GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

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(True Extract.)

E. F. WEBSTER,
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To the Public Works Department, with copy of letter.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

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Supg. Engrs.
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With Order

1st September 1883, No. 2448 W., Public Works.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General.
Establishment.

Read—the following letter from R. LOGAN, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Finance and Commerce (Pay and Allowances—Travelling Allowances—Rule), to the Secretary to the Government of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, dated Simla, 17th August 1883, No. 2582:—

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt in the Public Works Department of your letter, No. 1223, dated the 11th June 1883, submitting, for orders, certain questions raised by the Local Examiner of Public Works Accounts regarding the travelling allowance of first-class warrant and non-commissioned military officers employed in the Public Works Department.

2. In reply, I am directed to say that what is proposed by the Government of the North-Western Provinces is understood to be that a first-class Warrant Officer employed in the Public Works Department, whether he receives the pay of an Assistant Engineer or the pay and allowances of a Sub-Engineer, should be held to be entitled in all cases to travelling allowance at first-class rates, his daily allowance remaining at Rs. 4—the allowance granted to an Assistant Engineer. The Governor-General in Council has no objection to this proposal, which is accordingly sanctioned, and the following footnote will be added to the word "Assistant" in entry No. 69, Schedule F, page 54, of the Code:—

"Includes a first-class warrant officer holding the rank of an Assistant Engineer, whether drawing the pay of an Assistant Engineer or not."

3. As regards non-commissioned military officers, I am directed to say that they are already included in the second class under Section 4 (*b*), and are therefore entitled to travel second class by rail under the Transport Regulations quoted in footnote, page 28, of the Civil Travelling Allowance Code.

Copy of the correspondence forwarded to the Public Works Department.

Copy also forwarded to other Departments of the Government of India, and to the several Local Governments and Accountants-General.

(By Order.)

(Signed) R. LOGAN,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Enclosures.

From ROBERT SMEATON, Esq., Junior Secretary to Government, North-Western Provinces and Oudh, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Finance and Commerce, dated 11th June 1883, No. 1223.

I am directed to forward, for the orders of the Government of India, copy of the correspondence noted in the margin regarding the grant of travelling allowance to warrant and non-commissioned officers serving in the Public Works Department under the new Travelling Allowance Code; and to say that the Honorable the Lieutenant-Governor and Chief Commissioner would recommend to favorable consideration the view taken by Colonel Mayne in his office memorandum, No. 598 E., dated the 30th May 1883.

From Secretary to Government, North-Western Provinces and Oudh, Public Works Department, No. 537 C.E., dated 15th May 1883, and enclosure.
To Secretary to Government, North-Western Provinces and Oudh, Public Works Department, No. 1063, dated 22nd May 1883.
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Office Memorandum from the Secretary to the Government, North-Western Provinces and Oudh, Public Works Department, to the Secretary to the Government of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, dated 15th May 1883, No. 537 C.E.

Has the honor to forward copy of a letter, No. 4593 E.G., dated 14th April 1883, from the Examiner, Public Works Accounts, referring for orders certain points in connection with the Civil Travelling Allowance Code which came into force from the 1st April 1883, and to request the favor of early provisional rulings being framed on the several points noted.

2. Undersigned has also to inquire whether the orders of the Government of India on such cases will be taken in the General Department or by this office.

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I have the honor to refer for orders the following points in connection with the Civil Travelling Allowance Code which came into force from the 1st instant.

2. Warrant officers of the first class are included, under Section 4 (*a*), in the list of first-class officers, but these officers are in many instances Sub-Engineers, or draw Sub-Engineer's allowances, even though they have the rank of Assistant Engineers in the Public Works Department and Sub-Engineers, only rank as second-class officers. Are these officers to draw travelling allowances as first class or as second class officers? The Code being a Civil Travelling Allowance Code, I am of opinion that the travelling allowance admissible should in all cases be governed by the civil rank held by the officers concerned, unless where special allowances are provided.

Page 3 of the new Code.

3. In the case of non-commissioned officers, who hold the rank of Overseers in the department, there is no difficulty about daily allowance and road mileage, as these have been expressly provided in Section 30, Exception 5, and in Section 63, Exception 7; but in the case of journeys by rail, as non-commissioned officers they are entitled to second-class accommodation, and as Overseers only to intermediate class, should there be any such on the line on which they travel. A ruling on this point seems to be required, as most of the Railway journeys in these provinces are performed on the East Indian Railway, on which intermediate class accommodation is provided.

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4. It is observed that no mention is made in the Code of any certificates being required of the class in which journeys have been performed by rail, and the Railway fares admissible under Chapter X of the Code will therefore be passed in all cases of such journeys irrespective of the actual class of accommodation availed of. These certificates have always hitherto been required, and the absence of any order requiring their submission is liable to lead to infringement of the principle laid down in Chapter III, Section 6, of the Travelling Allowance Code.

From the Junior Secretary to Government, North-Western Provinces and Oudh, to the Secretary to the Government, North-Western Provinces and Oudh, Public Works Department, dated 22nd May 1883, No. 1063.

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2. With reference to paragraph 4 of the Examiner's letter, undersigned is to observe that the abolition of the certificates in regard to officers travelling by the intermediate or lower classes was specially recommended by this Government.

3. In reply to paragraph 2 of his memorandum, undersigned is to say that the Financial Department of this Government should be referred to in all matters connected with the working of the new Code.

From the Secretary to Government, North-Western Provinces and Oudh, Public Works Department, to the Secretary to Government, North-Western Provinces and Oudh, dated 30th May 1883, No. 598 C.E.

In reply to his No. 1063, dated 22nd May, inquiring what travelling allowances should be drawn under the new Travelling Allowance Code by (*a*) warrant officers of the first class in the Public Works Department, and, second (*b*), military non-commissioned officers holding the rank of Overseers in the department, has the honor to state that, in the opinion of this department,

military men do not lose the privileges they enjoy as military men, though in civil employ, and the rulings in the new Travelling Allowance Code should be strictly adhered to.

A senior Apothecary (see footnote, page 3, of Travelling Allowance Code) ranking as a first-class warrant officer would draw travelling allowance in the first class, and so would officers of similar rank in the Commissariat and other Departments; and there appears no reason why, because a man is employed in the Public Works Department, he should be denied the privileges his brother warrant officers enjoy.

The same principles apply to the non-commissioned officers, and they should be allowed to travel second class under the Transport Regulations quoted in footnote, page 28, Travelling Allowance Code.

Order—dated 1st September 1883, No. 2448 W., Public Works.

Communicated to the officers of the Public Works Department for information and guidance.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) R. H. SANKEY, Major-General, R.E.,
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To Superintending Engineers.
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24TH SEPTEMBER 1883, No. 2141, FINANCIAL.

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LETTER—from

THE ACTING CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE
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To

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
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OOTACAMUND,
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