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6. We should lament that the practice of visiting stations at which no Clergyman is permanently resident should be discontinued and it would be unjust to subject the Clergy to the expense attendant on such visits. Under these impressions we deem it proper to sanction the payment of such reasonable charges not exceeding those authorized in our despatch of the 30th October 1839 before referred to, and we are encouraged in this view by the fact that although Chaplains and Assistant Chaplains when absent from their duty are subjected to the same deductions as Civil Servants, no charge is incurred in providing for the duty of the absentee. The deductions may thus be regarded as a fund meeting to a certain extent the extra charges incurred by occasional or periodical visits of the Clergy to stations at which they do not reside.

We are, &c.,

(Signed) GEO. LYALL,
and 12 others.

LONDON,
The 12th April 1842.

Ordered that, in continuation of the communication made to the Lord Bishop of Madras under date the 7th of July 1841, a copy of the above despatch be submitted, for the approval of the Government, in both divisions of the Bengal Presidency.

Ordered further that the attention of the Lord Bishop be drawn to the rule prescribed in the 4th paragraph of the above despatch for temporarily providing in future for the discharge of clerical duties at vacant Chaplaincies, and that His Lordship be solicited, with reference to paragraph 5, to submit, for the orders of Government, any claims of Chaplains and Assistant Chaplains for travelling allowance for extra duties discharged by them, that may have been suspended pending the decision of the Honourable the Court of Directors forwarding in each case a bill from the claimant for the regulated allowance for the journeys performed supported by a copy of the authority under which they were undertaken.

Ordered also that, in continuation of the communications made to the Governments of Fort St. George and Bombay and to the Lieutenant-Governor of the North-Western Provinces under date the 7th of July 1841, a copy of the Honourable Court's despatch, together with a copy of this Resolution, be transmitted for the information and guidance of those Governments respectively.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) W. BAYLEY,
Dy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

The 6th July 1842.

Ordered that the above letter and its enclosures be communicated to the Right Reverend the Lord Bishop of Madras and the Civil Auditor, in reference to the Resolution of Government, dated 17th August 1841, No. 156, and that the Lord Bishop be requested to carry into effect the instructions contained in the Resolution of the Government of India, dated 6th instant, so far as they may be applicable to the circumstances of this Presidency.

(Signed) H. CHAMIER,
Chief Secretary.

Copy to the Lord Bishop.
" " Civil Auditor.

From the Revd. S. MORLEY, M.A., Bishop's Chaplain, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Kótagiri, 16th April 1896, No. 1526.

By desire of the Right Reverend the Bishop, I have the honour to state that, as there is at present no Government Chaplain, nor other Clergyman available for supplying the vacancy at Cuddalore, His Lordship recommends the following arrangement—that the Chaplain of Vellore be relieved of the duty of visiting Pákala and be instructed to visit

Cuddalore, for one Sunday each month;
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Villupuram, } the other station is visited on the Sunday;
Ránipéttai, } for one Sunday in alternate months;
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serving one Sunday each month for Vellore;
that Pákala be attached to the charge of
the West Line of the Madras Railway.

ORDER—No. 31, Ecclesiastical, dated 23rd May 1896.

Sanctioned.

2. The power of sanctioning similar arrangements in connection with Chaplains' visits to out-stations will in future be exercised by the Right Reverend the Bishop of Madras, and the Accountant-General will be authorised to pass the travelling allowances admissible in such cases. The necessary corrections will be embodied from time to time in Part XXIII of the Quarterly Civil List.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Right Reverend the Bishop.
" Venerable the Archdeacon.
" Accountant-General.

Note from the A. G. Office.

Mr. Sharrock made over charge of the Cuddalore Chaplain, on the 10/2/96 & proceeded to Trichinopoly. He is not a full Chaplain but is attached to some force.

The pastoral visits are formed by the Bishop & approved by Govt under the Hon. Comm. of Dec. 12 April 1842 Sec. para 3 or 1842 of 30 July 1842 Sec. 124 Sec. 125. I do not think we will raise objection to Govt delegating its power to the Bishop. There is nothing in the Code against this. Yours affectionately
D. M. S. Chelliah
26/4/96

Ordered that,
Latta under d. 27th

visited by

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Gobt. of {1896} Madras.
ECCLESIASTICAL.

From

THE REVEREND S. MORLEY, M.A.,
BISHOP'S CHAPLAIN,

To

THE HONORABLE
THE CHIEF SECRETARY
TO GOVERNMENT.



