

Marine (1897) Department.

G.O., No. 149-50-11

DATED 22. February 1897

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Rules under the Epidemic Diseases Act, Prescribing
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Letter, No. 150, 22nd February 1897.

FEBRUARY.

Rules under the Epidemic Diseases Act.

Forwarding copy of proceedings prescribing certain — III of 1897 to be brought into effect immediately at the port of Tuticorin.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

LETTER—from

THE HONOURABLE COLONEL D. McNEIL CAMPBELL, R.E.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Marine Department,

To

THE HONOURABLE THE COLONIAL SECRETARY,
COLOMBO.

SIR,

I am directed to forward herewith, for the information of His Excellency the Governor of Ceylon, the accompanying copy of the Proceedings of this Government, No. 149, Marine, dated 22nd February 1897, containing rules under the Epidemic Diseases Act III of 1897 which will be brought into effect immediately at the port of Tuticorin.

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

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
22nd February 1897.

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Prescribing certain — III of 1897 to be observed in the port of Tuticorin and directing their publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

MARINE DEPARTMENT.

ORDER—No. 149, Marine, dated 22nd February 1897.

The Government considers it necessary that special precautionary measures should be adopted to prevent the importation of the bubonic plague into Colombo by vessels sailing from the port of Tuticorin, and is accordingly pleased to prescribe, under the Epidemic Diseases Act III of 1897, the following temporary regulations, which will be published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

2. The Surgeon-General will at once submit the name of the medical officer to be appointed under Rule 6.

NOTIFICATION.

In exercise of the powers delegated to him by the Governor-General in Council under section 2, sub-section (3) of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, His Excellency the Governor of Fort St. George in Council is pleased to prescribe, under the said Epidemic Diseases Act, the following temporary regulations to be observed in the port of Tuticorin:—

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2. No vessel shall leave the port of Tuticorin for any port in Ceylon until she has been inspected by the Health officer of the port of Tuticorin and the master or person in charge of such vessel has obtained a Bill of Health or certificate in the form given below from such officer that the master or person in charge, officers, crew and passengers (if any) of such vessel are free from the bubonic plague.
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4. After the master or person in charge of the vessel has obtained a Bill of Health or certificate under the provisions of these rules, no person or cargo shall be admitted or taken on board such vessel before she leaves the port of Tuticorin unless such vessel is again inspected by the Health officer of the port and another Bill of Health or certificate is again inspected by the master or person in charge of such vessel.
5. No Port clearance shall be delivered to any vessel unless and until the master or person in charge thereof shall produce the Bill of Health or certificate so to be obtained as aforesaid, and it shall be the duty of Customs officers to refuse delivery of the Port clearance without the production of such Bill of Health or certificate.
6. The Government of Madras may appoint any person or persons by name or by virtue of office, Health officer or Health officers of the port for the purpose of these rules as regards any class or classes of vessels and may cancel any such appointment.

7. Disobedience to any of the above rules Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 will subject the offender and all persons aiding or abetting him to a prosecution under section 271 of the Indian Penal Code.

Bill of Health.

This is to certify that the ship (or steamer) sailing under the flag and under the command of _____ as master of _____ tons bound for _____ with a crew of _____ persons* and passengers and laden with a cargo of _____ is at the time of leaving this port in a satisfactory sanitary condition, and that no case of bubonic plague exists among her officers, passengers or crew, all of whom have been inspected by me.

* Including officers and able-bodied seamen.

† Or as the case may be.

It is further certified that the town and port of Tuticorin are at present † free from plague.

[Here enter No. 150, Marine, dated 22nd February 1897.]

(True Extract.)

Under Secretary to Government.

To the Superintendent, Government Press, with notification.

- „ the Surgeon-General with Government.
- „ the Presidency Port Officer.
- „ the Collector, Tinnevely.
- „ the President, District Board, Tinnevely.
- „ the Sanitary Commissioner.
- „ Local and Municipal Department.
- „ Revenue Department.
- „ Public Department.

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The Hon. Mr. Phipps C. J. E. V.

Medical Inspection of vessels.

