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Letter to the Govt of India
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regarding the unification
of the Indian Medical
Depart^t were transferred
by the local Military
dept to the Public dept
and that the opinion
of the Govt will be
sought with as little
delay as possible.

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Medical Department.

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above heading, with number
and date of this communica-
tion, may be quoted in any
subsequent correspondence
on this subject.*

No. 3036-D.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Simla, the 5th July 1894.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF ^{MADRAS}
BOMBAY,
Military Department.

SIR,

IN continuation of Military Department letter No. 284-G., dated the 31st March 1894, relating to the amalgamation of the three Indian Medical Services and the revision of the existing system of Civil Medical Administration, I am now directed to address the Government of ^{Madr}_{Bombay}, on the subject of the unification of the subordinate branches of the Indian Medical Department.

2. There are three subordinate branches of this Department, viz. :—

I.—The Civil Assistant Surgeon branch,

II.—The Military Assistant Surgeon branch, and

III.—The Military Hospital Assistant branch.

3. The first is wholly employed on civil medical duties. Each province has its own local service, which in the Madras and Bombay Presidencies is administered in the same manner as by the local Governments of Bengal, Punjab, and the North-Western Provinces and Oudh.

4. The Military Assistant Surgeon branch is altogether a military service. In the Bengal Presidency all details connected with the education, training, promotion, pay, pension, dismissals and disposal for duty are regulated by the Surgeon-General with the Government of India under the orders of the Government of India in the Military Department. Similarly, the branches of this service in the Madras and Bombay Presidencies should also be under the control of the Government of India, the Surgeons-General with the Governments of Madras and Bombay acting under instructions from the Surgeon-General with the Government of India in all matters connected therewith.

5. Candidates for employment in the Military Assistant Surgeon branch of the Subordinate Medical Department will be trained in the Medical Colleges at Calcutta, Madras and Bombay under the same conditions in all respects as at present, except that the numbers at each college will be fixed by the Government of India as may appear most convenient in the interests of the public service; and that orders will be issued through the Surgeon-General with the Government of India, who will be directly held responsible for their recruitment in the same manner and to the same extent as he is at present, in the case of those recruited for the Bengal Medical Establishment.

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6. The promotions will continue to be made on separate presidential lists as at present, and although the Assistant Surgeons would ordinarily be allowed to serve in their own presidencies, on occasions of grave emergency they will be held to be at the disposal of the Government of India for service in any part of India and its dependencies, as is the case with commissioned medical officers.

7. Following the practice now obtaining with regard to the provinces of Bengal, Punjab and North-Western Provinces, individual Military Assistant Surgeons will from time to time be allotted by the Government of India to Madras and Bombay to fill such appointments in the Civil Medical Department as may be sanctioned for officers of this branch, in the same way and subject to the same conditions as are commissioned medical officers. While so employed, the Assistant Surgeons will be under the orders of the Local Governments, except as regards promotions, pensions, dismissals and recall for general service on emergency, in respect of all of which they will come under the orders of the Surgeon-General with the Government of India, acting under the authority of the Government of India.

8. The Military Assistant Surgeons allotted for military duty will be placed by the Surgeon-General with the Government of India at the disposal of the Principal Medical Officer, Her Majesty's Forces in India on the same conditions. Supernumerary Military Assistant Surgeons not required for the army will be lent to the Civil Governments on the same conditions as commissioned medical officers. Unemployed supernumerary officers will be at the disposal of the Surgeon-General with the Government of India.

9. Lastly, the Hospital Assistant branch is also a military service, and in the Bengal Presidency it is recruited and administered by the Surgeon-General with the Government of India, under the orders of the Government of India. With regard to the branches of the service in the Madras and Bombay Presidencies, the Surgeons-General with the Governments of Madras and Bombay will act under instructions of the Surgeon-General with the Government of India in all matters connected with this subject. Promotions and recruitments will continue to be made on separate presidential lists as at present.

10. In conclusion, I am to enclose a draft G. O. which has been drawn up with a view to give effect to the changes set forth above and to request that you will be so good as to move His Excellency the Governor in Council to favor the Government of India with an early expression of his opinion thereon.

I am, &c.,

(Sd.) P. J. MAITLAND,

for *Secretary to the Government of India.*

DRAFT GENERAL ORDER.

