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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 2028

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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.

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;

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No 131 A/R
Government of India
Public Works Department
Account
Railway

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras
Public Works Department
Railway Branch
Sindia 4th June 1869

Sir

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the receipt of your letter No 1309 dated 20th
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and Revenue Accounts of Guaranteed Railways,
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the practice that has been followed hitherto.

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a careful consideration of the grounds on which
this application is based the Government of
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I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedt. servt.

Thaddeus Col RB
Offg. Secy to the Govt of India

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Board of Directors
Mr. 2038. 23rd June/69
At 4th June/69
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Anticipating that
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for each charge between
the Capital & Revenue Ac.
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Railway, & that the
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to be beyond officially
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Mr. 2038

Communicated to the
President Engineer of
Railways for information
and guidance with
reference to this letter
for the 24th March/69

Grant St George's
23rd June 1869

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Dec 24/72
Court of 1869) Audras.

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*The Consulting Engineer
for Railways*

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Nos. 576 & 577

General charges (By) Letter from
the Sub of India indicating that
the general charges should be allowed
from the Rules relative to the
allowance of general charges
between the Capital and Provinces
accounts of guaranteed Railway
and stating that the Government
may account should be made
this is specially for the Capital
the 20th Dec 1872.

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