

regarding allowance of troops printed as soon as possible ~~tomorrow morning as the matter is an urgent one~~

~~[illegible]~~
Ling
9/2
~~[illegible]~~

E. 285

CH
11/15
11/2/99

The sanction for the payment of allowces to sepoys has been comd: to the Collector in this office Procs No 353/28 d/ 8-2-99.
the paper may therefore be recorded

From The Collector
Anantapur

R. C. No. 416

Expedite printing
[illegible] 9/2

Dated 7th February 1899

Received

Registered

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SUBJECT.

Requesting sanction for the payment of allowance, to sepoys employed on disinfection work.

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No.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

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Cno 1715

No. 35 Camp Hindupur

30th January 1899

From

Subadar Mahomed Salaha

Commanding Det. 9th Regiment

To

The Collector ~~of~~

Anantapur District

Anantapur

Sir,

I have the honour to request that you will be good enough to sanction my drawing remuneration for such men of the detachment performing the disinfecting work at Hindupur and in the villages of Settlapalli, Nimmakunpalli and Dokkoor.

2. I have also the honour to inform at what rate I am to draw the same.

3. The allowances sanctioned by Governor General in Council in Letter No. 673 from Secretary to the Govt of India Home Depts d/ 26th January 1897 are as under:

Native officers	Rs 1-8-0 a day
Native non commd officers	Rs 0-12-0 a day
Sepoys	Rs 0-8-0 a day

I have &c

(Signed) Mahomed Salaha

Sub:

Commanding Det 9th M.I.

R. C416
7/2/99

(True Copy)

Forwarded to the Plague Commissioner Madras in continuation of this office Refer C No. 917 P of 3.12.98.

(2) The Sepoys employed on disinfection work at Poliki also claim the Plague allowance. The letter quoted in para 3 about allowances does not appear to have been communicated to this Office.

3. I request that early orders may be issued on the subject.

J. Macleod
Collector

AH

25th D. 9.
Vellore

INDIAN TELEGRAPHS. Monthly Number.

Code Class.

To (Office) Telephonic | From (Office) Message

Words	Day	Hour	Minute	Official Instructions
	10	12	25	

To (Person) Personal Asst Plague Commr | From (Person) Capt [illegible]

Proceedings No. 353 D/ 8th instant re allowances of troops was despatched by the first messenger this morning.

Pro. No 353 d/ 8-2-99 was just received here & is being compared.
10/2.

Let me have [illegible] compared by [illegible]

Proof Compared and sent to PA at 1.45 P.M.
10/2/99

64 Word Form.

F.C. 2.

Recd. from | LN. | Sent to | LN.

At Hrs. Mts. by | At Hrs. Mts. by

Telegraph Master.

G. P.—No. 101 T.—5 11 97—20000

[illegible] Vellore

R. C416

28th M. I.
Vellore
N. Arcot

6.2.99.

Dear Buckley -

I am very sorry to trouble you, but I should be much obliged if you could tell me how & from whom I draw the batta for plague duty, & on what forms the bill should be made out. I believe Native officers get 1/8 a day, N.C.O's 12 as a day & men 8 annas a day & that I draw Rs 200 a month -

I sent in a bill at the beginning of the month through the Sub Treasury here & the Treasury Deputy Collector at Chittoor or

NOTE FOR THE PA

How is this to be drawn acc. to present arrangements

9/2 LS.

Please let me know if possible in time to reply today.

The ~~A.G.~~ Govt has sanctioned the allowances & the A.G. has authorized Treasury officers to pass them & debit them to 24 D. Provincial for the present. The Progs is now in the Press. The question as to debit is still pending with the F.D.

9/2

Pro 30: 353
8-2-99
Sent to the Press yesterday. The other papers connected with it are submitted.

9/2

Dear Sherwood,

Your letter re allowances.

There has been ~~[illegible]~~ correspondence as to the S.S. being liable or Govt. I have arranged with the Acct General that the amounts shall be paid by Govt, & the question of debit settled afterwards. If you send in your bill again you should have no difficulty

Commandant on plague duty Vellore

9/2

R. C416

Numbers of copies required { Order complete. / Letter only. / Order complete with Letter.

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for signature.

ed in print.

Signed copies — 35
Spare do — 380

H.S.
10.2.99

Dated

No.
189

No.

V. E

Press,
Please send proof. Instruct. given on the page containing the order.

H.S.
8.2.99

closures to C. No.

N.B.—
A = Print in full.
B = Not to be printed.
P = Print abstract only.
Q = Print heading only.