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Order—No. 25, Educational, dated 16th January 1911.

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[Here enter letter No. 26, Educational, dated 16th January 1911.]

(True Extract.)

L. DAVIDSON,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

No. 26.

From

THE HON'BLE MR. L. DAVIDSON, I.C.S.,
Acting Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Educational Department,

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.*Dated Fort St. George, the 16th January 1911.*

SIR,

I am directed to refer to the Home Department's letter No. 264 (Education), dated the 7th April 1909, in which the payment of permanent monthly travelling allowances to supervisors of elementary schools in this Presidency was sanctioned at the following rates :—

	RS.	A.	P.
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2. It has now been represented that the rate of Rs. 12-8-0 *per mensem* is inadequate for the supervisors of Muhammadan elementary schools, and after enquiring into the matter this Government consider that the rate should be raised to Rs. 15 *per mensem*. I am to explain that these supervisors, whose charges are in no case less than one district, are required to travel over much larger areas than the supervisors of Hindu schools whose charges do not generally extend beyond the limits of a single taluk, and that they also have some cause for complaint in that prior to the provincialization they were paid in most districts a fixed travelling allowance of Rs. 15 *per mensem*. I am to request therefore that entry No. 71-D in Appendix 22 to the Civil Service Regulations may be amended so as to confine its application to supervisors of Hindu elementary schools and that a fresh entry may be made in the appendix entitling supervisors of Muhammadan elementary schools in this Presidency other than those covered by entries Nos. 71-B and 71-C to a permanent monthly travelling allowance of Rs. 15.

3. I am to add that the extra cost involved by this proposal will be trifling as not more than fourteen supervisors will be affected.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

L. DAVIDSON,
Ag. Secretary to Government.

NOTES CONNECTED WITH G.O., Nos. 25-26, EDUCATIONAL,
DATED 16TH JANUARY 1911.

[SUBJECT.—Travelling allowance to Supervisors of Muhammadan Elementary schools.]

Previous papers :

G.O., No. 961 L.,	dated 9th August	1904.
" " 73 L.	" 24th January	1905.
" " 744, Edl.	" 5th November	1908.
" " 117 "	" 1st March	1909.
" " 230 "	" 22nd April	"
" " 237 "	" 26th "	"

Question proposed by the Hon'ble Khan Bahadur Muhammad Habibullah Sahib
Bahadur for the meeting of the Legislative Council to be held on
29th November 1910.

Question 100. (a) Is it a fact that prior to the provincialization of the Agency of Supervisors of Schools, those in charge of Muhammadan Schools were paid a fixed travelling allowance of Rs. 15 per mensem and that subsequent to such provincialization their allowance has been reduced to Rs. 12½ per mensem.

(b) Is the Government aware that the area over which these officers have to travel is never less than one district and in some cases it extends to even three districts, as against an area of one taluk only in the case of Hindu Supervisors who are also paid the same allowance?

(c) Will the Government be pleased to consider the advisability of raising the allowance payable to the former class of officers in proportion to the area allotted to each or permit them to draw travelling allowance under the provisions of the Civil Service Regulations?

While in the employment of Local Boards, Supervisors of Hindu Primary Schools were getting a fixed travelling allowance of Rs. 10 and Supervisors of Muhammadan Primary Schools a travelling allowance of Rs. 15 per mensem—vide G.O., No. 961 L., dated 9th August 1904, and the notes therewith. Since the provincialization in 1909 of the agency of supervisors, these officers are paid fixed travelling allowances at the following rates :—

	RS.	A.	P.
Supervisors in the hill tracts of the Northern Circars ..	25	0	0
Supervisors in the districts of Malabar, South Canara and North Coimbatore.	18	12	0
Other Supervisors ..	12	8	0

Vide G.O., No. 230, Educational, dated 22nd April 1909.

