

Financial (1896) Department.

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Laus in supersession of No. 751
8. 11-96. the excess expenditure
incurred by Mr. H. H. Briel for carriage
boat hire on his visit to Colombo
in connection with the arrangements
for improving the communication
between Tuticorin and Colombo

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Financial (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 240



H.M.

From

*The Public Works Department,
Railway Branch.*

For Order

No. 377C

G.O. No. 761 Fint. &

11 Nov 96 was not submitted to the H.M. as apparently from the notes in it the case was considered quite clear.

Dated 21st January 1897.

Received 23rd January.

Registered 25th January.

Enclosures

Spare copies

H.M.
1.2.97

The order was passed which

I was struck on leave. I would

have sent it up for order

H.M.

Order No 1318-2-87

In supersession of G.O. No. 761 Fint. & 11 Nov 96, and under the powers vested in this Govt. by para. 2 of Fint. Com.

St. resolution No 5702. Ex. &

SUBJECT.

Application for exemption from railway batta rules to enable an officer of the South Indian Railway to draw money actually expended here in excess of Rs 40 per diem allowed under the Company's batta rules.

25th

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

RAILWAY BRANCH,

21st January 1897.

The following is forwarded to the Financial Department for consideration with reference to the G.O. No. 761 dated 11th November 1896. It is recommended that the exemption asked for may be granted.

J. H. M. S.

offg. Joint Secretary.

Copy of note by the Joint Secretary Railway Branch dated 9th January 1897.

Application to allow an officer of the S.D. Ry. Coy. to draw money actually expended in conveyance hire in excess of the Rs 4 per diem allowed under the Company's batta rule.

Mr Birch, assistant Traffic Manager, S.D. Ry., was deputed by the Agent to confer with the steamer agents.

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25th Oct 95 the excess expenditure incurred by Mr. Birch is sanctioned.

(From Orders)

28.10.96

M.L.
5/2/97

To the P.W.D. (2)

J.H.M.S.
5/2/97

Agents in Colombo with a view to establishing a steamer service between that port and Tuticorin in connection with the fast mail train from Madras.

Under the Company's batta rules he is allowed to draw Rs 4/- per diem but owing to the unusual amount of carriage and boat conveyance he was actually out of pocket — Rs 19.8.0.

The agent requested that this might be granted to him as a special case.

There being no rules under which the amount could be admitted the case was recommended for sanction to the Financial Department as a special case under para 2(c) of Government of India Financial Department resolution No. 5102-Rec of 25th October 1895.

The Financial Department ruled that the claim was inadmissible under the Civil Service Regulations. As pointed out by the Examiners of Railway Accounts in the note below

this

This fact was fully recognised when forwarding the case to the Financial Department. That Department was asked only to exercise the special powers of sanction delegated to Local Government by the Government of India for the express purpose of dealing with cases of this nature.

It is respectfully submitted that the servants of a commercial undertaking like the South Indian Railway are in a position somewhat different to that of the servants of Government, and that if in cases of this nature they are governed by the hard and fast rules which bind Government servants their zeal in the interests of the Company may suffer some abatement.

In the present instance it would seem that if the decision of the Financial Department is upheld Mr Birch will suffer a loss 19.8.0 for performing his duty, unless he is recouped by the Agent out of his private funds.

A somewhat similar case which was submitted a short time ago is attached for reference: it is not understood whether final orders have been passed on the question as to whether exemptions from the Batta rules should in future be referred to the Financial Department. Orders on this point are respectfully solicited.

Chd F. D. F.
9.1.97

Note by His Excellency the Governor dated 13th January 1897.

The travelling allowances of the employes of the South Indian Ry. are governed by the Company's Batta rules and not by the Civil Service Regulations.

What is asked for here is the grant of an allowance in excess of that admissible under these rules, the case being a special one. This would require the sanction of the Government of India which has, however, within certain limits delegated its powers to Local Governments

Governments. All sanctions and these delegated powers should be dealt with in the Financial Department. These papers should again be referred to that Department for consideration ^{with} and recommendation.

As the power of the local Government to sanction exemption from Railway Batta rules rests solely on the resolution, it must be exercised in the Financial Department. This is an answer to Mr. Fowler's last para.

Chd F. D. F.
13.1.97

Note by the Honorable member dated 15th and 16th January 1897

I think exemption may be granted in this case as proposed.

I don't remember seeing the case when it came up before in the F. D. (Financial Department)

Chd H. W. B.
15.1.97

Chd J. G.
16.1.97

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