

Local & Munl. (1895) Department.

MISCELLANEOUS.

G.O., No. 2117 M

DATED 18th December 1895.

[Despatch Abstract.]

Establishment.

Recording letter from the President, Municipal Commission, Madras, regarding an increase of salary to Mr. R. E. Ellis, Engineer, Madras Municipality.

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G. No. 498.

MUNICIPALITY OF MADRAS.

General Department.

Local *Madras* *General* Dept.
CURRENT No. *3610/M*

From

LIEUT.-COL. G. M. J. MOORE, C. I. E.,

President, Municipal Commission.

To

The Chief Secretary to Government,

Fort Saint George.

Sir,

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I have the honor to forward the accompanying appli-
-cation from Mr. Ellis together with the views expressed on
it when in circulation to the Commissioners and an Extract
from the Proceedings of a General Meeting of the Commission-
-ers held on 28th October 1895.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

G. M. J. Moore Lt. Col.

President, Munl. Commn.

P.W.No.1454.

To

The President,

M . M . C .

Sir,

I have the honor to submit this my application for an increase of my salary for the favorable consideration of the Commissioners, to be forwarded with such support as you are able to afford it to His Excellency the Governor in Council.

2. It will be remembered that I left the Madras Railway in April 1890 to join the Municipality and during the 5½ years that I have been in Municipal service, I have had only one increment of Rs 50 in April 1892, from Rs 750 to Rs 800.

3. Had I remained in the Railway, I should have received 3 increments in that period namely Rs 46 in November 1891, Rs 91 in July 1893 and Rs 50 in October 1894 and if stationed in Madras my salary and allowances would have been Rs 935 rising to Rs 1,000 as the next periodical increase of pay.

4. My request is that my salary may be raised to Rs.900 from April 1895, to be provided in the Revised Estimate and to Rs 1,000 from April 1896. I may mention here that I submitted an application for increase of pay at the close of the last Official year but withdrew it pending the settlement of the questions arising in connection with my appointment as Acting Sanitary Engineer to Government.

5. The maximum salary of the appointment is small when compared with that paid to the Municipal Engineers of Calcutta, Bombay & Rangoon which is Rs 1,875, Rs 1,500 and Rs 1,500 respectively and the nature of the work is of no mean order, involving questions of Water Supply and drainage, management of Workshop and Stores, design of Bridges, markets, lighter houses, Hospital Buildings in addition to main of Roads, Buildings and Machinery.

Circulated to the Commissioners for favourable consideration.

2-10-95.

(Sd) G.M.J. Moore Lt. Col.
President.

6. In support of my application I submit the following figures in connection with the working of the Engineering Department since my appointment.

7. The expenditure in pumping at the various Stations in Madras from 1889-90 to 1893-94 is given below shewing a steady reduction of Rs 12,000 a year in the cost of working. In 1890-91 the Budget allotment was actually raised by Rs 13,600, as an increased expenditure was anticipated owing to increased pumping, so that the saving may be estimated at Rs 25,600 a year or more than 3 times my salary.

Year	Expenditure in working pumping Machinery. Rs.
1889-90	67,986
1890-91	54,689
1891-92	56,548
1892-93	56,775
1893-94	53,987

8. The fact that the Workshop is now able to compete successfully with Contractors in the manufacture of carts, boats, dust bins, water carts, for Municipal use, speaks for itself and there has been a very large saving by rendering the Workshop efficient.

9. It would be impossible to go into every change that has been made in the working of the Department but the fact that the number of summonses taken out has increased from 752 in 1889-90 to 2,286 in 1893-94 and that there has been an increase of Rs 8,344 a year in the receipts for licenses issued through the Department & for water used for non-domestic purposes are instances of what has been done.

10. In conclusion I have only to request that the Commissioners will support my application by commending it for the favorable disposal of His Excellency the Governor in Council.

Public Works Dept.
Municipal Office,
Madras, 1st Oct 95.

(True Copy)

E. M. C.
President, M.M.C.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

(Sd) R.E.Ellis.

Engineer.

Commissioners' remarks.

Looking to the facts mentioned in paras 2 & 3, I think it would be a simple act of justice to raise Mr. Ellis' pay to Rs 850 from April to December of this year and to Rupees 900 as soon as the Drainage works and the new Market are put in hand in 1896.

(Intld) V.K.

I think Mr. Ellis shows a good case for increase of pay.
(Sd) M.O. Parthasarathy Aiyangar.

15-10-95.

I do not think that Mr. Ellis shows a good case for increase of pay. I asked the President to furnish me with a statement of savings alleged to have been effected by Mr. Ellis and some information respecting the salary of Mr. Ellis when he left the Railway service &c & on receipt of them I think I will be able to show clearly that no case has been shewn for an increase. I also wish to observe that lately we made an unusual concession which considerably benefited Mr. Ellis to the extent of more than two thousand rupees which must have satisfied Mr. Ellis to remain content at least for more than 2 years.

