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Read the following endorsement of the Government of India:—

No. 122. From Captain G. T. SKIPWITH, R.E., Assistant Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, Telegraph, to the Director-General of Telegraphs in India, dated Simla, 8th August 1873, Nos. 339—43-T.

In continuation of this office No. 303-T., of the 7th ultimo, and with reference to correspondence ending with your No. 144, of the 14th idem, on the subject of the license to be granted to the Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company for working a line of Telegraph along the Nizam's (State) Railway, I am directed to forward the license duly signed by the Secretary in this Department, and to request that you will be good enough to hand the same to the Agent of the Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company at an early date.

COPIES, with copies of the license, forwarded to the Governments of Madras and Bombay, to the Resident at Hyderabad, and to the Foreign Department, for information.

(Signed) G. T. SKIPWITH, Captain, R.E.,
Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

*License granted to the Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company for working the
Telegraph of the Nizam's State Railway Line.*

Preamble.—The Governor-General in Council is pleased, under the provisions of Section 2 of Act VIII. of 1860, entitled "An Act for regulating the establishment and management of the Electric Telegraphs in India," to permit the Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company to work a Telegraph along the lines of the Nizam's State Railway, subject to the following conditions:—

In this license "Telegraph Department" means the Telegraph Department of the Government of India; "Railway Department" means the Government Department which controls the Railway; "Company" means the Great Indian Peninsula Railway Company.

1. The line of Telegraph along the Nizam's State Railway shall continue the property of the Government of India.
2. The Company shall allow the Telegraph Department to erect and maintain posts and wires and other appurtenances of a Telegraph within the railway boundaries to such an extent as the Telegraph Department may desire.
3. The Company shall allow all officers, inspectors, artificers, workmen, and others employed by the Telegraph Department in the construction, maintenance, or repair of the lines of Telegraph to enter on the railway premises, and shall give such persons all reasonable facilities for travelling, and for transporting material along the line.
4. The instruments in the Railway Offices shall be of a pattern to be approved by the Telegraph Department.
5. The technical inspection of the Railway Offices, the regulation of the instruments, and their repair, shall be undertaken by the Telegraph Department.
6. The Offices of the Nizam's State Railway shall be connected with the Government Offices wherever the Telegraph Department may so desire, and the Company shall afford all reasonable facilities for establishing and maintaining the connection.
7. The signalling staff of the Company shall be wholly and exclusively controlled and paid by the Company.
8. The Company shall work the wires rented to it, subject to the general control of the Railway Department, for the purposes of the Nizam's State Railway only, excepting so far as is provided by the subsequent conditions.

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9. Messages tendered at an office of the Nizam's State Railway for transmission to any part of India, and messages transferred from a Government Office to an Office of the Railway connected therewith, shall be received and transmitted by the Company according to the following rules:—

- (a.)—The system adopted in the Telegraph Department in respect of tariff, receipt, transmission and check of messages, instruments and code signals, shall be adopted and strictly followed so far as the Telegraph Department may require. The general instructions of the Director General of Telegraphs shall be followed in all respects.
 - (b.)—Messages, not relating to the business of the Nizam's State Railway tendered for transmission, shall be received at all Telegraph Offices on the Nizam's State Railway when open for traffic, and shall be transmitted subject to the requirements of the railway traffic, which in all cases will have precedence.
 - (c.)—Messages for places on the Nizam's State Railway, at which there is no connected Government Office, will be sent by the wires rented to the railway.
 - (d.)—Messages for any place not on the Nizam's State Railway, or for any place on the Nizam's State Railway, at which there is a connected Government Office, shall be transferred to the Government Office connected with the Railway Office nearest to the place at which the message is tendered.
 - (e.)—For messages originating at an Office of the Nizam's State Railway, and addressed to a place on the same Railway, at which there is no Government Office, the whole charge will be credited to the Nizam's State Railway.
 - (f.)—For all other messages the Nizam's State Railway will be credited with one-fourth the total charge, except in the case of messages sent direct from a railway receiving Office to a Government Office in the same place for transmission by the Government wires, in which case the Nizam's State Railway will be credited with one-eighth of the total charge.
 - (g.)—Messages on the service of the Telegraph Department shall be transmitted without charge, to or from any station on the Nizam's State Railway.
 - (h.)—Public and State messages shall, as a rule, be sent in order of receipt, unless a railway message of urgency be tendered simultaneously. But a State message marked "clear the line" or "precedence" shall, so far as is consistent with the safe working of the railway, take precedence of all other messages.
 - (i.)—Copies of all messages, not on the business of the railway, transmitted from, or addressed to, an Office of the Nizam's State Railway, shall be regularly forwarded to the Government Telegraph Check Office under instructions which shall be issued by the Director General of Telegraphs in India.
10. The Director General of Telegraphs in India, or any officer deputed by him, may at any time inspect any of the Telegraph Offices of the Company, or messages sent from or received at any of them, and the Company shall give all facilities for such inspections, and shall submit for inspection any books or accounts connected with the working of the Railway Telegraph, or any originals or copies of messages sent or received which the Director General or such officer may require.
11. Under the provisions of Section 5 of the Telegraph Act, the Governor-General of India in Council may, on the occurrence of any public emergency, take temporary possession of any, or all, of the Telegraph wires rented to the Company, and so long as the said wires are in the possession of the Government, the Company shall cease to pay rent for them.
12. This license is revocable under Section 2 of the Telegraph Act, on the breach of any of the conditions therein contained.

(Signed) C. H. DICKENS, Colonel, R.A.,
Secy. to the Govt. of India, P.W.D.

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(True Extract.)

Colonel, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the Consulting Engineer for Railways.
„ Superintendent of Telegraphs, Madras Division.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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To
THE DIRECTOR GENERAL OF TELEGRAPHS
IN INDIA.

Dated SIMLA, August 8, 1873.

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