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Public Works (1899) Department.

RAILWAY BRANCH.

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G.O., No. 947. Ry

DATED 25th Augt 1899.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Plague Examination

Comm: to the Agent & Manager M. Ry., pro in the L & M Dept, recording his letter regarding the detention of trains at Jalarpet and Podanur for — with remark that such delays complained of were unavoidable.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL.

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G.O., No. 889 P., 24th August 1898.

AUGUST.

Plague Inspection Stations.

Ordering the publication of notifications placing the district of Anantapur under observation and appointing the Railway Stations of Hindupur and Guntakal as—

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following papers:—

Telegram from the Collector of Anantapur, to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Local and Municipal Department, dated Guntakal, 21st August 1898.

"Both cases doing well. Surgeon-General Sanitary Commissioner inspecting; please declare Anantapur under observation; revive Guntakal inspecting; request Mysore authorities examine outward trains from Bangalore to Guntakal."

Telegram from the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department, to the Collector of Anantapur, dated 22nd August 1898.

"Anantapur District declared to be under Observation. Railway Inspection Station should be opened at Hindupur immediately for inspection of trains to and from Bangalore. Please wire date when inspection can begin."

Order—No. 889 P., dated 24th August 1898.

The district of Anantapur will be declared to be "Under Observation" as requested by the Collector.

2. As regards the inspection of outward-bound trains from Bangalore to Guntakal, the Resident in Mysore has been requested by telegram* to arrange for the inspection of trains proceeding to both Guntakal and Jalarpet.

*"This Government will be obliged if immediate arrangements can be made to inspect outward trains from Bangalore to Guntakal and Jalarpet."

3. A Railway Frontier Inspection Station should be opened at Hindupur as soon as possible, with a staff consisting of one Assistant Surgeon, one Inspectress, and one Hospital Assistant, and the trains both to and from Bangalore should be examined. Sheds should be erected without delay for the accommodation of two European patients, 6 native patients, 4 Europeans under observation and 20 natives under observation. They should provide for the division of sexes and should be so arranged as to be capable of extension. The Agent, Southern Mahratta Railway, is requested to detain all trains at Hindupur for such period as may be necessary for their medical examination and to instruct its subordinates to give every assistance to the inspecting medical staffs at Guntakal and Hindupur. Special punches should be supplied to the Medical Officers, and if required by the Collector, an inspection shed should be provided on the railway platform at Hindupur by the Southern Mahratta Railway Administration at its cost.

4. At Guntakal no local passenger should be allowed to proceed by any train without a medical examination, and the following classes of persons should also be examined:—

(a) Passengers from the west who halt at Guntakal for some hours before proceeding by another train. A careful watch must be kept on them and they should be inspected on arrival and also before departure.

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(b) Passengers from Bangalore, until the inspection station at Hindupur is organized.

An inspecting staff consisting of one Assistant Surgeon or Apothecary, one Hospital Assistant, and one inspectress seems sufficient.

5. The Surgeon-General is requested to depute the staffs mentioned in paras. 3 and 4, and the Collector of Anantapur is authorized to appoint menial servants according to requirements. The Inspector-General of Police will supply the necessary Police Guards at Guntakal and Hindupur.

6. Suspicious clothing, baggage, &c., should be disinfected in the mode prescribed in G. O. No. 816-M., dated 6th April 1897, G. O. No. 1101-M., dated 6th May 1897, and para. 40 of the instructions printed on page 105 of "the Madras Plague Regulations and Rules."

7. The following notifications will be published in the Fort Saint George Gazette:—

NOTIFICATION.

With reference to No. 1 of the Additional Mufussal Regulations under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, published at pages 55—63 of the Fort Saint George Gazette, dated 1st March 1898, His Excellency the Governor of Fort Saint George in Council hereby declares the District of Anantapur to be "Under Observation."

NOTIFICATION.

His Excellency the Governor of Fort Saint George in Council hereby appoints the Railway Stations at Hindupur and Guntakal in the Anantapur district to be inspection stations under No. 14 of the Regulations prescribed under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, for District Municipalities and other towns and villages, and published in Notification No. 897, Fort Saint George Gazette, dated 18th December 1897, Part I, pages 1583—1589.

(True extract.)

H. TREMENHEERE,
Secretary to Government.

To
The Collector of Anantapur, (A.—L.)
,, Surgeon-General.
,, Inspector-General of Police.
,, Agent, Southern Mahratta Railway.
,, Sanitary Commissioner.

Copy to the
Public Works Department, (Railway Branch).
Judicial Department.
Public Department.
Marine Department.
Political Department.
President, Municipal Commission, Madras.
All other Collectors (A.F.G.H.)
Editors' table.
Gazette.
Government of Bombay with covering letter.

(No. I.)

5000-15-3-88.

No. 11401/296

MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE,

MADRAS, 18th March 1899

From

The Agent and Manager,
Madras Railway Company,

No. 966/21.3.99

copy forwarded to the Plague Commr -
JH 21.3.99.

