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G.O., No. 541, 11th May 1897.

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Touring work of District Medical and Sanitary Officers.

Directing that, in famine districts, the inspections required of District Medical and Sanitary Officers in G.O., No. 67 of 1895, be not insisted upon; and explaining to the Surgeon-General the intention of Government in that order in the matter of the scrutiny expected of him of the statements of tours of those officers.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following paper:—

G.O., No. 57, Public, dated 24th January 1895.

ABSTRACT.—Issuing instructions for the guidance of Medical and Sanitary Officers in regard to their duties of inspection of jails and other institutions.

4. The inspection once a year of all medical institutions within their districts which has usually been required of District Medical and Sanitary Officers cannot, in the opinion of Government, be with safety dispensed with, for these officers are at present the only professional advisers of local bodies in matters affecting the medical aspect of these institutions. They will, however, be permitted in future to depute their Assistants to visit such of the larger institutions as require to be inspected more frequently than once a year. All Revenue Divisional officers should also consider it to be a part of their duty to annually visit all hospitals and dispensaries within their charges and to record remarks upon their general condition and popularity in the visitors' books, and these remarks should continue, as at present, to be despatched at once by the medical subordinates in charge to the District Medical and Sanitary Officers and the Presidents of the Taluk Boards concerned. The Sanitary Commissioner and his Deputy will also be requested to visit such of these institutions as are situated in towns to which their duties may lead them and similarly to record their remarks upon the same aspects of their working.

5. The Government considers that the inspection by District Medical and Sanitary Officers of large numbers of outlying villages has in the past been productive of but little substantial benefit. It will be sufficient if in future the municipalities and unions in each district are annually visited and reported upon either by the District Medical and Sanitary Officer or his Assistant. Assistant Surgeons may in addition be deputed in the place of the District Medical and Sanitary Officer to supervise sanitary and medical arrangements at fairs and festivals and at places where outbreaks of disease have occurred.

8. His Excellency the Governor in Council anticipates that under this order considerable relief will be afforded to District Sanitary and Medical Officers in the matter of touring. It will rest with the Surgeon-General, by careful scrutiny of the tour statements of these officers, which, it is presumed, are submitted to him from time to time, to see that they devote a proper proportion of their time to their work at head-quarters.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. F. PRICE,
Chief Secretary.

To the Surgeon-General.
" Sanitary Commissioner.
" Revenue Department.
" Local and Municipal Department.
" Judicial Department.
" Financial Department (for information).

READ—also the following paper:—

From Surgeon-Lieutenant-Colonel W. G. KING, M.B., C.M., D.P.H., Sanitary Commissioner for Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department, dated Fort St. George, 20th March 1897, No. 703-S.

With reference to G.O., No. 57, Public, dated 24th January 1895, I have the honour to suggest that its terms be now relaxed, in view of the existence of famine, in so far as the districts of Bellary, Kurnool, Anantapur and Cuddapah are concerned. It is most desirable that the District Medical and Sanitary Officers of these districts be in touch with famine operations, so that they shall be capable of gauging the condition of relief workers and taking early action in respect to possible epidemics appearing amongst them. In this connection, I would invite the attention of Government to the fact that, as a rule, there is prevalence of cholera during March, April and May ending in great exacerbation throughout the south-west monsoon in these districts, and that, consequently, it is most desirable that timely arrangements be made lest relief works become affected. I need hardly remind Government of the great mortality from cholera and small-pox which occurred during the famine of 1877-78.

2. Under the order above quoted, medical officers now not only make short tours, but are required to submit for some time previously their programmes for approval by the Surgeon-General with the Government of Madras. I would therefore respectfully suggest, for the consideration of Government, that, in the special districts noted and in such as may hereafter be notified by the Revenue Board as famine-stricken, a temporary return to the old condition of affairs is desirable, namely, allowing the District Medical and Sanitary Officer full discretion as to making his tours at what time and in what direction he may elect; coupling this permission with the requirement that every attention should be paid to the sanitary and medical aspects of famine-relief operations.

Endt. No. 437.

Transferred to the Public Department.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
31st March 1897.

(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
Secretary to Government.

