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CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM.

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Movements of Troops.

DEPUTY ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Madras Command,
Ootacamund, 3rd December 1898.

The following arrangements are ordered for carrying out the relief of British and Native Troops of the Madras Command in 1898-99, in substitution of those notified in this Office Circular No. B/D. 15916, dated 4th October 1898.

Corps, &c.	From	To	How to proceed, and by what route.	Date of movement.	Approximate date of arrival at destination.	REMARKS.
Royal Artillery. L Battery, R.H.A. ...	Kirkee ...	Secunderabad	By rail, with horses and guns.	From Poona, 25th January 1899, after Hinjouri Camp.	27th January 1899	To exchange native establishments.
S do ...	Secunderabad	Kirkee	Do.	16th January 1899 ...	18th January 1899...	
21st Field Battery ...	Bangalore ...	Secunderabad	Do.	From Artillery Practice Camp Vishvanathpur, 24th January 1899.	27th January 1899...	To leave native establishments at Bangalore.
40th do. ...	Ahmednagar	Bangalore	Do.	From Kirkee, 23rd January 1899, after Hinjouri Camp.	25th January 1899...	To leave native establishments at Ahmednagar.

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Corps, &c.	From	To	How to proceed, and by what route.	Date of movement.	Approximate date of arrival at destination.	REMARKS.
42nd Field Battery ..	Secunderabad	Ahmednagar...	By rail, with horses and guns ...	18th January 1899	20th January 1899 ...	To leave native establishments at Secunderabad.
No. 6 Mountain Battery	Mandalay ...	Jutogh	By rail to Rangoon, thence by sea to Calcutta, and thence by rail and route march.	Mandalay, about 18th December 1898. Rangoon, 20th do.	Calcutta, 24th December 1898.	Leaving guns, equipment, mules, tindals, store lascars, syces, bhisties puckallies and conservancy establishment behind for No. 9 Mountain Battery.
No. 9 do. ...	Darjeeling ...	Mandalay	By rail to Calcutta, thence by sea to Rangoon, and thence by rail.	Calcutta, 10th December 1898	Rangoon, 14th December 1898. Mandalay, about 16th December 1898.	To take over the above.
No. 7 Company Western Division (Heavy)	Secunderabad	Jhansi	By route march with guns, &c., via Hingoli, Karinja, Nagpur, Jubbulpur, Karinja and Hingoli. (Bengal Routes 407, 688, 430 and 432, and Madras Route 226).	19th December 1898	23rd March 1899 ...	To meet en route at Nagpur on the 31st January 1899 and exchange any 1899 and exchange elephants, bullocks, transport, and native establishments. Each Company will retain its guns.
No. 9 do. ...	Jhansi	Secunderabad	By route march with guns, &c., via Sangor, Kuralee, Jubbulpur, Nagpur, Karinja and Hingoli. (Bengal Routes 407, 688, 430 and 432, and Madras Route 226).	12th December 1898	16th March 1899 ...	
Native Artillery.						
No. 7 (Bengal) Mountain Battery.†	Bhamo	Kohat	By river to Mandalay, thence by rail to Rangoon, thence by sea to Calcutta, and thence by rail and route march.	Bhamo,* about 29th December 1898 Rangoon, 5th January 1899	Calcutta, 9th January 1899.	Leaving guns, equipment, mules, store lascars, 3 syces, and any other local establishments behind for No. 8 Bengal Mountain Battery.

* An advance party of No. 8 Bengal Mountain Battery will arrive at Bhamo about the 21st December 1898.
† Detachment No. 7 Bengal Mountain Battery, with Chinese Boundary Commission, to follow later on.

