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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

General
Establishment

READ—again G O, dated 20th June 1883, Nos 1734-35 W, Public Works

Office Note from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, dated 4th May 1883,
No 128

Order—dated 20th June 1883, No 1734 W, Public Works

The Government of India will be addressed

From the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, to the
Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department, dated 20th
June 1883, No 1735 W.

Paragraph 679 of the Madras Public Works Department Code contains the
following rule —“To show how far Government canal steamers are profitable, charges
for the hire of the steamers should be made, the officer employing it paying the bill,
and recovering the amount by entry in his travelling allowance bill,” and in paragraph
680 it provided that “Half daily allowance shall be passed to officers of the depart-
ment when travelling in such steamers on duty”

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ling Allowance Code contains no corresponding provision, and that he is thus precluded
from passing any future charges for hire of Government canal steamers

3 I am to explain that the amount of an officer's ordinary travelling allowance
will not admit of his meeting these steamer bills, and that the only other alternative
would seem to be to debit the Revenue Account of the projects, for which the steamers
were purchased, with the whole cost of working. This, however, would, in the opinion
of His Excellency the Governor in Council, be unfair to the canal systems affected,
and he would thus prefer to see the Public Works Code Rule maintained. I am
accordingly to request that the requisite instructions may be communicated for the
guidance of the Examiner, Public Works Accounts

READ—also—

From G. H. W. WALKER, Esq., Officiating Under Secretary to the Government
of India, Public Works Department (General), to the Secretary to the
Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 15th August
1883, No 1116 G

In reply to your letter, No 1735 W, of 20th June 1883, on the subject of the
hire of Government canal steamers by Public Works Department officers travelling on
duty, I am directed to inform you that the allowances must be regulated by Section 11
of the Travelling Allowance Code, under which officers using Government canal
steamers are entitled to half daily allowances

2 This ruling, although it will do away with the present practice of making a full charge for the use of the canal steamers and allowing the officer to receive the amount in his travelling allowance bill, will not have the effect supposed by you, in your letter under reply, on the cost of working the project to which the steamers belong. For hitherto the whole of the working expenses have been charged to the project concerned, and the receipts from officers using the vessels have been credited to Revenue Miscellaneous. The effect of the present orders, therefore, will be simply to reduce this item of revenue by the amount hitherto obtained by the hire of canal boats to Canal Officers on duty.

ORDER—dated 4th September 1883, No 2474 W, Public Works

Communicated to officers of the Public Works Department

(Tr. Extra 1)

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

To Superintending Engineers
to the Chief Engineer for Irrigation
to the Examiner, Public Works Accounts

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S. J. C. 1883

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PUBLIC WORKS

Dated September 1, 1883

To
G.O., 4th Sept 1883, No 2474 W.

SEPTEMBER.

Government Canal Steamers

Letter from the Government of India on the
subject of the hire of — by Public Works
Officers travelling on duty, communicated
to officers of the department.

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OFFICE NOTE
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To

W.

C makes a reference to form
of India regarding para 679 of
our Code, as the rule regarding
the charges for hire of Government
Canal steamers when employed by
officers is not embodied in the
new L.A. Code.

But perhaps the question of
dropping the Code (P.W.) rule, para
679, or revising it can best be
decided by F.I. —

No 109 E of 18th May 1883
E.I.

For remarks

15/5-83

W.

Under paras 679-680 of

our Code in reference to

10640/15-5-83

a first class steamer across
 the amount of time, and half
 daily allowance paying the
 price amount the boat office
 his objection is raised after
 really expense too. I should
 like to know as whether
 the steamer cannot be
 be engaged without any money
 transaction, the only difficulty
 seems to be that the boat office
 must have a permanent
 address. After this is done
 then by night is altered
 accordingly as the officers during
 ordinary travelling allowance
 would be a loss if he paid
 steamer hire.

Ld
 R No 196 of 29 5 83
 11/12 Ed / 21st May 1883
 For remarks
 C. J. W.

22-5-83

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 R No 227 of 30th May 1883
 To W.

