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[Despatch Abstract.]

Coming to the Bd. of Revs. G.O. (L & M.) approving with remarks, the Plague Commissioner's recommendations to amend no. 22 of the City of Madras & no. 17 of the Original Mufassal Plague Regulations & directing the re-issue of nos. 22 & 21 of the City of Madras & nos. 17 & 31 of the Original Mufassal Plague Regulations as corrected up to date.

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Plague Regulations.

Approving, with remarks, the Plague Commissioner's recommendations to amend No. 22 of the City of Madras and No. 17 of the Original Mufassal — and directing the re-issue of Nos. 22 and 21 of the City of Madras and Nos. 17 and 31 of the Original Mufassal — as corrected up to date.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers :—

From L. E. BUCKLEY, Esq., I.C.S., Plague Commissioner, Madras, to the Secretary to Government, Local and Municipal Department, dated 8th February 1899, Ref. on C. No. 1142.

I have the honour to request that Madras City Plague Regulation 22 may be re-issued with the amendments shown in the accompanying copy of G.O., No. 890 P., dated 24th August 1898.

Amendment (a) follows similar amendment of Mufassal Regulation 17—vide G.O., No. 80 P., dated 11th January 1899.

Amendment (b) is that sanctioned in G.O., No. 1314 P., dated 12th October 1898.

Amendments (c) and (e) are recommended with reference to Bellary Collector's letter (copy enclosed) No. 147 P., dated 24th January 1899.

Amendment (d) has been sanctioned in paragraph 2 of G.O., No. 113 P., dated 20th January 1899.

ENCLOSURE.

Copy of letter from the Collector of Bellary, dated 24th January 1899, D.D. No. 147 P.

I have the honour to bring to your notice that Regulation 22 of the Plague Regulations for the City of Madras does not make it obligatory on a passport holder, who leaves Madras, within ten days from the date of his arrival to present himself for inspection at his new place of residence and to suggest its amendment as well as that of the declaration on the face of the passport.

From the Plague Commissioner, Madras, dated 22nd February 1899.

ABSTRACT.—Suggesting that the words "infected or notified area" may be substituted for the words "infected area" in clauses (vi), (vii), (viii) and (ix) of Mufassal Regulation 17.

ORDER—No. 381 P., dated 11th March 1899.

The amendments in City Regulation No. 22 and Mufassal Regulation No. 17, suggested by the Plague Commissioner, are approved. Clause (i) of the latter will be further amended by the insertion of the words "unless exempted under Regulation

31" between the words "shall" and "before leaving the railway station, &c." These two regulations, as also City Regulation 21 and Mufassal Regulation 31 will now be re-issued, corrected up to date, as shown in the appendix to this order.

(True Extract.)

A. Edgington
for Secretary to Government.

To the Plague Commissioner.
" the President, Municipal Commission, Madras.
" all Collectors (A—L). —
" the Sanitary Commissioner.
" the Surgeon-General.
" the Revenue Department.
" the Marine Department.
" the Political Department.
" the Public Works Department (Railway Branch).
" all Railway Administrations.
" the Inspector-General of Police.
" the Translators to Government.
" the Deputy Adjutant-General, Madras Command.
" the General Officer, Commanding Districts.
" the Superintendent, Government Press, for publication
of the Regulations in the Gazette

[Appendix.]

APPENDIX.

City Regulation 22.—Every person arriving, or suspected of having arrived, from any place declared to be infected with plague, or from any place notified by His Excellency the Governor of Fort St. George in Council for the purposes of this regulation, shall, unless exempted under Regulation 21, be bound to appear at a place provided for the purpose and obtain a passport binding him to present himself daily for inspection for a period of ten days before the officer named in the passport, and he shall be bound so to present himself. On the expiry of ten days the passport-holder shall deliver up his passport to the inspecting officer for transmission to the President, Municipal Commission, Madras. In case he has to leave Madras City within ten days from the date of his arrival, he shall forthwith give intimation to the inspecting officer, who shall report

* *Vide* Mufassal Regulation 17 (i), published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated April 11, 1899, Part I-A, page 139.

the fact to the local authority* of the new place of residence, and enter in the passport the name of the officer before whom the passenger must present himself at the new place of residence, and the passenger shall be bound to present himself accordingly.

