

Political (1895) Department.

ORDINARY MS.

G.O., No. 624

Dated 16th Sept. 1895.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

DISTRIBUTION OF ARMY

Telegraphing to the Government of India that this Government has no objections on political grounds to the proposals regarding the -- .

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DEPARTMENT.

From

*The Govt. of India,
Indy. Dept.*

No. 1613 C.

Dated

29 Aug.

Received

4 Sept.

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5 Sept.

Enclosures

SUBJECT.

*Requesting to be favoured
with the opinion of this Govt.
on the certain proposals re
the distribution of Army*

Office

*There are papers in Confidential
about minimum obligatory garrison
Also there was some discussion two
or three or four years ago re Garrison
& Viguanagran Garrison - I think it
was confid. R. S. should be
appreciated. M. R. should be
considered. The P. A. paper may be
sent to the Registrar*

*591: 1.9.92. 1st
183: 24.1.93. 2nd
702: 13.10.93. 1st
143: 26.4.93. 4
R45: 3.3.93. 4
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Distribution of Army.
Native Army.

It is requested that the above heading, with number and date of this communication, may be quoted in any subsequent correspondence on this subject.

No. 1813 B.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Simla, the 29th August 1895.

2A
This is a copy of the letter from the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated 29th August 1895, regarding the distribution of the Native Army.
To
THE CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

Sir,

I am directed to state, for the information of His Excellency the Governor in Council, that in consequence of the decision arrived at by Her Majesty's Government that the retention of Chitral, and the maintenance of communication therewith by the Malakand-Dir road, shall not be accompanied by any increase to the army, it will probably be necessary to remove four of the five Punjab or Sikh battalions now ordinarily quartered in the Punjab Command from their stations, and His Excellency the Commander in Chief has proposed that the places of those at Nowgong, Jhansi, and Cawnpore, shall be taken by three Madras regiments.

If these proposals are approved, His Excellency the Commander in Chief has suggested that the following Madras regiments should be moved to stations in the Bengal command:-

2nd Madras Infantry from Belgaum to Cawnpore (instead of to Cannanore);

20th Madras Infantry from Secunderabad to Nowgong (instead of to Vizianagram);

7th Madras Infantry from Belgaum to Jhansi;

also that the 11th Madras Infantry, at Vizianagram, now under orders for Secunderabad, should be moved instead to Bangalore, changing places with the 8th Madras Infantry at that station. The result of these movements, if carried out, will be that the garrisons of Secunderabad, Belgaum, and Cannanore, will each be reduced by one regiment of Native Infantry.

I am to say that the Government of India would be glad to be favoured with the opinion of the Government of Madras on the

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proposals.

I am,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

Quaintance

Depy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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Statement showing distribution of Madras Native Infantry Regiments at certain Stations in the Madras Command.

Station	N. I. Regiments at present stationed	Station to which under orders	Station to which proposed to transfer	Regiments at each station if proposal carried out
Secunderabad	5 th M.I. 19 th . 20 th . 22 th .		20 th - Bangalore	5 th . 19 th . 22 th .
Belgaum	2 ^d . 7 th .		2 ^d - Coimbatore 7 th - Jhansi	13 th (or 25 th)
Vizianagaram	11 th ✓	Secunderabad	Bangalore	8 th ✓
Bangalore	8 th . 21 st ✓ 24 th .		8 th - Vizianagaram	11 th . 21 st . 24 th .
Channarayana	13 th ✓ 25 th ✓	13 th (or 25 th) to Belgaum		25 th (or 13 th)

C. No. 1207.

FOR ORDERS.

I do not see any objection from a political point of view to three Madras battalions being sent up north. As far as we are concerned the arrangements resulting therefrom will be a benefit as far as Cannanore is concerned - for the 25th Lt. we sent there in April has not suitable accommodation there for all the families. And one regiment at Cannanore is all that we require for that part of the W. Coast. It cannot affect us if Bellgaum & Secunderabad are each a regiment short of their usual complement.

CNC

W
12 Sep

I quite agree - I think it an excellent thing that Madras Regts should take their turn in N. India. One regt is all we want at Cannanore

MS
13/9/95

JG
13/9

This reference has apparently been made in view of obtaining the ^{opinion} of this Govt: from a political standpoint, but as Secunderabad and Bellgaum are ~~not~~ outside the Presidency it is not quite clear why this Govt, which has now no control over Military matters, ^{has} ~~should~~ ^{be} consulted. There has been a good deal of correspondence in the past on the subject of the minimum garrisons to be maintained at stations in this Presidency. Such as is relevant to the present question has been separated into File A.

The L. of I. letter is by means clear as to the parts regiments which will garrison

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HON'BLE MEMBER.

Pages 58 to 63 of Ry Army List

Belgaur — 2

Cannamore _____ 2

Step ① in Fig. ①

Step ③ in File A

After discussion in 1892, it

eventually decided that the

min strength at these stations

As regards Camanore, it was remarked at the time that there were British troops at that station as well as at Malapussam.

The above is the strength to which the G. of D. present proposals would reduce the N. S. garrisons at the three stations.

From a Practical point of
view therefore, there would appear
to be no objections to the proposal

The wider question of ~~the~~ the effect of reducing the ^{number of} N. I. Regts in this Presidency by three regiments is one for consideration by the Military authorities & this Govt. is not, it is presumed, required to deal with it. ~~The~~ ^{The} ~~British~~ ^{British} Government has been informed that the Government of India ~~will~~ ^{will} probably wish for an early reply, the answer to its letter might, so long, be telegraphed

C.S.
11.9.95

AP
12/9/95

Garrisons at Secunderabad
Cannanore and Belgaum

For Orders

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H.S. to Sec. & Circ

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Papers to be read in proceedings :—

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Dated 16/9

The following telegram will
be despatched to the for of
India, Indis Dept.

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This Govt. has no
ultimate. No objections on political
grounds.

C.S.
14.9.95

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24/8/95

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The Secy. Genl. Council the Secy (u) despatched
23/9
Signed
19/9

H.O.
Please return
with
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Savisons at Secunderabad.
Cannanore & Belgam

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