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No. 8 do. ...	Kohat	Bhamo	By route march and rail to Calcutta, thence by sea to Rangoon, thence by rail to Mandalay, and thence by river.	* Calcutta, 27th December 1898.	* Rangoon, 31st December 1898. * Bhamo about 7th January 1899.	To take over the above.
British Infantry.						
2nd Bn. Royal Scots	Mandalay	Poona	By rail to Rangoon, thence by sea to Bombay, and thence by rail.	1st party, left on 5th Oct. 1898. 2nd party, about 17th Feb., 1899. 1st party, left on 7th Oct. 1898. 2nd party, 20th February 1899.	1st party arrived 17th Oct. 1898. 2nd party 2nd Mar. 1899.	Leaving native establishments (except 1 munshi, 1 pakali, and 1 bhisti) behind for 2nd Durham Light Infantry.
1st Bn. Royal Warwickshire Regiment.	Egypt	Fort St. George and Bellary.	By rail from Bombay	Arrived at Bombay on the 28th October 1898. Head Quarter Wing left Bellary on the 30th Nov. 1898.	Arrived at Bellary, 3rd and 4th Nov. 1898. Arrived at Fort St. George, 1st December 1898.	To employ such native establishment as may be necessary until the departure from Fort St. George and Bellary of the 2nd Welsh Regt., and then take over the native establishments of that Regiment.
1st Bn. Lincolnshire Regiment.	Egypt	Secunderabad	By rail from Bombay	Left Wing arrived at Bombay on the 28th Oct. 1898 and the Head Quarter Wing on the 18th Nov. 1898.	Arrived 2nd and 23rd November 1898.	

* An advance party of No. 8 Bengal Mountain Battery will leave Calcutta on the 10th December, arriving at Rangoon on the 14th and Bhamo about the 21st idem.

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Corps, &c.	From	To	How to proceed, and by what route.	Date of movement.	Approximate date of arrival at destination.	REMARKS.
2nd Bn. Suffolk Regt.*	Rangoon & Port Blair.	Quetta ...	By sea to Karachi and thence by rail.	Rangoon, 13th February 1899 Port Blair, 16th do.	Karachi 1st March 1899.	Leaving native establishments behind for 1st Royal West Kent Regiment, except 1 tindal, 8 bhisties and 1 peon, regarding whose disposal orders will issue separately.
2nd Bn. Welsh Regt.	Bellary and Fort Saint George. ...	Ahmednagar † and Satara.	By rail { Wing ... Hd. Qrs. and 2 Companies Two Companies for Satara Remainder of Regiment ...	Left Fort St. George, 1st December 1898. Bellary, 13th February 1899 do. 14th do. do. 30th March 1899 ... { First party, Calcutta, 13th January 1899. Second party, Calcutta, 4th February 1899.	Arrived Bellary, 2nd December 1898. 15th February 1899 do. do. 1st April 1899 Rangoon, 17th January 1899. { Rangoon, 9th February 1899. Port Blair, 15th February 1899.	The native establishments of this Regiment to be handed over to the 1st Bn. Warwickshire Regiment in due course.
1st Bn. Royal West Kent Regiment.	Dum Dum. ...	Rangoon and Port Blair.	By route march to Calcutta, and thence by sea.			To take over native establishments left behind by 2nd Suffolk Regiment.
2nd Bn. Durham Light Infantry.	Poona ...	Mandalay ..	By rail to Bombay, thence by sea to Rangoon, and thence by river and rail.	Bombay { 1st party left on 20th Oct. 1898. 2nd party 6th March 1899.	Mandalay { 1st party arrived 29th Oct. 1898 & left by river for Mandalay. 2nd party, 16th March 1899. 1st party arrived 13th Nov. 1898. 2nd party, about 18th March 1899.	To do. do. by 2nd Royal Scots.

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* Such of the 2nd Suffolk Regiment as cannot leave Rangoon on the 13th February 1899, will proceed by the R. I. M. S. "Dalhousie" leaving Rangoon on the 20th March 1899.
† The Head Quarter Wing of the 2nd Battalion (K.O.) Yorkshire Light Infantry from Ahmednagar and Satara will leave Bombay on the R. I. M. S. "Clive" on the 17th February, and the other Wing Madras on the "Avoca" on the 5th April 1899 for Mauritius under the orders of the General Officers Commanding, Bombay and Madras Districts, respectively.

Native Infantry.						
7th Madras Infantry	Kampti and Sitabaldi.	Rangoon and Port Blair.	By rail to Bombay, and thence by sea.	Left Bombay on 16th November 1898.	{ Arrived Port Blair, 25th Nov. 1898. Arrived Rangoon, 29th Nov. 1898.	
16th do.	Rangoon ...	Berhampur and Cuttack.	By sea to Gopaulpur, and thence by route march to Berhampur, whence one Wing will march to Cuttack via Khurda. (Route 137).	3rd December 1898. * Wing, Berhampur 9th Dec. 1898.	{ Gopaulpur and Berhampur, 7th December 1898. Wing, Cuttack, 22nd December 1898.	* Together with Hd. Qr. Wing 22nd M.I.
19th do.	Secunderabad	Quilon, Trichur and Trevandrum ...	By rail, &c., as follows:— i. First party of Regiment by rail to Cocanada, and thence by sea. ii. 1½ Company of above by sea to Cochin, and thence by backwater. iii. ½ Company by backwater. iv. Second party of Regiment by rail to Cocanada, and thence by sea.	Secunderabad 21st December 1898. Cocanada 26th do. Quilon, 2nd January 1899 ... do. 2nd (morning) Secunderabad, 9th Jan. 1899 Cocanada, 14th do.	Quilon, 1st January 1899. { Cochin, 3rd do. (morning). Trichur, † 5th do. (morning). Trevandrum, 3rd do. (morning).	

