

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	981-982	Press
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Dated	24.6.1862	19

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
24th June 1862.

No. 182. Read the following letter from H. A. MANGLES, Esq., Acting Accountant General; to the Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 3rd June 1862, No. 44.

Book and Adjustment Department.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of Government Resolution, No. 838, dated 24th May 1862, requesting me to suggest, in what manner the object of the Order of the 30th January last, No. 110, may be effected, without obtaining advances from Collectors, for the pay of the Police, when acting as Watchmen for other Departments.

In reply, I beg to state, that it appears to me, that both Colonel Balfour and the Financial Secretary to the Government of India, are misinformed as to the real Order of this Government, as they both seem to be under the impression, that it sanctioned the pay being "drawn in advance at the beginning of each month."

This, however, was never the intention of Government, in sanctioning, or of the Inspector General of Police, in making, the application. This proposal which met with the approval of Government, and has since been acted upon, was, that the men should be paid, not in advance at the beginning of each month, for that month; but for the past month, before audit.

The error, I think, arose from the words used by both the Controller of Military Finance in this Presidency, and the Inspector General of Police, Madras, the latter of whom requested, and the former, in a Circular, ordered that the pay of the Police, "should be taken up in advance at the beginning of each month," the intention being to say, as the working of the system shows, at the termination of each month.

ORDER THEREON, 24th June 1862, No. 981.

No. 183. A copy of this letter will be forwarded to the Government of India, in reference to their letter of the 28th April 1862, No. 2,986.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Acting Chief Secretary.

No. 184. To the Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, dated Fort Saint George, 24th June 1862, No. 982.

I have the honor to acknowledge your letter, 28th April last, No. 2,986, requesting that His Excellency the Governor in Council may be moved to modify the General Order referred to in Colonel Balfour's letter, 21st idem, No. 8,928A, "sanctioning an arrangement under which the "pay of Police Guards, supplied to Departments, is in future to be drawn in advance at the "beginning of each month."

2. On receipt of your letter, the Accountant General was asked to suggest in what manner the Police furnished as Watchmen to other Departments would be paid, prior to audit, without obtaining advances. Copies of that

Mr. Mangles' letter, 3rd June 1862, No. 44.
Proceedings, 30th January 1862, No. 143.

Officer's reply, and of the Order which the Government of India have required to be modified, are herewith submitted.

3. The Accountant General, it will be observed, thinks that "both Colonel Balfour and "the Financial Secretary to the Government of India are misinformed as to the real Order of "this Government, as they both seem to be under the impression, that it sanctioned the pay "being drawn in advance at the beginning of each month." These words occur in the Circular, February 1862, No. 118, from the Controller of Military Finance, Madras,—but the intention was to say (and the system is now so worked) that the men should be paid in advance, i.e., before audit after the close of each month.

*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
24th June 1862.*

4. The Police Force at Madras, I am desired to explain, receive their pay prior to the audit of their Pay Abstracts—the payment of course being for the Calender month expired. By this arrangement, the men are paid regularly in all parts of the Presidency, and, for reasons* connected with the discipline of the force, are protected from the inconvenience which would be entailed on them by the pre-audit system. This system of advances was approved by the Police Commission, and considered unobjectionable by the Accountant General to the Government of India, and was by that Government in their Financial Resolution, 16th March 1861, No. 3,651, extended to the Constabulary of British Burmah.

5. The Rules of the 4th November 1861, provide for the adjustment of charges against the Departments indenting on the Police for Watchmen. Bills for the cost of the Police supplied are to be presented at the end of the month to the Department employing them, and payment obtained before the 15th of the ensuing month. The Inspector General of Police having represented that any delay in the receipt of this cash would cause inconvenience, the Order was passed, to which Colonel Balfour has taken exception. It relates to the mode of paying the Police, and does not interfere with the adjustment of the charges for Police Watchmen furnished to other Departments.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,
Acting Chief Secretary.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

No. 984-24 June 1862.

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Pro. 30th Jan'y 1862 - No. 217-219
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From
The Acting Assistant General

To
The Acting Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St. George

Dated 3rd June 1862
Received 4th

No 1084

States the manner in which
the object of the Government Order
of the 31st January 1862, No. 140
may be effected.

c/b June 1862
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With an Order

Sept 25th

Judicial Department

N^o 922.

To

The Secretary to the Government of India
Financial Department

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge your letter, 28th April last N^o 2986, requesting that His Excellency the Governor in Council may be moved to modify the General Order referred to in Colonel Balfour's letter, 21st idem N^o 8928A, "sanctioning an arrangement under which the pay of Police Guards, supplied to Departments, is in future to be drawn in advance at the beginning of each month."

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* Letter from the Secy. Genl of Police 4 January 1860, para 4.
Of these the most important and pressing are the pay and allowances. It is proposed to adopt in regard to these the system of Annual Budget for the whole force (particularizing each District), to be exhausted by regular monthly instalments, authority being granted to the Collectors of Districts to make advances to the Superintendent of Police to be audited within the month by audited Bills. This system has much to recommend it in regard to simplicity of account and absence of the custody of cash. It will provide for the regular and early payment of the men - a matter essential to discipline, and but just when legal penalties are so heavy. The constitution of the force precludes the possibility of applying a pre-audit to the monthly abstracts. I would now solicit the sanction of Government for adopting the course and forms recommended, and beg that the Accountant General and the Civil Auditor may be requested to make the necessary arrangements.

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For L. George
24 June 1883

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Dec 1862. Department.

No. 982

PROCEEDINGS OF GOVERNMENT.

Dated 27.10.1942

Forwarding to the Govt of
Chile a letter from the Acama-
-nt General relative to the
mode of paying the
Guards in this military.