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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Account.

READ—the following papers :—

From P. V. LUKE, Esq., Chief Superintendent, Government Telegraphs, Madras Division, to the Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 23rd July 1883, No. 2359.

Has the honor to forward copy of Circular Memorandum, No. 8 C., dated Simla, 12th June 1883, for information.

ENCLOSURE.

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT.

CIRCULAR MEMORANDUM No. 8 C.

Simla, 12th June 1883.

It is requested that the following addition be made to the Schedule of Telephone Rates, which accompanied Circular letter, No. 8, dated the 26th July 1882, and which was specially referred to in paragraph 13 thereof, viz. :—

The above charges include the expenses of the first inauguration; but, should a subscriber, by changing his residence or office, require the connections to be altered, and should such alteration not increase the wire mileage, a charge equal to one year's rent of half a mile of wire will be made to cover the expenses of alterations.

In a case where an alteration may cause an addition to the wire mileage, the subsequent rental will be proportionally increased, notwithstanding the charge for the actual alteration.

(Signed) R. MURRAY, Colonel,
Director-General of Telegraphs in India.

From the Under Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, to the Chief Superintendent of Telegraphs, Madras Division, dated 1st August 1883, No. 1661 D.

In acknowledging receipt of your letter, No. 2359, dated 23rd July 1883, I have the honor to request that you will be good enough to furnish this office with a copy of the previous Circular letter quoted, No. 8, dated 26th July 1882.

From P. V. LUKE, Esq., Chief Superintendent, Government Telegraphs, Madras Division, to the Under Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Madras, 6th August 1883, No. 2703.

In reply to your No. 1661 D. of 1st instant, I have the honor to state that I have no spare copy of Circular No. 8 of 26th July 1882, but I enclose an extract of that part of it which applies to the matter under reference.

ENCLOSURES.

EXTRACT from Circular letter No. 8 of 1882.

I may also inform you that, whilst the Government of India has decided that this department is not to open any public exchange in any town for which the Oriental Telephone Company has applied for a license, it has also decided that if any public officers require any telephone conveniences, they are to advertise their wants, and that this department is at liberty to tender for the supply of such wants.

As the terms under which such tenders may be made should be known, I enclose you a printed extract from a letter to the Collector of Agra, quoting the rates at which public office or municipal lines can be erected, and beg you to note that these rates will be adhered to.

This extract may be shown to any public officer who may make any inquiry about telephone rates, but with the distinct intimation that you cannot finally accept any terms without reference to me.

You will understand that, in calculating charges, fractions of half miles of circuit are reckoned as half miles (e.g., 900 yards counts as one mile; 1,800 yards as one and half mile), but in calculating for a set of public office lines, the rate is fixed on the total of the different circuits of that set added together. Also this rate is per half mile of circuit, measured by the nearest practicable route, and is quite independent of the number of wires on the same posts, the necessity of using return wires or the actual route that may be eventually adopted for departmental reasons.

The rate of charge being by the length of circuit by the nearest practicable routes, no scheme should be sent me for acceptance until the nearest practicable routes for the proposed circuits have been actually measured and quoted in yards.

EXTRACT from letter, No. 453 C.G., dated 11th May 1882, to the Collector of Agra.
Telephone rates charged to Public Offices and Municipalities—

	Per Annum.
Rent and maintenance of each telephone transmitter and receiver ...	60
For each connection to a central exchange, if the central exchange be not worked by the Telegraph Department ...	30
For each connection to a central exchange, if the central exchange be worked by the Telegraph Department, for each 8 hours of service, provided there be 20 or more connections ...	60
For each connection to a central exchange, if there be less than 20 connections ...	30
Plus the sum of Rs. 600 per annum for service of an operator for each 8 hours of service.	
In addition to the above rates, Rs. 35 per half mile of wire per annum according to distance.	
II. Telephone rates charged to Private Firms and Individuals—	
The same rates as above for instruments, but Rs. 54 per half mile of wire per annum.	

Examples of Charging.

I. Fifteen Government Offices, Police Stations or Municipal Offices joined to an Exchange Instrument at the Cutcherry, length of wire circuits 9½ miles, not worked by Telegraph Department—	
Wire circuits (over 18 half miles), 19 half miles at Rs. 35	684
15 Telephones at out-stations } 16 at Rs. 60	960
1 Telephone at exchange	450
15 Indicator connections at Rs. 30	
Total ...	2,094
II. Twenty-five Government Offices joined to and worked by an Exchange at Government Telegraph Offices for 8 hours, length of circuits 20 miles—	
Wire circuits, 40 half miles at Rs. 35	1,440
25 Out-station telephones at „ 60	1,500
25 Connections to exchange at „ 60	1,500
Total ...	4,440
III. Eighteen Government Offices joined to Exchange at Telegraph Office and worked for 8 hours, length of circuits 11 miles—	
22 Half miles of circuits at Rs. 35	792
18 Out-stations at Rs. 60	1,080
18 Connections to switch at Rs. 30	540
1 Operator at Rs. 600	600
Total ...	3,012

IV. Eighteen Government Offices joined to Exchange at Telegraph Office, and worked for 16 hours, length of circuits 11 miles—

	RS.
22 Half miles at Rs. 35	792
18 Out-stations at „ 60	1,080
18 Connections to exchange at Rs. 30	540
2 Operators at Rs. 600	1,200
Total ...	3,612

V. Fifteen Private Individuals or Mercantile Firms and 15 Public Officers joined to an Exchange and worked for 8 hours—

	MILES.
Length of private lines	10
Length of public lines	8
	RS.
20 Half miles of circuits at Rs. 54	1,080
16 Half miles of circuits at „ 35	576
30 Out-stations at „ 60	1,800
30 Exchange connections at „ 30	900
Total ...	4,356

ORDER—dated 8th August 1883, No. 2189 W., Public Works.