To

The Consulting Engineer for Railways.
Madras.

SIR,

I have the honor to state the Company's Traffic Manager reports that the Mail train of the 15th instant from Madras arrived at Mettapalaiyam on 16th, 126 minutes late, on account of Plague examination at Jolarpet and Podanur. I therefore beg to request that steps may be taken to reduce such excessive delays. In this connection I would invite attention to this office letter No. 11401/1137 of the 28th November last, in which the danger of running trains at other than the booked time was pointed out.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant,

for Agent & Manager.

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(A. & M. I.)

No 11401
B. 1137

MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE,

Madras, 28th November 1898.

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From

The Agent and Manager,
M. R. Co

To

The Consulting Engineer for Railways,
Madras.

P A 1 R

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose for your information copy of a letter which I have to-day addressed to the Plague Commissioner in regard to the delay caused to trains by detention at Plague examination Stations. The enclosures referred to are also attached.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant,

Agent and Manager

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30.11.98

Copy of letter No. T. 957 dated 27-10-98 from the Traffic Manager B. B and C. I. Ry—

Detention to trains owing to Plague examination

With reference to your letter No. T. 7 3722 of 22nd inst, I beg to inform you, that during the first year of Medical Inspection of our through passenger trains, 30 minutes was generally allowed for the purpose, last year when the Medical staff were transferred from Palghar to Bandra, opportunity was taken of cutting off 10 minutes for inspection, as it was found that 30 minutes was more than enough, owing to the passenger traffic having fallen off considerably on account of the severe restrictions as to detention Camps etc, imposed by Government which were not so rigidly enforced during the first year. From the 14th of this month, the Medical staff have again been transferred back to Palghar and the time, viz, 20 minutes given at Bandra has been transferred to Palghar instead, but experience shows that the time allowed is not sufficient under the present rules; as now that detention [illegible]amps have been abolished, Governmen [illegible] on a very m[illegible]h stricter

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examination of passengers and although there are 6 Medical officers working at each train, the through inspection is never finished under 30 Mts, now and again we have to bring detentions, which are considered as unnecessary delays, to the notice of the Plague Authorities, who are always ready to enquire and to insist in minimizing delays at Stations as much as possible.

(True Copy)

MADRAS RAILWAY.

From
The Agent and Manager,
M. R. Co.,

To
The Consulting E neer
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Enc. No. 3 to E. R's C. No. 5609 of 1898
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MADRAS RAILWAY.

From
The Agent and Manager,

To
The Consulting Engineer
for Railways.

Dated 188

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No.

Copy of a letter from the Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, to the Preside Municipal Commission, Madras, No. 1401/12258 dated the 24th November 1898.

The Traffic Manager has referred to me copy of your letter of the 19th of Octobe

For your information I beg to give you below a list of the plauge staff posted to the Poona station.

2. We hold that the examinations at our principal stations and at Perambur are as searching if not more so than on the Norther Railways but the City detentions entail very serious loss upon the Company as Engines are kept in steam and the pay of the running staff runs into heavy overtime.

3. We have for some years recognised that we cannot get through the work at Perambur without six Ticket-Collectors and as these men have very little writing to do you will readily understand that the members of the limited plague staff cannot get through their duties and allow of the trains being despatched without delay.

Poona

Poona Plague staff

1 Superintendent.
1 Chief Medical officer.
1 Assistant.
1 Nurse
1 Supervisor.
5 Hospital Assistants.
9 Clerks.
1 Subidar.
40 Sepoys.

2 British soldiers
1 Naik
3. Hamals.
1 Lady Nurse
3 Ayahs

For disinfection

(True Copy)

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE,

MADRAS, 18th April 1899.

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19-4-99

From

The Agent and Manager,
Madras Railway Company,

To

The Consulting Engineer for Railways.
Madras.

Put up list of Plague inspection stations (1) between Hubli & Guntakal & between Bangalore & Guntakal also other correspondence suggesting (2) methods of reducing the detentions due to plague exam. JLK 21/4/99.

D, (1) Please see flags V & A
(2) No correspondence can be traced.
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D,

SIR,

I have the honor to enclose Copy of a letter addressed to me by the Company's Traffic Manager No. 3864.38/3462 of the 27th ultimo, regarding the late arrival of the Down North West Line Mail at Raichur on account of plague examination at Guntakal, together with two statements, and to request that you will be good enough to help us in the matter if you can.-

2. I don't want to leave passengers behind at Guntakal but our connection with the Great Indian Peninsula Mail service must be maintained and unless the Plague Department can get through their

examination

examination in less time, the through passengers must be left behind.–

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obdt. Serv

Agent & Manager.

Encls: 3.

MADRAS RAILWAY.

From
The Agent and Manager,
M. R. Co.,

To
The Consulting Engineer
for Railways.

Dated 188

Recd.

No.

