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[Despatch Abstract.]

"Relief" Light House Keepers

Concerning in the View of the
Accountant General that ____ should not
be granted acting allowance when Appointed
to take Temporary charge of a light.

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From The Presidency Port Officer

The Presidency Port officer in his communications quoted above proposes that the "Relief" Light House Keepers should be granted acting allowances under Art. 161 C.S.R when appointed to take temporary charge of a light. The Accountant General is of opinion that the men should not be given acting allowance for doing the duty for which they were expressly entertained. In this view His Excellency the Governor in Council concurs

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SUBJECT.

Offering further remarks on the question of the grant of acting allowance to Relief light keepers when appointed to take temporary charge of a light.

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Presidency Port Office,

Madras, 1 January 1899.

From

Commander H. A. Street, R.I.M.,
Presidency Port Officer,
Madras,

To

THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
MARINE DEPARTMENT,
CHEPAK.

Sir,

I have the honour to beg that the sanction of Government may be obtained to the acting allowance referred to in Article 161 of the Civil Service Regulations being made admissible to Relief Lightkeepers when appointed to take temporary charge of a light, as under para 2 of G.O. Marine, No. 733, dated 24th October 1896, according to the Accountant General to whom the question was referred, the men are not entitled to the allowance. I would point out that, under existing circumstances the Relief Keepers have frequently to be sent to take temporary charge of a light from a Head Lightkeeper

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n pay of Rs 60/70 per mensem paid
s this pay is given to a headlightkeeper
n consequence of his having to
undertake duties of a responsible
haracter it seems only just that
he man who relieves him temporarily
hould receive some addition to
his pay on account of the responsibility
he also incurs. Further, a Relief
keeper when sent to do duty at
an outstation is often put to
what is to him considerable expense
n consequence of having to leave
Madras frequently at short notice.

I have the honour to be,
Your obdt servant,
A. Aitken
Commander, R.I.M.
Presy: Port Officer

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Fort St George,
Accountant General's Office,
25 January 1899.

Submitted to Government with the remark that under para 2 of Government order No 733 Marine dated 24th October 1896 Relief Light Keepers are not entitled to acting allowance when appointed to take temporary charge of a light as they appear to have been appointed solely for that purpose and their pay fixed accordingly at Rs 40 per mensem. If however it was the intention that Relief Light Keepers when replacing men rendered ineffective owing to leave, be appointed to officiate in the appointments thus rendered vacant and draw acting allowance the provisions of articles 161 and 155 would be applicable and for the purposes of those rules relief keepers would presumably be treated as belonging to the same class of light keepers as light keepers of the first class, and the three classes of Head Light Keepers would be treated as grades of a class.

Accountant General.

To
The Secretary to Government,
Marine Department.

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To The Presidency Port Officer
Unofficially

PRESIDENCY PORT OFFICE

Please see the Accountant General's objection to your proposal and favour me with any further remarks you may have to offer.

There is the further objection that all these Light Keepers are now on a graded scale for purposes of promotion, and there is no longer a fixed pay attached to a particular light. The men are liable to transfer from place to place without increase of pay: On the other hand they can rise in their grades, i.e. draw higher pay without change of Station in much the same way as similar graded Establishments in other Departments.

C.R.

From

The Presidency Port Officer
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Requesting sanction for acting allowance to Relief Lt-Keepers when appointed to take temporary charge of a light.

W. Hudleston
Secretary to Govt

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Relief keepers were proposed by Mr. Ashpitel, and I she has verbally informed me, in view of having competent men available to relieve lightkeepers of any grade at out-stations, and not solely for the purpose of relieving the Head Lightkeeper.

Owing to Mr. Ashpitel's scheme having been only partially brought into force, it has not been practicable to carry out Mr. Ashpitel's views. Mr. Ashpitel told me that his idea was for the Senior lightkeeper to act for a Head Lightkeeper on the latter taking leave or falling sick, and for the Relief keeper, if junior to the Senior lightkeeper, to act for him. It is true that lightkeepers on the new scale are on a graded scale for promotion purposes and that there is no longer a fixed pay attached to a particular light, but as the best paid men are attached to the most important lights it seems to me that when a man on the higher scale takes leave or falls sick the lightkeeper who

who has to do his duties should get some extra pay for the additional responsibility thrown on him.

H.A. Street

Presy: Port Office, Madras. 17th Febry 1899

Commander, R.I.M., Presy: Port Officer.

W.M.S.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

READ the following:—

Letter from the Presy: Port Officer No 1271/9 Dd 7. January 99
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Office Note from the Presy: Port Officer No 1271/64 Dd 17. Febry 99.

Acting Allowance to Relief Light Keepers.

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FOR ORDERS.

~~The Honble A. T. Arundel C.S.I.~~

The Presidency Port Officer in his communications quoted above proposes that the "Relief" Lightkeepers should be granted acting allowances under article 161 C.S. Regulations when appointed to take temporary charge of a light. The circumstances under which these men were reckoned are mentioned in para 2 of No. 733 Mar Dd 24 Oct 1896; and, as pointed out by the Accountant General, they should not be given acting allowance for doing the duty for which they were expressly entertained.

2. It must in practice happen that they will at times act for men on less pay than themselves, and at other times they may have long periods of idleness, waiting to be call

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in for relief only. They will then, in some cases, be doing less important work than that for which they are paid and at other times be paid for doing nothing in particular.

On the whole, therefore, there does not seem to be much reason for complaint of hardship.

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The A.G's ruling must be followed

A.G. 27.2.99