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Government of Madras.

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No. 211. Read the following endorsement of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 27th May 1872, No. 262 :—

From the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, to the Consulting Engineer for Railways, dated Madras, 21st May 1872, No. 332.

With reference to Government Order No. 958, dated the 12th ultimo, wherein it is directed that the balancing up of Station Clerks prior to transfer shall be effected by the Audit Department and not by the Traffic Manager's Office, I have the honour to state that, in order to carry this out, and also to ensure a proper periodical examination of Station Accounts, it is, in my opinion, very desirable that the number of Travelling Auditors on this line should be increased to four.

2. I enclose, for the information of Government, the copy of a report* which the Chief Auditor has made to me upon the subject, in which he explains the necessity which exists for this proposed increase, and recommends that the salary to be paid to each Travelling Auditor shall be Rupees 150 per mensem.

* No. 686, 18th May 1872.

3. I think it essential that employés holding the positions in question should be men who from their experience and standing will be competent to conduct their examinations thoroughly, and, moreover, able to command the respect of all Station Masters whether Europeans, East Indians, or Natives.

4. I therefore trust that the salaries named will be considered reasonable, and I have the honour to submit the proposal for the favourable consideration of Government.

From the Chief Auditor, to the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 18th May 1872, No. 686.

With reference to the Order of Government No. 958, dated 12th ultimo, directing that the suggestion made by the Government of India to the effect that "no official in charge of traffic monies or accounts should be removed from one station to another without a no-demand certificate from the Audit Office," ought to be so far carried out that the balancing up prior to transfer should be effected by the Audit Office, and not by the Traffic Manager's Office. The following arrangements for giving effect to the views of the Government of India are submitted for approval.

2. At present we have a Travelling Auditor on Rupees 150, and an Assistant with a sanctioned salary of Rupees 60 per mensem, engaged on the line in booking up Station Masters. Their time is most fully occupied with their duties, and it would not be practicable to detach them from their regular work to do the special duties now required to be performed by this department in balancing up Station Masters prior to transfer. Further assistance will, therefore, be needed.

3. It is found that the lowest number of removals which should be provided for per month is eight ; and having regard to the great distance one station may be from the other, and to the fact that it will not be possible for one man to perform the duties in such cases, it is recommended that application should be made for two more hands.

4. It is important that the position and qualifications of the Travelling Auditors should be such as to command the respect of the Station Masters, and that the pay should correspond with the duties and responsibilities of the office.

5. I beg, therefore, to recommend that in lieu of our present staff of one Travelling Auditor and an Assistant at a monthly charge of Rupees 210, application should be submitted and sanction asked for an establishment of four Travelling Auditors on salaries of Rupees 150 each.

6. The time of the two extra hands when not engaged in relieving a Station Master may be most usefully employed in assisting Station Masters with their accounts.

7. The total half-yearly cost of the proposed establishment will be Rupees 3,600 as compared with Rupees 9,150 sanctioned for the corresponding establishment on the Great Indian Peninsula Railway.

From the Chief Auditor, to the Agent and Manager of the Madras Railway Company, dated Madras, 23rd May 1872, No. 690.

With reference to my letter No. 686, dated 18th instant, I beg to bring to your notice that we are much in want of the services of the Auditors therein applied for; as we have received, since the 3rd instant, applications from the Traffic Manager to book up Station Masters at fifteen different stations, and we can ill-afford to spare the present men from their duties, I shall therefore be obliged if you will kindly obtain the sanction of Government to the revised staff being entertained at once.

For the information of the Consulting Engineer for Railways, with reference to the Agent and Manager's letter of the 21st instant, No. 332.

(Signed) R. B. ELWIN,
Agent and Manager.

Submitted for the sanction of Government.

2. At present there are two Travelling Auditors on the Madras Railway on salaries of Rupees 150 and Rupees 60 each per mensem. The former was sanctioned by Government in their Order No. 2,924, dated 18th November 1871, and the latter approved subject to the sanction of Government of India in Order No. 1,127, dated 3rd May 1872.

