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4. The following limits have been proposed by the Suptg: Engineer and are approved by His Excellency

in Council and recommended for the sanction of the Government of India.

For Officers - one fifth of a months pay.
For Upper Subordinates and Clerks drawing salaries of Rs 60 per month or more - one third of a months pay.
For lower subordinates and Clerks drawing less than Rs 60 a month - Rs 20.

~~5. The only alternative which suggests itself to this Govt. is that the local allowances shall continue to be drawn during the authorized short absence from the Hills, or at all events for some portion of it, say for one month~~

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The Govt of India have been already asked, whether the local allowances are to be drawn all the year round; para 5 should therefore I think be omitted, it is quite possible ~~that~~ the local allowances may be allowed for the whole year, as well as the actual expense of the annual move, asked for in this letter.

which lies at the foot of the ghat, the Supt. of Engineers proposes that double the ordinary rates of travelling allowance should be granted. Considering the high rate of cart hire on the ghat, and that beyond the top of the ghat every thing must be carried by Coolies, His Excellency in Council thinks this proposal very reasonable, and I am to recommend that it be sanctioned. The other point is however of far greater consequence as few of the Officers but the Supt. Engineer himself have much travelling to do besides the annual removal to the plains.

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3. The ordinary rules of the Travelling Allowance Code are thus wholly inapplicable, and the exceptional circumstances of the case, as well as the temporary character of the work, seem to justify, and even to demand, special treatment. His Excellency the

travelling within the specified locality, and the cost of the removal of families is in no way provided for.

2. It is obvious that any increase which might be granted under section 71 would in no way meet the hardship complained of. In the first place the higher rates would cease as soon as the officer left the specified area and would not commence until he returned to it. In the second as the Supdg Engineer points out, the essence of the grievance of the establishment as regards the annual move to and from the Hills

on the subject of travelling allowances to the staff employed on the Periyar Project. It is suggested in your letter under reply that any recommendations which are made should be based on the principle of section 71 of the Civil Travelling Allowance Code. This section contemplates in special cases an increase of "daily allowance, or mileage, or both", either in a definite ratio or in any other suitable manner. Such increase however is to apply to all public officers

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No. 3606 W

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

UNDER date the 14th Novr. 1888

READ the following

From
The Supt. Engineer
Periyar Project.
} (H.E. No. 1013 P.R. d/ 29th Oct. 1888)

Ordered that the Govt. of India be addressed on the subject of travelling allowances to the staff employed on the Periyar Works.

S.E. Periyar Project.

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(H.E. No. 3607 W d/ 14th Novr. 188)

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

Sir,

Adverting to your letter No: 1776 G dated 17th July 1888 I am directed to address you

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To

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Further papers on the subject of Periyar "local" allowances submitted. There is nothing here to show that the Government made any special reservation in regard to Colonel Pennycuick's allowances.

N.S.
10.XI.88

I am not aware of any reservation, except that S.E. 3rd class is entered in the list of officers who are to draw extra allowances.

WCN
10.11.88

C.H.W.

The letter to the Govt. of India about T.H. Phorent[?] be redrafted, omitting the pieces added by the HM, that refer to local allowances.

In continuation of the letter to the Govt. of India [illegible] about local allowances, a reference can be made by Col Pennycuick's allowance as he is a S.E. 2nd class. I am not sure whether a reference has already been made about this

Note

C. No. 11305

The draft on this paper was drawn up so as to deal with the question of travelling allowance only - this being the matter under consideration. The "local" allowance question having been separately disposed of.

The Hon: Member introduces the question of "local" allowance also, and says that the Govt. have reserved the question of the rate of local allowance that should be allowed to Colonel Seng-Cuick, and on this point he suggests that a D/o should be written to the India Office Secretary.

I cannot find in the Correspondence in the file any such reservation as that mentioned by the Hon. Member. G.O. 2180W d/ 18th July 1888 accepted the sanctioned rates of local allowance for all officers, including the Supdg. Engr., but I shall have further search made among the records for any notes there may be to support the Hon: Member's statement.

C.S.
9-XI-88.

The question of local allowances has been referred to the Govt. of India vide G.O. 3152W of 8th October 1888.

It does not seem advisable to introduce this question into the letter ~~that~~ it is proposed to send to the Govt of India on the subject of travelling allowances.

It is submitted that the letter as originally drafted contains the whole question upon which the Govt of India should be addressed.

10.11.88

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The sanction should have retrospective effect.

