

Local & Munl. (1899) Department.  
Plague.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 550 P. Mis

DATED 11-4-99.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Allowance to officers on Plague duty.

Disapproving the proposals of the Plague Com.  
regarding the grant of special allowances  
to the persons of the Salt and alkali Department  
and Revenue officers employed on Plague duty;  
stating that the pay of the temporary men should  
be fixed at such rates as would be sufficient  
to induce persons to take up the appointments  
and drawing the attention of the Plague Commission  
to G.O. No. 175 P. dated 3rd February 1899.



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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

C. No. 205 P. 343 P. 376 P.

SUBJECT.

Allowances to officers on Plague duty.

ORDER. Min. No. 550, 87 11/6/99

The Government does not approve of the proposals made by the Plague Commissioner in paragraphs 1 and 3 of his first endorsement read above, for the grant of special allowances to the peons of the Salt and Abkari Department and Revenue Officers employed on plague duty. The pay of the temporary men referred to in paragraph 4 of the endorsement should be fixed at such rates as would be sufficient to induce persons to take up the appointments. With reference to the Plague Commissioner's recommendation in paragraph 2 of his endorsement, his attention is



is drawn to G.O. n<sup>o</sup> 1758, dated  
3<sup>rd</sup> February 1899.

(From Orders)

V.R.  
6/4/99

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To,

The Plague Commissioner

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Again G.O., No.

, dated

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Current No.

of 189, dated

from the

Current No. 205. P.

of 1899, dated 27<sup>th</sup> January '99 from the Plague Commissioner.

SUBJECT.

Allowances to officers on Plague  
duty.

FOR ORDERS.

The Officers to whom the  
grant of special allowances  
is recommended in the Current  
read above, are :-

- (1) Peons of the Salt and Abkari  
Department.
- (2) Officers of the Revenue  
Department.
- (3) Temporary men.

\* pp 20 & 21 of the Current.

As regards (2), the Revenue  
Department considers that plague  
has not, in any district, reached  
such a pitch as to require special  
allowances to be given to sub-  
ordinate officials in the Revenue  
Department, who may be detailed  
to plague duty. It is, therefore,  
submitted that the Plague  
Commissioner's proposal

may



may accordingly be negatived.  
3. As regards (1), the Revenue Department enquired of the Financial Department whether it had any objection to sanctioning the Collector's proposal to grant them a fixed travelling allowance of Rs. 2. per mensem, or batta without the 10 days limit. The Financial Department consulted the Accountant General who states in reply that the grant of fixed travelling allowance is inadmissible without the sanction of the Government of India, and that the proposal of the Financial Department to create temporary appointments carrying definite rates of pay is objectionable, and suggests that, if, owing to the special circumstances brought forward, extra allowances should be granted as compensation, it will be best to sanction special local allowances in addition to pay. He considers that though deputation allowance

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might be given, they would be more troublesome and not so economical. In communicating the above remarks to the Revenue Department, the Financial Department expresses its opinion that no extra allowances need be given. The Revenue Department concurs in this opinion. This proposal of the Plague Commission may also be negatived.  
In connection with the question of plague allowances, the Accountant General draws attention to the opinion expressed by the Government of India in its letter No. 216, dated 18<sup>th</sup> January 1899, in G.O. No. 2183, dated 11<sup>th</sup> February 1899, that the charge of plague operations in an infected district must be regarded as part of the general duty of an executive officer, and that an officer placed on such duty would not seem to be in deputation or entitled to the grant of a special allowance.  
4. In the case of (3) the Plague Commission suggests that

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That their pay should be fixed  
so as to correspond with the  
pay plus allowance of the  
permanent men. It is submitted  
that the pay of these men  
required for plague duty should  
be fixed at such rates as  
would be sufficient to induce  
persons to take up the appoint-  
ments.

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5. With reference to the  
Plague Commissioner's proposal  
in regard to the Police, viz: That  
those who meet with death in  
the discharge of duties connected  
with plague should, as in the  
Bombay Presidency, be considered  
to be killed in the execution of duty  
and attended with extraordinary bodily  
risk, his attention may be  
drawn to G.O. no. 17598/3<sup>rd</sup>  
of February 1899, from which it will  
be seen that the Secretary of  
Govt. has not only approved the  
orders to this effect issued by  
the Government of India in  
the case of Police Officers, but  
has also authorized that Govt.  
to grant family pensions in  
similar

similar instances (evidently  
without restriction as to the  
department to which the officer  
belongs). Where the duty arising  
in connection with the plague  
is clearly outside the scope  
of the appointment held by  
the officer dying from the  
disease, and the circumstances  
of his family are such as to  
justify the grant.