ORDER—No. 541, Public, dated 11th May 1897.

The letter read above will be communicated to the Surgeon-General, with the request that the District Medical and Sanitary Officers of famine districts should be informed that there are no restrictions on their touring and making such inspections as they may consider necessary; and that, until famine work no longer requires their attention, the inspections demanded by paragraphs 4 and 5 of G.O., No. 57, Public, dated 24th January 1895, will not be insisted upon, though it is desirable they should, if possible, be made.

2. It will be pointed out to the Surgeon-General that the intention of Government, as expressed in paragraph 8 of the order quoted above, was that he should scrutinise the statements of tours of District Medical and Sanitary Officers already made, not those about to be made.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Surgeon-General.
" Sanitary Commissioner.
" Revenue Department.
" Local and Municipal Department.
" Judicial Department.
" Financial Department (for information).

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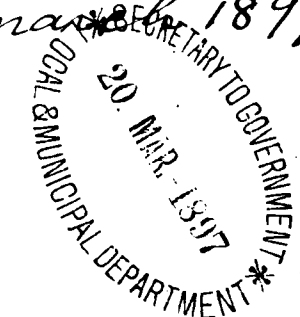
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SUBJECT:
Suggesting that the terms
of G.O. No. 57 dated 24.1.98
regarding the suspension of the
Police realized in so far as
the districts of Tumkur
Bellary, Anantapur and
Buddapah are concerned
owing to the existence
famine.

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NOTE FOR THE CHIEF SECRETARY.

FURTHER PAPERS.

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Please see para 2 of this
current where Dr King
says that "medical officers
... are required to submit
for some time previously their
proposals for approval
of Mr. S. G." This is what I
alluded to in saying that
Mr. S. G. did not impose any
restriction but Mr. S. G. did.

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has no reference to proposals.

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Public Department.

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~~H. E. THE GOVERNOR.~~

THE HON'BLE MR. BLISS, C.I.E. & Co.

~~THE HON'BLE MR. GROSE, C.I.E.~~

SUBJECT.

Touring work of District Medical and Sanitary Officers

FOR ORDERS.

In G.O. No 57 Pub., d/ 24-1-95, on the representation of the Inspector-General of Prisons and the Surgeon-General that the touring and inspection required of District Medical and Sanitary Officers precluded their devoting adequate attention either to the jails or to the medical institutions in their headquarters, certain arrangements were made to relieve the District Medical and Sanitary Officers in the matter of touring.

2. These were (1) that while the inspection once a year of all medical institutions in their districts should continue to be made by the District Medical and Sanitary Officers, their Assistants could be deputed to visit such as required inspection oftener; (2) that the duty of inspecting rain gauges should be transferred to Revenue Divisional Officers, who should also help in visiting all hospitals and dispensaries within their charge; (3) that the Sanitary

Commissioner and his Deputy should visit institutions situated in towns to which their duties might lead them;

(4) ~~that~~ instead of the District Medical and Sanitary Officer inspecting a large number of outlying villages, it would be sufficient if in future the municipalities and unions in each district were annually visited and reported on either by the District Medical and Sanitary Officer or his Assistant, and that the latter might be deputed in place of his superior officer to supervise sanitary and medical arrangements at fairs and festivals and at places where outbreaks of diseases have occurred.

3. The Sanitary Commissioner now asks that, in view of the existence of famine, the above terms may be relaxed so far as the marginally noted districts are concerned.

4. Dr. King considers it most desirable that the District Medical and Sanitary Officer of these districts should be in touch with famine operations, so as to be able to gauge the condition of relief workers, and to take early action to prevent possible epidemics. He refers to the general prevalence of cholera in these districts during March April and May, and to the heavy mortality from small-pox and cholera during the famine of 1877-78, and to the consequent need for timely arrangements to prevent relief works being arrested.

■ Bellary
■ Kurnool
■ Anantapur
■ Cuddapah

Apparently there has been an unusual immunity from cholera this year.

