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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following paper:—

G.O., No. 306, Public, dated 2nd March 1896.

Paragraph 4.—In supersession of all previous orders on the subject, His Excellency the Governor in Council directs that the medical officer whose head-quarters are at Coonoor shall in future be the District Medical and Sanitary Officer of the Nilgiris and shall be responsible for the inspection duty of the whole of the district. The medical officer at Ootacamund will be styled the Civil Surgeon.

READ—also the following paper:—

From Surgeon-Major-General C. SIBTHORPE, F.R.C.P.I., Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Madras, 2nd April 1896, No. 278.

With reference to G.O., No. 306, Public, dated the 2nd March 1896, in paragraph 4 of which it is directed that the medical officer whose head-quarters are at Coonoor shall be in future the District Medical and Sanitary Officer of the Nilgiris and shall be responsible for the inspection duty of the whole of the district, and that the medical officer at Ootacamund will be styled the Civil Surgeon, I have the honour to suggest that Government will reconsider this decision. This arrangement will lead to considerable confusion in administration for the following reasons:—

(a) The head-quarters of the Collector and other district officials are at Ootacamund, where it would be much more convenient to have the head-quarters of medical administration.

(b) The Police hospital is at Ootacamund and it would be more convenient to have it under the administration of the District Medical and Sanitary Officer.

(c) Ootacamund is more centrally situated than Coonoor for inspection duty; indeed, the medical officer from Coonoor would have to go through Ootacamund on many of his inspections.

(d) The medical officer at Ootacamund having an additional medical officer for six months in the year can, as a rule, make the necessary inspections in August and September, leaving the station in charge of a more highly educated officer than is available at Coonoor, and during these months, as a rule, the services of the Surgeon to His Excellency the Governor are available in Ootacamund for those who wish to call him in.

(e) During the off-season at Ootacamund there is present a Civil Apothecary and a Military Assistant Surgeon, available in emergent cases; there are no such men available at Coonoor.

(f) If the Medical Officer, Coonoor, has to leave his station, he practically leaves it with only a hospital assistant to look after all the military officers and their families in Coonoor who are on leave and are entitled to medical attendance and have no claim on medical officers serving in Wellington. The military officers and their families residing in Coonoor, no quarters being available at Wellington, are entitled to the services of the Civil Surgeon. All Government officials on leave in this hill station expect the services of a Civil Surgeon; so, in my opinion, it would be undesirable that the medical officer at Coonoor should be required to do the duties of District Medical and Sanitary Officer.

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No. 605, PUBLIC, 10TH JUNE 1896.

ORDER—No. 605, Public, dated 10th June 1896.

The Government is unable to modify the orders already issued, which were passed after due consideration, and the Surgeon-General must give effect to them without further delay.

(True Extract.)

J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Surgeon-General.

Exd. A. Raiff.

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From

SURGN.-MAJOR-GENERAL C. SIBTHORPE, F.R.C.P.I.,

SURGEON-GENERAL WITH THE

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

No. 278.

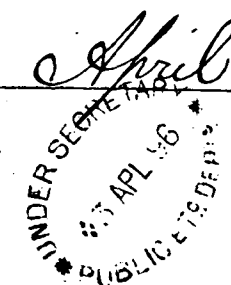
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Subject.

Reporting for certain
reasons to reconsider their
decision re the change of designa-
tions of the Dist. M. & Surg.
Officer Nilgiris & Civil Surgeon

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④ Extract, para 1324 of Army
regualtions, India, Volume VI.

" All officers (and their families) who are entitled to gratuitous medical attendance in a cantonment or civil station, are entitled to at any other place where they may be residing, whether on duty or on leave, from any medical officer paid by Government for staff, civil or general duties".

Public Department.

G. No. 1231.

ORDER:-

The Govt. sees no reason to alter the decision in G.O. No. 306, dated 2nd March 1896, and cannot but characterise the Surgeon-General's frequent references on such matters as vexatious: the arguments now adduced are quite untenable and are dealt with below:-

(a) The Headquarters of the Collector and other district officers are at Ootacamund.

In the following districts the headquarters of the District Medical and Sanitary Officer are not the same as those of the Collector and no great inconvenience is experienced

Districts	Head quarters of	
	D. M. & S. O.	Collector
North Arcot	Vellore	Chittoor
Chingleput	Chingleput	Saidapet
Ganjam	Berhampore	Chatrapur
Godavari	Rajamundry	Secunderabad

(b) The Police hospital is in Ootacamund.
It can be easily attended to by the
additional

additional or any other subordinate medical officer.

(c) Ootacamund is more centrally situated and the D.M. & S.O. will have to pass through it. The inspecting officer will draw his travelling allowances in full and will be glad of the opportunities of visiting Ootacamund, while the interests of the public service ~~without~~ ^{will not} be materially affected thereby.

(d) The inspection can be made from Ootacamund in August and September

In para. 3 of G.O. No. 306, dated 2nd March 1896, it was ruled that the chief Medical officer at Ootacamund should not leave the station on duty.

(e) Ootacamund will be left with several medical officers and subordinates while Coonor will have only a Hospital Assistant, when the Inspecting officer is on tour.