V.R.  
22/3/99

W.S.

The proposals of the  
note may be accepted.

W.T.

22/3/99

I concur. It is a singularly  
inopportune time to make pro-  
posals of this kind, when  
plague is rapidly diminishing  
and also requested the  
P.C. to consider how expenses  
attachable can be cut down  
with ref. to the present  
improved state of affairs.

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plus allowance which men in similar situation holding substantive appointments would get. The proposal to pay allowance to the latter not having been approved by the departments concerned; it was thought that the pay of the temporary men might be fixed at such rates as would be sufficient to induce them to take up the temporary appointments, as there may be cases in which they may not be willing to take up the appointments on the pay given to men with substantive appointments who however have got the advantage of special pension to their families (para 5 of the note).

C. The P.C. does not say anything as to who these temporary men are. It is supposed that they are men employed for plague duty, who do not hold substantive appointments.

D. Yes. The Regulations impose no restrictions as to the pay that might be given to persons

# Local & Munl. (1899) Department.

CURRENT No. 205P

From

The Plague Commissioner

Order

Refon C. No. 1769 & 1900

Dated 27 -

Received 31 -

Registered 31 -

Jan 4 / 99

Enclosures 2

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## SUBJECT.

Submitting for the orders of Govt. letter from the Collr of Salem recommending the payment of an additional allowance to the Salt Police persons on plague duty, and suggesting the desirability of such persons and officers on actual plague duty being granted some allowances on lines similar to those adopted in the Bombay Presidency.



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No.

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SALEM COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,

28<sup>th</sup> November 1898.

FROM

Robert B. Clegg Esq.,

COLLECTOR AND DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,

Salem,

TO

Plague

THE SECRETARY TO THE COMMISSIONER,

Fort Saint George,

Madras.

SIR,

The salt peons and the Police employed on plague duty at the frontier road inspection stations and the Railway inspection station at Jalarpet are crying out for an additional allowance or batta. These men no doubt under difficulties leaving their families at Madras and are put to additional expense. Besides the duty is hard and distasteful.

2. The Assistant Commissioner of Salt and Abkari Revenue, Ramipet, to whom I made reference, states that the salt peons are not entitled to any travelling allowance for tours made in their circles, but that



They would earn rewards in Salt and abkari cases which would compensate them for constantly being on the move. He adds that in the Cuddappah district the Salt peons on plague duty are allowed a fixed travelling allowance of Rs 2 per mensem.

3. I recommend that a similar Concession may be granted to the Salt peons on plague duty in this district also or that batta be allowed to them according to the scale laid down in the Civil Service Regulations without the ten days limit, the additional charge being borne by the department to which their pay is debited. The same order should, I think, apply also to the Police Establishment.

1/25/99

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

*[Signature]*  
For a.g. Collector

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DEPARTMENT.

FROM

THE COLLECTOR

AND DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,

Salem.

TO

The Plague Commissioner,  
Fort Saint George,  
Madras

P. C.  
30 NOV. 1898

Dated 28<sup>th</sup>

Despatched 29

Received

November 1898.

No.

ENCLOSURE.

SUBJECT.

Recommending an  
additional allowance to  
the Salt peons and the  
Police Establishment on  
plague duty.

See Mr. Hammett's letter of

18 in No 1052

Is the agent transferring their

Service? 12/3/99

Submitted for orders

Ref No 1769

To the Plague Commr.  
Bombay

I shall be much obliged  
if you can kindly supply me  
with full details as to the entire  
allowances allowed to officers &  
subordinates of the various classes  
deputed from the permanent  
Establishment for plague duty.  
I particularly wish to know whether  
any allowances were paid to the  
police on plague duty.

Long  
if possible

12/3/99

Is this to be found in  
Kottam (a)

The note is in the P.H.D.

to be added to the term

of the men sent for

plague duty.

3/11/99

(a) No

(b) No terms have been fixed & the question

has been raised for the first time. The

Current no: 1900 798

Extract of para 6 of letter no: 186 3 27-11-98

of the Special Plague Officer Salem, addressed  
to the Collector of Salem.

I would now like to represent that the  
Salt peons and police Constables who are employed  
on patrolling duty be given some kind of reward  
for each person they catch trying to evade the  
frontier stations and who have no passports  
from Hospital Assistants or Village Munsifs  
as I have had continual complaints from  
them saying that they are losing between three  
and four rupees a month by being on plague  
duty, which money they would be earning  
as rewards in their own department for  
apprehending people selling illicit liquor &c  
and are getting nothing extra for plague duty  
as their officials so employed receive; this  
I think is but a fair request and I hope  
you will consider it and represent the  
matter to the Plague Commissioner as this



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Would, I am sure, make the men more keen

to be on the alert.

