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Government of Madras.

Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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Dated 21 7 1877.

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No. 359. Read the following letter from the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Dowlaisheram, 26th June 1871, No. 1,007 :—

WITH reference to the Circular* from the Controller of Public Works Accounts, in which it is stated that claims on behalf of members of office establishment to batta during halts at head-quarters should not be included in travelling allowance bills, I have the

honour to forward, for the favourable consideration of Government, the accompanying copy of a letter received from the Executive Engineer in charge of the No. 3 Range, Godavery, from which it will be observed that the travelling batta he has to draw for his 3rd Accountant, under the rules, is quite inadequate to pay for the actual travelling expenses of a man of any respectability, and by the Controller's Circular above alluded to, he is precluded from passing batta for halts, no matter of how short duration, at head-quarters.

2. With reference to this I have to observe that my predecessor, with a view to a fair and very liberal arrangement in the matter of batta for office servants, instructed* Range Officers to draw full batta for each month : to office servants travelling frequently ten days in each month, or a fortnight in two months, etc. This, in my opinion, is just what should be acted up to, for if office servants are to be allowed batta for days on which they actually travelled on duty, it is impossible that they could arrange for a carriage, in any shape, from place to place for broken periods.

3. Under these circumstances, if the Government are not disposed to pass orders for an increased rate of travelling allowance to office servants, I beg that Mr. Walch's suggestion, namely, that batta for such halts, Executive and Assistant Engineers are allowed to draw allowances for, may receive favourable consideration, and the Controller be authorized to pass batta to office servants for similar halts.

4. I beg to observe this Circular of the Controller appears to have been issued on his own authority, without any reference to the orders of Government in this matter or to the Superintending Engineers of Divisions.

No. 360. ORDER THEREON, 21st July 1871, No. 1,923.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 42.

THE rules for the grant of travelling allowance to clerks and other members of office establishments are the same as those in force in the Public Works Department of the Administrations directly under the Government of India and were adopted after full consideration and discussion. His Excellency the Governor in Council is accordingly not prepared to recommend, at present, any modification of those rules that would have the effect of enhancing the travelling charges of this Presidency which as at present are considered too great.

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
21st July 1871.

2. The Controller's Circular appears in accordance with the rules prescribed
by the Government of India and is unobjectionable.
(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Acting Superintending Engineer, 1st Division.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.

No. 86

No 301 Western Delta Range
Office Narayan 15 June/71

From.

The Executive Engineer
in charge No 301 Western Delta
Range Godavari District
To the Superintending Engineer
1st Division

To.

Sir

Dowla's bazaar

I find my 32 Accountant the most
useful of my Office Establishments to take about
the District with me. His pay being Rs 20 a month
his travelling allowance is only annas three and
pice two and a fraction, a day. This I con-
sider quite insufficient to pay the actual travel-
ling expenses of a man of any respectability,
and by the Controller's Circular No $\frac{VI}{341}$ I am
precluded from passing Batta for halts no
matter of how short duration at Head Quar-
ters. so that though my Writer may have
travelled quite as many days as myself he
does not draw his pittance for as many
days as I draw my allowances. It seems
to me that the Travelling Batta for me of
this

their grade should be raised to at least
4 Annas a day, but that if this cannot
be done the present rules should be inter-
preted as liberally as possible, and I would
request leave to pass Batta for my Writer for
the whole month, when he has during it, been
travelling for more than 20 days, or at all
events to pass it for him for such halts as
I am myself allowed to draw Allowance for

I have &c. &c.
Jy G. S. Walcott
Ex Engineer No 3 Range
True Copy

W. H. Fisher Major R.E.
Asst. Engr. 1st Division

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No. 1007

From

Major J. H. Fisher R.E.
Acting Superintending Engineer
1st Division

To

Colonel J. Caspendale R.E.
Secretary to Government D. P. W.
MADRAS

SIR,

No. 34, dated 20th
May 1870

With reference to the Circular from the
Comptroller of Public Works Accounts, in which it is
stated that claims on behalf of members of
Office Establishments to Batta during halts at
Head Quarters should not be included in
Travelling Allowance Bills, I have the honor
to forward for the favorable consideration of
Government, the accompanying Copy of a letter re-
ceived from the Executive Engineer in charge of the
No 3 Range Godavari, from which it will be observed
that, the Travelling Batta, he has to draw for his
3rd Accountant, under the rules, is quite inade-
quate to pay for the actual travelling expenses
of a man of any respectability, and by the Com-
ptroller's Circular above alluded to, he is preclu-
ded from passing Batta for halts, no matter of
how short duration, at Head Quarters.

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2 With reference to this, I have to observe that,
my predecessor with a view to a fair and very
liberal arrangement in the matter of halts for
Office Servants, instructed Range Officers to draw ^{for each month} full halts to Office servants travelling frequently ^{* vide para 3 of letter embodied in G.O. No 2485 of 25 August 1865.}
ten days in each month, or a fortnight, in two
months &c. - This in my opinion is just what
should be acted up to, for if Office Servants
are to be allowed halts for days on which
they actually travelled on duty, it is impos-
sible that they could arrange for a Car-
riage, in any shape, from place to place
for broken periods.

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Allowance to Office Servants, I beg that
Mr. Wake's suggestion, viz. that halts for
such halts, Executives and Assistant
Engineers are allowed to draw allowances for,
may receive favorable consideration, and that
the Controller be authorized to pass halts
to Office Servants for similar halts.

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on his own authority without any reference
to the Orders of Government in this matter
or to the Superintending Engineers of Divisions.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Yours Most Obedt Servt

W. T. T. M. Major P. B.

Ag Superintending Engineer

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Proceedings of the Madras Government.

Under date the 21st July/71.

To read the following

186. C. No. 1007 of 26 June/11

From Supergrants 1-522

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From P. W. 1871. Dec 15/15. P. W. 112.

(18) 1st Division

The Secretary to Govt
P. W. 113

Madras

Dated 26 June
1871 3 July 1871

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Forwards copy of a letter

from the Executive Engineer

in charge No. 11 Bangalore

on the subject of travelling

allowance to official establishments

and requests the

attention of the Executive

Engineer in the above letter

Charg.

6/13. Aug 11/15. 15.

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any modification of these
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J. J. R. H. J.

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The Ag. Supt. Ingr. 1st Div.
" Cont. of A. W. D. S.
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Govt of 1871 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To the Chief Superintending Engineer
1st Division

Det.

Recd.

G. O. 21 July 1923.

Nos. 357/26

Travelling Allowance. The
orders in the letter from the
Chief Engineer of the 1st Division
the amount of travelling
allowance for office salaries
is enclosed.