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Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

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No. 189. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Marine Department, dated 15th November 1865, No. 246.

Laying down a scale of passage to be provided for Subordinates in the different Departments when proceeding from port to port by sea. (Vide Proceedings, Marine Department, dated 15th Novr. 1865, Nos. 34—40.)

No. 190. ORDER THEREON, 22nd November 1865, No. 1674.

Communicated to the undermentioned Officers:—

The Inspector General of Police.
" Commissioner of Police.
" Inspector General of Jails, and
" Registrar General of Assurances.

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

To the Inspector General of Police.
" Commissioner of Police.
" Inspector General of Jails.
" Registrar General of Assurances.

Exd. J. Tulloch.

Read the following papers :—

No. 34. From the Inspector General of Police, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George ; dated Kotagherry, 9th August 1865, No. 1599.

With reference to Order of Government, dated 11th July 1865. No. 155, I beg to state that I consider that the superior servants of itinerating officers—I would include all drawing more than 25 Rupees—should be allowed quarter deck passage when travelling by sea.

2. It must be borne in mind that these are all of a superior and respectable condition in society ; and the deck passage in those Coasting Steamers is indescribably bad.

3. I have already addressed the Secretary to the British India Company, and frequently drawn the attention of these officers to the discomfort, &c., of their deck passengers, left to find, if they can, sitting room amongst luggage, ship gear, and that uncleanness which is unavoidable at sea in ships touching almost daily at some port. In wet weather the whole thing is positively horrible—to say nothing of the discomfort. I speak from large experience.

4. A servant must be allowed. Officers travel to do work, and travel in the District they visit ; and then a domestic servant is indispensable to the health and comfort of their superior servants.

No. 35. From the Assistant Inspector General of Police, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George ; dated Madras, 22nd August 1865, No. 1686.

General Department.

In continuation of letter from the Inspector General of Police, dated 9th August 1865, No. 1599, I am desired by Mr. Robinson to forward the accompanying copy of a Circular letter received from the Superintendent of Marine, dated 11th August 1865, No. 2894, and to state that he quite concurs in the suggestions made with regard to the description of passage to be granted to the different grades of Uncovenanted servants travelling on duty by sea.

From the Superintendent of Police, to the Inspector General of Police ; dated Madras, 11th August 1865, Circular No. 2894.

With reference to Proceedings of Government of the 11th July last, No. 155, I have the honor to suggest the following scale for the description of passage to be granted to Uncovenanted Officers proceeding from port to port by sea, and shall be glad to receive any observations thereon you may desire to make.

2. I have endeavoured, as near as possible, to assimilate the style of passage to that ruling in Military embarkations, but the Steamers on our Coast have introduced a description of passage called "Intermediate", or "second class," which was not known, or at least availed of, when the Military regulations were laid down.

3. These Steamers grant six descriptions of passage, namely :—

1st.—Cabin, which entitles the recipient to a berth in a cabin aft, and mess at the saloon table.

2nd.—Quarter deck, giving all the privileges enjoyed by a cabin passenger, with the exception of a sleeping berth or cabin.

3rd.—Intermediate, entitling to a berth in a cabin forward, and mess at a secondary table.

4th.—Warrant Officers' passage, by which a screened berth is secured, having a sleeping place in it, and plain mess. If messing is not provided the Warrant Officer draws a table allowance of 3 Rupees a day.

This is purely a Government passage, not open to the general public.

5th.—Tween deck passage, } without screen or compartment.
6th.—Upper deck. do., }

4. The simplest mode of regulating the style of passage is by the salary drawn. There may be cases where an officer might be considered entitled to superior style of passage than that which this rule would assign to him, but such might be made matters of special consideration. I would therefore propose the following scale :—

All officers drawing 250 Rupees a month and upwards...	Cabin.
Do. drawing 100 Rupees, and less than 250.....	Intermediate.
Do. drawing less than 100 Rupees.....	Warrant Officers' passage.

5. As regards servants, Warrant officers of Departments are permitted to take one servant each when embarked. I would grant the same privilege to all Uncovenanted officers of whatever grade.

No. 36. From the Acting Inspector General of Jails, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Bangalore, 28th August 1865, No. 216.

With reference to the Order of Government, noted in the margin, I have the honor to subjoin the following information obtained from the Superintendent of Marine.

Judicial Department, 3rd August 1865, No. 1090.

2. The Coasting Steamers provide six descriptions of passage, viz,

1st.—Cabin—consisting of a berth in a cabin aft, and mess at the saloon table.

