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# Madras Government Press Workers' Union

(REGISTERED & RECOGNIZED BY GOVERNMENT)

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No. 33, Krishnappa Naicken Agraharam, G.T.  
Madras, 25th July 1946.

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C. NARAYANASWAMI

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To

The Deputy Secretary,  
Education and Public Health Department,  
Fort St. George, Madras,

41031

Sir,

At a General Body meeting of the Union held on 19th July 1946 the following resolutions were unanimously adopted. The meeting also resolved that the grievances contained in the resolutions should be taken up without delay and redressed on or before the 15th August 1946.

The meeting also resolved that the subjects in the Memorandum of Grievances submitted to the Hon'ble the Minister on 14th June 1946 should also be taken up and discussed and amicable settlement arrived at.

### RESOLUTIONS.

1. This meeting of the Government Press Workers held under the auspices of the Government Press Workers' Union resolves and demands as follows:-

(1) Each and every worker of the Press should be paid atleast Rs. 15 per mensem as a special allowance from 1st April 1946 till the revision of the salaries asked for along with the Memorandum of Grievances is effected.

(2) In view of abnormal increase in the prices of food stuffs from day to day the Dearness Allowance should be increased by Rs. 9 per mensem from 1st January 1946, i.e., from Rs. 16 to Rs. 25.

(3) A house rent allowance of Rs. 7 per mensem should be paid for each worker from 1st April 1946.

(4) All the workers irrespective of service, permanent or temporary, etc., should be admitted to the privileges of Fundamental Leave Rules.

(5) All temporary workers, workers paid from Contingencies and day-extra workers should be made permanent if they put in not less than one year of service.

(6) Promotions should be made according to seniority and promotions made not in accordance with seniority, principle or rule during the absence of the permanent Superintendent should be reviewed and regulated on a satisfactory basis.

Yours faithfully,

*R. S. Sarma*  
President

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 Grant of ~~Rs~~ <sup>Rs</sup> allowance -  
 As a Temporary measure - Sanction

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The question of construction of quarters for the Govt. Pres Workers is under the active consideration of Govt. As the actual construction of quarters may take sometime, the Govt. sanction the following rates of house allowance pending the provision of houses to the workers in the Govt. Pres, Madras as a temporary measure: -

- (1) Rs 5 (Rupees five only) per month for worker earning up to Rs 50 per month.
- (2) Rs 7 (Rupees Seven only) per month for worker earning more than Rs 50 p.m.

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 C. M. to P. W. D. <sup>9.11</sup>  
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Notes

C.No. 41031, From the President, Madras Government Press Workers' Union, dated 25-7-1946.

Sub:- Grievances of the Madras Govt. Press Workers

Please see the resolutions passed by the Govt. Press Workers' Union at a general body meeting held on the 19th July 1946. It is submitted that the grievances referred to in the resolutions have already been considered by Government in connection with the deputation of the Govt. Press Workers' Union which waited on the Hon'ble the Minister last month.

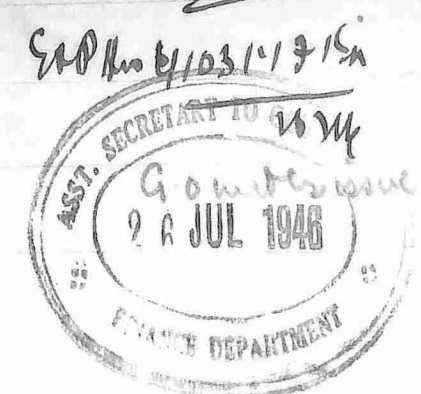
2. Orders are now issuing in P.W.D sanctioning as a temporary measure a house rent allowance of Rs 5 per mensem for the ~~works~~ / workers of P.W.D. Workshops earning up to Rs 50/- per mensem and Rs 7/- for workers earning more than Rs 50/- per mensem. It is now submitted for consideration whether similar benefits may be extended to the Government Press Workers in the first instance in view of the difficulty in finding residential accommodation and abnormal rates of house rents.

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Besides (believe, their) have been some ~~deput~~ increases in pay.

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Please see the note of E & P.H. above. In the case of workers of P.W.D. Workshops, they were given house rent allowance at the rates noted at 'A' above temporarily, pending provision of quarters in view of the difficulty in finding

residential accommodation and abnormal rates of house-rents. In the case of Govt. Press Workers also, an expenditure of Rs 1,53,000 on the acquisition of certain sites in Tondiarpet for constructing quarters was approved by Govt in 1945 and it is understood that acquisition of those sites is in progress. As the actual construction of quarters may take some time, and as the difficulty in finding residential accommodation and the abnormal house-rents <sup>apply equally</sup> to the Govt. Press Workers also, this Dept. may agree to the payment of house-rent allowance, similar to that <sup>paid to</sup> P.W.D.

workers, to Govt Press Workers temporarily pending construction of quarters or provision of quarters. The case may be returned to EPH <sup>thru</sup> P.W.D. EPH may be asked

to work out the extra cost involved in the proposal and take necessary steps to include provision in the budget in 1946-7 by reappropriation or otherwise. ~~As the recurring cost will in any case be over Rs 2000 Govt should see.~~ In view of the recurring commitment involved and ~~as~~ in the proposed concession H.P.M. should see May I please see the P.W.D. file in which <sup>has been</sup> ~~has been~~ reference there to Govt Press workers.

With reference to 'A' above, the following files are linked:

- (1) File dealing with the demands of the P.W.D. workers' union. (Attention is invited to para (iii) of the G.O. on page 57 of that file)
- (2) File in which a comparison has been made of the conditions of service of the workers in the Govt Press and the P.W. workshops & stores, Madras. The file may be returned to Finance



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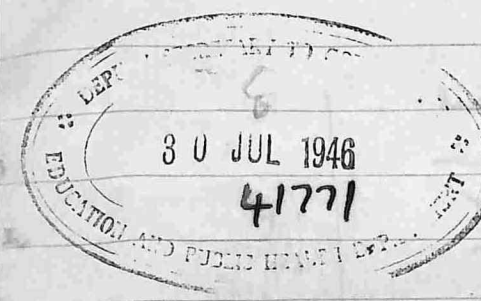
Submitted for orders on the previous note of this Dept. I see that there has been no comparison with P.W.D. workshop staff on the question of house allowance. This Dept. pointed out, in the case of the P.W.D., that the grant of H.R. all to the P.W.D. men will mean a similar grant to other similar workers of Govt Press employees. A demand further has now come and has got to be conceded!!

The order may follow those in Para (iii) of G.O. 2019 P.W.D. 26/2/46, as earlier case too, there is the prospect of houses being provided by Govt for these men.

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Please see this Dept's note on page 1 and the notes of Finance at my. Finance has agreed to the grant of house rent allowance as in the case of the workers of P.W.D. Workshops to the workers of Govt Press. The file may be circulated to HM (200) & H.P.M.

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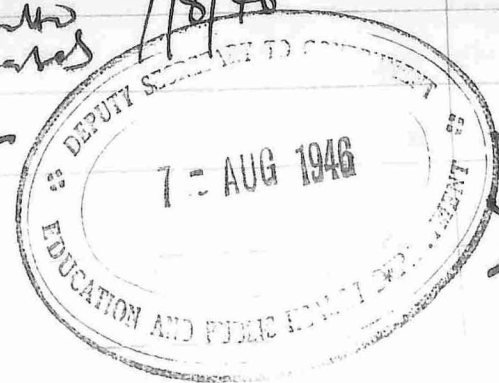
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