Marine

P. W. DEPARTMENT.

Read the following:—

Telegram from the Govt. of Burmah No 81 d/15 Feb/97

FOR ORDERS.

I read yesterday a paper in the L. & M. Dept. that Reg. W. has to be prepared for inspecting all vessels leaving Tuticaim for Calcutta - I suppose that will be sent on to the Marine Dept. to draft the Reg. - I think if inspection of outgoing vessels is considered necessary at Calcutta, it may also be considered necessary at Madras & other ports where steamers sail direct to Burma, and that the Reg. should be drafted accordingly. So far as Rangoon, & Calcutta is the only other port of the sort as that is the place where the coasting ships go on to Rangoon, but whether any arrangements can be made there for medical inspection I don't know. The ~~best~~ steamers there have often, before, as many as 1000 passengers on board - To inspect so many would take much time & require a strong staff - I wd. order inspection at Madras & as to the coasting ships ask Burma if it will not suffice to

The Secretary in Rangoon inquires whether, as in Calcutta, all vessels leaving Madras are inspected with a view to detaining any suspicious cases of plague. An inquiry of the Presidency Port officer has elicited the following reply:—

"Mr. Weston Assistant Port & Marine Surgeon boards & inspects all vessels arriving from quarantine ports."

2. It would thus seem that only vessels arriving from

from quarantine ports are boarded and inspected, and that all others are allowed to depart without medical inspection.

3. Orders are solicited as to whether anything further is needed at Madras.

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inspect the Steamers (and passengers) at Madras, ^{then at intermediate ports} & ^{inspect} the passengers before embarkation. This is a somewhat simpler matter.

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From the Secretary
Marine Dept.
To the Chief Secretary

Please send across as soon as possible a copy of the Calcutta Gazette containing Regulations for the Medical inspection of Ships and passengers leaving that port for Burma.

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19/2/97
1230 P.M.

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To (Office)	Telephone		
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To (Person)	The Chief Secy		

Please send across a copy of the Calcutta Regulations for the Medical inspection of Ships & passengers leaving that port for Burma.

Forwarded.

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Gazette. Similar rules

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Marine Dept

The Hon. Mr. P. H. C. I. & E.

Medical Inspection of vessels

note for the Hon. Mr. Bliss.

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At Muzli there must be a med. officer - also at Calcutta - The L. & M. Dept. will know. At Barrow there can hardly be any one, but the L. & M. Dept. will know. First, the embarkation of passengers for Burma at Barrow must, so far as I can see, be prohibited. If it were a regular port of call, we could arrange to put a med. officer there; but I don't think so, even if it is only occasionally that passengers are shipped there. The P.H.O. might be asked to report to this after consulting with the other C.M.s might also be asked by wire whether, in view of the difficulty as to med. inspection, the embarkation of passengers there can be prohibited. In the meantime, please send Burma a letter to ask if the arrangement suggested will satisfy it.

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It will be seen from the accompanying telephonic message from the President Port officer that Gopalpo is not the only port from which the Coasting steamer leaves direct for Rangoon. orders are accordingly solicited as to whether an inspection at the other ports is to be insisted on also. There is a Port Surgeon (Civil apothecary) at Gopalpo but what the medical arrangements at the smaller ports may be is not known to the marine department.

3. The Rules issued by Govt. of Bengal as regards ships leaving Calcutta may be found on page 224 of the accompanying Calcutta Gazette. Similar rules

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perhaps be adopted in this
residency - but at places
where there are no medical
officers the Surgeon-general
will have to make special
arrangements.

The Local & Municipal
Department have been asked
by telephone what is being
done with the Honorable
member's note in regard
to Inticorin, but no ^{papers} reply
have come up to the present.

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Telephone
From the Secretary
Marine Dept.
To the Secretary
L. & M. Dept.

Hon. Mr. Bliss says he
recently noted on a paper
in Local and Municipal
Dept. that Regulations
would have to be drafted
for medical inspection
of all vessels leaving
Inticorin for Colombo.
Please say what action
is being taken.

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12:30 P.M.

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yet come from the Local
and Marine Dept.
Orders are requested whether
under these circumstances
the Marine Dept. papers
should be detained any
longer.