Reg. No. 2048 '99
No. 437 18-4-99
From Agt

No. T. 86438/34620

Madras Railway Compa
Traffic Manager's Offi
Central Station, Madras, 27th Marc

The Agent and Manager
Rayapuram.

Dear Sir,

Our down North West Line Mail is suffering a chronic delay at Guntakal which is causing frequent late arrivals at Raichur owin to the constant late arrival and to the insufficient margin of time allowed for the Southern Mahratta trains. These trains now have to undergo plague inspection at Guntakal and the consequent delay to passengers causes the late departure of our trains.

The matter has been represented to the Southern Mahratta Railway who have informed us in reply that they are unable to make any changes in the running of their trains. Our late arrivals at Raichur have caused complaints from both the G. I. P. and N. G. S. Railways. As therefore we can get no help from the S. M. Ry and as the down mail is an important main line train, I shall be glad to be favoured with your views as to the advisability of issuing instructions that it is to be started from Guntakal as soon as the mail bags are received, passengers being left behind if the plague inspection has not been completed.

Yours faithfully
(sd). H. W. Read
Traffic Manager.

(True Copy)
W. Williams
for. Chief Clerk.

List shewing particulars of delays to No. 81 Mail at Guntakal waiting for S. M. R. trains.

Date of	Extra delay	Remarks	Time arrl. of S. M. R. No.	Time arrl. of S. M. R. Trains	Time 81 Mail Left
February 2	22	Late Arrl: of S. M. R. No 79 Up train by 35 mts and Md.* Examn	79	6.55	7.22
3	25	„ „ „ 56 Dn by 36 mts — do	56	7.0	7.13
4	25	„ „ „ 56 do 16 do do	56	6.41	7.15
6	40	„ „ „ 56 Dn and 79 Up by 15 + 39 mts x do	56 79	6.40 6.59	7.28
7	17	„ „ „ 56 Dn by 24 mts ...... do	56	6.49	7.5
8	8	„ „ „ 79 Up „ 15 „ ...... do	79	6.35	6.59
10	20	„ „ „ 79 + 56 by 25 + 30 mts ...... do	79 56	6.45 6.55	7.8
11	27	„ „ „ 56 + 79 by 17 + 27 „ ...... do	56 79	6.42 6.47	7.18
12	12	„ „ „ 56 + 79 by 24 + 10 ...... do	79 56	6.30 6.49	7.0
13	22	„ „ „ 79 by 23 + 56 Dn by 22 mts ...... do	79 56	6.43 6.47	7.10
14	22	„ „ „ 79 + 56 by 5 + 20 mts ...... do	79 56	6.25 6.45	7.10
16	56	„ „ „ 79 by 60 mts ...... do	79	7.20	7.44
17	4	„ „ „ do 15 „ ...... do	79	6.35	6.52
19	52	„ „ „ 79 + 56 by 57 + 58 mts ...... do	79 56	7.17 7.23	7.40
20	19	„ „ „ 56 + 79 by 12 + 27 „ ...... do	56 79	6.37 6.47	7.7
21	36	„ „ „ 79 Up by 40 mts ...... do	79	7.0	7.24
22	9	„ „ „ 56 down by 12 mts ...... do	56	6.40	6.57
23	7	„ „ „ 79 Up by 19 „ ...... do	79	6.39	6.55
24	10	„ „ „ 56 down by 7 „ ...... do	56	6.37	6.58
25	36	„ „ „ 79 by 34 mts ...... do	79	6.54	7.24
27	5	„ „ „ 79 „ 18 „ ...... do	79	6.38	6.53
28	17	„ „ „ 56 down 26 mts ...... do	56	6.51	7.8.
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* Medical Examination.

(True Copy)

No. 2 2048/99
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List shewing particulars of delays to No. 81 Mail at Guntak
waiting for S. M. R. Trains.