2nd.—Quarter Deck.—The same as Cabin, with the exception of sleeping berth or cabin.

3rd.—Intermediate—entitling the passenger to a berth in a cabin forward, and mess at a secondary table.

4th.—Warrant Officers' passage.—A screened berth having a sleeping place in it, and plain mess. If Messing is not provided, a table allowance of 3 Rupees a day is drawn. This is purely a Government passage, not open to the general public.

5th.—'Tween deck, } without screen or compartment.
6th.—Upper deck, }

3. The quarter deck passage affords no shelter from the weather, and is therefore objectionable on that account, also for social reasons, as it would appear to entitle to mess at the saloon table.

4. The Superintendent of Marine proposes, and I concur with him, that subordinate public servants drawing salaries between 100 and 250 Rupees a month should be provided with intermediate passages; that those drawing less than 100 Rupees should have a Warrant Officer's passage; and that one servant should be allowed in every case.

No. 37. From the Registrar General of Assurances, Madras, to the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 22nd September 1865, No. 259.

I have the honor to submit the following reply to the Government Order, No. 1090, of the 3rd August.

2. The only subordinate public servants of this Department who are at present liable to travel by sea are the Clerks and Peons of the General Register Office, whose salaries are given in the margin. The Superintendent of Marine proposes that all Uncovenanted Officers drawing less than Rupees 100 a month should be provided with a Warrant officer's passage, which includes a screened berth, having a sleeping place in it and a plain mess. If messing is not provided, the Warrant officer draws a table allowance of Rupees three a day. Mr. Franklin further proposes that the privilege of taking a servant should be granted to all Uncovenanted Officers of whatever grade.

	Rs.
Head Clerk	60
2 Clerks each	40
3 Do. ,,	25
3 Do. ,,	20
1 Peon	8
2 Peons each	7

3. I fully concur in these suggestions, as regards the Clerks of the General Register Office. As they are Caste men, they will necessarily have to mess themselves, and if a Warrant officer's table allowance is granted to the Clerks of other Departments on this account, it should, I think be also granted to these men.

4. A deck passage would be sufficient for the peons and servants above referred to.

No. 38. From the Superintendent of Marine, to the Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 30th September 1865, No. 3157.

I have the honor to inform you that, on receiving the Proceedings of Government of the 11th July last, No. 155, having reference to the description of passage to be allowed to subordinates in different Departments, when proceeding from port to port by sea, it appeared to me the most advisable course to address a Circular to all Departments, stating my views on the subject, and requesting observations thereon. I am aware that the order recorded in the abovementioned

Proceedings did not require me to do so, nor did it call for any report from me on the subject; but the question seemed more easy of settlement by adopting this course.

2. The Coast Steamers by which most of the passages are now engaged, grant six descriptions of passage, namely:—

1st. Cabin, which entitles the recipient to a berth in a cabin aft, and mess at the saloon table.

2nd. Quarter Deck, giving all the privileges enjoyed by a Cabin passenger, with the exception of a sleeping berth or cabin.

3rd. Intermediate, entitling to a berth in a cabin forward, and mess at a secondary table.

4th. Warrant Officers' passage, by which a screened berth is secured, having a sleeping place in it, and plain mess. If messing is not provided by the ship, the Warrant Officer draws 3 Rupees a day from Government as table allowance. This is purely a Government passage, not open to the general public.

5th. 'Tween deck passage, } without screen or compartment.
6th. Upper deck passage, }

3. I considered that the simplest mode of regulating the style of passage for different grades would be in accordance with the salary drawn. Some exceptional cases might occur which could be specially considered, but the following general scale seemed to me equitable:—

All officers drawing 250 Rupees a month and upwards... ... Cabin passage.
Do. drawing 100 Rupees and less than 250 Rupees...Intermediate do.
Do. drawing less than 100 Rupees.....Warrant Officers' do.

4. I likewise suggested that all Uncovenanted servants of whatever grade should be permitted to take a servant with them. Warrant Officers and Serjeants of Departments are allowed this privilege, and I submit that Government Clerks, however low their salary, might be allowed the same.

5. I now beg to add the opinions of the various officers addressed on my proposed scale.

Officiating Inam Commissioner.

Generally approves; but suggests that all drawing more than 100 Rupees a month should have cabin passage, as the class of Natives enjoying salaries over that amount are generally of equal standing and position.

Acting Superintendent and Agent Army Clothing.

Approves; but suggests, as natives would probably prefer screened berths to cabins, it would perhaps be preferable so to provide for them, and give them table money.

Officiating Commissioner of Police.

Approves.

