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GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

P. W. DEPARTMENT

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11TH AUGUST 1884, No. 1949 W., PUBLIC WORKS.

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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

General
Account.

READ—the following letter from Colonel W. S. TREVOR, R.E., Secretary to the Government of India, Public Works Department (General), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public Works Department, dated Simla, 19th July 1884, No. 856 G. :—

In reply to your letter, No. 1500 W., dated 16th June 1884, requesting that the rule in the Madras Public Works Code under which the Government of that province has the power of raising an imprest above the limit of Rs. 1,000 may be allowed to stand, I am directed to state that this limit was adopted for two reasons: (i) to ensure uniformity of practice, and (ii) because the arrangements in force previous to the issue of Public Works Department circular, No. 54 A.G., dated 3rd October 1877, had been misapplied in some cases, in one of which, owing to the use of large imprests, a sum of about Rs. 15,000, actually spent in the last month of an official year, had been brought into the accounts of the following year.

2. The general rule now in force is considered by the Government of India a good one and calculated to prevent any irregularities of the kind referred to above, and I am therefore to state that it is regretted that the recommendation of the Madras Government cannot be accepted in this instance; but if the expenditure in any case is likely to prove too high for the limit of Rs. 1,000, the Local Government can always permit the disburser to draw on the treasury up to a fixed limit, on which authority being granted, however, he will cease to be an imprest holder.

ORDER—dated 11th August 1884, No. 1949 W., Public Works.

Recorded for guidance.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Examiner, Public Works Accounts.

Exd. E. Fernandez.
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GENERAL
ACCOUNT.

Govt. of 1884 Madras.

PUBLIC WORKS.

Dated August, 11th.

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G.O., 11th Aug. 1884, No. 1949 W.

AUGUST.

Imprests

Letter from the Government of India refusing to concede to the Local Government the power of raising — above Rs. 1,000, recorded.

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18TH JUNE 1884, No. 1330, PUBLIC.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

ORDER—dated 18th June 1884, No. 1330, Public.

In supersession of G.O., No. 781, Public, dated 21st April 1884, His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to direct that when the Government provide a residence for a public officer, it shall be the duty of such officer to dwell in it or pay rent for it. Six per cent. on the capital cost of the building will be fixed as the maximum charge to cover interest at $4\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. together with risk and repairs; and the maximum monthly rent should not exceed the rates noted in the margin.

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For a Collector	150
" Sub-Collector	100
" Head Assistant Collector ..	80

(True Extract.)

E. F. WEBSTER,
Chief Secretary.

To the Departments of the Secretariat.
all Heads of departments.

Ed. T. O'Connor.

Govt. of (1884) Madras.

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G.O., 18th June 1884, No. 1330.

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JUNE.

Accommodation for Public Officers.

Ordering, with certain instructions, that every public officer, for whom Government have provided residence, shall occupy it or pay rent for it.

To W

The Govt. of India refuse to concede to the Local Govt. the power of raising an imprest above the limit of Rs. 1000. 1949W

That the employees and members of a vast class of labourers should not have the privilege of regulating the payment of wages by the most suitable & convenient (in his own judgment) procedure betwixt, in my opinion, are already popular in favour of an inquiry - a sort of "inquiry of practice" & rigid account-keeping.

There was a long time ago a sum of about Rs. 15000 actually spent in the last month of a financial year had been brought into the accounts of the following year. The books are not to have the power which they stated they are exercising in a few cases and "after due consideration to meet exceptional circumstances".

It is very difficult to see what greater risk there is in giving a subordinate an imprest of Rs. 1500, which is generally issued to him in a number of small cheques, than in allowing him to draw himself on the Treasury for say Rs. 5000 a month.

In the case of late Mr. Hoff it was distinctly stated that to give him a drawing account at the Post Office was inexpedient - and the alternative was an imprest of Rs. 5000.

In the opinion of the accountants it is the former course which is expedient, the latter inexpedient.

However I presume there is no real saving feature in the matter.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
GENERAL.

To

The Secretary to the Government
Public Works Dept.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obedient servant

Colonel R.E.
to the Government of India

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