I would propose that the boat
 Office should continue to present
 its bills as usual to P.W. Officers
 using the steamers; the latter
 however would not pay the amount
 in cash, but simply countersign the
 bills in token of acceptance, and
 return them to the boat Office.
 The boat Office might ^{thereupon} therefore
 take credit for the amount of the
 accepted bills by a debit to the
 Departmental head 'Repairs'. The
 necessity for cash payments and
 claims in travelling allowance
 bills would thus be avoided, while
 the earnings of the vessels would
 be shown distinctly as before, the
 cost to Government, for charges in
 connection with the steamers used
 by its Officers forming eventually
 a debit to the Revenue account
 of the Project on account of
 which the steamers were maintained.

18/5
 12/1270 D of 2 June 83
 30/5 J. J.
 Do you approve
 C. J. W.

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 Re. 11/6 R 15/6

11.

If I understand this proposal,
the result will be to charge
the Revenue account of the
boat the sum which ought
to be allowed for travelling
allowances. The proper
charge to the Revenue account,
is the cost of maintenance
& working the steamer, less
the earnings, and it is
not fair to the system to
increase this charge.

I think it will be better
to refer to § of I and
leave the rule in Code, para
679.

Yours
8/6/83

C. A. W.

I of I to be addressed
C. A. W.
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[Exr Wls Form No 111]

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P. W.
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EXAMINER, P. W. ACCOUNTS.

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4th May 1883

OFFICE NOTE No 128

To W

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Genl No

dated

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I beg to invite your
attention to Code para 679, to which
there is no provision in
the new P. A. Code.

Should Govt consider
it necessary to revive the rule, I
would suggest an early reference
to the Govt of India, with explanation
of the grounds on which the rule is
proposed to be revived.

Pending final orders
such
no changes will be passed by this
office, but officers will be instructed
to prefer them in next following P. A.
Bills till finally dealt with.

8/6/83

E. J. [Signature]

GOVT
OF MADRAS

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SECRETARY

CHEPALK,

5th May

1883

OFFICE NOTE

R. No 127 of 7.5.83

To

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With reference to note within
will beaming kindly say
to what extent reply, within
say last 3 years, the Revenue of
para 679 can have affected the
profit of returns of for Canal
Steamers in the Presidency.

The question of revising the rule
& referring to J. of S. in this view,
would depend a good deal, I should
say, on the matter annexed included
in such passage of P.W.D. Officers,

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No 147 of 9th May/83

To W.

Encl. 1

I cannot give the information
you require, all I can say is what
amount has been claimed in travel-
ing allowance bills when using such
steamers. For instance I find that
during 1881-82 -

Mr. Welch claimed Rs. 300

Mr. Lamine do Rs. 534 -

but by what particular steamers

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these amounts were realized, I

cannot tell in all cases.

2. From the Administration

Report of the P.W. Department

Irrigation Branch for 1911-12, I

see that the steamers employed on

the Godavari Canals caused a net

deficit of Rs. 4,365, by comparing

earnings with working expenses,

whereas there was a surplus earning

of Rs. 403 by the steamer Charles

employed in the Krishna Delta.

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No 17346 Public Works Dept.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT

Under date the 20th June 1913

Read the following

Office Note from the Examiners.

P.W. Accounts - A.C. No 128 of 4 May 1913

The Government
of India will be addressed.

A.C. No 17356 of 20th June 1913

To The Secy. to the Govt.
of India. P.W.D.

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R.S.

All communications
should be addressed
to the Secretary

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.
GENERAL

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To

The Secretary, to the Government of Madras
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Simla 15th August 1883

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reply

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Sd/- M. M. S. R. S. R.

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 to canal officers on duty.

I have the honor to be,

Sr.

Your most Obedt Servant,

G H Walker

Genl
 Secy

Copy under Secy by the Govt of India
 No 2474 Wd 4 Sept 83

B. No 1734-5-20-6-83

Read P. 1734-5-20-6-83
 & also letter No 11169 of 8-2-83
 from the Govt of India

Communicated to
 officers of the P.W. Dept

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 Secy to Govt
 Chief Secy for India
 Excec, P.W.

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