2. When proposing these rates of fixed travelling allowances for the Supervisors, the Director of Public Instruction recommended that Muhammadan Supervisors who had charge of more than one district might be allowed the concession contemplated in article 1045 of the Civil Service Regulations. The Government, however, considered that, instead of allowing that, it would be better to grant these officers a permanent monthly travelling allowance at an enhanced rate, as such an arrangement would avoid the preparation and audit of travelling allowance bills for claims under article 1045 of the Civil Service Regulations and the Director of Public Instruction was called on to report whether the above suggestion could not be adopted. The Director of Public Instruction accepted the suggestion made by Government and recommended that Muhammadan Supervisors who had charge of more than one district might be allowed a permanent monthly travelling allowance of Rs. 18. The Government, however, considered that sufficient reasons did not exist for granting a special rate of travelling allowance to Muhammadan Supervisors and said that they should be given the monthly allowance of Rs. 12-8-0 sanctioned by the Government of India, but that where one of the districts in the charge of Muhammadan Supervisors was a district for which a higher travelling allowance had been sanctioned, they might be given the higher allowance sanctioned for that district—*vide* G.O., No. 237, Educational, dated 26th April 1909.

3. There are in all five Supervisors of Mapilla schools and 14 supervisors of Muhammadan schools. Supervisors of Mapilla schools, being employed in Malabar, they get the fixed allowance of Rs. 18-12-0 *per mensem* sanctioned for that district. Of the 14 supervisors of Muhammadan schools, only six have charge of more than one district :—

- one, Ganjām, Vizagapatam and Gódvāri.
- one, Guntūr and Nellore.
- one, Bellary and Anantapur.
- one, Madras and Chingleput.
- one, Salem, Coimbatore and the Nilgiris.
- one, Tanjore and Trichinopoly.

The remaining eight supervisors have charge of only one district each. It is presumed that under G.O., No. 237, Educational, dated 26th April 1909, the Supervisor for Ganjām, Vizagapatam and Gódvāri is getting a permanent monthly travelling allowance of Rs. 25 and the supervisor for Salem, Coimbatore and the Nilgiris, Rs. 18-12-0. In the case of the supervisors having charge of two districts the Government considered that the travelling to be done by them was not more expensive—*vide* Sir George Forbes' note, dated 19th April 1909, on page 3 of the notes with G.O., No. 237, Educational, dated 26th April 1909. It may also be noted that the number of schools to be inspected by the Muhammadan Supervisor is comparatively much less than that to be dealt with by Supervisors of Hindu schools.

4. It is submitted that before preparing a draft answer, the Director of Public Instruction may be consulted *u.o.*

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—18-11-10.

The notes to G.O., No. 961, dated 9th August 1904, relied on by office only show that before the provincialization Muhammadan Supervisors got a fixed travelling allowance of Rs. 15 *per mensem* in Kistna and Madura. If there is no

information on the point in the Secretariat, please find out by telephone from Director of Public Instruction's office whether Rs. 15 was the usual rate for Muhammadan supervisors in all districts before provincialization.

C. A. INNES—18-11-10.

No information on the point is available in the Director of Public Instruction's office. Please see telephonic message submitted. Attention is, however, solicited to G.Os., No. 1171 L., dated 24th September 1906, No. 1038 L., dated 30th August 1906, No. 73 L., dated 24th January 1905, and No. 1351 L., dated 18th October 1904, from which it will be seen that in the Madura, Kurnool and South Arcot districts also the Supervisors of Muhammadan schools were paid, before the provincialization, a fixed travelling allowance of Rs. 15 a month. The Supervisors of Muhammadan schools in North Arcot appear also to have been paid a travelling allowance of Rs. 15 a month—*vide* the Kurnool District Board President's letter on page 2 of G.O., No. 73 L., dated 24th January 1905. The Government Order sanctioning this in North Arcot is not traceable.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—21-11-10.

I think we may assume that in most districts of the Presidency, Supervisors of Muhammadan Elementary schools got a fixed travelling allowance of Rs. 15 *per mensem* before the provincialization.

