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*Proceedings of the Madras Government Public Works Department,  
from 30th April to 3rd May 1859.*

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No. 40. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 14th April 1859, No. 9546.

SIR,

I have the honor to state with reference to Extract Minutes Consultation of the 12th and 24th March 1859, that the Memorandum prepared by the Officiating Secretary to the Government of India in the Public Works Department, on the subject of Travelling Allowances, does not appear to be applicable to the circumstances of this Presidency, as the Office Establishments allowed to Officers are required in every case to travel about with them, and the previous permission of the Superintending Engineer for such a purpose, cannot be sought without causing immense delays and inconvenience in the transaction of public business; nor is any distinction recognized between the duties to be performed by the several classes of Office servants that would enable me to lay down a Rule as to what grades shall, and what grades shall not, be entitled to Travelling Allowances when on circuit.

2. The Government are aware that Travelling Allowances in this Presidency are drawn under Rules similar to those in force in the Bengal Presidency; by which, locomotion within a circle of 5 miles radius around the fixed station, is not recognized as a circumstance entitling a party to the allowance. The nature of the duties required from all grades of the Department in this Presidency, is, however, of a character to require marching to a grater extent than appears to be the case in Bengal.

3. Office servants are entitled to batta equal to  $\frac{1}{4}$  of their salary, and this they draw only under circumstances in which Travelling Allowances would be claimable by superior Officers.

4. Were it possible to divide the Officers composing the Establishment into an Executive and an Inspecting agency with an entire separation of duties, the latter alone might be declared entitled to Travelling Allowances, but the reduced strength of the Department and the wide area over which its executive operations are diffused, present such a classification, being made; and hence it does not appear expedient in my opinion to introduce any rule at present.

No. 41. ORDER THEREON, 2nd May 1859, No. 1019.

The Governor in Council agrees with the Chief Engineer that the Rules respecting the Travelling Allowances of the Subordinates of the Department Public Works in Major Strachey's Memo. are not applicable in this Presidency. It would produce enormous inconvenience and impediment to business to make the previous approval of the Superintending Engineer necessary to an Executive Officer proceeding on a tour of inspection.

2. But it is evident from correspondence that has passed that some check on the abuse of Travelling Allowances is necessary, both as respects the Officers and the Subordinates; and the Governor in Council desires the Chief Engineer to exercise a careful watch over this part of the Public Works charges.

3. Among other things, it will be his duty to satisfy himself in every case, before passing bills for Travelling Allowances that the journeys charged for were really bonâ fide for the Public Service.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,  
Secretary to Government.

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Central Office of PW  
Fort Saint George  
14<sup>th</sup> April 1859

O/No 9546

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The Chief Engineer  
To [unclear] [unclear]  
The Secretary to Government  
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2 The Government are aware that travelling allowances in this Presidency are <sup>Extracted from the</sup> drawn under Rules similar to those in force <sup>Bengal Code and in</sup> in the Bengal Presidency, in which, locomotion <sup>enacted in the 3rd</sup> within a circle of 5 miles radius around the <sup>Clause of para 1.</sup> fixed station, is not recognized as a circumstance entitling a party to the allowance. The nature of the duties required from all grades of the Department in this Presidency, is, however, of a character to require marching to a greater extent than appears to be the case in Bengal.

3 Office servants are entitled to batia equal to 3/10 of their salary, and this they draw only under circumstances in which travelling allowances would be claimable by superior officers.

4 There is no possibility to divide the Officers composing the Establishment into an executive and an inspecting agency with an entire separation of duties, the latter alone might be declared entitled to travelling allowances, but the reduced strength of the Department and the wide area over

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over which its executive operations are, diffuse, prevent such a classification being made; and hence it does not appear expedient in my opinion to introduce any rule at present.

I have the honor to be

Yours

most obedient servant

J. H. Smith. Esq. Chief Engineer

Central Office of the  
Fort St. George  
14 April 1859

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L. H. Depart.

N<sup>o</sup> 1019  
act from the Minutes of Consultation  
Under date the 2<sup>d</sup> May 1857

Read the following letter  
from the Chief Engineer

(Have enter 14<sup>th</sup> April 1857)  
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*[Signature]*  
N. L.

Mr. Com. 1<sup>st</sup> April 57. 41.35  
- 20 - 15<sup>th</sup> March - 48-49.