(sd) J. French Capt.

Sppl Plague Officer

Para 3 of Collector's <sup>sdh.</sup> ~~foot note~~ ref: no 521  
P.C

of 2-12-98

3. As regards extra payment to the  
Police Constables and Salt-peons on this duty,  
I have addressed you in this office no: 735 of 28<sup>th</sup>

November 98 and a mail-order. I may

also draw your attention to this office no.

576 of 24<sup>th</sup> November 98 regarding employment

of Sepoys as guards. Anticipating sanction

I have, as directed in your telegram of 10<sup>th</sup> November,

ordered today for 8 extra salt-peons to make up

the full complement of 40 guards for the

five road frontier stations.

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C No 2058 of 9<sup>th</sup>

(Signed) T. V. Papaladum Pillay

for as Collector.

(True Belief)

C No 2058

Ref. On. C. Nos. 1769 & 1900.

Submitted for the orders of Govern-  
ment.

In the Bellary and Cuddapah Districts (vide  
G.O. No. 204P, dated 14-3-98 and No. 1243P, dated  
4-10-98), the peons working under plague

Supervisors and Inspectors are allowed a  
fixed travelling allowance and it is request-  
ed that a similar allowance may be sanction-  
ed in the case of the peons of the Salt &  
Abkari Department for plague duty, in Salem  
and other districts as a set-off against  
rewards which they would have earned in their  
department in the detection of crime. The

undersigned is not in favour of Captain  
French's proposal to grant rewards for de-  
tecting cases of evasion of plague rules as  
this may lead to extortion or concoction of  
false cases.

2. As regards the Police, <sup>their</sup> duties in  
connection with plague will be more or less  
the same as in their own department, and no  
special allowance seems called for. In reply  
to a reference made from this office, the  
Plague Commissioner, Bombay, writes:-

"As a rule no special allowances are paid to  
Police officers for plague duty, though in  
exceptional instances allowances have been  
granted; but with a view to encourage this  
class of officers in the discharge of their  
plague duties, the Government of India have  
ruled that Police officers who have met or  
meet with death through plague contracted  
in the discharge of the duties connected  
with plague shall be considered as killed in  
execution of duties attended with extra-



extraordinary bodily risk within the meaning of articles 781 & 782 of the Civil Service Regulations and their families entitled to pensions admissible to such officers." The Plague Commissioner begs to recommend that a similar concession may be made to the Police in this Presidency.

3. The question how to deal with officers of the various other departments transferred to plague duty needs consideration.

Medical Officers of all grades and Gazetted officers of other departments on plague duty get special plague allowances, but not Revenue Officers, such as Tahsildars Deputy Tahsildars, Revenue Inspectors, Clerks and peons. It is not the ordinary duty of such officers to deal with plague; Plague duty undoubtedly is more uncongenial than ordinary duty. Expenses too are likely to increase; for instance it is reported from Talarpet that the clerks are asked to pay additional rent because they are attached to the plague camp. It would probably be cheaper to house these men in the Government camp than to give them house rent, but the instance is typical and in the case of touring officers the difficulty cannot be so easily met. The Plague Commissioner, Bombay states that the following concessions have been granted to such officers.

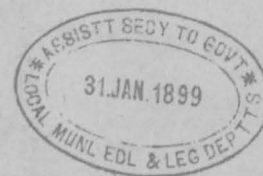
"Subordinates drawn from Revenue and other offices to do actual plague work, foreign to their ordinary duty and dangerous in its nature have frequently received increment to salary usually about  $\frac{1}{2}$ , if the salary was Rs. 20 and  $\frac{1}{3}$  if the salary was over Rs. 20. Vaccinators who volunteered

for plague duty were allowed an extra remuneration of annas 4 per diem."

It seems desirable that some allowances should be given when these men are ordered to plague duty and it is submitted they may be granted on the basis adopted in Bombay.

4. As regards temporary men, their pay should be fixed so as to correspond with the pay + allowance of the permanent men.

5. I have not referred to leave concessions, as these are of little value to Subordinates.



*W. B. ...*  
Plague Commissioner.

Plague Commissioner's Office,  
Madras 27th January 1899.

To The Secretary to Govt.,  
Local and Municipal Dept.  
with encls ✓

To Reo. } Dep't for favours of ...  
Jus }  
Fin }  
31/1/99



Local & Munl. (1899) Department.