2. The important part of the question is clause (c), and I venture to think that the point raised deserves consideration. It will be observed that the question has now come up in a different form from that in which it was discussed in 1909. When G.O., No. 237, Educational, dated 26th April 1909, was passed, the point under consideration was whether Supervisors of Muhammadan Elementary schools in charge of more than one district should not be given a higher rate than those in charge of only one district, and one of Sir G. S. Forbes' reasons for refusing to discriminate was the variations in the size of the double or multiple charges. The main points to which the attention of Government is now directed are—

(i) that prior to the provincialization the Supervisors of Muhammadan Elementary schools were getting a fixed travelling allowance of Rs. 15 *per mensem* whereas now they get only Rs. 12-8-0 except in special districts, and

(ii) that their travelling allowance is the same as that of Supervisors of Hindu Elementary schools though their charges are much larger.

From the papers it appears that neither of these points was brought to the notice of Government when G.O., No. 237, Educational, dated 26th April 1909, was passed, and I venture to think that they make a difference. The mere fact that some District Boards had found it necessary to give their Supervisors of Muhammadan schools a fixed travelling allowance of Rs. 15 *per mensem* shows that this amount did not more than cover the actual travelling expenses incurred by these officers in travelling in the interests of the public service (Civil Service Regulations, article 995), and I doubt if on the provincialization Government intended to cut down, or realized that they were cutting down, this rate. Further, with all deference to the opinion of Sir G. S. Forbes, I venture to submit that the principle that the more extensive the charge the greater the expense of travelling has generally been admitted. It was applied, within my own knowledge, in several cases by the Government of India when I was Under Secretary in the Revenue and Agricultural Department, and it is clearly admitted in article 1049 (a) and (b) of the Civil Service Regulations.

3. If Honourable Member thinks that there is any force in these views, we may promise to consider the matter. We cannot determine at present exactly what enhanced rates of fixed travelling allowance will be necessary or what form the conclusion should take if any is granted. And we may have to make a reference to the Government of India.

4. The following answer to the question is suggested for consideration :—

(a) "It is a fact that prior to the provincialization of the Supervisors of Elementary schools, those in charge of Muhammadan schools, in some districts at any rate, were paid a fixed travelling allowance of Rs. 15 *per mensem*. The following rates have now been sanctioned :—

	<i>Per mensem.</i>		
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(b) "Yes.

(c) "The question will be considered."

C. A. INNES—21-11-10.

L. DAVIDSON—21-11-10.

I agree to the answer. I agree with Sir G. Forbes that the difference in expense between those of the man who travels in one district and those of the man who travels in two districts is probably very small. But the difference between the expenses of a man who travels in one *taluk* and the man who travels in one *district* is very considerable.

Ask the Director of Public Instruction what is the ordinary charge of the Hindu Supervisor compared with that of the Muhammadan and the matter can be considered.

M. H[AMMICK]—21-11-10.

Telephonic message—from the Director of Public Instruction.
To—the Deputy Secretary to Government, Educational Department.
Dated—the 24th November 1910.

The Hindu Supervisors are not invariably in charge of a *taluk*. Many have only one *taluk* each; a few others have more than one *taluk* and the rest have less than a *taluk*. The jurisdiction of these officers in each sub-assistant's range has been tentatively left to the discretion of the Circle Inspector.

Submitted to the Deputy Secretary.

2. The answer to clause (b) of the Question will require to be slightly altered.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—24-11-10.

The answer is substantially correct and I think it might stand. But Secretary might mention the matter perhaps in Council to-day. If any change is made the simplest course would be slightly to alter the question so as to run: "while Hindu supervisors who are also paid the same allowance have as a rule to travel over an 'area of not more than one *taluk*.' But it hardly seems worth while making any change.

C. A. INNES—24-11-10.

(Question and Answer as finally approved.)

