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REGISTRATION.

Addressing the Government of India regarding the grant of a daily allowance of Rs. 3 to District Registrars when they proceed on annual tours of inspection of registration offices under their control.

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District Gazette for October 1891.

District Board's Proceedings at meeting held at Calicut on Monday the 24th August 1891.

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Travelling in North Malabar is more expensive than elsewhere, and all the members of the Board who have travelled there, know by experience that it is impossible to hire a cart under ans 4 a mile at any time and under 6 or 8 annas a mile in the monsoon.

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(Sd) W. Dumergue.
President

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Enclosure I to
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Enclosure (2)
to I.G.'s letter
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No. 2548

Registrar's Office
Tellicherry, 2 November 1893

From,
T. R. Ramasamy Aiyer
Registrar of assurances
Tellicherry.

To
The Inspector General of Registration
Madras.

Sir,

I have the honor to bring to your notice that my actual tour expenses with economy and care are much higher than what I get as travelling and halting allowances. The reason is that the cart hire in North Malabar is no where less than annas 4 a mile, and in some interior parts it goes up to annas 6 a mile. In addition to this, I have to cross numerous ferries and tolls with a cart, for which the fare is annas 6 and as 4 respectively. You are personally aware of the cart hire in my district. As a further proof, I beg to enclose herewith an extract from the Proceedings of the District Board published in page 11 of the Supplement to the District Gazette Malabar for October 1891. Therein you will observe that the cart hire in my district is much higher than elsewhere.

2. I beg to draw your attention to my bill for the inspection tour made in the past official year. I have drawn Rs 40-8-0 for 162 miles at the mileage rate of annas 4, and Rs 19-8 for 138 miles at the daily rate of Rs 1½. In both these cases, the scale fixed is insufficient for this district. In the East coast districts and in South Malabar where the cart hire is 2 annas a mile, the mileage rate of annas 4 is found not quite enough to cover all the expenses.

3. As I have made out a clear case that the inspection tour in North Malabar entails personal loss, I beg to submit the following alternative proposals, under articles 1098 and 1251 of the Civil Service Regulations, for your consideration.

(a) The mileage and daily allowance rates may be increased by 50 per cent,
(b) or the daily allowance rate to Rs 3
(c) or the daily allowance rate by 50 per cent not exceeding Rupees 3 a day,
(d) or the daily allowance calculated on pay and commission not exceeding Rs 3 a day

In all these cases, the annual loss to Government will approximately be Rs 50, 60, 30 and 20 respectively.

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If any of these proposals meet with your approval, I solicit the favour of taking steps for obtaining the sanction of Government. I beg also to represent that the last proposal, if sanctioned, will not entirely cover the actual expenses.

I have &c.
(Sd) J L Ramasamy Aiyer
Registrar.

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Registrar's office
Tellicherry 2nd February 1894

Encl(3) to 2/s
Letter G.O.686/95

From
H. Ramasamy Aiyer
Registrar of Assurances
Tellicherry.

To
The Inspector General
of Registration
Madras.

Sir,

In continuation of my letter No. 2548 dated 2nd November 1893 regarding my travelling allowance on tour of inspection, I have the honor to report that Treasury Deputy collectors are uniformly paid at the rate of Rs 3 for a halt, under article 1167 of the Civil Service Regulations, irrespective of their grades (vide Board's Standing orders). The principle, on which this uniform rate of halting allowance was sanctioned can be applied to Registrars as well. If you think that Rs 3 day is high for a Registrar, it may be reduced proportionately.

2. Taluk Stations are generally more than 20 miles from each other. Hence Treasury officers generally get mileage rates on days they travel. Whereas in important districts, Sub Registry offices

are, as a rule, within 20 miles. In my own district except Manantody, all other offices are within 12 miles. Therefore the necessity to give a fixed rate of halting allowance in the case of Registrars is greater.

3. If this proposal is not feasible, at present, I request you to consider one of my alternative proposals stated in my first letter so far as I am concerned. Here the cart hire is more than 4 annas a mile exclusive of charges for many ferries and tolls, while in other districts it is 2 annas or even less.

4. I further beg to report that Inspectors (and assistant Inspectors in Factory circles) of the Salt department are allowed to have a fixed daily allowance of Rs 3 irrespective of their pay which ranges generally between Rs 100 and Rs 200 a month (vide page 422 of the civil Service Regulations)

5. If you are pleased to take a merciful view of my representation, I request the sanction, you obtain, may have effect from this year, so that there might be no further loss to me on account

of

of my recent tour.