Date of		Extra delay	Remarks	Time arrl. of S. M. R. No.	Time arrl. of S. M. R. Trains	Time 81 Mail Left.
March	1	27	Late arrl. of S. M. R. No. 56 Dn train by 33 mts + Md.* Exmn.	56	6.58	7.15
	2	32	——— „ ——— „ ——— 44 ——— do	56	7.9	7.20
	3	20	——— „ ——— „ 79 up ——— 35 ——— do	79	6.55	7.8
	4	27	——— „ ——— „ 79 up and 56 Dn ——— 20 ——— do	79 56	6.40 6.45	7.15
	5	3	——— „ ——— „ 79 by 15 mts . . . . ——— do	79	6.35	6.51
	6	25	——— „ ——— „ ——— 35 ——— . . . . ——— do	79	6.55	7.13
	7	9	——— „ ——— „ ——— 22 ——— . . . . ——— do	79	6.42	6.57
	8	9	——— „ ——— „ 56 by 25 ——— . . . . ——— do	56	6.50	7.15
	9	27	——— „ ——— „ 79 up by 44 mts . . . ——— do	79	7.4	7.35
	10	7	——— „ ——— „ 56+79 by 4+14 mts . . . ——— do	56 79	6.29 6.34	6.55
	14	11	——— „ ——— „ 56 Dn by 25 mts . . . ——— do	56	6.45	6.59
	15	9	——— „ ——— „ ——— 29 ——— . . . ——— do	56	6.54	7.13
	16	35	——— „ ——— „ ——— 47 ——— . . . ——— do	56	7.12	7.33
	17	20	——— „ ——— „ ——— 20 ——— . . . ——— do	56	6.45	7.8
	18	35	——— „ ——— „ ——— 45 ——— . . . ——— do	56	7.10	7.23
	19	15	——— „ ——— „ ——— 22 ——— . . . ——— do	56	6.47	7.3
	20	4	——— „ ——— „ ——— 10 ——— . . . ——— do	56	6.35	6.55
	21	4	——— „ ——— „ ——— 15 ——— . . . ——— do of 79 up by 10 mts . . . ——— do	56 79	6.40 6.30	7.0
	22	5	——— „ ——— „ 79 up by 21 mts . . . ——— do	79	6.41	7.5
	23	10	——— „ ——— „ 79 up by 30 mts . . . ——— do	79	6.50	7.12
	24	13	——— „ ——— „ 79 up by 35 mts . . . ——— do	79	6.55	7.10
	25	6	——— „ ——— „ 56 Dn by 17 mts . . . ——— do	56	6.59	7.21
	28	42	——— „ ——— „ ——— 55 ——— . . . ——— do	56	7.20	7.30
	29	34	——— „ ——— „ ——— 50 ——— . . . ——— do	56	7.15	7.15
	30	12	——— „ ——— „ ——— 20 ——— . . . ——— do	56	6.45	7.0
	31	8	——— „ ——— „ ——— 20 ——— . . . ——— do	56	6.45	6.55

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* Medical Examination

(True Copy.)

Enc. No. 3 to E.P.... 2048/99
Letter No. 437 18-4-99
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Form No. 34.

No.

OFFICE OF THE CONSULTING ENGINEER
FOR RAILWAYS,

Madras, ______ 189 .

OFFICE NOTE.

From

To E. R.

A. M complains about the detention to the N. W line mail train at Guntakal owing to its having to wait while passengers by No's 56 & 79 S. M. R.'s trains are being inspected for plague & threatens to leave these passengers behind.

No 56 is a train from Hubli, Gadag, Hospet & Bellary which arrives or should arrive at Guntakal at 6.25.

No 79 is a train from Bangalore timed to arrive at Guntakal at 6.20.

The mail for Raichur departs, 1899. at 6.48.

The only way to restrict plague examination would be by putting some distinguishing punch mark on the tickets at the first place of examination which would free ~~them~~ passengers holding such tickets from the detention at other stations for examination on the same day. This could easily be done, it might of course lead to a trade in marked tickets but I hardly think this likely. but as it seems likely that many areas now declared to be infected will in a very short time be declared free it is perhaps hardly worth while to take action now. The L & M Dept. may be able to inform us what places will soon be removed from the list of plague infected areas. I see in the papers Bangalore is to be declared "free"

26.4.99.

To Secretary L & M. Dept.

for consideration

L&M u.o. 20/3-5-99.

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I am afraid we cannot give up Guntakal Examination for some time. The Examination at Bangalore is to be at once given up so we have only Hindupur & Hospet – to do. [illegible] not care however about passengers [illegible] way from Madras & if it comes [illegible] passengers in the Bellary who hold [illegible] out of

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Form No. 1.

No. 19/6

Madras, 5th May 1899.

[illegible] Enders.

From

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS,
MADRAS,

To

THE AGENT AND MANAGER, M. RY.
~~" " S. I. RY.~~
~~" " H. H. THE N. G. S. RY.~~
~~" " S. M. RY.~~
~~" ENGR.-IN-CHIEF, B. M. RY.~~
~~" MANAGER, E. C. RY.~~

Reply No.

dated

SIR,

With reference to your letter No. 11760/437 dated the 18th April I quote below a note made in the Municipal Dept of the Secretariat

and shall be glad to learn for the information of that Dept. whether you can [illegible] as therein suggested

Re Municipal Note

3-5-99

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[illegible] on 5/5/99

I have [illegible]

the heaviest delays caused by

Form No. 18.

COPY of a communication from the Agent and Manager Madras Railway to

the Consulting Engineer for Railways, Madras, No. 11401/714, dated 17th June 1899.

I have the honour to state that the Company's Traffic Manager reports that the South West Line Passenger train No 31 of the 10th instant from Madras arrived at Mettupalayam on 11th 72 minutes late owing to a delay in excess of the usual stopping time of 27 minutes at Jolarpet and 45 minutes at Podanur on account of Plague Examination. I therefore beg to request that steps may be taken to reduce such excessive delays. In this connection, I would invite attention to this office letter No 11401/1137 of the 28th November last, in which the danger of running trains at other than the booked time was pointed out.