Provided that, when it appears desirable, the President, Municipal Commission, Madras, or the Health Officer may, by endorsement on the passport, exempt any person from personal attendance and permit him to be inspected at his residence.

In the case of minors and incapacitated persons, the obligation to take out passports for them, to present them for daily inspection, to report truly their names and addresses, to intimate any changes in their residence, and to comply otherwise with the requirements of this regulation shall vest in their legal guardians or persons in whose charge they travel or who receive them at the railway station of destination.

The passport shall, in the case of those arriving by the Madras Railway, be issued at Perambūr, and in the case of those arriving by sea at the harbour. It shall be in the following form:—

(To be retained by the officer issuing the passport.)

1. No. of passport.
2. Date of issue.
3. Name of traveller.
4. Place of destination.
5. When the duplicate of the passport sent and to whom.

Initials of officer issuing passport.

B.

Passport No.

Original.

(To be issued to a person arriving from a plague-infected locality, or any notified area, under Regulation 22 under the Epidemic Diseases Act, published in the "Fort St. George Gazette, Part I-A", dated April 11, 1899, page 137.)

1. District.
2. Station of issue.
3. Date of arrival.
4. Name of person.
5. Father's name.
6. Caste.
7. Age.
8. Whence coming.
9. Destination and residence during the next ten days (give District, Taluk, Village, Street and Number or Name of the owner of the house).

I declare the above information to be correct, and I do hereby bind myself to present the abovementioned person for inspection, daily, for a period of ten days from this

Date

Signature or mark of traveller.

Declared and signed before me.

Signature and designation of the officer issuing the passport.

Date

(See reverse.)

REVERSE.

B.

Endorsement of the Inspecting officer.

- | Date. | Signature. | Designation. |
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| 8th " | | |
| 9th " | | |
| 10th " | | |

Forwarded to the President, Municipal Commission, Madras, the passenger having been duly inspected.

Signature and Designation of the Examining officer.

Regulation 22 under the Epidemic Diseases Act, published in the "Fort St. George Gazette," Part I-A, dated April 11, 1899, page 137.

City Regulation 22.—Every person arriving, or suspected of having arrived, from any place declared to be infected with plague, or from any place notified by His Excellency the Governor of Fort St. George in Council for the purposes of this regulation, shall, unless exempted under Regulation 21, be bound to appear at a place provided for the purpose and obtain a passport binding him to present himself daily for inspection for a period of ten days before the officer named in the passport, and he shall be bound so to present himself. On the expiry of ten days, the passport-holder shall deliver up his passport to the inspecting officer for transmission to the President, Municipal Commission, Madras. In case he has to leave Madras City within ten days from the date of his arrival, he shall forthwith give intimation to the inspecting officer, who shall report the fact to the local authority* of the new place of residence, and enter in the passport the name of the officer before whom the passenger must present himself at the new place of residence, and the passenger shall be bound to present himself accordingly.

Provided that, when it appears desirable, the President, Municipal Commission, Madras, or the Health Officer may, by endorsement on the passport, exempt any person from personal attendance and permit him to be inspected at his residence.

In the case of minors and incapacitated persons, the obligation to take out passports for them, to present them for daily inspection, to report truly their names and addresses, to intimate any changes in their residence, and to comply otherwise with the requirements of this regulation shall vest in their legal guardians or persons in whose charge they travel or who receive them at the railway station of destination.

N.B.—Any person disobeying or evading the above or any other Plague Regulation or any order made in pursuance thereof renders himself liable to prosecution for an offence punishable under section 188 of the Indian Penal Code with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to six months or fine which may extend to Rs. 1,000 or both.

* *Vide* Mufassal Regulation 17 (f), published in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated April 11, 1899, Part I-A, page 139.

C.

Passport No.

Duplicate.

(To be sent forthwith to the officer appointed to conduct the ten days' inspection.)

1. District.
2. Station of issue.
3. Date of arrival.
4. Name of person.
5. Father's name.
6. Caste.
7. Age.
8. Whence coming.
9. Destination and residence during the next ten days (give District, Taluk, Village, Street and Number or Name of the owner of the house).