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The Chief Engineer  
to the Secy to Government

18<sup>th</sup> April 1857

N<sup>o</sup> 9546

Major Strachey

Memorandum  
The Chief Engineer  
to the Secy to Government  
18<sup>th</sup> April 1857  
N<sup>o</sup> 9546  
Major Strachey

Chief Secy

Chief Secy 2<sup>nd</sup> May 1857

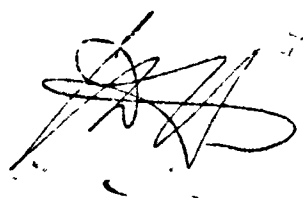
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The ordinary abuse I think,  
is to charge against the  
Public journeys taken  
for private pleasure  
or profit.

9th  
were really bona fide  
for the Public service,  
and were not taken up  
for the sake of draining  
the allowances.



Copies to the  
Chief Engineer Dated 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Civil Auditor with reference  
to his letter of 14 April 1894.

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Pro: of the Charles Fort  
of 2nd May 1859.

For: 1st May 1859  
Ch. Fort.

Mayor & the Board of the  
the travelling allowance of  
the Public Works Department  
is not applicable to this  
Residency. Chief Engineer  
will however make enquiry  
over this part of the Public  
Works' charges.

4/10/41.

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No. 44. Read the following letter from Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer;  
to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, dated 30th April 1859,  
No. 9959.

I have the honor to forward for the favorable consideration of Government an application\*  
received from Lieutenant-Colonel Lawford, Superintending Engineer, Cen-  
\* Dated 25th April 1859. ter Circle, on Special duty at Jackatalla, for 10 Commissariat Elephants and  
50 pairs of Bullocks to drag logs of Timber already cut from the Nardy  
Valley to Moodamally, and under the necessity represented by Lieutenant-Colonel Lawford, I  
beg to recommend that the speedy sanction of Government may be obtained for the re-  
quired aid.

2. I further recommend that in compliance with Lieutenant-Colonel Lawford's request  
the answer to his proposition if favorable, may be communicated by Telegram and that instruc-  
tions may be sent by Telegram to the Commissariat Officer at Hoonsoor.

Letter from Lieutenant-Colonel E. LAWFORD, Superintending Engineer, Central Circle;  
to Lieutenant-Colonel J. H. BELL, Chief Engineer, dated Jackatalla, 25th April 1859.

As it is of the greatest importance to bring out of the Moodamally Forest as much Timber  
as possible during the ensuing month, I have the honor to request the favor of your making  
immediate application to Government for the use of (10) ten Commissariat Elephants and (50)  
fifty pair of Bullocks to drag logs already cut from the Nardy Valley to Moodamally, about ten  
miles distance.

This aid is required to enable the Executive Officer to push on the works at Jackatalla as  
rapidly as possible.

All expenses connected with the feeding of the cattle will be defrayed by this department  
and they will not be detained longer than is absolutely necessary, but at present only two out  
of our six Elephants are in working condition.

A Telegraphic reply and similar orders to the Commissariat Officer at Hoonsoor will  
greatly oblige me.

No. 45. ORDER THEREON, 2nd May 1859, No. 1021.

Referred to the Military Department where the aid applied for will be given if possible.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,

*Secretary to Government.*

N<sup>o</sup> 9959

Central Office of P.W.  
Fort Saint George  
30<sup>th</sup> April 1859

From  
The Chief Engineer

The Secretary to Government  
Public Works Department

Military

Enclosure 1  
1 Original letter  
to be returned

25<sup>th</sup> April 1859

Sir

I have the honor to forward for the favorable consideration of Government an application received from Lieut. Colonel Lawford, Chief Engineer, Fort St. George, on special duty at Sackatalla for 10 Kommejarat Elephants and 50 pairs of Bullocks to drag logs of timber already cut from the Sandy Valley to Moodamally, and under the necessity represented by Lieut. Col. Lawford I beg to recommend that the speedy sanction of Government may be obtained for the required aid.

I further recommend that in compliance with Lieut. Col. Lawford's request the answer to his proposition if favorable may be communicated by telegram and that instructions may be sent by telegram to the Kommejarat Officer at Moonsoor.

I have the honor to be  
Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant  
J. H. L. Lieut. Col.  
Chief Engineer

The Secretary to Government  
Public Works Department

1897  
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From  
 Mr. John L. Simpson  
 Mr. Secretary to Government  
 Indian Affairs Department

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 No. 1021 & 1022 May 1897

Submitting application  
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Referred to the  
 Military Department  
 where the said papers are  
 will be given of England.

22 May 1897

1021 to the City of St. Paul, Minn.