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Local & Munl. (189-9) Department.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Cattle fairs & festival at Kuvagam &
Tarekhal

Forwarding to the Resident at Kuvagam
Copy of G.O. No. 501 8/6/99, prohib-
iting the holding of the ——— at the S. District
Div. & the attendance at those places on
the occasion of the ensuing Anant
& Sri Narasimha Swami Utsava festival
of persons from plague infected parts
& requesting that the Mysore Govt. may be
moved to revoke the prohibition.

BACK PAPERS.

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Enclosures

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G.O., No. 501 P., 6th April 1899.

APRIL.

Cattle fairs and festivals at Kuvagam and Parikkal.

Ordering the publication, in the Fort St. George and certain District Gazettes, of notifications prohibiting the holding of the — in the South Arcot district and the attendance at those places, on the occasion of the ensuing Kuthandar and Sri Narasimhaswami utsavam festivals, of persons from plague-infected parts.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From M.R.Ry. R. SUNDARESA MUDALIAR Avargal, B.A., Deputy Collector, General Duty, South Arcot, Tirukkóyilúr Division, to the Collector of South Arcot, dated Camp, Tirukkóyilúr, 9th March 1899, No. 92-P.

With reference to your foot-note No. 31-P.D., dated 26th February 1899, to the Plague Commissioner's letter No. 462, dated 22nd February 1899, I have the honour to bring to your notice that in the taluk of Tirukkóyilúr, there are two festivals of local importance, the one known as Kuthandar festival held at Kuvagam and the other as Sri Narasimhaswami festival held at Parikkal, which take place, the former in the month of April and the latter in May. Cattle fairs are also held in connection with these festivals and the attendance will be pretty large. The railway stations of Mambalapat, Villupuram and Panruti are less than 16 miles from both the villages and people from the Salem and North Arcot districts, portions of which are infected, as also from a part of the Mysore Province are likely to assemble on the occasion. It is very desirable to adopt precautionary measures to prevent infection being brought into the district from the plague-infected areas. I therefore propose—

- (i) that the cattle fairs be stopped this year during the festivals at the two places.
- (ii) that the sale of railway tickets to pilgrims or persons intending to attend at the said festivals be prohibited within the infected areas of the Presidency as also in the State of Mysore.
- (iii) that persons from the plague-infected areas intending to attend the festivals should not be permitted to visit these two places between the dates* noted in the margin.

* Kuvagam, 17th to 26th April 1899.
Parikkal, 15th to 31st May 1899.

A statement in the prescribed form is also submitted.

ENCLOSURE.

STATEMENT of Fairs and Festivals, Tirukkóyilúr taluk.

No.	Name of festival or fair.	Place where held.	Distance to the nearest railway station.	Date of commencement or termination of festival or fair.	Average attendance during the past three years.	From what district in the Madras Presidency and from what place outside the Presidency pilgrimage should be prohibited and the number of people expected from each of such district or places.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	Kuthandar festival.	Kuvagam ..	Ten miles from Mambalapat railway station, about 16 miles from Villupuram and Panruti.	25th April 1899 and 26th April 1899.	20,000	North Arcot 200 Salem 100 Bellary 100 Anantapur 50 Kurnool 50 Nellore 50 State of Mysore .. 50 The people expected from these places do not visit the place as pilgrims, but they come here with cattle for sale in the cattle-fair annually held during the festival time and others to buy them.
2	Sri Narasimhaswami Utsavam.	Parikkal ..	Do.	22nd May 1899 to 31st May 1899.	15,000	

True copy forwarded to the Plague Commissioner through the Sanitary Commissioner. I support the Deputy Collector's recommendations except that it is not necessary to prohibit the sale of railway tickets as the festivals do not take place at railway towns. The usual draft notifications are enclosed.

SOUTH ARCOT,
14th March 1899.

(Signed) L. M. WYNCH,
Ag. Collector.

No. 917-S.

Forwarded.