I have &c

(Signed) T. L. Ramasamy aiyer
Registrar.

(True Copy)

Srinivasa Raghavaiyengar
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Office of Registrar Godavari
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Encl (4) to Ig's
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From
M. R. Ry M. Ratnasabhapati
Pillai avergal
Registrar of Godavari

To
The Inspector General
of Registration
Madras

Sir,

I have the honour to bring to your notice that the batta allowed to District Registrars, while on tour of inspection, and the rule that a distance of not less than 20 miles should be travelled in one day to claim mileage are causing great hardships in many cases.

2. The daily allowance is calculated on our pay alone excluding altogether the commission we draw, which is a tangible portion of our emoluments. Under article 530 (C) of the Civil Service Regulations, commission is given credit for purposes of our pension, it being viewed as a portion of our emoluments just like permanent pay and not as a fluctuating item to be left

out of consideration, and, under G.O. No. 617 dated 3d. April 1876, and No. 1592 of 14th October 1890, the fluctuations if any, in commission are adjusted at the year's end, or in other words a commission of Rs 600 per annum, or Rs 50 per mensem is guaranteed to each Registrar provided his collections in the year amounted to Rs 3000. It is also seen that with the exception of 3 offices in the Presidency viz. Ganjam, Kurnool & Vizagapatam, all other District offices yield a revenue, which admits of the maximum commission of Rs 600 being paid to the officers presiding over them. Consequently it is but fair & reasonable that our commission, which is also permanent & authorized should be added to our pay for calculating our daily allowance

3. If this be not practicable or if better provision could be made, I request you to move the Government to raise our batta and fix it at Rs 3 per diem which is now allowed to officers of similar status in other departments, and as Deputy collectors & District Munsiffs of all grades & less than what is actually paid to Inspectors

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of Registration offices in Bengal.

4. Now to turn to the 2d. point viz limit of 20 miles, we are asked to go round the district once a year & by a particular route so as to inspect the offices in the way & return to the Head quarters once for all. So almost all the offices in a District with a very few exceptions fall within the said limit. It is needless for me to exemplify this, as you are personally aware of the distances between the several stations in a district. You can therefore easily conceive what the hardship would be, when we actually pay Rs 5 as cart or boat or palanquin hire for travelling a distance of about 20 miles & we are paid in return in the shape of batta Rs 1½ or 1¾ or 2 which is not even ½ of what actually goes out of our pocket, and this is more to be deplored when it happens not as a single instance or as an exceptional case, but in the majority of cases, exceptions being very few as above stated.

As the inspection work we have to perform is confined to the District, & as every office in it, the radius of which is being

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gradually diminished so as to meet the convenience of the public has to be examined annually, it is absolutely necessary that the said limit (20 miles) should be removed so far as we are concerned, especially as the charge is incurred only once a year.

5. It is true that article 1087 of the said regulations lays down that the travelling allowance is not to be a source of profit but certainly government does not want its subordinates to perform the inspection duty at their own expense

6. Mr Hannett, your predecessor in office, highly paid as he was, represented to government that the daily allowance of Rs 5 provided in the code was insufficient & got it raised to Rs 7 1/2 and I need not point out to you that our case is worthy of similar consideration.

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7. In these circumstances, I request that you will be graciously pleased to move the government to sanction (1) the inclusion of our commission in pay for calculating our daily allowance

or

or the grant of a fixed uniform batta of Rs 3 per diem to all district Registrars seeing that all of us do the same amount of inspection work & our status is the same & (2) remove the limit of 20 miles referred to above, which really works as a great hardship.

8. In conclusion I beg I may not be understood to be advocating the cause of my colleagues as their proxy. I have laid the case before you as affecting all Registrars generally & not me alone specially so that you may take the necessary action for ameliorating our condition

I have &c

(Sd) M. Ratnasabhapathy
Pillai

(True copy)

S Srinivasa Raghavaiyangar
Inspector General of Regn

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Coimbatore District Registrar's
office
Dated 31st October 1894.

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Encl(5) to
IGs letter C686/95

From
M R Ry
M. Nataraja Aiyar Avergal
Registrar of Assurances
Coimbatore.