Superintendent Government Telegraphs.

Approves; but considers that special exceptions will have to be made for gentlemen sent out as 3rd Class Inspectors, who, although receiving but 150 Rupees, should be provided with 1st Class passage.

Commissary General.

Approves.

Acting Mint Master.

Approves the principle of classification; but thinks that all of 200 Rupees and upwards should have cabin passage.

Those of 70 to 200 Rupees, intermediate; and all others, Warrant Officers' passage.

I certainly do not consider this necessary.

Accountant General.

Approves, with the exception of the servants, which he considers should not be allowed.

Principal Inspector General, Medical Department.

Approves.

Officiating Director, Revenue Settlement.

Approves; but observes that no provision is made for the lower classes of public servants, such as Duffadars, Peons, Lascars, &c., and suggests that all servants drawing less than 20 Rupees a month should be allotted "'tween deck" passage.

It appeared to me that the Order of 11th July, No. 155, did not refer to the lower subordinates, who will be, as now, provided with 'tween deck passage, similar to that granted to Non-Commissioned Officers and Privates of the Army.

Acting Controller Military Accounts.

States that he has already recommended to Government that Clerks on 200 Rupees and upwards should have 1st Class passage; and that 2nd Class passage should be granted to all drawing less than that salary.

Considers that the rule as to servants in page 416 of the Pay Code should be adopted.

This only refers to Military Officers, and does not seem applicable to office servants.

Officiating Superintendent Revenue Survey.

Considers that subordinates drawing 100 Rupees and upwards should be provided with 2nd Class passage; and those drawing less, with 3rd Class; a servant being allowed in each case.

Inspector General of Ordnance and Magazines.

Approves, but thinks the quantity of baggage should be specified.

The baggage should be that allowed by the vessel for the class of passage engaged. Some Companies may allow more than others.

Superintending Engineer, 4th Division.

Approves.

Quarter Master General.

Approves; but suggests that clerks receiving 50 Rupees a month, or under, be not allowed a servant.

Inspector General of Police.

Approves.

Acting Inspector General of Jails.

Approves.

Adjutant General.

Approves generally; but suggests that subordinates receiving less than 35 Rupees a month should have only 'tween deck passage, and should not be allowed a servant.

Consulting Engineer, Irrigation and Canal Company.

Approves.

Controller Public Works Accounts.

Considers that passage for the Uncovenanted service should be established on a similar

scale as that adopted under Proceedings of Government of 11th August 1858, No. 1599, and 11th October 1860, No. 2118, that is, that clerks whose rank and pay assimilate with the grades therein mentioned should have the same class of passage, and that only 1st Class passengers should be entitled to a servant.

6. Having now completed my abstract of the views of the different officers who have communicated with me on the subject, I would recommend for the favorable consideration of Government the scale of passage set forth in the 3rd paragraph of this letter.

No. 39. Proceedings of Government in the Military Department,

Communicating the replies of certain Departments in respect to the passage to be provided for their subordinates who may travel by sea on duty. } (Dated 21st October 1865, No. 3917).

No. 40. ORDER THEREON, 15th November 1865, No. 246.

The Governor in Council approves and sanctions the arrangement proposed by the Superintendent of Marine, in regard to the scale of passage to be provided for subordinates in the different Departments, when proceeding from port to port by sea, viz, that public officers receiving salaries of Rupees 250 a month and upwards should have ..... A cabin passage.

Do. drawing Rupees 100 and less than Rupees 250... Intermediate passage.

Do. drawing less than Rupees 100..... ..... Warrant Officers' do.

It is suggested by the Adjutant General, that officers drawing less than Rupees 35 should be provided with a "'tween deck passage" only.

2. All Uncovenanted officers drawing more than Rupees 35 will be allowed to take one servant, for whom a deck passage will be provided.

3. Special cases of the nature of those referred to by the Superintendent of Telegraphs will be referred for the orders of Government.

(True Extract).

Signed J. C. C. Sulivan
Chief Secretary.

To the Superintendent of Marine.
Marine Department.

Ed. J. H. Burns.

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Proceedings of Govt in the Marine Dept. 16 Aug 16

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No 2167

Hon. Secretary

Laying down a Scale of Postage to be provided for Letters in the different Departments when proceeding from Port to Port by Sea.

Lieut

Wm Lee Esqr

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Hon. Secretary 1815 Register

22nd November 1815 No 1671

Communicated to the undermentioned Officers.

The Magistrates Clerk of Police
" Commissioners of Police
" Inspector Genl of Hackney Coaches
" Superintendt of Lamps

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