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20th September 1875.*

6. In a doubtful case like this, in which neither officer can be strictly considered either as an Executive or as an Administrative Officer, it appears to me that the ruling should follow the decision that may be arrived at as to the grounds on which the allowance is granted. If the allowance is granted for increased responsibility, then Captain R. Thompson is fairly entitled thereto. But if the allowance is granted to meet the increased expense to which an officer may be expected to be put by having charge of works over a doubled area, then the grounds on which the allowance is claimed in the present instance appear to me to be slight, the works under charge of the Consulting Architect being situated in the Presidency District itself.

7. Although not bearing on the case it is as well for me to point out that the Clause No. VII., quoted by the District Engineer, Presidency, in his paragraph 3 is incorrect, this clause having been cancelled by Standing Order No. 43 of 1871. The proper quotation is Chapter IV., Section II., Clause IX., and the allowance, if granted, will require the confirmation of the Government of India.

8. In conclusion, I may remark that in the discussion of this first application put forward under the Code for this allowance in laying down a general ruling, the smaller relative importance of the Range charge in Madras to the Divisional charge in other parts of India is a point which should not, I think, be overlooked. I may further remark that in a prior application somewhat similar to the present one, when a District Engineer held charge of two districts, the claim for extra allowance appears to have been refused—*Vide* G. O., No. 2,630, of 28th October 1873.

No. 450.

ORDER THEREON, 20th September 1875, No. 2,707.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 28.

ON careful consideration of the arguments brought forward by the Controller of Public Works Accounts, the

Honorable the Governor in Council is of opinion that there are grounds for granting an additional allowance to Captain Ross Thompson for undertaking the duties of Consulting Architect, which are of a special character, in addition to his own, and the sanction of the Government of India will be requested to the grant of the deputation allowance applied for. This case will not, however, be held to be a precedent for a claim to extra allowances by a District Engineer holding charge of a range in addition to his own duties.

(Here enter No. 2,708, dated 20th September 1875.)

(True Extract.)

Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Presidency.
" Controller of Public Works Accounts.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.
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Read the following letters :—

No. 449. From Captain ROSS THOMPSON, R.E., District Engineer, Presidency, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, through Controller of Public Works Accounts, dated Fort St. George, 2nd September 1875, No. 2,437.

On the 7th of May 1875 I took over charge of the office of the Consulting Architect to Government from Mr. Chisholm, who left Madras on sick leave to England. This charge I have since held in addition to my own, *viz.*, the Presidency District.

2. I have the honor to request that you will be so good as to submit, for the favorable consideration of Government, this my application to be allowed to draw deputation allowance for such time as I have been and may be officiating as Consulting Architect to Government.

3. An allowance of this description is admissible under Clause VII., paragraph 9, Section II., Chapter IV., of the Government of India Code of Regulations for the Public Works Department.

No. 449-A. From Captain L. CONWAY-GORDON, R.E., Controller of Public Works Accounts, to Major-General G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Fort St. George, 6th September 1875, No. 83 W.

I HAVE the honor to forward, for the orders of Government, the accompanying letter, No. 2,437, dated 2nd September 1875, received from the District Engineer, Presidency, and with reference thereto to remark that I have much hesitation in putting forward any opinion as to whether Captain R. Thompson is or is not entitled under the rules to the deputation allowance of Rupees 100 per mensem claimed for holding charge of the office of the Consulting Architect to Government in addition to his own.

2. Under the rules, an allowance of Rupees 100 per mensem is granted to an Executive Engineer (that is a constructive officer) holding charge of two divisions. There is nothing in the rules that would warrant an allowance being granted to a Superintending Engineer in charge of two circles.

3. In Madras, from a comparison of the relative functions of each, the Superintending Engineer of the Public Works Code would appear to be represented very nearly by the District Engineer, and the Executive Engineer of the Code by the Madras Range Officer.

4. Captain R. Thompson is a District, *i.e.*, a Superintending Engineer. The Consulting Architect to Government appears in the Budget under *Direction*. If the duties of both officers are considered more as administrative than executive, I am of opinion that the allowance is inadmissible under the rules.