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† An advance party consisting of 1 Native Officer and 20 Non-Commissioned Rank and File of the 19th Madras Infantry will proceed from Secunderabad by rail to Shoranur, and route march (Route No. 521 (1)), thence to Trichur in time to arrive there on or about the 29th December 1898 to take over buildings, &c., from the Detachment 24th Madras Infantry.

Corps, &c.	From.	To	How to proceed, and by what route.	Date of movement.	Approximate date of arrival at destination.	REMARKS.
20th Madras Infantry	Tochi	Cannanore ...	By route march and rail to Karachi, and thence by sea.	Left Karachi on 20th October 1898.	Arrived on 24th October 1898.	
22nd do.	Berhampur and Cuttack.	Kampiti and Sitabuldi.	By route march as follows :— Hd. Qr. * Wing from Berhampur to Cuttack, via Khurdah (Route 137). Whole Regiment from Cuttack, via Angul, Sambalpur, Raipur, Bhandara and Nagpur. (Routes 69 and 213.)	Berhampur, 9th Dec. 1898 Cuttack, 24th do.	Cuttack, 22nd December 1898. Kampiti, 22nd February 1899.	* Together with Wing 16th M.I.
24th Madras Infantry	Quilon, Trichur and Trevandrum.	Secunderabad	By sea &c., as follows :— i. First party of Regiment by sea to Cocanada, and thence by rail. ii 1½ Company by backwater to Cochin, and thence by sea. iii ½ Company by backwater ... iv. Second party of Regiment by sea to Cocanada, and thence by rail.	Quilon, 17th December 1898 Trichur, 31st do. (evening). Trevandrum, 3rd January 1899 (evening). Quilon, 5th January 1899...	{ Cocanada, 24th Dec. 1898. Secunderabad, 28th Dec. 1899. { Cochin, 2nd January 1899 (morning). Quilon, 4th do. Quilon 4th do. (evening). { Cocanada 12th January 1899. Secunderabad 16th January 1899.	

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Periodical Detachment Beliefs.

Corps.	From	To	REMARKS.
British Infantry.			
{ 2 Companies 2nd Bn. Essex Regiment ...	Bernardmyo	Shwebo	By route march to Thabeikyin and thence by river and route march, leaving Bernardmyo on 6th December 1898, and arriving at Shwebo on 18th idem.
2 Companies 2nd Bn. Essex Regt. ...	Shwebo	Bhamo	By route march to Kyoukmyoung and thence by river.
{ ...	Bhamo	Shwebo	By river to Kyoukmyoung and thence by route march.
{ 1½ Companies 1st Bn. Middlesex Regt. ...	Wellington	Malapuram	By route march to Coonoor,* thence by rail to Tirur, and thence by route march
{ ...	Malapuram	Wellington	do. to Tirur, thence by rail to Coonoor,* and thence by route march
{ 1 Company ...	Wellington	Calicut	By route march to Coonoor,* and thence by rail.
{ ...	Calicut	Wellington	do. rail to Coonoor,* and thence by route march.
1 Company	Wellington	Cannanore	By route march to Coonoor,* thence by rail to Calicut, and thence by R. I. M. Steamer "Dalhousie" 28th March 1899.
Native Infantry.			
{ 3 Companies 15th Madras Infantry ...	Port Blair	Rangoon	By R. I. M. Steamer "Dalhousie" 30th March 1899 to Calicut, thence by rail to Coonoor,* and thence by route march.
{ 1 Company 29th Madras Infantry ...	Fort Stedman	Loikaw	Left by R. I. M. Steamer "Canning" on 27th November 1898.
{ ...	Loikaw	Fort Stedman	By route march.
{ 1 Company do. do. ...	Fort Stedman	Bhampon	do.
{ ½ Company do. do. ...	Bhampon	Fort Stedman	do.

