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[Despatch Abstract.]

Government Press - Sri. K. P. R. Menon, Deputy
Superintendent. — Deputation to the U. K. and
U. S. A. — Increase in cost of passages —
Sanctioned

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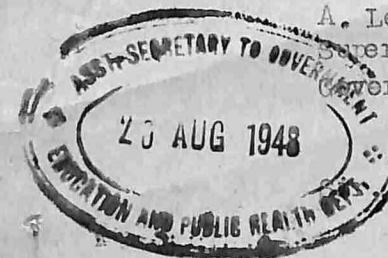
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From
A. Lepper Esq.,
Superintendent,
Government Press, Madras.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Education & P.H. Department,
Fort St. George, Madras.



No.119/Mis.

Dated:- 17th August 1948.

Sub:- Passage - Sri K.P.R. Menon - Deputy Superintendent - Government Press - Deputation to the U.K and U.S.A - Cost of passages - payment of -

I have the honour to enclose herewith a bill sent from Thomas Cook & Son for payment of cost of the above passages which was forwarded to the Accountant-General for payment with this office letter No.119/Mis /S.B.234/48-49 dated 15-5-1948.

This was returned by the Accountant-General with his Ref.G.3 Press 936 dated 6th July 1948 copy enclosed and replied to in my letter No.119/Mis dated 23-7-1948 copy also enclosed for reference. The Accountant-General has now returned the bill again with his letter G.3 Press 982 dated 5th August 1948 stating that the claim of Air Passage for the return journey from United Kingdom to Karachi and first class fare by sea from Southampton to New York are not admissible without the sanction of Government.

I request that Government may be pleased to accord sanction for the journeys performed in contravention of instructions beyond Mr. Menon's control and pass orders at an early date as Messrs. Thomas Cook & sons are daily pressing me for payment of the bill which has been outstanding for a great many months.

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A. Lepper
Superintendent.

Enclosure I.

Copy of letter No.G.3 Press 936 dated 6th July 1948 from the Accountant-General, Madras to the Supt. Govt. Press, Madras.

Sub:- Passage - Sri K.P.R. Menon - Dy. Superintendent - deputation to the United Kingdom and United States of America cost of passage - payment of -

The bill of Thos. Cook & Sons. sent with your letter No.119 Mis/SB./48-49 dated 15-6-1948 is returned herewith for revision in the light of the remarks below:-

(1) Karachi/U.K. return BOAC on 1-12-47 (£.216.) Rs.2880/-. It may kindly be stated whether this amount represents the cost of a return ticket by air from Karachi to U.K and back. If so, the return air fare is not admissible, as Government, in their letter No.Ref.13071 F.1/48-5 Edn. dated 20-3-1948 to the High Commissioner have ordered that the return journey should only be by sea.

(2) First class fare by steamer from Southampton to New York £.73-15-0. The Officer is entitled only to second class berth under the M.T.A Rules when travelling by steamer. The claim by the first class is inadmissible in the absence of sanction of Govt.

(3) In respect of steamer and air fares, a certificate from the agents of the steamer and air companies regarding their correctness may please be obtained and forwarded to this office.

Enclosure II.

Copy of letter No.119/Mis dated 23-7-1948 from the Superintendent, Government Press, Madras to the Accountant-General, Madras.

Sub:- Passage - Sri K.P.R. Menon - Dy. Superintendent - Government Press
Deputation to the U.K and U.S.A. - Cost of passages - payment of
Ref:- Your letter No.G.3 Press 936 dated 6th July 1948.

With reference to the above I am returning the bill of Thos. Cook & Sons., with the following remarks.

1. Mr. Menon states that the High Commissioner received Edn. & P.H. Dept. letter No.13071 F.1/48-5 Edn. dated 20-3-48 too late to cancel the air passage already booked for Mr. Menon by the High Commissioner and he was instructed by the High Commissioner to proceed by air.

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C/ Please see copy of letter from Messrs. Thos. Cook & Son enclosed regarding Steamer fare Southampton to New York. Mr. Menon states that he pointed out to the High Commissioner that he was only entitled to 2nd class fare but in view of the difficult passage position he was instructed to accept the first class passage booked for him by the High Commissioner.
(3) Please refer to the last paragraph of Messrs. Thos. Cooks letter enclosed.

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C. no. 62227/48. Sub: Government Press - Sri K. P. R. Menon, Deputy Superintendent, - Deputation to the U.K and U.S.A - Increase in cost of passages - Sanctioned.

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Ref: From the S. G. P. no 119/Ms dated 17.8.48

Order/Ms. 2309 Edu dated 14.9.48

The Govt. approve the action of Sri K. P. R. Menon in having made the return journey also by air from the U.K. to Karachi and travelled in First Class by sea from Southampton to New York during the period of his deputation to the U.K and the U.S.A.

To, The S.G. Madras
(with the bill at p. 5. ret'd)
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Sub: Govt. Press - Sri K.P.R. Menon, Deputy Superintdt.
Deputation to the U.K. and U.S.A. - Increase in
cost of passage - Sanction - Requested.

Ref: From the S.G.P. No. 119/Mis dated 17-8-48.

In G.O. No. 2447 Edn., dated 13-11-47, the Govt. sanctioned the deputation to U.K. & U.S.A. of Sri K.P.R. Menon and directed that the officer be provided with air passages for his journeys to U.K. and U.S.A. and back to India. Subsequently the proposal of the S.G.P. to ask the High Commissioner for India to arrange for the return of the officer by sea was approved. It is now reported that the High Commissioner received the latter's instruction too late to cancel the air passages already booked for the officer's return and that he instructed the officer to proceed by air.

The A.G. wants the sanction of Government to admit the claim for air passage for the return journey to Karachi. In the circumstances stated, the claim may be allowed.

2. It is also reported that Sri K.P.R. Menon travelled in Ist class by sea from Southampton to New York while he is entitled only to second class fare by steamer, and that in spite of this pointing out this to the High Commissioner he was instructed to accept the first class passage booked for by him by the H.C. in view of the difficult passage ~~position~~. Ordinarily the H.C. should provide only passages to which the officer is eligible. But in the present case, he has exercised his discretion and allowed him Ist class passage apparently because the Govt. provided the officer with air passages (the cost of which equals Ist class fare). Anyhow as the H.C. and not the officer, is reported to be responsible for the Ist class travel, the claim in this case also may be allowed. For orders.

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The notes of EPH on p1 above may be printed.

In the circumstances stated, the proposals of EPH at A and B on p1 above may be accepted.

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Please see the note of Finance Dept. above. A draft order is submitted below for approval.

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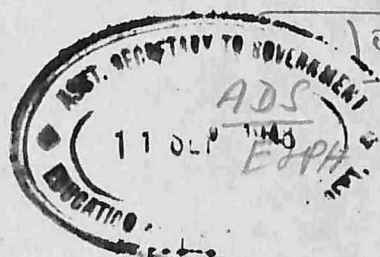
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