5. On the other hand the District Engineer, Presidency, appears in the Budget under *Construction*, and it is obvious that the duties of the Consulting Architect, who is in direct charge of the construction of some of the most important buildings at Madras, are as much executive as administrative. If both officers are considered merely in their executive capacity, the allowance to Captain R. Thompson appears to me admissible.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT,
OOTACAMUND, 20th September 1875.

No. 451.

No. 2,708.

FROM

MAJOR-GENERAL G. W. WALKER, R.E.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Public Works Department,

TO

THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
Public Works Department.

ESTABLISHMENT, No. 29.

SIR,—Leave to Europe for 18 months having been granted to Mr. Chisholm, Consulting Architect to Government,

it was found necessary to place that gentleman's duties in the hands of Captain Ross Thompson, R.E., in addition to his own as District Engineer, Presidency; and this Officer now claims a charge allowance of Rupees 100 per mensem, which the Honorable the Governor in Council considers may fairly be conceded, having in view the special character and amount of the work which Captain Ross Thompson is required to undertake. I am accordingly to request the sanction of the Government of India to the disbursement of the amount under Chapter IV., Section II., Clause IX., of the Government of India Code.

2. The report of the Controller of Public Works Accounts on the claim is herewith transmitted for information.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Major-General, R.E.,
Secretary to Government.

Exd. E. C. Shunker.

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No. 2437

PRESIDENCY DISTRICT ENGINEER'S OFFICE, 10,
Fort Saint George,

23 September 1875

From

THE DISTRICT ENGINEER,

PRESIDENCY.

To

THE

Chief Engineer, and
Secretary to Government,
C.D.

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Your most obedient servant

W. L. Thompson Captain R.E.

District Engineer

Presidency

R. G. W.

FROM

THE CONTROLLER,
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,

TO

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
FORT SAINT GEORGE, 6 September 1875.

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By the Chief Engineer
D. H. H.
For Capt. B. Thompson.

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for officiating as Consulting Architect &

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extra allowance appears to have
been refused. Vide G. O. No 2130 of 28th
October 1873.

I have the honor to be
Sir

Your most Obedt Servant

Lowrey-Jordon

Controller of P.W. Accounts

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Standing orders of Govt of India for the 2nd half of 1871 - }
 1871 Aug - 1872 No 91-92.
 1872 Oct - 1873 No 461-462.

P. W. 1875 Sept.
 From No: 5749
 Mr. Controller

To
 The Secretary to
 Government
 P. W. Department
 Fort St George

Dated 6th Sept 1875.
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 No 83 Tr.

Affords reasons
 regarding the deputa-
 tion allowance of
 Rs 100 per mensem
 claimed by Capt
 Thompson for holding
 charge of the Office
 of the Consulting
 Architect to Govt

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Letter from the Controller of P. W. Accts.
 No 83 W dated 6th Sept 1875.

Circulated for orders.

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In this, consider-
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Secy. to Govt.
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Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 20 Sept 1875
Read the following

From
The Comr of P.W. } No. 1834 of 20 Sept 75
Accounts }

On careful consideration of the arguments brought forward by the Comr of Public Works Accounts the Honble the Governor in Council is of opinion that there are grounds for granting an additional allowance to Captain Robt Thompson for

and Rs. 100

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duties of Consulting
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(H.C. No 2708 of 20 Sept 75)

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The Secy to the Govt of India
Public Works Dept.

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District Engineer
Presidency, and this
Officer now claims
a charge allowance
of

of Rs 100 per mensem,
which the Honble the
Governor in Council
considers may fairly
be conceded; having
in view the special cha-
racter and amount of
the work which Captain
Ross Thompson is required
to undertake. I am
accordingly to request
the sanction of the
Govt of India to the
disbursement of the
amount under Chapter
IV, Section II clause IX
of the Govt of India
Code.

The report of the
Comr of P.W. Accounts
on the claim
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is herewith transmitted
for information.

C.M.W.

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Mr. P. H. G. G. G.
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Requesting sanction to the
disbursement of Rs: 100
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allowance to Capt: Ross
Thompson, Str: Engr:
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the duties of the Consulting
Architect in addition to
his own.

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