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Periodical Detachment Beliefs—continued.

Corps.	From	To	REMARKS.
{ 1 Company 29th Madras Infantry ... }	Fort Stedman	Taungyi	By route march.
{ 1 Company 12th Madras Infantry ... }	Taungyi	Fort Stedman	do.
{ 1 Company 29th Madras Infantry ... }	Bhamo	Thabeitkyin	By river.
{ 1 Company 29th Madras Infantry ... }	Thabeitkyin	Bhamo	do.
{ 1 Company 29th Madras Infantry ... }	Fort Stedman	Thamakan	By route march.
{ 1 Company 29th Madras Infantry ... }	Thamakan	Fort Stedman	do.
{ 1 Company Native Infantry ... }	Mandalay	Kyounkyoung	By river. (Government Steamer).
{ 1 Company Native Infantry ... }	Kyounkyoung	Mandalay	do. (do.).
{ 1 Company Native Infantry ... }	Quilon	Trevandrum	By backwater.
{ 1 Company Native Infantry ... }	Trevandrum	Quilon	do.
{ 1 Company Native Infantry ... }	Madras, Bangalore, Trichinopoly.	Ootacamund	By rail to * Coonoor, and thence by route march.
{ 1 Company do. ... }	Ootacamund	Madras, Bangalore, Trichinopoly.	By route march to * Coonoor, and thence by rail.
{ 1 Company do. ... }	Bangalore	Oosoor	By route march.
{ 1 Company do. ... }	Oosoor	Bangalore	do.

* If line to and from Coonoor is open for public traffic, otherwise to and from Mettupalaiyam.

N.B.—Dates of movement (where such are not otherwise provided for) in connection with detachment Reliefs should be fixed under the orders of General Officers Commanding Districts concerned and intimated to this office as soon as fixed.

II. Particular attention is invited to note X on page 10 of this Circular regarding precautions to be taken in connection with plague.

NOTES.

- I.—Attention is requested to the orders for the movement of troops by sea, rail and land, Army Regulations, India, Vol. X, (Passages), Parts I and II.
- II.—Troops proceeding by water will furnish the Deputy Adjutant General at Head Quarters and District Staff Officers concerned with Effective States for embarkation as laid down in Army Regulations, India, Vol. X, Part I; and those requiring Railway conveyance will furnish District Staff Officers concerned with Returns as ordered in Part II of the same Regulations.
- III.—The dates fixed for movement will be adhered to: those named for arrival are approximate, but should be followed as far as possible.
- IV.—Where it can possibly be arranged, the original movement of Corps, &c., or Details from stations, and their arrival at stations of destination should be fixed so as to avoid either departures or arrivals on Sundays. For purposes of this note, the ports of Madras and Rangoon should be viewed both as stations of destination as well as starting stations *en route* to and from Burma.
- V.—With reference to Army Regulations, India, Vol. X, Part II, para. 74, as reconstructed by G.O. No. 49 of 1897, Officers Commanding Corps, &c., marching will furnish this office every Monday with Progress Reports. Halts will be made on Xmas and New Year days as well as Sundays unless circumstances prevent. Attention is also directed to this Office No. B/I 3889, dated 12th June 1896.
- VI.—Particular attention is requested to Army Regulations, India, Vol. X, Part II, para. 179 (Clause XI), regarding indents for supplies and intimation of movements to the Civil Authorities. Care should be taken that the supplies indented for are according to actual requirements and are not excessive. Officers Commanding British troops marching in relief should, at least one month before departure, give full particulars of supplies required to the Chief Commissariat Officer of the District from which the troops move.
- VII.—General Officers Commanding Districts are requested to communicate with Civil Officers concerned in view to the wells being cleaned out, and water supply generally looked to, at all the encamping grounds in their respective commands at which the troops may have to halt *en route*. Charges for cleaning encamping grounds should be adjusted by the Civil Authorities concerned (*Vide* Army Regulations, India, Vol. X, Part II, paras. 13 and 14).
- VIII.—The special attention of Officers Commanding Corps on the line of march is directed to Army Regulations, India, Vol. X, Part II, para. 31. All camp followers accompanying Corps should march under responsible surveillance.
- IX.—The sick and families of British troops and the heavy stores of all corps marching will, as far as practicable, be sent by rail.