The foregoing papers will be printed and circulated for the information of officers of the department.

(True Extract.)

Major, R.E.
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D.

To Superintending Engineers.
To the Consulting Architect to Government.
„ Chief Engineer for Irrigation.
„ Consulting Engineer for Railways.
„ Public Department.
„ Revenue do.
„ Military do.
„ Chief Superintendent of Telegraphs, Madras Division.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.
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GENERAL.
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of (1883) Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated August, 8th.

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Encl.

G.O., 8th Aug. 1883, No. 2189 W.

AUGUST.

Telephone Rates

Correspondence containing a Schedule of —,
ordered to be printed and circulated to the
officers of the Public Works Department.

N^o 2359

From,

The Chief Superintendent
Government Telegraphs
Madras Division

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Madras

Dated Madras the 23rd of July 83

Has the honor to forward copy
of Circular Memorandum N^o 80
dated Simla 12th June 1883 - for
information.

A. M. M.
Chief Superintendent
Government Telegraphs
Madras Division

No 1661 Dd/1-8-83

Government Telegraph Department

To the Ch. Supt of Tels.
Madras Div.

From S.W.C. No. 1248

The Chief Superintendent
of Telegraphs
Madras Division

Sir In acknowledging
receipt of your letter
no 2359 of 23 July 1883.

I have the honor to
request that you will
be good enough to
furnish this office
with a copy of the
previous circular letter
quoted no 8 of 26
July 1882.

The Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Madras.

Dated 23rd
Oct 25 } July 1883.

Encl
No 2359.

No 1661 Dd/1-8-83

Subject

Forwarding for information, copy of
Circular Memorandum from the
Director General of Tels, about the
Telephone rates.

With letter
W. H. L.

No 2204 Wd/28-8-82
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Government Telegraph Department.
Circular Memorandum No 8 C., dated Simla
12th June 1883.

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which accompanied Circular Letter No 8, dated
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the actual alteration.

Sd/- R. Murray, Colonel
Director General of Telegraphs
June Copy.

J. M. W. H.
Chief Superintendent
Government Telegraphs
Madras Division

N^o 2703.

From.

21/8/83

The Chief Superintendent
Government Telegraphs
Madras Division

To,

The Under Secretary to Government
Public Works Department
Madras.

Dated Madras the 6th of August 83

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Sir

Yours most Obedt Servant.

A. M. M.

Chief Superintendent
Government Telegraphs
Madras Division

2604 W. S. R.
1791 W. S. R.

Government Telegraph Dept.

P.W. No. 6680

From

The Chief Superintendent
of Telegraphs

Madras Division.

To

The Under Secretary to Govt

Public Works Department

Madras.

No. 2703

Dated 6
Recd 7 } August 1883

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A. M. A. S.

Chief Superintendent
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Madras Division

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In addition to the above rates, Rs 36 per $\frac{1}{2}$ mile of wire per annum according to distance.

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15 Government Offices (over 10 half miles), 19 half miles at Rs 36	544.
15 Telephones at out-stations } 16 at Rs 60	960.
1 Telephone at Exchange	450.
15 Indicator connections at Rs 30	
Total	2,094.

II - 25 Government Officers joined to and worked by an
Exchange at Government Telegraph Office for 8 hours
length of circuits 20 miles.

Wire circuits, 40 half miles at Rs 36	Rs. 1440
25 out-stations Telephones at Rs 60	1500
25 connections to Exchange at Rs 60	1500
Total.	4440.

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III - 18 Government Officers joined to Exchange at Telegraph
Office and worked for 8 hours, length of circuits 11 miles.

22 Half miles of circuits at Rs 36	Rs. 792
18 outstations at Rs 60	1080
18 connections to switch at Rs 30	540
1 Operator at Rs 600	600
Total	3012

IV - 18 Government Officers joined to Exchange at Telegraph
Office, and worked for 16 hours, length of circuits 11 miles.

22 Half miles at Rs 36	Rs. 792
18 outstations at Rs 60	1080
18 Connections to Exchange at Rs 30	540
2 Operations at Rs 600	1200
Total	3612

V - 15 Private individuals or mercantile firms
and 15 public Officers joined to an Exchange and
worked for 8 hours

Length of Private Lines	10 miles
Length of Public lines	8
20 half miles of circuits at Rs 54	Rs. 1080
16 half miles of circuits at Rs 36	576
30 Out stations at Rs 60	1800
30 Exchanges Connections at Rs 30	900
Total	4356

No 2189W PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 8th Aug 1883

Read the following

From the Chief Supt of Tels Madras No 2359 of 25th 8/83
do do do No 2703 of 6th Aug 1883

The foregoing

papers will be
printed & circulated
for the information
of Officers of the Dept.

By Cj

To Supts Engrs
Cons. Architect
Ch. S. for J.
Cons. Engrs for J.
Public Dept
Rev. Dept
Mil. Dept
Ch. Supt of Tels Madras

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Govt. of (1883) Madras.

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G.O. of 8th August 1883, No. 2189

Nos.

Telephone rates

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& circulated for the
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