To
The Inspector General of Registration
Madras.

Sir,

I beg to submit the following for your favorable consideration and orders in view to your addressing the Government on the subject, if you deem fit, considering the loss entailed on Registrars.

2. When the Special Registrars were first appointed, they were allowed travelling allowance, while on inspection duty, at the rate of 8 annas mileage, by road and 1 1/2 annas by rail and Rs 3 daily batta without reference to their pay. After some time, the rules regulating the travelling allowance to other officers of Government were made applicable to them. As they were paid partly by commission, it was ruled on a reference that

the average monthly commission should be added to the fixed pay, and the rate of travelling allowance fixed with reference to the total amount. And there was no restriction to drawing mileage as the one in the present code, that an officer should not draw mileage, unless he travels more than 20 miles a day. The order as to adding the average commission to the fixed pay and calculating the rate of travelling allowance with reference to the total has been superseded by the present code of travelling allowance. But there is a provision in article 1098 of the Civil Service Regulations, under which the Government may declare what shall be considered the pay for the purposes of travelling allowance code, of an officer who is partly remunerated by pay and partly by commission. I need hardly submit that the restriction of drawing of mileage to days of more than 20 miles travelling entails much loss on me, as the daily batta of Rs 2 allowed is hardly adequate

to

to cover the hire of 2 carts, whenever I travel more than 10 miles a day but less than 20. The double second class fare allowed for railway journey or daily batta when it is less, hardly covers the railway fare. I pay for myself, my luggage and one or two servants. There are several offices in this District, the distance of which from the adjoining office is less than 20 miles, as Anamalai to Pollachi 9 miles, Pollachi to Udamalpet 17 miles, Aravakurichi to Karur 18 miles. Gobichettipalayam to Satyamangalam 14 miles and Bowani to Erode 9 miles. or the distance by rail from one to the adjoining is such that double the second class fare does not exceed the daily batta of Rs 2 as Karur to Kodumudi, thence to Erode, thence to Perundorai, thence to Sulur, from Coimbatore to Periyanaikenpalayam and Mettubalayam.

3 In visiting all the above mentioned offices, I actually suffer loss, as the allowance I get is not quite adequate

to meet the charges I have to incur. As the calculation of daily batta on my pay and average monthly commission will give me Rs 2-8-0, which will to a certain extent cover the loss I sustain, as above set forth, I request that you will be good enough to move the Government to declare under the provisions of article 1098, Part XI of the Civil Service Regulations, that my pay for the purposes of travelling allowance code shall be the pay and the average commission I get, taken together.

I have &c

(Sd) M. Nataraja Aiyar
Registrar

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Precis of correspondence relating to rates of travelling allowances to District Registrars.

In his letter dated 22nd July 1870 No 82, the Registrar-General of Assurances brought to the notice of Government the necessity for payment of travelling allowances to the Registrar of Tanjore, and the Government in its order dated 8th August 1870, No 1059 judicial, permitted the specia Registrar of Tanjore to draw such travelling allowances as were payable to officers of the Revenue department holding appointments of corresponding emoluments. This rule was also made applicable to the Special Registrars of Ganjam, Nellore and Tellicherry in G.O. dated 4th February 1874 No 180.

In his letter dated 5th September 1877 No 208, the Inspector-General of Registration recommended that the × scale of travelling allowance sanctioned in G.O. dated 13th July 1874 No 870, Revenue, to Treasury Deputy Collectors might be extended to Special District

Rs 4 a day
and mileage at
annas 4 a mile

District Registrars. The Local Government accorded its sanction to the proposal in its order dated 22nd November 1877, No. 2769. Judicial, subject to the confirmation of the Government of India, who, however, considered the allowances disproportionately high in comparison with the pay of the District Registrars and ruled that these officers should be declared entitled only to the travelling allowances prescribed for subordinate officers of the Revenue department of corresponding rank. Vide G.O. dated 2nd August 1878 No. 1542 Judicial.

[N.B. It must be noted in this connection that District Registrars or Special Registrars as they were called were paid only the salaries noted in the margin together with commission on the collections made by them at 20 per cent subject to a maximum of Rs 100. Moreover, Treasury Deputy Collectors were then paid Rs 4 a day and not Rs 3 as at present.]

