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[Despatch Abstract.]

Recommending to the Government of India that the pay of the Superintendent, Government Museum and Principal Librarian, Coimbatore Public Library may be raised from Rs 500-50-800 to Rs 500-50-1000. per mensem.

Home Secy 17/11/18

Memo 236913-1 9-18-11/18

The Accountant General is informed that the Govt propose to raise the pay of the Superintendent of the Government Museum Madras, from Rs 500-50-800 to Rs 500-50-1000 per mensem. He is accordingly requested to report, with reference to rule 31 of the rules contained in G.O. No 464, Financial, dated the 17th August 1916, as to the authority competent to sanction the proposal.

To
The Acct. General
(Memo only)

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[Appointment of a successor to Mr. J.R. Henderson
as Supdt. Govt. Museum.]

For the U.S.

In G.O. No 1362 Home

(80th) of 22. x. 18 Mr. J.R. Henderson has
been permitted to retire from service
with effect from the 1st April 1919. A
successor to him has therefore to be
nominated. The scale of pay of
the appointment is Rs 500-50-800.
The appointment lies with the local
Govt. But if the nominee happens
to be a European, the sanction of
the Govt of India will have to be
obtained.

Mr. Rae Sheriffs, Professor
of Zoology in the Madras Christian
College applied in May last for
the said post. His University career
and his special qualifications are
set out in his R.O. of 3.5.18 at pp 1-3
of No 926-7 80th of 11.7.18. Should
the choice fall on him he has to give
six months' notice of the term.

With free quarters at
the museum premises and
a local allowance of Rs. 35 for
being in charge of the
Marine Aquarium.]

College ~~and~~ and Mr. Rodwell B. and
Madras Record Office have acted
as Supd. Genl. Museum ^{respectively} without
prejudice to their duties.

Orders are solicited as
to the appointment of a successor
~~Supd. of the Museum~~ in Mr. Henderson's
place. It is also for consideration
whether the post of the Director of
the Aquarium should continue to
be combined with that of the Supd.
Genl. Museum when the present
circumstances retire.

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B. The matter is separately under
discussion.

For orders as to the appointment
of a successor.

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and sent up to the Supd.
Genl. Museum)
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PS Lp's letter received 6/27
Take steps alone to draft a
summit for increase of pay

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GOVERNMENT HOUSE,

Madras, 7

11th November 1918.

My dear Ramachandra Rao,

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The approaching retirement of Mr. Henderson from the post of Superintendent of the Government Museum renders it necessary to consider in good time the steps to be taken for the appointment of a successor. Hitherto the incumbents of the post have been specialists in one or other of the subjects such as zoology or anthropology of which the Museum is intended to be illustrative. The Museum however has extended, its collections have accumulated: and what will be required in future is not so much a specialist in any particular branch as a Superintendent who in addition to any special qualifications has wide experience in the general care, supervision, arrangement and development of a museum upon modern lines. At present men with experience of this kind are not obtainable in this country and it will therefore be necessary to invite applications at home for a suitable candidate. The present salary however of Rs.500-60-800 would not be sufficiently attractive to a thoroughly competent man and in consultation with Sir Alexander Cardew His Excellency has come to the conclusion that it will be necessary to offer a salary of Rs.500-80-1000 in addition to the free house which the Superintendent at present enjoys. I am to ask you kindly to draft the necessary official letter requesting sanction to a revision of the salary on these lines.

Yours sincerely,

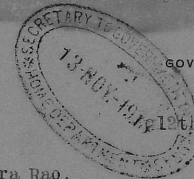
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The Hon'ble

Diwan Bahadur R. Ramachandra Rao Aml.,

Secretary to Government, Home Department,

Fort St. George.



GOVERNMENT HOUSE,
MADRAS.

12th November 1918.

My dear Ramachandra Rao,

I am to send you for addition to the file the enclosed copy of a letter which His Excellency has written to Sir Thomas Carlaw Martin who was lately the Director of the Scottish Museum Edinburgh and to Messrs. A. G. Curie and W. L. Hoyle who are the Directors of the Museums at Edinburgh and Cardiff respectively, in connection with the securing of a successor to Mr. J. R. Henderson.

