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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 11th September 1871.

No. 160. Read the following Proceedings of the Government of India in the Public Works Department, (Buildings and Roads—Military,) dated Simla, 17th August 1871, Circular, No. 18 —

Compensation for inferior quarters to Medical Subordinates

Read the following papers —

Government General Order, Military Department, No 859, dated 11th October 1866
Public Works Department Circular, No 96, dated 29th October 1866
" " " " 44, " 17th May 1867
" " " " 47, " 4th June 1867.
Government General Order, Military Department, No 550, dated 5th June 1868
Military Department memorandum, No 1,295 dated 31st December 1868.
Public Works Department Circular, No 8, dated 22nd January 1869
Chapter XI, Section IV, paragraphs 25, 27, and 29 of third Edition of Public Works Department Code
Military Department memorandum, No 839, dated 17th March 1871.
Public Works Department endorsement, Nos 74-86 A—B, dated 3rd April 1871.

OBSERVATION —In Government General Order, Military Department, No. 859, dated 11th October 1866, a scale was laid down of the rent to be deducted from the pay of Warrant Officers, including Medical Subordinates, when provided with public quarters. The rates of the grades specified below were as follow —

	Per mensem Rs	A	P.
Senior Apothecaries	25	0	0
Apothecaries	12	0	0
Assistant Apothecaries	5	8	0
Hospital Apprentices	3	0	0

2. With Public Works Department Circular No. 96, dated 29th October 1866, a set of diagrams was issued, to illustrate the scale of quarters authorized for Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers serving on the staff of the Army, with the remark that "the scale, though laid down for guidance in regard to future wants, is not to be considered as in any way disturbing existing accommodation, but may be understood as that scale of accommodation which can alone be claimed by Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers in compensation for retrenchment of house-rent, and as entitling them to claim a proportionate abatement of that retrenchment when the full amount of the scale is not provided for them." These diagrams were superseded by a revised set which was issued with Public Works Department Circular No. 44, dated 17th May 1867, some inconsistencies having been pointed out in the diagrams issued in 1866, and the monthly deductions to be made from the pay of each grade when provided with quarters were noted thereon in accordance with the General Order of the Military Department quoted above in paragraph 1.

3. By Government General Order, Military Department, No 550, dated 5th June 1868, however, the whole Subordinate Medical Establishment was re organized, and it was ruled that (paragraph 17) "the future pay of members of the 'Apothecary' class* will be a consolidated sum to cover all expenses, except those specially noted below."

* Defined in paragraph 7 to consist of—
Senior Apothecaries
Apothecaries.
Assistant Apothecaries
Passed Hospital Apprentices
Hospital Apprentices.

"18. When on regimental or corresponding duty, all subordinates will be supplied with free quarters, or, when marching, with camp equipage."

4 And in its memorandum No. 1,295, dated 31st December 1868, the Military Department decided that the rates of house-rent admissible to Medical Subordinates, when not supplied with free quarters, were—

	Per mensem Rs	A.	P.
Senior Apothecaries	50	0	0
Apothecaries	30	0	0
Assistant Apothecaries	20	0	0
Passed Apprentices	12	0	0
Apprentices	7	8	0

5. These rates were issued to the Public Works Department as Circular No 8, dated 22nd January 1869, and it was added that compensation to these subordinates for inferior quarters should be adjusted by the Public Works Department, as directed in Public Works Department Circular No. 47, dated 4th June 1867.

6. The Military Department has since decided that the amount of compensation to which Medical Subordinates are entitled, when provided with Government quarters of a decidedly inferior description, shall be equal to the difference between the ascertained value of the quarters, with reference to prevailing rates of house-rent, and the rate laid down for the different grades as house rent when Government quarters are not available.

7. The Governor-General in Council is accordingly pleased to direct that the "monthly deductions," noted on the diagram which accompanied Public Works Department Circular No. 44 of 1867, as to be made from the pay of Medical Subordinates when provided with Government quarters, be expunged, since their existence is likely to lead to confusion in the settlement of claims for compensation on account of inferior quarters. This does not, however, affect the sums noted on the diagrams as to be deducted from the pay of other Warrant and Non-commissioned Officers, which must be understood to hold good.

Governments of Madras, Bombay, Bengal, North-Western Provinces, and Punjab, in the Public Works Department.
The Chief Commissioners of Oudh, Central Provinces, and British Burmah
The Resident at Hyderabad
The Agents to the Governor-General for Central India and Rajpootana
The Superintendent of Port Blair.

ORDER.—Ordered, that a copy of the foregoing Observations be forwarded to the Local Governments and Administrations noted on the margin, for information and guidance.

Ordered also, that a copy be sent to the Military Department, the Adjutant General, the Quarter Master General, and the Sanitary Commissioner with the Government of India, for information.

(Signed) C. W. HUTCHINSON, Colonel, R.E.,
Offg. Deputy Secy. to the Govt of India.

No. 170. ORDER THEREON, 11th September 1871, No. 2,309.

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COMMUNICATED to the Superintending Engineers and to the Controller of Public Works Accounts for information and guidance in continuation of G. O, No. 563, dated 20th February 1869.

(True Extract.)

Captain, R.E.,
Under Secretary to Government.

To Superintending Engineers.
" Major R B Kennedy.
To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.
" Military Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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Medical Subordinates—

Circular from Govt of India regarding Compensation for inferior quarters to Medical Subordinates. Communicated to the Officers concerned—

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