Sanctioned

13-11-88

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5. The following limits have been proposed by the Supt Engineer and are approved ~~Concurred in~~ by

HW / B

P. W. Dept.

Progs: of the Madras Government
Under date the
Read the following

From
The Supdg. Engineer
Periyar Project.

(H.E. No: 1013 PR d/ 29th Oct. 1888)

Note - I have had to amplify the letter greatly to make it intelligible. As to Col. Pennycuick himself something wd be recommended at a later date. I am not sure that as 2nd Class S.E. he can draw any local allowance & in any case the rate sanctioned seems too low being uniform with that of all Executives & Assistants. It wd be well to write D.O. to the Secy. mentg. that I have lately been to the Periar & enquired into this question.

Ordered that the Govt. of India be addressed on the subject of travelling allowances to the staff employed on the Periyar Works.

S.E. Periyar Project.

(H.E. No. d/)

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

Sir,

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17th July 1888 I am ~~now~~ directed to address you on the subject of travelling allowances to the staff employed on the Periyar Project. It is suggested in your letter under reply that any recommendations which are made should be based on the principle of section 71 of the Civil Travelling allowance Code. This section contemplates in special cases an increase of "daily allowance or mileage or both", either in a definite ratio or in any

This Govt. have accepted the scale of local allowance sanctioned in para 4 of your previous letter of the 3rd July last, No 118 I, ~~but~~ reserving only the question ~~that~~ rate to be allowed to Col. Pennycuick himself who is a 2nd class Superintending Engineer. It is understood however that the Govt of India intend these allowances to be drawn only while the staff is at work above the ghauts: that ~~they~~ they will cease ~~will be drawn~~ during the annual journeys from & to the Hills ~~at~~ which fall in or about April & July & during the interval for which the staff is on the plains. 2. As regards the Travelling allowance to be drawn during these & other journeys

Such increase however is to apply ~~only~~ to all public officers travelling within ~~in~~ the specified locality, and the

3. It is obvious that any increase wh. might be granted under Sec 71 wd. in no way meet the hardships complained of. In the first place the higher rates would cease as soon as the officer left the specified area & would not commence until he returned to it. In the second as

other suitable manner. ~~The~~ cost of the removal ~~remove~~ of families is ~~appr~~ in no way provided for. ~~=ently not recognised~~

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Mdle 11305

From

The Supdg Engineer
Periyar Project

To

The Chief Engineer
P. W. D.

No. 1013 P.R

Dated 29th October 1888

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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Travelling allowance to be granted to officers and subordinates for the annual move to and from the Periyar — Suggesting proposals in regard to —

No 1013 P.R

Office of the Supg Engineer,
Periyar Project Works
Kodaikanal 29th Octr 188

D/2/4.

From

Col J. Pennycuick R.E.
Superintending Engineer.
Periyar Project Works

To

The Chief Engineer
Public Works Department.

Sir,

In reply to your No 4034 C of 22nd Instant, I have the honor to observe that if the extra allowance is limited to actual expenses for the officers and subordinates themselves, without provision for their families, for the annual move to and from the Periyar, with no extra allowance for ordinary travelling, the boon will be so small that it will not be worth granting.

2. The essence of the grievance as regards the annual move is that the individuals concerned have to take with them their families, furniture &c, or to incur the expense of a double establish-

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ment for the greater part of the year.

3 Allowance is made for the transport of the families of officers and others accompanying the Government on the annual move to and from Ootacamund and I fail to see why the same principle should not be admitted here

4 As regards other Journeys, I have shown in my letter No 853 P R of 2nd instt that the cost of such Journeys ~~east~~ west of Kuruvaunth is at least double that of ordinary travelling and for these Journeys double travelling allowance should be given.

5 My proposals are 1st actual expenses for the Journey to and from the Periyar at the beginning and end of each working seasons, for officers and subordinates and their families who accompany them, subject to the following limits

For officers - One fifth of a months pay.

For upper subordinates and clerks drawing salaries of Rs 60 per month or more - one third.

For lower subordinates and clerks drawing less than Rs 60 per month — Rs 2

2nd Double the ordinary rate of travelling allowance for all other Journeys west of Kuruvaunth.

L.S. Asst in the Periyar tract.

6. I think it right to say that I have hardly any personal interest in the matter, as my family does not accompany me to the Periyar, and five sixths at least of my travelling is east of Kuruvaunth, but I do not consider that any thing short of what is proposed above can be accepted as fair to the remainder of the staff.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
your most obdt Servt
J Pennycuick Col RE
Supg Engr Periyar Project

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