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Government of Madras.

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 13th November 1872.

Read the following letters:—

No. 212. From the Controller of Public Works Accounts, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Accounts, dated Fort St. George, 16th October 1872, No. 1,600.

It has heretofore been the practice in this Presidency to allow travelling batta only to members of office establishments attached to Superintending Engineers and Range Officers, and the rule laid down in G. O., No. 3,023, dated 19th October 1863, has been applied to writers attached to Taluq Overseers, and to such others of a higher grade as were not in charge of ranges, but employed on special or taluq duties.

2. The position of Supervisors and Sub-Engineers generally is now very much altered, for when they are themselves not in charge of ranges, they are frequently placed in the sub-divisions, and their duties are of a more general character than under the former arrangement when not in independent charges.

3. It is, moreover, believed that, when employed as Sub-divisional Officers, Sub-Engineers and Supervisors will be required, under the present arrangement, to travel more than they were required to do formerly when engaged on special or taluq duties, and it may therefore be necessary for them frequently to require the clerk provided for them in the new scale to accompany them on their tours of inspection.

4. I have accordingly the honour to request the orders of Government on the following points:—

(1.) Is batta to be allowed to the writers attached to Sub-Engineers and Supervisors when in charge of sub-divisions?

(2.) Is the same indulgence to be conceded to the writers attached to others of the same grades when not so employed, or is G. O., No. 3,023, dated 19th October 1863 to be considered applicable to their case?

No. 213. From the same Officer, dated Fort St. George, 29th October 1872, No. 1,715.

With reference to your memorandum No. 175, dated 22nd October 1872, I have the honour to state that this office is not in possession of the details making up the sum of Rupees 2,15,000 which has been provided for travelling allowances under "Construction" in the scheme recently submitted to the Government of India for the reorganization of the Public Works Department of this Presidency.

2. In the absence of these details, I have myself worked out the probable charges on account of travelling allowances to officers and subordinates of the

Executive Establishment, and the following is an abstract of the results which I have arrived at :—

	Average per mensem.	Average per annum.	Number of Officers.	Cost per annum.
	RS.	RS.		RS.
Executive Engineer, Presidency	50	12	1	600
Assistant District Engineers	120	12	14	20,160
Do. do.	100	12	44	52,800
Sub-Engineer, Presidency	30	12	1	360
Do., elsewhere	75	12	13	11,700
Supervisor, Presidency	30	12	1	360
Do., elsewhere	50	12	40	24,000
Overseers of all grades	40	12	187	89,760
Total...	...	...	...	1,99,740

3. Deducting the above total of Rupees 1,99,740 from the provision of Rupees 2,15,000 above quoted, there is a balance of Rupees 15,260 to meet claims on account of batta to office establishments under "Construction." *Excluding Taluq Overseer's Writers* from the calculation, I estimate the charges on account of batta at Rupees 20,498, as per details given below :—

Offices.	No. of Clerks allowed for.	Salaries.	Travelling Allowance being $\frac{3}{10}$ths of salary.	Travelling Allowance per annum.	No. of Establishments allowed for.	Total per annum.
		RS.	RS.	RS.		RS.
Special	2	70	21	252	7	1,764
Probationers	1	22	$6\frac{3}{5}$	$79\frac{1}{5}$	7	554
First-class Range	2	70	21	252	25	6,300
Second-class do.	2	65	$19\frac{1}{2}$	234	23	5,382
Third-class do.	2	35	$10\frac{1}{2}$	126	7	882
Special Ranges in Godavery and Kistna	2	90	27	324	4	1,296
Do. in Bellary	2	75	$22\frac{1}{2}$	270	1	270
Do. in Tinnevelly, Trichinopoly, and Madura.	2	70	21	252	3	756
Do. for East Coast Canal.	2	65	$19\frac{1}{2}$	234	1	234
Supervisors to assist Range Officers	1	25	$7\frac{1}{2}$	90	34	3,060
Total...	...	...	...	...	...	20,498

4. Adding the total of this* statement to that† of the abstract given in paragraph 2, the aggregate amounts to Rupees 2,20,238, which is Rupees 5,238 in excess of the provision made by Government.

* 20,498
†1,99,740
2,20,238

5. My estimate for travelling allowance to members of the *Executive* Establishment is, I think, liberal, and such as will ordinarily more than cover the actual charges. If Government concur in this view, and it be determined by them that the batta to be claimed by Range Officers and others employed on special and miscellaneous duties on behalf of their office establishments shall be restricted in each district to the provision which I have now made, I believe that there will be

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sufficient savings on the whole to cover the excess of Rupees 5,238 noticed in the preceding paragraph, or such other smaller excess as may arise. As a rule, I think the *number* of office servants that will be found absolutely necessary to accompany officers on their tours is not likely to exceed two, and even in these cases absence from head-quarters, during which alone batta is admissible, will seldom, judging from past experience, extend to a full month. This affords another very reasonable ground for concluding that the aggregate assignment for travelling allowance under "Construction" will be sufficient to admit of batta being passed to the clerks attached to *all* subordinates other than Taluq Overseers.

No. 214. ORDER THEREON, 13th November 1872, No. 2,674.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 13.

HIS Excellency the Governor in Council approves of batta being allowed to writers attached to all subordinates (not merely in charge of taluqs) whether in charge of sub-divisions of ranges, or otherwise employed.

(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To Superintending Engineers.
,, Major R. B. Kennedy.
To the Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. F. C. Shunker.

Office of the Controller of
Public Works Accounts,
No 1600 Fort St. George, 16th October 1872.

From,

The Controller of
Public Works Accounts,

To,

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort St. George.

