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No. 238 E. 9

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

ESTABLISHMENT.

Irrigation

To

The Secy to the Govt of Madras

Public Works Department

Simla 29th August 1872.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 1744 of the 22nd ultimo explaining the circumstances under which more than the authorised rate of travelling allowance was sanctioned by the Govt of Madras for the members of the office establishment of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation, I am directed to state that the more liberal rates proposed if sanctioned in this instance could hardly be refused to other establishments in Madras and elsewhere if claimed on the same

ground and that the additional expense in this case would probably not be inconsiderable. Before the proposal can be entertained the necessity for its grant should be explained in fuller detail, the increase being large as a clerk could under the rule draw as much as 5 Rupees a day or even more if marching 20 miles or upwards a day.

2. I am to add that no departure from rules laid down by the Government of India should be permitted without previous reference to that authority.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your Most Obd't Servt

Under Secy to the Govt of India

No. 209 SB

Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation

Engineer for Irrigation is explained, in para 2 of my Letter, on which G.O. No 677 of 11 March 1872 was passed, to arise from the fact that the Chief Engineer has

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proposal Pro 22nd July/72 Pl 345-347.

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Chief Govt for Ctr.
No 4359.

From.
The Govt of India.

Rcd 29 augt.
Rep 6 Sept. 1872.

No 2388.I.

Requesting
further information
relative to the in-
-creased rate of
travelling allowance
required for the
members of the
Office Establishment
of the Chief Engineer
for Irrigation -
No 2625-2625-75 dated 15th Augt 72
P.W. 4879/72

No 285

Under Secy to the Govt of India

No 209

Note by the Offg Chief Engineer for Irrigation

In letter No 238 I of June the Under Secretary to the Government of India further details are asked for relative to the necessity of passing Travelling allowances for the Clerks who accompany the Chief Engineer for Irrigation on tours of Inspection on more liberal terms than those in which such allowances are passed for Clerks appertaining to other Offices of the Department Public Works. As the necessity for passing higher allowances for the Clerks attached to the Office of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation is explained in para 2 of my Letter, in which G.O. No 677 of 11th March 1872 was passed, to arise from the fact that the Chief Engineer has

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exp has often to make long and forced marches
not to cover the cost of which the batta,
proj at 3/10" of their salary granted to Clerks,
rece is often insufficient, it will be well
the perhaps to illustrate the matter in con-
the nection with the marches made on the tour
Clerk with reference to which the application
as for increased rates of the Clerk was made
ver- Cr ex 2. I need hardly remark that the
2. Chief Engineer or any other Officer simi-
par- larly circumstanced would spare the
Clerks the exertion, expense and incon-
Refer venience of Travelling as much as
possible, hence, the number of miles
travelled by myself 8th to 26 January 1872 in Ganjam
and by my Clerk *205 miles °129 miles
during the periods 29th January to 25th February 1872
specified was as in the Godavery
per margin. The
marches in Ganjam * 411 miles °76 miles
were by Road or across Country; those in
the

the Godavery were chiefly by Canal

3. The Clerk who accompanied me drew a salary of Rs 30 per mensem. According to the existing rules he was there for entitled to Rs 5-8-3 from 8th to the 26th January but as the marches were made in 9 out of the 19 days the allowance he would have drawn on those 9 days is only Rs 2-10-0 while the cost of travelling 129 miles was actually Rs 16-2-0 and this amount I am of opinion should be set against the Rs 2-10-0 and not the Rs 5-8-3 shewn above; for, there is no doubt that in moving rapidly from place to place, incidental expenses are incurred and the necessaries of Life, in being purchased daily day or nearly so, that frequently in Bazaars in remote Villages, are more costly

$30 \times \frac{3}{16} \times \frac{19}{31} = \frac{171}{31}$
= Rs 5-8-3

$30 \times \frac{3}{16} \times \frac{9}{31} = \frac{81}{31}$
= Rs 2-10-0

129 at 2 annas = Rs 16-2-0

costly than when obtained in larger quantities and in Bazaars in large Towns or Villages, where there is competition.