Dated 16th April 1896
Received 18th April 1896
Nep 20

No. 1526 Enclosure

Subj. 1630 10 31 Eccl. 2
23-5-96

States that the Bishop recom-
mends that the Chaplain of Vellore
be relieved of the duty of visiting
Pakkala + that he be instructed
to visit Cuddalore + its outstations.

Madras Ref.

Please put up Encl. 1630 of 94 re. Morley's
also 102 of 94 of 94 which is a precedent. Submit
S.A. 20/4/96

Eccl. p. 102 of 28-12-94 (Precedent)
41 of 12-5-94
16 of 14-2-94
Encl. Em. C. 124 of 2-8-94
H.M.
mis.

The power and the delegated
Bishop. a form. may be
added where effect. JH
30/4/96

Sanctioned

AB
26/4/96

30/4/96

To the Rt. Rev. the Bishop.
Accto. sub.

Note for orders.

As to whether the power
of sanctioning these arrangements,
which are mostly temporary, cannot
be delegated to the Rt. Rev. the
Bishop. There seems to be no objection
in recording these movements in
form and air more than those
of Chakras + other districts
of the Bishop or Heads of Dept. The
Bishop may be authorized to give his
own allowance on the order of
the Rt. Rev. the Bishop, & so long as
the sanctioned programme is followed
on a quarter in the Quarterly Civil
List (p. 208-211), there seems to be
no necessity for these references
to the Bishop, unless some special interest
is attached to the case. The
existing practice is based on the
order of the Chief of Directors of the
Bishop. Powers are now delegated all over
the Bishop's office will not be affected.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers:—

EXTRACT from the Minutes of Consultation, dated 30th July 1842, No. 124.

From W. BAYLEY, Esq., Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, General Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George, dated Fort William, the 6th July 1842, No. 36.

In continuation of the letter from this department, dated the 7th July 1841, I am directed to transmit, for the information and guidance of the Government of Fort St. George, copy of a despatch from the Honourable the Court of Directors in the Ecclesiastical Department, dated the 12th April, No. 2 of 1842, together with copy of a Resolution thereon by the Honourable the President in Council.

ENCLOSURES.

ECCLESIASTICAL DEPARTMENT.

No. 2 of 1842.

To

OUR GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF INDIA IN COUNCIL.

We take this opportunity of explaining our views with regard to the travelling allowances of Chaplains and Assistant Chaplains whether employed in visiting stations within the circle of their ordinary duties or on special visits to places beyond such circle.

Letter from, 10th October 1838, No. 4, paragraphs 15 to 20, relating to travelling allowances of Chaplains.

Letter from, 16th February 1839, No. 1, paragraph 3, on the same subject.

Letter from, 14th July 1841, No. 7, on same subject.

*2. You judged rightly that our orders were not intended to exclude Chaplains and Assistant Chaplains from receiving either the actual amount of expenses incurred by them in the discharge of extra duties under the sanction of the proper authorities or a reasonable allowance in consideration of such expenses. We approve therefore of your determination on this point, as well as upon the grant of travelling allowances to Assistant Chaplains on their first appointment. In section 27 of the regulations respecting leave of absence and deputation and travelling allowances, which we have recently approved, you will find a rule on the subject of travelling allowances on joining a station and when any change takes place except at the desire of the Chaplains and Assistant Chaplains.

2. In paragraph 2* of a despatch addressed to our Government of Madras on the 12th March 1840, we explained that our orders of the 31st August 1836 were not intended to exclude Chaplains and Assistant Chaplains from the benefit of reimbursement where expense was actually incurred by them. On this principle we hold them entitled to travelling allowances at the rate sanctioned in section 27 of the rules approved in our despatch in the Financial department, dated 30th October 1839, when required by the proper authorities to visit places at a distance from that at which they may be stationed, whether such places shall be within the circle in which they regularly officiate or beyond it.

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Ordered that, in continuation of the communication made to the Lord Bishop of Calcutta under date the 7th of July 1841, a copy of the above despatch be sent to His Lordship with the request that conformably with the authority and suggestions therein contained he will be pleased to submit, for the approval of the Government of India, such a plan for every circle of stations in both divisions of the Bengal Presidency, determining the periods at which each place shall be visited by the Chaplain or Assistant Chaplain officiating in such circle, as may to His Lordship appear necessary and proper to be adopted.

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The South Indian Railway Company grant a free pass to the Clergyman of Nellore when he visits Rénigunta; and the Agent has offered the same for visits to Pākala.

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Done
21/6/96

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(Form adieu)

C.S.

H.L.

There are some L.M.C.s filed with
this y/o.

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