Sir,

It has heretofore been the practice in this Presidency to allow travelling batta only to members of office Establishments attached to Superintending Engineers and Range officers, and the rule laid down in G. O. No. 3023, dated 19th October 1863, has been applied to Writers attached to Taluq Overseers, and to such others of a higher grade as

were not in charge of Ranges, but employed on special or Taluq duties.

2. The position of Supervisors and Sub Engineers generally is now very much altered, for when they and themselves not in charge of Ranges, they are frequently placed in the Sub divisions, and their duties are of a more general character than under the former arrangement when not in independent charges.

3. It is moreover believed that, when employed as Sub Divisional Officers, Sub Engineers and Supervisors will be required, under the present arrangement, to travel more than they were required to do formerly when engaged on special or Taluq duties, and it may therefore be necessary for them frequently to require the clerk provided for them in the new scale to accompany them on their tours of inspection.—

4. I have accordingly the honor to request the orders of Government on the following points.—

1. Is batta to be allowed to the writers attached to Sub Engineers and Supervisors when in charge of Sub Divisions?

2. If the same indulgence to be conceded to the writers attached to others of the same grades when not so employed, or is G.O. No. 3023, dated 19th October 1863, to be considered applicable to their case?—

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant

S. Howell
Controller of P.W. Accounts.

No. 1215

Office of the Comptroller of
Public Works Accounts.
Nilgiris, 29th October 1872

From
The Comptroller Public
Works Accounts,
Madras.

To
The Chief Engineer,
Nilgiris Public Works,
Ootacamund.

Sir,

With reference to your
Memorandum No. 175, dated
22nd October 1872, I have the
honor to state that this
Office is not in possession
of the details regarding
the sum of Rupees 15,000
which has been provided
for Travelling Allowances
under "Construction" in
the Estimate received
with your
Memorandum No. 212

Dated 30th Oct 1872 Accts

Public Works 1872 Dept.
From Sr. 5054.
The Comptroller of Accounts
Public Works Accounts,
Madras.
To, The Secretary to Government,
P. W. Department,
Fort St. George.
Dated 16
Recd 17 October 1872
No. 1600

Requesting orders
on subject of Travelling
allowance to subordinates
of the Public Works
Department.

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of India for the re-organization of the Public Works Department of this Presidency.

2. In the absence of these details I have myself worked out the probable charges on account of travelling allowances to Officers and Subordinates of the Executive Establishment, and the following is an Abstract of the results which I have arrived at:-

	Average per mensem.	Average per annum.	Number of Officers	Cost per annum.
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Do Elsewhere.	75	12	13	11,700
Supervisor, Presidency.	30	12	1	360
Do Elsewhere.	50	12	40	24,000
Overseers of all grades.	40	12	187	89,760
		Total Rupees		199,740

3. Deducting the above total of Rupees 1,99,740 from the provision of Rupees 2,15,000 above quoted, there is a balance of Rupees 15,260 to meet claims on account of batta to Office Establishments under "Construction". Excluding Tahsildars, Overseers' Writers from the calculation, I estimate the charges on account of batta at Rupees 20,498 as per details given below:-

Offices.	No. of clerks allowed for	Salaries.	Travelling allowance being 3/10 ths of salary.	Travelling allowance per annum.	No. of Establishments allowed for	Total per annum.
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.
Special.	2	70	21	252	7	1764
Probationers.	1	22	6 3/5	79 1/5	7	554
1st Class Range	2	70	21	252	25	6300
2nd Do Do	2	65	19 1/2	234	23	5382
3rd Do Do	2	35	10 1/2	126	7	882
Special Ranges in Godavery and Kistna.	2	90	27	324	4	1296
Do in Bellary	2	75	22 1/2	270	1	270
Do in Tinnevelly						
Trichinopoly and Madura.	2	70	21	252	3	756
Do for East Coast Canal	2	65	19 1/2	234	1	234
Supervisors to assist Range Officers	1	25	7 1/2	90	34	3060
				Total		20498

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4. Adding the total of this Statement to that of the Abstract given in para 2, the aggregate amounts to Rupees 220,238, which is Rupees 5,238 in excess of the provision made by Government.

20,498
+ 199,540
220,238

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be found absolutely necessary to accompany Officers on their tours is not likely to exceed two, and, even, in these cases, absence from head quarters, during no third alone batta is admissible, will seldom, judging from past experience, extend to a full month. This affords another very reasonable ground for concluding that the aggregate assignment for travelling allowance under "Construction" will be sufficient to admit of batta being forfeited

to the Collectors attached to all subordinate other Talug Overseers.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant.

S. Mockett

Controller of Public Works Account.

Rept Public Works Department

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From The Controller of P.W.D. P.A.E. No. 1600 / 16th Oct 1872

From Do. ——— do. ——— " — " — 1715 / 29th " — " — "

His Excellency the Governor in Council approves of Batta being allowed to writers attached to all subordinates (not merely in charge of Talooks) whether in charge of Sub Divisions of Ranges, or otherwise employed.

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S Sayers
Major Kennedy
Lt. Dept 14/11/72

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No. 1715

From The Chief Engineer,
Southern Division,
Public Works Department,
Trichinopoly.

Submitting the information called for in Secretariat Memo. No. 2150 dated 25th ultimo regarding the admissibility of Batta to Writers employed in the Executive Branch of the Public Works Department.

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Rec'd 30th Oct 1872

No. 5054 & 5255

Govt. of {1872} Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Superintending Engineer

Dated

Recd. Encl.

G. O. No. 13 Nadu, No. 2674.

Nos. 212-213 & 214

Batta. Approving of batta being allowed to all subordinates of the Br. dept.