CURRENT No. 3767

Referred to the Financial  
Dept. u.o. in continuation  
of inst. dt 31.1.99.

*P.R.*  
24/2/99

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From

The Plague Commissioner

Order

Ref. No. 2173

Dated 18.

Received 21.

Registered 21.

Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

Submitting for early orders of Govt.  
Copy of letter from the Coler of South  
Canara, requesting to know whether  
any allowance may be paid to const-  
ables & petty officers of the Salt. Ab-  
dpto employed for patrol duty in  
connection with the Subramanya festival  
in accordance with G.O. No 1347 P.O. 21-1-1898  
and if so at what rate and  
from what funds.



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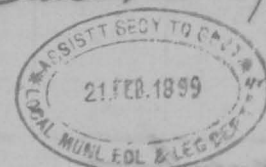
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Proceedings of the Plague Commissioner.

READ— Letter from the Collector of South Canara d 13<sup>th</sup> Feb: 1899, Ref no: 365/Eng.



I have the honour to state that certain peons & petty officers of the Salt and Abkari Department employed for patrol duty &c in connection with the late Subramanya festival in accordance with G.O. No 13472 d 21<sup>st</sup> October 1898 request that they may be paid plague allowance. The Inspector of the circle recommends the grant of the same in consideration of the hard duties they had to perform and the risk of health they had to run in a malarious jungle tract; but I cannot find any orders on the point. I therefore request you will be good enough to inform me whether any allowance may be paid to the above men, and if so, from what funds and at what rate the same is to be paid.

Ref:



Ref: m.b. no: 2173, 7/18 Feb: 1899.

Submitted for the early  
orders of Government in continuation  
of this office Ref: m.b. nos: 1769 & 1900  
of 1898.

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20/2/99  
For Plagne forment.

To  
The Secretary to Government  
L & M Department.

H.S.  
20.2.99

Reg: no 20

Chief Clerk's Office  
6 MAR 1899

Current No 376 P - L & M Department

Note in the C.S.

The papers on the  
subject have been sent u-o to  
the Accountant General - u-o No  
569 dated 23rd February 1899.

Submitted that the current  
now received from the L. and M.  
Department may also be forwarded  
to the ~~Accountant General~~ in  
continuation of u-o No 569 dated  
23rd February 1899.

21/2/99  
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No 635 dated 3-3-99.

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Received 2-15-99

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CHIEF SECRETARY  
8 MAR 1899  
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

A/supy was sent to  
u-o no 6863 8/2/99  
Revenue 1st Lt to the Secy.

9/3.

Please see the remarks in my reply  
No 22 dated 14 March 1899 to the reference  
No 569 dated 23 February 1899

No 24 8/3-99  
W 6/3  
A. G.



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Financial Dept.

Mem for the C.S.

The Accountant General's

Reply No 22 dated 4th March 1899

was sent u.o. to Revenue Department

u.o. No. 686 dated 8th March 1899.

Submitted that this may

also be forwarded to the Revenue

Department in continuation of <sup>the above</sup> ~~that~~

reference.

No 742, d/15-3-99.

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Revenue Department

To Secretary.

The papers

were sent to the Judicial

Dept u.o. on the 11th Inst

May this file also be

forwarded to that

Dept in continuation



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Ad Dpl no No. 717/16.11/1899

P.T.O.



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The papers are now  
in the Local and  
Municipal Dept.  
The file may, therefore,  
be forwarded to that  
Dept. in continuation.

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v.o.  
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The L & M Dept. (u.o.)

To Under Secretary

The Plague Commission  
suggests that subordinate Revenue  
officers deputed to plague work  
may be granted, as in Bombay,  
an allowance at the rate of 50 per  
cent of their salary, if the pay does  
not exceed Rs 20, & 33 1/3 per cent  
if the pay exceeds Rs 20. The extra  
allowance is considered necessary  
on account of the un congenial  
nature of the plague duty and  
the increase in expense.

The suggestion may, it is  
submitted, be referred to the Board  
of Revenue for remarks. A copy of  
the note may be taken and sent to  
the Board and the file be sent on  
to the Judicial Dept.

By C.P.  
3-2-99

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KD  
4-2-99

This may be done  
but the question seems to be  
entirely one of funds  
the  
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I don't think that in any  
district plague has reached



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To Secretary

Mr Clegg's proposal referred to by the H.M. is that a fixed travelling allowance of Rs 2 a month or batta at the rates laid down in the C.S.R., but without the ten days' limit, may be sanctioned to the salt and abkari peons employed on plague duty. It is argued that if the peons were on ordinary duty, they would be available for the detection of offences against the salt and abkari acts, and that some compensation for their loss should be given.