Salaries

Rs	No:
500	1
300	1
250	1
225	1
200	1
175	2
150	4
125	2
100	2
87½	4

The Inspector-General having represented in his letter dated 27th November 1878 No. 247, that the travelling allowance paid to the Acting District Registrar of Cuddupah for the period during which he inspected the Subregistrars' offices under his control, fell considerably short of the actual necessary expenses incurred by him, the Madras Government requested the sanction of the Government of India for disbursement to him of the difference. The Madras Government further urged that the commission drawn by registering officers should be taken along with the pay in determining the daily allowance payable to Special Registrars and that, having regard to the importance of having registration offices thoroughly inspected, Special Registrars should be paid the same rates of travelling allowance as are paid to Treasury Deputy Collectors, when they proceed on a tour of inspection. The Government of India, however

G.O. of 14 Dec: 1878 No: 2532 Judl

however, did not accept the proposal of the Local Government and declined to treat commission as part of the salary of the Registrars, in view of the difficulty of determining the amount of daily allowance with reference to a varying amount of moluments; but in consideration of the hardship caused by the exclusion from emoluments of the commission paid, they declared that any special District Registrar who was entitled to travelling allowance t daily rates on the scale prescribed for subordinate revenue officers might exchange that allowance for a mileage of 4 annas a mile on the understanding that both the allowances should not be drawn for the same day. (Vide G. O. dated 19th June 1879 No. 1435 Judicial).

N. B. [It must be remembered that at that time subordinate revenue officers were not allowed the option of exchanging the daily allowance for a mileage allowance and the option given to District Registrars was a special concession. Moreover, the rule that a mileage allowance was payable only if the distance travelled was not more than 20 miles was not then in existence. Now the rule is, vide Article 1170(ii) of the Civil Service Regulations, — that subordinate ministerial officers of all departments may under certain conditions exchange the daily allowance for a mileage, provided the distance travelled is more than 20 miles. Further under Article 1098 of the Civil Service Regulations the Local Government has power to decide to what daily allowance officers like District Registrars who are partly paid by fees and partly by pay are entitled.]

In his letter recorded in G. O. dated 19th August 1879 No. 2094 Judicial, the Inspector General of Registration recommended that in consequence of the expensiveness of travellin travelling in the districts of Malabar and South Canara, the mileage of 4 annas a mile sanctioned in the Government of India Resolution above referred to should be doubled in the case of the District Registrars of Malabar and South Canara.

The Madras Government concurred with the Inspector-General and referred the matter for the orders of the Government of India, who, however, considered that no further concessions than those contained in G.O. dated 19th June 1879, No. 1435, coupled with the special rates of travelling allowances sanctioned in G.O. dated 3rd February 1869, No. 294 Revenue were called for.

S Srinivasa Raghavaiyangar
Inspr. Genl. of Regn.

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CURRENT NO. 622

REGISTRATION DEPARTMENT.

G No. 686

From The Hon'ble
~~M.R.Ry.~~ S. SRINIVASA RAGHAVAIYANGAR, ~~Avargal,~~
DEWAN BAHADUR, C.I.E.,
INSPECTOR-GENERAL OF REGISTRATION,
Madras,

To
The Honorable J. F. Price, C.S.I.,
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
Fort St. George.

Dated Madras, 6th February 1895.

SIR,

× From the District Registrar of Tellicherry d/ 2 November 1893, No: 2548
Do Do d/ 2 February 1894, No: 181.
Do Do Godavari d/ 18 April 1894 No: 158
Do Do Coimbatore d/ 31 October 1894 No: 437.

I have the honor to submit for the orders of Government, copies of the letters× marginally noted from the District Registrars of Tellicherry, Godavari and Coimbatore complaining of the inadequacy of the travelling allowances drawn by them and of the loss they are put to in consequence, when they proceed on their annual tours of inspection of the Subregistrars' offices under their control. I beg also to enclose a precis of previous correspondence on the subject for convenience of reference.

2. Under the Civil Service Regulations District Registrars are entitled to either (1) daily allowance of annas 4 for every Rs 25 of their pay subject to a maximum of Rs 3 or (2)

or (2) double the second class railway fare for the distance travelled by Railway or (3) a mileage of annas 4 a mile for the distance travelled by road, provided the distance travelled exceeds 20 miles. Both daily allowance and mileage cannot be drawn for the same day.