4. It will be observed that while in the Godavery while I travelled 411 miles my Clerk travelled only 76 miles this is due to the facts 1st that I was able to leave my Clerk in a Central position whilst I returned 3 times during my tour. 2nd that there were no Public Boats of Accommodation for Natives plying in some of the Canals I travelled and 3rd that even where such accommodation existed it was not such as a respectable Native would like to avail himself of, while, his allowances, even on the scale I recommended, would not have allowed him to obtain special accommodation.

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5. The amount the Clerk actually drew under G.O 677 dated 11 March was Rs 39-3-8 while, under the rules appertaining to other Public Works Offices, he would have drawn Rs 17-1-9 giving a difference of Rs 22-1-11 in two months an amount of considerable importance to the Clerk but of none to Government and which would be covered three times over by the waste of a day on the part of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation in performing work such as copying Letters &c which a Clerk could perform equally well.

In January 26-1-7
" February 13-2-1
39-3-8

6. For reasons stated in para 3 the batta solicited for peons & Cascars while Travelling with the Chief Engineer for Irrigation should in my opinion, be

be granted. 2 Lascars accompanied
me and their batta amounted to Rs
14 for the 2 months. Peons or Lascars
in the Department
Public Works are 3rd January to 28th February 1872
not entitled to Batta under existing
Rules but Peons in the Revenue Depart
ment draw batta when on tours with
Collectors &c

Bolgaum
1st October/72

H. F. Dastur Major R.E.
Agl Chief Engineer for Irrigation
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The Secretary to Govt
W.D.

To the Chief Engr for
Irrigation -N
Desp: 21/10/72

Ordered that
the following letter
be sent.

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Read the following:-

From the Secretary to Govt (H.R. No 238 Dt 29th Aug/72)
- Chief Engr for Irrign (-- No 209 Dt 1st Oct/72)

Ordered that
the following letter
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To the Chief Engr for
Irrigation.

Desp: 21/10/72

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Pub Works 72

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Secy to Govt
Pub Works Dept.

To
The Chief Engineer for Irrigation
&c &c &c

No 209
Dated Ootacamund
the 1st October 1872.

Sir,

I have the honor to request that you will be pleased to move Government to direct that the Executive Engineer in charge of the Cauvery Delta Division be instructed to furnish the Chief Engineer for Irrigation with a note on the subject of the letter from the Public Works Department No 238 dated 29th August 1872 on the points noticed in the 3rd paragraph of the letter from the Chief Engineer for Irrigation No 209 dated 1st October 1872.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
Chief Engineer for Irrigation

To
The Secretary to Govt
Pub Works Dept.

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No 2425.

To The Secretary to the
Government of India
P.W.D.

Sir-

With reference to
Letter No. 238 E. I. dated
29th August, I am
directed to forward a
Note by the Acting
Chief Engineer for Irriga-
tion pointing out in
further detail the ne
cessity for granting more
liberal Travelling allowance
for the Members of the
Office Establishment.
of the Chief Engineer
for Irrigation than
Members of other Establish-
ments

Establishment in the Department Public Works are entitled to under the existing rules, and to request that under the explanation now afforded the sanction of the Govt of India may be accorded to the increased rates of Mileage and Batta to the Members of the Office Establishment of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation approved by this Government in their order No. 677 dated 11th March 1872.

I am to point out that under the new organization of the Public Works Depts in this Presidency, to be introduced in Decr next, there will be two Officers whose duties will carry them over the whole Presidency as those of the Chief Engineer for Irrigation do, and to request that the rules now proposed for the Establishment of the latter may be made applicable for that of the former -

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Desp. 21/10/72 with
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No. 4359 & 4879

Govt. of Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Offg Chief Engr for Irrigation

& To The Secretary to the Govt of India

Dated

Read.

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G. O. 15 dated 24-24-2425.

Nos. 255-256-257 1158

Travelling allowances. Passing orders on the subject of the increased rate of travelling allowances required for the Establishment Members of the Office of the Chief Engr for Irrigation.

Explaining the receipt of an increased rate of travelling allowances for the Members of the Office Establishment of the Chief Engr for Irrigation.