- (1) In view of improving the mobility and general efficiency of the Military Assistant Surgeon and Military Hospital Assistant branches of the Indian Medical Service in the Presidencies of Madras and Bombay, the Government of India consider it desirable to transfer the administration of those branches from the Governments of those presidencies to the Surgeon-General with the Government of India, acting under the orders of the Government of India.
- (2) The Surgeon-General with the Government of India, acting under the orders of the Government of India, will dispose of all questions concerning recruitment, education, training, pay, pensions, promotions, resignations, dismissals, disposal for duty with the Army or the Local Governments. Furloughs, up to the recognised proportion, will be granted to medical subordinates serving in each command by Lieutenant-Generals Commanding; and to those in civil employment, by the Local Governments and Administrations under which they may be serving.
- (3) While making every effort to detail Military Assistant Surgeons, and Military Hospital Assistants, for employment in their own presidencies as hitherto, it must be understood that, on occasions of emergency, the Government of India reserve to themselves the right to employ them in any part of India and its dependencies, as the interests of the public service may demand.
- (4) They shall be educated as heretofore at the Medical Colleges of Madras and Bombay, in such numbers at each College as the Government of India may from time to time decide. The Surgeon-General with the Government of India will communicate the orders on this subject direct to the Principals of the respective Colleges.
- (5) The Surgeon-General with the Government of India will be responsible for the recruitment and efficient education and training of the military pupils of both branches in the colleges of Madras and Bombay in the same way and to the same extent as he is in the case of those educated at the Colleges and Schools in the Bengal Presidency.
- (6) The recruitments and promotions of Military Assistant Surgeons and Military Hospital Assistants will be made on separate presidential lists as at present.
- (7) The existing rights and privileges of Military Assistant Surgeons and Military Hospital Assistants already in the service shall be preserved intact, provided they are not inconsistent with the foregoing orders.

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Medical Dept - Organization

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Simla
Fort William, the 30th May 1894.

replying, please re-
fer to the
note.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM.

PLEASE reply early to Military Department No. 2846, dated *the*
31st March 1894, on the following subject:—

Unification of the Indian Medical
Service.

By order,

M. M. M. M.

Offg. Asst. Secretary to the Government of India.

To

THE *Secretary to the Government of Madras,*

Military Department.

MILITARY (1894) DEPARTMENT.

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THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

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ENCLOSURES.

P.G., No. , dated

Calling for early reply to letter
No 284 of 31-3-94 regarding the
unification of the Indian med-
ical service.

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Former papers.

Ref 9.4.1894 No 2204

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This could be so under the scheme
established in the letter but going
into of 4/6/94, but not otherwise. Under
the conditions of India, even if modified
as proposed, the 25% reserve is beyond the
of India, so far as it is at any time in civil employ-
the 10% reserve (vide p. 385) P. 2.6.94
under this Govt. H

* of the Civil Medl.
Estabⁿ.

This question is dealt with, as understood,
in para 4 of the endorsement, in a capital letter from
India on the whole subject of the amalgamation of
the 3 services, which was approved yesterday. There is
no doubt, however, that, as accepted, as it is only
a compromise, the control, the other side, H

As to this, I see no objection to the proposals of
India which deal only with the supply of military
and subordinate. The Civil department is
not concerned with it, so far as I can see, having
nothing to do with it. H

Kerzwell H
7/8/94

Public Dept.

File regarding the unifi-
cation of the Indian
Medical dept.

Before a reply to India
is drafted, the Hon. Mem-
ber's attention is in-
vited to the Mily dept
Endorsement No 4793,
d/2nd inst.

It is understood that
the control of the 25% to
meet casualties, leave
vacancies &c should be
at the disposal of the
Local Govt.

Attention is invited
to the remarks in para: 4
of the endorsement in
regard to Medical Store
depots, and to para: 5
in reference to the
H's note on the subject
of recruitment for the
subordinate service.

As it will necessarily
take some little time
to print the papers it
is proposed to despatch

following letter.

21 9 August 1894. No. 586.

To the Secy to the G. of S.
Military Dept

Sir,

Referring to your
No. 244 G. of the 31st Mch.
last, I am directed to
inform you that the
papers were transferred
by the local Military
dept: to this dept: on
the 2nd inst, and
that the opinion of this
Govt: on the various
points referred to it
will be com^d with
as little delay as possible.

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They were referred to
the first instance

Hon. Mr. Bliss C. D. 2

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