Yours sincerely,

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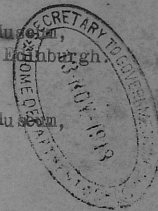
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Secretary to Government, Home Department,

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Copy of letter, dated 11th November 1918, from His Excellency
Lord Pentland, to

- (1) Sir Thomas Carlaw Martin,
18, Blackford Road, Edinburgh.
- (2) A.O. Curle Esq.,
Director of the Royal Scottish Museum,
8, South Leamonth Gardens, Edinburgh.
- (3) W.E. Hoyle Esq., D.Sc., &c. &c.,
Director of the Welsh National Museum,
City Hall, Cardiff.



Owing to the retirement of Mr. J.R. Henderson in March next the appointment of Superintendent of the Government Museum in this city will fall vacant and I venture to ask whether you would be so kind as to give us your advice and assistance in securing a competent successor.

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The Museum which is mainly illustrative of the natural history, industries, antiquities, ethnology etc. of Southern India contains botanic, economic, geological, natural history, industrial, art and archaeological sections, some of which are of great value, are being constantly added to, and are of a very representative character. The Superintendent has as a rule been a specialist either in Natural History or Archaeology and generally recruited locally as was the case with Mr. Henderson who before his appointment as Superintendent was Professor of Zoology in the Madras Christian College. It is felt however that owing to the importance of the Museum and the advance which is being made in all sections the time has come to appoint as Superintendent a man who has previous experience in the general care, supervision, arrangement and development of a museum on modern lines. Experts of this kind are not obtainable in India and it has been suggested to me that it might be possible to secure a suitable incumbent from one of the Provincial Museums in England or Scotland. It is desirable that in addition to this special knowledge the Superintendent should be a person who is expert in one

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history as that is an important branch of the Museum capable of much development, and upon that subject outside advice of value is not easily obtained here. I need hardly add that his social status should be beyond question.

At present the Superintendent draws a salary commencing at Rs.500 per month rising to Rs.800 by annual increments of Rs.50 and he is in addition provided with a house rent free. We are however making proposals to the Government of India that the maximum pay shall in future be fixed at Rs.1000 per mensem. Though they may not be sanctioned at once, there is good reason to believe that these proposals will ultimately be sanctioned; and thus the new incumbent will begin on Rs.500 per mensem and in 10 years attain the maximum of Rs.1000 per mensem. If in the meantime, as time rather presses, you could make private enquiries and place any information which you think would be helpful at my disposal I shall indeed be grateful.

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For the U.S.

Please see the
 A.O.'s on Wp 4-7 ante. We ~~now~~^{have}
 now address the Govt of India
 explaining the circumstances and
 requesting that the maximum
 pay of the post should be fixed
 at Rs 1000 p. m. With reference
 to rule 31 of R.O. No 464 F. 1
 of 17.8.16 a report from the
 Acct. Genl as to the authority
 competent to sanction the
 proposal has to be forwarded along
 with the present letter. Draft
 memo to A.G. is submitted.

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Memo to the Acct. General No 2369 B-1, d/18. XI. 18

For the U.S.

A draft letter to India
 is submitted for approval. It has
 to issue with the concurrence of
 the Financial Dept. It does not seem
 necessary to wait for the A.G.'s reply
 regarding the sanctioning authority.

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By the time this file returns from Financial the A.G.'s remarks would have come in and could be appended to the draft ~~order~~ letter.

2. No request has been made in the draft letter for the recruitment of an officer for the post as there are no definite orders to that effect. Moreover H.E. the Governor has ~~also~~ written to ~~the~~ ^{the} Director of certain Museums on the selection of an officer.

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Financial Dept.

The Home Dept. propose to address the Govt. of India for ^{revising} ~~enhancing~~ the pay of the post of Superintendent, Govt. Museum, and Principal Librarian, of the Coimbatore Public Library, from Rs 500-50-000 to Rs 500-50-100 ^{per museum} so as to secure the services of a suitable man from England or Scotland.