3. There are 7 grades of District Registrars and the daily allowances payable to them are as follows:—

	Pay Rs	Daily allowance Rs As Ps
1st Grade	500	3-0-0 ✓
II " "	300	3-0-0 ✓
III " "	250	2-8-0
IV " "	200	2-0-0
V " "	175	1-12-0
VI " "	150	1-8-0
VII " "	100	1-0-0

The District Registrars, besides their pay, get a percentage commission on the collections made by them, but this is not now taken into account in determining the rates of daily allowance payable to them.

4 The District Registrar of Tellicherry is an officer of the 6th grade, and the daily allowance he can draw amounts to Rs 1-8-0 only. This allowance is found to be utterly inadequate; as travelling in North Malabar is very expensive. The

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rate of hire per cart is never less than annas 4 a mile exclusive of tolls payable at ferries to be crossed, and the rate demanded in some parts is as high as annas 6 or 8 a mile. As a Registrar must employ two conveyances at lea one for himself and another for his servants and baggage, it will be seen that a daily allowance of Rs 1-8-0 or Rs 2-0-0 will not cover the actual expenses of travelling. He cannot, in most cases, claim to be paid at mileage rates, as the offices to be inspected are seldom situated at distances of more than 20 miles. The ×rule on the subject requires that, to entitle an officer to claim mileage, he should travel a distance exceeding 20 miles during one day, and "a day"× for this purpose, is taken to be the period of 24 hours from midnight to midnight. As travelling has to be performed at nights both for economizing public time and to avoid the heat of the weather, the distance travelled becomes divided between 2 days, and this often precludes mileage rate being claimed even in cases in which the distance travelled exceeds 20 miles. The Registrar has seldom more than two days

Article 1170 (II) of the Civil Service Regulations.

× vide Article 29 of the Civil Service Regulations.

work at a station, and he cannot recoup his expenses by making a sufficiently long halt at each station. This is the case with the other Registrars also.

5. To remove the hardship entailed by the present insufficient travelling allowances on District Registrars except those in the first two grades, three remedies have been suggested, viz, 1st to fix the rate of daily allowances in the case of District Registrars of all grades at Rs 3 per diem, as has been done in the case of ×Treasury Deputy Collectors when they proceed on a tour to inspect Sub-treasuries; secondly, to take the emoluments drawn by District Registrars in the form of commission into account in addition to the salary, in determining the amount of daily allowances to which they are entitled; and thirdly, to abolish the rule that mileage shall not be claimable, if the distance travelled on any one day does not exceed 20 miles.

+ × Officers of the 2nd class - Rs3 - vide page 422 CSR.

6. It seems to me that the first proposal is the best. The status and position of District Registrars is as nearly as possible the same as that of Treasury Deputy Collectors. The travelling expenses of these officers, who have to make their tours at definite periods of the year and to visit particular stations for only a limited number of days for purposes of inspection are the same for all grades of officers. The character of the inspection is also of the same kind as that which the Treasury Deputy Collectors have to conduct. These officers have not, like ordinary executive officers, work of inspection to perform all along the way within their ranges, and a fixed rate of allowance irrespective of the grades of officers is, therefore, quite appropriate in their case. In G. Os× marginally noted, the Government was strongly of opinion that the allowances granted to District Registrars should be similar to those of Treasury Deputy Collectors; but the Government of India negatived the proposal of the Local Government on the ground that the salaries of District Registrars were considerably less than those of Treasury Deputy Collectors.

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No: 2769 Judl

dt 14 December 1878
No: 2532 Judl

At the time, District Registrars or Special Registrars, as they were called, were paid only the salaries× noted in the margin in addition to a Commission not exceeding Rs100. Now their Salaries are as noted in para 3 in addition to

× Salaries
No: 1 - Rs 500
" 1 - Rs 300
" 1 - Rs 250
" 1 - Rs 225
" 1 - Rs 200
" 2 - Rs 175
" 4 - Rs 150
" 2 - Rs 125
" 2 - Rs 100
" 4 - Rs 87-8-0

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commission of 20 per cent on the collections. Moreover, Treasury Deputy Collectors were then paid a daily allowance of Rs 4, and it has since been reduced to Rs 3. The latter rate will in the long run cover the expenses of travelling in the case of District Registrars, and it is not in any way excessive. It may be here mentioned that Inspectors (and Assistant Inspectors in factory circles) of the Salt Department in the interior are allowed a daily allowance of Rs 3 irrespective of their pay.

vide Page 422 of the C.S.R (appendix no. 25).