— Do — Do —, 11617/71 dated 22d June 1899

I have the honour to state that the Company's Traffic Manager reports, that No 31 [illegible]

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partly to plague examination, a delay having occurred in excess of the usual stopping time, of 7 minutes at Jolarpet and 7 minutes at Podanur.

I therefore beg to request that steps may be taken to reduce such delays.

A. M's No. $\frac{11401}{714}$ of 17th June 1899

A. Ms -"- $\frac{11617}{718}$ of 22d do

No 215 RM of 3d July/99

Transferred to the Local and Municipal Department with reference to the Dept's letter to the Plague Commissioner No $\frac{11401}{1235}$ of 28th November 1898.

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Despatched on 3/7/99

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No. ~~11617~~

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE,

Madras, 5th July 1899.

CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS
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From

The *Agent and Manager.* M.R.

To

The *Consulting Engineer for Railways.*
Madras.

SIR,

In continuation of this office letter No. H 7.8 dated the 22d ultimo, I have the honour to inform you that No. 31 Passenger Train from Madras to Mettupalaiyam of the 28th idem, was detained at Podanur for 62 minutes over the time allowed for Plague examination.

I beg again to represent that a very grave responsibility is thrown on to this Railway by the detention of trains at Plague examining Stations.

I am prep[illegible]d to al

timing of trains as I may be required by Government, but I contend that I should not be asked to keep trains at Plague Stations one moment beyond the authorised starting time.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servt.
Innis S. M. D.
Agent & Manager.

MADRAS RAILWAY.

From The Agent and Manager.

To The Consulting Engineer for Railways.

No.

Dated 188

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(No. I.)

No. 11607.

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE,

MADRAS, 14th July, 188/99

CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR RAILWAYS
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C.E. 3664
Recd. 15/7/99

From

The Agent and Manager,
Madras Railway Company,

To

The Consulting Engineer for Railways.
Madras.

SIR,

I have the honor to invite attention to my letters Nos. H 11401/714, H 11607/718, and B 11607/809 of the 17th and 22nd Ultimo and 5th instant respectively regarding the excessive delay to trains for examination of passengers under the plague rules and to enquire whether the Government wish the time allowed for halts at examining stations to be extended. I am very strongly of opinion that a grave risk is being imposed on the management of the Railway by trains starting from Stations very late, in some cases hours beyond the ordinary starting time.

I shall be glad if Government will give me an order to start trains from examining stations after they have remained there the allotted time, whether the examination is completed or not.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant,

Louis S. Moss

Agent and Manager.

(No. I.)

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE,

MADRAS, 24th July, 18~~8~~99.

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Papers received from the L & M. Deptt and put up 31-7-99.

From

The Agent and Manager,
Madras Railway Company,

To

The Consulting Engineer for Railways.
Madras.

SIR,

W

In continuation of my letter No.857 of the 14th of July I have the honor to send you a statement showing the detentions to in-coming trains at Perambur through the operations of the Plague Staff during the months of May and June.

If these delays are to continue, and the public is to be put to the inconvenience of waiting at Perambur from 15 to 60 minutes over and above the authorised time, then I must ask your sanction to my rearranging the time table, and in this case I must also, as the officer responsible for the safe working of trains, beg that you will enquire from the plague department what is the maximum number of minutes the plague officers require to examine each and every train, it being under-stood that this time is in no case to be exceeded.

I cannot learn that so heavy a responsibility is being placed upon any other Railway in India as that imposed upon the Madras Railway at the present time.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient Servant,

Innis S.P.

Statement showing the heaviest delays caused by plague examination to Up trains at Perambur during May & June

Date	Train	Time delayed
1899 May 1st	No 42.	26 minutes
"	" 28	16 "
"	" 98	11 "
"	" 32	34 "
"	" 102	47 "
May 2d	" 42	12 "
"	" 28	12 "
"	" 98	23 "
"	" 32	21 "
"	" 102	43 "
May 3d	" 42	14 "
"	" 28	17 "
"	" 98	25 "
"	" 32	26 "
"	" 102	34 "
"	" 8	17 "
May 4th	" 28	12 "
"	" 98	10 "
"	" 32	49 "
"	" 102	33 "
May 5th	" 28	10 "
"	" 32	10 "
"	" 102	31 "
"	" 8	11 "
May 6th	" 28	11 "
"	" 98	10 "
"	" 32.	11 "
"	" 102	51 "
"	" 8	16 "
May 7th	" 28	16 "
"	" 98	15 "
"	" 32	26 "
"	" 102	32 "
[illegible] 5th	" 42	18 "
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June 2[illegible]	42	20