3. To ensure a proper periodical examination of Station Accounts, and to carry out the orders of the Government of India in respect to the balancing up of Station Masters prior to transfer, which is now effected by the Audit and not the Traffic Manager's Office, the Agent proposes to increase the number of Travelling Auditors to four at Rupees 150 each per mensem. For fixing the salary at this rate the Chief Auditor writes that—

G. O., No. 958, dated 12th April 1872.

"It is important that the position and qualifications of the Travelling Auditors should be such as to command the respect of the Station Masters, and that the pay should correspond with the duties and responsibilities of the office."

4. It was my intention to keep back this application until I had an opportunity of discussing with the Railway Authorities the details of the system to be adopted in future with regard to the regular examination of Station Accounts, but from the Agent's endorsement, which reached me this morning, it appears that the early appointment of these Auditors is urgently required in order to give effect to the opinion recorded by the Government of India that no official in charge of traffic monies or accounts should be removed from one station to another without a no-demand certificate from the Audit Office. I have discussed the matter with the Examiner, and am satisfied that the two additional men now applied for are required for the proper performance of the duties devolving on them. I therefore recommend that sanction be accorded to their endorsement, subject to the confirmation of the Government of India.

(Signed) J. H. M. SHAW-STEWART, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Consulting Engineer for Railways.

No. 212. Order thereon, 13th June 1872, No. 1,463.

RAILWAY, No. 22.

Ordered that this application be forwarded for the sanction of the Government of India.

(Here enter No. 1,464, dated 13th June 1872.)

(True Extract.)

Captain, R.E.,
Acting Joint Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
FORT ST. GEORGE, 13*th June* 1872.

No. 213.

No. 1,464.

To

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

RAILWAY, No. 23.

SIR,—Adverting to your letter No. 420-A. R., dated 26th March 1872, in which it is intimated that the balancing up of Station Clerks on the Madras Railway prior to transfer should in future be effected by the Audit Office, who will be required to furnish a no-demand certificate before each removal takes place, I am directed to forward the accompanying application from the Railway authorities for sanction to increase the number of Travelling Auditors from one on Rupees 150 and an Assistant on Rupees 60, to four Auditors on Rupees 150 each.

2. The latter is considered the least number that will be required to carry into effect the orders of the Government of India and to ensure a proper periodical examination of Station Accounts, and, looking to the responsibilities which will attach to the appointments and the necessity of providing for the posts men of experience and standing, a salary of Rupees 150 per mensem is not thought to be too high a rate of remuneration to offer. In these views the Government concur, and I am to recommend the proposed increase for the early sanction of the Government of India.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Captain, R.E.,
Acting Joint Secretary to Government.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

No 262.

Submitted for the sanction of Government. At present there are two travelling students on the Calcutta Railway on salaries of Rupees 150 and Rupees 60 each per mensem. The former was sanctioned by Government in their Order No 2924, dated 18th November 1871, and the latter approved subject to the sanction of the Government of India in Order No 1127, dated 3rd May 1872.

To insure a proper periodical examination of station accounts, and to carry out the Orders of the Government of India in respect

G.O. No 958 dated 12 April 1872.

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"It is important that the position and qualifications of the travelling Auditors should be such as to command the respect of the station masters and that the pay should correspond with the duties and responsibilities of the Office."

It was my intention to keep back this application until I had an opportunity of discussing with the Railway Authorities the details of the system to be adopted in future with regard to the irregular examination of stations accounts but from the Agents endorsement which reached me this morning it appears that the early appointment of these Auditors is urgently required, in order to give effect to the opinion recorded by the Government of India that no officials in charge of traffic monies or accounts should be removed from

one station to another without a no demand certificate from the Audit Office. I have discussed the matter with the Examiner, and am satisfied that the two additional men now applied for are required for the proper performance of the duties devolving on them. I therefore recommend that sanction be accorded to their endorsement, subject to the confirmation of the Government of India.

[signature]
Lieutt Colonel R.E.

