

## THE LEPERS LAW.

(CAP. 112.)

## LEPER FARM REGULATIONS.

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1. These regulations may be cited as the Leper Farm Regulations.
2. In these regulations—
  - “District Medical Officer” means the Medical Officer in charge of a district.
  - “Law” means the Lepers Law, Cap. 112, and includes any Law amending or substituted for the same.
  - “Leper Farm” includes the place known as the leper farm or asylum appointed under section 2 of the Law.
  - “Medical Officer” means the Medical Officer appointed by the Director of Medical and Health Services to be in charge of the Leper Farm.
  - “Visitor” means any person appointed by the Governor under the provisions of the Law.

*Detention of Lepers.*

3. Upon the receipt of a report of the existence of a leper, or suspected leper, and after having forwarded such report to the Colonial Secretary as provided by section 6 of the Law, the Commissioner of the District, within which such leper or suspected leper is alleged to be, shall forthwith provide for the examination of such leper or suspected leper by the District Medical Officer, and it shall be the duty of such District Medical Officer to make such an examination, and report the result of the same in writing to the Commissioner, and, if it is the opinion of the District Medical Officer that such person is suffering from leprosy, he shall draw up and sign a certificate to that effect, and forward the same without delay to the Commissioner.
4. Upon the receipt of such certificate, the Commissioner shall make arrangements for the removal of such leper to the Leper Farm for examination by the Director of Medical and Health Services.
5. Upon the arrival of the leper, the Director of Medical and Health Services shall examine such leper, and if he concurs in the opinion of the District Medical Officer, as expressed in the certificate mentioned in regulation 3, he shall countersign such certificate and forward the same to the Colonial Secretary with a request for the issue of an order by the Governor for such leper's detention in the Leper Farm.
- 6.—(1) The Leper Farm shall for the purpose of discipline be under the control of the Director of Medical and Health Services who shall visit it at least once a fortnight unless prevented by absence from Nicosia or other unavoidable cause.
  - (2) The Director of Medical and Health Services shall—
    - (a) examine into any complaint made by any leper and take such action as the circumstances of the case may require ;
    - (b) deal with any application which may be made by any leper for leave of absence and may issue to the applicant a permission in writing to leave the Leper Farm for any period not exceeding one month at a time and may at any time cancel such permission :
 

Provided that no such leave shall be granted to a leper who is in an infectious state except upon the ground of urgent private affairs,

*Lay Worker.*

7.—(1) The Governor may appoint a Lay Worker of the Leper Farm who shall reside in quarters provided for him at the Leper Farm.

(2) The Lay Worker shall—

- (a) under the Director of Medical and Health Services, be responsible for the cleanliness and general discipline of the Leper Farm and shall have control over the guards and attendants employed therein ;
- (b) visit the quarters of the lepers and every part of the Leper Farm at least once a day and see that the directions of the Director of Medical and Health Services are complied with ;
- (c) enter in a log book any infraction of the Law or of these regulations by any leper or any person employed therein, and any other occurrences that may bear upon the maintenance of good order in the Leper Farm or otherwise that may be proper to be noted. The log book shall be presented to the Director of Medical and Health Services on each visit to the Leper Farm and initialed by him and he shall make such entries and give such directions as he may deem necessary ;
- (d) not allow any person to visit the Leper Farm without the permission in writing of the Director of Medical and Health Services previously obtained ;
- (e) not allow any visitor to remain longer than two hours at the Leper Farm or in any circumstances to spend the night there ;
- (f) on the death of a leper, or as soon as possible after, notify the event to the Director of Medical and Health Services.

*Sister in Charge.*

8.—(1) The Governor may appoint a Sister in Charge of the Leper Farm who shall reside in quarters provided for her in the Leper Farm.

(2) The Sister in Charge shall—

- (a) be responsible for the general management and internal economy of the hospital and shall have charge and control of the nurses and servants employed therein ;
- (b) be responsible for the cleanliness of the wards and other premises under her care, for the cleanliness and due care of the patients and for carrying out the orders of the Medical Officer in all matters affecting the treatment of the lepers and the sanitation of the Leper Farm ;
- (c) visit the lepers in their houses on the Leper Farm at least once a day ;
- (d) keep a book in which she shall enter all instructions from the Medical Officer and all reports and incidents in connection with the treatment of the lepers or the sanitation of the Leper Farm which have been brought to the notice of either of them. This book shall be initialed by the Medical Officer on each of his visits and shall be inspected and initialed by the Director of Medical and Health Services on each of his visits and the Director of Medical and Health Services shall record therein any instructions he may give with regard to any of the entries ;
- (e) in the absence of the Lay Worker, have all the powers and responsibilities of a Lay Worker in addition to her own duties.

*Guards.*

9.—(1) The Governor may appoint Guards for the Leper Farm who shall reside at the Leper Farm.

(2) Two Guards shall always be on duty and not more than one may be absent from the Leper Farm at any one time.