Date	Train	Time delayed
May 8th	No 28	10 minutes.
"	" 98	26 "
"	" 32	19 "
"	" 102	43 "
"	" 8	20 "
May 9th	" 42	27 "
"	" 28	14 "
"	" 98	20 "
"	" 32	23 "
"	" 102	41 "
May 10th	" 42	36 "
"	" 28	14 "
"	" 98	11 "
"	" 32	21 "
"	" 102	31 "
May 11th	" 42	16 "
"	" 28	12 "
"	" 32	15 "
"	" 102	37 "
"	" 8	12 "
May 12th	" 98	20 "
"	" 32	23 "
"	" 102	30 "
May 13th	" 42	19 "
"	" 28	12 "
"	" 98	19 "
"	" 32	24 "
"	" 102	32 "
"	" 8	16 "
May 14th	" 102	64 "
" 15th	" 102	61 "
" 16th	" 102	55 "
" 17th	[illegible]	1
18th	102	25
	42	5

Date	Train	Time delayed	
May 21st	No. 102	37	minutes
"	" 32	23	"
"	" 42	25	"
"	" 14	23	"
May 22d	" 102	60	"
"	" 32	23	"
"	" 42	32	"
May 23d	" 102	40	"
"	" 42	33	"
May 24th	" 102	90	"
"	" 32	22	"
"	" 42	26	"
May 25th	" 102	46	"
"	" 32	24	"
"	" 28	23	"
"	" 42	49	"
May 26th	" 102	34	"
"	" 42	26	"
"	" 14	26	"
May 27th	" 102	56	"
"	" 42	36	"
"	" 14	26	"
May 28th	" 14	29	"
"	" 42	24	"
"	" 98	20	"
"	" 102	47	"
May 29th	" 14	14	"
"	" 42	31	"
"	" 32	19	"
"	" 102	47	"
May 30th	" 14	18	"
"	" 42	21	"
"	" 32	21	"
"	" 102	28	"
May 31st	" 14	15	"
"	42	21	"
June [illegible]			

Date	Train	Time delaye	
May 31st	No. 32	20	Minut
"	" 102	32	"
June 1st	" 14	15	"
"	" 42	22	"
"	" 32	16	"
"	" 102	33	"
June 2d	" 14	12	"
"	" 42	15	"
"	" 102	22	"
June 3d	" 42	25	"
"	" 32	15	"
"	" 102	32	"
June 4th	" 14	18	"
"	" 42	14	"
"	" 102	31	"
June 5th	" 14	16	"
"	" 42	24	"
"	" 102	30	"
June 6th	" 42	19	"
"	" 98	14	"
"	" 32	13	"
"	" 102	28	"
June 7th	" 14	13	"
"	" 42	16	"
"	" 28	18	"
"	" 98	15	"
"	" 32	16	"
"	" 102	29	"
June 8th	" 42	19	"
"	" 98	13	"
"	" 32	14	"
"	" 102	33	"
June 9th	" 14	16	"
"	" 42	19	"
"	" 102	25	"
[illegible]	42	[illegible]	

Date	Train	Time delayed
June 10th	No. 98	18 Minutes
"	" 32	23 "
"	" 102	47 "
June 11th	" 42	26 "
"	" 102	34 "
June 12th	" 42	18 "
"	" 98	17 "
"	" 32	14 "
"	" 102	35 "
"	" 8	14 "
June 13th	" 42	26 "
"	" 102	36 "
June 14th	" 14	17 "
"	" 102	31 "
June 15th	" 42	17 "
"	" 98	19 "
"	" 102	36 "
June 16th	" 42	23 "
"	" 102	31 "
June 17th	" 42	14 "
"	" 102	47 "
June 18th	" 14	15 "
"	" 102	15 "
June 19th	" 14	14 "
"	" 42	31 "
"	" 102	38 "
June 20th	" 42	22 "
"	" 102	30 "
June 21st	" 14	13 "
"	" 42	25 "
"	" 102	52 "
June 22nd	" 14	16 "
"	" 42	20 "

Date	Train	Time delayed
June 24th	No. 14	16 Minutes
"	" 42	15 "
"	" 102	58 "
June 26th	" 42	26 "
"	" 102	35 "
June 26	" 14	14 "
"	" 42	28 "
"	" 102	44 "
June 27th	" 42	22 "
"	" 102	48 "
June 28th	" 14	11 "
"	" 42	21 "
"	" 102	15 "
June 29th	" 14	10 "
"	" 42	11 "
June 30th	" 14	10 "
"	" 42	13 "
"	" 102	10 "

Form No. 14. Plague

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
RAILWAY BRANCH.

C. No 3400

NOTE FOR D,

With his letter No. 113 dated 28.11.98 (Flag V) the Agent and Manager sent us a copy of a letter which he addressed to the Plague Commissioner in regard to the delay caused to trains by detention at Plague Examination Stations.-

In his letters No. 296, 714 + 718 dated respectively 18th March, 17th + 22nd June (Flags V. +VI VII) he complained of the detention to trains on the S.W.L on account of Plague Examination at Jalarpet + Podanur.- On the first occasion the mail train arrived at Mettupalayam 126 minutes late.- On the fo[illegible]ing 2 occasions the No. 31 Passenger train arrived late at Mettupalayam once 72 minutes late.- The first letter was forwarded by us

	From Madras No 31	From Bangalore	From Madras Mail	From Bangalore
Jalarpet arr	13.3	11.27	0.7	23.56
" dep	13.28		0.30.	
Podanur arr	2.35		7.30	
" dep	3.5		8.0.	

