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Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 2nd February 1858.

No. 78. Read the following letter from Major J. J. LOSH, Military Auditor General; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 7th January 1858, C.

SIR,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract from Minutes of Consultation in the Public Works Department (Military) dated 22nd Ultimo, No. 2364, referring for my report a letter* from the Chief Engineer, with two enclosures therein recorded, having reference to the question whether the Warrant Officers of the Public Works Department in this Presidency are to receive the same rates of Military Pay and Allowances as those in Bengal.

* To H Forbes Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, dated 12th December 1857, No. 5915.

2. In this Presidency the Allowance for House rent of a Sub Conductor of the Ordnance or Commissariat Department is 20 Rupees per mensem, while a sum of 30 Rupees seems to be allowed on the same account to a Sub Conductor of the Bengal Public Works Department.

3. In the absence of any specific authority for the payment of the Warrant Officers of the Madras Public Works Department at exactly the same rates as have been fixed in Bengal, the rates sanctioned in the Ordnance and Commissariat Department have been allowed.

4. I find on reference to the revised (unpublished) abridgment of the Bengal Pay and Audit Regulations,* that the Tentage (the Allowance corresponding with what is termed House rent in this Presidency) of a Sub Conductor in the Public Works Department in Bengal, exceeds that of an Ordnance or Commissariat Sub Conductor by 10 Rupees per mensem; but that some alteration seems to have been made, or to be contemplated, in other items of the Pay and Allowances of the former, the monthly amount of which is stated to be Rupees 105-10-6 (composed of the three items mentioned in the margin*) and not that mentioned in the Chief Engineer's letter viz. Rupees 106-1-4.

* Section XV. Page 228, Table No. 6.

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Pay.			Full Batta.			Tentage.		
Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
30	0	0	45	10	6	30	0	0

No. 79. ORDER THEREON, No. 184; dated 1st February 1858.

Para. 1. Ordered that the above letter be communicated to the Chief Engineer with reference to his communication of the 12th December last No. 5915.

2. It appears to the Government that in the absence of any specific authority to assimilate the House rent of Sub Conductors employed in the Department Public Works at this Presidency, with the allowance granted on that account in Bengal, which was the main question raised in Colonel Faber's letter, the Military Auditor General was right in retrenching the excess drawn by Sub Conductor Enright.

3. The scheme for the Public Works Department of this Presidency submitted for the sanction of the Government of India contemplated specific allowances for duties in that Department, and it does not seem that any thing beyond the allowances specified in that scheme can now be authorized by this Government.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

Bengal

Military Auditor Generals Office
Fort Saint George 7th January 1858.

From

The Military Auditor General

To

The Secretary to Government
in the Revenue Department

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Re: W. D. Letter 1856

Pay			Allowances		
Rs	A	P	Rs	A	P
30	"	"	45	10	6

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obed.t Servt.

J. J. Losh. Major
Military Auditor Genl

Compd. L. L.

P. M. D.

No. 184.

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under-dated the 1st February 1855

Read the following
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Auditor General.

Were Entered 7th January 1855
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Public Works Office Dublin
Custom House 29th January 1855

Sir

I have the honor to transmit herewith a Letter from the Military Auditor General, dated the 24th Instant, relative to the Pensions and Allowances granted to Officers and Men of the Royal Irish Constabulary, and to request that you will be pleased to cause the Letter to be laid before the Board at their next Meeting.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient Servant
[illegible]

To
The Secretary
Board of Works

No. 184. 1855 February 1858

Acknowledging the receipt of Letter from the Public Works Office dated 29th December last No. 2304, and requesting to be informed whether the Board have any objection to the Military Auditor's issuing Warrants for the Pensions, Allowances, and Gratuities granted to Officers and Men of the Royal Irish Constabulary, whenever the Letter, with the Schedules, shall be returned.

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Copies of Letter of 29th December 1854 and Schedules sent

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9 Copies to the Chief Engr.
with Letter from Mily Audr Genl
1 — Civil Audr Genl

Public Works 1858 Deptt.
Dto Ors 2 Febuary.

No 184.

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Dt 1st February 58.

Observing that the Scheme submitted for the Sanction of the Government of India contemplated specific allowances for duties in the Public Works Department, and it does not seem that any thing beyond the allowances specified in that Scheme, can now be authorized by this Government.

No 78 & 79.

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