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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
8th January 1866.*

No. 150. Read the following Endorsement of the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, dated Coothparamatur, 29th November 1865 :—
Read the following letter from the Executive Engineer, Neilgherry Range, to the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division, dated Ootacamund, 14th October 1865, No. 159.

1. I have the honor to bring to your notice the great difficulty of procuring Lascars in this Range for the pay allowed by Government for this class of servants, viz., Rupees (6) six per mensem for Lascars of the Subordinate Establishment, and Rupees (7) seven each for those of the Officers of the Engineer Establishment.

2. At Ootacamund a common Coolie cannot be had under (5) five Annas per diem, which for 26 working days amounts to Rupees (8-2-0) eight and Annas two per mensem, it therefore cannot be expected that intelligent trustworthy men, as Lascars should be, can possibly be had for less than this sum, especially as they have to be on guard over cash-chests, stores, &c., &c., and are frequently on emergencies employed on journies on Sundays as on any other day.

3. To secure good men as my own personal Lascars I have had to pay them extra out of my own pocket, and my subordinates have been obliged to do the same.

4. One of my subordinates having reported that he is unable to procure Lascars at all, I take this opportunity of bringing the whole matter forward, with the hope that you will submit the same for the favorable consideration of Government. I do not think good men, fit for the situation of Lascars, can be had here under Rupees (8-8-0) eight and Annas eight per mensem.

5. I would also note that, in a climate like that of the Neilgherries, it is necessary that servants like Lascars, liable to be exposed to all weather, day or night, be supplied with warm clothing, as every private servant on the Hills is; the charge for which might, with the sanction of Government, easily be met from sundries on estimates sanctioned for the Range, the cost for a good jacket being not less than Rupees (4-12-0) four and Annas twelve, and Rupees (3) three for a good cumby, both lasting for one year.

Submitted for the orders of Government, with the Superintending Engineer's recommendation that an extra allowance of 50 per cent. be granted. To include provision of warm clothing and cumblies.
(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Lieut.-Colonel, R. E.,
Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.

MEMORANDUM.

The undersigned has the honor to request the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division to be good enough to furnish, in the prescribed form, a Tabular Statement, showing in detail the additional expense which will be incurred by increasing the salaries of the whole of the Lascars who are permanently employed in the Neilgherry Range, to the extent which is recommended in the endorsement on Major Farewell's letter, No. 159, dated 14th October 1865.
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
7th December 1865.
(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government, P. W. D.

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Re-submitted to the Secretary to Government, Department of Public Works,
with the Tabular Statement herein called for.

COIMBATORE,
16th December 1865.

(Signed) G. W. WALKER, Lieut.-Colonel, R. E.,
Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.

No. 151.

ORDER THEREON, 8th January 1866, No. 72.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 15.

As the Establishment of the Executive branch of the Department is already very large, the Government are unwilling to entertain any proposal for its increase, and they cannot permit the augmentation of the salaries of the Lascars attached to Officers serving on the Neilgherries, which is recommended by the Superintending Engineer of the 7th Division, unless he can show that corresponding savings can be made in other directions within his Division.

(True Extract.)
(Signed) CHARLES A. ORR, Colonel, R. E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Superintending Engineer, 7th Division.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No. 159

Executive Engineer's Office
Nilgherry Range
Coimbatore 24 October 1865

From Major H. Farewell
Executive Engineer

To Lieut. Col. G. W. Walker R. E.
Supg. Engineer 7th Division
Coimbatore

Sir, I have the honor to bring to your notice the great difficulty of procuring Lascars in this range for the pay allowed by Government for this class of servants viz Rupees (6) 8/10 per mensem for Lascars of the subordinate establishment and Rupees (7) 8/10 per mensem for those of the officers of the Engineer Establishment. At Coimbatore a common coolie cannot be had under (5) five Annas per diem which for 26 working days amounts to Rupees (8) 2/6 of eight annas two per mensem, it being impossible to expect that intelligent trustworthy men as Lascars should be can possibly be had for less than this sum especially as they have to be on guard over cash chests stored in the range and are frequently employed on Sundays and on any other day.

I have given my own personal Lascars I have had to pay them extra out of my own pocket and my subordinates have been obliged to do the same. One of my subordinates having reported that he is unable to procure Lascars at all I have this opportunity of bringing the whole matter forward with the hope that you will submit the same for the favorable consideration of Government, and not think it good, my fit for the situation of Lascars can be had under (8) 8/10 Rupees eight annas eight per mensem.

I would also note that in a climate like that of the Nilgherries it is necessary that servants like Lascars should be supplied with warm clothing, and every private servant on the hills is the charge

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 being not less than Pups (4.12.0) four and
 as twelve and Pups 13.11.0 for a good
 family both lasting for one year.

Have the honor to be
 Your most obedt servt
Charles M. Major
 Executive Engineer

Submitted for the Orders of
 Govt. with the Supr Engineer's
 recommendation that an
 extra allowance of 50 per
 cent be granted - To include
 provision of warm clothing
 and fuel.

Charles M. Major
 Supr Eng.

Cost of purchase
 29th Nov 1865

Recommendation that the
 pay of the Executive Engineer
 should be increased to mi-
 nister and that they be
 provided with a good
 family -

No 154

at 14 Oct 1865

Under the
 order of 14th July 1865

from
 The Executive Engineer
 to
 the Secretary

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G.P.

Wm. Walker Lewis Col. R. H.
Superintending Engineer of the R. R.

Memorandum

The undersigned has the honor to request the Superintendent Engineer of the 7th Division to be good enough to furnish, in the prescribed form, a Tabular Statement, showing in detail the additional expense which will be incurred by increasing the Salaries of the whole of the Sascars who are permanently employed in the Ashcroft Range, to the extent which is recommended in the endorsement on Major Farwell's letter No 159 dated 14th October 1865.

Wm George } Charles H. M. Colonel &c
 December 1865 } Secretary to Govt. P. M. Dept
 of the Superintendent Engineer of the 7th Division
 to be returned

Dec 9th January

1st Mr. McPherson, P. M. D.
 Assistant of Quartermaster, for
 to the establishment of the
 Ashcroft Range in the 7th Division
 of Public Works Department
 Dec 8th Jan 1865

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Resubmitted to the
Secretary to Government
Department of Public Works
with the Tabular Statement
herewith called for.

M. Walker - Sent to Col. R.E.
Supg. Engineer 7th Regt.

Supg. Eng. office 7th Regt.
Cincinnati 16th Decr 1865

From
The Supg. Engineer
of the
7th
The Secretary to Govt
Department of Public Works

Resubmits application
for increase of License
Pay in the Voluntary
change with a Tabular
Statement?

Decr 9th January.

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Public Works Department
Proceedings of the Madras Government
January 1866.
Under date the 8th November 1865

Read the following

From
The Superintending Engineer
of the 7th Division

Submits Major Firewells
Report No 159 of 14 October 1865
claiming extra pay for lascars

(Here enter 29th Nov 1865 No)

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directions within his Division

WON
By the Sup^r Engr

[Signature]

Dec^r 9th January

15 Dec^r / 65 1655

From
The Sup^r Engr 7th Div
To
The Secy to Gov^t D^o Madras

(Dated 29th Nov. 1865,
Rec^d 4 Dec^r)

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Submits Major Firewells
Report No 159 of 14 Oct^r
1865 claiming extra
pay for lascars.

[Signature]

22nd Dec^r / 65 Rec^d 29th Dec^r / 65

No 72 - 8th January 1866

From 8th Jan^y 1866 to 4/150

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