Passengers from Madras to Mettupalayam by No 31 train wait at Jalarpet 25 minutes

Passengers from Bangalore to Mettupalayam by same train wait at Jalarpet 2 hours.

Passengers from Madras by mail wait at Jalarpet 23 minutes

Passengers from Bangalore wait at Jalarpet 34 minutes

Both trains wait at Podanur 30 minutes.

According to the Agent the plague examination of passengers by No 31 on the 28th Idem took 92 minutes. I cannot believe that this period is ever necessary for the examination. I have always [illegible] the next two to the L. & M. Depts with No 215 R M of 3.7.99. Fly S.)

The present letter from the Agent reports that the same train (No 31) was detained at Podanur for 62 minutes over the time allowed for Plague Examination & a representation is made of the grave responsibility thrown on the Railway by the detention complained of.— He adds that he is prepared to alter the timing of trains as may be required by Govt., but that he should not be asked to keep trains at Plague Stations one moment beyond the authorised starting time.—

It is submitted that a strong representation should be made to the L & M. Depts.

17/7/99

certainly appears to me that there is a great want of system in the examination. Passengers are often herded together within ropes & kept waiting there for 10 or 15 minutes while the plague inspectors are conversing together or with friends on the platform.
It would greatly facilitate enquiry if the Agent gave us more particulars viz hours of arrival & departure of trains, number of passengers etc.
I am inclined to think that delays caused by due to other causes are often put down to the plague.

17.7.99

To L & M Dept

for favour of expression of opinion as to whether any steps can be taken to ensure the examination being carried out in a fixed time & whether the present time allowed is insufficient

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No. 62. RM/O

Government of Madras,

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

RAILWAY BRANCH.

To

The Secretary to the Govt of Bombay P.W.D. Rys

Ooty, the 18th August 1899

Sir,

~~With reference to earlier~~

~~[illegible] letter my letter~~ No 36 R.M./O

~~[illegible]~~ I am directed to forward ~~herewith~~ for information copy of Proceedings of this Government No. 931. Ry of 18th Aug 99 in regard to the steps taken ~~[illegible]~~ to minimize the ~~time taken for~~ delays to trains caused by medical inspection at plague ~~[illegible]~~ inspection stations.—

16.8.99.

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Please fill in
RM/O forms

Documents accompanying:—
Copy of Pro. No 931 Ry

C. [illegible] 11-8-99.

Public Works (1899) Department.

Railway

CURRENT No. 1043.

B

From

Local and Municipal Dept.

Order No. 931. Ry dated 18/8/99

Communicated to the Agent and Manager Madras Railway for information with reference to correspondence ending with his letter No. 11401/893 dated 24th July, 1899.

16.8.99.

To

The Agent & Manager S.I.R. S.M.R.

" " S.I.Ry

" Govt of Bombay

No. 2329.

Dated 7th Aug, 99

Received

Registered 14/8/99

Enclosures

Spare copies

SUBJECT.

Plague

Requesting Collectors of districts in which there are inspection stations, to report what arrangements can be made to secure greater promptitude in the Examination

7.9.99

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No.	Date.

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No.	Date.

RECEIVED
11 AUG. 1899
MADRAS RYS.

Local and Municipal Department.

MEMORANDUM.

Ro. cms. 2329 A of 7.8.99

Complaints regarding excessive delays to trains at plague inspection stations have been received from time to time from the Madras and other Railways. The Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway has recently represented that a grave risk is being imposed on the management of the Railway by trains starting from stations very late, in some cases hours beyond the ordinary starting time. There is reason to believe that there is a much want of system in the examination of passengers and this would naturally result in delays to trains. Collectors of districts in which there are inspection stations are requested to report what arrangements can be made to secure greater promptitude in the examination of passengers whereby delays to trains might be reduced to a minimum, and to report in detail ~~[illegible]~~ and clearly the method of inspection followed. Possibly the establishments employed for examining passengers do not sufficiently realise the great importance of expedition in the matter and the great danger involved in delaying the trains over and above the time allowed by the Time Tables.

for Ag. Secretary to Government.

To

The Collectors of Bellary,
Anantapur, North Arcot, Salem,
and Coimbatore.

Copy to the P. W. Department, (Railway Branch)

C. No. called for 15.8.99

Public Works (1899) Department.

Railway

CURRENT No. 1052

B/

From Local and Municipal Department

Order No. 947. Ry dated 25/8/99.

Communicated to the Agent & Manager, Madras Railway Company, with reference to his letters No. 11401/714 & 11617/718 dated the 17th & 22nd June 1899.

