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Public Works DEPARTMENT

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department,
1st December 1876. *No* 3,269.

No 74. Read the following endorsement of the Under Secretary to the Government of India, dated Calcutta, 28th November 1876, No 1,542 E—G :—

Proceedings of the Government of India in the Financial Department, dated 18th November 1876

ABSTRACT —Transfers for disposal petition from Savariammal, a widow residing at Royapooram, praying for a compassionate allowance or gratuity in consequence of the death of her son, who was killed while engaged on the Madras Harbour Works

TRANSFERRED to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, for disposal

By order,
(Signed) A. B. SAMPSON,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 75. ORDER THEREON, 1st December 1876, No. 3,269.

ESTABLISHMENT, No 8-A

RECORDED with reference to Order in the Petition Department, No. 1,085, dated 18th July 1876.

2 As the man was in the employ of the Contractor, Government cannot interfere

(True Extract.)

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

To the Petitioner

Exd S T Austin
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Endorsement of the Govt of India No 1542 dated 18th Novr 1876, transferring a Petition from Savari Ammal d/ 12th Octr, praying that a Compassionate Allowance or Gratuity may be granted to her in consideration of the death of her son whilst employed on the Madras Harbour Works

FOR ORDERS.

H.M. Walker Major Genl &c

Secy to Govt P.W.D.

[Cr Wks Form No 2]

No. 946

From

THE CONTROLLER,
PUBLIC WORKS ACCOUNTS,

To

The Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department.

FORT SAINT GEORGE, 4th July 1876

Sir,

In returning the papers referred to me with your endorsement No. 930 of the 26th June 1876, I have the honor to report for the information of Government that as the coolly therein referred to was not, at the time of his death, in the employ of Government, the rules relating to the grant of a Gratuity or Pension do not apply to his case, Vide Chapter XXII of the Civil Pension Code.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most Obedt Servt

L. Conway-Gordon

Examiner, P.W. Accounts.

G.G. 5/7/76

Ex. 4.7.76.

PW 1876 Sept.
No 47777

From

The Examiner

P.W. Accounts

To

The Secretary to Government

P.W. Department

No 946.

Entd 4
Rec'd 5 } July 1876

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States that pretty
to the widow of certain coolies
referred to as having been killed,
is inadmissible under the
rules

Ex-8.7.76 Rta-11.7.76
Despt 6-7-76

No 324

From

The SUPERINTENDENT
MADRAS HARBOR WORKS,

To

The Hon'ble Under Secretary to Government,
Public Works Department,
Fort Saint George,

Madras, June 1876.

Sir, With reference to the Petition of Widow Savari Ammall, I have the honour, at your request, to report as follows:- It is true that her son Selavarpa was engaged in floating some timber belonging to these Works, along the shore from the neighbourhood of the Pier to the Works at Royapooram, and that, in so doing, he was struck by a large piece of timber on the head and killed instantaneously.- The man was not directly employed by me, but was working for a Contractor who removed the goods at so much per ton.-

I have had enquiries made and find that although the woman has two other sons they are married men on small wages, and her late son was her only support.- I think, therefore, that it is a case in which the Government

might graciously award some sum
as a Compassionate gratuity, if it
is usual in such instances: for the
Contract was a minor one the profit
therefrom not being very large, and
the Contractor who paid for the
funeral expenses (£6 4) could hardly
be expected to grant any large sum
as Compensation.

The Petition is herewith returned.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
Nath.l B Beardmore
Clerk of Superintendence.

Item no 980.

Referred to the Examiner P.W. accounts for report whether financial rules admit of the sanction of a gratuity chargeable to the Harbour works.

Examiner Regd. 22 Secy to Govt P.W.D.

Dated 26th June 1876

P.W. 1876 No. 1442 Madras Engn.

Govt Br 4222/76

Supdt Madras Harbour Works

Dated June Recd 21 in 1876.

E1. No. 32 W

Reporting on the petition of Lawari Annah praying that a Compassionate allowance may be granted to her herein [illegible] Govt.

P.W. Dept.

Petition from Lawari Annah dated 8th May 1876. Praying that a Compassionate Allowance or gratuity may be granted to her in consideration of the death of her son who was employed in the Madras Harbour Works

Letter from the Superintendent Madras Harbour Works No 32 W dated 26th June 1876

Letter from the Examiner of Public Works Accounts No 94 W dated 4th July 1876

The Petitioner will be informed that the Government cannot grant her a gratuity.

Fort Saint George 18th July 1876

5.7.76.

Dear Supt of Madras Harbor Works
Examiner of P.W. Accounts
Petitioner
18-7-76

The Petitioner

DCK.

Supdt to 21-6-76.

No 1085 of 1876

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Transferred to the D. P. W for disposal

(By order)

Fort Sainte Genie
8th June 1876

W. Burnside Colle
Offg Under Secy to Govt PWD.

No 3/3/78.

