

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	1628	Press
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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
11th October 1867.*

No. 100. Read the following letter from the Under Secretary to the Government of India, to the Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George; dated Simla, 21st September 1867, No. 4730.

Home Department.

With reference to the correspondence noted in the margin, I am directed to forward, herewith, for the information and guidance of His Excellency the Governor in Council, copy of a Despatch* from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State, relative to the salary to be prospectively drawn by the Inspector General of Prisons in Madras.

PROCEEDINGS of the Government of India, Financial Department; dated Simla, 26th August 1867, No. 2241.

Read the following Despatch from the Right Honorable the Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honorable the Governor General of India in Council; dated India Office, London, 9th July 1867, No. 261.

I have considered in Council your letter, dated the 22nd January 1866, No. 13, with the accompanying papers, on the subject of reducing the pay of the office of Inspector General of Prisons under the several local Governments to the uniform rate of Rupees 1200 a month, which is the salary recently assigned to the appointment in the Presidency of Bombay.

2. It appears that, after consideration of the opinions of the several local Governments as to the expediency of this measure, you do not in any case advise a reduction to the full extent suggested.

3. With regard to the appointments of Inspector General of Prisons in the Punjab, the North-Western Provinces, and Madras, you recommend that the salaries, which at present amount to Rupees 1500, Rupees 1833, and Rupees 2500, respectively, should all be fixed, as vacancies occur, at the uniform rate of Rupees 1500 a month. The duties and responsibilities of these situations are represented to be considerably heavier than those attaching to the same office in Bombay, and I concur in your opinion that a higher rate of remuneration than that recently sanctioned for the last named appointment may be reasonably allowed to them. A salary of Rupees 1500 a month may accordingly be assigned to each of the Inspectors General of Prisons in Madras, the North-Western Provinces, and the Punjab, as recommended by you.

4. As regards the office of Inspector General of Prisons in Bengal, a proposal has been made that the business should be divided, and be discharged in future by two Inspectors General instead of one, and you now refer this suggestion for my decision, recommending that, in case it should be determined to appoint two Inspectors General, a salary of Rupees 1500 should be allotted to each, but, if it be thought preferable to entrust the duties of the situation to a single Officer, a salary of Rupees 2000 a month would, in the Governor General's opinion, be sufficient.

5. There is doubtless much force in the arguments advanced in favor of the division of the office, but, on the other hand, it is fully admitted by your Government that the Jails in Bengal have been very well administered during the last ten years under the supervision of one Inspecting Officer, and I notice that the proposed change, besides involving an increase of expenditure, would be directly opposed to the wishes of the local Government of Bengal.

6. I am not prepared, under these circumstances, to authorize the division of the office, and being of opinion that the duties belonging to it should continue, as at present, to be conducted by a single Inspector General, I concur in the recommendation of the Governor General, that the salary of this Officer should be fixed prospectively at Rupees 2000 a month.

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7. In regard to your proposal to assign to each Inspector General certain additional duties, as Principal Health Officer in his own Province, I have already expressed my views in paragraph 7 of the Public Despatch to your Government, dated the 30th April 1867, No. 40. If, after consideration of the point to which I have there called attention, you should still adhere to your original proposition, I shall not object to the allowances which you propose to grant to the Inspectors General for the extra duties to be imposed upon them.

ORDER.—Ordered that a copy of the above be forwarded to the Home Department with reference to its communication, dated 15th January 1868, No. 520, and that the Despatch be noticed in the reply to the Public Despatch of the Secretary of State, No. 40, dated 30th April 1867, regarding the proposition to assign additional duties, as Health Officer, to each Inspector General of Prisons.

(Signed) J. E. COOKE,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 101. ORDER THEREON, 11th October 1867, No. 1628.

Ordered that the foregoing letter, and its enclosure, be communicated to the Inspector General of Jails.

(True Extract).

Chief Secretary.

To the Inspector General of Jails.

„ Accountant General.

„ Examiner of Claims:

Ed. J. H. Burns.

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Under Secretary Govt of

Madras Home Dept

No 4730

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Enclosure:

No 1628.

Forward Despatch from

Home Govt regarding the

prospective salary of

the Officer of Inspector

General of Prisons in the

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