No. 1228 P. Mis

Dated 11th August 1899.

Received

Registered 17/8/99

Enclosures

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SUBJECT.

Recording, a letter from the Agent and Man. of the M. Ry, re the detention of trains at Jalarpet and Podanur for pla Examinations, with the remark, that such

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PLAGUE

REC. 1.
15 AUG. 1899
GOVT. OF MADRAS RY.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

READ the following paper :—

Flag 8.

From the Public Works Department No.215 R.M. dated 3rd July 1899 transferring letter from the Agent and Manager Madras Railway regarding the ~~stopping~~ detention of trains at Jalarpet and Podanur for plague examinations.

From the Collector of Salem No.1286 P dated 13" July 1899 reporting on the delay of trains at Jalarpet for Plague Inspection on th 10" July 1899.

From the Collector of Coimbatore D.Dis.No.671 P. dated 15" July 1899 reporting on the late arrival of trains on the 11" and 18" June 1899 at Mettupalayam.

Order No.1228 P.Mis., dated 11" August 1899.

Recorded with the remark that , from the reports received from the Collectors of Salem and Coimbatore ,it appears that the delays complained of were unavoidable.

(True Extract)

for Ag. Secretary to Government.

To

The P.W. Department ,Railway Branch. ✓

,, Agent and Manager Madras Railway.

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INDIAN TELEGRAPHS. Monthly Number. 2311

AUG 1899 MADRAS

Code Class. D S			From (Office) Ootacamund	
To (Office) Madras Triplicane				
Words 43	Day 17	Hour 17	Minute 50	Official Instructions Kyd.
To (Person) Dy. Con. Engr. for Rys. Chepauk			From (Person) Con. Engr.	

H.C. On inspection discuss question of possibility of improving Madras Ooty mail service by two or three hours Metapollium Podanur section very slow mails nearly always delivered after offices are closed

64 Word Form.

F.C. 2.

E.R.

I have talked it over with A.M. He says it is impossible to improve service so long as Plague regulations are in force. Podanur is one of the places where delays over the authorised time are constantly being complained of. If the plague officials could ensure the examination of passengers being completed at Podanur & Jalarpet within half an hour at each place, we might be able to argue with A.M., but I am afraid at present he could point to two many instances where the examination exceeded the half hour & the train had to be run at a high speed to recover the lost time. They made up time last Sunday both between Podanur & Erode & Podanur & Metapalliam & were then [illegible] 20 minutes late. They could not have done more.

JLD
7.9.99

Recd. from

At Hrs. Mts. by

Telegraph Master

UP—No. 361 T—17 12 18—8000 00

Improvement of the Railway timing between Madras and Ooty

NOTE

Form No. 14.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

RAILWAY BRANCH.

C. No. 4061

NOTE FOR H.E.

At my last interview H.E. desired me to see whether nothing could be done to improve the railway timing between Madras and Ooty. So I directed the Inspecting officer, Mr. Lyle, to discuss the question with the Agent while on inspection. I invite H.E.'s perusal of Mr. Lyle's note below.

I fear there is no use ~~[illegible]~~ trying to do anything until Plague restrictions are removed.

FKS
7/9/99

Please circulate to the Hon. Mr. Arundel.
I would suggest that something might be done to hurry up the plague inspection.
If not occasionally stirred up, the plague officials may perhaps grow into being needlessly slow and dilatory.

A.G.H.
28.9.99

The English mail was very late last Tuesday. A.G.H.

To the Hon. Mr. Arundel on Genl. Dept.
H.E.'s instructions above. Attention however is invited to the limited powers of the L & M.

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2/10/99

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and whether they are well or ill.
MA

Sec. L&M.

Ask the Collr. of Coimbatore

We are perpetually stirring up Colrs. about delays at these Plague Stations, & I don't think anything more can be done just now – On the 4th Sept. I wrote a D.O. to all Colrs. concerned – The difficulty is that no fixed time can be set apart for the Inspection as it varies with the number of passengers. My own experience is that the long delays are not due to Plague –

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I differ here.
FKS
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P.T.O.

dr. to send his Asst. or Dy. Collr. once in a way to see how the exam. at Pothanoor is conducted & whether it is done with as much despatch as practicable.

ACT 4.10.99.

NOTE FOR THE

The file is returned to the P.W. Department U.O. The Collector of Coimbatore has been written to D.O. as directed by the H.M., vide copy of D.O. put up.

5/10/99.

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P.W.D. Ry. branch U.O.

Put in the file

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Local & Municipal Department.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

OOTACAMUND,

5. 4. 1899

Dear Mounsey,

The Railway authorities are perpetually complaining of the delay of trains from plague Inspection. I am directed to ask you to send your Assistant or a Deputy Collector

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Collector every now and then to Podanur to see how the examination is conducted there & whether it is done with as much despatch as possible

Yours Truly

Sd) M. Hamick

6/3/10 1898