I declare the above information to be correct, and I do hereby bind myself to present the abovementioned person for inspection, daily, for a period of ten days from this date before

Date

Signature or mark of traveller.

Declared and signed before me.

Signature and designation of the officer issuing the passport.

Date

(See reverse.)

C.

Instructions to the officer appointed to conduct the ten days' inspection.

1. The officer shall daily inspect the passenger and initial the original passport in token of the inspection.

2. He shall daily ascertain from the passenger whether there is any sickness or death in the house in which he is or has been residing. If sickness or death is found to exhibit any symptoms of plague, or if any sickness or death is reported in his house, or if the passenger does not appear for examination on any day, the fact should be immediately reported to the President or the Health Officer of the Municipality.

3. If the passenger intimates or it is otherwise known that he desires to leave Madras within the period of ten days, the particulars of his future residence should be obtained and the fact communicated without delay to the local authority of the place of the new residence. The officer before whom the passenger must present himself for inspection at the new place of residence should be entered in the passport. Intimation of departure to any Railway Station in the province of Mysore should be telegraphed to the—

- (a) Assistant Surgeon on plague duty, Yervanpūr, when the destination is a station on the Mysore State Railway;
- (b) Residency Surgeon, Bangalore, when the destination is a station within Mysore Province on the Madras Railway.

4. The inspecting officer should maintain a register in the following form:—

- (1) Date of receipt of intimation.
- (2) Name of traveller.
- (3) From what infected area arriving.
- (4) Date of arrival of traveller.
- (5) Number, date and place of issue of passport.
- (6) How long kept under observation.
- (7) State of health of the traveller and other persons living in the house in which he is or has been residing.
- (8) Date of departure if occurring within ten days.
- (9) Destination.
- (10) Date of intimation of departure to the local authority of the place of destination.
- (11) Date of despatch of the passport to the President, Municipal Commission, Madras.

Mufassal Regulation 17.—i. Every person arriving, or suspected of having arrived, from any place declared to be infected with plague, or from any place notified by His Excellency the Governor of Fort St. George in Council for the purposes of this Regulation shall, unless exempted under Regulation 31, before leaving the railway station at which he has alighted, or before disembarking from the steamer, ship or boat in which he has travelled, or in the case of arrival by road either immediately on reaching a Road Frontier Inspection Station or within twelve hours from the time of arrival at any other place, obtain from the officer mentioned in Regulation 17-ii a passport binding him to present himself for daily inspection for the next ten days before the local authority of the town or village where he may be; and he shall be bound so to present himself.

Provided that, where it appears desirable, the Municipal Chairman or any Revenue officer not below the grade of Deputy Tahsildar may, by endorsement on the passport, exempt any person from personal attendance and permit him to be inspected at his residence.

Explanation.—By a "local authority" is meant any of the following officers:—

- (a) The local Medical officer;
- (b) The station-house officer;
- (c) The headman of the village;
- (d) Any person appointed by the Collector of the district for the purpose of this Regulation.

In places where there is more than one local authority, the duties prescribed in these rules shall be performed by, or with the permission of the Collector under the orders of, the officer who stands first in the order given in this explanation.

ii. The following officers are authorized to issue passports:—

- (a) To travellers alighting at Railway Inspection stations } The medical officer in charge or other officer acting under his orders.
- (b) To travellers alighting at railway stations included within municipal limits .. . } Such Medical, Sanitary or other officer as may be appointed by the Chairman with the Collector's approval.
- (c) To travellers alighting at other railway stations } The stationmaster or other officer appointed by the Collector for the purpose.
- (d) To travellers arriving by steamer, ship or boat } The Medical, Sanitary or other officer appointed to examine such travellers.
- (e) To travellers arriving by road } The Medical, Sanitary or other officer appointed to examine such travellers, or if no such officer has been appointed, the local authority of the place of arrival.

iii. Every person required to take out a passport shall declare truly his name, address, and such other particulars as may be required by the officer issuing the passport and shall report forthwith to the local authority any change in his place of residence occurring within ten days from the date of arrival. On the expiry of ten days, he shall deliver up his passport to the local authority of the place where he may then be.

iv. The issue of a passport, or any change in the residence of the person to whom it has been granted, shall immediately be communicated by the officer issuing it (in the former case) or by the local authority (in the latter case) to the Municipal Chairman or the local authority of the place of destination.* If the local authority of the place of destination is not known, the intimation shall be sent to the Tahsildar concerned for transmission to the local officer by whom the traveller has to be observed. The communication may be made by a post card, or by a special messenger, or in any other manner which the Collectors concerned may determine. The telegraph need be used only in urgent cases.

