

PROCEEDINGS OF THE PLAGUE COMMISSIONER.

(1899)

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No. 538

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Draft Answers to certain questions regarding  
plague matters proposed to be asked by the  
Hon. Mr. Ratnasabhapati Pillai at  
the meeting of the Legislative Council on  
9. 3. 99.

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# PLAGUE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

(1899)

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Letter  
Ref.

Pro no 55871-3-25

Submitted to Government  
in continuation of the draft.  
Answers submitted with reference  
to memo. No 457, dt 21. 2. 99.

From

The Sanitary Commission  
for Madras

No. 630  
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Dated 25<sup>th</sup> February 1899.

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## SUBJECT.

Submitting further answers  
with regard to the query proposed  
in his ltr on C. No. 2342 dated  
22 February 1899 regarding  
inoculation.

To

The Secretary to Govt. L.H.

(A of C. 2517 + disposal)

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PLAGUE.

No.

*630*  
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Office of Sanitary Commissioner,

*Camp Sompatti*  
*Madras*  
*25 February 1899*  
*Dep't 27*

From

Lieut.-Colonel W. G. King, M.B., C.M., D.P.H.,

Sanitary Commissioner for Madras,

To

The

*Plague Commissioner*  
*Madras*

Enclosure.

Sir,

With reference to reply to  
query ~~II~~ (6) conveyed in this Office  
letter N<sup>o</sup> *603*/*S* dated 25 instant I  
have the honor to state that I  
do not think it advisable that  
information of the nature  
therein referred to should be  
supplied at the present time.  
Inoculation operations in this  
Presidency are of too recent  
a date for it to be possible  
to compile evidence of any  
great value. Statistics must  
be eventually collected with  
care, and discrimination, as  
to the degree to which inocu-  
lated and uninoculated  
were exposed to infection; in  
the

the case of death, the nature of the disease assigned as the cause must be carefully ascertained. For the purpose of ultimately gathering such statistics, special forms have been issued to all officers undertaking inoculation, and particular care has been taken to see that arrangements have been made in each district for their correct registration. The Hon. Members of the Legislative Council concerned should be informed that the results so far as gauged have been of a character to confirm the impression of the utility of inoculation, as ascertained by statistics covering many thousands of cases, secured in parts of India which have suffered larger and more widely from the disease than this Presidency, and that the Sanitary Commissioner should be care to interview him, will

will be happy to relate to him instances of its efficacy in saving life that have hitherto been brought to his notice, but that some months may be allowed to elapse before statistics of any value can be furnished.

I have the honor to be  
Sir

Your most obed<sup>t</sup> servant

W. M. M.

Sanitary Commissioner  
for Madras

You do not put the  
 reference from 22nd  
 Explain from 22nd  
 Please require  
 XX



L. & H. Dept wants  
 this draft before the  
 25th instant

Lms  
 23/2

The diff from L. & H. Dept  
 was sent to G. C. on 22-2-89  
 with a note that the reply from  
 S. C. would be sent as soon as  
 received. The L. & H. Dept has not  
 asked for a reply to XX

Question XXII (b) relates  
 only to places & tracts mentioned in XXII (a)  
 Hence omission of the places mentioned by G. C.

Lms  
 25/2  
 Vaccination: Zimpati  
 Billahy Bakiyah  
 plague affected towns

XXII (b)

This list is  
 obviously incomplete  
 It does not include Chippa  
 Pondwary, Willing, Andover &  
 other places where there  
 have been cases. So the list  
 is properly prepared

Lms  
 23/2/89

To L. & H. Dept with reference to  
 memo no 451 d/21/2/89  
 Despatched 25.2.89

Draft answers

Inoculation is in charge of the  
 Sanitary Commr., who has arranged  
 with Mr. Haffkins for obtaining  
 a supply of the antipylae  
 prophylactic sufficient for the  
 requirements of this Presidency.  
 Up to date, 54,946 doses have  
 been received & 37,902 doses  
 have been issued to the S. C.  
 exhibited in statement A.  
 Leaving 17,044 doses in stock.

Further supplies will be obtained  
 as necessity arises.

Inoculation is being performed  
 in all the S. C. affected by plague  
 and statistics are given  
 in above statement B. Separate  
 figures are not available  
 for Municipal towns

Statistics under the heads  
 given are not available at  
 present. The figures as far as  
 available are given in Statement  
 C. No attempt has yet been  
 made to classify the figures under  
 inoculated & uninoculated.

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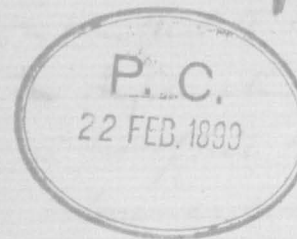
LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

[28]

Memorandum.

Dated the 21<sup>st</sup> February 1899.

No. 457.



The Plague Commissioner is requested to furnish before the 25th instant draft answers to the following questions proposed to be asked by the Hon'ble P. Ratna Sabhapati Pillai at the ensuing meeting of the Legislative Council to be held on the 9th proximo.

XXI. Will Government be pleased to state what arrangements have been made for the supply of serum for plague inoculation, and whether sufficient supplies are available for use in the affected districts and those adjoining them?

XXII. (a) Whether inoculations are being performed in the plague-affected municipalities of Walajapet, Vellore, Vaniyambadi, Tirupati and Bellary, &c., and in the affected districts of Anantapur, Bellary, Kurnool, North Arcot, and Salem?

(b) Will Government be pleased to place at the disposal of the Press statistics of the uninoculated persons, attacks and deaths among them, and of the once and twice inoculated, attacks and deaths among them, respectively, in the places and tracts referred to in clause (a) of this question?

A. J. J. J.

For Secretary to Government.

To the Plague Commissioner.