Question 128. (a) Is it a fact that, prior to the provincialization of the agency of Supervisors of schools, those in charge of Muhammadan schools were paid a fixed travelling allowance of Rs. 15 *per mensem* and that subsequent to such provincialization their allowance has been reduced to Rs. 12½ *per mensem*?

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Answer—

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(b) This is generally the case, but Hindu Supervisors are not *invariably* left in charge of a single *taluk*.

(c) The question will be considered.

The draft official memorandum placed below is for approval.

P.R.—7-12-10.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—8-12-10.

I do not think that an official report from the Director of Public Instruction need be called for. He should see the foregoing notes, and it will be more convenient if he is asked to advise on this file. The general conclusion arrived at is that while no distinction in the matter of fixed travelling allowance need be made between Supervisors in charge of more than one district and those in charge of one district only, there is a case for consideration whether Supervisors of Muhammadan schools should not get a higher rate of fixed travelling allowance than those of Hindu schools. This conclusion is based on the facts (1) that Supervisors of Muhammadan schools received a fixed travelling allowance of Rs. 15 in most districts before the provincialization, and (2) that their charges are ordinarily much bigger than those of Supervisors of Hindu schools. Director of Public Instruction will doubtless traverse these statements if they are wrong.

2. On the assumption that they are correct and that Supervisors of Muhammadan schools ought to get higher travelling allowance than those of Hindu schools, two questions arise—

(i) What rate should be allowed to them in ordinary districts? and (ii) should an enhanced special rate be allowed to them in the hill tracts of the Northern Circars and in Malabar, South Canara and North Coimbatore?

As regards (i) I am inclined to think Rs. 15 would be enough. As regards (ii) Mr. Butterworth's note of 13th April 1909 in G.O., No. 237, dated 26th April 1909, should be referred to. Will the Director of Public Instruction please advise?

C. A. INNES—9-12-10.

To the Director of Public Instruction.

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION.

As regards (i) I agree.

As regards (ii) I think that since the Muhammadan Supervisors who have to travel in the regions specified above have also much more work in the plains the concession allowed them of drawing the same travelling allowance as other Supervisors whose work is confined to hilly regions is sufficient.

J. H. STONE—13-12-10.

Nos. 25-26, EDUCATIONAL, 16TH JANUARY 1911.

Submitted to the Deputy Secretary.

T.K.—14-12-10.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—14-12-10.

I agree with Mr. Stone. If Honourable Member approves we may now address the Government of India recommending that Supervisors of Muhammadan Elementary schools, when they are not permitted to draw the enhanced rates mentioned in entries Nos. 71-B and 71-C of appendix 22 to the Civil Service Regulations, should be entitled to a fixed travelling allowance of Rs. 15 *per mensem*.

C. A. INNES—15-12-10.

I agree. I suppose India must be addressed.

M. H[AMMICK]—16-12-10.

Yes. See article 1048 of the Civil Service Regulations.

Please draft to India.

C. A. INNES—17-12-10.

Draft submitted for approval.

T.K.—23-12-10.

K. RANGASWAMI AIYANGAR—24-12-10.

To Financial Department for acceptance of draft.

C. A. INNES—4-1-11.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

The draft may, it is submitted, be accepted.

B.K.—6-1-11.

T. HARI RAO—6-1-11.

C. REILLY—7-1-11.

A. G. CARDEW—9-1-11.

To the Educational Department.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

The draft is submitted for Honourable Member's approval.

C. A. INNES—10-1-11.

Approved.

M. H[AMMICK]—12-1-11.

Issue.

L. DAVIDSON—14-1-11.

C. A. INNES—16-1-11.

[G.O., Nos. 25-26, Educational, dated 16th January 1911.]

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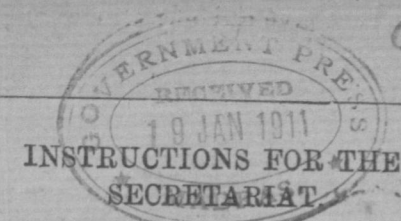
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