(3) Every night one of the Guards (each taking his turn in rotation) shall be allowed to go off duty.

(4) A Guard shall not in any circumstances allow any leper to leave the precincts of the Leper Farm without the written permission of the Director of Medical and Health Services.

#### *Chaplains.*

10. The Governor may appoint as Chaplains for the Leper Farm an Orthodox priest and a Hodja who shall perform such religious offices as may be required of them and shall hold regular religious services for lepers belonging to the Orthodox Church or the Moslem religion respectively :

Provided always that no marriage between lepers shall take place without the special authority of the Director of Medical and Health Services previously obtained.

11. The Chaplains are strictly forbidden to proselytize or attempt to proselytize any leper.

#### *Burial Grounds.*

12. The land situated within the limits of the area of the Leper Farm and more particularly described in the First Appendix hereto is hereby appointed to be and shall henceforth be used as a new burial ground for the burial of the dead of the Orthodox-Christian Community of the Leper Farm. First Appendix.

13. No burial shall take place in the old burial ground situated within the limits of the area of the Leper Farm and more particularly described in the Second Appendix hereto. Second Appendix.

14. The land situated within the limits of the Leper Farm and more particularly described in the Third Appendix hereto is hereby appointed to be and shall henceforth be used as a burial ground for the burial of the dead of the Moslem Community of the Leper Farm. Third Appendix.

#### *General.*

15. The lepers shall conduct themselves in a quiet and orderly manner and shall obey at all times the directions of the Medical Officer, the Lay Worker and the Sister in Charge.

16. A leper when allowed out on parole shall not take any furniture or wearing apparel from the Leper Farm unless such wearing apparel or furniture has been previously disinfected.

17. Every leper shall do such work in or for the benefit of the Leper Farm as the Lay Worker may assign to him.

18. Male lepers are strictly forbidden to enter at any time the rooms set apart for female lepers, and the female lepers are strictly forbidden to enter at any time the rooms set apart for male lepers.

19. Any leper who refuses or neglects to perform the duty or work assigned to him, or is guilty of misconduct or of any breach of discipline or good order, shall be deemed to be guilty of a breach of these regulations.

20. Any leper failing to obey a reasonable order of the Medical Officer, the Lay Worker or the Sister in Charge shall be guilty of an offence under these regulations.

21. In any case of grave misconduct or insubordination the Lay Worker shall have power to arrest or cause to be arrested and detain in the Leper Farm Prison any leper pending investigation of the case by the Director of Medical and Health Services or a Visitor.

22. One or more rooms shall be set apart in the Leper Farm as a prison, in which lepers serving a sentence of imprisonment shall be confined and the guards shall have such powers for the detention and custody of lepers sentenced to imprisonment, as are by Law vested in Prison Warders.

23. No person shall bring into the Leper Farm or any part thereof any intoxicating liquors without the previous permission in writing of the Lay Worker.

24. Private practitioners shall not attend patients at the Leper Farm except in consultation with the Medical Officer.

25. Any directions given or medicines issued by the Medical Officer to any leper shall be given or issued through the Sister in Charge.

26. All treatment and dressings shall be carried out at the clinic or hospital attached to the Leper Farm unless the Medical Officer otherwise directs.

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FIRST APPENDIX—(Regulation 12).

*Description of the new burial ground for the burial of the dead of the Orthodox-Christian Community of the Leper Farm.*

All that land situated within the limits of the area of the Leper Farm, in the village of Eylenja, 350 feet or thereabouts north-west of the Lepers' Mosque, comprising one donum and 1,336 square feet in extent, more particularly defined as plot No. 224/2 of the Government Survey Plan No. XXI/55 and coloured blue on the plan marked "A", dated 14th January, 1939, and deposited in the office of the Colonial Secretary (C.S.M.P. 1417/12/3).

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SECOND APPENDIX—(Regulation 13).

*Description of the old burial ground.*

All that land situated within the limits of the area of the Leper Farm, in the village of Eylenja, 38 feet or thereabouts north of the main road from Nicosia to Larnaca, comprising one evlek and 400 square feet or thereabouts in extent, more particularly defined as plot No. 222 of the Government Survey Plan No. XXI/55 and coloured red on the plan marked "A", dated 14th January, 1939, and deposited in the office of the Colonial Secretary (C.S.M.P. 1417/12/3).

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THIRD APPENDIX—(Regulation 14).

*Description of the burial ground for the burial of the dead of the Moslem Community of the Leper Farm.*

All that land situated within the limits of the area of the Leper Farm, in the village of Eylenja, 270 feet north-west of the Lepers' Mosque, comprising some 2 evleks and 3,100 square feet in extent, more particularly defined as plot No. 225 of the Government Survey Plan No. XXI/55, and coloured green on the plan marked "A", dated 14th January, 1939, and deposited in the office of the Colonial Secretary (C.S.M.P. 1417/12/3).

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