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[Despatch Abstract.]

Accelerated Train service between Madras and Tuticorin: Extract from the Jt Secretary Railway Branch forwarding a memorandum from the Comr: Exptn for Rys: forwarding an — Comrs to the Press: Postoffices for early report on the subject of the working hours of the Tuticorin Postoffice.

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Communicated to the Presidency Port officer for early report on the subject of paras 4 of the Consulting Engrs Memorandum.

From The Joint Secretary to Govt. P.W.D. Ry. Branch

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Dated 14th September 1896

Received 14—9—96

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The S.S. Co. 1st 15/9/96

Note:

Show reasons as regards why the Steamship Co. should not pay the overtime fees for work at their offices homes. K.S.

SUBJECT.

Accelerated Train Service between Madras and Tuticorin

Forwarding for early issue of orders noted by the Consg. Engr for Rys re the ——

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,

RAILWAY BRANCH,

Ootacamund, the 14th September 1896.

THE following is forwarded to the Marine Department for favour - of early issue of orders; also to the Postmaster General, -- Madras for necessary action with reference to para 7.

F. D. Fowler

for Joint Secretary.

Memorandum by the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated 10th September 1896.

Accelerated Service between Madras and Tuticorin.

The Agent South Indian Railway having reported that the British India Steam Navigation Company have made arrangements for running a better class of Steamer between Colombo and Tuticorin during the cold weather (steamers to run twice a week) and that they are prepared to give a later departure from Tuticorin, so that Mails and Passengers arriving by the-after noon train from Madras might go on straight to Colombo by the evening steamer, he proposed to run a fast train service in connection with them.

2. A Meeting was held at Chepauk, Madras, on the 7th Septem - ber to settle the time of departure from and arrival at Tuti- corin.

Captain

Captain A.D.G. Shelley, R. E. Agent South Indian Railway.
Mr.J. N. Stenson, Traffic Manager. " "
" F. D. Fowler, Dy: Consulting Engineer for Rys:
" C. T. R. Scovell, " " "
were present.

3. It was resolved that to ensure a satisfactory -- service the following alterations should be made:-

1. The 18.35 from Madras to be accelerated so as to - reach Tuticorin at 16.10 instead of 18.5. 4.10 pm
2. The 7.10 from Tuticorin which arrives Madras at 7.5 to be altered and accelerated so as to leave Tuticorin at about 9.45 and arrive Madras before 8. 9.45 am
3. The afternoon mail from Tuticorin to leave at 14.35 instead of 14.55. 2.35 pm

4. The Agent reported that ~~through~~ though the steamer -- arrives at Tuticorin at between 6 and 7 o'clock passengers and mails are not landed till 10 or later, on account of a regulation which is in force at ~~Colombo~~ Tuticorin, by which the Port office is not open (except between 10-17 hours) unless fees are paid for overtime. The Steamship Company object to pay these fees and consequently passengers and mails suffer -- unnecessary detention . Tuticorin? R.S. Vaz - 11/7

5. Unless this arrangement can be altered (assuming it is a fact) the efforts of the British India Steam Navigation Company, and the South Indian Railway on behalf of the traveller will be nullified, as it would be impossible to catch the 9.45 proposed train.

6. It is proposed to bring the new timing into force on the 15th October and it is hoped that before that date the difficulty may be got over. Passengers and Mails will then be -- enabled to reach Madras 11 hours earlier than they do at -- present. If it cannot be got over Passengers and Mails must wait wait for the 14.35 and get into Madras next evening thereby losing a day.

7. It would be a great convenience to the public if the -- Mails from Colombo could be sorted on board or in the train, they would then go on at once by the 9.45 and arrive Madras before 8; but if this is not found to be possible all at once, they will go on by the 14.35 instead of as now by the 14.55. It may be explained that the earlier departure (which is unavoidable because a crossing with the outward mail has to be effected) from Tuticorin will not give any less time to the - Postal Department since the mails will be landed earlier.

To,
The Marine Department. ✓
" Postmaster General, Madras.