The Burma Govt. have
now sent a reminder to
submit a preliminary reply
is submitted - linked file

R.S.
20 Feb 97

papers connected with the Govt.
R.S. 15/1/97

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there
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disinfect
Health

I think this had better issue
in the Marine Dept. - I may
be delayed a day or two until the
J. G. has sent an apothecary or asst
Surgeon of course & backbones, with
if possible, a female ~~asst~~ ^{asst}
asst to ~~tutor~~ ^{tutor} - these rules
can't be worked until the
man is actually there. The S. G.
can't be written ~~at once~~

Have issued in
order of S. G. 19/2/97
The Surgeon General
10/1/97

2. The Surgeon General will at any time submit
the names of the medical officers to be
appointed under Rule 6.

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adapted from the
Bombay reg^s vide
p. 221 Gazette

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Note
The rules apply to vessels leaving for Ceylon only or for any port & we need make them out for Ceylon at present. I think as the voyage is so short.

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I think we require an add'l rule referring to all persons who have been in any infected place within the Pres. of Madras. The person who has been in such place shall be permitted to embark on board a vessel within the Port of Tuticorin bound for any port in the island of Ceylon who has within the preceding ten days resided in or visited the place a part of India believed by the Health Officer of the Port of Tuticorin to be infected by the plague.

Letter give a form of Bill of Health -
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There is a form published in the Calcutta Gazette which has been adapted.

or is not free from the infection of the plague

Whether it will be very difficult or not, I can't say, but I think we should also provide that such parts of the vessel as have been frequented by any such person shall be disinfected to the satisfaction of the Health Officer.

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of any vessel so inspected is suffering from the bubonic plague. If he shall refuse to give a Bill of Health or certificate as aforesaid unless and until such person is removed from the vessel.

4 After the Master or person in charge of the vessel has obtained any Bill of Health or certificate under the provisions of these rules, no person or cargo shall be admitted or taken on board such vessel before she leaves the Port of Tuticorin unless such vessel is again inspected by the Health Officer of the Port and another Bill of Health or certificate obtained from such officer by the Master or person in charge.

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The Supt Govt Press with Drotty

" Surgeon Genl with Govt

To " P. P. C.

The Collector of Tenkasi Madras.

" District Officer, Tenkasi

" Sanitary Commissioner, Local & Dist

" Public Works (Marine) Dept. Local & Dist.

" The Rev. Secy.

" Public Secy.

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To The Secretary to the P. D. (Marine) for favour of Certificate.

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The Honble
The Colonial Secy
Colombo

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Transferred to the Public Works
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S. J. J. J.
Secretary to Govt

V.R.
10/2/97
Fort St George
20 February 1897

Recd.
10 Feb 97

Special

The Hon'ble Mr. Bishop C.S.S.
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Marine Department.

Note for the Hon. Member.

The accompanying fair copy of
a draft order and notification for
medical inspection of vessels and
passengers at Tuticorin are submit-
ted for approval.

2. The draft, it will be seen, was
originally prepared in the Local
and Municipal Department, and has
now been slightly amended in the
Marine Department, and the form of
"Bill of Health" added. The form has
been adopted from the one in use in
Calcutta.

3. It would perhaps be well to
let them appear in Tuesday's Gazette.
Officers and others would then ---
know what to expect and if the Sur-
geon General reports in time the
name of the Health Officer to be
appointed, his appointment under ---
Rule 6 might also appear in the
same Gazette.

4. These rules may perhaps be taken
as a model for those to be issued
in

This seems all right
BS

Sanitary
Issue at once
12.2.97

Yes - they will do, almost
totidem verbis for Madras itself
BS

24/2/97

in regard to East Coast ports tra-
ding with Burma.

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Marine DEPARTMENT.

No. 149
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,, Sanitary Commissioner. ✓

,, Local & Municipal Dept.

,, Revenue Dept. ✓
,, Public Dept. ✓

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To Hon'ble the
Colonial Secretary,
Colombo.

Sir,

I am directed to forward here-
with for the information of His
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the accompanying copy of the Pro-
ceedings of this Government No. 129
Marine

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