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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

11th November 1881, No. 2192.

Local Funds—Tolls.

Read the following paper :—

Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 12th October 1881, No. 2242 [Current No. 2834].

Read—the following letter from C. W. HUTCHINSON, Esq., Postmaster-General, Madras, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

Enclosure No. 1.

Copy of a communication, No. 74, dated 24th July 1881, from the Mail Overseer, Beypore, Badagara Line, to the Superintendent of Post Offices, Calicut Division.

I beg to state that whilst returning from Quibandi and on coming to the toll-gate near the barracks at West Hill (in a cart) I was not allowed to proceed until I paid the fee, Annas 2. I showed them the pass I held for the current year, but was told that the pass had nothing to do with them, as they were instructed to exact the fee from every one. I therefore beg your honor will kindly inquire into the case and get the sum returned to me. I send herewith the pass and the receipt I got from the toll at the toll-gate for the 2 annas I paid him.

No. 561-L-1, dated 1st August 1881.

Copy forwarded to the President, Local Fund Board, for such notice as may appear necessary. Begs that instructions may be kindly issued for the refund of the charge made. The Overseer holds Toll Pass No. 6, dated 22nd March 1881.

No. 428, dated 2nd August 1881.

With reference to your No. 561-L-1, dated 1st instant, I have the honor to inform you that the exemptions from the toll referred to are regulated by Section 80 of the Municipal Act, and the Mail Overseer is not included in the specified exemptions.

No. 116-L-1.

Copies forwarded to the Postmaster-General, Madras, for information and such notice as may appear necessary. If the exemption does not include Overseers, it will be necessary to obtain special sanction for the charge in question.

Cancd.
3rd August 1881.

(Signed) T. D. BINWIDDIE,
Supt. of Post Office, Calicut Division.

Letter—dated 25th August 1881, No. A-3079-1113.

I have the honor to forward herewith copy of a communication from the Superintendent of Post Offices, Calicut Division, No. 116-L-1, dated 3rd August 1881, on the subject of levy of toll from the Mail Overseer of Beypore and Badagara line, and request that you will be so good as to submit the matter for the favorable consideration of the Board, in view that Mail Overseer who receives no travelling allowance, and whose duty is to travel constantly on Mail lines to watch the progress of the mails, may be exempted from paying tolls.

I request also that the case of the Tangor Mail cart between Ootacamund and Mettupalaiyam may be considered at the same time. The contractor who receives 650 rupees per mensem for a very difficult and important service has to pay tolls on this line, amounting in all to Rs. 80 per month, for the vehicle conveying Her Majesty's mails, and though it may be argued that private passengers are carried in this cart yet it more frequently happens that there are none and the Imperial mails alone are conveyed. In other parts of India all vehicles carrying Her Majesty's mails and Postal subordinates travelling on duty are exempt from toll charges.

Resolution—

Submitted for the orders of Government.

2. There is nothing in Section 65 of the Local Funds Act which will cover the case of the Mail Overseer. As regards the mail cart, however, running up the Mettupalaiyam ghat, it is perhaps an open question whether this could not claim exemption under that section as a "Government equipage."

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) G. D. MAULEAN,
Acting Sub-Secretary.

Order thereon, 11th November 1881, No. 2192.

The Government observe that the law does not admit of the exemption recommended by the Postmaster-General, and that, on principle, it is only reasonable that tolls should be paid in the cases referred to, as the roads are maintained by Local Fund Boards and Municipalities and not by the State.

3. The mail contractor between Ootacamund and Mettupalaiyam must have known, when he made his tender, that he would have to pay tolls. He has, therefore, no ground of complaint.

(True Extract.)

R. DAVIDSON,
Chief Secretary.

To the Board of Revenue,
Postmaster-General.

Wd. F. R. Benthall.

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CURRENT NO. 2334
[12th October 1881, No. 2242.]

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 12th October 1881.

No. 2242.

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Madras, to the Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

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Calicut,
3rd August 1881.

(Signed) T. D. DINWIDDIE,
Supt. of Post Offices, Calicut Division.

Letter—dated 20th August 1881, No. A-3073-1113.

I HAVE the honor to forward herewith copy of a communication from the Super-
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(True Copies and Extract.)

G. K. K. K.
Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Chief Secretary to Government, Financial Department.

Copy to the Postmaster-General, Madras.

" " President Local Fund Board, Malabar District.

Exd. J. Talloche

Financial DEPARTMENT.

No. 2834

From

The Board of Revenue, dated 12th
October 1901, No. 2242

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To
THE CHIEF SECY. TO GOVT.,
FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Printed October 11.

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PROCEEDINGS, 11 OCTOBER 1881, No. 222

Submitting for the orders of Government
letter from the Postmaster-General, Madras,
forwarding correspondence on the subject of
exempting Mail Overseers of Beypore and
Badagara line and Tonga Mail carts between
Ootacamund and Mettupalaiyam from payment
of tolls.

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PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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Order 11th Nov 1881, No. 2192

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