Intimation of departure to any railway station in the Province of Mysore shall, however, be telegraphed to the—

- (a) Assistant Surgeon on plague duty, Yesvantpur, when the destination is a station on the Mysore State Railway;
- (b) Residency Surgeon, Bangalore, when the destination is a station within Mysore Province on the Madras Railway.

v. The local authority of the place of destination shall see that, on the arrival of the traveller, he is observed daily for ten days. Any case of illness or death in the house in which such traveller is or has been residing shall be forthwith reported to the immediate superior of the local authority with full details. After ten days, the passport shall be recovered from the traveller and sent to the Tahsildar.

Any officer of the Revenue Department not below the rank of Deputy Tahsildar may require that the person or the clothing and other effects of the traveller shall be disinfected in such manner as may be ordered by the Collector.

* This rule applies whether the place of destination is in British or Mysore territory.

vi. The headman of every village shall keep himself promptly informed of the arrival of every person from an infected or notified area without a passport and shall deal with him as in the preceding clauses of this Regulation to which such person shall be bound to submit himself.

vii. A register shall be maintained by each local authority in the following form:—

- (1) Date of receipt of intimation.
- (2) Name of traveller.
- (3) From what infected or notified area arriving.
- (4) Date of arrival of traveller.
- (5) Number, date and place of issue of passport.
- (6) How long kept under observation.
- (7) State of health of the traveller and other persons living in the house in which he is or has been residing.
- (8) Date of departure if occurring within ten days.
- (9) Destination.
- (10) Date of intimation of departure to the local authority of the place of destination.
- (11) Date of despatch of the passport to the Tahsildar.

viii. In the case of persons passing through a Railway Frontier Inspection Station, the medical officer in charge shall arrange to record the following information in respect to every traveller from an infected or notified area who is not detained by him under the provisions of Regulation 14 and to send it without delay—if possible by the railway guard of the same or next train—to the District Medical and Sanitary Officer of the district* to which such traveller is proceeding:—

- (1) Date of arrival.
- (2) Name of traveller.
- (3) Father's name.
- (4) Caste.
- (5) Age.
- (6) Whence coming.
- (7) Destination and residence during the next ten days.

{ District.
Taluk.
Village.
Street.
Number or name of the owner of the house.

ix. In the case of other persons coming from an infected or notified area, the duty of recording the above information and communicating it to the District Medical and Sanitary Officer shall devolve on the officer issuing the passport.

x. The District Medical and Sanitary Officer shall forward the report referred to in Regulation 17-viii and ix to the Tahsildar concerned, whose duty it shall be to see that the persons therein mentioned are duly observed, and that any case of sickness or death in the houses occupied by them is promptly reported, and to bring to the Collector's notice all instances of omission to issue passports or attempts to evade this Regulation.

xi. Whenever the deaths reported from any village are found to be more frequent than usual, or when any case of fever with glandular swellings is reported, the Tahsildar with the nearest medical officer shall at once proceed to the village and make inquiries with a view to ascertain whether plague exists in the village.

xii. In municipalities, the Tahsildar's duties under this Regulation shall be performed by the Municipal Chairman. The term "Tahsildar" includes Deputy Tahsildar.

xiii. In the case of minors and incapacitated persons, the obligation to take out passports for them, to present them for daily inspection, to report truly their names and addresses, to intimate any change in their residence, and to comply otherwise with the requirements of this regulation shall vest in their legal guardians or persons in whose charge they travel or who receive them at the railway station of destination.

31. The provisions of these Regulations in regard to segregation do not apply to persons who hold certificates that they have been inoculated by M. Haffkine's process, provided such certificates bear a date not earlier than six months, but not later than ten days, previously. Such persons shall be entitled to the following privileges:—

- (a) Unless suffering from, or suspected to be suffering from, plague, they shall not be liable to detention at any railway or road observation camp when travelling, except for such period as may be required to disinfect their baggage and clothes, if those are considered suspicious.