X.—* If a station or District from which troops are about to move in relief should be at the time infected by plague, or, if their routes lie through infected Districts, the following precautions should be taken in communication with the Civil Authorities to prevent the spread of the disease:—

* Deputy Adjutant General, Madras Command, Circulars Nos. B-A 18021, dated 12th November 1897, & B/D-15904, dated 4th October 1898.

- (a) If a Corps, &c., or its followers are infected, assuming that cases of plague have been segregated, the Corps, &c., should remain in segregation for ten days after the occurrence of the last case before moving in relief.
- (b) If a Corps, &c., moves from an infected station or district, the followers should be kept in segregation for ten days previous to departure.
- (c) If a Corps, &c., under orders to proceed by route march, moves from an infected station, or, if its route lies through an infected district, the circumstance should be at once brought to the notice of, and alternative Routes suggested to Command Head Quarters in view to the desirability of moving it *by rail* being submitted to Army Head Quarters for consideration and orders.
- (d) In cases where a Corps, &c., referred to in clause (c) has already commenced its movement by route march and an outbreak of plague on the route renders railing necessary, this should be carried out in communication with, and under the orders of the General Officer Commanding the District in which the Corps, &c., is at the time *en route*, and a report made subsequently to Command Head Quarters for communication to Army Head Quarters.

XI.—When parties are sent in advance of the Head Quarters of their Regiments or Batteries to take over buildings, &c., &c., of the Corps, &c., to be relieved, families should not accompany them.

XII.—With reference to Army Regulations, India, Vol. X, Part II, para. 138, Native troops under orders to move with families by route march may, if they wish it, send their families by rail or sea *at their own expense* claiming difference of cart-hire for the distance marched by the troops. Family guards, however, should travel *at expense* of Regimental funds by rail or sea. In cases where provision has been made in the Programme for the conveyance of families *by sea*, there is no objection, if they wish it, to their proceeding by other modes of movement *at their own expense*, but they will *not* be allowed difference of cart hire.

XIII.—Due intimation should also be given to the Civil Authorities concerned when families of Native troops are about to be despatched, and all necessary precautions taken to avoid the possibility of risk from cholera or other epidemic disease that may be prevalent *en route*.

XIV.—The full complement of *private* followers admissible under Regulation should not be taken unless that number be absolutely necessary for the efficiency of Corps, &c., and with regard to the due convenience of officers and men. *Vide* Quarter Master General's Circular No. 2728-A, dated 24th December 1892.

XV.—All camp equipage, previous to being transferred to another Corps, should be surveyed in accordance with Army Regulations, India, Vol. III, para. 177.

XVI.—Light tents issued to Corps, &c., as Station Stores, are, on their departure, to be left behind. The attention of General Officers Commanding Districts is directed to Quarter Master General's Circular No. 3135-B of 28th October 1889, regarding the additional lascars allowed for mobilization camp equipage being retained at mobilization stations.

XVII.—The attention of General Officers concerned is requested to the orders communicated under Quarter Master General's No. 3903-B of 23rd November 1888, and they are directed to arrange, in communication with each other, to ensure Government transport being utilized to its fullest extent in carrying out movements. They will also similarly arrange for relieving and relieved Batteries, Corps, &c., taking and handing over establishments, transport, &c., (as may be necessary in accordance with Regulations) at stations concerned, or exchanging such while on the march. Each Battery of Horse or Field Artillery should retain its horses and guns.

XVIII.—Ambulance transport for British and Native troops marching should be provided under India Army Circulars of 1887, Clause 47, and Army Regulations, India, Vol VI (Medical), Section XIX.

XIX.—The attention of Officers Commanding Corps, &c., and Detachments moving in relief is called to para. 3 of Circular No. 6, dated 6th March 1895, and letter No. 567-C dated 12th June 1897 from the Quarter Master General in India, requiring that information as to the strength of such Corps, &c., or Detachment should be furnished to the Officer in charge Quarter Master General's Office, Simla, by deferred telegram on the 1st of each month: also to this Office Circular No. 1875-A, dated 17th September 1895 and G.O.C.C. No. 236 of 1897 as to the Office of the Quarter Master General in India being furnished with departure and arrival reports.

XX.—During the movement season, telegraphic reports should be made to the Quarter Master General in India, Simla, of the outbreak and progress of cholera at any railway rest camp, or in any cantonment in which a railway rest camp may be situated. (Madras Command Order, No. 397 of 1896).

XXI.—Attention is invited to Army Regulations, India, Vol. X, Part II, paras. 71 to 76 as reconstructed by G.O. No. 49 of 1897.

(By order)

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