7. As regards the second proposal, the Government of India declined to sanction a similar proposal on the ground that there would be difficulty in determining the amount of commission, which was a fluctuating item; but the Government has now power, under Article 1098 of the Civil Service Regulations, to determine the rates of allowances payable to officers remunerated partly or wholly by fees. Under this article, Rs 50 may be added to the salary of District Registrars for determining the amount of daily allowance to which they are entitled. These officers, even when they go on tour of inspection, are entitled, under G. O, dated 24 February 1875, No: 429, Judicial, to draw in addition to pay the commission they would have got if they had remained at head-quarters and attended to registration duties. The concession, however, while benefiting the District Registrars so far as it goes, will not remove the present hardship.

G. O d/ 19 June 1879, No: 1435 Judl

8. A concession similar to that involved in the third proposal was granted by the Government of India in their Resolution dated, 31st May 1879, No: 933, communicated in G. O, dated 19 June 1879, No: 1435, Judicial; but it was not embodied in the Civil Service Regulations. It seems to be very unlikely that the Government of India will consent to relax the general rule as regards distance travelled in one day exceeding 20 miles in any case, and the relaxation will not, moreover, fully meet the present case.

Article 1170 (ii) Civil Service Regulations

9. In these circumstances, I beg to recommend that the Government may be pleased to sanction a fixed rate of daily allowance of Rs 3 to District Registrars of all grades.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedient servant
S Srinivasa Raghavaiyangar
Inspr: Genl: of Regn

No. 622

Judicial (1895) Department

"Registration"

From

The Inspector-General
Of Registration,
Madras,

To

The Chief Secretary
to Government,
Fort St. George.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT
9 FEB 1895
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

Dated 6
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Received 9
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Requesting to sanction a fixed rate of daily allowance of Rs 3 to Dt. Registrars when they proceed on annual tours of inspection of registration offices under their control.

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G.O. 22/11/77 No. 2769 Judl. &c.
" 14/12/78 No. 2532 " "
" 19/6/79 No. 1435 " "
" 19/8/79 No. 2094 " "
" 8/8/70 " 1069 " "
" 4/2/74 " 180 " "
" 19/7/74 " 870 Revenue Dept.
" 2/8/78 " 1542 " "
" 3/2/69 " No. 294 "

G.O. 2540: 23 Oct 94 &c.

ACCOUNTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
16 FEB 95
MADRAS

Endorsement dy 15-2-95 No. 311

Referred to the Accountant General for favor of remarks.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT
23 FEB 1895
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

(By order)

Lionel Davidson
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for Under Secretary

Fort St George
15 Febry 95

To
The Accountant General.

MS 14/2/95

TO BE RETURNED
WITH REPLY.

NO. 897

Judl (189) DEPARTMENT.

From

THE ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL,
MADRAS,

To

THE Chief Secy to Govt
Financial Dept

G.O. 2540/94 &c

No. 422

Dated 22
Received 23
} February 95

Rep^d 25

No. Encl. C No. 622 retd.

Subject.

Submitting the proposals made re the travelling allowances of the District Registrars will require the sanction of the Govt of India

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FORT ST. GEORGE,
Accountant-General's Office,
22nd Febry 1895.

No. 422

From J. W. Rawlins Esqre,

ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS,

To

THE Chief Secretary to Government,
Financial Department.

SIR,

With reference to your endorsement No. 311 dated the 15th of February 95 on letter from the Inspector General of Registration No. 686 dated 6th idem, I have the honour to state that the proposal to grant Rs 3 as the fixed rate of daily allowance to District Registrars when they proceed on annual tours of inspection, would require the sanction of the Government of India as additions to appendix 25 of the Civil Service Regulations can only be made under such sanction.

2. With regard to the second proposal of the Inspector General, I would observe that a similar suggestion was negatived by the Government of India in its order No. 933 ated 31st May 79 Financial. Articl one the Civil
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G.O. 22/11/77 No. [illegible]

Regulations authorises a Local Government to declare to what class an officer who is paid partly by fees belongs, and to what daily allowance such an Officer is entitled, but it is clear that the rule contemplates only the cases of officers whose pay does not furnish any accurate indication of their rank or status. The pay drawn by Registrars sufficiently indicates their status and as Article 1167 (ii) provides for daily allowance being calculated on the pay of their respective appointments, I think that the proposal to take the amount of Commission also into account requires the sanction of the Government of India.

