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Ruling that, in no case, hospital assistants, when in temporary charge of a civil station, be permitted to grant invalid certificates, and that sick certificates granted by them are only to be accepted subject to confirmation by the Civil Surgeon on his return.

With order

7TH JUNE 1887, No. 773, PUBLIC.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers:—

From G. BIDIE, Esq., M.B., C.I.E., Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Fort St. George, 7th April 1887, No. 226.

I have the honor to submit the following departmental arrangement for the confirmation of Government:—

“First-class hospital assistant A. Paul, No. 48, attached to the civil dispensary, Calicut, will be considered to have been in civil medical charge of the station from the 5th to the 17th March 1887, both days inclusive, during the absence of the District Surgeon on inspection duty.”

OFFICIAL MEMORANDUM.

With reference to his letter of 7th April 1887, No. 226, the Surgeon-General is requested to report what is the effect of arrangements of this kind, both as regards the allowances drawn by the officer and his powers in respect of grant of certificates and the like.

6th May 1887.

(Signed) H. E. STOKES,
Ag. Chief Secretary.

From G. BIDIE, Esq., M.B., C.I.E., Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Ootacamund, 14th May 1887, No. 118-O.

With reference to Government Order noted in the margin, I have the honor to report to His Excellency the Governor in Council, that a hospital assistant, if temporarily placed in medical charge of a civil station in the absence of the Civil Surgeon and the Assistant Surgeon, on duty elsewhere, would have to discharge the medical duties of the station, dispensary and jail, &c., which cannot stand over till the return of his superior. He would also have to give any certificates emergently required. He does not perform other than current and emergent duties which do not admit of delay, and for this extra work is entitled, under G.O., No. 930, of 5th September 1873, Public Department, to a “palki allowance” of Rs. 25 (twenty-five) per mensem.

2. Seldom is a Civil Surgeon in these circumstances absent from his head-quarter station for more than a few days at a time; and being within the district, he can in an emergency return within a few hours.

ORDER—dated 7th June 1887, No. 773, Public.

The arrangement proposed by the Surgeon-General in the first of his letters read above is sanctioned.

2. The Government, however, resolve to rule that hospital assistants, when in temporary charge of a civil station, shall in no case be permitted to grant invalid certificates, and that sick certificates granted by them are only to be accepted subject to confirmation by the Civil Surgeon on his return.

(True Extract.)

H. E. STOKES,
Ag. Chief Secretary.

To the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras.
„ all Departments of the Secretariat.
„ all Heads of Departments under the Public Department.