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14-2-99 Has the Fin Dept any  
Bridges BR

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For the C.S.

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Submitted that it would be preferable to grant fix a scale of enhanced pay for the Salt peons - treating the appls as temporary appls carrying definite rates of pay. Exemptions from the operations of article 1159 of the C.S.R. can be made by a general rule only in the case of officers whose duty is such as to bring them frequently under the necessity of maintaining camp equipment - please see § 1159. It seems best to consult the A.G. and obtain his opinion on the proposals.



M. H. G.

Comd

12-58

12-58, d 24-2-99

W. H. G. M.

The proposal to grant fixed travelling allowance to peons of the Salt and Akhari Department is inadmissible unless the sanction of the Government of India is obtained, vide article 1150 of the Civil Service Regulations.

With regard to the Plague Commission - his remarks about plague allowances I would suggest his being referred to the Government of India Home Department No 216 dated 18 January 1899, paragraph 2, in which it is laid down that the charge of plague operations in an affected District must be regarded as part of the general duty of an executive officer. The same rule would apply generally to Police and other subordinates.

The proposal in the present instance to make temporary appointments is, I consider, objectionable. If the Government consider that owing to the special circumstances brought forward, extra allowances should be granted as compensation it will be best to sanction special Local allowances in addition to pay. Deputation allowances might be given, but they would be more troublesome and not be so economical.

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There is no account objection to the proposal to extend to this Presidency the rule that Police officers who have met or meet with death through plague contracted in the discharge of duties connected with plague shall be considered as killed in the execution of duties attended with extraordinary bodily risk within the meaning of Articles 781 and 782 Civil Service Regulations.

CHIEF SECRETARY  
-5. MAR. 1899  
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

No. 22/4-3-99

A. G.

In the C.S.

The A.G.'s view of the matter is, it is sub? be comm? to Revenue

Cmb

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No. 686 of 3-99. In my opinion

No extra allowances are called

for. how much be given. No

case seems made out for this

Grant.

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Secretary

Revenue Department

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that the grant of fixed travelling allowance would require the sanction of the Govt of India and deprecates the expedient of making temporary appointments for plague duty. He states that deputation allowances may be given, but would prefer that the extra remuneration should be granted in the shape of local allowances. The Financial Dept considers that no allowances are at all called for.

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KD  
9-3-99

Hm.

we may agree with the Fin. Dept.

10/3/99

I acquiesce in the

10-3-99

To Secretary

may the file



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be sent on to the Judicial Dept for which it is not marked?

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SAU  
11/13/99  
KO  
11-3-99

Ind Dept 11/15



Ram

Judicial Dept: endorses the note written in the Financial Dept.

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11/13/99

N. 726, d/13-3-99.

To L. H. Dept (no)

11/13/99

Note for CS. 28

The CS's remark in Financial may apply also in Judicial?

AK

11/15/99

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# Local & Muni. (1897) Department.

Forwarded to the Rev Deptt (U.O)  
in continuation of U.O sent of the 31<sup>st</sup> Aug 1897

CURRENT No. 3437

Revenue Department

To Secretary.

The papers were sent to the Financial Order Dept on the 16<sup>th</sup> Inst for remarks

From The Plague Commissioner

Ref No. 1823 + 2028

Dated 15-

Received 17-

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Enclosures

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## SUBJECT.

Submitting a copy of his Proceedings in forming the Comr of Salem that the subject regarding the grant of an additional allowance or better to the Salt Pans and the Police employed on Plague duty has been placed for orders before Govt, and requesting to pass early orders thereon.



# Proceedings of the Plague Commissioner.

READ—



Letter from the Acting Collector of Salem, dated 9th February 1899, requesting an early reply to his letter regarding the grant of an additional allowance or batta to the Salt peons and the Police employed on plague duty.

Also letter from the Acting Collector of Salem, dated 13th February 1899, Ref. No. 1099 requesting early orders on this office reference regarding the grant of - house rent allowance to clerks on plague duty at Jalarpet.

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Reference on C. No. 1823 & 2028 dated 15th Feby: 1899.

The Collector is informed that the matter has been submitted to Government, which will now be requested to pass early orders <sup>on the</sup> with papers.

*Asmafauhas*  
16/2/99  
for Plague Commissioner.

To

The Collector of Salem  
Secretary to Government L & M Dept.,  
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