3. The relaxation in the cases of Registrars of the rule contained in Article 1170 (ii) as regards distance travelled in one day exceeding 20 miles which forms the third proposal of the Inspector General would also require the Sanction of the Government of India.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most Obedt Servt,

Accountant General

[G./25]
200-8-2-95.

Judicial DEPARTMENT.

C. Nos. 622 + 897/95.

FOR ORDERS.

In the first of the papers read above the I.G. of Registration submits for the orders of Govt. letters from the District Registrars* of Tellicherry, Godavari & Coimbatore, complaining of the inadequacy of their travelling allowance & of the loss they are put to in consequence when they proceed on their annual tours of inspection of the Sub Registrars' offices & recommends that a fixed rate of daily allowance of Rs 3 to Dt. Registrars of all grades may be sanctioned.

The several grades of Dt. Registrars & the daily allowances payable to them are as follows:-

	No of officers in each grade	Pay Rs	Daily allowance
1st grade	1.	500.	Rs 3-00
IInd ..	1.	300.	3-00
III ..	3.	250.	2-8-0
IV ..	4.	200.	2-00.
V ..	6.	175.	1-12-0
VI ..	6.	150	1-8-0
VII ..	1.	100.	1-0-0
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* - who do not obviously belong to the 1st two grades.

I think this case may as well go up to India at once. It is obvious that a man's actual needs when travelling do not in the least depend on ~~the~~ his grade in an Dept. Every member of which is doing precisely the same duties & is of the same social & official position. Rs 3 seems to me as little as these men can travel on in a decent way befitting their position as district heads of their Dept., & I would give them all Rs 3.

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To remedy the hardship brought to notice three courses are suggested - vizt:-

(1) To fix the rate of daily allowances of Dt. Registrars of all grades at Rs 3 (perdiem), as in the case of Treasury Dy. Collectors when they go on tours of inspection;

(2) To take the emoluments drawn by these officers in the form of commission[*] into account in addition to the salary, in determining the amount of daily allowances; &

(3) To abolish the rule that mileage shall not be claimable[†], if the distance travelled on any one day does not exceed 20 miles.

Of the three courses, the I.G. considers the first proposal to be the best & recommends it for the ~~sanc-~~ approval ~~tion~~ of Govt.

In the second paper - No. 897 - it has been ascertained from the Accountant General that all the three proposals require the ~~previous~~ sanction of the Govt. of India.

Attention is invited to the précis of correspondence re the rates of travelling allowances to Dt. Registrars forming an enclosure to the I.G.'s letter.

It will be seen that if the I.G.'s scheme for the reorganization of the Dept.[‡] is approved, the scale of Dt. Registrars will be as indicated below:-

Grade	No. officers in each grade.	Pay. Rs		
1st	1	500	travelling allowance all these (13) officers will get trav. allow. Rs3 perdiem.	Rs 3 —
II	2	400		
III	4	350		
IV	6	300		Rs 2-8-0
V	6	250	These will get Rs2-8-0	2.0.0
VI	3	200		1.8.0
VII	1	150		
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6/3/95 - one of these 23 will be the Registrar of Madras.

Travelling allowances to Dt. Registrars.

FOR ORDERS

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[*] They get a commission of 20 percent. on the collections - in addition to their salary. The I.G.'s proposals for the abolition of the system of part payment by commission have been submitted separately & are now with the U.S.

[†] vide Art. 1170(ii) C.S.R. on page 319.

[‡] Now in circulation; spare copy of Current put up.

So that the hardship complained of will really be felt by only 4 (3 in the 6th & 1 in the 7th grade) officers who draw salaries less than Rs 250 & comparatively less travelling allowance; whereas in the present scale only 2 officers get the travel. allowance of Rs 3 & 3 get Rs 2-8-0, the rest (17) being subject to the hardship.