(Intld) P.R.

Section 37 of the Act fixes the Engineer's Maximum salary at Rs. 1000. In the Government Service the qualifying time from minimum to maximum salary is 5 years. As Mr. Ellis has $5\frac{1}{2}$ years service in the Municipality, time is in his favor. It may help us to decide the matter on its merits if we find out what is the percentage of the Engineer's Maximum salary to the total Revenue in each case of the Municipalities of Calcutta, Bombay, Rangoon and Madras.

(Intld) J. De C.

(True copy)

E. M. C. Lt. Col.
President, Munl. Commn.

Extract referred to.

Application from Mr.R.E.Ellis, Engineer, Madras
Municipality, for increase of his pay.

Proposed by M.R.Ry.G.Subramania Aiyar Avargal and
seconded by Mr.R.F.Grant -

"That in view of the many demands upon the Municipali-
-ty this application lie over."

Carried.

The Chief Clerk
to Government
June 21, 1900

Respectfully
submitted
for the
Commissioner
of the
General Land
Office
Washington, D.C.

W. H. H. H.

Local & Municipal Dept.
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Madras Municipality.

1875 h/11-11-95
688 h/22-4-95
366 h/6-3-95
1769 h/19-11-94
76 h/24-1-94
1277 h/3-8-92
655 h/4-4-92
686 h/18-4-90
304 h/24-2-90
238 h/11-2-90
1240 h/1-11-88

From
The President,
Municipal Commission,
MADRAS.

To
The Chief Secretary
to Government
Fort St. George.

G. No. 498.
Dated 22 November 1895
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SUBJECT.

Forwarding application from
Mr. R. E. Ellis, Engineer, Madras
Municipality for increase of his
pay together with the remarks
of the Commissioners in circulation
and an extract from the pro-
ceedings at their General
meeting held on 28 October 1895.

LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL DEPARTMENT.

Ag'n G.O., dated 189 , No.
Current No. 3610 M. of 1895, dated 21 November 95 from the President, M.C. Madras
Current No. of 189 , dated from the

FOR ORDERS.

Mr. Ellis is a valuable
man & at present
underpaid - I would order
the increase of his salary
to Rs ⁹⁰⁰ from April 1, 1896
I would thereafter raise it
Rs 50 annually until it
reached the maximum of Rs
1000
6/12/95

Yes, I think this is right. It
is very important to keep a
man like Mr. Ellis &
keep him contented now

7/12/95
The Commissioners reached a
great point in Mr. Ellis' favour
last year, and were only induced
by Col. Moore not to pass a veto
on this proposal the other day - but
to shelve it for the present. If we
now order this increase of salary right
away - we shall be held by the Com.
to have broken faith with them, as
they have received from Govt. an
assurance that they will be as regards

Please see the notes and or-
ders on D.O. from Mr. Ellis, dated
21 August 1895.

2. Under section 37 of the
City of Madras Municipal Act
I of 1884, the Government can fix
the salary of the municipal Engi-
neer at any sum not exceeding
Rs. 1000; but in para. 20 of G.O.
No. 1240 M. dated 1st November
1888, the Government said that
in this matter it would guide
itself to a great extent by the
wishes of the Commissioners.

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Mr. de Castro made a suggestion which
does not seem to have been acted upon
there seems but little for us against
in this instance

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in forcing this increase on the Com^{rs} in
the teeth of this assurance by Gov. -
Col. Moore tells me that there is a
very strong feeling just now in the
Commission against granting this
increase, and I think we ought to
consider this fact, and not press just
now for it, leaving it to Col. Moore's
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favourably considered - say a year
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much doubt the wisdom of forcing
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17/12/95

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Increase of pay for Mr. E. E. ...
Engineer, Madras Municipality

3610 m
FOR ORDERS.

Mr. H. E. the Governor.

Submitted to the Honble Members with
reference to the remarks of H. E. the Governor

12.12.95
14/12/95
18.12.95
17/12/95
Order No. 2117

Recorded with the remark that--
Gov. considers Mr. Ellis deserving
of an increase of salary and
wishes that the Commr. may
be able when submitting the
budget for the coming year
to provide for this
(Done Order in Council)
17/12/95

To
The President, M.C., Madras.
Dated 19/12/95

When given for copying
When copied
When examined
When signed

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READ AGAIN G.O., No.
189 , DATED

CURRENT No.

ENCLOSURES TO C. No.

ORDER OF GOVERNMENT

LETTER OF GOVERNMENT.

STATEMENT WITH DITTO.

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