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## Government of Madras.

DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 23-6- 18 04.

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No. 506. Read the following letter from the Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, (Account—Railway,) to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, Railway Branch, dated Simla, 4th June 1869, No. 131-A. R. :—

I AM directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 1,309, dated 20th April 1869, bringing to notice certain deviations on the part of the Madras Railway Company from the rules in force for the apportionment of general charges between the Capital and Revenue Accounts of Guaranteed Railways, and requesting sanction to a continuance of the practice that has been followed hitherto.

2. In reply, I am to say that, after a careful consideration of the grounds on which this application is based, the Government of India are of opinion that there is nothing in these rules which cannot be complied with on any Railway. They were intended to be quite precise, and should be strictly observed in future. If, in working the rules, any technical difficulty should arise, it can at once be settled by a reference to the Accountant-General, Public Works Department.

3. In connection with this subject, I am to remark that the Examiner of Railway Accounts must have known that it was his duty to see that the orders of Government were carried out, and that he had no option in such a matter ; he should, therefore, have at once brought any departure from the rules by the Madras Railway Company to the notice of the Consulting Engineer. If, in his opinion, the rules operated inequitably, he should have explained his views on the subject to the Consulting Engineer, before allowing the Railway Company to act in opposition to the rules laid down by Government. And referring to the correspondence received with your letter, I am to observe that it was never intended that the Examiner of Railway Accounts should correspond officially with the Consulting Engineer to whose office he belongs. I am to request that the practice should be put a stop to at once.

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No. 507. ORDER THEREON, 23rd June 1869, No. 2,038.

RAILWAY, No. 35.

COMMUNICATED to the Consulting Engineer for Railways for information and guidance, with reference to his letter, No. 104, of the 24th March 1869.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Exd. F. R. Bantleman.

Govt. of [1869] Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To

THE CONSULTING ENGINEER FOR

RAILWAYS.

Dated June, 23rd.

Read.

G. O., 23rd June 1869, No. 2,038.

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Nos. 506-507.

*General charges (Railways).*—Letter from the Government of India intimating that no deviation should be allowed from the rules relative to the apportionment of general charges between the Capital and Revenue Accounts of Guaranteed Railways, and stating that the Examiner of Railway Accounts should cease to correspond directly with the Consulting Engineer, but should communicate with the officer concerned.

No 131 A/R

Government of India

Public Works Department

Account

Railway

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To

The Secretary to the Government of Madras

Public Works Department

Railway Branch

Simla 4th June 1869

Sir

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No 1309 dated 20th April 1869 bringing to notice certain deviations on the part of the Madras Railway Company from the Rules in force for the apportionment of General charges between the Capital and Revenue Accounts of Guaranteed Railways, and requesting sanction to a continuance of the practice that has been followed hitherto.

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India is of opinion that there is nothing in these Rules which cannot be complied with on any Railway. They were intended to be quite precise and should be strictly observed in future. If in working the rules any technical difficulty should arise it can at once be settled by a reference to the Accountant General, Public Works Department.

3. In connection with this subject I am to remark that the Examiner of Railway Accounts must have known that it was his duty to see that the orders of Government were carried out, and that he had no option in such a matter; he should, therefore, have at once brought any departure from the rules by the Madras Railway Company to the notice of the Consulting Engineer. If in his opinion the Rules operated inequitably he should have explained his views on the subject to the Consulting Engineer before allowing the Railway Company to act in opposition to the rules laid down by Government. And

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I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most obed. servt.

O'Brien Col. R.E.
Offg Secy to the Govt of India

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No 131 A R.
Intimating that no deviation should be allowed from the Rules for the apportionment of general charges between the Capital & Revenue Accounts of guaranteed Railways & that the Examiner of Railway Accounts should cease to correspond officially with the Govt. Engr. with whom he

Fort St George
23rd June 1869

To The Inspecting Engineer for Railways
" — Do — for the Irrigation Dept.

Dept 24/6/69.
" — 3/7/69.

No 2038

Communicated to the Inspecting Engineer for Railways for information and guidance with reference to his letter No 704 of the 24th March/69

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Govt. of {1869} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Consulting Engineer for Railways &c. &c.

Dated 20

Read. Encl.

G. O. 23rd June 1869, No. 2038

Nos. 5263 & 5264

General charges (Ry.) Letter from the Govt of Victoria in which they state that certain deductions should be allowed from the Rates relative to the apportionment of General charges between the Capital and Revenue Accounts of guaranteed Railways and stating that the Government of this Country should come to some Agreement officially with the Govt of Victoria on the subject.

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