At present, out of 21 officers (& the Regr. of Madras does not travel, I presume) only one draws Rs. 3, three Rs. 2½ & the remaining 15 - Rs. 2 or less. - If the reorganization comes into effect, out of ~~the same number~~ 23 officers, 13 will draw Rs. 3, 6 will draw Rs. 2½ three Rs. 2 & one Rs. 1½; and of these 23 men - two will not have to travel - vizt. the Registrar of Madras & the I.G.'s personal assistant who is to do routine work at headquarters. The hardship complained of will thus only affect 9 or at most 11 men, instead of 18 as at present; & of these 9 or 10, six will be in receipt of Rs. 2½ which is not much below Rs. 3. - Thus only 3 or 4 persons will derive much benefit from the proposed change if the department is reorganized; if otherwise, 15 ~~will~~ wd. receive substantial benefit. If H.M.; approve the reorganization scheme, they may be averse to addressing

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India about raising the travelling allowance rates, especially as the change, if sanctioned, will only affect 3 or 4 men appreciably, these being moreover men whose substantive pay ~~has been~~ will have been increased by the reorganization. This paper is accordingly linked to the reorganization proposals.

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If the reorganization of Sub & Dist. Registrars is sanctioned raising the allowance to Rs. 3 a day would come to but a small sum. It is I submit desirable to give all Dist. Registrars the same allowance and Govt. of India might as well be asked at one and the same time to sanction the reorganization and the increase of travelling allowance Rs. 3 per diem seems none too much.

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District Registrars

(For orders)

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Papers to be read in proceedings:—

Again G.O., dated 189 , No.
Again G.O., dated 189 , No.
Current No. 622 of 1895, dated 6 · 2 from the I.G. of Regn.

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Current No. 597 of 1895, dated 22 · 2 · from the Acct. General.

ORDER. d/ 18th May 1895 No. 1063

The Govt. of India will be addressed with a view to the grant of a daily allowance of Rs. 3/- to District Registrars. (G.O.)

DESPATCHED 27 MAY 95

I.G. Regn. – q

No. 1064 M.S

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Letter to the Secretary to the Govt. of India Home Dept. (Financial)

DESPATCHED 27 MAY 95 M.S

Sir,

I am directed to solicit the sanction of the Govt. of India to the following ~~I am~~ alteration in the scale of travelling allowance payable to District Registrars.

2. The pay of these officers ranges in this Presidency from Rs. 500 to Rs. 100 in addition to which they receive a commission on the collections made by them. Under the C.S.R. they are when travelling entitled to either (1) a daily allowance of annas four for every Rs. 25/- of their pay subject to a maximum of Rs. 3/—

(Art. 1167(ii))

or (ii) double second-class fare when travelling by railway (Art. 1107(a))

3 or (iii) a mileage rate of four annas for distance travelled by road, provided the distance exceeds 20 miles (Art. 1127)

3. The daily allowance admissible is calculated on pay exclusive of commission & the result is that the allowances drawn by officers in the several grades are as follows

Grade.	Number	Pay. Rs.	Daily allowance Rs.	As.	Ps.
I	1	500	3	0	0
II	2	300	3	0	0
III	4	250	2	8	0
IV	6	200	~~1~~ 2	~~12~~ 0	0
V	6	175	1	~~8~~ 12	0
VI	3	150	1	8	0
VII	1	100	1	0	0

It will be seen that the three senior officers are entitled to draw a daily allowance of Rs. 3/-, while the four next draw Rs. 2½, and the remaining sixteen from Rs. 1/- to Rs. 2/-. I am to point out that the duties performed by all these officers are of precisely the same nature, & that they are of the same social & official position. Their actual needs when travelling do not therefore in the least degree depend upon the grades in which they happen to be. A daily allowance of Rs. 3/- appears to H.E. the G. in C. the lowest amount upon which they can travel in a manner befitting their position as district heads of their department, & he therefore earnestly

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ORDER.

H.E. recommends the grant to Dist. Regrs. in this Presidency of travelling allowance at this rate. Inasmuch as this involves ~~the change in~~ an addition to Appendix No. 25 Pt. II of the C.S.R., the sanction of the Govt. of India is necessary to the proposed change & H.E. in C. trusts that this sanction will not be refused. as he has ~~there is~~ no doubt that ~~considerable hardship is frequently caused by~~ the inadequacy of the ~~present rate of~~ daily allowances at present admissible is not only a frequent source of hardship to individual officers, but is also ~~highly~~ prejudicial to the wellbeing of the Registration Department, in so far as it creates a tendency on the part of Dist. Registrars to neglect the duty of inspecting of subordinate offices because of the expense of travelling

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