illness, its symptoms, probable cause and duration, and the period of absence from duty considered to be absolutely necessary for the restoration of the applicant's health. The certificate shall be prepared in duplicate, one copy made over to the Government servant concerned for presentation to the Medical Officer who examines him for fitness for return to duty.

The authority competent to grant the leave may, however, in its discretion accept a certificate from the applicant's medical attendant without such countersignature; if the applicant be a female, may either dispense with countersignature or accept the countersignature of any female Medical Practitioner.

The authority competent to sanction leave may at its discretion call for a second medical opinion. In such cases too the certificate shall be prepared in duplicate and dealt with in the manner laid down in sub-paragraph 2 above.

The possession of a certificate such as is prescribed in this rule does not in itself confer upon the Government servant concerned any right to leave.

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Government Medical attendant or

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