This apparently is made some order issued by the S.G. restricting his tour.

question, medical officers now not only make short tours but are required to submit for ~~some~~ ^{approval} their programmes for the approval of the Surgeon-General, and suggests that in the special districts noted and in such as may hereafter be notified by the Revenue Board as famine stricken, a temporary return to the old condition of affairs is desirable. He would allow the District Medical and Sanitary Officer full discretion as to when and where he should tour, coupling this permission with the requirement that every attention should be paid to the sanitary and medical aspects of famine relief operations.

Submitted that in the circumstances the Sanitary Commissioner's proposals may be approved.

C.O.
6/4/97 G.O no 57 Feb. d 24-1-95
so far from imposing restrictions on District Medical & Sanitary Officer in the matter of touring, took away some of his annual inspection work which prevented that officer from attending to more important matters, his duty of inspecting range, & of reporting annually on 20 villages have both withdrawn. The only work which that G.O. assigns to the D.M. now is the inspection of the range.

I don't think that one can say this. The effect of the order was to relieve the D.M. & S.O. Officer as to allow of his remaining longer at head quarters and devoting more time to his professional duties. There is no objection: it really in a way did impose restrictions on touring.

it is inadvisable to modify, even
in famine districts. Such
inspections do not take
a very long time; and there will
be, it is to be hoped, opportunity
for them after distress is over.

Very undesirable.
of, unfortunately, any of the
Dist. Surgeons of the districts
served by the San. Com.

Should ^{be} careful to inspect all
the medical institutions under
them, ^{within the year} because they were kept
busy by famine work, Gov.
would no doubt approve of
their action.

The only restriction which has
in fact been laid upon Dist.

Surgeons is one imposed by the
Surgeon Genl. Dr. King points out
that Dist. Surgeons have now to
submit their plans before
hand to the Surgeon Genl. Gov.

has merely remarked (para 8 of
the G.O. under reference) that
the Surgeon Genl. should scrutinize
the two statements, leaving
it to the Surgeon Genl. to see that
med. officers spend a proper
proportion of their time at
Head Quarters. That is a proper
reservation depends on circumstances.

I would put it in this way.
The duty to see to his offi-
cers' touring properly in famine
as well as in non-famine
districts.

I think this note by
the C.S. would have met
the case best.

Very well. It doesn't much
matter

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When these duties are imposed
it seems plain that the
proportion of time which
Dist. med. officers may properly
spend at Head Quarters will
be altered.

It is submitted that no
modification of the G.O. is
required but that it will
be sufficient if the San. Com.
letter is communicated to the
Surgeon Genl., & it be pointed out
that under para 8 of G.O. no
57. Pub. d. 24 Jan. 1895 it
rests with him to see that
Dist. med. & San. officers spend
a proper proportion of their
time on the various branches
of their work, including, in
famine districts, the special
duties laid down in Chapter X
of the Famine Code.

AK. The S. Comm. letter might be
communicated to the S.C. with the
request that the Dist. & S. officers
of famine districts might ^{should} be informed
that there are no restrictions on their
moving about and making such in-
spections as they may consider necessary
and that while famine work is

may require their attention the
inspections demanded by paras
4 & 5 of GO M.S. 7 dated 26th Jan'y
1895 will not, though it is desirable
that they should if possible be made,
be insisted upon.

The Inspector General appears to have
misunderstood para 8 of GO M.S. 7 dated
26th Jan'y 1895: what was intended
was that he should scrutinize the
statements of lines made, not those
about the work: may then be
rounded out to him?

RS
24/4/97

By. An order of the kind cannot
fail to hamper officers' move-
ments in an undesirable way

RS
23/4/97

4/4/97

See in

RS
5/5/97

at 6.30 p.m. yesterday

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SUBJECT.

Touring work of
D.M. & S. Os

FOR ORDERS.

Resubmitted to
the Hon'ble Members
with reference to
H.E. The Governor's
note d/29.4.97

C.W.
30/4/97

RS
3/5/97

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quires their attention,
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by paras 4 and 5
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not be insisted upon, though it is desirable they should, if possible, be made from orders

C.W.
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The Surgeon General
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" Finl " for information

Para 2.

It will be pointed out to the Surgeon General that the intention of Govt, as expressed in para 8 of the order quoted above, was that he should scrutinize the statements of tours of D.M. & S. & already made, not those about to be made.

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