2. The Deputy Collector shows that the persons expected from infected areas are solely cattle dealers. Hence the fair being stopped, there would seem no necessity to interfere with railway traffic.

17th March 1899.

(Signed) W. G. KING, Lieut-Col., I.M.S.,
Sanitary Commissioner for Madras.

Ref. on C. No. 3383.

Submitted to Government with the recommendation that the draft notifications may be approved and ordered to be published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*. The Plague Commissioner agrees with the Collector and the Sanitary Commissioner in thinking that it is unnecessary to stop the issue of railway tickets.

2. The Collector is requested to make the necessary arrangements for turning back pilgrims and cattle dealers who proceed to the places in contravention of the notifications.

24th March 1899.

(Signed) L. E. BUCKLEY,
Plague Commissioner.

To the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department.
,, Collector of South Arcot.

ORDER—No. 501 P., dated 6th April 1899.

The Plague Commissioner's recommendation is approved and the following notifications will be published in the *Fort St. George*, and the *South Arcot*, *Anantapur*, *Bellary*, *Kurnool*, *North Arcot* and *Salem District Gazettes* :—

NOTIFICATIONS.

I.

Whereas the Governor of Fort St. George in Council is satisfied that there is danger of an outbreak of plague at Kuvagam village in the Tirukkóyilúr taluk of the South Arcot district, if persons from the State of Mysore, the districts of Bellary, Anantapur, North Arcot, Salem and Kurnool and other plague-infected areas are permitted to assemble at that place on the occasion of the ensuing Kuthandar festival and the cattle fair :

In exercise of the powers delegated to him under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, His Excellency the Governor in Council directs that the said cattle fair shall not be allowed to be held this year, and prohibits the attendance at the festival of persons from the State of Mysore, the districts of Bellary, Anantapur, North Arcot, Salem and Kurnool and other plague-infected areas from the 17th to the 26th April 1899, both days inclusive. All persons proceeding to the place in contravention of this notification will be turned back.

II.

Whereas the Governor of Fort St. George in Council is satisfied that there is danger of an outbreak of plague at Parikkal village in the Tirukkóyilúr taluk of the South Arcot district, if persons from the State of Mysore, the districts of Bellary, Anantapur, North Arcot, Salem and Kurnool, and other plague-infected areas are permitted to assemble at that place on the occasion of the ensuing "Sri Narasimhaswami utsavam" festival and the cattle fair :

No. 501 P., 6TH APRIL 1899.

In exercise of the powers delegated to him under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, His Excellency the Governor in Council directs that the said cattle fair shall not be allowed to be held this year, and prohibits the attendance at the festival of persons from the State of Mysore, the districts of Bellary, Anantapur, North Arcot, Salem and Kurnool, and other plague-infected areas from the 15th to the 31st May 1899, both days inclusive. All persons proceeding to the place in contravention of this notification will be turned back.

2. The Resident in Mysore will be requested to move the Government of that State to notify the prohibition ordered in the notifications in paragraph 1 *supra*.

(True Extract.)

for Secretary to Government.

To the Plague Commissioner.
 " Collector of South Arcot (A-L).
 " " North Arcot, }
 " " Anantapur, } (A).
 " " Bellary, }
 " " Kurnool, }
 " " Salem, }
 " Inspector-General of Police.
 " Commissioner of Salt, Abkari and Separate Revenue.
 " Sanitary Commissioner.
 " Surgeon-General.
 " Resident in Mysore (with C.L.).
 Gazette.

Exd. A. F. Eccleston.

Local and Municipal Department
(PLAGUE),

FORT ST. GEORGE,

Madras, April 1899.No. 501 P 2nd of 8/4/99

From

The SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,

Local and Municipal Department,

To

THE Resident
in Mysore

SIR,

I am directed to forward a copy of the Proceedings of this Government, No. 501 P, dated 6th April 1899, and to request that the Mysore Government may be moved to notify the prohibition therein referred to.

*Recd
by Secy
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I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

etc

for Secretary to Government.

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