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G.O., No. 78

DATED 18.1.98

[Despatch Abstract.]

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ment of Camps at Bopore and
Guntakal for the observation of
pilgrims for the Hedjaz and ordering
the issue of a notification under the
Epidemic Diseases Act for the detention
of pilgrims at these Camps.

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G.O., No. 73 M., 11th January 1898.

Order No 98 of 18.1.98
Re considered with the
remark that it has been
decided that the
Dept should deal
entirely with this
matter

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Pilgrimage to the Hedjaz.

Passing orders for the establishment of camps at Beypore and Guntakal for the observation of pilgrims for the Hedjaz, and ordering the issue of a notification under the Epidemic Diseases Act for the detention, &c., of pilgrims at these camps.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following paper :—

G.O., No. 2782 M., dated 13th December 1897.

ABSTRACT.—Requesting the Collector of Malabar to select a station near Calicut where an observation camp for the pilgrims proceeding to the Hedjaz can be established.

READ—also the following paper :—

From G. W. DANCE, Esq., I.C.S., Collector of Malabar, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department, dated Calicut, 3rd January 1898, Dis. No. 2-M.

In reply to G.O., No. 2782 M., dated 13th December 1897, I have the honour to state that I have selected Feroke as the railway station and Beypore as the site where an observation camp may be established. The following arrangements will, in my opinion, be necessary for the reception and despatch of pilgrims :—

- (1) The camp should be in charge of a civil apothecary.
- (2) The sheds forming the camp should be surrounded with a strong palisade and a ditch having only one entrance gate.
- (3) A smaller segregation camp containing sheds for the accommodation of twenty patients should be constructed at a distance on similar lines.
- (4) There should be a strong police guard.
- (5) Steamers should be required to anchor opposite Beypore and pilgrims shipped direct from there.

ORDER—No. 73 M., dated 11th January 1898.

The Collector's proposal to establish an observation camp for the detention of the pilgrims for the Hedjaz, prior to their embarkation from the port of Calicut, at Beypore near the Feroke railway station, is approved. Pilgrims from Hyderabad and the Hyderabad Assigned districts and the Kurnool district will, however, be detained at Guntakal for observation at the plague inspection camp until they are certified by the medical officer there to be free from infection and sent thence by special train or a special carriage attached to an ordinary train in charge of a European Inspector of Police to be deputed for the purpose by the Inspector-General of Police for embarkation at Calicut with the other pilgrims kept under observation at Beypore. The manner in which the cost of despatching pilgrims from the observation camps should be met has been decided by the Government of India in its letter, No. 11, dated 4th January 1898.

2. The Government considers that the camp at Beypore should be in charge of a commissioned medical officer, not a civil apothecary as recommended by the Collector, and the Surgeon-General is requested to depute one for the purpose. The Collector of Malabar is requested to report by telegram the subordinate staff required for the camp and the estimated cost of constructing the sheds, say, for thirty pilgrims. The Collector's proposal to construct a smaller segregation camp containing sheds for the accommodation of sick persons at a distance from the camp is approved. It will

be sufficient to provide for ten such persons. The Inspector-General of Police is requested to arrange for placing a proper police guard at the Beypore camp and for strengthening the guard at Guntakal. There will then be no necessity for having a palisade and ditch round the sheds at Beypore as proposed by the Collector. The Collector of Anantapur is requested to report by wire whether any additional sheds are necessary at Guntakal for, say, fifty pilgrims; and, if so, the estimated cost of constructing them. The following notification will be published in the *Fort St. George Gazette* in English and in the District Gazettes in English and the vernacular language of the district :—

NOTIFICATION.

In exercise of the power delegated to him under section 2, sub-section (3) of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, by the Governor-General in Council, His Excellency the Governor of Fort St. George in Council is pleased to prescribe the following regulation to be observed in the camps to be established at Beypore and Guntakal for the observation of pilgrims for the Hedjaz under the notification of the Government of India, No. 2495, dated 20th November 1897 :—

"No person taken into either of the said camps for the purpose of being kept under observation shall leave the camp until such time as the medical officer in charge shall be satisfied that all risk of such person conveying the infection of plague has completely abated, or until such person is conveyed from the said camp to the place of embarkation under the orders of the medical officer."

3. As regards the embarkation of the pilgrims, the Government considers that the steamers should be required to anchor outside the bar at Beypore; or, if this be not feasible, that the pilgrims should be sent by boat up to the anchorage off Calicut. The necessary steps in this matter will be taken, and the arrangements for the conveyance of the pilgrims from Calicut to Karachi in communication with the Commissioner in Sind and for the requisition of passports from the pilgrims will be made in the Public Department, in which the Government of India will also be requested to make the necessary regulations authorizing the detention of the pilgrims on board the ships until they reach Karachi.

(True Extract.)

Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Collector of Malabar.

„ the „ of Anantapur, with copy of G.O., No. 2782 M., dated 13th December 1897.

„ all other Collectors.

