

Marine (1898) Department.

G.O., No. 721 Marine

DATED 25 Sept 1898.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Rape Inspection Station

Pro: L. M. Dept. ordering the
publication of a despatch appertaining the
Jalarpet Rg: Station also ~~reserving~~ reserving
instructions in connection therewith, Communicated
to the Port Officer.

90

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
	740-2	Sec.	3.9.78

Ordering the publication of a notification appointing the Jalarpet Railway Station as a—
issuing instructions as regards sheds, staff, &c.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Read the following papers :—

Telegram from the Resident in Mysore, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Local and Municipal Department, dated Mysore, 16th August 1898.

"Suspicious case plague, apparently indigenous, discovered here, Pettah Station, Bangalore, to-day. Also ascertained that two members same family died eleventh. Father and two children left for Tiruvallam twelfth. Father reported ill. Collector, North Arcot, advised."

Telegram from the Sanitary Commissioner, Madras, dated 17th August 1898.

"Sanitary Commissioner, Mysore, wired one suspected case plague from Hubli segregated at Bangalore Friday, died fifteenth and one very suspicious case indigenous admitted sixteenth."

Telegram to the Collector of Salem, No. 836, dated 17th August 1898.

"Government considers inspection station now necessary at Jalarpet, plague having reached Bangalore. Please proceed there immediately and arrange in consultation with Sanitary Commissioner for sites for disinfection, segregation, hospital and staff camps. Also collect materials for sheds pending orders by post. Meanwhile, can inspecting staff consisting of 2 medical officers and 2 inspectresses find temporary accommodation? Wire date when inspection of trains can begin."

Telegram to the Sanitary Commissioner, No. 836, dated 17th August 1898.

"Before going to Guntakal, please proceed to Jalarpet where plague inspection ordered and select site for plague camp. Adopting Hospet plan. Collector ordered meet you."

Telegram from the Collector of North Arcot, dated 17th August 1898.

"Sanitary Commissioner, Bangalore, telegraphed yesterday Madras Railway Porter, Kullappa Naik and family left Bangalore twelfth after losing two children of fever now suspected to be plague. He came to Gangalapalli, three miles north of Tiruvallam, Madras Railway Station. One child died on road at Tiruvallam thirteenth. Kullappa Naik and three children died fourteenth. Wife only survives. Was confined twenty days ago. Has fever 102°. No glandular swelling but swollen breast. Civil Surgeon thinks probably plague. I am at spot with Chittur Civil Surgeon taking necessary segregation measures."

ORDER—No. 841 P., dated 18th August 1898.

Owing to the continuous spread of the plague towards the north-west frontier of this Presidency and the appearance of indigenous cases at Bangalore, the Government considers that additional precautions are required and resolves to

direct that an inspection station be opened at Jalarpet for the inspection of the railway passengers from Hubli and Bangalore. The following notification will accordingly be published in the Fort St. George Gazette :—

NOTIFICATION.

"His Excellency the Governor of Fort St. George in Council hereby appoints the railway station at Jalarpet in the Salem district to be an inspection station under No. 14 of the Regulations prescribed under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, for district Municipalities and other towns and villages, and published in Notification No. 897, Fort St. George Gazette, dated 18th December 1897, Part I, pages 1583-1589."

2. The Surgeon-General is requested to arrange to depute the following staff for duty at the Jalarpet station :—

Two Commissioned Medical Officers, or one Commissioned Medical Officer and a capable Assistant Surgeon who can be relied on to conduct inspection in turn with the Commissioned Officer.
Two Inspectresses, and two Hospital Assistants.

The Collector of Salem should arrange for the following subordinate and menial establishments—

Two Clerks,
One Peon,
One Watchman,
Two Cooks,
One Waterman,
One Waterwoman,
One Male Ward attendant,
One Female Ward attendant,
One Sweeper,
Two Dhobies,
Two Toties.

3. The Collector and the Sanitary Commissioner have been already requested by telegram to proceed to Jalarpet and to select sites for the disinfection, suspect, hospital and staff camps. There should be two suspect camps, one with accommodation for four European men and two European women, and the other with accommodation for 30 native men and 20 native women. The hospital should contain provision for two European males, two European females, 5 native males and 5 native females. The sheds may be built in general accordance with the Hospet pattern, regarding which the Sanitary Commissioner will furnish the necessary information to the Collector, and they should be so arranged as to be capable of extension. There is a disinfecting apparatus almost ready at the Public Works Workshops, and the Sanitary Commissioner is requested to have it finished and despatched without delay to Jalarpet. It is similar to that in use at Tungabhadra. As regards the quarters for the staff, existing vacant buildings, if any, should be utilized as far as possible. The work of supervising the erection of the several camps should be entrusted to a smart Tahsildar or Deputy Tahsildar and its daily progress watched. A list of the hospital equipment and furniture furnished for the camp at Hospet will be furnished to the Collector of Salem.

4. At present, four passenger trains arrive at Jalarpet from Bangalore at 0.26, 12.0, 17.20, and 20.45 respectively, and probably there are goods trains as well, the drivers and guards of which must be examined. The Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, is requested to arrange to detain all these trains at Jalarpet for such period as may be necessary for their medical examination, and to instruct the railway staff to give every assistance to the Inspecting Medical Officers. Special punches similar to those supplied to the other inspection stations should be furnished to the Medical Officers at Jalarpet. An inspection shed like that ordered at Arkonam in G.O., No. 804 P., dated 13th August 1898, should, if required by the Collector, be erected on the platform, and properly lighted, by and at the cost of the Railway administration.

No. 841 P., 18TH AUGUST 1898.

5. The Inspector-General of Police is requested to detail an Inspector of Police with the requisite staff for maintaining order and enforcing the regulations. The Collector of Salem will suggest what arrangements can be made for the trial of breaches of the plague regulations occurring at the station and the camp.

6. The cost of the sheds and equipment referred to in para. 3 *supra* will fall on Local funds under G.O. No. 720, Financial, dated 4th September 1897 and G.O., No. 547, Financial, dated 18th June 1898 (pages 126—131 of the Madras Plague Regulations and Rules), and should be distributed in accordance with the instructions contained in para. 3 of the latter order.

(True extract.)

A. Edgington
for Secretary to Government.

To

The Collector of Salem (A.—L.) with copy of G.O., No. 804 P., dated 13th August 1898.

„ Sanitary Commissioner.

„ Surgeon-General.

„ Inspector-General of Police.

Copy to Public Works Department (Railway Branch.)

„ Judicial Department.

„ Public Department.

„ Marine Department. ✓

„ Political Department.

„ President, Municipal Commission, Madras.

„ all other Collectors (A. F. G. H.)

„ Accountant General.

„ Agent and Manager, Madras Railway.

Editors' Table.

Gazette.

with 5-2 spec copies