There is usually a much larger number of Govt. officials in Ootacamund than in Coonor and the few who prefer the latter sanitation ^{room} can always obtain Medical aid from Wellington, if necessary, as stated in para. 3 of the above G.O. *The Surg. Genl will report*

Why Govt. officers on leave ~~have no~~ right to expect the services of a Civil Surgeon. ~~(vide G.O. No. 306 dated 2nd March 1896)~~
gratio.

To

The Surgeon-General.

*Headquarters of Medical
Administration
Nilgiris*

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FOR ORDERS.

The S. Genl returns to the charge as regards the transfer of the office of Dr. Macleod's Office from Coonor to Coonor.

(his objections (a back up) are.

I. The 1st Co. of the Coll: and

the Dr. Macleod are at Ootacamund

where it would be ^{much} more convenient

to have the 1st Co. of Dr. Macleod's

the reply to this is. That in N. West

Champion's Junction & for a while

the 1st Co. of the Dr. Macleod is S. Office

are not those of the Coll:; That

no inconvenience has apparently

been caused from this and that

there is no reason ^{that} there

should be any in Ootacamund

II. The 2nd Hospital is at

Ootacamund and it would be

more convenient to have it under

the Admin: of the Dr. Macleod & S. Office

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11/6/96.

The answer to this is that there is no reason why a State Hospital should be under the administration of the State Medical Officer when there is a Civil Surgeon to look after it. If the C. Surgeon is competent to look after S. B. Hospital he can surely do the like as regards that part of the duties.

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III. Ostracism is more cruelly situated than Coroner for inspection duty and the Medical Officer of the latter named station would make the orders expected to have to pass through Ostracism.

The answer to this is that the distance between the two places is ten miles and that this is much too small to be taken into consideration. In fact the distance is for inspection work much more central than the distance between the two places has been caused by putting the State Medical Officer of Chislehurst where he is.

IV. That the Medical Officer at Ostracism having an additional

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Medical Officer for ten months can make the necessary inspections in Aug. & Sept. leaving the station in charge of a better man than the Doctor at Coroner can and that during the time that Mr. is at the duty to the Mr. is available for those who choose to call him in. The reply to this is that the Medical Officer is given from April to Oct. because it is considered that the work during that period is more than one man can do & that with the number of people there still residents at Ostracism it is not desirable that the Dr. had a duty Officer should leave the station in August & Sept. as regards the duty to the Mr. the Govt might at any time order him practicing. Dr. D was specially allowed to take practice - and

ought to be that officers holding this
position would refuse to purchase
or attend any case involving a very
small fee. Further there is no reason
why an officer should be restricted to attend
V. cases. The only reason there are

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medical subordinates available at
Macanua who are not out of court.
The reply to this is that ordinary ailments
can be dealt with by a doctor.
But hundreds of officers and
nursing staff coming down here
for years as there is no medical attendance
men of this class. If there is
an emergency or serious case the
staff medical officers at Wellington
would not refuse to attend with
V. This is too long to transcribe
in the report to this it may be
reminded that there is no need
for the D.O. & medical officer to take
a couple of months over his business
the influence is a very small debt
and any man who is ordinarily
active can get from one end to
the other with in a few days. Having
anything to do with the
with reference to what Gov. officials

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on leave at the station expect
in the way of medical attendance
I do not see that it should differ
from what they expect in the place
where the great majority of them
have to look for medical and
hospital care or at least are
expected to carry.
The truth is that the S.O. considers
the change derogating to the dignity
of the medical officer at S.O. and
in carrying out the work of
seeing that he can for all purposes
do the work with the results
that the officer having sent out
a withdrawing draft order I have
had to waste my time in going
into the S.O.'s objections and
of which are absolutely worthless.
It is submitted that he should
be held to some extent to the

order of Pub.

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I quite agree. The matter
was fully considered
and cannot be reopened.

MS
6/6/96

H. M.

Headquarters of the
Adm., Belgium.

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Public Dept

Read again

Ex. N° 306 Published 2.3.96 (page 4)
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Order

A

The Surgeon General will
be requested to carry
out the orders of Govt, as
directed in para 4 of
Ex. N° 306 1st body 2nd March
1896. The Govt sees no reason
for altering its decision to which
which was arrived at after
a careful consideration of the
matter.

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CW.

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Ex. N° 605 8/10 June 1896
(A) The Govt is unable to modify

The orders already issued which
were passed after due consideration
and the Surgeon General must
give effect to them without
further delay.

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The Surgeon General 6
dated 24/6/96

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Dated 23-6-96

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and the connected papers.

A. H.
25.6.96

from Orders

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As directed by H.E. the
Governor on the accompanying
slip, the originals of G.O. No 606
Public of 10. June 1896 and
of corrected papers are submitted

seen and returned with thanks.

H.E.H

3.7.96

C.B.
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H. E. THE GOVERNOR.

~~THE HON'BLE MR. H. W. BLISS, C.I.E.~~

~~THE HON'BLE MR. J. BROSE, C.I.E.~~

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