* Whether in British or Mysore territory.

(b) They shall not be liable to take out passports and present themselves daily for observation for ten days after arrival from a plague-infected place, or from any place notified by His Excellency the Governor of Fort St. George in Council for the purposes of No. 17 of the Original Mufassal Plague Regulations; but they may be observed at their own residence and shall, with this view, be bound when required by any plague officer to give their names and addresses for the next ten days.

(c) Inoculated persons who have been living in an infected house or have otherwise been exposed to plague infection shall not be liable to be segregated, but may be required to evacuate the infected house and to have their clothes and personal effects disinfected. When, however, all the occupants of a house have been inoculated, neither the patients nor the other inmates of the house shall be required to be segregated, provided arrangements are made to the satisfaction of a Plague authority for the disinfection of the house and its contents, and for the prevention of the spread of plague to the neighbouring dwellings.

The inoculation certificate shall be in the following form. But when in a certificate issued under authority, the thumb impression has not been taken, other satisfactory evidence of identification may be accepted:—

Plague Inoculation [Royal Arms] Certificate.

[COUNTERFOIL.]

No.	No.	CERTIFIED that	, father's name
Name	, resident of	Street	
Father's name	Town	Village	
Street	Taluk	District	
Village	has been inoculated by me, and		
Town	that his thumb-mark was at the time impressed before me.		
Taluk	Space for left thumb-mark.		
District	Signature and		
Date	designation.		
Initials of operator.	Dated		

NOTE.—Unless suffering from, or suspected to be suffering from, plague, the holder of the certificate is exempted from segregation, from detention when travelling, and from ten days' observation under the passport rules. It does not, however, exempt him from liability to evacuate an infected house, except in the case where all the occupants of the house have been inoculated, or to have his clothes disinfected when travelling. The certificate is valid for a period of six months.

City Regulation 21.—The provisions of these Regulations in regard to segregation do not apply to persons who hold certificates that they have been inoculated by M. Haffkine's process, provided such certificates bear a date not earlier than six months but not later than ten days, previously. Such persons shall be entitled to the following privileges:—

(a) Unless suffering from, or suspected to be suffering from, plague, they shall not be liable to detention at any railway or road observation camp when travelling, except for such period as may be required to disinfect their baggage and clothes, if those are considered suspicious.

(b) They shall not be liable to take out passports and present themselves daily for observation for ten days after arrival from a plague-infected place, or from any place notified by His Excellency the Governor of Fort St. George in Council for the purposes of No. 22 of the City of Madras Plague Regulations; but they may be observed at their own residence and shall, with this view, be bound when required by any plague officer to give their names and addresses for the next ten days.

(c) Inoculated persons who have been living in an infected house or have otherwise been exposed to plague infection shall not be liable to be segregated, but may be required to evacuate the infected house and to have their clothes and personal effects disinfected. When, however, all the occupants of a house have been inoculated, neither the patients nor the other inmates of the

house shall be required to be segregated, provided arrangements are made to the satisfaction of a Plague authority for the disinfection of the house and its contents, and for the prevention of the spread of plague to the neighbouring dwellings.

The inoculation certificate shall be in the following form. But when in a certificate issued under authority, thumb impression has not been taken, other satisfactory evidence of identification may be accepted:—

Plague Inoculation [Royal Arms] Certificate.

[COUNTERFOIL.]

No.	No.	CERTIFIED that	, father's name
Name	, resident of	Street	
Father's name	Town	Village	
Street	Taluk	District	
Village	has been inoculated by me, and		
Town	that his thumb-mark was at the time impressed before me.		
Taluk	Space for left thumb-mark.		
District	Signature and		
Date	designation.		
Initials of operator.	Dated		

NOTE.—Unless suffering from, or suspected to be suffering from, plague, the holder of the certificate is exempted from segregation, from detention when travelling, and from ten days' observation under the passport rules. It does not, however, exempt him from liability to evacuate an infected house, except in the case where all the occupants of the house have been inoculated, or to have his clothes disinfected when travelling. The certificate is valid for a period of six months.

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