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P. W. DEPARTMENT.

Current No. 1715

From

*The Comptroller
for Railways.*

ENCLOS.— *5*

No. *71*

Dated. *25-2-85*

Received *do*

SUBJECT.

*Howdy with remarks
correspondence rel: to the
acceptance of cheques
in payment of fares &c.*

DISPOSAL.

No. *3980* Dated *26th Febry/85*

*Transferred to the
Financial Deptt with
reference to their memo-
-randa No. 2569 of 18th
November 1884.*

/s/ W. H. C.

J. R.

Dept. of the 1715-27-2-85

No. 240 c of 7-2/85

1885.

P. W. DEPARTMENT.

Current No. 1050

From *Indl. Dept.*

ENCLOS.—

No. 263

Dated *4th February 1885*

Received *5/2/85*

SUBJECT.

*Reminder to Endorsement
No. 2569 of 18 Nov. 1884.*

Payment of railway charges by Cheques

DISPOSAL.

No. 240 C Dated *7th 7 1885*

*Referred to the Comy Engineer
for Railways for early attention
in continuation of No. 1886 C d
19th Nov. 84.*

(Sd) C. Smith

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No. 1886 Ca/19-11-84

P. W. 188 4 DEPARTMENT.

C No. 9625

From

The Financial Deptt

No. 2569

Dated 18-11-84, -

Reed. 19-00

SUBJECT.

Referring for favor of
remark letter from
Mr. Wilson Esq. C.S. requesting
that orders may be issued
permitting acceptance
of payment of Railway
charges by ^{Disposal.} cheques from
Officers ~~at~~ the Madras
& South Indian Ry. S.
on other banks than the
Bank of Madras.

No. 1886 Ca/19-11-84

Referred to the

Commr Engr for Rail-
ways for early report-

/s/ L. J. S.

Despn. 19-11-84.

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10TH MARCH 1885, No. 505, FINANCIAL.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following papers:—

From W. WILSON, Esq., C.S., to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated camp Nattam, Melūr taluk, Madura district, 6th November 1884.

Some days ago I tendered to the station master at Madura a cheque drawn on my agents, Messrs. Binny and Co., of Madras, in payment of the railway charges for the conveyance of my camp equipment from Madras to Madura. The cheque was returned with an intimation to the effect that only cheques drawn on the Bank of Madras at Madras or Negapatam were accepted by the company. I thereupon addressed the company's agent at Negapatam and, pointing out that the rule in question appealed to the solvency of the drawee rather than that of the drawer, asked him, as a convenience to an officer travelling, like myself, at long distances from headquarters, to issue an order to his subordinate station masters to accept my cheques. In reply I received the enclosed letter, in which the Agent expresses his willingness to issue the necessary orders for the acceptance of cheques if Government will permit them to be received. I have the honor to suggest, therefore, that Government will be pleased to direct that the Madras and South Indian Railway Companies be authorized to receive cheques at all their stations from officers who, like myself, may have to travel by their lines, and to whom it may be at times a convenience to pay railway charges—for horses and camp equipment for instance—by cheque instead of in cash.

No. 71.

[Letter from Agent and Manager, Madras Railway, dated 23rd February 1885, No. 134.]
[Letter from the Agent, South Indian Railway, dated 8th January 1885, No. 19.]

Endorsement on the above two papers.

Submitted to Government with reference to endorsement, dated 19th November 1884, No. 1886-C.

2. The Government of India in letter, dated 15th May 1875, No. 1232 R., decided that cheques might be received in payment of railway fares and freight upon the responsibility of the railway officers. It appears that, in consequence of this ruling, it is the custom to refuse cheques, but that till lately the Madras Railway allowed the privilege of payment by cheque to certain firms.

3. The matter having been referred to England, the Board of Directors of that company have decided that cheques may be received in cases where the permission of the Agent and Manager, or of the Traffic Manager, has been obtained. All that is necessary, so far as concerns the Madras Railway, in Mr. Wilson's case is therefore an application to the Agent and Manager for permission to make payment by cheque. It is probable that the South Indian Railway would also agree to this arrangement, which does not throw any responsibility on station masters.

MADRAS,
25th February 1885.

(Signed)

W. H. COAKER, Major, R.E.,
for Consulting Engineer for Railways.

10TH MARCH 1885, No. 505, FINANCIAL.

No. 398-C.

Transferred to the Financial department with reference to their endorsement, dated 18th November 1884, No. 2569.

CHEPAUK,
26th February 1885.

(Signed) W. H. COAKER, Major, R.E.,
Under Secy. to Govt., P.W.D., Ry. Branch.

ORDER—dated 10th March 1885, No. 505, Financial.

The note by the Consulting Engineer for Railways will be communicated to all Government departments for information.

(True Extract.)

W. H. Coaker

Chief Secretary.

To W. Wilson, Esq., C.S.
„ the Public Works department.
„ Heads of departments.

Exd. J. W. Fischer.

20.5.85

1086 C of 19/10/04
240 C of 7/7/05
395 C of 26/2/05

B. No 733. W of 23 March/85

Communicated to
officers of the Public
works Dept, for in-
formation.

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Engrs in Chief State Rys
Suptg. Engrs.
Eng. archt. to Govt.
Des No 24-3-85

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Govt. of (1885) Madras.

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G.O., 10th March 1885, No. 505.

B. No 733. W of 23 March/85

MARCH.

Cheques in payment of Railway fares.

Communicating to all Government departments, for information, the note by the Consulting Engineer for Railways regarding the acceptance of —.

With order