Ref. on C/2342 of 22.2.1899

Forwarded to the Sanitary Commissioner  
Madras for purpose of furnishing <sup>immediately</sup> ~~draft~~  
~~to the Sanitary Commissioner~~ draft answers so far  
as information is available in his office.

for S. C.  
22/2/99

copied  
& dated 12.15 PM  
22/2/99

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Note for the P.C.

Submitted to the Plague Comm.  
The information not being available  
in this office. make the points, a  
reference has been made to the  
Sanitary Comm. who is in charge  
of inoculation.

The information available  
in the P.C.'s office as  
regards each question  
is given below:-

On the 20<sup>th</sup>, the 7<sup>th</sup>, & the 11<sup>th</sup>  
asked me for Draft reply to question  
XXII. I supplied information on  
(a) & as regards (b), I suggested to him  
that the S.C. may be asked for  
figures. The result is the present  
official reference to the S.C. It  
is obviously impracticable for  
a Temp. Officer like S.C. to prepare  
Draft replies in camp at a moment's  
notice.

Our supply of the  
prophylactic is being  
obtained from Prof. Haffkin's  
laboratory at Bombay.  
In October last there was  
of some apprehension  
whether the supply from  
this source would be  
equal to the increasing  
demand in Bangalore  
and the Mysore Province  
and in this Presidency.  
And the Government  
of India was addressed  
as to the advisability  
of manufacturing the  
prophylactic locally.  
The Govt of India

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22/2/98

This was despatched as 22<sup>nd</sup>.

If it had been despatched  
straight from DLS 20<sup>th</sup>  
have received it before being  
my camp at Apari.

Received it on 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6.16 pm at  
Guntakur. I left Guntakur for  
Dys in Mysore on 24<sup>th</sup> at 6.30

Ans. It is Progs 329  
fite in form 21-10-98

I dispose of boxes like this, at  
2 minutes when - Now, however, sent  
24<sup>th</sup> 24<sup>th</sup> 24<sup>th</sup>

replied that the Haffkins laboratory was being enlarged and that it would be better than local manufacture.

Q. XXII (a)

Inoculation is being performed in the districts mentioned in the question and the following figures give the number of operations performed up to 11-2-99.

|           |      |
|-----------|------|
| Anantapur | 1739 |
| Bellary   | 1380 |
| Kurnool   | 31   |
| N. Arcot  | 2281 |
| Salem     | 1960 |

Of the municipalities named by the Hon. member Walajpet and Bellary are now infected. Inoculation is being performed in both the places. Vaniyambadi Tirupati and Bellary are continue free since 1-2-99, 22-1-99 and 9-2-99 respectively.

Q. XXII (b)

There is no

newly infected.

information in the P.C's office. Sanitary Commissioner may be able to tell this and his reply to the ref. no. 2342 of 22-2-99 may be awaited.

11th 22-2-99

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| 1380 | Bellary   |
| 31   | Kurnool   |
| 2281 | N. Arcot  |
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XXII (b)

# PLAGUE COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE.

(1899)

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Letter  
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From

The Sanitary Commissioner  
for Madras.

No. 603  
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Dated

23 February 1899

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SUBJECT.

Furnishing answers to  
questions proposed in his  
No. R. C. 2342 of 22. 2. 1899.

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Plague No. 603

Office of Sanitary Commissioner,  
Madras, 23 February 1899

From

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

To

The Plague Commissioner,  
Fort Saint George.

Enclosure.

Sir,

With reference to your R.C.NO.2342 dated 22nd  
February 1899, I have the honour to furnish below draft answers to the questions proposed in the Memorandum from the  
Local and Municipal Department, embodied therein:-

XXI. Arrangements have been made with M.Haffkine to supply  
this office with anti-plague serum sufficient for the requirements of this Presidency. Up to date 54,946 doses have  
been received, 37,902 doses have been issued to the Districts  
exhibited in the attached statement A, leaving 17,044 doses  
in hand. This will be supplemented as necessity arises.

XXII (a). Statements showing progress of inoculation in the  
different Collectorates are received in this office weekly.  
Statistics for Municipalities are not separately available.  
The accompanying statement B shows the progress of inoculation in the affected districts.

XXII (b). Plague seizures and deaths reported to this  
office

office are not classified under the headings "inoculated" and "un-  
inoculated." The Collectors concerned have been requested by wire  
to furnish this information as early as possible, if available.  
On receipt of replies, a statement will be compiled and forwarded  
for your information. Statement C attached, furnishes statistics  
of attacks and deaths from plague, imported and indigenous, in the  
affected districts.

I have the honour to be,  
Sir,  
Your Most Obedient Servant,  
*Malasundaram*  
Manager and Assistant,  
for Sanitary Commissioner for Madras.

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P. C.  
24 FEB 1900

64 Word Form.

Plague statistics from the Annapuram St. for the  
week ending 18th Feb 99 were received only this  
day, in consequence of this the following alteration  
have to be made in the figures entered against Annapuram  
in statements B & C as forwarded with my letter No. 603  
of 23rd Feb 99 in statement B for imports, seizures &  
deaths 44 + 34 read 45 + 35 respectively, for indigenous  
seizures & deaths 511 + 392 read 522 + 429 respectively  
in statement C for 1709 inoculated read 1722.

P. C. 2.

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Before starting from the workshop at for the  
week ending 18th Feb 22 were receiving up the  
day, in consequence of this the following alterations  
have to be made to the figures entered against the  
installments B+C. A comparison with my letter No. 603  
of 23rd Feb 22 in installment B for interest requires  
death 44 + 34 was 42 + 32 respectively, for interest  
requires death 211 + 82 was 232 + 42 respectively  
installment C for 1709 in installment was 1722.

J.