Referred to the
Acting Superintendent
Hardware Storekeeper
Issuer for report.

Illegible Colle
Offg Undersecy Govt
P.W.D.

Fort St George
10 June 1876

Fort (Marine) Dept
No 1085

Dt 18th July 1876

Works, was on the 12th April 1876, killed by the fall of a large timber log, horribly crushing his head, while engaged in doing the work he was directed to perform, the death was instantaneous, that he was, at the time of his death, not more than 21 years old, that in consequence of this lamentable and sudden catastrophe, she has been left destitute and unprotected & doomed to spend her days in misery and hardship.

Prays that Govt may grant her a compassionate allowance or gratuity, as they used to do in such cases.

Government of Madras.

Marine DEPARTMENT.

Petition No. 1085 of 1876.

From Savaru Ammal

Occupation a widow residing in No 7 Main Road

Village

Talook Royapooram

District Madras

Dated 8th } May 1876.
Received 9th }

Enclosures.

ABSTRACT.

States that her son Selavappa, who was employed as a Cooly in the Madras Harbour Works

Depts to act 6-7-76

To

His Excellency The Right Honorable the
Governor General of India in Council
Calcutta

The humble petition of Savariammal
a widow residing at present in
Main Road Royapooram Madras

Very humbly sheweth

That your humble Petitioner is a poor widow and an inhabitant of a small village called Pannoor of the Conjeveram Taluq, Chingleput District in the Madras Presidency. That she had two sons, the first son having married separated from the family and went to live in another village with his wife. That your Petitioner and her second son finding themselves abandoned to misery and hardship came down to Madras to labor for their livelihood. After some difficulty Petitioners second son Selavappa was employed as a cooly in the Madras Harbor Works. That on the morning of the 12th April last while your Petitioners son Selavappa with a number of coolies employed in the Harbor Works were endeavouring to push along a large beam to Royapooram that was floating near the Pier, a heavy surf struck the beam and it fell over Selavappa and smashed his head to pieces. His death was instantaneous. At the time of his death he was not more than 21 years of age. He was the only support of your humble Petitioner. In consequence of his sudden and miserable death your humble Petitioner was left a most destitute widow to lead her life in misery and poverty. If your Petitioners son were to lose his life in the employ of a private Company or Office there is no doubt that your humble Petitioner will be intitled and some small compassionate

allowance

allowance or gratuity will be bestowed on her for the loss of her only support, but the paternal Government neither pitied her son's death nor took notice of her humble Petition. For when yours ~~Petitioner submitted~~ her miserable case to the Madras Government ~~and requested~~ them to grant her some compassionate allowance or gratuity for the irreparable loss of her son in the execution of his work on the Madras Harbor Works, which is purely a Government Work, your humble Petitioner was presented with the enclosed endorsement and was made to pay two annas as postage for such an unfavorable reply, although your humble Petitioner in no way wronged the Government.

Your humble Petitioner therefore fly to your Excellency in Council and very humbly requests Your Excellency graciously pleased to have pity on the poor woman and to take her miserable case into your Excellency's most favorable consideration and to grant her a small compassionate allowance or gratuity as is usually done in such cases for thousands who were visited with less misfortunes than your humble Petitioner have obtained some relief for their support. For this your Excellency's most charitable act your humble Petitioner as in duty bound shall ever pray.

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Sowcar Pammal

No. Main Road
Royapooram
12 Oct 76
Madras

Government of Madras.

PETITION DEPARTMENT.

Endorsement on No. 1085 of 1876.

The Petitioner is informed that the Government cannot grant her a gratuity.

(By Order.)

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Under Secretary to Government.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
18th July 1876.

Desp to Dist 6-7-76

Guil 1878 Dept 4570

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No. 5615.

From Private Secy

to the Viceroy.

R. 18 3/4 Oct nr 694.
R. 20 1/2 Oct

To P.W. Dept. for disposal.

21.10.76

24/10.

Petition of Lavariammal, a widow residing at present in Main Road Royapooram, Madras, praying for a small Compassionate allowance or Gratuity.

No. 694 dated 8 Sept 76

Dr. Brandis

Inf. of Petitioner

Dr. Clarke Secretary to Govt. Public Works Department

Dr. Bourne

Dr. Saunders

Underdales, Wm. Lindsay & Co.

Dr. Rogers

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Govt. of 1876 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

To The Petitioner

Dated

Issued

Read 4/12/76 Encl

G O, 1st Nov. 1876, No 3269

Nos. 74-75

Petition from Savariammal

Letter from the Govt. of India transferring —— praying for a compassionate allowance or gratuity in consequence of the death of her son who was killed while working on the Madras Harbour Works, recorded with remarks—

Exd Mr Hope