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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department, 2nd June 1864.

No. 12. Read the following letter from J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails; to A. J. ARBUTHNOT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated Ootacamund, 14th May 1864, No. 739.

I have the honor to notice an Order of Government, 5th April 1864, No. 460, on an application from the officer in charge of the Jail at [illegible] gratuity of 10 Rupees additional to the amount of Rupees 5 allowable as travelling batta to enable a prisoner, M. Veerasawmy, to return to Rajahmundry.

2. I am at a loss to know why this application was, contrary to rule, made direct to Government, as under no circumstances could the sanction of Government have been given previous to the prisoner's discharge from Jail. I am at a loss to know why it was made at all, as 5 Rupees or 80 Annas should, in my opinion, have been more than sufficient to enable a prisoner to travel 400 miles, at least 100 of which he might be carried for a few Annas in three days. If batta at this rate, say half a Rupee a day, is to be paid to all transferred prisoners on discharge the expense will be enormous, at the Lawrence Asylum works for instance. If the rule is not of general application and special causes induced the recommendation in the case of the prisoner Veerasawmy, they should, in my opinion, have been detailed by the officer making the application.

ORDER THEREON, 2nd June 1864, No. 804.

Ordered to be communicated to the officer in charge of the Jail at Chingleput, who will be guided by the remarks made by Mr. Rohde in all future applications for the grant of batta to prisoners on their discharge. No such applications should be made to the Government direct.

The disbursement of the batta recommended by the Sessions Judge was sanctioned in the case referred to, as it appeared that the convict's term of imprisonment had actually expired, and that the ordinary allowance of Rupees 5 was not sufficient to enable him to return to native place.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector General of Jails.
„ Officer in charge of the Jail at Chingleput.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

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