2 The extra cost on account of the above proposal comes to Rs 108 2/9 p.m. or Rs 1306 2/3 per annum. It will be seen from para 4 of the letter to the Govt. of India No. 255 Ld. D. 12.5.18

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3. The draft letter to India may be accepted in this dept and the case returned to Home (Eoul).
[It will be seen from page 4 of notes file that the revised scale of salary has been settled by H.E. in consultation with H.M. (Paul).]

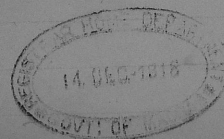
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Financial may accept the draft. I would suggest that the passage which I have enclosed in blue brackets should be omitted.

I invite attention in this connection to G.O.No.50, Public, dated 22nd January 1892, which shows that in cases in which it is desired to engage individuals in the United Kingdom for service in India, the nomination must rest with the Secretary of State and to page 35 of notes to G.O.No.937 (Conf Revenue, dated 27th April 1916, which indicates the procedure which was followed in a case in which a nomination was made from this side.

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Submitted. The H.E.'s reply has been added.
The suggestion of the Financial Dept is submitted, at B above may be accepted. The procedure adopted

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in respect of the appointment of Mr. A. Cannon
as Dy. Director of Agriculture in charge of cattle
breeding and dairy operations in the Madras
Presidency (pages 35 & 36 of notes to Gov. no 937
Rev. of 24.4.16) may be adopted in the present
case also on receipt of reply to H. E.'s letter
of 11.11.18 (pages 6 & 7 ante)

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issue as amended.

19/12/18

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Abstract

Recommending to

the Govt. of India that the pay of the Super Govt Museum and Principal Librarian Connemara Library may be raised from Rs. 500-50-800 to Rs. 500-50-1000. per annum.

Letter No 1638 dated 19.11.11

To

The Secy. to the Govt. of India,
Department of Education.

(with copy of AG's report)
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19/11/11 Sir,

I am directed to address the Govt. of India on the subject of increasing the pay of the Superintendent, Government Museum and Principal Librarian of the Connemara Public Library, Madras.

2. The present pay (Rs. 500-50-800 a month with free quarters) attached to the post was sanctioned by the Secretary of State for India in Despatch No. 82 Rev. dated 23-9-10 communicated with the letter from the Govt. of India, Dept. of Commerce & Industry No. 7403-7404-27 dated 18-10-10. Hitherto the permanent incumbents of the appointment have been specialists in one or other of the subjects such as Zoology or anthropology of which the Museum is intended to be illustrative. The Museum has however extended, and its collections have accumulated.

Owing to the importance of the Museum and the advance which is being made in all sections, the Governor in Council feels that the time has come to appoint as Superintendent a man who has previous experience in the general care, supervision, arrangement and development of a museum on modern lines and is himself an expert in one of the

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important sections of the museum. The present incumbent of the post has been permitted to retire with effect from 1-4-19 and ~~the Governor in Council considers it impossible to avail himself of the opportunity~~ ^{an} ~~has this been arisen~~ to secure a suitable person for the appointment. At present men with ^{the requisite} experience of ~~this kind~~ ^{museum work} are not obtainable in this country and it will be necessary to invite applications at Home for a suitable candidate. ~~Since, however,~~ ^{the present emoluments would not, however,} in the opinion of the Governor in Council, be sufficiently attractive to a person of the qualifications desired,

I am accordingly directed to request that in the circumstances explained, the Govt. of India will be pleased to obtain the sanction of the Secretary of State for enhancing the salary of the Superintendent, Government Museum, and Principal Librarian of the ~~Commonwealth Library~~ ^{Commonwealth Library} from Rs. 500-50-800 to Rs. 500-50-1000 per mensem.

4. A copy of the report of the Accountant General, Madras, as to the authority competent to sanction the proposal is enclosed.

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G.O. No 1362 Home (1864)
22.7.18

~~[H. has, since, written to Captain Director of Museum in Paris Britain will thus object]~~

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