„ the Public Department, with copy of the Honourable Member's notes.

„ the Public Works Department (Railway Branch), with copy of G.O., No. 2782 M., dated 13th December 1897.

„ the Sanitary Commissioner.

„ the Surgeon-General.

„ the Inspector-General of Police.

„ the Accountant-General.

„ the Superintendent, Government Press.

Gazette.

Exd. Shaik Karim.

Again G.O., No. 2782 M., dated 13th Decem^r 1897.

Current No. 28 M. of 1898, dated

from the Collector of Malabar

Current No. of 189 , dated

from the

SUBJECT Pilgrims for the Hedjaz.

Beypone will be the best place. As for
Teroke being the Ry. Station, is it FOR ORDERS.
not on the N. of the Beypone river? If so
how can pilgrims get thence to Beypone?
Should not they leave the train at Kadathundi
Station?

The Collector of Malabar re-
no one apparently has considered for
at least answered my question whether commands Beypone, near the Teroke
it will not be best to detain pilgrims
from Hydera bad and the Baransat Guntur Railway Station, as the place
Kad - I think this should be done. We
have an est. there already which can
be supplemented by a Police guard
of such strength as may be thought
necessary when we know how many
pilgrims are likely to come.
Then there is the question of passports. Pilgrims for the Hedjaz. As
it will be so & so to require them.

A A comd. officer should be sent. regards the arrangements for
B - If you have a proper Police the reception and despatch
guard, I don't see why palisades &
ditch are needed. But regns. must of the pilgrims he suggests:
issue under the Ep. Diseases Act
giving authority to detain pilgrims. (1) that the camp should
If not, the use of force to do so
will be illegal. he in charge of a Civil & Apothecary.

C.D. Right
or the pilgrims may be sent by
boat up to the anchorage opposite B (2) that the sheds forming
Calicut.

As soon as we know the number
of pilgrims the B.D. must be arranged
with to carry them up from Calicut
& tranship them at Bombay, without
allowing them to land there or at
any intermediate port, to a steamer
proceeding to Haeraclic direct. The
medl. officer with a police guard
will have to proceed in the steamer
as far as Bombay to prevent their
landing. The medl officer should of
course take medical with him. C (3) that a smaller segregated
camp containing sheds for the
accommodation of twenty
patients

patients should be constructed at a distance, on similar lines, D (4) that there should be a strong Police guard, and E (5) that steamers should be required to anchor opposite Beypore and pilgrims shipped direct from there.

2. It is submitted that the first four of the above proposals may be approved and the following arrangements made:—

(1) The Surgeon General should be requested to state the name of the Civil Apothecary whom he proposes to place in charge of the Camp in view to information being furnished to the Commissioner in Sind, as required in his telegram of the 4th Instant (Cur no 2M. Flagged L) and to report the necessary subordinate staff required for the Camp.

(2) The Collector should be requested to report the estimated cost of constructing the sheds in view to the Financial Dept. being requested to place the required funds at his disposal.

India must be asked to make regns. authorizing their detention on ship-board. It would be of no use our doing so as the vessel will pass out of our jurisdiction long before she reaches Bombay.

(Intd) H.W.B.

7/1/98.

The Comr. in Sind should be told that he must give plenty of notice for the people from Calicut to go to Karkheli. It is not as if they could go by rail. The steamers from Calcutta to Bombay are of little use. I should doubt if a shorter time than a fortnight would do. But it may take longer.

(Intd) H.W.B.

The Comr. should address him as "The Medical Officer in charge". His name is nothing. (Intd) A.T.A.

(Intd) H.W.B.

I think we might assume 100.

(Intd) H.T.

This is extreme, if the Hyderabad & Berar (+ Kurnool?) pilgrims are detained altogether. I believe very few go from this Presidency. I should say accommodation for 30 would be enough.

(Intd) H.W.B.

The number of sheds required will, of course depend upon the number of pilgrims who will be coming, but as regards this there is no definite information at present.

(3) The Inspector General of Police should be requested to arrange for providing the necessary police guard at the Camp.

(Intd) H.W.B.

3. As regards the fifth proposal of the Collector, as the Govt. has already decided that the pilgrims should be despatched from the port of Calicut, it does not appear to be necessary now to alter it in favour of Beypore. The distance from Beypore to Calicut being only 5 or 6 miles, the pilgrims are not likely to suffer any great inconvenience by being walked or sent in carts from Beypore to Calicut.

It is not exactly altering it. The steamer can come round from Calicut to near Beypore. It is inadvisable to take the pilgrims through Calicut.

(Intd) H.T.

6/1/98.

Certainly

(Intd) A.T.A.

(Intd) H.W.B.

I cannot see why he wants to know the name. Apothecaries change. It hardly seems necessary to oblige him.

(Intd) H.T.

The Collector should do this by wire.

(Intd) H.T.

(Intd) A.T.A.

(Intd) H.W.B.

(Intd) T.R.
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