Madras
27 May
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Cons. Engr for Railways

To
The Secretary to Government
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From

The Consulting Engineer for Railways,

To The Secy to Govt
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Submitting agents letters regarding the appointment of travelling Auditors

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

AGENT AND MANAGER'S OFFICE.

Madras, 21st May 1872

From Robert B. Elwin Esqr
Agent and Manager. M. R. Co.

To Lt Col. J. H. M. Shaw Stewart, R.E.
Consulting Engineer for Railways.

Sir,

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2. I enclose for the information of Government the copy of a Report which the Chief Auditor has made to me upon the subject in which he explains the necessity which exists for this proposed increase, and recommends that the salary to be paid to each Travelling Auditor shall be Rs. 150 per mensem.

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I have the honour to be
Sir
Your most Obedient Servt.

Agent & Manager.

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MADRAS RAILWAY.

From

The Agent and Manager.

To

The Consulting Engineer

for Railways.

Dated 21st May 1872

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No. 332.

Requesting, under the Circumstances stated, sanction for the appointment of Your Travelling Auditor in a salary of Rs 150 each.

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No 686.

Madras Railway Company
Chief Auditor's Office
Madras 18th May 1872.

Dear Sir,

With reference to the Order of Government No 958 dated 12th ultimo directing that the suggestion made by the Government of India to the effect that — "no Officials in charge of Traffic Monies or Accounts should be removed from one Station to another without a no-demand Certificate from the Audit Office" — ought to be so far carried out that the balancing up prior to transfer should be effected by the Audit Office, and not by the Traffic Managers Office — the following arrangements for giving effect to the views of the Government of India are submitted for approval.

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cases, it is recommended that application should be made for two more hands.

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I beg, therefore, to recommend that in lieu of one present staff of one Travelling Auditor and an Assistant at a monthly charge of Rupees 210, application should be submitted and sanction asked for an Establishment of 4 (four) Travelling Auditors on Salaries of Rupees 150 each.

The time of the two extra hands when not engaged in relieving a Station Master may be most usefully employed in Assisting Station Masters with their Accounts.

The total half yearly cost of the proposed Establishment will be Rs. 3600 as compared with Rs. 9150 sanctioned for the corresponding Establishment on the Great Indian Peninsular Railway.

Yours faithfully
D. of Fitzgerald Shwab
Chief Auditor.

The Agent and Manager.

True Copy

Agent & Manager

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No 690

Madras Railway Company
Chief Auditor's Office
Madras 23rd May 1872

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Yours faithfully
(Signed) Fitzgerald Church
Chief Auditor

To
R. B. Elwin Esquire
Agent and Manager

(True Copy)
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Agent and Manager

For the information of the Consulting Engineer for Railways with reference to the Agent & Manager's letter of the 21st instant No 332.

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Public Works Department

No. 1467

Proceedings of the Madras Government

Read the following

From The Consulting Engineer for Railways — H.E. No. 2627 / 27th May 1872

Ordered that this application be forwarded for the sanction of the Govt. of India.

H.E. No. 1464 d/

To

The Consulg: Engr. for Rys:

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The Secy: to the Govt. of India

Sir

Adverting to your letter No: 420 A.R. dated 26th March 1872 in which it is intimated that the balancing up of Station Clerks on the Madras Railway prior to transfer should in future be effected by

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The latter is considered the least number that will be required to carry into effect the orders of the Govt of India and to ensure a proper periodical examination of Station accounts and looking to the responsibilities which will attach to the appointments and the necessity of providing for the posts men of experience and standing a salary of Rs 150 per mensem is not thought to be too high a rate of remuneration to offer. In these views the Govt concur, and I am to recommend the proposed increase for the early sanction of the Govt of India.

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Govt. of {1872} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Consulting Engr for Railways and To The Secretary to the Govt of India

Dated

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G. O. 13th Dec 1872. No. 1463-1464.

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Madras Railway. Paping orders on application, submitted by the Consulting Engr, for increasing the number of travelling auditors on the Madras Ry.

Submitting, with remarks, application for increasing the number of travelling auditors on the Madras Railway.